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Fairbank is a hidden little gem in Northeast Iowa



Betty Hildebrand, new director at Parkview Assisted Living.

BY BETTY BRANDT PASSICK

You are invited to stop by Parkview Assisted Living and welcome Betty Hildebrand, who in February accepted the director position. She previously served as administrator at Maple Crest Manor in Fayette for three and a half years and Healthcare in general for 14 years.

"I'm excited to be a part of this community. Fairbank is a hidden little gem in Northeast Iowa, and Parkview is located near the Island Park and the Wapsie River - which makes for beautiful viewing from a chair on the front porch, especially this time of the vear." Betty said.

Inside, the large dining and common area offers great places for families and the community to gather for social activities. Another plus of the facility is that the 7-member direct care staff are from the Fairbank area, which means they are all familiar with the community.

Betty brings a plethora of ideas to brighten each day for Parkview tenants.

"We post the 'Daily Sticky' at the nurse's station as a way to begin the day with a bit of sunshine for everyone. I encourage staff, residents, and visitors to write on a sticky note and post it," she noted.

Watch for a monthly new sletter about events and ac-

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2025 Miss Fairbank crowned

The 2025 Miss Fairbank Queen Norah Oldfather was crowned on Thursday, June 26.

2025 Fairbank Queen: Norah Oldfather. Parents: Gabe and Stephanie Oldfather. Sponsor: Fairbank Fire and EMS Association.

1st runner up: Ella Schares. Parents: Jake and Corrine Schares. Fairbank Community Sponsor: Club.

Miss Congeniality: Ava Auel. Parents: Jason and Angie Auel. Sponsor: Immaculate Conception, Fairbank,

ELLIE JONES PHOTOS Left: Queen Norah Oldfather. Right: Ella Schares, Norah Oldfather and Ava Auel.

See all of the Fairbank Days coverage in our **August issue!**

Below: All the candidates: Ella Schares, Kiley Schmitz, Ela Adamson, Kalle Voy, Ava Auel and Norah Oldfather.

Kayser receives Juris Doctor from Cardozo School of Law



Maria Kayser received her Juris Doctor from Cardozo School of Law in New York City. Maria and 305 other lawyers where hooded at the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts on Wednesday, June

Maria earned a Cardozo Service and Accomplishment Award, and was the Student Bar President during her time at Cardozo. She earned her undergraduate degrees at the University of Iowa.

Maria will be working as a trial lawyer, public defender in New York City.

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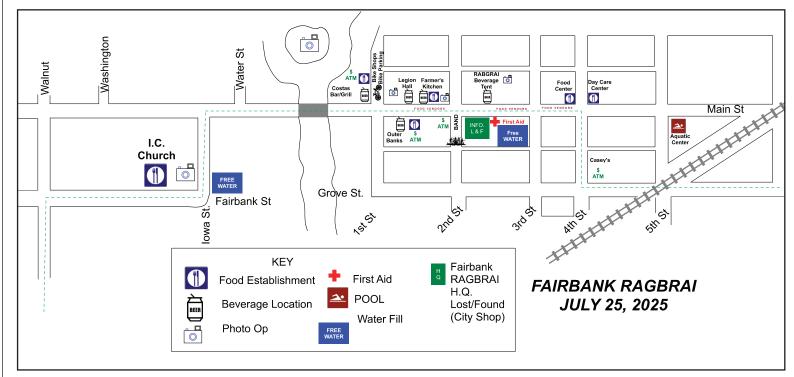
MAYOR JASON KAYSER

Greetings! June is typically a busy week for Iowa governments, and this year was no different. As the fiscal year closes on June 30th, City employees, Council, and myself analyzed where the city is situated financially, and determine if any funds are available for necessary or wanted items or projects that are budgeted in the future. This has a "leap-frog" effect that actually saves money in the future. I'm happy to say that we are in a pretty stable financial

Your city staff are very busy with the usual summer projects, and maintaining the physical plant at the aquatic center. Speaking of which, the aquatic center is seeing fantastic numbers of patrons. Thank you for supporting YOUR POOL.

Finally, city officials and RAG-BRAI committee members are finalizing vendor, route, and safety plans for the event. With that in mind, please be aware that on FRIDAY, JULY 25, it will be very difficult to travel through the center of town in a vehicle. Please plan accordingly. Have a happy and safe 4th of July!!

RAGBRAI coming thru Fairbank on July 25



Few quick points for RAGBRAI 2025

- Event will be on Main Street (closed just like Fairbank Days)
- If you would like to have a food both for your non profit or business please reach out (Michael Gruetzmacher 563-608-5383)
- The town route will be coming into town on Walnut St. by the ball diamonds and turn right on Fairbank St. By the clinic. They will then take 281 out of town towards Oelwein
- Reach out if you would like to sign up to volunteer that day also by messaging our Facebook page or sending an email.
- · Check our Facebook page out Ragbrai Fairbank for the latest info!

If you have any other questions feel free to reach or send an email to: fairbankragbrai@gmail.com





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tivities happening at Parkview. She hopes to collaborate with Fairbank Elementary School and Little Island Daycare for crafts/activities at least once a month. Hopefully, Parkview will become a location for the community as a drop-off for the annual School Supplies Drive, with supplies distributed to the school and daycare.

Betty has a love for cooking and baking and feels this is something that always brings people together. One of her long-term goals is to create a cookbook with the help of tenants, the community, and staff – anyone who would like to share a recipe for the project.

Interested in a volunteer opportunity at Parkview? This could be helping with BINGO, playing cards, games, crafts, walking outside with residents, hymn sings... Betty is open to other ideas, as well.

"I also encourage Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, 4-H Clubs, and school groups to consider Parkview as a place to practice presentations or demonstrations," she added.

Most Parkview residents enjoy visits by pets – generally, small pets are welcome, but please confirm with her before planning to bring your pet.

The majority of people residing at Parkview are from the Fairbank area—but not all of them. She hopes more people will come forward and offer to present programs at Parkview about Fairbank history. Fairbank native and author Betty Brandt Passick presented "Gangster in our Midst: The Untold Story" on April 9th. Her 2017 novel tells the story of the Chicago mobster who came to Fairbank in the early 1920s, where he remained off and on for the next sixty years. The program was free and open to the

When is the right time to think about transitioning to an assisted living facility like Parkview?

"That timeline is never the same for everyone. The decision generally depends on variables like physical health, mental health, and safety,"

Betty said. She encourages the family to have a conversation with their loved one early and to seek input from a physician or health worker, as necessary. Knowing a family member's wishes and needs will greatly help when the time comes to transition. People often want to continue to live in or near their community, with family and friends nearby, so it's important that families tour area facilities—and bring along a list of questions to compare what each facility offers.

Parkview's goal is to provide 24-hour basic healthcare; to keep residents as independent as possible; and to provide interesting, stimulating, and enjoyable activities and programming. The facility offers one-bedroom apartments, cleaning and laundry services, and two home-cooked meals daily. Menus are distributed weekly for residents to choose their meals; plus, there is an 'always available' menu to pick from

Currently, only eight of Parkview's 18 apartments are occupied. To schedule a tour, contact Betty at 319-635-2585, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Also, visit Parkview online at www.fairbankparkviewassistedliving.com. Parkview accepts Private Pay, Long-Term Care Insurance, Medicaid, and HUD.

Betty is also mom to five children, ages four months to 13 years, including one set of twins.

"Maintaining a balance be-tween work life as a health care professional and family can be challenging at times," she said. "One needs to have certain boundaries in place so the two don't interfere. I have an incredible support system with my family and friends, and they understand there are times when I have work stuff going on. My family is incredibly important to me, and I'm excited to share them with our Parkview family. My children enjoy doing crafts and different activities, so they may be making some appearances at Parkview this summer - children always brighten anyone's

BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday Mike and Melaine!

Mike Klenzman on July 13 Melaine (Klenzman) Buzynski on July 16



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Happy Belated Birthday Joe Jans

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Happy 10th birthday Lauren Matthias

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Paul Davis turns 1 on July 1 Son of Shawn & Jennifer Davis



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Help us celebrate Carolyn Bayness 80th birthday!



We're organizing a card shower to fill her mailbox with birthday wishes, memories and kind thoughts..

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Her birthday is July 7th Thank you for helping make her 80th special!!

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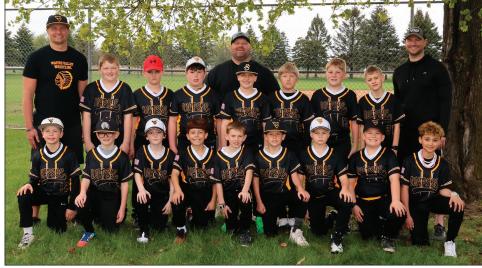
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Back row: Left-Right Tammy Kaufman, Jenna Beck, Addy Bockholt, Bella Tiedt, Josie Ott, Jensen Beck, Brielle Schellhorn, Coral Novak, Layla Broten and Amy Becker. Front Row: Left-Right Rachel Kaufman, Alivia Weepie, Baylee Annis, Emersyn Powell, Aislynn Shannon, Samantha Becker, Riya Kelly, Anika Bate and Kate Stuber.



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Coach Mason Kleitsch, Brantley Lucas, Hunter Hutschenreuter, Ray Murphy, Kade Willwerth, Calvin Jones. Front row left to right Colin Laube, Easton Kleitsch, Jax Klendworth and Kamden Mangrich. Not Pictured: Coach TJ Murphy and player Grayson Pearce.



DUESE BHUTUGBVD

Back: Jace Klendworth, Hayden Kane, Sawyer Rechkemmer, Jett Coffin, Cooper Sauerbrei, William Kempf and Colton Hesse. Front: Jed Wedemeier, Dax Destival ,Tate Rechkemmer, Itzae Villegas, Isaac Kleitsch, Carver Jones, Dryden Etringer, Brecken Schultz and Izaiah Liguez. Coaches: Cody Jones, Mitch Coffin, Dustin Destival (not pictured) and Ryan Kleitsch.



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Back: Kallie Kleitsch, Kimber Kleitsch, Kylie Willard, Sophia Hesse, Joanna Rulapaul, Brooklyn Laube, Dylan Buhman, Aurilla Parkes, Heidi Foster and Brianna Close. Front: Kambreii Foster, Elsie Weepie, Kennedy Close, Serenity Naylor, Nora Levendusky, Braylee Berg and Finley Stammeyer.



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Coach Ashlea Jones, Tinley Jones, Charlie Klenzman, Collins Odneal, Sloane Janssen, Carissa Jones, Eli Kleitsch and Coach Ryan Kleitsch.



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Front row: Nalani Liguez, Avery Hauersperger, Eden Downs, Jaelyn Wilken, Ayla Schultz, Berkley Close, Finley Stamp. Middle row: Libby Down, Addy Sullivan, Parker Kottke, Reese Laube, Madison Shonka, Gloria Rulapaugh, Alexis Bockholt, Daklyn DeLance, Adelaide Myers, Madilynn Rausch. Back row: Coaches Jennifer Kottke, Sierra DeLance, and Alexis Rausch.



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Alder Stammeyer, Asher Jans, Ayden Neegard and Ava Sullivan. Coaches are James and Megan Stammeyer.



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Coach JJ Little, Oliver Little, Elliana Rausch, Cora Downs, Breela Fenton, Russell Ceras and Coach Alexis Rausch. Not pictured: Bleu Javis.

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Xander Jans, Joe Gallery, Violette Myers, Tucker Muhlenbruch, Zayne DeLance and Coach Sierra DeLance.



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Coach Ross Stottmeister, Eli West, Charlotte Stottmeister, Sylvie Costello, Evelyn Williams and Coach Shelby Williams. Not pictured: Tucker Happel.



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Leo Shaffer, Sutton Janssen, Maddox Brandt, Lynden Woods and Coach Alyssa Woods.



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Coach Anna Bickers, Everleigh Johnson, Aspyn Bickers, Blake fish, Lily Holschlag, Owen Holschlag, Kendrick Snow and Coach Brandon Fish.

Wapsie collects fifth straight win against Jesup

BY GIDAL KAISER

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JESUP — Five in a row.

Wapsie Valley earned its fifth straight win against Jesup on Thursday, June 19 topping the J-Hawks, 6-1, to claim a North Iowa Cedar League East series sweep (3-0) and a second win against the host on its home field since Saturday.

Warrior sophomore Sawyer Buhr was in the circle in three of the four matchups and collected her second win, scattering five hits and two walks in a complete-game effort. She struck out one and saw her defense collect two double plays to end innings — including a 9-5 putout as Espyn Decker's right-field catch turned into a Gracie Sebetka tagout of courtesy runner Emma Bose at third.

Bose scored in the bottom of the fifth, but the Jesup push ended with a double play and rolled into eight consecutive outs to end the game. Wapsie (19-3, 6-1) led 6-0 Thursday after scoring three in the second, one in the third and two in the fifth.

Buhr closed the season 2-0 against the J-Hawks (14-7, 5-3), allowing 19 hits, eight walks and 11 earned runs, with five strikeouts, in 15 2/3 innings. Tuesday's win came with zero earned runs allowed.

Older sister Taylor went 2-0, with 16 hits allowed, eight strikeouts and five earned runs.

The Warriors hit .391 (47 for 120) against the J-Hawks and outscored them, 38-22, in four contests. Austin Jeanes' club put out 12 extrabase hits, with four home runs and 32 RBI. They walked 10 times, reached on error five times and were hit by two pitches.

Thursday's game continued a five-game stretch where at least one team scored six runs but was the first where only one scored six or more. Saturday's contest was both teams' fourth in a two-day span.

The J-Hawks batted .250 Thursday (6 for 24) and hit .365 (42 for 115) in the four-game series. They collected 14 extra-base hits, with 11 doubles.

Peyton Weber batted 8 for 12, with five doubles and three RBI, and as one of just two batters with a hit in each game against the Warriors. Sara Mead went 5 for 15

Hayden Kresser went 5 for 10 with six RBI, five runs scored and a homer and Daley Donlea was 5 for 11 with three RBI, two doubles, two runs and a triple.

Marlie Schissel scored four runs, walked twice, tripled once and hit 4 for 12.

Donlea pitched 13 innings, with 25 hits allowed, 17 earned runs, six walks and three strikeouts.

Hannah Seevell pitched 11 1/3 innings, with 24 hits allowed, 14 earned runs, nine walks and two strikeouts.



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Wapsie Valley's Gracie Sebetka tags out Jesup courtesy runner Emma Bose during the Warriors' North Iowa Cedar League East game Thursday, June 19 in Jesup. The Warriors won, 6-1, and claimed their fifth straight victory against the J-Hawks.

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Wapsie Valley Softball 2025



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The 2025 Wapsie Valley softball team from L to R, Front row: Emery Shannon, Claire Murphy, Espyn Decker, Ashlyn Strottman, Jaylin May, Kaleah Belinsky, Natalie Gray, Kylie Belinsky; Second row: Lola Destival, Emerie Parkes, Kalle Voy, Tessa Bruncheon, Gracie Sebetka, Hailey Wehling, Taylor Buhr, Peyton Curley, Maya Barnes; Third row: head coach Austin Jeanes, Layla Armstrong, Maddie Ladeburg, Bailey Murphy, Sawyer Buhr, Ella Schares, assistant coach Kaci Beesecker, assistant coach Nick Curley.

Wapsie Valley baseball 2025



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4-H ATOM BOMBERS



FROM THE DESK OF CAMBREE HAPPEL

Atom Bombers 4-H Club held their annual family pot luck on Sunday June 9th.

We had 19 members attend with their families. Our meeting started with planning the 4-H chicken dinner fundraiser for Fairbank Island Days.

Cambree Happel gave a demonstration on how to show a club lamb. Other members were given a chance to try their best at showing the lambs also! It was fun for everyone to try a new thing. Kennly Happel gave a presentation on how to prepare your sheep for the County Fair. She

talked about the products she uses, demonstrated how to clip her sheep, and explained her daily routine for chores

her daily routine for chores.

During our May meeting
William Kempf gave a presentation on hatching a duck egg.
William is also excited to show
his duck at Buchanan County
Fair this summer. In May Jensen Beck gave a presentation
on Flamingos, and J.R Amling
gave a presentation on football! Our May meeting also
consisted of decorating bowling balls and turning them
into yard ornaments to be enter into County Fair!













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Off to Mount Mercy



DALLAS TISUE PHOT

"After lots of thought and consideration about if I should go to college to run or if I should just hang up my spikes and go to college and get the 'college experience', I decided to run in college," Wapsie Valley graduate Dallas Tisue said a couple weeks ago. "It took a lot of thinking and visits and my mind was constantly changing on what to do. After thinking about how other kids would love to have the opportunity to play a sport in college and how I shouldn't take this opportunity for granted and at least give a college sport a chance, I'm excited to go represent Mount Mercy."



POET Bioprocessing – Fairbank awards over \$4,000 in Community Impact Grants

POET Bioprocessing – Fairbank awarded \$4,100 in grants to four local causes. The funds were donated through POET's 2025 Community Impact Grant Program, which awards grants to a variety of causes throughout the more than 30 communities in which the company operates.

The Fairbank American Legion received \$1,000 to offset the cost of upgrading and maintaining the Legion's building and amenities.

West Central CSD was awarded \$600 to purchase two-way radios for staff to communicate during emergencies.

Wapsie Valley Archery received \$1,000 to help cover expenses as they expand access to archery for students of all backgrounds and skill levels.

The City of Fairbank was awarded \$1,500 to construct a handicap-accessible shelter and restrooms in Veterans' Park.

"POET is proud to be a part of the Fairbank community and to support these organizations," said Bryon Wilson, General Manager of POET Bioprocessing - Fairbank. "By collaborating with them, we can actively contribute to the growth and well-being of our community and surrounding area, making it a place we can all be proud to call home."

Through POET's annual Community Impact Grant Program, individuals and organizations are invited to apply for funding for projects aimed at changing their community for the better. The next grant cycle will open in the spring of 2026. For more information, visit poet.com/grants.



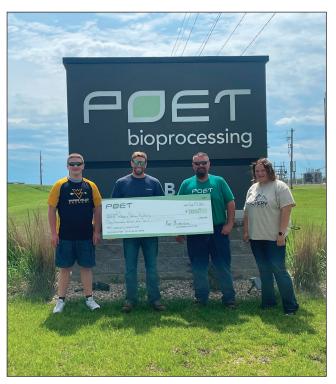
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City of Fairbank: Bryon Wilson, GM and Tammy Erickson, city council member.



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Fairbank American Legion: Bennie, Mike, Bryon Wilson, and Vince.



Above: WV Archery: Ethan Biretz, archer, Bryon Wilson, POET GM, Edward Biretz, POET Maintenance Tech, and Kali, archer. Right: West Central Community Grant: Bryon, GM and Bonnie, school









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Fairbank Days Little Prince/Princess and King/Queen candidates



Sylvia Costello
4 years old / TK
Parents Adam & Julie Costello
Silvia loves to play outside, go
swimming, dancing, reading ,
coloring and art projects.



Madelynn Rausch 7 yrs old going into 2nd grade. Parents Ryan & Alexis Rausch Madelynn loves to dance, play softball, volleyball and hang out with family and friends.



Jaden Beck
7 yrs -2nd grader.
Parents - Neal & Jenna Beck
Jenna enjoys playing softball,
going to the pool, riding her bike
and playing with her friends.



Elsie Weepie
9 yrs - 4th grader
Parents Nick & Chelsey Weepie
Elsie enjoys playing softball
hockey and going to the cabin
boating.



5 yrs old - kindergartener Parents Brandon & Makenna French Harper loves to play T-ball arts and crafts, reading and helping

Mom with brother & sister.



Heidi Schwartz 6 yrs - 1st grader Parents Ashley Lindaman and Jake Schwartz

Heidi loves to go horseback riding kayaking, swimming, gymnastics, dancing, loves animals and loves playing with her friends.



Mila Stottmeister

6 yrs 2nd grader Parents Alisha & Ross Stottmeister

Mila loves to dance, gymnastics and flag football. She enjoys playing outdoors and her neighborhood best friends and is always up for an adventure.



Charlotte Stottmeister

4 yrs - pre K

Parents Alisha & Ross Stottmeister

Charlotte fills her day with dance T-ball dress up outdoor adventures and singing at the top of her lungs.



Cora Schares
6 yrs 2nd grader
Parent Mandy & Josh Schares
Cory loves to go camping
swimming and hanging out with
friends and family.



Collins Odneal
5 yrs kindergarten
Parents Taylor & Kyle Odneal
Collins loves to play T-ball,
NinjaU and playing outside with
friends.



Parker Kottke
7 yrs 2nd grader
Parents Kody & Jen Kottke
Parker, likes to play with cats,
play softball and go swimming.
Parker is active in Girl Scouts.



Grace Begley
9 yrs old - 4th Grade
Parents Makayla & Matt Begley
Grace loves to do traveling soccer, baking, and great would like
to be a Vet when she gets older.



Poppy Duprey4 years old.
Parents Radford & Jessica Duprey

Poppy loves unicorn rainbow, sparkles, and reading and playing with her brothers.

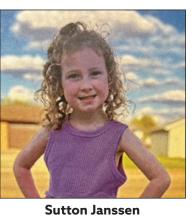


Nalani May Liguez 7 yrs 2nd grader Parents Nadaly & Zackery Liguez

Nalani loves to play softball, ride her bike and play with her brothers. Nalani loves to run super fast.



Scarlett Hill
9 yrs 4 th grade
Parents Jesse & Erin Hill
Scarlett loves to read, go swimming, playing with her animals and crafting.



4 yrs Pre -K Parents Brady & Lauren Jansen

Sutton loves to dance, play T-ball and play dress up.



6 yrs 1st grader Parents Brady & Lauren Jans-

Alone loves to dance play T-ball, swim and playing with all her cousins.



Louis Beck
7 yrs -2nd grader
Parents Neal & Jenna Beck
Louis enjoys playing base

Louis enjoys playing baseball, going to the camper and fishing swimming and riding his bike, playing with his friends.



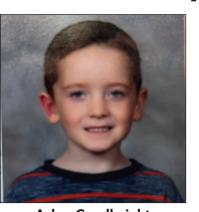
Caden Matthias
7 yrs 2nd grader
Parents Lucas & Cortne

Parents Lucas & Cortney Matthias. Caden loves to play with electronics & math games. Enjoys fishing and helping dad with farming. Caden wants to be a farmer when he grows up.



Grayson Odneal
7yrs - 2nd grader
Parents Taylor & Kyle Odneal
Loves to play baseball, Nija U,
flag football. Enjoys fishing and
spending time outdoors.

Fairbank Days Little Prince/Princess and King/Queen candidates



Asher Goodknight
7 yrs 1st grade
Parents George Goodknight
and Erin Otto.

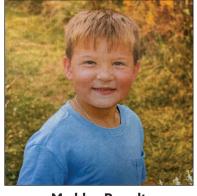
Asher loves to play Minecraft, legos, going to the library, swimming and playing outside.



Oliver Little
5 yrs Kindergarten
Parents JJ & Emily Little
Oliver loves fishing, gardening,
T-ball and playing with tractors.



Dixon Begley
5 yrs kindergarten
Parents Matt & Makayla Begley
Loves to farm with his grandpa, play with tractors and wants
to be a farmer when he grows up.



Maddox Brandt
6 yrs kindergarten
Parents Collin & Sara Brandt
Maddox likes to be outdoors
he enjoys playing at the park and
going fishing.

He is very creative building things with Legos. He plays Tball and wrestles.



Spencer Hill 7 yrs 2nd grader Parent's Jesse & Erin Hill

Spencer enjoys playing baseball football riding dirt bike he enjoys, creating and building with Legos and making things out of cardboard.

Wapsie Valley holds on to best Lisbon in ranked showdown

BY OELWEIN STAFF REPORT

Big-time result.

Wapsie Valley's Espyn Decker doubled twice and drove in two runs and the Buhr sisters combined to hold off Class 2A's No. 9 ranked team, 5-3, on Tues., June 24 in Lisbon.

Taylor Buhr pitched 6 1/3 innings for the win and Sawyer Buhr came in to earn an eight-pitch save after the Lions (14-9) closed within 5-3 in the third. Class 1A No 6 ranked Wapsie (20-3) led 5-1 going into the bottom of the seventh.

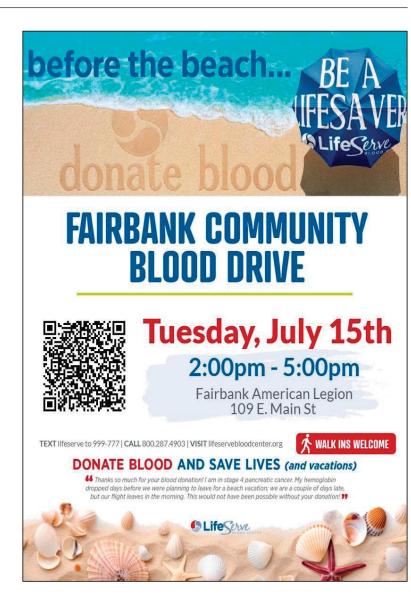
Taylor struck out four but allowed 11 hits and one walk. Sawyer allowed one hit and struck out one. The Warrior defense picked up 21 outs that led to 11 stranded baser-

Gracie Sebetka went 3 for 3 and scored once and Peyton Curley went 2 for 4 with an RBI. Hailey Wehling went 2 for 4. Taylor Buhr and Maddie Ladeburg also drove in runs.



COURTESY PHOTO

Sawyer Buhr earned the save Tuesday, June 24.







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JULY LIBRARY FUN!

10am Fontana Creature Feature Wed., July 2nd

No Summer Reading Program

Library Closed 10am Story Time

Summer Reading w/ Fontana

Wed., July 16th 10am Story Time

At Fairbank Library **Library Closed**

Fairbank Public Library

Fairbank Elementary Gym

Fairbank Public Library

Fri., July 18th

2pm Wed., July 23rd 10am

Thur., July 17th 1pm

Thur., July 24th 1pm

Mon, July 28th 9am

Wed., July 30th 10am

Summer Reading Stem Bldg. at Fairbank Elementary Gym **STEM Activity with Legos**

Story Time

Fairbank Public Library

Summer Reading Fairbank Elementary Gym

Day Camp Iowa State (must be pre-registered in advance)

Story Time

Fairbank Public Library

Jeanne Hermsen The Summer That Changed Everything from Doris Randall

The Lost Book of First Loves

The Flag We Love from Randy, Jodi and Carson Woods

In Loving Memory

Donna Higgins

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. from Doris Randall



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1-5 pm

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Fri., July 4th

Sat., July 5th

Wed., July 9th

Thur., July 10th 1pm

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Library Fun!









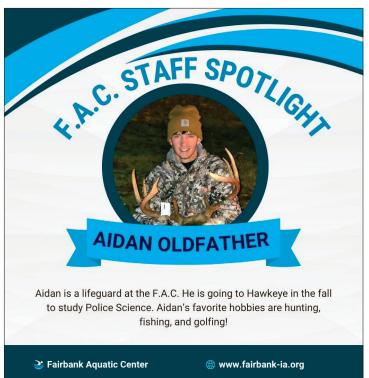






F.A.C. STAFF SPOTLIGHTS

Here are the first four FAC (Fairbank Aquatic Center) Spotlights for the 2025 season. The staff helps manage, guard, work concessions and teach lessons at the FAC.

















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SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Wapsie Valley CSD Regular School Board Meeting

called the Regular Meeting of the board to order at 6:30

PM
A. Directors: Aiello, Auel, Kaufman, Sauerbrei. & Wolfe Declared a quorum
B. Administration - Supt. Hoover, Board Secretary Arndt, Principals Murphy
& Forsyth. Myers (excused)
C. Others Present: Vaughn Gross
2.Moved by Sauerbrei, Seconded by Aiello to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0
3. Public Forum - Mr. Gross - Mrs. Gross is getting everything finalized for FCCLA Nationals. Mr. Gross also had questions on board policy 503.06 and 503.09.

FCCLA Nationals. Mr. Gross also had questions on board policy 503.06 and 503.09. 4. Consent Items - Moved by Auel, Seconded by Kaufman to approve the consent items including the bills being reviewed by Steve Aiello and the open enrollments as follows: Danielle Fink request to open enroll her kindergarten daughter to Sumner Fredericksburg effect 25-26 school year, & Kaine Wilson request to open enroll his 3rd-grade son and 5th-grade daughter to Dunkerton after a family move in February 2025. Motion Carried 5-0

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Parent/Student Handbook, Preschool Handbook, Licensed Staff Handbook, Non Licensed Staff Handbook, JH-HS Student/Parent Handbook, Wapsie Valley Technology Handbook, &WHS Course Description Handbook as presented. Motion carried 5-0 Moved by Sauerbrei, Seconded by Auel to approve Taylor Physical Therapy as W Athletic Trainer for 25-26 with the following charges: Injury checks-885, Event coverage-\$185, Events lasting longer that 5 hours \$35/hr as presented. Motion carried 5-0 Moved by Auel, Seconded by Sauerbrei to approve the Storm Protection Fund, an lowa Code Chapter 28E Entity and Chapter 670 Risk Pool, & approve the SPF Board Resolution as presented. Motion carried 5-0 Moved by Sauerbrei, Seconded by Kaufman to approve the 25-26 Building, Property, & Liability Insurance (\$238,019.35) and Storm Protection Fund (\$15,428) as presented. Motion carried 5-0 Moved by Aiello, Seconded by Suaerbrei to approve the Contract to Transfer of Special Education State Funding to Central Rivers effective July 1, 2025 and shall remain in effect until modified or terminated by mutual agreement for the Parties or as required by lawvas presented. Motion Carried 5-0 Moved by Sauerbrei, Seconded by Kaufman to approve the 25-26 registration fees as presented. Motion carried 5-0 Moved by Aiello, Seconded by Kaufman to approve the Quote from CDW (\$13,156) for 17 Teacher laptops as presented. Motion carried 5-0 Moved by Aiello, Seconded by Kaufman to approve the quote from CDW (\$13,156) for 17 Teacher laptops as presented. Motion carried 5-0 Moved by Aiello, Seconded by Kaufman to approve the Quote from CDW (\$13,156) for 17 Teacher laptops as presented. Motion carried 5-0 Moved by Auel, Seconded by Kaufman to approve the Quote from CDW (\$13,156) for 17 Teacher laptops as presented. Motion carried 5-0 Moved by Auel, Seconded by Kaufman to approve the CDW (\$13,156) for 1,102E, 102E, 10

\$395.48 LITTLE WAPSIE COMM \$175.08 MATT CONSTRUCTION \$350.00 MICHAEL, DESTINY \$575.00 MODERN BUILDING \$324.03 MURPHY, TJ \$2,315.60 MYERS HOLLY \$1,178.10 NEW HAMPTON CSD \$268.26 Norby's Farm Fleet \$33.67 OELWEIN CSD \$1,050.00 ORAN MUTUAL TELEPHONE \$161.00 RAISA A HALLELUJAH \$1,400.00 READLYN TELEPHONE \$180.44 RIVERSIDE INSIGHTS \$839.50 SCRIBNER, RACHEL \$985.60 SMITHJORDAN \$18.00 SUMNER-FREDERICKSBURG CSD \$8,362.52 TIMBERLINE BILLING \$391.33 U.S. POST OFFICE \$2.87 UBIQUITI STORE \$6.00 UNI \$3,546.00 VITALSOURCE \$733.60 Walmart \$84.65 WEEDS ON FIRE \$8,719.75 GENERAL TOTAL \$218,126.70 Employee Benefit Systems \$6,125.89 MANAGEMENT TOTAL \$218,126.70 Employee Benefit Systems \$6,125.89 MANAGEMENT TOTAL \$216,125.89 MARTIN GARDINER ARCHITECTURE \$5,568.60 STEEGE CNSTRCTN \$12,578.95 SAVE TOTAL \$13,147.55 ACCESS SYSTEMS \$1,663.30 Central Rivers AEA \$2,389.80 CRAN MUTUAL TELEPHONE \$100.00 SHERM'S SEPTIC SRVCS \$1,633.29 YOUNG PLMBNG & HTNG \$3,669.43 PPEL TOTAL \$34,455.82 UMB BANK \$300.00 DEBT TOTAL \$300.00 Thrift Books \$11.18 WEFTOTAL \$11.18 ALLISON, GAIL \$280.00 Amazon \$27.56 BARNES, MAY&60.00 BECK, JENNA \$66.10 BOUND \$110.00 BOYD, BILL \$135.00 BSN SPORTS \$0.00 BUHR, DEAN \$250.00 BUHR, TAYLOR \$175.00 BURKE, LOGAN \$135.00 CASEY'S \$169.05 CHIDESTER, STEVE \$150.00 CURLEY, PICK \$7.99 CURLEY, PEYTON \$75.00 DANA, CADYN \$75.00 DIKE-NEW HARTFORD CSD \$0.00 ELITE SPORTS \$778.00 FAIRBANK FOOLD HAISELY, PEYTON \$75.00 DANA, CADYN \$75.00 DIKE-NEW HARTFORD CSD \$0.00 ELITE SPORTS \$778.00 FAIRBANK FOOLD HAISELY, PEYTON \$75.00 DANA, CADYN \$75.00 DIKE-NEW HARTFORD CSD \$0.00 ELITE SPORTS \$778.00 FAIRBANK FOOLD HAISELY, PEYTON \$75.00 DANA, CADYN \$75.00 DIKE-NEW HARTFORD CSD \$0.00 ELITE SPORTS \$778.00 FAIRBANK FOOLD SA15.91 CALL SA15.00 FAIRBANK FOOLD SA15.91 CALL SA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

REGULAR MEETING

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The Fairbank City Council met in regular session on Monday, June 9, 2025. Mayor Kayser called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: R. Woods, Williams, Erickson, T. Woods, and Gruetzmacher. Absent: None. Also present at City Hall; Nick Kuker, Public Works Director and Michelle Laube, Deputy Clerk. Motion by Erickson, second by T. Woods to approve the agenda. Motion carried. Motion by Gruetzmacher, second by Erickson to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: May 26th Regular City Council Minutes, Treasurer's Report for May 2025, Approval of Main Street Closure for Ragbrai 2025, Approval for Fireworks Permit for Fairbank Days, and the Payment of Bills. The bill listing will be placed at the end of the minutes. Roll call vote – Ayes: Gruetzmacher, Erickson, R. Woods, T. Woods, and Williams. Nays: None.
The Treasurers report for the month of May 2025: Revenues – General \$29,597.56; Special Revenue, \$29,788.51; TIF, \$1,933.73; Capital Projects, \$33.70; Permanent Funds, \$17.72; Proprietary, \$186,999.47; and Transfers In, \$27,055.00. Disbursements – General \$36,182.10; Special Revenue, \$9,737.26; Proprietary, \$139,375.67; Capital Projects, \$982.00, and Transfers Out, \$27,055.00. Balance on hand at close of business on May 31, 2025, was \$5,967,833.09.
There were no comments during the informal public comment section.
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Maggie Burger with Speer Financial, Inc. was present to present and deliver information regarding the bond the city is acquiring for the Main Street project. She provided a timeline so the council could see what to expect and some bond payment examples. The council asked to see some more examples using a 10-year payback. She will provide some more examples and those will be discussed at the next meeting.

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Motion by Williams, second by Grutzmacher to approve the third reading of Ordinance 373 – Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances for the City of Fairbank, Iowa by Amending Provisions Pertaining Natural Gas and the Charge for the Gas Meter. The charge for the gas meter for gas customers located outside of the city limits will change from \$4.00 to \$10.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Williams, second by T. Woods to approve and pass Ordinance 373. Roll call vote- Ayes: Williams, T. Woods, R. Woods, Erickson, and Grutzmacher. Nays: None.

None.

Nick stated that Aspro was coming to town that next day to look at Christians Trail and he also mentioned that he had not received any other quote for tile work. This has been tabled for the next meeting when more

information is obtained.

The discussion regarding the personnel policy manual

suggested updates and changes was tabled to the next meeting so that the council would have more time to review the potential changes.

After previous discussions about traffic safety at the pool, the council had agreed that making that area angled parking would be better. Motion by T. Woods, second by Gruetzmacher to approve the first reading of Ordinance 374 – Angled Parking at Pool. Roll call vote-Ayes: T. Woods, Gruetzmacher, Williams, R. Woods, and Erickson. Nays: None.

Motion by Gruetzmacher, second by Williams to waive the 2nd and 3rd readings of Ordinance 374- Angled Parking at Pool. Roll call vote- Ayes: Gruetzmacher, Williams, R. Woods, Erickson, and T. Woods. Nays: None.

Williams, H. Woous, Elickson, and I. Noses. None.

Motion by Gruetzmacher, second by T. Woods to approve and pass Ordinance 374- Angled Parking at Pool. Roll call vote- Ayes: Gruetzmacher, T. Woods, Erickson, Williams, and R. Woods. Nays: None.

The Workers Compensation proposal for FY 26 was presented. The premium increased \$845.00 for a total cost of \$6,498.00. Motion by R. Woods, second by T. Woods to approve the payment of \$6,498.00 to IMWCA for the FY26 premium. Roll call vote- Ayes: R. Woods, T. Woods, Gruetzmacher, Williams, and Erickson. Nays: None.

None.
TruGreen Commercial submitted a proposal again this year for the treatment of the Ash Borer in town. The proposal was for \$2,128.00. Motion by Williams, second by T. Woods to approve the proposal with TruGreen Commercial for the treatment of Ash Borer on the trees presented in the proposal. Roll call vote-Ayes: Williams, T. Woods, R. Woods, Erickson, and Gruetzmacher.

Nays: None. DHK Welding Inc. submitted a quote for twelve trash cans for the parks to replicate the two that the city already has. The quote was for \$10,620.00. Nick will check to see how much it would cost for two and six of the trash cans and it will be discussed at a future meet-

ing.

Motion by R. Woods, second by Williams to appoint Hunter Robinson as the new Police Chief effective July 1, 2025. Roll call vote-Ayes: R. Woods, Williams, Gruetzmacher, T. Woods, and Erickson. Nays: None. During the council/mayor comments or concerns, Councilman Williams stated that that the trees that were Councilman Williams stated that that the trees that were moved on the Island seemed to be doing very well. Councilwoman Erickson said that she was informed that the city received a \$1,500.00 grant from Poet to go towards a new shelter at Veterans Park and Councilman Grutzmacher stated the grant from Buchanan County was awarded for the same project for \$20,000.00. The Ragbrai pre-ride that was held on Friday, June 6th went very well. Mayor Kayser said that the home located at 506 Patterson Street is now owned by the city. Nick and himself were going to look at it the next day. During the department reports, Nick stated they had been working on street patching and street sweeping. The line striping at the pool and city hall parking lot was completed. He also stated that the new rules at the yard waste area seem to be going well. And lastly, he

waste area seem to be going well. And lastly, he received a quote for a trash basket for the north lift station that should be a purchase considered by the country.

Motion by Williams, second by Gruetzmacher to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 PM. Motion carried. Bills for the Month of June 2025 Amazon Capital Services, Supplies \$ 73.99 Arnold Motor Supply, Supplies \$ 103.92 Atlantic Bottling Co., Concessions \$ 328.33 Best Services, Annual Maintenance \$ 800.00 BMC Aggregates L.C., Dirt/Rock \$ 618.42 Bodensteiner Implement Co., Supplies \$ 8.78 Boulevard Tarp Shop, Services \$ 125.00 Cole Bram, Utility Deposit Refund \$ 76.10 Lonnie Brewer, Cell Phone Reimbursement \$ 75.00 Butler County Rec, Electric \$ 49,026.35 Cabana Swim, Supplies \$ 1,308.00 Carnon's Greenhouse, Main Street Flowers \$ 832.00 Carrico Aquatic Products, Supplies \$ 2,661.80 Casey's General Store, Gas \$ 683.14 Clayton Energy Corporation, Natural Gas \$ 1,869.65 Clayton Energy Corporation, Reservation \$ 5,185.51 CNA Surety Direct Bill, Notary Bond \$ 21.75 Community Bank of Oelwein, Bond Principal/Interest \$ 20.096.25 D & S Portables, Inc., Rentals \$ 1,000.00 Danko Emergency Equipment, Supplies \$ 792.93 Delta Dental of lowa, June Premium \$ 21.96 Even Quality Works, Services \$ 775.00 Fairbank American Legion, Supplies \$ 100.00 Fairbank American Legion, Supplies \$ 100.00 Fairbank Postmaster, June Utility Bills Postage \$ 196.00 City of Fairbank, Electric & Gas \$ 4,099.10 City of Fairbank, Utility Deposit Applied \$ 323.90 Brittany Fuller, Cell Phone Reimbursement \$ 75.00 Gall's Inc., Supplies \$ 155.39 Gordon Flesch Company Inc., Services \$ 187.27 Grainger, Inc., Supplies \$ 35.94 Groebner & Associates, Equipment \$ 2,068.65 IAMU, Training \$ 771.40 IMWCA, 25-26 Premium \$ 6,907.89 lowa Finance Authority, Annual Sewer Payment \$ 235,800.50 lowa League of Cities, Mayor Dues \$ 30.00 lowa Poper Supplies \$ 11,212.48

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J.S.W. Enterprise, LLC, Catalyst Grant Award \$ 40.000.00

40,000.00 Jetco, Inc., Services \$ 297.00 John Deere Financial, Supplies \$ 42.85 Kluesner Sanitation, LLC., June 2025 Pick-Up Fees \$ 7,534.80

Nick Kuker, Cell Phone Reimbursement \$ 75.00 Nick Kuker, Cell Phone Heimbursement \$ 75.00 Kwik Trip Inc., Gas \$ 67.36 Michelle Laube, Cell Phone Reimbursement \$ 75.00 Little Wapsie Communications, Static IP Addresses/SW Phone \$ 64.06 Manatt's, Supplies \$ 957.00 Microbac Laboratories, Inc., Testing \$ 620.50 Mobile Health Services LLC., Firefighter Physicals \$ 3,060.00 Microbac Services \$ 138.74

Myers Polaris, Services \$ 138.74 Myers-Cox Co., Concessions \$ 395.00

Oelwein Publishing, Publishings \$ 377.01
Plumb Supply Company, Supplies \$ 235.76
Powerplan, Supplies \$ 552.76
Pratt's Pest Control, Monthly Pest Control \$ 140.00
Premier Technology, Equipment/Services \$ 1,712.90
Quick Med Claims, Ambulance Billing \$ 663.76
Randy's Lawn Care & Snow, Services \$ 2,500.00
Renew Biomedical Services, LLC, Maintenance \$ 825.00 Randy's Lawn Care & Show, Services & 2,305.12
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Baylie Rupright, Utility Deposit Refund \$200.00
Sadler Power Train, Supplies \$16.84
Sam's Club Mc/Syncb, Concessions/Supplies \$825.47
School Specialty, Supplies \$77.28
Ken Schnor, Cell Phone Reimbursement \$75.00
NE Security Bank, Payroll Processing Fee 5/1/25 \$10.00
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NSB/HSA - H S A Payroll Deductions \$200.00
Signs & More LLC, Little League Banners \$2,113.80
Stan's Small Engine Repair, Services \$319.32
Storey Kenworthy/Matt Parrott, Supplies \$57.06
Sun Life Assurance Comp, Life Policies \$194.60
Superior Welding Supply Co., Oxygen \$33.00
Team Laboratory Chemical Corp., Supplies \$119.50
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Turf & Landscape, Inc., Services \$1,820.00
U. S. Treasury, 941 Benefits \$6,941.96
USA Bluebook, Supplies \$334.30
Utility Equipment Co., Supplies \$388.22
Verizon Wireless, Cell Phones \$178.26
Visa, AVAYA Phone System/Microsoft Email Accounts/Supplies \$949.85
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White Cap, L/P, Supplies \$ 107.58
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Windstream Enterprise, Gas Alarm Phone Line \$ 68.36
The Fairbank Library Board Approved the Following
Bills on July 2, 2025:
Amazon Capital Services, Supplies \$ 447.24
Baker & Taylor Inc., Books \$ 646.48
Angela Berg, Reimbursement \$ 11.98
Brock Berg, Services \$ 200.00
Davis Lawn Service, Services \$ 45.00
Fairbank Public Library, Postage \$ 58.40
City of Fairbank, Electric & Gas \$ 154.88
IMWCA, 25-26 Premium \$ 40.11
Pratt's Pest Control, Pest Control \$ 45.00
Sam's Club Mc/Syncb, Supplies \$ 69.20
NE Security Bank, Payroll Processing Fee 5/15/25 \$ 1.29

1.29 US Cellular, Hotspots \$ 58.98 Visa, Avaya Phone System/Microsoft Email Accounts \$ Visa, *I* 52.72 Jason Kayser, Mayor Michelle Laube, Deputy Clerk

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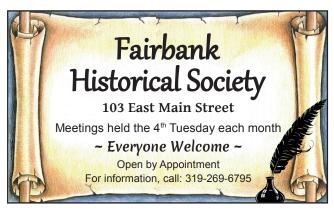
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Clients might be entry-level investors, or saving for/entering retirement, or considering legacy/estate planning for the next generations. They might be very conservative, or they might be a 15 on a risk scale of 10. They might have a net worth of \$100 or a net worth of \$100,000,000.

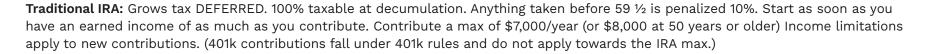
Each client comes with their own unique ambitions but there is one commonality amongst everyone we visit with: they wonder if they are doing enough to reach their potential.

There is definitely no one-size-fits-all approach to helping people reach their financial ambitions. However, for the most part, just getting assets saved in the first place is the biggest component of getting to where you hope to be. Sometimes we see people get hung up on exactly which type of account to open or what type of investment(s) to back. Generally, saving a balance amongst a few different allocations is the best start. From there you can modify or get more tactical based on your needs.

Brokerage Account: Closest relation to a savings account. Most freedom. No limitations on what/when you put in or what/when you take out. Pay taxes on growth once realized or deduct against taxes on losses. Typically inherited at a stepped-up basis on the date of dependent's passing.

Roth IRA: Grows TAX FREE (upon decumulation after 59 ½ years old. Anything prior is 10% penalized). After the account has been open for 5 years it can pass to beneficiaries TAX FREE. Contribute a max of \$7,000/year (or \$8,000 @ 50 years or older) Income limitations apply to new contributions but tax-deferred assets can

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Within each of these options, you might be invested in mutual funds, ETF's, individual stocks, crypto, private funds, venture capital holdings... and there are a myriad of options within each of those asset classes. This is where an advisor can really help narrow down which path or combination of paths can expedite your chance of success.

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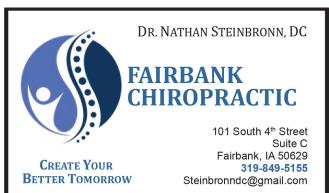
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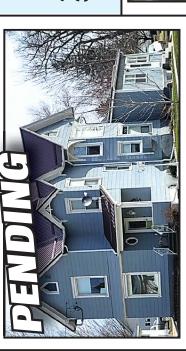


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