

Reminder . . . Blood Drive on the 28th

Just a reminder that the next Life Serve Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday, September 28th at the Fairbank American Legion Hall. All blood types are needed.

Donors are the only source of blood for patients that need it. Just one pint of blood can help up to three

different people. Also, when you give blood, they check to see if you have any antibodies to fight off Covid-19 which should be important to everybody right now.

You need to make an appointment. Go to www. lifeservebloodcenter.org and just read the directions closely and fill out the questionaire. This saves you time when you get to the appointment. Giving blood is a safe, simple procedure.

The blood Drive is sponsored by the Fairbank Community Club.

Community Club to serve Belgian Waffle Breakfast

The Fairbank Community Club would like to invite everyone to their annual Waffle & Sausage Breakfast to be held Sunday, September 12th at the Fairbank American Legion. They will be serving Belgian waffles with toppings, sausage and coffee and juice from 9:00 to noon. Cost is a free will donation. Dine-in or carryouts will be available. All proceeds benefit the Fairbank community.



The August Music in the Park featured Fairbank's own Gina Owens who is an up and coming Nashville recording artist.

Gina Owens a big hit at Music in the Park

For anyone who missed the last Music in the Park on August 11th, you missed a really good show. Entertainment was Gina Owens, daughter of Mark and Becky Owens of Fairbank and a former Wapsie Valley graduate. She is a rising country music artist who is turning heads after writing and recording her first two records in Nashville. With "Take Him Home" and "Flirt With Me" out, she's on her way to a promising career.

Despite the fact that it was one of the hottest days of the year, it was surprisingly very comfortable at Riverside Park with all the shade and a nice cool breeze. Attendance was over 200 people. For those who came hungry, Flip's BBQ served up some great tenderloins and curly fries. A 50/50 drawing was held, with Rick Jones winning the \$80 pot. Island Queen Mary Bodensteiner was on hand to help sell tickets. This month's Music in the Park will be held on Thursday, September 9th from 6:00-8:00pm, with entertainment by Jason Kayser and Mitchell Boevers. So come on down, the Community Club will be barbecuing hamburgers. This will be the last Music in the Park for this year. Thanks to everyone who has helped us get this event going. It's been a lot of fun and we're looking forward to starting it up again next spring.

Class of '71 Reunion Dance is open to other Wapsie Valley alumni

This Saturday, Sept. 5, the Wapsie Valley class of '71 will be gathering at Costa's Sports Bar & Grill for their 50th class reunion. The social hour is from 5:00-6:00, with dinner following from 6:00-7:30. At 8:30, the party moves over to West Bentley Park for a dance, with entertainment by Ozzie DJ Service. This dance, which runs from 8:30-11:30, is open to the public, in hopes that other Wapsie Valley alumni will attend. There will be a \$5 admission charge. Just bring a lawn chair and a cooler with your favorite beverages. Hope to see you there!



By Mike Harter

I personally want to thank the many people for all of their hard work since our devastating storm on August 24th. Many thanks go out to the City of Fairbank Public Works Department for all of their hours of service. Thank you to the Cedar Falls Utilities, New Hampton Utilities, Hudson Utilities, and Traer Utilities for all of their help in getting our power going again. Many thanks to the citizens of Fairbank who helped with cleanup of not only their own property, but other property as well. I can't forget our City Clerks for all of their extra work in answering the many phone calls to help inform people of what was going on.

The Council met in a Special Meeting on August 26th and voted to hire Wilson Custom Tree Service from Cresco to remove trees and debris from the City property which were hazardous. They will also be trimming trees that can be saved. The two biggest jobs will be West Bentley Park and the Island Park. Once they have trees on the ground and the areas are safe, they would welcome volunteers to help with some of the cleanup. Our main concern is the safety of our volunteers.

On a lighter note, I want to congratulate all of the young people who showed their projects and animals at both the County Fairs and of course the State Fair in Des Moines.

Last week, I attended the State Fair and watched some of the 4-H Hog and Cattle shows. While I was watching, I was thinking about many years ago when I was in 4-H. I remember reciting the 4-H Pledge and thought about how it is so important yet today. After the last few days, I am impressed by the way our community came together in the spirit of the Pledge.

I Pledge:

- My Head to clearer thinking,
- My Heart to greater loyalty,
- My Hands to larger service, and
- My Health to better living
- for my club, my community,
- my country and my world.



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Fairbank residents had their choice of all kinds of Mexican entrees when the El Camino Mexican Food Trailer was in town on August 3rd in front of ReFuel. The photo was taken earlier in the afternoon, but the lines were long during the supper hour. This was a fund raiser sponsored by Little Island Day Care towards their expansion project.

Thank You

Maurice and Wilma Welsh wish to thank everyone who helped to make their anniversary such a heart warming occasion. Our immediate immediate family worked in the kitchen preparing the food, serving and cleaning up afterward. So many came to the party, we got a lot of handshakes and hugs. Some of the extended family visited from out of state, some that we hadn't seen for a long time. We got a lot of cards at the party

and a large number in the mail. We were both born on farms in this area and have lived in town all of our married lives.





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Warrior Way & More August 2021

August is upon us and that means the start of the 2021-22 WVCSD school year is fast approaching. Monday, August 23, is the first day of school for students. A slight change to the district calendar includes early dismissals on both Monday and Tuesday at 1:18 pm. Our preschool programs will start on Thursday, September 2nd. We are excited to see our returning students and families at WVCSD.

All students will be required to return to a faceto-face classroom setting this year. WVCSD will not offer full virtual instruction unless a physician has determined a medical condition exists. Any student who is in a quarantine situation because of testing positive for COVID will receive virtual instruction from WV classroom instructors. As per Iowa code, masks are optional for students, staff, and visitors to our buildings.

Our summer projects are moving ahead on schedule. New high traffic flooring has been installed in several classrooms in the JH/HS facility. The new stadium lighting is installed and operational for the upcoming football season. The old concession stand building has been removed to make way for the construction of the new concession stand. Two new basement classrooms have been constructed at Rural 3 & 4 to support our reading specialists working with our rural students. Fairbank Elementary has an updated room for the Behavioral Intervention Program. Mrs. Curley's room at the high school will have all new cabinets installed, in addition to other updates in her room.

Please enjoy the rest of this beautiful Iowa summer and all the activities that it brings!

Stay Warrior Strong and Safe,

Dave Larson - Wapsie Valley CSD Superintendent

Farmer's Market



Oran Craft Sale and Car Show is Sept. 18th

The 4th Annual Oran School Craft Sale and Shine & Show Car Show will be held September 18th from 9 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Over 30 crafters will be selling toys, metal work, Shell art, kitchen items, baby items, glassware, cutting boards, wreaths, greeting cards, solar lights, quilts, bird houses, cat chairs, fall & Christmas items, ceramics, jewelry, chalk art, and hand sewn items.

The Kettle Korn truck is returning and , new this year, we are welcoming the Totally Rolled Ice Cream truck! Lunch will be available on site.

Admission is FREE! Hope to see you there.





First mural is completed!

The first Fairbank wall mural is complete ...thanks to local artist Gayle Lehmkuhl. The mural, located on the west side of the Lehmkuhl Oil building (currently housing Re-fuel), was a collaborative project between new and experienced artists from town. During Fairbank Days earlier this summer, there was an event called Art in the Park where participants were asked to draw a flower, in hopes that it would be selected for the mural.

Gayle stated, "I want to thank all the children who came to Art in the Park and drew flowers for me. The hardest part of the mural was deciding which flowers to use. Your drawings are what make this so special and I'm sorry I couldn't use more."

A light table was used to draw

outlines of each flower, with a number identifying the artist that drew it.

The young artists whose flowers were chosen are (starting with the flower on the left): Dallas Simpson, Nora Schares, Sophia Hill, Audra Kane, Grace Seeman, Rylie Schipper and Ella Schares. Gayle left open the possibility that she might extend the art work in the future and be able to use more of the drawings.

Gayle looked at the space that she had primed and painted white, then sat over by the bank flipping through the flower outlines trying to figure out where the dots should be for the different flowers. Once she decided, she painted the dots.

"I finally forced myself to start on the flowers, which were painted with Nova acrylic paints. I had some technical issues, mostly with which brush to use and the obstacles like pipes and wires," she added. The mural will be coated with a UV varnish to protect the colors from fading.

So next time you are walking or driving up main street, check out this colorful artwork. It really brightens up that corner. We're hoping for more murals in the future. There's been an ongoing discussion about beautifying our community with large-scale murals on and around Main Street. To share ideas or find out more information, follow "Fairbank Mural Project" on Facebook. The page is primarily intended to gauge interest and share information about meetings and planning.

Wapsie Valley FFA competes at Buchanan & Bremer County Fairs

By: Kali Lampe, Chapter Reporter

Buchanan County Fair went very well for the Wapsie Valley FFA, especially in the Dairy Show. In the dairy show, we had 3 members representing our chapter. They all did very well.

Madison Richards placed first in the summer yearling class and second in the spring yearling.

Noah Richards placed first in the intermediate calf class, won overall calf, won overall calf/yearling with the calf, won the cow class, won overall cow, and won overall grand champion with his calf and overall reserve champion with his cow. Noah also won grand champion for showmanship.

Kali Lampe placed first in the senior calf class and was the reserve champion in the overall calf class.

We also had member Landon Sullivan participate in the dog, goat, and rabbit show. He placed overall reserve champion dog costume, champion Jr full blood meat goat, reserve grand champion full blood meat goat, senior fancy buck rabbit champion, dog graduate novice agility champion, champion mini dog costume, senior reserve champion showmanship.

Clayton Hershey was another member who participated in the dog and goat show. He got a Champion midi costume. Then for goat, he got reserve Champion senior full blood breeding meat goat, reserve overall champion buck, reserve full blood 12 to 24 months, never freshened, reserve full blood four years and older.

The Bremer County Fair was another experience for all of our members who either showed or helped in the FFA food stand or the Cattleman's. We had members participate in the Beef Show and Dairy Show.

Ava VanDaele showed her beef heifer and placed first in the commercial breeding heifer class. She showed in the market heifer class and placed first. She also got overall reserve champion with her market heifer.

Noah Richards got a blue with his senior calf.

We would also like to thank the Waverly FFA for helping out in the FFA food stand with us.

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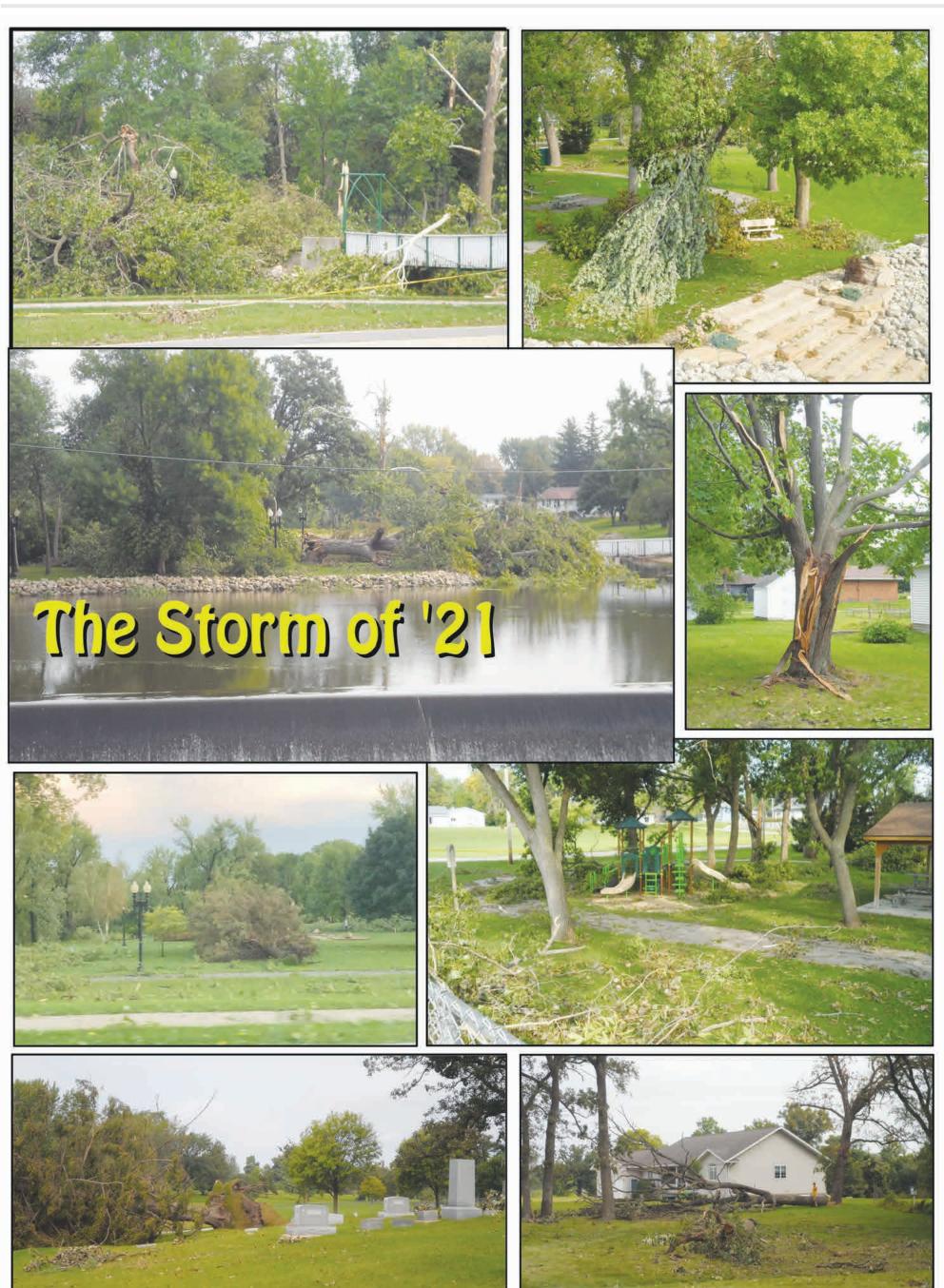






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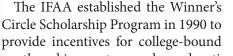
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Country Store

Kleitsch awarded IFAA Scholarship at State Fair Sale of Champions

FAIRBANK - Kaylee Kleitsch of Fairbank was awarded the \$1,000 Iowa Poultry Association Scholarship by the Iowa Foundation for Agricultural Advancement (IFAA) during the Iowa State Fair Sale of Champions on Saturday, Aug. 21. Kaylee is the daughter of Brenda and Richard Kleitsch.





youth seeking post-secondary education in an area of agriculture. The IFAA awarded 98 youth more than \$184,350 in

> scholarships this year. IFAA is a non-profit organization founded in 1988. It is comprised of agricultural enthusiasts dedicated to encouraging 4-H and FFA livestock, poultry, and agriculture project members to pursue Ag-related careers. IFAA founders recognized that Iowa's young people are the future of agriculture in Iowa and that an important way to support and retain Iowa's future Ag-leaders is to provide financial support to those young people interested in Ag-careers.

> IFAA's primary programs are the Sale of Champions, which is done in conjunction with the annual Iowa State Fair, and the Winner's Circle Scholarship and Awards program. More than \$9,643,725 has been generated since 1988 for 2,466Winner's Circle Scholarships, 1,703 Performance and Carcass Awards, and 456 Sale of Champions livestock exhibitors.

Waffle & Sausage Breakfast

Sunday, September 12th 9:00 - noon

Fairbank American Legion

Serving: Belgian Waffles w/ toppings, Sausage, Coffee & Juice FREE WILL OFFERING

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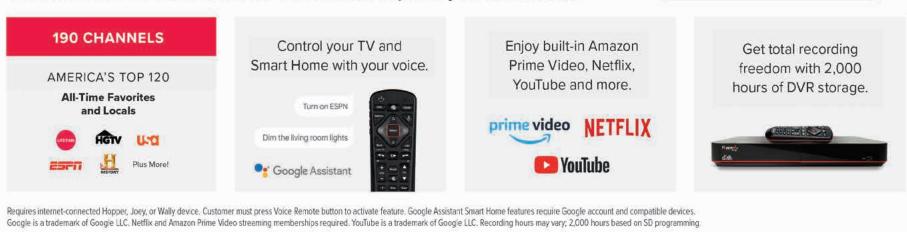
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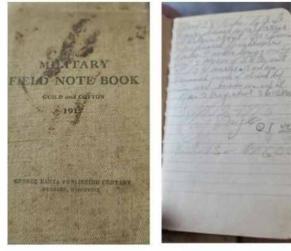
He Lost an Arm in WWI – But Nothing Stopped Fred T. Bushby

by Betty Brandt Passick



Julie Ross Wolkenhauer says Grandfather Frederick Thomas Bushby was born May 25, 1890 on a farm outside of Oelwein, Iowa. He was the second of five children born to James Bushby (1860– 1910) and Elizabeth Blacklock Bushby (1859–1947): Emily Jane Bushby Carlson (1888–1977), Fred, Dora B Bushby Paine (1893–1966), Marjorie Bushby Trotter (1894–1982), and Merritt Bushby (1898–1974).

At age 26, Fred heard Uncle Sam's call for men to enlist to fight in the Border War, part of the Mexican Revolution (1910–1919). He enlisted June 22, 1916 at Waterloo and joined the state militia, according to Fred's handwritten notes. After mobilizing at Camp Dodge, B Company 1st Iowa Infantry, he left for Mexico to do border patrol for seven and one-half months. On January 15, 1917, he mustered out at Fort Des Moines, only to be called back on March 24 for special duty from April 1 to August 5.



Then he was examined by Federal officers and formally drafted into Federal Service.

Uncle Sam called again, this time at the outset of America's entry in The Great War (1816-1818), and again Fred responded.

He was a unique soldier, in that he kept a 'journal' throughout his military service--though over time, his words, written in pencil, have faded and become difficult to read. At some point Fred typed this summary of his service record.

Service Record by Fred Bushby

About the middle of August, men from the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Iowa Infantry were selected to form the 168th INF, a unit of the Rainbow Division. From then on, I was a member of Co. B 168th Infantry. I trained from the fairgrounds at Des Moines September 9th for Camp Mills Long Island, where the Rainbow Division was mobilizing to leave October 18th overseas. We loaded on the President Grant and with 5500 men on board and left the harbor at 11 p.m. For five days we were with the rest of the convoy, then we had boiler trouble and were forced to return. We went to Camp Mills and on November 14 and made a second start. Seventeen days later, after being chased by a submarine into Belfast harbor, he landed at Liverpool. From there we went to Winchester, England, where we spent 7 days in camp. From there, we moved to the harbor at South Hampton and slipped across the Channel at night, arriving at Le Havre, France at 4 a.m, where we stayed for 36 hours, loaded for Haute Marne country, near Chaumont. In the later part of January we moved to Ormancey, from where we started the line early in February. After a few days we reached Cerveriller and marched from there to Baccarat where we were reviewed by Gen. Segonne. On February 23, 1918, we were ready for the first hitch.

From February 23, 1918 to June 19, 1918, we were on the Lorraine front. On May 26th and 27th my birthday was celebrated by a gas attack. When over a hundred men were gassed, 47 more were killed. May 29th against Chambois sector,

another gas attack, followed by a raid with the object of capturing American prisoners.

During these gas attacks I was slightly gassed, affecting my feet. Being unable to walk was ordered to the 165th Field Hosp. at Baccarat where I remained 15 days, then returned to my Company. Relieved from duty in Lorraine, June 19th we proceeded to the valley of the Marne. On June 27 we were transferred to the 4th Army, commanded by Gen. Gouraud, and at once ordered to the front.

July 4, 1918 marched into the

town of Suippes, where 2 Divisions of the French and Rainbow Div were matched against 9 German Div who expected to force a quick conclusion to the war.

July 14 to 18 the 4th Army broke the German offensive on the Champagne front. We were relieved after breaking the German offensive and ordered to Chateau Thierry. Arriving the morning of the 25th in the Bois de Fere near Spieds, where we were engaged in one of the most severe battles of modern history. 1482 of the regiment were killed or wounded during the seven days of fighting which followed.

I received my wounds on July 26, 1918, first received 3 machine gun bullets and later received shrapnel wounds which disabled me for duty on the front. There were so many killed and wounded that the first aid men did not have time to care for all. I walked about a mile and a quarter after being wounded, giving out within sight of the ambulance. Was taken by litter bearer to the ambulance where I lost consciousness. Three days later when I regained consciousness at a field hospital at Chateau Thierry, my right arm was gone, and my left thumb. From there I was sent to American Red Cross Hosp No 1 at Trest, where I stayed until the 27th of August, going to Naval No 1 at Brest, where I stayed two days, then loaded on boats, sailed on Aeolus for the United States on August 29th. Arrived at Newport News September 11 and was sent to Camp Stuart, leaving here September 14th for Walter Reed General Hospital in Washington, D.C. Discharged from U.S. General Hosp No 26, Fort Des Moines, Iowa, March 5,1919.

Julie noted: "Some of Fred's blood spilled onto the "Military Field Note Book" he had carried."

Fred's mother Elizabeth received word her son had been injured in a July 30, 1919 letter, written by an army chaplain, published in the Oelwein Daily Register. It stated Fred had been hurt in the right arm and lost two fingers on the left hand. He was in good spirits, and his only regret seemed to be that he wasn't able to be in the fighting.

Another letter written by Fred from his hospital bed in Washington, D. C. appeared in the Oelwein Daily Register on October 16, 1918.

Former Oelwein Boy Wounded

Dear Folks: Well, I will try and write a few lines, but it is rather hard with only a few fingers on my left hand. My right arm is gone at the elbow. I was also hit in the right shoulder, and small of back. My left thumb is gone and the hand shattered, so you will have to excuse this scribbling. I was at the front six months. Wounded twice, June 17 and July 28, and was gassed May 22, my birthday. A cloud gas attack lasting seven hours and twenty minutes. Sure was awful. That was the way the Boche [Germans]celebrated my birthday. We were 'shock troops,' the same as the Blue Devils [88th Infantry Division]. The Boche called us the Red Devils. Wherever the lines had to be busted we were put in to break the German offensive. We broke it on the Champagne and Somme, the Marna, and also Chatese Thierry. So you can see I have been in the thickest of it. Our division has made a name for itself. It is known all over France and we have had several citations by French generals.

Well, I have hiked over the Old Roman Highway and fought on the same ground Napoleon fought on. Have seen sights I never want to see again as long as I live.

We killed so many Germans in two days on the Champagne, just west of Venlum, the ground was covered with them and it smelled so we could not eat a thing. It made us sick to stay there, but that was War. We broke up nine German divisions in two days, also got four of their big steel tanks.

Well, I must close, my hand gets nervous. Tell Vivian Uncle Teddy says hello and to write.

Fred's bravery in battle is noted in a book, The Story of the 168th Infantry Volume 1 by John H. Taber, published at Iowa City, Iowa, The State Historical Society of Iowa:

(P 93) The assault, however, was not confined to G. C. 11. To the extreme left of the sector was a small, isolated combat position, PSJ, defended by a group of B Company men and two auto-riflement from A under Sergeant Bushby. Instead of taking to shelter, this courageous leader elected to remain out in the open during the entire bombardment, and as a result of his observations, was so able to dispose his forces and to direct the fire of his automatic rifles as to completely shatter the attack of the enemy who had almost succeeded in outflanking the post.

He received the Purple Heart for being wounded as a result of enemy action while serving in the U.S. military.

Upon returning from overseas, Fred Bushby married Marie E. Johnson (1897-

1952) on December 14, 1918. It's uncertain how they met. She had grown up in several communities in southwestern Iowa.

The couple resided at the H. D. Leehey apartment building on Grove Street in Fairbank. A photo of the building hung on a wall in their home for many years. It's believed this structure originated as the Baldwin Hotel, built about 1857 and later, the Dodge Hotel. The structure was finally torn down a few years ago,



A building (not pictured in the photo) to the west would have been the 'Old Slaughter House,' owned by James G. Curley for use as a locker and butchering. "The horse in the forefront was called a 'Judas' horse, used to calm the cows when led one by one to their slaughter," Julie said.

Five children were born to Fred and Marie Bushby: Charles (unknown-1919), James R. (1922-1994), John, Richard, Mildred Dewald (1920-1992), and Marian Keller Ross (1925-2005) - Julie Wolkenhauer's mother.

In 1952 Marie Bushby, 54, died after a short illness.

In October 1957, Fred bought and remodeled the residence known as the Lewis Dietz residence--located on the west side of the Wapsie River next to the bridge, across from Don's Truck Sales on the east bank-- and moved there.

Living next to the river, it wasn't unusual then owned by Maurice and Wilma Welsh. for Fred to come across people fishing in a

section below his residencemost got velled at, especially if trying to use the shortcut across his property up to the bridge. The wise person found a way to negotiate use of the path in exchange for a few freshly caught fish. Then, with each return trip, you likely heard lots of stories about the war and how he lost his arm.

Over the years the injuries and gassing he endured during The Great War required follow-up care at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Iowa City.

Fred T. Bushby died May 5, 1970, at age 80. He's buried next to Marie in the Fairbank Cemetery.

Julie says she learned of a story from an older cousin that her grandpa used to tell: 'He would hang his arm prosthesis on the bridge while fishing, and must have gotten quite the reaction from the Amish--as he did it many times after that."

In later years, most often he was seen around town without the prosthesis, with one sleeve of his shirt pinned up.

Something else most people don't remember about Fred Bushy: He served as Buchanan County Sheriff from 1920-1924.

"I'm not sure how he did that job--being one-armed, but he didn't really let anything stand in his way that he wanted to do," Julie said.

City of Fairbank City Council Opportunity



The City of Fairbank will be holding a municipal election this November. The position of Mayor and three council seats will be on the ballot. The mayor's position has a two-year term, and the council seats have four-year terms. Mike Harter is the current mayor. Ted Vorwald, Tyler Woods, and Tammy Erickson hold the council seats that will be on the ballot.

The people elected will begin to serve as of January 1, 2022.

If you have any interest in running, there are two forms that need to be turned into Buchanan County no earlier than August 23rd and no later than September 16th.

The two forms are an Affidavit of Candidacy, which must be completed by the candidate and signed in the presence of a notary, and a Nomination Petition, which must contain the signatures of at least 10 eligible voters. Candidates should collect and file more than the minimum number of signatures.

These forms are available at City Hall from the City Clerk, from the courthouse, or from the Secretary of State website at https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/electioninfo/cityelections.html.

The election will be held on November 2, 2021.





West Bentley Park By Wilma Welsh

The mill property included land on the east side of the river, where the mill stood, and land on the west side of the river adjacent to the dam.

Robert Bentley bought the mill in 1929. On April 29, 1935, he deeded the mill property to the town, except the land on which the mill stood. The mill burned down on August 1, 1943, and on June 9, 1945, the remainder of the property was deeded to the town by Robert and Mildred Bentley.

A large stone with an attached plaque was placed on the spot where the mill stood, commemorating the transaction.

In 1998, just before Mildred Bentley's 100th birthday, a large wooden sign was made by Brad Welsh and placed on the west side of the river, recognizing the donation by Robert and Mildred. The sign is no longer there.

West Bentley Park has a picnic area and playground equipment, placed there by the Fun For Everyone Committee.

Living on the Edge

By Pat Pint

The seed catalog arrived on the coldest, dreariest day of winter. All the fruits and vegetables looked so tempting and thoughts of spring danced in my head.

Those thoughts stayed with me while I plant-shopped in late April. I would be canning in earnest and bought 40 tomato plants. Birds, squirrels and rabbits manage to munch off most of the plants, so we bought 50 more plants.

We babied them through rain, then drought, and at long last, we were blessed with big, ripe, meaty tomatoes.

As soon as a tomato turned red, I rescued it from the garden, then carefully canned every edible ounce. This went on for 65 quarts or so. The garden seemed to beckon less and less.

My tomato standards decreased with every five gallon bucket I picked. If the 'mater wasn't perfect, I chucked it to the compost pile. We canned whole toma-

toes, salsa, pizza and pasta sauce. We even made some terrible ketchup, good soup, juice and chili sauce. It seemed the original 40 plants and then the extra 50 continued to over-achieve.

We have given away pails of tomatoes to neighbors, former co-workers, and even in the collection basket. I offered 'tomato smoothies' to guests, and tried sneaking them into a pie crust. (My daughter claims that's how pizza was born). I even asked to have the annual church dinner moved up another month so I could pawn off even more. No way could I waste tomatoes that were babied all spring and much of the summer.

It's time to call a tomato truce. It's okay to mow off the remaining vines. You say "to-may-to", I say "to-No-to". Remind me when next winter's catalogs arrive, to take tomato inventory, and order flower bulbs.



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The Fairbank Community Club would like to thank all who have shown support for our efforts to bring our community together this year and in past years.

Music in the Park has been very successful this summer. We will host one more gathering on Thursday, September 9th from 6:00 until 8:00 in the Gazebo Park. Music will be provided by Mitch Boevers and Jason Kayser. Bring your chair and cooler and come join in the fun. Thank you to all the local musicians who have shared their talents with us including Mitch Boevers, Aaron Smith, Bruce Beringer, Gina Owens, and Jason Kayser. Because of your great support, we plan to continue Music in the Park in 2022.

The Community Club hosted two



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successful Life Serve Blood Drives with one more planned for this fall.

In March we held our Annual Fish Fry. It was a little more complicated this year, due to the fact that we offered customers the option to dine-in or driveup in back to pick up their order. But all went well, and we thank those who ventured out.

In April we brought the Easter Bunny to town to greet the kids down at the Gazebo and hand out treats. Thanks to the parents who stood in line with their kids.

We appreciated your support of our Fairbank Days Food Stand at the car show. The Community Club sponsored two candidates for Fairbank Queen. Thank you Hailey Eitzenhefer and Ellie Neil for representing us. We also helped the city fund the fabulous fireworks enjoyed by all.

Please join us on Sunday morning, September 12th from 9:00 until 12:00 for our Sausage and Belgian Waffle Breakfast. This will be Free Will and held at the Fairbank American Legion Hall. Hope you can join us.

In June 2020, we put out the first issue of the Fairbank Islander newspaper. We hope you enjoy it! Many thanks go out to the local businesses that have chose to advertise with us. Their participation helps us to cover the printing costs and also the postage fees that make it possible for us to send out a free newspaper to all residents in the 50629 zip code. The Community Club also delivers a stack of papers to Oran, Readlyn, Dunkerton, Jesup, Littleton, Hazleton and Oelwein, mostly in convenience stores, giving the advertisers a little more coverage. And, of course, we also thank those who have submitted articles, photos and news items, it really helps us a lot.

The Fairbank Community Club will soon be collecting dues for 2022. We welcome anyone interested in getting involved in our community to join us. You do not have to be a business owner to belong.

We are a nonprofit organization that provides a variety of services and hosts a number of events throughout the year for the betterment of Fairbank. All money raised goes back into the community. Dues are just \$20 for the year per couple or business. We meet on the third Wednesday of every other month beginning in January. Social time begins at 5:30 with our business meeting beginning at 6:00. If you are interested, join us for our next meeting on September 15th at 5:30 at the Fairbank American Legion. You may also email Jean Bellis at sisjean2@gmail.com.

Your Support is Greatly Appreciated, The Fairbank Community Club



"[The Lord] established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which He commanded our fathers to teach to their children, that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God." (Psalm 78:5-7 English Standard Version)

It's that time of the year, again. By the time you read this, our children will have returned to their schools. Some of them are returning for a new year of greater study. Others are starting out for the first time. It's been good to have them home for the summer, but now the learning must continue. We send them to school because we want our children to learn and grow in knowledge so that, in whatever field, they may apply that knowledge in service to their neighbor. We hope that they grow to be successful, but what we probably most want is for them to live happy and fulfilled lives.

These are good things, but have you noticed that all these things deal with just this life? Every Sunday, however, Christians confess that we believe not just in this life, but in the Resurrection of the Body and the life everlasting. That means that life is about more than just the pursuit of knowledge and success and happiness. Although these things are good and we want them for our children, ultimately what we want for our children as Christians is that they know Jesus Christ and His love. We want them to know that Jesus died and rose for them so that they might have the forgiveness of sins and not die eternally, but live forever with Him and our fellow Christians in heaven and the New Creation. More than just happy, we want them to be blessed.

The way that happens is that we teach them. I can use the word "we" now, since I am a father, beyond my responsibilities as pastor. As Christian parents, it is primarily our responsibility to teach our children about Jesus. It is a work given to us by God to model our faith for our children, both in words and in actions. For example, this means setting aside time each week to bring them to church. The public worship service is one of the most important (if not the most) tools we have to teach our children. There they get to hear God's Word, sing, pray, interact with other Christians and learn from their wisdom and experience - all on a weekly basis. You can find the statistics very easily if you Google them. If we want our children to remain Christians, regular attendance is very important. We should also talk about having a time of devotion at home each day where we read Scripture and pray as a family. Because of space, we'll have to leave that to another time.

Just as we use school as a tool to teach our children, we also have similar tool in the Church. We call it - you guessed - Sunday school. I encourage you as a parent or grandparent, to make use of this tool. As far as I'm aware, every congregation in town has one - but I'd be remiss if I didn't plug Sunday School here at St. John's. Our children meet every week before service, beginning about 9:15. Our program is rigorous but fun, and the children spend their time in direct contact with God's Word. Once children have progressed in their studies they start in our Confirmation program during 5th grade, which I teach. We spend a period of years studying Scripture and Christian doctrine, with the hope and confidence that our children will be well prepared for a long (eternal) life in the Christian faith

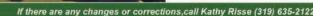
Both things - Sunday School and Confirmation are open to everyone. You do not have to be a member of St. John's to attend, although we'd love it, and you may find you feel the same. There is no cost, neither for these nor for the worship service. If you're looking for truth, for peace, comfort, or hope - for you or your children - you'll find it here in Christ. During this time that school starts again, consider whether it might be time to start learning Scripture (again). Sunday School at St. John's starts September 12th.

In Christ.

Pastor Jacob Swenson

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ORVALD M. OTT May 10, 1929 ~ August 3, 2021

Orvald Matthias Ott, age 92 of Fairbank, passed away Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at the Cedar Valley Hospice Home in Waterloo. He was born May 10, 1929 in rural Cresco the son of John and Mary (Junge) Ott.



Orvald married Lenora Reysack on September 1, 1956 in Waterloo at St. John's Catholic Church. Orvald and Lenora lived in Waterloo until 1965 when they purchased a farm in Bremer county located between Readlyn and Fairbank. They lived on the farm until 2017 when they moved to Fairbank. Orvald worked at Rath Packing for 31 years along with operating the family farm. He was a farmer at heart and had a love for the land and anything connected to it. Above all he truly loved and cared about his very large family, enjoying all the family get togethers along with the grandchildren's activities. He was a longtime member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and the Fairbank Knights of Columbus, of which he was a Third Degree member.

Orvald is survived by his wife of 64 years, Lenora; two sons: Brian (Dorothy) Ott of Fairbank and Wayne (Linda) Ott of Waterloo; six grandchildren: Crystal (Mitch) Thompson, Rachael (Christoph) Trappe, Gary (Monica) Ott, Beth (Jordan) Judas, Erin (Josh) Sinram and Nathan (Molly) Ott; 10 great-grandchildren; one sister-in-law: Geraldine Ott, along with many nieces and nephews and brothers and sisters in-law.

He is preceded in death by his parents and six brothers: Ervin (Lorretta) Ott, Florian (Alice) Ott, Herb (Ruby) Ott, Melvin (Audrey) Ott, John (Rosemary) Ott and Francis Ott; five sisters: Alvera (Ray) Richardson, Irene (Walt) Pittelko, Lucille (Emmett) Borseth, Janice (Frank) Mollenhoff and Joyce (Bob) Ormsby.

Funeral Mass was held on August 7, 2021 at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Fairbank, with interment at a later date at Immsculate Conception Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to the church, American Cancer Society, St. Jude's Children's Hospital or Cedar Valley Hospice.



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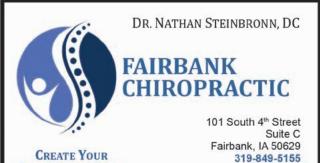
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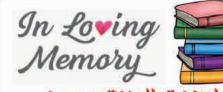
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Linda McCann, Iowa Author and Speaker

Linda McCann will be speaking on Wednesday, September 8th at 4:00pm. She will be presenting on Research for Non-Fiction Writing

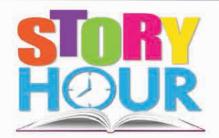
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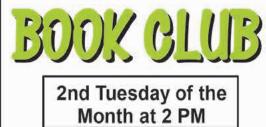
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Oct. 27	Halloween
Nov. 10	Pumpkins
Nov. 17	Owls
Nov. 24	Thanksgiving
Dec. 8	Snowman
Dec. 15	Christmas



August Book Club Book "No One Ever Asked" by Katie Ganshert <u>September</u> <u>Book Club Book</u> "The Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules" by Catharina Ingelman-Sundberg Please contact the library if you would like to join our book club!

COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

REGULAR MEETING The Fairbank City Council met in regular session on Monday, August 9, 2021. Mayor Harter called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: R. Woods, Williams, Vorwald, T. Woods, and Erickson. Absent: None. Also, present at City Hall: Brian Delagardelle, Wastewater Operator; Mike Everding, Part-Time Police Chief; Brittany Full-er, City Clerk; and Michelle Laube, Deputy Clerk. Williams/Erickson to approve the agenda. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. There were no comments during the public comment section. Vorwald/T. Woods to approve the minutes of July 26th Regular Meeting. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Williams/Erickson to open the public hearing on the 2021 Water System Improvements. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. There were no comments received verbally or in writing. R. Woods/T. Woods to close the public hearing. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.

Verbaily or in writing. R. Woods 1. Woods to close the public hearing. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Jon Biederman with Fehr Graham was present for the 2021 Water Sys-tem Improvements discussions. He explained that four bids were received for the bid letting that was held on Thursday August 5th. Donlon Brothers Construction LLC came in with the lowest price for the base bid and both

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was also determined that around four hours of carpentry work was needed.
 R. Woods/Vorwald to have James McGrane re-stain the wood and get the boards fixed and replaced along with the roof by a carpenter. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.
 The council will research who is required to keep the sidewalks up to date with any special painting for handicap areas etc. Mayor Harter had noticed that there was no painting left on any of the Main Street sidewalks. It will be discussed at future meetings.
 Benny Ruehs offered to clean the stones at the Fairbank Cemetery at no cost to the city. A couple of examples of his work from the IC Cemetery were shown and the council thought he did great work. Erickson/T. Woods to allow Benny Ruehs to start cleaning the stones in the city cemetery that are needing it. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.
 The council received bids for possible parking lot applications behind City Hall. They were for double seal coat, asphalt, and cement. Councilman Vorwald din't know if the double seal coat would hold up to the fire departments heavy vehicles and the cement quote was a little more than they wanted to spend. Vorwald/Erickson to approve the quote from Kluesner Construction, Inc. for \$9,715.00 for asphalt on the rear parking lot behind City Hall. This will be beneficial for custormer traffic when Main Street is closed for construction. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.
 The Fairbank Development Corporation and the Fairbank Community Club were in favor of teaming up with the city to get a commercial in place through OnMedia. The price for a six-month long bundle was \$450.00 a month. T. Woods/Vorwald to get a commercial oping splitting the cost three ways between the Fairbank Development Corporation, the Fairbank Community Club, and the city. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.
 With the new policy adopted fall of last year on employee evaluation forms, the mayor requested information on what process to follow when conducting the evaluations. R. Wo

None.	
APPARATUS TESTING SERV, LLC., Testing	\$580.00
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BIRDNOW MOTOR TRADE, Supplies	\$156.94
BLACK HAWK WASTE DISPOSAL, Services	\$5,814.90
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BUCHANAN COUNTY ECONONIC DEV., FY22 Dues	\$2,013.91
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BUTLER COUNTY REC, Services	\$350.00

CARRICO AQUATIC PRODUCTS, Supplies	\$315.00
CASEY'S GENERAL STORE, Gas	\$802.98
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CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION, Natural Gas CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION, Reservation	\$2,244.12 \$4,321.56
LYNDA CUTSFORTH, Reimbursement	\$36.74
DAVIS LAWN SERVICE, Services	\$692.00
BEN DELAGARDELLE, Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$75.00
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DON'S TRUCK SALES, Supplies	\$32.07
DAKOTA DRISH, Reimbursement EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS, Supplies	\$29.99 \$309.75
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FAIRBANK FOOD CENTER, Concessions & Supplies	\$42.12
FAIRBANK POSTMASTER, August Utility Bill Postage	\$136.80
FAIRBANK SIGN DESIGN, Lettering	\$73.55
CITY OF FAIRBANK, Electric & Gas	\$7,114.14
CITY OF FAIRBANK, Utility Deposit Applied FEHR GRAHAM, Engineering Fees	\$121.80 \$10,151.50
FIRE SERVICE TRAINING BUREAU, Training	\$150.00
GALL'S INC., Supplies	\$94.56
MEGIN HEISELMAN, Swim Lesson Refund	\$35.00
IA DEPT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, Permit Fee	\$210.00
IAMU, Annual Trans Leak Survey	\$1,645.00
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IPERS, Benefits	\$5,194.60
DAVID JERGENS, Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$75.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL, Supplies	\$41.99
KEYSTONE LABORATORIES, INC., Testing	\$564.60
MANATT'S, Concrete WENDY MATTHIAS, Swim Lesson Refund	\$1,242.50 \$70.00
MAURER TREE SRVICE, Services	\$650.00
MERCYONE WATERLOO MEDICAL CENTER. Drug Testin	g \$24.00
STEVE MILLER CONSTRUCTION, LLC, Services	\$4,975.00
MODERN BUILDING PRODUCTS, Supplies	\$833.15
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NSB/HSA-HSA Payroll Deductions	\$150.00 \$290.00
NE SECURITY BANK, 7/1/21 Payroll Processing Fee	\$10.00
NE SECURITY BANK, 7/15/21 Payroll Processing Fee	\$9.30
NE SECURITY BANK, Utility ACH Service Charge	\$10.00
OELWEIN PUBLISHING, Publishings	\$262.50
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SUPERIOR WELDING SUPPLY CO., Oxygen	\$30.61
TERESA IMBROGNO, Reimbursement TREASURER-STATE OF IOWA, Jul Sales Tax	\$36.74 \$2,885.80
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA, Jul Excise Tax	\$1,398.96
TURF & LANDSCAPE, INC., Services	\$790.00
U. S. TREASURY, 941 Taxes	\$10,244.73
U.S. BANK, PEFA Gas	\$1,955.34
USA BLUEBOOK, Supplies	\$174.55
UTILITY SAFETY & DÉSIGN INC., Services VERIZON WIRELESS. Cell Phones	\$1,170.00 \$158.50
VISA, Supplies & Training	\$439.51
WATERLOO TENT & TARP CO., Supplies	\$262.00
WELLMARK, Premium	\$1,293.67
WESCO RECEIVABLES CORP., Supplies	\$855.00
BRENT WIERCK, Services	\$525.00 \$515.99
WINDSTREAM ENTERPRISE, Services The Library Board approved the following bills on August 4	
SYNCB/AMAZON, Supplies	\$41.93
BAKER & TAYLOR INC., Books	\$533.75
CITY OF FAIRBANK, Electric & Gas	\$152.48
DAVIS LAWN SERVICE, Services	\$42.00
FAIRBANK FOOD CENTER, Supplies	\$15.96
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WINDSTREAM ENTERPRISE, Services \$68.33 VISA, Shipping \$5.23 Everding stated that they had been working on clearing up some con-nection issues with the office computer. Delagardelle stated that the ve-hicles up for bid on August 23rd were all ready to sell and that they had a water main break that past week. Mayor Harter updated the council on the upcoming election stating that the papers could be taken out and the filing period with the county was August 23rd through September 16th. The posi-tion of Mayor and three council seats will be on the ballot. Vorwald/T. Woods to adjourn at 7:17 PM. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Mike Harter, Mayor Brittany Fuller, City Clerk



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Works Director; Mike Everding, Part-time Police Chief; and Michelle Laube, Deputy Clerk.
Vorwald/Williams to amend the agenda to include Discussion – Repairs and Painting the Gazebo in Riverside Park and to approve the amended agenda. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.
There were no public comments.
Vorwald/T. Woods to approve the minutes of July 12th Regular Meeting.
Ayes: Five. Nays: None.
Williams/T. Woods to approve the approve Resolution 2021-20 – Resolution Establishing Employee Salaries to add a pool employee. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.
R. Woods/Erickson to approve Resolution 2021-21 – Resolution Naming Depositories. Ayes: Four. Nays: None. Abstain: Williams. Erickson/Vorwald to adopt the IAMU Operations & Maintenance Plan Addendum A-1. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.

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ment that needs to pull in to fuel up. Jergens will get a quote for two – three inches of asphalt and further discussions/decisions will be done at the next council meeting. The gazebo at Riverside Park needing repainting and repair work was discussed. Councilman Vorwald stated that the gazebo hadn't been re-painted in many years and certain areas are needing repaired. It will be on for discussion/decision at the next council meeting. Everding stated that the new police vehicle was at Racom a month ago for adjustments on a few sensors but otherwise it was running great. Everd-ing has safety concerns of people walking, standing, or fishing on the dam. Mayor Harter approved Jergens to order signage to post. He also stated that Shieldware had been installed and they will be here Wednesday for training. Discussion on what to do with the old police car and the old city pickup took place. It was decided to put the vehicles up for bid. Bids will be opened on Monday, August 23, 2021. All written bids must be received by 6:00 p.m. on August 23rd. Anyone who submitted a written bid may attend the council meeting and raise their bid at that time. Jergens reported that the new city pick-up had arrived, and he is in process of ordering lettering. He also reported that the pouring of concrete at city shop was going to be done that week. Jergens asked the council their thoughts about the city hauling rock. It was decided that the city will no longer do this anymore. Jergens also reported that the aquatic center had an annual inspection, and everything was good except a depth marker for the zero entry was not posted, and the floats on the new lap ropes were not five feet apart. That has since been corrected Vorwald/T. Woods to adjourn at 6:36 pm. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Mike Harter, Mayor Michelle Laube, Deputy Clerk

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ALICE JEAN LEEHEY

November 7, 1938 ~ August 18, 2021

Alice Jean Leehey passed away at Ravenwood Specialty Care in Waterloo on August 18, 2021. Funeral services were held September 3, 2021 with visitation from 9:30-11:00 at Woods Funeral Home in Fairbank, Iowa. Inurnment was in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery immediately after the service. There



was a Celebration of her Life after the inurnment, at the Union Station 1736 16th Ave. SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Alice was born November 7, 1938 to parents Floyd and Dorothy (Clark) Nelson in Perry, Iowa. During her high school years, Alice played in the state girls basketball tournament for Perry High School, later graduating in 1957. She met and married Ray (Ike) Cook on October 4, 1958. They became parents to five rambunctious boys: Douglas, Donald, Dennis, Tom, and Scott. When asked about raising five boys, Alice would quip "I would rather raise five boys then five girls any day." Ike passed away in 1977. As a single mom, Alice provided a loving, stable home to her boys. Kids in their SW side neighborhood also lovingly referred to Alice as "Mom."

Alice played Cedar Rapids women's softball and bowled on city leagues. In 1981, Alice married Jim Leehey in Arkansas. Together they ran a trucking business, first in Cedar Rapids and later in Oelwein where they moved. She enjoyed going to casinos and was a killer Scrabble player. She had a quick wit yet a soft heart.

Preceding Alice in death were her parents; her brother Lloyd; sisters Doris and Peggy, husbands Ike and Jim, and son Doug.

Surviving to celebrate her life and honor her memory are sons: Don (Mona) Cook, Dennis (Melody) Cook, Tom (Hodgie) Cook, Scott Cook; and daughter-in-law Dawn Cook; siblings: Harold (Nancy) Nelson, Robert (Karen) Nelson, Sally (Al) Childs, Jack (Cathy) Nelson, and John (Nancy) Nelson. The circle of Alice's life continues in her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The family thanks Eva Monaghan for her friendship to the end. The family compliments Ravenwood staff for the care they provided Alice the last five years.

JANETTA SCHELLHORN

October 14, 1922 ~ August 11, 2021

Janetta Schellhorn, 98, of Oelwein passed away Wednesday August 11, 2021. Services were held August 16, 2021 at Zion Lutheran Church in Oelwein with Pastor Josh Schunk officiating. Interment was in Floral Hills Memorial Gardens at Hazleton. A memorial fund has been established



Janetta Caroline Tiedt was born

in Readlyn on October 14, 1922 to parents John and Louisa (Wolfgram) Tiedt. On September 3, 1940 she was united in marriage with Willhart Carl Schellhorn in the Grove Hill Church. Jan and Willhart farmed in the Oran area for 25 years. They moved to Oelwein in 1965 and joined Zion Lutheran Church where they became very active. Jan loved to dance and play cards.

Left to celebrate her life are her children: Julene DeHart of Hazleton, Dale (Patti) Schellhorn of Marion, Gary (Debby) Schellhorn of Marion, Jimmy (Sandy) Schellhorn of Monona and Bryce (Amy) Schellhorn of Center Point; 16 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; 8 great-great grandchildren; her siblings: John (Sherry) Tiedt of Readlyn, Paul (Marilee) Tiedt of Readlyn, Violet Schuldt of Tripoli and Delores Joens of Dunkerton; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her brother Henry Tiedt; her sister LaVera Averhoff; and her granddaughter Deborah Brewer.

CRAIG A. SCHMIDT

September 5, 1954 ~ August 5, 2021

On Thursday, August 5, 2021, Craig Schmidt of Ankeny, Iowa passed away at the age of 66. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, son and brother. Services were held August 9, 2021 at Memorial Services of Iowa in Ankeny.

Craig was born on September 5, 1954 in Sumner, Iowa to Bob

and Marlene (Schweer) Schmidt. He was a 1972 graduate of Wapsie Valley High School.

He received his undergrad from Iowa State and an MBA from Iowa en route to building a 30-plus year career in agribusiness. On June 8, 1974 Craig married Jane Clayton. Together they raised a son, Zack, and two daughters, Corrie and Nicky. An imposing figure with the heart of a gentle giant, Craig could often be found sporting a gold "Attitude" pin on his lapel. More than a slogan, Craig believed deeply in treating others with respect and bringing a strong work ethic to everything he did. He was a leader, a mentor, a coach and a friend.

While Craig dipped his toe at all three of Iowa's universities, his heart beat black and gold. Whether football, basketball, or wrestling, Craig followed his Hawks closely and cheered them on passionately. His lifelong love of sports also led to many summer afternoons spent on the ball diamond - first on his own teams and then helping his kids develop a love of the game. For Craig, though, sports meant more than the game; it meant commitment, dedication, and loyalty. Nowhere was this more true than in his passion for the Chicago Cubs - spanning decades of futility before finally capturing that elusive World Series.

While his sports fandom was often public, Craig's passion for music was less well known but ran just as deep. A saxophonist in his youth, his eclectic musical tastes crossed genres, with Neil Diamond, Chicago, and Frank Sinatra tucked into his playlists between Mozart and Led Zeppelin. He passed this love of music along to his kids through both band and choir and was thrilled to see it being embraced by his grandchildren before his passing.

Craig was preceded in death by his father, Bob. He is survived by his wife, Jane; son, Zack (Beth); daughters, Corrie (Kody) and Nicky (Ryan); grandchildren, Mallory, Dominic, and Cailyn; sister, Lori (Mike); and his mother, Marlene.

The family encourages donations in Craig's name to the UI Stead Family Children's Hospital Fund.

STEVEN R. TURNER February 19, 1948 ~ August 7, 2021

CEDAR FALLS - Steven R. Turner, 73, of Cedar Falls, died Saturday, August 7, 2021 at MercyOne in Water-

He was born February 19, 1948, in Waterloo, Iowa, the son of Richard and Vione Detmering Turner. During his school years, the family lived in Readlyn. Steve graduated from Wapsie Valley High School in 1966

and served his country in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam Era. Steve was a musical and cultural icon in the Cedar Valley. He had a great passion for music and the arts.

He was survived by: his cousin and best friend: Isaac Turner-Hall of Cedar Falls; and cousins: Cindy Moody and Jeff Turner. Preceded in death by his parents; cousins: Joe Turner, Tom Turner, Donnie Turner, and Erica Turner.

Celebration of Steve's life was held Sunday, August 15, 2021 at the Octopus, 2205 College St., Cedar Falls. Online condolences may be left at: www.richardsonfuneralservice. com.

LARRY L. BOCKHOLT August 20, 1940 ~ August 17, 2021

Larry Loraine Bockholt, age 80, passed away Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at his home in rural Fairbank. He was born August 20, 1940 on the family farm near Fairbank, the son of Henry Bockholt and Iva (Mishler) Baum.

Larry attended and graduated from Oran-Fairbank High School in 1959. Larry proudly



served in the United States Army from 1963-1964. He married Marta Sweerin on July 28, 1961 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Fairbank. Larry farmed the family farm and also worked at Deere & Company in Waterloo for 30 years, retiring in 1991. Larry enjoyed anything to do with the outdoors including hunting, fishing and camping. He also enjoyed playing cards and was an avid fan of the Iowa Hawkeyes. Most of all, Larry enjoyed the time he spent with his family.

He is survived by his wife: Marta "Marty"; and children: Garry (Melody) Bockholt of Norwalk, Luann (Joel) Grandon of Marion, Linda (Tom) Grandon of Olathe, KS, and Mark (Mandy) Bockholt of Fairbank; as well as 14 grandchildren: Curtis, Erica, Chad (Lauren), Michael, Kyle (Emily), Neal (Ali), Travis, Sam (Alexis), Addy, and Lexi; one great-grandchild, Maggie; and six honorary grandchildren. Also survived by one sister: Ellen Merritt of Arizona; sisters and brothers-in-law: Marlys "Tootie" Murray, Rolene Whitesell, Barb Sweerin, Jimmy (Brenda) Widner, Marlene Smith and Larry O'Brien.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents; brother Duane Bockholt; and several brothers-in-law and sistersin-law.

Services were held August 21, 2021 at the Open Bible Church in Waterloo. Interment at a later date in Grove Hill Cemetery, rural Readlyn, with military rites conducted by Fairbank American Legion Fortsch-Duffy Post 552.

Memorials may be directed to the family for later designation.



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In Iowa in 2019, there were six fatalities over the three-day Labor Day weekend. Three of these fatalities involved a drunk driver. To help keep people safe on our roadways and put an end to drunk driving, extra law enforcement will be out, both locally and nationally, in support of the 2021 Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over campaign from August 20 through September 6, 2021.

One of the deadliest and most often committed – yet preventable – crimes (impaired driving), has become a serious safety epidemic in our country. We can all do our part to put the brakes on drunk and drugged driving. Remember that it is never okay to drink/drug and drive. Even if you plan to have only one alcoholic beverage, designate a sober driver or use a ride serve to get home safely. If you see a drunk driver on the road, contact your local law enforcement. Do you have a friend who is about to drink and drive? Take the keys away and make arrangements to get your friend home safely. These are small tasks that can make a BIG difference to save lives.

The Iowa Department of Public Safety and the Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau reminds you: Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over.

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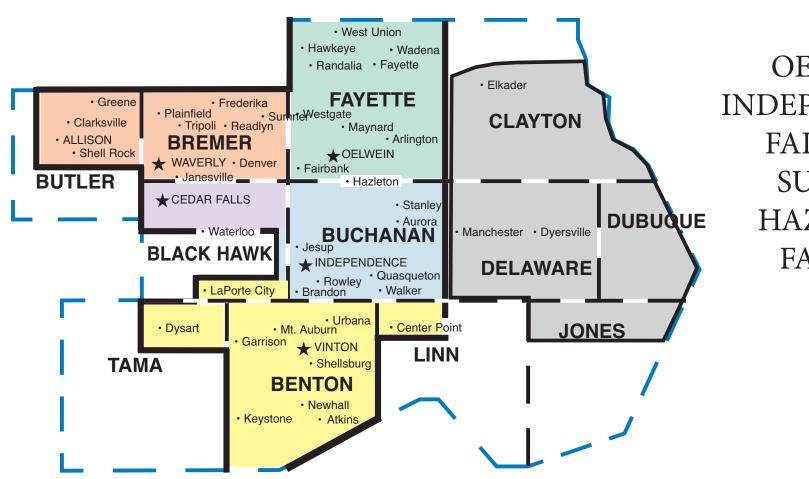
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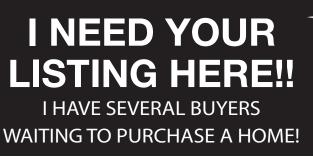
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