

Hampton Entrepreneur to Appear on ‘Shark Tank’

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Hampton’s Billie Asmus — the mastermind behind the Repaint Tray, the first reusable, silicone paint tray with a lid — has some exciting news to share. She’ll be on Shark Tank this Wednesday, Oct. 8, at 9 p.m. CST on ABC.

“I’m excited and nervous,” she told the Chronicle. “I thought I did well, but I’m anxious to see how it will be edited down.”

Asmus, 32, said she originally came up with the idea for the repaint tray out of necessity. The lifelong DIYer, who flipped furniture from her home outside of Hampton for several

years, wanted to come up with a way to paint without tossing out so much plastic and creating so much waste.

“When we actually sat down and did the math of how often people are painting and the average number of liners that the homeowners go through, we realized that equates to over 240 million plastic liners that end up in landfills every single year,” she said.

To her, the solution was simple: to get rid of the plastic paint tray liners and create a paint tray that could be used again and again. So she created her first prototype by building a mold out of dollar-store foam board and a few leftover plastic liners, then pouring raw silicone over it.

To learn more about the business side of things, she enrolled in the Fall 2021 Venture School program at the NIACC Pappajohn Center, where she developed a business plan for her new product, while putting the finishing touches on her tray. The finished product: a three-piece set that comes with a steel metal tray, a reusable silicone liner, and air-tight lid. Once dried, the paint can be peeled off the tray and disposed of. Then users can wash the liner and lid with soap and water and it’s ready to be used again.



Billie Asmus



The repaint tray came to fruition in February of 2024.

For several years, Asmus competed in pitch competitions, to help fund the launch of her company, before finally hitting it big when she won the “Gold Ticket” at the international “Into the Blue: Lowe’s Product Pitch Event” competition in December of 2023, which placed the Repaint Tray in Lowe’s stores around the country.

This was just the beginning for her. In August of 2024, she secured first place in the John Pappajohn Iowa Entrepreneurial Venture Competition, and four months later, she won the Iowa InnoVenture Challenge in December of 2024.

While her tray made its big debut in the market on February 1, 2024, Asmus said she’s still constantly looking at ways to im-

prove it. In fact, she uses it on a regular basis while working on her many DIY projects at home, which helps her better understand feedback from her customers. One improvement she’s thinking about making, which came recommended by her customers, would be adding a ladder hook, she explained.

Since launching her product, Asmus has sold around 20,000 trays to customers around the globe. She hopes to continue growing her business, with plans of opening a storefront in Iowa Falls in the near future, along with adding more eco-friendly paints and painting supplies to her collection. Currently, her tray can be purchased online, at repaintstudios.com, or at



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hardware stores across the country, which are listed on her website.

“I have designs for so many other products that we want to work on, because we have such a demand from our customers for other products and other options, so those are in the works,” she said. “But the upfront costs to make those things happen is incredibly expensive and we’re making enough money and growing with just the one product. That’s where investors and other finances can come in and help us with that area.”

Like her role model, Sarah Blakely, the creator of Spanx, Asmus strives to make a difference in her community. Earlier this year, she even donated a bus to the Iowa Falls Rugby Club. She said she hopes to do more in the local community as her business grows.

When Asmus is not busy with work, she can be found taking care of her two young children, Riley, 6, and Hayden, 3, and spending time with her husband, Holden, who’s supported her every step of the way, she said.

Whipple Family in for Sweet Surprise While Residing Home

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

In 1992, Claire and Stacie Whipple asked their parents if they could draw on the side of their house with chalk before it was re-sided. Their mother, Pam, said yes.

Well, much to everyone’s surprise, their drawings were still there, 33 years later, when they removed the siding from their house in Hampton last Thursday, Oct. 2.

“We would have never thought the chalk would have stayed but sure enough, it was still there,” said Pam. “It brought back

so many memories. Our daughter hadn’t even been diagnosed with diabetes yet. So many things just went through my head.”

Claire and Stacie — who are now mothers themselves — returned to their home over the weekend to freshen up their drawings, with help from their children, before the house was re-sided once again. Claire, who is now 42, was accompanied by her son, Jacob. And Stacie, who is now 39, was accompanied by her son, Jaxson. The four freshened up the faded artwork, adding inspirational sayings like “Be Your Own Kind of Beautiful” and “You Are Enough,” along-



The faded chalk drawings from 1992.

side flowers and stars. “It was like walking down memory lane,” said Pam.



The most recent drawings from Sunday, Oct. 5, 2025.



A group of students crossing the street to Band Shell Park on Wednesday, Oct. 1.

LEAP Coalition Pulls off Successful Community Walk

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Hundreds of people around Franklin County participated in the 2025 Healthiest State Annual Walk Wednesday morning.

The efforts were coordinated by members of the LEAP Coalition, as a way to get the community up and moving.

Starting at 10 a.m., participants from H-D-CAL High School, H-D-CAL Middle School, North Side, South Side, CAL Elementary, Franklin County Public Health & Home Care Services and Franklin General Hospital began walking. The students in Hampton walked (while some ran!) to Band Shell Park. The CAL Elementary students made their way down their community pathway. And those with Franklin County Public Health & Home Care Services and Franklin General Hospital took a stroll around their facilities.

Once at Band Shell, area students watched the high school cheerleaders perform and heard from Hampton Mayor Steve Birdsall, who pledged to walk 30 minutes a day. Birdsall spoke about the importance of being active on a daily basis and encouraged the students and school staff to join him in walking more.

Correction

The photo below did not include names in the last edition of the Chronicle. It was paired with a story about Tomás Rivera, who found inspiration at the Hampton Public Library, decades ago. The following people are pictured, from left to right: Children’s Librarian Brenda VanWert, Library Director Suzy Knipfel, Ileana Libatore (daughter of Tomás Rivera), Esmeralda Ramirez and Dave Hisler.



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Former Police Captain Shares Passion for History with Students

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Jim Hilton, who served with the Hampton Police Department for nearly 40 years, said he wanted to find a hobby when he retired twelve years ago. So he turned to one of his greatest passions: history.

The former police captain started by scouring the Internet and sales for interesting finds, looking for everything from vintage phones to retro typewriters to antique wash basins. He has built up quite the collection — each item with its own history. That’s the part he enjoys the most.

"Sometimes I'll do a re-

finish and make them a little nicer looking and others, I will leave as original," he said. "I collect just about anything. I have hundreds of antiques."

Hilton was more than ready to share this collection with some of the history students at H-D-CAL High School on Thursday, Oct. 2. He spoke to them in two groups, once in the morning and once at 12:30 p.m., in front of the outdoor football concession stand, where his assortment of early 1900s inventions was displayed.

This was the first time he was invited to do something like this at the high school, and he was happy to be there, he said.



Jim Hilton waiting to chat with more students at the high school on Thursday, Oct. 2.



Jim Hilton (right) showing a couple students and Mr. Walton an old vacuum cleaner.

When asked about his favorite historical event or time period, Hilton said he couldn’t pick one, as so much of it interests him. “I really do love it all,” he said. “I’ve been interested in history since I was very little.”

A Good Scare for a Good Cause in Sheffield

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Sheffield residents Dave Schoning, Scott Johnson and Kelly Johnson are back at it this spooky season with their annual haunted forest fundraiser.

This will be the fourth year for Flounder’s Fatal Forest haunted hike, which is scheduled for Oct. 4, Oct. 11 and Oct. 18, from 6 to 10 p.m. each night. The hike begins at 1958 255th St. in Sheffield, and it changes every weekend.

This year, the group has teamed up with the West Fork Dance Team for Oct. 4, the West Fork FFA for Oct. 11 and the West Fork Class of 2026 for Oct. 18. As always, the proceeds will go to the clubs that are helping.

Admission is ten dollars per adult and five dollars for kids 10 years old and younger.



The West Fork dance team hyping themselves up before working the haunted forest last year.



Scott Johnson, Dave Schoning, and Mike Hartman behind the scenes last year.

RINK: FROM COVER



Rink's Powerpoint presentation on “Hoppy.”

When asked for her best advice for aspiring writers, Rink said “Just do it. You can edit bad writing but you can’t edit a blank page.”

Rink said that while creative writing can be more fun than news writing, it can also be more difficult.

“It is harder to write anything creatively, like Hoppy, because it leaves a piece of you open for criticism or applause,” she said. “You never know which one it’ll get.”

Rink, who was raised outside of Belmond, now lives in Clarion with her family, where she can be found ignoring laundry or filing away her latest story for the Monitor. Her regular columns are published in the Wright County Monitor and the Hampton Chronicle.

You can purchase “Hoppy” through Amazon.

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CIJDC Executive Director out, new head will be sought

BY MICHAEL HOHENBRINK
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING

A new executive director will be sought for the Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center.

Hardin County Board of Supervisors Chairman Lance Granzow said he was limited in what he could release but said that former Executive Director Tony Reed was no longer employed, as of Friday, Sept. 24.

Reed confirmed this by social media.

“After 32 years, 29 as the Executive Director, I am no longer with Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center,” said Reed. “Started there on day 1 of the organization's existence, I still remember



Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center

that day.”

Reed clarified that he did not retire.

He said he had been with the center for 32 years, having served 29 of those years as executive director.

According to Granzow, Kassie Ruth, fiscal director, is currently filling in for the executive position.

Now, the commission will look to find a permanent

occupant for the position.

“So, yesterday there was an executive board meeting,” said Reed, speaking by phone Wednesday.

A job description has not yet gone out but should soon.

“Hopefully, within a week,” said Granzow.

The Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center serves over 40 Iowa counties, including Franklin County.

PRO RACING THIS WEEK

Racing News, Stats & Trivia

Cup Series Playoffs: South Point 400

Race Details

Location: Las Vegas, Nevada

Date: Sun, Oct. 12, 5:30 p.m.

Last Year's Pole: Christopher Bell

Last Year's Winner: Joey Logano

Las Vegas Motor Speedway

Track Details

Distance: 1.5 miles

Shape: D-shaped Oval

Turns / Front / Back: 20 / 9 / 9 degrees

Race Preview

Sunday's South Point 400 marks the first race of the Round of 8 for the NASCAR Cup Series. With the level of uncertainty that Talladega and the Charlotte Roval bring to teams, Championship contenders will be pressured to perform well in this race to put themselves in a good position to advance to the Championship 4. The 1.5-mile tri-oval, located in Las Vegas Valley, Nevada, has an asphalt racing surface with 20 degrees of banking in each turn and 9 degrees on the front and backstretch. The track opened in 1996, and the Cup Series held its first race at the track in 1998, with Mark Martin leading 82 of 267 laps and taking home the first-ever checkered flag in Sin City.

Last Weekend's Race: Shane van Gisbergen won at the ROVAL

Shane van Gisbergen won Sunday's Bank of America ROVAL 400 to record his fifth straight road course victory of the NASCAR Cup Series season. It was a whopping 15.160-second margin of victory over Kyle Larson for the driver of the No. 88 Trackhouse Racing Chevrolet. Both Larson and Christopher Bell made van Gisbergen's task harder than usual. The New Zealander, however, was so good at managing his fragile tires that he finished the final 59-lap stage on two pit stops compared with three for his closest pursuers.

Shane van Gisbergen

Born: May 9, 1989

Crew Chief: Stephen Doran

Car: Chevrolet

Year Wins Top 10s Avg Finish

2025 5 7 21.1

2024 0 2 22.8

2025 Standings

Cup Series Top Ten

Drivers Points Top 10s

1) Denny Hamlin 4036 16

2) Ryan Blaney 4034 17

3) Kyle Larson 4032 19

4) William Byron 4032 15

5) Christopher Bell 4028 19

6) Chase Elliott 4018 17

7) Chase Briscoe 4018 17

8) Joey Logano 4008 10

9) Tyler Reddick 2187 12

10) Bubba Wallace 2177 13

Xfinity Series Top Ten

Drivers Points Top 10s

1) Connor Zilisch 3071 20

2) Justin Allgaier 3038 17

3) Brandon Jones 3018 11

4) Sam Mayer 3016 16

5) Jesse Love 3014 19

6) Sammy Smith 3009 15

7) Carson Kvatil 3005 13

8) Sheldon Creed 3003 14

9) Taylor Gray 2100 12

10) Nick Sanchez 2092 11

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Chad Knaus named 2025 Smokey Yunkick Award recipient

One of NASCAR's most successful crew chiefs, Hendrick Motorsports Vice President of Competition Chad Knaus, was named the recipient of the venerated 2025 Smokey Yunkick Award prior to Sunday's Bank of America ROVAL 400 at Charlotte Motor Speedway. Named after the legendary mechanic and innovator Henry "Smokey" Yunkick, the annual recognition was instituted in 1997 to recognize an individual from humble beginnings who demonstrated exceptional innovation and made a major impact in the world of motorsports. Yunkick passed away in 2001, and Charlotte Motor Speedway has continued the award in his memory. Knaus joins a legendary list of NASCAR's greatest who have received the honor, including Ralph Moody, Ray Everham, Dale Inman, Richard Childress, Rick Hendrick, Waddell Wilson, Larry McReynolds, Ernie Elliott and Harry Hyde. Speedway Motorsports President and CEO Marcus Smith presented the award to Knaus before the green flag of the eighth running of the Bank of America ROVAL 400 at the Charlotte Motor Speedway. "This means a lot to me," Knaus said on Sunday. "I have been a Smokey Yunkick fan for my career, quite honestly, and the biggest reason is because of the stemming of invention and pushing the boundaries."

Racing Trivia

What year was the closest playoff finish?

a) 2005 c) 2011

b) 2009 d) 2013

Edwards ended up with exactly the same amount of points, but Stewart was awarded the championship because he won the tiebreaker for most race wins.

Edwards: (2) In 2011, Tony Stewart and Carl Edwards ended up with exactly the same amount of points, but Stewart was awarded the championship because he won the tiebreaker for most race wins.

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Unleashing Iowa manufacturing with President Trump's tax cuts



REP. RANDY FEENSTRA
COLUMNIST

In October, our country celebrates Manufacturing Month and recognizes the critical importance of manufacturing to our economy. Domestic manufacturing supports good-paying jobs in our communities, strengthens our supply chains, and helps reduce our dependence on foreign nations for the goods and products that Iowans need and rely on. During this month, we also honor Iowa workers in the manufacturing sector who keep our economy moving and make invaluable contributions to our communities.

In the great state of Iowa, manufacturing is incredibly important to our economy. Our state has the highest concentration of machinery manufacturing employees in the U.S. Anyone who has driven on Highway 18 through Rock Valley has seen this firsthand. In fact, according to the Iowa Economic Development and Finance Authority, the industry accounts for 17% of the GDP, contributing \$35 billion annually. In March, I had the chance to tour one of our own local manufacturers in George, Sudenga Industries, which manufactures grain, feed, and seed handling equipment. We discussed how investments in local manufacturing keep our main streets strong and bring good-paying jobs to our rural communities all while strengthening local economies.

Ensuring our manufacturers have the resources to flourish is so important. That's why I voted for President Trump's Working Families Tax Cuts, which delivered the large

est investment in domestic manufacturing in history. Serving on the House Ways and Means Committee, I worked to ensure that this legislation brings American manufacturing back home, strengthens supply chains, and boosts investment in our communities. We also eliminated taxes on overtime, which will help fill the nearly two million jobs that could be vacant in just five years according to the National Association of Manufacturers.

To remain competitive in global markets, our manufacturing firms must remain on the cutting edge of innovation. New provisions like revitalized R&D expensing to allow firms to reinvest into new machinery, software, and their employees will be a gamechanger for our economy. The National Association of Manufacturers further estimates that this provision could provide \$284 billion in economic growth in the next four years.

To keep grow manufacturing in the U.S., my

colleagues and I included a provision to offer 100% immediate expensing for new manufacturing plants and agricultural facilities, encouraging job creators and farmers to immediately invest dollars into their operations and hire new employees. In conjunction with President Trump's reduction of regulatory red tape, this provision will start an American manufacturing boom and grow our economy.

Additionally, this legislation would make permanent the qualified business income deduction at 20%, help reduce burdensome red tape for small and midsize manufacturers, and double immediate small-business expensing to \$2.5 million. This is an incredible opportunity for Iowa manufacturers to expand and grow.

In Congress, I will continue to work for our manufacturers to create real, effective policy solutions and support Iowa manufacturing dominance.

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AMANDA RINK

"The bitterness of poor quality remains long after the sweetness of low price is forgotten."
- Benjamin Franklin

The other day I stumbled onto a new Facebook group calling itself a source for "fast, reliable local news," and my first reaction wasn't gracious. Especially when I noticed press releases showing up there before they ever hit verified local media.

It stung. After all, those at your local newspaper work hard every single week to keep readers informed. So when someone else sets themselves up as the news source for our community, part of me felt... well, not gracious.

I had to stop and ask myself... why, exactly?

The person who started that group

isn't wrong to want people informed. I'll always cheer for anyone who cares enough about their community to share updates. The more people who want accurate information, the better.

Still, there is a difference. Newspapers aren't just reposting press releases or repeating statements. We're calling to ask questions. We're putting pieces together when something doesn't add up. We're talking to the people who were affected. We're here every week with context, accountability, and yes... sometimes asking the uncomfortable questions that don't always make us popular.

A Facebook group can give you information. Local media digs deeper and asks why that information matters, and how it affects you.

I get the appeal of a quick post in your feed. Believe me, Facebook will tell you your neighbor's dog sneezed before I've even finished typing the headline. I'm actually not the best at writing headlines. But circling back, speed isn't the same as journalism. And when it comes to schools, water systems, or community safety, speed

without context can cause unneeded confusion.

Maybe the good news here is that people in small towns still want the news. Even if they sometimes call it "clickbait" or roll their eyes at the opinion pages, they're still reading. And that's good for all of us.

But at the end of the day, my goal isn't to deliver news fastest. My goal is to deliver it right. I get it wrong sometimes, but I've found the more time I focus on things... the less of a chance that happens.

So sure, if you want to know when your neighbor's dog sneezes, social media has you covered. But if you want the whole story about what's going on in town, you know where to find it, obviously because you're here. I just hope you stay for a while.

After all, you get what you pay for.

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.

Green Waste



THE ALTERNATIVE
FRITZ GROSZKRUGER
THE ALTERNATIVE

We were flying out to California to see our son, Hans. Alegiant goes from Des Moines straight to Orange County. If it was American Airlines, hitchhiking might be a better option.

As we crossed into California from Nevada I got some photos of the giant solar power stations called Ivanpah. I assumed the phone store had initiated a save feature but they didn't and when the phone needed repair the photos were lost.

The Ivanpah project uses 173,500 computer controlled mirrors to reflect the sun at a steam turbine 459feet in the air. That makes the wind turbines littering our area here look like Yugos. Just think of a computer controlling thou-

sands of actuators following the sun all day every minute to aim sunlight. It's awesome.

Ivanpah is closing in 2026 after only 12 years due to its inefficiency compared to new advancements in photovoltaic solar panels. The owners suggest they will repurpose the land with these.

Well that's cute. Once a junkyard, always a junkyard, eh? Alright, it's the Mojave Desert. But every square inch of this earth should be considered a gift from God. Having grown up with National Geographic taught me how to approach the earth. In the desert there is this miraculous method for distributing rare resources, just like an actual free economy. The scarce plants are absolutely equally spaced. The populations of creatures are the same. There are ants that have a timer that tells them when to go back underground so they don't turn into ant jerky. As a kid, I had a tortoise, Digger. He lived under a pile of firewood. We never burned that part.

The unexpected cleans-

ing of the oil spewed by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill by naturally occurring bacteria should show how precious and resilient the earth is. (Remember the maps showing the dead ocean spreading all the way to Europe?) That doesn't mean we should be careless. Of the \$2.2 billion cost of Ivanpah, \$1.6 billion came from U.S. Energy Department guarantees. What that means is that the Ivanpah project went ahead with our money, not the ones who would profit if the shaky technology proved viable. When the owners take the risks, more care goes into the decision to build.

It's turning out that green energy pollutes more than proven oil based energy.

If you saw an ad in the paper or a pop-up on your quilting app asking you to invest in 173,500 motorized mirrors that cook birds, would you bite? There's a huge myth going around that nothing ever gets done unless the funds are filtered through the government.

I loved my time on the fire department and was

fascinated by the elaborate equipment available. But two townships needing a two hundred thousand dollar truck seemed unnecessary. After farming and doing my own spraying for 40 years I found that a truck, a plastic tank and a pump shouldn't cost that much. It's just that the ice cream socials funded half the truck and the matched funds from taxpayers represented a leaky bucket driving the country to hidden interest costs and eventual bankruptcy.

African children mining cobalt with their bare hands, giant windmill blades being buried by bulldozers, and broken mirrors represent the bad luck produced by the slavery that is government central planning. Our lives where we can go to a store and reliably find essential tools of life represent the part of the economy produced by free people doing business with other free people.

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Siblings from Around the Globe

BY ISAAC VOSBURG

I have not spent a single full weekend on Grinnell’s campus since classes began in late August. My first weekend was spent visiting my girlfriend in Saint Louis, the next back in Hampton for a Sunday, my third a repeat of the week before, my fourth and fifth I was gone for two separate weekend programs in D.C., and here I am at my sixth. This is all much to the chagrin of my roommate, who asked me this last Saturday, “So, will you finally be around this weekend?” My immediate response was, “Yes!” which was received with a look of welcome surprise. Just after stating this, however, I walked back my claim, explaining that “Actually, I won’t be around this evening, but other than that I’m here!” My roommate was quick to add, “What is it this time? Another trip to D.C.?” I said no, “I’m just visiting my brother for his birthday.”

This launched us into a whole conversation as to which brother this was and what my family looks like on the whole, and it’s not the first discussion of this type I have had while at Grinnell. You see, to me, my family includes all those who I call brothers and sisters, regardless of their “true” relational status to myself. Because of this, I have siblings from all over the world: Tanzania, Türkiye, Pakistan, Morocco, Albania, Cameroon, India, Kosovo, and Egypt. I say that the exchange students my family hosts are my siblings, because in every sense of the word, they are. They live and act as any sibling would, and fill the same role. These kids aren’t just guests for a year—they are wholly and truly members of the family.

Since I was five years old, I’ve known this feeling. The feeling of family in a larger, more all-encompassing manner. The feeling of being a brother to more than just my biological younger sibling. The feeling of “Ope, well, I



guess I’d better explain this” that comes with every question of “How many siblings do you have?” “Are you the oldest, the middle child, or the youngest?” or “How big is your family?” At first it was easy enough—no one really bats an eye at having two or three or four or five siblings. Once things got to the six, seven, eight, nine, and now ten range, that was when people started to question, and I’m glad they did. Any time my family is brought up, it gives me the chance to tell the wonderful story of how global, how diverse, and how unique my childhood and background growing up was.

In many ways, I thank my siblings for the life I’ve carved out for myself now. They were my first role models, my first inspirations and aspirations, my first pictures of what this transition to “grown up life” was all about. I sought after their same dreams, and lived out an exchange of my own. That’s where I found myself, where I found my passions and my personhood apart from all the stress and strife of American life. Simply put, I would not be the person I am today without my international siblings or the opportunities they exemplified and encouraged me to take.

To answer the questions posed earlier, I have ten siblings, fair and square; I’m the eldest in many senses, but also

smack dab in the middle, with five above and five below me in age; and my family is quite large, with love enough to span the whole world around. That final statement is incredible, intentional, and true, and I wouldn’t trade that for anything.

After I explained to my roommate that it was my Albanian brother’s birthday, that my Egyptian brother was going to be singing at a concert at his same college, and that we would all be having supper together with my dad and my Albanian brother’s girlfriend, things started to get clearer for him. I explained that my American brother was at a baseball tournament in Kansas City with my mom, and that the rest of my siblings were either out of state (as is the case with my Pakistani brother) or out of the country (which applies to all the rest). With that, I bade my roommate farewell and drove off to Waverly to meet my family.

It’s a wonderful conundrum to have to explain siblings in this way, and it is my hope that someday more kids around the world will grow up with the same kind of insight and worldly perspectives as I had the chance to see growing up because of them. That kind of exposure at such a young age is an awe-inspiring thing, and it brings a very global meaning to the term “family.”

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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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SUDOKU ANSWERS

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NEWS

Hampton Public Library Celebrates 120 Years

The community celebrated the 120th birthday of the Hampton Public Library on Monday, Oct. 6. The festivities started with a special presentation by Iowa Carnegie Libraries in Iowa Project Director Shana Stuart, followed by a recreation of a group photo that was taken on the opening day, dinner sponsored by First Bank Hampton and an appearance by Pete the Cat, which the children loved.



Hampton Public Library Director Suzy Knipfel, Jim Davies dressed as Andrew Carnegie and Board President Dale Schirmer ready to pick a winner.



Community members filled the park for dinner at the library's celebration.



Christy and Ben Wearda were happy to be in attendance.



Community members enjoying the meal sponsored by First Bank Hampton.



Community members waiting in line for some hot dogs, chips and birthday cake.



Mayor Steve Birdsall and Board President Dale Schirmer speaking at the birthday celebration.



Iowa Carnegie Libraries in Iowa Project Director Shana Stuart giving her presentation.



Library Director Suzy Knipfel and Board President Dale Schirmer welcoming the community.



Denielle Conlon and Wendy Buseman serving up cake at the party.



Kristy Wragge, Suzy Knipfel, Becky Palmer, Wendy Lamos, Dale Schirmer, Esmeralda Ramirez and Nathan Sabbert.



Olivia, Ashtyn and Terri McWilliams were all smiles at the birthday party.



Sue Followwill, Dyanne Pralle and Mary Amsbaugh after serving dinner to the community.

Code Counsel: Tax Increment Financing

BY JIM DAVIES
MEMBER AT LARGE,
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COUNCIL

The city council provides annual funding of \$17,500 to the Greater Franklin County Chamber of Commerce to administer the Main Street Hampton program. An additional \$15,000 annually is also provided to the Chamber for their Building Improvement Grant Program. The Building Improvement Grant Program is an incentive-based program made available to property/business owners within the Hampton TIF district. Up to \$2,000 in matching funds per year can be awarded by the Chamber Design Committee to each applicant to improve their building's overall appearance and make building improvements.

The \$32,500 given to the Chamber comes from Tax Increment Financing (TIF). Tax Increment Financing (TIF) is used by cities to enhance a wide range of development efforts. After establishing a TIF district, cities can do several things such as building demolition and infrastructure improvements, public infrastructure upgrades, such as street and utility improvements, incentives to encourage new industry and business development, and façade and building improvement grants for local businesses.

Before a TIF district is established, an urban renewal area must be created.

An urban renewal area is the geographic area designated for revitalization because it is affected

by slums, blight, or other conditions that hinder economic development. The purpose is to address economic development goals and improve quality of life through various improvements like infrastructure and housing. It is the area itself, based on a long-range urban renewal plan, that outlines the goals for redevelopment.

A TIF district is a financing tool created within an urban renewal area to fund these projects by using future property tax increases. The purpose is to provide a funding stream for specific projects by capturing the future tax revenue (the "increment") from the approved urban renewal area. The "TIF District" is the specific boundary where this tax increment is collected to repay debt or reimburse costs for improvements.

TIF calls for local taxing bodies to make a joint investment in the development or redevelopment of an area, with the intent that any short-term gains be re-invested and leveraged so that all taxing bodies will receive larger financial gains in the future.

TIF is a method of: re-allocating property tax revenues which are produced because of an increase in taxable valuation above a "base valuation" figure within a tax increment area.

TIF supports development projects within a designated area by allowing a municipality to issue bonds to fund improvements. The bonds are repaid using the increase in property tax revenues generated by the completed project.

TIF funds may only be used for eligible urban renewal purposes. This financing tool helps local governments address gaps left by limited state and federal funding for infrastructure renewal, community redevelopment, and economic growth initiatives.

There are downsides to TIF. TIFs may set different levels of government in competition with one another over funding. Cities can obtain revenues that would otherwise have flowed to overlying government levels or school districts.

Iowa cities and counties file annual reports with the state. The Urban Renewal Report System facilitates the submittal of annual urban renewal reports. It also provides public access to county and city TIF reports, as well as building analysis documents. These reports can be found on the Iowa Department of Management's website, <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/tif/public>.

The City of Hampton has five urban renewal areas: 1 Hampton Commercial Development Urban Renewal, 2. Hampton 2020 South Urban Renewal, 3. Air Industrial Park Urban Renewal, 4. Assisted Living (Franklin Prairie) Urban Renewal, 5. South Urban Renewal.

The Hampton Commercial Development Urban renewal was created in January 1989 to stabilize, revitalize through blight removal, and encourage economic development; to stimulate public and private investment in the area; prevent unemployment, retain

existing industries and encourage new industries and businesses. Projects for the Hampton Commercial Development Urban Renewal are Main Street Hampton funding and Highway 65 Corridor Infrastructure Improvements.

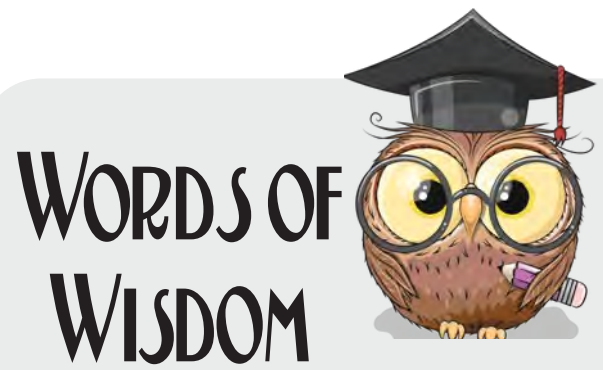
The Hampton 2020 South Urban Renewal was created in March 2020 to eliminate blight and to promote economic development.

The Air Industrial Park Urban Renewal was created in August 1994 to promote economic development, stimulate through public and private investment sound commercial and industrial development for growth. Also, to create job opportunities and improve public infrastructure. Projects include funding Franklin County Development Association and land purchase in Hampton Air Industrial Park.

Hampton Franklin Prairie Urban Renewal was created in November 2000 to provide for economic development in the renewal area and to stimulate through public actions, financing, and private investment in the area.

Hampton South Urban Renewal was created August 2001 to provide for the development of the area, stimulate private and public investment, create new businesses and expansion of existing businesses, and job creation for city residents.

The City of Hampton TIF map showing Hampton's urban renewal areas can be found on the city's website, www.hamptonia.us.



Last week's trivia questions:

After Omaha, with a population of approximately 500,000, and Lincoln (population 300,000), what is the third largest city in Nebraska? Answer: Grand Island (population 53,000).

After Minneapolis, with a population of approximately 430,000, and St. Paul (population 300,000), what is the third largest city in Minnesota? Answer: Rochester (population 124,000).

This week's trivia questions:

What three U.S. cities have two Major League baseball teams?

What three states each have three pro football (NFL) teams?

Oct. 8 is National Salmon Day; Oct. 9 is World Sight Day; Oct. 10 is National Angel Food Cake Day, World Egg Day, and World Mental Health Day; Oct. 11 is Universal Music Day; Oct. 12 is Farmers Day; Oct. 13 is Breast Cancer Awareness Day, and National M&M Day; Oct. 14 is National Dessert Day.

This week is Fire Prevention Week, National 4-H Week, National Newspaper Week, World Space Week, and Mental Illness Awareness Week.

"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good. His love endures forever."

– Psalm 136:1

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

– John 13:34-35

"For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

– Romans 8:38-39

Funny newspaper headlines:

"Big rig carrying fruit crashes on freeway, creates jam"

"Deer with big rack female, it turns out"

"Marijuana issue sent to a joint committee"

"Monkey tasered after chocolate-fueled bender"

"One-armed man applauds the kindness of strangers"

"Dam nearly finished, but much left to do"

"Hispanics ace Spanish tests"

"Homicide victims rarely talk to police"

"Statistics show teen pregnancy drops off significantly after age 25"

In 1895, the Iowa State football team adopted the nickname "Cyclones." The team, then known as the Iowa Agricultural College, had defeated Northwestern University 36-0. Following this game, a Chicago Tribune article remarked that Northwestern might as well have tried to play against a cyclone, and the nickname stuck.

In the 1890s, the University of Nebraska football team was known as the Bugeaters, before changing its nickname to Cornhuskers in 1900. Bugeaters referred to the insect-eating bull bats which were numerous in the state.

Community Choir Begins Christmas Concert Practice

BY LEE NELSON

The Franklin County Arts Council (FCAC) is sponsoring an all-community Christmas concert, entitled "Silent Night, Holy Night", on Sunday, December 7th, at 2:00 p.m., at the United Methodist Church in Hampton.

The concert has been an annual tradition held on the first Sunday of December for many, many years. This 'gift to the community' has featured the auditioned Franklin Choral but more recently a community choir open to anyone interested in sharing their musical ability and talent.

In addition to the Franklin County Community Choir, there will also be guest musicians at the concert. Performances will include numbers by the Hampton Municipal Brass, organist and pianists Glenda Green and Trevor Green, vocalists Stephanie Burman-Kloetzer and Kimberly Burman. Accompanied by brass and organ, the audience will join the Community Choir in singing some beloved Christmas carols.

Bonnie Stewart will once again be directing the Community Choir, and the FCAC is inviting all interested singers to be part

of this holiday event for our community. This is the fifth year that Stewart has directed the Franklin County Community Choir. Previously she directed the Franklin Choral from 2001 until 2011.

Rehearsals will be on Sunday afternoons at the United Methodist Church in Hampton. The first rehearsal will be held from 2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 12th. This is a non-auditioned choir and all singers are welcome.

If you have questions, you can contact Bonnie Stewart at: bstewart@rconnect.com or Leon



Bonnie Stewart directs the Franklin County Community Choir.

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Calling All Children Actors: Christmas Play Auditions

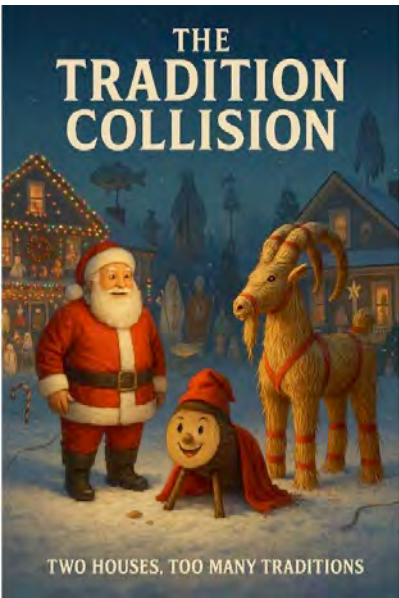
BY LEE NELSON

The Franklin County Arts Council will be presenting its Christmas theatre performance entitled *The Tradition Collision* on Friday, December 12 at 7PM, Saturday, December 13 at 7PM and Sunday, December 14 at 1PM.

Auditions for *The Tradition Collision* will be held on Sunday, October 12 from 3:30pm to 5:30PM at the Windsor Theatre. Roles are for seven females and five males at this time although more may be needed.

Pre-signup and a memorized audition piece are required and available at <https://forms.gle/edEtj9AqVD6dYnC3A>

Each actor needs to fill out the form on the webpage before the audition. Children 8-18 years old are welcome to try out. No experience is necessary. Actors must be at least 8 years old and able to read well from a script unaided to act in this production.



Auditions for *The Tradition Collision* will be held on Sunday, October 12 from 3:30pm to 5:30PM at the Windsor Theatre.

Each actor must come with the audition material at the end of the

form memorized to present on stage. Those auditioning will also read through some additional lines when auditioning. To get a part, actors must speak loudly, clearly, and slowly as microphones are not available.

If unable to make the date and time of the audition, fill out the form and indicate as such and an attempt will be made to schedule an alternative time.

Rehearsals will be at the Windsor Theatre on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays. Actors must make a majority of the rehearsals. A link to the rehearsal schedule is available on the audition webpage.

The play is written and directed by Nathan Pralle of Sheffield. For more information, email nathan@nathanpralle.com or text 641-583-5258

The Franklin County Arts Council is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting, encouraging, and increasing the public's knowledge and appreciation for the arts and to foster their growth and practice.

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What's At The Windsor

BY JIM DAVIES
WINDSOR THEATRE
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The Fantastic Four: First Steps will be shown for one week at the Windsor Theatre on Friday, October 10, through Thursday, October 16.

Showtimes for The Fantastic Four: First Steps are Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 PM, with a Sunday matinee at 1:00 PM.

The Fantastic Four: First Steps is a 2025 American superhero film based on the Marvel Comics superhero team the Fantastic Four.

Produced by Marvel Studios, it is the 37th film in the Marvel Cinematic Universe and the second reboot of the Fantastic Four film series.

It features an ensemble cast including Pedro Pascal, Vanessa Kirby, Ebon Moss-Bachrach, and Joseph Quinn as the team, alongside Julia Garner, Sarah Niles, Mark Gatiss, Natasha Lyonne, Paul Walter Hauser, and Ralph Ineson.

The movie is set in a 1960s-inspired, retro-futuristic version of Earth,

where the Fantastic Four — Reed Richards, Sue Storm, Johnny Storm, and Ben Grimm — are already established as superheroes.

Rather than re-telling their origin in full, the story opens with the Fantastic Four being celebrated for their heroic deeds and major scientific advances. Sue and Reed announce they're expecting a child, setting up personal stakes.

The peace is suddenly threatened when the herald Silver Surfer (Shalla-Bal) arrives and warns that Galactus, a cosmic entity that devours planets, is coming for Earth.

As the family faces this existential threat, they must balance their roles as protectors of the planet with their roles as a growing family. The emotional core revolves especially around Reed and Sue con-

fronting whether they'll have to sacrifice their unborn child as part of Galactus's demands.

In the climactic battle, the Fan-

First Steps is distributed by Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures and is rated PG13 for action/violence and some language. This rating is due to mild action sequences, some instances of mild obscenities and religious exclamations, and potentially moderate frightening or intense scenes, though the violence and language are not described as severe. The running time is 114 minutes.

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 Thursday evening show.

Tickets are available for purchase at the door or online at www.windsortheatre.com. Credit cards are accepted.



tastic Four devise a desperate plan involving a teleportation “bridge” that could shift Earth’s position or trap Galactus. The conflict forces heavy sacrifices. Spoiler alert: Sue gives her life in an attempt to save her child and the planet, but her baby, Franklin Richards, demonstrates surprising cosmic-scale power.

The Fantastic Four:

Mark on your calendar:

- Come visit the Haunted Theatre 3:00 to 5:00 PM on Saturday, October 25 during the Halloween Howl. This year's theme is vampires!
- The Gray, a short film, which will premiere

at the Windsor Theatre on Thursday, October 30. Doors open at 6:30 PM with the cast, crew, and guests walking the ceremonial red carpet. The movie will premiere at 7:00 PM, followed by a Q&A session with cast and crew from 7:45 to 8:15 PM.

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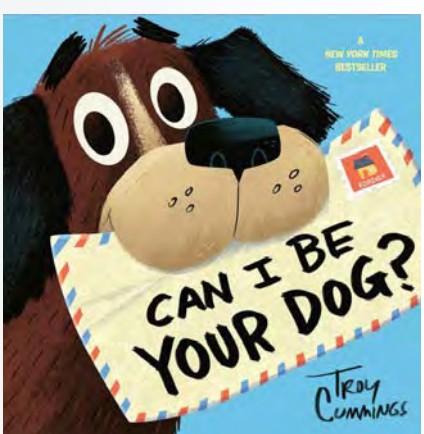
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Readers of the Week at the Hampton Public Library



BY BRENDA VAN WERT
CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN

Reader of the Week at the Hampton Public Library is Alexandria Fitz, age 5. She is in Preschool this year. Alexandria is the daughter of Destiny Benavidez and Justin Fitz. Her favorite book is *Can I Be Your Dog?* By Troy Cummings





Chamber-Main Street News and Knows: Market Snapshot—Retail Demand Outlook

BY JIM DAVIES
MAIN STREET HAMPTON VOLUNTEER

My last four columns have shared information from the most recent Market Snapshot, prepared by Main Street Iowa, which offers a comprehensive overview of demographic, lifestyle, and retail data, as well as market characteristics and trends.

The insights, combined with data from local surveys and community input, establish a foundation, benchmarks, and a basis for critical decision-making processes that will guide future business development strategies for the Hampton downtown district.

The Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc., doing business as Esri, an American multinational geographic informational system software company, identifies and interprets market data.

Esri's Retail Demand Outlook compares consumer spending and calculates forecasted demand for goods and services in several categories of consumer spending. The Consumer Spending data is household-based and represents the amount spent for a product or service by all households in the area.

Esri forecasts are for 2024 and 2029. Consumer Spending data are derived from the 2021 and 2022 Consumer Expenditure Surveys, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The top categories in 2024 Consumer Spending and the dollar amount.

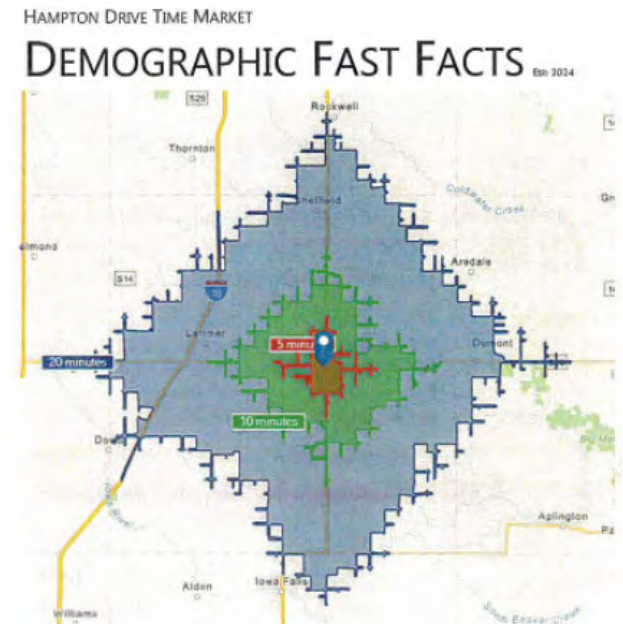
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3. Transportation \$12,529,916
4. Food at Home \$10,436,319
5. Entertainment & Recreation \$6,116,789
6. Food Away from Home \$4,836,481
7. Travel \$3,270,811
8. Apparel & Services \$3,028,756
9. Household Furnishing & Equipment \$2,913,142
10. Health (drugs, eyewear) \$1,332,099
11. Household Supplies \$1,301,400
12. Computer \$391,886

The top categories of 2029 Forecasted Demand.

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9. Household Furnishing & Equipment \$3,283,126
10. Health (drugs, eyewear) \$1,501,291
11. Household Supplies \$1,466,731
12. Computer \$441,656

Esri projected growth in each category in 2029 will be 12.7% higher than 2024 dollars spent.

1. Home (mortgage & basics) \$2,233,953



Map showing 5-minute, 10-minute, and 20-minute drive times from the downtown Hampton Main Street district.

2. Insurance \$1,750,094
 3. Transportation \$1,591,424
 4. Food at Home \$1,325,774
 5. Entertainment & Recreation \$776,816
 6. Food Away from Home \$614,306
 7. Travel \$415,338
 8. Apparel & Services \$384,742
 9. Household Furnishings & Equipment \$369,984
 10. Health (drugs, eyewear) \$169,192
 11. Household Supplies \$165,331
 12. Computer \$49,770
- The category with the highest consumer spending and forecasted demand is Home.
- Housing units by value using demographic numbers from within a 5-minute, 10-minute, and 20-minute drive time from the Main Street Hampton district were included in the Market Snapshot
- The 2024 estimated median home value within the 5-minute drive time is \$97,823, within the 10-minute drive time is \$101,950, and within the 20-minute drive time is \$117,353.
- The 2029 estimated median home value with the 5-minute drive time is \$101,206 (+3.46%), within the 10-minute drive time is \$107,000 (+4.95%), and within the 20-minute drive time is \$123,680 (+5.39%).
- The 2024 estimated average home value within the 5-minute drive time is \$134,881, within the 10-minute drive time is \$138,044, and within the 20-minute drive time is \$149,341.
- The 2029 estimated average home value with the

5-minute drive time is \$144,971 (+7.48%), within the 10-minute drive time is \$147,857 (+7.11%), and within the 20-minute drive time is \$158,788 (+6.33%).

The difference between median and average home value lies in how they are calculated and their susceptibility to extreme prices. The average (or mean) home value is the sum of all home prices divided by the number of homes, while the median home value is the middle price when all home prices are listed in order from lowest to highest.

The median is generally a more accurate representation of a typical home's value because it is not affected by a few very expensive or inexpensive properties.

As noted earlier, Esri forecasts are provided for 2024 and 2029. Consumer Spending data are based on the 2021 and 2022 Consumer Expenditure Surveys from the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

How might the COVID-19 pandemic of 2020 have impacted consumer spending in 2021 and 2022 as well as how might the tariffs in 2025 impact forecasted consumer demand for products in 2029?

The COVID-19 pandemic effected household spending patterns within the city. During 2021 and 2022, local consumers and businesses had to recover and adjust to post-pandemic conditions:

- Residents spent less on travel, dining, and entertainment and more on home improvement, household goods, and technology as remote work and at-home activities continued.
- Service-based businesses such as restaurants, movie theaters, and fitness centers faced slower recovery rates, while grocery, hardware, and online retailers benefited from steady demand.
- Limited product availability and rising costs, especially for building materials and vehicles, influenced household purchasing decisions and delayed major expenditures.
- Federal relief payments temporarily boosted disposable income for consumers and businesses.

The implementation of new tariffs in 2025 could influence local consumer demand by 2029:

- Increased import costs are likely to raise prices on common consumer goods, which may reduce discretionary spending and shift demand toward locally produced or lower-cost alternatives.
- Businesses within the city that can supply or manufacture goods domestically may benefit from stronger local demand.
- Persistent tariffs could contribute to inflation, reducing household purchasing power and slowing overall spending growth in retail categories.
- Retail, automotive, and construction-related sectors may face the most direct effects, while essential services and locally based businesses may remain strong.

My next week's column will share Market Snapshot's tourism data for Hampton.

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NEWS

ZIMMERMAN: FROM COVER

machine) and figured I had a job for life," Zimmerman said.

Zimmerman has lived the majority of his 76 years in Sheffield, with a brief 15-year stint in Mason City.

He actually quit school for a couple weeks. Zimmerman didn't tell Sully he quit, and when his boss found out, he gave Zimmerman an ultimatum, go back to school or not have a job. He went back to school and graduated in 1959.

"Sully became like a father to me," Zimmerman said. "He really looked out for me."

He learned a lot as a printer, and more than just the Linotype. He mastered the handfed printer, perforation, cutter and everything else that goes with the printing industry.

Some of the original

machine he worked on are still in use today by Zimmerman, and he still does a lot of printing himself, even though the actual newspaper is printed in Hampton now.

Zimmerman spent six years in the National Guard and earned the rank of Staff Sergeant E6.

Sully sold Zimmerman the paper in 1973, where he ran the business for another 35 years as the owner. At the height of the business there were six people working at The Press, including Zimmerman.

In 1966, Zimmerman married Lidia Honczarenko, who he would spend almost 42 years with. She worked at The Press for many years, with the Zimmermans working together to produce The Sheffield Press.

They had one daughter Angela, and the Zim-

merman's granddaughter — named Lidia — is his pride and joy. He spends as much time as he can with little Lidia.

"She loves to dance," Zimmerman said with a smile. "We have a lot of fun together."

After 35 years of running the paper, the Zimmermans decided to sell the business, they wanted to travel the country.

During the time The Press was for sale, Lidia Zimmerman was diagnosed with terminal cancer.

"She found out [about her diagnosis] right before Christmas of '07 and lived until September of '08," Zimmerman said.

In January of 2008, the Zimmermans sold the business to Mid-America Publishing, giving up control of the paper.

The CEO of Mid-Amer-

ica Publishing asked Zimmerman to stay on, working in Sheffield at the same office he had been working at for over 50 years.

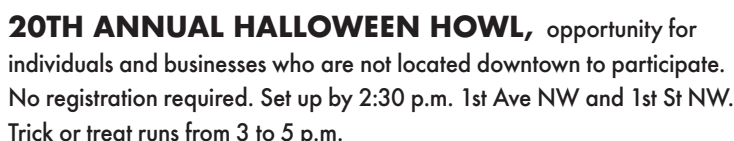
"I don't much like to travel, and wasn't going to do it by myself," Zimmerman said. "I decided to stay on."

Zimmerman is a fixture in Sheffield, a native that knows what is going on and who is doing it. He has dedicated his life to telling the stories of his neighbors, and has made a lot of friends along the way.

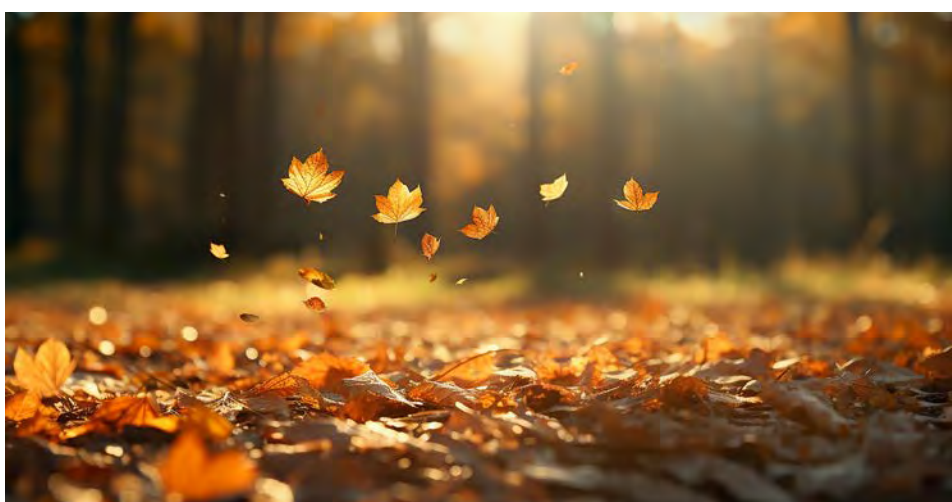
He has no plans of retirement, and will keep rolling along, printing, joking, and telling stories.



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Warhawks Clinch Playoff Berth With Win Over Broncos

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON
CHRONICLE

SHEFFIELD - The West Fork football team has clinched a berth in the class A state playoffs after a 48-32 victory over the Belmond-Kemme Broncos on Friday, October 3. It Was the Warhawks' offense that led them to the win, as they scored a touchdown on seven of their nine total possessions. The Warhawks accumulated 539 yards of total offense, 112 through their air and 427 on the ground. Warhawks head coach Daniel Westhoff explained how his offense had such a successful game.

"It starts with the toughness upfront by the offensive line," Westhoff said. "There are four seniors up there, and we told them all week this is their game."

The Warhawks fell behind early, as the Broncos scored a touchdown on their opening possession of the game. The Warhawks responded on their first drive of the game, with a long time-consuming drive that ended with a one-yard touchdown run from senior Dax Suntken. The Broncos took the ensuing kick-



Coach Daniel Westhoff coaching up Rylan Dorenkamp in game vs Belmond-Klemme on Friday, October 3. Photo by Evan Pharr.

off back for a touchdown, but missed the extra point. The Warhawks began the second quarter with another touchdown run from Suntken, and after junior Zander Hansen made the extra point the Warhawks took a 14-13 lead. However, the Broncos regained the lead back with another quick touchdown drive, and after failing the two-point conversion attempt, took a 19-14 lead. On the ensuing Warhawks' drive, Suntken ran for his third

touchdown of the game from 40 yards out, and the Warhawks successfully converted the two-point conversion to take a 22-19 lead. The Broncos would regain the lead again with 1:26 left to go in the second half, after scoring another touchdown and making the extra point. The Warhawks would get the lead back after a 22-yard touchdown pass from Warhawks quarterback Zander Hansen to junior Ryker Reimers with 23 seconds left in the half.



Dax Suntken lowers his shoulder into a Belmond-Klemme defender in game vs Belmod-Klemme on Friday, October 3. Photo by Evan Pharr.

Hansen was 6-for-8 passing with 112 yards, one touchdown and no interceptions for the game. The Warhawks failed the two-point conversion attempt and took a 28-26 lead into halftime.

The Warhawks opened up the second half with another touchdown drive that ended in a 38-yard touchdown run from Suntken, his fourth rushing touchdown of the game. Suntken was the Warhawks leading rusher, finishing the game

with 255 rushing yards and four touchdowns on 28 carries. Suntekn was also the Warhawks leading receiver with two receptions for 66 yards. Suntken gave credit to his blockers for his monster performance on the ground.

"I love my lineman," Suntken said. "I love my lineman and my lead blockers; I couldn't do it without them."

The Warhawks defense slowed down the Broncos in the second half, holding

them to zero points in the third quarter. After a touchdown run by sophomore Wesley Scott, the Warhawks took a 42-26 lead into the fourth quarter. The Warhawks added one more touchdown on a 10-yard touchdown run by senior Tyler Fessler. The Broncos added their last touchdown of the game with 4:44 left in the fourth quarter and after failing the two-point conversion attempt, the Warhawks walked away with the 48-32 victory.

The win improves the Warhawks record to 5-1 on the season and 3-1 in district play, and clinched West Fork's first playoff berth since the 2020 season. Coach Westhoff discussed how important that accomplishment is to him and the team.

"It means everything to us," he said. "That's what we've been talking about since I got here. We've been talking about it and talking about it, and it's went from being a goal and unattainable to being a reality."

The Warhakws next game is on Friday, October 10 when they plat at the number five ranked team in class A, West Hancock at 7 p.m.

West Fork Volleyball Falls to North Butler

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

SHEFFIELD - West Fork volleyball lost their only match last week 3-0 at home versus the North Butler Bearcats on Tuesday, September 30. The Warhawks lost the first set 25-18, the second set 25-23 and the third set 25-22. Sophomore Zada Huff led the Warhawks with 13 assists,

while junior Brooke Rother led the team with 26 attacks and six kills. Defensively, junior Abby Schoning led the Warhawks with 14 digs.

The loss drops the Warhawks record to 7-7 on the season and 1-4 in conference play. The Warhawks played at Nashua-Plainfield on Tuesday, October 7 and their next match is on Thursday, October 9 at 7 p.m.



Zada Huff lunges for the ball in match vs North Butler on Tuesday, September 30. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Brylee Dickman serves the ball in match vs North Butler on Tuesday, September 30. Photo by Evan Pharr.

Warhawks Cross Country Teams Have Solid Showing in Bulldog Invitational

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

The West Fork boys and girls' cross country teams ran in the Bulldogs invitational at Maynes Grove on Thursday, October 2. The boys' team had an impressive showing, finishing second out of six qualified teams with 52 total points, while the girls' team finished in sixth place out of six qualified teams with a total score of 122 points.

For the boys' team, sophomore Kaden Graf metaled, finishing in 6th place overall and posted a score of six points with a time of 19 minutes, 24.9 seconds. Freshman Brayden Williams metaled as he finished in 10th place overall

and posted a score of nine points with a time of 19 minutes, 53.9 seconds. Senior Eli Muhlenbruch finished in 11th place overall and posted a score of 10 points with a time of 19 minutes, 54.1 seconds. Junior Owen Wedmore finished in 14th place overall and posted a score of 13 points with a time of 20 minutes, 4.9 seconds. Junior Aizyk Wiseman finished in 15th place overall and scored 14 points with a time of 20 minutes, 5.5 seconds.

For the girls' team, junior Evelyn Hitzhusen metaled, as she finished in sixth place overall and posted a score of six points with a time of 23 minutes, 2.9 seconds. Freshman Adayr Wiseman finished in 30th place overall and

posted a score of 23 points with a time of 27 minutes, 14.6 seconds. Freshman Whitley Otten finished in 38th place overall and posted a score of 28 points with a time of 28 minutes, 41.4 seconds. Sophomore Josi Janssen finished in 43rd place overall and posted a score of 32 points with a time of 29 minutes, 31.3 seconds. Sophomore Autumn Schilling finished in 44th place overall and posted a score of 33 points with a time of 29 minutes, 32.3 seconds.

Both the boys and girls' teams ran in the Eagle Grove meet on Tuesday, October 7 and their next meet is the Top of Iowa Conference meet at North Iowa Area Community College on Thursday, October 16 at 4 p.m.



Kaden Graf runs in the Bulldog Invitational on Thursday, October 2. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Whitley Otten runs in the Bulldog Invitational on Thursday, October 2. Photo by Evan Pharr.

Weekly Recap

H a m p t o n - D u m o n t - C A L :

September 29. Volleyball lost all four matches in the Norseman Invitational Tournament. The Bulldogs lost in two sets to Roland-Stroy (21-19, 21-8), two sets to Gilbert (21-15, 21-19), two sets to Marshalltown (21-17, 21-11) and two sets to South Hardin (21-18, 21-17).

September 30. Volleyball lost their match 3-0 to Garner-Heyfield-Ventura. The Bulldogs lost the first set 25-14, the second set 25-22 and the third set 25-17.

October 2. Boys cross country ran in the home meet at Maynes Grove. See meet story on page 12 for results.

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October 2. Volleyball lost their match versus Clear Lake 3-0. The Bulldogs lost the first set 25-21, the second

set 25-19 and the third set 25-18.

October 3. Football won their game 32-14 versus Denver. Sophomore Black Burmester threw for two touchdowns, one to senior Brady Harr and one to senior Aaden Keehn. Senior Ryder Strother also ran for two touchdowns.

West Fork:

September 29. Boys cross country finished in fifth place out of 10 qualified teams with 140 total points in the Garner-Hayfield-Ventura Invitational. Top five finishers: Sophomore Kaden Graf finished in 21st place and scored 19 points with a time of 19 minutes, 14.2 seconds. Sophomore Kyler Harley finished in 28th place and scored 26 points with a time of 19 minutes, 55.6 seconds. Junior Aizyk Wiseman finished in 31st place and scored 29 points with a time of 20 minutes, 8.5 seconds. Wiseman's time

set a new personal record. Freshman Brayden Williams finished in 36th place and scored 32 points with a time of 20 minutes, 17.2 seconds. Junior Max Martinek finished in 38th place and scored 34 points with a time of 20 minutes, 23.5 seconds.

September 29. Girls cross country finished in sixth place out of six qualified teams with a total score of 128 points. Top five finishers: Sophomore Evelyn Hitzhusen finished in 12 place and scored nine points with a time of 23 minutes, 7.8 seconds. Freshman Adayr Wiseman finished in 34th place and scored 23 points with a time of 26 minutes, 26.9 seconds. Wiseman's time set a new personal record. Freshman Whitley Otten finished in 51st place and scored 29 points with a time of 29 minutes, 1.5 seconds. Sophomore Autumn Schilling finished in 56th place and scored 33 points with a time

of 29 minutes, 36 seconds. Sophomore Josi Janssen finished in 57th place and scored 34 points with a time of 29 minutes, 51.5 seconds.

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Upcoming Sports Events

Hampton-Dumont-CAL

October 9: Volleyball @ Iowa Falls-Alden 7 p.m.
October 10: Football vs Roland-Story 7 p.m.
October 11: Volleyball H-D-CAL invite 9 a.m.
October 14: Boys and Girls Cross Country NCC Conference Meet @ River Road Golf Club 3:45 p.m.
Volleyball Lake Mills Tournament @ Lake Mills Hugh School 6 p.m.

West Fork

October 9: Volleyball @ Central Springs 7 p.m.
October 10: Football @ West Hancock 7 p.m.
October 13: Volleyball vs Clarksville 5:30 p.m.
October 13: Volleyball vs Belmod-Klemme 7:30 p.m.

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Bulldogs Beat Cyclones for Second Consecutive Win

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

DENVER - The Hampton-Dumont-CAL (H-D-CAL) football team picked up their second straight win with a 32-14 road victory over the Denver Cyclones on Friday, October 3. The Bulldogs' offense was able to move the ball well, accumulating 422 yards of total offense, while the defense held the Cyclones to just 198 yards of total offense.

The Bulldogs' offense came out hot, scoring two touchdowns in the first quarter, while also converting a successful two-point conversion. The defense did not allow the Cyclones to score in the first quarter, to give the Bulldogs a 15-0 lead heading into the sec-

ond quarter. The Bulldogs' offense scored two more touchdowns in the second quarter, while the defense gave up a touchdown and a two-point conversion, as H-D-CAL took a 29-8 lead into the halftime break. Bulldogs' head coach Cole Miller spoke on what made his offense so successful in the first half.

"It all starts up front with our offensive line," Miller said. "They've done a great job at controlling the line of scrimmage in the run game. They're getting a great surge, and the running backs are able to find the holes and make explosive plays."

The Bulldogs' offense let the foot off the gas in the second half, as neither team scored in the third quarter.



Blaek Burmester looks downfield while Josph powers runs a route. Photo by Evan Pharr.

The win improves the Bulldogs' record to 3-3 on the season and 2-1 in district play. Coach Miller is proud of how his team responded after the heartbreaking loss to Vinton-Shellsburg earlier in the season.

"No one wants to start the season the way we did with beginning the season one and three and then having to battle back to get to .500 and I think it has played apart in hoe the kids are handling adversity," he said. "Now they have been able to bounce back and gain a little bit of emotional and mental maturity from the tough times."

The Bulldogs' next game will be Friday, October 10 when they host Roland-Story at 7 p.m.

Sophomore Blaek Burmester was 8-for-15 passing with 143 yards, two touchdowns and no interceptions. Senior Brody Strother was the Bulldogs' leading receiver with four catches and 80 receiving yards, while seniors Brady Harr and Aaden Keehn each had one receiving touchdown. Senior Ryder Strother had a big day on the ground, running for 104 yards and two touchdowns on seven carries. Defensively, senior Carter Arends led the Bulldogs with five total tackles, while senior Josh Wohlford led the team with two tackles for loss.

Bulldog Volleyball Drops Four Matches in Tournament at Roland-Story

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Hampton-Dumont-CAL volleyball dropped all six matches they played last week. The Bulldogs started the week by going 0-4 in the Norseman Invitational Volleyball Tournament on Monday, September 29, losing 2-0 to the Roland Story Norsemen, the Gilbert Tigers, the Marshalltown Bobcats and the South Hardin Tigers.

In their loss to the Norseman, the Bulldogs lost the first set 21-19 and the second set 21-8. Freshman Aliyah Swieter led the Bulldogs with three assists, junior Madison Heilskov led the team with 13 attacks and sophomore Birdget Brocka led the team with five kills. Defensively, Heilskov and junior Maren Subbert had the only two blocks in the match for the Bulldogs, while junior Addison Aalbers led the team with five digs.

In their loss to the Gilbert Tigers, the Bulldogs lost the first set 21-15 and the second set 21-19. Junior Kenley Hansen led the Bulldogs with nine assists while Addison Aalbers led the team with 12 attacks and six kills. Defensively, Maren Subbert led the team with two blocks, while Aal-



Megan Severs serves the ball in match vs Roland-Story on Monday, September 29. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Aliyah Swieter sets the ball in match vs Roland-Story on Monday, September 29. Photo by Evan Pharr.

bers led the team with seven digs.

In their loss to the Bobcats, the Bulldogs lost the first set 21-17 and the second set 21-11. Kenley Hansen led the Bulldogs with five assists, Addison Aalbers led the team with 14 attacks, and Madison Heilskov led the team with four kills. Defensively, Hansen and junior Elsie Kuper led the team with six digs each.

In their loss to the South Hardin Tigers, the Bulldogs lost the first set 21-18 and the second set 21-17. Kenley Hansen led the Bulldogs with 11 assists, Madison Heilskov led the team with 13 attacks and junior Maren Subbert led the team with six kills. Defensively, Bridgit Brocka, Maren Subbert and freshman Sylvie Morton had the Bulldogs only three blocks, while Brocka led the team with five digs.

The Bulldogs also lost 3-0 at Garner-Hayfield-Ventura on Tuesday, September 30, and 3-0 at home versus Clear Lake on Thursday, October 2. The 0-6 week drops the Bulldogs' record to 3-13 on the season and 1-3 in conference play. The Bulldogs played at Humboldt on Tuesday, October 7 and their next match is at Iowa-Falls Alden on Thursday, October 9 at 7 p.m.

Bulldogs Cross Country Teams Run in Home Meet

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

The Hampton-Dumont-CAL boys and girls' cross country teams ran in their home meet, the Bulldog Invitational at Maynes Grove on Thursday, October 2. The boys team finished in fourth place out of six qualified teams with a total score of 104 points, while the girls team finished in fifth place out of six qualified teams with a total score of 122 points.

For the boys' team, sophomore William Vosburg metaled by finishing in ninth place overall and posting a score of eight points with a time of 19 minutes, 47.4 seconds. Senior Arnold Guevara finished in 18th place overall and posted a score of 17 points with a time of 20 minutes, 13.7 seconds. Junior Conner Miller finished in 20th place overall and posted a score of 18 points with a time of 20 minutes, 27.2 seconds. Junior Reed Masters finished in 34th place overall and posted a score of 29 points with a time of 21 minutes, 50.9 seconds.

Sophomore Ryne Magner finished in 37th place overall and posted a score of 32 points with a time of 21 minutes, 59.7 seconds.

For the girls' team, sophomore MacKenzy Valley metaled, finishing in fifth place overall and posting a score of five points with a time of 23 minutes, 2.7 seconds. Junior Marlee Maas finished in 25th place overall and posted a score of 18 points with a time of 26 minutes, 26.3 seconds. Sophomore Adelee Gronewold finished in 26th place overall and posted a score of 19 points with a time of 26 minutes, 28 seconds. Sophomore Keely Moorhead finished in 39th place overall and posted a score of 29 points with a time of 28 minutes, 41.4 seconds. Senior Emma Dietz finished in 41st place overall and posted a score of 31 points with a time of 29 minutes, 18.1 seconds.

Both the boys and girls' teams ran in the Lake Mills meet on Monday October 6 and their next meet is the NCC Conference Meet at the River Road Golf Club on Tuesday, October 14 at 3:45 p.m.



Marlee Maas (right) and Adelee Gronewold (left) run in the Bulldogs Invitational on Thursday, October 2. Photo by Evan Pharr.



William Vosburg runs in the Bulldog Invitational on Thursday, October 2. Photo by Evan Pharr.

Ridgestone Senior Golf

NED BOHACH

Wow folks, cross country golf is the course for the day. I thought cross country skiing was the only sport I knew of that you cut across the terrain. Oh no golf adds to the flare and challenge of heading out cross country. They station a search dog on each tee box to lead the group to the next hole and of course a doggy treat was a necessity. All the tee boxes were placed in an abnormal position and made for some interesting scenic views. Frank Schnoes our fearless leader told the boys to not blame him it was Brad Mulford who laid the course out. Well that's what a little birdie told me!

Mark Kramer, Tom Severe and Dick Brown took top honors with a torrid 50. They each won a compass for next year when cross country golf arrives. Tom and Dick said they were good cheerleaders for Mark as he was sizzling with every part of the game. The second place unit found Brad Mulford, Rick Schmitt and Kim Wills firing 53 and they said they would have won it but spent too much time figuring out where they were. Of course they missed so many close putts!

The third squad found Frank Schnoes, Dennis Campbell and Jerry Nelson they fired 55 times to hit pay dirt. They took home \$500 each but after taxes it was \$4. Now I have played with that trio and I'll bet there wasn't a dull moment! The fourth place

unit and winning a big old ZERO was Doug Hahn, Mike Paine and Nick Mulford. They shot a so-so 56 which isn't bad for a bunch of Hamptonians. Just kidding boys, we know your excuse would be missed putts, missed drives and ugly approach shots. Better luck next week.

The fifth unit shooting a 58 was Paul Ricke, Russ Morgan, and Ed Hert. With that ugly score they did win \$\$\$\$\$\$ but when they went to get paid there was no money left.

They now have a law suit against Frank!!! The final unit in and I mean way back was Larry Craghton, DelRayMcKee and Phil Strand with an ugly 62, however they had fun (I guess). All in all they did show enthusiasm for the new format and every group ended up at the clubhouse and nobody drove into the ponds. Frank told me that tumor is an extra pair and urine the opposite of your out.

Ed said he has a buddy that if he spoke his mind he'd be speechless. Doug told me he has a deck chair that folds under pressure. I had a great morning, I got my legs through my underwear without falling.

Well folks my think tank (if I had one) is empty thus it is time to refill it. Remember the sun rises in the east and sets in the west and also to some of us it rises on the left and sets on right!

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Our Brushy Creek Adventure



Since my wife and I have not been catching many fish in our local area, we decided to go on a fishing adventure last Thursday. We decided to go to Brushy Creek Lake to fish. We had not fished there for over 10 years and thought it was time to try it again.

If you don't know anything about the Brushy Creek Wilderness area here is some basic information. Brushy Creek State Recreation Area is one of the largest state parks in Iowa, showcasing native prairie, grassland, timber, river and lake habitats across its 6,500 acres. The lake at Brushy Creek is perfect for swimming, fishing and boating. It is located just south of Hwy 20 between Webster City and Fort Dodge.

With more than 45 miles of trails, Brushy Creek is a popular destination for horseback riding, including two equestrian campgrounds. The lake itself is 690 acres with 21 miles of shoreline. Since the lake was created by flooding the wooded valleys of Brushy Creek, the main feature of the lake is all the standing timber. It is weird to be boating in 40-50 feet of water and still have the tops of trees sticking out of the water. Almost all the backwater coves have trees standing in them.

I have both ice fished, and open water fished this lake numerous times over the years, but honestly I have never caught a lot of fish in the lake. In the past, I saw some giant crappies come out of the lake. On one trip my wife and I did happen upon a tree that was loaded with big bluegills.

On Thursday we started on the North boat ramp and headed up the lake. We noticed right away that there was a strong wind coming from the South so we tried to find some spots where we could tuck out of the wind. We were going to fish slowly with some plastic worms

and we needed to find some calm water to fish in.

The nice thing about Brushy Creek as mentioned above is that there is so much flooded timber. This also makes it difficult to select a spot to fish. The cove we pulled into had a very large cut bank on one side. I knew that there was deep water in the area because of the steep bank. This seemed like a good place to start.

We were in eighteen feet of water casting towards the bank. Of course, there were trees and logs everywhere. The trees in the water made it difficult to maneuver the boat around. It did not take long before I caught my first bass. It was not very big, but at least I had caught one. I thought to myself that we were going to be in for a good day. I was wrong.

We fished along that cove for a while longer until I decided it was time to move. I really wanted to head up to the north part of the lake to fish around a big island, but as we got out into the main lake the wind had picked up and there were white caps on the water. We decided to just to cross the lake and tuck into another large cove so we could get

out of the wind.

As I started fishing in this cove I noticed that I was getting a lot of blue gills trying to bite on my large plastic worm. I could feel those small fish tugging on the tail of my worm. I was fishing with a 10-inch worm, and I know that it is just too big for the bluegill to get in their mouths. They just tug at it.

I told my wife to get out her small pole and try to catch some of those bluegills. She was not having any luck, so we decided to stop in a shady area for lunch. What a great spot. We had the shade of trees and a nice breeze to enjoy the lunch we had packed.

After lunch we moved along the shore and finally were able to find a spot where the bluegills were biting. They were not very large, but we managed to catch many of them. I still could not catch any more bass. I tried different lures but needed to be careful around all the trees. It would be easy to get snagged on all the trees and logs, so I had to pick lures that would not get snagged up.

We fished to the back of the cove and decided to head back. I did manage to catch a few more



bluegills and even a crappie on the way back. Once out in the main lake I could use my big motor, but since the lake is posted as a no wake lake, I could not go fast.

We made it back to the boat ramp and hooked up the boat. Even though we did not catch many big fish, I still enjoyed coming back to a lake I had not fished for a while. It is an interesting place to fish, and I won't wait ten years to come back again.



Learn about Parkinson's Disease and Support for Families: Virtual Classes Begin in November

ISU EXTENSION AND OUTREACH OFFICE

AMES – Growing older is the greatest risk factor for acquiring Parkinson's disease and many people live with symptoms for several years before being diagnosed. Frequently the spouse or other relatives first notice slight problems with a loved one's movements, said Carol Ehlers, a health and human sciences educator with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

"Often people in early stages of Parkinson's disease assume their symptoms are part of normal aging or are due to other health conditions they may have, such as arthritis. Early symptoms may not be very apparent and may even come and go," Ehlers said.

To help Iowans learn about Parkinson's disease, its effects and possible



treatments, ISU Extension and Outreach offers "A Journey through Parkinson's Disease." This three-part educational series will be offered virtually beginning Nov. 3 at 1 p.m. The series is offered at no cost to participants and online registration is required by Oct. 31.

"During this series you will learn about the signs of Parkinson's disease and how to seek medical care, as well as the cause of the

disease and how specific treatments work. You will also learn about alternative therapies and in-home activities that can delay the progression of the disease, which is very important for continuing to live a full and happy life," said Ehlers.

The educational series consists of three one-hour sessions held once a week. Health and human sciences educators with ISU Extension and Outreach teach the classes, which include

interactive lessons and discussions.

In-person sessions of "A Journey through Parkinson's Disease" are scheduled through ISU Extension and Outreach county offices. A list of upcoming, in-person sessions is available on the Health and Human Sciences Extension and Outreach website.

"If you're struggling with Parkinson's disease or know someone who is, it's helpful to know where to find support on the journey," Ehlers said.

This program is supported by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, with funding provided by the State of Iowa, Iowa State University and through appropriations from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Institute of Food and Agriculture under the Smith-Lever Act.



Photo courtesy of Franklin County Farm Bureau.

Franklin County Farm Bureau Recognizes Pork Month

PRESS RELEASE

Franklin County Farm Bureau is recognizing Pork Month this October.

Livestock plays a vital role in the local economy, accounting for 19% of jobs in Franklin County. Jobs that support pig farmers like trucking, animal nutrition and veterinary services strengthen communities and contribute to economic growth.

Thanks to cutting-edge research, farmer-led changes and advancements in technology, today's pork is more sustainable and nutritious than ever before. Since the 1990s, U.S. pork production has increased by an impressive 76% while emissions per pound of pork have decreased by 23%.

Not only is pork sustainably raised, it remains a staple of a healthy diet. Pork is an excellent source of nutrients and vitamins that regulate metabolism, strengthen bones, promote energy and aid in red blood cell formation. Health-conscious consumers can enjoy pork tenderloin and pork sirloin roast, both of which meet the American Heart Association's Heart-Check certification for containing low levels of fat, saturated fat and sodium.

"Raising a high-quality product people enjoy is a source of pride," says Val Plagge, a local pig farmer. "That's why we, as farmers, are committed to providing pork with animal care as a top priority, while also protecting the natural resources our community depends on."

Franklin County Farm Bureau is celebrating National Pork Month by giving away four pork bundles in partnership with Fareway in Hampton; you can sign up at the Fareway Meat County. The board is also donating pork to local food pantries in October. To learn more about Iowa farmers and the events mentioned, feel free to follow the Franklin County Farm Bureau Facebook page.

Manage Fire Risks During Harvest

Dry conditions raise field fire concerns during Iowa corn harvest

BY KRIS KOHL ISU EXTENSION AND OUTREACH OFFICE

AMES – Early planting combined with warm spring and fall conditions has led to an earlier-than-usual corn harvest in Iowa. Crops are also drier than normal, creating a greater risk of field fires during harvest.

The primary factor related to field fires is higher air temperature. It dries out crops more quickly and creates conditions favorable for field fires to ignite and spread. Wind speed affects the risk of a field fire spread by aiding combustion as well as by carrying heat and burning embers to

new fields:

- Below 15 miles per hour: low risk of spreading
- Between 15 and 20 miles per hour: medium risk
- Over 25 miles per hour: high risk

"Fires often originate when corn leaves or residue come in contact with a hot surface," said Kris Kohl, field agricultural engineer with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. "Common ignition sources include exhaust systems, overheated bearings and high temperature sources in the engine compartment."

Kohl recommends farmers:

- Use a leaf blower or compressed air to regularly remove fine chaff from equipment surfaces.
- Keep a fully charged fire extinguisher in the combine cab to contain small fires and consider mounting a larger fire extinguisher at ground level outside the cab for larger blazes.
- Be cautious of truck exhausts, which can ignite dry cornstalks.

"Any ignition source in combination with dry plant residue presents a potential hazard," Kohl said.

Once a field fire starts,

it can be difficult and dangerous to contain. Personal safety should always take priority over property. "Know your 911 field (street) address, and always call 911 first to minimize damage," Kohl said. "If it is safe to do so, attack the fire with extinguishers or make a tillage pass on the edge of the field to prevent a fire from spreading."

Kohl also advises farmers to consider avoiding combining on high-wind days and to remain vigilant about keeping equipment clean throughout the harvest season.

For more information, contact Kris Kohl at kkohl1@iastate.edu.

To reduce fire risk,

Memorial Tree Planted in Honor of Beloved Hampton Woman

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

The Hampton Tree Board was entrusted with a special project Thursday morning. They planted a memorial tree in honor of the late Marcee Sidmore, who passed away in June, in the Hampton Cemetery.

Marcee’s sisters, Mardell and Marcia, purchased the black maple and customized plaque for their sister through the tree board, which they’ve done for other family members in the past.

When asked to describe her sister in a few words, Mardell said she was “sweet, fun, loving, very crafty.”

Marcee worked as a jeweler for Christensen Jewelry for 28 years, before retiring in 2024. She and her sisters were always close, so when she became sick, Mardell drove her to her kidney dialysis treatments twice a week for months, before she finally



Putting the finishing touches on the tree and plaque.



Mardell with the plaque she purchased for her sister.

lost her battle with cancer. “I miss her every blessed day,” Mardell said.

Marcee was 63 years old when she passed away.



Marcee’s plaque was purchased by her sisters, Mardell and Marcia.



Tree Board Members Randy Sanders, Rick Rieken, Lori Poulo and Jim Garrett with Mardell Sidmore-Van Kleeck in front of the newly-planted tree on Thursday, Oct. 2.

La Luz to Discontinue English Classes through NIACC due to New Federal Mandate

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

La Luz Centro Cultural announced Wednesday that it would be discontinuing its English classes through North Iowa Area Community College due to a new federal mandate implemented through Iowa Workforce Development.

The new mandate requires all adult students to provide proof of legal status or citizenship to attend the classes.

In their public statement, La Luz noted that they were not made aware of the mandate until this week and that the decision was not made by NIACC.

“Our mission at La Luz has always been to remove barriers and provide accessible, inclusive services to all members of our community, regardless of background or status,” the statement reads. “The new mandatory proof of citizenship fundamentally conflicts with this core value.”

The statement also notes that the organization will explore “alternative avenues and partnerships to develop and host new, inclusive English language programming as quickly as possible that will serve everyone in the community.”



Franklin General Hospital Receives Top 20 Critical Access Hospital Award in Kansas City

PRESS RELEASE

Hampton — Franklin General Hospital proudly accepted national recognition on September 26, in Kansas City, Missouri, as one of the Top 20 Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) for Best Practice in Patient Satisfaction for 2025. This marks the second consecutive year FGH has earned this prestigious designation from the National Rural Health Association (NRHA), based on performance data analyzed by the Chartis Center for Rural Health.

Kim Price, Rebekah Ault, Stephanie Powers, and Heidi Willrett traveled to Kansas City to attend the NRHA’s annual Critical Access Hospital Conference, where they were formally presented with the award. The event provided an opportunity to celebrate the hospital’s continued commitment to excellence in rural health care and to connect with other top-performing facilities from across the country.

“This award is a reflection of the dedication and compassion our team brings to patient care every single day,” said Kim Price, CEO of Franklin General Hospital. “Being recognized on a national stage for the second year in a row is a testament to the culture of excellence we’ve built here in Hampton. We’re proud to represent our community and grateful for the opportunity to celebrate this achievement together in Kansas City.”

Franklin General Hospital remains committed to providing high-quality, compassionate care to the residents of Franklin County and surrounding communities. This recognition highlights the hospital’s ongoing efforts to prioritize patient experience, foster a culture of teamwork, and continuously improve services. As a trusted health care provider in rural Iowa, Franklin General Hospital takes pride in delivering care that reflects the values of the community it serves.

Spooky Sighting

The Chronicle had received some tips about a house on the east side of town last week, where skeletons had taken over the yard. The bony bunch can be seen delivering mail ... and running from a couple of pesky dogs. Homeowners Andrew and Dionna Montes started the tradition two years ago. They change the skeletons up every week, so make sure to stop by this week for their next spooky surprise. Their home is located at 721 Central Ave E.

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• Wednesday, October 8, 8:30 a.m. Men's Prayer; 2 p.m. Ignite at CLW; 6:45 p.m. Mentor Groups
• Sunday, October 12, 9:30 a.m. Worship Service; 11 a.m. Sunday School Class; 3 p.m. **Fall Fest & Chili Cook-off at Maynes Grove**
• Tuesday, October 7, 9:30 a.m. Women's Prayer
• Wednesday, October 15, 8:30 a.m. Men's Prayer; 2 p.m. Ignite at CLW; 6:45 p.m. Mentor Groups

CATHOLIC
St. Mary's Catholic
611 Sherman Ave., Ackley
Fr. Kevin Earleywine, Priest
• Sunday, 8 a.m.

St. Patrick's Catholic
1405 N. Federal St., Hampton
Fr. Kevin Earleywine, Priest
Tuesdays 8:30 AM
Thursdays 5:30 PM with Adoration at 6:00 PM
Sunday 10:30 AM English
5:30 PM Spanish

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
• Wednesday, October 8, 8:30 a.m. ZSJ Quilters; 5:15 p.m. 7-8th Confirmation Class; 6:15 p.m. ZSJ Handbell Rehearsal; 7 p.m. 9th Confirmation Class; 7:15 p.m. ZSJ Chancel Choir Rehearsal
• Thursday, October 9, 2 p.m. West Fork Food Pantry
• Saturday, October 11, 7:30 a.m. **LWR in Gathering, Albert Lea, Minnesota**
• Sunday, October 12, 9 a.m. Worship Service led by Praise Team; 10 a.m. **Heat 'N' Eat**;

10:15 a.m. Fellowship & Sunday School
• Monday, October 13, **Columbus Day**
• Wednesday, October 15, 8:30 a.m. ZSJ Quilters; 5:15 p.m. 7-8th Confirmation Class; 6:15 p.m. ZSJ Handbell Rehearsal; 7 p.m. 9th Confirmation Class; 7:15 p.m. ZSJ Chancel Choir Rehearsal

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, October 12, 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 - Tyler Linneman, Rev. Karl C. Bollhagen, Pastor
• Sunday, October 12, 8:30 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion; 9:45 a.m. Sunday School & 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, October 12, 8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Sunday School; 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice; 10 a.m. Worship Service; 11 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship

First Lutheran Church - Dows
206 W Ellsworth St, Dows
• Sunday, October 12, 9 a.m. Sunday School, Confirmation, & Coffee; 10 a.m. Worship Service
• Monday, October 13, **Harmony Club evening**
• Wednesday, October 15, 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Community Meal

METHODIST
Ackley United Methodist
416 Hardin St., Ackley
Pastor Calvin 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
• Wednesday, October 8, 5:30 p.m. **Choir Rehearsal**, Confirmation Class, & Wacky Wednesday
• Thursday, October 9, 9:30 a.m. BeFriends; 10:30 a.m. **Chapel at Franklin General**
• Saturday, October 11, 5 p.m. Worship Service

• Sunday, October 12, 9:30 a.m. Adults Bible Study; 11 a.m. Worship Service; 11:30 a.m. Radio Broadcast on KLMJ, 104.9 FM; 12 p.m. Fellowship; 12:30 p.m. Facebook Broadcast; 2 p.m. **Franklin County Choir Rehearsal**; 6 p.m. **4-H**
• Monday, October 13, 1:30 p.m. God's FLOCK
• Tuesday, October 14, 1:30 p.m. **D.A.R. & Faithful Stitchers**
• Wednesday, October 15, 2 p.m. **NAOMI Circle**; 5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Confirmation Class, & Wacky Wednesday; 6:30 p.m. **LEAH Circle**

West Fork United Methodist
2200 Tulip Ave., Sheffield
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
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420 First Ave. NE, Hampton
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109 N Eskridge St., Dows
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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

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909 Sixth St. SW, Hampton
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p.m. Worship
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214 Brown St., Alexander
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• Sunday, October 12, 9:15 a.m. Worship Service; 10:30 a.m. Kids Choir; Sunday School Pre-K – HS; 7 p.m. **Joy Circle**
• Monday, October 13, 1:30 p.m. **Vesper Circle**
• Wednesday, October 15, 6:30 p.m. **Family Ministry**

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
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22 First Ave. SW, Hampton
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• Sunday, October 12, 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

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204 E. South St., Latimer
Pastor Joe Dunnwald
• Sunday, October 12, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

St. Peter's United Church Of Christ – Geneva
496 Raven Ave # B, Geneva, IA 50633
• Sunday, October 12, 9:30 a.m. Worship Service with Gary Hemphill

In loving memory of
Joyce Arndt
1944-2025



Joyce Arndt, 81, of Davenport, Iowa, passed away Friday, October 3, 2025, at Genesis Medical Center-East in Davenport following a brief illness.

The family will greet relatives and friends from 9:00 a.m. until 10:15 a.m. Saturday, October 11, 2025, at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Bettendorf. A Memorial Service will follow at 10:30 a.m. in the church. Rev. Keith Piotter and Rev. Gary Timm officiating. Interment will be in St. John's Lutheran Cemetery in rural Alta, Iowa, at a later date.

Joyce Carmen Lillie was born July 24, 1944, in Oakland, California to Glen and Gladys (Koth) Lillie. She attended St. John's Lutheran School in rural Alta, Iowa and graduated from high school in Galva, Iowa in 1962. Joyce was united in marriage to Dennis Arndt on December 26, 1966 at St. John's Lutheran Church in rural Alta.

Besides spending time with her family and friends, Joyce had a passion for gardening, knitting, reading, baking, watching sports and movies, and caring for her dog, Dusty. She dedicated a large amount of her time to volunteering at church, the Lutheran Home, Meals on Wheels, and mission trips. Joyce is remembered for her selfless deeds and her unending patience and love for everyone she met.

Surviving are her husband, Reverend Dennis Arndt; children, Allen (Michelle) of LeClaire, Kyle (Jackie) of Rochester, Minnesota, Jason A. (Audrey) of Sheffield, and Jason M. (Amber) of Ankeny; grandchildren, Emily, Dylan, Alayna, Cody, Collin (Lexey), Alli (Kendrick) Suntken, Kylie, Aden, Kelsey, and Averie; great-grandchildren, Adalynne, Brynlee, Sawyer, and Amora; nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother, Eugene, and a granddaughter, Jordyn.

Arrangements are in the care of Schultz Funeral Home, DeWitt. Condolences may be expressed at www.schultzfuneralhomes.com

Death Notices

Donna Olsen

Donna Olsen, 83, of Iowa Falls, passed away on Tuesday, September 30, 2025, at the Hansen Family Hospital in Iowa Falls. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. on Friday, October 3, 2025, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Iowa Falls with burial in Union Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4-6 p.m. on Thursday at the Surls Funeral Home in Iowa Falls. Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Surls Funeral Home in Iowa Falls.

Dawn White

Dawn White, 67, of Hampton, passed away on Wednesday, October 1, 2025 at her home in Hampton. Funeral arrangements are pending with the Sietsema-Atkinson Funeral Home in Hampton.

Jeanette Freie

Jeanette Freie, 92, of Hampton and formerly of Latimer passed away Sunday October 5, 2025 at Franklin Country View in Hampton, Iowa. Funeral Service will be 2pm Thursday at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Latimer, Iowa with burial in the St. Paul's Lutheran Church Cemetery in Latimer, IA. Visitation will be Thursday from 1-2pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Latimer

Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sietsema Atkinson Funeral Home in Hampton.



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“For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”
Matthew 18:20 (NIV)

Comfort in Community

The fall season serves a great opportunity in allowing us to further connect, or sometimes reconnect, with our communities of friends and loved ones. The season's beauty can often be seen in its simplicity, and basic activities such as going to a pumpkin patch or a local seasonal fair or other event can provide this time for connection. Reaching out to someone in our community we may have drifted from, too, can provide us with a reconnection to our community. In the long term, we prepare for the colder months of winter and beyond that, numerous holidays of this and the coming season. With this said, a reinforcement of our relationship with our community at this time can be a great way to ensure we have an enjoyable fall and also a full table of people we love during the holidays. At the beginning of His ministry, Christ set out to form a community of believers, sharing meals with and teaching them. Though we sometimes may want to make our way fully on our own, we are shown through Christ's actions that the comfort we find in community, and the connections we make within it, are a foundational, necessary and beautiful aspect of life.

-James Stone

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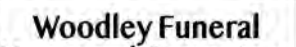
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Franklin County

Traffic: Heather Holly Bass, of Kamrar, speeding;
Alona Basaraba, of Grimes, speeding;
Neil Anthony Van beck, of Houston, Texas, speeding;
Victoria Isabel Pacheco, of Hampton, following too close;
Shay Marie Moriarty, of Roseville, Minnesota, operation without registration card or plate and speeding;
Mark D Jurgensen, of Mason City, speeding;
Heidi Anna Gessler, of Montgomery, Minnesota, speeding;
Jordon Richard Groff, of Osage, speeding;
John Barton Davis, of West Valley, Utah, speeding;
Raphael Rodrigues Corde Nascimento, of Marshalltown, speeding;
Christopher Olaf Minge, of San Francisco, California, speeding;
Matthew J Lane, of Sheffield, failure to maintain or use safety belts;
Rachel Caroline Less, of Dubuque, speeding;
Dulce Cecilia Rodriguez Urbina, of Hampton, failure to license dog;
OWI: Jose Timoteo Hernandez Zapeta, of Osage, order setting trial; order setting trial, November 13, 9 a.m.;
Aaron Michael Miller, of Hampton, order setting trial; order setting trial, November 13, 9 a.m.;
Small Claims: American Express National Bank, of Sandy, Utah, versus Becky Dohliman, of Hampton, dismissed without prejudice;
Hauge Associates INC, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, versus Anthony A Arthur, of Alexander, Rebecca Arthur, Alexander, judgment default, \$2,864.35 fine;
Hauge Associates INC, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, versus Javier Yopez Cervantez, of Alexander, judgment default, \$1,079.18 fine;
Quad Corporation INC, of Dav-enport, versus Jennifer Gail Espejo Vargas, of Hampton, Noel Espejo, of Hampton, judgment default, \$1,387.93 fine;
LVNV Funding LLC, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, versus Michelle D Myers, of Hampton, original notice;
Citibank NA, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, versus Tyler J Brass, of Hampton, original notice;
LVNV Funding LLC, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, versus Thomas Worden, of Coulter, original notice;
Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC, of Norfolk, Virginia, versus Megan Vance, of Sheffield, original notice;
Agvantage FS, A division of Growmark INC, of Waverly, versus Hal Bumgarner, of Hampton, original notice;
CKS Prime Investments LLC, of Golden Valley, Minnesota, versus Rufus Manuel, of Sheffield, original notice;
Midland Credit Management INC, of West Des Moines, versus Amanda Jean Phillips, of Hampton, original notice;
Capital One NA, of Golden Valley, Minnesota, versus Sarah Rianna Ballard, of Hampton, original notice;
Franklin Holdings LLC, of Mason City, versus Brittney Wilson, of Hampton, original notice;
Criminal: Sarah Jane Brinkman, of Dows, order setting trial; order setting trial, November 13, 9 a.m.;
Agustin Obispo Porras Chuy, of Hampton, order setting trial; order setting trial, November 13, 9 a.m.;
Nichole M McRoberts, of Hampton, motion to dismiss;
Nicholas Franklin Passehl, of Fort Dodge, order setting hearing;
Nathan Lee Pigman, of Latimer, order of arraignment; order setting trial, December 2, 9 a.m.;
Jason Colby Marshall, of Latimer, order of disposition; pled guilty for violation of probation, serving 4 days jail time;
Tyrel Dean Varrelman, of Hampton, non guilty plea;
Zachary Penning, of Hampton, order of disposition; pled guilty for public intoxication, \$105 fine;
Elizabeth Zeibot, of Hampton, motion to dismiss;
Eriq Daniel Anneberg, of Omaha, Nebraska, order setting trial; order setting trial, November 13, 9 a.m.;
Heather Rose Robb, of Marshalltown, criminal complaint and hearing for initial appearance;
Elaine Robinson, of Hampton, order of dismissal;

Police & Sheriff report 9-29 to 10-5

Hampton Police Reports

Monday, September 29:
• Officers assisted with one medical call and received two general calls.

• 6:42 a.m.: Report of an animal on roadway in the area of the Hampton Cemetery, Hampton.

• 8:52 a.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 10 block of 1st St. NW, Hampton.

• 9:35 a.m.: Report of false 911 calls in an unlisted area, Hampton.

• 9:48 a.m.: Report of a suspicious person in the 100 block of S Federal St. , Hampton.

• 11:43 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Hwy 3 and the Police Department, Hampton.

• 12:15 p.m.: Report of harassment in the 10 block of 2nd St. NW, Hampton.

• 1:51 p.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 100 block of 1st Ave SW, Hampton.

• 7:00 p.m.: Report of suspicious activity in the area of the Northside ball field, Hampton.

Tuesday, September 30:
• Officers assisted with one medical call and received two general calls.

• 8:02 a.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 100 block of 1st St. NW, Hampton.

• 11:59 a.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in the 700 block of 8th St. SW, Hampton.

• 12:13 p.m.: Report of civil disputes in the 100 block of 7th St. SW, Hampton.

• 12:21 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 10 block of 3rd St. SW, Hampton.

• 3:16 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 100 block of 11th PL NE, Hampton.

• 3:19 p.m.: Report of a simple assault in the 1700 block of Central Ave E, Hampton.

• 6:23 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 400 block of 8th Ave SW, Hampton.

• 7:08 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of 10th Ave NE and Hwy 65, Hampton.

• 8:55 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 700 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

• 9:22 p.m.: Report of a simple assault in the 100 block of 4th St. SE, Hampton.

Wednesday, October 1:
• Officers assisted with three medical calls, assisted one motorist, and received five general calls.

• 8:25 a.m.: Report of lost articles in an unknown area, Hampton.

• 2:06 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1200 block of Central Ave E, Hampton.

• 9:16 p.m.: Report of suspicious activity in the 700 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

• 9:52 p.m.: Report of trespass in the area of the old grocery store and 4th St. SE, Hampton.

Thursday, October 2:
• Officers executed one traffic stop, assisted with two medical calls, and received five general calls.

• 3:03 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 100 block of 2nd St. NW, Hampton.

• 10:09 a.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in the 700 block of 12th Ave NE, Hampton.

• 11:52 a.m.: Report of dog calls in the 200 block of 12th Ave NE, Hampton.

• 12:11 p.m.: Report of dog calls in the 900 block of N Federal St.

, Hampton.

• 2:14 p.m.: Report of found articles in the 10 block of 1st Ave NW, Hampton.

• 5:30 p.m.: Report of a stolen property offense in an unlisted area, Hampton.

• 6:38 p.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in an unknown area, Hampton.

• 9:39 p.m.: Report of a family dispute in the 400 block of 12th Ave NE, Hampton.

• 10:29 p.m.: Officers assisted with booking information in the 100 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

Friday, October 3:
• Officers assisted one motorist and received two general calls.

• 12:00 a.m.: Officers executed local warrants in the 300 block of 3rd St. SW, Hampton.

• 12:47 a.m.: Officers assisted with booking information in the 100 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

• 4:32 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 100 block of 2nd St. NW, Hampton.

• 11:42 a.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in the area of 5th St. SW and 8th Ave SW, Hampton.

• 1:35 p.m.: Report of a suspicious person in the 10 block of Central Ave W, Hampton.

• 2:32 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 1000 block of 2nd St. . NE, Hampton.

• 5:36 p.m.: Report of dog calls in the 400 block of Central Ave W, Hampton.

• 7:46 p.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 100 block of 1st St. NW, Hampton.

• 8:45 p.m.: Report of trespass in the 800 block of Central Ave W, Hampton.

• 9:10 p.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in the area of 140th St. and the tower center, Hampton.

• 11:12 p.m.: Report of suspicious activity in the 500 block of 1st St. NE, Hampton.

• 11:15 p.m.: Report of found articles in the 300 block of 1st Ave NE, Hampton.

Saturday, October 4:
• Officers assisted with one medical call, assisted one motorist, and received two general calls.

• 5:17 a.m.: Report of found articles in the 500 block of 1st St. NE, Hampton.

• 6:35 a.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1000 block of N Federal St. , Hampton.

• 8:46 a.m.: Officers assisted with traffic control in the area of Hwy 65 and the bike trail, Hampton.

• 10:07 p.m.: Report of neighborhood complaints in the 700 block of 1st Ave NE, Hampton.

Sunday, October 5:
• Officers executed one traffic stop.

• 7:32 a.m.: Report of a suspicious person in the 500 block of Central Ave W, Hampton.

• 12:40 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 20 block of 10th St. NW, Hampton.

• 2:05 p.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the 700 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

• 3:58 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the 1300 block of 4th St. NE, Hampton.

Franklin County Sheriff Reports

Monday, September 29:
• Officers executed one traffic stop, assisted three motorists, received a report for two controlled burns, and received three general calls.

• 7:02 a.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in the area of 14th Ave, Eldora.

• 11:24 a.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the area of Cardinal Ave, Dows.

• 4:29 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of S Donovan St. , Latimer.

• 6:02 p.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the area of I-35 and mile mark 165 southbound, Coulter.

• 10:27 p.m.: Officers executed local warrants in the area of 14th Ave, Eldora.

Tuesday, September 30:
• Officers executed seven traffic stops and received three general calls.

• 7:55 a.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of I-35 southbound and mile mark 166, Latimer.

• 9:42 a.m.: Report of harassment in the area of Grant St. , Coulter.

• 11:55 a.m.: Report of a vehicle off roadway in the area of Hardin Rd, Alden.

• 6:43 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle in the area of 130th St. , Hampton.

Wednesday, October 1:
• Officers executed three traffic stops, assisted one motorist, and received three general calls.

• 4:11 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35 northbound and mile mark 159, Dows.

• 9:06 a.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of I-35 northbound and mile mark 160, Dows.

• 9:27 a.m.: Report of an abandoned vehicle in the area of 180th St. and Quail Ave, Hampton.

• 9:50 a.m.: Report of false 911 calls in an unknown area of Iowa.

• 12:23 p.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the 1300 block of 220th St. , Sheffield.

• 12:58 p.m.: Officers responded to a fire in the 300 block of Hwy 3, Alexander.

• 1:47 p.m.: Report of an animal on roadway in the area of I-35 and mile mark 174 southbound, Sheffield.

• 4:06 p.m.: Report of a stolen property offense in the 1800 block of Hardin Rd, Ackley.

• 4:44 p.m.: Officers assisted other agencies with an issue in the 200 block of N 7th St. , Sheffield.

• 7:23 p.m.: Report of debris on roadway/right of way in the area of Heather Ave, Coulter.

• 7:55 p.m.: Report of an animal on roadway in the area of Hwy 65 and 105th St. , Geneva.

• 8:22 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of the northern prairie bridges, Ackley.

• 10:16 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Franklin Ave northbound, Ackley.

Thursday, October 2:
• Officers executed two traffic stops, assisted one motorist, and received two general calls.

• 12:21 a.m.: Officers assisted other agencies with an issue in the area of I-35 and mile mark 145 northbound, Dows.

• 6:22 a.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 400 block of Grant St. , Coulter.

• 2:09 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35 and mile mark 173 southbound, Sheffield.

• 2:37 p.m.: Report of a suspicious person in the area of Mallard Ave, Bradford.

• 3:29 p.m.: Report of debris on roadway/right of way in the area of 190th St. and Hwy 65, Hampton.

• 6:44 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35 and mile mark 170 northbound, Latimer.

• 7:21 p.m.: Report of a family dispute in the 400 block of Faulkner Lane, Ackley.

• 8:12 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 100 block of Van Kirk St. , Latimer.

• 9:43 p.m.: Officers assisted the Hampton Police Department with an issue in the 400 block of 12th Ave NE, Hampton.

• 10:56 p.m.: Officers assisted with booking information in the 100 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

• 11:01 p.m.: Officers executed local warrants in the 100 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

Friday, October 3:
• Officers assisted with one medical call and received two general calls.

• 11:37 a.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of I-35 northbound and mile mark 175, Thornton.

• 12:11 p.m.: Officers responded to a fire in the area of I-35 and mile mark 174 northbound, Latimer.

• 1:02 p.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of Balsam Ave, Alexander.

• 3:24 p.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in an unlisted area, Eldora.

• 8:13 p.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in an unlisted area, Waterloo.

Saturday, October 4:
• Officers assisted with one medical call.

• 8:14 a.m.: Officers assisted with a funeral in the area of Thompson St. , Sheffield.

• 11:14 a.m.: Report of dog calls in the area of Cardinal Ave, Dows.

• 12:53 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of Barrett St. , Coulter.

• 2:10 p.m.: Report of fraud in the area of N 7th Ave, Clear Lake.

• 4:13 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Hwy 3 and Vine Ave, Dumont.

• 5:52 p.m.: Report of an operating while intoxicated issue in the area of Hwy 3 and Nettle Ave, Hampton.

• 5:59 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of 1st St. NW, Hampton.

• 9:28 p.m.: Officers assisted with booking information in the area of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

• 9:54 p.m.: Officers executed an arrest in the area of 190th St. , Hampton.

Sunday, October 5:
• Officers executed two traffic stops, assisted one motorist, and received one general call.

• 9:19 a.m.: Report of suspicious activity in the area of Apricot Ave, Dows.

• 12:42 p.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the area of Hwy 65, Hampton.

• 1:20 p.m.: Report of a disabled vehicle in the area of 120th St. and Gull Ave, Coulter.

• 2:46 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of 110th St. , Latimer.

• 3:57 p.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in the area of 5th St. SW, Hampton.

• 7:02 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in an unlisted area, Ackley.

Butler County Sheriff Reports

Monday, September 23:
Officers executed two traffic stops, assisted with one medical calls, assisted two motorists, received a report for one controlled burn, and received two general calls.
2:57 a.m.: Report of a parking complaint int he area of 3rd St and Coates St.
7:13 a.m.: Officers conducted a

house check in the 10200 block of 195th St.
7:57 a.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.
8:34 a.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.
10:36 a.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 400 block of 6th St.
11:16 a.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 400 block of 6th St.
11:39 a.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue int he 200 block of S Cherry St.
12:06 p.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 200 block of S Cherry St.
12:08 p.m.: Michael William Tobin Jr, 37 of Forest City, arrested on a Court ordered hold, jailed.
12:40 p.m.: Report of vandalism/criminal mischief in the 500 block of Birch St.
1:26 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 500 block of W Traer St.
3:12 p.m.: Report of a fire alarm in the 800 block of Saratoga St.
3:43 p.m.: Report of trespass in the 10200 block of Riverside Rd.
4:00 p.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the are of 6th St and Birch St.
4:58 p.m.: Report of lost/located property in the 26800 block of Hwy 14.
6:01 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 200 block of N Main St.
6:31 p.m.: Officers conducted an arrest warrant in the 400 block of W Greene St.
6:48 p.m.: Report of disorderly conduct in the 300 block of N Mather St.
6:52 p.m.: Nicholas Jay Kielman, 44 of Clarksville, arrested for controlled substance methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia, jailed.
7:04 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 600 block of Spruce St.
7:19 p.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.
7:40 p.m.: Lisa Jane Hurd, 49 of Waucoma, arrested for public intoxication, jailed.
8:38 p.m.: Report of an unknown problem int he 900 block of N Cherry St.
Tuesday, September 30:
Officers executed three traffic stops, assisted with two medical calls, assisted two motorists, and received a report for two controlled burns.
2:23 a.m.: Officers conducted a business door check in the area of 9th St and Parriott St.
6:21 a.m.: Report of railroad issues in the 700 block of S Cherry St.
6:45 a.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 11100 block of 160th St.
7:00 a.m.: Report of maintenance in the 400 block of 6th St.
8:03 a.m.: Report of probation calls in the 400 block of 6th St.
8:09 a.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the area of Onedia St and York St.
9:09 a.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 31500 block of 290th St;
9:53 a.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.
10:21 a.m.: Report of transport in the 400 block of 6th St.
12:57 p.m.: Report of the veterans van in the 400 block of 6th St.
3:10 p.m.: Report of road debris in the 500 block of PAckwaukee St.
4:02 p.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the area of S Church St and E Jefferson St.
4:33 p.m.: Report of ad riving complaint in the 200 block of W South St.
5:07 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 21200 block of Spring Ave.
5:10 p.m.: Report of civil department requests int he 1100 block of Parriott St.
6:32 p.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.
6:42 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 600 block of 4th St.
6:52 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 700 block of Nash St.

FROM THE LOG

10:30 p.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.

11:30 p.m.: Report of an unknown problem in the 400 block of N 5th St.

Wednesday, October 1:

Officers assisted with four medical calls, assisted two.

2:05 a.m.: Report of noise complaints in the 400 block of S Fremont St.

6:44 a.m.: Report of property damage in the area of 260th St and Douglas Ave.

8:42 a.m.: Officers assisted at the courthouse in the 400 block of 6th St.

9:10 a.m.: Report of a violation of no contact order in the 26600 block of 1st St.

9:39 a.m.: Report of a sex offender registry issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

10:30 a.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 100 block of N Hilton St.

10:44 a.m.: Report of theft in the 200 block of W Main St.

12:07 a.m.: Officers responded to a vehicle fire in the 30400 block of Superior Rd.

12:52 p.m.: Report of transport in the 400 block of 6th St.

4:15 p.m.: Report of a domestic/family matter in the 200 block of N Johnson St.

4:49 p.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

4:54 p.m.: Report of road debris in the area of Hwy 57 and Ridge Ave.

5:18 p.m.: Report of a burglary in the 700 block of N 2nd St.

6:07 p.m.: John Gilbert Osborn, 61 or Greene, arrested for Burglary 3rd degree, jailed.

6:29 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the area of Hwy 14 and West Brook St.

6:55 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the area of 7th St and Locust St.

7:01 p.m.: Officers conducted a search warrant in the 14600 block of 260th St.

8:05 p.m.: Report of a violation of no contact order in the 23600 block of 250th St.

9:54 p.m.: Report of property damage in the area of 290th St and Hwy 14.

10:34 p.m.: Sarah Nicole Minch, 43 of Parkersburg, arrested for gathering where marijuana is used, jailed.

Thursday, October 2:

Officers executed three traffic stops, assisted with four medical calls, and assisted two motorists.

12:27 a.m.: Report of a runaway in the 100 block of 4th NE St.

1:48 a.m.: Report of a domestic/family matter in the 300 block of Early St.

7:37 a.m.: Report of juvenile problems in the 400 block of Elm St.

7:40 a.m.: Officers conducted finger prints for the public in the 400 block of 6th St.

8:32 a.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 200 block of W South St.

8:35 a.m.: Report of theft in the 21400 block of Hwy 3.

8:36 a.m.: Report of a sex offender registry issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

9:25 a.m.: Report of transport in the 600 block of Hwy 57.

9:34 a.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the 31400 block of 220th St.

10:23 a.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.

11:45 a.m.: Report of department of human services in the 400 block of E Dow St.

12:22 p.m.: Report return calls/follow-ups in the 400 block of 6th St.

12:30 p.m.: Report of scams in the 23200 block of 220th St.

2:11 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 20900 block of Hwy 14.

2:23 p.m.: Report of maintenance in the 400 block of 6th St.

2:49 p.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 900 block of Parriott St.

4:44 p.m.: Officers responded to a vehicle fire in the 25400 block of Birch Ave.

5:11 p.m.: Report of harassment int he 900 block of Mcmanus St.

5:19 p.m.: Anthony Loui Carrillo Chavez, 22 of Hampton, arrested for driving while barred, jailed.

6:35 p.m.: Report of juvenile problems in the 1200 block of PArriott St.

7:30 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 400 block of S 2nd St.

7:44 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 11800 block of Sandhill Rd.

8:21 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 400 block of Fremont St.

8:39 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 1300 block of Circle Dr.

8:56 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 700 block of 1st St.

9:04 p.m.: Report of property damage in the area of Butler Ave and Hwy 3.

9:09 p.m.: Report of 911 calls in the 28800 block of 320th St.

Friday, October 3:

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

3:02 a.m.: Report of a parking complaint in the area of 3rd St and Coats St.

9:18 a.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 33300 block of 290th St.

9:54 a.m.: Report of civil department requests in the area of 500 block of Beaver St.

10:49 a.m.: Report of vandalism/criminal mischief in the 32000 block of Hwy 14.

11:14 a.m.: Report of an alarm in the 200 block of W South St.

11:51 a.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.

12:42 p.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

1:29 p.m.: Report of a gas spill/clean-up in the 700 block of Packwaukee St.

2:58 p.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.

3:51 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 200 block of W Jefferson St.

3:54 p.m.: Report of a grass/field/ditch fire in the 300 block of PAckwaukee St.

4:00 p.m.: Report of jail inquires in the 100 block of Saratoga St.

4:32 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 200 block of N 5th St.

4:47 p.m.: Officers conducted an arrest warrant in the 300 block of W Adair St.

6:36 p.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

6:48 p.m.: Report of a runaway in the 26800 block of 255th St.

7:12 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 200 block of 3rd St.

7:24 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 22200 block of Wrangler Rd.

7:26 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 600 block of Pine St.

8:12 p.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 200 block of W South St.

8:22 p.m.: Report of a vehicle fire in the 29600 block of Ridge

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8:44 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the 14500 block of Packard Ave.

10:54 p.m.: Report of noise complaints in the 22300 block of Hwy 3.

Saturday, October 4:

Officers executed five traffic stops, assisted with five medical calls, assisted four motorists, and received four general calls.

3:41 a.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the area of 250th St and Jackson Ave.

6:25 a.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 200 block of W South St.

10:01 a.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 27800 block of 180th St.

10:18 a.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the area of 6th St and Parriott St.

11:28 a.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the 500 block of E Superior St.

11:38 a.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 700 block of 3rd St.

12:22 p.m.: Report of a grass/field/ditch fire in the 31200 block of Ridge Ave.

3:07 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 300 block of W Adair St.

4:55 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 100 block of 4th NE St.

6:52 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 1400 block of Main St.

9:15 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups int he 23600 block of 250th St.

9:28 p.m.: Report of harassment in the 400 block of 6th St.

10:20 p.m.: Report of a domestic/family matter in the 12600 block of Butler Ave.

10:35 p.m.: Report of a domestic/family matter in the 100 block 4th NE St.

11:15 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 1100 block of N Public Rd.

Sunday, October 5:

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

12:05 a.m.: Report of maintenance in the 400 block of 6th St.

12:38 a.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.

4:20 a.m.: Report of maintenance in the 400 block of 6th St.

9:19 a.m.: Report of an alarm in the 200 block of W South St.

12:04 p.m.: Report of vandalism/criminal mischief in the 200 block of W Washington St.

12:28 p.m.: Report of a violation of no contact order in the 800 block of Pine St.

1:37 p.m.: Report of a domestic/family matter in the 700 block of 8th St, Grundy Center.

1:40 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 200 block of Pine St.

3:00 p.m.: Report of theft in the 400 block of 6th St.

3:40 p.m.: Report of parade traffic in the 500 block of N Cherry St.

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

6:12 p.m.: Officers conducted an arrest warrant in the 400 block of Main St.

6:37 p.m.: Belcar Zamora, 29 of Hampton, arrested for driving under suspension, jailed.

8:52 p.m.: Report of an electrical fire in the area of 290th St and Sinclair Ave.

9:15 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the 400 block of South St.

10:38 p.m.: Jonathon Dean Trunnell, 30 of Shell Rock, arrested on a court orded hold, jailed.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Quit Claim Deed: Roger G Lundtvedt to Roger G Lundtvedt Trustee, Roger G Lundtvedt Revocable Trust; 28-91-22 SW NW, 28-91-22 NW NW Part, 28-91-22 NE NW Part

Warranty Deed: Thielen Farms INC to Deseret Trust Company; 27-91-20 S2 S2 NE Part, 27-91-20 SE NW Part, 27-91-20 SE, 27-91-20 S2 N2 SW Part, 27-91-20 S2 SW Part

Warranty Deed: Matthew G

Gleisner, Diane L Leibold to Mark E Cornelison; 19-91-19 SW SE Part

Quit Claim Deed: Consuelo Guerrero to Juan Guerrero; Hamp Kingm Blk 4 Lot 4

Warranty Deed: Thielen Farms INC to Kris J Sailer; 34-91-20 NW NE Parcel 2025 36, 34-91-20 NE NE Parcel 2025 36

Warranty Deed: Susan J Jacob Trustee, Linda N Crawford

Trustee, Hedstrom Grace Nolte Living Trust, Grace Nolte Hedstrom Living Trust to Susan J Jacob Trustee, Susan J Jacob Trust Share, Linda N Crawford Trust Share; 33-90-21 S2 SW Part

Quit Claim Deed: Nicholas G Wilson, Jill K Wilson to Jill K Wilson, Nicholas G Wilson; Shef Sheffield Borst's 2nd Blk 8 Lot 1-2 Parcel 2023 54

Quit Claim Deed: Dallas Schulz to Jill K Wilson, Nicholas G Wilson; Shef Sheffield Borst's 2nd Blk 8 Lot 2 Parcel B

Warranty Deed: Keegan Murphy, Becca Murphy to N Wilson Rentals LLC; Shef Sheffield Original Town Blk 2 Lot 7

Warranty Deed: Thielen Farms INC to Jeff Burkley, Jill Burkley; 34-91-20 NE NW Parcel 2025 35, 34-91-20 NW NE Parcel 2025 35

Warranty Deed: KBM LLC to Nick Wilson Rentals LLC; Shef Sheffield Wilde's Blk 4 Lot 4; Shef Sheffield Leonard's Blk 1 Lot 5; Shef Sheffield Original Town Blk 8 Lot 7-8 Parts; Shef Sheffield Original Town Blk 2 Lot 5;Shef Sheffield Johnston's Addition Blk 3 Lot 11; Shef Sheffield Johnston's Addition Blk 3 Lot 12; Shef Sheffield Johnston's Addition Lot 23 Parts; Shef Sheffield Borst's

1st Blk 1 Lot 1 Part; Shef Sheffield Gilman's 2nd Blk 18 Lot 6

Warranty Deed: Edward Foster, Susan Foster to Susan Foster, Edward Foster; 14-92-21 SE

CT Officer Deed: Betty L Harken Estate, Laurie Greimann Executor to Donald D Harken; 1-90-19 SW NE Undiv ½ Int, 1-90-19 SE NE Undiv ½ Int, 1-90-19 N2 N2 SE Part Undiv ½ Int

Franklin CO BOS Minutes 10.06.25		
PROCEEDINGS OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS		
October 6th 2025 A recording of the meeting can be found at www.youtube.com/@FranklinCountyBoardofSuperviso/streams		
The Board of Supervisors met at 8:30AM on Monday, October 6th, 2025, at the Franklin County Courthouse for a regular session with Board members Lukensmeyer, McVicker, and Vanness present.		
Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.		
Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve the regular minutes from 9/29/2025. All ayes. Motion carried.		
Public Comment & Board Committee Updates: McVicker attended a finance committee meeting for Northeast Iowa Workforce Development.		
Kaylee Gibson from Summit Carbon Solutions was present to provide the Supervisors with an update on their project and review the Landowner & Community Partnership Program.		
Aaron Dodd, Sheriff, met with the Supervisors to provide them with an update on his department.		
The Auditor, Katy Flint, provided the Supervisors with an update on her department.		
Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to open a public hearing pertaining to the FY26 Budget Amendment at 10:00AM. All ayes. Motion carried. No public was present, and no comments had been received prior to the meeting. The Auditor briefly reviewed the amendment. Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to close the public hearing at 10:01AM. All ayes. Motion carried.		
Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve a resolution Approving a FY2026 Budget Amendment. The resolution reads as follows:		
RESOLUTION #2025-62 Amendment to Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Franklin County Budget WHEREAS the 2025/2026 Franklin County Budget was originally published in official County newspapers (Hampton Chronicle) on April 2nd, 2025. WHEREAS Resolution #2025-20 adopted the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Franklin County Budget. WHEREAS the Franklin County Board of Supervisors does approve the following changes in the 2025/2026 Franklin County Budget as they were last amended on 7/28/2025:		
WHEREAS increases in expenditures are:		
Public Safety & Legal Services	\$10,950.00	K9 Vehicle & Outfitting
Govt Service to Residents Administration	\$3,650.00	Special Election Expenses HVAC for CRC, IT Supplies Move K9 Funds
Operating Transfers Out Total	\$8,450.00	
	\$48,050.00	
WHEREAS increases in revenues are:		
Miscellaneous	\$3,000.00	Special Election Revenue Move K9 Funds
Operating Transfers In Total	\$8,450.00	
	\$11,450.00	
THEREFORE , said Amendment was approved with the increase in expenditures and revenues mentioned above and the corresponding appropriations as attached to this resolution.		
Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: Lukensmeyer, McVicker, Vanness;		
Nays: None. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.		
Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve a resolution Approving a Subdivision Waiver. The resolution reads in full:		
RESOLUTION 2025-63 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY APPROVING A SUBDIVISION WAIVER WHEREAS , The Franklin County Subdivision Ordinance 6.2 allows waivers to the requirements set therein, and WHEREAS Julie Salvesen has asked for a subdivision waiver for the following parcel: Parcel 2025-39 located in the SE ¼ of Section 29, Township 92 North, Range 20 West of the 5th PM, Franklin County, Iowa has shown in the Plat of Survey recorded in the Office of the Franklin County Recorder on 9/19/2025 as Document Number 20251616 to subdivide the land to sell one parcel.		
BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Franklin County Board of Supervisors approves the Subdivision Waiver.		
Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: Lukensmeyer, McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.		
Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve a proposal and contract with Vertical Design Services for Courthouse Electrical Project. All ayes. Motion carried.		
Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve a resolution Approving Construction Contract & Bond for the Construction of the County Courthouse Roof. The resolution reads in full:		
RESOLUTION 2025-64 RESOLUTION APPROVING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AND BOND FOR THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE ROOF BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA:		
That the construction contract and bond executed and insurance coverage for the construction of certain public improvements described in general as the County Courthouse Roof, and as described in detail in the plans and specifications heretofore approved, and which have been signed by the Chairperson on behalf of the County be and the same hereby approved as follows:		
Contractor: All Iowa Roofing of Des Moines, Iowa Amount of Bid: \$140,000.00 Bond Surety: Merchants National Bonding, Inc. Date of Bond: 10/1/2025 Portion of Project: All Construction work		
Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: Lukensmeyer, McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.		
The Supervisors held discussion regarding the status of the bid security of Welter Construction. After discussion, motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to return the bid security to Welter Construction. All ayes. Motion carried.		
Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve a resolution Naming Depositories per Iowa Code §12C. The resolution reads in full:		
RESOLUTION 2025-61 A RESOLUTION NAMING DEPOSITORIES PER IOWA CODE SECTION 12C BE IT RESOLVED that the BOARD OF SUPERVISORS of FRANKLIN COUNTY, IOWA, approves the following list of financial institutions to be depositories of FRANKLIN COUNTY funds in conformance with all applicable provisions of Iowa Code Chapter 12C.2.		
The FRANKLIN COUNTY AUDITOR is hereby authorized to deposit Franklin Count funds in amounts not to exceed the maximum approved for each respective financial institution as set out below:		
Depository Name	Location of Home Office	Maximum in Effect
First Bank Hampton	Hampton	\$500,000.00
United Bank & Trust Co.	Hampton	\$1,500,000.00
The FRANKLIN COUNTY RECORDER is hereby authorized to deposit Franklin County funds in amounts not to exceed the maximum approved for each respective financial institution as set out below:		
Depository Name	Location of Home Office	Maximum in Effect
First Bank Hampton	Hampton	\$60,000.00
The FRANKLIN COUNTY SHERIFF is hereby authorized to deposit Franklin County funds in amounts not to exceed the maximum approved for each respective financial institution as set out below:		
Depository Name	Location of Home Office	Maximum in Effect
First Bank Hampton	Hampton	\$25,000.00
The FRANKLIN COUNTY CONSERVATIO DIRECTOR is hereby authorized to deposit Franklin County funds in amounts not to exceed the maximum approved for each respective financial institution as set out below:		
Depository Name	Location of Home Office	Maximum in Effect
First Bank Hampton	Hampton	\$5,000.00
The FRANKLIN COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS DIRECTOR is hereby authorized to deposit Franklin County funds in amounts not to exceed the maximum approved for each respective financial institution as set out below:		
Depository Name	Location of Home Office	Maximum in Effect
First Bank Hampton	Hampton	\$20,000.00
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution of the FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS adopted at a meeting of said public body, duly called and held on the 6th day of October, 2025, a quorum being present, as said resolution remains of record in the minutes of said meeting, and it is in full for and effect.		
Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: Lukensmeyer, McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.		
Motion by McVicker, seconded Lukensmeyer to approve an Employment Contract & Agreement with Secondary Roads Engineer, Jay Waddingham. All ayes. Motion carried.		
The Auditor reminded the Supervisors about the special session on Tuesday October 7th for the Canvas of Special Election.		
The Supervisors acknowledge the Recorder's Quarterly Report Ending September 30th, 2025.		
The Supervisors acknowledged the Auditor's Quarterly Report Ending September 30th, 2025.		
The Supervisors acknowledged the Sheriff's Monthly Report for September 2025.		
Chairman Vanness adjourned the meeting at 10:17AM on Monday, October 13th, 2025, at 8:30AM at the Franklin County Courthouse.		
ATTEST:		
Chris Vanness, Chairman		
Katy A. Flint, Auditor & Clerk to the Board		

Got a Legal Notice to Submit?

Deadline for legal notice submissions is Monday at noon

H-D Minutes & Claims 9/22/25

HAMPTON-DUMONT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES 9/22/2025

1. The Hampton-Dumont Board of Education met in a Regular Meeting on September 22, 2025, in the District Boardroom. President Erran Miller called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm. Board members Erran Miller, Elisa Van Wert, Brent Hansen and Stephanie Powers were present. Board member Mark Morrison arrived late during the review of the consent agenda. Board members Steve Severs and Matt Showalter were absent. Also present were: Superintendent Tim Felderman; Principals Beth Frenchick, Tony Spradlin and Matt Trosky; High School Assistant Principal and Activities Director Lance Thompson; Director of Academic Services Jen Koenen; Business Manager Lisa Lewis; Maintenance Director Marlin Smith; Human Resources Manager Anne Lewis and Secretary Amanda Heiden. Visitors were Lou Gvist of IASB and Marcus Lunning of iJAG.

2. Motion was made by Powers, seconded by Van Wert, to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Morrison was not present at time of vote.

3. There were no recognitions or awards recognized at the meeting.

4. There was no communication or public comment for the month.

5. Board member Mark Morrison arrived 4:31 pm. Motion was made by Powers, seconded by Van Wert, to approve the consent agenda as presented. All ayes. The minutes of the August 25, 2025, Joint Meeting with CAL; the August 25, 2025, Regular Meeting minutes and the September 11, 2025, Special Meeting minutes were approved.

The board approved the treasurer's reports and to allow for payment of the bills listed. Contracts were approved for: Emmalynn Hanson as Middle School Associate. Resignations/retirements were accepted from: Ben Schlachter as High School Head Girls Soccer Coach. The board approved three open enrollment applications into the district from CAL and one in from North Butler. The board also reviewed one open enrollment out to CAM for Iowa Connections Academy. There were no fundraisers for the month.

6. There were no items removed from the consent agenda.

7. The board reviewed reports on activities, transportation, technology, facilities, nursing, child nutrition and business and heard the following updates:

Academic Services: Jen Koenen reported the entire district will participate in the Healthiest State walk. Elementary: Beth Frenchick reported the data digs have been very productive. Middle School: Tony Spradlin gave updates from the Dumont City Council meeting and let the board know the Industrial Tech classes will be building a place. High School: Matt Trosky reported on homecoming festivities. Superintendent: Tim Felderman reported on the Iowa School Performance Profile and new communication tool to update the public and staff on highlights from board meetings.

8. Marcus Lunning of Iowa Jobs for America's Graduates (iJAG) gave a presentation of the program for the board members.

9. There was no old business.

10. New Business

a. Motion was made by Powers, seconded by Morrison, to approve the construction project change orders as presented. All ayes.

b. Motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Powers, to approve the re-location and updates of baseball batting cages as presented with the district providing \$20,000 of the funding for the project. All ayes.

c. Motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Hansen, to approve the replacement of the football field fencing using the painted black option for each section. All ayes.

d. Motion was made by Powers, seconded by Morrison, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Al Exito as presented. All ayes.

e. Motion was made by Powers, seconded by Morrison, to approve the 2025-2026 Sports Medicine Coverage Contract with 21st Century Rehab as presented. All ayes.

f. Motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Van Wert, to approve the High School yearbook purchase agreement for 2025-2026 as presented. All ayes.

g. Motion was made by Powers, seconded by Van Wert, to approve a request for Modified Supplemental Amount for the Special Education Deficit in the amount of \$ 148,678.40. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0. The motion passed by a vote of five to zero.

h. Motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Van Wert, to authorize the district's administration to submit a request to the SBRC for a modified supplemental amount of \$131,474.49 due to excess costs of providing the EL program in the prior year. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0. The motion passed by a vote of five to zero.

i. Motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Powers, to approve the proposed list of individuals to serve on the School Improvement Advisory Committee for the 2025-2026 school year. The individuals include: Emily Luna; Jonas Schrock; Pascal Rivera; Danielle Benavidez; Nathan Dohlman; Tony Garcia; Elisa Van Wert; Angela Horner; Roger Kregel; Becky Strother; Michala Hansmeier; Nicki Prantner; Cate Meader; Tim Felderman; Matt Trosky; Tony Spradlin; Beth Frenchick and Jen Koenen. All ayes.

j. Motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Van Wert, to call for snow removal bids for the Dumont bus barn for the 2025-2026 school year. All ayes.

k. Motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Powers, to call for sanding bids for the 2025-2026 school year. All ayes.

l. The board held a first reading of board policies 705.01 Purchasing - Bidding and 306 Succession of Authority to the Superintendent.

11. The board held short discussion about attending the Iowa Association of School Boards Annual Convention.

12. The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 27, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. in the District Boardroom.

Board member Mark Morrison left the meeting at 5:25, before the work session began.

13. The board held a work session beginning at 5:31 pm led by Lou Gvist of IASB that focused on goal setting for the board. The board identified four areas of focus and will continue to work on determining complete goals and measurements for the goals. The work session ended at 7:31 pm.

14. A motion was made by Van Wert, seconded by Powers to adjourn. All ayes. Morrison was not present at time of vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Hampton-Dumont CSD Claims for Presentation
Paid Dates 8/16/2025 - 9/10/2025
Funds: General, Activity, Management, SAVE, PPEL and Child Nutrition
Board Meeting Date: 9/22/2025

Vendor	Description	Paid
805 Pizza and Chicken	Concession stand pizza	\$435.00
AGWSR Community Schools	Refund for SES Overbill	\$7,129.24
Ahlers & Cooney P C	Legal Services	\$793.50
Ahlers & Cooney P C	Legal Services	\$1,484.50

American Choral Directors Association	
Atlantic Coca-Cola Bottling Company	
Auditor Of State	
Ben Abbas	
Beth Frenchick	
Blum Of Minnesota LLC	
BMI	
Booth, Kimberly	
Brian & Kristin Borchering	
Butch Gruelke Auto Body inc.	
Bytespeed LLC	
CAL CSD	
CAL CSD	
Carolina Biological Supply Company	
Castle, Dick & Kelch Insurance	
Center For The Collaborative Classroom	
Central Rivers AEA	
CENTURYLINK	
CITY OF HAMPTON	
Column Software PBC	
Concord Theatricals	
Crystal Goodell	
Culver-Hahn Electric Supply	
Dale Howard Auto Center	
Dayn Payne	
Decker Sporting Goods	
DEMCO INC	
Dennis Swieter	
Department Of Administrative Services	
Dumont Harken Lumber	
Earthwalk	
Ecolab Inc	
Edith Helmke	
edpuzzle	
EMERGENT ARCHITECTS	
Fareway Stores	
Federal Fire Equipment Co	
FUSE	
Guy Perkins	
Hampton Hardware	
Hewett Wholesale	
Iowa Communications Network	
Iowa Department Of Inspections & Appeals	
Iowa Dept Of Human Services	
Iowa Estate Auctions	
Iowa High School Music Association	
Iowa Sports Supply Co	
Jesse Mollenbeck	
Jon Wells	
Jones Appliance & Tv INC.	
Jones Appliance & Tv INC.	
Katherine A Hindin	
Koenen & Collins Chiropractic Clinic	
Learning A-Z	
Marco	
Mark Nalan	
Mark's Plumbing Parts	
Martin Bros Dist Co	
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	
Musciplay	
Napa Auto Parts Genuine Parts Company	
Nascco Inc	
NIACC	
North Butler CSD	
North Central Building Supply, INC.	
One Source The Background Check Company	
Parking Lot Specialties LC	
Phillip Scott O'Brien	
Project Lead The Way, Inc	
Reliable1	
Renaissance Learning Inc	
Respondus	
RHT Technologies, LLC	
Rieman Music	
Robert Bergman	
Rochester 100 INC.	
Rockwell Cooperative Telephone	
School Health Corp	
School Specialty	
Segra	
Star Equipment LTD	
Sue Nolte	
Tara Zakeer	
Teacher Innovations Inc	
The Shredder - Medshred	
Timberline	
U S Cellular	
VEX Robotics	
Victor Coronado	
Visa6596	
Visa6638	
Visa6638	
VISA6802	
Visa6828	
Visa6950	
Visa6976	
Visa6984	
Visa7024	
VISA7057 MS General	
Vocal Artists of Iowa	
West Music Co	

ACDA/ICDA Renewal	\$125.00
Concession Supplies	\$2,622.15
Audit Fee	\$25.00
Non-Public Transportation Reimbursement	\$889.58
Smore account	\$179.00
Clevertouches-HS	\$76,006.07
Music License for activities	\$187.23
Non Public Transportation Asst	\$213.50
Non Public Transportation Asst	\$1,334.31
New windshield Suburban 25-1	\$951.65
hs gym door readers	\$10,644.00
Reimb for Office Folders	\$17.60
Refund on SPED Overbill	\$5,318.48
Sci Texts	\$629.70
Property Insurance	\$790.00
Literacy	\$4,962.60
Work Experience Coordinator	\$16,290.00
long distance	\$874.03
MS Mtc Water	\$1,030.23
Minutes & Claims 7/28/2025	\$641.37
Scripts for Play	\$517.05
Non Public Transportation Asst	\$1,334.37
replacement light pole	\$1,252.00
Van 24-2 repair	\$585.11
HS Event	\$150.00
Volleyballs	\$4,076.20
Library Supplies	\$448.98
Removal Fee	\$150.00
TSA Admin Fee	\$750.00
plywood	\$282.50
iPad Carts	\$7,490.00
Bulldog Cafe Dish Machine	\$958.45
Non Public Transportation Asst	\$889.58
EdPuzzle	\$3,705.00
HS SAVE Architect Fees	\$24,072.78
Supplies	\$61.34
Bus Barn Inspection	\$380.00
textbooks	\$4,410.00
HS Event	\$150.00
Supplies	\$400.44
Concession Supplies	\$1,332.14
Long Distance Carrier	\$75.03
Boiler Inspections	\$320.00
Medicaid	\$11,803.32
Band/Vocal Supplies	\$5,701.70
IHSMA membership dues	\$25.00
Volleyballs and cart	\$569.75
Non Public Transportation Asst	\$889.58
HS Event	\$175.00
Staff Lounge Refrigerator-HS	\$1,547.99
Fridge/Microwave New Concession Stand	\$765.10
Sci supply	\$39.96
Physicals	\$330.00
A to Z license	\$270.00
Copier Lease	\$1,847.28
VB Event	\$250.00
Supplies	\$1,036.00
Purchased Food	\$41.79
HS Elec	\$22,148.15
Adaptive Music Curriculum	\$200.00
Socket, Extension Bus 23-1	\$34.48
Towel Dispensers	\$886.85
3 hour driver Training	\$600.00
SPED 1st Semester Bill	\$22,262.06
Project lumber	\$489.13
August 2025 Background Checks	\$435.00
high school parking lot	\$2,290.00
VB Event	\$250.00
PLTW Participation Fee 25-26	\$2,200.00
new gym units	\$113,373.82
FAST	\$1,723.60
K-12 Lockdown Browser	\$3,195.00
Labor for cabling	\$577.50
All State	\$20.69
HS Event	\$150.00
supplies	\$154.00
Internet	\$104.95
AED comp gym	\$1,688.34
MS Art Supplies	\$1,255.01
Fiber	\$1,792.44
Other Equipment	\$31,075.00
Refund	\$6.00
New Teacher Orientation	\$670.00
Planbook	\$1,024.00
District Shredding	\$199.98
Medicaid Billing Fees	\$7,026.66
District Cell	\$1,446.58
Computer Science kits.	\$249.99
HS Event	\$150.00
pump for carpet cleaner	\$704.00
Office Supplies	\$199.04
Deposit for Wrestling Rooms	\$1,600.00
Supplies for new gym	\$771.99
HS Supplies	\$133.78
Cell Payment	\$56.16
Supplies	\$480.74
VB Equipment Cart	\$1,488.82
Nutrition Conference Travel	\$504.70
Supplies	\$440.61
All-State Practice Tracks	\$245.00
Instructional	\$280.95
Total Claims Paid	\$441,842.30

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Dumont Council Minutes/Claims 9.11.25

September 11, 2025

The Dumont City Council met on Thursday, September 11, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Dumont EMS Building with Mayor Mouw presiding. Those present were Council Members Mike Day, Diane Gronewold, Wayne Pecha, David Shear and Mary Tyrrell. Public Works Director Juan Montalvo, Dennis Burkett and Fire Chief Zach Lewis were also in attendance. Visitors present were Tim Felderman, H-D Superintendent, Matt Trosky, H-D High School Principal, Anthony Spradlin, H-D Middle School Principal, Heath Draeger, Assistant Region Manager with PeopleService, Inc., Jacob Evans our Water/Wastewater Operator, Emily Brown, Richard Burlingame and Val Menken.

In time for public comment, Councilman Pecha questioned the status of the former popcorn stand.

Tyrrell/Shear moved to approve the minutes from our August 14, 2025 meeting as published. Roll call: Ayes-Day, Gronewold, Pecha, Shear Tyrrell; Nays-none. Motion carried.

Superintendent Tim Felderman, Principal Matt Trosky and Principal Anthony Spradlin visited with the Council on this summer's reconnecting with Dumont campaign. The summer meal program and band lessons at our library were both a huge success. The new Industrial Tech teacher, Jared Ites, along with his students, will be designing and building a semi-enclosed shelter to be placed at the bus barn. Councilman Pecha will meet with students from H-D to clean the parks and downtown on Friday, September 19th as part of their yearly Homecoming Community Service project.

Heath Draeger, our region manager from PeopleServices, Inc., introduced Jacob Evans who will be our new licensed water and wastewater operator. They discussed the following recommendations from the DNR inspections: 1. age of our lift station, 2. ways to save shipping costs by changing water and wastewater testing service to Keystone in Waterloo, and 3. Mr. Draeger's recommendations on why a flow meter is necessary. Tyrrell/Shear moved to transition our water and wastewater testing service from AgSource Laboratories to Keystone Laboratories in Waterloo beginning October 1, 2025. It was also moved to send a "Thank You" to Ag-Source Laboratories for their years of dedicated service to Dumont. Roll call: Ayes-Day, Gronewold, Pecha, Shear, Tyrrell; Nays-none. Motion carried.

Shear/Tyrrell moved to have Juan Montalvo and Ryan Freese erect a new fence at the lagoon a few feet South of where it was located before it was removed. They also moved to send those responsible for removing the fence a bill for the portion of the fence removed by them. Roll call: Ayes-Day, Gronewold, Pecha, Shear, Tyrrell; Nays-none. Motion carried.

Gronewold/Day moved to distribute tree trimming letters to those on the list compiled by our Public Works Department. November 1st is set as the completion date. Roll call: Ayes-Day, Gronewold, Pecha, Shear, Tyrrell; Nays-none. Motion carried.

The Public Works Department will be replacing a damaged fire hydrant in the next couple of weeks. Since they will be installing our spare, Shear/Pecha moved to purchase one fire hydrant to have one on reserve. Roll call: Ayes-Day, Gronewold, Pecha, Shear, Tyrrell; Nays-none. Motion carried.

Tyrrell/Gronewold moved to approve Jendro Sanitation's request to increase rates by the Consumer Price Index of 2.62% for this year. Roll call: Ayes-Day, Gronewold, Pecha, Shear, Tyrrell; Nays-none. Motion carried. This will not affect the rates we are charging currently.

Shear/Pecha moved to set Trick or Treating for Friday, October 31st, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Roll call: Ayes-Day, Gronewold, Pecha, Shear, Tyrrell; Nays-none. Motion carried.

Pecha/Shear moved to apply via the Barkema Charitable Trust the Sewer Department's flow meter which is a recommendation of the Iowa DNR and from the Butler Co. Community Foundation grant five (5) fire hydrants for our Water Department. Roll call: Ayes-Day, Gronewold, Pecha, Shear, Tyrrell; Nays-none. Motion carried.

The City of Dumont and the Dumont City Council would like to "THANK" Jay Skarr of J & C Grocery for over 30 years of dedicated service to our community. Jay Skarr and the late Carol Skarr have been a special part of our town for many, many years. We will miss having the stores presence on Main Street and the stores wonderful customer service over the years.

Shear/Day moved to approve the closing of Locust Street on September 27th for the Library's Outdoor Movie Night showing "Minecraft" from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Roll call: Ayes-Day, Gronewold, Pecha, Shear, Tyrrell; Nays-none. Motion carried.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 299 Amending Chapter 57, Dangerous and Vicious Animals will be held at our October 9, 2025 Council meeting.

Nuisance abatements discussion and action were moved by Shear/Tyrrell as follows:

• COMPLETED OR MOVED OFF THE LIST FOR THIS YEAR: 621 Main St., 823 N. Elm St., 602 Pine St., 514 Third St., 521 First St., 820 First St.

• NUISANCES WE NEED FURTHER ASSISTANCE FROM ATTORNEY: 115 Montrose Ave., 403 Second St.

• NUISANCES TO DISCUSS FURTHER AT OUR OCTOBER 9TH MEETING: 110 Sunnyside Ave., 504 Montrose Ave., 415 Third St., 934 Third St., 821 Second St.

• NUISANCES TO TAKE ACTION ON: 519 Elm St. and other half of 911 N. Elm St. Juan Montalvo and Ryan Freese mow

Roll call: Ayes-Day, Gronewold, Pecha, Shear, Tyrrell; Nays-none. Motion carried.

Shear/Day moved to send new nuisances as follows:

• NEW NUISANCES: 512 South St., 717 Pine St.

• ITEMS TO SEND TO SMALL CLAIMS COURT: Utility bill from 223 Second St. Municipal infraction fine from past owner of 415 Third St.

Roll call: Ayes-Day, Gronewold, Pecha, Shear, Tyrrell; Nays-none. Motion carried.

Tyrrell/Pecha moved to approve the bills presented for this month. Roll call: Ayes-Day, Gronewold, Pecha, Shear; Nays-none. Motion carried. The bills are as follows:

GENERAL	
Access Systems	maintenance contract-library175.48
Baker & Taylor	books185.05
Column Software PBC	legals-minutes 8-14-25214.84
Diane Gronewold	contract mowing cemetery1000.00
Dumont Telephone Company	phone/fax/internet312.60
IPERS	IPERS715.40
Internal Revenue Service	Fed/FICA taxes847.29
Kwik Trip, Inc.	fuel145.23
Storey Kenworthy/Matt Parrott	maintenance/office supplies166.19
Mid American Energy	utilities1876.40
Office Express	paper towels/paper55.35
Rhonda L. Schmidt	reimb. for postage-2 certified19.40
Roberts, Stevens & Prendergast	legal fees-August525.00
Shifters Truck/Trailer Repair	Spartan truck repair2864.47
Stirling Lawn Care	mosquito spraying-three nights1200.00
Linda Allen, The Mustard Seed	books338.21
U.S. Cellular	cell phone87.58
Wellmark	insurance-payroll478.38
GENERAL FUND	11206.87
GENERAL FUND PAYROLL/8-2025	3738.16
TOTAL GENERAL	14945.03
ROAD USE TAX	
Airgas USA LLC	cylinder rental63.76
Auto Parts, Inc.	belts for mower53.96
Bruening Rock	31.64 ton 1" road rock455.62
Dumont Harken Lumber, Inc.	keys12.00
E & E Repair Inc.	Stihl repair70.45
Gempler's	safety vest44.33
Got You Covered	two safety t-shirts60.12
IPERS	IPERS354.53

Internal Revenue Service	Fed/FICA taxes444.56
J and S Enterprise LLC	water jet three culvers1050.00
Kwik Trip, Inc.	fuel376.12
Mid American Energy	utilities118.09
Swart Tire Services	battery for Int'l dump truck172.59
Wellmark	insurance-payroll215.32

RUT FUND	3491.45
RUT FUND PAYROLL/8-2025	1737.45
TOTAL RUT	5228.90

WATER	
AgSource Cooperative Services	water analysis165.50
Gempler's	safety vest44.33
Gordon Flesch Company, Inc.	maintenance contract-printer123.00
Got You Covered	two safety t-shirts60.12
Hampton Hardware	battery/cutting wheel/PVC70.79
Hawkins, Inc.	chlorine/phosphate75.38
IPERS	IPERS429.83
Internal Revenue Service	Fed/FICA taxes569.07
Mid American Energy	utilities106.19
PeopleService, Inc.	monthly service-September 20251030.00
Treasurer-State of IA	wet tax-July 2025461.47
Wellmark	insurance-payroll413.61

WATER FUND	4233.29
WATER FUND PAYROLL/8-2025	2088.97
TOTAL WATER FUND	6322.26

SEWER	
AgSource Cooperative Services	wastewater analysis320.75
Dumont Post Office	8-31-25 billing postage173.24
Dumont Telephone Company	phone/UPS fees69.06
IPERS	IPERS388.17
Internal Revenue Service	Fed/FICA taxes524.37
Mid American Energy	utilities1483.44
PeopleService, Inc.	monthly service-September 20251030.00
Wellmark	insurance-payroll413.61

SEWER FUND	4402.64
SEWER FUND PAYROLL/8-2025	1872.19
TOTAL SEWER FUND	6274.83

LANDFILL/GARBAGE	
Butler Co. Solid Waste Comm.	disposal fee-Sept. 2025 + 1 yd. C & D2714.50
IPERS	IPERS113.14
Internal Revenue Service	Fed/FICA taxes147.32
Jendro Sanitation Services	August 2025 collection2333.26
Wellmark	insurance-payroll130.42

LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	5438.64
LANDFILL/GARBAGE PAYROLL/8-2025	552.09
TOTAL LANDFILL/GARBAGE	5990.73
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	28772.89
PAYROLL-AUGUST 2025	9988.86
TOTAL	38761.75

SANDBAGGIN' DAYS-AUGUST 2025	
SMC Insurance	insurance534.00
EXPENSES GRAND TOTAL	39,295.75

Shear/Tyrrell moved to adjourn. Motion carried, ayes all.

Edwin L. Mouw, Mayor

Rhonda L. Schmidt, Attest

Jodi L. Angstman, Attest

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Jacobsen Probate Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
DOUGLAS PETER JACOBSEN, Deceased.
PROBATE NO. ESPR502060
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR,
AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Douglas Peter Jacobsen, Deceased, who died on or about September 9, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on September 23, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Douglas Peter Jacobsen, deceased, bearing date of December 2, 2013, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Corey Lynn Jacobsen 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 for forever barred.

If any person required to receive notice has not been served, the court may order service to be made by publication or otherwise.

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

otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated this 4th day of October, 2025.

Corey Lynn Jacobsen, Executor

1060 Cardinal Ave.

Dows, IA 50071

John E. Coonley, ICIS#: 00007542

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Harriman-Nielsen Fall Festival



Melinda Jorgensen with her diamond art suncatchers.

The Harriman-Nielsen Fall Festival, held on Sunday, Oct. 5, featured vendors, delicious food, games, hay rides, live music and more. Check out some photos of the fun.



The youngest vendor at the festival selling scrunchies.



Bre Hesse with her customized tumblers.



Alia Velasco and Silvia Salgado with Novedades Chivis.



Jackie Dohman with Jackie's Sweets & Garden Treats.



The Winsdor Big Band at the Fall Festival.



Kim Brocka with Kreative Images Made Special.



The Carlson and Hartman family giving out free watermelon.



Scott and Ann Schultz with their assortment of crocheted items.



Julie Bollhagen with Only One Crochet.



Children take a break from painting pumpkins at the fall festival.



The beloved Kringle Man out of Elk Horn returned to the festival once again.



Dale Schirmer and Denielle Conlon with the Hampton Public Library.



Cary Treanor with Cary Crafts.



As always, there were pumpkins of all sizes at the fall festival.



Making the most of Franklin REC's mobile basketball wagon.



Hazem Abdelfattah, Victoria Flomo, Andyn White and Jack Hindin ready for the Veggie 500 race.



The McDonough family playing the fishing game at the festival.



Lanie Cabrera and Elizabeth Underwood taking a break from painting pumpkins.

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- ✓ Insurance Concerns/Relocation



An Evening Like It Used to Be

Presented by the Windsor Development Corporation and the Franklin County Arts Council, the fourteenth annual “An Evening Like it Used to Be” was held on Saturday, Oct. 4. The night started with the Windsor Big Band, which was followed by a silent movie and the 2025 Vaudeville Show. Check out photos from that night below.



Director Leon Kuehner in front of the theater before the show began.



Tracy and Jeff Spear hand out programs at the show every year.



The Spears's car parked in front of the theater the night of the big show.



Mary Symens, Dorothy Jingst and Jim Davies ready to sell tickets at “Evening Like it Used to Be.”



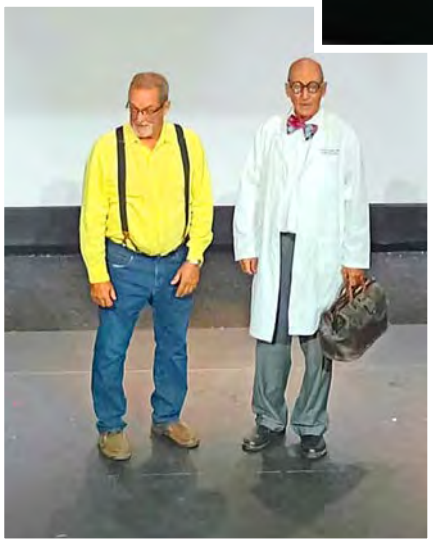
“At the Fishing Hole” by the Pythian Players.



The Windsor Big Band played five songs, including “Blue Moon.”



Jim Davies and Craig Semler during the “Doctor, Doctor” skit.



Phil Strand and Craig Semler during the “Doctor, Doctor” skit.



The “Chapin Chickens” by the Pythian Players.



Taking a final bow at the end of the show.



The Windsor Orchestra playing during the silent movie, “The Flirt.”



“Dad Jokes” by West Tremmel, Andy Hill, Curt Johnson and Jayson Ryner.

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