

Friends of Beeds Lake Reach Fundraising Goal for New Playground

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
 HAMPTON CHRONICLE

The Friends of Beeds Lake are excited to share that they have finally reached their fundraising goal for the new playground at the park.

They were able to cross the finish line Thursday, June 26, with one final donation of \$800 from First Security Bank.

“We had a great response from our open house and we’re working on next steps, like contracts and permits,” said Friends of Beeds Lake President Robyn Hill-Kofoot. “We’ll have to wait until the playground company is available to install it- most likely this fall, but that’s not far away!”

The friends group has been fundraising

for the new playground since last summer. They removed the old playground, which had rotted and become hazardous, last September.

The playground has been around for more than 40 years, and while Kofoot said the main objective of their group is to improve the quality of the lake water, replacing the playground was also crucial, as they don’t want children to get hurt while playing on it.

“We appreciate everyone who’s been involved in Friends of Beeds Lake since we restarted last year,” said Kofoot. “This project was a huge undertaking, but it’s really the supporters of Beeds Lake in this community that have made it successful!”

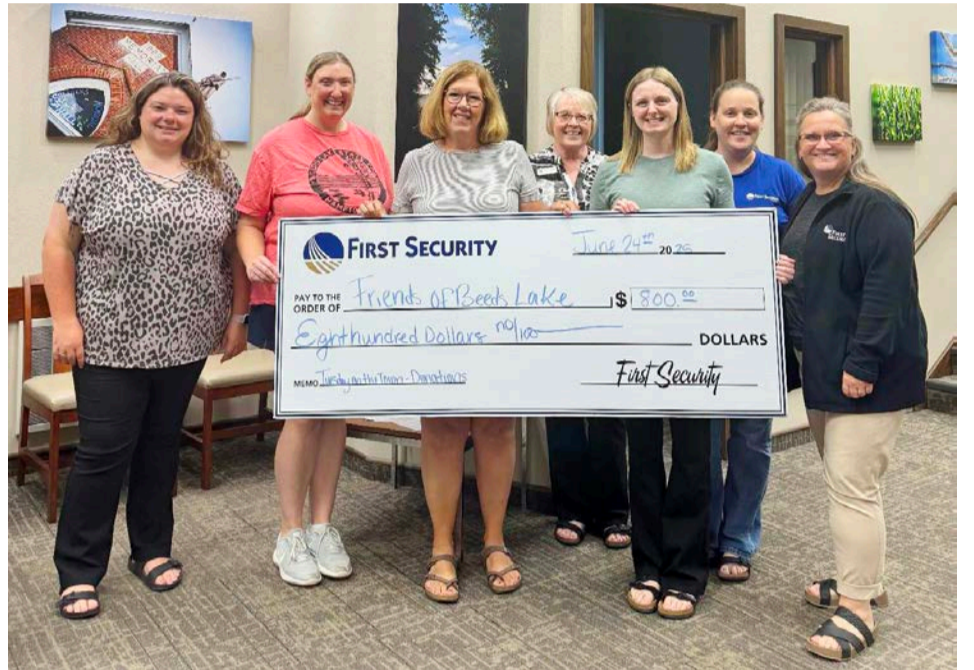


Photo by Lili Velasco.

Viola Zaabel Receives Image of Pride Award for June 2025

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
 HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Viola Zaabel was named the recipient of the June 2025 Image of Pride Award during last week’s city council meeting.



Zaabel was selected for the honor by City Councilor Jerre Grefe. Her home is located at 826 1st St NW.

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City Council Appoints Three New Library Board Members

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
 HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Hampton City Council appointed three new members to the Hampton Public Library’s Board of Trustees during their June 26 meeting.

The following people were appointed: Joslyn Stock, Becky Palmer and Dick Paulsen, who was reappointed for another term.

The three candidates were interviewed by the city councilors on Monday, June 23. During the group interview, they all agreed that educating the community should remain a top priority for the library, along with serving as a safe space, fostering a love of reading and providing invaluable programming for the children in the area.



Becky Palmer and Joslyn Stock with Mayor Steve Birdsall during the June 26 city council meeting. Not pictured: Dick Paulsen. Photo provided by the City of Hampton.

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Four Charged in Dumont Elementary School Vandalism Case

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
 HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Four local residents have been charged by the Butler County Sheriff’s Office in connection to the recent vandalism of the former Dumont elementary school.

Chloe Passehl, 18, of Latimer has been charged with trespass (damage greater than \$300), according to Deputy Reid Menken. Felipe Velica, 18, of Hampton has been charged with criminal mischief, criminal trespass (damage greater than \$300) and two counts of contributing to the delinquency of a minor. The other two suspects are minors, a 15-year-old female and a 13-year-old male from Hampton. Both have been charged with criminal mischief and criminal trespass through juvenile court.

According to a criminal complaint filed by the sheriff’s office, they had received a report of multiple suspects unlawfully entering the former elementary school on May 26. Deputy Hemer responded to the scene, where an eyewitness told him they had seen four individuals running out of the building.

According to Deputy Hemer’s statement, their investigation revealed that the

four defendants traveled to Dumont in two separate vehicles.

“Velica and the two juveniles arrived first and entered the building, where they began causing damage,” he wrote in his complaint. “Approximately 30 to 40 minutes later, the defendant, Chloe Passehl, arrived and entered the building. During a subsequent interview, the defendant admitted to entering the structure and kicking a sheet rock wall inside a former classroom. The defendant acknowledged that the wall had been previously damaged but stated she contributed to the damage by kicking the sheet rock, resulting in additional holes.”

The total cost of damage to the building is estimated at \$637, and restitution has been requested.

“This type of behavior is unacceptable and disrespects a building that holds historical and community value for Dumont,” said Deputy Reid Menken. “We appreciate the community’s assistance and will continue to take action to hold individuals accountable for these types of offenses.”

Anyone with additional information is encouraged to contact the Butler County Sheriff’s Office at 319-346-6621.

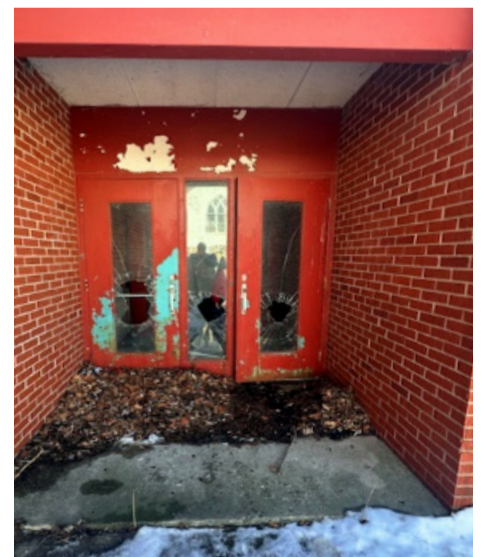


Photo of earlier vandalism provided by Revitalize Dumont.

At the end of April, more than 60 volunteers had come together to clean out the old elementary school in Dumont. The cleanup effort was overseen by the non-profit Revitalize Dumont, which was formed last year to promote stewardship and pride in the city.

Deadlines

Legals Monday, 12 p.m. | News Friday, 5 p.m. | Ads, Inserts Friday, 3 p.m. | Classifieds Friday 3 p.m. | Obituaries Monday, Noon | Coverage 24 Hours

Access Students Build Skills at First Bank Hampton Through 43 North Iowa Program

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

A group of students from Access Inc. are learning about working with money and customers this morning at First Bank Hampton.

Laela Ragsdale with the local ISU Extension and Outreach Office, who's

leading the class, is going over the basics of greeting customers, figuring out someone's change and more, then giving the students a chance to practice with one another.

A job coach with 43 North Iowa — who partnered with Access and the Extension Office to make the class pos-

sible — told the Chronicle that many of these students lack these important skills and that they avoid certain jobs because of it. This is why the class is so great. Ragsdale said this was her first time holding a class like this and that she really enjoyed it.

Photos by Jennifer Burnham.



Eric Reicherts Completes 2025 Iowa School of Banking

PRESS RELEASE
FIRST BANK HAMPTON

Eric Reicherts of First Bank Hampton successfully completed the 2025 Iowa School of Banking held June 8 through June 13 at the Sheraton Hotel in West Des Moines.

"I have learned a lot in the last 7 years as Vice President in Commercial and Ag Lending at First Bank Hampton, and Iowa School of Banking has added to that. I'm looking forward to utilizing new knowledge, and tools to support First Bank Hampton so we can continue to make a positive impact in the communities we serve."

The one-week, two-year school, offered by the Iowa Bankers Association, provides a challenging, educational experience in addition to peer networking. The challenging, interactive curriculum addresses the functions of banking departments and financial management and the business of banking. Practical experience is gained through the use of a computer simulation, lectures, case studies and discussion. The school faculty includes active bankers, consultants and academicians, all recognized experts in their fields.



Eric Reicherts

La Luz Unveils Renovations at Open House

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

La Luz Centro Cultural has a new look — and community members stopped by to check out the changes during their open house last Friday, June 27.

Thanks to the Rural YMCA Grant and contributions from their end-of-year donors, La Luz now has expanded restrooms, a new HVAC system, an additional safety exit and reinforced activity rooms upstairs. They were also able to remove the dilapidated loft in the main room of the building. The work was done by JG Remodeling, Dominguez Remodeling LLC and Reliable 1.

"We're so excited about these renovations that have been a long time coming," said La Luz Director Ja-



Janette Flores Acolt with Patricia Sackville at the open house on Friday, June 27.



Cynthia Gonzalez, Adilene Andrade Calles, Janette Flores Acolt and Jim Kohls at La Luz's open house on Friday, June 27.

nette Flores Acolt.

Community members stopped by from 4 to 6 p.m. to check out the changes and for a free-will donation dinner of hot dogs, chips and cookies. All proceeds from the event will go towards programming at La Luz.



La Luz Centro Cultural is located at 7 2nd Ave NE in Hampton.

Montalvo Celebration of Life

A Celebration of Life will be held for Lily Montalvo at 2 p.m. on July 20 at Harriman Park.



Photo of last year's fireworks by Janette Flores Acolt.

Celebrating the Fourth in Hampton

Don't miss the annual July 3rd fireworks at the Franklin County Fairgrounds!

As always, the fireworks show will be presented by the Hampton Rotary Club, with assistance from the Greater Franklin County Chamber of Commerce.

Fireworks will begin at dusk.

(Note from the Hampton Police Department: "While cities and counties must allow for the exploding of fireworks on July 3, July 4, and December 31, there are still hour limitations on the use of fireworks. Consumer fireworks can be exploded between 9 am and 11 pm on July 4 and between 9 am and 12:30 am on December 31- January 1. Consumer fireworks can only be exploded between 9 am and 10 pm on July 3, unless it is the Saturday or Sunday immediately preceding July 4, in which case consumer fireworks may be exploded until 11 pm.")

Council Fails to Pass Third Reading of Vicious Dog Ordinance

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Hampton City Council failed to pass the third reading of the vicious dog ordinance at their June 26 meeting.

City Councilor Patrick Palmer made a motion to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 406, with a second from City Councilor Jim Davies, before it failed with two

nays during the roll call vote from City Councilors Barry Lamos and Bill Holmstrom.

The new version of the ordinance would have allowed the city to impound the dog sooner, adding safeguards to the ordinance.

Other highlights

No objections were made during the public hearing for the FY25 budget amendment #2 or the hearing for the adoption of

plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the construction of the 2025-2026 HMA Street Rehabilitation Program.

City Councilor Jim Davies presented the Chamber of Commerce request for the 2025 Fair Parade line-up and route. Motion by Palmer and seconded by Lamos to approve the 2025 Fair Parade line-up and route. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion approved unanimously to award the June

2025 Image of Pride Award to Viola Zaabel for property at 826 1st St NW. Motion by Grefe and seconded by Davies.

The council appointed three people to the Hampton Public Library's board: Dick Paulsen to a first term on the seat currently filled by Paulsen as he served for the Miller vacancy, Becky Palmer to a first term on the seat currently held by Wendy Lamos and Joslyn

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Family Welcomes Baby Girl

Yamiley and Eliseo Martinez Lopez of Eagle Grove announce the birth of their daughter,

Alitzel Itzamarly Martinez-Lopez

Alitzel was born on June 24, 2025, at Iowa Specialty Hospital in Clarion.

She weighed 4 pounds and 6 ounces.

She joins siblings Elias 7, Hazael 6, Adriel 5, Eliana 2.

Her Grandparents are Liliana Martinez Medina of Eagle Grove



60th Wedding Anniversary

Harley and Linda (Harlan) Krukow will be celebrating 60 years of marriage on July 10. Harley and Linda were married at the Methodist Church in Hansell, July 10, 1965.



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Latimer Gears Up for RAGBRAI

**BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE**

The RAGBRAI-Latimer Committee held a meeting Wednesday, June 25, at the Latimer Community Center to update locals on their plans for their big day, July 23, when more than 10,000 bikers are expected to pass through the town of 477 residents.

The committee — made up of Wayne Pralle, Melissa Simmons, Tanner Bohman, Amanda Heiden, Cody Collier, Steve Eisenhauer and Beth Podolan — has been planning for months. And they're close to getting all the details sorted out.

The following vendors and groups are expected to participate on July 23: Iowa

Bees, Latimer Grocery, Lucky Wife, Iowa Beer Bus, Smoothie Revolution, Landus, the Wandering Brew, Northwest Franklin 4-H group, Karam's, West Fork Choir, Roadside Tacos, Nopal, Smokin Manas, Smiley's, Main Street Cafe, Jambo African, Deardoff Highland, Smoke Shack, Gettin' Toasted, Eggroll Ladies, St. Paul's School, UCC Church, CAL PTO, our Grandkids Ice Cream and Peachy Keehns. The H-D-CAL cheer team will have ice for sale at Landus for the support drivers and Latimer Grocery and Latimer Golf will be hosting the Beer Tent. Latimer Clinic will also have a first aid station at the clinic. The H-D-CAL junior class officers will have a shuttle for the support drivers if they



Committee meeting last Wednesday, June 25, at the Latimer Community Center. Photo by Jennifer Burnham.

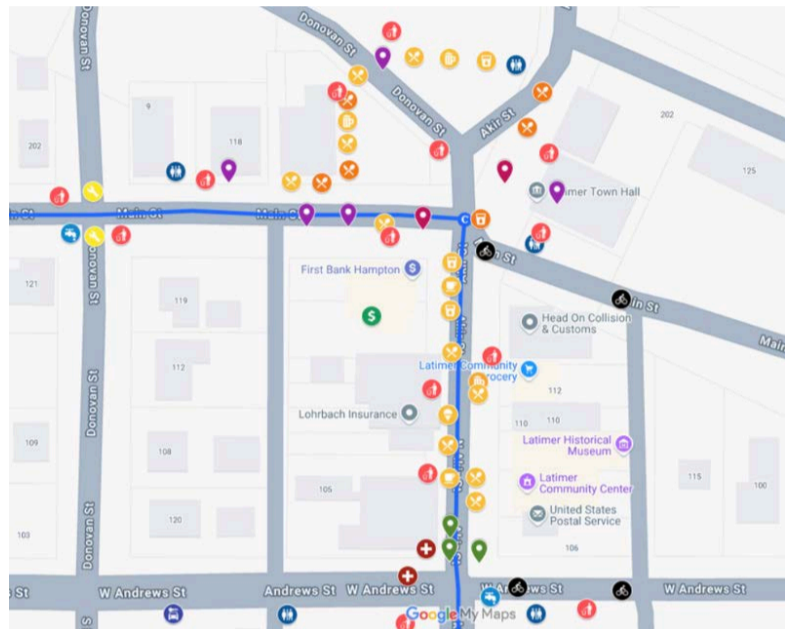
would like to get food.

The community is also seeking volunteers to help with setting up tents, setting out cones and roadblocks, sprucing up and

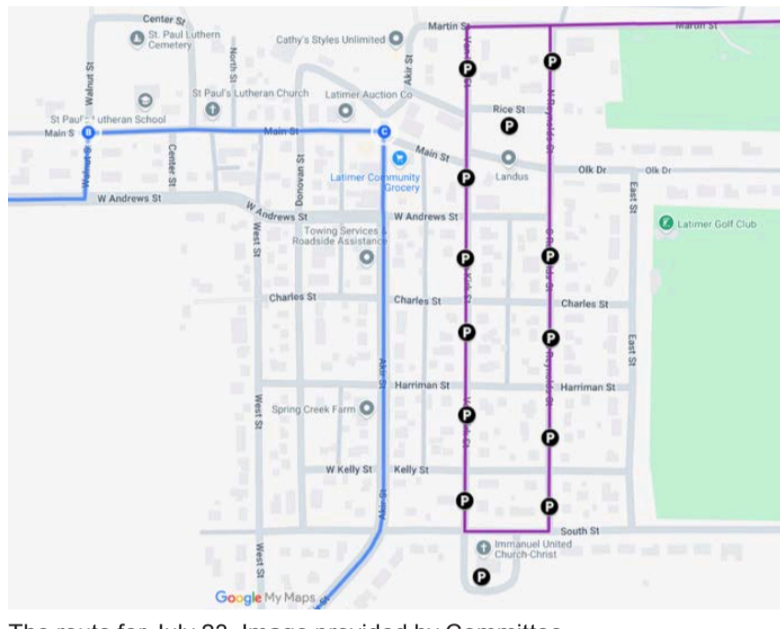
more. If you are interested in helping, you can call Latimer City Hall at 641-579-6452 to get in on the action.

Check out the Latimer RAGBRAI Google map for

details on vendors, parking and more. It was published on the Hampton Chronicle's Facebook page on Thursday, June 26.



Map of vendors for July 23. Image provided by Committee



The route for July 23. Image provided by Committee

REA Power Plant Museum to Receive National Historic Landmark Designation

Hampton — The Franklin County Historical Society and Franklin Rural Electric Cooperative invite the public to a special ceremony recognizing the Reeve REA Power Generating Plant Museum as a National Historic Landmark on Wednesday, July 9, 2025.

The museum will hold an open house from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., with an official award ceremony with Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig at 11:00 a.m. The museum is located at 1450 110th Street, Hampton.

The Reeve REA Power Generating Plant was the first to electrify rural America west of the Mississippi River and played a key role in President Roosevelt's 1935 Rural Electrification Act.

With the addition of the Reeve

REA Power Generating Plant, Iowa now boasts 29 National Historic Landmarks, which are nationally significant historic places recognized for their exceptional contribution to American history and culture. These landmarks include a variety of sites, such as buildings, structures, objects, and districts. Other sites in Iowa include Herbert Hoover Birthplace, Iowa City's Old Capitol, Surf Ballroom, and Terrace Hill. Only some 2,600, or roughly three percent, of over 95,000 places listed on the country's National Register of Historic Places are recognized as National Historic Landmarks.

Parking is limited at the museum. Guests are encouraged to park west of the Franklin County Fairgrounds, 1008 Central Ave. W,



Photo provided by Franklin REC.

Hampton.

Franklin REC will run shuttle services continuously between 10:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Shuttle pickup will be located at the

Franklin County Historical Society building on the east side of the Franklin County Fairgrounds

This event is free and open to the public.

Code Counsel Extra: Fireworks Laws and Safety Reminders for 2025

**BY JIM DAVIES
MEMBER AT LARGE, HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL**

Starting July 1, 2025, a new Iowa law—Senate File 303, signed by Governor Kim Reynolds in May—prevents cities and counties from further restricting the use of consumer fireworks on specific dates.

The legislation overrides any stricter local ordinances. Under the law, fireworks must be allowed on July 3 and 4 from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., and on December 31 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. on January 1, if they are used on private property with the owner's permission.

Please note that fireworks may not be used on public property, including city streets and sidewalks as well as city parks.

When celebrating, please be respectful of your neighbors.

While the risk of hearing damage from fireworks is low, the noise can still be intense enough to cause anxiety—especially when the blast is powerful enough to be felt in your chest.

Fireworks can have a harmful impact on animals. The sudden, unpredictable explosions often trigger fear, and repeated exposure can lead to long-term phobias. This heightened sensitivity can cause extreme stress and panic in both pets and wildlife.

To stay safe while shooting off fireworks, always prioritize safety by following instructions, keeping a safe distance, wearing safety glasses, and having a bucket of water, a hose, or a fire extinguisher nearby. Never light fireworks indoors, never point at people, and never try to re-light a dud.

PRO RACING THIS WEEK

Racing News, Stats & Trivia

This Week's Cup Series Race: Grant Park 165

Race Details

Location: Chicago, Ill.
Date: Sunday, July 6, 2:00 p.m.

Chicago Street Course

Top News Stories

In-Season Challenge: Update after Round 1 at EchoPark

With the first of five races down in the inaugural In-Season Challenge, 16 drivers now advance to Round 2 at the Chicago Street Course and continue the head-to-head frenzy for \$1 million. Atlanta delivered early upsets and bracket-busting drama, proving no seed is safe. With elimination on the line each week, the pressure only intensifies from here. Chase Elliott won at his home track with an epic last-lap pass around Brad Keselowski. His top-20 consistency was bound to pay off at some point with a win as he also avoided calamity all night. Advancing with Elliott to the next round are: (3) Chris Buescher, (6) Ty Gibbs, (8) Alex Bowman, (9) Bubba Wallace, (12) John Hunter Nemechek, (14) Zane Smith, (15) Ryan Preece, (17) Brad Keselowski, (20) Erik Jones, (22) AJ Allmendinger, (23) Tyler Reddick, (26) Carson Hocevar, (29) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., (31) Noah Gragson and (32) Ty Dillon. The most eye-catching driver from this group is Dillon, as the No. 32 seed left Atlanta with a huge upset over top-ranked Denny Hamlin. Dillon was ahead of Hamlin for most of the race after Hamlin got caught in the huge melee to start Stage 2, but also qualified 14th and ran around the top 10 for a majority of the 260-lap event. It's a long shot for his "Cinderella run" to continue, but he delivered an ultimate stunner in Round 1.

Last Weekend's Race: Chase Elliott won at Atlanta

Chase Elliott charged past Brad Keselowski on the last lap and held off the driver of the No. 6 Ford to win Saturday night's Quaker State 400 at EchoPark Speedway. The popular victory in the first event of the NASCAR Cup Series' In-Season Challenge broke a 44-race drought for Elliott. The win was the second at EchoPark for the driver of the No. 9 Hendrick Motorsports Chevrolet and the 20th of his career. Elliott crossed the finish line 0.168 seconds ahead of Keselowski and 0.170 seconds in front of third-place finisher Alex Bowman.

Chase Elliott

Born: Nov. 28, 1995
Crew Chief: Alan Gustafson
Car: Chevrolet

Year	Wins	Top 10s	Avg. Finish
2025	1	10	10.3
2024	1	19	11.7

2025 Standings

Cup Series Top Ten			Xfinity Series Top Ten		
Drivers	Points	Top 10s	Drivers	Points	Top 10s
1) William Byron	631	10	1) Justin Allgaier	624	11
2) Chase Elliott	594	10	2) Sam Mayer	561	10
3) Kyle Larson	589	12	3) Austin Hill	548	11
4) Denny Hamlin	551	9	4) Jesse Love	541	11
5) Christopher Bell	551	11	5) Connor Zilisch	526	8
6) Tyler Reddick	533	6	6) Carson Kvatil	488	7
7) Ryan Blaney	504	8	7) Brandon Jones	466	6
8) Ross Chastain	458	8	8) Taylor Gray	453	8
9) Chris Buescher	457	10	9) Jeb Burton	445	5
10) Chase Briscoe	452	8	10) Nick Sanchez	436	6

Racing Trivia

What was the longest distance covered in a single Daytona 500?

a) 500 c) 520
b) 510 d) 530

finish the race. The 2010 Daytona 500 covered a distance of 520 miles (208 laps), due to turning two green-white-checker efforts to finish the race.

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1:00 BINGO

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Monday, July 7

Tuna Noodle Casserole - Breadstick - Vegetable - Fruit Crisp

Tuesday, July 8

Chicken Philly - Potato Wedges - Vegetable - Fruit

Wednesday, July 9

Ham Loaf - Roasted Sweet Potatoes - Roll - Salad - Fruit

Thursday, July 10

Cheeseburger - Potato Wedges - Vegetable - Bread Pudding

Friday, July 11

oast Turkey - Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy - Roll - Vegetable - Fruit

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President Trump's "One, Big, Beautiful Bill" delivers for Main Street



**REP. RANDY FEENSTRA
COLUMNIST**

Traveling across Iowa on my 36 County Tour, I hear from so many small business owners and workers who want a government that works for them, not against them. For the last four years, the Biden administration was playing ball with foreign nations, outsourcing American manufacturing, and stifling domestic industry with red tape and burdensome regulations. From the factories in Rock Valley to the main street businesses of Marshalltown, our communities flourish when we support policies that empower small business owners, cut red tape, and fuel economic growth.

One of my top priorities has always been ensuring that Iowa's small businesses can keep more of their hard-earned money to invest in growth and good-paying jobs. That's why I've been a staunch advocate for restoring immediate R&D expensing, a critical provision of President Trump's "One, Big, Beautiful Bill," that allows businesses to fully deduct the cost of new equipment and investments in the year they're made. For Iowa's manufacturers, this means that they can upgrade machinery and software, expand facilities, and hire more workers without being crippled by outdated tax rules. This ensures Iowa industries remain on the cutting edge of research, development, and technology. We also created new immediate expensing for the construction of American factories and agricultural facilities, ensuring that we can more quickly build the manufacturing plants that we need to compete against foreign nations and grow our economy.

Another important provision in President Trump's "One, Big, Beautiful Bill"

is the small business deduction that provides tax relief to pass-through entities like family farms, small manufacturers, and main street enterprises across Iowa — Section 199A. This provision allows our small businesses to deduct up to 23% — which we increased from 20% — of their qualified business income, putting more money back into their pockets to reinvest in their operations, hire new employees, and invest in their local communities. In Iowa, family-owned businesses are the heart of our communities. Many storefronts have family names that go back generations. For small business owners, the small business deduction is a lifeline. From my seat on the House Ways and Means Committee, I've been a strong proponent of preserving and expanding this deduction to prevent tax hikes on our small businesses, manufacturers, and domestic industry.

Supporting Iowa's rural Main Streets also means helping them provide for their employees. I introduced the Paid Family and Medical Leave Tax Credit Extension and Enhancement Act to do just that.

This legislation expands the tax credit for small businesses offering paid family and medical leave and makes it easier for employers to support their workers during critical life events, like welcoming a new child or caring for a loved one. Enhancement of this credit ensures that Iowa's small businesses can offer competitive benefits without sacrificing their bottom line. With just 20% of workers at businesses with fewer than 99 employees having access to PFML, this legislation would be a gamechanger for families, businesses, and workers alike. Employees get the support they need, and businesses can attract and retain top talent.

In Congress, I'll continue to fight for pro-growth policies that empower our manufacturers, support our Main Streets, and keep Iowa's economy strong. Right now, that means working with my Republican colleagues to pass President Trump's "One, Big, Beautiful Bill." This historic legislation will supercharge American industry, grow domestic manufacturing, and strengthen our small businesses.

Now Christians Are a Target As Well



THE ALTERNATIVE

**FRITZ GROSZKRUGER
THE ALTERNATIVE**

Donald Trump has decided that MAGA donations will be used to "primary" Thomas Massie because he is literate and understands his oath of office. Well whadayaknow, he took an oath to uphold the Constitution. He voted against the Big Beautiful Bill because it contained huge amounts of unconstitutional spending and increased the national debt.

I don't know of any MAGA person (as embarrassing as it is to say the acronym) who voted to expand wars and government spending, do you?

But here we are. Trump is possessed. We pay. But

the kicker is Israel. Why not just make them the fifty-first state? We elect and pay salaries to our representatives for our benefit, not some corrupt foreign government, or even "God's chosen people."

Now that Israel's war against Iran has paused, it's good to take a look at the threat posed to Americans by Iran. None. Iran's military budget is 1.2% of that at the Pentagon. It seems they recognize there are better ways to spend money. As one of the 191 signatories of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, Iran has the right to pursue nuclear power. Israel has not signed that treaty. Maybe they are the smart ones. Muammar Gaddafi gave up Libya's weapons of mass destruction and look where that got him. DC is not to be trusted.

Thomas Massie is opposed to our involvement in foreign conflicts. He sees it as an invitation to military aggression against us such as that practiced by the

Pentagon. That is why he is a target.

Make America Great Again donations are being used to smear Thomas Massie to the tune of \$1 million. Apparently someone thinks the infection of literacy of the Constitution and what really makes America great will spread. It's easy to see why, as Israel seems hell bent to elicit anti-semitism through their actions. Since 1948 Israeli "settlers" have driven people from their homes as if God's chosen people meant what the Talmud says, that non-Jews are animals and sub-human.

The Jews I've known and know have not indicated that that is the case, but the Israeli government does and that idea has taken hold amongst its citizens.

There is a town in the West Bank inhabited entirely by Christians. It is called Taybeh. It is an agricultural area of about 5,900 acres consisting of olive groves, poultry, and sheep farms. Settlers have set-up outposts around the town.

They've committed arson attacks on crops, stolen equipment, and deliberately released cattle into fields to destroy harvests.

Thomas Massie sees what our greatest ally that never did anything for us is all about and that fortifies his resolve in opposing support for foreign governments. That isn't because of hatred of Jews, it is because the law forbids it. He swore to abide by the law.

The amount of terror inflicted on people by Iran is incrementally dwarfed by that committed by Israel, but our politicians know who pays for their campaigns and magically the politicians become rich on their minuscule salaries.

Will Christians denounce the violence or will they continue to be tools and dupes of Netanyahu and his terrorist regime?

Please do me a favor and reply to my column through a letter to the editor or directly at 4selfgovernment@gmail.com.

Letters to the Editor

To the editor:

The 2025 Beed Reunion in Hampton is now history. Twenty members of the family arrived Friday, June 20 at the AmericanInn to celebrate Hampto for being site of the Beed immigration in the 1850s. Another came Saturday morning. Three of the adults who came to the reunion were third generation descendants of John Beed, one of the seven sons and one daughter of Thomas Sr. and Anna Beed who had arrived from En-

gland. John's son, H.O. Beed, became a longtime hardware merchant. And his families after him were the last to move away from Franklin County.

Fourth generation families at the reunion brought nine children and grandchildren who enjoyed the pool in the AmericInn. HyVee Iowa Falls catered two meals for us on Saturday. Faith Baptist Church provided a great venue for those meals, and an extra game for the children. We thank them heartily for such provisions.

Several walked around Beed's Lake early Saturday morning, others visited the Franklin County Museum that day. And there was much visiting and laughter. Although this was by far the smallest ever since reunions began for us, we set a date for a next one in Hampton in June 2027, hoping more of the extended family will be here. We even considered places we could ask to give us a tour when we come next.

- David Birdsall

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Shouting (Writing) into the Void



reading
between
the lines
with Amanda Rink

AMANDA RINK, EDITOR

“Writing is a solitary occupation. Family, friends, and society are the natural enemies of the writer. He must be alone, uninterrupted, and slightly savage if he is to sustain and complete an undertaking.”

- Jessamyn West
Some weeks, writing this column feels a little like shouting into the void. Like, “Hello? Is this thing on?”

I don’t have a newsroom full of writers and creative brains helping me brainstorm weekly content for The Monitor. I don’t even have an office (unless you count the corner of the library I guard with my laptop). There’s no creative meeting, no whiteboard filled with weekly vision.

There’s just me, trying to tap something meaningful, informative, or funny, maybe even heartwarming, onto a Google document which falls into your hands sometime during the week.

And while I know the newspaper

shows up in your mailbox and various other areas in Clarion, sometimes I really don’t know who is reading this. Are you out there? Do you like this stuff?

Sometimes I feel like I could throw the secret burger sauce, you know the one that I can’t name without getting my publisher sued or something, into the middle of my columns or news articles, and no one would really notice.

But this is the vulnerable side of small-town storytelling; it’s mostly personal, mostly solo, and never comes with instant feedback. No applause. No angry mob, except for that one time. Just silence.

(It is basically equal parts mayo, Thousand Island dressing, with a splash of dill pickle juice, and salt and pepper.)

And yet... I keep on writing. Why? It isn’t because I can’t afford a journal.

It is mostly because I believe in this little space, and I believe in the stories that live here, in our streets, our schools, our backyards. Lately, I have been using this space in the newspaper to just write things as I see them. Real life filtered through the lens of Amanda.

But all of that brings me to this... I want to tell more of your stories. With your voice.

Know someone celebrating a 50th

anniversary and still holding hands at the diner? I’m begging you, call me. That is adorable, and I promise you, people want to read about that.

Did your kid make \$47.32 in one day selling lemonade in the 190-degree heat? Email me! Does your neighbor bake cakes so good that you consider lying about your birthday to get them to bake you one? No judgement. I just need their name, their number, and a fork.

Because those stories matter. They’re the center of who we are as small-town Iowans.

So, if this column finds you on your porch swing, at the ballfield, the gas station, or in your favorite chair, or even in the town over... know that I’m here, typing this from wherever I’m trying to finish my thought. The thought which I hope will find you and make you smile, shed a tear, or consider things from a different viewpoint.

And if you’ve got feedback, story ideas, questions, or that cake recipe? Send it to: news@wrightcountymonitor.com.

Amanda Rink is the Editor of The Wright County Monitor and a children’s book author. When she isn’t caring for her family, writing for the newspaper, or avoiding laundry, she can be found hiding in the woods with a cup of coffee and a romance novel.

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NEWS

He Taught More Than Music: Clarion Mourns the Loss of Mr. Klaver

BY AMANDA RINK
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At CGD Middle School, music became more than notes for one beloved teacher; it was a way to reach kids who needed someone to believe in them. For ten years, that someone was Mr. Tom Klaver.

Tom passed away on June 24 after a courageous battle with cancer. In the days since, his impact has echoed throughout the community like a familiar, comfortable melody. He wasn’t just the middle school band teacher. He was a listener, a champion, a friend. And for many, he was the first adult who made them feel seen.

“He had a special heart for the ‘Charlie Browns’ of the world,” reads a line in Tom’s official obituary.

It’s a line that says everything about Tom’s teaching. He didn’t just teach scales and tempo. He taught patience, self-worth, and how to carry yourself with kindness. Former students remember lessons that had nothing to do with music, like “early is on time, and on time is late,” or how to leave a place better than you found it. But they also remember how it felt to be in his room... safe, encouraged, capable.

“Mr. Klaver nurtured my love of music and knew what I needed as a kid. I could tell he had faith in me, and that gave me the ability to have faith in myself,” shared one former student.

That impact traces back through a life shaped by music, service, and a commitment to teaching.

Born in Colorado in 1971, Tom’s journey

took him through Texas, Oklahoma, and eventually to small-town Iowa, where he found both his calling and a community. He was a gifted musician from a young age, landing a full ride to the University of Iowa, where he played everything from marching band to symphony. He even marched in the 1991 Rose Bowl Parade.

After college, he began teaching, then served in the Navy as a professional musician, playing bass and rhythm guitar in the Navy rock band Horizon. But the classroom kept calling him back.

Wherever he taught, Denison, South Hamilton, CAL, or CGD, his bands earned top honors. But Tom never measured success by trophies. He measured it in confidence built, shoulders squared, and kids who found their voice through music.

Tom’s influence didn’t stop at the band room; he was the excited voice heard from the press box on Friday nights, announcing Cowboy Football with his well-known humor. He was the guy who showed up early, stayed late, and still had time to ask about your family. He made room for everyone in his life.

“Your loss will be deeply felt throughout the communities that make up CGD. I will personally miss your wit as the stadium announcer for Cowboy Football. I will always remember you rolling out your amp and bass as we jammed to AC/DC at a middle school dance. Your passion for music and the kids was so infectious,” shared CGD’s sports announcer, Dave Stein. “You always asked how my wife was doing, even when your own bat-

tle was raging.”

“Tom’s impact on students’ lives will resonate forever. As a band leader, he inspired countless young minds and helped shape the next generations of musicians. Their lives are forever changed by Tom. His smile, funny wit, and his love for Bella [Tom’s dearly loved cat] will live on,” shared coworker Tanja Jensen.

In his free time, Tom found joy in the simple things... tending to his garden, cheering on the Hawkeyes, feeding the birds, or playing in the local symphony. Music was his constant, but kindness was his gift, which he offered freely.

Tom’s memory will continue in the hearts of many and will be kept safe by his loving mother, Jerilynn; his brother and best friend, Jay; his sister-in-law, Julie Klaver; his nephews, Hayden and Thomas, and niece Kylie, along with his Uncle Jim and Aunt Sonjia.

Tom will meet a few loved ones at the pearly gates: his father, Gary; grandparents Ben and Kathryn Klaver, Jerry and Lois Michaelson; Aunt and Uncle Gwen and Jerry Farnham; and his cousins.

And of course, Tom will be remembered by generations of students, coworkers, and friends. Whose lives were left brighter by his impact, because Mr. Tom Klaver didn’t need a spotlight to make a difference. He just showed

up every day with music in his heart. And for so many in the community, that was more than enough.

There will be an open-house visitation on Sunday, July 13, at Clarion Congregational United Church of Christ from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Notes, memories, and donations in Tom’s honor can be sent to Adams Celebration of Life in Iowa Falls.



Tom Klaver



Mr. Klaver takes a break from performing for a quick selfie.



Mr. Klaver with graduating CAL students in 2011.

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Chamber-Main Street News and Knows: 10 Things You Gotta Do

BY JIM DAVIES
MAIN STREET HAMPTON
MANAGER



Chamber-Main Street hosted an Iowa Downtown Resource Center's Downtown Forum at the Windsor Theater on Wednesday, June 25. Over 30 out of town guests attended.

The Iowa Economic Development Authority's (IEDA) Iowa Downtown Resource Center (IDRC) helps communities learn more about the importance of downtown development and specifically how a community can implement strategies to make downtown more viable.

The forum, "10 Things You Gotta Do," explored the top 10 key drivers of thriving downtowns:

1. **Build Local Capacity**—Every community needs a committed group or groups of people that love their town and are eager to get things done with an organized effort...a group with mission, people, ideas, and money that make positive things happen.

2. **Drive Activity**—Get People Downtown. Capitalize on the downtown's unique assets and improve its image. Special events attract people to the downtown.

3. **Take Care of Your Existing Businesses**—building & business inventories, networking/education, succession planning, grant applications, and creating a great customer experience.

4. **Activate Your Streets**—existing storefronts that are attractive and inviting and utilize empty space such as what is now Peace Plaza.

5. **Make Downtown Buildings a Priority**—understanding our history, maintain existing buildings (roofs, sealant, check concealed spaces), fix but don't cover up, understanding historic features, identify & preserve character-defining features, know your local, state & federal partners in preservation, build relationships with property owners, prioritize improvements, tackle simple building projects, rehab upper stories, storefront rehab & façade projects.

6. **Don't Settle! Raising the Bar** for your downtown—we often stop noticing substandard conditions. Is "good enough" really good enough?

Has our community become blind to inconsistent business hours, blighted buildings, substandard housing conditions? A business raising the bar demonstrates what change looks like and best practices. No step is too small—if it is in the right direction. Invest your time and capital. Leverage outside resources. Establish high standards and guidelines. Use appropriate materials, storefront windows should fill the entire opening, upper windows should fill the opening and be operable. Codes and ordinances set the bar and must be enforced!

7. **Clean Up Downtown**—visual first impressions matter! Residents take this for granted...visitors don't! Try to think like a tourist. Good signage is KEY! Not only storefronts... don't forget the alleys and the main entry into downtown. What do you see—boarded up windows, peeling paint, junk, old signage, garbage, weeds?

8. **Build Your Identity**—what are we known for? History, famous people, "best" something, industry connections? Gateway features and public signage—wayfinding, branding, streetscape/public realm, banners. Overall goals are to foster/reinforce community pride, get everyone on the same page, and communicate to visitors.

9. **Attack Those Vacancies**—vacant storefronts can have negative impacts on the community and the economy—decrease in foot traffic, decline in appearance, feeling of neglect/abandonment, safety concerns, reduced property values, and lost opportunity.

10. **Have a Shared Vision**—work together, encourage others to do what they do best, trust partnerships, own

it and act (sometimes we need less talking and more doing), and keep pushing ahead for more.

Over the lunch break, participants had the assignment to stroll through the downtown. They were asked to take notice of the downtown streetscape and buildings. After lunch, the following was discussed:

1. What streetscape amenities does the downtown have that make you want to be here?

2. What streetscape improvements could be made?

3. What are some of the strengths and weaknesses of the downtown buildings?

Here are the results:

1. Hanging flowers, Franklin County Court House, Bandshell Park, painted cross walks, and retail boutiques were mentioned.

2. Get rid of the weeds, blade signs to identify businesses, upper story windows (across from the theatre), sidewalk plantings, better store entrance/door signage, don't see there is a downtown when coming from the west on Highway 3—need signage to tell travelers to look for the downtown shopping area—bandshell park and court house are noticed.

3. Strengths: Upper story character of many buildings, not many vacancies, historic buildings. Weaknesses discussed in number 2.

Keys to success for a thriving downtown: Set high standards; active and well organized; a clear understanding of who we are; focus first on rebuilding from within; maintain the support of business owners, property owners and community; connect with all potential partners; don't copy someone else's vision; focus on projects that create the "domino" effect and not silos.

WORDS OF WISDOM



Last week's trivia questions:

What female singer had hit songs in the 1970s with "Blue Bayou", "When Will I Be Loved" and "It's So Easy (to Fall in Love)"? Answer: Linda Ronstadt

What female singer had hit songs in the 1970s with "Talking In Your Sleep", "I'll Get Over You" and "Don't It Make My Brown Eyes Blue"? Answer: Crystal Gayle

This week's trivia questions:

What country gained its independence from the United States on July 4th, 1946?

The 50-star United States flag was officially raised for the first time on July 4th of what year?

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people he chose for his inheritance." – Psalm 33:12

"You must pay your taxes, too, for these same reasons. For government authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing." – Romans 13:6

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." – Matthew 5:9

"Here is your country. Cherish these natural wonders, cherish the natural resources, cherish the history and romance as a sacred heritage, for your children and your children's children. Do not let selfish men or greedy interests skin your country of its beauty, its riches or its romance." – Theodore Roosevelt

"True patriotism springs from a belief in the dignity of the individual, freedom and equality not only for Americans but for all people on earth." – Eleanor Roosevelt

"Remember, remember always, that all of us, and you and I especially, are descended from immigrants and revolutionists." – Franklin D. Roosevelt

"Intellectually, I know that America is no better than any other country. Emotionally, I know she is better than every other country." – Sinclair Lewis

"May we think of freedom, not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right." – Peter Marshall

"America was not built on fear. America was built on courage, on imagination, and an unbeatable determination to do the job at hand." – Harry Truman

"The Fourth of July: Because nothing says 'I love my country' quite like blowing stuff up!"

The population of the United States on July 4, 1776, was approximately 2.5 million people. The current population of the United States is around 340 million.

The current U.S. flag of 50 stars and 13 stripes was designed in 1958, by 17-year-old high school student Robert Heft for a class project. His teacher actually gave him a B- initially. Heft submitted his design to Congress, and it was selected to replace the previous American flag design. Heft's teacher changed his grade from a B- to an A.

Code Counsel: ATV and UTV Law Changes

BY JIM DAVIES
MEMBER AT LARGE,
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There are significant changes to Iowa's ATV/UTV laws taking effect on July 1, 2025.

ATVs (All-Terrain Vehicles) have handlebars, are for 1-2 riders, and have 3, 4, or 6 wheels. UTVs (Utility Task Vehicles) have a steering wheel, 2-6 riders sit inside on a bench or bucket seat, and have 4 or 6 wheels.

Here's a detailed breakdown of the changes:

Iowa's new hands-free law, effective July 1, 2025, prohibits drivers of all vehicles, including ATVs and UTVs, from holding a phone while operating a vehicle, even at a stoplight. This includes activities like texting, scrolling, entering GPS information manually, streaming videos, and more.

There will be a six-month educational period where law enforcement will primarily issue warnings for violations of the new ATV/UTV laws, including the hands-free requirement.

Starting January 1, 2026, citations will be issued for violations of the hands-free law, with a \$100 fine and the violation considered a moving violation.

A separate bill, HF 1015, prohibits counties from charging additional fees for ATV and UTV operations on secondary roads.

Existing regulations, such as the 35-mph speed limit on public roads and the requirement for valid driver's licenses, insurance, and proper equipment (headlights, taillights, horn, rearview mirrors) for ATV/UTV operation, will remain in effect.

Existing regulations regarding age restrictions for ATV/UTV operation also remain in effect. Drivers under 18 are prohibited from using electronic devices while operating an ATV/UTV unless the vehicle is stopped and off the traveled portion of the roadway, or the device is permanently installed in the vehicle.

Per Iowa Code 321.383, a slow-moving vehicle (SMV) sign must be displayed on the rear of the vehicle for agricultural or personal use. ATVs and UTVs must be marked

with a SMV sign when traveling on roads. Other requirements include proof of insurance, being registered with Iowa DNR and sticker of proof on the rear of the vehicle, and having functioning required equipment like a horn, mirrors, headlights, taillights, and brake lights.

These vehicles can be operated day or night and can be used on certain roadways unless it is an interstate or four-lane road, or if local government has noted it is not allowed. Iowa DNR and DOT also stress the importance of safety, encouraging ATV, UTV and ORV (Off-Road Utility Vehicle) operators and passengers to wear helmets, use a safety harness if available, and drive sober.

Individuals can now carry loaded firearms on snowmobiles and ATVs under certain conditions. Specifically, the law removes the previous restrictions that required firearms to be unloaded and enclosed in a carrying case while operating these vehicles.

Now, individuals can carry loaded firearms on ATVs and snowmobiles on their own land or if their conduct is otherwise lawful. Discharging firearms from these vehicles remains prohibited, with an exception for non-ambulatory (disabled) individuals while lawfully hunting, provided they are not on a moving vehicle.

In 2020, the Hampton City Council passed an ordinance allowing properly equipped UTVs to operate within city limits—but with specific restrictions.

ATVs and golf carts are not allowed on City of Hampton streets, sidewalks, or city property. Operation on private property is allowed.

UTV prohibited locations within the City of Hampton on:

- 4th Street SE and NE (Highway 65) and Central Avenue East and West (Highway 3). However, UTVs may cross these streets.
- Any recreational, bike, or walking trail.
- Sidewalks
- The portion of a street right-of-way between the curb or edge of street paving and the sidewalk referred to as the "parking."
- In City parks, except upon roadways approved for vehicular travel.

UTVs shall not be operated upon other city owned land unless for a special event authorized by the City Council and the operator possesses a valid City permit.

- The Chief of Police is authorized to permit UTVs to operate on restricted City streets for certain special events.

The Hampton City Code requires UTVs operated on city streets to be equipped with seat belts, front headlights, rear taillights, turning signals, and a rear-view mirror. Lighted headlights and taillights shall always be displayed. At all times of operation, the driver and any passengers shall be seated and properly wearing seatbelts.

Any person operating a UTV on city streets shall strictly adhere to all traffic signs and signals and all other traffic rules and regulations. No person shall leave a UTV unattended on public property while the motor is running or the keys are in the ignition switch.

Off-highway vehicles in Iowa operated on public land, public ice, or at a designated riding area must be registered with the DNR. The City of Hampton does not require registration and, therefore, does not charge a fee.

The registration decal sticker must be displayed as required and the operator must have the registration certificate either in the vehicle or on the person while the vehicle is in use.

All newly owned machines, or machines not yet entered into the DNR's recreational vehicle and vessel registration system (RVVRS), must be registered through the County Recorder's Office in the owner's county of residence.

Registrations must be renewed annually. The annual renewal period for registrations without penalty is September 1 through December 31. Registration renewals for ATVs, ORVs, and ORMs (Off-Road Motorcycles) may be renewed through the Iowa DNR Online License System. Off-highway vehicles that have been entered into RVVRS may also be renewed through a County Recorder's Office.

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What's At The Windsor

BY JIM DAVIES
WINDSOR THEATRE
MANAGER

Jurassic World Rebirth opens nationwide—and at the Windsor Theatre—on Wednesday, July 2, with showings at 1:00 PM and 7:00 PM. It will continue for a two-week run through Thursday, July 17.

Regular showtimes are Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at 7:00 PM, with matinees on Sunday and Wednesday at 1:00 PM.

Jurassic World Rebirth launches an exciting new chapter in the franchise, set five years after the events of Jurassic World Dominion.

In this future, the world is no longer safe for dinosaurs, with only a few surviving in isolated equatorial zones that replicate prehistoric conditions.

A covert team, led by Zora Bennett (Scarlett Johansson), is sent to a remote island—once home to the original Jurassic Park facility—to retrieve DNA from the largest land, sea, and air dinosaurs for use in groundbreaking medical research.

Their mission takes a dangerous turn when they encounter a civilian family stranded by aquatic dinosaurs. Together, they must fight to survive an island teeming with mutated and long-abandoned dinosaur experiments.

Jurassic World Rebirth, distributed by Universal Pic-

tures, runs 133 minutes and is rated PG-13 for intense sequences of violence and action, bloody images, some suggestive content, language, and a drug reference.

Regular movie ticket prices are \$6 for adults and \$4 for youth age 16 and under. Seniors (60 and over) receive a discounted price of \$4 on Sundays. All tickets are \$4 for the Wednesday matinee and Thursday evening show.

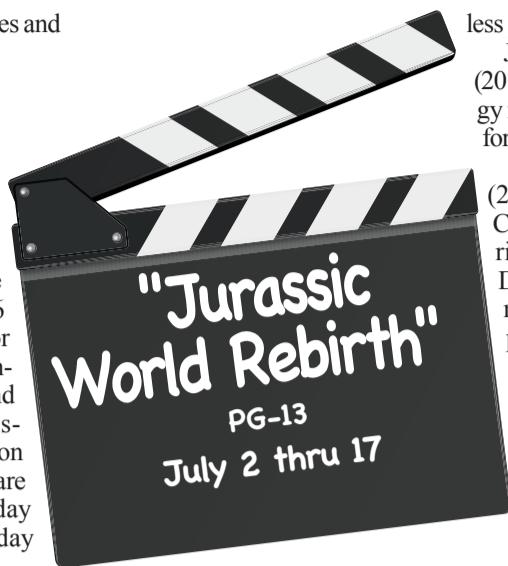
Tickets are available for purchase at the door or online at www.windsortheatre.com. Credit cards are accepted. Windsor Bucks gift certificates, discount punch cards, and movie sponsorship opportunities are also available.

The Jurassic Park movie franchise is one of the most iconic in cinematic history, blending science fiction, adventure, and thrilling suspense with groundbreaking visual effects. Here's an overview of its history:

1989: Michael Crichton wrote the novel Jurassic Park, a techno-thriller about the dangers of cloning dinosaurs using ancient DNA.

1990: Universal Pictures acquired the rights before the novel was even published, with Steven Spielberg attached to direct.

Jurassic Park (1993) Directed by: Steven Spielberg.



Plot: Billionaire John Hammond creates a theme park with cloned dinosaurs. A group of experts is invited to tour it, but things go terribly wrong. Became the highest-grossing film at the time. Won 3 Academy Awards (sound and visual effects).

The Lost World: Jurassic Park (1997) Directed by: Steven Spielberg. Based on Crichton's sequel novel. Plot: A second island (Site B) is revealed where dinosaurs roam free. Another expedition faces chaos. Financially successful but received mixed reviews for its darker tone and plot.

Jurassic Park III (2001) Directed by: Joe Johnston. Plot: Dr. Grant is tricked into visiting Site B to help find a missing boy. Not based on a Crichton novel, though it borrows some scenes and ideas. Mixed reviews, seen as more action-heavy and

less philosophical. Jurassic World Trilogy (2015–2022) A new trilogy rebooted the franchise for a new generation.

1. Jurassic World (2015) Directed by: Colin Trevorrow. Starring: Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard. Plot: A new dinosaur theme park operates successfully until a genetically engineered hybrid (Indominus rex) escapes. Massive success: Over \$1.6 billion worldwide.

2. Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom (2018) Directed by: J.A. Bayona.

Plot: Dinosaurs are rescued from a volcanic eruption but end up being auctioned on the black market. Introduced the concept of dinosaurs coexisting with humans.

3. Jurassic World Dominion (2022) Directed by: Colin Trevorrow.

Plot: Set in a world where dinosaurs roam freely across Earth. The original trilogy's characters (Grant, Sattler, Malcolm) return. Mixed reviews, but strong box office.

Upcoming movies at the Windsor Theatre include Elio, The Forge, Superman: Legacy, The Bad Guys, F1, and Smurfs.

A one-night showing of "The Forge" will be held on Saturday, July 19 at 7pm. This free movie is sponsored by the Christian Motorcyclist Association. If you're into



inspirational, faith-driven stories centered on real-life challenges and spiritual growth, The Forge delivers a touching and uplifting tale.

Upcoming Event: The Franklin County Arts Council presents "A Cabaret Night" at the Windsor Theatre on Tuesday, July 22, beginning at 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM). Perform-

ers from Cedar Summerstock Theatre will entertain with singing, acting, and dancing in this hour-long, family-friendly show. Enjoy a relaxed atmosphere with a variety of musical performances. The event is open to the public, with a free will donation collected at the door. Concessions will be available.

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Readers of the Week at the Hampton Public Library



BY BRENDA VAN WERT
CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN

Reader of the Week at the Hampton Public Library is Beatrice Card, age 8. She will be in the 3rd grade this Fall.

Beatrice is the daughter of Kelsey and Ryan Card. Her favorite book is *Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes* by Eric Litwin.

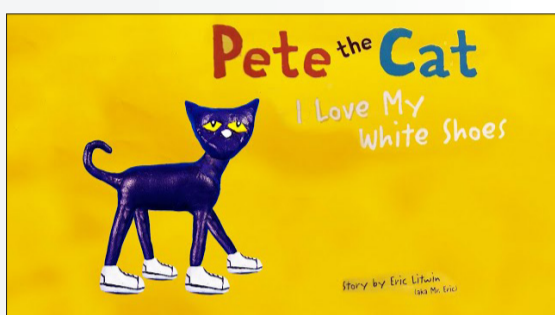


IMAGE OF PRIDE: FROM COVER

"I have always thought this was a cute little house," said Grefe. "Recently, many changes have taken place that have made it even cuter. Viola returned to the area after moving away about 40 years ago. She has put her personal touch to this home creating an inviting welcome! Always meticulously maintained no matter the season."



Mayor Steve Birdsall, Viola Zaabel and City Councilor Jerre Grefe in front of the award-winning home on Monday, June 30. Photo provided by Jerre Grefe

Ridgestone Senior Golf

Wow an eagle flies among the group as Donnie Greimann eagled hole four from about 130 yards out. Some said he was 130, 140, & 150 but it was a loooong shot and congrats Don.

There were sixteen strong to greet the grand pooh-pah Mr. Schnoes and we use the term Mr. very lightly. He barked out the command for the day and there were so many weird rules the boys just shook their head and said oh well whatever. They all scurried out the door, some getting stuck trying to get out first but hey nobody lost any weight! The best squad of the day was Frank Schnoes, Dave O'Connor and Rick Schmitt with a one under par 71.

Rick was silent most of the day but did count to twenty for relaxing purposes after a dub shot. Frank and Dave were wide eyed as Rick sank about four or five putts of 40+ feet. They won themselves a ride in Dave's new boat but it will be in front of his house. The second unit and so close was Ed Hert, Tom Severe and Steve Birdsall with 72. They said Steve inherited his dad's HAMMER driver and was hammering his drives, well that's what they said whoever they are. They won a bag of rotten potatoes but they have to drive to Idaho to get them.

The third unit at 72 and in the money was Larry Fanny, Jim Allen and Jerry Nelson. Larry was in the wait mode most of the day as Jerry & Jim were exchanging stories on every tee box. They did win a years supply of pineapples, however they have to

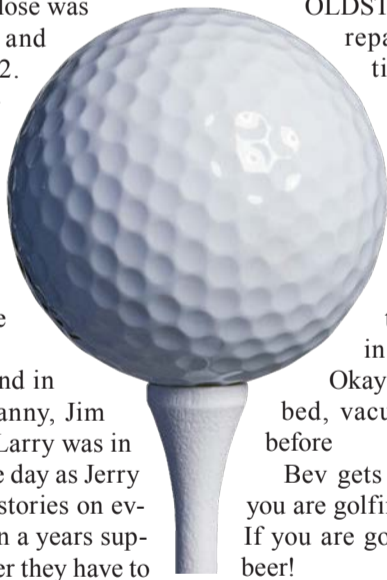
go to Hawaii to pick them up. The fourth squad found Doug Hahn, Denny Foss and DelRay McKee shooting a nice 73 but they got skunked in the payment department. Oh no folks, they missed too many putts, can you imagine that! The fifth unit was Al Menning, Mike Paine and Don (EAGLE) Greimann. They watched Don do a back flip, jump up click his heels, and gave each of them a hug after his eagle shot.

Now that folks represents enthusiasm of the senior guys! We really do not do a lot of hugging, if so people would talk.

They shot a not so good score of 76 and were thrilled with that you know there always has to be a squad bringing up the rear, well lo and behold it was Dick Brown, Doug Erbe and Phil Strand. I think their game was stranded someplace along the fescue which contributed to their 77. Thus closes one more chapter of excitement, thrills, and sulking on the links with the OLDSTERS. DelRay said the TV repair man asked him what time it was he responded, "Between 8 and 10."

Doug H. said a fisherman married a mermaid, they met on line! Don G. spent \$80 on a belt and his wife said that was a huge waste! Ed told me putting your hand in a blender is a hand shake! Okay folks I must now make the bed, vacuum and get lunch ready before

Bev gets home! Until next time if you are golfing poorly you need a beer. If you are golfing good you deserve a beer!



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COUNCIL: FROM A2

Stock to a first term on the seat currently held by John Lyman. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was approved unanimously to install a privacy fence at the property owned by Juan Bello, which is ten feet away from the city skate park that is being worked on. Motion by Grefe and second by Palmer.

The following resolutions were passed: Resolution 2025-11: A RESOLUTION SETTING BASE WAGE FOR FY26; Resolution 2025-12: RESOLUTION ADOPTING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATE OF COSTS FOR 2025-2026 HMA STREET REHABILITATION PROGRAM; Resolution 2025-13: RESOLUTION MAKING AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE 2025-2026 HMA STREET REHABILITATION PROGRAM; Resolution 2025-14: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING BUDGET AMENDMENT #2 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025.

The following consent agenda was passed: Approve previous minutes as

drafted from Thursday, June 12, 2025 Regular Session; Schedule the next Regular Session for Thursday, July 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hampton City Council Chambers; Approval of tobacco licensing renewal for: American Eagle 4300 LLC, 4 4th St SE, Hampton, IA. Motion approved unanimously.

There was no public comment during the meeting.

City Councilor Bill Hodge was not in attendance at the meeting. It would have been his last meeting as a member of the council. His replacement, Kristin Roode, will begin at the next council meeting.

Reports

For his report, Hampton Police Chief Mark Morrison said the officers have been working on trial preparation for the upcoming weeks as well as preparation for the Franklin County Fair, which is set to begin Wednesday, July 9.

Public Works Director Doug Tarr said they've been dealing with a lot of weather-related projects, so he didn't prepare an extensive report, but that he was able to take questions. City Councilor Palmer said five

or six people had recently asked him about a house that had been seized by the U.S. Marshalls, which had been mentioned at a previous city council meeting. Tarr said he didn't know if he was at liberty to discuss the details but that he would report back if he could.

For his report, City Manager Ron Dunt thanked the newly-appointed library board members for their willingness to serve on the board and Bill Hodge for his years of service on council.

For his report, City Councilor Jim Davies thanked Bill Hodge for his service on council over the years and he congratulated the library board appointees. He also reported on the Main Street Iowa Education Forum, which was held at the Windsor Theatre on Wednesday, June 25. He said those who attended from out of town did a walkaround of Downtown and that he would write out their comments to share with the council and community at a later date. He mentioned the REA Museum Ceremony on Wednesday, July 9. Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig will be there to present the

award.

For his report, City Councilor Bill Holmstrom thanked Bill Hodge for his years of service as a city councilor. He also shared an email Chief Morrison had sent him about where to shelter during weather emergencies. It was something Holmstrom had asked about at an earlier meeting. The city doesn't have a public place for residents to shelter. But, as encouraged by the National Weather Service, members of the public should plan to shelter in their basement or an interior room inside their home. If they live in a mobile home, they should have a plan to shelter elsewhere. People can check in with their coworkers, family and friends to come up with a plan for weather emergencies.

For his report, City Councilor Barry Lamos said he would like to have a conversation at their next planning workshop about asphaltting the alley behind NAPA and Pit Row, adding it's a high traffic area and that it hasn't held up.

For his report, City Councilor Patrick Palmer said he wished Bill Hodge would have been there, as he had stories to share

about Bill, including the time Bill told him he would not be giving up his Harley in order to run for council. Palmer told him he didn't have to, and that he could ride it there.

"Over the years, Bill and I have agreed. We have disagreed. And we have agreed to disagree," said Palmer. "But one thing is for sure, we never became disagreeable. We'd always work things out ... I'm proud to call you a friend."

For her report, City Councilor Jerre Grefe said that City Manager Ron Dunt had won the 50/50 Chamber Raffle, but that he had ended up donating the money back to the Chamber and Windsor Theatre — half to each.

"Thank you very much, Ron," said Grefe. "That was very appreciated."

Grefe said they are continuing to water the flower baskets downtown, and that she's been excited about all of the rain, as they don't have to water as often. She said she's disappointed that she has to go back to her ward and tell constituents that they weren't able to pass the third reading of the vicious dog ordinance, adding that they had spent a lot of time and money on

it and that she hopes it's not dead and that they can keep working on it.

For his report, Mayor Steve Birdsall thanked the library board applicants for their willingness to volunteer and Bill Hodge for his years of service.

"A lot of terms come to mind when you think of the name 'Bill Hodge,'" said Birdsall. "He's several things to this city. Number one, he's a historian. He's been on the council for years. He's our comic relief. If we were too tense up here, Bill would break the ice. One way or the other. He's a good workout partner. I wouldn't be working out today if I hadn't known Bill. He's a confidant. He was a good friend for me and hopefully that will continue. He was a mentor of sorts. Sometimes Bill helps you learn how not to say something ... All in all, Bill has been an asset to this city for 15 plus years. He's helped move our community forward. For that, I say 'thank you, Bill Hodge.'"

July Events Program



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FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

DETAILS:
Monday 8:30 AM
Franklin County Courthouse

ACKLEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

DETAILS:
Second Tuesday

GENEVA CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
Second Tuesday of every month
6:30 PM

ALEXANDER LIBRARY BOARD:

DETAILS:
Third Wednesday of every month

CAL SCHOOL BOARD:

DETAILS:
2nd Thursday of the month
at 5:30 PM

FRANKLIN COUNTY TOURISM BOARD:

DETAILS:
Second Thursday,
4:30 PM,
Center 1

ALEXANDER CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
Alexander Library, 409 Harriman St
City Council meetings on the First
Tuesday of every month

HANSELL CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
Second Wednesday every month,
Community Center 7:00 PM

HAMPTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD:

DETAILS:
Board meets every 3rd Wednesday
of the month, 5:15 PM-6:15 PM
Library board meets to discuss
library business, budgeting, funding
and happenings.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:

DETAILS:
5:30 PM
City Council Chambers

FRANKLIN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD:

DETAILS:
Second Monday of month,
6:30 PM
Maynes Grove Shelter

COULTER CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
Second Wednesday of the month,
6:30 PM

LATIMER CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
Second Wednesday,
6:30 PM

DUMONT LIBRARY BOARD:

DETAILS:
Dumont Public Library
Second Wednesday of every month

HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
Hampton City Council meets in
Regular Session on the 2nd and 4th
Thursdays of each month at 6:00
PM, in the City Council Chambers.

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Mondays preceding the 2nd and
4th Thursday Regular Sessions
at 6:00 PM, in the City Council
Chambers.

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

DETAILS:
Second Monday every other month
(usually) February 13th 4:00 PM

DOWS CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
First Monday of every month
6:00 PM

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
Every second Monday
of the month at 6 PM

HAMPTON DUMONT SCHOOL BOARD:

DETAILS:
Fourth Monday of the month
6:00 PM

FRANKLIN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION:

DETAILS:
First Wednesday of month,
7:00 PM
Franklin County Law
Enforcement Center

GREATER FRANKLIN COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:

DETAILS:
3rd Monday of the month at noon
at Center 1.

DUMONT CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
Second Thursday
7:00 PM
At EMS Center Dumont

FRANKLIN COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS:

DETAILS:
First Tuesday of the Month
4:00 PM,
Franklin County Veterans Affairs
Office

WEST FORK SCHOOL BOARD:

DETAILS:
Third Monday of the Month,
5:00 PM,
West Fork High School Sheffield

FRANKLIN COUNTY EXTENSION COUNCIL :

DETAILS:
Franklin County Extension Council
ISU Extension & Outreach 6 2nd St.
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Council members help determine
local priorities for agricultural,
youth (4-H), health and human
science, and community/economic
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West Fork Baseball Goes 1-3, Beats Ninth Ranked Newman Catholic Last Week

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

The West Fork Warhawks baseball team went 1-3 in a week full of competitive games versus tough opponents. The Warhawks lost their first two games of the week, 7-5 versus the Newman Catholic Knights on Monday, June 23 and 7-5 versus the Hampton-Dumont-CAL Bulldogs on Tuesday, June 24. On Wednesday, June 25 the Warhawks finished the second game of the doubleheader versus Neman Catholic from Monday that was suspended due to weather. The Warhawks won the game over the number nine ranked team in the Iowa 1A state rankings 8-4. The Warhawks closed out the week with a loss versus the Saint Ansgar Saints 7-3 on Friday, June 27. The Warhawks game on Wednesday versus Central Springs and their game on Thursday versus Clear Lake were postponed due to weather.



Braylon Shreckengost waits for the pitch in the batters box on Tuesday, June 24. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Wyatt Bonnema fields a ground ball and throws the ball to first base on Tuesday, June 24. Photo by Evan Pharr.

striking out two Knights' batters.

The Warhawks ended the week with a loss versus Saint Ansgar on Friday. The Warhawks fell behind 7-0 and tried to make a late comeback, scoring two runs in the bottom of the sixth inning and one run in the bottom of the seventh inning, but that's all the runs the Warhawks would score. Wiseman went 1-for-4 at the plate with a double and was the lone Warhawk to record an RBI. Nolan Sgreckengost was the starting pitcher for the Warhawks and he pitched four and one inning, allowing two runs on one hit and four walks and didn't record a strikeout.

Head coach of the Warhawks, Kayden Ames, discussed how important it is to play close games versus good teams in the regular season.

"Playing competitive games is the best way to grow as a team and gain the confidence you need to have going into the postseason," said Ames. "We definitely prefer to come out on top in those games but in the losses it can be easier for them to see what we need to work on to turn those into wins."

The 1-3 week moved the Warhawks record to 9-9 on the season and 6-6 in conference. The Warhawks have their last two games of the regular season this week, before playing in the first round of the substrate playoffs on Saturday. The Warhawks played at Osage on Monday, June 30 and at Central Springs on Tuesday, July 1 before traveling to Lake Mills to take on West Hancock in the first round of the IHSAA 1A Sub-state 2 playoffs on Saturday, July 5 at 5:00 p.m.

In a scheduled double header versus Newman Catholic on Monday, the Warhawks and Knights were only able to finish one of the games, a 7-5 victory for the Knights. It was a back and forth game as after the Knights took a 2-0 lead in the top of the first, the Warhawks responded with 4 runs in the bottom of the first. The Knights scored two runs again in the top of the second inning and added another run in the top of the third inning to take the lead back before the Warhawks would tie the game with a run in the bottom of the third inning. The Knights scored the last two runs of the game, one in the top of the sixth

inning and one in the top of the seventh inning. Sophomore Braylon Shreckengost had a big day at the plate, going 1-for-3 with a single, a run scored, and 2 RBIs. Senior Nolan Shreckengost was the starting pitcher for the Warhawks and he tossed four innings, allowing five runs on seven hits and three walks while striking out one Knights' batter.

Tuesday's game would be another back and forth affair for the Warhawks. The Bulldogs would jump out to an early 3-0 lead before the Warhawks scored three runs in the top of the fourth inning to tie the game. After the Bulldogs retook the lead in the bottom of the fourth, the War-

hawks scored two runs in the top of the fifth inning to take their first lead of the game. However the Bulldogs scored the last three runs of the game in the bottom of the sixth inning to steal the game from the Warhawks. Nolan Shreckengost had a big day at the plate, going 2-for-4 with two singles, an RBI and two runs scored. Senior Ashyr Wiseman was the Warhawks starting pitcher and he tossed one and two-thirds innings, allowing one run on one hit and one walk while striking out two Bulldogs' batters.

On Wednesday, the Warhawks played the second half of a rain suspended game from Monday in their second game versus New-

man-Catholic. After falling behind 3-0, the Warhawks scored eight unanswered runs with two runs in the top of the second and third innings and four runs in the top of the fourth inning. The Knights pushed across one more run but the Warhawks held on to hand the number nine team in the state their sixth loss of the season. Senior Trevor Despenas had a big day at the plate, going 2-for-3 with two singles and two RBIs. Eighth grader Braden Kuhlemeier was the starting pitcher for the Warhawks and pitched three innings before rain suspended the game. In those three innings, Kuhlemeier allowed three runs on four hits and four walks while

West Fork Softball Has Another Undefeated Week

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

West Fork softball continued their successful season winning all four games they competed in last week. The Warhawks began the week with a 11-0 victory over the Hampton-Dumont-CAL

Bulldogs on Tuesday, June 24 and a 9-1 victory over the Saint Ansgar Saints on Friday, June 27. The Warhawks then won both of their games in the Garner-Hayfield-Ventura Classic, first beating the Newman Catholic Knights 5-1, then beating the Denver Cyclones 4-0 on Saturday, June 28.

In their first game of the week the Warhawks defeated their Franklin County rivals, Hampton-Dumont-CAL 11-0. The game ended after the fifth inning due to the mercy rule. The Warhawks scored five runs in the top of the first inning, two runs in the top of the fourth inning and four runs in the top of the fifth inning. Sophomore Brooke Rother had a productive day at the plate, go-

ing 1-for-4 with a home run, three RBIs and two runs scored. Senior Libby Trewin was the starting pitcher for the Warhawks and she pitched all four innings, allowing no runs on just one hit while striking out 10 Bulldogs' batters.

Friday's game versus Saint Ansgar would end after the fifth inning due to the mercy rule. The Warhawks scored three runs in the bottom of the first inning, five runs in the bottom of the second inning and one run in the bottom of the third inning. Junior Brylee Dickman had a perfect day at the plate, going 3-for-3 with two singles, a double, three RBIs and a run scored. Trewin was the Warhawks starting pitcher and she tossed three perfect innings allowing no runs or hits while striking out five Saints' batters.

In game one of a doubleheader in the Garner-Hayfield-Ventura Classic on Saturday, the Warhawks defeated Newman Catholic 5-1. Senior JoAnna Wallace and Rother each connected on for a home run in the game. Trewin pitched another outstanding game, tossing seven innings and allowing one run while striking out nine Knights batters.

In their second game of the doubleheader, the Warhawks defeated Denver 4-0. Wallace connected on another home run, while Trewin, Rother and Dick-



Libby Trewin delivers a pitch to home plate on Tuesday, June 24. Photo by Evan Pharr.

man each recorded a hit. Trewin was once again the starting pitcher for the Warhawks and she collected her 900th career strikeout in her seven innings of work while not allowing a run. After picking up four wins last week Trewin now has 15 wins.

Head coach of the Warhawks, Sadie Winfrey, likes how her team is playing well as we get near the end of the regular season.

"We've talked about how it's important that we end the season

strong going into the post season to carry some good momentum," said Winfrey. "We need to be playing our best softball right now to be successful on a run once the post season starts."

The Warhawks will compete in five games over the week this week. They have already played at Osage on Monday, June 30 and at Nashua-Plainfield on Tuesday, July 1. The rest of their games this week can be found in upcoming events (page 12).



Keyahna Peterson fields a grounder and throws to first base on Tuesday, June 24. Photo by Evan Pharr.

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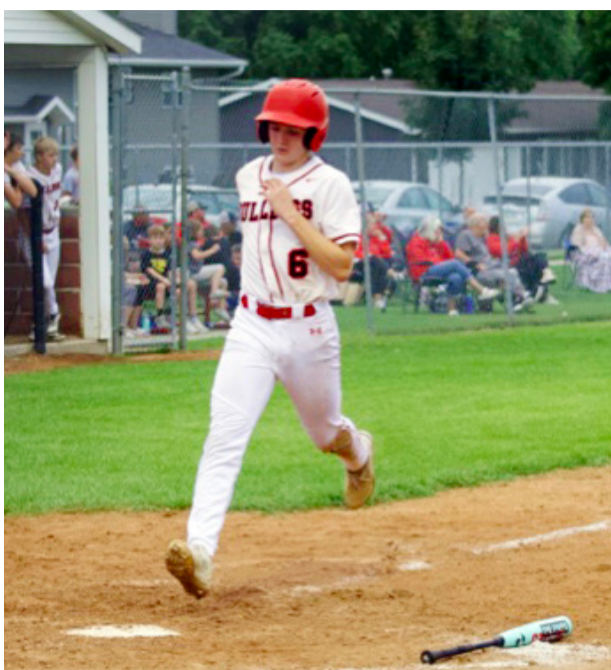
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Bulldog Baseball Has Undefeated Week

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Hampton-Dumont-CAL has continued to play good baseball since starting the season 0-8. Last week, the Bulldogs went 3-0 overall, winning all of its games of the week. The Bulldogs won both games of a doubleheader versus the St. Edmond Gales on Monday, June 23, winning game one 8-5 and game two 8-1. The Bulldogs then defeated the West Fork Warhawks 7-5 on Tuesday, June 24. The bulldogs had a doubleheader versus Saydel scheduled on Thursday, June 26 that was canceled due to a rain out.

On Monday, the Bulldogs would collect two wins over St. Edmond. In game one the Bulldogs would jump out to a 2-1 lead, after scoring a run in the top of the second and third inning. The Gales scored two in the bottom of the fourth to take a 3-2 lead but the Bulldogs would respond with three in the top of the fifth inning to regain a 5-3 lead. The Gales scored two runs in the bottom of the fifth inning to tie the game at five before the Bulldogs scored three runs in the top of the seventh inning to steal the 8-5 victory. Senior Dawson Wikert had a perfect day at the plate, going 3-for-3 three with two singles, a double, an RBI and three runs scored. Senior Jaxon Moats was the starting pitcher for the Bulldogs and he picked up his



Carson Helmke touches home plate to score a run on Wednesday, June 25. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Dawson Wikert delivers a pitch to home plate on Wednesday, June 25. Photo by Evan Pharr.

second win of the season, tossing a complete game and allowing five runs on 13 hits while striking out two Gales' batters.

Game two would be a more dominant win for the Bulldogs. The Gales took the lead with a run in the top of the first inning but the Bulldogs scored eight unanswered runs, scoring two runs in the bottom of the third inning and three runs in the bottom of the fourth and sixth innings. Wikert had another perfect day at the plate, going 3-for-3 with two

singles and one RBI on his first home run of the season. Senior Brody Robertson was the starting pitcher for the Bulldogs and he had a stellar outing, picking up his first win of the season and tossing a complete game, allowing just one run on three hits and two walks while striking out 10 Gales' batters.

Wednesday's game was a back and forth affair against West Fork, the Bulldogs Franklin County rivals. The Bulldogs would score first, taking a 3-0

lead after one run in the bottom of the first inning and two runs in the bottom of the third inning. However, the Warhawks would quickly tie the game with three runs in the top of the fourth inning. After the Bulldogs retook the lead with a run in the bottom of the fourth inning, the Warhawks took their first lead of the game when they scored two runs in the top of the fifth inning. The Bulldogs once again took the lead back after scoring three runs in the bottom of the sixth

inning and held the Warhawks scoreless in the seventh inning to secure the victory. Freshman William Vosberg had a big day at the plate, going 2-for-3 with a single. A double and three RBIs. Wikert was the starting pitcher for the Bulldogs and he tossed six and two-thirds innings, allowing five runs on six hits and one walk while striking out 10 Warhawks' batters. The Bulldogs are 7-5 since starting 0-8 and head coach of the Bulldogs, Matt Lokenvitz, discussed what has led to his team's turnaround.

"Our approach at the plate has been much better as well," said Lokenvitz. "We are taking our best swings at the pitches we want to hit. Earlier in the season we were just flipping out our bats on curveballs and changeups and things that they wanted us to hit. Now that we are holding off on those we are getting fastballs we can drive out into the gaps."

The 3-0 week moves the Bulldogs record to 7-13 on the season and 5-7 in conference play. The Bulldogs will compete in four games this week, having already played a doubleheader at Webster City on Monday, June 30 and hosted Grundy Center on Tuesday, July 1. The rest of the Bulldogs games this week can be found in upcoming events (page 12).

Hampton Softball Drops Three Games Last week

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Hampton-Dumont-CAL (HD-CAL) softball lost all of the three games they competed in last week. The Bulldogs lost 10-0 to

the St. Edmond Gales on Monday, June 23, 11-0 to the West Fork Warhawks on Tuesday, June 24 and 6-5 to the Clarion-Goldfield-Dows Cowgirls 6-5 on Friday, June 27. The Bulldogs were supposed to play Iowa Falls-Al-

den on Wednesday and Algona on Thursday but both games were postponed due to weather.

In the game versus St. Edmond on Monday, the Gales scored five runs in the bottom of the second and fourth innings for their 10 runs. The game ended after the five run fourth inning due to the mercy rule. Eight grader Kendal Eilderts was the starting pitcher for the Bulldogs, tossing four innings and allowing 10 runs on seven hits and five walks while striking out one Gales' batter.

In their game versus West Fork on Tuesday, the game ended after the fifth inning due to the mercy rule. Sophomore Addison Aalbers picked up the one Bulldogs' hit. Eilderts was the starting pitcher for the Bulldogs and she tossed five innings, allowing 11 runs on 11 hits and two walks while striking out two Warhawks' batters.

Their game on Friday versus Clarion-Goldfield Dows would be a more competitive game than the first two games of the week. The Bulldogs fell behind 2-0 before scoring one run in the bottom of the first inning, three runs in the bottom of the third inning and one run in the bottom

of the fourth inning to take a 5-2 lead. The Cowgirls came back, capped off by a three-run top of the seventh inning to steal the win from the Bulldogs. Senior Charlee Morton set the HDCAL school record for career home runs with her 12th career home run. Eilderts was the starting pitcher for the Bulldogs again and she tossed all seven innings and allowed six runs on six hits and two walks while striking out seven Cowgirls' batters.

The 0-3 week moves the Bulldogs' record to 4-11 on the season and 3-5 in conference play. The Bulldogs will compete in four games this week, having already played at Webster City on Mon-

day, June 30 and having hosted Grundy Center on Tuesday, July 1. The rest of their games this week can be found in upcoming events (page 12).



Bridget Brocka fields a groundball and throws the ball to first on Tuesday, June 24. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Kendal Eilderts delivers a pitch to home plate on Tuesday, June 24. Photo by Evan Pharr.

Upcoming Sports Events

Hampton-Dumont-CAL

- July 2. Softball versus Humboldt 7:30 p.m.
- July 3. Softball versus Iowa Falls-Alden 11:00 a.m.
- July 3. Baseball at Boone 12:00 p.m.
- July 7. Baseball doubleheader versus Central DeWitt
- July 7. Softball at Algona 7:30 p.m.
- July 8. Softball at Clear Lake 5:30 p.m.
- July 8. Baseball at Grinnell 7:00 p.m.

West Fork

- July 2. Softball versus Central Springs at Clarksville 6:00 p.m.
- July 2. Softball at Clarksville 8:00 p.m.
- July 3. Softball at Garner-Hayfield-Vetura 10:00 a.m.
- July 5. Baseball versus West Hancock 5:00 p.m.
- July 7. Softball versus Neman Catholic 6:00 p.m.

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TUESDAY ON THE TOWN JUNE 17th RESULTS

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BORING FISHING??



BY RICK JANSEN

When I talk to people about fishing, I often hear, “fishing is just boring”, or “don’t you get bored fishing”. I can’t say that I have never been bored fishing, but for me I can normally find something to keep me interested. Trying to figure out how to catch fish is one of the fun parts for me. If fishing gets too slow (boring) I just go home.

I had not been fishing for almost three weeks because of our trip to

South Carolina and then waiting for the rain to stop. My wife and I decided to go fishing last week. Because of all the rain and storms, I was not expecting the fishing to be good. We decided to head to the local lake since it was close by, and we could come home if the fishing was as bad as expected.

With all the rain that had been happening I thought the water would be like chocolate milk. I was surprised when we put the boat in that the water was clearer than anticipated. I talked to another fisherman who was pulling his boat out of the water. He said he had caught quite a few fish in the morning.

We put the boat in and started drifting along the shore, casting towards the bank. Both my wife and I were using our big poles and lures hoping to catch a bass to start off the afternoon.

Many times, when I am casting my large plastic worm for bass, the bluegills will nip at the tail. This gives me an indication that bluegills are in the area. I stored that information in my head to fish

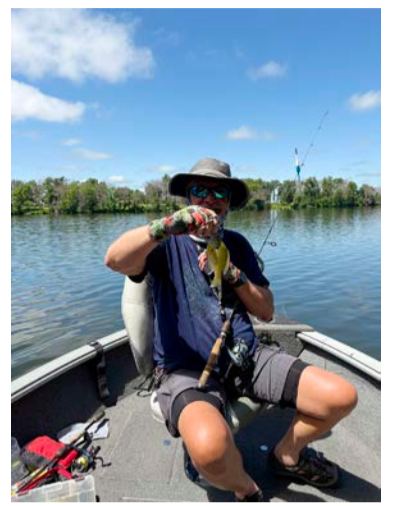
those areas later.

Suddenly I looked at the back of the boat and noticed water on the floor! This could only mean one thing – we were sinking! I ran to the back of the boat and stuck my arm over the side to check the plug. Sure enough, the plug was loose, and water was rushing in. I quickly turned on the bilge pump and turned the boat back to the dock. We had not gone far, so getting to the dock did not take long.

I determined that the best idea was just to pull the boat out of the water and drain it. My wife helped me get the boat back on the trailer and we pulled it out. Once on the ramp, the water came gushing out and the bilge pump was spewing water out the side. Good thing we came back when we did. Once the water drained out of the boat, I secured the plug VERY SECURELY and we put the boat back in the water.

We switched to our smaller poles and lures and fished those areas where the bluegills were nipping at my bass lure. Sure enough, on the first cast I caught a bluegill. It was not very big, but at least we caught one. My wife also caught a few bluegills, and I added a small crappie. We were not keeping any fish today, so we put them all back.

We continued fishing down the south shore. I went back to my large plastic worm while my wife



was trying to catch some more bluegills. Whenever I would feel the nipping of the bluegills on my worm, I would tell my wife to cast there, and she would catch one. All the fish were VERY small, but at least something was happening.

We then went to the north shore and tried our luck there. Fishing was very slow and almost approaching the “boring” mark. The thing that kept me going was that it was a beautiful afternoon and we were coming up to a spot that has been good for us each time we fish there.

Once we approached the “hot spot” we got our bluegill lures all set up and ready to go. I made the first cast and caught a very small bluegill. My wife got on a hot

streak and was catching one on every cast. I am guessing we caught eight bluegills in that one area. It was time to head home, so we packed up and cruised back across the lake. It is always good to end up catching a few fish at the end of your day.

So, was it boring? I know I am a bit strange, but I would say NO. Beautiful weather, fishing after a three-week layoff, clearer than expected water, and good company makes for a good day for me. Many people might have been bored since we weren’t catching fish all the time, but not me. I just like being out in the boat and enjoying God’s creation. If I ever have a boring day fishing, I will let you know.



Franklin County Extension Helps Youths Develop Self-Sufficiency Skills

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Last Wednesday, June 25, a group of local children learned how to safely stay at home by themselves through a class held by the ISU Extension and Outreach Office in Franklin County at the middle school.

Laela Ragsdale, the county youth coordinator for the ISU Extension and Outreach Office in Franklin County, held the office’s second annual “On Their Own and OK” class, which lasted several hours.

Students learned about everything from what to do during a fire to how to perform CPR and the Heimlich maneuver. Franklin General Hospital EMS Manager Nancy Retz made a guest appearance to show them how to deal with medical emergencies.

Throughout the class, Ragsdale stressed to the young students the importance of having a plan. Assisting her

was the Extension Office’s summer intern, Kayla Michelson, who will be teaching at South Side Elementary in the fall.

Students Archer Robertson, Greg Garcia and Grace Garcia were eager to learn and they had a good time, said Ragsdale.

Photos by Laela Ragsdale and Jennifer Burnham.



Weed Identification Contest Returns to the Iowa State Fair

PRESS RELEASE
ISU EXTENSION AND OUTREACH OFFICE

Fairgoers can put their Iowa weed knowledge to the test, win a ribbon and prizes

AMES, Iowa – The annual Iowa State Fair Weed Identification Contest will return on Friday, Aug. 8, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. in front of the John Deere Agriculture Building. This contest is supported by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach and the ISU Department of Agronomy.

Participants of all ages can test their knowledge of common Iowa weeds by attempting to identify real weed samples, potted on a tabletop display. The contest requires contestants to understand commonly accepted names of weeds, but they do not need to know scientific names.

“We have a great variety of species planted this year, including common lawn and garden species that are easy for kids to identify and rarer weed species that are more difficult to identify,” said Meaghan Anderson, ISU Extension and Outreach field agronomist and contest organizer. “We invite all weed identification enthusiasts to see how their ID skills stack up against the best.”

This fun opportunity is open to all who would like to participate, with three distinguishing levels: future agronomists (youth under age 19), general participants and professionals. Future agronomists will identify 20 common weeds in Iowa. Those at the general level will identify 30 weeds, while professionals will identify all 30, plus five additional challenging weeds found in Iowa.

Following the contest, winners will be announced at 3 p.m. during the awards ceremony held in the John Deere Agriculture Building. The top five winners in each division will walk away with a cash prize and a coveted Iowa State Fair ribbon. Weeds from the contest will also remain on display for the duration of the fair in the lower level of the same building.

“We encourage the whole family to compete and see who is the best at weed identification,” shared Anderson.

For more information about the contest, contact Meaghan Anderson at mjanders@iastate.edu.

Conservation Drainage School

August 26-28, 2025

PRESS RELEASE
FRANKLIN COUNTY
ISU EXTENSION AND
OUTREACH OFFICE

Nashua - Iowa State University (ISU) Extension and Outreach will host the Conservation Drainage School from August 26-28, 2025, at the Borlaug Learning Center on ISU’s Northeast Research and Demonstration Farm in Nashua, Iowa. This educational program will focus on practical and science-based subsurface drainage practices that help improve water quality downstream. With both classroom learning, field visits, and hands-on training, participants will explore the design and function of several conservation-focused systems including saturated buffers, bioreactors, constructed wetlands, controlled drainage, oxbows, and two-stage ditches.



Photo provided by ISU Extension and Outreach Office.

The school is designed for a wide range of participants including contractors, farmers, engineers, watershed coordinators, and local officials. Registration costs \$475 if completed by August 11. Late

registration is \$525 and closes on August 18. The fee includes meals, materials, and reference documents. Space is limited and pre-registration is required.

The course also qualifies for Professional De-

velopment Hours and Certified Crop Advisor (CCA) continuing education units.

More information and registration can be found on the Conservation Drainage School website.



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Where in the World is Isaac Vosburg?

My Third Week in India

As I write this now, I've just returned from a three-day weekend in the city of Agra, home to one of the most enchanting Wonders of the World: the Taj Mahal. Now, I could sit and expound upon all the history I learned—how the structure was built as a mausoleum for the Mughal emperor Shah Jahan's second, and favorite, wife, Mumtaz Mahal. How it took six months to plan, immediately following Mumtaz's death during the birth of their 14th child, but nearly 22 years to complete construction of the entire complex. How Shah Jahan's other three wives, whom he had married for political advantage, and not for love (as was his marriage with Mumtaz), all lived to see the completion of this great architectural undertaking, yet each of them would be buried just outside the gates (unlike Shah Jahan himself, who rests in the same crypt as his beloved, in a cenotaph a few feet to the west, closer to Mecca). How the inscriptions and floral adornments upon the white marble (which was sourced, for its strength and beauty, from over 300 kilometers away) are made entirely of semi-precious stones like onyx, jade, carnelian, sapphire, cor-



al, and lapis lazuli, which were skillfully inlaid into depressions made in the marble by the over 20,000 craftsmen who traveled the world over to construct this marvel of man-made structures. That beginning line stating that I *could* delve into the history I learned while in Agra was initially meant in jest, and yet here I am, looking back upon a mildly substantial paragraph chock-full of it. Oh well.

To write of my experience visiting the Taj Mahal is just as relevant, I find, as mentioning the history of the site itself. After all, Google can tell you the factoids above for free. With that stated, I intend to write something worth subscribing to. For the well over three centuries that have passed since its construction was completed in 1653, poets, lovebirds, and historians alike have scrawled out enough literature regarding the Taj Mahal's inspiration, significance, and

beauty that entire libraries could be filled with just the one subject matter. With all the aforementioned history and background now well behind you, allow me to add one small volume to those burgeoning shelves. I woke up at 5:00 AM with a sore back, but a good night's rest. I washed my face and brushed my teeth before buttoning up my white kurta (a formal and traditional type of Indian shirt). I grabbed my passport and a water bottle on my way out the door.

Six of us interns from the Sehgal Foundation had planned out this long weekend away from the office. We had booked beds in a hostel about a ten-minute's walk from the Taj, and we met up downstairs, eager to get there as the sun rose. We had hired a guide as well, whom we met at the door. By 5:30, we were off. The streets of Agra were the quietest I'd seen in urban India thus far, but then again, a few hours' time would prove that observation sorely mistaken.

For the time being, it was calm. We walked along brick sidewalks, noting white murals painted upon red walls facing the near banks of the meandering Yamuna River. Stalls with goodies and trinkets galore were locked up tight at this hour, and they became increasingly prevalent as we drew closer to our destination. A few tuk-tuks bussed small groups to and fro, and soon enough, our group had arrived at said "fro." Ticketing, identification, metal detectors, and a short jaunt later, we were inside the courtyard. I listened intently as our guide dispensed his knowledge of centuries gone by, and after passing through the main gateway, or *darwaza*, my eyes were as stimulated as my ears. The Taj Mahal appears to be an oil painting upon a canvas of the sky. The early morning sun cast its rays in such a manner that I stood in disbelief for quite some time. A wonder of the world, this truly is. I'll leave the romanticizing to the poets, and end simply with this: Agra, and its Taj Mahal, will forever remain a high point of my time here in India, and frankly, of my 18 years spent here on this Earth.

Armstrong Visits Franklin County Historical Society with Her Coloring Book

BY LEE NELSON

Suzanne Armstrong, a native of Franklin County, visited the Franklin County Historical Society on Friday, June 13. During her visit, she delivered copies of her coloring book, *Historic Franklin County Iowa*, which will be available for purchase at the Franklin County Historical Museum during the upcoming Franklin County Fair. While at the museum, Armstrong also conducted research for a future edition of the book. The current edition features illustrations of historic sites and landmarks from towns throughout Franklin County. Volunteers assisted her in locating reference photos to ensure the accuracy of her drawings. However, one notable image—a photograph of the hemp plant that oper-

ated in Hampton during World War II—was not located. If you have a photo or information about this plant, please contact the Franklin County Historical Society. About the Book *Historic Franklin County Iowa* is a 59-page coloring book designed for ages 10 and up. It invites readers to explore the county's rich past through detailed illustrations of historic locations—some long gone, others still standing. Whether you're familiar with these places or discovering them for the first time, the pages offer a unique glimpse into the spirit and charm of Franklin County's small towns. Each drawing is based on authentic vintage photographs and postcards, allowing you to color them in historically accurate shades or bring your own creative twist to each scene.



Suzanne Armstrong holds a copy of her coloring book, *Historic Franklin County, Iowa*, during a visit to the Franklin County Historical Society. The book, featuring hand-drawn illustrations of local historic sites, will be available for purchase at the Franklin County Historical Museum during the Franklin County Fair.

Dumont Student Named First Runner-Up at Butler County Fair

Miss Dumont Mikenzi Davis was named 1st runner-up at the Butler County Fair on Tuesday, June 24. Congratulations to Mikenzi and her parents, Luke and Amanda Davis. Mikenzi will be a senior at North Butler in the fall and she hopes to work as a veterinarian someday. Photo submitted by Amanda Davis.



Lions Club Installs Officers for 2025-2026

On Thursday evening, June 26, the Hampton Lions Club installed their officers for 2025-2026. Front row: President Judy Hankom, VP and Treasurer Craig Semler and Tail Twister Larry Alquist. Back row: Secretary Ron Hankom, 1-year Director Todd Sabin, Lion Tamer Scot Semler, Assistant Tail Twister Bob Schaefer and 2-year Director Michelle Schaefer. (Not pictured: 2-year Director Jim Zacharias, Assistant Lion Tamer Susan Zacharias and 1-year Director Randy DeVries.)



73 people attended Mission: Impossible- Final Reckoning last weekend. There will not be any additional showings of this Mission Impossible movie as Jurassic World Rebirth opens at the Windsor Theatre on Wednesday, July 2 with showings at 1:00 and 7:00 pm.

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 • Wednesday, July 2, 8:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
 • Friday, July 4, **Happy Independence Day!**
 • Sunday, July 6, 9:30 a.m. Worship Service & Communion; 3 p.m. **Trapshooting Event at Stockdale's**
 • Tuesday, July 8, 9:30 a.m. Women's Prayer
 • Wednesday, July 9, 8:30 a.m. Men's Prayer

CATHOLIC

St. Mary's Catholic
 611 Sherman Ave., Ackley
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 1405 N. Federal St., Hampton
Fr. Kevin Earleywine, Priest
 • Tuesday and Thursday at 8:30 AM
 • Sunday 10:30 AM English
 5:30 PM Spanish

CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

First Christian Church
 605 Fourth St. NE, Hampton
 • Sunday, July 6, 10 a.m. Worship Service; **Food Pantry Sunday**

LATTER DAY SAINTS

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
 Hampton / Miguel Sosa Garcia, Branch President
 • Sunday, April 6, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service; Food Pantry Sunday

LUTHERAN

Our Savior's Lutheran
 121 Prospect, Ackley
 • Sundays, 9 a.m. Sunday School; 10 a.m. Divine Service (Communion 2nd, 4th, 5th); 11 a.m. Fellowship
 • Tuesdays, 4 p.m. Tuesday School

Richland Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELS/WELS)
 300 Elm St., Thornton
 952-607-1293
Pastor Caleb Helmen
 • February - July 8:30 a.m. church and 9:30 a.m. Sunday School.
 • August - January 10:30 a.m. Church and 9:30 a.m. Sunday School.
 • Bible class Tuesday 10:00 a.m. September through May.

St. John's Lutheran
 1207 Indigo Ave., Hampton
 • 11 a.m. Worship - 2nd and 4th Sundays

Zion St. John Lutheran Sheffield
 422 Sherman St, Sheffield, IA 50475
 • Thursday, July 3, 2 p.m. West Fork Food Pantry
 • Friday, July 4, **Office CLOSED for Independence Day**
 • Saturday, July 5, 10 a.m. **West Fork Food Pantry**
 • Sunday, July 6, 9 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion; 10:15 a.m. Fellowship
 • Monday, July 7, 6 p.m.

Rebekah Bible Study

• Tuesday, July 8, 10 a.m. Bible Study with video available; 4:30 p.m. **Franklin County Fair Lineup; 5 p.m. Franklin County Fair Parade**
 • Wednesday, July 9, 2 p.m. Summer Jam; **Franklin County Fair**

St. Paul Lutheran Church
 17 Second St. NE, Hampton
Caitlyn Tauro
 Sunday Worship: 9:00 am.
 Sunday School 10:15 am
 Adult Sunday School 10:15 am

St. Paul's Lutheran
 304 W Main, Latimer
Reverend Joel Peter Wagner
 • Sunday, July 6, 9 a.m. Divine Service; 10:15 a.m. Sunday School

St. Paul's Church
 400 Larch St., Thornton

St. Peter Lutheran Church
 502 2nd St. S, Rockwell

Trinity Lutheran Church
 16 12th Ave. NE, Hampton
 www.trinityhampton.com
Vicar - Jacob Stefane, Rev. Carl C. Bollhagen, Pastor
 • Sunday, July 6, 8:30 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion; 9:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study
 • Sunday Radio Broadcasts: 7:30 a.m. Lutheran Hour on KLMJ, 104.9 FM; 10:15 a.m. Radio Worship Broadcast on KLMJ, 104.9 FM

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church - Vilmar
Rev. Tamara J. K. Keen, Pastor
 • Sunday, July 6, 8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Sunday School; 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice; 10 a.m. Worship Service with Communion; 11 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship

First Lutheran Church - Dows
 206 W Ellsworth St, Dows
 • Sunday, July 6, 9 a.m. Worship Service

METHODIST

Ackley United Methodist
 416 Hardin St., Ackley
Pastor Kalvin Scholte
 • Sundays, 9-9:45 a.m., Sunday School; 10 a.m. Worship Service

First United Methodist
 510 Thompson St., Sheffield
Pastor Pastor Wendy Johannessen
 • Sundays, 9 a.m. Worship Service

Geneva United Methodist
 603 Front St., Geneva
 • Sundays, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Worship

Hampton United Methodist
 100 Central Ave. E, Hampton
Pastor Dennis Burns
 • Thursday, July 3, 9:30 a.m. BeFrienders; 10:30 a.m. **Chapel at Franklin General**
 • Saturday, July 5, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. **CleanUp Closet**; 5 p.m. Worship Service with Communion
 • Sunday, July 6, 9:30 a.m. Adults Bible Study; 11 a.m. Worship Service with Communion; 11:30 a.m. Radio Broadcast on KLMJ, 104.9 FM; 12 p.m. Fellowship; 12:30 p.m. Facebook Broadcast
 • Monday, July 7, 1:30 p.m. God's FLOCK
 • Tuesday, July 8, 1:30 p.m. Faithful Stickers

West Fork United Methodist Parish: Aredale, Bristow, Dumont
Pastor Wendy Johannessen

New Hope United Methodist Parish: Aredale, Bristow, Dumont
Pastor Dennis Burns
 • Aredale: Worship, 8:15 a.m.
 • Dumont: Worship, 9:30 a.m.

United Methodist Church
 Morgan/Bradford, 569 100th St., Dows
 Lee Center, 393 Ironwood Ave., Alden
Rev. Judy Eilderts
 • Sundays, 10 a.m. Worship service with fellowship time following (Lee Center, odd months; Morgan/Bradford, even months)

United Methodist Dows
 • Lay Speaker Richard Echelberger
 • Discipleship class - Sunday @8:30am
 • Worship Service @ 10:00am

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

Church of the Living Word
 420 First Ave. NE, Hampton
 641-456-8175
Pastor Brian Rihner
 www.clwhampton.org
 • Sundays, 10 a.m. Worship
 • Sunday: 9AM - Adult Sunday school
 • Wednesday: 5:30PM- PK - Grade 6 WOW! and Adult Bible Study, 6:30PM: MS & HS Youth, 7:00PM - Adult Bible Study.
 • Wee Ones Christian Preschool: Mon., Tues., Thurs.; Mary Mollenbeck, Director, 641-456-8471

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 • Mondays, 7 p.m., Contemporary Worship Exploring Redemption and Healing. Come early for hot chocolate or cappuccino.

Sovereign Grace Church
 109 N Eskridge St., Dows
Pastor Doug Holmes
 www.sgcdows.com
 • Sundays, 10:15 a.m. Sunday School; 11:15 a.m. Worship at First Presbyterian in Dows

Hampton Church of Christ
 811 4th St. NE, Hampton, IA.
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Pastor Joe Peter
 • Sundays, 9:30 a.m. Morning Café; 10:15 a.m. Worship Gathering

Sixth Street Church of Christ (Acapella)
 909 Sixth St. SW, Hampton
Minister Jim Zacharias
 • Sundays, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Worship; 4:30 p.m. Worship
 • Wednesdays, 4:30 p.m. Bible Study

PRESBYTERIAN

Aplington Evangelical Presbyterian Church
 917 Howard St., Aplington
Rev. Michael McLane
 • Sundays, 9:30 a.m. Worship Service with fellowship following services

REFORMED

Dumont Reformed

912 Third St., Dumont
Pastor Chris Meester
 •Sundays, 9 a.m. Sunday School; 10 a.m. Worship (nursery care provided each week)
 • First Monday of the month, 1 p.m. Reformed Church Women (RCW)
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First Reformed
 214 Brown St., Alexander
 • Sunday, 9:15 a.m. Worship Service; 10:30 a.m. Kids Choir & PreK-HS Sunday School; **Sunday School Children Sing during Worship Service**

Zion Reformed Church
 2029 Jonquil Ave., Sheffield
Rev. Petri van Rooyen, Pastor
 Office Hours: M,W, Th: 8-Noon
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 • Wednesday, July 2, 7 p.m. **Hope Circle**
 • Sunday, July 6, 8:30 a.m. **Men's Bible Study**; 9:15 a.m. Worship Service
 • Tuesday, July 8, 5 p.m. **Fair Parade**
 • Wednesday, July 9, 9 a.m. Sunrise Circle; **Franklin County Fair (July 9 - 13)**

Hampton Seventh Day Adventist Church
 605 4th St. NE, Hampton
Pastor Steven Shafer
 Phone: 641-424-3055
 Email: SDAHamptonIA@gmail.com
 • Sunday, June 1, 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

First Congregational U.C.C.
 22 First Ave. SW, Hampton
 (641) 456-2192
Pastor Karen Koenig and Pastor Peggy Allison
 • Wednesday, July 2, **Pastor Peggy will provide morning worship at Leahy Grove Assisted Living**
 • Sunday, July 6, 10 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

Immanuel U.C.C.
 204 E. South St., Latimer
Pastor Joe Dunnwald
 • Sunday, July 6, 9:30 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

St. Peter's United Church of Christ - Geneva
 496 Raven Ave # B, Geneva, IA 50633
 • Sunday, July 6, 9:30 a.m. Worship Service with James Koop

In loving memory of
Ronald (Ronnie) Pals
 1934-2025



Ronald (Ronnie) Pals, 91, of Hampton, passed away Saturday, June 28, 2025, at the Rehabilitation Center of Hampton. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 3, at Faith Baptist Church, Hampton. Interment will follow at the Hampton Cemetery. Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory, Hampton, is caring for Ron and his family. Visitation will be 4:00 - 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, at Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory.

Ronald Dean Pals was born May 8, 1934, at Meservey, son of Harm and Reka (Kuehlers) Pals. Ron was born a blue baby with a defective heart valve and not expected to live past the age of 5. This defect limited physical childhood activities as he was growing up. In 1963, he was one of the first patients at Mayo Clinic to have life changing heart surgery that would correct the birth defect and give him the opportunity to live a full long life.

On October 28, 1960, Ron married Shirley Duryee in Marble Rock. They made their home in Hampton where they were blessed with three children. Ron worked at Maytag until the company moved to Newton. Ron and Shirley enjoyed camping and spending time with family and friends. In later life, Ron's favorite pastime was tractor rides with his buddies and coffee at Hardee's catching up on the local 'news'. Ron loved a good practical joke and never took himself too seriously. Ron was a born again Christian and actively involved in his church as a deacon and Sunday School teacher.

Those left to remember Ron are his children: Mike (Marcee Sidmore) Pals; Jan (Dale) Hoffmann; Dwight Pals; grandchildren Rob (Katie) Hoffmann; Danell (Andy) Steward; Dustin (Nicole) Hoffmann; Deseree Horan; 9 great grandchildren and his nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, wife Shirley Pals, great grandson Johnathan, brother Eldon, sister-in-law Lola, nephews Bruce and Bob, brother-in-law Murlyn (Pete) Duryee, sister-in-law Louise Duryee, and brother-in-law Rich Fear.

The family would like to extend their appreciation to the Rehabilitation Center of Hampton for their excellent care of their father over the last three years, as well as Hospice over the last few months.

Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory - Hampton

Death Notices

Lily Montalvo

Lily Montalvo, 16, of Hampton, Iowa passed away Friday, June 20, 2025. The family is holding a celebration of Lily's life on Sunday, July 20, 2025, from 2:00 to 7:00 pm at Harriman Park in Hampton. This will be a potluck style celebration. Please come share memories and pictures with family and friends. With honor, Adams Celebration of Life is serving the family.

Roger Lacey

Roger Lacey, 84, of Sheffield, passed away on Sunday, June 29, 2025, at his home in Sheffield. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 3, 2025, at Zion St. John Lutheran Church in Sheffield with burial in Hillside Cemetery in Sheffield. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday at the Sietsema-Atkinson Funeral Home in Hampton. Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sietsema-Atkinson Funeral Home in Hampton.

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 -Christopher Simon

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Franklin County

Traffic: Josue Ivan Basurto Mejia, of Tallahassee, Florida, failure to comply with safety regulations rules;

Sergio Davila Barajas, of Parker, Texas, operation by unqualified driver;

Justin Colt Lieth, of Dumont, speeding;

Isaias Aguilar Hernandez, of Hampton, no valid driver's license;

Jennifer Hoang, of Wichita, Kansas, speeding;

Luis Ortega Ramirez, of Wyoming, Minnesota, speeding;

Mambo Abiodun Asangwe, of Elk River, Minnesota, speeding;

Cable James Wareham, of Whiting, Kansas, failure to maintain or use safety belts;

Jerson Eulizer Marroquin Zamora, of Latimer, dark window or windshield;

Gregory Patrick Anderson, of Papillion, Nebraska, speeding;

Sonny Tan Ibanez, of Youngstown, Ohio, maximum group axle weight violation – 2001 to 3000;

Sydney Rane Kammrad, of Inwood, speeding;

Raenell Nichole Richardson, of Lehigh, speeding;

Jeet Patel, of Grimes, speeding;

Nicole Marie Schall, of Hampton, failure to maintain or use safety belts;

Michael Bruce Paine, of Geneva, speeding;

Lukas Alan Smith, of Dumont, speeding;

Kari Lynn Janes, of Alden, speeding;

Michael Edward Schleisman, of Alexander, failure to display registration plate;

Civil: Mara Beth Goodvin as Trustee, of Iowa City, Mara Beth Goodvin, of Iowa City, Jeffrey Stone Rosenberg as Conservator, of Hampton, Jeffrey Rosenberg, of Hampton, versus Allison Beth Rosenberg as Power of Attorney, of new York, New York, versus Allison Beth Rosenberg as Trustee, of New York, New York, Allison Beth Rosenberg, of New York, New York, notice of appeal;

Bertin Rojas Rincon, of Hampton, versus Elvira Romero Soto, of Hampton, final support order;

Fabian Angeles Olvera, of Hampton, versus Ashlynn McCallum, of Hampton, final support order;

OVI: Fernando Barragan Prieto, of Saint Paul, Minnesota, guilty plea;

Travis Jon Doyle, of Story City, order of disposition; pled guilty for operating while intoxicated – first offense, serving 4 days jail time and \$1,250 fine;

Jose Timoteo Hernandez Zapeta, of Osage, order for arraignment; arraignment, July 14, 8:45 a.m.;

Small Claims: Capital One NA, of Des Moines, versus Jessica N Rojas, of Hampton, dismissed without prejudice;

Capital One NA, of Golden Valley, Minnesota, versus Cynthia L Johnson, of Sheffield, judgment default, \$5,653.66 fine;

T & I Enterprises LLC, of Golden Valley, Minnesota, versus Trista Haller, of Sheffield, judgment default, \$1,503.56 fine;

American Express National Bank, of Sandy, Utah, versus Becky Dohleman, of Hampton, non jury order setting trial;

Quad Corporation INC, of Davenport, versus Kristen Whitson, of Hampton, judgment default, \$674.76 fine;

Midland Credit Management INC, of West Des Moines, versus Isabel Cristina Flores, of Hampton, original notice;

Crown Asset Management LLC, of Golden Valley, Minnesota, versus Kristina Anne Marie Raisch, of Hampton, original notice;

UHG I LLC, of Brookfield, Wisconsin, versus Chris Abernathy, of Mallard, original notice;

Criminal: Sarah Jane Brinkman, of Dows, order for arraignment; arraignment, July 14, 8:45 a.m.;

Elian Rivera Trochez, of Hampton, hearing for initial appearance;

Agustin Obispo Porras Chuy, of Hampton, criminal complaint and hearing for initial appearance;

Nathan John Miller, of Dows, order of disposition; pled guilty for forgery, serving 5 years prison time and \$1,025 fine;

Robert Tyler Woodard, of Fort Dodge, guilty plea;

Jessica Lynn Jimenez Martinez, of Eldora, hearing for initial appearance;

Brandon Scott Smith, of

Hampton, order of disposition; pled guilty for theft in the first degree, serving 10 years prison time and \$1,370 fine, \$1,370 fine suspended;

Isidoro Moreno Montalvo, of Hampton, order of arraignment; order setting trial, September 23, 9 a.m.;

Corey Ryan Casady, of Eldora, order for arraignment; arraignment, June 30, 8:45 a.m.;

Jason Colby Marshall, of Latimer, order of disposition; pled guilty for disorderly conduct – abusive epithets/threatening gesture, \$105 fine and serving 6 months probation time;

Felipe Antonio Velica Bunston, of Hampton, order of disposition; pled guilty for theft 5th degree, \$105 fine;

Anthony Lee Kies, of Carroll, criminal complaint and order of disposition; pled guilty for disorderly conduct – loud raucous noise, \$105 fine;

Brandon Scott Smith, of Hampton, motion to dismiss;

Elian Rivera Trochez, of Hampton, order for arraignment; arraignment, July 14, 10 a.m.

Police &

Sheriff report 6-16 to 6-22

Hampton Police Reports

Monday, June 23:

Officers assisted with five medical calls and received five general calls.

9:53 a.m.: Officers assisted other agencies with an issue in the 900 block of 4th Ave SE, Hampton.

2:14 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 400 block of 7th Ave NE, Hampton.

3:10 p.m.: Officers assisted other agencies with an issue in the 200 block of 3rd St. NW, Hampton.

4:04 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 500 block of 2nd Ave SE, Hampton.

4:26 p.m.: Report of lost articles in an unknown area, Hampton.

6:40 p.m.: Report of a simple assault in the area of the bike trail and 1st St. NE, Hampton.

Tuesday, June 24:

Officers received two general calls.

1:02 a.m.: Officers executed local warrants in the area of Progress Park, Hampton.

3:08 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 10 block of 1st St. NW, Hampton.

4:46 a.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the 300 block of 4th St. NE, Hampton.

8:43 a.m.: Report of a suspicious person in the 400 block of 12th Ave NW, Hampton.

11:51 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 100 block of 5th Ave SW, Hampton.

6:44 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 600 block of 4th Ave NW, Hampton.

8:45 p.m.: Report of debris on roadway/right of way in the 10 block of Central Ave E, Hampton.

9:44 p.m.: Report of neighborhood complaints in the 200 block of 2nd St. SE, Hampton.

Wednesday, June 25:

Officers received four general calls.

10:01 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 100 block of 2nd St. SE, Hampton.

10:40 a.m.: Report of harassment in the 10 block of 3rd St. SW, Hampton.

11:34 a.m.: Report of a suspicious person in the area of Foley Ink'd, Hampton.

3:06 p.m.: Report of a weather issue in an unlisted area, Hampton.

3:45 p.m.: Report of theft/larceny in the 300 block of Central Ave E, Hampton.

9:16 p.m.: Officers responded to a fire in the 1700 block of Central Ave E, Hampton.

Thursday, June 26:

Officers executed one traffic stop, assisted with one medical call, and received four general calls.

7:37 a.m.: Report of harassment in the 700 block of 1st St. NE, Hampton.

11:04 a.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 100 block of 2nd St. SE, Hampton.

1:48 p.m.: Report of a weather issue in an unlisted area, Hampton.

2:40 p.m.: Officers assisted with booking information in the 100 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

2:41 p.m.: Officers assisted with booking information in the 100 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

3:25 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1700 block of Central Ave E, Hampton.

7:43 p.m.: Officers executed other warrants in the 400 block of 4th St. NE, Hampton.

8:32 p.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the 300 block of Central Ave W, Hampton.

10:33 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of the Youth For Christ building, Hampton.

Friday, June 27:

Officers assisted with one medical call and received three general calls.

7:50 a.m.: Report of harassment in the 10 block of 7th Ave NW, Hampton.

11:07 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Hwy 3 eastbound, Hampton.

11:19 a.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the area of Hwy 3 and the Police Department, Hampton.

5:59 p.m.: Report of lost articles in the area of the bridge and Progress Park, Hampton.

7:13 p.m.: Report of juveniles in the 400 block of 11th Ave NE, Hampton.

9:28 p.m.: Report of vandalism in the area of Federal St. , Hampton.

11:05 p.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the 400 block of 7th Ave NE, Hampton.

Saturday, June 28:

Officers executed two traffic stops, assisted with four medical calls, and received seven general calls.

1:20 a.m.: Report of neighborhood complaints in the 500 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

2:03 a.m.: Report of juveniles in the area of Hwy 3, Hampton.

8:49 a.m.: Report of neighborhood complaints in the 300 block of 5th Ave SE, Hampton.

9:28 a.m.: Report of neighborhood complaints in the 400 block of 1st St. NE, Hampton.

11:23 a.m.: Report of a suspicious person in the 500 block of 1st Ave NW, Hampton.

1:51 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Hwy 65, Hampton.

1:55 p.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the area of the ABCM Rehab Center, Hampton.

2:32 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1200 block of Central Ave E, Hampton.

3:39 p.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in the area of Harriman's Park and Hwy 65, Hampton.

4:01 p.m.: Report of dog calls in the area of First Bank Hampton, Hampton.

7:32 p.m.: Report of trespass in the 900 block of 4th St. NW, Hampton.

11:04 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle in the area of Harriman Park, Hampton.

Sunday, June 29:

Officers executed two traffic stops and received three general calls.

2:55 a.m.: Report of disturbance in the 100 block of 7th St. NW, Hampton.

10:47 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 700 block of 7th Ave SW, Hampton.

10:52 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 300 block of 4th St. SE, Hampton.

12:53 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Hwy 65, Hampton.

7:15 p.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the 300 block of 1st St. SW, Hampton.

7:37 p.m.: Report of a disabled vehicle in the 10 block of Central Ave, Hampton.

7:40 p.m.: Report of harassment in the area of the Library, Hampton.

Franklin County Sheriff Reports

Monday, June 23:

Officers executed one traffic stop and received one general call.

6:17 a.m.: Report of a vehicle off roadway in the area of Hardin Rd, Iowa Falls.

6:30 a.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in the 1100 block of 14th Ave, Eldora.

2:44 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of Grouse Ave, Alden.

4:19 p.m.: Report of civil disputes in the area of Lark Ave, Sheffield.

5:28 p.m.: Report of an animal on roadway in the area of Hwy 65 and 70th St. , Bradford.

7:28 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Finch Ave, Alden.

10:50 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle in the area of Beeds Lake, Hampton.

10:56 p.m.: Report of juveniles in the 1400 block of 165th St. , Hampton.

Tuesday, June 24:

Officers executed 11 traffic stops, assisted with one medical call, assisted one motorist, received a report for two controlled burns, and received three general calls.

1:18 a.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in the area of 14th Ave, Eldora.

4:57 a.m.: Officers assisted the Hampton Police Department with an issue in the 300 block of 4th St. NE, Hampton.

5:22 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Franklin Ave and Hwy 3, Dumont.

3:59 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35 and mile mark 165 southbound, Coulter.

4:24 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of 180th St. and 190th St. , Hampton.

4:30 p.m.: Report of a deer accident in an unlisted area, Hampton.

5:23 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35 and mile mark 170 northbound, Latimer.

8:31 p.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of Hartel Ave, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

8:32 p.m.: Report of neighborhood complaints in the area of West St. , Latimer.

Wednesday, June 25:

Officers executed four traffic stops, assisted with one medical call, and received three general calls.

7:23 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Hwy 3,

Franklin County.

12:33 p.m.: Report of harassment in the area of 110th St. , Dows.

3:02 p.m.: Report of a weather issue in an unlisted area of Franklin County.

3:31 p.m.: Report of civil disputes in the area of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

5:02 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of Indigo Ave, Latimer.

10:44 p.m.: Officers assisted with booking information in the area of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

10:47 p.m.: Officers executed local warrants in the 100 block of Grant St. , Coulter.

Thursday, June 26: Officers executed two traffic stops, assisted with one medical call, received a report for two controlled burns, and received three general calls.

6:05 a.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of I-35 and mile mark 165 northbound, Latimer.

6:07 a.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in the 1100 block of 14th Ave , Eldora.

12:03 p.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in the 100 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

1:00 p.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of I-35 northbound and mile mark 163, Dows.

1:04 p.m.: Report of debris on roadway/right of way in the area of I-35 and mile mark 162 southbound, Dows.

1:46 p.m.: Report of a weather issue in an unlisted area, Hampton.

2:42 p.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in the area of 190th St. and Warbler Ave, Dumont.

4:04 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the area of 210th St. , Hampton.

7:45 p.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in the area of the Butler County line, Dumont.

8:11 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of I-35 and mile mark 152 northbound, Dows.

8:27 p.m.: Report of a domestic matter in the area of Hwy 3, Latimer.

9:12 p.m.: Report of debris on roadway/right of way in the area of 125th St. and Thrush Ave, Geneva.

9:48 p.m.: Report of an animal on roadway in the area of Tulip Ave, Aredale.

10:00 p.m.: Report of a weather issue in the area of Iowa River, Dows.

Friday, June 27:

Officers executed four traffic stops, assisted with one medical call, received a report for two controlled burns, and received two general calls.

6:43 a.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the area of Hwy 65 and Hwy 57, Iowa Falls.

8:13 a.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in the area of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

9:34 a.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the area of Beeds Lake Dr, Hampton.

12:48 p.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of I-35 northbound and mile marks 164-165, Latimer.

1:50 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of Beeds Lake Dr, Hampton.

5:03 p.m.: Report of vandalism in the area of Indigo Ave, Coulter.

Saturday, June 28:

Officers executed four traffic stops, received a report for six controlled burns, and received two general calls.

2:00 a.m.: Report of juveniles in the area of Hwy 3, Franklin.

6:33 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35

and mile mark 159, Dows.

8:31 a.m.: Report of a deer accident in the area of 30th St. , Ackley.

11:18 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35, Dows.

1:03 p.m.: Report of an operating while intoxicated issue in the area of 2nd St. NE, Hampton.

2:47 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of 160th St. , Hampton.

3:00 p.m.: Officers assisted with booking information in the area of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

9:12 p.m.: Report of suspicious activity in an unlisted area, Hampton.

Sunday, June 29: Officers executed three traffic stops, assisted with one medical call, and received six general calls.

1:55 a.m.: Report of public intoxication in the area of Nettle Ave, Hampton.

2:27 a.m.: Officers assisted with booking information in the area of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

9:21 a.m.: Report of dog calls in the area of the Dows Exit, Dows.

11:05 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35, Hampton.

1:24 p.m.: Report of a suspicious person in the 1500 block of Hwy 65, Hampton.

3:30 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35 and mile mark 170 northbound, Alexander.

3:45 p.m.: Report of theft/larceny in an unlisted area, Hampton.

3:51 p.m.: Report of an operating while intoxicated issue in the area of 190th St. and Jonquil Ave, Latimer.

4:09 p.m.: Report of theft/larceny in an unlisted area, Hampton.

5:24 p.m.: Report of theft/larceny in an unlisted area, Hampton.

6:01 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35 and mile mark 170 southbound, Latimer.

6:38 p.m.: Report of a suspicious person in the area of Washington St. , Geneva.

7:17 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35 and mile mark 167 northbound, Latimer.

7:40 p.m.: Report of suspicious activity in the area of Hwy 65 and Harriman's Park, Hampton.

9:25 p.m.: Report of dog calls in the area of 250th St. and Lark Ave, Sheffield.

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Monday, June 23:

Officers executed five traffic stops, assisted with seven medical calls, assisted four motorists, received a report for three controlled burns and received two general calls.

9:35 a.m.: Report of property damage in the area of Hey 188 and Hwy 3.

11:20 a.m.: Report of property damage in the area of 280th St and Sinclair Ave.

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calls/follow-ups in the 11800 block of Sandhill Rd.

8:20 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 26500 block of 2nd St.

9:31 p.m.: Report of flooding in the area of 230th St and Fir Ave.

11:12 p.m.: Officers conducted a business door check in the 400 block of N Main St.

Tuesday, June 24:

Officers executed five traffic stops, assisted with five medical calls, assisted four motorists, received a report for two controlled burns and received four general calls.

2:27 a.m.: Report of noise complaints in the 200 block of Locust St.

3:02 a.m.: Officers conducted a business door check in the 900 block of Arriott St.

6:10 a.m.: Report of road debris in the area of 110th St and Packard St.

8:57 a.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 3000 block of FLoyd Line.

9:27 a.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 200 block of Locust St.

10:39 a.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 19600 block of Hwy 188.

10:44 a.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 14600 block of West Brook St.

11:01 a.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 700 block of 3rd St.

1:21 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 900 block of Florence St.

2:57 p.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.

4:54 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 200 block of Harvest Ln.

6:09 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 1000 block of Florence St.

6:14 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person activity in the 00 block of N 1st St.

8:22 p.m.: Report of a parking complaint in the 200 block of Mill St.

11:17 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 300

block of S Main St.

Wednesday, June 25:

Officers executed nine traffic stops, assisted with five medical calls, assisted three motorists, received a report for one controlled burn and received four general calls.

1:00 a.m.: Officers conducted a business door check in the 900 block of Parriott St.

4:54 a.m.: Report of a power outage in the 600 block of 1st St.

7:22 a.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the area of Hwy 3 and Jay Ave.

9:08 a.m.: Adam Todd Blau, 45 of Hampton, arrested for driver's license denied/revoked-OWI, jailed.

10:51 a.m.: Report of road debris in the 900 block of 8th St.

11:30 a.m.: Chloe Elisabe Passehl-Snater, 18 of Latimer, arrested for trespass-injury/damage >\$300, jailed.

12:27 p.m.: Nicholas Jay Kielman, 44 of Clarksville, arrested for driving while barred and theft in the 4th degree >\$300-<\$750, jailed.

1:01 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 800 block of 2nd St.

1:38 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 400 block of 6th St.

2:20 p.m.: Clayton Alexander Dales, 30 of Parkesburg, arrested for violation of probation, jailed.

2:47 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 33600 block of 290th St.

2:57 p.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

3:44 p.m.: Rebecca Sue Crossley, 30 of Parkesburg, arrested for possession of a controlled substance-1,2,3rd, possession of drug paraphernalia, and driving under suspension, jailed.

6:08 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 31700 block of Quail Ave.

6:15 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the area of Hwy 3 and Ivy Ave.

6:18 p.m.: Report of a 911 call

in the 1200 block of Ascher St.

6:25 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 1000 block of Florence St.

7:01 p.m.: Officers conducted a search warrant in the 1000 block of Railroad St.

7:41 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 25200 block of 120th St.

7:59 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 24900 block of 180th St.

8:12 p.m.: Report of harassment in the 200 block of Miners St.

8:28 p.m.: Report of a phone scam in the 800 block of Cherry St.

9:33 p.m.: Report of structure fire in the 100 block of 4th NE St.

10:00 p.m.: Officers conducted a business door check in the 500 block of Birch St.

10:43 p.m.: Clayton Alexander Dales, 30 of Parkesburg, arrested for acon-marijuana prior conv, possession of a controlled substance 1,2,3rd, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

11:42 p.m.: Officers conducted a business door check in the 100 block of N MAIn St.

Thursday, June 26:

Officers executed four traffic stops, assisted with two medical calls, assisted two motorists, received a report for one controlled burn and received six general calls.

1:00 a.m.: Report of office personnel calls in the 32600 block of Terrace Ave.

2:42 a.m.: Report of a domestic/family matter in the area of 290th St and Hwy 14.

10:48 a.m.: Report of the veterans van in the 400 block of 6th St.

11:00 p.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

12:17 p.m.: Report of property damage in the 300 block of Old School Rd.

12:43 p.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the 400 block of Bickford St.

1:13 p.m.: Report of theft in the 100 block of N MAIn St.

3:45 p.m.: Report of road debris in the 100 block of E Grove St.

4:42 p.m.: Report of a violation of no contact order in the 13400 block of 110th St.

6:02 p.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.

6:26 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 300 block of Locust St.

7:16 p.m.: Report of operation while under the influence in the 700 block of 11th St.

7:43 p.m.: Officers conducted an arrest warrant in the area of Franklin Ave and Hwy 3.

7:49 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 400 block of 6th St.

8:15 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 7- block of Wemple St.

8:32 p.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the area of Hwy 14 and Hwy 57.

9:02 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 13400 block of 320th St.

Friday, June 27:

Officers executed two traffic stops, assisted with one medical call, assisted one motorists, received a report for two controlled burns and received six general calls.

7:04 a.m.: Report of maintenance in the 500 block of Hwy 57.

8:46 a.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

11:04 a.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 300 block of N Main St.

11:28 a.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 200 block of Locust St.

12:53 p.m.: Report of noise complaints in the 800 block of Caldwell St.

1:24 p.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

2:27 p.m.: Report of a missing person in the 600 block of 3rd St.

3:00 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the area of 190th St and Vail Ave.

3:13 p.m.: Report of a road

closed in the area of 310th St and Dodge Ave.

4:24 p.m.: Report of maintenance in the 400 block of 6th St.

4:58 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 600 block of West St.

5:07 p.m.: Report of juvenile problems in the 200 block of N Main St.

5:14 p.m.: Robert Joseph Bloker, 41 of Shell rock, arrested on a court ordered hold, jailed.

5:30 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 200 block of 3rd St.

6:02 p.m.: Report of a sex offender registry issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

6:23 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 11800 block of Sandhill Rd.

7:38 p.m.: Report of flooding in the 28700 block of Timber Rd.

7:45 p.m.: Report of harassment in the 300 block of 9th St.

10:09 p.m.: Officers responded to a hazamat/chemical spill in the 20900 block of Hwy 3.

10:31 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 17700 block of West Brook St.

11:21 p.m.: Officers conducted a business door check in the 900 block of Parriott St.

Saturday, June 28:

Officers executed three traffic stops, assisted with four medical calls, assisted two motorists, received a report for three controlled burns and received five general calls.

1:53 a.m.: Report of vandalism/criminal mischief in the 600 block of Bickford St.

9:36 a.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 00 block of N Audubon St.

1:45 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 34000 block of Grove Rd.

2:09 p.m.: Report of property damage in the area of 170th St and Birch Ave.

2:20 p.m.: Report of theft in the 400 block of S Fremont St.

2:53 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 25100 block of Martin Ave.

4:02 p.m.: Report of harassment in the 11100 block of Oak St.

4:32 p.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.

6:00 p.m.: Chad Michael Par-ton, 38 of Dumont, arrested on a court ordered hold, jailed.

6:15 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 200 block of 9th St.

6:26 p.m.: Report of a gas spill/clean up in the 600 block of Hwy 57.

6:51 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 1100 block of Main St.

7:07 p.m.: Report of maintenance in the 400 block of 6th St.

10:25 p.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 200 block of W South St.

Sunday, June 29:

Officers executed three traffic stops, assisted with eight medical calls, received a report for two controlled burns and received two general calls.

12:06 a.m.: Officers conducted a business door check in the 900 block of Parriott St.

12:56 a.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the area of Hwy 57 and Ridge Ave.

9:22 a.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the 400 block of S Fremont St.

9:54 a.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 200 block of 1st St.

3:53 p.m.: Officers responded to a vehicle fire in the area of Hwy 3 and Newell Ave.

5:30 p.m.: Report of the Sunday night test page in the 400 block of 6th St.

9:36 p.m.: Report of noise complaints in the 200 block of 9th St.

9:59 p.m.: Officers responded to a domestic/family matter in the 200 block of S 4th St.

10:38 p.m.: Report of a missing person in the 100 block of N Main St.

11:59 p.m.: Report of a structure fire in the 300 block of S 4th St.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Warranty Deed: Jacob D Emhoff to Dylan J Fix; Shef Sheffield Borst's 1st Blk 1 Lot 3 Part, Shef Sheffield Borst's 1st Blk 1 Lot 2 Part

Warranty Deed: Nahaia001 LLC to AR Land West LLC; Hamp Gille Blk 13 Lot 8 Part, Hamp Gille Blk 13 Lot 7 Part, Hamp Gille Blk 13 Lot 6 Part

Warranty Deed: David

Harms, Deanna Harms to Josiah J Cruz; Hamp Beed1 Blk 18 Lot 6

Change of Title: Joyce A Grummer, Roger E Grummer Estate to Joyce A Grummer; Lati Latimer Miller's Blk 3 Lot 2

Warranty Deed: Joyce A Grummer to Nicholas E Grummer; Lati Latimer Mill-

er's Blk 3 Lot 2

Warranty Deed: Lawrence D Winters, Lena Mae Winters to Jason Scott Vanwert, Elisa Marie Vanwert; 14-92-20 SE Parcel 2024 25, 23-92-20 NE Parcel 2024 25

CT Officer Deed: Tim Borcherding Estate, Joyce Borcherding Executor to Joyce Borcherding; Coul-

ter Original Town Blk 20 Lot 7-9 Undiv 1/2 Int

Warranty Deed: Doris A Aldinger to Sheryl Smiley Trustee, Brian Aldinger Trustee, Doris A Aldinger Irrevocable Trust; 25-90-20 S2 SE Undiv 1/2 Int, 36-90-20 S2 NE Undiv 1/2 Int

Warranty Deed: Ashton R Salow, Jessica R Radenbik-


er to Randy R Wright; Hamp Gille Blk 1 Lot 5 South 120 Feet

Warranty Deed: Ann M Flickinger, Scott N Simons to Joel S Orr Trustee, Kimberly A Orr Trustee, Orr Family Trust; 15-92-20 SE Part

Quit Claim Deed: Diana K Holden to Margaret J Holden Trustee, Felisa K Holden

Trust, HBK Trust; 18-90-19 S2 NW Undiv 1/3 Int, 11-92-20 N2 NW Undiv 1/3 Int, 10-92-20 NE Undiv 1/3 Int, 10-92-20 E2 NW Part Undiv 1/3 Int

Warranty Deed: Jeffrey Neil Meints, Julia E Meints to Jeffrey N Meints Trustee, Jeffrey N Meints Revocable Trust; 25-93-21 W2 NW, 25-93-21 SW Part




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Sylvia Borcherding Estate

G. A. Cady III
THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT
FRANKLIN COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SYLVIA A. BORCHERDING,
Deceased.
Probate No. ESPR501977
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF
APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of SYLVIA A. BORCHERDING, Deceased, who died on or about October 2, 2024:
 You are hereby notified that on the 9th day of October, 2024, the last will and testament of SYLVIA A. BORCHERDING, deceased, bearing date of the 20th day of December, 2012, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that ALAN WILLIAM BORCHERDING and GLEN HAROLD BORCHERDING were appointed executors of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.
 Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims

against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated this 11th day of October, 2024.

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 St. Louis, MO 63104

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HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2025, at 6:00 P.M.

The Hampton City Council Regular Session Meeting was called to order at the Hampton City Council Chambers by Mayor Steve Birdsall at 6:00 p.m. Council members in attendance were James Davies, Jerre Grefe, Bill Holmstrom, Barry Lamos and Patrick Palmer. Bill Hodge was absent. Also present were City Manager Ron Dunt, Police Chief Mark Morrison, and Public Works Director Doug Tarr. Mayor Birdsall invited those present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag. Mayor Birdsall called for a motion to **approve the agenda.** Motion by Holmstrom, second by Grefe to approve the agenda. Motion approved unanimously.

The Mayor read the **City Leadership Statement.**

Council Workshop Report: Mayor Birdsall presented the minutes from the Monday, June 23, 2025 workshop.

Public Comment: None.

Public Hearing: Public Hearing in regard to **FY25 budget amendment #2.** Mayor Birdsall opened the Hearing at 6:03 p.m. Ron Dunt, City Manager, provided details. There were no written objections made. Mayor Birdsall called for any oral objections to this amendment and none were made. Mayor Birdsall closed the public hearing at 6:04 p.m.

Public Hearing in regard to the **adoption of plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the construction of the 2025-2026 HMA Street Rehabilitation Program.** Mayor Birdsall will open the Hearing at 6:05 p.m. Mark Crawford provided details. There were no written objections made. Mayor Birdsall called for any oral objections to this amendment and none were made. Mayor Birdsall closed the public hearing at 6:06 p.m.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Council member Davies presented the Chamber request for the **2025 Fair Parade line-up and route.** Motion by Palmer, second by Lamos to approve the 2025 Fair Parade line-up and route. Motion approved unanimously.

Consider awarding **June 2025 Image of Pride Award to Viola Zaabel for property at 826 1st St NW.** Motion by Grefe, second by Davies to award June 2025 Image of Pride award to Viola Zaabel for property at 826 1st St NW. Motion approved unanimously.

Consider **appointments to 3 library board positions expiring June 30, 2025.** Motion by Grefe, second by Davies to make the following appointments to library board positions expiring including: Dick Paulsen to a first term on the seat currently filled by Paulsen as he served for the Miller vacan-cy, Becky Palmer to a first term on the seat currently held by Wendy Lamos, and Joslyn Stock to a first term on the seat currently held by John Lyman. Motion approved unanimously.

Consider **request from property owner Juan Bello for privacy fencing near the north side of the new location of the skate park.** Motion by Grefe, second by Palmer to move forward with a privacy fence at the new skate park. Motion approved unanimously.

Approval of claims. Motion by Palmer, second by Grefe to approve the claims as submitted by Staff in the amount of \$184,180.50. Motion approved unanimously.

Consideration of Approval and Adoption of the Ordinances/Resolutions: Mayor Birdsall presented the **third and final reading of Ordinance 406: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 56, DANGEROUS AND VICIOUS ANIMALS.** Motion by Palmer, second by Davies to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 406. The council discussed the Ordinance. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Davies, Palmer, and Grefe. Nays: Lamos and Holmstrom. Absent: Hodge. **READING FAILED.**

City Manager Dunt presented **Resolution 2025-11 A RESOLUTION SETTING BASE WAGE FOR FY26.** Motion by Davies, second by Lamos to approve Resolution 2025-11. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Holmstrom, Grefe, Davies, Palmer and Lamos. Nays: None. Absent: Hodge. Resolution 2025-11 passed.

Resolution 2025-12: RESOLUTION ADOPTING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATE OF COSTS FOR 2025-2026 HMA STREET REHABILITATION PROGRAM. Motion by Grefe, second by Holmstrom to approve Resolution 2025-12. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Palmer, Grefe, Davies, Lamos, Palmer and Holmstrom. Nays: None. Absent: Hodge. Resolution 2025-12 passed.

Resolution 2025-13: RESOLUTION MAKING AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE 2025-2026 HMA STREET REHABILITATION PROGRAM. Motion by Holmstrom, second by Davies to approve Resolution 2025-13. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Grefe, Lamos, Holmstrom, Davies, and Palmer. Nays: None. Absent: Hodge. Resolution 2025-13 passed.

Resolution 2025-14: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING BUDGET AMENDMENT #2 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025. Motion by Grefe, second by Palmer to approve Resolution 2025-14. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Holmstrom, Davies, Lamos, Palmer and Grefe. Nays: None. Absent: Hodge. Resolution 2025-14 passed.

Consent Agenda: Mayor Birdsall presented the **consent agenda.** Motion by Palmer, second by Lamos to approve the Consent Agenda and the following items: Approve previous minutes as drafted from Thursday, June 12, 2025 Regular Session; Schedule the next Regular Session for Thursday,

July 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hampton City Council Chambers; Approval of tobacco licensing renewal for: American Eagle 4300 LLC, 4 4th St SE, Hampton, IA. Motion approved unanimously.

Staff Reports given by Police Chief Mark Morrison, Public Works Director Tarr, and City Manager Dunt.

Council Reports given by Davies, Holmstrom, Lamos, Palmer, and Grefe. **Mayor's Report** given by Mayor Birdsall.

Motion to adjourn by Palmer, second by Grefe at 7:04 pm. Motion approved unanimously.

Attest:

Ron Dunt, City Manager

Mayor Steve Birdsall

CITY OF HAMPTON FINANCIAL REPORT CLAIMS FOR APPROVAL

VENDOR/DESCRIPTION/AMOUNT	
A&M ELECTRIC INC REPAIR.....	\$1,927.85
ACCO CHEMICALS.....	\$2,536.86
AGSOURCE LABORATORIES LAB TESTING.....	\$114.00
AHLERS & COONEY PC ATTY FEES.....	\$124.00
ATLANTIC COCA-COLA BOTTL CONCESSIONS.....	\$643.37
BOLTON & MENK INC RUNWAY REHAB.....	\$24,090.00
BOUND TO STAY BOUND BOOKS BOOKS.....	\$442.93
CARR, ETHAN MOWING.....	\$95.00
CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT BOOKS.....	\$94.68
CENTURYLINK01 PHONE.....	\$52.96
COLLINS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK.....	\$9.93
CULLIGAN WATER BLDG MAINT.....	\$40.00
D&L SANITATION INC GARBAGE.....	\$678.23
DAVIES, JAMES REIMBURSEMENT.....	\$836.46
DREW, STAGIE SHELTER DEPOSIT.....	\$100.00
E&E REPAIR TOOLS.....	\$92.26
EBS HEALTH- PRE-TAX.....	\$4,058.82
EBS - CITY'S PORTION HEALTH INSURANCE.....	\$28,286.92
EFTPS FED WH FED/FICA TAX.....	\$13,977.67
FAREWAY STORES INC CONCESSIONS.....	\$111.38
FRANKLIN REC UTILITY.....	\$149.53
GALLS LLC UNIFORMS.....	\$57.60
GIT-N-GO CONVENIENCE STOR FUEL.....	\$15.24
HAMPTON VETERINARY CENTER POUND FEES.....	\$255.00
HANSON & SONS TIRE REPAIR.....	\$134.17
HAWKINS, INC. CHEMICALS.....	\$50.00
INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES BOOKS.....	\$1,534.42
KWIK TRIP INC / KWIK STAR FUEL.....	\$2,048.74
KYLE & SON TREE SERVICE TREE REMOVAL.....	\$1,500.00
LANCE STUDER CUSTOMS REPAIR.....	\$1,005.24
MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS SUPPLY.....	\$129.69
MCKINNEY, BEN MOWING.....	\$370.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO ELECTRIC.....	\$206.31
MILLER, ERIN SHELTER DEP.....	\$100.00
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY INC SUPPLY.....	\$1,385.70
NORTH COUNTRY LANDSCAPING REPAIR.....	\$1,032.49
NORTH IOWA LIBRARIES SUPPORT & LICENSING.....	\$3,381.63
NORTHWAY WELL & PUMP CO WELL TREATMENT.....	\$28,900.00
OVERHD DOOR CO OF MASON C REPAIR.....	\$1,445.40
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE LIFE INS.....	\$96.18
QUALITY PUMP & CONTROL REPAIR.....	\$1,288.00
RAGSDALE, LAELA SHELTER DEP.....	\$100.00
SCHUMANN AVIATION CONTRACT FEES.....	\$3,168.67
SEBCO BOOKS BOOKS.....	\$678.31
SHEELER, ANDREW REIMBURSEMENT.....	\$120.00
SPOCK'S SANCTUARY LIVE ANIMAL SHOW.....	\$197.00
TASTE OF HOME BOOK.....	\$44.12
UNUMPROVIDENT CORPORATION DISABILITY INS.....	\$899.35
VILLALOBOS, FATIMA SHELTER DEPOSIT.....	\$50.00
VISA SUPPLY.....	\$5,032.59
WICKWIRE, ADAM BLDG REPAIR.....	\$2,250.00
PAYROLL CHECKS TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS.....	\$48,241.80
CLAIMS TOTAL.....	\$184,180.50

CLAIMS BY FUND:	
GENERAL FUND.....	\$44,322.17
GENERAL - LOST/POOL FUND.....	\$11,685.71
LIBRARY FUND.....	\$15,604.95
ROAD USE TAX FUND.....	\$8,276.12
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND.....	\$20,141.65
CAPITAL PROJECT - FAA GRA FUND.....	\$24,090.00
WATER OPERATING FUND.....	\$45,614.67
SEWER FUND.....	\$13,909.01
SOLID WASTE FUND.....	\$536.22
CLAIMS TOTAL.....	\$184,180.50

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Carolyn A. Riles Estate

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR Franklin COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE Estate of Carolyn A. Riles , DECEASED
CASE NO. ESR502031
NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL WITHOUT ADMINISTRATION

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Carolyn A. Riles, Deceased, who died on or about June 1, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on June 23, 2025, the last will and testament of Carolyn A. Riles, deceased, bearing date of December 21, 2012, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and there will be no present administration of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of the county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Dated on June 23, 2025.
 Gene R. Riles, Proponent

Attorney for estate:
 John P. Lander, ICIS#: AT0004583
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 Mason City, IA 50402-0679
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JVJV500745

TO: JOSE SARMIENTO GARCIA AND ANY AND ALL PUTATIVE FATHERS OF A CHILD BORN ON THE 8TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2009.

You are notified that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the Court for Franklin County, a Petition Alleging Delinquent Child, Case Number JVJV500745 which to a child born on the 8th day of October, 2009. Further details contact the Clerk's Office.

You are notified that there will be an Adjudication Hearing on the Petition Alleging Delinquent Child before the Iowa District Court for Franklin County, at the Courthouse in Hampton, Iowa, on the 14th day of July 2025, at 2:30 p.m. The Petitioner's Attorney is Andrea M. Miller.

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CAL ISL Notice Publication

NEWSPAPER COPY TO BE PUBLISHED AFTER JUNE 25, 2025 AND BEFORE JULY 5, 2025
NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION
PROPOSAL TO CONTINUE PARTICIPATION IN THE INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM FOR THE CAL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the CAL Community School District, in the Counties of Franklin and Wright, State of Iowa, will hold a hearing upon its Resolution to Consider Continued Participation in the Instructional Support Program. The hearing will be held in the CAL Elementary Learning Lab (CELL), 1441 Gull Avenue, Latimer, Iowa 50452, on July 15, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.

The Board of Directors is considering continued participation in the Instructional Support Program as provided in Sections 257.18 through 257.21, Code of Iowa, for a period of five years, commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027.

Additional funding for the Instructional Support Program for a budget year will be determined annually by the Board of Directors and will not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total regular program district cost for the budget year and moneys received under Section 257.14, Code of Iowa, as a budget adjustment for the budget year.

Moneys received by the District for the Instructional Support Program may be used for any general fund purpose.

The Instructional Support Program shall be funded by instructional support state aid and a combination instructional support property tax levied annually upon the taxable property within the School District commencing with the levy of property taxes for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, and an instructional support income surtax imposed annually, the percent of income surtax to be determined by the Board for each budget year to be imposed upon the state individual income tax of each individual income taxpayer resident in the School District on December 31, 2026, and each year thereafter.

CAL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
 Secretary of the Board of Directors

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Notice of Sheriff's Levy and Sale

Notice of Sheriff's Levy and Sale
FRANKLIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE • 105 5th ST SW, P.O. Box 57, Hampton, IA 50441 • (641) 456-6035
IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY
STATE OF IOWA
COUNTY OF FRANKLIN
Docket No. (Sale No.) 25-0243(1)
Court No. EQCV502218-1
SPECIAL EXECUTION
IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION
VS.
MARIA ALICIA ABREGO MERINO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF MARIA ALICIA ABREGO MERINO; PARTIES IN POSSESSION; IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY, et al., in rem

As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of defendant(s) rights, title, and interest in Real Estate Property to satisfy the judgment. The property to be sold is:

Lot 23, TERRACE HILL, Subdivision to Hampton, Franklin County, Iowa. Exemption 428A.2(18)

Street Address 1642 Club View Dr, Hampton, IA 50441
 The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows:
 Date of Sale 07/30/2025
 Time of Sale 10:00 AM

This sale not subject to redemption.
 Place of Sale: FRONT LOBBY OF SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Property exemption: Certain money or property may be exempt. Contact your attorney promptly to review specific provisions of the law and file appropriate notice, if applicable.

Judgment Amt: \$232,159.82
 Costs: \$8,218.67
 Accruing Costs: PLUS
 Interest: 6.625% of \$232,159.82 from 07/01/2024 = \$16,602.61
 Attorney: SouthLaw, P.C., Omaha, NE (402) 342-4644, ext. 353

Date: 06/11/2025
 Sheriff: Aaron Dodd
 Deputy: Heidi Hilton, Clerk

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AMENDED Allyn Hagensick Estate

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY
In the Matter of the Estate of ALLYN L. HAGENSICK, Deceased.
CASE NO. ESR502005 - AMENDED NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Allyn L. Hagensick, Deceased, who died on or about January 9, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on January 30, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Allyn L. Hagensick, deceased, bearing date of December 18, 1997, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Dawn H. Stewart was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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

Dated June 19, 2025.
 Megan R. Rosenberg, ICIS#: AT0009951 Attorney for Executor
 CADY & ROSENBERG LAW FIRM, P.L.C.
 9 First Street SW
 PO Box 456 Hampton, IA 50441
 Dawn H. Stewart
 Ainsworth, IA 52201

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Delores Mae Bailey Estate

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
Delores Mae Bailey, Deceased
CASE NO. ESR502034
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Delores Mae Bailey, Deceased, who died on or about June 11, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on June 23, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Delores Mae Bailey, deceased, bearing date of April 20, 2021, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Marlene Kay Harms was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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

Dated June 24, 2025.
 Marlene Kay Harms
 213 Heather Avenue
 Evansdale, IA 50707
 Executor of Estate

G. A. Cady III, ICIS#: AT0001386
 Attorney for Executor
 Cady & Rosenberg Law Firm, P.L.C.
 9 First Street SW
 PO Box 456
 Hampton, IA 50441

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Carolyn A. Riles Trust

TRUST NOTICE
IN THE MATTER OF THE Carolyn A. Riles TRUST

To all persons regarding Carolyn A. Riles, deceased, who died on or about June 1, 2025. You are hereby notified that Gene R. Riles is the Trustee of the Carolyn A. Riles Revocable Trust U/A dated December 21, 2012, as amended. Any action to contest the validity of the trust must be brought in the District Court of Franklin County, Iowa, within the later to occur of four (4) months from the date of second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent settlor and the spouse of the decedent settlor whose identities are reasonably ascertainable. Any suit not filed within this period shall be forever barred.

Notice is further given that any person or entity possessing a claim against the trust must mail proof of the claim to the trustees at the addresses listed below via certified mail, return receipt requested, by the later to occur of four (4) months from the second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice if required or the claim shall be forever barred unless paid or otherwise satisfied.
 Dated on June 23, 2025.

Gene R. Riles, Fiduciary
 2374 Timber Avenue, Sheffield, IA 50475

John P. Lander #AT0004583, Attorney for Trustees
 Brown, Kinsey, Funkhouser & Lander, P.L.C.
 214 North Adams, P.O. Box 679
 Mason City, Iowa 50402-0679

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Got a Legal Notice to Submit?
Deadline for legal notice submissions is Monday at noon

Teams Test at Iowa Speedway in Advance of SUKUP IndyCar Race Weekend

Total of 21 NTT INDYCAR SERIES Cars Overcome Weather Delays Wednesday in Preparation for Annual INDYCAR Doubleheader Weekend

NEWTON – With just 16 days remaining until the green flag waves on Sukup INDYCAR Race Weekend, Iowa Speedway hosted a pivotal team test session Wednesday as NTT INDYCAR SERIES competitors fine-tuned their machines ahead of the only doubleheader race weekend of the 2025 season July 11-13.

Mother Nature made her presence felt from the outset of the test as torrential morning storms soaked central Iowa Wednesday morning at the “Fastest Short Track on the Planet.” After the skies cleared, track crews battled persistent “weepers”—moisture seeping through the surface due to the heavy rainfall—delaying the start of on-track activity until the early afternoon. Once the green flag waved shortly after 2 pm CT, the action ramped up quickly. A total of 21 cars from nine teams took to the 0.894-mile oval that was partially re-surfaced prior to the 2024 INDYCAR weekend in Iowa, logging a combined 2,984 laps during an intense, fast-paced afternoon session.

Among the quickest drivers on the day was 2020 Iowa Speedway polesitter Conor Daly, piloting the No. 76 Juncos Hollinger Racing Chevrolet. Reigning series champion and 2025 Indianapolis 500 winner Alex Palou was also quick in the No. 10 Honda for Chip Ganassi Racing while Felix Rosenqvist, driver the No. 60 Honda for Meyer Shank Racing also post-

ed a time among the fastest on the afternoon.

“I love this track but just a really good learning experience for us today,” said Daly. “Not really sure what to say when it comes to race trim stuff, but it is nice to be P1, and fast cars are fun to drive for sure around here. We’ll see what happens when we come back for the race.”

The test featured a star-studded lineup, including five Indianapolis 500 champions, four former NTT INDYCAR SERIES titleholders and four past Iowa Speedway winners, all preparing for what promises to be one of the most thrilling weekends on the 2025 INDYCAR calendar. Teams were testing a new aerodynamic package and tire combination specifically developed for Iowa Speedway. Due to the delayed start, the test session was extended until 8 pm CT, and as a result, no additional team testing will take place at the track on Thursday.

“Always fun to be back in Iowa. It’s a track that takes quite a lot of commitment so it’s always fun,” said Rosenqvist. “I think the high line will be usable in the race so there is still more to come, but always good to be out there. It’s double points, technically two weekend races.”

The 2025 Sukup INDYCAR Race Weekend officially begins on Friday, July 11, with the return of Free Family Friday, offering free gate admission for all fans. The turbocharged weekend in Central Iowa continues Saturday with the INDY NXT by Firestone race at 12:30 pm CT (FS1),

followed by the first NTT INDYCAR SERIES race of the doubleheader – the Synk 275 at 4 pm CT (FOX). The action culminates on Sunday, July 13, with the Farm to Finish 275 NTT INDYCAR SERIES race at 12:00 pm CT (FOX).

This year’s event carries special significance as Sukup Manufacturing Co., celebrating its 62nd anniversary, steps into the spotlight as title sponsor for the first time at its home track. The partnership underscores the deep-rooted connection between Iowa’s agricultural innovation and its high-octane motorsports tradition.

Iowa Speedway’s doubleheader weekend is set to deliver even more high-speed action in 2025, as both NTT INDYCAR SERIES races will be extended to 275 laps, 25 more than last year’s 250-lap contests. This change increases each race distance from 218 to 240 miles and is part of a broader initiative by INDYCAR and FOX Sports to enhance the fan experience by lengthening six of the 17 races on this year’s schedule. The goal is to amplify the intensity, strategy and spectacle that define INDYCAR racing.

Highlights of Wednesday’s on-track action from the INDYCAR team test at Iowa Speedway can be accessed at: <https://pec.imagencloud.com/record/~e3a0039557>.

To learn more about Sukup INDYCAR Race Weekend and to purchase tickets to the July 11-13 event, visit www.INDYCARatIowa.com.

Sentencing Set for Sex Offender

BY MICHAEL HOHENBRINK
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING

A Geneva man arrested for a sexual assault involving a child is about to find how long he will go to prison.

Richard Dixon Peacock, 29, was arrested Jan. 6 in Hampton after a nationwide warrant was issued for him following a report of sexual assault against a juvenile back in December 2024 that took place in Hinckley, Minnesota.

The defendant was accused of meeting an 11-year-old girl on Discord and arranging to meet with her.

Peacock was charged with felony counts of criminal sexual conduct - first degree with a specification of penetration or contact with a victim under 14 and kidnapping/confinement.

Now, the Geneva man is set for July 28 sentencing after reaching a plea deal with the prosecution that has seen him enter a guilty plea to the first count with a cap of 12 years and a dismissal of the second count.

The sentencing hearing is set for 1:30 p.m. in Pine County District Court in Pine City, Minnesota, a community north of the Twin Cities.



Richard Peacock. Photo credit: Minnesota Courts online photo.

City Band to Hold Final Concert of Summer July 3

PRESS RELEASE

The Hampton Municipal Band will continue its 104th season of performances on Thursday, July 3rd with its 7th, and final, concert of the season. The concert will be held

in the Band Shell and will begin at 8 PM. The program will feature a many patriotic

selections as we celebrate America’s birthday. Included will be a tribute to our military

member both past and present in the “Armed Forces Salute” as well as

many traditional selections including Sousa’s “Stars and Stripes Forever” and Carmen Dragon’s arrangement of “America the Beautiful.”

The Hampton Municipal Band is under the direction of Chris Sauke and is comprised of approximately fifty area musicians of all ages.

America arr. Conley
Strike Up the Band Conrad
Hosts of Freedom King

Battle Cry of Freedom Bocook
Irving Berlin’s Songs for America arr. Swearingen

National Game Sousa
America the Beautiful arr. Dragon
Chimes of Liberty Goldman
Haven’t Met You Yet arr. Murtha
Americans We Fillmore

You’re A Grand Old Flag arr. Yoder
National Emblem Bagley
Mansions of the Lord arr. Brown
Armed Forces Salute arr. Lowden
Stars and Stripes Forever Sousa
America the Beautiful arr. Conley
Star Spangled Banner arr. Sousa

Area students named to the President's List at Iowa State University

AMES — The following students were named to the President’s List at Iowa State University. Students achieving this prestigious designation have maintained a 4.0 GPA for two consecutive semesters.

Allison, Iowa

Anna G Endelman, Biology, B.S. (AGLS)
Lauren Fleshner, Animal Science, B.S.

Hampton, Iowa

Tate B Schmitt, Kinesiology and Health, B.S.

Latimer, Iowa

Samuel VanHorn, Mechanical Engineering, B.S.
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Iowa Lakes Community College Announces Spring 2025 Honors Lists

ESTHERVILLE — Iowa Lakes Community College proudly recognizes the outstanding academic accomplishments of students named to the Spring 2025 Honors Lists. The President’s List celebrates students who achieved a perfect 4.0 grade point average while enrolled full-time in 12 or more graded credit hours. The Dean’s List acknowledges full-time students who earned a GPA of 3.25 or higher with a minimum of 12 graded credits completed.

This semester, 141 students earned a place on the prestigious President’s List, while 242 students were honored on the Dean’s List. The following students are from the area.

Hampton, Iowa

Marcos Baez, Dean’s List
Maleah Bentline, President’s List
Kara Raisch, Dean’s List

Iowa State University announces spring 2025 Dean’s List

AMES – More than 11,300 Iowa State University students have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the 2025 spring semester Dean’s List. Students named to the Dean’s List must earn a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.

The following students are from the area:

Allison, Iowa

Anna G Endelman, Biology, B.S. (AGLS)
Macy Endelman, Kinesiology and Health, B.S.
Lauren Fleshner, Animal Science, B.S.
Blayne Lühring, Political Science, B.A.

Dougherty, Iowa

Ellie Marie Weaver, Elementary Education, B.S.
Myciah Laneah Weaver, Agricultural Studies, B.S.

Dumont, Iowa

Trinity Anara Swart, Agricultural Communication, B.S.

Hampton, Iowa

Kole Joseph Becker, Kinesiology and Health, B.S.
Lauren Marie Meader, Finance, B.S.
Marshall G Moats, Computer Science, B.S.
Isabella Noelck, Agricultural Business, B.S.
Tate B Schmitt, Kinesiology and Health, B.S.
Aja Sheppard, Business Administration, B.B.A. (Distance)
Jack Showalter, Agricultural Studies, B.S.

Latimer, Iowa

Samuel VanHorn, Mechanical Engineering, B.S.

Rockwell, Iowa

Emma Ann Weiner, Agricultural Studies, B.S.

Hampton Student Makes Spring Semester Dean’s List at DMACC

Des Moines Area Community College President Rob Denson recently released the names of students eligible for the Spring Semester Dean’s List. To be eligible, a student must have completed a minimum of six credits and earned

a 3.5 to 3.99 grade point average for that semester. Lauren Kurth of Hampton is one of those students. She’s studying culinary arts.

GTSB offers guide to new hands-free driving law

Law goes into effect July 1

BY JOHN JENSEN
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING

DES MOINES – The Iowa Governor’s Traffic Safety Bureau (GTSB) has offered a guide to Iowa’s new hands-free driving law that goes into effect July 1.

According to the GTSB, the new law, which came after years of debate at the statehouse, prohibits drivers from holding their phone or any other electronic device while driving. Fines for violation of the law could be \$100 or more, though officers will be issuing warnings for the first six months that the law is in effect, July 1 – Dec. 31.

The law bans the use of not only cell phones, but also laptops, PDAs, tablets and gaming devices. Under the law, drivers cannot hold their device in any way, cannot manually scroll or interact with their device (even if they are not holding it), cannot enter an address into GPS while driving, cannot view texts, videos, or social media while driving and cannot call, text or dial unless using hands free or voice commands.

Drivers can legally connect their device to their vehicle’s auxiliary jack and use voice commands, use Bluetooth devices such as speakers or earpieces, use their phone on speaker mode while set in a secure location or place their device in a vehicle mount and use voice commands or single taps.

Iowa is the 31st state to pass legislation banning the use of handheld devices. Laws vary in surrounding states, with Minnesota and Illinois prohibiting all use of handheld devices and Wisconsin banning their use in construction zones. Wisconsin also bans all texting while driving. For more information, visit drivesmartiowa.com.

Other laws

Other notable laws taking effect July 1 include a ban on the use of cell phones by students during class time. The age that Iowans are allowed to purchase, own and carry a handgun also drops from 21 to 18.

Local governments can no longer ban shooting off fireworks on July 3, July 4 or Dec. 31. Numerous local governments have recently passed ordinances bringing local laws into compliance with the new state legislation.

Gender identity protection will also be removed from the Iowa Civil Rights Act July 1 while state, city and school Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) efforts will be banned.

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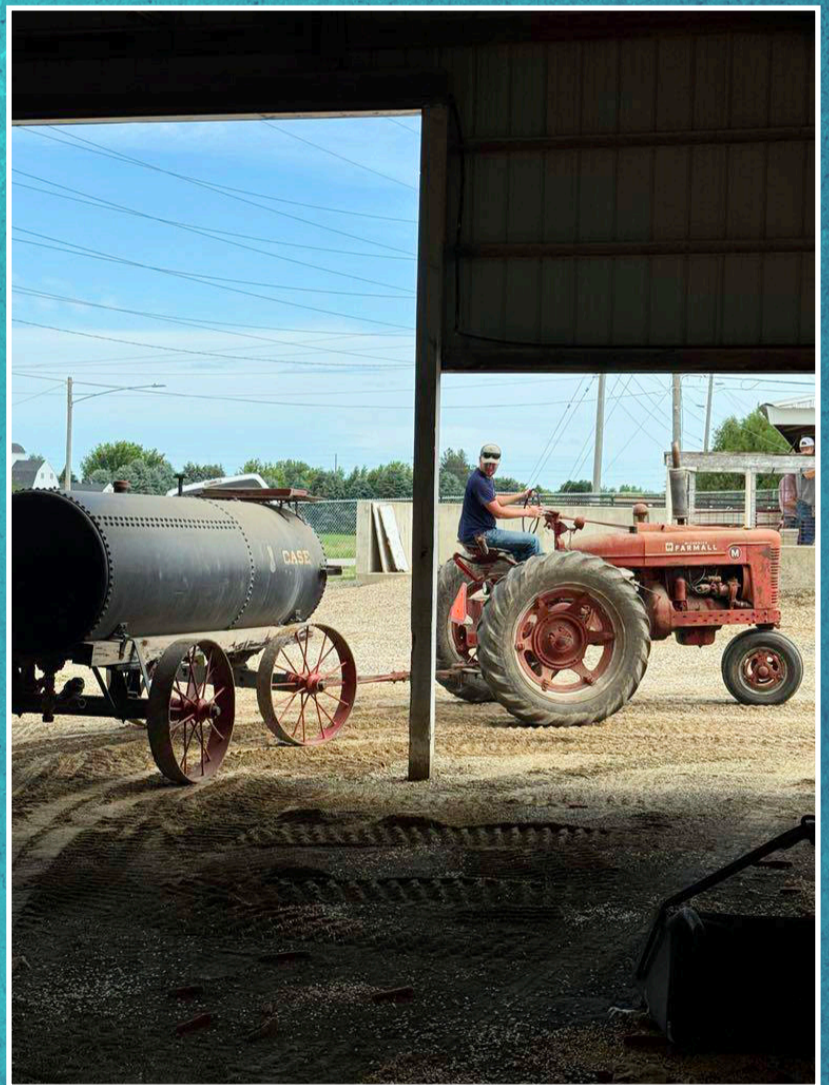
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Preparing for the Fair

Volunteers and Franklin County Fair Board members were hard at work Saturday morning, June 28, moving antique farm equipment out to Grandpa's Farm for display, doing repairs to the hog building and renovating the board walk in Pleasant Hill. Mark your calendars for the first day of the fair, which is set for Wednesday, July 9. Photos provided by Fair Board member Marcus Kofoot.



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