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## Homecoming Court

The Humboldt High School 2017 Homecoming Court has been announced. Homecoming Queen candidates pictured in front from left to right are: Abi Collins, Sophia Carver, Cassie Peyton, Gabby Kent, Lizzie Tecklenburg and Bri Jenson. King candidates pictured in back from left are: Isaac Thurm, Hunter Egdorf, Trevor Satern, Zachary Packard, Traetin Marsh and Nick Bruening. Homecoming is Friday, Sept. 29. Thursday Thrill Night will be Sept. 28, from 5-8 p.m. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com) (click on the Buy a Photo tab at the top).

## Public expresses concerns about Visioning plans

By Kent Thompson

Members of the public had a chance to review design plans developed for the city's Iowa Living Roadways Community Visioning program last Thursday afternoon at the Humboldt County Extension Office.

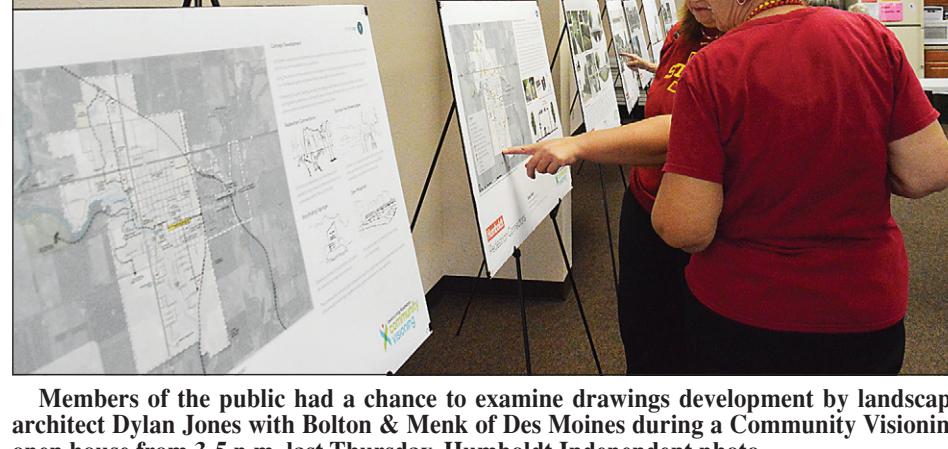
There was quite a bit of input on what people wanted to see and what they didn't want.

About 20 citizens were in attendance during the formal presentation with members of the public invited to stop by and view architectural drawings and plans both before and after the formal presentation.

Humboldt Mayor Dan Scholl started the meeting by saying Humboldt was one of 10 communities across the state, populations 10,000 and under, to utilize resources from Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, Trees Forever, the Iowa Department of Transportation and Bolton & Menk engineering, with offices in Des Moines. Scholl said for \$2,000, the community was able to access expertise from the groups in developing the plan.

Landscape architect Dylan Jones with Bolton and Menk led the discussions, showing PowerPoint video images of architectural concept drawings that were also displayed on easels around the room.

Jones explained that committee members have been meeting since last winter and have collected information from a random community survey that was sent out last winter to 400 community residents, seeking information on a number of transportation enhancement issues, such as sidewalks, trails, highways, accessibility to public buildings and areas, and aesthetic enhancements and improvements people would like to



Members of the public had a chance to examine drawings development by landscape architect Dylan Jones with Bolton & Menk of Des Moines during a Community Visioning open house from 3-5 p.m. last Thursday. Humboldt Independent photo.

see.

Almost 50 percent of the surveys (184) were completed and returned to the city, which "was a fantastic response," Patty Reisinger, field coordinator with Trees Forever said.

She said the Iowa Department of Transportation has found the planning process very helpful for communities and this is the 21st year that Iowa communities have participated in the Iowa Living Roadways Community Visioning process. Gilmore City participated in the program a few years ago.

Reisinger said the design concepts selected from the committee came from the input it received from citizens who completed the survey, attended focus group sessions this past spring and provided input during a design workshop held in July.

Four main areas of interest included pedestrian connections to city trails, downtown Humboldt and other points of interest; downtown streetscape

enhancements; wayfinding signage with a tie-in to the limestone markers already in place around the city; and dam mitigation, which could include removal of the Reasoner Dam and development of the area as a multiple use river recreation location.

Jones told people that the designs are "concepts" and that more meetings will be held and public input solicited before final project plans are OK'd and means to develop the plans and target timelines for completion are established.

Jones spoke about the trail enhancements and a trail connection to the high school and the new proposed recreation center.

He also outlined the designs for the Summer Avenue streetscape project and the concept of making the area more friendly for pedestrians and bicyclists and more inviting for people to make downtown Humboldt as a destination location.

Mary Reedy, a 4th Avenue

North resident, asked how many bicyclists in the community are there? She also asked where the young people were who might be using the amenities described.

"I think it's a beautiful idea to bring more people to the community and help the community grow, but over the last several years our community has stayed the same, our downtown shopping is not there and the young people who want to use this and will possibly use it, are not shopping downtown unless we bring in something bigger," Reedy said.

"Mary's right. The people who think they want this aren't the ones who are paying for it," said Bill Hansen, who lives on 11th Street SW.

"To get to these trails you have to ride your bicycle on the street somewhere and our streets have deteriorated to the point, where if you do ride bicycles, you aren't going to be

See Visioning, 2A

## Sandes make \$125,000 donation to new Humboldt Recreation Center

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## Council not happy with flood map; passes ordinance to protect citizens

By Kent Thompson

The Humboldt City Council was caught in a "Catch 22" position in regard to a city ordinance during its meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 5.

The Council approved on second reading an ordinance amending Chapter 160 of City Code, pertaining to flood plain regulations.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has revised flood plain maps and the city must adopt them by ordinance prior to Nov. 3, or the city will lose the ability to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program. The new maps do not use elevations from the previous maps and are not accurate.

Basically the agency took the 1981 flood maps and placed them over Google Map

imagery.

"Until (FEMA) does actual hydrological studies on the river and sets base elevations, this is what we have," Humboldt City Administrator Travis Goedken said.

"This sticks in my craw," Second Ward Council member John Sleiter said.

"I called (FEMA) and they said it will take 18 months to two years to re-map. In the meantime, they are screwing with people's lives. I'm 80 feet above the river, but my property is in the flood plain. If my house floods, we are all in trouble," said Councilman Jim Vermeer, who lives on Riverview Circle and represents south central and southwest Humboldt.

See City Council, 3A

## World Trade Center survivor Rich Picciotto to speak in Humboldt

Tickets now on sale

Tickets are now available to hear nationally known firefighter and author Richard Picciotto, the highest ranking New York firefighter to survive the collapse of the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001.

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Tickets are available now from any members of the Humboldt Fire Department, or from the following locations: Hy-Vee, Fareway, Seiler Appliance, OK Tire, Abens-Marty-Curran Agen-

cy, Knotty Pine, Humboldt Engraving, State Farm (Lee Smith), Farm Bureau (Kent Mueller and Doug Bacon), Northwest Bank, First State Bank, Bank Iowa and US Bank.

Proceeds from the sale of the tickets will help the Humboldt Fire Department replace its aging air cascade system, which is used to fill firefighter air packs. Estimated cost to replace the system is \$35,000.

Chief Richard Picciotto delivers a gripping, first-hand account of the day that altered history, underscoring the significance of courage, preparation and effective leadership when confronted with enormous

See Richard Picciotto, 2A

## Turkey dinner set for Sept. 20

The Faith United Methodist Church annual Turkey Dinner will be Wednesday, Sept. 20, at Morehouse Hall at the worship center in Humboldt. Tickets are \$10 each.

Dine in hours are from 5-7 p.m. Carryout hours are 4:30-6:30 p.m. There will be two carryout lines for faster service. Delivery is available by calling 332-2083.

## Food pantry crisis

The Humboldt County Ministerial Association Food Pantry shelves are getting dangerously low and volunteer director Mary Dahl is asking for immediate help.

"Our fall food appeal isn't until November, but our shelves are pretty bare now," Dahl said.

Any donations are welcome. The Humboldt County Food Pantry is located on the west side of the Humboldt County Secondary Roads building on Highway 3 East in Humboldt. The Food Pantry is open on Monday and Wednesday mornings.

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Employees in the offices of The Chantland Company and Chantland MHS Company showed their spirit for the Cy-Hawk Rivalry wearing their respective team colors on Thursday. Andrew Flurey (left) is holding a Hawkeye flag that was autographed by Hum-

boldt's Tyler Nielsen, Nick Nielsen and the entire Hawkeye football team a few years ago. The flag was sent to Andrew's son, A.J., and flown in Afghanistan when A.J. was stationed there. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com).

## Donation

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Sande Construction to build it," Ron said.

Ron and Pam Sande's donation of \$125,000 will go towards equipping the facility with weights, exercise equipment and other needed items.

"It is our hope that others will contribute to help meet or exceed the \$500,000 goal of equipping the building for what is needed after the building is done," Sande said.

Dirt work is well underway at the site. About 40,000 cubic yards of dirt will be moved at the site, and about 32,000 cubic yards of material will be brought in to bring the base of the facility nearly even with the level of Wildcat Road.

Dirt work, sewer and water, and footings should be completed this fall, along with floors weather permitting. Sande Construction will have two crews working on the building and plan to erect the building over the winter and finish it out over next summer and fall.

Sande Construction provided this 3D view of the new Humboldt Recreation Center now under construction along Wildcat Road across from Humboldt High School.

## HUMBOLDT RECREATION CENTER



BIRD'S-EYE VIEW FROM SOUTH

## Visioning

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very happy about the condition. You have to haul it (your bike) in a pickup or carry it (to get to the trails)," Hansen said.

"When does the community get to vote on this rather than a picked committee?" Hansen asked.

Ron Reedy complained that the Iowa D.O.T. is funding the program while the state is in dire shape financially because of a poor ag economy.

"We are here to implement vision of the community. The next step is putting cost estimates to all of these projects. After the final report will be implementation planning, then it's up to the community to see the projects it wants done through," Jones said.

"The projects that stay alive are ones that are feasible, make economic sense and have broad-based community support," Jones said.

"If we don't do something like this we become stagnant," Jim Crabtree, a 9th Street South resident and owner of a downtown business (V&S Variety) said.

"I don't agree," Hansen answered. "There is growth going on constantly, it's trying to decide where we are going to spend our dollars and if they area borrowed dollars or earned dollars," Hansen said.

"We're not taking care of

what we've got," Hansen said. "Our streets are falling apart and we are building new streets."

"This is great, but somebody's got to pay for it. I pay more property tax for my house in Humboldt than I pay for my cabin in Okoboji," Hansen said. "And they have the same value. Yet up there they have better streets, the fire department has better equipment, the street department has better equipment, the school has better facilities."

"So what are we doing with our tax dollars in Humboldt that we're that far behind that we need that many tax dollars to keep going," Hansen said.

"I've been here for 40 years and have never been asked to be part of a focus group or have never gotten a survey (about the town)," he said.

City Administrator Travis Goedken said the meetings have been well publicized, allowing people the opportunity to participate, if they choose.

Toni Hood, said she would like to see more people have input in a neutral manner (via a form) instead of a public forum where people may be afraid to speak out for a fear of being ostracized.

Citizens at the meeting were encouraged to leave comments, which will be consid-

## Autumn Fest Supper

The annual Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Autumn Fest Supper will be Monday, Oct. 9, from 5-7 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

The menu includes roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, coleslaw, green beans, roll and homemade pie.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Advance tickets are available at the church or tickets will be available at the door.

Carry out is available.



Three-year-old Isla McIntire of Humboldt proudly shows off her gold and black colors and her new face tattoo in the kid's games area of Finch Plaza last Thursday at the Cy-Hawk Rivalry on Sumner. See this and other photos at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com), and in an upcoming issue of the Humboldt NOW! magazine. Humboldt Independent photo by Kent Thompson.

## Richard Picciotto

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adversity.

The FDNY battalion commander in lower Manhattan when it was the target of terrorist attacks on 9/11, Richard and his fellow firefighters selflessly rushed inside the World Trade Center towers to rescue those trapped inside.

The highest ranking firefighter to survive that day, he humbly reflects on his efforts and offers an insider's knowledge of how courage and training helped save numerous lives. He also chronicles this experience in his best-selling book, "Last Man Down."

"The people of the Humboldt area are very supportive of the Humboldt Fire Department. Whenever we have a need, they respond. We're excited to give everyone a once in a lifetime opportunity to hear and meet Rich Picciotto," Humboldt Fire Chief Jim Gronbach said.

Picciotto's appearance in Humboldt is being made possible by EFM (Executive Functions Management), a Humboldt company that has had Picciotto speak at various events.



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"When he gives his talk, everyone is on the edge of their seat. His story is amazing. We're very happy Rich agreed to come to Humboldt for this," Brian Gargano, regional director with EFM and retired Humboldt firefighter said.

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# City council

from front page

"They know it (the map) is blatantly wrong. There have been a lot of houses bought and sold that had to get flood insurance because the maps are not correct," Vermeer said.

"If we don't approve before Nov. 3, no one in Humboldt can purchase flood insurance," Goedken said.

He said people who have filed a LOMA (Letter of Map Amendment) stating that their property's elevation is higher than the base elevation of the area, should be fine. There is no charge to file a LOMA and it can correctly state that a property is outside the Special Flood Hazard Area. People can contact Humboldt City Hall for more information.

Vermeer said a hydrologist told him that because of significant flood events during the past 10 years, flood plain map elevations have gone up by six inches.

"I own property in the flood plain and if the maps are wrong, I don't want to refinance and have to pay for flood insurance because the lines moved and it's not shown on a map," at-large Council member Bret Davis said.

The Council approved the ordinance on second reading by a 4-0 vote, with Council member Kirk Whittlesey not in attendance.

Regarding ordinances, the Council also discussed the current winter parking ordinance, which restricts vehicles parking on any city street between the hours of 3 a.m. to 7 a.m. during the months of December – March.

It doesn't matter if it's 20 below zero with five inches of snow, or if streets are clean and its 60 degrees, the ordinance remains in effect.

Humboldt Police Administrator Dean Kruger was in attendance at the meeting. Kruger said his department obviously wouldn't ticket people if no snow removal operations were being conducted by the city.

"If we do get snow, there's nothing (in the ordinance) to prevent parking prior to 3 a.m. or after 7 a.m. I would propose a snow emergency ordinance that would go into effect if we have instances of two inches of snowfall or greater," City Administrator Goedken suggested.

"I have spoken to Street Superintendent Chris Ubben, and he is in favor of it," Goedken said.

"I could see the downtown being affected (by such an emergency ordinance)," Davis said.

"The central business district could be exempted, but parking on the street in residential areas is a problem in cases of snow removal operations," Goedken said.

Kruger said tickets issued for violating the no parking between 3-7 a.m. ordinance are \$20.

He said violators are traditionally given warning tickets without a penalty in November and early December, during the start of the winter snow season.

Council members were concerned about mixed messages to the public.

"We do have wider streets. If we don't have something consistent, people will say they don't know about it," Vermeer said.

"And we do have three-four-inch snows that occur that aren't forecast. It doesn't matter to me, the city employees are the ones who have to deal with it (snow)," Vermeer added.

"I'd hate to see us create an ordinance where we open ourselves up to more concerns and complaints. If we go a month with no snow, I can see the benefit," Third Ward Councilman Joel Goodell said.

Council members were perplexed by the randomness of snows in recent years and the fact that quite often there seems to be January thaws where all the snow on the ground melts.

T.J. Wells with ISG, the city's municipal infrastructure engineering firm, said Algona has a snow emergency ordinance. He said they get the

word out through Facebook and other social media, as well as via the radio station.

Council member John Sleiter said he thought maybe leaving the existing no-parking requirement between 3-7 a.m. during winter months would be better than passing an emergency ordinance.

Goedken mentioned that one of the main issues with the current no-parking ordinance comes up during Thanksgiving and Christmas when people have relatives visiting and family events going on.

"I think it would be easier to make waivers for those instances rather than changing the ordinance," Vermeer said.

He said it would be helpful for citizens to call in to City Hall if they know people will be parking on the street overnight and there is no off-street room to accommodate them.

Goedken asked the Council to consider the matter for possible discussion and/or action at its Sept. 18 meeting.

The Council passed another city ordinance on third and final reading. The ordinance allows the operation of golf carts, all-terrain vehicles and off-road vehicles on selected city streets within certain parameters.

Under the ordinance, golf carts, all-terrain vehicles and off-road vehicles may be operated on city streets with the exception of Highway 169, Highway 3, 5th Street, 6th Avenue North and Summer Avenue between 8th and 4th Streets.

The vehicles may be operated by a licensed driver age 18 years or older between the hours of sunrise and sunset.

No vehicle shall be operated at a speed above 25 miles per



Northland Auto detailed its stretch limo for the WHO RVT crew, with one side all Cyclones and the other side all Hawkeyes. Members of the crew rolled into town breaking the Chamber of Commerce's welcome banner. RVTV per-

sonality Scott Siepker (with camera out the window) turned out to be on the right side of things in terms of game outcome. Iowa won in a thrilling 44-41 overtime finish. Humboldt Independent photo.

hour. No person shall operate such a vehicle in a reckless or dangerous manner, and no golf cart or ATV/ORV shall be operated or parked on public

sidewalks or trails.

All riders must remain seated at all times and the number of passengers is limited to what the vehicle has seats to handle.

The vehicles must have a slow-moving vehicle sign or rear tail lights; a safety flag 30 inches square so the flag is five feet above the ground; and adequate brakes.

The operator must not be under the influence of alcohol, narcotics or habit-forming drugs. No open containers of alcoholic beverages are allowed.

The owner must have proof of financial responsibility (insurance) and must apply for a permit with the city. Permit fee is \$50 per year, running from Jan. 1-Dec. 31.

The city police department may suspend the permit for up to 60 days for violations or abuse of the privilege.

Violations of the law regarding use of the slow-moving vehicles may result in a municipal infraction and a fine of up

to \$750. Goedken said permit stickers are on order and should be arriving this week.

The Council approved the purchase of a one-ton dump truck with snow plow from Humboldt Motor Sales for use by the city parks department.

The vehicle will be a 2018 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 model with V-8 diesel engine, all-terrain tires, outside, heated, power-adjustable vertical camper mirrors, four-wheel drive, integrated trailer brakes and standard cab.

The department is trading in its 2008 Chevrolet 3500 diesel with similar dump bed and snow plow.

The bid from Humboldt Motor Sales was \$28,004.75 with options, compared to a bid of \$34,977 received from Kemna Auto Center in Fort Dodge. The Kemna bid did not include additional options requested by the city, with those provided in an additional bid from Highway Truck Equipment in Fort Dodge.

In other action the Council:

• Approved a change order with Municipal Pipe and Tool of Hudson for a deduc-

tion in the contract price in the amount of \$2,333.24, due to a decrease in the amount of materials used. The Council then approved two payments to the company totaling \$20,483.58, for sanitary sewer collection improvements.

• Held a special meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 6, for the purpose of approving resolutions regarding the Eagle Ridge Phase III project. The resolutions approved the appointing of Bankers Trust Company of Des Moines as the paying agent, note registrar and transfer agent for the issuance of \$600,000 in general obligation in capital loan notes.

The second resolution approved the loan agreement and the issuance of \$600,000 in general obligation capital loan notes, levying taxes to pay for the notes.

The first three years of payments will be principal and capitalized interest in the amounts of \$11,827 (the first year) and \$16,962 (years two and three). Years 2020-21 to 2034-35 will have payments of between \$48,088-\$52,675 per year.

The city plans to use tax increment financing gained from the tax revenue created by the development to pay for the GO loan notes.

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2012 GMC 1/2T Crew Cab 4x4 Z71	\$28,995
2012 Ford 1/2 TON Crew 4x4 Lariat, 3.5 Turbo Ecoboost	\$27,995
2012 Chevy 1 TON LT Crew 4x4 8" box	\$23,995
2012 Chevy 1/2T Crew Cab, 4x4, LTZ, Z71	\$18,995
2012 Chevy 1/2T Ext 4x4 LT	\$18,995
2010 Chevy 1/2 TON Crew 4x4	\$21,995
2010 GMC Sierra 1/2 TON Crew Cab 4x4	\$21,995
2008 Chevy 1/2 TON Crew 4x4	\$19,995
2007 GMC 3/4T Crew 4x4, Diesel	\$16,995
2001 Dodge 1/2T Ext. Cab 4x4	\$6,995
1998 Ford Ranger Ext. Cab	\$3,995

### SUVS

2017 GMC Yukon XL SLT, Sunroof, Heated and Cooled	\$56,995
2017 GMC Acadia Limited AWD, Nav, Chrome Wheels	\$35,995
2017 GMC Acadia SLT-2, AWD, DVD, Nav, Leather, 1 red and 1 blue	\$39,995

2015 Chevy Traverse 2LT, AWD, Leather	\$24,995
2015 Chevy Equinox 2LT, Leather	\$19,995
2015 Chevy Equinox LT	\$18,995
2014 Cadillac Escalade ESV Platinum	\$37,995
2014 GMC Terrain	\$17,995

2013 GMC Acadia SLT, AWD	\$24,995
2013 Toyota Highlander 4WD	\$21,995
2013 Mazda CX-9 Grand Touring AWD, Heated leather	\$19,995
2012 GMC Yukon SLT 4x4	\$28,995

2012 GMC Terrain SLT, AWD, Sunroof ..... \$15,995

2012 GMC Terrain SLT, AWD, Sunroof, Chrome Pkg ..... \$15,995

2012 Chevy Equinox LT, FWD ..... \$14,995

2010 Toyota RAV 4 Limited, V6, Sunroof, Heated leather ..... \$14,995

2008 GMC Yukon 4x4, DVD, Sunroof, Leather ..... \$14,995

2008 GMC Acadia AWD SLT-2, Sunroof ..... \$13,995

2008 Kia Sportage LX ..... \$4,995

2007 Cadillac Escalade, Sunroof, DVD ..... \$14,995

2007 Chrysler Pacifica Limited ..... \$4,995

2004 Chevy Trailblazer ..... \$1,995

2003 Chevy Trailblazer 4x4 ..... \$5,995

### VANS

2012 Chrysler Town & Country, Leather, Stow n Go ..... \$10,995

2007 Chrysler Pacifica Limited, Heated leather, Sunroof ..... \$4,995

### CHEVYS

2015 Chevy Impala LTZ ..... \$23,495

2015 Chevy Impala 2LT ..... \$18,995

2014 Chevy Cruze 2LT, Leather ..... \$13,995

2009 Chevy Aveo, Sunroof, Leather ..... \$4,995

### BUICKS

2016 Buick LaCrosse ..... \$24,995

2000 Buick Park Avenue ..... \$1,995

### MAZDAS

2013 Mazda CX-9 Grand Touring AWD, Heated Leather ..... \$19,995

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# Way Back When

## TEN YEARS AGO

**2007**

The Humboldt City Council agreed to move forward on plans to replace the Sumner Avenue bridge in downtown Humboldt.

**2007**

The Humboldt Country Club Women's Afternoon Golf League finished up with Jess Harklau and Mindi Harklau finishing first in the team scoring. Kerry George and Kathi Black finished second and Alyssa Shiflett and Kelsey Shiflett finished third.

**2007**

The Humboldt men's soccer team capped a very successful season. Humboldt won the Midwest League championship finishing with the best record in the regular season standings. Humboldt Jorge Vila scored over 30 goals and was named Most Valuable Player.

## FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

**2002**

Maren Loving swam on a winning medley relay to help the Fort Dodge High girls' swim team in a 105.5 to 74.5 loss to Des Moines Roosevelt at Des Moines.

**2002**

Humboldt's Joel Rasmussen led the Wildcat boys cross country team by placing 22nd overall in 18:50 over the 3.1 mile course at Webster City. Teammate Tom Nostrom ran 30th in 19:12.

**1997**

Local Royal Neighbors of America (RNA) members earned national recognition for their work in the community. Area members held two fundraisers for the National Child Safety Council #46. In all, the chapter raised \$1,000 and the National Headquarters matched the funds for a total donation of \$2,000.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO

**1997**

Amy Olson ran seventh overall in 13 minutes to lead Humboldt's varsity girls' cross country team to a sixth-place finish at the Estherville Invitational.

**1997**

A group of area seventh grade students won the

National 3-on-3 basketball Tournament held at Boulder, CO. Humboldt's Michael Loney and Brett Arends, were joined by Brian Courtney and Colin Panzi of Fort Dodge, in winning the event, sponsored by Triple Crown Sports. Leon Loney, father and coach, drove the team to Colorado, using a Born Free trailer rented from Denny Smith, Humboldt.

**1997**

Jim and Sandy Krein have sold the Burger Boy Restaurant to Jeff and Nita Davis of Duluth, MN. The Burger Boy, a drive-in restaurant, which also has indoor seating, offers a diverse menu plus daily homemade specials.

## TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

**1992**

The Iowa Girls' High School Athletic Union announced its 1991 all-state softball teams.

Area girls named include Humboldt senior catcher Carolyn Thompson, honorable mention; Corwith-Wesley-Loverne senior outfielder Amy Reding, honorable mention; Humboldt senior pitcher Jenica Michelson and Twin River Valley junior Steph Connor.

**1992**

DeWayne Lowe, Doug Altman and Peter Reding were honored as "Winner's Circle" guests of DeKalb Plant Genetics at the Quad Cities. The "Winner's Circle" is an annual award for DeKalb dealers with the largest sales increases. Hosts were District Sales Manager Kurt Loving and Paul Galm.

**1992**

Winners in the women's golf leagues at Humboldt Country Club include: Rosie Dencklau, handicap

tournament champion with a net score of 31; and Marian Johansen, 1 p.m. league champion; Carol Christianson and Linda Arends, 4 p.m. league champions; and Sally Sandblom who teamed with Linda Arends to win the morning league.

## FORTY YEARS AGO

**1977**

Mike Berkheimer and Gary Snell, both of Humboldt, defeated Bob Brinton and Ted Weldon of Clarion to win the championship in men's doubles play in the Eagle Grove Open Tennis Tournament.

**1977**

The Dakota City Worthwhile Club honored Mrs. Emma Wallukait for being an active member of the club for 50 years.

**1977**

The Humboldt Sno-

skimmers Snowmobile Club received word that the club has won a Scorpion Lil' Whip snowmobile. The Scorpion Company had offered a snowmobile as first prize to the club that donated the most money to the research of Multiple Sclerosis in the State of Iowa. The Sno-skimmers took top honors by donating \$2,026.37 to the MS Fund.

## FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

**1972**

Donald Hood, Bode, was elected president of Humboldt County Farm Bureau at the organization's 54th annual meeting. Hood succeeds Dale Reedy, Grove Township farmer who headed the county Farm Bureau for two years.

**1972**

Brad Foth's 1,050-pound steer took grand championship honors at the Clay County Fair, Spencer. The son of Mr.

and Mrs. Allen Foth, he is a 1972 graduate of Twin Rivers High School.

**1972**

Pam Sande, Humboldt, took first place in a tournament held at Humboldt Country Club. Bonnie Goodell was handicap runner-up.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO

**1967**

A new milk parlor was constructed on the Marilyn Gregerson farm two and one-half miles north of Rutland. The parlor, running north and south, is 40 foot long by 12 foot wide, a total of 480 square feet of floor space, which includes four milking stalls.

**1967**

The Fireside Inn, under the ownership of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dugan and family, opened Friday afternoon, Sept. 15, 1967. Dugans purchased the former Fireside Lounge from Walt Cramer of Clarion.

**1967**

A petition was circulated in Humboldt requesting the City Council of the City of Humboldt to start proceedings for the establishment of a walkway from the intersection of Sumner Avenue and 9th Street North at the Bicknell Park bridge southwesterly on the intersection of 4th Avenue South and Sumner Avenue. Sponsors of the proposed new sidewalk are residents who live in southwest Humboldt.

## SIXTY YEARS AGO

**1957**

A photo of Mrs. William Travis and children, Barbara and Jimmy, of near Gilmore City appeared on the cover of Wallaces' Farmer magazine.

**1957**

Margaret Ann Quely and Janet Tallman, members of the Humboldt Merry Maidens girls' 4-H club, won a blue ribbon at the Clay County Fair at Spencer on their demonstration, "Color-Key To Style."

**1957**

The Humboldt high school band, under the direction of Glenn M. Peterson, will be among the Iowa high school bands at the sixth annual Band day at Iowa State college.



### Kit stuffing party

Members of the Humboldt County Senior Citizens Organization prepared marchers' kits for the House-to-House Cerebral Palsy fund drive.

Those participating in the work were, seated (l to r): Pearl Ewaldt, Harriett Lane, Helen Erickson, Mae Pedersen, Helen Larsen, and Thelma Newell. Standing: Marie Pedersen, Caroline Zeimet, Velma Kinseth, Inez Cox, Alice Stockfleth, Nancy Cox, Dorothy Dodd, Ethel Baessler, Mary Mulligan, Wanda Schnebly, Executive Director of United Cerebral Palsy of Iowa, and Ross Hohler, area coordinator for United Cerebral Palsy of Iowa. Independent photo, September 1977.

# Courthouse

## HUMBOLDT COUNTY DISTRICT COURT DISMISSELS

Cavalry Spv. 1, LLC, as assignee of Citibank, N.A. vs. Todd Oppedahl.

## SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

Midland Funding LLC vs. Jill Deling, Humboldt, account \$468.90.

Midland Funding LLC vs. Courtney Coronado, Thor, account \$548.47.

## PROBATES

Estate of Imogene Bendixen, Deceased.

Lola A. Hippen, Deceased, Kerry A. Hippen, Executor.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Peyton E. Vote and Megan J. Foth.

## COUNTY RECORDER WARRANTY DEEDS

Jeff J. Berte, Jeffrey J. Berte, Karen K. Berte to John

Denton Myers, Jennifer Jo Myers, Joseph J. Hanrahan, Sonja E. Hanrahan, Land in SE, Sec. 36, Twp. 92, Rng. 29.

Matthew B. Emick, Matt Emick, Jennifer L./Jennifer

Emick to Brannon Arends, Cadie Schmadeke, Part of Lot 7, Block 41, Original Town, Humboldt.

Kathryn Ann Cran, Kathryn A. McCullough to Michael A. Crahan, Land in Sec. 17, Twp. 93, Rng. 28, Land in Livermore.

Ethan S. Shiflett, Maribeth Shiflett to Devin Thomas Stein, Lot 6, Block 98, Original Town, Dakota City, Part of Lot 7, Block 98, Original Town, Dakota City.

Leslie J. Brown, Jennifer M. Brown to Robert R. Hinton, Andrea J. Hinton, Land in SE, S 1/2, Sec. 35, Twp. 92, Rng. 29, Land in Humboldt.

Jane E. Nielsen, Rick Nielsen to Colby D. Marchant, Alissa Marchant, Land in NW, NW, Sec. 32, Twp. 92, Rng. 30, Land in NW, Sec. 32, Twp. 92, Rng. 30.

Jackie S. Everett to Trey J. Thompson, Courtney R. Benjamin, Part of Lot 8, Block 76, Original Town, Humboldt.

Humboldt County Housing Development Corporation to Sean T. Stewart, Jennifer Stewart, Lot 8, Seventh Avenue South Addition, Humboldt.

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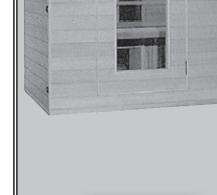
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## MAGISTRATE

Jhon L. Hernandez, Goodell, no valid drivers license, fined \$472.50.

Allison K. Brownfield, Humboldt, failure to obey yield sign, fined \$195.

Joseph A. Hanson, Callender, failure to display registration plate, fined \$87.



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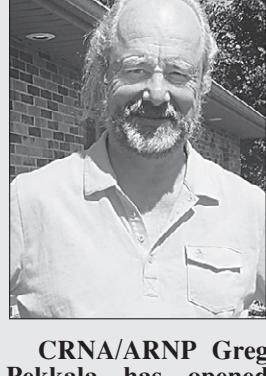
# No stranger to pain, Pekkala opens new practice

By Kent Thompson

Greg Pekkala is no stranger to pain. For the past almost 25 years, he has been helping patients manage it and overcome it.

Pekkala is a familiar face to many in Humboldt, serving as a pain management specialist at Humboldt County Memorial Hospital since the beginning of 2012.

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**CRNA/ARNP** Greg Pekkala has opened an Advanced Pain Clinic in Humboldt at the former Cloud 9 Massage site at 1001 12th St. N., right off Highway 3, just east of Hardee's. The clinic will be open Monday-Friday, with Greg seeing patients on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Call (641) 444-9016 to schedule an appointment. Humboldt Independent photo.

Registered Nurse Anesthetist and Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner is branching out on his own. With clinics in Belmond, Iowa Falls and Ankeny, Pekkala is adding Humboldt with the opening of the Advanced Pain Clinic at 1001 12th St. N., former site of the Cloud Nine Massage. Pekkala opened the practice last Thursday, Sept. 7.

Pekkala plans office hours on Wednesdays and Thursdays in Humboldt between the hours of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The clinic will be open Monday through Friday for appointments and to answer questions.

"I'll let the patient traffic determine if I will expand hours," Pekkala said.

Greg Pekkala has a partner in the Ankeny Clinic. For the Humboldt office, Pekkala will be the lone provider.

He provides a vast array of services in the treatment and management of advanced pain, hence the name.

The clinic treats lower back injuries, neck injuries, spinal disc herniation, radiculopathy, neuropathy, work and sports-related injuries, pain from vehicular accidents, myofascial syndrome, arthritis, sacroiliitis, chronic pain syndrome, compression fractures and invasive and non-invasive cancer pain treatment.

Pekkala says his average patient is someone over the age of 30, who may have had some nagging pain for a number of years.

He said the pain gets progressively worse, to the point where it is adversely

impacting the patient's day-to-day life.

"I see people with contact sports injuries, farm accident injuries, factory workers, people with joint issues in elbows, toes, knees, hips and fingers. I see patients with migraine headaches, bulging discs and a lot of arthritis and bursitis patients. The number one thing I treat is lower back pain, followed by neck pain," Pekkala said.

Among the treatments offered are epidural steroid injections, nerve blocks, facet joint blocks, radiofrequency ablation for both lumbar and cervical regions and acute and chronic pain management.

A new and unique treatment Pekkala is offering is stem cell injections for longer-term injuries or extremely painful joints from arthritis.

Pekkala recently finished training in Naples, FL, to be able to offer the treatment.

"I have done more than 40,000 steroid injections and it's the same concept with stem cells.

"It's a slower acting and hopefully longer-term solution than a typical steroid injection treatment," the ARNP said.

Pekkala can extract stem cells from a high volume area of the body and can re-inject them into an injured area to allow the body to promote tissue growth and heal naturally.

"There is no cure for arthritis, but stem cells offer a longer-term treatment and

could provide a cure for the disease in time. More research is needed," Pekkala said.

He said there are only three practitioners in Iowa currently doing stem cell injections and about 800 in the U.S.

"I know the two in Des Moines are only doing the injections in the knees and hips, so myself and a practitioner in Mason City are the only ones doing the spine injections."

"It is a very safe process and has been done in some areas of the country for over 20 years. It has gained popularity in the last few years because of the very beneficial results," Pekkala said of the stem cell spine infusions.

He said the procedure is expensive and isn't currently covered by insurance.

Something else that is relatively new to Pekkala's advanced pain management practice is Botox® injections to relieve the effects of migraine headaches.

"It's not just for wrinkles for someone wanting cosmetic surgery. The muscles below the scalp are very thin and can spasm, causing severe headaches. Botox® paralyzes the muscles so they won't spasm and cause the severe headaches."

"Patients with migraines have found the frequency, duration and intensity of their symptoms reduced by 80-90 percent by the injections; It's saved a lot of ER visits," Pekkala said.

The injections last for about 2.5 months, Pekkala

said. He said some insurance plans pay for the treatments and some privatized or state-run plans won't, so patients may want to check with their insurance companies first.

As Baby Boomers age, Pekkala is seeing a lot more knee and hip problems, leading to patients considering knee joint replacement surgery.

"In many cases, the patient may be too young or too old or too sick for total knee replacement, yet they are suffering from an inordinate amount of joint pain."

"I recommend genicular nerve radiofrequency ablation for some patients with persistent knee joint pain."

"It kills the nerve that causes the pain and will reduce the pain significantly or completely for months or a year," Pekkala said.

"Again, this is not well covered by insurance companies, but they are getting better for alternative orthopedic treatments," Pekkala said.

He said while patients do not need to be referred by their primary care physician for treatment, it is a good idea to let them know, to

allow good communication between providers. Medical information can be shared with other physicians if the patient so desires.

Pekkala said the goal of the Advanced Pain Management Clinic is to provide as much pain relief to patients as possible with the least amount of side effects.

Pekkala said the reason he got into the health care profession and specifically pain management, is to help people and make them feel better.

He teaches pain management courses at Texas Christian and South Florida Universities and trains students from his classes.

"Schooling never ends for me or anyone else in health care. The profession and new developments in medical science are ever changing," Pekkala said.

People needing an appointment are asked to stop by the Advanced Pain Clinic at 1001 12th St. N., or call (641) 444-9016.

"I hope to see many of my longtime patients in Humboldt and new people as well," Pekkala said.

## Protect Three Key Goals With Life Insurance

September is Life Insurance Awareness Month. And "awareness" is an appropriate designation, because many people remain unaware of the many ways in which life insurance can help families meet their key financial goals. Here are three of the biggest of these objectives, as seen through the eyes of a hypothetical couple, Jim and Joan:

- **Pay off mortgage** – Jim and Joan have a 30-year mortgage. If one of them dies well before that mortgage is paid off, could the other one afford to keep making payments to remain in the house with the children? It might be quite difficult – many families absolutely need two incomes to pay a mortgage, along with all the other costs of living. At the very least, the death of either Jim or Joan would likely put an enormous financial strain on the surviving spouse. But with the proceeds of a life insurance policy, the survivor could continue making the house payments – or possibly even pay the mortgage off completely, depending on the size of the policy and other financial considerations.

- **Educate children** – Higher education is important to Jim and Joan, and they'd like to see both of their young children eventually go to college. Of course, college is expensive: For the 2016-17 school year, the average cost (tuition, fees, room and board) was about \$20,000 for in-state students at public universities and more than \$45,000 for private schools, according to the College Board. And these costs are likely to continue climbing. Jim and Joan have started putting money away in a tax-advantaged 529 savings plan, but if something were to happen to one of them, the surviving spouse might be hard pressed to continue these savings at the same level – or at any level. But the proceeds of a life insurance death benefit could be enough to fund some, or perhaps all, of the college costs for Jim and Joan's children.

- **Provide for family's future** – Jim and Joan's future income is their most valuable asset as they continue working. However, an unexpected death could leave this dual-income family with a single income that may not cover all financial obligations and retirement contributions – or even preserve the family's current lifestyle. Life insurance could help cover these needs. Plus, the death benefit to the family may be tax-free. Clearly, a life insurance policy could allow Jim or Joan to continue on with life, despite, of course, the devastating emotional loss of a partner. But how much insurance should they own? You might read that most people need a death benefit of seven to 10 times their annual income. This might be a good starting point, but everyone's situation is different. You should consider all factors – including liabilities, income replacement, final expenses and education – to get an accurate picture of how much insurance is appropriate. A financial professional can help you with this calculation.

During Life Insurance Awareness Month, take some time to review your insurance situation. You may already have some life insurance, but it's a good idea to review your coverage to make certain the amount and type of insurance is still appropriate for your needs. As we've seen, the right coverage can make a huge difference in the lives of your loved ones.

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Military veterans from Humboldt and Spencer were recognized prior to the start of last week's home football game in Humboldt during a special armed forces night ceremony. They were escorted onto the field by the VFW Color Guard. Independent photo. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com).



The Humboldt High School marching band performed before and at halftime of last week's home game with Spencer. Band member Valerie Cox is shown above from last week's performance. Independent photo. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com).

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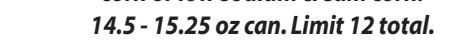
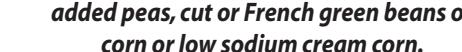
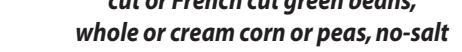
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# Engagements



Abigail Sparks of Iowa City and Kyle Larsen of Clare announce their engagement and approaching marriage. Parents of the couple are Walter and Amy Sparks of Iowa City and Glen and Brenda Larsen of Clare. A Sept. 23 wedding is being planned at The Celebration Farms in Iowa City. The bride-elect is a 2016 Iowa State University graduate with a Bachelor's Degree in Food Science. She is presently employed as a Production Supervisor at Hormel Foods in Algona. Her fiancé is a 2016 Iowa State University graduate, with a Bachelor's Degree in Animal Science. He is currently self-employed as owner and manager of Larsen Premium Pork.

## Births

### ELIM J. LOUIS HABBEN

Harlee Habben of Humboldt became the mother of a son born Thursday, Aug. 31, 2017, at Iowa Specialty Hospital, Clarion. He has been named Elim J. Louis and weighed 7 pounds 7.6 ounces. He joins a brother, Motley David, 2, at home. Grandparents are Tori Christensen of Gilmore City and Chad Habben, deceased. Great-grandparents are Cleo Boles of Gilmore City, Al and Patty Habben of Rutland, and Diana and Denny Attleton of Barnum.

### PIPER MARIE HARVEY

Adam and Angela Harvey of Goldfield became the parents of a daughter born Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2017, at Iowa Specialty Hospital, Clarion. She has been named Piper Marie and weighed 6 pounds 9.4 ounces. She joins a sister, Penelope at home.

### TUCKER EARL STALZER

Benjamin and Kaylyn Stalzer of Livermore became the parents of a son born Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2017, at Iowa Specialty Hospital, Clarion. He has been named Tucker Earl and weighed 6 pounds 12 ounces. He joins a sister, KinzLee Kay, 1 month (adopted).

### CHRISTOPHER SANTIAGO BRICENO

Seaira Briceno and Christopher Briceno of Humboldt became the parents of a son born Monday, Aug. 28, 2017, at Iowa Specialty Hospital, Clarion. He has been named Christopher Santiago and weighed 7 pounds 8.4 ounces. He joins siblings, Jovan, 6; Omar, 1; Isaac, 5; and Gloria, 3, at home.

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Gilmore City-Braggate Elementary School unveiled its new learning kitchen at a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Sept. 7. Pictured, from left: State Senator Tim Kraayenbrink, student Lily Hoover, student Macy Eastman, student Alex Wiemers, Linda Fandel of the Iowa Governor's office, school instructor Kelsey Upah, principal Jeffrey Fenske and superintendent Jeff Herzberg. Independent photo. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com).

## GC-B school opens learning kitchen

With area and state dignitaries on hand, the Gilmore City-Braggate School District unveiled its new learning kitchen in a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Sept. 7 in Gilmore City.

A former girls locker room was remodeled over the summer months, allowing for Kelsey Upah, now in her second year as Seed-to-Table instructor, to have a hands-on kitchen classroom for her students at the elementary school.

"Our kitchen is a result of a lot of work and volunteer hours from persons in our community," Upah said. "It is a really unique space in our school that we can utilize and it will be real exciting to see what the kids will want to do and what they want to accomplish."

"I'm excited for all the unique things we are doing this year in our school," Upah said.

"We are excited about the opportunity our kids are going to have to actually do something with the produce from our garden. They can make meals and snacks and share that with the community," GC-B School Superintendent Jeff Herzberg said.

"It will be a great hands-on experience for our students,"

Herzberg said.

Upah, who oversees the school's outdoor garden located on school grounds, next to the greenhouse built a year ago, says the spacious kitchen classroom will provide much more opportunities for students to learn.

"The concept of a learning kitchen was a combination of Jeff and myself coming up with this idea. I had dreamt of something like this. We have an outdoor garden and a greenhouse, but it does snow here in the winter months and so that made it hard to find classroom space to teach our gardening class," Upah said.

"We bounced around last year from the lunch room to different rooms in the building, which didn't work the best," Upah said. "This is a good compromise and a good way to utilize space that isn't always utilized all the time."

"It is a good solution to the problem," Upah said.

"We'll have a contest to see if the kids want to rename the learning kitchen. It will be the classroom we will report to each day and then we can always go from there, depending on what our activity is for the day," Upah said.

Jeffrey Fenske, now in his

first year as principal in Gilmore City, praised the district for its forward thinking.

"It is a privilege to be here at GCB and I'm excited that we can enhance this program," Fenske said. "The facility is phenomenal. There are so many good things to come and I'm very proud that the board and everyone could make it possible to have this right here at Gilmore City-Braggate."

State Senator Tim Kraayenbrink of Fort Dodge was present for the ceremony. Kraayenbrink recalled a visit to the Gilmore City school when he was coaching the Northwest Webster High School football class.

"I think the last time I was in that locker room was about 35 years ago when I was coaching football for an opposing team. The transformation you have done is amazing," Kraayenbrink said.

"Things are going well here and this is the future of education," Kraayenbrink said. "You have leadership here and people that are interested in supporting new ways to deliver education."

"Your district has been a leader in providing future models of what education will look like down the road,"

Kraayenbrink said.

Upah extended thanks to the school board, fellow staff members and administration for their support. She said Cory Benz, Kevin Hollar and custodian Dave Cirks spent considerable time in transforming the new kitchen.

During the ceremony, Upah recognized elementary school student Lily Hoover for her work in the garden over the summer months. Hoover is one of many students who have benefited from the hands-on garden and greenhouse, which helps provide food for the school lunches and teaches students lifelong skills in nutrition.

Linda Fandel, who serves as Special Assistant for Education for the office of the Governor of Iowa, also spoke at the event and praised GC-B for its continued efforts to try new learning strategies for students.

"You may be small, but you are mighty," Fandel said. "You have an amazing STEM program here at Gilmore City-Braggate and continue to try new things at the forefront of education."

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## DNR wants ATVs out of wildlife area

By Kent Thompson

Destruction of a state-controlled wildlife area and what the county can do about it was the main topic of discussion during a lengthy meeting of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors Monday morning.

The Supervisors heard from Bill Spece, Conservation Officer with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Spece said he has worked for the department a little more than a year and Humboldt County is his territory.

At issue is a state wetlands/wildlife area located just east of Livermore, south and west of the intersection of Ohio Avenue and County Road C-20.

Spece reported that off-road and all-terrain vehicles (three-wheelers and four-wheelers) have torn up about one-third of the wildlife preserve area.

"It's black dirt. There are large areas being disturbed by ATVs, which have taken out large areas of Arrow arum (a small leafy plant that grows well in damp oxbow areas). It is an endangered plant species in the state and they have turned those areas into a mud hole," Spece said, noting the less wild vegetation, the less wildlife, which is the goal of having protected acres in the state.

"We'd like to strike an agreement with the county to block off the area and stop damage to the area."

Spece said the area cannot be patrolled by conventional means and there is a high probability of an accident and possible serious injury from all-terrain and off-road vehicles using the site.

"We're seeing a lot of these vehicles out there and it's not possible for one or two people (sheriff's deputies) to handle all the ATVs out there," Spece said.

He showed the Supervisors photos of damage done in the wildlife area, showing large muddy ruts and areas where plant and wildlife habitat has been disturbed.

He showed a photo with many beer cans and whiskey and other liquor bottles on a sandbar near the East Fork of the Des Moines River when the wildlife area borders.

There is access from an adjacent county fishing river access by foot, but the ATVs are going down the ditch and through a private property to access the area.

"We know that 25-30 people were in the area on a recent

weekend," Spece said.

"If I find out who they are, they will be charged," the DNR conservation officer said.

Humboldt County Conservation Director Todd Lee said the unauthorized use of the area has grown from maybe just a few off-road vehicles early last spring to a significant amount with the dry summer we've had.

The Supervisors asked who the alleged perpetrators were?

"It appears to be young adults (18-25). There are some 40-50-year-olds, but mostly its younger people," Spece said.

"It would take a phenomenal amount of fencing and barricades to keep people out and there is a public fishing area north of there that we can't close off," District 4 Supervisor Erik Underberg said. Underberg represents the Livermore area and is quite familiar with the location.

When asked where the users park their trailers, he said "in town, or close to Livermore," and then ride their ATVs through the ditch and to the wildlife area.

Wildlife Management Biologist with the DNR for Humboldt County, Bryan Hellyer, said a relatively easy solution for some of the problems would be close off an access near the Victor Fisher property.

"People who wanted to fish that area still could, they just couldn't drive back there," Hellyer said.

Lee said it wouldn't be a very long walk and would be of only minor inconvenience for people fishing the river,

since there is no boat or canoe access at the site.

Rob Patterson, a technician with the DNR, said there is a real public safety threat in allowing people to utilize the area unauthorized and unsupervised.

"We've seen tracks and there are areas where vehicles are just inches from falling into the river or the oxbow," Patterson said.

Spece said some drops could be 20-25 feet with the vehicle following the driver to the ground, perhaps on top of them.

Spece said the Gypsum City OHV Park near Fort Dodge is not as well utilized as it might be because all vehicles have to be registered and all riders have to wear helmets.

Spece said they have evidence of ATVs from Clarion using the Livermore wildlife area, and ones from as far as Wisconsin.

Spece said the area is posted and again mentioned the violators will be prosecuted.

"If we make arrests and go to court, we will ask a judge to assess damages for the destruction of plant and wildlife habitat," Spece said.

Hellyer agreed to take supervisors to see the area and the damage firsthand if they are so inclined.

The Board agreed that measures should be taken to stop the illegal use of the area.

### Drainage matters

Regarding Drainage District 11, Subdistrict 5, the Board accepted a petition from Carmen Janssen to review a

proposal that would take water from subdistrict 5 and move it to an open ditch, requiring the annexation of lands in subdistrict one.

Drainage Engineer Rick Hopper with Jacobson-Westergard and Associates of Estherville, said that as long as proper channels were followed, there could be annexation from one subdistrict to another.

Supervisors Rick Pedersen of Humboldt and Rick Underberg of Livermore suggested hiring a different engineering firm to provide a second opinion on the matter. Hopper's company has already done much work on the matter.

"I'd like to see more clarification. A different set of eyes and maybe different opinions and options," Underberg said.

Drainage District landowner David Hundertmark said the petitioning is fundamentally flawed.

"I don't see how you can jump out of one district and into another. One subdistrict can't just dump water on the other and say that you have to take it," Hundertmark said.

Janssen wanted to know why her petition was being treated differently than an earlier petition requested by Gary Pedersen of Rolfe. Both options are still on the table as possible solutions.

Janssen said she did not request that Hopper be pulled from engineering work on the matters.

"There shouldn't be much more engineering expense, the

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Humboldt County Supervisor Erik Underberg (right) reviews a map with DNR Wildlife Management Biologist Bryan Hellyer (second from right) during Monday's Humboldt County Board of Supervisors meeting. Pictured in background from left: DNR Technician 2 Rob Patterson, DNR Conservation Officer for Humboldt County Bill Spece, Humboldt County Supervisor Rick Pedersen and Humboldt County Auditor Peggy Rice. Humboldt Independent photo.

# News from the Museum

By Carolyn Saul Logan  
Grease paint

Although the Humboldt museum has 11 buildings, each displaying historic treasures, there are many other donated items stored away. Two of those are a seriously rusted metal box full of stage makeup, including grease paint in various colors such as clown white and ruby rouge. All of these seem to be usable today, if you could pry the tins and tubes open. However, if you need some of Stein's grease paint, perhaps tube No. 17, American Indian, it is still for sale on various web sites. Stein's grease paint seems to have a long life.

As long as theater has existed, actors have used stage makeup, which has evolved over thousands of years. In ancient Greece, actors solved the

makeup problem with masks, which not only enlarged the face and head but also amplified the actors' voices. Shakespeare's plays saw lead paint rise in popularity, also chalk powder or soot. At that time, most plays were lit by natural light. Eventually the 1900s saw the use of greasepaint, which evolved roughly around this time. It was used in the theater as well as early movies.

Early Humboldt was visited by many traveling theater companies and also had several local theatrical productions. They were produced by the groups of actors from Humboldt College, local churches, musical groups or groups of people bit by the drama bug. All needed grease paint, as the electric lights on the stage made actor's faces look pale. This is when the museum's tin

makeup box was in use here in Humboldt.

#### Glass plate negatives

Another find in the store room this week was a box of glass plate negatives, used before photographic film. A light-sensitive emulsion of silver salts was coated on a glass plate instead of a clear plastic film. There were two types of plates, one a collodion wet plate (1851) and the other a gelatin dry plate (1873).

The museum's dry gelatin plates were created by a local photographer. There are 18 plates and all, except for one shot in Ames, show scenes in early Humboldt. There are several river scenes, one of the Unity Church and parsonage, another of Bicknell woods and the Indian Trail.

#### Jeanne Raine's 2017 Quilt Class

Sign up now to learn how to make Kathleen Starr's "Star-Berry Parfait Quilt." Cost is a \$25 donation to the Humboldt County Historical Society paid prior to the beginning of the class. A completed quilt, pieced and quilted by Jeanne Raine, is on display at the Museum.

"The quilt I made was entirely different in color than the one on the picture of the pattern. Use your imagination in choosing your fabrics. The quilt is easy to make, but as with all quilts, it takes some time. As always, I purchase extra fabric; I never know what crazy mistake I may make. I am making a second quilt with

this pattern. Instead of all the light colors the pattern suggests, I am using one in their place," Jeanne commented.

"When the established date arrives, please bring your fabric, machine, miscellaneous quilting supplies, personal ironing station and enthusiasm to the Hardy Church on the Museum grounds. Lunch will be served. What fun we can have!"

"Because of all the pressing, I'm requesting that you again bring your own pressing station. This could be a towel over a wooden TV tray. Omnigrid Company has some more formal equipment, but the expense is greater too. It is essential that the seams of this project be exactly 1/4 inch

wide. I had the most luck with my good old 1/4 inch quilter's foot with a lot of concentration on my part. Don't forget, a new blade in your cutter makes the cutting much easier."

"As always, I'm looking forward to this year's quilting class. It is so much fun to spend time with quilters and to get away from all the interruptions at home. If you have any questions, please contact me at 332-3264 or 890-2982."

"Schedule is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 23, Saturday, Oct. 14, Saturday, Oct. 28, and Saturday, Nov. 4. Classes will be held at the museum in the lower level of the Hardy Church."

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Ads for 1900 stage makeup. Submitted photo.

## September is Disaster Preparedness Month

September is Disaster Preparedness Month. Recent news about hurricane damage provides a sobering reminder of the importance of being prepared. Here in the Midwest, hurricanes are not part of our reality, but we are at risk for other types of disasters, many of which strike suddenly with little or no warning.

In a disaster, safety is first priority. We need to be prepared to quickly evacuate from a fire or seek shelter in a tornado, for example, and have a way to stay warm if a winter storm causes an extended power

outage.

Barb Wollan, ISU Extension Human Sciences specialist in family finance, reminds us that "there is a second aspect of preparedness that also deserves our attention: we need to be prepared for recovery."

According to Wollan, preparing for recovery includes:

1. Having insurance coverage that meets our needs, and reviewing it every couple of years to make sure it is keeping up with changes in our situation;

2. Creating and updating a

household inventory (typically via photos or video) to assist in filing insurance claims;

3. Keeping irreplaceable documents (birth certificates, military records, property titles, and more) in a safe deposit box;

4. Having copies of key documents and information stored away from our home — perhaps with a friend or family member in another community, or in secure cloud storage.

This includes insurance policies (or at least policy numbers and contact information), financial account information,

most recent tax return, along with key medical information (including vaccination records) and contact information for both professional and personal contacts. Pet vaccination records matter too.

The list above is NOT all-inclusive, but it's a good starting point. For more ideas,

contact Humboldt County Extension (515-332-2201) for a copy of "Your Disaster Checklist," from the federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. <https://ueblo.gpo.gov/CFPB/Pubs/CFPB/Pubs.php?PubID=13036>

## Family Fit Night Sept. 20

The final Family Fit Night is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 6 p.m., starting at Bicknell Park in Humboldt. This is a family event intended to promote wellness for all ages through running, jogging and walking. Participants can walk, jog or run any distance. The course starts at Bicknell Park to the Cottonwood Trail to the Rec Center and back. Pets on leashes and strollers are welcome. Snacks and water will be available. There will also be giveaways and door prizes.

## Mums the word for fall gardens

By Yvonne McCormick,  
ISU Extension  
Horticulturist

A not so "secret" plant, which serves as a great addition to the fall garden, is the chrysanthemum. Available in a wide array of color, form and sizes, hardy mums provide a splash of color to brighten an otherwise browning Iowa autumn landscape.

Hardy garden mums are available as perennial plants that are best planted out in early spring. As mums have a shallow, fibrous root system, a spring planting allows these plants to grow and their roots to become well established

before winter. Mum plants require a well-drained soil and a full sun location to perform at their best. If planted in a wet site, the plant roots will be prone to winter kill. A shady planting site will produce leggy plant growth with less blooms. Mum plants also need regular watering during the growing season, as lack of moisture can cause stress and a reduction in the number of flowers on the plant.

Additionally, mums grown as container plants are a popular purchase easily found this time of year for sale at area garden centers and pumpkin patches. However, potted chrysanthemums grown in a greenhouse are typically considered annual plants, as when transplanted outside in the fall, will have a limited winter survival rate in Iowa. A mulch application after the ground has frozen, will help to prevent winter kill damage if you wish to try experimenting with planting out a florist grown plant.

For best results, look for chrysanthemum cultivars that are winter hardy, make spring plantings in sites receiving full sun with drainage, and provide water as needed throughout season.

**Did you know?** Hardy

garden mums require pinching back to encourage compact, bushier plants with side branches for more flowers. Usually two pinches are needed - first pinch back about one inch on stems when plants are six inches tall, using fingernails or pruners. Then make a second pinch to new growth stems before early July. A later pinching will not give the plant adequate time to produce the growth needed for maximum flowering in Iowa gardens.

**Gardening questions? Contact McCormick at [yvonne@iastate.edu](mailto:yvonne@iastate.edu) for information or advice.**

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## Supervisors

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only question is the time delay," Hopper told the Board.

Underberg then made a motion to hire McClure Engineering of Fort Dodge to review the petition submitted by Janssen, with the provision that they could have a report completed by Oct. 23. The Board agreed by a 3-0 vote, with Underberg, Bruce Reimers and Supervisor Carl Mattes voting in favor. Supervisor Dave Lee left the meeting earlier due to a previous appointment.

In other drainage matters, the Board approved a payment of \$13,145.66 to Jerke and Sons of Sioux Falls, SD for work on the Drainage District No. 3 cleanout. Both Hopper and Reimers said the contractor is doing a very good job.

The Board discussed field crossing issues in DD No. 3 near Thor and DD No. 4 near Hardy.

After some discussion, it was suggested that the county pay for the materials (pipe) and that the landowner pay for the labor to have county secondary roads construct the field drives to meet the correct drainage and elevation requirements.

### Secondary Roads

Regarding secondary roads, there were two items of action and both were denied.

The Board unanimously denied an application to work in the county right of way by Gary Fisher to clean out the road ditch on Washington Av-

enue in Section 10 of Norway Township.

County Engineer Paul Jacobson said the work would be by appearances to help smooth out the ditch.

"He (Fisher) has worked in the county right of way before and has been sent several letters by County Attorney Jon Beatty to cease the activity. This would be an attempt to get formal approval and I can't recommend it," Jacobson said.

The Board agreed.

Regarding weed spraying, Jacobson, who serves as the county's weed commissioner, said for the past 15 years the Board has agreed to fall spraying. He was recommending a Vanquish product at a cost of just under \$10 per acre.

However Supervisors Pedersen and Underberg thought the practice ineffective, and said they would rather spray in the spring and then later in the season if needed.

Both agreed they would like to see more county ditch mowing earlier in the season and would like that policy in place for next year.

"We just did five weeks (of mowing) and will have to hit some again. It's not so much for weeds (in the ditches) but for snow removal," Jacobson said.

The supervisors said mowing early would allow improved safety and caretaking of the county's road ditches. They suggested marking areas where there are heavy patches

of weeds this fall, and then knock them out in the spring.

The entire weed control budget is \$37,000.

The Board denied any spray purchase for the present time, with Supervisors Reimers, Underberg and Pedersen voting in the affirmative and Mattes abstaining from the vote, saying he believed fall spraying could be effective in controlling certain weeds.

### In other action the Board:

- Approved the forgiveness of \$264 in taxes in interest on an abandoned property obtained by the city of LuVerne.

- Approved the abatement of taxes on a mobile home in Humboldt county that had been demolished and removed from a property.

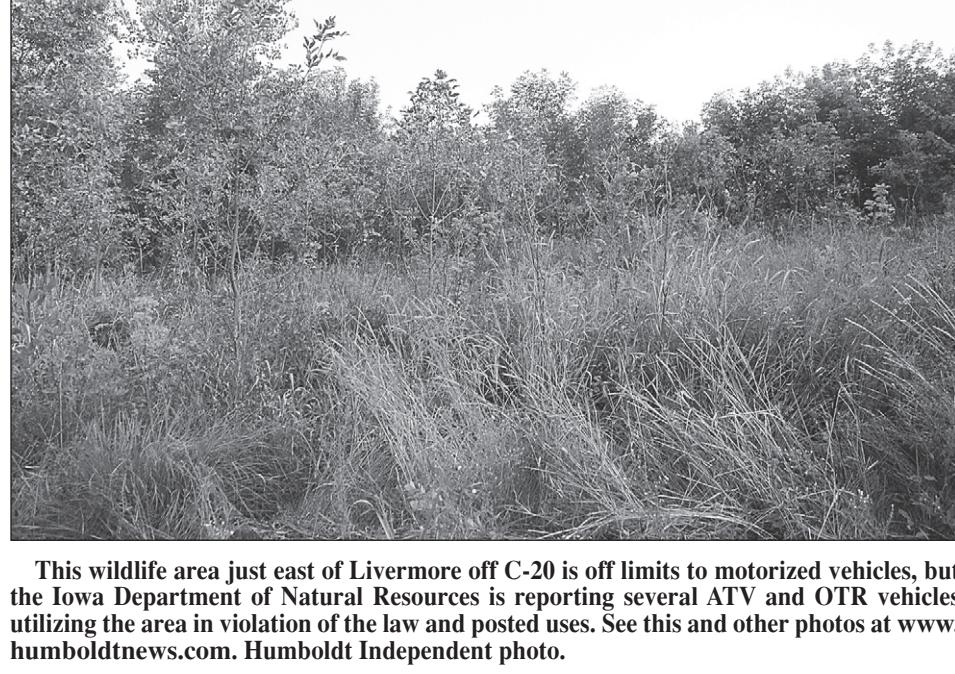
- Approved the addition of 140 new homestead, 22 new military and four new disabled veteran tax credit exemptions and agreed to disallow 153 homestead and 51 military tax credits that are no longer valid.

- Discussed changing summer work hours for secondary roads to allow for a four 10-hour per day work week, if approved by the union membership. The Supervisors generally felt that the change would increase efficiencies and reduce compensation time. The Board will be taking up the matter with the union steward.

- Approved \$227,120.19 in general claims with no claims for county drainage.



Gilmore City-Bradgate Elementary School has a new reading nook in its library. An 1800s sleigh donated by school superintendent Jeff Herzberg was refurbished by Ralph and Donna Bryan of Badger. Pictured above, students from left: JadaLynn Dobbs, Marlo Fevold, Jace Stevens, Kinley Eastman and Hayden Almond. In back: Media Specialist Jill Nehman, Donna and Ralph Nehman. Submitted photo.



This wildlife area just east of Livermore off C-20 is off limits to motorized vehicles, but the Iowa Department of Natural Resources is reporting several ATV and OTR vehicles utilizing the area in violation of the law and posted uses. See this and other photos at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com). Humboldt Independent photo.



Sept. 2, a fundraiser was held at the Humboldt Farmers Market for Stylin' Pooch Dog Rescue, located in the Plaza. Kim Colwell, owner of Stylin' Pooch and her helpers attended to the tie-dye while busy answering questions about the Rescue and animals available for adoption.

You can find out more about the Rescue by going to their Facebook page or call the Rescue at 890-1716. Pictured (l to r): Payton Colwell, Marlo Fevold (front), Kim Colwell and Mya Essing. Submitted photo.

## Mindi Slaikeu earns degree

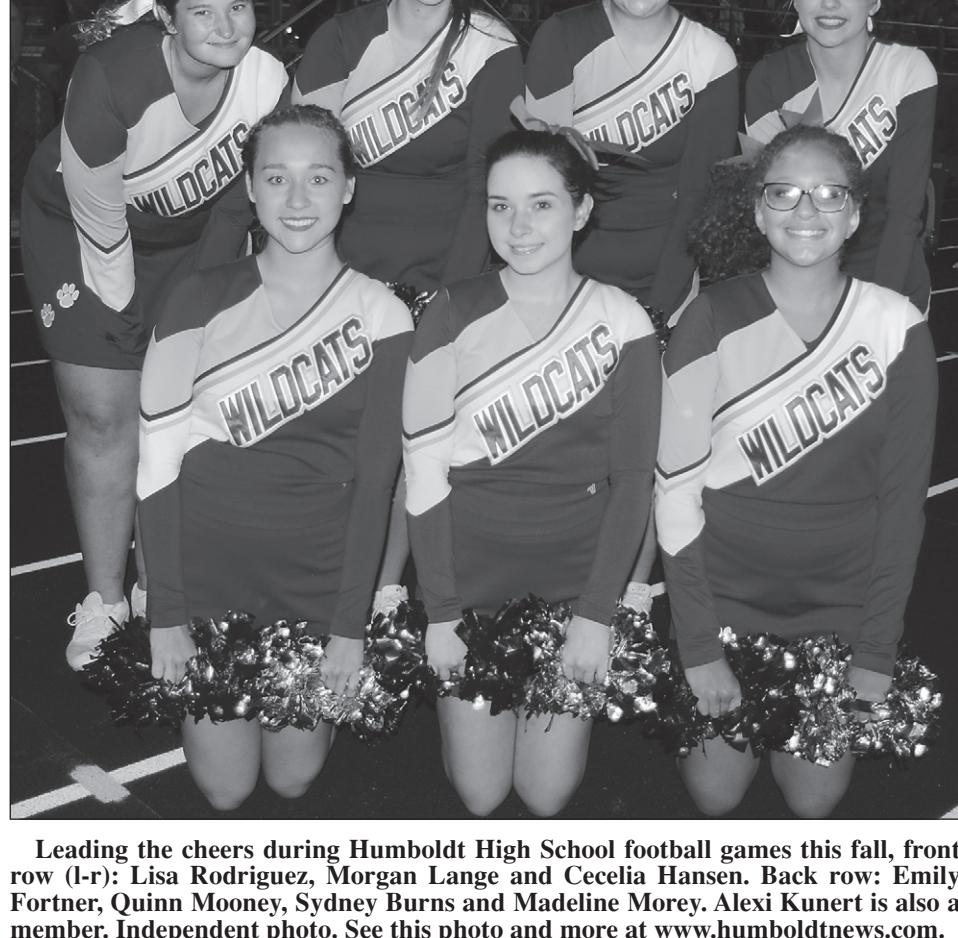
Mindi Glaze-Slaikeu of Thor recently graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in accounting from Buena Vista University.

## Food Preservation class Sept. 21

Are you growing a garden and want to preserve the bounty of your harvest? Do you want to learn how to preserve food but don't know where to begin?

Join Holly VanHeel, ISU Extension and Outreach Nutrition and Health Specialist, to learn about the latest updates to various methods and practices of safe food preservation at Food Preservation 101, Thursday, Sept. 21, at 6 p.m., at the Gilmore City-Bradgate School.

Pre-registration is required no later than Tuesday, Sept. 19, by calling 515-332-2201 or email [hfrerk@iastate.edu](mailto:hfrerk@iastate.edu).



Leading the cheers during Humboldt High School football games this fall, front row (l-r): Lisa Rodriguez, Morgan Lange and Cecelia Hansen. Back row: Emily Fortner, Quinn Mooney, Sydney Burns and Madeline Morey. Alexi Kunert is also a member. Independent photo. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com).

## Area students named to BVU Dean's List

The following students have been named to the Dean's List at Buena Vista University (BVU) for terms five and six: Michele Kofoot of Bode, Tara Landeen of Livermore and Stephanie Miller of Humboldt.

Students named to the Dean's List must have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 for the two terms, based on a 4.0 grade point system, and must have taken at least 12 hours of coursework.

## Humboldt schools Hot lunch menus

### Humboldt and Twin Rivers Community Schools Week of Sept. 18-22 Monday, Sept. 18

**Breakfast:** Apple frudel or cereal, mandarin oranges, juice, milk.

**Lunch:** Pork fritter on whole grain bun, onions, lettuce leaf, tomato slices, applesauce, carrots (K-8), pears-HS, sweet potato fries-HS, milk.

**Tuesday, Sept. 19**

**Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza or cereal, pears, juice, milk.

**Lunch:** Spaghetti, bosco-

HS, breadstick (K-8), green beans, broccoli, muskmelon, apple-HS, milk.

**Wednesday, Sept. 20**

**Breakfast:** Pancake on a stick or cereal, apple, juice, milk.

**Lunch:** Ham and cheese pretzel, baked beans, spinach, broccoli, peaches, orange wedges-HS, ice cream sandwich-HS, milk.

**Thursday, Sept. 21**

**Breakfast:** Donut or cereal, orange wedges, juice, milk.

**Lunch:** Chicken nuggets,

mashed potatoes, corn, dinner roll-HS, kiwi, fruit juice, milk.

**Friday, Sept. 22**

**Breakfast:** Toast or cereal, kiwi, juice, milk.

**Lunch:** Hot dog on whole grain bun, baby carrots, green peppers, tri tator, mandarin oranges, banana-HS, milk.

**St. Mary's School Week of Sept. 14-22**

**Thursday, Sept. 14**

Popcorn chicken, salad, corn, applesauce, milk.

**Friday, Sept. 15**

Crispito, carrot sticks, tri tators, orange, milk.

**Monday, Sept. 18**

Hot dog, baked beans, tri tators, pineapple, milk.

**Tuesday, Sept. 19**

Nachos, salad, carrot sticks, applesauce, milk.

**Wednesday, Sept. 20**

Chili, corn, strawberry cup, cinnamon roll, milk.

**Thursday, Sept. 21**

Sausage pizza, salad, green beans mandarin oranges, milk.

**Friday, Sept. 22**

Chicken strips, cucumber slices, tator tots, one-half of an apple, milk.

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## Algona Library to host Genealogy Workshop

Free Genealogy Writing Workshop Sunday, Sept. 24, 2-4 p.m., Room D, Algona Public Library 210 N. Phillips St.

Author Gail Kittleson will show you how to use genealogy research to write your family stories. Everyone is invited to attend this free workshop.

## Wood working club being formed

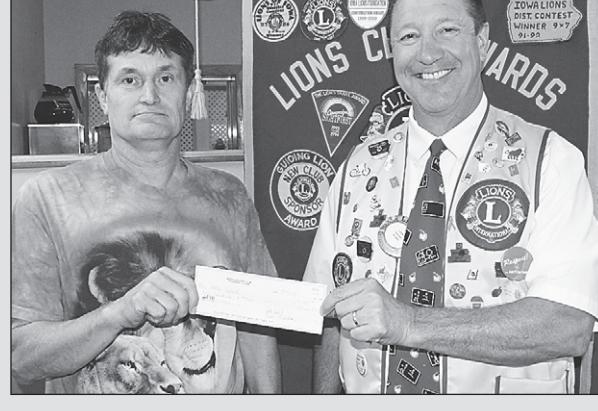
A wood working club is being formed in Humboldt.

The group will be working out of the former Humboldt Springs Water building, located at the corner of Highway 169 and Seventh Avenue North.

Anyone in the community is welcome to join as the group gets established. For information, contact Dean Clasen at 515-890-9864, Mark Schultz at 515-368-3518 or Bret Davis at 515-571-7976.

Look for an in-depth story on the club in the October issue of Humboldt NOW! magazine.

The Humboldt Lions Club was honored recently with a 2017 Governor's Volunteer Award. Club members clean up trash along Highway 3 from the intersection with County Road P-33 (Iowa Avenue) one mile in a westerly direction on both sides of the road. Lions Club members present at last week's meeting who have participated in the clean up effort are pictured. Front row from left: Rick Nelson, Jack David, Cal Muller and Jo Kollmorgen. Back row from left: Russ Dugan, Jim Lemmenes, Mary Palmer, Roni Rork, Roger T. Day, Mick Hatcher and Chuck Strachan. See this and other photos at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com). Humboldt Independent photo by Kent Thompson.



The Humboldt Lions Club presented a \$200 check to the Humboldt After School Program last week. Presenting the check is Lions Club President Rick Nelson (left) to Humboldt Elementary School Principal and Lions Club member George Bruder (right). Humboldt Independent photo.



The Humboldt Lions Club presented a \$200 donation to the Humboldt Athletic Booster Club at its Tuesday night meeting last week. Athletic Booster Club member Rick Nelson (left) accepts the check from Lions Club member Chuck Strachan (right). Humboldt Independent photo.



Amanda Thul, dietitian (left), and Humboldt County Memorial Hospital chef Scottie Vollrath, shared healthy "smoothies" at the Sept. 2 tie-dye party, held at the Humboldt Farmers Market. Thul also shared information on healthy eating. This is the second time Chef Scottie has shared his talent and love of cooking with the Market customers. Submitted photo.



An extra-added support for the tie-dye party held at the Humboldt Farmers Market was Jerry Chizek from the ISU Extension and Outreach Center. Chizek hosted bubble painting for the kids and also answered questions about the Extension's service and all it offers. "Really, though he just came for the fun," said Sherri Myers, Market manager. Pictured (l to r): Jerry Chizek, Marvin Haavisto and Lorna Grow. Submitted photo.

## Classifieds

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Director of Health Information Services - southeast Nebraska Critical Access Hospital. Requires bachelor's degree, AHI-MA RHIT or RHIA certification, excellent organizational, customer service and planning skills. Coding experience preferred. Competitive salary, benefits. Apply at JCHealthandLife.org. For information call HR Director Sandy Bauer at 402-729-6850. (INCN)

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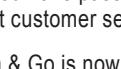
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## Obituaries

### PHYLLIS N. EDGE

1926-2017

Phyllis Noreen Skaugstad, Bible studies.

In their retirement, Duke and Albie (Tuftie) Skaugstad, was born July 3, 1926, in Bode. She was raised in Bode until the third grade when the family moved to Humboldt. Following the death of her mother, Phyl helped raise and care for her younger brothers while completing her education. She graduated from Humboldt High School in 1944. After graduation, she moved to Virginia and worked for the Census Bureau in Maryland. She then returned home to continue to help care for her family.

In May of 1948, she was united in marriage to Gene "Duke" Edge. The couple made their home in Humboldt all of their married lives. In their early years, Phyl was busy raising the couple's four daughters. She enjoyed her friends and neighbors, drinking coffee and playing Bridge.

She was always active volunteering and found great reward in helping others. She loved her church and attending

Albert Milton and Eva (Robertson) Miller, 80, of Bode, passed away Friday, Sept. 8, 2017, at the Humboldt County Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services were held Monday, Sept. 11, 2017, at St. Olaf Lutheran Church in Bode with the Rev. James Borlaug officiating. Burial was in St. Olaf Cemetery, Bode.

The Mason-Lindhart Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

Lee is survived by his wife, Janice of Bode; children, Diana Aadland of Loveland, CO, Kim Sebert of Clarion, Jolene of Bode, and Larry Johnson of Cheyenne, WY; eight grandchildren, Christopher, Heidi, Tara, Jonathon, Jamie, Jennifer, Michael, and Kevin; many great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; son-in-law, Leo Sebert; and brothers, Dick and Bob Miller.

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Lee was a member of St. Olaf Lutheran Church. He loved the City of Bode, serving as its Mayor, on the Town Council, and performed many hours of volunteer work for the city. He enjoyed golfing, loved to fly, and was a member of the Humboldt Flying Club. Above all, Lee enjoyed the time he spent with his grandchildren.

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# Police investigate reports of theft

The Humboldt Police Department (HPD) investigated a property damage accident on Wednesday, Sept. 6, one involving two vehicles in traffic. The department was also called to the high school parking lot earlier in the week for a hit-and-run accident.

The vehicle in traffic accident was reported at 12:08 p.m. on 9th Street North.

According to the report, two vehicles were southbound on 9th Street North.

A trailing vehicle, a 1994 Dodge Dakota pickup driven by David A. Decker, 22, Humboldt, told police he looked over at family members in Bicknell Park and did not see a vehicle in front of him, rear ending a 2009 Chevrolet Silverado Comet driven by Martin A. Schultz, 51, of Humboldt.

There was no reportable damage to the Schultz vehicle and an estimated \$1,750 minor damage to the front of Decker's Dodge pickup.

There were no injuries and no charges filed.

The HPD was called to a two-vehicle hit-and-run accident on Tuesday, Sept. 5 at 3:30 p.m.

According to the report a legally parked 2006 blue Pontiac was parked in the high school parking lot, facing north. An unknown vehicle backed into the front middle of the Pontiac, causing an estimated \$2,000 minor damage, then left the scene.

From the police investigation, the offending vehicle appeared to be a full-sized pickup or sport utility vehicle, with a trailer hitch or trailer ball.

Anyone with information about the accident may contact the Humboldt Police Department at 332-2600.

## In other news:

### Sept. 1

2:02 a.m.—Suspicious activity was reported at Humboldt Mini Storage, 2000 West River Dr.

3:44 a.m.—A caller reported loud music coming from the Riverview Apartments in the 800 block of 1st Avenue South.

3:45 p.m.—Police were notified of children walking on the railing of the Sumner Avenue Bridge.

4 p.m.—A caller said someone tried to rent the caller's house off Craig's List.

7:39 p.m.—HCMH Ambulance transferred a subject to Mercy Hospital in Des Moines.

### Sept. 2

12:23 a.m.—A caller at the Riverview Apartments in the 800 block of 1st Avenue South reported that an ex-boyfriend was stalking a resident.

9:40 a.m.—A caller reported a suspicious subject in an orange shirt walking by OK Tire. Police spoke to the subject. Nothing was suspicious. He was looking for his girlfriend.

3:52 p.m.—A Humboldt female wanted to speak to an officer about online harassment. She said some pretty intense things were posted to her Facebook account. The caller phoned again the following day at 9:41 p.m. about the same issue.

3:59 p.m.—A welfare check was requested on a female who might be driving a Buick and could be lost or disoriented.

5:33 p.m.—A Humboldt female reported another car clipped hers in the Hy-Vee parking lot. The caller tried to exchange insurance information, but the other driver said she had none.

6:54 p.m.—A Humboldt female asked to have a subject removed from the 900 block of 5th Avenue North. Police consequently arrested Shannon P. Klinger, Fort Dodge. He was charged with domestic abuse assault first offense, a simple misdemeanor and disorderly conduct, creating a loud or raucous noise, a simple mis-

demeanor. Klinger pleaded not guilty to the charges with a hearing set for Oct. 5. A no-contact order was issued.

7 p.m.—Crossroads Cenex, 411 13th St. S., reported the theft of \$22.36 in gas. The vehicle was a white pickup with a cover. Police were locating the licensed owner of the vehicle.

8:17 p.m.—A caller on 7th Avenue South reported a party going on all day. An officer spoke to the subjects in question and asked them to turn the music down.

9:11 p.m.—A disabled vehicle was reported in the traveled portion of the 500 block of Sumner Avenue. The vehicle belonged to Justin K. Norton of Eagle Grove.

### Sept. 3

2:34 a.m.—A caller reported a missing crème and white Shih Tzu with a collar in the vicinity of the 700 block of 9th Street North.

3:45 p.m.—A caller reported a white SUV all over the road on County Road P-19. The vehicle turned east at Bradgate. Police questioned the driver at Casey's in Humboldt. The driver was warned for a driver's license issue, but everything else was OK.

6:26 p.m.—A caller reported that motocross bikes were supposed to be shut down at 6 p.m. and were still going. Contact was made with a fair board member who said there was only one bike there and thought they would be done by 7 p.m. or before.

9:09 p.m.—A white van was reported on the south side of Kum and Go on 8th Avenue North with the window broken out.

10:48 p.m.—An ambulance was dispatched from the HCMH Emergency Room to the University of Iowa Burn Center.

### Sept. 4

2:57 a.m.—A caller in the 500 block of 6th Avenue North reported that someone rang his doorbell. When he answered, the person said it was the wrong house.

9:01 p.m.—A caller in the 400 block of Sumner Avenue reported a non-domestic assault.

11:14 p.m.—Lifting assistance was requested on 8th Street South. The person also had some minor injuries from the fall.

### Sept. 5

2:27 a.m.—A person in the 1100 block of 15th Street North reported someone looking in the window of an apartment.

8:55 a.m.—A caller reported a reckless driver northbound on Highway 169, past Krug's. The caller said the female driver was doing 80 and passing everything she could. Police were unable to locate the vehicle, but checked with Iowa State Patrol, who had a trooper in the area.

9:58 a.m.—An ambulance was dispatched to 5th Street North for a female in pain.

12:17 p.m.—An officer was requested at the high school for two students to conduct a preliminary breath test for possible intoxication.

2:48 p.m.—A barking dog was reportedly disturbing the peace in the 1400 block of Valley Drive.

### Sept. 6

10:23 a.m.—Russ A. Larson, Humboldt, reported a wallet and a checkbook stolen from a vehicle while parked on Valley Drive.

12:11 p.m.—A caller reported the UPS driver speeding on Taft Street South.

12:15 p.m.—Angela M. McBurney, Humboldt, reported two puncture holes in her tire while parked on 3rd Avenue South.

5:08 p.m.—Traffic control was requested while the Cy-Hawk banner was being put up on Sumner Avenue.

### Sept. 7

4:45 a.m.—Received a report of a motorist driving a U-Haul in an erratic fashion on Highway 169, headed north. The U-Haul was stopped by police at Crossroads Cenex, and the driver was questioned.

12:07 p.m.—A minor property damage accident was reported on 9th Street North near Bicknell Park, involving Martin A. Schultz and David A. Decker, both of Humboldt.

1:46 p.m.—A welfare check was requested on a male subject. Everything was fine.

2:01 p.m.—Steven W. Madsen, Humboldt, reported the back window was broken out of his car while parked in the 300 block of 8th Street North.

2:57 p.m.—Phillip J. Greenfield, Humboldt, reported a theft from a vehicle on 11th Street SW.

5:54 p.m.—A caller reported a white Ford pickup parked between Shopko and Hy-Vee with occupants smoking marijuana.

7:56 p.m.—A caller asked that the music be turned down on Sumner Avenue. The officer advised that the Chamber had permission for the band and he would not be honoring the request.

8:39 p.m.—A caller reported losing car keys while at the Cy-Hawk Rivalry on Sumner. She called back a few minutes later and said the keys had been turned into the Chamber office.

9:20 p.m.—Ashley R. Dreyer, reported a cell phone stolen from her apartment in the 700 block of 13th Street South.

10:23 p.m.—A veteran with PTSD was quite upset that fireworks were going off.

He was not aware that they would be setting them off.

10:28 p.m.—A cat was reported running across 13th Street South near AmericInn Motel. The caller was worried that the animal would get hit.

10:57 p.m.—A caller reported loud music between 9th Street North and 5th Avenue North.

### Sept. 8

7:07 a.m.—A caller requested a welfare check on his son. Contact was made and everything was OK.

7:20 a.m.—James M. Mertz, Humboldt, reported a Sig Sauer handgun taken from a vehicle in the 500 block of 6th Avenue South.

5:39 p.m.—A Humboldt woman on 6th Avenue North reported a scam call for driveway paving.

7:42 p.m.—A Humboldt female on 4th Avenue North reported that a male subject made threats and took photos of her house.

8:39 p.m.—A Humboldt female called and said her 7-year-old son went to Taft Park and did not return with the rest of the children. The child was lost, and was found by a citizen at the old Fareway building. He was taken to the LEC and returned home by an officer.

8:49 p.m.—A caller reported a suspicious vehicle with two subjects in it in the 1100 block of 15th Street North. An officer spoke to the occupants of the vehicle.

### Sept. 9

8:50 a.m.—A male subject fell off a four-foot ladder in the 500 block of 13th Street North. A first responder was on the scene in minutes. An ambulance was dispatched and the subject was taken to the HCMH Emergency Room.

11:11 p.m.—A life alert call was received. It was a false alarm and everything was OK.

5:54 p.m.—A caller reported a white Dodge pickup with broken windows was driving at a high rate of speed and doing and passing everything she could. Police were unable to locate the vehicle, but checked with Iowa State Patrol, who had a trooper in the area.

6:30 p.m.—A caller reported that she saw four young males throw a bike into the

pond on the Cottonwood Trail. They pulled it back out and the bicyclist caller had words with the young men.

### Sept. 10

1:09 a.m.—Police rendered assistance to a Humboldt male on 11th Avenue North.

9:43 a.m.—Jonathan Hanson, Humboldt, reported missing a Go Pro Camera that he left outside for 2-3 days on 3rd Avenue North.

12:46 p.m.—A caller on 2nd Street North reported that a neighbor is burning vinyl siding. The subject in question was unaware of the city's no-burning ordinance and would be putting the fire out.

1:53 p.m.—A caller reported a black Avalanche at Miller's Landing with the windows rolled up and a dog inside. An officer checked and the dog was OK. He would check again in a short time and see if the vehicle was still there.

7:28 p.m.—A caller on 5th Street South said she is seeking divorce and her husband is burning her clothes. Police arrested Shane A. Martin, 42, of Humboldt. He was charged with criminal mischief in the fifth degree, a simple misdemeanor.

3:41 p.m.—A Humboldt female with five children needed help getting into an apartment in the 200 block of Sumner Avenue. Police rendered assistance.

4:40 p.m.—Hardware Hank, 1700 13th Street N. reported suspected shoplifters. The complaint was unfounded.

6:09 p.m.—A caller at the Riverview Apartments on 1st Avenue South reported an illegal dumping of trash.

10:52 p.m.—An open line 911 call was received. Upon call back there was no problem.

### Sept. 11

5:34 a.m.—Lifting assistance was requested on Taft Street South. No ambulance was needed.

8:30 a.m.—A Humboldt male reported being harassed by a female. He said it has been going for some time.

9:32 a.m.—A caller at Yacht Club Trailers, 1419 11th St. N., requested to speak to an officer.

11:26 a.m.—Bank Iowa reported what was believed to be a counterfeit \$50 bill.



Just because you are on opposite sides of the field in terms of favorite school, doesn't mean you can't be best friends forever, as Tara Grange (Hawkeye) and Nateria Manfull (Cyclone), both of Humboldt, exhibit. Humboldt Independent photo. See more photos of the event at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com).

## Hardpack 30

The sixth annual Humboldt County Hardpack 30 bicycle ride on the Three Rivers Trail will be Saturday, Sept. 23, starting at 9:30 a.m. at Rutland. Riders will pedal from Rutland to Rolfe, a distance of about 13.5 miles. And then they'll return to Rutland (27 miles round trip).

Entry fee is \$30, which includes a long sleeve t-shirt designed by Hardpack 30 organizer Jake Zweibohmer. This year, the first 100 to register for the Hardpack 30 will receive custom designed Hardpack 30 bandanas, a \$10 value, for free. There will also be some other giveaways included when people pick up their shirts before the ride.

Online registration is available this year at [www.hardpack30.com](http://www.hardpack30.com), a website created by Bri Berte.

Profits from the ride go towards trail improvements. More than \$7,000 has been raised and donated to Humboldt County Conservation and Pocahontas County Conservation over the first five rides.

The event is held rain or shine. The public is invited to take part in the festivities after the ride in Rutland starting at about noon on Sept. 23. There will be food and music in Rutland after the ride.

The halfway meeting point in Rolfe this year will be at the Rolfe Golf Club, where a fundraiser breakfast will be served by the Rolfe Rodeo and beverages will be available.

The Rolfe ambulance staff will be on hand at Rolfe for anyone who might need assistance.

Plans call for a hot meal available for a free will donation in Rutland at the end of the ride. The meal is provided by Kallie Davis and friends. A beer garden area will be open at Nut's Landing in Rutland again this year.

For more information or to register, people can go to [www.hardpack30.com](http://www.hardpack30.com). Information can also be found on Facebook. Questions can be emailed to [jake@2treesdesignco.com](mailto:jake@2treesdesignco.com).



Rylee Miller and Briella Jensen were enjoying "Kermit" the rabbit at the tie-dye party held recently at the Humboldt Farmers Market. Rocking Rabbitry and Black Lamb Rabbitry made the bunnies available for the kids to enjoy. Submitted photo

## Parents should talk to their children about race

Adults often avoid talking about race with children, but young people notice similarities and differences among people. Parents shouldn't be afraid to discuss the subject of race with their children, even young ones, an Iowa State University Extension and Outreach specialist says.

"Talking about race with your kids is incredibly important," according to Malisa Rader, an ISU Extension and Outreach human sciences specialist in family life.

A study outlined in the book "Nurture Shock" discovered that most white parents do not talk to their kids about race. They want their children to be "colorblind," so they do not point out skin color.

"Even with very young children, you can establish a foundation that it is OK to talk about skin color," Rader said.

Research shows that even children as young as 3 years old are actively learning about categories of race and ethnicity that they hear in everyday language. And, when given the opportunity, they tend to choose friends who look like them. Therefore, it is critical that parents learn to responsibly talk about these issues and not leave children on their own to learn about race from the media or from others, Rader said.

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Appears different, use that as a teachable moment. Shushing them sends the message that this topic is unspeakable, which makes race more loaded and more intimidating.

"As children get older,

# Freedom Rock is entire county's to prize

## Sunday lunch to raise funds for maintenance and improvements

By Kent Thompson

When Greenfield artist Ray "Bubba" Sorensen painted the Freedom Rock in Livermore two years ago, it was a way to honor those who make our world a better place.

Now is an opportunity for citizens of Humboldt County to do the same.

This Sunday, Sept. 17, the Humboldt County Freedom Rock Veteran's Memorial Park Committee will be having a luncheon fund-raiser at the Livermore American Legion Hall with serving from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The meal will include a pulled pork sandwich, baked beans, chips, dessert and a drink for a freewill donation, with funds raised going toward the Freedom Rock Veteran's Memorial Park.

"We want to emphasize to people that this rock and this park belong to everyone in the county, not just people living in Livermore," said Roger McNeill. McNeill is the Otto Field Post No. 415 American Legion Commander in Livermore.

McNeill was one of the original members of the Free-

dom Rock Committee and remains on the committee because he believes the attractive Freedom Rock, avenue of flags and beautifully landscaped area is worth preserving and is something the whole county should enjoy and promote.

In addition to McNeill, volunteers Tyler Dodds, Janet Berte, Joseph Collins, Rick McKenna and Marlys and Ronald Traugler made up the committee members who got the project started and got the memorial park in Livermore.

McNeill and his wife, Leslie, the American Legion Auxiliary President in Livermore, along with Jason McKibban, commander of the Sons of American Legion squadron in Livermore, and Richard and Jean Erpelding of St. Joe, are the current members of the Freedom Rock Veteran's Memorial Park Committee in Livermore. R. Erpelding serves as the treasurer and J. Erpelding is in charge of marketing the attraction.

R. McNeill said the site has had many visitors during the past two years.

"Just this past Sunday we had a guy from Davenport who

stopped by on his way back from the Clay County Fair. He had heard about it, had breakfast at the Legion and toured the memorial and gave us a nice donation," McNeill said.

He said several motorcycle pleasure rider groups have stopped by, as well as people from near and far to see this Freedom Rock.

Sorensen has a goal of painting a rock for each of Iowa's 99 counties. There are 64 rocks completed and another 34 booked for completion, leaving just one county left to commit.

"We had one guy from Italy and people from Alaska, so it's really surprising the number of people who have stopped by to see it and where they come from," R. McNeill said.

McKibban said two ice storms raised heck with the service flags the memorial site flies.

He said it costs \$305 for a complete set of flags.

In the future to save on wear and tear, just the U.S. flag, Iowa flag and MIA/POW flag may be flown permanently, with the service flags retired and only flown on spe-

cial holidays and occasions, R. McNeill said.

The memorial has had two benches donated and the Legion Auxiliary would like to procure funds for another L. McNeill reports. The cost for a bench is about \$500.

"We need funds for grass and additional concrete. We also want to maintain the plantings and make sure the flags and poles and everything remains in top condition," the committee members said.

To that end, organizers are developing a new way that people can give back to the Freedom Rock Veteran's Memorial Park and be recognized or remember a loved one or an active service member or honor the memory of a deceased veteran.

That's by purchasing a brick paver. The committee will be selling 6-inch by 9-inch brick pavers that will be engraved and used to line the area beyond the front sidewalk of the memorial.

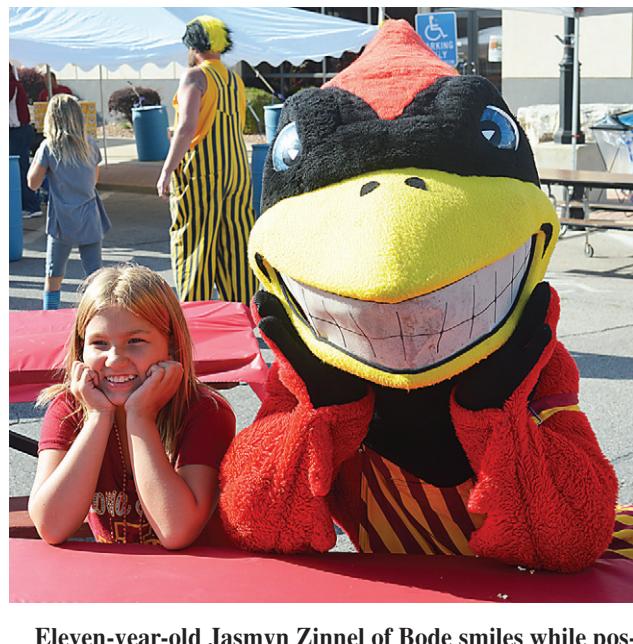
The area has a slight incline, so people will be able to easily read the pavers from the sidewalk on the east or west sides.

The cost for a paver is \$100 and includes four lines of an engraved message. Humboldt Engraving and Gifts will be doing the engraving and Wempen's Garden Center will be doing the landscaping at the site.

"There are many communities in Humboldt County and we would love to get more people involved in the committee and in seeing and supporting the Freedom Rock," R. McNeill said.

The Livermore American Legion Auxiliary will also be selling dog tags Sunday as a fund-raiser for its organization.

Citizens are invited to take advantage of the beautiful weather and travel to Livermore Sunday for a nice lunch for a good cause. Serving will be from 10:30 to 1 p.m. at the American Legion building.



Eleven-year-old Jasmy Zinnel of Bode smiles while posing for a photo with Iowa State University mascot Cy the Cardinal last Thursday in downtown Humboldt. About one quarter of the town's residents showed up for games, fun, food and beverages and to cheer on their favorite team. Humboldt Independent photo.

## 5th annual car show to offer swap meet

The Humboldt Model A Car Club is sponsoring its fifth annual Car Show on Saturday, Sept. 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Hy-Vee parking lot in Humboldt. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. A swap meet is also being added this year. Anyone with car items to sell is welcome. There will also be a couple of vendors present at the car show.

The show is open to all makes, models and years of cars, tractors or unusual vehicles. "If it has a wheel, it is welcome," Ed Timm, event organizer, said.

Tractors will have their own area just north of the west parking lot at Hy-Vee.

"We'd like to encourage more tractors to take part," Timm said.

Scott Thompson is bringing his aerial fire truck to display.

There is no registration fee, but door prizes donated by Hy-Vee, Bomgaars and other local merchants will be awarded.

For more information, people can call Ed Timm at (515) 332-4086, or (515) 368-0233.



From left: Jason McKibban, Leslie McNeill and Roger McNeill stand by the Humboldt County Freedom Rock in Livermore. Citizens from throughout the area are invited to the American Legion in Livermore on Sunday for a full lunch for a freewill donation to support upkeep of the rock and the beautiful Veteran's Memorial Park that has been created. Humboldt Independent photo by Kent Thompson.

## Glow Run Saturday October 7

The Humboldt County Memorial Hospital Foundation 5K Glow Run will take place on Saturday, Oct. 7, at 7:30 p.m. starting at Bicknell Park.

All proceeds from the event go towards the hospital's new 3D mammography machine.

Early registration (through Sept. 24) is \$25 for ages 14 and over, \$15 for 13 and under. After Sept. 25 registration goes up \$5.

All entrants will receive a shirt and pink glow baton.

Registration and packet pick up and activities start at 6 p.m. at Bicknell Park. The race starts at 7:30 p.m. There will be free face painting and kids activities, plus glow gear available for purchase. A prize will be awarded for best dressed adult and child.

Register online at [www.humboldthospital.org](http://www.humboldthospital.org). If there are questions people can call (515) 332-7663.



This elegant nine-patch nosegay quilt is on display at the library. It was hand stitched by Mae Verbrugge, who is the mother of Bill Verbrugge.



Lonnie Short and his wife, Kelly of Bode, are the owners and creators of New Again. Their signs and other creative items are made from recycled and reusable items. Lonnie Short had a display at the tie-dye party held Sept. 2, at the Humboldt Farmers Market. You can find New Again on Facebook. Submitted photo.



Donna Wood, owner of Rocking Rabbitry is shown holding "Henry" the rabbit. Wood's family raises and shows bunnies all over the state of Iowa. Humboldt Farmers Market was "hoppy" the bunnies could join in the morning fun of the tie-dye party. Submitted photo.

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# Independent Sports

Section B

Thursday, September 14, 2017

## HHS runners sweep titles at Estherville

HHS Invitational is set for Sept. 18

By Phil Monson

Humboldt's cross country program continues to make a name for itself this season.

The Wildcat girls and boys both claimed team titles in the Estherville-Lincoln Central Invitational last week (Sept. 5).

The Humboldt girls beat Spencer by 15 points (39-54) while the Wildcat boys ran away from Spirit Lake (40-65) to win their division.

Humboldt sophomore Bryce Gidel was again the overall winner in the girls' race, finishing first in 19:45.96. Gidel was nearly a minute faster than runner-up Jill Vonnahme of Pocahontas Area (20:34.87). Spirit Lake junior Kourtney Delperdang was third in 20:45.25.

Gabby Kent was fourth in 20:45 while Lauren Erickson ninth in 21:23.

The Wildcat boys were led by junior Joe Kunert and freshman Quinton Orr. Kunert ran second in 17:23.94 and Orr was third in 17:25.90. Devon Coon also earned a top-10 finish, running eighth in 18:31.

"The Estherville course is always a good opportunity for us to get a chance to run on a hilly course and truly get tested," Wildcat coach Dean Clasen said. "You have to do so many tactical things while you are racing."

"Our boys were down a man with senior Denny Pederson out with an illness. Cale Hundertmark was also sick as well so we bumped Elijah Torres into that seventh spot and he raced and competed pretty well," Clasen said.

"I was impressed with the way Kunert and Orr ran their races. They were way back in the early part, probably eighth or so. They kept working and working and did the things we try to tell them to do, which is work with your teammate," Clasen said.

"They ran so relaxed and so comfortable, they continued to move up to improve their places," Clasen said.

"There were two Spirit Lake kids who looked like they were not going to be caught, but Joe and Quinton kept plugging away, ran their hills well and in the last three quarters of a

mile they ran alongside those guys and ended up putting them away," Clasen said.

"Devon Coon has a really nice race. That group with Noah Helmer, Calvin Carlson and Isaac Thurm...they keep plugging away and give us a chance. Our seven guys ran ahead of everybody but one fifth-place finisher," Clasen said. "When you get all seven of your guys to finish ahead of everybody else, that is quite an accomplishment."

"I was so happy with the way the boys ran," Clasen said.

See Cross country, 2B

**Humboldt senior Madeleine Ruzicka (right)** helped the Wildcat girls win the team title at Estherville last week. Humboldt Independent photo by Phil Monson. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com), along with late-breaking news updates and scores.



Humboldt senior hitter Sydney Lane (15) went above the net to score on Clarion-Goldfield-Dows last week in the Wildcat gym. Humboldt Independent photo by Phil Monson. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com), along with late-breaking news updates and scores.

## HHS girls sweep Cowgirls in NCC opener

Wildcats blank CGD in 3 sets

Humboldt opened its North Central Conference slate with an impressive 3-0 sweep of Clarion-Goldfield-Dows on Sept. 7 in the Humboldt gym.

The Wildcats, who moved to 9-2 overall on the season, downed the Cowgirls by scores of 25-22, 25-23 and 25-20.

CGD entered the match 7-0 on the season, including a victory over an improved Fort Dodge St. Edmond team. The Cowgirls had only lost two sets up to that point.

"Clarion has a talented young team and they have good seasons ahead of them," Wildcat coach Justin McDaniel said. "Games one and two were battles to the end. They took early leads in both and we had to fight tooth and nail to catch up and eventually pull out the close wins."

"Game three was a little different. We started out fast and I feel like we got comfortable with our lead and slowed down, letting them jump right back into it as they never gave up," McDaniel said. "As I said in pre-season, the conference is wide open. We just saw how tight some of these matches can be. I was very proud of the girls as this was a big way to start off NCC play."

Ashlyn Clark made nine kills at the net while Jori Hajek made eight and Sydney Lane seven. Lane made five total blocks and Rachel Darling served 18-for-18. Hajek led with 20 digs and Darling had 12 assists.

The Wildcats trailed 7-3 in the first set and trailed 18-13 at one point before battling back. A block by Clark gave HHS a 20-19 lead for good. The second set was much closer as the two teams exchanged leads. Hits by Lane at the net sealed the win.

In the final set, HHS opened with an 11-4 lead and led 20-14 on a block by Clark. CGD trimmed the lead to three points before HHS prevailed.

### Wildcats sweep Storm Lake, MNW

Humboldt traveled to Manson on Sept. 5 and tuned up for conference play by sweeping Manson-Northwest Webster and Storm Lake in non-conference action.

See Volleyball, 2B

## Valley tops FD swimmers

Depth and numbers helped carry the West Des Moines Valley girls' swim team past Fort Dodge, 99-87 in a meet in Des Moines on Sept. 5.

The Dodgers were aided by the efforts of three Humboldt High School students, which include senior Emily Schaffer, sophomore Kosett Burmeister and freshman Sydney Whipple.

Schaffer placed sixth in the varsity 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2:49.16. Schaffer also placed sixth in the varsity 100-yard fly in 1:20.72. Schaffer swam the second leg of the varsity 200-yard freestyle relay which timed 1:52.94.

Schaffer also swam the opening leg of the varsity 400-yard freestyle relay which finished in 4:39.62.

Burmeister swam the third leg of the sixth-place varsity 200-yard medley relay, which finished in 2:39.45. In the JV 500-yard freestyle, Burmeister placed fifth in 8:32.80. Burmeister also swam the third leg of the sixth-place varsity 200-yard freestyle relay which clocked 29.51 seconds.

In the JV 100-yard backstroke, Burmeister placed third in 1:30.85.

Whipple swam the JV 50-yard freestyle and finished in 35.77 seconds. In the JV 100-yard freestyle, Whipple finished fifth in 1:26.86. Whipple also swam the third leg of the JV 200-yard freestyle relay, which placed fourth in 3:13.72.

In the JV 400-yard freestyle relay, Whipple swam the third leg of the relay which placed fourth.

Look for late-night scores and updates online at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com).



Humboldt running back Tyler Vitzthum (24) cuts outside for yardage after taking the handoff from quarterback Joey Busse (4) last week in the Wildcats' 17-14 victory over Spencer in Humboldt on Sept. 8. Wildcat blocker Brandon Johnson (58) is pictured at left. Humboldt Independent photo by Phil Monson. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com), along with late-breaking news updates and scores.

## Wildcats make strides in 17-14 victory over Spencer

Humboldt visits Algona Friday in district play

By Phil Monson

Lucas Volf kicked a 22-yard field goal with 2:15 left to play to lift the Humboldt football team past Spencer, 17-14 last Friday night (Sept. 8) at Mason Maach Field in Humboldt.

The victory, which moved Humboldt's season record to 2-1 overall, 1-0 in Class 3A District 1, was a marked improvement for the Wildcats, who press forward with much tougher games coming up on their schedule.

"Our kids played hard. It didn't look real good when Spencer scored right away in the first quarter, but our kids hung in there and overcame a lot of adversity. It was just an all-around great game for us on offense, defense and special teams," Humboldt head coach Greg Thomas said.

Humboldt was impressive in mixing up their offensive attack, thanks to an effective running game that took off under junior running back Tyler Vitzthum, who rushed 25 times for 128 yards. Quarterback Joey Busse rushed for 72 yards and also completed 11 of 21 passes for 162 yards.

"Our offense was much improved tonight. It was Joey Busse's second week at quarterback and he re-

ally commanded the offense well and made great decisions for us," Thomas said. "Our offensive line really played well and Vitzthum ran hard and so did Joey."

"I also thought our receivers made



Humboldt defensive coach Tom Johnson (center) maps out a play during a timeout last week against Spencer. Wildcats Matt Miller (left) and Hunter Egeldorf (62) are shown. Independent photo. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com).

## Wildcat girls win Spencer volleyball invite

No. 15 Humboldt goes 3-1 on the day, improve to 12-3 overall

Humboldt's 15th ranked volleyball team kept up its winning ways by going 3-1 last Saturday (Sept. 9) to win the Spencer Invitational.

Humboldt, now 12-3 overall on the season, opened the day by stopping a tough Cherokee squad by scores of 21-13 and 22-20. The Wildcats lost their next match to Spencer (22-20, 21-19) and came back to upset Algona, 21-17 and 21-11.

Humboldt finished out the day by stopping Carroll in three sets by scores of 19-21, 21-16 and 15-12.

"We started off today with a continuation of Thursday's play and played well to beat a tough Cherokee

team," Wildcat head coach Justin McDaniel said. "We came out flat against Spencer and they slowly gained more and more confidence against us and pulled away. We tried to battle back, but had too many errors to catch them. It was a good learning moment for us as we should never overlook anybody and look ahead to a later match."

"Our girls were ready for Algona in the next match. We stepped it up a notch to pull out a good win. In our last match with Carroll, we again seemed to slow our pace and let errors pile up," McDaniel said. "In the middle of the second game we were

able to get on a run to build some momentum back up and pull away in games two and three."

"With our win over Cherokee in head-to-head competition, we came out as the tournament champion," McDaniel said. "We would have wanted to come home undefeated, but first-place is always good and I am very proud of the girls for their play today."

Humboldt visits Webster City on Thursday, Sept. 14. The varsity will play in the Carroll tournament on Sept. 16. HHS will visit Clear Lake

See Win at Spencer, 3B



Humboldt's Cassie Peyton (right) goes above the net to block this spike by a Clarion-Goldfield-Dows opponent last week in the Wildcat gym. Independent photo. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com), along with late-breaking news updates and scores.

## Volleyball

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Humboldt defeated Storm Lake 25-21 and 25-15, and finished with a 21-15, 25-17 victory over MNW.

"Sometimes we like to say we came away with the victory and that is how I look at our matches tonight," Wildcat coach Justin McDaniel said. "We had moments where we looked really good, but overall we didn't play our best."

"Our top statistic was our serving. Against Storm Lake we served 96 percent and against Manson we served 100 percent," McDaniel said. "When I look at the rest of the stats and back on our play, the rest of our numbers were lower than most games we have had this season."

Humboldt returns to action at Webster City on Thursday, Sept. 14. The varsity will play in the Carroll tournament on Sept. 16 while the JV will play at Hampton the same day.

### NORTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE VOLLEYBALL STANDINGS

	Conf	All
Humboldt	1-0	9-2
Iowa Falls-Alden	1-0	5-1
Algona	1-0	6-4
Webster City	1-1	3-12
Clarion-Goldfield-Dows	1-1	7-1
Hampton-Dumont	1-1	3-7
Clear Lake	0-2	3-7
FD St. Edmund	0-2	5-3
<b>HHS vs. CGD</b>		
Humboldt	25	25 25....3
CGD	22	23 20....0
<b>Sets:</b>	Kyah Arnold 3. Macy Becker 3. Ashlyn Clark 3. Rachel Darling 3. Jori Hajek 3. Sydney Lane 3. Mady Lange 3. Cassie Peyton 3. Carlie Thompson 3.	
<b>Attacks (kills):</b>	Clark 23-28 (9). Hajek 21-26 (8). Lane 21-24 (7). Arnold 7-11 (3). Peyton 4-4. Lange 7-7 (3). Darling 2-2 (1). Becker 0-1. Totals: 85-103 (31).	
<b>Blocks (assist-solo):</b>	Arnold 1-0. Clark 1-1. Lane 0-1. Mady Lange 0-1. Cassie Peyton 0-1. Carlie Thompson 0-1.	
<b>Assists:</b>	Becker 9. Darling 6. Lange 2. Peyton 1. Clark 1.	
<b>Digs:</b>	Hajek 7. Clark 6. Becker 4. Arnold 3. Darling 1. Lange 2. Thompson 4. Totals: 27.	
<b>Serves (aces):</b>	Becker 11-11 (3). Darling 8-8. Lange 11-11 (4). Thompson 8-8. Hajek 9-10. Clark 3-4. Arnold 3-3 (1).	

**Assists:** Darling 12. Becker 12. Lange 3. Arnold 1.

**Digs:** Hajek 20. Clark 12. Thompson 14. Becker 7. Arnold 6. Darling 6. Lane 2. Peyton 1. Totals: 68.

**Blocks (assist-solo):** Lane 1-4. Lange 2-2. Clark 1-1. Becker 1-0. Arnold 1-0.

**Serves (aces):** Arnold 12-13 (1). Becker 10-11. Clark 7-8. Darling 18-18. Hajek 11-12. Thompson 11-11 (1). Totals: 69 of 73 (2) for 94.5%.

### HHS vs. MNW

**Humboldt** 25 25....2

**MNW** 15 17....0

**Sets:** Kyah Arnold 2. Macy Becker 2.

Sophia Carver 1. Ashlyn Clark 2. Rachel Darling 2. Madi Frideres 1. Jori Hajek 2. Brianna Jenson 1. Sydney Lane 2.

Mady Lange 2. Cassie Peyton 2. Carlie Thompson 2.

**Attacks (kills):** Arnold 10-11 (3). Becker 1-2. Clark 10-14 (5). Darling 1-1 (1). Hajek 12-13 (6). Lane 10-11 (3).

Lange 6-8 (3). Peyton 2-2. Totals: 52-62 (21).

**Assists:** Becker 12. Peyton 4. Lange 1. Jenson 2. Carver 1.

**Digs:** Clark 14. Thompson 14. Hajek 8. Lange 1. Lane 1. Jenson 1. Frideres 1. Arnold 1. Totals: 44.

**Blocks (assist-solo):** Becker 1-0. Lane 1-0. Lange 0-2.

**Serves (aces):** Becker 18-18 (3).

Arnold 5-5. Clark 8-8. Darling 2-2. Hajek 8-8. Jenson 2-2. Thompson 5-6 (1).

### HHS vs. Storm Lake

**Humboldt** 25 29....2

**Storm Lake** 21 15....0

**Sets:** Carlie Thompson 2. Cassie Peyton 2. Mady Lange 2. Sydney Lane 2.

Sydney Klinkefus 1. Jori Hajek 2. Rachel Darling 2. Ashlyn Clark 2. Macy Becker 2.

Kyah Arnold 2.

**Attacks (kills):** Arnold 6-9 (2). Becker 1-1. Clark 9-13 (6). Darling 1-1. Hajek 13-15 (4). Lange 7-7 (1). Lange 7-8 (5).

Peyton 3-4 (1). Thompson 0-1. Totals: 46-59 (19).

**Assists:** Becker 9. Darling 6. Lange 2.

Peyton 1. Clark 1.

**Digs:** Hajek 7. Clark 6. Becker 4.

Arnold 3. Darling 1. Lange 2. Thompson 4. Totals: 27.

**Blocks (assist-solo):** Arnold 1-0.

Clark 1-1. Lane 0-1. Peyton 0-1.

**Serves (aces):** Becker 11-11 (3).

Darling 11-11 (4). Thompson 8-8. Hajek 9-10. Clark 3-4. Arnold 3-3 (1).

**Humboldt's ninth grade volleyball team remains unbeaten on the season at 12-0 after they won the Forest City tournament on Sept. 9.**

## 9th girls 1st at FC

Humboldt's ninth grade volleyball team remains unbeaten on the season at 12-0 after they won the Forest City tournament on Sept. 9.

The Wildcats defeated Lake Mills (21-5, 21-16), North Iowa (21-3, 21-1), Algona (21-3, 21-12), Clear Lake (21-6, 21-16) and Forest City (21-14, 21-17).

The team served 189/200 for 95 percent with 42 aces on the day. Bae Arnold served 49/50 with nine aces and led the team with 14 digs. Emily Zaugg served 36/38 with 10 aces and led with 28 kills.

Kendal Clark made 13 kills and Deni McDaniel totaled 44 assists and 20 aces on serving. Zaugg made three blocks on the day and Lily Groat made two.

Humboldt visits Clear Lake on Sept. 21 at 6 p.m.

## HHS JV girls fall to CGD, 2-1

Humboldt's junior varsity volleyball team suffered their first loss of the season last week (Sept. 7) when they lost 2-1 at home to Clarion-Goldfield-Dows (13-21, 21-11, 10-15).

Arielle Naeve led with five kills at the net. Kenzie McCarran made nine assists. McCarran also made three ace serves and Gracie Vitzthum made two.

Serving 100 percent on the night was Naeve (4-4), Sophia Hjelmeland (8/8), Addie Birdsell (1/1) and Erin Howard (3/3). As a team HHS served 93.5 percent (43/46). Sophia Hjelmeland and Claire Varangkoun each had nine digs and Naeve made eight.

"We had a tough first game so I made some changes to the lineup moving my libero (Sophia Hjelmeland) to outside hitter and left back defense," Wildcat coach Kathi Beach said. "She has been hitting well in practice and so I figured it was a good option. That worked great for game two, so I kept the same lineup for game three but unfortunately, we dug ourselves a huge hole in getting down 8-0."

"As I told the girls after the match, I was so happy with the fight they showed and the fact they did not quit when we were down in that third game. We made a heck of a comeback," Beach said. "We had a miscommunication error to end the match. I wish I could rewrite that ending, but hopefully we learn from the experience and it makes us that much better for the rest of our season and future conference matchups."

"Although we came away with two wins, which is fabulous, I do not think this team is playing to its full ability," Beach said. "We seemed to be one step slower and a notch or two less intense than what we are capable of."

Humboldt, 4-1 overall, will play at Webster City on Sept. 14. They'll also play in a tournament at Hampton on Sept. 16.

Serving 100 percent for the Wildcats was Naeve (5/5), Hjelmeland (8/8) and Birdsell (5/5).

"We struggled in our first game with Manson, making errors after error, but really turned things around in game two and played with much more confidence," coach Beach said.

Naeve had the most kills with five, followed by Birdsell and Claire Varangkoun each with four. McCarran led in assists with 12. Naeve made five ace serves. Varangkoun made seven digs, followed by McCarran with six, Hjelmeland six, Birdsell with six and Naeve with five.

Serving 100 percent for the Wildcat was Naeve (5/5), Hjelmeland (8/8) and Birdsell (5/5).

"We got 21:55 from Isabella Luu (12th) and 21:59 from Elizabeth Hildreth (13th), respectively. Nice job by those girls," Clasen said. "I was pleased with how Madeline Ruzicka (16th) ran. She went out a little bit too fast and was physically in trouble, but managed to work through that and ran a very good time of 22:27. Kallie Nilles ran well, too."

"That group of seven girls did a nice job, just like they have been all season long. We just need to try and get our gaps down a little bit more," Clasen said. "We just need to try and get our gaps down a little bit more as our one to five difference was 2:14. We need to get Gabby a little closer to Bryce and see if we can get the other girls closer so we can accomplish the things we want to accomplish at the end of the season."

"Our JV girls ran pretty well. Kirstyn Beaman was the overall champion and Katelyn Skow sixth. We had five girls in the top 10, which included Tabitha Jergens seventh, Shelley Hayden ninth and Ananda Boyd 10th.

"Amber Westling came in with a 12th place finish. That was important as we had a tie in the team scoring with Spencer and Amber's time was faster than Spencer's sixth runner. Amber has been running really well," Clasen said.

"I was also very pleased with how our JV boys ran. We had good efforts throughout the night. We were led by Jayden Day, who was ninth," Clasen said. "Carter Theesfeld was 14th overall. Pretty good job by those guys. We had a lot of people not running due to illness or injuries so we didn't have as many runners competing but those that did ran fairly well."

**Humboldt Invitational**

The annual Humboldt Invitational will be held Monday, Sept. 18, at lower Sheldon Park west of Humboldt.

A total of 18 to 22 teams will be on hand for the event. The



Humboldt freshman Quinton Orr has made an impact on the Wildcat cross country team this season. Independent photo. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com), along with late-breaking news updates and scores.

## CROSS COUNTRY

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"I was also very happy with how the girls ran. Spencer's number three runner was out with a stress fracture so they weren't quite as strong as they could, but they still ran very well," Clasen said.

"Some small schools have a concern about running in such a large field of schools but the one thing about having a field like this is that for some of these kids, it is as close as they'll get to a state-meet experience," Clasen said.

"Bryce took control of the race from the very beginning and was just trying to race the clock," Clasen said. "Gabby and Lauren kind of tag-teamed through the early part of the race. Gabby eventually pulled away."

"Gabby was closing in on Kourtney Delperdang of Spirit Lake, who is a pretty good runner. The Pocahontas girl got past Delperdang for second, so it was a competitive race," Clasen said.

"With so many people running in this race, every second is a place and a lot of spots in how you finish," Clasen said. "It really exposes your gaps. It is good for us. I'd like to think we will be pretty solid as both our girls and boys are pretty competitive, but a lot can happen."

"I'm looking forward to us running on our course and in front of our fans. It has been a real nice, pleasant change out there. Todd Lee and Chris Clasen do a heck of a job getting the course ready and making it a wonderful venue for cross country meets," Clasen said.

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### ESTHERVILLE-LC INVITE GIRLS TEAM SCORING

Humboldt 39, Spencer 54, Emmetsburg 102, Okoboji 122, Estherville-LC 127, Spirit Lake 141, Pocahontas Area 150, Bishop Garrigan Algona 213, West Bend-Mallard 227, Sioux Central 297.

### HUMBOLDT RESULTS

Bryce Gidel 1st, 19:45.96. Gabby Kent 4th, 20:45.93. Lauren Erickson 9th, 21:23.01. Isabella Luu 12th, 21:55.11. Elizabeth Hildreth 13th, 21:59.12. Madeline Ruzicka 16th, 22:27.93. Kallie Nilles 27th, 23:27.47.

### HUMBOLDT JV GIRLS RESULTS

Kirstyn Beaman 1st, 24:07.40. Katelyn Skow 6th, 25:04.43. Tabitha Jergens 7th, 25:10.92. Shelley Hayden 9th, 25:27.23. Ananda Boyd 10th, 25:43.12. Amber Westling 12th, 25:59.83. Morgan Hotovec 26th, 27:30.95. Ebonie Bakken 30th, 27:41.82. Frances Carlson 31st, 27:46.05. Jenna Clark 36th, 28:01.29. Alondra Torres 40th, 29:25.16. Alexis Anderson 53rd, 32:59.80. Erica Heider 54th, 35:08.29.

### JV GIRLS TEAM SCORING

Humboldt 33, Spencer 33, Emmetsburg 82, Spirit Lake 87.

# HHS girls win title at Ballard, boys place 3rd

The Humboldt girls' cross country team claimed their fourth title of the season in four outings by winning the Carr Invitational at Ballard Huxley Monday night (Sept. 11).

Humboldt, led by overall winner Bryce Gidel (19:19), totaled 40 points to win the Class B team title. North Polk was five points behind at 45 and Gilbert was third with 69.

Humboldt's boys placed third in Class B with 99 points. Gilbert claimed first with 52 and Nodaway Valley was runner-up at 58. Freshman Quinton Orr led the Wildcats with a sixth-place finish in 17:25.

The Wildcat girls also got a fourth-place finish from Gabby Kent (20:31) and a ninth-place finish by Lauren Erickson (21:36). Elizabeth Hildreth was 10th in 21:42.

Joe Kunert finished 11th in 17:45 for the Wildcat boys. Denny Pederson had the other top-20 finish for the Wildcats as he ran 18th in 18:10.

Humboldt will run at Clear Lake on Thursday, Sept. 14. The Humboldt Invitational will be on Monday, Sept. 18.

Look for late-night scores and updates online at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com).

## BALLARD INVITE GIRLS TEAM SCORING

Humboldt 40, North Polk 45, Gilbert 69, Creston 124, Eagle Grove 152, Iowa Falls-Alden 156, Garner-Hayfield/Ventura 212, Roland-Story 213, Nevada 237, Nodaway Valley 258, Woodward-Granger 311.

## HUMBOLDT RESULTS

Quinton Orr 6th, 17:25. Joe Kunert 11th, 17:45. Denny Pederson 18th, 18:10. Devon Coon 29th, 18:52. Noah Helmer 35th, 19:24. Isaac Thurm 38th, 19:27. Calvin Carlson 40th, 19:28.



Humboldt tacklers gang up to bring down Spencer running back Brendan Ellis in the Wildcats' victory over the Tigers last week in Humboldt. Wildcats on the play include Hunter Egdorf (62), Joey Busse (center), Justin Jones (76), Tim Larson (25) and Sawyer Savery (right). Independent photo. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com), along with late-breaking news updates and scores.

# Football

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Thomas said. "We made a lot of strides forward tonight, a lot of improvements. Our kick coverage was as good as it has been for a couple of years. The special teams did a good job. Everybody improved."

Spencer (2-1, 0-1), led by fleet-footed quarterback Cade Hopkins, took the opening kickoff and marched 75 yards on five plays, finishing the drive on a 51-yard touchdown run by Hopkins, who cut left and sprinted past the Humboldt defense. Nathan Hogge's kick gave the Tigers a 7-0 lead at 9:42 in the opening quarter.

After the kickoff, Humboldt began a drive from its 20 and worked their way to the Tiger 27, where they turned the ball over on downs. Humboldt's defense toughened up on the next Tiger series, forcing Spencer to punt from its 45-yard line.

Volf returned the punt to the Wildcat 29, where Humboldt proceeded to mount a 71-yard, eight-play drive, which ended on a five-yard touchdown run by Busse. Vitzthum carried the ball five times on the drive and Busse passed Eli Sande for a gain on another play. Volf's point-after kick gave HHS a 14-7 lead at 7:05 in the third quarter.

Spencer caught fire late in the third when they took over at midfield after a Humboldt punt. Isaiah Spencer needed just two running plays to cover the 47 yards to the goal line. His second run, a 20-yard touchdown run, along with Hogge's kick, tied the game at 14-14 with 2:05 to play in the third.

Humboldt's next series ended on a pass interception. Humboldt's defense, however, came up big and stopped the Tigers to force a punt, which gave HHS possession on the Tiger 39 with 5:50 left in the game.

Several running plays by Vitzthum and Busse brought HHS down to the five-yard line and facing fourth down. Volf

had no trouble in kicking the ball through the uprights from 22 yards out with 2:15 to play to clinch the win for Humboldt.

Humboldt's defense held Spencer on the ensuing drive, allowing the Wildcats to take the ball over on downs with 16 seconds left on the clock.

Sawyer Savery led the Wildcat defense with five solo tackles and three assists. Tim Larson, Matt Miller and Jacob Volf were each in on five tackles.

Humboldt will travel to Algona on Friday, Sept. 15, for a district battle with the Bulldogs. Algona (2-1, 0-1), much improved, is coming off a 35-34 loss to Storm Lake last week.

"They are playing super hard and doing a nice job on offense. Their defense is getting after people," Thomas said. "They are playing well and I've been impressed with what little tape I have watched of them so far. It will be a challenge for us up there. It will be a great football game up there."

**Notables:** Humboldt's victory over Spencer was the 12th meeting overall between the two schools with Spencer now leading the series 8-4.

Humboldt's opponent on Friday, Algona, is one of the Wildcats' oldest rivals dating back to 1914. Algona leads the series 50-47-3. The Wildcats won 45-14 last year in Humboldt.

Look for late night scores and daily updates online at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com).

## Quarter scoring

Spencer 7 0 7 0....14

Humboldt 7 0 7 3....17

## Scoring summary

S-Cade Hopkins 51-yard run, Nathan

Hogge kick, 9:42 1st quarter.

H-Joey Busse 5-yard run, Lucas Volf

kick, 0:02 1st quarter.

H-Busse 47-yard pass to Eli Sande, Volf

kick, 7:11 3rd quarter.

S-Isaiah Spencer 20-yard run, Hogge

kick, 2:24 3rd quarter.

H-Lucas Volf 22-yard field goal, 2:15

4th quarter.

## GAME STATISTICS

SP HU

Total plays 43 55

1st downs	na	na
Rushes-yards	36-280	44-206
Passes (CAI)	3-7-0	11-21-2
Passing yards	34	162
Total net yards	314	368
Penalties-yards	na	na
Fumbles-lost	3-3	0
Possession time	na	na

## HHS DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Tackles (solo-assist): Sawyer Savery 5-3. Tim Larson 4-1. Matt Miller 3-2. Eli Sande 4-0. Jack Arndt 2-2. Jamison Heinz 3-0. Justin Jones 2-2. Jacob Volf 0-5. Nick Bruening 1-0. Joey Busse 1-0. Trayton Harris 0-1. Joel Osborn 0-1. Owen Terwilliger 0-1. Jacob Weisbrich 0-1.

Fumbles recovered: Arndt 1. Sande 1. L. Volf 1.

Punts: Heinz 2-61. Punt returns: na.

Kickoffs: Lucas Volf 4-155.

## OFFENSIVE STATISTICS

RUSHING-H: Tyler Vitzthum 25-

128. Busse 16-72. Jamison Heinz 1-6. Trayton Harris 1-(1). SP: Brendan Ellis 5-113. Isaiah Spencer 4-58. Cade Hopkins 14-53. Cooper Fox 9-52. Tyler Coulander 2-4. Trevor Finkbeiner 1-0.

PASSING H: Joey Busse 11 of 21 for 162 yards, 1 TD, 2 Int. SP: Cade Hopkins 3 of 7 for 34 yards.

RECEIVING-H: Eli Sande 2-69.

Lucas Volf 3-46. Jamison Heinz 2-25. Tyler Vitzthum 1-11. Nick Bruening 1-6. Sawyer Savery 1-5. SP: Michael Storey 2-31. Finkbeiner 1-3.

## CLASS 3A DISTRICT 1 FOOTBALL STANDINGS

	Dist.	All
Storm Lake	1-0	3-0
Sergeant Bluff-Luton	1-0	3-0
Spirit Lake	1-0	3-0
Humboldt	1-0	2-1
Bishop Heelan	0-1	2-1
Spencer	0-1	2-1
Algona	0-1	2-1
LeMars	0-1	1-2

## Sept. 8 games

Humboldt 17, Spencer 14

Storm Lake 35, Algona 34

Spirit Lake 49, LeMars 12

SB-Luton 35, Bishop Heelan 28

## Sept. 15 games

Humboldt at Algona

Spirit Lake at Spencer

Storm Lake at Bishop Heelan

SB-Luton at LeMars

## Sept. 22 games

Humboldt at Storm Lake

Algona at Spirit Lake

Spencer at SB-Luton

LeMars at Bishop Heelan

## Sept. 29 games

Bishop Heelan at Spencer

SB-Luton at Algona

Spirit Lake at Humboldt

Storm Lake at LeMars

# Football contest winners

For the second week in a row Al Schmidtke of Humboldt was the winner of the Humboldt Independent Newspaper Football Contest.

Schmidtke correctly predicted the winner of each of the listed games. Joyce Bruder and Marge Herrington, also of Humboldt, were close behind. Look for this week's list of games on page 2B. Entries must be postmarked Friday or delivered to the Independent by 4 p.m. Friday.

# Humboldt bowling leagues

## IVY WOMEN Sept. 5

Won	Lost
18	12
16	14
15.5	14.5
14	15.5
12	18
12	18

Crazy Ladies.....18 Short Stack.....16 Wash Away Bay.....15.5 Dream Carriage Rides.....14.5 Foertsch Plumbing.....14 Blue Moose Saloon.....12

High game: Amy Leigh 214 High series: Virginia Schulte 537

## LUCKY STRIKERS women Sept. 7

Won	Lost
20	10
17	13
16	14
16	14
16	14

NC Title.....20 Mojo Productions.....17 Trinkets & Treasures.....16 Gordy's Rustix.....16

High game: Kelly Tabat 179 High series: Donna Cran 485

## Doll Depot.....14 Beebe Plumbing.....16 Kramer Design/Repair.....13

8 .....0 .....30

High game: Pam Cameron 190 High series: Pam Cameron 546

## FOUR LINER women Sept. 8

Won	Lost
27	3
17	13
16	14
14	16
13	17
3	27

Avon.....27 AnderCo.....17

Crawford Derby.....16 Sister's Home Style.....14

Divinity.....13 Team 4.....3 .....27

High game: Kelly Tabat 179 High series: Donna Cran 485

## HHS vs. Carroll

19	21	15	....2
21	16	12	....1
17	11	0	

Carroll.....21 Sets: Arnold 3. Becker 3. Clark 3.

Darling 3. Hajek 3. Lane 3. Lange 3.

Peyton 3. Thompson 3.

## Attacks (kills):

Arnold 15-17 (3). Becker 2-2. Clark 17-19 (5). Darling 1-1. Hajek 3-1. Lane 3-6.

Hajek 13-16 (4). Lane 6-7 (4). Lange 8-10 (2). Peyton 0-1. Totals: 62-73

# Churches

## HUMBOLDT

**ABUNDANT LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
Non-Denominational Pastor Gary Goetsch  
608 13th Street N.  
Humboldt  
SUNDAY: 10 a.m., worship service; 6 p.m., Bible study.  
TUESDAY: 7:30 p.m., prayer time.

## FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Alberta Ervin,  
Lead Pastor  
Rev. Melissa Warren,  
Associate Pastor  
Administrative Office:  
107 4th St. N., P.O. Box 647  
Humboldt

[www.fumcfamily.com](http://www.fumcfamily.com)  
click on calendar/events tab  
Weekly worship services:  
Saturday 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday  
8:55 a.m. Humboldt  
9 a.m. Livermore  
10:30 a.m. Gilmore City  
10:30 a.m. Rutland  
Sunday school schedule  
Humboldt 10:11:15 a.m.  
Gilmore City 9:30 a.m.  
Livermore 10:30 a.m.  
Coffee fellowships:  
9:30 a.m. Gilmore City  
10 a.m. Humboldt  
10 a.m. Livermore  
11:30 a.m. Rutland

## THE CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Pastor Shonda Deranleau

Lisa Minor,  
Director of Christian Education

THURSDAY, Sept. 14: 7 p.m., Hope Circle.

SUNDAY, Sept. 17: 9 a.m., Trustees; 9 a.m., Sunday school; 10 a.m., worship; 11 a.m., coffee/fellowship; 11:30 a.m., confirmation class; 1:30 p.m., Pastor Shonda Deranleau care center services.

TUESDAY, Sept. 19: 10 a.m., staff meeting.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 20: 12 p.m., Humboldt County Ministerial Alliance at Humboldt County Memorial Hospital; 7 p.m., Council.

THURSDAY, Sept. 21: 11:30 a.m., Peace Circle at Pasquale's; 1:30 p.m., Faith Circle with Pat Baker; 6:30 p.m., Committee on Ministry.

## OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Gene Broughton,

Lead Pastor

Lissa Kahl, Associate Pastor

Humboldt

THURSDAY, Sept. 14: 9:30 a.m., F.D. Forum; 6 p.m., Council meeting; 6:30 p.m., Girl Scouts (Troop #32).

FRIDAY, Sept. 14: Echoes articles due; 7 p.m., Spanish church worship.

SATURDAY, Sept. 16: 5:30 p.m., worship.

SUNDAY, Sept. 17: 9 a.m., worship with Rachel; 10 a.m., coffee; 10 a.m., OSL annual meeting; 10:20 a.m., Sunday school; 3 p.m., Rachel Kurtz concert; 5 p.m., Spanish church worship.

MONDAY, Sept. 18: 6 p.m., Cub Scouts Den 8.

TUESDAY, Sept. 19: 5:30 p.m., Opportunity Village; 7 p.m., Boy Scouts (Troop 108).

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 20: 6:30 a.m., ladies prayer group; 6:30 a.m., men's breakfast; 10 a.m., Bible study; 2:30 p.m., Girl Scouts; 2:30 p.m., 5/6 grade, confirmation; 3:30 p.m., 5/6 grade, games; 6 p.m., youth supper; 6:30 p.m., 7/8 grade, confirmation; 7 p.m., HS youth group; 8 p.m., draft theology.

THURSDAY, Sept. 21: 6:30 p.m., Girl Scouts (Troop #32).

## HUMBOLDT

**OAK HILL CHURCH**  
Pastor Doug Wolter,  
Senior Pastor  
Pastor Josh Koehn,  
Associate Pastor  
Johnny Weaver,  
Worship Director  
Steph Heinz,  
Preschool Director  
Humboldt

SUNDAY: 7 a.m., KHBT 97.7 broadcast; 9 a.m., Sunday school; 10 a.m., worship.

For Bible studies, call 332-1058 or email office@oakhill-humboldt.org.

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Father Brian Danner  
Humboldt

TUESDAY, Sept. 19: 6 a.m., Brew and Brotherhood men's study, parish office.

SATURDAY: 4:30 p.m., confessions; 5 p.m., mass.

SUNDAY: 8:30 a.m., confessions; 9 a.m. mass.

TUESDAY: 9 a.m., Friends in Faith study, parish office.

WEDNESDAY: 5:30-6:30 p.m., and 7-8 p.m., Faith Formation, parish office.

THURSDAY: 6:30 p.m., RCIA class, parish office.

**ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
(Missouri Synod)

Aaron Flatau, Senior Pastor  
Kyle McBee, Assoc. Pastor  
Humboldt

THURSDAY, Sept. 14: 8:30 a.m., LWML Executive Board meeting; 9:30 a.m., LWML Circle.

SATURDAY, Sept. 16: 7 a.m., men's Bible breakfast at Miller's Landing; 6 p.m., worship.

SUNDAY, Sept. 17: 8:45 a.m., Sunday school; 8:45 a.m., youth and adult Bible study resumes; 10 a.m., worship; 2 p.m., HHS Memorial Garden paver dedication.

MONDAY, Sept. 18: 6 p.m., Education; 7 p.m., Evangelism.

TUESDAY, Sept. 19: 9:15 a.m., women's Bible study; 10 a.m., October newsletter deadline; 2 p.m., LWML Bingo at North Care Center; 6:30 p.m., women's Bible study.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 20: 10 a.m., ladies Bible study; 7 p.m., confirmation; 7 p.m., Adult Choir.

THURSDAY, Sept. 21: registration due for Jr. LYC IDW youth gathering in Des Moines.

FRIDAY, Sept. 22: 5:30 p.m., wedding rehearsal.

SATURDAY, Sept. 23: Will Clough/Taylor Weydert wedding; 6 p.m., worship with communion.

SUNDAY, Sept. 24: 8:45 a.m., Sunday school; 8:45 a.m., youth and adult Bible study; 10 a.m., worship with communion.

## BODE

**ST. OLAF LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Pastor James Borlaug

Bode

THURSDAY, Sept. 14: 9 a.m., Sewing Day.

SUNDAY, Sept. 17: 9:30 a.m., Sunday school; 10:30 a.m., worship.

TUESDAY, Sept. 19: 8 a.m., fellowship breakfast, Norm's.

THURSDAY, Sept. 21: 9 a.m., Lydia Circle; 2 p.m., Mary Martha Circle; 7 p.m., Church Council.

## ST. JOE

**ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Father Edward Girres

Jeremy Wind,

Parochial Vicar

St. Joe

SATURDAY: 5 p.m., mass.

## ROLFE

**ST. MARGARET'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Father Paul Bormann

Rolfe

SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m., Mass.

**THE SHARED MINISTRY OF ROLFE**  
Rev. Charles Miller

Rolfe

SUNDAY: 9 a.m., worship;

10 a.m., coffee hour; 10 a.m.,

Sunday School; 10:15 a.m.,

adult class – Lord's Prayer.

**GILMORE CITY**

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Alberta Ervin,

Lead Pastor

Rev. Melissa Warren,

Associate Pastor

Gilmore City

SUNDAY: 9 a.m., worship;

10:15 a.m., Sunday school.

## WEST BEND

**APOSTOLIC CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Wayne Fehr, Minister

Wayne Grims, Minister

West Bend

SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m., and 1 p.m., worship services.

## GOLDFIELD

**LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH LCMC**

Lutheran Congregation in

Mission for Christ

Pastor Truman Larson

Goldfield

SUNDAY: 9 a.m., worship;

10:15 a.m., Sunday school.

## UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pastor Sara Sutter

Goldfield

THURSDAY, Sept. 14:

9-10:30 a.m., TOPS #IA 1348,

Goldfield, weigh-in and meet-

ing, Fellowship Room, new

members always welcome.

FRIDAY, Sept. 15: 4 p.m.,

deadline for submitting items

for the October church news-

letter.

SUNDAY, Sept. 17: 9:15 a.m., Sunday school for all ages; 9:45 a.m., choir practice,

Fellowship Room; 10:30 a.m.,

worship; 11:30 a.m., funnel

cake fellowship coffee, free-

will donation supporting Al-

zheimer's Association.

MONDAY, Sept. 18: 6:30 p.m., Craft and Coloring Night

for the community, come and

start a hymnbook angel.

TUESDAY, Sept. 19: 10 a.m., Stewardship, Mission

and Finance Committee meet-

ing, Rose Room; 12 noon-1

p.m., Bible study; 4 p.m.,

Homework Helpers; 6:30 p.m.,

Session meeting, Rose Room.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 20:

5-6 p.m., middle school youth

group; 7-8 p.m., high school

youth group.

## LUVERNE

**ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
(MissouriSynod)

Pastor Steve Stroecker

LuVerne

SUNDAY: 8:45 a.m., Sun-

day School; 10 a.m., worship.

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Pastor Mark Heath

LuVerne

SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m., wor-

ship.

WEDNESDAY: 7:30 a.m.,

Prayer Breakfast; UMW - first

Wednesday of each month.

THIRD THURSDAY: 7 a.m., men's breakfast.

**RUTLAND-OTTOSEN**

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Rev. Alberta Ervin,

Lead Pastor

Rev. Melissa Warren,

Associate Pastor

Rutland

SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m., wor-

ship; 11:30 a.m., coffee fel-

# Livermore News

## By Kirk Hundertmark LIVERMORE RESIDENTS TAKE ALASKAN VACATION

Larry and Jane Trauger of Livermore, Jan and Jim Newton of Humboldt, Mary and Bill Mekemson of Ames, and Ellen and Darold Hofer of Livermore all flew to Vancouver, Canada on Friday, Aug. 11, and boarded the Princess Star cruise ship. Jan, Mary and Ellen are sisters and Jane is their cousin, they along with husbands wanted to experience an Alaskan cruise vacation, to see the great land's glaciers, wildlife and national parks from the perspective of cruise ship, exclusive rail service.

They sailed out on Saturday day and were at sea on Sunday, docking at the Port of Ketchikan for shopping and attending a lumberjack show, the Alaskan lumberjacks battled it out with Canadian lumberjacks in chopping, sawing, tree climbing, axe throwing, log rolling, and much more. They saw an Orca whale near their ship as they sailed on to Juneau, where they took the Goldbelt Mount Roberts Tramway up 1,800 feet high on the mountain, they explored a park offering cultural heritage education, dynamic crafts and some amazing, expansive views. It is Juneau's most panoramic and breathtaking view.

They explored the Sky Bridge and Mountain House complex, watched the eagles and walked the trails. At the edge of Juneau on the dock they ate at the world-famous Tracy's King Crab Shack, then boarded a boat to go whale

and sea lion watching. They arrived at Skagway, where the gold seekers stampeded to the Klondike more than 100 years ago and built Skagway, AK.

The group then boarded the historic White Pass and Yukon train, which is a 40-mile round trip on a narrow-gauge railroad that was built in 1898, and is still the "The Scenic Railway of the World." Their vintage passenger car climbed almost 3,000 feet in just 20 miles and featured steep grades of up to 3.9 percent, cliff-hanging turns of 16 degrees, two tunnels and numerous bridges and trestles.

Back on their ship they sailed up to several glaciers, then they left the ship and took a fast ferry catamaran, the newest vessel in the Alaska Marine Highway fleet to Valdez where they boarded a bus to the Copper River Lodge, seeing waterfalls, the Alaskan Pipeline, mountains, walking trails along with enjoying the beautiful scenery.

Monday, Aug. 21, they took a nine-hour bus trip on the Denali Highway (Alaska Route 8) that is lightly traveled and has over one hundred miles of gravel road on their way to the Grande Denali Lodge. The group also took a five-hour tour of Denali National Park and Preserve, which is celebrating 100 years this year.

They saw moose and caribou on their tour and Denali is the highest mountain in North America, the park's majestic 20,301-foot namesake, called Mount McKinley until its official name change in 2015. The Denali Park and contiguous preserve encompasses more than six million acres. The

national preserve is 1,334,200 acres.

Next was the Mt. McKinley Lodge and visiting Talkeetna River Valley with beautiful views of Denali and the Alaska Range, where Mary and Bill went zip lining over the forest canopy, holding on tight as they zipped along while trying to touch the nearby trees with their hands and feet. It's the closest thing to feeling like a bird while checking out the amazing view.

The adventure included some nine zip lines, the longest zip line (600 feet), three suspension bridges, one rappel and a spiral staircase. After a train ride through the beautiful countryside they arrived in Anchorage where they met their cousin, Bob Weller from Hawaii. Jan and Ellen had not seen him in 37 years! Mary and Jane had visited him in the past few years. He, his wife, Francine, and several of her family spent the evening visiting and catching up, then it was back home to Iowa!

## LIVERMORE LIBRARY HOLDS FALL PROGRAM

The Livermore Library is holding a Fall program this Saturday, Sept. 16.

Honey is a pretty amazing substance, there is a lot more to it than just a sweet tasting treat. Honey plays a crucial role in the life of a honey bee which can also be very beneficial to the human body. The Livermore Library invites everyone to come and learn more about honey, bees, and how they can enrich our lives. Norma Hauck of Livermore will be giving a presentation about

bees, honey, health and nutrition, that will begin at 10 a.m. This will be very educational for all ages, you will not want to miss this one!

The Livermore Library Book Club will be held on Sept. 18, so stop by and pick up September's book "The Light Between Oceans."

New book arrivals for the week are: *Breakdown, Late Show, Watch Me Disappear, Two Nights, The Sleeping Beauty Killer* and *The Secret of the Deverill*.

## LIVERMORE GOLD EAGLE COOPERATIVE ELEVATOR FIELD DAY

Kirk Hundertmark along with his local Livermore Gold Eagle Cooperative Elevator Agronomy representative Brian Roethler, attended the Gold Eagle Cooperative's Region Two Field Day held on Wednesday, Sept. 6, at the Bill Neilson farm north of Hardy.

Mycogen representative Casey Schleusner of Garner, said in this area of Iowa the crops are looking really good, he also talked about fall approaching and when crop harvest plans are being made, it is important to continue to assess disease issues in corn and soybean. These assessments aren't being made in order to make plans for in-field management, but to improve the quality of grain that is harvested and allow for some educated decision-making for 2018. You should have knowledge of the primary disease issues in your fields. This will allow you to choose varieties and hybrids with the best disease resistance package to combat those diseases. Finally, now is a great time to sample for soybean cyst nematode (SCN) even though it does not appear to be a problem right now.

Monsanto representative Richard Judge a Technical Agronomist at Monsanto and Latham Hi-Tech Seeds

representative Bart Pederson, both of Clear Lake, were on hand to answer questions, give their views and provide information. Some of the other Gold Eagle Cooperative Agronomy employees on hand were Stu Pannuk - Agronomy Sales Manager, Bruce Burns - Precision Ag Specialist, Cory Donahe - Agronomy Regional Supervisor.

After the crop tour a meal was catered by Vinny's BBQ Restaurant in Dakota City and door prizes were given out.

## LIVERMORE FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLED TO TRAILER FIRE

A camper trailer being pulled from Bode to Livermore caught fire Saturday morning Sept. 2, and the Livermore Fire Department was paged out about 9:59 a.m., about one-mile west of Livermore to the intersection of Montana Avenue and 130th Street (C20).

According to the Livermore Fire Department, during the height of the fire, heavy, dark smoke could be seen far away, the trailer was fully involved in flames when firefighters arrived and could not be saved. No one was inside the trailer when the fire began. The fire is being investigated by both the Livermore Fire Department and the Humboldt County Sheriff's Department as to and what caused the fire. The fire was quickly put out and there were no injuries reported.

## LIVERMORE COUPLE ATTEND RENAISSANCE

Last Friday, Elden and Joann Landolt of Livermore traveled to the Ankeny Golf and Country Club to attend Sandy Cox's retirement party, wife of Tim Cox.

Elden Landolt, Tim Cox, Harold Powell and Scott Dahl, members of The Fabulous Uniques, gathered and played for the party with an evening of food and fun.

On Saturday, Elden and Joann Landolt attended the 12th annual Renaissance Faire at Sleepy Hollow Sports Park in Des Moines. Every person participating there is dressed up as a character from the Renaissance era, it is like stepping into history. Each one of the Renaissance performers are very well-educated on their particular time period and their character and you will learn about the culture and environment from that time period.

## LIVERMORE LABOR DAY BERTE GET TOGETHER

On Labor Day weekend the Bertes, Streits and Lannings gathered at the Berte East Fork cabin just east of Livermore. Others attending were Jeff and Sue Loken and the Fuller families. Kristyn Olson was the organizer and planner of this third annual get together with people attending as far away as Minnesota and St Louis.

Dan (Louie) Malkmus was on hand cooking his famous "Louie's BBQ Chicken," which is always so tender and moist and grilled pork tenderloin a proven crowd-pleaser that was lean, moist, and incredibly succulent. Baked beans, salads, desserts, chips and dip were brought as pot-luck items. The day was spent playing bean bag toss outside with sunshine and enjoying Labor Day visiting with their families.

## LIVERMORE UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS TO REMEMBER

Livermore Library speaker Norma Hauck, Saturday, Sept. 16, at 10 a.m.

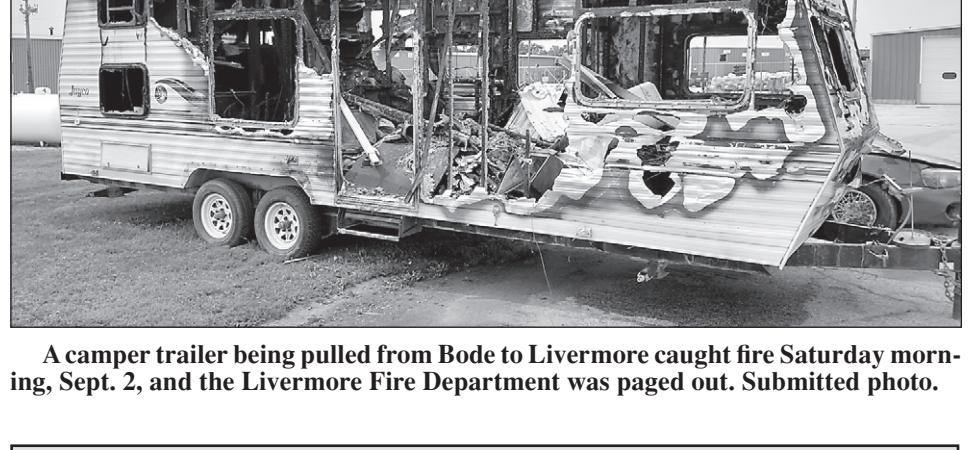
Humboldt County Freedom Rock and Veterans Memorial Park fundraiser, Sunday, Sept. 17, 10:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Livermore UMW Thursday Meal of the Month, Sept. 28, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Livermore Legion Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, Oct. 8, 8 a.m. until noon.



Pictured (l to r): Larry and Jane Trauger of Livermore, Jan and Jim Newton of Humboldt, Mary and Bill Mekemson of Ames, and Ellen and Darold Hofer of Livermore all flew to Vancouver, Canada, on Friday Aug. 11, and boarded the Princess Star cruise ship for an Alaskan cruise. Submitted photo.



A camper trailer being pulled from Bode to Livermore caught fire Saturday morning, Sept. 2, and the Livermore Fire Department was paged out. Submitted photo.



The Gold Eagle Cooperative's Region Two Field Day was held Sept. 6. Pictured, front (l to r) are: Livermore Gold Eagle Cooperative Elevator Agronomy representative Brian Roethler, local Livermore farmers, Ryan Foth and his dad, Brad Foth. Submitted photo.

## Farmers Market collecting plush animals

Once again the Humboldt Farmers Market is accepting new or next to new plush animals for ABATE of Iowa.

Sept. 16 is the official date for the animals to be donated at the Market. Every year the ABATE passes out plush animals to "kids" of all ages at Humboldt annual lighted Christmas parade. Every year they are in need of donations. The Humboldt Farmers Market sets aside a Saturday morning during the season for collecting plush animals.

If you cannot make it Sept. 16, you can bring the plush animals to any Market or you can drop off animals at the official downtown drop off spot, Sister's Home Style Entrees. You can find Sister's Home Style Entrees' on Facebook. For more information on the Farmers Market email balloonbuddies@hotmail.com.

Last Market of the season is Sept. 30.

## Livermore Library news

The Livermore Public Library met Thursday, Sept. 7, at 5:30 p.m., for their monthly board meeting. Present were Floyd Raney, Melissa Collins, Carol McKenna, Joan Kellner, Myrna Nickles and Director Kris Landolt. President Carol

McKenna called the meeting to order. Myrna Nickles read the minutes from the August meeting. A motion to accept them was made by Melissa Collins, seconded by Floyd Raney, and the motion carried. Director Kris Landolt reviewed the August 2017 reports.

The monthly bills of \$724.81 were presented along with the financial, circulation and budget reports. A motion to accept them was made by Melissa Collins, seconded by Floyd Raney, and the motion carried. Gross wages of \$1,419.45, IPERS and FICA were presented. Floyd Raney made a motion to accept them, seconded by Joan Kellner, and the motion passed.

October events for approval include:

- Popcorn Fridays
- Library Board meeting, Thursday, Oct. 5, at 5:30 p.m.
- Kid's Klub, Saturday, Oct. 7, 10-11 a.m.
- Book Club, Monday, Oct. 16, 5 p.m.
- Halloween party, Sunday, Oct. 22, 6:30-7:30 p.m., at the

library. A motion to accept them made by Joan Kellner, seconded by Floyd Raney, and the motion carried.

Past and current discussion:

The Board made final plans for their Potato Bar (Sept. 24) and for the fall program to be held at the library, Saturday, Sept. 16 from 10-11 a.m.

It was decided to assist and join with the Legion for Santa Days. A motion to accept was made by Melissa Collins, seconded by Joan Kellner, and the motion carried.

New Books ordered: *Border War, Topaz, Advance Praise for Putin's Gambit, The Burning Room, Beautiful Tempest, Brain on Fire, Breakdown, Late Show, Watch Me Disappear, Two Nights, The Sleeping Beauty Killer*, and *The Secret of the Severe*.

A motion to adjourn was made by Joan Kellner, seconded by Floyd Raney, and the motion carried.

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# Legals

## Board of Supervisor's Room

Courthouse  
August 28, 2017

The Board of Supervisors of Humboldt County, Iowa met at 8:30 a.m. on the 28th day of August 2017 with the following members present: Reimers, Mattes, Lee, Underberg and Pedersen. Absent: None.

Moved by Mattes and seconded by Reimers to approve the agenda for the August 28, 2017 Board meeting.

All voting aye.

Moved by Underberg and seconded by Lee to approve the minutes for the August 21, 2017 Board meeting.

All voting aye.

Chairman Pedersen opened the meeting up for public concerns. No one was present to speak so the Board continued with their regular meeting.

Corey Keller and Lori Lawman with Community and Family Resources were present to give the Board an update on their services. Moved by Reimers and seconded by Underberg to authorize the Chairman to sign a Proclamation declaring September Recovery Month. All voting aye.

Tiffany Larson, Angela Wesseling and McKinley Bailey were present to give an update on their services for Building Families and Parent Connection. No official Board action was taken on any item discussed.

State Senator Tim Kraayenbrink and State Representative Mike Sexton were present to discuss with the Board of Supervisors the Master Matrix used for livestock confinements. No official Board action was taken on any item discussed.

The Chairman declared a brief recess.

The Chairman reconvened the meeting.

Matt Ring with Nationwide Retirement was present to discuss with the Board the possibility of adding a NACo 457B deferred compensation plan to the county. Moved by Mattes and seconded by Reimers to approve signing Humboldt County up for the NACo 457B deferred compensation plan. Ayes: Mattes. Nays: Reimers, Underberg, Pedersen and Lee. Motion failed.

Moved by Underberg and seconded by Reimers to further review the 457B deferred compensation plan until a future meeting. All voting aye.

Moved by Reimers and seconded by Lee to approve Voucher #3 (Final) to Midwest Contracting LLC for work completed on Project #LC-173304, #LC-181020 and #LC-280660. All voting aye.

Moved by Lee and seconded by Mattes to approve the purchase of a backhoe compactor from Murphy Tractor and Equipment for the total of \$6,800.00. All voting aye.

Moved by Reimers and seconded by Lee to approve the tax levies for fiscal year 2017-2018 property taxes.

All voting aye.

Moved by Lee and seconded by Mattes to authorize the Chairman to sign Employer Authorization forms for the release of Private Health Information with Employee Benefit Systems. All voting aye.

Moved by Lee and seconded by Reimers to approve claims in the amount of \$193,879.17 and Drainage claims in the amount of \$23,921.72 as per the attached schedule and the County Auditor be and hereby is instructed to issue warrants on the several funds as allowed in the amount specified in payment of same:

Agsource Cooperative Services

Barker, Bob Co., Inc.

Bomgaars

Carpenter Uniform Company

Central Iowa Distributing, Inc.

CenturyLink

Cintas Corporation

Croell Redi-Mix, Inc.

Dakota City, City of

Data Imaging Supplies LLC

Diesel Machinery, Inc.

Dollar General

Domestic/Sexual Assault Outreach Center

Don's Truck Sales, Inc.

Electronic Engineering

Elling Technologies

Employee Benefit Systems

Engman Disposal

Family Practice Clinic

Fastenal Company

Foster Funeral Home

Foster's Frame & Alignment

G&K Services

Goldfield Access Network

Grebe, Mary

Heartland Asphalt, Inc.

Hjelmeland Excavating and Farm Drainage

Humboldt Co. Econ. Dev. Assn.

Humboldt Co. Housing Dev. Corp.

Humboldt Co. Sheriff

Humboldt Motor Sales, Inc.

Humboldt Office Supply

Humboldt RentAll

Humboldt, City of

Hy-Vee Accounts Receivable

I + S Group, Inc.

IDVILLE

Institute of Iowa Certified Assessors

Iowa Land Records

Iowa Prison Industries

John's Ag Service, Inc.

John's NAPA

Kaeser Blair, Inc.

Kathrens, Jenn

Kist, Anita

Larson, Melody

Lippolt, Dennis

Marco, Inc.

Marco Technologies LLC

Martin Marietta Materials

Menards

Mid Country Machinery, Inc.

MidAmerican Energy

Midland Power Cooperative

Midwest Contracting, LLC

MS & Sons Corp.

Murphy Tractor & Equip. Co.

New Cooperative, Inc.

North Central Iowa Service, LLC

NW Iowa State Assn. of Assessors

Pederson, Rick Excavation

Rice, Peggy J.

Sande Construction Inc.

Satern Service Center, LLC

Schumacher Elevator Co.

Secure Benefits Systems

Sopeland, Donald

Spencer Steel LLC

Star Energy

Terwilliger, Jana

Thompson Reuters

U.S. Bank

U.S. Cellular

Verizon Wireless

Vogel Traffic Services

Wempen's Nursery

Youth Shelter Care

All voting aye.

Moved by Reimers and seconded by Lee to recess as the Board of Supervisors and convene as the Board of Trustees for DD#11 Sub 5. All voting aye.

Moved by Mattes and seconded by Underberg to adjourn as the Board of Trustees for Drainage and reconvene as the Board of Supervisors. All voting aye.

Moved by Reimers and seconded by Lee to cancel the Board meeting for the week of September 4, 2017 because of the Labor Day holiday. All voting aye.

Committee Reports:

Mattes, Reimers

8/16  
8/23 - 8/24

Community & Family Resources

Reimers

8/24

Iowa State Association of Counties, Des Moines

Pedersen, Underberg, Lee, Mattes

8/23 - 8/25

Community & Family Resources, Webster City

Moved by Reimers and seconded by Underberg to adjourn at 11:59 a.m. All voting aye.

Peggy J. Rice  
Auditor

Rick Pedersen  
Chairman

nance. No action was taken on the matter.

T.J. Wells was present to provide updates to the Council on various ongoing projects.

Motion by Sleiter, seconded by Davis, to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2017-78:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY ESTIMATE NO. 3 WITH MUNICIPAL PIPE TOOL CO., LLC OF HUDSON, IOWA FOR THE SANITARY SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,321.50."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Goodell, Sleiter, Vermeer, and Davis. Motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, seconded by Sleiter, to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2017-81:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY ESTIMATE NO. 5 WITH WICKS CONSTRUCTION, INC., OF DECORAH, IOWA FOR THE HUMBOLDT BUSINESS PARK – PHASE II PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,260.37."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Davis, Goodell, Sleiter, and Vermeer. Motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, seconded by Goodell, to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2017-82:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 WITH MUNICIPAL PIPE

TOOL CO., LLC OF HUDSON, IOWA FOR THE SANITARY

SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM

IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN

CONTRACT PRICE OF \$2,333.24."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Sleiter, Vermeer, Davis, and Goodell. Motion carried.

The Council discussed options

for possible changes to the winter parking ordinance. One option

would be to utilize a "snow emergency" system to prohibit parking

on the street during snow events.

Another option would be to make

adjustments to the current ordi-

ORDER NO. 3 WITH WICKS CONSTRUCTION, INC., OF DECORAH, IOWA FOR THE HUMBOLDT BUSINESS PARK – PHASE II PROJECT FOR A NET DECREASE OF \$4,949."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Goodell, Sleiter, Vermeer, and Davis. Motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, seconded by Davis, to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2017-83: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S STATEMENT OF COMPLETION AND APPROVING PAY ESTIMATE NO. 6 (FINAL) WITH WICKS CONSTRUCTION, INC., OF DECORAH, IOWA FOR THE HUMBOLDT BUSINESS PARK – PHASE II PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,956.45."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Sleiter, Vermeer, Davis, and Goodell. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, seconded by Davis, to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2017-84: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT REHABILITATION MATCHING GRANT AWARD AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO MAKE PAYMENT AS ESTABLISHED IN THE PROGRAM SUMMARY."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Vermeer, Davis, Goodell, and Sleiter. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, seconded by Davis, to approve the following proposed ordinance: "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS AND ATVs/ ORVs ON CITY STREETS" and directing the City Clerk to publish

Ordinance No. 2017-08.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Davis, Goodell, Sleiter, and Vermeer. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, seconded by Davis, to approve the following proposed ordinance: "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT REHABILITATION MATCHING GRANT AWARD AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO MAKE PAYMENT AS ESTABLISHED IN THE PROGRAM SUMMARY."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Sleiter, Vermeer, Davis, and Goodell. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, seconded by Davis, to approve the following proposed ordinance: "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE COMMUNITY VISIONING PROGRAM AND THE NEW WELLNESS CENTER AT THE UPCOMING CY-HAWK RVTV EVENT."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Davis, Sleiter, Vermeer, and Goodell. Motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, seconded by Davis, to approve the following proposed ordinance: "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA BY AMENDING CHAPTER 160, PERTAINING TO FLOOD PLAIN REGULATIONS."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Goodell, Sleiter, Vermeer, and Davis. Motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, seconded by Davis, to approve the following proposed ordinance: "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE BANKERS TRUST COMPANY OF DES MOINES, IOWA, TO SERVE AS PAYING AGENT, NOTE REGISTRAR, AND TRANSFER AGENT FOR THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL MET IN SPECIAL SESSION ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2017. Mayor Daniel Scholl called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Council Members present: Goodell, Sleiter, Vermeer, and Davis. Absent: Whittlesey."

Motion by Goodell, seconded by Davis, to approve the following proposed ordinance: "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PAYING AGENT AND NOTE REGISTRAR AND TRANSFER AGENT AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Goodell, Sleiter, Vermeer, and Davis. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, seconded by Goodell, to approve the following proposed ordinance: "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PAYING AGENT AND NOTE REGISTRAR AND TRANS

# Legals

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**
**City of Bode  
Bode, Iowa**

The Bode City Council met in regular session Tuesday, September 5, the date was changed due to the Labor Day holiday. All members were present. Mayor Miller called the meeting to order, with a motion by Thilges, seconded by Douglas, to approve the minutes of the August 7th council meeting. All ayes, motion carried. A motion was made by Douglas, seconded by Thilges, to approve the agenda as posted; all ayes, motion carried.

Todd McMahon, City maintenance, reported that the IDNR had been in for their yearly Wastewater Treatment Inspection, the report was reviewed by the council. An item that needs to be addressed is infiltration and also two ladders to manholes need replaced. Todd directed to obtain cost to either have the city repair along with renting the necessary equipment or hiring a contractor for this repair. Also discussed was street repair on 1st Street where work had been done from McPeak Trenching this summer; Todd directed to receive bids for replacing asphalt and also to replace place with cement.

The homeowners share of Housing Payable #4 in the amount of \$1,045 was paid by the City a Personal Repayment Agreement was reviewed by the council.

A motion was made by Dale, seconded by Robinson, to approve Housing Payable #5 in the amount of \$28,320, all ayes motion carried.

The council reviewed the proposed Ordinance #9-2017

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BODE, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO THE USE OF FIREWORKS SECTION 1: SECTION MODIFIED.**

Title III – Community Protection, Chapter 1 – Offenses, Section 3-1-5, subsection 6 – Discharging firearms and fireworks, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Bode, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

Consumer Fireworks. It is unlawful for any person to use or explode consumer fireworks within the City.

(A COPY OF THE ENTIRE ORDINANCE IS AVAILABLE AT THE BODE CITY HALL.)

Following review of the Proposed Ordinance a motion was made by Thilges, seconded by Douglas, to set Public Hearing as Monday October 2, at 6:30 p.m., pertaining to "Fireworks Prohibited" All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Thilges, seconded by Douglas, to set Trick or Treat night as October 31, from 5:30-7:30 p.m., all ayes motion carried.

A motion was made by Robinson, seconded by Dale, to approve the 2017 Street Finance Report. All ayes, motion carried.

There was discussion on the removal of the Hundertmark building located at 107 Humboldt Ave., council member Douglas will look into the proper way to mechanically remove this building.

A motion was made by Douglas, seconded by Thilges, to set the next meeting as October 2.

The following bills were examined and approved for payment:

**Bills**

Monthly Gross Wages.....\$7,334.35
Central IA Dist. Pavement
Paint.....598.10
IPERS.....1,090.25
CenturyLink phone .....301.71
Federal and FICA.....1,758.14
Fire Safety USA Headlamp 272.50
GCC Ready Mix concrete....354.50
Hotsy Equip. pipe crimp .....18.26
Humboldt Newspaper .....62.23
Humboldt Co. Treas.
drainage .....858.57
Martin Marietta rock .....68.73
Northwest Comm. internet....99.95
Sands Construction rebar.....46.90
Bomgaars Supply bushing ....12.88
Schumacher Well drilling 11,954.50
VS Enterprise internet.....25.00
Kononi Construction.....28,320.00
General.....33,070.71
Road Use Tax.....770.20
Water.....12,078.90
Sewer.....148.95
Landfill/Garbage .....795.45

The meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.  
I-18-1

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

The City of Humboldt Zoning Board of Adjustment will meet at 4:30 p.m., on Tuesday, September 26, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located at 29 Fifth Street South to consider the following request for variance:

Consider ZBA #2017-5 Francis Wood, 207 1st AVE N (L 6B 37 S 125°), City of Humboldt, Humboldt County, Iowa is proposing to add on to an unattached garage in currently zoned R-3 Multi Residential District. The City Code states that accessory structures in a residential district must maintain a minimum side yard setback of 5 feet.

Property owner must have their project boundaries shown with markings by Monday, September 18, 2017 for the variance to be considered by the Board of Adjustment.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this proposal, you may review the files at the City Clerk's Office at 29 Fifth Street South. All persons or property owners interested in expressing their views or opinions regarding this matter are invited to attend the public hearing and be heard.

Travis Goedken,  
City Administrator  
I-18-1

**NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, APPOINTMENT OF CO-EXECUTORS, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Probate No. ESPR011326  
THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT  
HUMBOLDT COUNTY  
IN THE MATTER OF THE  
ESTATE OF  
LOLA ANN HIPPEN,  
DECEASED

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Lola Ann Hippen, Deceased, who died on or about April 26, 2017:

You are hereby notified that on September 5, 2017, the last will and testament of Lola Ann Hippen, deceased, bearing date of January 9, 2004, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Kerry A. Hippen and Stacy L. Van Lengen were appointed personal

representatives 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 September 14, 2017.

Kerry A. Hippen,  
Personal Representative

1076 Xenia Ave.

Renwick, IA 50577

Stacy L. Van Lengen,

Personal Representative

1817 32nd Ct.

Des Moines, IA 50317

Dani L. Eisentrager,  
Eisentrager Law Office

109 S. Commercial, P.O. Box 346

Eagle Grove, IA 50533

Date of second publication: 21st day of September, 2017.

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**TRUST NOTICE  
IN THE MATTER OF THE TRUST:**

RUTH JEAN PARLE TRUST  
DATED MARCH 22, 2004

To all persons regarding Ruth Jean Parle, deceased, who died on or about the 3rd day of August, 2017. You are hereby notified that David Bradley is the trustee of the Ruth Jean Parle Trust Dated March 22, 2004. That, at this time, no probate administration is contemplated with regard to the above-referenced decedent's estate. Any action to contest the validity of the trust must be brought in the District Court of Humboldt County, Iowa, within the later to occur of four months from the date of second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent, spouse of the decedent and beneficiaries under the trust whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the decedent or the trust are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned trustees and creditors having claims against the trust must mail them to the trustees at the addresses listed below via certified mail, return receipt requested, and unless so mailed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

To all persons interested in the estate of Janet A. Smith, deceased, who died on or about August 8, 2017:

You are hereby notified that on August 28, 2017, the Last Will and Testament of Janet A. Smith, bearing the date of September 24, 2010, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and there will be no present administration of the estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the District Court of the above County within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month

Dated this 6th day of September, 2017.

Ruth Jean Parle Trust

Dated March 22, 2004

David Bradley,

Trustee,

13321 Douglas Parkway

Urbandale, IA 50323

John M. Perkins

ICIS Pin No.: A10006133

Attorney for Trustee

809 Central A venue, Suite 600

Fort Dodge, IA 50501

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from the date of mailing of this Notice to the surviving spouse and all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the Will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Dated this 28th day of August, 2017.

/s/ Tina Ganzeveld,

Clerk of the District Court

Robert E. Lee,

Attorney for the Estate

Arends, Lee, Emick and Legvold

520 Sumner Avenue

P.O. Box 644

Humboldt, IA 50548

Date of second publication: 14th

day of September, 2017.

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**NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL  
WITHOUT ADMINISTRATION**

Probate No. ESPR011325

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT

HUMBOLDT COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE

ESTATE OF

IMOGENE BENDIXEN,

DECEASED

To all persons interested in the estate of Imogene Bendixen, deceased, who died on or about July 23, 2017:

You are hereby notified that on

September 1, 2017, the Last Will

and Testament of Imogene Bendixen, bearing the date of May 2, 2012,

was admitted to probate in the above-named court and there will be no present administration of the estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the District Court of the above 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 the surviving spouse and all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the Will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Dated this 1st day of September, 2017.

/s/ Tina Ganzeveld,

Clerk of the District Court

Ashley M. Emick,

Attorney for the Estate

Arends, Lee, Emick and Legvold

520 Sumner Avenue

P.O. Box 644

Humboldt, IA 50548

Date of second publication: 21st

day of September, 2017.

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**ORIGINAL NOTICE  
IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT**

CASE NO. EQCV018561

FOR HUMBOLDT COUNTY

THE BANK OF NEW YORK

MELLON F/K/A THE BANK

OF NEW YORK, AS

SUCCESSION IN INTEREST

TO JP MORGAN CHASE

BANK, AS TRUSTEE FOR

CENTEX HOME EQUITY

LOAN TRUST 2004-A,

Plaintiff,

vs.

**MICHELLE M. WRIGHT,**

**SPOUSE OF**

**MICHELLE M. WRIGHT,**

**BRIAN J. WRIGHT,**

**SPOUSE OF**

**BRIAN J. WRIGHT,**

**CONVERGENCE**

**RECEIVABLES LLC,**

**STATE OF IOWA,**

**AND PARTIES IN**

**POSSESSION,**

**Defendants.**

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED

DEFENDANT(S):



Humboldt native Jeremy Stattelman waves to the crowd during an Armed Forces Night ceremony before the start of last week's home football game with Spencer. Stattelman, who now lives in Hampton, is a 1996 HHS graduate and decorated military veteran. Stattelman and Dr. Rick Wilkerson of Spencer, were both honorary captains. Independent photo. See this photo and more at [www.humboldtnews.com](http://www.humboldtnews.com).



Ten Humboldt County veterans will be among the approximately 100 traveling to Washington, D.C. on Saturday, Sept. 16, as part of the Brushy Creek Area Honor Flight. The Honor flight is a nationwide program that raises funds locally to pay for a one-day trip for military veterans to see the nation's military memorials, as well as the Lincoln Memorial and the changing of the guard at Arlington National Cemetery.

Members of the public are encouraged to welcome home the veterans at the Fort Dodge Regional Airport, 1639 Nelson Ave. No. 2, on Saturday, Sept. 16. The flight is expected to land in Fort Dodge around 10:30 p.m.

Pictured from left to right are: David Sampson, James Saathoff, James Hassett, James Fevold, Bernard Terwilliger, Gary Miller, Gary Henricks, David Jerome, Roger Larson and Delane Larsen, following a meal and orientation meeting in Fort Dodge last week. Submitted photo by Craig Malloy.

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## Conservation farming can mean doing more with less

### Gerber sees input costs shrink with strip tillage

By Kent Thompson

What happens when you cross an environmentalist with a conventional farmer?

You get conservation-minded agriculturalists, who are willing to try new concepts to improve the land and its surrounding ecosystem.

Meet Kossuth County farmers Dave and Kathie Gerber. The Gerbers live five miles north of LuVerne just off County Road B-58. They are about 6 miles southeast of Algona. They have corn and soybeans on several rented and owned pieces of ground, about 1,100 acres in total.

They have lived on a rented farm from the Benjamin Family Partnership in Sherman Township for the last 40 years. The Gerbers raise

seed beans for Pioneer and also have commercial beans with a 50/50 corn and bean rotation.

Dave and Kathie are from the Algona area. Dave grew up on a farm and Kathie moved to Algona when she was a senior in high school. Dave attended the Air Force Academy in Colorado for a time, but less than perfect vision forced a readjustment of his dream of becoming a jet pilot. The Gerbers attended the University of Iowa and while looking for work after college, Dave found out that his father had purchased 80 acres and told him it was his to farm.

"I never thought I would end up being a farmer growing up, but that's what I

became," Dave said.

"I was a city girl and never thought I would marry a farmer," Kathie said. "I not only married one, now I am one."

Kathie's involvement in farming has varied over the years. Until the last several years, Dave Gerber farmed with his father and Kathie helped around the farm and worked ground.

Now, Kathie plants the crop and operates the combine during harvest.

She deflected most of the farming questions to Dave.

"He makes the decisions," Kathie said.

Dave said his conversion to strip-till and no-till farming was borne out of economics initially, not conservation.

"Eleven years ago (2006), I wasn't thinking soil conser-

vation but rather checkbook conservation. I looked at all the pieces of equipment I was using and I looked at the cost, and thought, if there is a way I can get the same yields without so many pieces of equipment and passes through the field, I could save some money," Gerber said.

"When I started strip-till, my father wasn't completely on board with it, but I think we both came around.

"I don't need a stalk chopper, a ripper, a disc or a field cultivator.

"I figure I have been able to save \$40,000 to \$45,000 per year with no decrease in yield on 1,100 acres. That's \$440,000 over 11 years, and that's pretty amazing to me," Gerber said.

It was hard to switch farming methods after so many years, but Dave and Kathie Gerber took a leap of faith, but not without some well researched information about conservation tillage in hand.

"For strip tillage we have basically used two processes over the years. We started out with a 24-inch disc and did liquid fertilizer injection behind the disc. We found out over time that a straight blade disc doesn't really do much to prepare the seedbed. Also, handling bulk liquid fertilizer on my own was quite a job and it was expensive, way more than the dry phosphorus and potassium.

"Four years ago we switched to dry injecting with the strip tillage machine. We do six-inch strips every 30 inches, and we are very happy with it. We can use more (of the dry fertilizer) if we need to at less cost," Gerber said.

Dave said he strip tills into the bean stubble after combining to prep for the following year's corn crop.

but I find that I can plant corn earlier, and with the small tilled strips I get better germination and seed emergence. When I'm ready for beans, I find the ground is warm enough. The planter does push the trash away a little, but I think the herbicides work better because of the trash. Kathie has to monitor that the planter doesn't ball up, but it rarely if ever does, and is no big deal," Dave said.

Switching to limited tillage has not altered Gerber's seed depth or plant population. He also said that he hasn't changed herbicide rates with the switch to strip and no-till, but if anything, the weed control is more uniform and effective.

Another beneficial change Dave Gerber instituted four years ago is the use of cover

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**Kathie and Dave Gerber have lived on a farm north of LuVerne for the past 40 years. The couple own and rent ground in southern Kossuth County and have adopted minimum tillage and the use of cover crops to help preserve the land and improve their farms. Humboldt Independent photos by Kent Thompson.**

## Globetrotter Coleman is off to China again to promote beans

By Kent Thompson

As you read this article, Humboldt farmer Dean Coleman will be in China, promoting U.S. soybeans.

It's nothing new for the Corinth Township

farmer, who has been making treks to Washington, D.C. and overseas as part of his yearly schedule, all part of being a spokesperson for U.S. soybeans.

Dean served on the Iowa Soybean Association (ISA) for nearly 15 years and has been on the American Soybean Association (ASA) Board of Directors since 2016, and has been a voting delegate since 2005.

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Dean Coleman

Coleman has chaired the Iowa Soybean Association Supply and Demand, Public Affairs and Information and Education committees.

He's put policy into practice on his own farm, annually hosting second grade and third grade students to help plant and harvest a small plot of corn and beans. Dean and his son, Mike, have also



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## Gerber

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crops. "I'm not going to testify in court about it, but yes, there have been benefits and some people have been doing it 20 or 30 years with great results. The government is paying growers a portion of the costs, so we thought 'why not,'" the Kossuth County farmer said.

"We started four years ago with one quarter of the acres and are now doing every acre (of corn and beans)," Gerber said.

He utilizes EQIP and other Natural Resources Conservation Service programs to accomplish the practice.

The benefits of cover crops are many, and include the preventing of soil erosion, improving the soil's physical and biological properties, supplying nutrients, suppressing weeds, improving the availability of water, breaking pest cycles and increasing microbial activity in the soil; to name a few.

"Four weeks ago (around Aug. 23,) I aerial planted my 582 acres of beans with cereal rye, tillage radish and rapeseed. That was probably a little earlier than recommended, but it looks beautiful. I can see the rye and

radishes growing. This is my first year using rapeseed, and I'm not even sure what the plant looks like, but I'm anxious to see how it does," Gerber said.

On corn, right after the combine harvests the crop, Gerber rents a Great Plains buffalo till drill from a friend and drills cereal rye into the existing corn stalks.

"It costs \$35 to \$40 per acre to sow the cover crop. I think it will pay for itself [in the benefits listed above], but that's just a belief. There are others with more empirical evidence on the subject, than I have in the short time I've been doing it," Dave said.

When to terminate the cover crop is always a dicey question, because of benefits. Most agronomists who study the practice say one week to 10 days prior to planting the cash crop.

Gerber said he did experimenting this past year, and some rye he did not spray until after planting. He let a test strip about 90-feet long by 300-feet wide stand, waiting to spray until after the corn had emerged.

"[The rye] was about 12-16 inches high, I found out that it died but didn't completely

fall over, which may have kept the sun from heating the ground enough during the early corn stage, but I'll evaluate after harvest," Gerber said.

One thing Gerber noticed is that he has some fairly steep but short grades on some of his farms, and now the rainwater doesn't wash soil away. With the cover crop and reduced tillage, "it's like a pasture out there," the rural LuVerne farmer said.

"With full tillage it seems like we're always digging up and leveling out, which in fact creates gullies and wash outs when we have big rain events. With no-till and strip-till there's no leveling of the ground, and it stays put," he said.

Gerber still uses commercial fertilizers, but he has been able to reduce inputs of N, P and K, a big expense for farmers these days.

"The standard is two units of nitrogen for every one bushel of corn, so my neighbors will put on 160-200 units. I put on about 100 units. Between the cover crop and the nitrogen-fixing of the bean legume the previous year, that's all I need," Gerber said.

As was mentioned, Dave is a seed bean producer for Pioneer, and has been for the past 30 years.

He receives about \$1 per bushel premium and has to make sure his combine, sprayer and grain bins are

thoroughly cleaned out to prevent any contamination.

Something new this year,

**See More Gerber, 3C**



Dave Gerber farms five miles directly north of LuVerne in Sherman Township. He made the switch from conventional tillage to strip tillage 11 years ago and says he saves \$40,000 per year on machinery and fuel cost on his 1,100 acres of owned and rented land.

## Coleman

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posted videos of what they are doing on the farm during the growing season for schools to use as a teaching tool.

The Coleman family has hosted several delegations of foreign buying groups over the years, to see the efficiency of an Iowa farm in action.

"I'll be speaking at a swine symposium in China on the value of U.S. soybeans. Soybean meal in feed rations is becoming important as China ramps up its pork production," Coleman said. "Their swine herd is six times bigger

than the U.S., as pork is their number one meat."

Coleman said that one of every four rows of Iowa grown soybeans and about 60 percent of all beans grown worldwide, end up being utilized in China.

Coleman's trip will be Sept. 11-19. "While I'm there, it will coincide with the 35th anniversary of the opening of the American Soybean Association's Chinese office."

Coleman will follow on the heels of Gov. Kim Reynolds and other agricultural com-

munity leaders, who completed a 10-day trade mission to China in July.

When Chinese delegations visit American farms they are very interested in the current crop and the yields.

"They count all the pods on a plant and use a string to measure and have a very accurate way of predicting what the yield will be. It's more accurate than any way I've tried to calculate," Coleman said.

As an ASA Board member, Coleman is involved in federal legislative work, aimed

at improving conditions and marketing opportunities for U.S. soybean farmers.

There are three meetings a year, including a meeting in December in St. Louis and typically in March in Washington, D.C. He went back to the nation's capitol in July.

"We haven't met with any one from the new administration as yet, as they (the Secretary of Agriculture's staff) were not in place in March. We did meet with the four-person Iowa Congressional delegation and Sens. Ernst and Grassley," Coleman said.

"There hasn't been a lot of change in the past two years. We are still talking trade, the farm bill and biodiesel. With the Renewable Fuels Standard (RFS) we were hoping to see an increase in the RFS for biodiesel and it actually decreased a little."

"Argentina and Indonesia levied a countervailing duty on biodiesel. Their governments subsidize their production of the product heavily," Coleman said.

The ASA supports the extension of the biodiesel tax credit to future years, and favors restructuring the current \$1 per gallon blender's credit to a production tax credit. The Congressional Budget Office scores the shift to a producer's credit as saving \$90 million per year, as well as maximizing the added value of domestic production.

The tax credit could be part of a larger tax reform package that Congress is considering.

"The great thing about biodiesel is that it requires no alterations to engines, and biodiesel provides the same degree of lubricity that high-sulfur diesel had, so that's a great trade off," Coleman said.

President Donald Trump's threats to end the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), calling it "the worst trade deal ever made," may have some farmers worried, but not Coleman.

"I think the president in his statements doesn't realize the good the agreement does for U.S. agriculture. I

think he's looking strictly at what it does to the labor and manufacturing sides," Coleman said.

With Gov. Reynolds conducting a trade visit, and former Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad as the ambassador to China, chances for increased and improved trade look optimistic.

Coleman explains that the ASA is funded by memberships. Some are purchased by individual farmers and people with an interest in the industry and some are purchased by ag-related corporations.

People interested in becoming a member can contact the Iowa Soybean Association for more information.

The ASA is separate from the United Soybean Board (USB), which handles the soybean checkoff, which is one-half of 1 percent of the value of a bushel of beans.

As the price of the crop goes up, the number of dollars to utilize increases. Depending on the number of bushels marketed and the price, the operating budget of the USB typically varies between \$6 million to \$16 million. The USD aims to invest and leverage producer dollars to meet the needs of end users of soy, specifically in the areas of meal, oil and sustainability.

At the state level, the ISA continues to work with state legislators on the issues of reducing non-organic fertilizer loads, clean water legislation, action on noxious weeds, county ag drainage and other areas of producer interest.

"In Iowa, we are very fortunate that we haven't over-regulated our industry, which isn't the case everywhere, especially at the federal level," Coleman said.

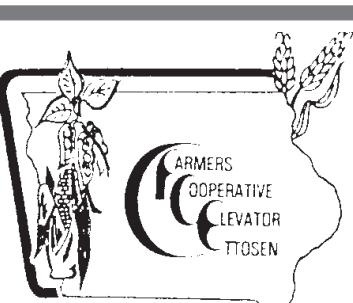


Humboldt farmer Dean Coleman (left) with Chinese President Xi Jinping (right) during a previous trade mission. Coleman is once again in China this week, promoting U.S. and Iowa soybeans to Chinese pork producers. Submitted photo.

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# More Gerber

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is that Pioneer asked Dave to switch to a new Liberty variety bean rather than the Roundup Ready beans he had been planting.

Dave noticed a big difference in water hemp weed control.

"With Roundup you have to really saturate the plant from about three feet away. With Liberty, just a stream

killed it black. It seemed much more effective on that (weed), so I was really happy with that," Dave Gerber said.

Of course, Dave and Kathie utilize the most modern farming practices when it comes to technology.

Dave said he is still amazed how GPS can pinpoint low spots and weak areas in fertility and production.

"The GPS mapping after harvest to see what areas did well and what ones not so well, is beneficial in so many ways," Gerber said.

One practice Dave recommends after planting is rolling the beans, which really helps to smooth the ground and provide a good area for the bean seed to get started.

Obviously, there are expenses to going minimum tillage. Dave's dry fertilizer strip till machine is a \$97,000 unit.

"There are some cheaper models, but this one is very heavy duty and rocks don't affect it. Even with that cost figured in, I'm still saving \$40,000 per year, because I don't need the v-ripper, stalk chopper or field cultivator."

"We probably had one inch of rain between the second week of June and the end of July and it came in one or two-tenths increments. I don't think the beans got as

stressed from the heat because of the corn stalk cover.

"Also, this farm (the Benjamin place) lies in one of the lowest areas of Sherman Township. The tile was laid in 1917-21 and is 90 percent clay tile and not all that effective for drainage. Before I planted cover crops I would have 20 small spots in a quarter section drown out after a 2-3-inch rain. In the other half section I farm to the north, it would be 30-50 spots."

"We got 4.5 inches this spring after planting (beans) and I figured I'd have to replant small spots all over.

I had one small spot on this farm and one small spot in the other section and neither of them was totally drowned out.

"That was proof to me, that the cover crops are working," Gerber said.

The Gerbers were recipients of the 2016 Iowa Farm Environmental Leader Award.

Given annually to recognize farmers as environmental leaders, the award recognizes farm families who have practiced environmental stewardship on their farms, utilizing a variety of techniques and best management practices to improve water quality, soil sustainability and

conservation. The award is a joint effort by the Iowa Office of Governor, the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

About the farm's improved conservation practices, Kathie said she is very satisfied. "It dovetails with my en-

vironmental beliefs and I'm glad to see the Iowa Soybean Association taking a lead in its policies and research and involvement in the Boone River Watershed Project, which we support," K. Gerber said.

"If you had told me 15 years ago that I could get just as good of a yield by leaving

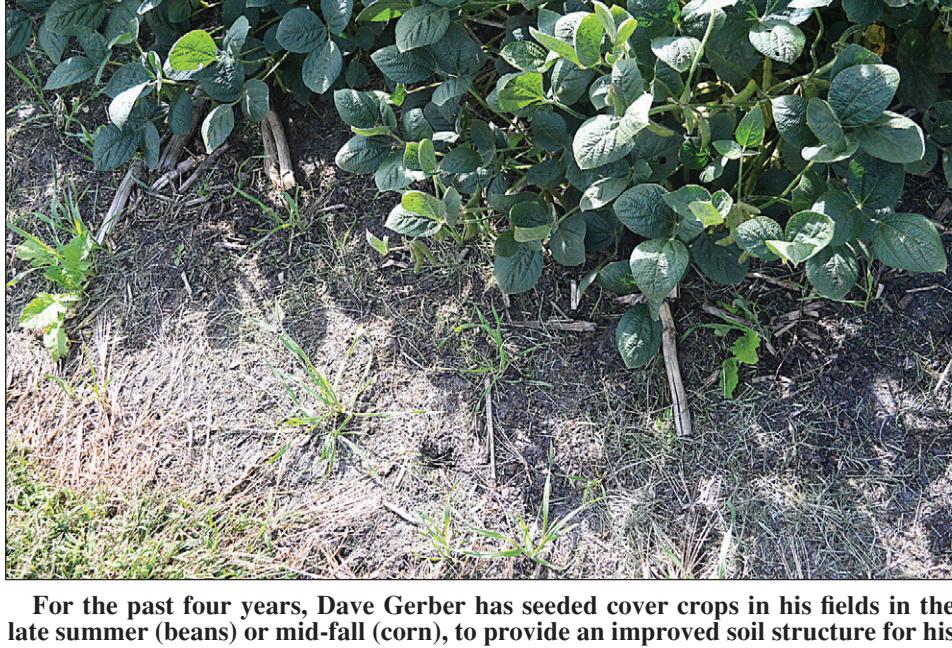
the ground alone and doing nothing, I wouldn't have believed you."

"We are ingrained as farmers to think you have to tear something up and turn it over to make it better," D. Gerber said.

For this Kossuth County grower and others like him, it ain't necessarily so.



**Despite a trying year financially and weather-wise, Dave Gerber's Liberty beans are looking great. Dave is a longtime seed bean grower for Pioneer Hybrids.**



For the past four years, Dave Gerber has seeded cover crops in his fields in the late summer (beans) or mid-fall (corn), to provide an improved soil structure for his cash crops of corn and beans. Gerber said he believes the practice is working. The grass-type sprouts are cereal rye, the lettuce-type plants on the right and left next to the bean row are tillable radishes.

## Ruhland named CEO of United Soybean Board

After an intensive search by a farmer-led team, the United Soybean Board (USB) has named Polly Ruhland as the new chief executive officer (CEO) effective Nov. 1, 2017.



Polly Ruhland

that parallels the opportunities and challenges facing the soy industry – building demand in domestic and global markets, creating consensus throughout the commodity supply chain, solidifying partnerships with national and state organizations and being an industry catalyst. I am confident that under her leadership, the soy checkoff will accelerate our vision of advancing Innovation Beyond the Bushel," he added.

Ruhland has provided executive management expertise to the agriculture community for many years. She brings an extensive background in agricultural non-

profit management, strategic planning, communications and regulatory compliance to her position serving the directors of USB and the larger soybean community.

She currently serves as CEO at Cattlemen's Beef Promotion & Research Board. She graduated from Colorado State University with a Master's Degree in Agriculture and from the University of Colorado with a Bachelor of Arts in English and Communications.

She also did post-graduate work at the PhD level in agriculture and rural sociology with an emphasis on grower decision making in

cooperative structures. She has served as the chairman of the Commodity CEO Roundtable, a group of CEOs in research, promotion, and marketing programs. She is an Eisenhower Fellow, a certified mediator, and holds a professional certificate in the Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts.

In accepting the position, Ruhland said, "USB's innovation and agriculture industry leadership attracted me to this opportunity. I am looking forward to working alongside farmer leaders and organizational partners to take USB into a bright future."

USB remains focused on

improving farmer profit opportunities through continuous improvement in meal, oil and sustainability by leveraging checkoff resources through strategic partnerships.

John Becherer, current USB CEO, served USB for the last 23 years and positioned the checkoff for even greater successes in the future. John will work with USB to support the transition and the incoming CEO until his retirement at the end of the year.

USB's 73 farmer-directors work on behalf of all U.S. soybean farmers to achieve maximum value for their soy

checkoff investments.

These volunteers invest and leverage checkoff funds in programs and partnerships to drive soybean innovation beyond the bushel and increase preference for U.S. soy. That preference is based on U.S. soybean meal and oil quality and the sustainability of U.S. soybean farmers. As stipulated in the federal Soybean Promotion, Research and Consumer Information Act, the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service has oversight responsibilities for USB and the soy checkoff.

## Soy protein strength for women

For women exploring the diet and health connection, adding soyfoods and soy protein to the diet has just become an even better idea. It is well known that consuming 25 grams of soy protein per day will lower cholesterol and possibly blood pressure.

And now, newly published research indicates it will also help postmenopausal women increase their strength. The combination of resistance

exercise training and supplementing the diet with soy protein can increase strength, which should help to prevent age-related functional decline. Soy protein is readily available in a variety of soyfoods such as soymilk, edamame and tofu, as well as in soy powder (isolated soy protein) that easily can be added to other foods and beverages.

The research in question

comes from Brazil and was 16 weeks in duration. During the study period, 32 post-menopausal initiated resistance exercise training two to three times a week.

Half of the women consumed a cup of milk after exercising, whereas the other half added 25 grams of soy protein to their post-exercise cup of milk. While both groups of women experienced increased strength and

muscle mass, those who consumed soy protein made significantly greater gains. These gains in strength applied to bench press and knee extension, as well as a combination of all eight exercises in the study.

Examples of ways to incorporate 25 grams of soy protein into your daily diet include enjoying a variety of soy foods that provide from 6 to 15 grams of protein per

serving. One cup of soy milk, for instance, offers approximately 7 grams of protein, while one-half cup of water-packed tofu provides 12.5 grams of protein. Another option is to add two scoops of soy powder (isolated soy protein) to milk or juice for about 25 grams of protein.

The Soyfoods Council offers ideas for post-exercise soy snacks, including blender recipes such as the Strawberry-Kiwi Smoothie and the Mango-Banana Smoothie.

Make the Strawberry-Kiwi Smoothie by combining 1

cup each of soy milk and frozen strawberries, a peeled kiwi, and 6 almonds. For the Mango-Banana Smoothie, blend half of a chopped ripe mango, one small banana, 2 tbsp. vanilla soy protein powder, 1/2 cup fat-free plain yogurt and a cup of orange juice.

You'll find more health-related information about soy foods, details about the latest soy research, cooking tips, and additional recipe ideas on The Soyfoods Council website. Visit [www.thesoyfoodscouncil.com](http://www.thesoyfoodscouncil.com).

## Send kids back to school with healthy soy protein snacks

At the start of the school year, budgets get tighter, parents get busier, and students step up their snack consumption. That's why this is the perfect time of year to

experiment with convenient, affordable soyfoods as the grab-and-go snack of choice for busy families. Unlike many snacks, soy is cholesterol-free, low in saturated

fats and is a complete protein offering all eight of the essential amino acids needed for healthy growth.

For quick bites, consider trail mix made with soybeans, raisins and dried cherries. These easily packable snacks are ideal for after school, or for eating in the car on the way to soccer practice or dance lessons. Add steamed frozen edamame (fresh green soybeans) to lunch bags—the edamame will be thawed and ready to eat by lunchtime. Other choices include chocolate soymilk, available in 8-ounce aseptic boxes that offer more than six grams of protein per serving. Soy-rich nutrition bars provide another convenient way to get a protein boost. Read ingredient labels to make sure kids are getting plenty of soy protein.

Soyfoods can contribute to an improved diet for growing

children and adolescents. A recent study published in *The Journal of Nutrition*, "Protein Snacks Improve Appetite and Diet Quality in Teens," was conducted by The University of Missouri in collaboration with DuPont Nutrition and Health. The study found that when teens consumed protein-rich afternoon snacks containing soy protein, it led to appetite reduction, a greater delay in subsequent eating, and an improved diet quality compared to other snack options.

Remember the following when you're selecting after-school snacks.

1. One serving of soyfoods provides approximately 7 to 15 grams of protein. A good goal is two servings of soyfoods per day. For example, soybean butter

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# Grassley says biofuels are good for Iowa

A Q and A with Iowa Sen. Charles Grassley.

**Q: How has your support for renewable fuels helped Iowa?**

As Iowans breathe cleaner air and can chalk up a stronger, healthier economy thanks to renewable fuels. My long-held support for public policies that foster growth, investment and sustainability in this emerging industry has yielded far-reaching results for state and local economies, the environment and energy security.

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Sen. Charles Grassley

infrastructure policies that I have helped secure into federal law, such as the Renewable Fuel Standard enacted in 2005 and expanded in 2007, create a more level playing field with traditional fossil fuels, expand markets for homegrown commodities, trigger private sector investment and give consumers a choice to save money and the environment at the pump.

For generations, Iowa farm commodities have anchored the tax base, wages, commerce and livelihoods for families across the state. Iowa leads the nation in corn and soybean production. We also lead the way for renewable fuels, including next generation cellulosic ethanol production.

Blessed with abundant natural resources, Iowa farm-

ers are borrowing a page from the pioneers who plowed the prairie generations before them. Embracing innovation and technology, Iowa's stewards of the soil and captains of industry are writing a new chapter for the 21st century. They are finding a way to lay claim to the American Dream by feeding and fueling the world.

The market for renewable fuels is boosting their bottom lines, creating good-paying jobs and paying it forward for future generations to come by creating clean energy solutions that grow America's energy independence. And it's happening in America's heartland.

Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds recently testified at a public hearing in Washington, D.C., about the impact the RFS has made for Iowans. Her testimony reflected why a strong RFS is so important to Iowa's economy and family paychecks: More than 43,000 jobs are supported by the renewable fuels industry in Iowa, generating \$2.3 billion of income. Iowa motorists saved more than \$315 million in 2015 using

ethanol-blended fuels, according to figures from the Iowa Department of Revenue.

Bureaucratic foot-dragging and misguided arm-twisting by Big Oil and Big Grocers during the previous administration undermined the market for renewable fuels. And yet, Iowa continues to pave the way toward next generation advanced biofuels.

The largest producer of cellulosic ethanol using corn kernel fiber operates in Galva, Iowa. And two large-scale commercial cellulosic facilities that produce fuel from corn stalks and corn cobs are located in Emmetsburg and Nevada.

My advocacy for renewable fuels is as strong as ever. As the EPA considers the Renewable Volume Obligation for 2018, I will work to ensure the executive branch abides by congressional intent. The EPA should be promoting growth and investments in the biofuels sector. Congress set the bar for renewable fuel innovation and development for good reason. We support the production and use of renewable

fuels because it's good for the environment, it's good for U.S. energy security and it's good for economic growth.

**Q: What does the recent federal court decision mean for renewable fuels?**

A: The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit reversed an Obama administration rule for the implementation of RFS volumes for 2014-2016.

Ignoring the prescribed target set by Congress, President Obama's EPA effectively failed to faithfully execute the law, according to the federal appellate ruling. Specifically, the court ruled that the EPA erroneously reduced the required level for overall renewable fuels. Despite adequate domestic supplies, the EPA wrongfully cited demand-side constraints to rationalize the lower threshold.

The good news is that the court ruling opens the door for advanced biofuels to make up for the lost market share of some 500 million gallons. Moving forward, the EPA needs to fully implement the RFS as Congress in-

tended. It remains to be seen how the EPA will remedy the mistake. The circuit court ruling sends the ball back to the EPA's court. Now it can fix the flawed RFS volumes that shortchanged farmers, renewable fuels producers and consumers.

Think about it. The court rescinded the previous administration's rule that kept half a billion gallons of homegrown energy out of the U.S. energy pipeline and prevented consumers from choosing a more affordable, clean-burning option at the pump. This is a good example that reflects why I work so hard to uphold the rule of law and strengthen our system of checks and balances.

The economy grows stronger when entrepreneurs, innovators and employers have confidence that the laws will be carried out faithfully as Congress intended.

The RFS provides certainty that helps the U.S. economy, energy security and the environment. That's why I continue to lead bipartisan efforts to ensure the EPA sets robust RFS volumes for 2018 and in the years ahead.

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## Soy snacks

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after-school snacks offer 8g protein per serving, and roasted soynuts provide about 16g protein per 1/4 cup.

**2. For young girls, eating one or two servings of soyfoods per day may reduce by 50 percent their risk of breast cancer later in life.** Fun-to-eat soyfoods such

as edamame in the pod are craveable snacks for girls on the go, and offer 7g protein per half-cup serving. Visit The Soyfoods Council for additional information about the health benefits of eating soyfoods, including a study showing that consuming soyfoods reduces risk of breast cancer.

**3. Soyfoods provide a healthy foundation for children's growth and development.** According to The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, obesity affects one in six children and adolescents, putting them at risk for poor health. Replacing high fat/ high sugar snacks with more healthful options, including soy protein, can help children and teens maintain a healthy weight.

For additional snack suggestions, recipe ideas and information about soyfoods and health, visit the Soyfoods Council website at [www.thesoyfoodscouncil.com](http://www.thesoyfoodscouncil.com).

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