

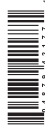
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AROUND TOWN

Kalona Historical Village summer camp

The Kalona Historical Village is still seeking campers for its summer camp, where the theme is "keeping history alive." Three sessions will be held: June 14-17, June 21-24 and June 28-July 1. Information about the camp and registration material is available at kalonahistory.org under the summer camp tab.

Scholarships are available and all campers are encouraged to apply. The form, available on the website, is only meant to guide and lay out the question "Why do you want to learn more about the past?" The way children respond to this question is open-ended, whether through writing, drawing, creating digital art or having a conversation. Call 319-656-3232 or email kalona-tours@gmail.com for more information.

Kalona Tractorcade set for June 12

A tractor parade will be held in Kalona on June 12, starting at Sunnyside Mennonite Church at 5 p.m. If you have a tractor you'd like to drive in the parade, meet at Sunnyside around 4:30 p.m., no registration necessary.

The route will be the same as last year. For more information, contact Dean Miller at 319-936-8557.

Mayor's Cruise set for June 26

Kalona Mayor Mark Robe announced this week that the Mayor's 2nd annual Classic Car Cruise will be held Saturday, June 26, starting at 5 p.m.

The Cruise of classic vehicles will start at the Sinclair Tractor parking lot and travel north on 14th Street to J Avenue then travel west along the standard route for cruises and tractorcade established by the City Council.

This year the Mayor's Cruise will end at the KCTC grassy lot at the corner of 7th and B Avenue in Downtown Kalona. Cars will be on display after the cruise and a food truck will be available, according to Robe.

The Classic Chassis Cruisers of Iowa City and Corn Country Cruisers of Washington are helping with the cruise. Kalona Optimists are also assisting.

Rotary to resume meeting at CBI Bank June 1

The Kalona Rotary board has decided to resume meeting in the regular meeting space (CBI Bank basement) effective June 1, according to the president Katie Miller.

"We will continue to ask for RSVPs until our weekly attendance numbers are steady again," she added. "CBI Bank has lifted their restrictions on meeting spaces and is not requiring masks for employees and customers. If you have not been vaccinated or are not fully vaccinated, they encourage you to continue wearing a mask. If you prefer to wear a mask once you are fully vaccinated, you are welcome to do so."

Johnson Co. Armory adds granite monument

The Johnson County Commission of Veterans Affairs is expanding the Armory and Veterans Memorial with a black granite monument. The monument will create space to honor an additional 160 veterans.

Veterans do not need to be Johnson County residents to be honored. The cost to inscribe the name of an honored veteran is \$150.

An order form, veteran biographies, and the history of the memorial are available at www.johnsoncountyiowa.gov/veteran memorial



JEFF YODER/THE NEWS

Golden Hawk senior Maddie Edgington raises the state championship trophy as the Golden Hawks celebrate in Drake Stadium on Saturday.

Mid-Prairie girls take a third straight title

BY JEFF YODER

The News

DES MOINES

Entering the frontstretch with 100 meters left in the distance medley, Danielle Hostetler sensed the long strides of fellow freshman sensation Jaidyn Sellers, who was approaching quickly.

For a second, she felt deflated. "I was like, I'm just gonna give up," Hostetler said. "But then I was like, I can not! I can not!"

Hostetler, who would add a 1500-meter state title to her 3000-meter championship, battled the 100 and 200-meter state champ to the finish line.

Hostetler's will and endurance bested Sellers' speed and the Golden Hawks claimed gold in the distance medley for a third straight season.

"It was amazing," Hostetler said. "I could just hear people cheering and I was like, I'm not giving up."

On Saturday, the Golden Hawk girls clinched their third

straight 2A track meet title with a 12-point advantage over runner-up Northeast.

"It's just the best feeling ever, especially that we could pull off three in a row," senior Maddie Edgington said. "It just shows how hardworking we are. And it's completely a team effort."

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MOLLY ROBERTS/THE NEWS

Over a dozen Ford Model A cars lined up in front of the historical village on Thursday, May 20.

Model A Club visits Kalona, a "good Model A town"

BY MOLLY ROBERTS

The News

KALONA

On Thursday, May 20 the Hawk A Model A Ford Club visited Kalona, driving through town in over a dozen antique cars dating back to the late 1920s and early 1930s.

"Kalona is a good Model A town," said organizer Bruce Nielson. When asked what

made the town good for the antique cars, he said, "the quality of the people here and that it's kind of a boutique-y place. Plus, I think we mix with the buggies pretty good."

Based in Cedar Rapids, the Hawk A Model A Club is a local chapter of the Model A Restorer Club and was organized

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Washington Co. Veterans to host meet and greets

BY MOLLY ROBERTS

The News

Washington County Veterans Affairs will host a series of meet-and-greets around the county during the month of June, giving veterans a chance to come out, meet their County Veterans Service Officer (CVSO) and commissioners and enjoy coffee and a sweet treat.

"We're reaching out to the smaller communities in Washington County hoping to meet some new or even old veterans that we already know," said CVSO Sue Rich. "It's been a year without seeing a lot of them, so we just want to bring everyone back together and see if there's anything that they're needing from us that we can help them out with."

"A lot of veterans don't even know we exist. We've been around a long time, but just getting people in to meet us can help with that. We want to know what we're doing right, what we're doing wrong, what we could do better at," Rich said.

Washington County Veterans Affairs is a county office that can provide county assistance to veterans and their family members, such as rent and utility payments, transpor-

WASHINGTON CO. VETERANS MEET AND GREETS 8:30 - 10 a.m.

- June 2 - Ainsworth Fire Station
- June 3 - Brighton City Hall
- June 4 - Crawfordsville American Legion
- June 7 - Kalona 1st Responder Room
- June 8 - Riverside City Hall
- June 9 - Wellman Fire Department

tation and burial assistance, as well as helping veterans apply for federal benefits, such as service connected disability compensation, non-service connected pension, surviving spouse pension, aid and attendance and other services.

"There are lots of disabilities for all kinds of veterans. A lot of time they don't think that they've had any injuries or illnesses, so the first thing we do is talk about their experience," Rich said. "A lot of these veterans from Iowa, we're proud people, will say 'somebody's worse off than I am.' But I want these veterans to know that they did what their country

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Young helpers crucial for Avenue of Flags

BY MOLLY ROBERTS
The News

KALONA

On Friday, May 29, a group of volunteers will gather at Sharon Hill Cemetery to erect the Avenue of Flags. Bob Spinner will be there and so will Jan Petersen, but most of the physical labor will fall to Mid-Prairie students, from Elsa Schmidt FFA chapter and other classes.

About 39 years ago, Jan Petersen, along with a few friends, decided to start the Avenue of Flags in order to honor veterans in the community. At first, members of the Alpha and Iota Clubs were responsible for set-up and tear-down, but eventually it became clear that more manpower was needed. The Mid-Prairie students came along and the elders who helped set up the flags were impressed with them from the get-go.

"The young people who come to set up the flags are just wonderful," Spinner said.

"You don't have to tell them anything twice. They respect the flag. They respect what they're doing."

Petersen said the last several years, the Mid-Prairie students have done nearly all of the physical labor associated with the Avenue of Flags, which she is thankful for. Or, as Spinner put it, "We need those young people because my get-up-and-go has kind of got up and went."

This year, when Petersen asked for donations to replace about 20 flags, she was pleased with the community response.

"We asked for donations to replace some flags because they do take a terrible beating in the wind and the rain and everything," she said. "We got a good response."

She said any excess donations will be put into a savings account and used to replace flags or poles in later years.

While Petersen might not be able to be physically involved with set-up and tear-down after this year, she said

she'll still be involved, since she's organizing the project's finances.

She said she'll continue to be involved because it's a respectful thing to do to honor the men and women who have served in the armed forces.

Spinner agrees.

"We wouldn't have the freedom in this country if it weren't for them, those that had their boots on the ground in combat for their country," Spinner said. "Too many people think that freedom was just handed to us, but it wasn't. It's important to honor those that put their lives on the line to get us where we're at nowadays."

Petersen encourages Kalona residents to view the flags from the top of the hill in Highway 1, going north.

"You see all those flags out there, flying in the wind, and it just tugs at your heart," she said. "When you see them like that, you really understand the meaning behind what they represent."



MOLLY ROBERTS/THE NEWS

Bruce Nielson shows off his Ford Model A.

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in 1971 with 35 members. The club now boasts over 160 members with as many as 80 showing up for any given event.

The Kalona tour was the club's first tour of the summer season, and the first in over a year due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Nielson said he was very pleased with the turnout in Kalona, saying it was likely a mixture of Kalona being a popular spot for the club and it being the first event in a long time.

The drivers parked their cars at the Historical Village, where they spent time touring the facility. Then they went down Highway 1, visiting the cheese factory and Stringtown Grocery before a photo-op at the Mennonite church. Then, the club enjoyed a meal at Ila Miller's, where a famous Model T enthusiast gave a presentation while they were eating.

Nielson, 77, said he became interested in Model As during high school and the interest

has never left him since.

"I'm a typical Model A collector," he said. "I had one in high school and wished that I could make it so that it was better. Everybody I know that's in the club is in that same mold—they had some exposure to it when they were younger."

The Hawk A Club is an opportunity for the Model A lovers to gather and share their vehicles, but also provides important resources for repairing and renovating the antique vehicles.

"That thing that's really great about Model As is that they're so simple," Nielson said. "You can do just about everything yourself."

As Nielson stood outside the historical village, surrounded by Model As all nearly 100 years old, he said he was blown away by the turnout for the Kalona tour.

"This is so popular," he said. "We've sure got a lot of people out today."

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asked them, and we want to get them the benefits that they're entitled to."

Rich gave an example of a hypothetical Vietnam veteran who now suffers from heart disease, which is a presumptive illness for exposure to Agent Orange and therefore is entitled to federal funds to treat that disability.

Rich said the process for applying for federal assistance can be very complicated, so it's beneficial for veterans to take advantage of her office, where she is a nationally accredited CVSO and can serve as an advocate throughout the process.

Rich has been with Washington County Veterans for over 30 years, starting as a part-time secretary and working her way up through the office. The office used to focus primarily on county benefits, but then the state passed a law that required each county to have a nationally accredited CVSO. Rich must complete continuing education credits every year.

"I'm not a veteran myself, but man, these people are amazing," Rich said about the veterans she works with. "When you get a veteran in your office and learn their story and work with a service connection for

something that happened 40 years ago, it changes their life. They've been living on next to nothing and they get this service connection, and they get free healthcare, a steady income every month—it's just amazing."

Washington County Veterans Affairs is open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday-Friday. The office is currently open by appointment. The office can be reached at 319-653-7768.

"Even if they don't have any issues, it's great just to meet veterans and make sure they know that we're here," Rich said.

The Washington County meet and greets will take place from 8:30-10 a.m. at the Ainsworth Fire Station on June 2, Brighton City Hall on June 3, Crawfordville American Legion on June 4, Kalona First Responder room on June 7, Riverside City Hall on June 8 and the Wellman Fire Department on June 9.




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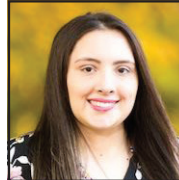
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Memorial Day services to be held in Kalona, Richmond, Riverside, Wellman

Kalona and Richmond

The Richmond Amvets Post 107 will be conducting Memorial Day ceremonies on May 31 in Kalona and Richmond, according to Post Commander Kevin Reece.

Ceremonies will be held at the Sharon Hill Cemetery Unknown Soldiers Monument in Kalona at 10:15 a.m. with the Mid-Prairie Marching Band providing music.

The Amvets and Mid-Prairie Marching Band will then conduct services at the Richmond Catholic Cemetery followed by services at the Richmond public cemetery.

With the help of students from the Mid-Prairie School, some 100 flags in the Avenue of Flags at the Sharon Hill Cemetery will be put up starting at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, May 28 and will remain up through May 31.

Jan Petersen thanks the Kalona community for the generous response to the plea for donations to repair flags for the Avenue of Flags.

Riverside

On Wednesday, May 26, 2021, members of the VFW Post #6414 Riverside will place flags and crosses at the graves of veterans who are laid to rest at St Vincent and St. Stanislaus cemeteries beginning at 9:30 a.m.

On Thursday, May 27, poles

for the flags will be placed at Mt. Olivet Cemetery and the Riverside Public Cemetery at 10 a.m.

On Friday, May 28, flags and crosses will be placed at Mt. Olivet Cemetery and the Riverside Public Cemetery beginning at 5:30 p.m. Volunteers from the community are welcome to help with the placement of the flags and crosses.

On Sunday, May 30, the Avenue of Flags will be raised at Mt. Olivet Cemetery, the Riverside Public Cemetery and the Riverside Veteran's Memorial Park at 7 a.m. Volunteers from the community are welcome to help.

On Monday, May 31, Memorial Day Services will be held at 10 a.m. at the Riverside Public Cemetery. The order of the program will be:

- "America the Beautiful" performed by Cindy Michel.
- Opening prayer recited by Bev Schneider, VFW Auxiliary Chaplain.

- Placing of the bouquets acknowledging all wars: Riverside Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts.
- Memorial Day Address: Senior Master Sergeant Pamela Flynn, USAF, Retired.
- "Star Spangled Banner" performed by Cindy Michel.
- Veterans of Foreign Wars Presentation of Arms.
- "Taps."

Memorial Day Services will continue with the VFW Post #6414 Honor Guard and VFW Auxiliary Color Bearers traveling on to St. Vincent's Cemetery at approximately 10:30 a.m. and St. Stanislaus Cemetery at approximately 11 a.m. with the Presentation of Arms. The last stop will be at the English River Bridge south of Riverside at approximately 11:30 a.m. to honor those Lost at Sea.

The VFW Honor Guard and VFW Auxiliary Color Bearers will retire to the VFW Post #6414 where a luncheon will be served by the VFW Auxiliary to honor all veterans at noon. All veterans and their guests are invited to attend.

On Monday, May 31, the flags and crosses will be taken down at 5 p.m. Volunteers from the community are welcome to help.

In case of rain the Memorial Day services will be held at the VFW Post #6414, 1259 Riverside Road, Riverside.

Wellman

Wellman American Legion Post 427 will hold Memorial Day services at the Wellman Cemetery at 9 a.m., according to Commander Chuck Singleman.

The Mid-Prairie Marching Band will perform, followed by a 21-gun salute by the American Legion Post 427 Honor Guard.

Commander Chuck Singleman will also deliver a Memorial Day speech.

PET OF THE WEEK

VENUS



SUBMITTED

This week's PAWS & More pet of the week is Venus, a young Domestic Short Hair and Calico mix. Venus is described as an executive—a cat who is always busy and wants to see what's happening in the world around her. She is spayed and all her vaccinations are up to date. For more information on Venus, contact washingtonpawsandmore1978@gmail.com or call 319-653-6713.

Johnson Co. supervisors approve Hills, Lone Tree law enforcement contracts

BY PAUL D. BOWKER

The News

IOWA CITY

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors approved agreements for law enforcement protections for the cities of Lone Tree and Hills at its regular meeting on May 20.

The agreements cover the fiscal year 2022 and begin July 1, 2021.

The amount allocated for Lone Tree is \$83,544. It includes approximately 26 hours per week of patrolling and other law enforcement functions performed by the Johnson County Sheriff's Office.

The City of Lone Tree will pay Johnson County a rate of \$47 per hour, per the agreement. Monthly installments of \$2,851.33 will begin on July 1.

The amount allocated for Hills is \$34,217, and includes 14 hours per week of patrolling and other law enforcement functions. The rate is \$47 per hour. Monthly installments of \$2,851.33 will begin on July 1.

Lone Tree and Hills were among seven Johnson County communities to have police agreements approved by the commissioners.

In a work session held on May 19, it was announced that the weight limit for a portion of Derby Avenue SW, south of 560th Street, will be reduced

from 25 tons to 3 tons. An inspection revealed "significant damage" to a bridge going over a stream, causing the immediate change.

The road is located in southern Johnson County, northwest of Kalona and northeast of Wellman.

Ed Bartels, Assistant Johnson County Engineer, said signs would be installed immediately to indicate the weight change. The road splits an 80-acre farming property.

"It'll be an inconvenience for some people, for sure," he said.

The bridge was constructed in 1954, Bartels said, and is used by about 100 vehicles per day.

The bridge will remain in service for passenger vehicles, but not for heavier loads. The structure was already in the county's five-year plan for repairs.

In other business, the commissioners:

- appointed Paula Dayton of Iowa City and Ann Satterly of Coraville to six-year terms on the Judicial Magistrate Appointing Commission. Their terms begin immediately and end Dec. 31, 2026.

- approved a second reading of an airport zoning ordinance for Iowa City Municipal Airport.

Highland seeks new weather alarm

BY PAUL D. BOWKER

The News

RIVERSIDE

The Highland Community School District may have new weather alarm, bell and intercom systems installed in its buildings by the time the 2021-22 school year begins.

At its meeting held Monday, May 24, the school board unanimously approved moving ahead with the plan. The system will cost approximately \$49,500 and include a requested grant of up to \$25,000 from the Washington County Riverboat Foundation.

School board members were told that the new system could be installed over the summer although grants may not be awarded until August or September.

Warning systems would be linked to fire alarms and weather alerts, including tornado warnings.

The new system would have the ability to accommodate recorded messages, and also allow district or school administrators

to delay bells and recordings from home because the system will be web-based. In the case of a two-hour delayed start on a school day, for example, the new timing of bells could be set remotely.

Earlier this month, the Washington County Riverboat Foundation approved grants of \$59,610 for the Ainsworth Elementary School playground; \$30,000 to Highland schools for wireless projects; and \$6,300 for Highland band and choir equipment, among other grants.

Superintendent Ken Crawford updated the board on the bidding of a proposed wastewater project. High bids caused discussion to be tabled from a May 10 meeting, and the discussion has again been delayed to June while district administrators consider the different options.

Bids have approached \$900,000, although that amount may go as low as \$400,000 based on a possible agreement with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, which would require permits, Crawford said.

Woodruff Construction of Iowa City is one of three bidders for the project.

In another matter, Crawford expressed his displeasure with the short amount of time the state legislator and governor have given school districts in respect to late-night decisions about mask mandates, or not, in the middle of the COVID-19 global pandemic.

After a legislative move was carried out late one night before a school day last week, Crawford said, "There we are trying to figure it out."

After Gov. Kim Reynolds signed into law early on the morning of May 20 a bill that prohibits school districts from mask mandates, districts were scrambling to determine if that also meant they could not mandate students to wear masks on school buses. A federal law requires masks to be worn on public transportation.

Highland schools removed their mask mandate the same day.

WCHC to hold vaccine clinic Wed. May 26

Washington County Hospital and Clinics (WCHC) will host a COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic to the general public. The Pfizer Vaccination Clinic will be held in the Administrative Services Building at Washington County Hospital on Wednesday, May 26 from 2-6 p.m.

To schedule a time for a COVID-19 vaccine, individuals can sign-up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/WCHCPfizer>.

Individuals over the age of 12 are eligible to receive the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. To be eligible for the COVID vaccine you:

- Cannot have recently been exposed to COVID and/or currently be in quarantine
- Cannot have had any type of vaccine in the past two weeks
- Must be 12 years of age and older

- Cannot have been treated with monoclonal antibodies within the past 90 days.

A confirmation email will be sent to those scheduled for a vaccine appointment with additional information and directions to vaccine location. Health insurance cards will be requested at time of appointment.

For questions regarding

WCHC's Pfizer Vaccine Clinic email covidvaccine@wchc.org. For general inquiries regarding COVID-19 and COVID vaccines, the public should call Washington County Public Health at 319-653-7758 or visit www.washph.com. Additional resources can be found at <https://coronavirus.iowa.gov/>.

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Workplaces influence employee mental health

BY JAMI HABERL AND RAE SHANAHAN

May is Mental Health Awareness Month and it comes at a unique time in our history. Following a year of the COVID-19 pandemic and its effects, discussions around mental health are happening more frequently around kitchen tables, board rooms and within circles of friends.

That's because perhaps more of us than ever are experiencing symptoms of mental illness ourselves: In January 2021, about 4 in 10 adults in the U.S. reported symptoms of anxiety or depression, according to the Census Bureau's Household Pulse Survey. That's up from 1 in 10 before the pandemic began.

COVID-19 has thrust mental health into the spotlight and Iowa employers are in a position to continue the conversation. Data from Businessolver's 2021 "State of Workplace Empathy" argues that employers today have larger expectations around mental health in the workplace, especially post-pandemic.

The latest data shows that 91% of HR professionals and 88% of employees think organizations should be doing more to promote mental health. Workplace empathy, mental health benefits and programs have now become "table stakes" for many employees.

Employers have made headway in supporting mental health: 65% of employees surveyed believe their organization openly discusses the importance of mental health. However, nearly that many employees also believe that reaching out to HR or management about a mental health issue would negatively impact their job security.

Perhaps most staggering: 66% of employees, 75% of HR professionals and 82% of CEOs perceive that employers will view someone with mental health issues as a "high risk."

What can employers do to move beyond lip service to cre-

ate a genuinely empathetic and understanding culture where employees feel safe to seek the support and help they need — in 2021 while dealing with the ongoing pandemic — and beyond?

We must Make It OK. Make It OK is a community campaign in Iowa to reduce stigma by starting conversations and increasing understanding about mental illness. Organizations can get involved by signing up as a Make It OK Registered Workplace at MakeItOK.org/Iowa.

Businessolver's "2021 State of Workplace Empathy" suggests some ways that workplaces can immediately start to Make It OK:

- Identify a senior leader who is willing to share their personal experience with mental health. Rae Shanahan, Chief Strategy Officer at Businessolver, opened up about her lifelong journey with depression at a recent company event.
- Regularly deliver messages from senior leaders with mental health benefits, resources and messages. Don't stop sharing after Mental Health Awareness Month is over.
- Learn what to say and what not to say when a fellow employee approaches you with a mental health problem. Show empathy and point them towards resources. Find more tips for talking at MakeItOK.org/Iowa.

- Assert equity between physical and mental health when communicating with employees about resources and popular benefits.

We all have a role to play to normalize mental health and create more empathetic workplaces and communities. Together, we can reduce stigma and Make It OK.

Jami Haberl is the executive director of the Iowa Healthiest State Initiative and Rae Shanahan is a chief strategy officer at Businessolver, an HR benefits company based in West Des Moines.

Dollar General seeks to reshape small towns

BY BRIAN DEWEY
Executive director, Center for Rural Affairs

Dollar General has become a ubiquitous feature of America's small towns. The discount retailer is opening about 1,000 stores per year, with more than 16,000 spread across the country.

Many local economic developers see the discount retailer as a threat to local retail.

Other economic developers argue Dollar General creates jobs and helps keep shoppers in town. I get it. In thousands of miles spent traversing the rural Midwest, I have found myself in small towns with no other retail or grocery options.

The irony is that this solution makes the situation worse with low-wage jobs, loss of local ownership and loss of local tax revenue when other businesses close or fail to open because they cannot, or don't want to, compete with a corporate behemoth.

We must grow and nurture the communities we want to live in. Local ownership of small businesses, farms, and ranches makes communities stronger. Local owners care about their towns, neighbors and customers.

Protecting our communi-

ties from these corporate interests is difficult, but here are a few strategies to consider.

End the common practice of awarding tax and development incentives. Subsidizing new stores is a cash transfer from local taxpayers to corporate shareholders.

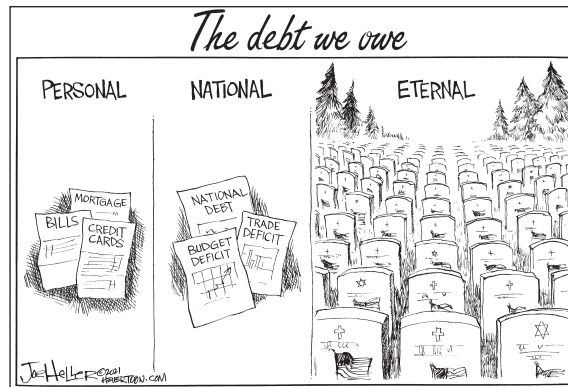
Use local zoning codes to encourage good growth and discourage harmful businesses.

Raise the minimum wage. An increase will improve the lives of low-wage workers, and make Dollar General foot the real cost of labor.

Support local retail options when you can. We can each choose, when possible, to spend our retail dollars at stores that keep profit and ownership closer to home.

Write and call lawmakers to ask for stronger antitrust protections. While I am highlighting Dollar General, the same can be said about Walmart and Amazon. Elsewhere in the rural economy multinational meatpackers, seed companies and input suppliers have hampered local business.

In the Dollar General model, large corporations and their shareholders get rich while workers and communities suffer. There is an alternative. We must work together to create it.



Take time to observe Memorial Day

Every year since moving to Kalona, I have been very impressed with the display of flags at Sharon Hill Cemetery. The flags waving in a slight breeze as memorial services are conducted by the Mid-Prairie Marching Band and Richmond Amvets Post 107 Honor Guard have always meant much to me as I recall my family history of military service.

My uncle Carl Wilford Peterson, only 27, was killed in action on May 12, 1944, in Italy while serving in the 337th Infantry contingent of the Fifth US Army during World War II. He is buried in a Sicily-Rome American Nettuna military cemetery near Anzio, south of Rome. Uncle Wilford is one of 7,958 Americans in that Cemetery.

I have childhood memories of the Peterson family gathering at Aunt Clara (Edward) Konrady's home in Odebolt, Iowa on Memorial Day weekend. My grandparents, Charles and Alice Peterson, were buried in the cemetery along Highway 39 south of Odebolt. I can recall a certain disappointment that Wilford's wife, Hope, chose to have Wilford's body buried in Italy instead of bringing his body home for burial.

Uncle Lloyd Peterson also served in the U.S. Army. He was involved in military campaigns during World War II in Algeria, French Morocco, Sicily, Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes and Central Europe. His decorations included the Belgian Fourragere, Bronze Service Arrowhead and Good Conduct Medal.

As a child I would spend summers working on the Peterson family farm near Kenwood, Iowa and I recall Lloyd showing some of his memor-



Ron Slechta
Observations

abilia from Europe, but he never talked about his military service. I've always regretted not having conversations with him about his military experience.

Uncle Edward Peterson didn't serve in the military, but he spent 18 months in the Civil Conservation Commission. Uncle George Luetjens was a teletype operator with Headquarters Detachment 4025th Signal Service Group stationed in New Guinea and later in the Philippines.

Brother Bradley served in the Army and served as an Army recruiter. Brothers Dennis and Carl served in the Navy, all during peace times. Carl served aboard the USS Nemitz Aircraft carrier. Dennis aboard the Eugene Greene DD711 destroyer for six years.

Although she was born and raised in Canada, my wife Helen also has a strong military heritage as her great grandfather Joseph Mason Stiles, served on the Union during the Civil War as a member of the Wisconsin Infantry of the Army. He served from Aug. 11 of 1862 to March 11, 1863, when he was wounded at the Battle of Perryville, Kentucky. He later moved to Sleepy Eye, Minnesota where he was that community's first public librarian.

When Helen and I and her sister Beryl and her husband Bob Lemke visited Sleepy Eye's Hope cemetery, we discovered other Civil War veterans had their graves marked with bronze plaques. Helen was instrumental, with the help of

Senator Charles Grassley, to get the Department of Veterans Affairs to place a marker at her great grandfather's gravesite in 2001.

When we visited the cemetery on a Memorial Day weekend, we saw the marker and a small American flag on the American flag. All Civil War and other veterans had flags marked with their names. In addition, there was a large sign locating the graves of all veterans. The flags are stored in special marked tubes.

That is always an impressive display, as are the Memorial Day displays at cemeteries in Wellman, Kalona, Richmond, Riverside, Lone Tree and most communities across America.

I feel a sense of pride in the United States of America and all our veterans on Memorial Day. In Kalona, we have the honor of having flags flown on the lawns of property owners throughout Kalona when the Optimist put out flags in their Community of Flags Memorial Day weekend, Flag Day, Independence Day, Labor Day weekend, Patriots Day, to honor 9-11 victims and Veterans Day. It really disappoints me when overpaid athletics take a knee in disrespect. They need to find another way to protest as the flag stands for so much more.

If you don't take time to visit a Memorial Day ceremony, at least take time to stand and salute the American flag in recognition of those who have served and those who have given their lives so we can enjoy all aspects of life in the United States of America.

Ron Slechta is the publisher of The News.

Iowa House Republicans listened, delivered

BY PAT GRASSLEY
Speaker of the Iowa House

Last week, the Iowa Legislature concluded our work for the 2021 Legislative Session. As we left the Statehouse, we had much to be proud of.

In January, I laid out a number of House Republicans' priorities for the session. We were fresh off the campaign trail and in electing Republicans to represent 97 of Iowa's 99 counties, Iowans had just sent us a message — loud and clear — on the direction they wanted to see for the state of Iowa.

They gave us an agenda; get kids back in school, support law enforcement, expand access to childcare and broadband internet and deliver a re-

sponsible budget. So, we got to work.

After hearing from countless parents whose voices weren't being heard, we responded with policies to deliver more parental choice in education. Almost immediately upon returning to the Statehouse, we passed a bill to require schools to offer parents the option of sending their children for 100% in-person learning.

We passed an expansive bill to increase protection and support for law enforcement while giving them additional tools to keep our communities safer. We made supporting public safety a priority in the budget as well.

In our tax relief package, we

included income tax cuts for hardworking Iowans, a phase-out of the inheritance tax, additional workforce housing credits, and much more. And we did it in a responsible way to maintain the state's fiscal stability.

Lastly, our chamber led the way for the expansion of access to quality, affordable childcare. We passed over ten bills addressing the problem from all angles. We were successful in seeing many of those bills become law.

I'm proud of how we've delivered.

Pat Grassley Represents Iowa House District 50 and serves as Speaker of the Iowa House.

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OBITUARIES

John Metz
1935 - 2021

serve his country in the United States Army during the Korean War.

On Aug. 3, 1957, he was united in marriage to Muriel Rummelhart at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Riverside.

John had worked for the University of Iowa doing maintenance within the physical plant. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and a lifetime member of the Riverside V.F.W. Post 61414. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening, walking, and playing cards.

John will be deeply missed by his wife: Muriel; children: Carrie Peltzmeier of Grimes,

Christine (Tom) Welte of Richmond, Janice (Greg) Thomson of Riverside and Timothy (Lisa) Metz of Riverside; grandchildren: Lauren (Sam) Conway, Allison (John) Lorenzen, Mitchell (Kassi) Thomann, Abigail (Gabe) Crall, Molly (Jared) Bartheman, Megan (Cody) Kanke and Anna (Janice) Parker (Elwell) Welte; great-grandchildren: Levi, Tessa, Ben, Oscar, Wiley, Louis, Clay, Cael, Noah, Niah and two on the way; sisters: Ann Walsh of Davenport and Donna (Pete) Stumpf of Morris, Iowa; brother: Jim (Rajet) Metz of Peoria, Illinois; and several nieces and nephews.

John was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Urbair, Elmer, Edward, Melvin and Jerry Metz; and sisters: Vivian Kleinschmidt, Gladys Kron, Dorothy Brophy and one sister in infancy.

George Kisner
1931 - 2021

George Kisner, 90, of Wellman, died May 18, 2021, of heart disease. Per George's wishes, his body has been cremated, and a picnic gathering will be held at the pavilion at Flint Hill Estates at a late date.

George was born May 1, 1931, the youngest son of David Warren Kisner and Ethel Alicia (Rafferty) Kisner. He graduated from Fertile High School in northern Iowa in 1949. He enlisted in the army and served two years at Ft. Meade.

After an honorable discharge, he married Dorothy Kennedy and lived in Iowa City. In 1971 they were divorced. He married Harriet Jane Yoder on Dec. 24, 1971, and moved to Wellman, Iowa.

Among his many accomplishments, he built and managed a mobile home park named Flint Hill Estates on the west side of Wellman. He and Harriet lived a few blocks away, but most summer evenings found them socializing in the pavilion and children's park of the trailer park. Their 4th of July parties were a town favorite, especially as George participated in the town parade. He drove a tractor pulling a big hay wagon, loaded with children and friends who were warmly welcomed to the party afterwards.

George and Harriet enjoyed traveling in their motorhome, and became snowbirds after their retirements, with proper-

ties in Sun City, Arizona.

George was a member of the Washington Masonic Lodge, Brighton

Order of the Eastern Star, Loyal Order of the Moose, #1096 of Iowa City, and Elks Lodge, #2559 of Sun City.

He is survived by two children: Kathy Kisner (John Curtin) and John Kisner (Jennifer Cook), all of Des Moines; two granddaughters: Mollie and Zoe; four stepchildren: Bonnie (John) Goodwin of Lisbon, Jane Coufal of Sun City, Arizona, Doug (Janet) Yoder of Kalona and Jeff Yoder of Sun City, Arizona; several nieces and nephews; and his best friends: Al and Mary Jo Haugen of Wellman.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sisters: Carol Higgins and Frances Magrabi; his brothers: Charles and Herbert Kisner; his ex-wife: Dorothy; and his wife: Harriet.

To share a thought, memory or condolence with his family, please visit the funeral home website at peterseimfuneralhome.com.

In lieu of flowers a memorial fund has been established for the Wellman-Scofield Public Library.

Larry K. Skola
1944 - 2021

A graveside service for Larry K. Skola, 76, of Blue Grass, will be held Tuesday, June 1, 2021, at 1 p.m. at the Sharon Hill Cemetery in Kalona. In lieu of flowers memorial funds may be given to the Kalona Historical Society. Larry passed away Sunday, May 23, 2021, after a valiant battle with cancer. The Peterseim Funeral Home is assisting the family.

He was born June 1, 1944, in Kalona, Iowa, and graduated from Mid-Prairie High School in 1962. You could see him many times at the local car garage and throwing the Sunday Des Moines Register from the back of Ford's tailgate.

After high school he attended automotive trade school in St. Louis, Missouri. In later years, he worked at International Harvester building silos, as a bartender at Top Hat Bar in Davenport, worked at Berry Boring in Moline for 27 years as their lead customer relations and at Iowa Battery in Bettendorf, Iowa.

dorf, Iowa, in service for at least 10 years, before retiring to his "Skolaland," 20 acres of beautiful forest near Muscatine.

He loved driving his 1965 blue Corvette and his dad's Model A and refurbishing his '57 Chevrolet and '54 panel truck.

He is survived by two sons: Andrew Dean of Iowa City and Christopher Lee of Webster City, Iowa; one granddaughter: Taryn from Webster City; one great-granddaughter; sisters: Sue Delmark of Argyle, Texas and Sally Harper of Davenport; and brother: Jan of Camdenton, Missouri; and many friends.

Preceding Larry in death were his parents: Ferd and Velma Skola.

Barbara Pottorff
1946 - 2021

Graveside Service for Barbara Ann (Gingerich) Pottorff will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 29, 2021, at Sharon Hill cemetery in Kalona (limited seating is available, you may bring a chair).

At 11 a.m., there will be a celebration of life, fellowship, and a meal for family and friends at the Regan and Lynn Gingerich family farm (2461 Hwy 22 Kalona). Family and friends are welcome at either event (or both). Please RSVP to Havilah Peters (319-631-0907) if you will

attend the meal.

Memorials may be sent to Iowa City Compassion (iccompassion.org).

Flowers may be sent to Yoder-Powell Funeral Home in Kalona.

Barbara Pottorff died Nov. 28, 2020.

A newborn foal and a birthday celebration

It is such a pleasant morning outside. The temperature is just right.

Foremost on my mind today is my husband Joe's cousin Carolyn and Jonas Jr. and family. Their 4-year-old daughter Barbara was laid to rest yesterday. Such a tragedy—a life so young was taken, but God makes no mistakes. That is the only comfort sometimes, knowing he needed another angel.

Little Barbara and several other little girls crossed the highway going from the wedding reception to the wedding church across the road. These little girls were safely across walking behind their big sisters. They decided they wanted to go back to the reception instead and turned to go back across the highway before the older sisters saw them. The last one across was Barbara and she was hit by a passing vehicle.

Oh, the pain of seeing your child lifeless. Our hearts go out to Barbara's family and to the 82-year-old man who was driving the vehicle. As with son-in-law Mose's accident there are so many "what ifs." Only God knows why, and it was his timing for their death. Our sympathy to the family.

Sister Verena, sister Emma and Jacob, daughter Susan and children, and Joe and I traveled the two hours to attend the visitation and viewing for Barbara. It is a comfort to have family and friends show their support at a time of loss of a dear loved one.

Sunday morning son Benja-



Lovina's
Amish Kitchen

min's horse Beauty had a foal. It is always exciting to see the little foals running alongside of their mother in the pasture field. Benjamin was so happy that the mare and filly were all okay after the birth. The filly is all black just like her mother. Beauty was a gift from us to Benjamin for his 18th birthday and we also raised her, and Joe trained her at 2 years old.

May 18 was daughter Lovina's 17th birthday. It's hard to believe my youngest daughter is that old.

Coming last night for supper in honor of her birthday were daughter Elizabeth, Tim, and children Abigail, T.J., and Allison, daughters Verena and Susan and her children Jennifer and Ryan, sister Verena, and Dustin, Daniel, and Grace (special friends to Loretta, Lovina, and Joseph).

We had walleyes that Joseph and Kevin caught on their fishing trip for supper. Along with macaroni and cheese, cheese, hot peppers, veggies and dip, chips, and ice cream cake. The walleyes were big filets and very good. I only fixed half of what the boys brought home.

Sister Verena and daughters Verena and Susan and children all stayed here for

the night. They all went home this forenoon except daughter Verena. She isn't feeling well and has an upset stomach. She is resting and I hope it's just something that will be gone by tonight.

My plans are to go to the greenhouse this afternoon to get my vegetable plants and finish planting our gardens. We were going to make raised beds for one of our gardens but with the price of wood so high we will manage another year of ground planting.

My 50th birthday coming up next Saturday, May 22, reminds me that I'm getting older. God's blessings to all of you!

Radish and Cream Cheese Spread

8 ounces cream cheese
1/2 teaspoon celery salt
1/2 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1/4 cup butter, softened
dash paprika
1/2 cup chopped green onions
1 cup finely chopped radishes

Mix all ingredients except radishes and onions until smooth. Then stir in radishes and onions and chill several hours to blend flavors. Spread on snack crackers. Experiment with different seasonings, such as ranch dressing mix (1 package or less), 1/2 teaspoon garlic salt, or 2 cups shredded cheese.

Lovina's Amish Kitchen is written by Lovina Eicher, Old Order Amish writer, cook, wife, and mother of eight. Her newest cookbook, *Amish Family Recipes*, is available wherever books are sold. Readers can write to Eicher at P.O. Box 1689, South Holland, IL 60473 (please include a self-addressed stamped envelope for a reply); or email Lovina'sAmishKitchen@MennonMedia.org and your message will be passed on to her to read. She does not personally respond to emails.

KALONA OPTIMIST CLUB

The Kalona Optimists met May 20, with Ron Slechts as the Lucky Optimist for the evening.

Program chair, Mary Williams introduced her guest speaker, Olivia Kahler, director of youth services for the Kalona Public Library. Ms. Kahler talked about the Summer Reading Program and the numerous activities lined up for the kids including Blank Park Zoo, a magician, science projects, visiting llamas and McBride Raptor Center to name a few. The club presented a check to Ms. Kahler in the amount of \$500 to be used toward the Summer Reading

Program.

Kalona Mayor, Mark Robe, talked to the Optimists about the upcoming car cruise to be held on June 26 at 5 p.m. with cars and food vendors lined up afterwards near the KCTC grass lot. It is hoped that the weather will cooperate and will be a nice family outing.

GOODWIN SENIOR DINING MENU

May 27 - June 3

Thursday - Ham balls, cheesy potatoes, green beans, bishops pie.

Friday - Salmon loaf, creamed potatoes and peas, jelly-O with fruit, cookie.

Monday - Closed

Tuesday - Potato tot casserole, toss salad/ranch, applesauce cup, cookie, bread, butter, milk

Wednesday - Meatloaf, baked potato with sour cream and butter, hot vegetable, butter-scotch surprise.

Thursday - Creamed chicken and bismuit, sweet potatoes, Harvard red beets, fruit, milk.

Cost for a meal is \$7 per person. Make reservations by 9 a.m. Call 319-646-2711

Kathryn Martin
1930 - 2021

Kathryn Darlene Martin, 92, died Thursday, Jan. 21, 2021.

A celebration of life memorial service will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, May 29, 2021, at the Yoder-Powell Funeral Home.

Visitation will be held Saturday from 1-2 p.m.

American Legion State attendees

The members of the James Harlan Thoma American Legion Post #351 in Ainsworth and Maddy Peiffer to attend Boy's and Girl's State. Both Slaymaker and Peiffer are Juniors at Highland High School.

Iowa Boy's State will be held June 13-18 at Camp Dodge in Johnston Iowa and Girls' State will be held virtually from June 21-24.

Iowa Boy's and Girl's State is a learn-by-doing program sponsored by the Iowa American Legion Auxiliary. Over the course of the week the delegates will learn about the political system by participating in campaigns, elections and appointed positions in city, county and state governments.

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- The family of Jeff Linscheid -

would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers, visits, food, flowers, donations, cards and kind words.

We are grateful for the support and many tributes to Jeff that have been expressed to the family.

Marci Linscheid
Jordan, Ashley & Annika

Wellman Garden Club



Members of the Wellman Garden Club met at Elmhurst Bed and Breakfast for the May meeting.

Wellman Garden Club members enjoyed eating at and touring Elmhurst Bed and Breakfast last September, and found it so pleasant that we returned for our May breakfast on Thursday, May 20. Proprietor, Marjorie Koehler, treated us to a savory quiche, homemade rolls, fruit, homemade apricot and cherry jams, and sweet potato pie.

This B & B is one of five Singmaster mansions. The interior is earmarked by prism glass windows, elaborate beamed ceilings, parquet floors, Italian marble fireplace mantles, beautiful interior wooden columns, and many charming antiques. There are 32 rooms on the three floors of this grand mansion, a hidden Iowa treasure.

Ten members answered roll call with comments about the most interesting or unique bed and breakfast to which they had ever been. We heard of B & Bs in Bonaparte, Bellevue, Dubuque, Davenport, St. Ansgar, peak Galena, Illinois and a Minnesota B & B along a bike trail. There were several fur-

ther away destinations like a cabin in Colorado where a stream ran under the cabin. At a B & B in Yellowstone, guests awoke to see Old Faithful erupting outside their bedroom window. Another member stayed in Jackson Hole beside a rushing creek, and finally, one person shared about a stay in London, England.

After roll call, we had a brief business meeting, in which we discussed some options for next year's Garden Club schedule. Members took a few moments to reminisce about club friend Vi Young who passed away a year ago. She was an avid gardener, bridge player, storyteller, tennis player, and musician who is greatly missed.

As she closed our meeting, our president treated us all to a package of white pumpkin seeds. Our next meeting will be Thursday, June 17 with a 2 p.m. tour of Old Man's Creek Winery owned by Tom and Vicky Caper. At that meeting we will elect new officers. New members are always welcome.

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OPTIMIST BIKE GIVEAWAY



RON SLECHTA/THE NEWS

Kalona Optimist President Jim Crowther, left, and bicycle chairman Bob Miller show off four of the six bicycles the Kalona Optimist will be giving away to three girls and three boys under the age of 13 at the Kalona Day on June 19. The bicycles are on display in the west window at The News, 419 B Ave. Children must register at the KCTC lot after the parade on Kalona Day.

KALONA PUBLIC LIBRARY

The library will be closed on Monday, May 31 in observance of Memorial Day. We are thankful for those who served and gave their lives to protect our country and our freedom.

Teens and Adults — come into the library or give us a call to register for your Summer Reading Program! There are some great programs scheduled for you to enjoy, and prizes too!

Storytime is being offered at the Kalona Public Library every Wednesday morning from 10:30-11 a.m. Beginning June 2, we will be meeting at the library again — come join us for stories and motion activities!

The library will be offering Toddler Time beginning Friday, June 4 at 10:30 a.m. inside the library. We are looking forward to seeing our little people again every week!

New adult fiction: "Turn a

Blind Eye" by Jeffrey Archer; "Three Missing Days" by Colleen Coble; "Go West Young Man" by A.J. Johnstone; "Chronicles of a Radical Hag" by Lorna Landvik; "Peaces" by Helen Oyeyemi.

New adult non-fiction: "The Golden Age of the American Essay 1945-1970" by Philip Lopate; "Why the Innocent Plead Guilty and the Guilty Go Free: And Other Paradoxes of Our Broken Legal System" by Jed S. Ryland.

New junior fiction: "Pug's Got Talent" by Kyla May; "The Boy at the Back of the Class" by Onjali Q. Rauf; "The Candy Caper" by Tom Watson.

New junior non-fiction: "Accidental Archaeologists: True Stories of Unexpected Discoveries" by Sarah Albee; "Secrets of the Sea: The Story of Jeanne Power, Revolutionary Marine Scientist" by Evan

Griffith; "Moon: Earth's Best Friend" by Stacy McAnulty; "A School Like Mine: A Celebration of Schools Around the World" by Penny Smith.

New easy reader books: "Marley the Dog Who Cried Wolf" by Susan Hill; "Flat Stanley on Ice" by Lori Haskins Houran; "School Rules" by Victoria Kann.

New easy books: "Flashlight Night" by Elisabeth Hasselbeck; "Oh Look, a Cake!" by J.C. McKee; "Diggersaurus Explore!" by Michael Whaite; "The Invincible Iron Man" by Billy Wrecks; "Counting Elephants" by Dawn Young.

Check us out on our website at www.kalona.lib.ia.us or our Facebook page — Kalona Public Library. You can also download books and magazines from a computer, tablet or smartphone using your library card number.

WELLMAN-SCOFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

You are now able to register your PreK through high schooler for our summer reading program through the end of the month. Our theme is "Reading Colors Your World" and we have many story times, performers and take-home activities planned. Stop in or call for more information.

The library will be closed

Monday, May 31 in remembrance of Memorial Day.

New adult fiction: "Texas Jeopardy" by James J. Griffin (Large Print); "The Woman with the Blue Star" by Pam Jenoff; "21st Birthday" by James Patterson; "The Cottage on Light-house Lane" by Davis Bunn; "Sooley" by John Grisham.

New adult non-fiction:

"Killing the Mob" by Bill O'Reilly.

New junior fiction: "Balone and Friends: Going Up!" by Greg Pizzoli; "Lift Off" by Brian Smith.

New easy books: "I Will be Fierce" by Bea Birdsong; "Goodbye Summer, Hello Autumn" by Kenard Pak.

LOCAL CHURCH SERVICES

AINSWORTH
Ainsworth Community Church: Ainsworth, Worship Sunday 10:30 a.m.; Kids Club Wed 6:30 p.m.

HILLS
St. Joseph Catholic Church: Hills, Administrator: Father Mike Spiekemeier; Carol Kaalberg, 319-330-5324, Mass schedule: Sunday 10 a.m.

IOWA CITY
Crosspoint Baptist Church: Pastor Mike Barr. Meeting at the Carlin Hotel 2525 N. Dodge Street, Iowa City; Sunday Worship 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Supper and Bible Study (offsite).

KALONA
Cornerstone Community Church: 229 South 14th St.; Floyd Tutty, 319-430-9514; cornerstonekalona@gmail.com; Sunday, 10 a.m.; Nursery & Kids' classes available; COVID-19 protocol. On the first Sunday of each month, there will be a combined worship at 9 a.m., the remaining Sunday's will have casual worship at 8:30 a.m. and traditional at 10:30 a.m.

FAIRVIEW
Fairview Memorial Church: 2605 540th St. SW; Pastors: Conrad Hertler, 319-512-6186; Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. & 7 p.m.; Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

FALL GOSPEL REVIVAL CENTER: 1103 J Ave., 656-2298; Pastor: Jeremy Gugel; Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.; Wednesday Midweek Service: 7 p.m.; fgrccell.net

GOSPEL LIGHT FELLOWSHIP: 401 E Hwy 22; Pastor: Dwight Schrock, 319-530-4763; Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.; Message: 10:45 a.m.

HAVEN CONSERVATIVE MEMORIAL CHURCH: 5203 Congress Rd. SW, 1 mile west of Hwy 1; Ministry: Nelson Beach, 683-2371; James Swartzentruber, 683-2372; Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

KALONA MEMORIAL CHURCH: 6th Street & J Ave., 656-2736; kalamemorialchurch.com; Pastor: Josh Lundberg; Sunday Worship: 9 a.m., masks required; regular service at 10:30 a.m.; both services live-streamed on Facebook; Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. for ages.

Kalona United Methodist Church: 4th St. & C Ave., 656-2642; Pastors: Mary & Don Thompson; Sunday Services: 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship following: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Lower Deer Creek Memorial Church: 1408 540th St. SW, 656-2076; <http://lmcwc.org>; Email: lmcwc@lmcwc.org; Pastor: Steve Nelson; Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.; Sunday School: 9 a.m.

Sharon Bethel Memorial Church: 5 miles north on Highway 1, 1/4 mile east, 683-2672; Pastors: Delmar Bontrager, Leighton Yoder, Lavin Bontrager; Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Sharon Center United Methodist Church: Rural Johnson County at corner of James Ave & 520th St., 683-2564; Sharoncenterumc.wednesday.com; Pastor: Anita Johnson; COVID-19 protocol. On the first Sunday of each month, there will be a combined worship at 9 a.m., the remaining Sunday's will have casual worship at 8:30 a.m. and traditional at 10:30 a.m.

Summerville Conservative Memorial Church: 501 14th St. SE, 656-2688; Pastors: Floyd Helmutz and Mary Bender; Sunday Services: 9:30 a.m. & 7 p.m.; Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.

English River Chapel: 209 1st St., 656-3156, Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.; Small group meetings in homes throughout the week.

KIRKWOOD
Kirkwood Christian Church: Sunday worship: 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

LOVE TREE
St. Mary's: 216 W. Jayne St.; Administrator: Father Mike Spiekemeier; Carol Kaalberg, 319-330-5324 Saturday Mass: 4 p.m.

United Presbyterian Church of Love Tree: 110 W Elm St.; 629-4900 unitedpresbyterianchurch.com; Pastor: Rev. Jim Bornwald; Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.; Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.

NICHOLS
Nichols Christian Church: 607 Grant Ave.; 723-4346; Sunday Services: Worship 9:30 a.m.; Sunday school: 10:30 a.m.

Nichols United Methodist Church: 315 Main; 723-6265; Pastors: Mary & Don Thompson; Sunday Services: 9 a.m.; Family Worship Service with Children's Message

St. Mary's Short St. & Grand Ave.; Administrator: Father Mike Spiekemeier; Carol Kaalberg, 319-330-5324 Sunday Mass: 8 a.m.

NORTH ENGLISH
Champion Hill United Methodist Church: 3132 Tt Ave., north North English, 319-664-3629; Sunday Worship: 9 a.m.; Family Worship Service with Children's Message

OXFORD
Winham Community Church: 124 Black Diamond Rd. SE, 2 miles north of Frytown; Pastor: Randy Barker, 319-430-1912; winhamchurch.com

RICHMOND
Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church: 648-2331, clusterparishes.org; Fr. Bill Roush; Mass: Sunday 8 a.m.

RIVERSIDE
The Church in Riverside: 41 E 1st St., 698-2185, churchinriverside@hotmail.com; Pastor: Kristin Egan; Pastor: Service Times: Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

River City Church: Meet at Highland Elementary School, 220 Schoonhoven St.; rivercityia.org; Pastor: Rodney Gehman; Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

St. Mary's Catholic Church: 51 St. Mary's St., 648-2331, clusterparishes.org; Fr. Bill Roush; Mass: Sunday 8 a.m.; Thursday 11 a.m. at Pleasantview Home.

Trinity United Methodist Church in Riverside: 11 E 2nd St., 648-3092; Pastor: Edward Peterson; Sunday Services: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School: 10:45 - 11:15 a.m. (Preschool - 6th grade).

SOUTH ENGLISH
English River Church of the Brethren: 29252 137th St. (Hwy 22 between South English & Kinross) 667-5235; Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.; Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

WELLMAN
Amish Circuit: Pleasant Hill (Wellman) June to Oct.; Sunday Services: 10:30 a.m. For information, call Fred Wagner, 319-936-7778.

Ashbury United Methodist Church: 601 8th Ave., 646-2417; Pastor: Melissa Warren; Sunday Worship: 9:15 a.m.; Wine in worship; lower parking lot; Radio station 88.7

First Baptist Church: 600 4th St., 646-2254; Pastor: Rev. Mark Larson; Sunday School for all ages 9:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Communion is held the first Sunday of each month.

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd (Missouri Synod): 5th St. & 4th Ave., 646-2102; Pastor: Rev. Zachary Voss; Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.

New Life Community Church: meets at Parkside Activities Center, office located at 214 8th Ave., 674-9051; Office hours: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Mon-Fri. www.newlifewellman.org; Pastor: Aaron Fleming, 646-2390; Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Salon Memorial Fellowship: 1306 Keokuk Washington Rd., 7 miles west of Wellman; Ministry: Gerald Kessler, 319-667-2728; Wilford Beachy 319-656-3733; Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church: 11th St. & Maplewood, 648-2331, clusterparishes.org; Fr. Bill Roush; Saturday Mass: 5 p.m.

Upper Deer Creek Memorial Church: 6 1/2 miles west of Chester Factory, 656-2643; Pastor: Elmer Miller; Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School: 11 a.m.

Wellman Memorial Church: 1215 8th Ave., 646-2532; Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday

West Union Memorial Church: 3253 309th St. Parnell, 646-6004; Pastor: John David Kenney; Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.; Men's Bible Study: 1st Wed. of every month 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

Zion Christian Fellowship: 1308 Madison Ave., Pastor: Elvin Martin; Worship: 9:30 a.m.

WEST CHESTER
West Chester United Methodist Church: 403 Franklin Street, 698-4065; Pastor: Melissa Warren; Sunday 10:45 a.m.; Masks required. No singing.

Washington
New Hope Memorial Church: 1506 N. 5th Ave.; Pastors: Gabriel Beachy, Elynn Stutzman, Matthew Peterson; Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Immanuel Lutheran Church (ELCA): 1226 E Washington St., 653-3950; Pastor: Maureen Warren; Sunday Worship & Communion Service: 9 a.m. Faith Formation classes for all ages are held from 8:15-8:55 a.m. Wednesday Evening Worship & Communion 6 p.m. (all year round) website: lutheran.org Current info on church phone recording: 319-653-3950

Prairie Flower Baptist Church: 1909 Larch Ave., at the corner of 120th St., near Washington; Pastor: David Garner; Sunday Worship: 10:15 a.m.; Sunday School: 9 a.m.; Prairie Time: 9:45 a.m. Wednesday. Various activities posted on our web site, prairieflowerbaptistchurch.org

St. James Parish: 602 West 2nd St., 653-4504, 319-458-0412 cell; Father Bernie Weir; Sat. 5:30 p.m.; Sun. 9 a.m.; Spanish 11:30 a.m. ejamesparish.org

United Methodist Church: 206 W 2nd St., 653-5446; Pastor: Kwang-Sung; Traditional Worship 10 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.; Washingtonumc.com

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Federation Bank sale could mean move for Washington County Public Health

BY MARY ZIELINSKI
Correspondent
WASHINGTON

"We need to be thinking about space," Danielle Pettit-Majewski, county Public Health Director, told the Washington County Board of Health at its May 20 meeting. She explained that, following Federation Bank's recent acquisition of the Washington U.S. Bank, the Federation building on Iowa Ave "will go back on the market." Depending on the buyer's plans, the public health department may have to move.

More than two years ago, Federation Bank offered the building to the county for \$1.6 million with an additional \$100,000 for all the furniture. At the time Federation had announced plans to construct a new building on the former Casey's site near the Goodwill.

The county and Federation officials have discussed the sale with view to not only keep Public Health in place, but also turning the bank building into the county administrative office. That suggestion arose at

the May 4 board work session that dealt with not only remodeling the county courthouse for court use entirely but acquiring a different facility for county government, like Orchard Hill on Lexington Blvd.

With an approximate \$4 million from federal COVID relief funds, acquiring another building may be a distinct possibility, especially since Pettit-Majewski reported that state auditor Rob Sand said construction of a public health center could be "an appropriate use" of the grant funds.

Supervisor Chairman Richard Young, who attended Thursday's meeting as an alternate, said there already is a committee consisting of Auditor Dan Widmer, supervisor Marcus Fedler, County Engineer Jacob Thorius and County Attorney John Gish that is looking at administrative office space needs.

He assured Pettit-Majewski that all departments will be consulted.

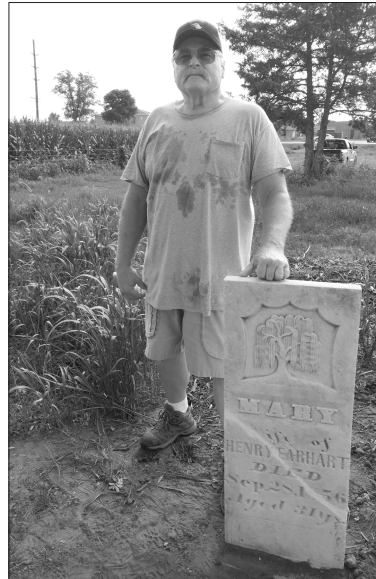
Discussion at the work session ranged from remodeling of the courthouse, a result of the county attorney seeking

to address privacy and space needs for his office, to acquiring another building at another location.

On Thursday Young said, "My opinion is all county departments should be out at Orchard Hill and the court can have the courthouse." He has previously suggested an administration at the complex and on Thursday said the county's number one priority would be to build a whole new administration building.

Pettit-Majewski announced the cost for the four floors at Federation Bank will increase by \$150 monthly (\$1,800 annually) on July 1. Current cost is \$56,000 yearly. She added that there is a deadline, that the department may have only a year "...before we have to leave this space. They only have to give us a 60-day notice."

The COVID relief funds are on the May 25 Board of Supervisors agenda for discussion and possible action. There also is a closed session set for 1 p.m. to discuss possible purchase of real estate.



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Brad McGowan repaired the gravestone for Mary Earhart, which was broken and encased in cement when he found it.

P&Z recommends Southtown rezoning

BY RON SLECHTA
The News
KALONA

The Kalona P&Z meeting Tuesday, May 18, voted unanimously to recommend to the Kalona City Council two rezoning requests for Southtown development and Phase II plat of Northridge subdivision.

The commissioners recommended that lots 16 and lots 71-79 in the Northridge subdivision be rezoned from R-1 to R-2. Developer Adam Kos said that he had a builder from Iowa City area interested in building Zero-lot line homes on those lots along Timberline Avenue.

Zero-lot line homes are similar to those that have been built along the west side of 12th Street between H and J Avenues. Commission members expressed hope that the homes in the Northridge subdivision would be a little more staggered or different in style.

The P&Z commissioners also voted 6-0 to recommend the rezoning in the 21.56 acres in Incline Grove subdivision along the west side of Nutmeg Avenue be rezoned from Agricultural (A-1) to R-1 Residential for construction of single homes on 7 larger lots with a more rural appearance.

City Administrator Ryan Schlaubaugh explained that Incline Grove subdivision would have city water but would have to have septic tanks for sewer systems as it would be too difficult to hook these homes to the city sewer system.

Schlaubaugh also said that the city and county are working together on a plan to convert Nutmeg Avenue from gravel to chip and seal or another type of surface short of paving the road at first. Kos also noted that one of the larger lots (Lot 7) may be split into two smaller lots to allow for 9 lots in that subdivision.

The P&Z also recommended

acceptance of the preliminary plat for the Phase II of Northridge subdivision. This includes 21 additional lots: eight lots zoned R-2 and 13 lots zoned R-1 residential. The commissioners also recommended a street cross be provided from lot 53 to lots 64 & 65.

Kos told the commissioners that streets in the Northridge subdivision have been paved and sewer and water connection infrastructure are also in place so home construction could start in the subdivision on the former Shiloh property soon.

Schlaubaugh said at the next meeting of the Planning & Zoning Commission he would arrange for the Chamber ByWays van to give commissioners a tour of the Northridge and Incline Grove subdivision of the Southtown Development.

The recommendations will be considered by the Kalona City Council at the June 7 meeting.

Washington Supervisors start lengthy process for allocating COVID relief funds

BY MARY ZIELINSKI
Correspondent
WASHINGTON

Although they took no formal action on Tuesday, May 25, the Washington County Board of Supervisors agreed that determining proper use of \$4,366,444 in federal COVID Relief funds requires a core group with appointed sub-groups to start the process. There is a further complication in that the rules governing the use of the funds are not yet final.

As a result, the board concluded it needs to start the process now to define and determine a plan to be ready when there is full clarification of the seven main areas currently listed in the federal plan. That would include for next week's meeting a possible number of volunteers/appointees, as well as the start of scheduled meetings.

"It will be a process," explained board Chairman Richard Young, who expressed the hope that by next week's meeting, the initial set-up will be underway, including receiving some public input.

Young also said he wants all county department heads to meet and work together to address specific areas that could be, even need to be, helped by the relief money. There is a work session for all depart-

ment leaders on Thursday, May 27.

"By August, hopefully, we have the final rules, although it could take as long as next May," he said. As for exactly how to expend the funds, he summed up in one sentence, "We cannot spend it until we are told [by the federal government] how."

Supervisor Marcus Fedler noted a consideration in the relief action is also restoring money lost during 2020. Another consideration is possible premium pay for essential workers and assistance for small businesses, as well as local social and government services.

"Everyone has been hard hit," he said.

Beyond establishing a core group which could form and designate sub-groups to deal with specific areas, Young said all the groups could provide reports to the board, including suggestions for fund uses and priorities.

The board received a detailed eight-page summary of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) from the Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) to use as a primary guideline in determining fund use.

The board acknowledged there could be a tentative plan that "can change to a fixed

one" once there are fixed rules and regulations for the national government.

County Public Health Director Danielle Pettit-Majewski, whose department may need to physically move by next year, asked the board to consider the hardest hit area, those defined by the government act as sustaining a negative impact from the pandemic, as well as looking to diversity in the county. She also suggested including other groups such as WEDG in initial planning process.

The board also indicated it should consult with other elected officials throughout the county.

Fedler also noted that the funds "are not free," that "it is our money," referring to its taxation source. In reference to that he noted that extending broadband and Internet use would greatly help rural residents.

The county, this month, received half of its \$4.3 million allocation with the second half to be sent next May. The issue, possibly for initial action, will be on next week's agenda, said Young.

Local men repair, restore Earhart Cemetery in Hills

Ron Stutsman of Hills and Brad McGowan of Kalona were recognized by the Sharon Center Sensations 4-H Club for their work to restore the gravesites in the Earhart Cemetery, a pioneer cemetery, at the western edge of Hills. The two men were recognized at a special event held at the cemetery on May 14.

The 4-H club adopted the cemetery as a community service project in 1989. Since that time members have installed a sign to mark the cemetery, created and maintained flower garden and had gravesites repaired. However, a couple years ago, some of the stones were again noted to need repair work.

In the last few years, Ron Stutsman and employees of the Stutsman's Inc. have stepped forward to mow the grounds and clean up undergrowth and brush. Concerned about the

broken and damaged stones, Stutsman offered to finance the cost of the repairs.

Brad McGowan, of Kalona, a member of the Cemetery Conservators for United Standards, was contacted to complete the repairs. Two broken stones were repaired.

One of those broken stones, was lying on the ground encased in cement, which had to be removed before repairing it. McGowan also molded a final to replace one missing on a third stone. He also determined that a fourth stone was missing. A stone similar to that used for another Earhart family member was located in Indiana. McGowan made a trip to get the stone. McGowan generously donated his time to complete this project.

The 4-H club is most appreciative of the community minded efforts of Ron Stutsman and Brad McGowan.

Highland students win poetic achievement award

Twenty Highland Middle School students have had their poems selected for publication in the Spring Creative Communication poetry contest. Jared Diaz's poem "Paz/Peace" was also selected for publication in Iowa Lyrica 2021.

This is the fifth time Highland Middle School has been recognized as a Poetic Achievement School by Creative Communication. This award is given to schools who have a large number of entries of which over 50% are accepted for publication.

According to Creative Communication, "the purpose of this award is to recognize schools with excellent Language Arts programs."

Highland submitted 27 poems; 20 were selected for publication. These poems were written in Denise Roth's language arts and 8th grade creative writing classes.

7th grade

Hailey Plank, "Run"
Sienna Stanerson, "Family"
Elvin Hernandez, "Time"
Hewen Knox, "Could"
Jack Krotz, "Relax"
Jacob Hartzler, "Snowstorm"
Spencer Tompkin, "Free"
Sawyer Shalla, "Chores"
Bryce Hazelett, "Breathe"
Emersyn Schultz, "Peace"
Emma Cole, "Bloom"
Adisyn Protsman, "Be Bold"
Brena Hazelett, "Choose"
Kealy Roberts, "Rise"
Owen Clendening, "Heroes"

8th grade

Ainsley Rolling, "Be the Curve in the World"
Gracy Yoder, "Accept"
Lilly Barre, "Carpe Diem"
Jared Diaz, "Paz/Peace"
Danika Kraus, "Never"

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Kristiana Jei-An Tu with her parents, Jeremy and Sheila Tu.



Catherine Hentrich with her parents, Cheryl and Joel Hentrich.



Cecil James Rauch with his mother, Angie Rauch.



Zebidah Kimani presents a flower to her parents, Melvin and Elishebah Kimani.

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HILLCREST ACADEMY GRADUATES



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The Hillcrest Academy Choir sang "Ubi Caritas," arr. Ola Gjeilo, and "The Road Home" by Stephen Paulus at the 2021 graduation ceremony on Saturday, May 22.



Valedictorian Aidan Yoder, left, and salutatorian Meredith Blossom with principal Dwight Gingerich.



Above: Sophia Marshall, right, shakes hands with Heston College president, Joe Manickham. Below: Meredith Blossom, right, shakes principal Dwight Gingerich's hand.



Teacher Marcus Miller moves Aidan Yoder's tassel.



Eli Ours, right, shakes principal Dwight Gingerich's hand.



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Shetler surprises himself in mile

BY JEFF YODER
The News

DES MOINES

It all comes down to how you finish.

And for Thaddeus Shetler, who ran the final event of the state meet weekend for the Mid-Prairie boys, the finish was outstanding.

He came into the 1600-meter race with a goal. Sixty-eight seconds per lap — a time of 4:32, and a new personal record by over eight seconds.

But once the race began, he never looked at the time. He just ran.

"I just kind of went with what the lead guys were doing," Shetler said.

"All my high school career, they've seemed like they're off in the distance," he continued. "But I felt good enough, I felt like I could stick with them."

Shetler took over 13 seconds off of his previous best time and took home a medal with a seventh-place finish.

"It's amazing, that was better than my expectations," he said. "Twice as good as what I wanted."

Sixteen of the 24 runners had a first lap under 66 seconds, but Shetler was one of just four who ran the second in under 68 as he moved up from 14th to seventh under a light drizzle.

"I was sticking with them, I'm like oh, I'm having a good race. The adrenaline just kept me going and it made it more fun with the rain."

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JEFF YODER/THE NEWS
Thaddeus Shetler runs the front stretch at Drake Stadium.



JEFF YODER/THE NEWS
Danielle Hostetler points to the heavens after winning the 2A championship in the 1500-meter run.

STATE CHAMPS AGAIN!

Danielle Hostetler adds to family legacy with three gold medals

Danielle Hostetler took charge in the next-to-last lap of the Class 2A girls 1500-meter run this past Saturday at Drake Stadium.

It was really vintage Danielle, who is a freshman at Mid-Prairie High School.

As she charged forward to create separation between those chasing her, there wasn't a thing they could do about it.

And with her victory Saturday, her third of the state championship meet, she wrote another chapter into the Hostetler sisters incredible history, both in track and cross country. As Danielle told reporters later, the legacy continues.

Anna Hostetler, now a sophomore runner at Liberty University and a former Iowa Hawkeye, won seven state track championships and one cross country individual title



Paul D. Bowker
Columnist

with Mid-Prairie.

Marie Hostetler, a freshman at Liberty, won six track state titles and three consecutive cross country individual championships, beginning in her sophomore year.

But Danielle took it up a notch. Beginning her freshman year as a 15-year-old, she won Class 2A individual and team cross country state titles, then tackled on two individual victories at the state track meet along with anchoring a Mid-Prairie relay win and helping the Golden Hawks capture their third consecutive team state title.

As she rounded that last turn Saturday at Drake Stadium, the moment certainly hit.

"It was amazing," she said. "I felt like I had a breakthrough race and ... the crowd cheering all the way around is amazing."

She had plenty of family support. In addition to her older sisters and a younger sister, her dad, Mark, is head coach of the Mid-Prairie cross country team. They were all at Drake last week cheering on Danielle.

"So many people gave me so much wisdom," Danielle Hostetler said. "My dad talked to me before. He just said give it all you got. And my sister, Marie, she said, 'You're going to be thinking about this all summer, so you better have something good to think about.'"

No worries there.

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McCain advances to state

BY PAUL D. BOWKER
The News

OSKALOOSA

Three years ago Dominic McCain, then a freshman at Mid-Prairie High School, averaged 55 shots a round. That was a round of nine holes.

He didn't even make the varsity team at Mid-Prairie. McCain chuckles about that now.

Shooting a personal-best 6-over-par 76 in a sectional qualifier in his senior season, McCain earned a spot in this week's Class 3A state tournament to be held Thursday and Friday at Elmwood Country Club in Marshalltown.

"It's just been something I've been pushing for such a long time," McCain said. "It's surreal that it happened."

McCain, who enters the state tournament as an individual qualifier, was co-medalist in the 3A sectional qualifier held May 20 at Edmondson Golf Course in Oskaloosa. The top two golfers in each sectional qualified for the state tournament, so long as they weren't part of a team that qualified as a team.

Will Simpson of Pella was the medalist with a score of 74.

McCain played his first nine holes just 1-over-par, and then scored a par on his 11th hole and a birdie on his 12th.

"I started getting a little worried," he said. "Like, 'Oh, wow, I've never really played like this before.'"

The scores tightened, and McCain was 6-over as he began play on the par-5 ninth, his last hole of the 18-hole round. He hoped to score at least a par to remain in contention for a spot in the state tournament. The drama was high.

"I walked up to the last hole, I kind of looked around at the people who were watching," McCain said. "I had one of my teammates who showed up there for the final four or five holes, and his older brother, Noah Schlaubaugh, who went to state a couple of years back. 'OK, I just need to go up here and play this hole the best way that I know how and just have a good time. Enjoy this last hole because this could be my last high school hole ever.'"

It wasn't his last high school hole ever. McCain hit two good shots, chipped onto the green

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Huskies update record books during state meet weekend

BY JEFF YODER
The News

DES MOINES

The Highland boys sprint relays have been setting new records all season, and that didn't stop at the state meet.

Both the 4x100 and 4x200-meter relays finished in the top half of the field, running the fastest times in program history.

"We really couldn't have asked for a better performance," coach Nick Ehret said. "It was a great way to end our year up at state."

The 4x200 of Kadin Jepson, Brenton Bonebrake, Tyler Thompson and Connor Grinstead finished 12th with a time

of 1:33.46.

"Without having last year, and feeling robbed, it feels great to make it here," Grinstead said. "We've got one senior so it feels great to do it for him. It feels amazing to be out here."

The Huskies also set a new record of 45.03 in the 4x100. Jepson, Taylor Day, Thompson and Grinstead were seeded 23rd, but finished 11th.

It was the fifth time the Huskies celebrated a new record during the season, something senior Kadin Jepson reflected on after his final race.

"I was hoping we were going to get a few school records, but I didn't expect basically five school records broken, even though some of them were

ours, over the span of the year," he said.

"This has been my best season in five years of track and I'm very happy with what we've done."

Grinstead also competed in the open 200-meter dash in the rain on Thursday. He finished 18th with a time of 23.53.

"It was interesting," Grinstead said. "Can't say I've ever run in pouring rain before, but I ran my best time of the year in it. This whole atmosphere—there's nothing like it."

"It makes your heart pound, the adrenaline flows. There's nothing like it."

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Connor Grinstead runs the 200-meter dash in the rain on Thursday.

ATHLETE of the WEEK

DANIELLE HOSTETLER

MID-PRAIRIE FRESHMAN

Danielle came away from her first state track meet with two individual titles and four medals. The state champion in the 1500 and 3000-meter races also anchored the Golden Hawks' first place distance medley.

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Top left, Maddie Edgington leads off for Mid-Prairie's state championship distance medley. Top center, Mitzi Evans takes the baton from Amber Swart for the 400-meter leg of the medley. Top right, Danielle Hostetler holds off Panorama's Jaidyn Sellers at the finish line. Middle left, Sydney Yoder leads a pack of runners during the 3000-meter run on Thursday. Middle right, the 4x100-meter relay of Edgington, Amara Jones, Alyssa McDowell and Swart pose for a photo after a third-place finish. Bottom left, Tori Boyse spins before releasing the discus. Bottom center, Ana Fleming carries the baton during the 4x800. Bottom right, Sidney Davis has her eyes on the next hurdle.

the CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WELLMAN YMCA

THURSDAY MAY 27 9 a.m. - Senior Fit 6 p.m. - Tae-kwon-do 6 p.m. - Core N More	TUESDAY JUNE 1 9 a.m. - Senior Fit 5:30 p.m. - Spin Class - Activity Room 6 p.m. - Tae-kwon-do
FRIDAY MAY 28 8 a.m. - Spin Class 1/2 gym 2 p.m. - ALC	WEDNESDAY JUNE 2 5 a.m. - Spin Class - 1/2 Gym 8 a.m. - Core N More 5 p.m. - Power Pump class 1/2 Banquet Hall 5:30 p.m. - Pound Fitness Class
SATURDAY MAY 29 10 a.m. - Kari Dolash Graduation party	THURSDAY JUNE 3 9 a.m. - Senior Fit 6 p.m. - Tae-kwon-do 6 p.m. - Core N More
SUNDAY MAY 30 New Life Church	
MONDAY MAY 31 Senior Center Fundraiser	

KALONA YMCA

THURSDAY MAY 27 5:15 a.m. - Total Body Conditioning w/ Angie Boyse 8:30 a.m. - Training w/ Marcus 1 Hoop 9 a.m. - 1/2 gym Tot Time 1 p.m. - Pickleball w/ Janet Goss 1/2 Court 5:30 - Washington Public Health Shot Clinic - Elements Room 5:30 p.m. - Open Co-Ed Volleyball Court 1 5:30 p.m. - Spin w/ Stacy Speas	TUESDAY JUNE 1 5:15 a.m. - Total Body Conditioning w/ Karsen 6 a.m. - Racquetball Norm Schrock 8 a.m. - Weather Pending MPMS 8th Grade 1/2 gym/elements 9 a.m. - 1/2 gym Tot Time 1 p.m. - Pickleball w/ Janet Goss 1/2 Court 5 p.m. - Racquetball w/ Ward 6 p.m. - Drop in Pickleball 1/2 court
FRIDAY MAY 28 5:45 a.m. - Spin w/ Tonja Poole 12 p.m. - Basketball Pickup	WEDNESDAY JUNE 2 6 a.m. - Spin Class 10 a.m. - Senior Fit Class w/ Angie Both Courts 6 p.m. - Adult Basketball League Both Courts 6 p.m. - Power Pump w/ Karsen
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Edgington and junior Mitzi Evans were also members of the first-place distance medley. Senior Amber Swart was a member of each of the past three state-champion medleys, each with a different Hostetler sister running the 800-meter leg.

Swart explained that she wasn't even supposed to run the event as a freshman, but stepped in along with Cassidy Rourke after injuries suffered by Edgington and Abbigail Evans.

"I think it really goes to show a lot about Mid-Prairie," Swart said, "just that no matter what happens, who gets hurt... three years down the road when seniors graduate - we're still winning medals."

Hostetler and Evans combined to score 40 of Mid-Prairie's 61 points in the open 200, 400, 800, 1500 and 3000-meter races.

"They are incredible competitors," Mid-Prairie coach Chris Tyler said. "They love the sport and they're phenomenal individuals, as humans. But again, as track athletes, it's undeniable they were born to run and they love it."

Hostetler, who was the 2A cross country champion in the fall, added her first state track title on Thursday with an easy win in the 3000-meter run, finishing 14 seconds ahead of the runner up.

With five laps left, Hostetler ran in second place with a smile on her face. With four laps left she took the lead, and with one left she grimaced and picked up the pace.

"It felt amazing, just because it was the last one," she said. "I knew I could win and kick it in. And I also knew that Sydney was close behind me, because I saw on the video board and that

made me super happy."

Yoder started out in 10th place after 600 meters, but moved up one place each lap to finish in fourth in her first state meet race.

"It was pretty cool," Yoder said. "The stadium is so huge and the track is nice and blue. It was a really cool experience and I'm glad I made it. I just want to give all the glory to God, because he's the one that got me here."

On Saturday, Hostetler finished eighth in the 800-meter run and added a fourth medal and second individual title with a win in the 1500-meter run.

Mitzi Evans finished second in the 800 and fourth in the 200-meter dash, but the one that meant the most to her was a third-place medal in the 400, which she ran for her sister Abbigail.

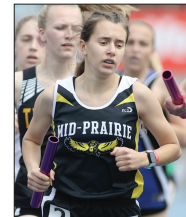
"That was her favorite race," Evans explained. "And then she (qualified) her sophomore year and didn't get to run it because of an injury. And then senior year, that was taken away. So I really wanted to run that for her. Because I know that's the race she really loves."

Evans lowered the Mid-Prairie 400-meter school record to 57.38. She took nearly four seconds off of her previous career-best on the way to a runner-up finish in the 800.

Ella Groenewold finished 12th in the high jump, while senior Tori Boyse was 11th in the discus and 13th in the shot put.

"It's awesome," Boyse said about the third consecutive team title. "It's very special to be a part of it - the community is just great. It was fun watching my teammates. I wish I would have done better myself, but my points weren't really needed, thank the Lord."

The Golden Hawk shuttle



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Jaden Yoder carries the baton during the 4x800-meter relay.

hurdle of Jones, Emily Schla-bach, Behla Schmidt and senior Sidney Davis finished 12th in the preliminaries, and the 4x200 finished in 11th place.

The Mid-Prairie 4x800-meter relay finished 18th on Thursday, led by a strong second leg from Jaden Yoder, who passed three runners with a split of 2:32 in her first ever event at the state meet.

"It was kind of a blur," she said on Saturday. "It was fun and I'm glad I got to run here."

The sprint medley finished 21st and Mid-Prairie's state meet weekend concluded with a third-place finish and season-best time from the 4x100 of Edgington, Jones, Alyssa McDowell and Swart.

After crossing the finish line, Swart was overcome by emotion before embracing Edgington, a fellow senior.

"I didn't really think about it too much before, but once I crossed the line kind of sunk in, that's my last race ever, Swart said. "And it just felt amazing to end it like that. It's something you're always going to remember, the final race you run or basket you shoot, anything like that. And I'm so happy it's that one. It's amazing."

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Top left, Clarke Latham hops over a hurdle during the shuttle hurdle race. Top right, Cain Brown goes over the bar during the 2A high jump competition on Friday. Bottom left, Chandler Hershberger carries the baton during the 4x800-meter relay. Bottom center, Will Cavanagh takes the handoff from Caleb Thomas during the 4x200-meter relay. Bottom right, Jamie Stutzman crosses the finish line after winning a battle for eighth place in the 3200-meter run on Thursday morning in Drake Stadium.

Golden Hawk boys collect medals and memories

BY JEFF YODER
The News

DES MOINES

The state track meet was finally back — and the Mid-Prairie boys left with three medals, some new personal best performances, and a lot of great memories.

Jamie Stutzman got the Golden Hawks started on the right foot with a medal in the 3200-meter run.

Stutzman was in 13th place at the midway point, before

moving up four places on his fifth lap. He was still two seconds behind the last medalist with one lap to go.

"My coach yelled at me on the backstretch, and I knew I had to get him," Stutzman said. "So I started chasing him down and I just got him at the end."

After crossing the line, Stutzman cracked a brief smile before spinning quickly to see his name appear on the scoreboard.

"Oh, that was a good feeling," He said. "Yeah, I wasn't

sure... I still had that uncertainty. You know, like, did I really make it? Did I really get him?"

On Saturday, Stutzman took three seconds off of his best time in the 800-meter run to finish 10th with a time of 2:01.43. Thaddeus Shetler took over 13 seconds off of his previous personal record to claim a medal with a seventh-place finish in the 1600.

"Today was a really good day," Mid-Prairie boys track coach Dain Jeppson said. "That was fun watching Jamison and Thaddeus have nice success to-

day, that was a lot of fun. That's the way the state meet is supposed to be. Come down and run your best."

Only two athletes in 2A jumped higher than Mid-Prairie's Cain Brown, who finished in eighth-place because of his three misses on the way to 6-foot-3. He missed once at 5-11 and then cleared 6-01 on the first go. He missed twice at 6-03 before clearing the bar and securing a medal.

"I was a little disappointed," said the sophomore who fin-

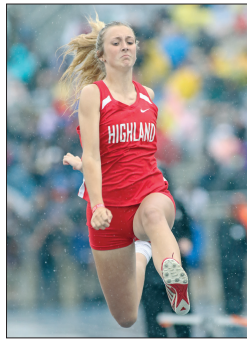
ished fourth at the Drake Relays and tied a school record at 6-06 the week before.

"But you know what, I went out there and I gave it all, as much as I could."

"The conditions weren't great. My body wasn't feeling 100 percent, but I pushed myself and I feel like I learned from that, and so I'll take it into next year. I felt good about placing."

The Mid-Prairie boys 4x200-

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Left, Alyssa Clarke runs the third leg of the 4x400-meter relay on Friday night. Center, Sarah Burton leaps over the sand in the long jump. Right, Mackenzie McFarland takes the baton from Katelyn Waters for the anchor leg of the 4x100-meter relay.

Huskies exceed season expectations in finale at Drake

BY JEFF YODER
The News

DES MOINES

At the beginning of the season, Highland seniors Taylor Sublette and Alyssa Clarke didn't expect to see sprint specialists Mackenzie McFarland and Sarah Burton on the 4x400-meter relay.

And they definitely didn't expect to finish the season running the 4x400 in Drake Stadium at the state meet.

"Honestly, I was not thinking this would ever happen," Clarke said after the final race of her career. "I was just so surprised and I'm so happy. At the end of the race, we didn't win, but we still ran the four by four."

The district champion Huskie relay had the 24th-fastest



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Taylor Sublette carries the baton during the 4x400-meter relay.

qualifying time, but finished 22nd with a time of 4:36.93.

About a month earlier,

Highland coach Angie Strobel decided to switch things up by adding a couple sprinters, a freshman and a sophomore, to the 4x400. They finished first, and improved from there.

"This was our fourth time running the race," Sublette said. "And I think we've done a great job every time. I mean, the girls that we're with are just so amazing. And they're such fun girls to have on a team. So I think even if we didn't place as good as we wanted to, we still had a lot of fun. And we made the most of our experience."

On Thursday, Burton finished 11th in the long jump and McFarland was 14th in the 100-meter dash. On Friday, the 4x200-meter relay ran its fastest time of the season.

"All the athletes were first timers at the state meet and

they definitely enjoyed the experience despite the rain," Strobel said. "I'm overall very proud of how the girls performed, handling the rain on Thursday and then the swing to heat on Friday."

The 4x200 of Clarke, Burton, Waters, and McFarland finished 16th with a time of 1:51.78.

"It feels great," Waters said after the race. "We love to be here."

The Huskies were seeded seventh in the second heat, but finished one spot higher, a full second ahead of the next competitor.

"Going into it, we were in lane one," Burton said. "But we definitely caught up and we were seeded."

The 4x100 of MyLei Smith, Burton, Waters, and McFar-

land finished 21st.

"The girls competed well in the 4x100," Strobel said. "Mackenzie McFarland has been a good closer for us in all of our relays and the 4x100 at state was no exception."

"Our time was not the fastest we've run this season, but all the girls in that relay will be back next year to get another chance at improving on that."

Walking through the infield after the final race of her career, Sublette took a moment to look around and take in the state meet atmosphere from the track level.

"To go out of your high school career running out the blue oval — yeah, that's pretty amazing," she said. "And I'm extremely happy and proud of our team."

Mid-Prairie reaches substate final after 3-1 win in PKs



Owen Trimpe celebrates after sealing a win for Mid-Prairie on Monday night in Albia.

BY JEFF YODER
The News

ALBIA

Neither Mid-Prairie nor Albia could find the net during 90 minutes of regulation and 20 minutes of overtime, but Jarrett Hoffman, Tucker Miller and Owen Trimpe each scored during penalty kicks as Mid-Prairie moved on to the substate final, a 3-1 winner in penalty kicks.

Junior Justice Jones, who made the transition from team manager to varsity goalie two weeks ago, made seven saves to keep the game scoreless through regulation and overtime.

It started out as a joke.

The junior varsity coaches joked about Jones putting on the goalie gloves when a Golden Hawk JV keeper was unavailable for a game two weeks ago. It quickly became apparent that even though they were joking, Jones was willing to give it a try.

The next night, he played in the junior varsity game. The day after that, he started for the varsity against fourth-ranked West Liberty.

"I had no idea what I was doing," Jones said.

At one point the Comets drew a PK in that game. Jones, having misunderstood instructions, came off the line and charged at the kicker, drawing a yellow card.

"We've come a long way from that situation," Mid-Prairie coach Pat Cady said. "We got a brand new ball machine this year and he's probably caught



Golden Hawk goalkeeper Justice Jones is congratulated by teammates after the substate semifinal victory.

over 500 balls since we started him at West Liberty.

"And I think just the game minutes help him a lot. Goalkeeper is the toughest position to play because you never know when you have to come out or stay back."

On Monday, Albia scored just one time on four penalty kick attempts.

"We tried working with Justice a little bit to try to read the plant foot," Cady said. "I told him it's going to be kind of hard for him to do on the fly this year, but I said maybe mid next year, he could have it figured out. But it looked to me like he might be picking it up pretty quickly."

"I give him credit for being a great coachable kid. A super athlete, and you know he's go-

ing to give you everything."

The Mid-Prairie defense focused on limiting senior Landon Noe, who had 16 goals entering Monday's game.

"We knew he liked to take a step to the end line and get you to bite, and then he'd come back across the middle and rip it. But I think he probably only had two or three decent shots tonight, so our defenders did a great job of taking his left foot away."

Jake Swartzendruber and Jack Pennington each nearly had a game-winning goal in the second half, but saw their long attempts bounce back off the crossbar.

The Golden Hawks move on to see a rematch with West Liberty in the district final on Wednesday.



JEFF YODER/THE NEWS

Hillcrest senior Aaron Hershberger clears the final hurdle of the 110-meter race in Des Moines on Friday.

Hershberger finishes his career on Drake's blue oval

BY JEFF YODER
The News

DES MOINES

Aaron Hershberger wrapped up his track & field career at Drake Stadium on Friday, competing in the 110 and 400-meter hurdle races, just 90 minutes apart.

He finished 17th in the 110-meter race with a time of 16.39 and 16th in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 59.09.

Hershberger passed a couple runners on the frontstretch of the 400 to finish fourth out of eight in the second heat.

"The wind was pretty strong," Hershberger said. "I could definitely feel it hopping over those hurdles. But that's usually my specialty—the last 100 meters, and I kicked it in."

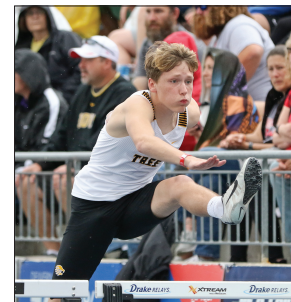
It was the first trip to the state meet for the Raven senior. "It was a good experience,"

he said. "Not one of my best races but I tried my best. That's all I can ask for. I bumped up two places from where I was ranked in the 110s. So I was happy with that."

Hershberger qualified for the state meet with a career-best time of 57.65 at WACO on May 13. He also is a member of the school-record holding shuttle hurdle relay, which set the new Raven standard in the conference meet on May 6.

"Aaron has been a dedicated track and field athlete for the past four years," coach Marty Gingerich said. "He has trained diligently each season improving his strength and speed each year."

"Being able to participate in the state meet was a celebration of Aaron fully developing the gifts God has given him to run fast and jump over hurdles."



JEFF YODER/THE NEWS

Lone Tree's Alex Viner, Cade Patterson, and Ethan Willoz run the shuttle hurdle relay during the afternoon session at Drake Stadium on Thursday, May 20.

Lone Tree hurdlers compete in Thursday's 1A session



JEFF YODER/THE NEWS

Sophomore Drew Gauley flies over a hurdle during a shuttle hurdle preliminary on Thursday.

BY JEFF YODER
The News

DES MOINES

The Lone Tree athletes and fans didn't have a long day at the state track meet, but the memories made during those 15 minutes will last forever.

The Lions ran in the third heat of the shuttle hurdle relay—the first event of the afternoon session on Thursday.

The stands were packed as sophomores Drew Gauley and Ethan Willoz and junior Cade Patterson made their state track meet debut.

"It's a great feeling," said senior Alex Viner, who returned to the state meet for the first time since he ran the leadoff leg for the 15th-place distance medley in 2019.

"You know, anytime you

make it here, it's a successful season. No matter how you do, and we didn't run the best, but it doesn't matter. We made it here, and that's the most important thing."

"I'm glad I got to spend it with these guys."

It's just great to be here," he said after the race. "You know, at the start of the season, we didn't even have a shuttle hurdle team. At our second meet at Waco, we put one together and

just really went on from there."

Lone Tree ran a time of 1:15.76 in the event at the WACO Relays on April 6. Five weeks later they were back on the same track and ran nearly nine seconds faster to qualify for the state meet.

After Thursday's race, Patterson said, "we've run faster, but you know, I think it was a thrill just to be here, honestly."

At one point, tickets to the state meet were limited to just two per athlete, but meet officials announced the removal of those limitations on May 18.

"It's surreal," Viner said about the experience afterwards. "It's crazy seeing all these people. I'm glad the restrictions got lifted and everyone could come. It's really nice seeing everyone here, just like 2019."



JEFF YODER/THE NEWS

Mid-Prairie sophomore Ella Groenewold goes over the high jump bar at the state track meet on Friday.

Groenewold overcomes injury, places twelfth at state meet

BY JEFF YODER

The News

DES MOINES

After her final attempt at the high jump in the state track meet on Friday, Ella Groenewold strapped a walking boot on her left foot and picked up her crutches.

A stress fracture discovered after Mid-Prairie's third meet cost Groenewold most of her sophomore season, but the pain didn't keep her from competing for a state championship.

Groenewold cleared the bar at 5-foot-2 during Mid-Prairie's first meet of the season at Mount Pleasant on April 1, but the injury has kept her from going higher.

On the infield of Drake Stadium Friday surrounded by thousands of fans, Groenewold was just happy to be there. Despite her injury and discomfort, she cleared five feet and finished in the top half of the field at 12th overall.

Groenewold was satisfied to finish her season in Des Moines.

"I started high jump in eighth grade and I didn't get a season last year," she said. "I haven't been able to jump much this year, so I was just thankful



JEFF YODER/THE NEWS

Ella Groenewold watches a race while she waits to jump.

to make it to state in the first place."

She returned to action for the River Valley Conference meet two weeks earlier, where she finished second with a jump of five feet. A week later, she matched her personal record with a jump of 5-foot-2 in the district meet to qualify for state.

On Friday, Groenewold cleared 4-08 and 4-10 on her first attempt, and made it over the 5-foot bar on her second try.

"I just really focused on rotating my body, because that's something I've been struggling with and getting a good arch," she explained.

Only three competitors went higher than 5-foot-2 in 2A, including Sheldon's state champion sophomore Maddie Olson, who won with a height of 5-09. Olson cleared every height on her first attempt until her unsuccessful pursuit of a new 2A meet record at 5-11.25.

Hillcrest season ends in districts



JEFF YODER/THE NEWS

London Schrock watches his ball roll on the green earlier this season.

BY PAUL D. BOWKER

The News

IOWA CITY

Golfers on this year's Hillcrest Academy team were toddlers, or babies, the last time the school made it to the district round of the state golf tournament.

And when the Ravens competed in a Class 1A district tournament on May 20 at Pleasant Valley Golf Course in Iowa City, they responded by posting a 391.

It was their second best team score of the season.

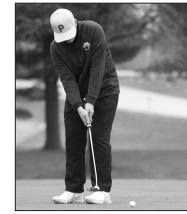
Jace Rempel, a sophomore, led the Ravens with a 90.

The 391 was not enough to advance the Ravens to this week's state tournament in Newton.

"Even though they fell short of making it into the state tournament at the very end, they still had somewhat of a magical season," said coach Phil Schintler. "They should be proud to be the first team in 16 years to make it to districts. They earned it."

The Ravens had their first winning season since 2015, including starting the spring with victories against Highland, Louisa-Muscatine and Wapello. They finished fifth in the Central Lee Invitational and advanced to the 1A district tournament by posting a 367 in the 1A sectional at Knoll Ridge Country Club in North English.

London Schrock carded a 91 with two birdies in the district tourney at Pleasant Valley.



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Jace Rempel makes a short putt during a meet in Kalona.

Luke Schrock shot a 97, and was followed by Josiah Beachy at 113 and Alex Niemeyer at 136.

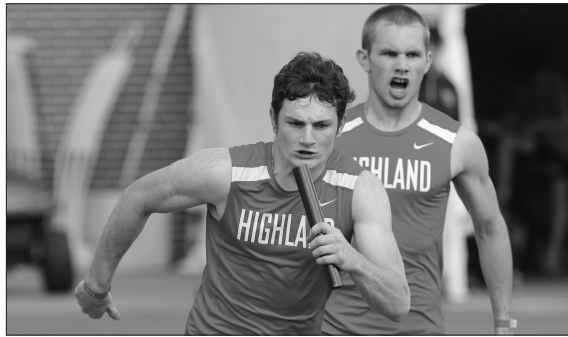
The tournament followed a week of practice at Pleasant Valley, sandwiched between rainstorms.

"The Ravens practiced hard all week golfing many holes at Pleasant Valley in preparation," Schintler said. "The course was very wet to the point where the ground moved underneath your feet earlier in the week due to water saturation."

North Tama and North Cedar each totaled team scores of 339 to move on to the state tournament Thursday and Friday. HLV's Ethan Kupka, the medalist with a 74, and New London's Clayton Phillips were individual qualifiers.



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Top left, Tyler Thompson hand the baton off to Connor Grinstead during the 4x200-meter relay. Top right, Kadin Jepson hands off to Taylor Day during the 4x100. Bottom, Jepson yells encouragement at Brenton Bonebrake after handing off in the 4x200 on Friday in Drake Stadium.

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It was the first time at the state meet for each of the Highland boys, and four of the five participants will return next season.

"We only lose one senior Kadin Jepson, who is a huge loss, he started both relays," Ehret said, "but we return four core sprinters in Connor Grinstead, Brenton Bonebrake, Tyler Thompson, and Taylor Day and we're hoping to add a few more guys next year so the future is bright."

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with his third shot, and took two putts to nail his par.

After a half hour wait, as the other golfers completed their rounds, McCain discovered he had made the field for the state tournament.

"I felt pretty confident throughout the day," he said. "I just got really nervous there toward the end. It's surreal that it actually happened, that I have a chance to represent my school at state."

"I am so happy for Dominic," Mid-Prairie coach Kelby Bender said. "He has worked hard for this. He played really good golf today. His ball striking was excellent and he made some nice putts. I am really proud of how he stuck with it on the back nine. He had a stretch of four holes that he didn't play the way he wanted. He held it together and made a great par on his last hole to shoot 76."

The day began by not thinking about golf. And it worked.

"Going into the day, I'm not going to lie, I was really nervous," McCain said.

"I was talking to my golf coach about anything other than golf. It was unusual because I talk about golf all the time. I just went out there and just wanted to have fun. That was my main goal. If I went out to the course and had fun, maybe I'll post a decent number. And that's exactly what happened."

It was a fun day for a guy who averaged 55 shots over nine holes his freshman year and who simply got better by the time his senior year rolled around.

"From 55 to 45 (sophomore year) and this year 40? That's a big drop," McCain said, laughing.

A big drop indeed. Worthey of a state tournament berth.

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Second-half Hawks come back at Washington

BY DOUGLAS MILES

Correspondent

WASHINGTON

Time and again, the Mid-Prairie girls' soccer team has displayed the heart, hustle and resolve of a squad that saves its best for pivotal late moments.

If an opponent does not get to the Golden Hawks in the first half of a match, it is likely not going to get them at all.

Ten times this season, Mid-Prairie has either led or been tied with its opponent at half-time. In all 10 instances, the Golden Hawks have prevailed.

"We have been talking about it all season," fifth-year Coach Justin Barthelman said after the Golden Hawks scored twice in the final 13 minutes of regulation to defeat Washington, 3-2, in the regular season finale for both schools Thursday at Washington High School. "We have been a second-half team. We just tell them, 'We have got to keep fighting.' We had plenty of opportunities. It was kind of a back-and-forth game. It was pretty physical. Both had a lot of opportunities and chances. We just had to capitalize on them."

Mid-Prairie (10-5) has outscored its opponents after half-time by a whopping margin of 31-10 this season. Against the Demons, it was junior forward Julia Boller who provided the late heroics. First, Boller tied the match at 2-2 with a goal off a corner kick from junior midfielder Kaitlin Martin with 12:30 left in regulation. Nearly 10 minutes later, sophomore Peyton Swartzentruber lofted a pass between Boller and the Washington goalkeeper. Boller won the frantic sprint to the ball and punched the ball home for the go-ahead score.

"Part of the second half



Junior Julia Boller controls the ball in the offensive half of the field during a game at West Branch.

we were just getting tired and they were just beating us," said Boller, who now has eight goals this season. "And then those last 12 minutes, 15 minutes, we just were like, 'We are going to win this.' And we all just got in that mentality and we just went for it and all played our hardest."

Martin finished the match with a goal and an assist for Mid-Prairie, which won for the seventh time in 10 matches, including its last three in a row. Just three years removed from a one-win season in 2018, the Golden Hawks can now celebrate their second double-digit win campaign (the Golden

Hawks also won 10 matches in 2019).

"It has been really awesome to see how much the program has progressed and changed," senior goalkeeper Emily Swartzentruber said. "Especially since my freshman year when we started. We had such a small team to the point where quite a few games, we actually had to play with no subs. So we would play the entire game in the same positions and we didn't get a break unless it was halftime. So to go from being that small of a team to having four or five subs is amazing in itself. And then we gained coaches and more help and it has been really awe-

some to see."

Emily Swartzentruber and defender Emma Slaubaugh are the last remaining players from the 2018 team. That pair – plus fellow senior Katrina Curtiss, a three-year varsity letterwinner – have been instrumental in providing leadership and building a cohesive unit with talented younger players like Boller, Martin, junior Esther Hughes (team high 19 goals this season) and sophomore Sophia Baker (10 goals).

"We all have a lot of confidence in each other and we work together really well," Slaubaugh said. "We are all really good at talking with each other

and hyping each other up."

The loss of the entire 2020 girls' soccer season due to the onset of the coronavirus only heightened the focus and resolve of the team.

"It made us a lot more thankful that we are able to play sports together," Slaubaugh said.

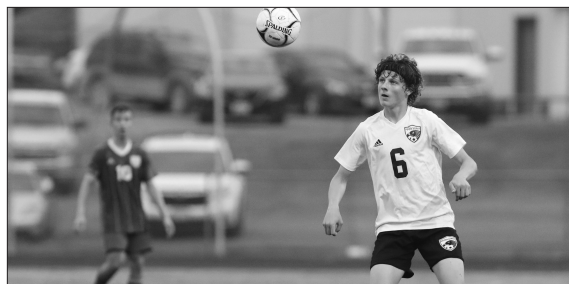
In an effort to ensure her final high school soccer season would be as successful as possible, Emily Swartzentruber prepared by prioritizing often-overlooked behaviors like diet, hydration and sleep.

"It has made us work a lot harder," Swartzentruber said. "Especially us seniors that lost the season last year. We lost our junior season. A lot of us are working a lot harder than we usually would. We are putting in more time. Personally, I have changed a lot of my own habits just for this team alone and it has made us put in even more effort than we would in a regular season."

With the regular season now in the rearview mirror, the Golden Hawks shift their focus to a Class 1A regional first round match against Columbus Junction (7-4) on Wednesday at 6 at the Wellman Rotary Soccer Fields. The winner of that match will advance to a regional semifinal June 1 against the winner of Solon and Central Lee at Solon.

In its May 3 meeting with Columbus Junction, Mid-Prairie was true to its exemplary second-half exploits by scoring all seven of its goals after half-time in a 7-0 whitewash of the Wildcats.

"These last few games, we have just been playing better as a team," Boller said. "Each game lately, we have just been getting better and working better."



Jack Pennington gets his head on a ball during the second half of a game in Albia on Monday.

Hawks take postseason opener

BY DOUGLAS MILES

Correspondent

WELLMAN

Prior to this season, Jackson Pennington had not played organized soccer since the fifth grade.

Inspired by the Golden Hawks' nine-win boys' soccer campaign two years ago, the Mid-Prairie junior elected to make the springtime switch from track and field to the soccer pitch for his final two seasons of high school.

"I have loved it," said Pennington, who helped open the scoring with his sixth assist this season in a 3-0 victory for Class 1A No. 15 Mid-Prairie over Pella Christian in a substate quarterfinal match Thursday at the Wellman Rotary Soccer Fields. "It has been such a great move for me. Being with all my teammates, having a lot of fun, just building all of the chemistry with a new group of guys. It has just been a lot of fun."

Pennington has been anything but a token addition to boost the roster numbers for the Golden Hawks. The versatile performer – already a standout on both the football and basketball teams at Mid-Prairie – has displayed little or no effects of a soccer layoff that dates back to his elementary school days with the Iowa City Kickers Soccer Club. Pennington has started 13 of 14 matches for Mid-Prairie (10-4), provided excellent defense and is second on the team with 14 goals scored. Only sophomore forward Owen Trimpe (15) has scored more goals this season for the Golden Hawks.

"I was a little rusty at first," Pennington said. "(Mid-Prairie coaches) Pat (Cady), Wyatt

(Cady) really worked me back into it. But the first couple of weeks of practice were a bit rough. But when we start early during spring break, it is really a good time to build and get ready for that first game."

Just when it appeared as if the matchup with Pella Christian (2-13) was destined for a scoreless halftime stalemate, Pennington made a play. His deft dribbling through the Pella Christian defense produced enough time to get the ball to junior forward Gunner Gingerich, whose strike past the outstretched goalkeeper gave the Golden Hawks a 1-0 lead with just 11 seconds left until halftime.

"Once again, it was Jack Pennington," Pat Cady said. "They got the ball to his feet at the middle of the pitch and I told him he had 24 seconds to do something. It was nice when you see him dribble down and we actually got something out of it. I really think that helped take some momentum out of Pella Christian at halftime by getting that goal put in. And we needed it."

The goal was the seventh this season for Gingerich, who recorded five shots on goal in the first half.

"It was really big," Gingerich said. "Because it gave us some momentum going into the half. And we knew that we could score, we just needed to get one in to give us that confidence."

The shutout was the second in a row for Mid-Prairie junior goalkeeper Justice Jones, who was starting just his fourth match this season. After surrendering five goals in a loss to 1A No. 5 West Liberty on May 11, Jones has allowed just two total in the three ensuing matches.

"Justice is doing a great job for us," Pat Cady said. "He is starting to play like a veteran a little bit. The first game that we played, he punted and punted and punted and punted and now he is starting to realize, 'I can roll this thing out and keep possession of it.'"

Cady also highlighted Pennington's defensive impact with Jones in goal.

"Him and Jack have got a pretty good relationship on that right side," Cady said. "If him and Pennington keep working well together, we can get some good results of not having to get rid of the ball and make the other team chase us."

Clinging to a 1-0 lead with just over five minutes left in regulation, Mid-Prairie received a valuable insurance goal off the foot of senior midfielder Zeus Fugate, who emerged from a scrum of fallen players to drive home a clear shot for his 10th goal this season.

"It just lets the tensions off," said Fugate, who will walk on at Mount Mercy next season. "A 1-0 is always tough, even 2-0 can be kind of nerve-wracking when you have time left. The fact that we were able to keep getting goals up, it lets the game and the tension go off."

Senior midfielder Aaron Slaubaugh tucked on another goal off a Fugate assist in the closing seconds of the substate quarterfinal.

"It really boosts our confidence," Pennington said. "Sometimes they say the first game is the hardest. This team (Pella Christian), not many wins, but of course they are going to play their hardest. Last chance out here. Really boosts our confidence going down there."

Ravens win post-season rematch



The Ravens celebrate a substate quarterfinal victory over Central Lee.

BY MOLLY ROBERTS

The News

KALONA

Hillcrest Academy defeated Central Lee, 2-0, in the first round of substate play on Thursday, May 20, thanks to two goals that came less than a minute apart in the first half.

Midway through the first half, Hillcrest ramped up its pressure on Central Lee. Aidan Yoder sent a ball forward to Eli Ours, who then passed wide to Jorge Canchola. Canchola controlled the ball, with help from Noah Miller, before cutting the ball back and beating the goalie to the near post – Hillcrest up 1-0.

The last time Hillcrest faced Central Lee, the Ravens lost 1-0 in overtime and head coach Marcus Miller said the team struggled to get shots off throughout the entire game.

"The keeper and sweeper are really good, so we tried to do some things different for that tonight," Coach Miller said after the Ravens' victory on Thursday. "We concentrated a lot on trying to get the ball wide. And it worked, so we got more shots."

Thirty-seven seconds after the first goal, the Ravens found the back of the net again. Yoder sent the ball forward, where Noah Miller took control and passed to Will Kolck, who beat his defender to the inside before taking a quick shot and giving Hillcrest a 2-0 lead.

"We've struggled to score at times this year, so it's

nice to finally get a goal," Coach Miller said. "We're learning to be patient. To get two goals was great, we thought if we got three, they might give up a little but that didn't happen."

While Hillcrest did create chances in the second half, and even found the back of the net twice, both goals were waived off by an offside call and a penalty.

The second half of the game was decidedly more physical than the first – both teams became more aggressive going after the ball, which resulted in more tussles and generally rough play.

Coach Miller said the back and midfield Ravens did a great job of standing up to the pressure.

"Grant Bender, Aidan Yoder and Aaron Hershsberger in the first half and Andrew Starr in the second just did a really good job of limiting their chances," Coach Miller said. "Those guys in the back did a really nice job of standing up to [the roughness] and not holding on to the ball too long, but getting rid of it so that it doesn't give [Central Lee] a chance to do anything."

Coach Miller praised the midfield players, including Eli Ours, Canchola, Dominic Bouse and Collin Miller, for controlling the game, noting that the Ravens passed the ball better than they had in recent games.

Hillcrest's season came to an end on Monday with a 4-0 loss to No. 1 Burlington Notre Dame in a substate semifinal.

Young Huskie softball team excited about new season

BY DOUGLAS MILES

Correspondent

RIVERSIDE

Carrie Wieland beamed when speaking about the excitement level for the coming softball season.

The 18th-year Highland coach lost just one senior to graduation from the team that finished 9-7 last year, which extended a long string of winning campaigns for the Huskies' program.

When a reporter asked what has her so excited about her current bunch, she emphasized two words.

"Team unity," Wieland said after the Huskies fell to West Burlington, 7-1, in the season-opening game for both schools Monday night at Highland High School. "How they encourage each other. If somebody screws up, they are backing each other, they are telling each other it is OK. I hope they stay good friends and we are going to keep building from there."

It is not a stretch to believe the Huskies will not face a better pitcher all season than they did in their opener against West Burlington sophomore Lauren Summers. As a freshman last year, Summers won 13 of 17 decisions, posted an earned run average of 1.90 and struck out a whopping 147 batters.

Monday night against the Huskies, Summers allowed two

hits, one run, walked five and struck out nine with an effective riseball and impressive velocity.

"For us, seeing the speed," Highland junior third baseman Mackinze Hora said. "I almost like the fast ones. I think they are able to travel the ball further. But seeing the speed, I do not think everyone is used to that right now. And we're very young. Seeing the speed, she is first of all a fast pitcher but we're still getting cuts off her and everything. So come that time when we get pitchers that are more our level that our pitchers have been pitching, then we are going to be strong."

Highland sophomore catcher Abbi Stransky - who hit .333 and drove in 16 runs last season - drilled a solo home run that tied the game at 1-1 in the fourth inning for the Huskies, but West Burlington tacked on runs in each of the final three innings, including a four-run seventh that broke the game open.

"I am super proud of them," Wieland said. "This is the first time we have all played together since the season started. We have had different practices at different times. The girls have come. But I am super proud of our outcome. We put the ball in play. Quite a few strikeouts, but I am content with what we did and how we did it."

Second baseman Jenna

Sands was the lone senior in last night's starting lineup for Highland. On days she is not pitching, junior Grace Batcheller appears to have grabbed control of the center field spot despite being new to the position. Freshman Sarah Burton returns at shortstop after posting 21 hits and 11 runs scored last season.

"I honestly think this is our year," said Hora, who accounted for 17 hits and scored eight runs last season. "We have worked a lot on training. We have been training, training, training. I really want to say this is our year, especially since we have been together for so long. This is it. This is the time. Our changes are good."

Sophomore Jessica Kraus (.23, 1.78 ERA, 10 walks, 38 strikeouts last season) and Batcheller (.74, 3.52 ERA, 18 walks, 47 strikeouts) bring plenty of returning experience to the pitching circle.

"My pitching staff was amazing tonight," Wieland said. "They pitched exactly like we wanted them to. Shared the duties. Tomorrow we play (Hillcrest Academy) twice, so we will try to see if we can get through a whole game with each of them. I am just super proud of what they did."

The Huskies will travel to Hillcrest Academy for a Tuesday doubleheader.

Riverside Horseshoe Results week three

	W	L
1. Bud's	4 ½	1 ½
Jody Whestine & Wally Walters		
2. VFW 6414	3 ½	2 ½
Dee Simon & Wendy Boyse		
3. Simon Repair	3 ½	2 ½
Verlaene Ockenfels & Don Edwards		
4. Yoder Masonry	3	3
Matt Schnobelen & Nate Robinson		
5. Madeline's Coffee House	2 ½	3 ½
Matt Hora & Louie Kron		
6. La Chiva Loka	2 ½	3 1/2
Trey Brenneman & Chris Ockenfels		
7. Mr. Gutter	2 ½	3 ½
Matt Gerot & Matt Rittenmeyer		
8. Edwards Painting	2	4
Jenny Brand & Dave Edwards		

King of the Hill

rained out

Lorack strikes out 18 batters in 9-2 win

BY JEFF YODER

The News

LONE TREE

Lone Tree junior Arlie Lorack struck out a school-record 18 batters as the Lady Lions opened the season with a 9-2 win over English Valleys.

Arlie pitched a great game," Lone Tree head coach Reid Kaalberg said. "Arlie put in a ton of time in the offseason working on her spins and working on moving the ball. I'm very proud of her tonight. Lorack allowed two runs on just two hits and seven walks over seven innings.

She faced 30 batters and only five were able to put the ball in play.

Ellen Carrow drove in two runs with a single, followed by a 2-RBI double from Alex Dautremont during a five-run inning, which put Lone Tree ahead 8-0 after four.

"Our offense came out and was swinging the bat," Kaalberg said. "We had six girls with at least one hit on the night."

Lorack, Dautremont, Hogan Eden, and Avery Grover each had two hits.

Carrow and Eden each stole two bases for Lone Tree.

"Our defense also made zero errors which is something that we've been spending a lot



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Arlie Lorack prepares to deliver a pitch during Monday's win.

of time on, so it was nice to see that," Kaalberg said.

"All of these girls look forward to coming to practice every single day and that makes coaching them easy. We are excited for the busy week we have left and we are hoping to continue to get better each day."

Lone Tree was in action again on Tuesday night, hosting Columbus. The Lady Lions traveled to Highland for a conference matchup on Thursday, May 27.

Hawks ready for another run

BY PAUL D. BOWKER

The News

WELLMAN

Mid-Prairie's baseball team delivered a powerful message in its season-opening doubleheader Monday night.

The Golden Hawks appeared ready to make another run at this summer's state tournament in Des Moines.

Led by Aiden Rath's strong pitching performance and perfect hitting in Game 1, and Keegan Gingerich's overwhelming 11-strikeout season debut in Game 2, Mid-Prairie swept West Liberty by scores of 14-3 and 8-0.

The games were the first for the Golden Hawks at home since they defeated West Liberty for a district championship last July, one of 15 victories on the way to the Class 2A state tournament at Des Moines.

The wins also mark the head coaching debut for Mid-Prairie's Kyle Mullett, an assistant coach on last year's team.

Rath, a senior who was one of the top hitters in Class 2A last season but did not pitch due to an injury, displayed his double threat impressively Monday night. He struck out nine and gave up just one run in three innings of pitching. At the plate, he was perfect. Rath had three hits in three at-bats, stroking a double, triple and



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Keegan Gingerich pitches during a playoff game in 2019.

home run. He drove in three runs and scored twice.

Rath emerged from opening night with a .750 hitting average and .857 on-base percentage.

The Golden Hawks scored seven runs in the opening inning of the opening game, and added a single run in the second inning and six more runs in the third. The game was stopped after five innings.

Kayden Reinier, beginning a five-hit night, had two hits and drove in three runs, and Cain Brown had two hits and scored twice.

Senior pitcher-outfielder Vinny Bowlin and sophomore Camron Pickard finished the

pitching job behind Rath.

Gingerich and Brown shut West Liberty down in the nightcap, blanking the Comets on a combined two-hitter. Gingerich struck out seven in 5.2 innings.

Rath, now playing in right field, walked three times and scored once.

Reinier added three hits and scored three times.

Ahead 2-0, the Golden Hawks scored six times in the sixth inning to close the game up.

Mid-Prairie plays at North Cedar on Thursday night, and returns home June 1 for a 5 p.m. doubleheader against Durant.

BY PAUL D. BOWKER

The News

KALONA

A young hitting lineup paid off for Mid-Prairie's softball team in its season-opening doubleheader Monday night.

The Golden Hawks dropped a pair of games to 3A No. 7 West Liberty, 8-5 and 12-4.

But the season's first night may have delivered a glimpse of what is to come for the Golden Hawks, their youthful lineup and first-year head coach Matt Hoepfner.

Eighth-graders Dakota Mitchell and Brenna Jehle each had four hits. Mitchell had a team-leading three hits in her debut in the first game, and Jehle had a team-high three hits in the nightcap. Both emerged from opening night with .500 batting averages; Jehle with a .625 slugging percentage.

Madeline Schrader, a sophomore, hit a home run in the second game.

"I'm very proud of these ladies," Hoepfner said. "They didn't quit when we got down early, kept fighting. Madeline Schrader hit her first career home run. We hit .355 tonight off of two very good West Liberty pitchers. The best is yet to come for these ladies."

West Liberty escaped Kalo-

na with a sweep after the Comets scored a few big innings. The Comets scored five runs in the second inning of the opener and added a four-run fourth inning and an eight-run fifth inning in the second game.

West Liberty totaled 19 hits, including four extra-base hits, in the two games.

Sailor Hall pitched five innings of the opening game for West Liberty, and helped out at the plate by hitting a single, double and triple.

But in the nightcap, the Golden Hawks had 13 hits to West Liberty's 8. In addition to Jehle's three hits and Schrader's home run, freshman catcher Hannah Sellers, junior outfielder Cana Rediger and junior infielder Dawsyn Miller each had two hits.

Sellers also had a hit and scored a run in the opening game.

Senior pitcher Myah Lugar struck out two and pitched all seven innings in the opener. Lugar also started the second game, giving up four runs in four innings. She was followed in the circle by Miller and eighth-grader Sydney Knebel.

The Golden Hawks play at North Cedar on Thursday night and return home on Memorial Day for a home game against Mount Vernon at Mid-Prairie Middle School at 7 p.m.

Highland drops opener 11-7

BY DOUGLAS MILES

Correspondent

RIVERSIDE

The Highland baseball team revealed a few areas in need of polishing in its season-opening game, but one thing appears clear.

The Huskies can hit.

"I think we will only get better. I really do," sixth-year Highland Coach Seth Milledge said after the Huskies lost to West Burlington, 11-7, Monday night at Highland High School. "Very pleased with how our hitting has been early, even in practice. Came out and we didn't score in a couple of innings there, but we scratched in the first three innings and scratched some runs across. We hit the ball well. The more games you play, the better you are going to get."

Highland (0-1) was on the wrong end of a 4-0 deficit after the first half inning, but claimed the lead with a three-run bottom half of the first inning and single runs in the sec-

ond and third. But three West Burlington runs in the fourth inning, two in the sixth and two in the seventh kept the Huskies at bay.

Despite an offense that produced seven runs and nine hits, the Huskies felt there was more to be had.

"I thought we really battled to the end, we never really gave up," junior pitcher/outfielder Connor Grinstead said. "We just struggled at the plate, but that will happen. We will fix it. We are good, solid team. We start slow, but we will get into it."

Highland graduated four seniors from its starting lineup last season, which ended with an 8-7 record - the seventh year in the row that the Huskies posted a winning record.

A strong junior class that also includes junior catcher Trevor McFarland (.375, home run, 11 runs batted in last season), third baseman Chase Schultz (.366, 12 RBIs) and shortstop Luke Miller (.304, 18 runs scored) bring a lot of cohe-

sion, chemistry and experience that comes with being teammates for several years.

"A lot of us have been here since our eighth grade year," Grinstead said. "We keep building experience and it is just going to keep building. We are just going to get better. When there are high-pressure situations, we have been there before, done it and it is a lot easier knowing we have been there before."

McFarland finished the game with two hits and a run scored, while Miller reached base four times and scored twice from the leadoff spot.

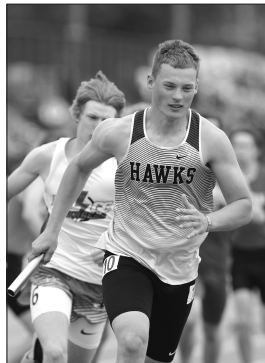
Grinstead, McFarland and Schultz each started games on the pitching mound last season for Highland, which visits Hillcrest Academy on Tuesday.

"The kids tried," Milledge said. "It is part of the game, it happens. Overall, they did a very good job. Pleased with the first night even though we did not get the 'W.' But they worked hard all game. Never gave up. Fought to the end."



JEFF YODER/THE NEWS

Golden Hawk freshman Elliott Deblor hits a ball from the fairway on the Kalona Golf Course earlier this season.



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Top left, Nathan Quinby steps into the starting blocks for the distance medley. Top right, Josh Wallington throws the shot put. Bottom left, Ben Meader carries the baton during the 4x800-meter relay. Bottom right, Luke Albright runs his leg of the shuttle hurdle relay.

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meter relay of Clarke Latcham, Caleb Thomas, Will Cavanagh and Carter Harmsen had the 22nd-fastest qualifying time out of the 24 teams, but finished 14th on Friday after taking over a second off their previous best with a time of 1:38.16.

Harmsen, who has been with the track team for less than a month, anchored the relay while Brown was participating in the high jump.

"I wasn't even supposed to be in this," he said. "But this morning, they asked me if I would be able to run it. So I said, sure."

"It was definitely exciting, the big crowd being here after not having fans for so long."

Unfortunately, Latcham suffered an injury in the race and was unable to participate in the

open 400-meter hurdles.

The shuttle hurdle relay of Latcham, Luke Albright, Kaden Meader and Brown finished 17th in the preliminaries with a new season-best time of 1:05.19.

"It was great, I had fun," said Albright after making his state meet debut. Josh Wallington, who joined the track team just three weeks earlier, threw the shot put 40-07.25 after a pair of fouls, finishing 24th.

The 4x800-meter relay had four athletes participating in the state meet for the first time — Shetler, Chandler Hershberger, Ben Meader and Stutzman.

"I had a lot of adrenaline in the beginning, very exciting," Hershberger said. "I think I ran a tough race. I could have paced a little bit better but at least I got

to come here and have this experience."

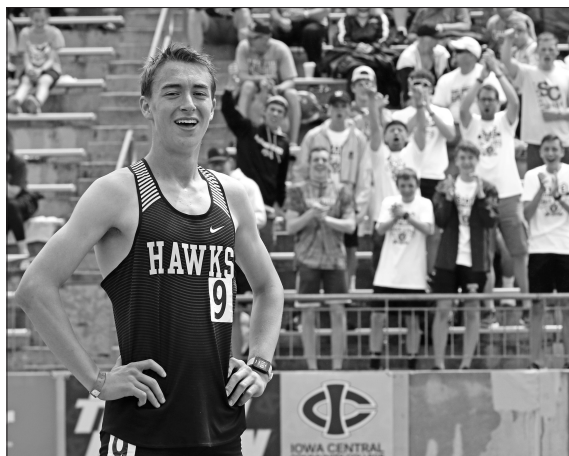
Their time of 8:34 was a new season-best.

"It was kind of crazy," Meader said about running in Drake Stadium. "A lot of people here, it's a great turnout and it was a cool experience. I'm happy to do it with these guys."

The distance medley finished 18th and the 4x100-meter relay finished 19th after having the slowest time among the 24 qualifiers. Senior Nathan Quinby ran the leadoff leg for both events.

"It was really exciting," Quinby said. "You know, first year of track and I get to run two events at state... I've been excited all weekend, and it's nice to get out here and run on the blue oval."

800-meter run 10. Jamison Stutzman 2:01.43	High Jump 8. Cain Brown	6-03	Brown 45.35	Meader, Stutzman 8:34.79	Distance medley
1600-meter run 7. Thaddeus Shetler 4:27	Shot put 24. Josh Wallington 40-07.25		4x200-meter relay 14. Latcham, Thomas, Cavanagh, Harmsen 1:33.16	Shuttle hurdle 14. Latcham, Albright, Meader, Brown 1:05.19	18. Quinby, Harmsen, Cavanagh, Shetler 3:47.53
3200-meter run 8. Jamison Stutzman 9:58.14	4x100-meter relay 19. Quinby, Cavanagh, Latcham,		4x800-meter relay 16. Shetler, Hershberger,		



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Thaddeus Shetler pauses for a photo in front of his cheering section after Saturday's 1600-meter run.

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Two runners that finished over six seconds ahead of Shetler a week earlier at the state qualifying meet did not medal in the race, including the district champion.

Shetler ran a 2:04.5 split on the anchor leg of the distance medley on Friday, moving the

Golden Hawks from last place, up five spots to finish in 19th.

He opened the state meet on Thursday with a solid 2:03.73 split on the leadoff leg of the 4x800-meter relay. He handed off the baton in fifth-place and the Golden Hawks would go on to finish 16th.

Shetler said he learned from that opening race.

"The first time the adrenaline got to me," he said, "I felt closed in by a lot of people. But then over the next two races I got more confident, and then today — I felt like I was at home."

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Danielle turned the 1500 race into her race with a consistent run that grew stronger as it passed 1,000 meters and blew runner-up finisher Clare Kelly of Van Meter and third-place finisher Ellie Meyer of Iowa Falls-Alden away.

Hostetler's winning time of 4:45.09 was more than 13 seconds better than her qualifying time, and a personal best. Meyer entered the race with the No. 1 qualifying time.

Hostetler's win marked the fifth consecutive year that the 1500 was won by a Hostetler, beginning with Anna Hostetler's win in 2016 as a sophomore.

Anna holds the 2A state-meet record of 4:33.41 in the 1500, and the school record of 4:32.10, but Danielle has three more years to work on those.

Danielle joined a special group of three-time gold medalists by also winning the 3000-meter race on the first day of the three-day meet with a time of 10:25.26, and running the anchor leg on Mid-Prairie's winning girls distance medley squad.

Marie Hostetler holds the Hostetler family record with four state track titles in 2019, winning the 800, 1500, 3000, and helping the Golden Hawks win the distance medley relay.

Anna Hostetler won three state titles in both 2017 and 2018.

Danielle's only non-win was in the 800 on Saturday morning, in which she still finished eighth.

"I was glad to have competition because if you always

learn the front, you don't learn how to run with people," she said. "I was just glad knowing Mitzi (Evans) was up there. I just wanted to get points for my team."

And that's what it is really all about. The team. Danielle Hostetler and Evans, along with distance medley teammates Amber Swart and Maddie Edgington, helped the Golden Hawks capture another state team championship. Cross country state champions Sydney Yoder and Ana Fleming joined the party.

Evans, who is more than a rising star at this point, ran the third leg on the distance medley, and added a second-place finish in the 800, a third-place finish in the 400 and a fourth-place finish in the 200.

Yoder had a fourth-place finish in the 3000 and a ninth-place finish in the 1500. Edgington, Amara Jones, Alyssa McDowell and Swart teamed up for a third-place finish in the 4x100 relay.

And senior Tori Boyse had a top-11 finish in the discus and a 13th-place finish in the shot put.

At the end of the day, the Golden Hawks happily posed for yet another state title team photo with a trophy right in the front.

Danielle Hostetler is right there.

Get used to it.

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Gabi Robertson watches her ball land on the green.

Golden Hawks finish year with a season-best score

BY JEFF YODER

The News

WEST LIBERTY

The Mid-Prairie girls golf team finished the season with its best 18-hole score of the year in the Regional final at West Liberty on Monday.

The Golden Hawks beat Tipton out for third place by 11 strokes with a total of 442 — behind Williamsburg (370) and Anamosa (416).

Gabi Robertson also shot the best 18-hole score of her career individually, leading Mid-Prairie with a 106.

"The girls played their best golf of the year today and that's exactly when it's supposed to happen," Mid-Prairie coach Tracy McArtor said.

"I'm so proud of this group of kids and all they've accomplished this year. Each week they showed up and worked hard to get better, starting with open gyms in January and it all culminated with their great play today."

Madelyn Bender shot a 109 and Madi Davidson carded a 111. Elliott Deblor shot a new nine-hole personal record of 54 on the back nine to finish with 116 to round out the scoring.

Alexa Huber finished with 118 and Claire Zirkelbach shot a 125 with a new nine-hole PR of 57 on the back nine.

Although they fell one spot short of making it to the

state meet, it was a big step forward for them and their future," McArtor said.

"The experience alone to play in a regional final as young as we are is quite an accomplishment and finishing third just reinforces their great play."

Every member of the Golden Hawk golf team is expected to return next season. The team was comprised of freshmen, sophomores, and one junior.

"The future looks really exciting for our program and I think the girls see that as well," McArtor said. "A big 'thank you' to all the support the team has received this year from parents, teachers, the Kalona Golf Course and the community."

100 YEARS AGO MAY 26, 1921

Kalona

Henry Wells, the second son of Dr. and Mrs. J.E. Wells, of Wellman, and formerly of Kalona, died at El Paso, Texas, last Saturday. He has been in poor health for several years and his death came very suddenly. He was sitting in a park, when he was stricken by death. The family were residents of Kalona, during Henry's school age. He was about 37 years of age.

Wednesday evening the fire alarm called the boys to the Mrs. D.F. Miller home just northeast of town. The firemen made a record-breaking start and were on their way with their truck in a very short time. They found a fire in the attic of the house where old papers, clothes, etc. were stored. It was getting a good start but the use of the chemical extinguishers soon had it under control and the fire was stopped without very serious damage. Promptness in time of fire is the big thing and our firemen are sure prompt.

Kalona is to have a new bandstand, located downtown, so that visitors can do their trading and listen to the music at the same time. While the park is the best and most logical place for band concerts, it has not been so satisfactory as the crowd remained downtown and did not get the full benefit of the band concert. The exact location has not been definitely decided, but it will be in the business section.

Mr. W.H. Cress was taken to Iowa City, by ambulance Sunday morning and submitted to an operation for hernia, at Mercy hospital there later in the day. He had met with an accident falling down a flight of stairs, at his home and his condition for several hours was quite critical. He rallied nicely after the operation and his present condition is very favorable.

The fellow who rode into Wellman a week ago yesterday and aroused quite a little excitement by his riding of a couple of bucking horses, which were owned by E.C. Hemm and N.D. Matthes, is now in the toll of the law. He "blew in" at the Marquam home Monday night, where he was given lodging for the night, and the next day the sheriff of Sigourney placed him under arrest, and we understand the charge was selling mortgaged property. He had been working for Perry Palmer near Kinross. It's a pretty safe plan to be aware of strangers now-a-days, for there are lots of crooks among them.

While James Finnegan of Watkon was refilling the tank of his automobile with gasoline, the handle of the lantern which he was holding became unfastened and the lantern dropped into the gasoline, igniting it. The car was ablaze immediately. All escaped injury with the exception of Mrs. Finnegan, who was severely burned.

Care for the lives of others nearly cost John H. Thon, of Montrose, the life of his 5-year-old son, Edward Thon, who works in a quarry near Keokuk, picked up a stick of dynamite which had failed to explode. He took it home, intending to destroy it. His son took it off the table. The boy put it on a rock in the yard and struck it with a hammer. His arms and legs were badly lacerated by the pieces of copper shell of the cap.

Lone Tree

Leverich & Soukup, who moved their stock of dry goods, groceries and shoes into their newly remodeled building on the corner of Devoe and Jayne street last week, have decided to call their place of business "The Daylight Store."

Amiel Parizek was the victim of a painful accident last Saturday, when he was working in the field on his farm north of Lone Tree. Mr. Parizek was riding on a hayrack, driving four horses. As he went to cross a small ditch in his field he was thrown from his standing place on the implement, alighting on one of the levers.

He was terribly lacerated and bruised below the abdominal region as a result of the accident. In spite of his serious and painful wounds, however, he succeeded in driving his team back to his home, three-quarters of a mile from the scene of the accident.

As soon as he reached the house surgical aid was summoned. Physicians from Lone Tree and Iowa City found it necessary to take a number of stitches to close the horrible wounds. Mr. Parizek's many

friends are pleased to learn that he is now recovering nicely from his injuries.

The H.G.L. girls announce that their club rooms over the R.E. Babbitt & Company insurance office will be open on Memorial Day as a rest room. The women and children of the community are cordially invited to make use of the rooms on that day, if they so desire.

The liberality of the girls in offering their rooms for this purpose is much appreciated.

Norma Giffey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Giffey of Columbus Junction, formerly of Lone Tree, was the victim of a thrilling accident recently, according to last week's Columbus Junction Gazette, which contained the following story: "Miss Norma Giffey was rendered unconscious for several hours Monday evening when the bicycle she was riding took a sudden notion to develop into a flying machine. Miss Giffey was riding the bike near her home on South Hill when it took a sudden turn for a 15 foot embankment and before she could regain control or leap from the wheel she went over the embankment with the speed of an express train. She was rendered unconscious for nearly five hours and several stitches were required to unite a serious scalp wound."

"The Service Store" is the name which has been given to the new dry goods and grocery store which will be opened for business in the Lutz & Potter Building on Saturday of this week by Shogquist Brothers.

Mrs. W.S. Potter was severely injured last Saturday night, when she had the misfortune to fall down the cellar steps at her home. Although no bones were broken as a result of the accident, Mrs. Potter has been suffering intensely. She has been unable to use either of her hands, and other severe bruises and sprains have also caused much pain.

Wellman

The house on the farm of Grant Miller, 9 miles northwest of Wellman, was burned to the ground this morning. The fire originated by the explosion of an oil stove. The occupants of the farm were Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Reif, and they lost practically all of their household

goods. Luckily neither Mr. or Mrs. Reif or the baby were injured by the explosion.

Two autoists, Miss Norma Sherburne and M.M. Bally, and two buggy riders, Luke and Will Alberhasky, were injured when the car struck the buggy on a road near Iowa City.

Mr. P.L. Ayers fell off a manure spreader the other day and dislocated his shoulder, and fractured his arm near the shoulder. It will keep him from work for some time, and we don't see how Perry will be able to content himself without doing something.

75 YEARS AGO MAY 30, 1946

Kalona

Mary Gingerich left on the stairs in the E.H. Reif home, where she is employed and fractured her left arm at the elbow.

Three children having tonsillectomies at the local doctor's office Wednesday morning were Calvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Hochstetler; Lyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Hochstetler and Margery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Yoder.

John Byler suffered a lacerated leg and body bruises when a motorcycle he was riding, struck an object in the road and upset near his home Sunday.

Hay making is beginning. Marion Strunsky mowed the first crop alfalfa Monday. With help so scarce, baling will have to be done in order to get the hay under cover.

Lone Tree

High winds dipped down over the section northeast of Lone Tree Thursday evening doing damage to small buildings and trees. A machine shed on the George Mueller home was wrecked with some damage to equipment. A chicken house of Vernon Burr's was demolished and a few hens killed. On up in the vicinity of Scott church the storm tore off limbs and did other slight damage.

Word has come that Mrs. La-reena Feldman has been taken to a Muscatine hospital from the home of her son, Wm. Robinson, in Muscatine. She had

been a patient in the Robinson home much of the winter. Her illness began more than two years ago when she suffered a paralytic stroke.

Wellman

Roger Walker, formerly of Enders, Nebraska, and a former Army Air Force pilot, joined the staff of THE ADVANCE late last week. He came to Wellman following a course taken at the Midland Lintotype school at Charles City.

While piloting a B-24 bomber over Austria in April 1944, Walker's plane was shot down in aerial combat. He was taken prisoner by the Germans and was in various prison camps for a period of 13 months. He was freed by General Patton's Third Army, April 25, 1945.

Mrs. George Whetstone returned Sunday night from the Mercy Hospital where she had been confined since falling and fracturing her hip several days ago. She is staying at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fritz.

Ival Redlinger was bruised quite badly on the head when part of a tree which he was cutting fell on him last Wednesday.

Dan Gascho who suffered a heart attack two weeks ago, has shown rapid improvement this week. His daughter, Katie Gascho, has been taking care of him.

Nancy Polson, three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Polson, fell from their car recently while they were driving through the country. She suffered multiple bruises and abrasions. It is believed that she leaned against the handle of the door, causing it to fall open.

50 YEARS AGO MAY 27, 1971

Kalona

William Britton, 74, of rural Kalona was critically injured in an accident Tuesday at the intersection of Highways 22 and 405 just north of Lone Tree. Deputies said the eastbound Britton vehicle slammed into the side of Peckman's truck. Driver of the pickup was Frank Peckman, 62, of Iowa City. He died in the crash.

The club rooms of the Rich-

mond Amvet Post were broken into Saturday night or early Sunday morning where a quantity of liquor and some small change was taken. Entrance was gained through a door at the back of the hall. Washington County Sheriff department investigated the break-in.

Mr. and Mrs. William Nisly announced this week they have sold the Foodland Super Market effective June 1. New owners are Charles L. Mull and Sons Inc. of Muscatine.

Jeannette Shaffer suffered a fractured right ankle in an accident at her home, Sunday. During the horse show at the Delmar Shaffer farm, Jeannette's horse slipped and fell with her.

Lone Tree

The annual Avenue of Flags will be displayed for two days this year weather permitting. According to James Stock, there will be 70 or 71 flags on display. They are the flags of a deceased veteran from the Lone Tree area.

Riverside

Over 950 petunias were planted on Thursday morning in the American Legion Park. Thirteen rose bushes were also planted. Roy Hall donated many of the petunia plants, thanks to him and the ladies for the plants and the time spent on this project.

The Riverside Street Commissioner, Bob Waldschmidt, assisted by Greg Schott are to be commended for their work on the streets in downtown Riverside. For the past several weeks they have spent many days sweeping and cleaning the streets. On Thursday morning several ladies came to the downtown area and planted flowers on the main street edges.

Wellman

Residents of the Wellman area can be assured of even better service from Wellman's efficient and capable Volunteer Fire Department with the addition of a new fire truck.

The new piece of fire equipment will enable the department to retire the 1946 pumper and will have two water wagons provide greater protection for the community.

Wellman has a 24 member volunteer department headed by Fire Chief, Robert Kuhns.

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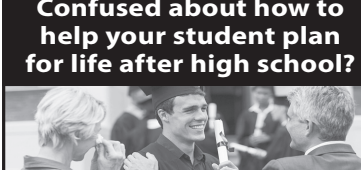
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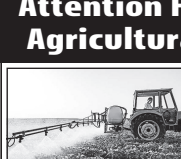


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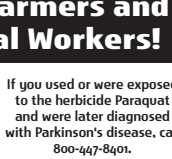
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CITY OF KALONA	
KALONA, IOWA	
CITY HALL	
MAY 17, 2021 - 7:00 PM	
Regular meeting of the Kalona City Council with Mayor Robe presiding. Motion was made by J Schmidt, and seconded by G Schmidt, approving the agenda with the changes, with all voting yes.	
Council members present: Bender, G Schmidt, J Schmidt, Spitzer, and Beisheim.	
Minutes of the regular meeting on May 3, 2021, were presented and approved as published.	
On motion by Beisheim, and seconded by G Schmidt, the following bills were allowed with all voting yes.	
2nd Weld Electric Equipment, rec. equipment	9,873.57
Recreation Science, Library Memorial	500.00
Access Systems, Watershed	550.00
Acres, paid electric	448.61
Arco Electric, rec. repairs	70.00
Adventure Activities, Library Board	1,545.00
Kalona 1st, Library Board	1,545.00
Bank Park 2nd, Library Board	461.80
Bookish, Library Board	109.50
Central Iowa Distributing, chemical supplies	170.00
City of Kalona, bid water bill not deposit loan	46.31
City of Kalona, Library Board	60.21
City of Kalona, transfer to water ACS	26,050.00
City Street Service, park ranger main line	154.00
Down Young, two weekend grass changes	100.00
Eastern Iowa Light & Power, street lighting	22.25
Electric Pump, sewer pump replacement	3,420.00
Frish, Library Board	50.00
Garden Storm, supplies, parts	441.14
Garden Supply, battery, street cleaning	15.00
Gaugle, Library Board	6.00
High Bank & Trust, Bonds Library No. 1000 Sewer	200,144.89
High Bank Kalona, transfer to General Water (Payroll Board)	41.30
High Bank Kalona, transfer to General Water (Payroll Board)	1,818.63
High Bank Kalona, transfer to General Water (Budget)	4,154.12
High Bank Kalona, transfer to General Water (Budget)	5,516.67
High Bank Kalona, transfer to General Water (Payroll)	1,821.71
Horizon Power & Light, water tower	4,099.23
Iowa Department of Natural Resources, water/tower certifications	1,721.75
Jack, Library Board	300.00
July Salary, Watershed	2,410.20
John Deere Financial, mower part	2.94
Junior Library Guild, Library Board	563.70
JP's Food, supplies	12.00
Kalona Auto Parts, parts/supplies	148.77
Kalona City Technology, monthly	1,195.23
Karl Larson, water not deposit water bill	51.80
Kawartha Heating & Air, Library Board	1,142.30
Mohrman Frame & Art, gift parts	355.19
Mr. John Sog, Library Memorial	175.00
Office Express, Library Board	270.47
Office Express, office supplies	131.12
Provision Services Company, rec.	70.00
Proffitt With Purpose Organizing, Library Board	806.89
RF Electric, Library Board	170.78
Robert Miller, GIS mapping	350.00

CITY OF KALONA

Schmucker Elevator Company, rec. elevator annual maintenance	1,802.40
Serious of Iowa, 14th street near-hole backup	1,727.00
Standard Post Control, monthly	85.00
State Highway Library, building	403.00
SWCC/Kalona, Library Board	239.99
The News, publications	1,040.72
The News, publications	250.00
US Postal, Library Board	86.00
Varsha Bhatt, food mitigation	750.00
Washington County Treasurer, property taxes	2,823.00
Washburne Public Library, Library Board	11.40
Windsor, water parts/repairs	3,563.54
WMA of Washington County, paid agreement	1,000.00
Wynja, Library Board	15.99

WITNESS/NOTES	
Transfer funds	\$17,002.05
General Fund	\$8,101.60
Library Memorial Fund	1,025.00
Library Board Fund	807.66
Road Use Fund	1,144.41
Tax Incremental Finance Fund	750.00
Water Fund	200,144.89
Water Fund	4,154.12
Sewer Fund	\$15,016.67
Payroll & Payroll Taxes	10,130.85
DEPOSITS	
Transfer Funds	\$182,827.85
General Fund	\$8,101.60
Library Memorial Fund	666.88
Library Board Fund	1,067.64
Transfer Funds	14,524.14
Storm Sewer Fund	3,503.19
Transfer & Agency Fund	2,823.24
Tax Incremental Finance Fund	5,635.05
Ball Service Fund	3,303.19
Water Fund	754.58
Sewer Fund	31,987.02

Public Form:

1) Randy Tinnus, with the Washington County Sheriff Department was present for general discussion.

7:00 PM Public Hearing was open, regarding the 2020-2021 Budget Amendment. With there being no oral or written comments, the hearing was closed.

Resolution 2021-J, a resolution amending the current budget for fiscal year 2020-2021. Motion was made by Spitzer, and seconded by J Schmidt, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the same. The council was polled with Bender, J Schmidt, G Schmidt, Spitzer, and Beisheim, all voting yes. The motion carried.

Resolution 2021-K, a resolution establishing temporary closing of streets for Kalona Day on Saturday June 19th, 2021. The following streets are requested to be closed:

1) B Avenue - closed from 6th Street to 7th Street, starting at 5:00 AM to 5:00 PM for activities.

2) C Avenue - closed from Highway 1 to 9th Street, starting at 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM for the parade route.

Motion was made by G Schmidt, and seconded by Beisheim, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the same. The council was polled with Bender, J Schmidt, G Schmidt, Spitzer, and Beisheim, all voting yes. The motion carried.

Resolution 2021-L, a resolution establishing temporary closing portions of streets for Fall Festival on Friday, September 24 and Saturday, September 25, 2021. The following streets are requested to be closed:

1) 9th Street: closed from E Avenue (Highway 22) to D Avenue.

2) D Avenue: closed from 7th Street to 9th Street.

Motion was made by J Schmidt, and seconded by Spitzer, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the same. The council was polled with Bender, J Schmidt, G Schmidt, Spitzer, and Beisheim, all voting yes. The motion carried.

Resolution 2021-M, a resolution approving Kalona Public Library to submit a grant to Washington County Riverboat Foundation, requesting \$10,000.00 with \$2,000.00 in-kind funds for electronic upgrades and seconded by Bender, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the same.

The council was polled with Bender, J Schmidt, G Schmidt, Spitzer, and Beisheim, all voting yes. The motion carried.

Discussion of approving the Kalona Community Center as the official polling location for the Kalona President was held by council. The future elections will be held in the Kalona Community Center gym. Motion was made by Spitzer, and seconded by Bender, with all voting yes. The motion carried.

Staff information of two tractors that had requested to drive through town. Each group presented a route to staff that they would take through town. Council directed staff to allow groups through town. Any future groups to request to drive through town, Council asked that all routes must be presented to staff before allowing use of City streets.

Consideration of Iowa Alcoholic Division License for Tuscan Moon, requesting Class C liquor license, was held by council. Motion was made by Beisheim, and seconded by G Schmidt, with a 4-1 vote, the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

SARAH OHMELAR, City Clerk
MARK ROBE, Mayor
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LONE TREE CSD

LONE TREE CSD
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 12, 2021
6:00 P.M.
LIBRARY

Present: Magruder, President; Crawford, Superintendent; Hotz, Stone, High School Principal; Sladek; Jacques, Elem Principal; Waltschmidt; Forbes, Board Secretary; Waltschmidt; Sladek.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Roll call was taken: Magruder came late.

Sladek moved, Yedlik seconded, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Yedlik moved, Hotz seconded to approve the minutes from the April 14, 2021 Regular Meeting, April 14, 2021 Regular Meeting and the April 28, 2021 Special Session. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Crawford presented to the Board the Hills Bank Classroom for Cash check we received.

Ms. Olson presented to the board about her 5th Grade Class in the Wild.

Hotz moved, Sladek seconded to approve the Monthly Financial Report, the Activity Fund Report, the General, Local Option, Wellness Center, Activity and School Nutrition fund bills. General \$17,287.75, Local Option \$5,028.00, Wellness Center \$1,879.85, Activity \$1,236.42, School Foods \$10,803.93 and April Prepaid \$31,613.70. Motion Carried 4-0.

Magruder arrived at 6:30 pm. The Principals reported on current events in the building.

Wellness Center report was given to the board.

Waltschmidt moved, Hotz seconded, to approve consent agenda #1, the resignations of Haylie Franklin, Jt Science Teacher; Tiffany Regan, HS Girls Track Coach; Sue Squiers, Football Cheerleading; Clint Jones, Head Wrestling and Hilary Nethery, Kindergarten

Teacher. Motion carried 5-0.

Hotz moved, Sladek seconded, to approve consent agenda #2, the first readings of board policies 500, 501.1, 501.2 and 501.3. Motion carried 5-0.

Yedlik moved, Waltschmidt seconded, to approve consent agenda #3, second readings of board policies 803.1, 803.2, 804.1, 804.2, 804.4 and 804.5. Motion carried 5-0.

Yedlik moved, Hotz seconded, to approve the WCF resolution on eSprints with the school contributing \$5,000.00. Motion carried 5-0.

Sladek moved, Waltschmidt seconded, to approve the graduating seniors in the class of 2021 provided requirements were met. Motion carried 5-0.

Yedlik moved, Waltschmidt seconded, to approve the Milk Bid with Anderson Erickson for an extension of our contract. Motion carried 5-0.

Sladek moved, Waltschmidt seconded, to approve the Bread Bid from Hy-Vee. Motion carried 5-0.

Hotz moved, Sladek seconded, to approve the contract with Corridor Tech for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

Yedlik moved, Hotz seconded, to approve the Classified Staff Salaries for 2021-2022. Motion carried 5-0.

Hotz moved, Sladek seconded, to approve the Administrative Salary for 2021-2022. Motion carried 5-0.

Yedlik moved, Waltschmidt seconded, to approve hiring Michael Kistler, Jt Baseball; Suzanne Werner, Football Cheerleading; Madeline Kadlec, Vocal/ Band Teacher. Motion carried 5-0.

Sladek moved, Yedlik seconded to adjourn at 7:19 pm. Motion carried, 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Kelli Forbes, Board Secretary

Board President, Christina Magruder
Kelli Forbes, Board Secretary

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Dated May 13, 2021.

Michael J. Brenneman, ICIS#: AT0001095
Attorney for Executor

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CITY OF RIVERSIDE

RIVERSIDE CITY COUNCIL MEETING:
MONDAY, MAY 17TH, 2021

The Riverside City Council meeting opened at 6:00 p.m. at the Fire Station with Mayor Allen Schneider requesting roll call. Council members present: Andy Rodgers, Lois Schneider, Tom Sexton, Edgar McGuire, and Jeanne Redlinger. Motion by Sexton to approve agenda with changes to order. Second by Redlinger, passed 5-0.

Rodgers moved to approve the minutes of May 3, 2021, expenditures, and April Fire Department Report. Second by McGuire, passed 5-0.

Randy Timmes, Patrol Lieutenant for Washington County, presented Sheriff's call report for April.

Trevor Shiering and Olivia Kahler, with Kalona Library, reported on summer Library programs for Riverside residents.

Dan Widmer, Washington County Auditor, discussed possible voting location for the 2022 election.

Bill Stulkey, PeopleService, Inc., reviewed April water and wastewater report with Council. He will gather more information on pump replacement at Wastewater Plant for next meeting.

Sexton moved to open Public Hearing to amend portions of Chapter 106, 136, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159 of the City Code of Ordinances. Second by Schneider, passed 5-0. Hearing opened at 7:23 p.m. There were no written or oral comments to the ordinance amendment. Sexton moved to close Public Hearing. Second by Rodgers, passed 5-0. Hearing closed at 7:23 p.m.

Rodgers moved to adopt Ordinance #051721-01, amending portions of Chapter 106, 136, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159 of the City Code of Ordinances, waiving the 2nd and final reading. Second by McGuire, passed 5-0.

Sexton moved to open Public Hearing to amend current budget year ending June 30, 2021. Second by McGuire, passed 5-0. Hearing opened at 7:26 p.m. There were no written or oral comments to the budget amendment. Schneider moved to close Public Hearing. Second by Rodgers, passed 5-0. Hearing closed at 7:29 p.m.

Rodgers moved to pass Resolution #051721-02, Amending City Budget for Fiscal Year ending July 30, 2021. Second by McGuire, passed 5-0.

EXPENDITURES 05-17-2021
COUNCIL MEETING

UNPAID BILLS:	
RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCE/CLERK INC.	\$ 237.50
SEXTON LAOCHIE, JESSICA MEETING-JANISSEN	53.20
CROSSL, COMPOST BLOCS	2,650.00
COSTON INC. - WEE NATIONAL	70.00
WOODCO INC. FINES	71.25
EMERGENCY APPARATUS, TRUCK LOG LIGHT UPGRADE	1,291.53
EMERGENCY REPORTING, REPORT SOFTWARE	2,502.40
TEED THE, HAWKING BLADE	234.00
GAYBELL COUNCIL - SHERS REPURBS	1,001.36
THE LAQUAN OF CHRIS, MEMBERSHIP	200.00
YOUNG SOLUTIONS, SUPPORT	608.20
JANIKSON COUNTY REFUSE, SERVICE	7,231.25
KALONA AUTO, RENT/SHIP	690.50
LIFE, COPEL CASE	150.50
LINDSEY KROTZ, PARK DESIGN	25.00
PLUMBING, STREETS	27,750.85
WEAVER, FINES	130.75
WETZLER-ROULED, CALIBRATE CTR	385.40
PKS, PUBLICATIONS	149.01
OTTIE EXPRESS, ID	347.24
PETTY CASH, POSTAGE	25.84
RED, CLOTHING	5,789.72
WATER PRODUCE, STREETS	405.52
BOY SYSTEMS, SPEED LIGHT	925.00
SANDROW FIE, ID	1,650.00
SCHNEIDER INC, TORCH GAS	34.00
SINGULAR TRACTOR, TO TRUCK LOGS	66.83
STANDARD PEST CONTROL, SERVICE	40.00
THOMAS TONK, PLANT BASKETS	462.00
UNION, BOND PRINCIPLE	219,350.00
WCA, PARK	208.91
WETZLER, FINES	14.00
TOTAL BILLS	\$38,627.46
PAID BILLS:	
IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE, IOWA WITHHOLDINGS - 2021 APRIL 642.00	
IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE, IOWA SALES TAX - 2021 APR	73.00

WASHINGTON COUNTY DISPATCH

May 18

Caller in the 1400 block of E Avenue, Kalona, reports the theft of copper wire last night from their job site location, valued at \$225. There were also a couple of locks that were cut. The locks were on containers on the roll up doors. Ongoing investigation.

Caller in Wellman requests a welfare check on a friend. Officers responded. The subject was not at the residence upon deputy arrival. Documentation until the deputies can speak with the other party.

Caller reports their wife was involved in a two-vehicle accident without injuries at Willow Brook Lane and 140th Street, Riverside. Juvenile and Ashley Neudt of Riverside, State report to be filed.

Caller in the 800 block of Third

and by Redlinger, passed 5-0.

Redlinger moved to pass Resolution #051721-03, Approving Transfer of Funds for fiscal budget year 2020-2021. Second by McGuire, passed 5-0. Council reviewed Engineer candidates A-C. Council will invite firms C, G, & E to 2nd inter-view workshop on Tuesday, May 25th starting at 5 PM in Council Chambers.

Yancy presented Admin's report and monthly financial updates.

Sexton moved to approve Capt. Kirk's Birtshire relocation to south of City Hall. Second by McGuire, passed 5-0.

Yancy relayed information on Iowa League of Cities 2021 Small City Workshops.

McGuire moved to approve the Residential and Business Grant program for FY 2022 with application deadline of July 1, 2021. Second by Rodgers, passed 5-0.

Council received letter from Jim and Joan Bex for donation of chicken fry racks that are stored in the red barn. Admin will check with attorney on procedure.

Rodgers moved to approve grant application for Trees Forever, not to exceed \$3,500. Second by Rodgers, passed 5-0.

City Clerk reviewed procedural changes from the FY20 Audit.

Sexton moved to go into Closed Session per Iowa Code Chapter 21.5 (j) Real Estate at 8:46 p.m. Second by McGuire passed 5-0.

Council returned to open meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Sexton moved to take no action on real estate. Second by Redlinger, passed 5-0.

Redlinger moved to adjourn at 9:08 p.m. Second by McGuire, passed 5-0.

Full content of Council Meetings can be viewed on the City web site: riverside-iowa.gov

Council Meeting - Monday, June 7th, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in Fire Station.

ATTEST:
Becky LaRoche; City Clerk
Allen Schneider, Mayor

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IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE, IOWA NET TAX - 2021 APRIL	1,316.00
PERKS, CONTRIBUTIONS - 2021 APRIL	2,807.04
IRS, 941 TAX REPORT - 2021 APRIL	1,484.05
RAVHILL, MAYORAL - 2021 APRIL	12,980.79
WAGNER REPORT, PERIODS RETURNED	81.80
25 NET BANK, APRIL 11 - 2021	178.00
TOTAL PAID BILLS	\$22,835.61
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$386,451.77
WITH TREASURERS REPORT	420.21
REVENUES	139,905.35
BALANCE	
GENERAL FUND	
\$ 427,430.45	\$72,787.69
\$ 876,482.89	
DEPT FUND	
\$ 605.00	\$9,127.27
\$136,325.94	
ROAD USE TAX FUND	
\$34,087.14	\$207.18
\$80,573.65	
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	
\$ 474.00	
\$ 738,513.26	
RESERVE FUND	
\$101,363.67	\$1,000.00
\$578,472.86	
DEPT SERVICE	
\$	\$
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	
\$113,752.19	\$
\$154,727.80	
COMMITTEE CENTER FUNDS	
\$ 180.21	\$
\$ 1,022,095.51	
WATER FUND	
\$3,908.35	\$511,471.71
SEWER FUND	
\$ 23,706.69	\$21,777.06
\$26,189.90	
GARBAGE/LANDFILL FUND	
\$ 1,238.12	\$ 1,038.30
\$10,383.74	
STORM WATER FUND	
\$15,921.24	\$
\$20,421.31	
TOTAL	
\$76,013.83	\$156,990.80
\$3,942,953.93	

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ORDINANCE #051721-01
ORDINANCE TO AMEND PORTIONS OF
CHAPTER 106, 136, 155, 156, 157,
158, 159 OF THE RIVERSIDE, IOWA
CODE OF ORDINANCES

Whereas, the City of Riverside City Council from time to time finds it necessary to amend portions of chapters of the Riverside, Iowa Code of Ordinances, and

Therefore, be it resolved by the City of Riverside City Council does hereby approve the following amendments:

Amend Chapter 106.08: COLLECTION FEES. The collection and disposal of solid waste as provided by this chapter are declared to be beneficial to the property served or eligible to be served and there shall be levied and collected fees therefor in amounts established by ordinance. The fees shall be as follows:

- 35-gallon trash \$17.50 per month
- 65-gallon trash \$19.50 per month
- Stick pickup \$50 per month

All garbage fees included weekly garbage and recycling pickup.

All fees are due and payable under the same terms and conditions provided for payment of a combined service account as contained in Section 92.04 of this Code of Ordinances. Solid waste collection service may be discontinued in accordance with the property owner in Section 92.05 if the combined service account becomes delinquent, and the amounts contained in Section 92.08 relating to lien notices shall also apply in the event of a delinquent account.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

Amend Chapter 136.03: REMOVAL OF SNOW, ICE AND ACCUMULATIONS. It is the responsibility of the abutting property owners to remove snow and ice and accumulations from sidewalks within forty-eight (48) hours.

If snow has not been removed within twenty-four (24) hours, an attempt will be made by city staff to contact the property owner. If the contact attempt is unsuccessful, or the sidewalk has not been cleared, a notice will be posted on the door of the address giving 24 hours to remove the accumulated snow from the sidewalk. If sidewalk is not cleared 24 hours after the door posting has been made, the City will contract to have the snow removed and the cost for removal will be billed to the property owner. The property owner has thirty (30) days from the date of the notice to remit payment to the City. Any bill left unpaid will become a lien against the property. This ordinance pertains to residential and commercial properties.

Commercial properties located along Highway 22 between Greene and

\$1096. Bank has been contacted.

Caller requests a welfare check on his friend in Richmond. No one will come to the door and his car is there. Checked the residence and no one was home.

Caller in the 500 block of 13th Street, Wellman, reports a loose dog at the business. Wellman Fire was paged then disregarded. There was no fire.

Caller in the 1100 block of Tulip Avenue, Riverside, requests a deputy for an ongoing trespass issue. Officer responded, made caller aware of the eviction process. Documentation.

May 20
Hills Bank, Kalona alarm rear hall motion. False alarm, it was cleaning people.

New sex offender registration, Riverside. Jason Robert Halvorsen, 43, of Observatory Road.

Caller in the 3100 block of Highway 22, Riverside, reports a subject possibly has drugs on them. Officer responded. No drugs located.

Caller in the 600 block of Ninth Avenue, Wellman, reports a dog bite. Officer spoke with the caller, report to be filed. The dog will be quarantined.

May 21
Caller in the 1100 block of Tulip Avenue, Riverside, requests a civil standby so she can retrieve her dogs. Officer responded and assisted. The dogs were not at the residence. Documentation for now.

Caller reports a vehicle has been parked on 130th Street, east of her residence for the past two days. There is a male subject sleeping inside the vehicle. Spoke with the subject who will get a valid driver to move the vehicle that is parked in a private drive.

Caller in the 1200 block of Fir Avenue, Wellman, reports a male at the residence is out of control. The kids missed the school bus, and the father is yelling, screaming and pushed a child down. Children are 11, 10 and 7 years old. Officer responded and spoke with the male at the residence who advised the deputy he was in a bad mood. No one was injured. Verbal only.

Caller reports they had a guy going house to house trying to get information from people in the Kalona area last night. Stated he worked for KCTC and he does not. Extra patrol.

Received several parking complaints from the City of Kalona.

Received a fire alarm at CIVCO. All units responded. No fire.

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