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## Making Iowa great again

Gov. Reynolds, local state legislators credit high national ranking to recent reforms

By MICHAELA KENDALL  
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REINBECK – Governor Kim Reynolds, Representative Pat Grassley and Senator Bill Dix touted the bold agenda and leaps in progress made by Republicans in the statehouse during the annual Grundy County Republicans Reagan Dinner in Reinbeck on Friday night.

Reynolds, Grassley and Dix each took time to speak to the crowd about recent successes, new bills and initiatives, to announce that each of them will be running for re-election, and to ask for their continued support during the upcoming Republican Primaries season.

“When we called on you to help us get the majority, you did,” Dix said. “We promised we wouldn’t let you down, and we haven’t. We’ve had a historic, record-setting session. We’ve made collective bargaining reforms that will give tax payers better deals each year;



Governor Kim Reynolds and Lieutenant Governor Adam Gregg mingled with local supporters during the Grundy County Republicans Reagan Dinner in Reinbeck on Friday night. (Michaela Kendall/The Grundy Register photo)

we’ve passed a bill that will make sure your tax dollars won’t fund abortions; and Governor Reynolds has made a bold proposal that’s

largest income tax re-write in recent history, so you can keep more of your hard-earned money. It’s an exciting time in our state legisla-

ture.” Dix added that he’s now working on a measure to add the right to bear arms to the Iowa Constitution,

as Iowa is one of only a few states in the nation to not have that measure included in its constitution.

And despite the recent picketing

outside of his home in Shell Rock – in which over 100 protestors slammed the Republican legislator for his policies, which they called harmful to veterans, seniors, working families, healthcare and education – Dix says he’s never had more fun serving his constituents.

“The six years I served in the minority were much more difficult than [any of that],” he said. “I’m excited and honored to serve you everyday, and I’ve never had more fun representing you than I have the last year and a half, and I hope to continue that. I have an opponent running against me, and I need your help and support to continue leading for you.”

Grassley gave a brief speech, in which he announced his intent to run for re-election, and to update the crowd on his grandfather, Chuck Grassley, who is at home recovering from hernia surgery, but is doing well.

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At right, former Grundy Center basketball star Kim Van Deest is recognized as the captain of the all-tournament team during the 1988 state tournament, and above, Iowa Farm Bureau President Craig Hill presents Van Deest with a plaque commemorating her induction into the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union (IGHSAU) Hall of Fame. (Left photo courtesy of Kim Van Deest/Right photo by Jake Ryder—The Grundy Register)



## Dike voters approve \$1.5 million fire station bond

By MICHAELA KENDALL  
The Grundy Register

DIKE – In a landslide vote, the citizens of Dike approved a \$1.5 million bond referendum for the construction of a new fire station at the northwest edge of town.

According to the unofficial election results released late Tuesday night, nearly 75 percent of voters cast their votes in favor of the bond, while just over 25 percent voted against it.

Turnout was moderate, with over 250 of Dike’s 955 registered voters showing up to the polls on Tuesday.

Dike Fire Chief Marv Geiken says the good news comes after over a year of hard work and planning by the City and the Fire Department.

“We’re excited about the outcome,” Geiken said. “We appreciate the town, and all the voters who came out to show their support.”

Geiken says the City and the department are looking forward to taking the next steps with the project.

Geiken says he’ll be meeting with the architect in the next few days to hammer out the details, and the City will begin filing permits and filling out paperwork before letting bids for the project.

Mayor Mike Soppe thanked the community for their support of the project, and for turning out to vote on Tuesday.

“I think it speaks well on be-



Voters in Dike showed overwhelming support for the new fire station project. Of the 955 registered voters in town, nearly 75 percent voted in favor of the bond, while just over 25 percent voted against it. (Diane Paige/The Grundy Register photo)

half of our community that we can look forward and build new things, and want what’s best for our future,” he said. “Whether you voted for or against it, it’s nice to see people come out and vote. I think in a lot of communities people just sit on their hands, and it’s awesome to see

so many people come out and vote, and want to have a voice in what’s going on in our community.”

Soppe says the City doesn’t have a set construction date yet, but they are hoping to get work started some time yet this year.

## The circle of life

Van Deest inducted into IGHSAU Hall of Fame during Spartan state title game

By ROBERT MAHARRY  
The Grundy Register

DES MOINES- As Grundy Center set up an out of bounds play down two and in search of a game tying—or winning—shot against Cascade in the Class 2A state championship on Saturday evening, Kim Van Deest got so nervous that she had to turn away. The former Spartan six-on-six standout had been inducted into the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union (IGHSAU) Hall of Fame at halftime, and she was ready to lace up the old sneakers. She wanted to take matters into her own hands.

“I was pacing. I thought I was going to vomit. I wanted to play, and I wanted to coach—and I couldn’t do either one,” she said. “I felt so helpless.”

Anyone who knows Van

Deest, however, knows that the previous statement isn’t a dig at current coach Matt Lindeman or any of the players on the court. It’s just the way she is, and it’s how the 1989 graduate became one of the greatest basketball players the state has ever seen.

“She wants the ball, and she wants to be the person in that situation to handle it,” high school teammate Ann Rouse (now Lebo) said. “She wants that moment. She wants to be in there calling the shots, and that’s a talent. A lot of people don’t want to be that person.”

### One of the boys

As an infant, Van Deest left the sunny confines of south Florida, where her father was stationed in the Air Force, and moved to Grundy Center. Larry Van Deest, a Wellsburg native, ran the locker for four decades here and now spends a day a week at Triple T Meats in Ackley.

But despite the disciplinarian environment, Larry and Faye, her mother, made it clear from the beginning that they were never go-

ing to force their middle daughter to participate in anything, and they were never going to badger coaches about playing time.

“It can get out of hand, really. It’s kind of almost a sad thing to watch,” Larry said. “(But) when you have a good coach, you don’t have a problem, because they have control of the situation.”

The desire to be great had to come from within, and the recent honor, the all-time school scoring record (3,778) and her place as the 27th highest point scorer in state six-on-six history indicate that it most certainly did.

“I never felt any pressure from (my parents). It all came from myself. I put a lot of pressure on myself,” she said. “I always made myself work out at the pool before I was allowed to have fun. That was just in me.”

From an early age, Van Deest, who idolized local six-on-six legends like Denise Long of Union-Whitten and Kay Riek of Grundy Center, spurned dolls and picked up on any sport she could:

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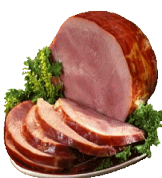
## Spartans finish as state runners up

The Grundy Center girls’ basketball capped off an incredible Cinderella run at the state tournament with a heartbreaking 41-37 loss to Cascade in the championship game on Saturday night in Des Moines. Read a full recap of the contest in the sports section. (Jake Ryder/The Grundy Register photo)



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**Legislators**

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Governor Reynolds took the podium next to give an enthusiastic and charged speech about Iowa as a land of opportunity, with Iowa's recent ranking as the No. 1 Best State, according to U.S. News & World Report. "There are great things happening in this state," Reynolds said in reference to the ranking. "Now we're starting to recognize that some of those initiatives we passed over the last year are already starting to create significant change. This ranking truly is a tribute to the Iowans who work hard each and everyday to make this such a great state to live in."

The ranking, released by U.S. News & World Report last week, ranked Iowa the best state in the U.S. based on a variety of different metrics, including: infrastructure, healthcare, education, affordability, economy, quality of life, opportunity and more.

"Iowa is the number one state for middle class families, number one for graduation rates (from high school), and we have a high number of high school students who are dual enrolled in college-credit classes through local community colleges, which brings down the cost of higher education for those students and moves them forward towards completion of their degree and success," Reynolds said. "We're also number two in low cost of doing business, and we're the third best managed state."

Reynolds called herself a "change agent" and told the crowd Iowans can't become complacent.

"Here's the deal, yes, we were ranked the best state, but we can't become complacent," she said. "Never be satisfied with the status quo. We need to continue to do things to build on our progress."

Reynolds said one of the biggest areas for the state to improve upon is finding workers to fill open positions across the state.

Currently there are over 64,000 job openings on the Iowa Workforce Development's job bank - www.iowajobs.org - that range from entry level openings that only require a high school diploma, to highly skilled jobs requiring extensive education and training.

"What we need for economic growth is people," Reynolds said. "There are so many great careers available, and so many opportunities. What we need to do now is match up young people with these opportunities that exist, and grow our workforce."

One way Reynolds says she plans to fill that gap is through her new income tax reforms. Reynolds says these cuts on individual income taxes are aimed at helping



Representative Pat Grassley and Senator Bill Dix took time to talk with constituents before giving a speech at Friday night's dinner. (Photos by Michaela Kendall/The Grundy Register)

Iowans keep more of their hard-earned money, and to attract more workers to the state to balance out the tax burden and state budget.

In terms of new initiatives, Reynolds says she's been working on an initiative called Future Iowa, which will help pair high schools across the state with local businesses for work-based learning opportunities and apprenticeships.

"We're hoping this will help young people build relationships in the industry they're interested in, and test run jobs locally so they can find their passion," she said. "We're also hoping it will help keep young people in the community, and in the state, and to fill those positions open across the state."

Reynolds says in the coming future, she will also be focusing more on healthcare - particularly mental health.

"Health care and mental health is something I think about and work on everyday," she said. "We want to talk about these issues, and to help find an option for anyone needing mental healthcare. We want to make sure we can fill the gap in treatment and help get treatment for those who need it at an affordable price. I think it's a great step in the right direction, and one

that Republicans are leading the way on."

Before departing, Governor Reynolds thanked the crowd for their continued support.

"It's been an amazing opportunity serving you at the highest level," she said. "Coming to these events in small towns across the state is so important to me because it's a great opportunity to learn and understand firsthand, from constituents, what's going on, what's working and what's not working. I'm excited to wake up every day and work on things that are important to the state, and I want to thank you all for your continued support."

In closing, Brian Andersen, President of the Grundy County Republicans, thanked Reynolds, Dix and Grassley for attending the event, and for their continued service in Iowa legislature.

"I want to thank Kim, Bill and Pat for their continued service," he said. "It's not easy to be the one making the tough decisions and to take the arrows, but I'm proud to have people like them serving us. What we need to do now is get out and support them, and vote, and make our voices heard."

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# Putting Grundy Center on the map

*Clocktower Suites opens up as GC's first AirBNB host*

By MICHAELA KENDALL  
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER – With hosts around the world, AirBNB has changed the way travelers look at accommodation. Now tourists have access to homes, private apartments, beach houses, renovated campers, and even tree houses across the globe, which they can rent for as little as one day, or as long as several months. With over 4 million listings for rent on the website, travelers can now add one more destination to their list: Grundy Center.

In late February, Grundy Center residents Joan and John Schuller opened up Grundy Center's first AirBNB listing - Clocktower Suites - located in the upper story of the former Frederick Furniture building at 711 G Avenue.

Joan says she and her husband first bought the building in October of 2016, and began a year-long renovation in the upper story that lasted from early 2017 to the beginning of 2018.

"The upper floor hadn't really been used or heated for the last 50 years, so it was kind of a mess," she said.

John did much of the deconstruction himself, while Joan sketched out her vision for the space. The couple hired local contractors for construction, electric, plumbing and HVAC work.

And while much of the place needed to be gutted, Joan says the couple tried to preserve as much of the old history and charm that made the building so special in the first place.

Original wood flooring, window frames, and a high, decorative-paneled ceiling now mingle with modern design and décor, much of which was picked by local interior designer, Katie McMartin, whose shop is located directly beneath the new AirBNB suite.

"Our aim was to preserve as much of the history as possible,



Joan Schuller (above) and her husband John recently became the first AirBNB hosts in Grundy Center after they opened up their new Clocktower Suites above the former Frederick Furniture building at 711 G Ave. (Michaela Kendall/Grundy Register photo)

and keep a lot of those original pieces," Joan said.

And though the couple's goal never was to become long-term, full-time landlords, Joan said she and John wanted to find a way to utilize empty space in the downtown district.

"We just wanted to find a way to transform this historic upper story into a usable space," she said. "When we started brainstorming ideas for it, we kind of landed on turning it into an AirBNB short term rental. We've used AirBNB before while traveling, and thought it could work for this space."

Joan added that she and John - who was very involved in bringing the Main Street program to Grundy Center - believe strongly in the Main Street principles and decided they needed to "walk the walk" of the Main Street mission.

"We thought this aligned really well with the Main Street philosophy of historic preservation," she said. "We did this for the community, because if we lose infrastructure, and lose these old buildings that define us, then we lose our community."

Joan added that many smaller, rural communities in Iowa are at an age where their historic buildings are starting to crumble, and that if work isn't done to preserve them, they may be lost forever.

"When we've traveled to dif-

ferent places, we've noticed that a lot of newer cities are creating districts that have that historic, old feel to them," she said. "There's just something special and intimate about the historic, small town square that people love, to the point that they want to re-create it in newer developments. But we've already got that, we just need to preserve it."

Joan said that already, there have been several bookings made at the suite.

"We're completely booked for Felix Grundy Days, and we have a few other bookings for weddings and events," she said. "We've even had someone rent it for a photography session."

Joan added that she hopes the new AirBNB will help attract people to town.

"It would be great for anyone looking for a getaway, or a girl's trip, or even a business trip," she said. "We want to show them what Grundy Center has to offer. We're a small town, but we have so many amenities to draw people in."

The Clocktower Suites will be offering tours during their Open House this Saturday during the Grundy Center Chamber of Commerce and Main Street Grundy Center's Spring Fling and Sip and Shop Pop Up Boutique event, going on in downtown Grundy Center.

## Supervisors approve FY19 budget

By ROBERT MAHARRY  
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER- After a brief public hearing on Monday morning, the Grundy County Board of Supervisors approved the fiscal year 2019 budget as presented by a unanimous vote.

Ivester-area resident Laura Hommel asked the board about whether the salary allocation for the sheriff's position would change after 36-year incumbent Rick Penning retires, and the supervisors responded that the compensation for elected officials was not tied to experience.

The final raises and proposed salaries for elected officials are as follows: a \$1,435 raise to \$58,840.02 for county auditor Rhonda Deters, a \$1,537.50 raise to \$63,011.06 for county attorney Erika Allen, a \$1,435 raise to \$58,840.02 for county recorder Travis Case, a \$2,025.40 raise to \$83,033.20 for Penning or his eventual predecessor, and a \$1,435 raise to \$58,840.02 for county treasurer Brenda Noteboom.

Overall budget expenditures and transfers out are projected

at \$18,391,914 for FY19, and revenues and transfers in are projected at \$16,331,662. For the third straight fiscal year, the county's overall fund balance is expected to decrease, and the biggest expenses are in roads and transportation (\$5,365,824), public safety and legal services (\$2,259,119), capital projects (\$2,215,836) and administration (\$1,915,415). The largest revenues, on the other hand, come in the form of intergovernmental sources (\$7,322,997) and property taxes (\$6,242,841). The tax levy was set at \$5.36 per \$1,000 of valuation in urban areas and \$8.35 per \$1,000 of valuation in rural areas.

Board Chairman Jim Ross asked county engineer Gary Mauer about the possibility of a group of landowners pitching in together to fix a bridge on E Avenue ahead of schedule because of the need for its use. Current-

ly, at least two are interested.

"It's an idea worth thinking about," Ross said.

Mauer reported that his five-year secondary roads budget is now \$22,531,000, a \$275,000 increase from the previous total due to an additional mile of hot mix asphalt (HMA) paving on D67 west of Conrad. The board approved plans for the Wolf Creek Bridge replacement east of Beaman, a project estimated at around \$900,000, and bid letting is preliminarily set for May. The bridge is 200 feet long by 30 feet wide and will be eligible for an 80 percent federal reimbursement.

**IN OTHER BUSINESS,** the board:

- Accepted a low gasohol quote from Mid-Iowa Cooperative.
- Approved the payment of bills.

## Van Deest

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softball, tennis, golf, volleyball, and of course, basketball.

"Kim was always better than all the boys in our class. We would play kickball, and most of the time, all the guys wanted her on their team," classmate and teammate Staci (Meester) Freese said. "She was just good at whatever she did."

Van Deest is quick to note the off-overlooked fact that she led the Spartans to one of their only conference titles in school history in softball—her first true love—and she always sought to blaze her own trail.

"When she was 10 or 12, she came home and told us that someone asked her if she was going to be another Kay Riek," Faye said. "And her reply was no, I'm going to be a Kim Van Deest."

Teammates and foes alike have praised her court awareness and knowledge of the game, and Van Deest credits her inherent toughness to frequently playing against boys like Jesse Willis—the father of current Spartan star Kylie Willis—and her cousins Chad Ralston and Lance Van Deest.

"She played like a boy, and at that time in six-on-six, Jimmy Christmas. That's why she was so successful at Iowa State," Willis said. "When you come from a small school like that, you usually don't have that kind of game developed, and playing with guys definitely helped her out."

By junior high, the nucleus that included Van Deest, Meester, Molly Thoren, Marci Hawn and Amy Harken rarely lost a game, but that didn't translate to immediate success at the high school level. Local fans and business owners were skeptical that they could right the ship, and during Van Deest's first two years, the Spartans struggled to rise above mediocrity.

Kerri (Dole) Barnhouse, a senior when Kim was a freshman, lobbied the coaching staff to get the young star on the court.

"All of a sudden, we started to feel like we could really win. When you feel like you have a weapon like that, you want to use it," (Dole) Barnhouse said. "She made everybody who played with her better."

The 1987 arrival of a new coach on the heels of a state title at Ventura, with past experience tutoring the most prolific scorer in Iowa high school history, changed everything overnight.

**An instant culture change**

All of Chuck Bredlow's former players describe his personality in similar terms: intense, demanding, never complacent, and at times overwhelming, but there's no doubt in any of their minds that he saw the potential in a talented group of young girls and pushed them to realize it.

"We were used to a little bit of pampering and feeling sorry for ourselves, and that's not what we were getting from him," Van Deest said. "He had me terrified half the time... but we responded, obviously."

Both Van Deest and (Rouse) Lebo recall separate moments that cemented the new mindset in

their brains. When Grundy Center played Wapsie Valley in the first game of the 1987 season and only lost by four, several members of the team began celebrating in the locker room, and a flabbergasted Bredlow marched in with a beet red face full of disbelief before throwing a clipboard. During one of the new coach's other early regular season games, Spartan fans broke into applause after they got the ball over the half court line.

"He was very strict, but that's what we needed," (Hawn) Rouse said. "A perfect explanation of Bredlow is hardcore, in your face."

Grundy Center finished that season at 21-6 after dropping a heartbreaker in the state quarterfinals to Southeast Polk (where Bredlow would later coach and serve as principal), and Van Deest was a first team Iowa Newspaper Association (INA) all state selection, averaging 49.6 points per game. Despite playing just two games out of a possible four at Veteran's Memorial Auditorium, she was named the captain of the all-tournament team after pumping in 105 points, hitting 24 straight free throws and blowing the cap off of what media outlets at the time called her "anonymity" due to the attention heaped on to bigger stars.

The recruitment letters flooded the mailbox daily—Iowa State, Iowa, UNI, Indiana State, Princeton, Harvard, Indiana State, Creighton, Louisiana Tech and Marquette were among the suitors, and Van Deest would eventually settle on the Cyclones. No matter how many accolades she received, however, her teammates never felt that she gave off the slightest hint of arrogance.

"She's just a natural at everything, and she never let anything go to her head," said former teammate Sarah (Lynch) Lammers, the self-proclaimed "decoy" who finished as the fourth highest scorer in school history. "I just hoped I didn't mess it up for her."

Heading into the 1988-1989 season, the state title was Grundy Center's to lose (as it likely will be again come next winter), but those pesky Bobcats 15 miles to the northeast—fresh off of a championship of their own—weren't going to lay down and let the Spartans have it.

"My sophomore year, we were not good at all, and all of a sudden here we are, number one in the state," Harken (now Fudula) said. "It was pretty exciting."

The intense rivalry with Dike, led by fellow all-star Dawn Meester, culminated at one of the most memorable games in Grundy County history in the regional semifinals. The undefeated Spartans met the Bobcats in hopes of besting them for the third time that year, and both teams knew exactly what was at stake.

"It was a huge rivalry," Dawn Meester said. "Did I really want to meet them again? It was up in the air."

It's hard to imagine a more heartbreaking scenario for Van Deest than the one that unfolded: down by three points with just seconds to go, the Spartan star

launched a three-pointer from close to half court and was fouled on the shot as the buzzer sounded. Because of the rules at the time, she only got two free throws. She made both, and Grundy Center's fairytale season ended at the hands of its most bitter and intimately familiar nemesis.

"It was just like a thorn in your back constantly. It wasn't like you didn't want to play (Dike), but they were always there," (Meester) Freese said. "(The loss) still hurts. It's one of those things."

Life after sports has provided old foes with the chance to forge new friendships, including former Dike star and current UNI volleyball coach Bobbi (Becker) Petersen—whose father took a computer class at the Waterloo Public Library (WPL) that Van Deest happened to be teaching.

In the aftermath of the ravaging 2008 floods, the two Grundy County standouts teamed up to sandbag in downtown Cedar Falls, and their mutual respect for each other runs deep.

"I just always had a lot of respect for Kim as an athlete but didn't really know her as a person. Sometimes you get the opportunity to know each other as people," (Becker) Petersen said. "She's not just a great athlete but a tremendous individual as well... We share a lot of that old school mindset."

**It all comes full circle**

Van Deest proved doubters wrong with her seamless transition to the five-on-five game at Iowa State and had three successful seasons there (during the 1991-1992 campaign, she was the best three-point shooter in all of the Big Eight) before opting to focus on her studies after a coaching upheaval in Ames before her senior year.

She graduated with a degree in physiology, and she's since coached with Riek, her childhood idol, at Indiana State, led an area Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) team that included several members of Grundy Center's 2004-2005 state championship squad, launched a graphic design business and worked at the WPL. Van Deest most recently accepted a corporate training position with Grainger Industries in Waterloo.

The ceremony at the state tournament reunited a host of Spartan alumni and elicited emotional reactions and embraces between teammates from late 1980's squads in attendance. Van Deest sees junior guard Hailey Wallis, who scored 29 of Grundy Center's 37 points in the title game, as a player with the sort of killer instinct that elevated her to such great heights 30 years ago, and she plans to work with the team on shooting over the summer.

And after sitting on the edge of her seat throughout her alma mater's riveting state tournament run, Van Deest has a big announcement to make: her services are available.

"I'm excited, so let all the coaches out there know I'm looking if they need some help," she said.

## MAIN STREET GRUNDY CENTER INVITES YOU TO ITS Downtown Façade Reveal Open House

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**Dix's Diary**

by Senate Republican Leader  
Bill Dix  
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**Bold tax reform passes the Senate**

On Wednesday Iowa Senate Republicans passed Iowa Working Families Tax Relief Act. This bill is bold, pro-growth tax relief. This tax cut focuses on treating Iowans fairly: providing working Iowans with an average of \$1000 per year in tax relief, cutting taxes by \$1 billion, and simplifying an over-complicated tax code.

Iowa Working Families Tax Relief Act helps mitigate the tax burden on employers while eliminating or reducing most of the top tax credits for special interest groups. These tax credits are a consequence of Iowa's

highest in the nation top corporate tax rate. With the reduction and elimination of tax credits, we help improve tax fairness for all Iowans.

Iowa has the fourth highest top individual tax rate in the country. This growth-inhibiting tax rate is higher than both Vermont and New Jersey and causes Iowa to be passed over by many employers looking to invest in new opportunities. With the implementation of this act, Iowa will become a more business-friendly state and have more employers and individuals looking come to our state in-

stead of leaving it. Encouraging, not discouraging, local business is the key to invigorating Iowa's state and local economies.

Senate Republicans are committed to reducing the tax burden on all Iowans and creating a simple, fair tax policy. These policies help career opportunities flourish and promote growth in the Iowa economy. Low taxes, reasonable regulations and a confident economy allow Iowans to work, save, spend, and enjoy the greatest state in the country.

**Conrad legion auxiliary meets**

The Conrad American Legion Auxiliary Unit #681 met on Monday, February 26, at 1:30 p.m. at the Conrad Legion Hall. The meeting was called to order by co-president Lynlee Towner with 11 officers and members and one guest present. Deb Clemons led the unit in prayer, and Mary Ann Miller led in singing "America." Roll call was taken, and the minutes from January were read and approved. The financial report was given.

Committee reports—Card Chairman Bev reported sending one card. Juniors co-chairman Deb Clemons reported Third District ALA Junior Conference will be Sunday, April 15, 2018, at the Gladbrook Legion Hall with registration at 11:00 a.m.

In the last Auxiliary Magazine, there is a picture from Junior ALA Camp with Conrad Juniors, Deidra Green, Hailey Clemons, Cierra Clemons and Allie Clemons. It will be held from June 3-8.

It will be held at the Chris-

tian Conference Center in Newton. Registration is due to the department on April 1. Membership Chairman JoAnn Klein reported the unit's membership is 138. Past President Janice Tranbarger announced that the next meeting is on April 16.

Old business—Veronica Daniel reported on the Mid-Winter Conference. The national ALA will be raising dues for 2019. The Arts and Crafts Festival is coming to Des Moines.

The Marshall County ALA Spring Conference is Saturday, March 10, 2018, at the Marshalltown Legion. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m., board meeting is at 9:30 and the call to order is at 10:00 a.m.

There will be a silent auction for Third District Merit Awards. Mary Ann Miller and JoAnn Klein will furnish items for the auction. The Third District ALA Spring Conference is Saturday, March 31, in Hampton.

ABC Spring Sale is Saturday, April 28, and the aux-

iliary will be having rummage and food.

Dates to remember—Marshall County ALA Spring Conference is Saturday, March 10, 2018, at the Marshalltown Legion. Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at the IVH is the ALA Ladies Social from 1:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday, March 16 is the IVH Marshall County ALA Bingo. Saturday, March 17, is the Foreign Food Fair at IVH from 10:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. The Third District Merit Award application is due to Sharon Hatch by Tuesday, March 20, 2018. Saturday, March 31, is the Third District ALA Spring Conference at Hampton. Monday, March 26 is the unit's next meeting. Unit members' volunteer hours are due. On April 1, the Junior ALA Camp registration is due to the department.

Following the penny march, the meeting was adjourned. Refreshments were served by hostess Bev Rabbitt and Darci Steckelberg.



**Foundation scholarships available**

**Ken & Carol Hoff Continuing Education Scholarship**

Every school year Ken & Carol Hoff offer a Continuing Education Scholarship for former BCLUW students entering the teaching field. Ken & Carol were both teachers in the BCLUW School District for many years. In honor of their dedication to the teaching profession a \$1000 scholarship is provided for students in their second or third year of college. Students must also have a GPA of at least 3.0

**Art & Louise Bine Continuing Education Scholarship**

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fering a Continuing Education Scholarship for former BCLUW students working on a degree in Agriculture, Education, Business, Trade, or Health Care. In honor of their dedication to help young adult reach their goals, (2) \$2000 scholarships are provided for students in their third or final year of college. Students will be awarded the scholarship in \$1000 increments. Students must be sophomore and have a GPA of at least 2.5.

Interested candidates for these scholarships can contact Ted Geelhart (ted.geelhart@emerson.com) or Lynn Silver (lsilver@bcluw.org).

Applications are due April 15, 2018.

**Tentative Agenda  
Conrad City Council  
City Hall / Council Chamber  
Thursday, March 8, 2018  
7:00 PM**

- Business Resolutions
- 1. Open public hearing on Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019
  - a. Resolution # 2018-03 approving budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019
- Motion to Adjourn
- Regular Council Meeting has been rescheduled to Thursday – March 15th, 2018

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*Scenes from the BCLUW Coffee Concert*  
BCLUW's high school musicians put on a show for the audience at the annual coffee concert on Friday night. At top left, the concert choir gets rhythmic during a song. In the two top right photos and the second from bottom, the show choir boys and girls show off their moves. At middle left, Lucas Halverson (left) prepares his Journey air guitar skills with fellow host Greg Schmitt (right), and at middle right, Megan Murty sings a Bruno Mars song. At bottom, the horn section from the concert band plays at the beginning of the show. (All photos by Rober-Maharry/The Grundy Register)

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A look back through The Grundy Register  
Compiled by Michaela Kendall

10 Years Ago This Week - 2008

As expected, Grundy Center property taxes will take a significant hike this year. The estimated jump? Over 12 percent from last year. However, by omitting pool expenses they would go down, and even the increase is fairly comparable to property taxes three and four years ago. City Clerk Rich Riesberg recently released the city's property tax levee rate for the year of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. His estimates have Grundy Center residential property owners paying just over \$17 per \$1,000 of property, which, for a home worth \$100,000, comes out to about \$757 annually (after the rollback adjustment). However, this increase could be largely attributed to the new Grundy Family Aquatic Center set to open this spring. And although the increase is significant compared to last year, a home assessed at \$100,000 in 2005/2006 paid \$730, and that same home paid \$713 in 2004/2005. So, without the pool, property taxes would have actually gone down for the third straight year. Riesberg attributes the decreasing property taxes to the increased rollback on property values. The city has also continued to increase the rollback on residential property for the past four years. In 2004/2005, they gave a rollback of 48.46 percent. The rollback has increased every year since then (meaning tax payers are taxed on less of their property) and this year it will be 44.08 percent.

U.S. Congressional candidate Ed Fallon, D-Des Moines, made a stop at JohnnyRays restaurant in Grundy Center Wednesday, Feb. 26. Fallon will be running against incumbent Leonard Boswell of the third district of the U.S. House of Representatives. The congressional primary will be June 6 Fallon also hosted meetings in Vinton at 1 p.m. and Des Moines at 5:15 after his stop in Grundy Center on Wednesday. Fallon's stump focused on budget and tax reform issues. Fallon believes significant budgetary reforms are needed and said, "If you and I managed our personal checkbooks like Congress manages the federal budget, we'd be doing time. The level of federal debt is now unmatched and will soon compromise the solvency of future generations."

25 Years Ago This Week - 1993

The Grundy County Museum in Morrison will kick off another season with an open house on Sunday, March 14, celebrating the 14th anniversary of its opening. Hours will be from 1 to 5 p.m., with refreshments served throughout the afternoon. Of special mention is the display of doorknobs that afternoon by Carol Stone of Reinbeck. Visitors should enjoy the beauty and variety of this collection. Also of interest is the "new and improved" military display in the Wilson Memorial Room. Lynn Memorial Room At 2 p.m., there will be a short program remembering the late Raymond Lynn, of Grundy Center. The bequest of taxidermy items by Mr. Lynn will be honored by a dedication of the north exhibit room as the Raymond G. Lynn Memorial Room. Many items from this collection will be on display. The late Mr. Lynn was a true friend of the museum. He mounted numerous animals for the different displays. The items he left to the museum was a very special way of re-

membering that friendship. The museum is indeed fortunate and privileged to have been offered his lifetime collection. Each mounted specimen was a labor of love for this farmer, cattleman, and taxidermist Starting with a correspondence course at age 19, Raymond practiced and enjoyed the art of taxidermy for the rest of his 86 years.

On January 26, budding Edisons and Curies displayed 409 inventions at the local Invent Iowa! Convention held in the Grundy Center Elementary School gym. Volunteers served as judges to select twelve inventions to advance to district competition at UNI on March 1. The local, inventors will join other students from 19 area schools that will be vying for the honor of representing all of Area 7 at the state Invention Convention in Des Moines on April 3. The fifth grade students representing Grundy Center at UNI will be Caralee Doak, Steven Gritton, Justin Hemann, Jenny Kruger, Laci Kruse, Matthew Maas, Brad Ramundt, Jenny Rash, and Lori Vyhnaelek, and partners: Bill Blakesley and Greg Myers, Hollie Blakesley and Kylie Dirks, and Kelli Schlieman and Jessica Severance. Alternates will be Josh Kirkpatrick, Mandy Matejka, and Nicole Watson.

50 Years Ago This Week - 1968

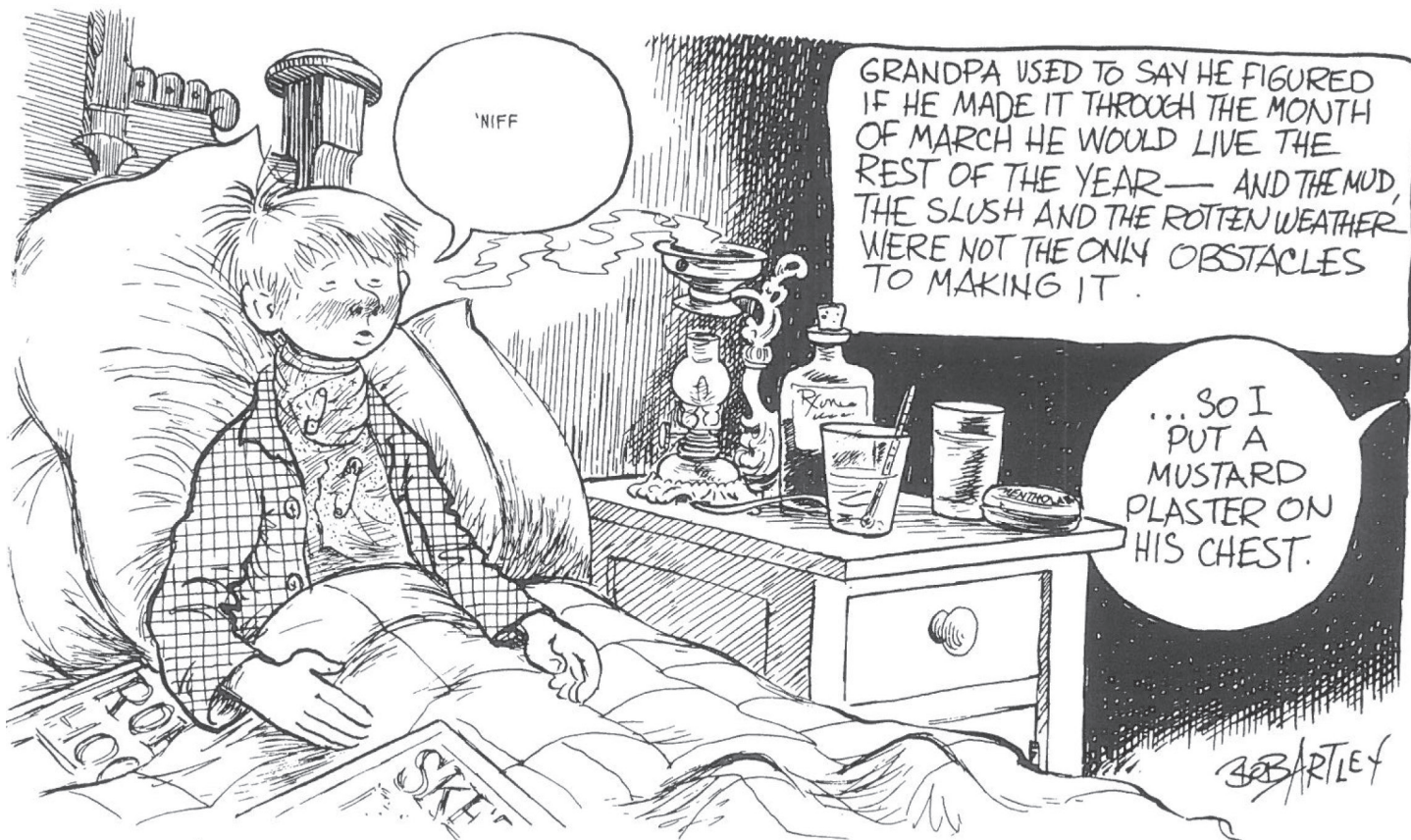
Five persons including Sheriff Dick Kern were injured and nearly \$9,000 in personal property lost in a rash of car accidents in Grundy county this past week. Sheriff Kern, 31, and Eugene Outman, 20, both of Grundy Center, were hospitalized at Grundy County Memorial Hospital following a head-on collision on HWY 58 on Wednesday. The mishap occurred when Outman's car skidded on the icy highway and into the path of Sheriff Kern's auto. Kern's 1968 Pontiac valued at \$4,000 plus \$1,000 in police radio equipment belonging to the county was destroyed. The 1960 Oldsmobile owned by Outman was also considered a total loss, as it burst into flames. Outman had been knocked unconscious and a passing motorist, Henry Glesking of Grundy Center, helped remove Outman from the burning car.

Former Vice President Richard Nixon and California Governor Ronald Reagan make up the ticket most preferred by persons attending the Grundy County Republican Party caucus held Tuesday night at Grundy Center Senior High building. In a poll conducted by the party Central Committee, Nixon easily outdistanced five other possible Republican candidates for president and Reagan was a narrow favorite for vice president.

75 Years Ago This Week - 1943

Grundy horses are bought for meat: There were 40 head of horses sold at the Grundy horse sale yesterday afternoon. Several head were bought for meat and they will be shipped to horse packing plants. Big, fat horses are wanted for meat. Age makes no difference. Meat from an old horse is said to be as good as that from a young one.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Alter received a telegram the last of the week from the war department advising them their son Reinhard was missing. No details were given. When last heard from, he believed he was leaving for Africa. Whether he lost his life on a sunken transport, at the battlefield, or is being held prisoner is not known here.



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According to a viral clickbait listicle somewhere on the Internet, Iowa is the best state in the United States of America\*. The best at what, exactly? We aren't sure, but we'll take any compliments we can get. With all of the changes we're dead set on implementing, however, is there any chance we'll stay at the top for long?

The Hawkeye State has always been defined by moderation: with campus snowflakes and blue collar union workers in the east, farmers and deeply religious conservatives in the north and west, and large multinational corporations in the middle, Iowa is truly a political melting pot. We've bounced back and forth between supporting Democrats and Republicans in presidential elections over the last few cycles, and for many years, we kept an almost equal balance between the two in terms of federal representation.

Some of our most venerated recent governors—Robert Ray, Terry Branstad Vol. 1 and Tom Vilsack—were known for reaching across the aisle and doing what was right, regardless of the political consequences. Ray, who welcomed Vietnamese refugees with open arms, championed civil rights and fought to protect Native Americans, is a relic of a kinder, more compassionate Republican party that bears little resemblance to the MAGA racial resentment fanaticism of 2018.

Vilsack received near unanimous praise when then President Obama appointed him as Secretary of Agriculture in 2009, and he even wrote a letter in support of his eventual GOP predecessor, Sonny Perdue of Georgia—making him the only Obama cabinet member to do so.

Branstad erased eight and a half percent unemployment and a \$90 million budget deficit to leave the state \$900 million in the black upon his first departure in 1999. Former Congressman Jim Leach, Senator Charles Grassley in the early days, Senator Joni Ernst on matters like sexual assault and workplace harassment, and former Senator Tom Harkin, the architect of the Americans With Disabilities Act, are other prime examples. These men and women understood the value of bipartisanship, and they placed duty to country above the vindictive desire to shove an ideological agenda down the electorate's throat.

Governor Kim Reynolds and the current state legislature, on the other hand, possess no such restraint. Whether it's slashing revenues at every corner in pursuit of their economic development pipe dreams, privatizing Medicaid for no good reason besides "Well, other states do it too," making it harder and harder for teachers, road workers and city employees to negotiate for their pay and benefits, placing corporate agricultural and energy interests above the public interest or attempting to starve already anemic school district budgets with seemingly innocuous phrases like "education savings accounts," they just don't know when to stop.

The Governor spoke in Grundy County on Friday evening, and as you may have guessed, she referenced the aforementioned ranking more than once during the Reagan Dinner just outside of Reinbeck. Despite the typical gripes about "negativity" in the media, Michaela still showed up to do her job, and Reynolds grinned and spewed half-baked talking points about how wonderful it all is. If the Kool-Aid tastes this good, you've got no choice but to keep on drinking it.

"Now, we're starting to recognize that some of those initiatives we passed over the last year are already starting to create significant change," she said. "This ranking truly is a tribute to the Iowans who work hard each and every day to make this such a great state to live in."

But beneath the façade is a state that isn't actually in such rosy shape. Cutting taxes to solve a budget shortage is like buying a handle of Jack Daniel's after receiving a cirrhosis diagnosis, and our mental health programs—a preferred scapegoat on the right in the wake of another horrific school shooting—are an absolute joke. The "landmark" water quality bill is little more than a handout with

no enforcement measures or guidelines, and cities and counties are already being forced to go without money they'd been promised when the state decided it needed to cut commercial property taxes five years ago. Not even our own beloved courthouse, the subject of a recent *Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier* guest column, is safe. Is anything sacred?

In several columns on this page, our state senator has elaborated that his primary (and arguably his only) legislative concern is economic growth, and while the thought is nice, Majority Leader Dix and several other Republicans will experience a rude awakening when the next session rolls around and Google, Facebook, Uber, PayPal and Apple are still headquartered inside the confines of the People's Republic of Silicon Valley—not Waukee, Marion or Bettendorf.

Representative Pat Grassley, to his credit, has expressed concern about the state budget and a lack of revenue during several of our conversations, but with most of his party diving head first into full-on "Let's Become Kansas" mode, any calls for a dose of sanity fall on deaf ears. We may bleed our reserves dry by the time this is all said and done, but at least we'll get a few new slaughterhouses, fertilizer plants and data centers out of the deal.

Money isn't everything, and as someone who willingly went to journalism school and took a job in the field upon graduation, I can attest firsthand. People base their living decisions on a variety of factors that have nothing to do with profit margins, shareholder value or year-end dividends—factors like school systems, quality of life, public recreational opportunities and an adequate social safety net in the event that times get hard. Iowa used to set an example for how these services could peacefully coexist with a robust business climate, but this two-year bender has us set on a path to complete financial insolvency all to prove to a few rich campaign donors that their investments were worth it. *Citizens United* suddenly makes perfect sense.

Well, there I go again, in the words of Tom Joad, "gettin' idears when I go thinkin' about stuff." Really, though, would a little moderation every now and then kill us?

\*Credit to Kellie for tipping me off to this hot scoop.

Letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

During the 1870s, two sisters, Berendina and Hinderica Groenhagen, and their husbands, K. C. Kruger and John Frederick Abels, respectively, moved to the Grundy Center area from Forreston, Ogle County, Illinois. The sisters left their home in Cirkwehrum, Ostfriesland, Hanover, Germany, and settled in Forreston in 1857. They came to the United States along with their parents, Harm Tammen Groenhagen and Grietje Hinderks Sweets, and two sisters, Ida and Rena.

My ancestors, also named Groenhagen, also left Ostfriesland and settled in Ogle County, Illinois, in 1868. However, our family does not know if or how we are related to the Groenhagens who came to the United States 11 years earlier. I am interested in connecting with any descendants of Berendina and Hinderica Groenhagen who are still in the Grundy Center to see if we can determine if our two families are related. I can be reached at 785-841-9417 or groenhagen@sbeglobal.net.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Kevin Groenhagen  
Lawrence, Kansas

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February	28	49	30	0.00	0.00	
March	1	43	20	0.00	0.00	
March	2	45	22	0.00	0.00	
March	3	50	36	0.00	0.00	
March	4	53	34	0.00	0.00	
March	5	37	25	0.28	1.70	

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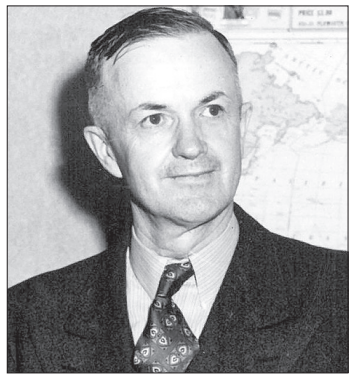


OK, here is the next mystery picture. Can anyone tell us anything about this photo? Maybe when and where it was taken? What was the occasion? If you have any answers send an email with 'From the Archives' in the subject line to [grundyeditor@midamerica-pub.com](mailto:grundyeditor@midamerica-pub.com)

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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.

Carol Miller called in information about the photo that ran last week of the two ladies sitting at desks. This is a picture of her Mother, Lois Abels (closest) and her aunt, Hildegard Dirks. They were working at the Farmers Savings Bank. No information was received about the other 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



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## Chapter AR, P.E.O. meeting held

Members of Chapter AR, P.E.O. met for a regular meeting on Thursday, March 1 at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Ardelis Smith. Carol Iverson and Jane Linnenbrink were the hostesses. The theme of the meeting was Carry P.E.O. in Your Heart Through Officer Initiation. The Chapter AR Officers are President, Janelle Onnen, Vice President, Kathy Zeiner, Recording Secretary Carol Iverson, Corresponding Secretary, Kay Graham, Chaplain, Beth Jackley, and Treasurer, Jackie Stevens. The next meeting will be a social meeting held on March 15, 2018 at 6:30 catered by The Landmark Bistro in the new 319 Décor & Design Home Decorating Shop. A personalized tour of The Clock Tower Suites will take place after the dinner.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS GRUNDY COMMUNITY CENTER

- Friday • **Grundy Comm. Center** – alking, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.,  
March 9 Wilts Room  
Exercise, 9 a.m., Legion Room  
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room
- Monday • **Grundy Comm. Center** – Walking, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.,  
March 12 Wilts Room  
Exercise, 9 a.m., Legion Room  
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room
- Tuesday • **Grundy Comm. Center** – Walking, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.,  
March 13 Wilts Room  
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room
- Wednesday • **Grundy Comm. Center** – Walking, 7 - 11 a.m.,  
March 14 Wilts Room  
Exercise, 9 a.m., Legion Room  
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room  
Lenten Lunch, 12 - 1 p.m., Wilts Room
- Thursday • **Grundy Comm. Center** – Walking, 7 - 4 p.m.,  
March 15 Wilts Room  
Stroke Detection Plus, 9 a.m. -3:30 p.m.,  
Legion Room  
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Wilts Room

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## Grundy Register Bulletin Board

### Grundy Center GC Kindergarten Registration open

It's time to register students for the 2018-19 kindergarten class in the Grundy Center School District.

In order to be eligible for kindergarten, a child must be five years old on or before September 15, 2018. If you have a child eligible to attend kindergarten in the fall, and he/she does not attend the Grundy Community Preschool, please call the elementary office as soon as possible at 825-5461 for registration information.

### Wellsburg German Club to meet

The Ostfriesen Heritage Society will meet at 2 p.m. at the Wellsburg Public Library on March 10, 2018.

The afternoon program will be presented by the German Exchange Students attending the AGWSR Schools this year.

Come and enjoy reminiscing about traditions of our Ostfriesen ancestors, and a little Platt Duetsch speaking. Bring some German treats to share over a cup of Ostfriesen Tea.

### Liscomb Liscomb Church to hold Revival meetings

The Liscomb Church of Christ will hold revival meetings Sunday, March 18 through Wednesday, March 21. The meetings will begin at 7 p.m. nightly.

The evangelist is Terry Roberts, Decatur, Iowa. Roberts is a native of Zeoring. He has ministered in southern Iowa for over thirty years. He is currently the minister of Trinity Christian Church which was built 18 years ago. Roberts is also a hospice chaplain and the drama coach for the Central Decatur High School.

The revival meetings are open to the public and will feature singing and special music each evening.

An ice cream social will begin at 6 p.m. on Sunday night. A linger longer will follow the service Wednesday night.

For more information contact Ralph Norman, minister, 641-496-5424.

### Ackley AGWSR FFA awards banquet and supper

The AGWSR FFA will host an Awards Banquet and Supper at the High School Commons on March 23rd, at 6:30 p.m.

The event is open to the public, and is a free will donation. There will be a Pie Auction to follow.

Anyone interested can RSVP by March 14th by calling 641-847-2633 or e-mailing [jabbas@agwsr.org](mailto:jabbas@agwsr.org)

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## To celebrate 60th anniversary

Harriet (Meyerann) Murra and Clarence Murra of Wellsburg will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. Harriet and Clarence were married on March 20, 1958, in Wellsburg.

They have four children: Randy (Laurie) Murra, Wellsburg, Curtis (Christine) Murra - Tampa, FL, Nora (Michael Grillo), Cedar Falls, Marlyn (Jill) Murra, Parkersburg, along with nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



## To celebrate 94th birthday

Joan Klein is turning 94 on March 15th! Her family would love to honor her with a card shower. Birthday wishes may be sent to Joan at her home address of 4610 Douglas Ave, apt. 213, Des Moines IA 50310.

## News from Ivester

### LOVE FEAST

Please note that our Love Feast will be changed to Wednesday, March 28 at 6:30 pm. We will have a traditional meal. Vegetarian options will be available. South Waterloo Church has asked us to participate with them in Love Feast on Thursday, March 29. There will also be 2 Waterloo churches invited to participate as a new experience. We will be assisting the South Waterloo church in helping those who are not familiar with our Love Feast Traditions. Ride sharing is an option. Contact one of the deacons if needing a ride.

### DIRECTORIES

New directories are available. If you have not received one in your church mailbox, please contact the church. We will make every effort to make sure you receive one.

### FRIENDLY FORUM

Meet at noon on March 17 for a taco meal in the multi-purpose room. Please RSVP to LaDonna by March 14th. Let LaDonna know if you have a checker game.

### SPRING FORUM

Forum will be held on March 18 after noon potluck. Please send Team Reports to Paul Nether by March 11.

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## Obituaries

### Agnes Meyer

Agnes Faye Meyer, 81 of Holland passed away at the Grundy Care Center on February 21, 2018. Funeral and burial will be held privately at a later date.

Agnes is survived by her children Bev Swenka of Joplin, Missouri and Donald Meyer of Holland; granddaughters Melissa Swenka and Alica Swenka; and sisters Willhelmina VanHove of Steamboat Rock Harriet Onnen of Grundy Center; and sister-in-law Glenda Vanderholt of Parkersburg.



### Calvin Dean Kiewiet

Calvin D. Kiewiet, 78, of Grundy Center died February 27, 2018, at the Covenant Medical Center in Waterloo following a courageous battle with cancer. A memorial service for Calvin was held March 3 at the United Methodist Church in Grundy Center with Pastor Jerry Miller officiating. Lunch and fellowship followed the service at the church. Engelkes-Abels Funeral Home in Grundy Center is caring for Calvin and his family. Memorials may be directed to the family for a charity of their choosing in memory of Calvin. Messages of condolence may be left for the Kiewiet family at www.abelsfuneralhomes.com.



Calvin Dean Kiewiet, son of Jake and Elsie (Penning) Kiewiet was born on February 11, 1940, in Grundy County. He received his education from the Grundy Center Community Schools, graduating in 1958 from Grundy Center High School. On May 7, 1961, he married Sandra Kay Konicsek at the United Methodist Church in Grundy Center. Calvin worked at Viking Pump in Cedar Falls for 10 years. He then owned and operated Cal's Corner Gas Station in Grundy Center for over 9 years. Most recently, Calvin was employed at the Sunrise Apartments in Grundy Center where he was maintenance manager for over 25 years until retiring in 2015. Calvin loved to work on cars, feed his birds and enjoyed anything outdoors. He also loved to read, go fishing and camping with his family and friends, loved sports, especially the Iowa Hawkeyes, going to the casino, traveling and hunting Asparagus. Calvin especially loved attending his children and grandchildren's activities and playing with his grand dog, Dixie.

Survivors include his loving wife Sandra of Grundy Center; son, Brian Kiewiet of Parkersburg; daughters, Crystal (Doug) Hemann, Natalie (Kevin) Meester both of Grundy Center; five grandchildren, Kayla Hemann, Dalton Hemann, Zach (Morgan) Meester, Tjaden Meester, and Anna Meester. He is also survived by his brothers, Roger Kiewiet of Morrison and Kenny (Mary) Kiewiet of Grundy Center.

In addition to his parents, Calvin was also preceded in death by his grandson, Jacob Meester.

### Wanda Jean Ratté

Wanda Jean Ratté, 90, of Grundy Center passed away March 4, 2018, at the Grundy Care Center in Grundy Center. Funeral services and interment will be private. Memorials may be directed to the First Presbyterian Church in Grundy Center. Online condolences may be made by visiting www.abelsfuneralhomes.com.



Wanda was born on November 11, 1927, in Rockford, Illinois, to her parents Edward and Grace Bezdek. She graduated from the Rockford West High School in the class of 1946. She then graduated from beauty school in Rockford, IL and began her career in hairdressing. Wanda was a hairdresser for over 23 years. She then worked as a CNA at the Grundy Care Center for many years and retired in 1989.

Wanda loved to travel and visit with her friends and neighbors. She enjoyed flowers and being outside. Wanda also loved to winter in Texas with her special friend Al.

Wanda is survived by her children Pamela (Richard) Boyle of Arizona, Charles Ring of Iowa, Patti Giger of Illinois, Debbi (Jesse) Vicencio of Illinois and Vikki Frye of Iowa; sister Alice Ward of Illinois; eight grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; and special friend Al Harberts of Iowa.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Ron Ratté; and sister Mary Crowell.

### Patricia A. Will

Patricia A. Will, 78, of Davenport, formerly of Grundy Center, passed away on Monday, March 5, 2018, at Genesis East Medical Center in Davenport. Private services will be conducted for family and close friends. The Engelkes-Abels Funeral Home in Grundy Center is caring for Patricia and her family. For further assistance, you may call the funeral home at (319) 824-3319.

### The Larrabee Center to award \$1,000

On April 2, 2018 The Larrabee Center will be awarding one lucky winner a check for the grand prize of \$1,000.00 at the end of its "Win-Win Raffle" fundraiser. Sixteen lucky winners will have a chance to win prizes including \$250 Cash, \$100 in Gas Cards, Amazon Echo, as well as gifts and certificates to local businesses. Prizes total over \$2,500. These great prizes make a \$10.00 raffle ticket a real deal. Not only do community members have the opportunity to win prizes, but they also get the satisfaction of knowing they contributed to the mission of The Larrabee Center. It's a Win-Win!

The Win-Win Raffle is one of The Larrabee Center's biggest

events of the year. Dozens of local businesses and individuals have already shown their support by sponsoring the raffle and making sure there are great prizes to make this Win-Win Raffle a success! Purchase your \$10.00 raffle tickets and be a champion for The Larrabee Center's mission of assisting persons with disabilities and the elderly in our community. Visit The Larrabee Center's website at www.larrabeecenter.org for a full list of prizes and sponsors. Tickets are on sale now through March 30th. To buy tickets call 319-352-2234, ask any Larrabee Center employee, or stop in to Trinkets and Togs in Waverly or Grundy Center!

### Heart-Healthy Fat Facts program set

Fat and heart health – two words people seldom pair together. The truth – fat can be part of a tasty and healthy diet.

Fat (oils, nuts, dressings and butter) add flavor to foods. New studies show taste and satisfaction with the food we eat are key in appetite regulation. Fat adds energy in the form of calories. And, fat helps fill you up so you can go 4 to 5 hours between eating meals.

Some fats (like olive and canola oil and nuts) can also be good for your blood vessels. Our blood vessels start out smooth inside when we are babies. Overtime, they become inflamed or develop build-up of hard plaques. It's these plaques that contribute to strokes and heart disease. Eating certain fats keep the blood vessels healthier.

Health Fats is the topic of March's Fresh Conversation program sponsored by Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging. Take 30 minutes this month to learn how to eat and live heart-smart. March's Fresh Conversations program will be held at the Grundy Center Senior Center (705 F Avenue) on Monday, March 12 at 9:40 a.m. Local facilitator, Lynette Miller from NEI3A will lead the conversation. Check out the congregate meal site and take part in a meal while you are there. If you are interested in a meal, contact the meal site at 319.824.3843 by 11:00 a.m. the day before you attend.

During the program you'll learn about better fats and discover the truths about olive and coconut oils. Food sampling makes exploring new cooking options fun, so participants will trial a homemade honey mustard salad dressing.

In promotion of total health, you'll also take a few minutes to "march" in March. Keeping active and moving every hour helps keep the heart strong and prevents dangerous blood clots. Join the Fresh Conversations program and take steps to improve your well-being in 2018. New members are always welcome.

### Nutrition site menu

Friday, March 9 — Corn Chowder, Tuna Salad, Tossed Salad, Multi Grain Bread, Banana, Salad Dressing

Monday, March 12 — Salisbury Beef, Baked Sweet Potato, Broccoli, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Margarine

Tuesday, March 13 — Chicken Piccata, Red Potatoes, Sliced Carrots, Fresh Banana

Wednesday, March 14: Birthday Meal — Roast Beef, Brown Gravy, Whipped Redskin Potatoes, California Vegetable Blend, Wheat Roll, Birthday Cake, Margarine

Thursday, March 15 — Shepherd's Pie, Baby Carrots, Cabbage, Rye Bread, Lime Fruited Gelatin, Margarine

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.

### Warm temps bring soft gravel roads

With the warm temperatures and recent rain the gravel roads have become soft and will pull your vehicle to the roadway edge if not careful.

Road crews are out dragging the gravel roads to help firm the roads but will also need help from Mother Nature such as sun and southerly winds.

Please use extreme caution as soft spots can quickly appear. Your patience is appreciated.

## Kling Memorial Library unveils new virtual reality system

By MICHAELA KENDALL  
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER — On any given day, a person could go deep sea diving, hike Mount Everest, or visit space, all without leaving the comfort of the Kling Memorial Library, thanks to a new virtual reality system that's available for public use.

Library Director Lindsey Engelkes says the brand new technology was just set up in February, and will be available for use starting this week.

"We really wanted to bring this technology to our library to spark some interest within the community," Engelkes said. "This is for all ages; kids, teens and adults. We want to give people the opportunity to experience something outside the norm, maybe that they've never experienced before. With the VR system, you can do basically anything. You could be standing in the middle of Central Park, without ever leaving the library. It really just opens up a whole new world."

Engelkes said most of the 'experiences' are educational, and all of them are kid-friendly, but still fun for even the most serious of adults.

Some of the experiences currently downloaded to the system include a sketchbook experience where the user can create art in 3D, a blue whale experience to teach about aquatic life, a Mount Everest experience in which a user virtually hikes the mammoth mountain, and Google Earth, which allows the user to travel anywhere on Earth and walk the streets like a local.

Engelkes added that many large museums like the Smithsonian and the Museum of Natural History have virtual reality apps that allow visitors to tour the museum with a guide – all



Riley Allen (above) and her sister Maura were some of the first kids in Grundy Center to test out the new virtual reality system at the library last week. (Michaela Kendall/Grundy Register photo)

from the comfort of their own home, or local library, with a VR system.

"This really goes along with the library's goal of creating a level playing field for everyone in the community," Engelkes said. "It gives people who might not otherwise have access to this expensive equipment the opportunity to experience it. It really is a resource for the community."

Engelkes added that the library staff hopes to use the system for programming, and that they are already planning to use it as part of the upcoming "Teen Tech Week" at the library – an event that enables local students to create and discover with digital tools.

"Yes, it's a fun gaming system, but we also hope it inspires kids and sparks their interest," Engelkes said. "Many of these kids want to pursue careers in tech. They are the ones who, down the road, can figure out

what else we can do with this kind of technology, and where we can take it. We want to get ahead of the curve."

She added that this system wouldn't be possible without the Sara Lee Yoder grant the library received in late December. The \$5,600 grant was used to make a number of different technology updates, including upgrading the internet, and purchasing the VR system.

"We're really thankful for the grant," Engelkes said. "We hope we can expand on this, and really grow this system and use it to its full potential."

For now, the system will be available for use on a first-come first-serve basis on Mondays and Wednesdays during regular library hours. Currently there is no scheduling, though each user is subject to a time limit. For more information, call the Kling Memorial Library at 319-825-3607.

## \$1 million Downtown Improvement Project unveiled at March 8 Open House

GRUNDY CENTER — The public is invited to a sneak preview of the project that will transform the Grundy Center downtown district in 2018. The new Façade

Renovation Program includes exterior renovations to twelve downtown properties and is set to begin this spring. Details of the plan will be unveiled by the city and Main Street Grundy Center on Thursday, March 8, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the former TruValue Hardware building, 605 G Avenue. The Open House is scheduled to coincide with the community's Spring Fling event, co-sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and Main Street Grundy Center.

"With a substantial portion of the downtown district undergoing an exterior transformation, we want to provide building tenants, downtown district employees, and members of the Grundy Center community the chance to learn more about the project," remarks Main Street volunteer Tiffany Carson, who heads the Main Street Design Committee and is working with the city of Grundy Center and officials from the Iowa Department of Economic Development and Main Street Iowa on the downtown façade renovation. "The goal of the program is to improve the appearance of the downtown while preserving the historic characteristics of the structures, many of which are one-hundred years old or more," adds Carson. "We are confident the community will be pleased with the design plans, and eager to see the outcome!"

The March 8 Open House includes:

- Architect's renderings of the new downtown façade designs
- Project timeline details, including information about parking access during the construction period
- Information about the Main Street Grundy Center organization
- Refreshments and door prizes

The City of Grundy Center received approval for the approximately \$1,000,000 project through the Iowa Economic Development Authority. It is eligible for the funding because of the community's Main Street program affiliation. Half of the project costs are supported by Community Development Block Grant funding from the state, while building owners and the city are sharing in the remainder of the costs.

Downtown properties whose building owners are participating in the program are:

north side of G Avenue, west to east: Whink Services, American Family Insurance, 319 Décor and Design, Grundy Mutual Insurance, Outlaw Fitness, Gram's, and Movement Dance. On the south side of G Avenue, buildings scheduled for exterior renovation are Crazy Daisies, Hair Mechanic, Friends Boutique/The Fluorist, Edward Jones, and Grundy Veterinary Clinic.

As part of the Spring Fling event showcasing Grundy Center retail businesses, Main Street Grundy Center is sponsoring a window decorating contest on March 6 and pop-up boutique shopping inside 605 G Avenue on Saturday, March 10th. Close to ten boutiques from other communities will set up shop in the former TruValue building from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

"The idea is for these vendors to 'test the waters' of retail business in Grundy Center, in hopes they might consider a permanent location here if they feel that their business would be a good fit," says Lisa Bienfang, Main Street executive director. "We have several attractive storefronts available that might make a good fit for an additional retailer. The Saturday Shop & Sip promotion encourages shoppers to make a day of it in Grundy Center by checking out both permanent retailers and the one-day pop-up boutique."

Bienfang and Carson say the public is encouraged to check out all that the community has to offer during the Spring Fling events. The progress of the Downtown Improvement Project will be visible to community members and visitors alike throughout the remainder of 2018. Details may be found at www.mainstreetgrundycenter.com.

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Front row left: Merlyn Petersen, Lynn Lovell, Orville Lee Kruger, Gary Tapper. Back row left to right Pat Lawrence Delf, Catherine Nielsen Petersen, Barb Eddy Rich, Jacky Wardius Venenga, Doris Guthrie Lovell, Roger Engelkes.

## Class of '63 remembers Bob Hansen

A memorial service for Bob Hansen was held on February 13 and family and friends gathered to celebrate his life. Bob had many friends but there was always a special bond with former classmates of the "63" graduation class from Dike High School. Ten class members attended his service and

following Pastor Dan's sermon, classmate Lynn Lovell shared a few stories about his school and military time with Bob. Bob was a catcher for the high school baseball team and his love for the game carried into his military career. At the conclusion of the funeral the music played was a reminder of his

love for the game. "Take Me Out to the Ballgame."

After the service the classmates were invited to continue reminiscing at Merlyn and Catherine Petersen's home over a cup of coffee. This is just how classmates stay connected since graduating 55 years ago.

## Calling in all trivia players

On Monday, March 12, at 6:30 pm, Librarian Rebecca Berg will host a general trivia contest in the Kruger Room of the Dike Library. Teams of two will be asked 5 rounds of 10 questions. Start thinking and get registered by calling the Dike Library at 319-989-2608.

No outside information sources may be used, including cell phones or dictionaries. A prize will be granted to the winning team for the evening.

Rebecca Berg has all the answers to any of your questions on how to register. Email her at [dikepubliclibrary@dike.lib](mailto:dikepubliclibrary@dike.lib).

ia.us.

Put on your thinking caps, find your teammate and get ready. What are you preparing for? Trivia night at the Dike Library. Correct answer. This could be the start of your next step to Jeopardy!

## Birthdays

Thursday, March 8: Carli Amjadi, Kathy Juel  
Friday, March 9: Mike Camarata, Nancy Woodley, Judy Roberts, Loren Bakker, Lori Johnson  
Saturday, March 10: Bethany Heerkes  
Sunday, March 11: Mervin Andersen  
Monday, March 12: Alex Andersen, Melissa Boe, Elaine Schnell, Janine Stewart  
Tuesday, March 13: Helen O'Connor  
Wednesday, March 14: Derek Johnson, Lori Grell

## Dates for Dike

**Thursday, March 8**  
Boys state basketball  
**Friday, March 9**  
State Speech individual  
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End of Pre school registration  
**Saturday, March 10**  
State speech  
Boys state basketball  
**Sunday, March 11**  
Local church services  
Daylight Savings time begins  
**Monday, March 12**  
Golf/Tennis practice  
Spring break  
**Tuesday, March 13**  
Spring break  
**Wednesday, March 14**  
Spring Break

## Grundy Register readers

What a nice tribute to our Dike-New Hartford Wolverines in the Grundy Register.

The special supplement in the Grundy Register and the Eclipse News-Review was a great addition to a collection of memories, a tabloid to treasure for each player from D-NH. A chance to play at the State Girls Basketball event is a dream of every one who has ever played high school basketball.

The front page of the pull out is a picture of smiles. Smiles from players, managers and fans. Readers can enjoy the recap of

the many games played throughout the season.

The publication of this Wolverine congratulatory supplement was made possible by local business ads within the tabloid. Go back through, and look what your loyal supporters made possible. Advertisers enjoy Wolverine success, so lets remember to share a thank you.

Imagine players from this 2018 team 30 years from now, sharing the Wolverine publication with young family members with a dream of their own. Congratulations!

## Spring in the Sky

Come to Dike, and bring your bird watching glasses because the robins are home. They have found warm receptions in the yards of attentive bird watchers. I have received many calls and text messages with the wonderful sightings of spring. Along with the robin comes the red winged black bird. We are not just seeing the scouts, we watch flocks of 15 to 20 birds so happy to be in Dike. The ground is spongy, and soon they will find their main meal delight of the juicy night crawler. A spring rain will wash, and warm their spring home here in Dike. Welcome our fine, feathered friends.

## Dike Public Library event

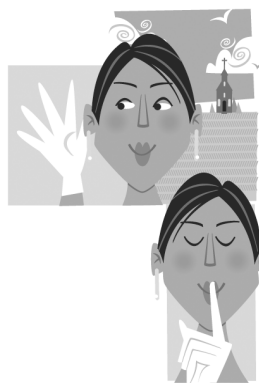
Dike Public Library will host a Downton Abbey Tea Party on Wednesday, March 21, at 6 p.m. The library will feature proper English tea party fare including Scones, tea, sandwiches and cakes. It will also feature three varieties of tea for attendees to sample. Library Director Rebecca Berg will showcase photographs she took of the Traveling Downton Abbey Exhibit she attended in New York City. There will be a Downton Trivia contest complete with prizes. Registration is required, and the event is designed for registrants 18 years or older. Brush up on your Downton Episodes with Amazon Streaming or the PBS app. The library also has a complete set. To register or for more information, contact the library at 319-989-2608 or email [dikepubliclibrary@dike.lib.us](mailto:dikepubliclibrary@dike.lib.us).

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Lisa Dietrich, Pastor 319-989-2065 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p><b>Liberty Baptist Church (GARBC)</b> 705 1st Street 319-989-2141 Sundays 9 a.m. Morning Worship 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 6 p.m. Evening Praise Service</p> <p><b>Untied Methodist Church</b> Dan Ridnour, Pastor 319-989-2535 Sundays 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship Service</p>	<p><b>Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church</b> Mark Decker, Pastor 319-988-3967 Sundays 9 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p><b>GRUNDY CENTER</b></p> <p><b>American Lutheran Church</b> Luther Thoresen, Pastor 319-824-3557 <a href="http://www.alcgc.org">www.alcgc.org</a> Sundays 8:45 a.m. Worship service 10:30 a.m. Worship service</p> <p><b>Bethany Presbyterian Church</b> Al Polito, Pastor 319-824-5471 Sundays 10 a.m. Worship Service 11 a.m. Fellowship Time Wednesdays 4:15 p.m., J.A.M. Youth program with meal</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church (GARBC)</b> Nathan Barkley, Pastor 319-824-3324 <a href="http://www.fbcgrundy.com">www.fbcgrundy.com</a> <a href="mailto:office@fbcgrundy.com">office@fbcgrundy.com</a> Sundays 9:15 a.m. Adult Small Group 10:20 a.m. Harvest Kids 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service 6:30 p.m. Sunday Evening Service Wednesdays 6:30 p.m., AWANA 7 p.m., Youth Group</p> <p><b>First Presbyterian Church</b> The Rev. Mike Campbell, Pastor The Rev. Sheryl Campbell, Parish Assoc 319-824-3152 <a href="http://www.facebook.com/grundycenterfirstpres">www.facebook.com/grundycenterfirstpres</a> Sundays 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Adult Study in Chapel</p> <p><b>Orchard Hill Church</b> Brian Steenhoek, Campus Pastor 1800 G Avenue, Grundy Center 319-266-9411 <a href="http://www.orchardhillchurch.org">www.orchardhillchurch.org</a> 9:15 a.m. services 10:45 a.m. services Nursery (0-3 yrs old) available during both services</p> <p><b>United Methodist Church</b> Jerry R. Miller, Pastor 319-825-5408 Sundays 9 a.m. Worship Celebration Wednesdays 5:15 p.m., Worship on Wednesday Meal - Wednesday School-Confirmation 6:30-7 p.m., Children's Worship</p> <p><b>HOLLAND</b></p> <p><b>Colfax Center Presbyterian</b> Robbie Grames, Pastor 319-824-5231 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship (includes children's sermon, nursery available ages 0-3) 10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship 10:55 a.m. Sunday School for all ages 6 p.m. Come-as-you-are Prayer Service</p>	<p><b>Pleasant Valley Reformed Church</b> Rev. Rick Vollema 319-346-1090 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Children's worship available) 10:45 a.m. Adult Discussion Group</p> <p><b>IVESTER</b></p> <p><b>Ivester Church of the Brethren</b> Paul Shaver, Pastor 641-858-3879 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Christian Education 10:30 a.m. Worship Service Noon Potluck</p> <p><b>LINCOLN</b></p> <p><b>Salem Church of Lincoln</b> The Rev. Barb Muhs, Pastor 641-473-2450 Sundays 9:10 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service</p> <p><b>LISCOMB</b></p> <p><b>Bethel Grove Church</b> Scott Hand, Pastor Sundays 9 a.m. Worship</p> <p><b>Liscomb Church of Christ</b> Ralph Norman, Pastor Sundays 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship</p> <p><b>MARSHALLTOWN</b></p> <p><b>Elim Lutheran Church - ECLA</b> Sundays</p> <p>8 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 9 a.m. Worship Service 10 a.m. Fellowship 10:15 a.m. Sunday School /Adult Forum</p> <p><b>Evangelical Free church</b> Bob Kosbau, Pastor Sundays 9 a.m. Sunday School (all ages) 10:15 a.m. Worship</p> <p><b>New Hope Christian Church</b> Saturdays 5:30 p.m. Worship Service Sundays 9 &amp; 10:45 a.m. Worship in Chapel (Café Style) and Auditorium</p> <p><b>Redeemer Lutheran Church</b> Sundays 9 a.m. Divine Service 10 a.m. Visitation 10:30 a.m. Sunday School / Adult Bible Class</p> <p><b>St. Henry Catholic Church</b> Father Don Czapl Saturdays 5 p.m. Vigil Sundays 8 &amp; 10:30 a.m. Mass Tuesdays 7:30 a.m. Mass Wednesdays 7:30 a.m. Mass Thursdays 8:45 a.m. School Mass Fridays 7:30 a.m. Mass</p> <p><b>St. Mary Catholic Church</b> Father Greg Bahl Saturday Masses</p>	<p>4:30 p.m. in English 6:30 p.m. in Spanish Sunday Masses 9 a.m. in English 11:30 a.m. in Spanish 5:00 p.m., Mass</p> <p><b>First Christian Reformed</b> 641-869-3305 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p><b>PARKERSBURG</b></p> <p><b>Holy Family Catholic Parish</b> The Rev. David Kucera 319-345-2006 Saturdays 5:30 p.m. Mass</p> <p><b>Reformed Church of Stout</b> Stephen and Olga Shaffer, Pastors 319-346-1487 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 10:45 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p><b>REINBECK</b></p> <p><b>Holy Family Catholic Parish</b> The Rev. David Kucera 319-345-2006 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Mass</p> <p><b>UNION</b></p> <p><b>Calvary Baptist Church</b> Roger Crawford, Pastor Sundays 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Church Service 6:45 p.m. AWANA 6:45 p.m. Pro-Teens</p> <p><b>Church of Christ</b> The Rev. Rick Schill Sundays 9:30 a.m. Sunda School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service</p> <p><b>Union Community Church</b> The Rev. Rick Schill Sundays 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Morning Worship</p> <p><b>WELLSBURG</b></p> <p><b>East Friesland Presbyterian</b> Lynn Arends, Supply Pastor 641-847-2896 Sundays 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship</p> <p><b>Faith Presbyterian Church</b> 641-847-3188 Sundays 9 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School</p>	<p><b>Pleasant Valley Untied Methodist</b> Dot Geersema, Pastor 641-869-3637 Sundays 8:45 a.m. Morning Worship</p> <p><b>Reformed Church</b> Sundays 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday School 6:30 p.m. Evening Bible Study</p> <p><b>St. John Lutheran Church</b> Bruce Zimmerman, Pastor Sundays 9 a.m. Morning Worship 9:45 a.m. Sunday School &amp; Bible Class</p> <p><b>St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran</b> Victoria Shepherd, Pastor 641-869-3992 Sundays 8:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service</p> <p><b>St. Peter's Country Church</b> The Rev. Michael McLane, Pastor 563-581-2866 Sundays 8 a.m. Morning Worship</p> <p><b>Steamboat Rock Baptist Church</b> 107 2nd St. Harrison Lippert, Pastor Bryce Roskens, Associate Pastor 641-868-2456 Sundays 8:45 a.m. Traditional Service 10 a.m. Fellowship Hour - No S.S. 11 a.m. Contemporary Service</p> <p><b>United Reformed Church</b> Pastor Joel Worles 641-869-3633 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday School 7 p.m. Evening Worship</p> <p><b>WHITTEN</b></p> <p><b>Whitten Community Church</b> Jim Hartman, Pastor Sundays 9 a.m. Worship, Children Church 10:30 a.m. Sunday School</p>
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## Listen More and Talk Less



"Fools find no pleasure in understanding but delight in airing their own opinions."  
—Proverbs 18:2 NIV

The Book of Proverbs notes that "The way of fools seems right to them, but the wise listen to advice." (Proverbs 12:15 NIV) We all know that we learn more by listening than by speaking, but even so, many of us are tempted to talk more than we listen. This is often just sheer egotism. We all seem to love the sound of our own voices and can't wait for the other person to stop talking so we can jump in and have our say. Oftentimes, our egotism rises to the level where we actually believe that we can change someone else's mind by simply talking. This doesn't happen very often, but sometimes the act of listening to others patiently and asking them questions about their beliefs will get them to change their minds. And why are we so bent on changing other people's minds in the first place? Why can't we just be content that people believe different things, especially in the realms of politics and religion? One way to be a good friend and to heal the divisions that often arise over differences of opinion is to let others talk and to merely listen, asking questions to clarify, but giving up the egotistic notion that you need to change their minds.  
— Christopher Simon

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Department of Management - Form S-PB-6  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Proposed Grundy Center School Budget Summary**  
**Fiscal Year 2018-2019**

Location of Public Hearing: Grundy Center School Administration Building  
 Date of Hearing: 3/21/2018  
 Time of Hearing: 5:00 pm

The Board of Directors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed 2018/19 school budget at the above-noted location and time. At the hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the district secretary. A copy of the details will be furnished upon request.

	Budget 2019	Re-est. 2018	Actual 2017	Avg %17-19
Taxes Levied on Property	2,875,072	2,745,661	2,573,835	5.7%
Utility Replacement Excise Tax	34,592	34,288	117,361	-45.7%
Income Surtaxes	209,360	209,360	244,159	-7.4%
Tuition/Transportation Received	390,095	390,095	435,983	
Earnings on Investments	387,500	12,500	27,078	
Nonprofit Program Sales	210,000	210,000	240,349	
Student Activities and Sales	0	0	317,447	
Other Revenues from Local Sources	0	563,050	224,475	
Revenue from Intermediary Sources	0	0	0	
State Foundation Aid	4,418,299	4,177,661	4,022,495	
Instructional Support State Aid	18,955	0	0	
Other State Sources	504,428	504,308	847,766	
Commercial & Industrial State Replacement	38,723	37,081	36,961	
Title I Grants	53,142	58,192	67,541	
IDEA & Other Federal Sources	145,000	239,121	276,365	
Total Revenues	9,285,166	9,181,815	9,432,655	
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	0	0	3,235,000	
Transfers In	315,377	287,024	302,090	
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Dispositions	0	0	562	
Total Revenues & Other Sources	9,600,543	9,468,839	12,970,307	
Beginning Fund Balance	2,292,751	3,186,193	2,281,978	
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>11,993,294</b>	<b>12,655,032</b>	<b>15,252,285</b>	
<b>Expenditures</b>				
*Instruction	5,919,000	5,804,395	5,616,862	2.7%
Student Support Services	273,000	262,638	241,187	
Instructional Staff Support Services	410,000	434,406	407,824	
General Administration	299,800	338,481	316,181	
School Building Administration	613,100	663,391	526,256	
Business & Central Administration	67,000	64,400	75,612	
Plant Operation and Maintenance	1,140,000	723,512	647,532	
Student Transportation	351,000	338,534	359,159	
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*Total Support Services (lines 24-31)	3,153,900	2,725,362	2,565,751	10.9%
*Noninstructional Programs	385,000	358,000	424,813	-4.8%
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	450,000	600,000	2,336,388	
Debt Service	315,377	287,410	318,012	
AEA Support - Direct to AEA	322,823	303,090	281,976	
*Total Other Expenditures (lines 33-35)	1,088,200	1,090,500	3,156,576	-41.3%
Total Expenditures	10,546,100	9,975,257	11,764,002	
Transfers Out	315,377	287,024	302,090	
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	10,861,477	10,262,281	12,066,092	
Ending Fund Balance	1,131,817	2,392,751	3,186,193	
<b>Total Requirements</b>	<b>11,993,294</b>	<b>12,655,032</b>	<b>15,252,285</b>	
Proposed Property Tax Rate (per \$1,000 taxable valuation)			13.24841	

**PROBATE NOTICE**

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT  
 GRUNDY COUNTY  
 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
 OF Thelma Gutknecht, Deceased.  
 Probate No. ESPR102210  
 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL,  
 OF  
 APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR,  
 AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Thelma Gutknecht, Deceased, who died on or about 28th day of January, 2018:  
 You are hereby notified that on the 21st day of February, 2018, the last will and testament of Thelma Gutknecht, deceased, bearing date of the 24th day of July, 2013, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that William A. Gutknecht was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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

Dated This 21st day of February, 2018,  
 William A. Gutknecht  
 Executor of estate  
 31455 150th Street  
 Dike, Iowa 50624

Patrick B. Dillion, #AT0001973  
 Dillion Law PC  
 208 E 1st Street  
 Sumner, IA 50674  
 Date of second publication 8th day of March, 2018. GR9-2

**PROBATE NOTICE**

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT  
 GRUNDY COUNTY  
 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
 OF Charlotte Van Waardhuizen, Deceased.  
 Probate No. ESPR102209  
 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL,  
 OF  
 APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR,  
 AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Charlotte Van Waardhuizen, Deceased, who died on or about 31st day of December, 2017:  
 You are hereby notified that the last will and testament of Charlotte Van Waardhuizen, deceased, bearing date of February 17, 2017, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Sheila J. Barritt was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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

Dated This 22nd day of February, 2018,  
 Sheila J. Barritt  
 Executor of estate  
 1977 Vine Avenue  
 Marshalltown, IA 50158

Heronimus, Schmidt, Allen,  
 Schroeder & Geer  
 Erika L. Allen, ICIS PIN No: AT0000408  
 Attorney for executor  
 630 G Avenue, Box 365  
 Grundy Center, IA 50638  
 Date of second publication 8th day of March, 2018. GR9-2

**CENTER THEATRE'S Reel-to-Reel**

At the Center Theatre on Friday, March 9 at 7 p.m. will be the #1 movie in the nation, the action/adventure **Black Panther**, starring Chadwick Boseman, Michael B Jordan and Forest Whitaker. This movie is rated PG-13 for violence, running approximately 135 minutes in length. At 7:30 will be the true story movie **The 15:17 To Paris**, starring Anthony Sadler, Alek Skarlatos, Spencer Stone, Jenna Fischer and Judy Greer. This movie is rated PG-13 (language), running approximately 95 minutes in length.

Fridays are 50 cent Fridays at the Center Theatre. Attend a movie on Friday evening and receive your choice of a medium popcorn or any drink for just 50 cents!

The #1 movie in the US, Marvel Studios' **Black Panther**, follows T'Challa (Chadwick Boseman) who, after the death of his father, returns home to the reclusive, technologically advanced African nation of Wakanda to serve as his country's new leader. However, T'Challa soon finds that he is challenged for the throne from factions within his own country. When two foes conspire to destroy Wakanda, the hero known as Black Panther must rally his allies and release the full power of Black Panther to defeat his foes and secure the safety of his people and their way of life. **Black Panther**, like most superhero movies, is an aspirational story – but the buzz surrounding the movie has hit a whole different level. It's the first blockbuster superhero movie not only to star a black hero, but a predominantly black cast as well. It's a movie that all can re-

late to – that we have a responsibility to make the world a better place, to help where we can and to put others before ourselves. **Black Panther** has a good heart and gives us a real hero – strong and honorable and, when possible, even filled with grace. It encourages us to up our game, superpowers or no, and to do the right thing.

Clint Eastwood's true story film **The 15:17 To Paris** tells of the three Americans who stopped a terrorist on a train bound for Paris. In August 2015, the world watched in stunned silence as the media reported a thwarted terrorist attack on Thalys train #9364 bound for Paris – an attempt prevented by three courageous young Americans traveling through Europe. The film follows the course of the friends' lives, from the struggles of childhood through finding their footing in life, to the series of unlikely events leading up to the attack. Throughout the harrowing ordeal, their friendship never wavers, making it their greatest weapon and allowing them to save the lives of the more than 500 passengers on board. **The 15:17 To Paris** stars the three actual men who stopped the terrorist attack – Anthony Sadler, Alek Skarlatos and Spencer Stone, as well as actresses Jenna Fischer and Judy Greer.

For the most up-to-date movie information, please check out our new website at 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.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR GRUNDY COUNTY  
 CASE NO. EQCV059594  
 ORIGINAL NOTICE  
 PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION,  
 Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 RICHARD O. TRIMBLE, KRISTINA L. TRIMBLE, WISCONSIN FUNDING CORPORATION, IOWA NORTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, AND PARTIES IN POSSESSION,  
 Defendants.  
 TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S):

You are notified that a petition has been filed in the office of the clerk of this court, naming you as a defendant in this action, for foreclosure of the property legally described as: A TRACT IN THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (W1/2 SW1/4) OF SECTION FIVE (5), TOWNSHIP EIGHTY-NINE (89) NORTH, RANGE SEVENTEEN (17), WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER THEREOF, THENCE DUE EAST 700.8 FEET; THENCE NORTH 1°58' WEST 382 FEET ALONG AN EXISTING FENCE TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE NORTH 89°57' WEST 705.4 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW1/4) OF SAID SECTION; THENCE SOUTH 2°38' EAST 382.9 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 6.17 ACRES. THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW1/4) IS ASSUMED TO BEAR DUE EAST AND WEST (Mortgaged Premises) due to a default in making contractual payments on a promissory note; for judgment in rem against the mortgaged premises for the principal amount of \$70,194.78 plus interest as provided in the Note and as may have been subsequently adjusted thereafter, fees, costs, and attorney's fees, for a declaration of the sum due as a lien on the premises, a declaration that the mortgage is prior and superior to all of the other liens on the property, for a special execution to issue for sale of the Mortgaged Premises at sheriff's sale, for the issuance of a writ of possession, for an appointment of a receiver upon plaintiff's application, and for such further relief the Court deems just and equitable. FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS SEE THE PETITION NOW CONTAINED IN THE COURT FILE

NOTICE  
 THE PLAINTIFF HAS ELECTED FORECLOSURE WITHOUT REDEMPTION. THIS MEANS THAT THE SALE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY WILL OCCUR PROMPTLY AFTER ENTRY OF JUDGMENT UNLESS YOU FILE WITH THE COURT A WRITTEN DEMAND TO DELAY THE SALE. IF YOU FILE A

WRITTEN DEMAND, THE SALE WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL SIX MONTHS FROM ENTRY OF JUDGMENT IF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY IS YOUR RESIDENCE AND IS A ONE-FAMILY OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING OR UNTIL TWO MONTHS FROM ENTRY OF JUDGMENT IF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY IS NOT YOUR RESIDENCE OR IS YOUR RESIDENCE BUT NOT A ONE-FAMILY OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING. YOU WILL HAVE NO RIGHT OF REDEMPTION AFTER THE SALE. THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE WILL BE ENTITLED TO IMMEDIATE POSSESSION OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY. YOU MAY PURCHASE AT THE SALE.

IF YOU DO NOT FILE A WRITTEN DEMAND TO DELAY THE SALE AND IF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY IS YOUR RESIDENCE AND IS A ONE-FAMILY OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING, THEN A DEFICIENCY JUDGMENT WILL NOT BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU. IF YOU DO FILE A WRITTEN DEMAND TO DELAY THE SALE, THEN A DEFICIENCY JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU IF THE PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY ARE INSUFFICIENT TO SATISFY THE AMOUNT OF THE MORTGAGED DEBT AND COSTS.

IF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY IS NOT YOUR RESIDENCE OR IS NOT A ONE-FAMILY OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING, THEN A DEFICIENCY JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU WHETHER OR NOT YOU FILE A WRITTEN DEMAND TO DELAY THE SALE. You are further notified that unless you serve and, within a reasonable time thereafter, file a motion or answer on or before March 28, 2018, in the Iowa District Court for Grundy County, Iowa, at the Court-house in Grundy Center, Iowa, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition. This case has been filed in a county that utilizes electronic filing. Please review Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16 for general rules and information on electronic filing and division VI of Chapter 16 regarding the protection of personal information in court filings.

If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator at 319-833-3274. Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.

Clerk of Court  
 Grundy County Courthouse  
 Grundy Center, Iowa  
 IMPORTANT: YOU ARE ADVISED TO SEEK LEGAL ADVICE AT ONCE TO PROTECT YOUR INTERESTS. GR8-3

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR GRUNDY COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA  
 Docket No. (Sale No.): 18-0088(1)  
 Court No. EQCV059557  
 Special Execution

PLAINTIFF: SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING LLC  
 vs.  
 DEFENDANTS: MICHAEL R. WEICHERS- IN REM; TRISHA A. WEICHERS- IN REM; PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK- IN REM; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA- IN REM; INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE- IN REM; H&R ACCOUNTS, INC.- IN REM

As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of defendant(s) Real Estate Property to satisfy the judgment. The property to be sold is: Lot Fifty-nine (59) of Fox Ridge Addition in the City of Dike, Grundy County, Iowa.  
 Street Address: 835 Fox Ridge Road Dike, Iowa 50624

The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows: Date of Sale is June 12, 2018 at 10 a.m., at the Grundy County Sheriff's Office, 705 8th St., Grundy Center, Iowa 50638 Phone (319) 824-6933  
 Homestead: Defendant is advised that if the described real estate includes the homestead (which must not exceed 1/2 acre if within a city or town plat, or, if rural, must not exceed 40 acres), defendant must file a homestead plat with the Sheriff within ten (10) days after service of this notice, or the Sheriff will have it platted and charge the costs to this case.

Redemption: After the sale of real estate, defendant may redeem the property within 120 days.  
 Property exemption: Certain money or property may be exempt. Contact your attorney promptly to review specific provisions of the law and file appropriate notice, if applicable.  
 Judgment Amt - \$232,904.37; Costs - \$537.04; Accruing Costs - Plus; Interest - 5.5% of \$232,904.37 from November 30, 2017 = \$6,808.46.  
 Attorney is PETOSA Law LLP (515) 222-9400.  
 Date: February 20, 2018  
 Sheriff: Rick D. Penning  
 Deputy: By Deputy Bill Jorgensen GR9-2

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

PUBLIC NOTICE OF STORM WATER DISCHARGE

New Modern Concepts, Inc. plans to submit a Notice of Intent to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to be covered under the NPDES General Permit No. 2 Storm Water Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity for Construction Activities.

The storm water discharge will be from Construction located in the NW¼ of Section 8, Township 89 (Pleasant Valley), Range 17, Grundy County.  
 Storm water will be discharged from 1 point source(s) and will be discharged to the following streams: Unnamed tributary, South Beaver Creek.  
 Comments may be submitted to the Storm Water Discharge Coordinator, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division, 502 E. 9th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319-0034. The public may review the Notice of Intent from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the above address after it has been received by the department. GR10-1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the Grundy County Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday March 20, 2018 at 6:00 pm at the Grundy County Courthouse 706 G Ave Grundy Center, IA 50638. The purpose of this hearing is to make recommendation to the Grundy County Board of Supervisors on an application made by Ivester Wind Energy LLC to rezone several parcels for the Ivester Wind Project to be located in Melrose and Shiloh Townships. Full application and description of each parcel is on file at the Office of the Grundy County Administrator. Comments will be accepted in either person or in writing up to the date of the hearing at 4:00pm. Submitted This 2nd day of March, 2018. Carrie Sager Grundy County Zoning Administrator. GR10-1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

The Grundy County Board of Supervisors met in regular session in the Supervisors' room at the Grundy County Courthouse on February 26, 2018, at 9:00 A.M. Chairperson Ross called the meeting to order with the following members present: Riekena, Schildroth, Smith, and Bakker.  
 Motion was made by Riekena and seconded by Bakker to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried unanimously.  
 Gary Mauer, County Engineer, reviewed the five-year construction program and department matters with the Board.  
 Motion was made by Smith and seconded by Bakker to approve the 2018 dust control program for county residents. Carried unanimously.  
 Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Bakker to approve the two-year collective bargaining agreement of the Secondary Road Department. Carried unanimously.  
 Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Smith to approve the management representation letter to Auditor of State and to authorize the chairperson to sign the same. Carried unanimously.  
 Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Schildroth to adjourn. Carried unanimously.  
 James Ross, Chairperson  
 Janell Ramsey, Deputy County Auditor GR10-1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

The Grundy County Board of Supervisors met in special session in the conference room at Grundy County Secondary Roads on March 1, 2018, at 8:00 A.M. Chairperson Ross called the meeting to order with the following members present: Riekena, Schildroth, and Smith. Bakker absent.  
 Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried unanimously.  
 Motion was made by Riekena and seconded by Schildroth to approve the liquor license renewal of PT Grillers of Reinbeck. Carried unanimously.  
 Motion was made by Smith and seconded by Riekena to adjourn. Carried unanimously.  
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# Respect earned

*Wallis, Spartans fight Cascade to bitter end in 2A title game*

By JAKE RYDER  
*The Grundy Register*

DES MOINES — Matt Lindeman hopes when people from outside of Grundy County hear the Grundy Center name in girls basketball, they think of Saturday night's Class 2A state championship game.

Not necessarily the final result, a 41-37 Cascade victory, but the relentless effort shown by the Spartans when everything was going against them offensively.

"It was just symbolic of our season," Lindeman said. "It wasn't pretty, but the way these girls fought back, people will remember a lot longer."

Understandably, that doesn't ease the pain of Saturday's loss.

Hailey Wallis was named all-tournament captain in Class 2A after a one-of-a-kind 29-point performance on Saturday, including 18-of-18 from the free-throw line and scoring all 22 of the Spartans' second-half points, along with eight rebounds and five steals.

"It's a great accomplishment," Wallis said of the all-tournament honor. "And I'm glad every effort I put in the game went to the team. But I'd rather be a state champion than a captain."

Brooke Flater had four points, four blocks and seven rebounds for the Spartans. Kylie Willis scored four points with six rebounds and Cora Saak had four steals. Maddie McMartin joined Wallis on the all-tournament team.

The Spartans went exactly 16 minutes without a field goal, from the 1:32 mark in the first quarter to 1:32 left in the third quarter.

By the end of the third quarter, Cascade held a 33-24 lead and looked well on its way to

the championship.

"We knew no matter what, we had to keep fighting," Flater said. "Once we got the defensive flowing, the offense would come."

Wallis got a steal on the first two Cascade possessions and hit four free throws to immediately cut the lead to five. A minute later, she grabbed an offensive rebound, was fouled, and hit two more.

In all, Wallis would hit 10 free throws in the fourth quarter. Her ninth and 10th tied the game at 37-all with 1:14 left in the game.

Anne Ryan missed a lay-up for Cascade but Abby Welter came down with the offensive rebound and shot two free throws to put Cascade ahead.

The Spartans missed a couple chances at the other end, but Cascade gave up the ball on the ensuing possession and Grundy got a couple more shots at the basket, but couldn't get an equalizer to fall. With four seconds left, Grundy Center took a timeout to set up an open shot.

However, Cascade's Nicole McDermott came up with her eighth steal of the game on the inbounds pass, and hit both of her free throws after she was fouled to ice the game for the Cougars.

"One of those things that'd be nice to have it back but it is what it is," Lindeman said of the final inbounds play. "They shot it pretty well and we didn't shoot it quite as well, and we thought we could get the high-low working coming in but being able to finish and get shots wasn't quite there. ... We can't fault the effort."

Grundy Center, feeling that the team was counted out from the first game, can't deny that

GC 13 2 9 13 — 37  
Cascade 14 8 11 8 — 41  
GC—Hailey Wallis 4 18-18 29, Maddie McMartin 0 0-0 0, Sydney Mathews 0 0-0 0, Kylie Willis 2 0-1 4, Brooke Flater 2 0-0 4, Reegan Zinkula 0 0-0 0, Sarah Lindeman 0 0-0 0, Cora Saak 0 0-0 0. Totals 8-49 18-19 37.

Cascade—Nicole McDermott 4 6-8 15, Anne Ryan 5 1-1 13, Jordan Simon 4 0-0 11, Rachel Trumm 0 0-0 0, Abby Welter 0 2-3 2, Skylar Dolphin 0 0-0 0, Zoe Ryan 0 0-0 0, Molly McElmeel 0 0-0 0. Totals 13-40 9-12 41.

3-pointers: GC 3-25 (Wallis 3-12). Rebounds: GC 29 (Wallis 8, Flater 7, Willis 6, McMartin 3, Lindeman 2, Saak, Zinkula, Mathews); Casc 40 (Trumm 12, McDermott 9, Welter 7). Assists: GC 7 (Mathews 3, McMartin 2, Flater 2); Casc 8 (McDermott 4, Trumm 3, Dolphin 1). Steals: GC 14 (Wallis 5, Saak 4, Flater 2, Zinkula 2, Willis); Casc 9 (McDermott 8, Simon). Blocks: GC 6 (Flater 4, Willis, Saak); Casc 6 (McDermott 3, Welter 2, Ryan). Fouls: GC 16, Casc 15.

they earned something in their week at the state tournament.

"We kept wanting more and more," McMartin said. "We started with Regina, took on the number-one seed, and we wanted to get the championship and just didn't get it done. ... We weren't expected to be here and we definitely had to earn respect to make it this far."

After coming up short now in volleyball and basketball season, Wallis admits the girls are hungrier than ever for the ultimate prize.

"They know we can play basketball, and that's the main thing," Wallis said. "It doesn't feel very good right now, but next year we're coming in strong."

The Spartans are certainly favorites to return to Wells Fargo with all five starters returning for their senior season in 2018-19, and just two seniors total on the roster — Landry Luhring and Brianna Heltbride.



Grundy Center's Hailey Wallis (13) lifts a shot attempt during the second half of the 2A championship game with Cascade in Des Moines on Saturday night. (Jake Ryder/The Grundy Register)

"They didn't get on the floor much but they have four years of experiences and memories to take with them," Lindeman

said. "That's what being part of a team means, no matter what role it is, you're a special member of that, and for them to

end it in the state championship game, that's pretty special."



The Grundy Center girls basketball team is introduced as Class 2A finalists after a semifinal win over Treynor on Friday morning. (Jake Ryder/The Grundy Register)

## Nothing to lose

*Spartans knock out Treynor to advance to title game*

By JAKE RYDER  
*The Grundy Register*

DES MOINES — Saturday evening will be a moment years in the making for the Grundy Center girls basketball team.

The Spartans got the stops when they needed them and hit enough free throws to reach the state championship game, 42-39 winners over Treynor in a Class 2A semifinal at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines.

The fifth-seeded Spartans will play Cascade, the third seed, in the championship game at 5 p.m. on Saturday.

"It's surreal to chase after your goals and then achieve them," Hailey Wallis said. "This has been our dream forever. We played with nothing to lose today, trusted that if we played loose, it'll turn out our way."

Wallis scored 18 points to

lead the Spartans and grabbed six rebounds with three steals. Brooke Flater added five points and a team-leading nine rebounds.

Grundy Center coach Matt Lindeman credited the girls with being able to handle Treynor's size advantage by playing the Cardinals in a way he hadn't seen on film.

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## Spartans survive, head to state semis

By JAKE RYDER  
*The Grundy Register*

DES MOINES — Hailey Wallis and the Grundy Center girls basketball team had to endure what she called "the longest eight seconds ever."

Iowa City Regina had three opportunities at a game-winner on an inbounds play underneath the basket in a Class 2A state quarterfinal at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines as the seconds slowly ticked away.

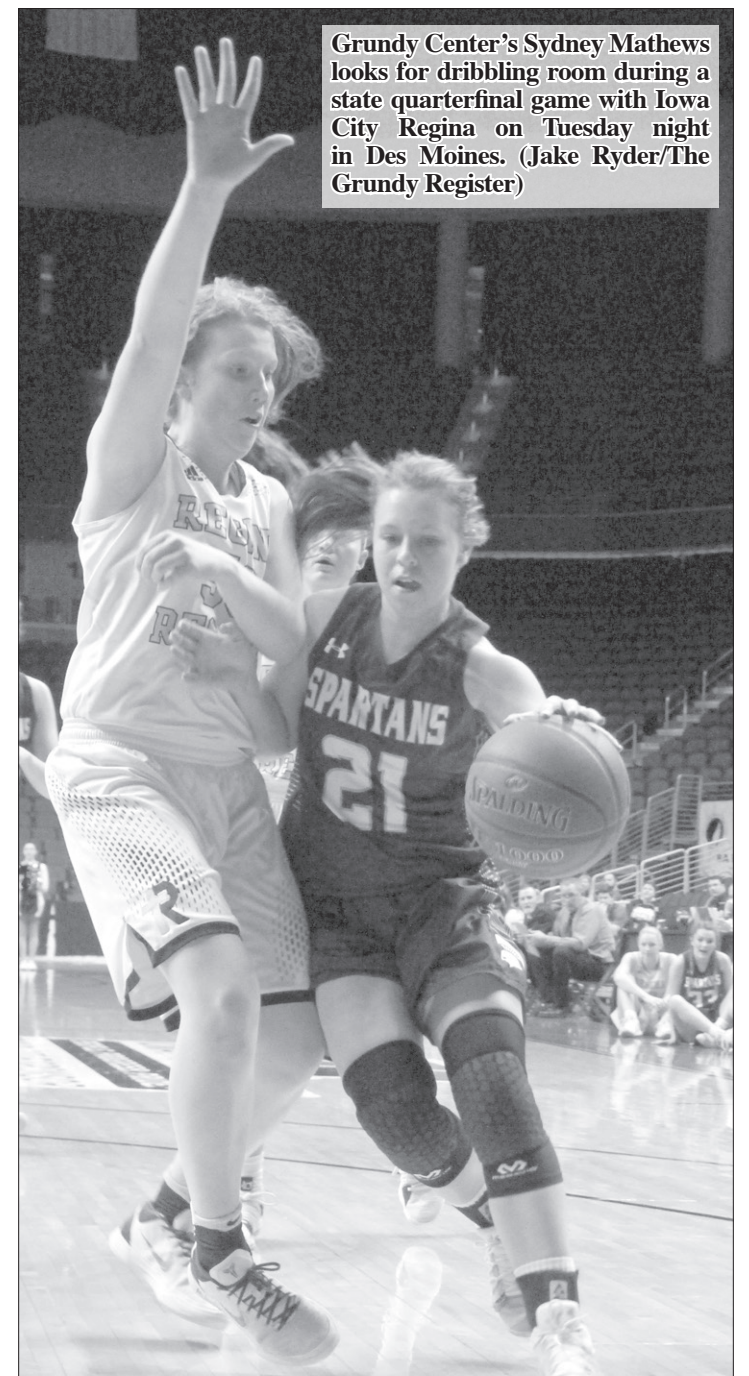
Each potential Spartan heartbreaker eluded the bottom of the net, and when those long, agonizing eight seconds finally came to an end, all the Spartans could do was scream with joy.

Grundy Center lived to fight another day, 46-45 winners over the state-veteran Regals and advancing to Friday's semifinal matchup at 10 a.m. with top-seeded Treynor.

"You've got to have a little luck sometimes," Wallis admitted. "But we've earned this position to be in the semifinals, and it's awesome."

Grundy Center's biggest lead of the night was with 4:56 left in the game, leading 40-34, but Regina fired back with two 3-pointers to edge closer, followed by five points from Mary Crompton, who finished with a game-high 20 points, to close the gap to 46-45 with 1:25 remaining.

"(Crompton) was kicking our butts," Grundy coach Matt Lindeman said. "We wanted to



Grundy Center's Sydney Mathews looks for dribbling room during a state quarterfinal game with Iowa City Regina on Tuesday night in Des Moines. (Jake Ryder/The Grundy Register)

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## Spartans

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make it hard on her but she was getting after it. ... I'm just really proud of how resilient these girls are and I'm really proud of our great post play tonight."

What ensued was an incredible stalemate in the final two minutes as both teams looked for any kind of breathing room underneath suffocating defenses.

"We wanted to beat their pressure by pressuring them," Kylie Willis said. "We just knew we had to keep going and have confidence."

Every Spartan that checked into the game on Tuesday night scored, with Willis and Brooke Flater leading the way with 12 and 11 points, respectively, as the Spartans were gradually able to take advantage of Regina's lacking post presence after the Regals lost 5-11 junior Alex Wiese to a season-ending ACL injury over the weekend.

Regina wasn't going to let Grundy Center go without a fight, and the teams exchanged the lead five times throughout the seesaw battle.

Regina's biggest lead was at 8-3 in the first 90 seconds of the game. The Spartans battled back to a 12-11 advantage at the end of the first quarter and from there the war was on.

Entering Tuesday night's game with the self-confidence was one thing for the Spartans, but putting it in action was much, much sweeter for play-

GC 12 11 12 11 — 46  
ICR 11 11 12 11 — 45

GC—Hailey Wallis 3 1-2 8, Maddie McMartin 1 0-0 2, Sydney Mathews 1 1-1 3, Kylie Willis 5 2-5 12, Brooke Flater 5 1-1 11, Reagan Zinkula 2 0-0 5, Sarah Lindeman 1 0-0 2, Cora Saak 1 0-0 3. Totals 19-39 5-9 46.

ICR—Mary Crompton 8 2-3 20, Alexa Lehman 1 0-0 3, Lauren Gaarde 0 0-0 0, Greyson Dumont 6 0-0 13, Kennedy Wallace 2 0-0 6, Elly Gahan 1 1-2 3, Katie Dunn 0 0-0 0. Totals 18-47 3-5 45.

**3-pointers:** GC 3 (Wallis, Zinkula, Saak); ICR 6 (Crompton 2, Wallace 2, Lehman, Dumont). **Rebounds:** GC 24 (Willis 9, Flater 5, Wallis 4, Mathews 2, Zinkula 2, McMartin, Team); ICR 25 (Crompton 6). **Assists:** GC 12 (McMartin 3, Mathews 2, Willis 2, Flater 2, Wallis 2, Saak); ICR 9 (Gaarde 3). **Steals:** GC 6 (Wallis 3, Lindeman 2, Saak); ICR 10 (Gaarde 6). **Blocks:** GC (Flater 2); ICR 0. **Fouls:** GC 9.

ers like Flater.

"We've never been here but we knew once we got here that we were going to make the most of it," Flater added. "It's another game that we've dreamed of since we were third graders."

Treynor will be yet another tough test for the Spartans, but Lindeman trusts the group of girls that will enter the trenches on Friday morning.

"We're gonna learn a lot more after watching film," Lindeman started, "but it's so much a mental game now, and we're very fortunate to have smart and tough-minded girls. We'll get ourselves ready to go."

## State

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"We didn't see anyone fronting the post," Lindeman said of 5-foot-10 Madelyn Deitchler and 6-foot junior Sydney Huisman. "We had to do that in there against Deitchler, she's just too big and powerful. And we helped out on the backside because they're so good at rebounding."

The Spartans held Deitchler and Huisman to three points each, and the man defense on Treynor's outside shooting derailed the Cardinals' offense, 13 of 48 (27.1 percent) from the floor.

"We just had to play straight-up defense, make them shoot over the top of us," Kylie Willis said. "And we wanted to keep them from going left as they're a strong left-handed team and we did a good job, our defense was spectacular."

That defensive effort also served to help Grundy Center through a tough day of shooting in the middle two quarters, shooting a combined 5-of-19 (26.3 percent) in the second and third stanzas.

Hope never diminished for the Spartans.

"We believe in each other," Sarah Lindeman said. "Even when shots aren't falling, we know we can do it. You can trust the next one's going in."

Wallis hit a three on the first possession of the third quarter to put the Spartans up 22-13, but a 9-0 run pulled the Cardinals even and Kayla Chapman's last-second bucket in the third quarter put Treynor ahead 26-24 after three quarters.

Wallis scored the first four of the fourth quarter but again Treynor responded, this time jumping out with the next five points, capped by a Konnor Sudmann bucket-and-one. Sudmann led the Cardinals with 16 points and Chapman had 14 points.

Kylie Willis hit two free throws to tie the game at 32-all with 4:32 left and a Lindeman 3-pointer and two free throws from Wallis put the Spartans ahead 37-33.

After a pair of empty trips from both teams, Sudmann hit a 3-pointer to pull Treynor within one. Willis missed both of her free throws on the ensuing possession but grabbed her own rebound and was fouled again, and this time hit both free throws for a 39-36 lead.

GC 12 7 5 18 — 42  
Treynor 8 5 13 13 — 39

GC—Hailey Wallis 6 3-4 18, Maddie McMartin 1 0-0 3, Sydney Mathews 0 0-0 0, Kylie Willis 1 4-6 6, Brooke Flater 2 1-2 5, Reagan Zinkula 1 0-0 3, Sarah Lindeman 3 0-1 7, Cora Saak 0 0-0 0. Totals 14-35 8-13 42.

Treynor—Sydney Carmen 1 0-0 3, Konnor Sudmann 6 2-3 16, Kayla Chapman 5 3-3 14, Madelyn Deitchler 1 1-2 3, Sydney Huisman 0 3-4 3, Tori Castle 0 0-0 0, Mandy Stogdill 0 0-0 0. Totals 13-48 9-12 39.

**3-pointers:** GC 6 (Wallis 3, McMartin 2, Zinkula, Lindeman); T 4 (Sudmann 2, Chapman, Carmen). **Rebounds:** GC 31 (Flater 9, Wallis 6, Willis 5, McMartin 3, Lindeman 3, Saak 2, Team 2, Zinkula); T 28 (Deitchler 6). **Assists:** GC 11 (Mathews 4, McMartin 3, Willis 2, Flater, Wallis); T 5 (Deitchler 2). **Steals:** GC 5 (Wallis 3, Flater 2); T 9 (Chapman 4). **Blocks:** GC 0, T (Chapman). **Fouls:** GC 14, T 16. **Fouled out:** T (Deitchler).

Once again, Sudmann buried an NBA-length 3-pointer to tie the game at 39-all with 51 seconds left. Instead of holding for the final shot, Wallis aggressively drove to the basket and scored with 36 seconds remaining.

"I saw the opening and knew I needed to score," Wallis said. "I just went for it."

The Spartans got a stop and Brooke Flater hit one of two free throws with 17 seconds left. Treynor went down looking for a bucket-and-one from Chapman, and then a 3-point attempt from Sudmann, but neither materialized as the Spartan celebration began.

"When the final buzzer rang it didn't hit us right away that we were going to the championship game," Flater said. "It's so awesome that all of us can experience this together."

Grundy Center's broken the mold in its state tournament run. Iowa City Regina was denied its third consecutive semifinal berth by the Spartans in Tuesday's quarterfinals. The Cardinals may have thought the championship was theirs for the taking after finishing the 2017 runner-up to Western Christian, what didn't make it out of the regional final. The Spartans made other plans.

"We've got girls playing hard for four quarters, doing everything asked of them and they're able to finish," Matt Lindeman said. "It's unbelievable (to be playing in the championship), but that's pretty normal for tournament time because you just never know."

# Laying the foundation

## D-NH girls' record season ends in struggle with Cougars

By JAKE RYDER

Mid-America Publishing  
DES MOINES — Dike-New Hartford girls basketball looked ready for a 12-round prize fight with Cascade in a Class 2A quarterfinal on Friday morning.

The Wolverines lost momentum in the second quarter, though, and as the offense dried up the Cougars were quick to put D-NH on the ropes.

Cascade leaned on offensive rebounding, aggressive drives to the basket and an overall disruptive half-court presence on both sides of the ball to end Dike-New Hartford's season, 61-44, at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines.

The Wolverines end their season at 23-3, setting a school record for wins in a season. Cascade advanced to its second-consecutive state semifinal berth and will play North Union on Friday.

Nicole McDermott led Cascade with 20 points and eight rebounds, with Rachel Trumm adding 10 points and 10 rebounds. The Cougars out-rebounded D-NH 37-26 and grabbed 12 offensive rebounds compared to eight for D-NH.

In the immediate aftermath, D-NH coach Bruce Dall couldn't say for sure what happened to the Wolverines' offense in the second quarter, shooting 0 for 13 from the floor and scoring just five free throws in the second stanza.

"We started off so well," Dall said. "It looked like we'd go toe-to-toe with them, but it just went blank on us. ... Give Cascade credit, they do play good defense and they wear on you."

Baylee Petersen led the Wolverines with 13 points in her final game with D-NH, one of three seniors along with twin sister Sydney Petersen and Allie Aalderks.

Morgan Weber added 11 points and a team-leading seven rebounds.

Katie Knock's three-pointer just before the end of the first quarter had D-NH up 19-15, but Cascade rallied for what would be a 16-5 second quarter run.

"We defended well and (D-NH) can get you on your heels because they're so athletic, and they attacked us in the first



Dike-New Hartford's Morgan Weber looks for a passing lane as Cascade's Anne Ryan defends during a state quarterfinal in Des Moines on Wednesday morning. (Jake Ryder/The Grundy Register)

quarter," Cascade coach Michael Sconsa said. "We did what we needed to do in the second and third, which was stand them up, make them shoot over us."

Ellie Foster ended D-NH's field-goal drought early in the third quarter, but by the end of the third, Cascade had opened up a 48-31 lead.

The Wolverines made one last run at it, an 11-1 run to start the fourth quarter and get the score down to 49-42 and, later, 51-44, but the Cougars were just too much, scoring the final 10 points of the game.

"We just kept doing what we do," Dall said. "We've been down worse during the season to teams and came back. ... We lived and died a bit by the three considering our height and we tried to work the high-lows but it just didn't pan out."

There will be more success yet to come for the sophomore nucleus that started Wednesday's

game — Weber, Knock and Foster all averaged 10-plus points per game — but Dall knows the shoes left by the Petersen twins and Aalderks, a key contributor off the bench, will be hard to fill.

"They played so hard, worked so hard and for them to bring a state trophy back in basketball, to hang a banner up, is something special," Dall said, "and it was a very special year with how they got here beating North Linn."

Dall said that the immediate future will continue to be a "dogfight" with several teams also bringing back young talent, but he also saw the big picture on Wednesday morning.

"I see a whole lot of little girls in the stands here at Wells Fargo," Dall said. "Now maybe it'll be their goal to be out here and lead them to a path of getting down here. I think this could be something that opens the door for future generations."

DNH 19 5 7 13 — 44  
Casc 15 16 17 13 — 61

D-NH—Ellie Foster 3 0-0 7, Sydney Petersen 1 2-2 5, Baylee Petersen 2 9-10 13, Morgan Weber 3 4-5 11, Katie Knock 2 2-2 7, Avery Coulter 0 0-0 0, Rylee Wessely 0 0-0 0, Chloe Schipper 0 0-0 0, Allie Aalderks 0 0-0 0, Carlee Dove 0 1-2 1, Jill Eilderts 0 0-0 0, Sydney Latwesen 0 0-0 0. Totals 11-46 18-21 44.

Cascade—Nicole McDermott 7 6-7 20, Anne Ryan 3 0-0 8, Jordan Simon 1 4-4 7, Rachel Trumm 3 4-8 10, Abbie Rugeberg 2 5-6 11, Madison Gehl 1 0-0 2, Abby Welter 1 1-2 3. Totals 18-45 20-27 61.

**3-pointers:** DNH 4-20 (Foster, S. Petersen, Weber, Knock); C 5-14 (Ryan 2, Rugeberg 2, Simon).

**Rebounds:** DNH 26 (Weber 7, B. Petersen 6, Foster 3, Knock 3, Aalderks 2, Dove 2, Team 2, Latwesen); C 37 (Trumm 10, McDermott 8). **Assists:** DNH 6 (Foster 3, B. Petersen 2, S. Petersen); C 6 (McDermott 2). **Steals:** DNH 6 (Foster 2, Knock 2, S. Petersen, Weber); C 8 (Ryan 5). **Blocks:** DNH 2 (Knock, Dove); C 8 (Simon 5). **Fouls:** DNH 17, C 18.

# Fuel for tomorrow

## Young Cougars gain experience in state quarterfinal exit

By JAKE RYDER

The Grundy Register

DES MOINES — The AGWSR girls basketball team had to face the music on Wednesday afternoon: A stellar season was going to end before the Cougars were ready.

In the aftermath of Exira-Elk Horn/Kimballton's 57-47 win over AGWSR in a Class 1A state quarterfinal, the Cougars kept their chins up, with the mindset to be motivated for what comes next.

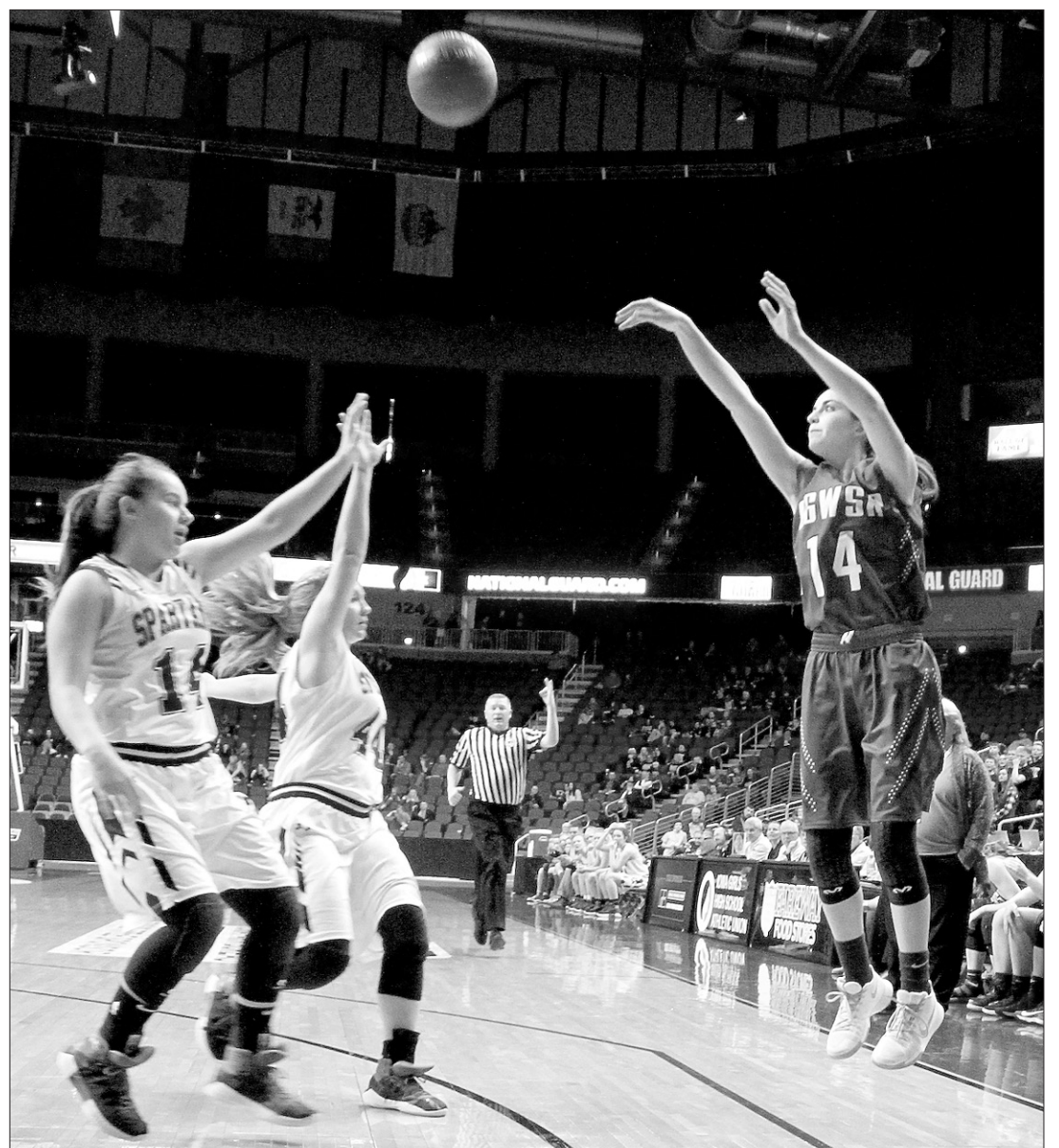
"This experience was amazing, there's no words to explain it," AGWSR junior Taryn Barrick said. "Next year, we have a chance to come back and we want to come back, we want to be here."

AGWSR's season ended at 21-3 after making the school's fifth appearance at the state tournament. Mandy Willems led the Cougars with 14 points and eight rebounds. Barrick and Rachel Sicard added eight points each and Aubrie Fisher scored seven points with five assists.

After a back-and-forth battle for three quarters, the Spartans pulled away in the fourth quarter as offensive opportunities dried up for AGWSR. Exira-EHK hammered the ball into senior star Sophia Peppers all afternoon long but especially in the final stanza, resulting in a 14-of-16 performance from the free-throw line and a game-high 24 points for Peppers.

"We had way too much of Peppers today," AGWSR coach Laurie Gann said. "She's a whale of a baller and we didn't have an answer for her with our matchups."

AGWSR's Alyssa Hames tied the game at 43-all with 4:27 left, but Peppers grabbed her own rebound for a basket-and-one on the other side and Kealey Nel-



AGWSR's Mandy Willems launches a shot during a state quarterfinal game with Exira-Elk Horn/Kimballton on Wednesday afternoon. (Jake Ryder/The Grundy Register)

son, who scored 18 points for the Spartans, picked Willems' pocket for an easy bucket and quickly put Exira-EHK ahead five with 3:45 left in the game.

From there, Exira-EHK scored nine of the next 11 points

in the game, and finished 11 of 15 from the charity stripe in the final quarter. On the opposite end, AGWSR hit 3 of 12 field goal attempts in the final quarter, including 0-for-5 from 3-point range.

"We played well for maybe three-and-a-half quarters," Gann said. "Then some fatigue set in, we had some mental mistakes. ... But our kids came in here

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The 2018 Class 2A All-Tournament Team. From left to right: Cascade's Nicole McDermott, Treynor's Kayla Chapman, North Union's Chloe Lofstrom, Grundy Center's Maddie McMartin, Cascade's Jordan Simon and team captain Hailey Wallis of Grundy Center. (Jake Ryder/The Grundy Register)

## Wallis, McMartin on all-tournament team

Hailey Wallis and Maddie McMartin were the Grundy Center representatives on the Class 2A all-state tournament team, with Wallis serving as the team's captain.

The rest of the team included Jordan Simon and Nicole

McDermott of Cascade, Chloe Lofstrom of North Union and Kayla Chapman of Treynor.

In three games at the state tournament, Wallis scored 55 points with 18 rebounds, three assists and 11 steals. McMartin scored just five points with

seven rebounds and eight assists in her three games at state but was one of several strong defenders on the defense-minded Spartans.

"She wasn't as confident with herself sometimes at the beginning of the season," Wal-

lis said of McMartin, "and it's awesome now that she's on the all-tournament team and shown that she's gotten over that hump."

## Four area girls named IPSWA all-state

Four area girls basketball players were named to the inaugural all-state team issued by the Iowa Print Sports Writers Association (IPSWA), released on Tuesday, March 6.

Grundy Center junior Hailey Wallis and Dike-New Hartford sophomore Ellie Foster were named to the second team in Class 2A and the AGWSR duo of junior Aubrie Fisher and senior Mandy Willems earned spots on the second team in Class 1A.

Wallis averaged 14.9 points, 4.8 rebounds and 3.6 steals per game for the 2A state runner-up Spartans. Wallis was named Class 2A's all-tournament team captain after scoring 29 points, including a tournament record 18-of-18 performance at the free-throw line, in a 41-37 loss in the championship game against Cascade. The Spartans finished their season 24-2.

Foster scored 14 points per game for the Wolverines, and also averaged 4.4 assists, 3.9 rebounds and 2.5 steals per game for D-NH, a state quarterfinalist in Class 2A finishing with a 23-3 overall record.

As part of the Class 1A state quarterfinalist AGWSR Cougars, Willems poured in 18.6 points per game and Aubrie Fisher contributed 13.1 ppg. Willems set a school record with 81 3-pointers made and also scored a record eight 3-pointers in a game against Meskwaki. She added 4.0 assists, 3.5 steals, 4.3 rebounds and led the team with 29 blocks.

Fisher chipped in 3.8 rebounds, 3.9 assists and 2.6 steals per game. The Cougars finished 21-3 overall.

The IPSWA was founded in February to continue the all-state selection process for high school sports in the state after the Iowa Newspaper Association voted to end its all-state program.

### Class 1A First team

Mikayla Nachazel, sr., Springville; Rylee Menster, sr., Springville; Jenna Boelter, sr., Algona Garrigan; Olivia Larsen, jr., Newell-Fonda; Alli Masters, jr., Central Decatur; Sophia Peppers, sr., Exira-EHK; Emilee Danner, jr., Ar-We-Va; Addison Hirschman, sr., Kingsley-Pierston.

### Second team

Mandy Willems, sr., AGWSR; Rachel Leerar, fr., West Hancock; Aubrie Fisher, jr., AGWSR; Kassidi Steel, soph., North Mahaska; Lexee Hartsock, sr., Winfield-Mt. Union; Carah Drees, jr., Westwood; Emma Atwood, jr., Central Decatur; Peyton Olson, sr., Mason City Newman.

### Third team

Shateah Wetering, soph., Montezuma; Amanda Chizek, soph., West Hancock; Carson Fisk, jr., Lynnville-Sully; Acey Jellison, jr., Seymour; Kealey Nelson, sr., Exira-EHK; Blaire Steenhoek, jr., Southeast Warren; Katie Sobotka, sr., Diagonal; Ashley Schwartzhoff, sr., Lansing Kee.

### Class 2A First team

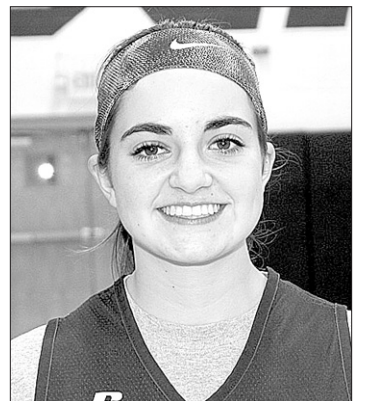
Ashtyn Veerbeek, sr., Western Christian; Alex Wiese, jr., Iowa City Regina; Sam Wall,



Hailey Wallis



Ellie Foster



Mandy Willems



Aubrie Fisher

jr., Maquoketa Valley; Tatum Koenig, sr., West Branch; Taryn Scheuermann, soph., Van Buren; Ashley Tull, sr., North Linn; Kayla Chapman, jr., Treynor; Nicole McDermott, soph., Cascade.

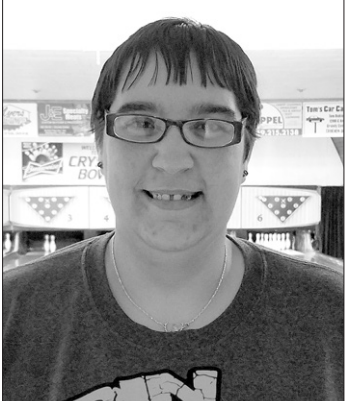
### Second team

Kaylee Parks, sr., Central Springs; Hailey Wallis, jr., Grundy Center; Madelyn Deitchler, sr., Treynor; Bailey Beckman, jr., Panorama; Chloe Lofstrom, soph., North Union; Maya Johnson, jr., Mediapolis; Ellie Foster, soph., Dike-New Hartford; Maci Gambell, sr., Pekin.

### Third team

Mackenzie Rogers, sr., Mediapolis; Grace Flanagan, soph., North Linn; Mary Crompton, sr., Iowa City Regina; Autum Barthelman, sr., Sigourney; Dani Boettcher, sr., Sioux Central; Sam Stewart, soph., Mount Ayr; Kia Rasmussen, sr., IKM-Manning; Konnor Sudmann, jr., Treynor.

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## AGWSR's Finger wins Student-Athlete Achievement Award

AGWSR's Ally Finger was awarded the girls basketball Class 1A Iowa Bankers Association Student Athlete Achievement Award, honored during the 1A state tournament at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines.

Finger is a senior at AGWSR

and was on the state quarterfinalist Cougars basketball team. The award recipients are graduating seniors and are based on their academic performance, athletic participation, leadership skills and community involvement.

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Cougars

From page 13 and fought and if we had a few bounces another way it could've easily been a little closer."

Exira-EHK coach Tom Petersen noted that the Spartans reached the semifinals for the third time in the last four seasons by keeping Willems and Fisher from taking over the game.

"Their two guards are too good, and they jump to shots and it felt like they had 50-60 offensive boards today," Petersen said. "They were a class act, and though they may graduate their

best player, they're still young."

Willems, who will go on to play at NIACC, commended the effort of the young Cougars that came off the bench to maintain against the Spartans when AGWSR hit some foul trouble in the first half.

"They did a heck of a job," Willems said. "They're coming in and giving energy to our plays, getting in everything defensively, just a heck of a job."

Ally Finger and Haley Baker were the other two seniors at Wells Fargo Arena for their final

game with the Cougars, with two juniors (Fisher, Barrick) and one sophomore (Sicard) in the starting lineup on Wednesday.

"It's a dream come true," Fisher said. "Stepping out on the floor was one of the best feelings I've experienced."

Willems added, "It's where everyone wants to end up and I'm fortunate to say I made it here. Not exactly where you want it to end, but grateful for the chance to be up here."

AGWSR 13 14 11 9 - 47  
Exira-EHK 12 14 14 17 - 57

AGWSR-Ally Finger 2 0-0 5, Mandy Willems 4 4-4 14, Aubrie Fisher 3 0-0 7, Taryan Barrick 4 0-0 8, Rachel Sicard 3 2-3 8, Alyssa Hames 2 0-0 4, Tori Brandt 0 0-0 0, MaKenna Kuper 0 1-2 1, Whitanie Nederhoff 0 0-0 0. Totals 18-51 7-9 47.

E-EH/K-Tatum Grubbs 1 1-2 4, Ellie Schultes 1 0-0 3, Kealey Nelson 6 6-8 18, Sophia Peppers 5 14-16 24, Karyn Waymire 2 0-0 6, Leslie Caniglia 1 0-0 2. Totals 16-43 21-26 57.

3-pointers: A 4 (Willems 2, Fisher, Finger); E 4 (Waymire 2, Schultes, Grubbs). Rebounds: A 27 (Willems 8, Sicard 6, Hames 3, Kuper 3, Barrick 2, Fisher 2, Finger 2, Team); E 35 (Peppers 9, Nelson 8). Assists: A 11 (Fisher 5, Willems 2, Finger, Sicard, Hames, Kuper); E 10 (Peppers 4). Steals: A 10 (Willems 2, Sicard 2, Kuper 2, Fisher, Barrick, Hames, Nederhoff); E 10 (Peppers 5). Blocks: A 2 (Willems, Hames); E 3 (Nelson 2, Grubbs). Fouls: A 21, E 10. Fouled out: A (Finger)

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Wednesday, March 14

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*1968 Union-Whitten basketball team*

The members of the 1968 Union-Whitten six-on-six girls basketball team pose for a photo at the state girls basketball tournament in Des Moines. The Cobras are the winners of what is considered the greatest championship game in the history of Iowa girls basketball, a 113-107 overtime victory against Everly. Team members include Denise Long (second from right), who later became the first woman ever drafted by the NBA. (Jake Ryder/The Grundy Register)

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