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## School board approves mowing bid, hires two new teachers

By ROB MAHARRY  
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER- The Grundy Center board of education approved a mowing bid from Tender Lawn Care and the hiring of two new teachers during its regular meeting on Wednesday, December 21, at the high school.

All three of the bids for mowing were local: Tender, Precision Lawn Care and Appel Lawn Care each submitted a bid, and Tender came in the lowest at a price of \$22.50 per hour and \$225 per time, which is the same rate it has charged since the company started mowing for the district six years ago. Precision's bid came in at \$33.80 per hour, and Appel came in at \$30 per hour. A motion to accept the low bid passed unanimously.

The hirings of Colby Grothoff as a high school social studies teacher and Sarah Dier as a seventh and eighth grade special education teacher were approved, but not before one board member raised questions about whether or not the additional staff was necessary. John Gordon was eventually the lone "no" vote on the consent agenda, which included the personnel changes.

"Are we fiscally responsible? I just want to make sure we don't get ourselves in a bind like we did in the past," Gordon said, in reference

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## Anti-RICL advocates cautiously celebrate temporary victory

By ROB MAHARRY  
The Grundy Register

DIKE- One might suspect that the news of Texas-based Clean Line Energy Partners withdrawing its application for a nearly 500-mile renewable energy transmission line running from O'Brien County, Iowa, to the Chicago area and passing through portions of northern and eastern Grundy County would send the landowners who spent the last three years fighting it tooth and nail into a frenzy of joy, but according to players on both sides of the issue, the battle is far from over.

"I think it's a victory, but then again, you're never sure with a multi-billion dollar investment firm," Dike-area farmer and anti-RICL activist Eric Andersen said. "Whether it's a total victory or not, I'm not sure, but it's definitely a good thing."

The proposed \$2 billion project has been mired in controversy over its use of eminent domain against the wishes of hundreds of affected landowners, and those in opposition poured into a series of local meetings in 2013 and 2014 to voice their objections to the plan. The Clean Line would transport electricity generated from wind energy in northwest Iowa to 14 states east of the Mississippi River, cutting through rural areas near Stout, Dike and Reinbeck in Grundy County.

"They shouldn't be allowed to take advantage of private property

rights because our farm field is in the middle of nowhere," Andersen said. "It seems like someone was sitting in an office in Houston and said, 'Well, we'll just put the line through here. There's nothing going on here.'"

On December 22, it was announced that Clean Line Energy Partners had withdrawn its application for a franchise permit as it awaits a decision from the Illinois Supreme Court, and due to an Iowa law authored by Reps. Pat Grassley (R-New Hartford) and Bobby Kauffman (R-Wilton) that would have required the project to gain approval from the Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) within three years of the first informational meeting, the RICL would not have been able to meet that timeline. Clean Line Energy Partners Vice President Hans Detweiler blasted the appellate court's decision, which centered on the concept that the RICL was a private venture rather than a public utility, and vowed to push forward, albeit on a delayed schedule.

"I think it's ridiculous," he said of the court challenge. "If you look at our business model, it's the same as every pipeline in the country. There's not an issue there. We think it's a significant departure from past precedent."

The RICL was particularly unpopular in Grundy County, where a pair of semi-trailers on Highway 20 that anti-Clean Line activist Kim Junker painted greet drivers



semi-trailer with the message "Stop RICL" sits in a field near Highway 20 approximately a mile east of Dike. The company behind the proposed transmission line recently announced that it is withdrawing its application for a franchise permit in Iowa while it awaits a legal challenge in Illinois. (Rob Maharry/The Grundy Register photo)

with the slogans "Stop RICL" and "Stop Eminent Domain Abuse." Just nine of the 163 potentially affected landowners signed voluntary easement agreements, and 278 objections were filed out of a total of 1,327 in Iowa. The county's board of supervisors, however, declined to formally file

an objection with the IUB on a split vote, as supervisor Barb Smith argued that it would set a negative precedent because the county lacked any legal standing on the matter.

In addition to the concerns over eminent domain, those in opposition cited compensation rates—90

percent of fair market agricultural value for the affected land plus structure fees, non-negotiable—as inadequate, though they added that the project was unnecessary in general.

"A commercial enterprise like

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## Main Street Grundy Center board appoints new director

By MICHAELA KENDALL  
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER - Recently, the Main Street Grundy Center Board of Directors announced the selection of new MSGC executive director - Bobbi Finarty - who takes over the position from previous director Kristin Cleveland.

Finarty, a Grundy Center resident, has served for a number of years as a business development specialist and sales manager for a regional agricultural cooperative, where she provided marketing and communications, training and sales support.

Finarty said one of the driving factors behind her career change was that she would have the opportunity to act as a resource for economic growth and development right here in Grundy Center.

"What I enjoy the most is watching businesses grow and thrive; economic development is part of that, and that was really a driving factor for me," she said. "I want to be a resource to our district's residents and businesses; to help them facilitate growth and improvement, and to take advantage of the opportunities that are here for them."

Though she's only been on the job for two weeks, Finarty says she is jumping in with both feet.

"There are a number of projects on the table right now, and one of them is to be a resource to the city with the block grant and façade project, and another big one is the accreditation process," she said. "The accreditation process takes a lot of time and effort, but all of that groundwork was done over the past year and a half by the committees and volunteers here in the community."

Finarty said that thanks to these dedicated committee members, volunteers and the hard work and organization of previous director Kristin Cleveland, the transition has been smooth sailing for her. "We have active committees in place, we have an active board, and the last director



Bobbi Finarty

left everything in good shape, so it feels like stepping right in to work and having nothing to worry about," she said.

One of the main things Finarty hopes to focus on in her new position, as mentioned before, is being a resource to the community.

"I really want to be a resource to our district's businesses and potential businesses, and that means partnering with them and helping them partner with small business development center resources and helping them find grants and other funding; any aspect that will help them grow," she said. "Sometimes business owners don't know what's available to them. Even with the empty buildings, if someone is just coming into town, we can help them study what can be put in those buildings. If they have an idea, we'll help with making a market plan and we can connect them with someone who can help them with funding. It's all about revitalizing the district in any way that we can."

Finarty says another thing she is looking forward to is getting to know the committee members, volunteers and community members better through her new position as Main

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## Bakker named supervisors chair

By ROB MAHARRY  
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER- The Grundy County Board of Supervisors held its organizational meeting on Monday morning, and Chuck Bakker was named the chairman of the board for 2017.

Bakker, a Republican who represents district three (Dike area), was recently re-elected in an uncontested race, and he will succeed Barb Smith as the chairperson. Republican Jim Ross of district five, who also won re-election in November, will serve as vice-chair. In addition, Smith, County Auditor Rhonda Deters and Sheriff Rick Penning were sworn into their positions after winning re-election. All three were Republicans who ran unopposed.

County Attorney Erika Allen briefly addressed the board about its compliance with the Red Flag Rule, but because the county doesn't act as a creditor, no official action was necessary.

County Engineer Gary Mauer reported that he received 12 applications for the co-patrolman position at the Conrad shop, including six from the Conrad-Beaman area, and a resolution that will allow him to approve Farm-to-Market construction projects passed unanimously.

The board approved a host of appointments for 2017, which are as follows: Charles LaTendresse as interim medical examiner and Eric Opheim, Greg Selenke and Steve Scurr as assistant medical examiners; Bakker as the Board of Supervisors' representative on the Black Hawk/Grundy Mental Health Center Board of Directors;

Darrell Sloth to the Dike Benefited Fire District Board of Directors; Smith to the Operation Threshold Board of Directors; Mark Schildroth to the Regional Transit Commission Board of Directors and Harlyn Riekena as the alternate; Riekena to the 911 service board; Riekena to the Emergency Management Commission; Riekena as the weed commissioner; Schildroth to the INRCOG



Members of the Grundy County Board of Supervisors posed for a photo during their annual organizational meeting on Monday morning. Sitting are incoming chairman Chuck Bakker (left) and Vice-Chair Jim Ross (right). Standing are board members Barb Smith (left), Mark Schildroth (center) and Harlyn Riekena (right). (Rob Maharry/The Grundy Register photo)

Board of Directors; Bakker to the First Judicial Board of Correctional Services and Smith as the alternate; Ross to the Juvenile Detention Board of Directors and Riekena as the alternate; Smith to the Northeast Iowa Response Group and Zach Tripp as the alternate; Bakker to the DHS Together 4 Families Board for 2017; Ross to the County Social Services Board and Riekena as the alternate; Smith to the Landfill Commission; and each member of the board to their same positions on the finance, purchasing, roads, bridges, poor, courthouse and jail committees.

The following township trustees were appointed to terms that will end on December 31, 2020: Bea-

ver Township - Sidney Hayes and Greg Melcher, Black Hawk Township - Vern Knaack and Ken Fogt, Clay Township - L. J. Kopsa, Colfax Township - Bryon Hook and Wayne Eilers, Fairfield Township - David Meyer and Fred Bolhuis, Felix Township - Bradley Stevens and Bob Hogle, German Township - Rick Kuper and Jay Spieker, Grant Township - Mike Thede, Lincoln Township - Randy Dieken and Shan Davis, Melrose Township - David Strickler and Gary Peters, Palermo Township - Dennis Kiewiet and Lyle Neher, Pleasant Valley Township - Robert Aswegan and Robert Everts, Shiloh Township - Lary Riekens and Kevin Nederhoff, and

Washington Township - Bill Cooley and Ron Saak.

**IN OTHER BUSINESS**, the board:

- Approved *The Grundy Register* as the official county publication for 2017.

- Approved the Veteran's Affairs Quarterly Report.

- Approved a resolution designating bank depositories for county funds.

- Approved a resolution appointing the 2017 compensation commission.

- Approved a resolution authorizing Deters to issue warrants in the absence of the board.



# Survey shows farmland values continuing in downward trend

By MICHAELA KENDALL  
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY COUNTY – Late last month, Iowa State University released their annual Farmland Value Survey for 2016, which indicated a third year of declines in farmland values in Grundy County and across the state.

In 2016, farmland values dropped an average of 5.9 percent across the state, with prices dropping from \$7,633 per acre to \$7,183 per acre. Here in Grundy County, land values fell 6.8 percent, from \$9,183 per acre in 2015 to \$8,552 in 2016.

Across the state, this year's decline of 5.9 percent was larger than the 3.9 percent downturn in 2015 but smaller than the 8.9 percent downturn in 2014.

Although many farmland owners remain unoptimistic about values for 2017, Wendong Zhang, an Associate Professor in Economics at Iowa State University and author of this year's ISU farmland values survey, says that the decline is not a doomsday scenario.

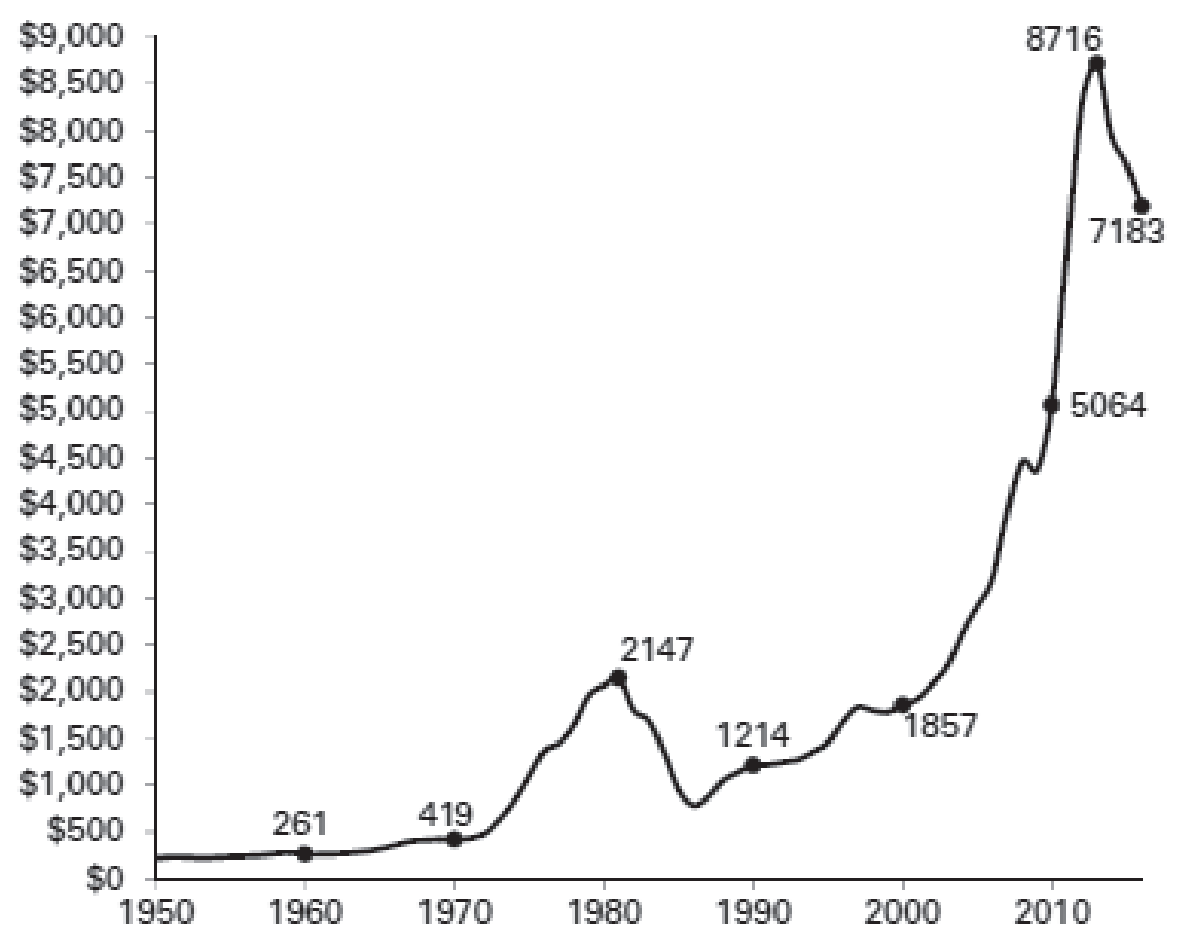
"It was widely accepted among farmers and landowners at the start of 2016 that commodity prices, farm income, and profit margin probably wouldn't improve much over the year, and arguably the farmland market has already capitalized these expectations," Zhang wrote in his report. "Therefore, the downward pressures did not cause a panic market reaction. To some extent, this farm downturn, although continuing, is slowing down in its downside."

Zhang added that over the past few years, farmland owners have seen the market first slow down in its growth rate, from a 20 percent increase in 2011 and 2012 to a mere 5 percent increase in 2013, before transitioning to modest losses in 2014, 2015 and 2016. He added, in addition, that the declines over the past three years are all less than 10 percent.

But, there are still legitimate woes for farmland owners.

According to the USDA, net farm income dropped another 17.2 percent, to \$66.9 billion in August 2016, which is the lowest

Figure 1. Average value per acre of Iowa farmland



Source: Iowa State University Land Value Survey

since 2009. In addition, corn and soybean prices continue to fall short of production costs, and hog, cattle and dairy prices are all down by at least 30 percent compared to two years ago. Another factor to consider is the slow but steady increase in financial stress on the agricultural sector, with continuing declines in loan repayment rates and uptakes in working capital debts.

Zhang also writes that the Federal Reserve Board has long discussed the end of the low-interest era, and will likely raise the historically low interest rates to 'low-yet-favorable' levels.

"With the decline in farm income, and a highly probable increase in interest rates, we might see farmland values continue to recede if the forecasts for low commodity prices and the global stock recovery for grains and oilseeds are realized next year and

beyond," Zhang writes. "The Iowa farmland market appears to have peaked for the foreseeable future, and we may expect to see the [market] drifting sideways."

But despite concerns, Zhang says he doesn't believe Iowa farmland values are in a speculative bubble, like the one that caused the 1980s farm crisis.

He writes that unlike the 1980s farm crisis, farmers have accumulated much more income – particularly cash – than they did before that event. In addition, he added, the agricultural sector is much less vulnerable and leveraged nowadays, as farmers can only get less than half of cash-flow based on land values. Additionally, the safety net for farmers is now much stronger than it has been before. In the 1980s only 50 million acres in the entire U.S. were insured in the Federal Crop Insurance program, as compared to nowadays, where

25 million acres of corn and soybeans in Iowa alone are insured.

"The demand for U.S. crop and livestock products is still very strong," Zhang writes. "The downward pressures on farmland values will likely continue and play out next year and beyond, but it will more than likely be a rational and modest correction as opposed to a sudden change."

Zhang writes that a likely scenario for the future is that farmland values will return to more normal changes experienced over the last century – Iowa farmland values have increased 73 percent of years and decreased 26 percent of years – though it is impossible to tell where farmland values will stabilize.

For the full report on the Iowa State University Farmland Value Survey of 2016, visit [www.card.iastate.edu/land-value/2016/](http://www.card.iastate.edu/land-value/2016/)



A simple risk assessment for heart disease will be among the free screenings offered at the 2017 Grundy County Wellness Fair, set for the morning of Saturday, January 7 at Grundy County Memorial Hospital.

## Grundy County Wellness Fair set for January 7

GRUNDY CENTER – Low-cost blood screenings and a variety of organizations and services that support overall health and wellness will be available at the Grundy County Wellness Fair, Saturday January 7th, 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the Grundy County Memorial Hospital. The Grundy Center Wellness Committee sponsors the fair to give individuals and families of all ages the convenience of 'one-stop shopping' for a healthy beginning to the 2017. In addition, the Pink Nose, Warm Toes 5K and Walk with a Doc events will offer healthy outdoor activity during the event.

The Wellness Fair features a variety of free health information and screenings, as well as low-cost blood work that provides people with their key numbers for good health. Wellness lab tests range from \$10 for thyroid, A1C, Thyroid and PSA (prostate), to \$20 for General Chemistry and Complete Cholesterol profile. The Cholesterol profile requires fasting after 10:00 p.m. the evening prior to the testing.

Free screenings available at the

Wellness Fair include: Blood pressure, body composition, foot health assessment, heart risk assessment, balance assessment, diabetes risk assessment, memory screening, and a healthy sleep assessment. A free breakfast will be available in the hospital's East J Café, sponsored by the Grundy County Farm Bureau. In addition, attendees have the chance to win prizes.

The Pink Nose Warm Toes 5K begins at 8:30 a.m., and offers first and second place prizes in each of nine age categories for both men and women. Registration for the 5K is available on the hospital's website, [www.grundycountyhospital.org](http://www.grundycountyhospital.org). Proceeds from the 5K will benefit Community Health Grants sponsored by the hospital Foundation.

Walk with a Doc begins at 9:00 a.m. and will include a 20 minutes outdoor walk with Dr. Eric Neverman, including an opportunity to have health questions answered.

"Cold weather makes it challenging for people to get the regular physical activity they need to maintain good health. The 5K and Walk with a Doc events are aimed at encouraging outdoor activity in the winter months," says Andrew Peters, Wellness Committee member and director of the Grundy Family YMCA. Peters says the annual Wellness Fair is a low cost and convenient way for people to learn about local wellness resources as they set personal wellness goals for 2017. "We are fortunate to have many resources available to support good health, and the Wellness Fair offers adults, families, and seniors the chance to see what's available to meet their needs."

Wellness Fair vendors include: Basic Bodyworks Massage, Blackhawk Hearing, Cedar Valley Hospice, First 5 program/Blackhawk County Health Department, Grundy Center Ministerial Association, Grundy Center Wellness Committee and Community Gardens, Grundy County Emergency Management, Grundy County Environmental Health, Grundy County Extension and Outreach, Grundy County Memorial Hospital – Therapy, Surgery, Radiology, and Specialty Clinic, Grundy County Memorial Hospital – Lab offers low-cost blood screens, Grundy County Memorial Hospital – Heart Aware risk assessment; Diabetes Education and

NutritionIowa Legal Aid, I-Smile Kids Dental Program, Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging, Operation Threshold, Pathways Behavioral Services, Runner's Flat, Safe Routes to School/Iowa Northland Council of Governments, UnityPoint Clinic, UnityPoint/Blackhawk Grundy Mental Health Center, UnityPoint Hospice/UnityPoint at Home.

The January 7 event takes place at the hospital, 201 East J Avenue in Grundy Center. More information is available at [grundycountyhospital.org](http://grundycountyhospital.org).

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## Obituaries

### Dean Groeneveld

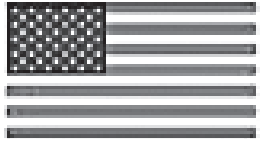
Dean Allen Groeneveld, 86, passed away December 24, 2016, at Iowa River Hospice in Marshalltown. Funeral services for Dean were held December 29 at Center Street Baptist Church in Marshalltown. Memorials may be designated to Center Street Baptist Church or to Iowa River Hospice in Marshalltown. Pence ~ Reese Funeral Home in Newton has been entrusted with the arrangements. Online condolences may be left at [www.pencefh.com](http://www.pencefh.com)

Dean, the son of John J. and Tillie (Lindaman) Groeneveld, was born May 27, 1930, in German Township, Wellsburg. He graduated from the Eldora, Iowa High School, Class of 1947. Dean had served his country in the US Army during the Korean Conflict.

On January 6, 1952, Dean was united in marriage with Helen Pearl Weaver at the Church of Christ in Union. They had lived in Texas, Georgia and Eldora, prior to moving to Marshalltown. Dean had devoted his life to his wife, children and family. He was employed as a meat cutter and floor specialist. He worked for FandM Bank as a facilities manager. Dean was a longtime member of the Center Street Baptist Church in Marshalltown. He belonged to many area garden clubs such as Marshalltown Garden Club, Russ O'Harra Hosta Society and Central Iowa Day Lily Society.

Dean was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Helen, on March 27, 2011; his brother, Leslie "Bud" Groeneveld; his sister, Lavera Boelman; a daughter, Lynn Marie, at six months of age; and a great-granddaughter, Aliysha Longwell.

Those left to honor Dean's memory include his three daughters and sons-in-law, Sandra and Bob Mullen of Marshalltown, [grandchild, Aaron (Angie) Polley, great-grandchildren: Kalyn and Hunter; grandchild, Megan (Ben) Johnson, great grandchildren, Grace, Chloe and Kate]; Denise and Bill Bogan of Union, [grandchild, Jeni (Steven) Longwell, great-grandchildren, Chris, Nathan and Jeanette; grandchild, Genya (Cory) Clemons, great-grandchildren, Taylor and Ella, grandchild, Telea (Brad) Wiener, great-grandchild, Elijah]; and LuAnn and Bruce Lawrence of Marshalltown, [grandchildren: Lindsey Lawrence, Reece (Jen) Rose and Lona (Andrew) Bradbury, great-grandchildren: Cody, Emma and Lillian]; and his son, Darin Groeneveld (Theresa Williams) of Marshalltown; his sister-in-law and many nieces, nephews and friends.



### Donna I. Richards

Donna I. Richards, 90, of Grundy Center passed away December 27, 2016, at the Grundy County Memorial Hospital, while under the care of Cedar Valley Hospice. Visitation was held December 30 at the Engelkes-Abels Funeral Home in Grundy Center. A funeral service was held December 31 at the United Methodist Church in Grundy Center. Burial was held at the Harlington Cemetery in Waverly. Memorials may be directed to Cedar Valley Hospice. Online condolences may be made at [www.abelsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.abelsfuneralhomes.com).

Donna was born on February 13, 1926, in Ackley. She was the daughter of Friedrich and Helene (Detmer) Hesse. She attended St. Paul Lutheran Parochial School in Waverly, and graduated from Waverly High School.

Donna worked at the Lutheran Mutual Insurance Company and the sugar factory in Waverly, Iowa, where she met her husband Ward. She was united in marriage to Ward C. Richards, Sr. on January 20, 1945, at the Methodist Church in Waverly, Iowa. Together they welcomed six children into their family. They spent their married life farming in many communities in central Iowa. While raising six children, she was a hard worker, with a large vegetable garden, with a pansy bed, roses and raspberries. She was a dedicated help mate to her husband, Ward. Donna also worked outside the home as a cleaning lady for local households. She then became a CNA and worked for a care center in Fredericksburg and later in Grundy Center.

Donna was a long-time member of the United Methodist Church in Grundy Center. She was a member of WSCS and taught adult Sunday school. Donna had a beautiful soprano voice and sang for many church services, weddings and funerals. She was also a member of the Chancel Choir.

Later in life, Donna was a cancer survivor of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

Donna is survived by her children, Lois (Howard) Hollander of Steamboat Rock, Kathryn Morrison of Trenton, Missouri, Joan (Stanley) Schneider of Haslet, Texas, John W. (Merri) Richards, II of Waterloo, Freddie J. (Connie) Richards of Melcher Dallas, Ward C. (Lorraine) Richards, Jr. of Grundy Center; 15 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren; brother Dr. Charles F. (Anne) Hesse of Coralville, Iowa and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; step-mother Opal Chestnut Hesse; husband Ward, Sr.; and her grandson Mark Schneider.



### Iva Dean L. Freese

Iva Dean L. Freese, 85, of Holland passed away December 29, 2016, at the Unity Point Health Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo. The funeral service was held January 2 at the Pleasant Valley Reformed Church in rural Holland (Fern) with Pastor Rick Vollema officiating. Visitation was January 1 at the Engelkes-Abels Funeral Home in Grundy Center. The burial took place on January 3 at the Rosehill Cemetery in Grundy Center. Memorials may be directed to the family where they will donate to a charity of their choice at a later date. Online condolences may be left at [www.abelsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.abelsfuneralhomes.com).

Iva Dean was born on April 26, 1931, in rural Grundy County, the daughter of Henry G. and Trena K. (Meester) VanHauen. She grew up in Grundy County and attended Country School, later attending school in Dike, where she graduated with the class of 1950. On December 19, 1952, Iva Dean was united in marriage to her high school sweetheart Charles Freese at the Pleasant Valley Reformed Church. The couple welcomed sons Terry and Steven into their family. For a short time, Iva Dean worked at Mamma's Grocery Store in Grundy Center and she worked mostly as a homemaker, but Iva Dean and Charles were able to work side by side on the family farm, until their retirement.

She was a member of the Pleasant Valley Reformed Church in Holland, where she served on the Ladies Guild and taught Catechism. Iva Dean enjoyed gardening, flowers and shopping. Iva Dean and Charles worked hard all their lives but took time to enjoy their family, especially their grandchildren and great-grandchildren, whom they adored. Iva Dean will be dearly missed by her family she leaves behind.

Iva Dean is survived by her loving husband of 64 years, Charles of Holland; sons Terry (Trisha) Freese of Dubuque and Steve (Sheila) Freese of Grundy Center; grandchildren Evan (Emily) Freese of Grundy Center, Bryan Freese of Waterloo and Erik (Kaitlynn) Freese of Grundy Center; great-grandchildren Savanna Flynn, Bentley and Kaylor Freese and Axel Freese; sisters Arlene VanHauen of Grundy Center and Beverly (Paul) Meyer of Colorado and brother Leland (Neola) VanHauen of Parkersburg.

She was preceded in death by her parents; infant brother Edward Lee; infant grandson Dean Allen Freese; granddaughter Sara Freese Flynn.



### Devon Erickson

Devon Andrew Erickson, 18, of Grundy Center died January 1, 2017, at Iowa Methodist Hospital in Des Moines. Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, January 6, at the Engelkes-Abels Funeral Home in Grundy Center. A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 7 at the Grundy Center High School Gymnasium. Burial will follow at Rose Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials may be directed to the family. Online condolences may be made at [www.abelsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.abelsfuneralhomes.com). Full obituary will be published in next week's edition.

## RICL

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this should be playing commercial values, not farmland values," fellow anti-RICL activist and local landowner Ted Junker said. "When you look at the dollars that they're going to generate off of that line, and you look at the dollars the wind turbines themselves generate for the landowners, it's a pretty small price to pay for them to get a one-time easement."

If the Clean Line survives its legal challenge in Illinois, Detweiler indicated that the company would then re-apply for a franchise permit in Iowa and restart the process, and he did say that they might be willing to revisit the route. Still, when asked about a possible connection to the backlash over the Dakota Access Pipeline, where the opposition mostly centered around environmental concerns and encroachment on Native American lands, Detweiler decried a national change in mood on infrastructure projects.

"We look at what happened to (Energy Transfer Partners, the company behind the Dakota Access Pipeline), and we feel their pain. It's getting harder to build major infrastructure projects in this country," he said. "We're in a

situation we didn't reasonably expect to find ourselves."

He added that the Clean Line would generate a total of about \$8 billion in private investment, transport 16,000,000 megawatt hours of electricity per year and create 5,000 construction jobs as well as about 500 long-term maintenance jobs.

"I would say that the nation needs new energy infrastructure and new investment in jobs that are good paying jobs, and (the clean line) brings it through private money rather than taxpayer money. If people are concerned about an overly expansive role of government in the economy, then privately funded projects like this one are the natural path forward," he said.

The Junkers and Andersen, however, counter that the rights of private landowners should be considered when making these decisions, and that projects such as the Clean Line should be recognized for what they are—private, for-profit endeavors that largely benefit a small group of wealthy investors.

"It's no wonder that people are fed up with what's going on," Kim Junker said.

## Local man killed after New Year's Day rollover

By MICHAELA KENDALL  
The Grundy Register

GREEN MOUNTAIN – A young man from Grundy Center was fatally injured after his car rolled over early Sunday morning in Green Mountain.

According to the Marshall County Sheriff's Office, Devon Erickson, 18, was traveling south on Wallace Avenue, heading into Green Mountain, at about 12:30 a.m. Sunday.

Preliminary reports say that Erickson failed to slow down when entering the 35-mph speed zone coming into the town. When he came upon a vehicle that had slowed down to turn, he swerved to avoid rear-ending it, but lost control.

His vehicle went off the road and struck a pole before the vehicle overturned. Erickson, the only passenger, was not wearing a seatbelt at the time and was partially ejected and pinned under his vehicle, resulting in serious injuries, authorities say.

Emergency responders from the Marshall County, Green Mountain, Marshalltown and Central Iowa Healthcare extricated Erickson and transferred him to a nearby hospital. He was later flown to a Des Moines hospital where he died from his injuries.

The investigation into the fatal crash is ongoing, and authorities are awaiting toxicology reports from the Medical Examiner to determine if there are other contributing factors in the crash.

As part of the investigation, the Marshall County Sheriff's Office is attempting to determine the whereabouts of Erickson earlier that evening and whom he may have had contact with. Anyone with information is encouraged to contact the communications center at (641) 754-5725.

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## Grundy Center

### Junior class to host

### After Prom fundraiser

GRUNDY CENTER — On Friday, January 6, the Grundy Center High School Junior Class will host their After Prom Fundraiser Walking Tacos meal.

The meal will be served from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the High School Commons.

The Junior Class will also be selling raffle tickets, for which the drawing will be held on February 7 during halftime of the boys' game.

### January Walk With A Doc date is set

GRUNDY CENTER — Start out 2017 with a focus on simple steps to improve your health. The first 'Walk with a Doc' of the new year is scheduled for Saturday, January 7, at 9 a.m. Dr. Eric Neverman will lead the walk, which begins at Grundy County Memorial Hospital, Entrance #2 (Unity-Point Clinic entrance).

'Walk with a Doc' is a free year-round walking program sponsored by Grundy County Memorial Hospital. 'Walk with a Doc' has more than 200 chapters across the country as part of an effort that pairs doctors with members of their community to encourage increased physical activity in people of all ages. Each walk begins with a brief health-related discussion led by the doctor. Walkers have an opportunity to ask questions on the walk, which will take about thirty minutes.

Walkers should come with comfortable shoes and dressed for the weather. If weather conditions are extreme, the walk will be held inside the YMCA gym. To receive walk information, phone 319-824-4152 or email [GCMH\\_info@unitypoint.org](mailto:GCMH_info@unitypoint.org)

### Methodist Church to serve lunch

GRUNDY CENTER — On Sunday, January 8, the Grundy Center United Methodist Church (707 6th Street) will serve a spaghetti or Haitian rice and beans lunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Eat in or take out is available. For more information, call the church at 319-825-5408.

All of the profits from the lunch, which is a free will offering, will go to Bethesda Medical Clinic in Vaudreuil, Haiti.



### Operation Threshold accepts donation

Jaynie Mason, Program Manager for Operation Threshold, accepts a donation from Steph Kiewiet, representative of Green Belt Bank and Trust. Every year bank staff, affiliates, and directors donate towards a holiday contribution to local food pantries which the bank then matches the funds. In addition to Grundy Center, funds are also distributed in our four other communities where Green Belt Bank has offices.

## NOTICE

The Grundy Center Public Works Department will pick up Christmas trees on Thursday, January 5 and Friday, January 6.

Please place your trees at the curb BEFORE 9 a.m.



Any trees not out on the parking strip when we go by will not be picked up. Also, trees must be stripped of any and all decorations, plastic bags, etc. Any tree that is not stripped will be left for the owner to dispose of.

Any Grundy Center resident who would like to dispose of their Christmas tree prior to or after the pick up date may do so by taking their tree to the disposal site northeast of the sports complex. The same rules apply here as above, that the trees must be stripped bare before disposal. The trees may be thrown on the tree pile if they meet with the above criteria.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Dan Bangasser  
Public Works Director  
City of Grundy Center



## Northy reviews key issues facing Iowa agriculture in 2016

DES MOINES – Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Bill Northy today highlighted some of the top ag issues in Iowa in 2016.

“Iowa farmers saw record production for both corn and soybeans again in 2016, however low prices are making profitability a real challenge on both the crop and livestock side. Despite the economic challenges, farmers are by nature optimistic and we continue to see investments in the future and new and innovative technologies that will allow them to be even more productive while also reducing environmental impact,” Northy said.

### Record Production, Economic Challenges

Much of Iowa had a nearly ideal growing season that saw Iowa farmers produce record corn and soybean crops again this year.

Iowa corn production is forecast at 2.69 billion bushels according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service Crop Production report. This surpasses last year’s record of 2.51 billion bushels. The statewide average yield is expected to be a record setting 199.0 bushels per acre, 7.0 bushels per acre higher than the previous record that was set last year.

Soybean production is forecast at 561 million bushels for Iowa. If realized, this will be the largest crop on record, 6.80 million bushels above last year’s record high. The statewide yield forecast is 59.0 bushels per acre, 2.5 bushels more than the previous record set last year.

However, the significant drop in crop prices over the past few years has made it a very challenging time on the farm economically as in many cases current prices are below the cost of production for farmers. Average statewide corn prices fell from \$3.37 to \$3.008 from November 2015 to Nov. 2016. Statewide average soybean prices have recovered somewhat from \$8.14 to \$9.25 from Nov. 2015 to Nov. 2016, but in many cases are still below the cost of production.

It has also been a challenging year economically for Iowa livestock farmers. Cattle prices have continued to fall and were at \$101 per hundred weight in October, down from \$128 per hundred weight last year and \$161 two years ago. Hog prices are also down from \$55.50 in Oct. 2015 to \$41.70 in Oct. 2016.

Iowa egg production has recovered from the devastating highly pathogenic avian influenza outbreak that resulted in the depopulation of more than 30 million Iowa laying hens last year. Iowa egg produc-

tion in October 2016 was 1.30 billion eggs, up 3 percent from last month, and up 71 percent from last year, according to the latest Chickens and Eggs report from the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. The average number of all layers on hand during October 2016 was 53.7 million, up 1 percent from last month, and up 55 percent from last year. However, egg prices have fallen dramatically, from \$1.26 per dozen in October of 2015 to just \$.21 per dozen in October of this year.

The tighter margins seen on the farm are starting to ripple through the economy. Land prices are down 5.9 percent over the past year. There have been several announcements of layoffs and mergers by manufacturers, machinery providers, seed companies, and other business that serve the agriculture industry.

Despite the challenges, opportunities remain. In general, exports remain strong. Agricultural exports account for 10% of the U.S. exports and supports nearly one million jobs across the country.

To help continue to grow exports, Northy participated in trade missions with the Iowa Economic Development Authority and USDA to the Dominican Republic, Costa Rica, Ukraine and Romania.

### Iowa Water Quality Initiative

The Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship is continuing to expand efforts to work with all Iowans to make water quality improvements.

Earlier this year Northy announced that 1,900 farmers committed \$3.8 million in cost share funds to install nutrient reduction practices in 97 counties in Iowa. Eligible practices include cover crops, no-till or strip till, or using a nitrification inhibitor when applying fall fertilizer. Participants include 900 first-time participants and more than 1,000 past users that are trying cover crops again and receive a reduced cost share rate.

There are also currently 45 existing demonstration projects located across the state to help implement and demonstrate water quality practices through the initiative. This includes 16 targeted watershed projects, 7 projects focused on expanding the use and innovative delivery of water quality practices and 22 urban water quality demonstration projects. More than 100 organizations are participating in these projects. These partners will provide \$19.31 million dollars to go with over \$12 million in state funding going to these projects.

Nearly \$350 million in state and

federal funds have been directed to programs with water quality benefits in Iowa last year. This total does not include the cost share amount that farmers pay to match state and federal programs and funds spent to build practices built without government assistance.

More information about the initiative can be found at [www.CleanWaterIowa.org](http://www.CleanWaterIowa.org).

### Fueling our Future

Through the “Fueling our Future 100” initiative, Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad, Lt. Gov. Kim Reynolds and Northy have announced that 217 blender pumps and 18 underground storage tanks will be installed at 70 sites by 17 companies to provide consumers with access to higher blends of ethanol.

The funding for the projects is from a \$5 million competitive grant from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Biofuel Infrastructure Partnership (BIP) program Iowa received to support the initiative. All funds must be matched by non-federal funds, including up to \$2.5 million from the Iowa Renewable Fuels Infrastructure program. The fueling sites applying for assistance will also be required to provide a minimum of \$2.5 million.

“Thanks to the investments made by the state, the federal government and by these companies, customers will have greater access to higher blends of renewable fuels. This will increase consumer choice at the pump and allow them to increase the amount of clean burning, home-grown renewable fuels they use,” Northy said. “The ‘Fueling our Future 100’ initiative, along with the EPA’s recent announcement of the RFS levels for next year, is good news for customers, the renewable fuels industry and our energy independence.”

### Northy’s 99 county tour turns 10

In November, Northy completed his 10th 99 county tour of Iowa. Northy has visited each of Iowa’s 99 counties every year since taking office in 2007.

“Visiting each county every year has been enjoyable and invaluable for me to better understand the diversity and scale of Iowa agriculture and also the passion and commitment of our state’s farmers. Getting out to our rural communities; visiting farms, businesses, schools and community meetings; and listening to a wide variety of Iowans is important for all elected officials as we seek to serve the people of our great state,” Northy said.

## Stansberry takes over as Conrad city clerk

By ROB MAHARRY  
The Grundy Register

CONRAD- City finance has always been incoming Conrad City Clerk and Administrator Lori Stansberry’s forte, and when she was called upon to serve as an interim replacement for Denise Hoy, who held the position for 21 years, Stansberry began to think that it may be a post she was interested in for the long-term. Now, as the new year begins, she’s immersing herself in the job, and she spoke to *The Grundy Register* about her background and what made Conrad an appealing choice.

“I wasn’t looking for (the job), but I knew the books would be in good shape with Denise. I’d heard nothing but good about Conrad and the council that she had,” she said. “When she first told me about it for contracting, I said ‘you know what, I may decide to apply.’”

Stansberry has extensive experience working in local government, as she spent 18 years with the city of Marshalltown and became accounting manager, then transitioned to the private sector with a job at Bowman and Miller, P.C., an accounting firm. She later rejoined the city as the finance director for five years before resigning from that post in 2015 and opening her own accounting business that specializes in consulting with small city governments, which she still operates. She’s looking forward to taking on a new challenge in Conrad.

“The challenge is just that every town runs a little bit different, and



New Conrad City Clerk and Administrator Lori Stansberry poses for a photo in her office at city hall. Stansberry comes to the position with an extensive background in city finance. (Rob Maharry/The Grundy Register photo)

just getting to know all the little fundamentals that are unique to each little town,” Stansberry said. “I know from the last two weeks of working with Denise that everything is in real good shape, and council’s been very good to discuss things with.”

With her first city council meeting just a week away, Stansberry is learning the job on the fly, but she hopes she can carry on the torch that Hoy left as she is now working for the city of Ely in Linn County. Coming from her background, Stansberry is extremely familiar with the

intricacies and nuances of city finance, and she plans to put that knowledge to full use in her new office.

Some of the biggest issues facing Conrad this year will include the ongoing fire station project as well as the future of the Smith Development and the hopes of attracting more businesses to relocate there. The city is also hoping to hire a deputy clerk to assist Stansberry with her duties.

“The only learning curve that I’m really going to have is just what is unique to Conrad itself,” she said.

## GRUNDY COUNTY Sheriff’s Department

JACOB HOGUE, age 18, Reinbeck, were arrested December 19 at 8:00 PM at his home on a Tama County warrant charging him with DISORDERLY CONDUCT – FIGHTING OR VIOLENT BEHAVIOR. Posted bond and released. Arrested by GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.

A one vehicle accident occurred on December 20 at 6:06 AM on D-35 east of O Avenue. LEONARD STEPHENS, age 69, Grundy Center, was eastbound crossing a small bridge. Stephens’ vehicle hit a snow drift and he lost control. The vehicle entered the north ditch and flipped on its top. Stephens’ 2003 Chevrolet received an estimated \$3,000 damage. No summons. Investigated by GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.

A one vehicle accident occurred December 20 at 7:25 AM on S Avenue south of 230th Street. JACOB MOORE, age 17, Lincoln, was northbound when the vehicle dropped off onto the shoulder. Moore corrected, lost control and the vehicle entered the west ditch where it rolled onto its side. Moore’s 2000 Dodge received an estimated \$2,000 damage. No summons. Investigated by GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.

A one vehicle accident occurred December 22 at 5:30 PM on Hwy 175 one mile east of Grundy Center. BRENDA BOWEN, age 48, Reinbeck, was eastbound when a deer entered the roadway and was struck. Bowen’s 2004 Jeep received an estimated \$1,500 damage. No summons, no injury. Investigated by GRUNDY

### COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.

A one vehicle accident occurred December 23 at 5:50 AM on Hwy 20 at the 215 mile marker. ANDREA ASWEGAN, age 40, Grundy Center, was eastbound when a deer entered the roadway and was struck. Aswegan’s 2012 Chevrolet received an estimated \$3,500 damage. No summons, no injury. Investigated by GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.

A one vehicle accident occurred December 23 at 3:00 PM on T-55 north of D-35. JEFFREY TICHY, age 28, Gladbrook, was northbound and lost control. The vehicle entered the west ditch and rolled onto its side. Tichy’s 2002 Ford received an estimated \$1,500 damage. No summons, minor injuries. Investigated by GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.

JAMIE UBBEN, age 37, Ackley, was arrested December 24 at 5:40 PM on M Avenue south of 170th Street and charged with OWI 1st and CARRYING WEAPONS. Released on a promise to appear. Arrested by GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.

A two vehicle accident occurred December 23 at 10:13 AM on Hwy 20 at the 219 mile marker. ISMAEL BATZ, age 28, Waterloo, was eastbound in the outside lane. LENNIE DAVIDSON, age 68, Prairie Du Chien, WI, was eastbound in the inside lane. Batz struck the front rear dual on the passenger side of the semi flatbed. Batz’s 2001 Ford received an estimated \$4,000 damage. Davidson’s 2000 Peterbilt received an estimated \$300 damage.

BATZ was issued citations for NO DRIVER’S LICENSE and NO INSURANCE. No injury. Investigated by GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.

A one vehicle accident occurred December 27 at 1:30 AM on D-67 west of Conrad. JESSE PLATTE, age 34, Radcliffe, was westbound when a coyote entered the roadway and was struck. Platte’s 2005 Toyota received an estimated \$3,000 damage. No summons, no injury. Investigated by GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.

A one vehicle accident occurred December 28 at 6:45 AM on Hwy 175 west of T-29. TREY BUSH, age 19, Quimby, was eastbound when vehicle dropped off onto the shoulder. The driver overcorrected, lost control and skidded across the westbound land and into the north ditch. Bush’s 1995 Buick received an estimated \$1,500 damage. No summons. Investigated by GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.

ROSE LEVINGSTON, age 31, Marshalltown, was arrested December 30 at 8:45 PM on Hwy 14 north of D-25 and charged with DRIVING WHILE LICENSE BARRED. Released on a promise to appear. Arrested by GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE.


AMIL MURTIC, age 20, Waterloo, was arrested January 1 at 4:00 PM on Hwy 20 at the 211 mile marker and charged with DRIVING WHILE LICENSE REVOKED. Released on a promise to appear. Arrested by IOWA STATE PATROL.



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## Memory Lane

### A look back through The Grundy Register

Compiled by Michaela Kendall

#### 10 Years Ago This Week - 2006

Year in Review Shows First Half of 2006 Deserves A Second Look: Voters in the Dike-New Hartford School District said yes to a \$4,555,000 facilities construction project while efforts for a \$1.6 million swimming pool in Grundy Center didn't get enough voter support. Volunteers made quilts, served omelet breakfasts, and celebrated a \$1.8 million expansion to the Grundy County Memorial Hospital. Those are just some of the exciting events here during the first six months of last year. The following is a recap of major news stories that appeared in The Grundy Register during the first half of 2006. January 2006 • Little did he know, but Harold Mutch's effort as originator of the Spartan emblem adopted by the Grundy Center High School would endure for over 75 years and counting. Mutch was honored for his effort during basketball games here last weekend. The school presented Mutch with a plaque during a ceremony that included the Mutch family. • The Grundy County Compensation Board is recommending pay raises for elected county officials ranging from 6.1 to 10 percent. If approved, it would add about \$21,000 to the county payroll, not counting corresponding raises for top support personnel in those offices. At a later meeting, the Grundy County Board of Supervisors decided to cut that recommendation in half. • First Presbyterian Church is announcing plans to open a day care center in the church building in Grundy Center. The service would become known as the Joyful Noise Child Care Center. • The Wellsburg Fire Department now has a new tanker truck. The vehicle can transport 2,000 gallons of water. The tank is mounted on a 2005 GMC chassis and cost \$88,000. • Grundy National Bank officially opens its Conrad branch office with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Edward Thomas Neessen, age 42, Grundy Center, was arrested for "Murder in the First Degree" on Wednesday, Dec. 27. Neessen was charged as a result of the investigation into the death of Cinda LaRue, age 41, also of Grundy Center. Neessen remains in jail in lieu of \$1,000,000 bond. A preliminary hearing is set for Monday, Jan. 8, at 11 a.m. in Grundy County District Court.

At the Center Theatre ... "The Holiday."

#### 25 Years Ago This Week - 1991

The year 1991 yielded a war which unified a nation. We saw a rebirth of patriotism, kindled by red, white, and blue ribbons worn by many to remind us all of the American troops fighting in the deserts of Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. We witnessed the demise of Operation Desert Storm, and welcomed troops home with parades and open arms. We saw a year of crop uncertainty, due to weather extremes, and celebrated a bountiful harvest in the end. We listened as the nation cried "recession", and rallied to support community and county projects, such as the successful Grundy County Memorial Hospital Foundation drive to raise \$225,000, and the rebuilding of a bandstand on the courthouse lawn. 1991 was a year to be remembered, and a foundation to build on a successful future for the county. Below is a recap of the year, month by month: January An organizational meeting was held at the courthouse to kick off a fund drive for \$22,500 for the Pioneer Trail - a 12-mile recreation and nature trail from Reinbeck through Morrison, and from Grundy Center to Holland. A former Grundy Center man, Scott Jans, of Eldora, was killed when his car fell 65 feet from a bridge east of Eldora on Hwy. 175. • Operation Desert Shield turned into Operation Desert Storm on January 16, when U.S. troops began air attacks on Saddam Hussein's soldiers. Pat Hauser's 2nd grade class got a taste of what it would be like to be served lunch in the desert of Saudi Arabia when Lt. Charles Evans sent the stu-

dents a box of MRE's (Meals Ready to Eat) from Saudi Arabia. After sending Christmas cards to area soldiers, Mrs. Copeman's 4th grade class wrote letters to Saddam Hussein, lending insight to the futility of the situation that has been created. • Jim Christiansen, administrator of the Grundy County Memorial Hospital, informed the Grundy County board of supervisors, that he has resigned his position at the hospital to accept a position at the hospital in Oelwein. A letter of intent has been received by the hospital from Dr. Frank Lamp, currently serving his residency in Mason City. Dr. Lamp and his family will be moving to Grundy Center early this fall. The Grundy Center city council appointed Mike Smith, of Eldora, to the position of Grundy Center City Attorney. Smith is with the firm Lundy, Butler and Lundy, of Eldora. The Center Theatre opened Wednesday, Jan. 30, with 134 new theater seats, purchased with the \$19,598 in donations raised during last October's fund drive. The Town and Country Golf Club received a donation of \$5,000 from American Legion Post #349 for restoration of the club's pond which has been dry for several years.

#### 50 Years Ago This Week - 1966

Laurence Lutterman of Wellsburg was named chairman of the Grundy county Board of Supervisors at their regular organizational meeting in the courthouse in Grundy Center Tuesday morning. He succeeds Lyle Hawn who has served as chairman the past year. Members of Grundy county's most important board are: Laurence Murphy, Henry Hansen, Calvin Krusc, Arthur Miller, Chairman Lutterman, S. W. McAllister, Lyle Hawn and County Auditor Wilbur Rust.

Two 1967 cars were damaged \$200 each when they collided at a street intersection in Grundy Center about 8:30 Sunday evening. One car was driven by Elwood Fink, 53, from Reinbeck. He was driving a Ford and going south on Sixth street Elizabeth Bcenken, 16, Grundy Center, was driving the other car, an Olds owned by John Bcenken. The left side of her car was badly dented. The slippery condition of the streets accounted for the collision. The accident was covered by Police Officer Myron Lynch, who issued no summons.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Rhodes of Conrad are the parents of the first baby born in Grundy county in 1967. Blake Michael, who was born in the Grundy County Memorial Hospital at 5:43 a.m. Monday, January 2, 1967. He weighed in at 8 pounds, 13 oz. He has one brother, Brett, who is aged two.

#### 75 Years Ago This Week - 1941

Thorwald Danielsen, the father of ten children, whose home is at Dike, died in The University hospital at Iowa City last Tuesday. Danielsen had been in failing health for most of the past year and a short time before his death he was taken to the hospital at Iowa City for treatment. He was suffering from colitis. The ten children range in age from 2 to 18, and all are at home. Funeral services and burial were last Friday.

The Grundy County REA has passed its 1500 mark which was the top membership goal set for it at the beginning of the year. The 1500th farm was hooked up during the past month. The limit of service has now been about reached by the Grundy Rural Electric Co-operative. For a much necessary expansion of the service the lines will have to be extended and little if any such improvements will be possible until the year is over.

We now have about 8 inches of snow. From 5 to 6 inches of it came Christmas night and from 3 inches Tuesday. If we still had sleds and the kind of roads we had 25 years ago we would have good sleighing. If the ban stays on rubber tires until next winter, the sleds and cutters may come back. The thermometer took a dip Sunday night to from 5 to 6 below zero

## My Three Cents Worth

### Let's predict some stuff

In my first column of 2016, I made some predictions for the year and promised to hold myself accountable whether they came true or not. So as 2017 is now upon us (#New-yearnewme), it's time to take stock of the year that was and project my infinite wisdom onto the readers of this publication so they can either congratulate or harass me when it comes time to ring in 2018. Here we go.

First, let's look back. As you may or may not know, my most important prediction for 2016 came true: The Chicago Cubs won the World Series, overcoming a seemingly insurmountable 3-1 deficit and finally putting to rest the most notorious curse in sports. But enough about that—I've only mentioned it a time or two in this space.

I was both right and wrong in my claim that a lot of people wouldn't vote: the turnout rate was 54.5 percent in the presidential election (which means over 114,000,000 eligible voters did not cast ballots), the lowest since 2000, but nowhere near the all-time low of 48.9 percent in 1924.

As far as I know, the Guns n' Roses reunion tour went off without any major hitches (proving the age old theory that money talks), making that prediction incorrect, and the prognostication that President Obama will be really excited for this year is inconclusive. Donald Trump is essentially promising to undo his entire legacy, and with both houses of Congress and potential Supreme Court nominees on his side, he just may be able to do it.

Contrary to my prior assertion, the president now finds himself in the midst of an ongoing nightmare and may actually be wishing he could just stay in office for another eight years in hopes of preventing whatever you want to refer to the incoming administration as. One thing's for sure: it won't be boring.

Now, we move on to 2017.

#### 1. A lot of people will be called traitors

We must be living in some sort of Twilight Zone alternate reality when conservatives are siding with Russia, and liberals are accusing the opposition of disloyalty to America. But here we are, and the hacking scandal, despite a lack of hard evidence to prove it, has drawn some bizarre battle lines between Trump supporters, Democrats and the intelligence community. Conservatives have been calling liberals anti-American communists for years, and now the script has flipped back onto them as the new president prepares to enter office. 2017 may very well be the most outlandish year in politics yet, and the lack of civility we've grown to know and hate can only be expected to continue. It's going to be a bumpy ride.

#### 2. New ideas will prevail in Hollywood

By most objective measures, 2016 was a terrible year for American cinema. It was rife with sequels of movies that never really needed sequels, clunky reboots and a general lack of original ideas. I'm not the type to rush out to the theater to see every new film that comes out, but I can only think of a few movies released in 2016 that I genuinely enjoyed—"Deadpool," for flipping the script on the traditional superhero movie; "Hell or High Water," for executing the modern Western in a satisfying fashion but even so, failing to elevate it toward anything resembling transcendence; and "Trolls," because of the music and lightheartedness (I'm not a Star Wars guy, but I've heard the new one is quite good. At some point in my life, I need to take the plunge and catch up on all of them).

Obviously, as time goes on, fresh ideas are harder to come by, but anyone who appreciates good movies has to hope for something better this year, whether it comes from directors we've come to expect greatness from (Scorsese, the Coen Brothers, Tarantino, Eastwood, to name a few) or some younger up and comers. After a bleak year in film, expect something of a renaissance in 2017.

#### 3. A new hot button issue will arise locally

Heading into this year, it appears that 2017 could be a quiet one in Grundy County. The wind farm issue is all but settled, and the G-R vote has been called off due to inconsistencies in the petition. One of the issues that dominated 2015, the Rock Island Clean Line, has at least temporarily been halted due to a Supreme Court challenge in Illinois, and the election is over. So are we all just going to sing "Kum-ba-yah" and get along?

Not so fast. If the RICL survives the challenge in Illinois, its backers will still have to return to Iowa to win approval from the utilities board, and the issue could be right back in the spotlight. Also, schools and cities will be faced with a host of tough decisions, per usual, so I'm sure we'll have something to talk about. If I'm wrong, however, I'll bring my guitar, and we can all sit around and sing campfire songs on the courthouse square.

#### 5. The Cubs will win again

You knew this was coming. They already have the best team in the league, and this group wasn't built to win one title. I predict that in 10 years, the Cubs will have transformed from that adorable little franchise that you can't help but root for to the annoying behemoth that everyone's sick of hearing about (a la the Red Sox around the turn of the century). These guys have a lot of winning left to do.

If you've got any bold predictions you'd like to send along, shoot me a line. I'm always available, and I'd love to hear from you. Happy 2017!



By Rob Maharry

## Grassley Q and A: The People's Business

### Question: What are some highlights from the 114th Congress?

Answer: When visiting with Iowans during my 99-county meetings, I hear a common refrain from people across the state. Households are working harder than ever to get ahead and stay ahead. Putting gas in the car, buying groceries and medicine, shouldering student debt, absorbing double-digit insurance premiums and saving for retirement contribute to the troubled mindset among working families who are scraping to get by from paycheck to paycheck. And when taxpayers are reminded about the \$19 trillion federal debt and their exposure to waste, fraud and abuse running rampant in the federal bureaucracy, it strikes a raw nerve. As Iowa's watchdog, I make it my business to hold government to account and work for openness and transparency whenever and wherever the federal bureaucracy conducts the people's business. For 36 years straight, I've listened to Iowans in every county, at least once, every year. Throughout 2016, Iowans shared their concerns about emerging threats to public safety and national security, the growing size and scope of the federal government – from Obamacare to Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS) and restoring the American Dream for generations to come. The bigger Washington's bite, from cumbersome taxes to burdensome regulations and abusive government surveillance, it seems the more that personal freedoms are on the line. Just as importantly, policymakers entrusted with the public good must uphold the integrity of our justice system, our system of free enterprise and the rule of law to ensure fairness, security, certainty and stability on our streets, in our schools and throughout our communities and to foster growth in the U.S. economy, from agriculture to housing, banking, pharmaceuticals, clean energy and trade.

From my leadership position as chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, I work to uphold core principles of our republic relative to life in 21st century American society. Many Iowans know that I place a high priority on government oversight and whistleblower protections. During the 114th Congress, I continued aggressive oversight of the Department of Defense, Veterans Affairs and the FBI, for example, to expose and correct wrongdoing. I secured authority for Inspectors General, the internal watchdogs tasked with conducting audits and investigations from within federal agencies, to access all agency records, not just those presented by department heads. Transparency is the best way to clean house and sweep away misconduct that, for example, contributed to scandalous wait times for veterans and allowed for the political targeting of taxpayers at the IRS to take root. To that end, I led the FOIA Improvement Act through the Senate that aims to prevent the executive branch from keeping the people's business out of the public eye through excessive exemptions that lead to expensive litigation at taxpayers' expense.

Americans have every right to expect the government to work for them, such as making sure that standards of care are followed in taxpayer-funded nursing homes, that laws against sexual assault and human trafficking are enforced and that free market principles work to keep drug prices down and innovation up in the pharmaceutical industry. Along those lines, I'll continue my crusade in the Senate to fight fraud, restore good government and ensure compliance and enforcement within our system of checks and balances. For example, my advocacy for whistleblowers benefits the taxpayer public and Federal Treasury. In fact, my amendments reforming the False Claims Act have recouped more than \$53 billion that otherwise would have been lost to fraud. In other examples, taxpayers should not foot the bill for the misuse of paid administrative leave that idles federal workers indefinitely, nor should they be put on the hook for misclassified pharmaceuticals under the Medicaid Drug Rebate program. Specifically, at the behest of Iowa families strained by steep price hikes for their children's EpiPens, I have learned that taxpayers may have been overcharged by hundreds of millions of dollars for this particular drug administered under federal programs. I will continue to keep my nose to the grindstone to prevent misconduct from being swept under the rug.

When Washington works together for the common good, good things can happen. Unlike the partisan vote for Obamacare, the 114th Congress adopted landmark bipartisan laws to address the opioid epidemic (CARA) and to advance cures and treatments for chronic diseases affecting millions of Americans with passage of the \$6 billion 21 Century CURES Act.

### Question: What's in store for the 115th Congress starting in January?

Answer: The first order of business is opening day of the new session. On Tuesday, Jan. 3, I will be sworn in for my seventh term representing the people of Iowa. I look forward to leveraging my advocacy for Rural America, from agriculture, to health care, renewable energy and flood protection. We have unfinished business to consider, such as repealing and replacing Obamacare, as well as opening up work on a new farm bill and enforcing immigration policy. Policymakers must prioritize U.S. sovereignty to protect public safety, American jobs and national security. That means we must secure our borders, close loopholes in visa programs, stop reckless sanctuary policies and certify refugee resettlement procedures. It's expected I will be selected in January to resume chairmanship of the Senate Judiciary Committee. From here I will lead nomination hearings for the new administration and judicial appointments to the federal bench, including the vacancy on the U.S. Supreme Court. I will continue bipartisan work on reforming federal criminal justice and sentencing laws, adopting juvenile justice improvements, and strengthening victims' rights. In the 115th Congress, I will retain my seat at the table on the Senate Finance, Agriculture and Budget Committees. These key assignments will allow me to influence policy decisions that may be considered, from overhauling the tax code, to restructuring health care policy, rebuilding infrastructure, updating trade deals, renewing the farm bill and expanding clean energy. As always, my door is open and I encourage Iowans to share your views. I look forward to hearing from you or seeing you face-to-face at one of my 99-county meetings in 2017.

To contact Senator Grassley, visit his website at [grassley.senate.gov/contact](http://grassley.senate.gov/contact). In addition to his office at 135 Hart Senate Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20510, Senator Grassley will maintain six state offices in Cedar Rapids, Council Bluffs, Davenport, Des Moines, Sioux City and Waterloo.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
GRUNDY COMMUNITY CENTER

- Friday January 6 • **Grundy Comm. Center** – No Walking Exercise, 9 a.m., Legion Room Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room GNB, Wilts Room
- Sunday January 8 • **Grundy Comm. Center** — Brothers Market, Wilts Room Steinmeyer, Legion Room
- Monday January 9 • **Grundy Comm. Center** – Walking, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m., Wilts Room Exercise, 9 a.m., Legion Room Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room American Legion, 7 p.m. Legion Room
- Tuesday January 10 • **Grundy Comm. Center** – Walking, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m., Wilts Room Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room
- Wednesday January 11 • **Grundy Comm. Center** – Walking, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m., Wilts Room Exercise, 9 a.m., Legion Room Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room
- Thursday January 12 • **Grundy Comm. Center** – Walking, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m., Wilts Room Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room

Put your event in the Grundy Center Community Calendar!  
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Dates for Dike

- Thursday, January 5  
Wrting at Hudson  
JH wrestling at Eldora
- Friday, January 6  
BB Union at Dike
- Saturday, January 7  
Wrestling at Reinbeck  
JV Girls at Guttenburg  
NCIBA Band Festival at Iowa Central College
- Sunday, January 8  
Local Church services
- Monday, January 9  
Wrestling JV at Conrad  
JH BB G at Denver  
JH BB B at NH
- Tuesday, January 10  
Basketball at Columbus
- Wednesday, January 11  
Early dismissal

Dike Birthdays

- Thursday, January 5: Mary Kiewiet, Holly Beem
- Friday, January 6: Kyle Dudden, Claire Brandt
- Saturday, January 7: Duane Jorgensen, Eileen Lupkes
- Sunday, January 8: Nick Koprieva, Paul Gilliam, Ron Michaelson, Katelyn VanWechel
- Monday, January 9: Joe Gallo-way, Dana Depping, Chris Sires, Dale Folkerts
- Tuesday, January 10: Todd Mesenbrink, Michelle Wiese
- Wednesday January 11: Chris Freese, Kurt Kelley Jr.

News Deadline  
10 a.m. Monday  
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**Timothy Christian School**  
**Spec 'n Dicken**  
**Supper**  
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The family of Carl Nederhoff would like to express our sincere appreciation for the sympathy extended to our family in the sudden loss of Carl. Thank you so much for the prayers, phone calls, cards, visits, memorials, flowers and food. We have wonderful memories that will stay with us forever.

Handiwork Hoopla at the Wellsburg Library

The Wellsburg Library will be having a display of handiwork done by local talent January 31-February 4. Everyone is invited to bring in your needlework (cross stitch, embroidery, knitting/crocheting or quilting) for display by the week of January 24. If you have any questions call us at the library 869-5234.

Preschool Storytime will be held on a new day, Saturday mornings at 10 a.m. We will try out this time slot with hope of having more children participate.

Lego Club will meet on January 11 at 2:30 p.m. The library has ordered some new books on building with Legos and they will give us new ideas for our next meeting.

Bingo for adults will be held on January 10 at 1 p.m. and Bingo for kids will take place on January 25 at 2:30 p.m. Both prove to be popular programs for old and young alike!

Stay informed by checking our Facebook page and library website.

Nutrition site menu

Friday, January 6 — Hamburger Patty, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Wheat Hamburger Bun, Apple Crisp, Ketchup

Monday, January 9 — Turkey Breast with Gravy, Mashed Red Potatoes, Garlic Spinach, Wheat Bread, Margarine, Mandarin Oranges

Tuesday, January 10 — Sweet and Sour Chicken, Lo Mein Noodles, Baby Carrots, Multi Grain Bread, Margarine, Cookie

Wednesday, January 11 — Birthday Meal: Roast Beef, Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, California Vegetables, Dinner Roll, Birthday Cake, Margarine

Thursday, January 12 — Creamy Garlic Chicken, Whole Kernel Corn, Harvard Beets, Multi Grain Bread, Margarine, Tropical Fruit

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

News from Ivester

JANUARY 4  
Wednesday night Bible Study and Prayer Meeting will resume every Wednesday at 6:30 pm beginning on January 4.

JANUARY 1  
Sunday School will resume at 9:30 am. 2 cents-a-meal collection will be taken. Communion will be celebrated.

Condolences  
Sympathy is extended to Carol and Gary Peters. His father, Fay Donovan Peters passed away recently.

FROM THE ARCHIVES ...



OK, here is the next mystery picture. Can anyone tell us anything about this photo? Maybe when and where it was taken? What was the occasion?

If you have any answers send an email with 'From the Archives' in the subject line to [grundyeditor@midamericapub.com](mailto:grundyeditor@midamericapub.com)

or drop by our offices during business hours and share them with us (please remember to include your name and location in any email). We'll publish whatever we can learn in next week's paper (space allowing), as well as select another photo from

the archives to share with you.

**Keep the memories!** Photos from the Register's 'From the Archives' series are now available for purchase! The cost is \$5, and the photos are available on a first-come, first-serve basis.



No information was received about the photo that ran in last week's Grundy Register. If anyone has any information please contact the Grundy Register office at 319-824-6958 or send an email to [grundyeditor@midamericapub.com](mailto:grundyeditor@midamericapub.com).

Partner for life

By NICK BUSEMAN  
Grundy County Conservation Operation Supervisor

Some of you may recall the article I wrote back in February of 2009; it was titled "As Simple as a Squirrel." That article was the story of how harvesting my first squirrel ignited a flame in me - the love of the outdoors. It also was the start of an outdoorsman partnership with my father.

The new chapter has officially started in my household which I hope kindles the same love and passion for the outdoors that it did in me. Like my father I hope I have hunting and fishing partner for life.

My son Clay is 6 years old and already wants to be hunting and fishing with me whenever he can. This year I was able to take him along bow hunting a few times and also calling coyotes. But this past Sunday was the turning point in his hunting experiences. With several practice sessions this summer, I felt he was ready to try his luck at harvesting a bunny. Santa hadn't arrived with his air rifle pellet gun yet so I gave in and let him use my .22 rifle.

A snowy Sunday afternoon at an abandon farm acreage was the scene of this magical moment. Pulling into the farm I noticed a bunny sleeping in some weeds, after pointing it out to Clay the game was on. I loaded the Ruger 10-22 equipped with a scope. Coaching him through the process and watching the bullet hit its mark was the highlight of my hunting career. I have been fortunate enough over the years to harvest a few large deer and turkeys, but that moment towers over them like they



Nick's son Clay, with his prize.

were no big deal. The excitement in his eyes and the proud way he picked him up - it was amazing. He couldn't wait to show off his prize and tell the story. Those are all things I remember from my first squirrel.

I pray that this love and excitement stays with him forever. Looking back at the hunting, trapping, and fishing memories I have had with my father, these are hopes I have for me with my son. There is no better and cleaner fun than sharing the outdoors with a youngster. Experiencing the outdoors through their eyes is like living your childhood over again. Watching his face light up while watch-

ing deer from the tree stand just a few yards away. Or snuggling, the two of us, in a ground blind made for one as geese set their wings and descend into your lap. These are amazing moments to share.

I am slowly recognizing my draw to harvesting a huge buck or dropping a pair of Canadian geese is evolving into a desire of passing it on to my son and other future hunters. I believe that as an outdoorsman it is our number one duty to pass it on. Without them to continue it will be gone. My hope is for every youngster to experience something in the outdoors. Let them decide if it is what they enjoy.

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STARTING JAN. 6  
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7:00 P.M. - HELD OVER  
**ROGUE ONE: A STAR WARS STORY 3D**  
• Type: ADVENTURE/SPINOFF •  
• PG-13 (Violence) • 135 mins.  
7:30 P.M.  
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PG-13 (Language) • 100 mins.  
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CENTER THEATRE'S Reel-to-Reel

At the Center Theatre on Friday, January 6 at 7 p.m. will be the adventure/spin-off **Rogue One: A Star Wars Story 2D**, starring Felicity Jones, Ben Mendelsohn and Forest Whitaker. This movie is rated PG-13 for violence, running approximately 135 minutes in length. At 7:30 will be the drama **Collateral Beauty**, starring Will Smith, Edward Norton, Kate Winslet, Helen Mirren, Michael Peña and Keira Knightley. This movie is rated PG-13 for language, running approximately 100 minutes in length.

In order to open nationwide with **Rogue One**, the Center Theatre is required to charge \$6/person admission. To offset this added expense, the Center Theatre will give everyone attending **Rogue One** a free popcorn valued at \$2.50! Due to the special circumstances surrounding the rogue one showing, 50 cent Fridays will not apply to **Rogue One**, but will be valid for **Collateral Beauty**.

From Lucasfilm and Disney comes the first of the Star Wars

standalone films, **Rogue One: A Star Wars Story 2D**, the all-new thrilling untold saga of a ragtag band of rebels including a former soldier turned prisoner (Felicity Jones), a Rebel Alliance insider (Diego Luna), a Jedi (Donnie Yen) and a sentient robot (voiced by Alan Tudyk). In a time on conflict, a group of unlikely heroes band together on a mission to steal the plans to the Death Star, the Empire's ultimate weapon of destruction. This key event in the Star Wars timeline brings together ordinary people who choose to do extraordinary things and in doing so, become part of something greater than themselves. The exciting **Rogue One: A Star Wars Story 2D** introduces new characters in the Star Wars world, but includes some originals including Darth Vader, voiced by James Earl Jones!

In **Collateral Beauty**, when a successful New York advertising executive (Will Smith) suffers a great tragedy of losing a child, he retreats from life. While his con-

cerned friends try desperately to reconnect with him, he seeks copes with the heartache by writing letters to Love, Time and Death. He is soon visited by his friends as representations of the three concepts, helping him return to some semblance of a normal life. It's not until his notes bring unexpected personal responses that he begins to understand how these constants interlock in a life fully lived, and how even the deepest loss can reveal moments of meaning and beauty. The compelling **Collateral Beauty** is comprised of an all-star ensemble cast including Will Smith, Edward Norton, Kate Winslet, Helen Mirren, Michael Peña and Keira Knightley.

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

Group working to rehabilitate Stout ball field

By JOHN JENSEN  
Eclipse News-Review

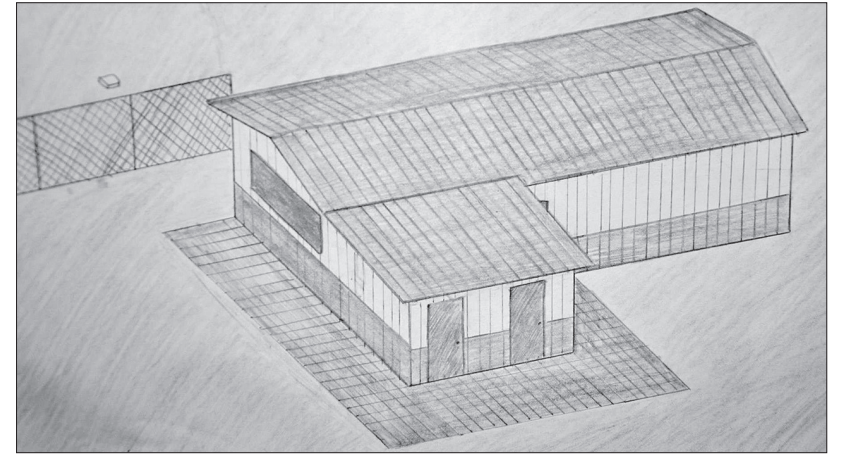
STOUT — The Astrodome will rise again. That's the hope of a group at the First Reformed Church of Stout, which is currently raising money to replace the concession/storage building and restroom facility at the ball field on Stout's southeast side.

Aptly named the Astrodome, the field itself is suitable for use, though the building that houses the concession stand and restroom is not. A task force led by Brent Smiens, Nolan Junker and Lee Aswegan has been aiming to change that.

The Astrodome was built in the 1940s by a board that included Dan Andreessen, Charlie Nevenhoven, Charlie Juel, Harvey Dilger and Earnest Alter. The church was later donated to the Reformed Church and has been used for town baseball and softball games, church league softball, town celebrations, fireworks and Little League baseball.

Junker said the building that currently houses the concession stand had been a chicken house on a farm and was brought to the Astrodome. It was used last year, despite rotting and Junker said it needs to come down. In addition, the facilities outhouses had to be replaced by portable toilets after the city installed sewers and told facility operators that they could no longer use the outhouses.

The new facility would include men's and women's restrooms, a con-



cession stand facing the bleachers and a storage area accessible from the concession stand. One of the restrooms will be handicapped accessible and have a baby changing table. Estimated cost of the facility is \$28,000.

Work has also been ongoing on the field itself. Junker said volunteers have added dirt to the infield to make it more playable, though the outfield still needs some work.

"The infield's pretty good, we put some new stuff in there and graded it a little better. The outfield's got a few dips."

Junker said there were only four church league teams last year and that with the facility's rehabilitation they hope to see more.

"In the past we've had eight or 10 ... I don't know how many way back

when," he said. Teams in the league have come from throughout the area, with some even combining to form a team.

The facility is also used by the Dike Little League and by the community, including children for pick-up games.

Fundraising has been underway for a period of time, with more than half the needed money in hand. Junker said that once three-quarters of the money is raised they will begin construction. As part of the fundraising effort, the group has received a Classis Grant from money made available from a church that closed. Junker said he is also working on a Grundy County Foundation grant.

"We hope to break ground in March — as soon as the ground is fit to work on," he said.

AREA SERVICES Please join us in worship!

**ALBION** 319-988-3967  
Sundays  
**Albion United Methodist Church**  
Cheryl Ridenour, Pastor  
Sundays  
8:30 a.m. Worship Service

**APLINGTON**  
**Bethel Reformed Church**  
319-347-6219  
Sundays  
9 a.m. Worship Service  
10 a.m. Sunday School

**BANGOR**  
**Bangor Liberty Friends Church**  
Matt Bishop, Pastor  
office@blfchurch.org  
Sundays  
8:30 a.m. Prayer Group  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Morning worship

**BEAMAN**  
**United Methodist Church**  
641-366-2142  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Worship

**CONRAD**  
**Alice Church of God**  
Jim Hartman, Pastor  
641-623-5641  
Sundays  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

**Blue Collar Community Church**  
109 West Center Street  
Conrad, IA  
9 a.m., Sunday Worship

**First Presbyterian Church**  
Kerry Carson, Pastor  
641-366-2342  
Sundays  
8:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11 a.m. Fellowship

**United Methodist Church**  
The Rev. Gene Kubli  
641-366-2325  
8:30 a.m. Sunday School  
9:30 a.m., Worship

**DIKE**  
**Fredsville Lutheran Church**  
The Rev. Lisa Dietrich, Pastor  
319-989-2065  
Sundays  
8:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School  
9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School

**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

**Untied Methodist Church**  
Dan Ridnour, Pastor  
319-989-2535  
Sundays  
9 a.m. Sunday School  
10:15 a.m. Worship Service

**Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
Mark Decker, Pastor

Paul Shaver, Pastor  
641-858-3879  
Sundays  
9:30 a.m. Christian Education  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
Noon Potluck  
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**Salem Church of Lincoln**  
The Rev. Barb Muhs, Pastor  
641-473-2450  
Sundays  
9:10 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

**LISCOMB**  
**Bethel Grove Church**  
Scott Hand, Pastor  
Sundays  
9 a.m. Worship

**Liscomb Church of Christ**  
Ralph Norman, Pastor  
Sundays  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

**MARSHALLTOWN**  
**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  
Mondays  
7 p.m. Bible Study  
Wednesdays  
6:30 p.m. Confirmation  
Saturdays  
5 p.m. Worship, Communion

**Evangelical Free church**  
Bob Kosbau, Pastor

Sundays  
9 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)  
10:15 a.m. Worship

**New Hope Christian Church**  
Saturdays  
5:30 p.m. Worship Service  
Sundays  
9 & 10:45 a.m. Worship in Chapel (Café Style) and Auditorium

**Redeemer Lutheran Church**  
Sundays  
9 a.m. Divine Service  
10 a.m. Visitation  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School  
/ Adult Bible Class  
Wednesdays  
6:14 p.m. Individual Absolution  
7 p.m. Responsive Prayer

**St. Henry Catholic Church**  
Father Don Czapl  
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

**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

**PARKERSBURG**  
**Holy Family Catholic Parish**  
The Rev. David Kucera  
319-345-2006  
Saturdays  
5:30 p.m. Mass

**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

**REINBECK**  
**Holy Family Catholic Parish**  
The Rev. David Kucera  
319-345-2006  
Sundays  
9:30 a.m. Mass

**UNION**  
**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

**Church of Christ**  
The Rev. Rick Schill  
Sundays  
9:30 a.m. Sunda School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
Wednesdays  
1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Class

**Union Community Church**  
The Rev. Rick Schill  
Sundays  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School,  
Morning Worship  
First Wednesday  
7 p.m. Church Board  
First Thursday  
1 p.m. Willing Workers

**WELLSBURG**  
**East Friesland Presbyterian**  
Lynn Arends, Supply Pastor  
641-847-2896  
Sundays  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

**Faith Presbyterian Church**  
641-847-3188  
Sundays  
9 a.m. Morning Worship  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School

**First Christian Reformed**

Dan Brouwer, Interim Pastor  
641-869-3305  
Sundays  
9:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School

**Pleasant Valley Untied Methodist**  
Dot Geersema, Pastor  
641-869-3637  
Sundays  
8:45 a.m. Morning Worship

**Reformed Church**  
Sundays  
9:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
10:45 a.m. Sunday School  
6:30 p.m. Evening Bible Study

**St. John Lutheran Church**  
Bruce Zimmerman, Pastor  
Sundays  
9 a.m. Morning Worship  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
& Bible Class

**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran**  
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Sundays  
8 a.m. Morning Worship

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Sundays  
9:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
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7 p.m. Evening Worship

**WHITTEN**  
**Whitten Community Church**  
Jim Hartman, Pastor  
Sundays  
9 a.m. Worship, Children Church  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School  
Thursdays  
7 p.m. Soul Keeping

**Ten Tips for a Better Life in the New Year**

Whether you have given up on New Year's resolutions or are chomping at the bit to put your new self-tracking device into operation, there are many simple and easy ways to improve your life in the New Year. Here are ten tips that will make your life happier and healthier this year:

1. Smile more, even when you don't feel like it.
2. Do something nice for someone every day.
3. Start and end your day by remembering what you have to be thankful for.
4. Protect your health—it's your most cherished asset, and without it nothing else matters.
5. Save something for a rainy day; you'll be glad you did when you need it.
6. Learn something new every day; knowledge is power.
7. Exercise every day, even if it's only going for a short walk.
8. Cultivate your friendships and remember that friendships don't grow in isolation.
9. Cultivate better relationships with your family.
10. Cultivate a good relationship with God; pray and read scripture daily.

Over the coming weeks, we will examine each of these tips in more detail, giving practical advice on how to make them part of our everyday lives. — Christopher Simon

*"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."*  
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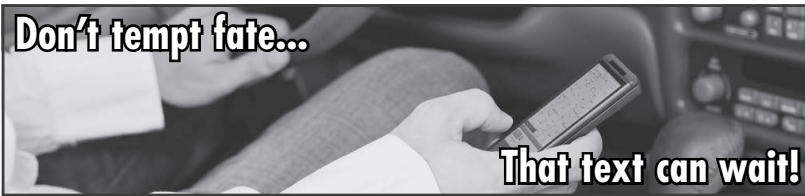


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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

The Grundy County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on December 19, 2016, at 9:00 A.M. Chairperson Smith called the meeting to order with the following members present: Bakker, Ross, Riekema, and Schildroth.

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

Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Schildroth to approve hiring Jason Reicks for Labor Grade #1 Dike Truck Driver position for the Secondary Road Department starting January 4, 2017, at a starting pay of \$19.82 per hour, upon successfully passing pre-employment drug test and pre-employment job physical. Carried unanimously.

Gary Mauer, County Engineer, reviewed department matters with the Board.

Motion was made by Riekema and seconded by Schildroth to approve the application for fireworks permit of Chuck Bakker of Dike. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Ross to approve Facilities Extension Agreement with Black Hills/Iowa Gas Utility Company, LLC, and to authorize chairperson to sign the same. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Ross and seconded by Bakker to introduce Resolution #21-2016/2017 as follows: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that it is hereby ordered that the lengths of the mileage of the several telephone, telegraph, electric and gas companies in Grundy County, Iowa, and the assessed value and taxable value thereof, be according to the following schedule and the County Auditor is hereby ordered to spread the same upon the tax books of said county for the year 2016, payable in the fiscal year 2017/2018.

Tax District	UTILITIES Primary Owner	Assessed Value	Taxable Value	Mileage
<b>BEAVER</b>				
BEAVER/AP/PBURG FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	8,425	8,425	2.20
BEAVER/AP/STOUT FIRE	QWEST CORP	317,646	317,646	24.49
BEAVER/AP/STOUT FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	8,463	8,463	2.21
BEAVER/DNH/DIKE BENE FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	22,152	22,152	3.49
BEAVER/DNH/DIKE BENE FIRE	QWEST CORP	218,163	218,163	16.82
BEAVER/DNH/STOUT FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	15,107	15,107	2.38
BEAVER/DNH/STOUT FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	8,080	8,080	2.11
BEAVER/DNH/STOUT FIRE	QWEST CORP	176,658	176,658	13.62
<b>BLACK HAWK</b>				
BLACK HAWK/GR/RBECK FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	293,498	293,498	46.24
BLACK HAWK/GR/RBECK FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	22,135	20,602	5.78
BLACK HAWK/GR/RBECK FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	121,376	121,376	0.00
BLACK HAWK/GR/RBECK FIRE	QWEST CORP	41,635	47,104	3.21
BLACK HAWK/GR/RBECK FIRE	REINBECK MUNICIPAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	3,188	3,188	2.31
<b>BEAMAN</b>				
BEAMAN	MCC TELEPHONY OF IOWA	5,994	5,994	5.19
BEAMAN	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	25,643	25,643	10.34
<b>CLAY</b>				
CLAY/BCLUW/BEAMAN FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	22,977	22,977	3.62
CLAY/BCLUW/BEAMAN FIRE	MCC TELEPHONY OF IOWA	16,469	16,469	14.26
CLAY/BCLUW/BEAMAN FIRE	NORTHERN BORDER PIPELINE CO	4,436,365	4,436,365	0.00
CLAY/BCLUW/BEAMAN FIRE	QWEST CORP	16,602	16,602	1.28
CLAY/BCLUW/BEAMAN FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	217,620	217,620	87.75
CLAY/BCLUW/CONRAD FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	32,625	32,625	5.14
CLAY/BCLUW/CONRAD FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	1,953	1,953	0.51
CLAY/BCLUW/CONRAD FIRE	NATURAL GAS PIPELINE	402	402	0.00
CLAY/BCLUW/CONRAD FIRE	NORTHERN BORDER PIPELINE CO	450,347	450,347	0.00
CLAY/BCLUW/CONRAD FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	110,162	110,162	44.42
CLAY/BCLUW/GBROOK FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	5,158	5,158	2.08
CLAY/GC/GC FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	20,883	20,883	3.29
CLAY/GC/GC FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	2,158	2,158	0.87
CLAY/BCLUW/GBROOK FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	17,011	17,011	2.68
<b>COLFAX</b>				
COLFAX/AGWSR	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	103,841	103,841	16.36
COLFAX/GC	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	225,772	225,772	35.57
COLFAX/GC	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	23,054	23,054	6.02
COLFAX/GC	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	692,469	692,469	0.00
<b>CONRAD</b>				
CONRAD	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	5,776	5,776	0.91
CONRAD	MCC TELEPHONY OF IOWA	32,949	32,949	28.53
CONRAD	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	5,974	5,974	1.56
CONRAD	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	150,437	150,437	60.66
<b>DIKE</b>				
DIKE	MCC TELEPHONY OF IOWA	14,979	14,979	12.97
DIKE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	5,208	5,208	1.36
DIKE	QWEST CORP	117,772	117,772	9.08
<b>FAIRFIELD</b>				
FAIRFIELD/DNH/DIKE BENE FIRE	QWEST CORP	730,884	730,884	56.35
FAIRFIELD/DNH/NH FIRE	QWEST CORP	226,724	226,724	17.48
<b>FELIX</b>				
FELIX/BCLUW/CONRAD FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	13,012	13,012	2.05
FELIX/BCLUW/CONRAD FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	339,115	339,115	0.00
FELIX/BCLUW/CONRAD FIRE	NUSTAR AMMONIA PIPELINE	117,915	117,915	0.00
FELIX/BCLUW/CONRAD FIRE	QWEST CORP	33,983	33,983	2.62
FELIX/BCLUW/CONRAD FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	240,734	240,734	97.07
FELIX/BCLUW/LISCOMB FIRE	QWEST CORP	9,079	9,079	0.70
FELIX/BCLUW/LISCOMB FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	22,518	22,518	9.08
FELIX/BCLUW/WHITTEN FIRE	NUSTAR AMMONIA PIPELINE	88,290	88,290	0.00
FELIX/BCLUW/WHITTEN FIRE	QWEST CORP	2,335	2,335	0.18
FELIX/BCLUW/WHITTEN FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	49,898	49,898	20.12
<b>GRUNDY CENTER</b>				
GRUNDY CENTER	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	153,287	153,287	24.15
GRUNDY CENTER	MCC TELEPHONY OF IOWA	40,431	40,431	35.01
GRUNDY CENTER	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	12,982	12,982	3.39
GRUNDY CENTER	REINBECK MUNICIPAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	2,181	2,181	1.58
GRUNDY CENTER	GRUNDY CENTER MUNICIPAL UTIL	130,800	130,800	35.25
<b>GERMAN</b>				
GERMAN/AGWSR/ACKLEY FIRE	NORTHERN BORDER PIPELINE CO	665,204	665,204	0.00
GERMAN/AGWSR/ACKLEY FIRE	QWEST CORP	279,254	279,254	21.53

GERMAN/AGWSR/APL FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	10,029	10,029	1.58
GERMAN/AGWSR/WBURG FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	112,410	112,410	17.71
GERMAN/AGWSR/WBURG FIRE	QWEST CORP	23,606	23,606	1.82
GERMAN/AP/ACKLEY FIRE	QWEST CORP	103,764	103,764	8.00
GERMAN/AP/APL FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	34,529	34,529	5.44
GERMAN/AP/APL FIRE	QWEST CORP	4,151	4,151	0.32
<b>GRANT</b>				
GRANT/GR/DIKE BENE FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	11,808	11,808	0.00
GRANT/GR/RBECK FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	49,064	49,064	7.73
GRANT/GR/RBECK FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	563,572	563,572	0.00
GRANT/GR/RBECK FIRE	QWEST CORP	55,254	55,254	4.26
GRANT/DNH/DIKE BENE FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	12,123	12,123	1.91
GRANT/DNH/DIKE BENE FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	33,931	33,931	8.86
GRANT/DNH/DIKE BENE FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	585,361	585,361	0.00
GRANT/DNH/DIKE BENE FIRE	QWEST CORP	244,882	244,882	18.88
GRANT/DNH/RBECK FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	11,108	11,108	1.75
GRANT/DNH/RBECK FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	189	189	0.00
GRANT/DNH/HUDSON FIRE	QWEST CORP	24,125	24,125	1.86
<b>HOLLAND</b>				
HOLLAND	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	16,122	16,122	2.54
<b>LINCOLN</b>				
LINCOLN/DNH/DIKE BENE FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	32,435	32,435	5.11
LINCOLN/DNH/DIKE BENE FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	6,357	6,357	1.66
LINCOLN/DNH/DIKE BENE FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	164,968	164,968	0.00
LINCOLN/DNH/DIKE BENE FIRE	QWEST CORP	182,754	182,754	14.09
LINCOLN/DNH/GC FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	33,133	33,133	5.22
LINCOLN/DNH/GC FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	41,127	41,127	0.00
LINCOLN/DNH/RBECK FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	153	153	0.04
LINCOLN/GC/GC FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	155,127	155,127	24.44
LINCOLN/GC/GC FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	795,860	795,860	0.00
LINCOLN/GC/GC FIRE4	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	4,062	4,062	0.64
<b>MELROSE</b>				
MELROSE/AGWSR/ELDOR A FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	338,032	338,032	0.00
MELROSE/AGWSR/ELDOR A FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	28,818	28,818	11.62
MELROSE/AGWSR/GC FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	20,565	20,565	3.24
MELROSE/AGWSR/GC FIRE	NORTHERN BORDER PIPELINE CO	624,654	624,654	0.00
MELROSE/AGWSR/GC FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	1,005	1,005	0.00
MELROSE/AGWSR/GC FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	422	422	0.17
MELROSE/AGWSR/WBURG FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	31,927	31,927	5.03
MELROSE/AGWSR/WBURG FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	3,983	3,983	1.04
MELROSE/AGWSR/WBURG FIRE	NORTHERN BORDER PIPELINE CO	8,067,079	8,067,079	0.00
MELROSE/AGWSR/WBURG FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	525,975	525,975	0.00
MELROSE/AGWSR/WBURG FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	4,960	4,960	2.00
MELROSE/BCLUW/CONRA D FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	3,681	3,681	0.58
MELROSE/BCLUW/CONRA D FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	34,925	34,925	0.00
MELROSE/BCLUW/CONRA D FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	41,962	41,962	16.92
MELROSE/BCLUW/ELDORA FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	10,981	10,981	1.73
MELROSE/BCLUW/ELDORA FIRE	NUSTAR AMMONIA PIPELINE	15,979	15,979	0.00
MELROSE/BCLUW/ELDORA FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	9,722	9,722	3.92
MELROSE/BCLUW/WHITTE N FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	11,425	11,425	1.80
MELROSE/BCLUW/WHITTE N FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	32,271	32,271	0.00
MELROSE/BCLUW/WHITTE N FIRE	NUSTAR AMMONIA PIPELINE	31,668	31,668	0.00
MELROSE/BCLUW/WHITTE N FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	20,782	20,782	8.38
MELROSE/ENP/ELDORA FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	10,092	10,092	1.59
MELROSE/ENP/ELDORA FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	3,600	3,600	0.94
MELROSE/ENP/ELDORA FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	262,314	262,314	0.00
MELROSE/ENP/ELDORA FIRE	NUSTAR AMMONIA PIPELINE	5,520	5,520	0.00
MELROSE/ENP/ELDORA FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	72,862	72,862	29.38
MELROSE/ENP/WBURG FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	298	298	0.12
MELROSE/GC/CONRAD FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	15,107	15,107	2.38
MELROSE/GC/CONRAD FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	34,050	34,050	13.73
MELROSE/GC/ELDORA FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	7,564	7,564	3.05
MELROSE/GC/GC FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	25,643	25,643	4.04
MELROSE/GC/GC FIRE	NORTHERN BORDER PIPELINE CO	840,943	840,943	0.00
MELROSE/GC/GC FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	9,027	9,027	3.64
<b>MORRISON</b>				
MORRISON	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	8,823	8,823	1.39
MORRISON	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	1,417	1,417	0.37
MORRISON	REINBECK MUNICIPAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	1,118	1,118	0.81
<b>PALERMO</b>				
PALERMO/AGWSR/GC FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	1,650	1,650	0.26
PALERMO/AGWSR/GC FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	9,415	9,415	0.00
PALERMO/BCLUW/GC FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	3,301	3,301	0.52
PALERMO/BCLUW/GC FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	372	372	0.15
PALERMO/GC/CONRAD FIRE	NORTHERN BORDER PIPELINE CO	728,340	728,340	0.00

PALERMO/GC/CONRAD FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	19,542	19,542	7.88
PALERMO/GC/GC FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	247,226	247,226	38.95
PALERMO/GC/GC FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	5,821	5,821	1.52
PALERMO/GC/GC FIRE	NORTHERN BORDER PIPELINE CO	1,315,047	1,315,047	0.00
PALERMO/GC/GC FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	530,992	530,992	0.00
PALERMO/GC/GC FIRE	REINBECK MUNICIPAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	428	428	0.31
PALERMO/GC/GC FIRE	HEART OF IOWA COMMUNICATIONS CO-OP	15,500	15,500	6.25
PALERMO/GC/GC FIRE	HEART OF IOWA VENTURES, LLC	1,824	1,824	0.16
<b>PLEASANT VALLEY</b>				
PL VLY/AGWSR/APL FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	3,237	3,237	0.51
PL VLY/AGWSR/PBURG FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	5,268	5,268	0.83
PL VLY/AGWSR/WBURG FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	56,808	56,808	8.95
PL VLY/AGWSR/WBURG FIRE	QWEST CORP	25,941	25,941	2.00
PL VLY/AP/APL FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	113,997	113,997	17.96
PL VLY/AP/APL FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	5,821	5,821	1.52
PL VLY/AP/APL FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	29,236	29,236	0.00
PL VLY/AP/APL FIRE	QWEST CORP	54,865	54,865	4.23
PL VLY/AP/PBURG FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	2,920	2,920	0.46
PL VLY/AP/PBURG FIRE	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	11,450	11,450	2.99
PL VLY/AP/PBURG FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	67,973	67,973	0.00
PL VLY/AP/PBURG FIRE	QWEST CORP	269,007	269,007	20.74
PL VLY/DNH/GC FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	4,634	4,634	0.73
PL VLY/DNH/GC FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	31,788	31,788	0.00
PL VLY/DNH/PBURG FIRE	NORTHERN NATURAL GAS	19,096	19,096	0.00
PL VLY/GC/GC FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	2,793	2,793	0.44
<b>REINBECK</b>				
REINBECK	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	80,229	80,229	12.64
REINBECK	MCC TELEPHONY OF IOWA	22,462	22,462	19.45
REINBECK	MCLEOD USA NETWORK SERVICES	2,489	2,489	0.65
REINBECK	QWEST CORP	1,167	1,167	0.09
REINBECK	REINBECK MUNICIPAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	21,723	21,723	15.74
<b>SHILOH</b>				
SHILOH/AGWSR/WBURG FIRE	IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC	365,857	365,857	57.64
SHILOH/AGWSR/W				



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# Basketball Conference Leaders

All statistics from quikstatsio-wa.com for games played through Thursday, Dec. 22 - stats are unofficial due to incomplete reporting of stats by coaches

## NICL West Boys' Basketball Standings

	Conf.	All
AGWSR	3-0	5-1
G-R	3-0	5-0
East Marshall	3-1	5-2
West Marshall	3-2	4-5
South Hardin	1-2	1-6
BCLUW	0-3	1-5
Grundy Center	0-4	0-5

## Team Statistics

Scoring offense	
Gladbrook-Reinbeck	62.8
East Marshall	60.6
AGWSR	53.0
Grundy Center	49.2
West Marshall	46.8
BCLUW	43.3
South Hardin	42.1

## Scoring defense

Gladbrook-Reinbeck	36.6
AGWSR	38.8
West Marshall	46.4
East Marshall	49.6
South Hardin	51.6
BCLUW	55.6
Grundy Center	63.6

## Shooting percentage

East Marshall	45.9
Gladbrook-Reinbeck	45.6
AGWSR	42.4
West Marshall	40.4
South Hardin	38.8
BCLUW	36.9
Grundy Center	35.9

## Free-throw shooting percentage

East Marshall	67.4
AGWSR	61.0
Gladbrook-Reinbeck	60.6
South Hardin	58.5
Grundy Center	57.1
West Marshall	51.5
BCLUW	44.0

## 3-pointers per game

East Marshall	6.1
AGWSR	5.6
Gladbrook-Reinbeck	5.2
Grundy Center	5.2
West Marshall	4.8
South Hardin	4.4
BCLUW	3.6

## Rebounds per game

BCLUW	33.7
Gladbrook-Reinbeck	32.6
South Hardin	32.3
AGWSR	30.6
East Marshall	28.9
Grundy Center	24.4
West Marshall	22.1

## Assists per game

Grundy Center	14.2
East Marshall	14.0
AGWSR	12.2
Gladbrook-Reinbeck	11.4
West Marshall	10.0
South Hardin	8.4
BCLUW	4.3

## Steals per game

Gladbrook-Reinbeck	12.4
West Marshall	8.6
AGWSR	7.8
East Marshall	7.6
South Hardin	6.4
Grundy Center	6.4
BCLUW	5.2

## Blocks per game

South Hardin	3.6
BCLUW	2.0
AGWSR	2.0
West Marshall	1.5
Gladbrook-Reinbeck	1.4
Grundy Center	1.2
East Marshall	1.0

## Turnovers per game

AGWSR	7.8
Gladbrook-Reinbeck	10.4
West Marshall	11.8
East Marshall	12.0
Grundy Center	14.8
BCLUW	19.5
South Hardin	19.7

## Individual Leaders

Points per game	
Joe Smoldt, G-R	30.4
Nathan Karsjens, AGWSR	18.7
Dru Boliver, E. Marshall	16.6

Bryce Flater, Grundy Center	15.0
Zane Johnson, E. Marshall	13.7

## Rebounds per game

Matt Roeding, G-R	9.2
Logan Mann, BCLUW	7.4
Zane Johnson, E. Marshall	7.1
Nathan Karsjens, AGWSR	7.0
Dane Butler, S. Hardin	6.9

## Assists per game

Tyler DeBontd, E. Marshall	6.7
Joe Smoldt, G-R	5.8
Mason Eilderts, AGWSR	3.6
Jared Krausman, GC	3.4
Chase Boren, Grundy Center	3.0

## Steals

Tyler DeBontd, E. Marshall	24
Joe Smoldt, G-R	19
David Disney, W. Marshall	17
Caden Kickbush, G-R	15
Ted Dunn, S. Hardin	13
Beau Coberley, W. Marshall	13

## Blocked shots

Kevin Rewoldt, S. Hardin	13
Troy Dolfin, BCLUW	8
David Disney, W. Marshall	6
Zane Johnson, E. Marshall	5
Matt Roeding, G-R	5
Cade Spieker, S. Hardin	5

## 3-pointers made

Tyler DeBontd, E. Marshall	17
Joe Smoldt, G-R	17
Alex Dickey, W. Marshall	14
Ted Dunn, South Hardin	12
Alex Hames, AGWSR	10

## Shooting percentage (Min. 25 attempts)

Mason Eilderts, AGWSR	60.0
Joe Smoldt, G-R	55.6
Nathan Karsjens, AGWSR	55.3
Dru Boliver, E. Marshall	54.8
Cam Bannister, W. Marshall	53.7

## Free-throw percentage (Min. 10 attempts)

Nathan Karsjens, AGWSR	90.0
Dru Boliver, E. Marshall	90.0
Joe Smoldt, G-R	86.2
Beau Coberley, W. Marshall	70.6
Cade Spieker, S. Hardin	70.0

## NICL East Boys' Basketball Standings

	Conf.	All
Jesup	4-1	6-1
Union	3-1	4-1
D-NH	3-1	5-2
Denver	2-1	2-2
Hudson	3-2	4-3
Wapsie Valley	3-2	4-2
A-P	2-2	3-2
Columbus	0-4	1-5
Sumner-F'burg	0-5	0-6

## Team Statistics

Scoring offense	
A-P	66.0
Jesup	64.4
Wapsie Valley	63.8
Union	60.2
Dike-New Hartford	58.6
Hudson	58.1
Waterloo Columbus	53.3
Denver	45.5
Sumner-F'burg	40.5

## Scoring defense

Dike-New Hartford	48.4
Denver	48.8
Union	49.6
Aplington-P'burg	50.4
Jesup	53.4
Hudson	58.6
Waterloo Columbus	60.2
Wapsie Valley	61.1
Sumner-F'burg	71.5

## Shooting percentage (Min. 25 attempts)

Dike-New Hartford	49.8
Jesup	49.1
Union	46.5
Aplington-P'burg	42.1
Hudson	40.9
Wapsie Valley	38.8
Waterloo Columbus	33.6
Sumner-F'burg	31.2
Denver	30.0

## Free-throw percentage

Wapsie Valley	70.4
Dike-New Hartford	68.8
Aplington-P'burg	63.5
Hudson	62.2
Jesup	61.0
Union	58.3
Waterloo Columbus	52.4
Denver	49.4
Sumner-F'burg	40.7

## 3-pointers per game

Aplington-P'burg	8.4
Wapsie Valley	8.3
Hudson	7.4
Waterloo Columbus	6.3
Union	5.8
Jesup	5.6
Sumner-F'burg	5.5
Denver	4.5
Dike-New Hartford	3.7

## Rebounds per game

Aplington-P'burg	36.0
Denver	34.3
Wapsie Valley	33.3
Union	30.4
Dike-New Hartford	30.3
Jesup	28.9
Waterloo Columbus	28.0
Sumner-F'burg	26.3
Hudson	25.7

## Assists per game

Aplington-P'burg	17.8
Union	15.8
Dike-New Hartford	15.3
Hudson	13.0
Jesup	12.4
Denver	12.0
Wapsie Valley	11.8
Sumner-F'burg	8.5
Waterloo Columbus	3.3

## Steals per game

Aplington-P'burg	14.6
Union	8.6
Jesup	8.4
East Marshall	8.0
South Hardin	7.3
Denver	6.5
Wapsie Valley	6.5
Sumner-F'burg	5.2
Waterloo Columbus	3.5

## Blocks per game

Aplington-P'burg	4.0
Dike-New Hartford	2.9
Hudson	2.9
Union	2.2
Waterloo Columbus	2.0
Jesup	1.9
Sumner-F'burg	1.7
Denver	1.3
Wapsie Valley	0.8

## Turnovers per game

Jesup	7.3
Denver	10.5
Hudson	11.3
Wapsie Valley	12.8
Waterloo Columbus	13.0
Union	13.2
Dike-New Hartford	14.0
Aplington-P'burg	14.8
Sumner-F'burg	16.0

## Individual Leaders

Points per game	
Ethan Wyant, Jesup	26.7
Paul Rundquist, WV	25.3
Parker Ingamells, Hudson	19.5
Carter Cuvelier, A-P	16.6
Trevor Wurzer, S-F	16.0

## Rebounds per game

Zach Miller, Denver	9.8
Coby Hoff, A-P	9.4
Cael Lambe, Union	9.4
Ben Latusek, D-NH	8.7
Tyler Lienau, Jesup	8.4

## Assists per game

Alec Oberhauser, A-P	5.8
Parker Ingamells, Hudson	5.3
Ethan Wyant, Jesup	4.6
Cael Lambe, Union	3.8
Ben Latusek, D-NH	3.4
Drew Edwards, Union	3.4

## Steals

Tyler Lienau, Jesup	18
Ethan Wyant, Jesup	16
Paul Rundquist, WV	16
Alec Oberhauser, A-P	13
Connor Blough, D-NH	13

## Blocked shots

Dylan Beaumont, Hudson	13
Tyler Lienau, Jesup	10
Alec Oberhauser, A-P	9
Ben Latusek, D-NH	8
Carter Cuvelier, A-P	5
Trevor Wurzer, S-F	5

## 3-pointers made

Paul Rundquist, WV	23
Parker Ingamells, Hudson	22
Drew Schmit, Jesup	20
Cade Alberts, A-P	14
Cael Lambe, Union	13

## Shooting percentage (Min. 25 shots)

Daycen Douglas, Union	80.0
Ethan Wyant, Jesup	59.6
Ben Latusek, D-NH	57.9

Royce Weber, D-NH	57.1
Colton Harberts, D-NH	53.8

## Free-throw percentage (Min. 10 attempts)

Connor Blough, D-NH	94.1
Paul Rundquist, WV	83.3
Carson Kerns, WV	78.6
Alec Oberhauser, A-P	75.0
Parker Ingamells, Hudson	71.9

## NICL West Girls' Basketball Standings

	Conf.	All
West Marshall	5-0	8-0
AGWSR	3-0	7-0
South Hardin	3-1	5-4
Grundy Center	2-2	5-2
East Marshall	1-4	3-6
BCLUW	0-3	2-6
Gladbrook-Reinbeck	0-4	0-7

## Team Statistics

Scoring offense	
West Marshall	58.9
AGWSR	53.0
South Hardin	48.4
Grundy Center	46.0
BCLUW	42.3
East Marshall	34.4
Gladbrook-Reinbeck	25.9

## Scoring defense

Grundy Center	31.0
AGWSR	35.7
West Marshall	35.7
BCLUW	45.0
East Marshall	45.2
South Hardin	46.4
Gladbrook-Reinbeck	52.1

## Shooting percentage

AGWSR	42.9
East Marshall	39.6
West Marshall	39.0
BCLUW	38.1
Grundy Center	35.4
South Hardin	31.3
Gladbrook-Reinbeck	24.3

## Free-throw percentage



## Looking ahead to early 2017

Phew.

The week between Christmas and New Year's was the first breath that I, and likely a lot of those that I've covered in my first two months here, have been able to take with the quick turnaround between fall and winter sports in high school.



By JAKE RYDER  
The Grundy Register

The first night on the job here as the sports editor for the Grundy Register and Parkersburg Eclipse News-Review was to attend a volleyball regional final for Dike-New Hartford. It's all been go, go, go from there, with the talented athletes in this area keeping me on the road and meeting a lot of new faces very quickly.

Needless to say, it's been a challenge to make sure I can tell the stories of these young men and women that this community has known for years and years longer than I have, while also making sure that I can help our staff at both papers put together great sports sections that are worth the price of each issue.

Hopefully from time to time, I'll be able to use some space to talk a bit about what's on my mind. This week, I wanted to take a look at some exciting things coming just in these next few months that have me as excited for 2017 as I was for 2016 in starting this new position with Mid-America Publishing.

I've narrowed the list down to five things I've got my eyes on for the rest of this winter:

### SH-BCLUW Duals in Conrad

The Storm will get a chance to build on an impressive dual meet record in 2016 with this home meet, hosting seven other schools on Saturday, Jan. 7.

SH-BCLUW ended 2016 with a 13-3 record in duals, and will face Hudson and Dike-New Hartford on Thursday to get a couple more duals under their belts before Saturday's big meet, with coaches and senior leaders for SH-BCLUW alike feeling optimistic about the Storm's ability to compete with the best in the area up and down the lineup.

### A-P at D-NH basketball doubleheader

The Falcons and Wolverines split the first meeting this season in Parkersburg on Dec. 6, with the A-P girls winning 36-26 and the D-NH boys hanging on for a 55-50 triumph.

This midseason rematch on Tuesday, Jan. 17, will be a good indicator of how each team has evolved from the early practices and games, and both schools will be looking for bragging rights in what should be a good-sized crowd in Dike.

### North Iowa Cedar League Wrestling Tournament

While nothing is guaranteed, 12 of the 14 champions from last season's NICL tournament went on to qualify for the state tournament the following month.

Dike-New Hartford's Trent Johnson is one of those conference champs looking to add another one to the mantle when the tourney kicks off on Saturday, Jan. 28 at Aplington-Parkersburg High School.

### Gladbrook-Reinbeck boys basketball at Montezuma

As things stand now, this would be a meeting between two top-ten teams in Class 1A as rated by the Associated Press, with G-R at No. 1 heading into the holiday break and Montezuma currently sitting at No. 7. While that may change by the time the teams meet in Montezuma on Feb. 2, it will still likely be one of the Rebels' toughest regular-season tests. Perfect timing, too, with the postseason starting just a few weeks after this clash.

### The Wells Fargo Arena

Plenty of teams in the Register area have aspirations of punching their tickets to Des Moines, whether it be Dike-New Hartford wrestling led by returning state runner-up Trent Johnson, the Wolverines and Gladbrook-Reinbeck boys' basketball teams looking to make returns to the state tourney, or girls teams like AGWSR and Grundy Center looking to make a return to the state level.

The wrestlers take the mat from Feb. 16-18, while the girls' basketball state tournament begins Feb. 27 and the boys' tournament starts on Mar. 6.

### BONUS: NICL Indoor Track Meet

That's right, we're under three months away from the first track and field meet of the season on Tuesday, Mar. 21 at Wartburg College, one day after the official start of the spring. Hopefully the polar vortex stays away in the meantime.

On a personal note, the biggest thing I'm excited for this winter is finalizing my move up here, which includes getting my wife up here so we can both start the next chapter of our life together in northern Iowa. The more she hears about this area, the more excited she is to get up here and start her new job as well — more on that later.

By the time most read this, we'll already be back in the throes of the winter season. Best of luck to the area teams for a successful January and February!

## FARM REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

Felix Township, Grundy County, Iowa

75.6 acres, more or less

Average CSR2 91.8

Harold and Karna Beeghy offer for sale the following described real estate situated in Grundy County, Iowa, to-wit:

The South Half of the Southeast Quarter (S1/2SE1/4) of Section Twenty-four (24), Township Eighty-six (86) North, Range Eighteen (18) West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Grundy County, Iowa.

The Sellers will accept sealed bids which must be received by 5:00 p.m. on February 3, 2017. The sealed bid must contain the name, address and telephone number of the bidder, and the amount of the bid per acre. The sale price will be the highest acceptable bid multiplied times 75.60 acres.

The top bidders will be notified and invited to attend a private auction to be held February 8, 2017, at 1:30 P.M. at the law office of Heronimus, Schmidt, Allen, Schroeder & Geer, 630 G Avenue, Grundy Center, Iowa 50638.

This is a cash sale with closing to take place on March 1, 2017. Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price will be due on the date of sale.

Sellers reserve the right to reject any and all bids. Any announcements on the date of sale will take precedence over any prior advertisements.

For other information concerning the farm, interested bidders should obtain a copy of the bidder's information sheet from the law office of Heronimus, Schmidt, Allen, Schroeder & Geer, 630 G Avenue, Grundy Center, Iowa 50638; Telephone: 319-824-6951; Fax: 319-824-6953; E-mail: grundylaw@gcmuni.net.

# Six named to IFCA Academic All-State Team

The Iowa Football Coaches Association released its academic all-state teams for the 2016 season last week, with six Register-area athletes making the list.

Dike-New Hartford's Trent Johnson and Ben Latusek made the 2A team, BCLUW's Clay Silver was named to the 1A team, Gladbrook-Reinbeck's Matt Roeding was nominated to the Class A squad and Nathan Karsjens and Caleb Meinders of AGWSR earned spots on the 8-player team.

To earn academic all-state honors, a student-athlete must be a senior starter with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.7 or better at the end of their junior year and must also be involved in other extracurricular activities.

### IFCA Academic All-State Teams

(Register-area athletes in bold)

#### 8-Player

Zach Ambrose, Boyer Valley; Ryan Collins, East Union Community; Jake Crozier, Twin Cedars; Parker Eley, Colo-NESCO; Michael Fehr, West Bend Mallard; James Fitzgerald, Springfield; Cody Funk, Tripoli; Matt Glockel, East Mills; Hayden Halbach, Northwood-Kensett; Connor Harms, Midland, Wyoming; Ted Hilgerson, Central Community; Connor Hultman, Stanton; Landon Hunter, Midland, Wyoming; **Nathan Karsjens, AGWSR**; Adam Lovrien, Clarksville; **Caleb Meinders, AGWSR**; Jack Mix, Easton Valley; Matthew Parcher, Northwood-Kensett; Kyle Petersen, Easton Valley; Sam Phillips, Fremont-Mills; Parker Powers, Fremont-Mills; Jackson Roth, WACO; Michael Schmidt, Lone Tree; Garrett Stoll, Easton Valley; Nick Stuppi, Springfield; Garret Tjarks, Colo-NESCO; Dalton Tonne, Tripoli; Charles Truka, Stanton.

#### Class A

Trevor Albert, Cardinal; Austin Alard, Akron-Westfield; Chance Baburek, Belle Plaine; Blake Bauer, Southeast Warren; Levi Capesius, Bishop Garrigan; Lucas Copple, Westwood; Juan Delagarza, MVAO; Taylan Entriken, Hudson Community; Cal Eskra, Akron-Westfield; Brandt Fleener, North Mahaska; John Fletcher, Stormont; Caleb Gipple, North Mahaska; Joey Harkins, Earlham; Ryan Hofer, Lynnville-Sully; Vaughn Irlbeck, BGM; Nick Lemmon, West Hancock; Elliott Meyer, Edgewood-Colesburg; Marcus Olson, Cardinal; **Matthew Roeding, Gladbrook-Reinbeck**; Dylan Roozeboom, Lynnville-Sully; Brady Rusk, Sioux Central; Taylan Sauerbrei, Wapsie Valley; Jacob Shaffer, MVAO; Drew Staab, MMCRU; Andrew Thilges, Bishop Garrigan; Aaron Venenga, Lisbon; Chase Winn-Peterman, Stormont.

#### Class 1A

Will Anthony, Pleasantville; Eli Barrett, Denver; Nick Birks, IKM-Manning; Daniel Bishop, Hinton; Tate Blankespoor, West Lyon; Dylan Boles,

Van Meter; Dalton Clark, Tipton; Carter Coppinger, Van Meter; Carson Covey, Hinton; Grant Deitering, Emmetsburg; Drew Gordon, Van Meter; Justin Grevengeod, Western Christian; Jesse Jansma, Western Christian; Mitchell Jennett, Mount Ayr; Zach Jones, Tipton; Kade Kelso, Central Decatur; Matt Kibbie, Emmetsburg; Mason Lyons, Bellevue; Will Magill, Sigourney-Keota; Griffen McBride, Pleasantville; Alec McDowell, Maquoketa Valley; Daulton Mente, Tipton; Jayden Moore, Madrid; Colyn Oostenink, Western Christian; Sawyer Phillips, Pleasantville; Mason Post, Unity Christian; Jeremy Randol, Panorama Community; Chase Reed, Treynor; Will Schany, Emmetsburg; Justin Shields, Central Decatur; **Clay Silver, BCLUW**; Jay Small, Hinton; Jared Weiland, Alta-Aurelia; Luke Whitlock, Durant; Ethan Wyant, Jesup.

#### Class 2A

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## Grundy Center Bowling

Classic League		High individual scratch game	
<i>Week 14 standings</i>			
Van Wert, Inc	32	24	— Dee Eilers 193.
Tom's Car Care	30.5	25.5	<b>High individual scratch series</b>
Phelps John Deere	29	27	— Tami Craig 555.
BLOWF'S	28	28	<b>Sunday Mixed</b>
Grandview Heights	25.5	30.5	<i>Week 11</i>
Crystal Bowl	23	33	Refreshments 26 points
<b>High individual games</b> — Nathan Boege 225, 611; Dave Maxson Sr. 213, 610; Dave Stefl 213, 603; Denny Westerman 236; Jason Appel 213; Drew Babinat 234; Rich Riesberg 211; Jason Hilby 220; Steve Schmitt 215.			
<b>High team scratch game</b> — Manly's 713.			
<b>High team scratch series</b> — Manly's 2,045.			
<b>High individual scratch game</b> — Men: Dave Stefl 220. Women: Kara Van Wert 187.			
<b>High individual scratch series</b> — Women: Kara Van Wert 648. Men: Dave Stefl 658.			
<b>Commercial League</b>			
<i>12/21/16</i>			
Jesco Welding	19.5	10.5	
DeKalb	19	11	
Myers Concrete	16	14	
Roger's Boys	14	16	
Crystal Bowl	11	19	
Rust Racing	10.5	19.5	
<b>High individual scores</b> — Eric Simon 222, 594; Danny Sents 215, 582; Mike Christensen 217, 587; Nick Liston 225, 579; Mike Weldon 215, 567; Harv Rust 205, 562; Curt Buseman 199, 558; Bob Getting 214, 540.			
<b>Commercial League</b>			
<i>12/28/16</i>			
Jesco Welding	38.5	21.5	
DeKalb	36	24	
Crystal Bowl	31.5	28.5	
Myers Concrete	29	31	
Roger's Boys	25	35	
Rust Racing	20	40	
<b>High individual scores</b> — Eric Simon 206, 582; Harv Rust 193, 572; Dave Stefl 244, 570; Mike Ammerman 225, 570; Nathan Sealman 202, 555; Curt Buseman 213, 551; Mike Christensen 191, 549; Rich Riesberg 213, 548.			
<b>Crystal Ette</b>			
<i>Week 13 standings</i>			
Granny & Gals	21	22	
Phelps	20	25	
Eiten Farms	20	26	
Van Wert	17	27	
<b>High team handicap game</b> — Eiten Farms 895.			
<b>High team scratch game</b> — Phelps 698.			
<b>High individual scratch game</b> — Eunice Riesberg 228.			
<b>High individual handicap game</b> — Eunice Riesberg 251.			
<b>Crystal Ette</b>			
<i>Week 14 standings</i>			
Granny & Gals	22		
Phelps	21		
Eiten Farms	19		
Van Wert	22		
<b>High team handicap game</b> — Granny & Gals 864.			
<b>High team scratch game</b> — Van Wert 648.			
<b>High individual scratch game</b> — Brittini Eberline 218.			
<b>High individual handicap game</b> — Brittini Eberline 283.			
<b>Lucky Strikers</b>			
<i>Week 16 standings</i>			
GNB Insurance	4	0	
Scotty's Saloon	3	1	
Wild Wade's Women	2	2	
Trunk's Country Foods	2	2	
Miller Time	1	3	
Strohbehn Farms	0	4	
<b>High team handicap game</b> — Trunk's Country Foods 860.			
<b>High team handicap series</b> — GNB Insurance 2,425.			
<b>High individual scratch game</b> — Brittney Seifken 192.			
<b>High individual scratch series</b> — Tami Craig 534.			
<b>Lucky Strikers</b>			
<i>Week 17 standings</i>			
GNB Insurance	7	1	
Scotty's Saloon	7	1	
Trunk's Country Foods	4	4	
Wild Wade's Women	2	6	
Miller Time	2	6	
Strohbehn Farms	2	6	
<b>High team handicap game</b> — GNB Insurance 806.			
<b>High team handicap series</b> — GNB Insurance 2,433.			

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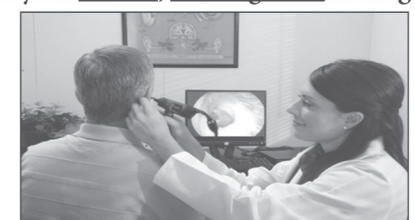
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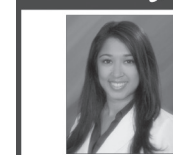
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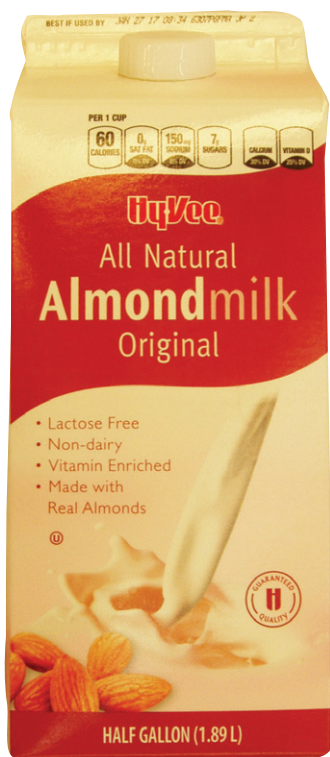


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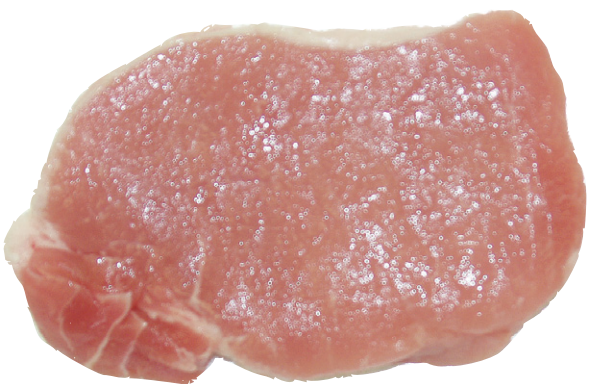
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