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## Celebrating commencement at the NAIA Tournament

By Jenna Comes

The Morningside University baseball team earned an at-large berth spot in the 2023 NAIA Baseball National Championship when the field was released on May 11.

The Mustangs were the No. 3 seed in the five-team bracket hosted by LSU Shreveport in Shreveport, Louisiana.

This meant the baseball seniors missed out on walking at Morningside's commencement ceremony that was held on Saturday, May 13. One of those seniors was MVAOCO alumni Zak Scott. He is a pitcher for the Mustangs.

Scott said it was very exciting and relieving when

the team found out they make the tournament.

"It's been one of our goals my entire time at Morningside and to finally accomplish it was awesome," he said.

He said the seniors were able to get their cap and gowns to Louisiana and take a group picture of all the graduates.

Scott majored in business administration and plans to attend grad school to pursue his MBA.

"My favorite part about playing for Morningside is the relationships I have made," Scott said. "The last four years have allowed me to create a lot of really strong friendships that will last a lifetime."

This was the Mustangs



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Instead of walking at Morningside's commencement ceremony the senior baseball players were in Shreveport, Louisiana for the NAIA Baseball Tournament. Pictured on the far left is Zak Scott.

first NAIA appearance since 2016. In the opening round,

they defeated McPherson (Kan.) 10-4 on May 15. They fell 12-7 to MidAmerica

Nazarene on May 16 before losing a 7-6 elimination game on May 17. Morning-

side finished their season with a record of 37-18.

# MVAOCO Graduation

MVAOCO held commencement on Sunday, May 21 for the Class of 2023.

See more pictures on page 14.

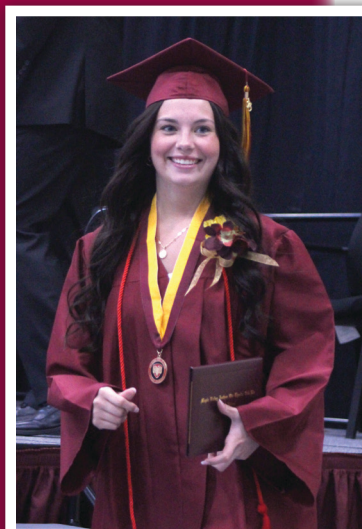


Members of the Class of 2023 throw their caps into the air.



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TJ Nutt gives the "thumbs up" that he is ready for graduation.



Kiley Davis smiles after receiving her diploma.



Nick Collins and Jaxen Cunningham-McCullough look at their diplomas.



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Trista Ohlmeier (right) placed third in the Class 2A High Jump at the State Track Meet on May 19. She jumped 5-4 to bring home the third place medal. Molly Schafer (left) of Eddyville Blakesburg Fremont was second and Maddie Olson (center) of Sheldon won the event with a jump of 5-9.

## Ohlmeier jumps to a third place finish at State

By Jenna Comes

Trista Ohlmeier came home from her first State Track Meet with a third place medal as she jumped 5-4 in the Class 2A high jump May 19.

Head coach Gaige Gill said, "I'm very proud of Trista for her 2A state High Jump performance! 2A was the toughest class for high jump by a mile."

Ohlmeier had a personal record of 5-3 going into the state meet.

"With the bar starting at 4-10 and moving 2 inches at a time we knew if she could clean through 5-2 she'd have a good chance at a medal, or getting a PR at 5-4

would also give her a great shot of getting on the awards stand," Gill said.

Ohlmeier looked great in warmups and it carried into the event.

She was clean at 4-10 and 5-00 before running into some adversity. She missed her first two attempts at 5-02 but made it on her final attempt.

On Ohlmeier's second attempt, she cleared a new lifetime PR of 5 feet 4 inches.

"Only six total jumpers in the entire meet classes 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A jumped higher," Gill said. "Trista walked out of Drake Stadium with a new PR, a third place

medal around her neck, and a smile on her face!"

Charlie Forbes also competed at the state track meet for the Rams.

He was seeded 24th out of 24 handing into the race. His season and lifetime best time was 2:06.20.

"Knowing how fast and competitive the field would be, Charlie executed the game plan, pushing his 200 splits but running a balanced race, running tactically and making moves when he needed to!" Gill said.

Forbes ran 2:03.95 to finish 20th, which is a lifetime best and improvement from his old PR by 2.25 seconds.

VETERANS CORNER

The Intelligence Community Part 4 - Operation Rubicon

Written by Donald Thompson  
Monona County Commission  
of Veterans Affairs



In the last article I mentioned the six basic sources, or types of intelligence. In this article we are dealing with the use of one of those forms known as Signals Intelligence (SIGINT).

In 1970, the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in partnership with the West German Intelligence Agency Bundesnachrichtendienst (BND) hatched a plan to secretly purchase a Swiss coding machine manufacturer. The company was called Crypto AG and they were known worldwide as one of the most reputable firms in the market. The customer base of this firm was extensive and, it included several governments as well as militaries. Conveniently, this allowed unprecedented access to a huge range of classified information which included prior knowledge of some of the most significant events of the 20th Century. The CIA and BND used intermediaries to make this purchase and very few people knew who the real owners were, including the employees. This was the start of Operation Thesaurus, which it was referred to from 1970 to the late 1980's. The name was then changed to Operation Rubicon. This joint effort turned out to be one of the largest and most successful SIGINT operations of the cold war. In 1994 the BND departed from the operation and the CIA kept it functional until 2018. The purchase of Crypto AG allowed the CIA and the BND to retain the company's extensive global customer

portfolio. Crypto AG sold their devices to over sixty countries worldwide. Under CIA and BND control the company product design was easily manipulated. Under the code name, Operation Rubicon, the two intelligence agencies created a mechanism for their cipher machines which could only be read by the CIA and BND.

Many Cold War events were affected by the communication that was collected through Crypto AG machines. As stated in one source, it includes the Suez Canal Crisis (1956), the Camp David Peace Accords (1978), the Iranian Hostage Crisis (1979), the Berlin Discotheque bombing (1986), and countless others.

How did the CIA end up working with a foreign spy agency?

It turns out that Boris Hagelin, the founder of Crypto AG, was good friends with William Friedman, who, coincidentally, was a National Security Agency (NSA) cryptologist. How convenient is that! It pays to have friends in the right places, for a while.

The two friends agreed to restrict the sale of secure products to 'friendly' countries. All other machines sold were 'readable' by American intelligence. This arrangement had limited

success because the relationship between the NSA and Hagelin became very strained. In the late 1950s, the NSA withdrew from the relationship with Hagelin. The honeymoon was over.

In 1969, talks between the NSA and an influential German intelligence operator, Wilhelm Göing, eventually resulted in joint purchase of Crypto AG by the BND and the CIA. What about the NSA? They took a behind the scenes technical role in the operation.

Once the CIA and BND had control of the company, they secretly built in hidden weaknesses into the security mechanism of Crypto AG machines. This manipulation would ensure that the communication produced by these machines were accessible by the CIA and BND. These machines were then sold to countries of interest while the secure machines were sold to allies and other friendly countries.

Eventually the Berlin wall came down, Germany is no longer divided and they became a part of the European collective. Times changed and Germany decided that being part of Operation Rubicon was no longer in its best interest. It was 1994 and Germany was headed in a new direction. They left the operation. Eventually the CIA decided to shut down the operation in 2018. Crypto AG was sold.

In the end, Operation Rubicon was one of the most pervasive and enduring covert operations of modern intelligence history, (that we know of).

Lest we forget

Veterans Day honors the men and women of the United States Armed Forces past and present.

Memorial Day honors those who gave the ultimate sacrifice. As to where all who have served in the military are honored for giving of themselves to serve in the military, Memorial Day specifically remembers the fallen. Originally known as Decoration Day, the remembrance began during the American Civil War when citizens placed flowers on the graves of those who had been killed in battle.

Memorial Day did not become an official holiday until 1971 and is often marked by parades and ceremonies.

As is often the case of those things celebrated out of tradition, time gives way to change, and the original intent can be lost. Although Memorial Day has become a day to decorate the graves of all loved ones, care should be given to ensure the original purpose of Memorial Day does not get lost.

Many communities offer Memorial Day services which call attention to the men and women of the Armed Forces who gave their lives in service. It is imperative that we not lose this tradition or allow it to be completely morphed into something other than its initial intent.

Sadly, Memorial Day has become celebrated as the first weekend of summer. Many public schools are done for the school year, the weather is typically warmer, and most are anxious to enjoy barbecues and times on the lake, river or at the park.

We cannot assume our children will understand and appreciate the sacrifices made to ensure our nation's freedom. The phrase "Lest we forget" is often shared at memorial services. These Memorial Day Services encourage us to always remember.

Whatever your plans may be for this holiday weekend, may we each pause to remember, lest we forget.

My Weekly Column

Standing with our men and women in blue

By Randy Feenstra

In Iowa, we respect our police and proudly back the men and women in blue 100%. They put their lives on the line every day to protect our families and communities expecting no recognition in return. Despite calls from some of my colleagues to dismantle our police departments and demolish the rule of law, I reject these dangerous proposals. We must defend - never defund - our brave police and law enforcement officers. Their service and sacrifice are to be commended and recognized, not dismissed and mocked.

During National Police Week, I proudly supported

several pieces of legislation to back our law enforcement community as they face threats to their safety and wellbeing, including a bipartisan resolution to commend the service of our police officers and condemn in the strongest terms possible efforts to defund the police. This resolution rightfully memorializes the 556 law enforcement officers who were killed in the line of duty and whose stories were recovered in 2022. This devastating figure includes Fremont County Sheriff's Deputy, Austin "Melvin" Wayne Richardson, who was tragically killed in a traffic collision on June 14, 2022. We can never thank officers like

Sheriff's Deputy Richardson enough for making the ultimate sacrifice on behalf of our communities.

Additionally, I voted for, and the House Republican Conference passed, the POLICE Act to make assaulting a law enforcement official a federal crime and deportable offense. In 2019 alone, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) arrested illegal immigrants who accounted for nearly 46,000 assault convictions and charges combined. Since President Biden refuses to secure our border, our law enforcement and border patrol agents face constant threats to their lives while doing their jobs. It's wrong, and this legislation will hold violent criminals account-

able for their actions.

I have also cosponsored the Protect and Serve Act, which would create federal penalties for criminals who intentionally target, harm, and attack law enforcement officers. According to the Fraternal Order of Police, 331 police officers were shot in the line of duty last year - 62 of whom died from their wounds. Compared to 2020, police departments nationwide have also experienced a 32% increase in officers killed by gunfire - a sobering reminder of the incredible risks of wearing the badge. We cannot accept these alarming statistics as commonplace. We must take action to protect our police and save lives.

Our men and women in blue deserve our utmost

gratitude and deepest appreciation for their service to our families. In Congress, I will continue to stand with our law enforcement community, ensure that they have the tools and resources they need to do their jobs, and speak out against ridiculous attempts to defund the police. Iowa's police and law enforcement will always have an unwavering ally in me - period.

We are government together, and your thoughts and opinions matter to me. Please contact my office at Feenstra.House.Gov or by phone at 202-225-4426 if I can ever be of assistance. I am proud to represent our families, farmers, main street businesses, and rural communities in Congress.

Correction  
The Mapleton Press would like to apologize for a mistake in last week's Graduation Section.



MadiSynne Gigarola  
Daughter of Pat Gigarola

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## CLINICS - JUNE

**Mercy Cardiology - June 5**  
**Dunes Dermatology - June 1, 15**  
**Ear, Nose & Throat - June 8 Nephrology - No Clinic**  
**OB/GYN - Kasuske: June 13, 27 Ophthalmology - June 14**  
**Ortho - CNOS: June 7, 12, 14, 21, 26, 28**  
**Podiatry - June 5, 7, 19, 21, 28 Surgery - June 13, 20, 27**  
**Urology - June 8, 22**  
**Vascular & Interventional Specialists - June 20**  
**Wound Care - June 7, 21**

## PROGRAMS - JUNE

**Senior Health Insurance Information Program -**  
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**HMH Diabetic Education Classes (group or individual/new or review)**  
 Please call HMH for more information  
**HMH Financial Assistance -** Please call the Business Office  
**Foot Care Clinics -** No June Clinics  
**Immunization Clinic -** 2PM-5PM on  
 Tuesday, June 13th; 9AM-NOON and  
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Area Briefs

May 25

**Mapleton Red Hatter's**  
Red Hatter's, going to the Green Lantern, Decatur, NE on May 25, meeting there at 5:30 p.m. Event planned by Kay Elmquist and Evelyn Thies.

ing Storytime for Preschool children, ages 0 to 5 every Tuesday morning at 11 a.m. Storytime will consist of a story, craft or activity and free play time. Call 881-1312 with questions, no registration is required.

May 31 and June 5  
A Matter of Balance

At the Mapleton Community Center an exercise class on Mondays and Wednesdays, for anyone 60 years young and up. Called "A Matter of Balance" this class will help reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels of older adults who have concerns about falling. This free class which lasts an hour will be held every Monday and Wednesday at 10 a.m.

June 3  
First Saturday in Mapleton

Mapleton will kickoff summer with First Saturday in Mapleton on Saturday, June 3. There will be a craft/vendor show in the Community Center, Mini Golf, Taste of Mapleton will be served for lunch and the First Saturday punch cards are back. Watch for more details in next week's Mapleton Press.

May 27

Teut Reunion

A Teut Reunion for the descendants of Peter and Sophie Teut will be held Saturday, May 27 at 1:30 p.m. at the Schleswig Community Building. For more information contact Nancy 676-3610.

May 27 and May 29  
Mapleton's Avenue of Flags

The Mapleton Legion will be putting up the Avenue of Flags on Saturday, May 27 at 8 a.m. They will have donuts for volunteers at the cemetery. They will be taking the Avenue of Flags down on Monday, May 29 at 5 p.m. All volunteers are welcome to join them.

May 28

Courthouse Closed

The Monona County Courthouse will be closed on Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.

May 30

Storytime for Preschool

The Fisher Whiting Memorial Library will be host-

Former English teacher ties in North Iowa history in first novel

Bookpress Publishing is proud to announce the release of Ann Hanigan Kotz's debut historical fiction novel, *The Journey of Karoline Olsen*.

The Fisher Whiting Memorial Library in Mapleton will host author Ann Hanigan Kotz on May 30, at 2 p.m. The author will be on hand to speak of her book and the writing process. Please join them in giving her a warm welcome and hear her story.

Hanigan Kotz is a first-time author, incorporating her own family history as well as her western Iowa roots into her writing. She is a former English teacher for the Waukee School District in Waukee, but has been enjoying retirement for the past two years.

*The Journey of Karoline Olsen* has received strong reviews from the US Review of Books, praising its "authenticity and relatability" through the author's family history. Additionally, Midwest Book Reviews recommends it to women "who look for history-based novels that come alive with the



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Ann Hanigan Kotz

quickenning of both relationships and survival tactics."

*The Journey of Karoline Olsen* begins when her husband Kristof-

fer dies from a burst appendix in Iowa in 1905. Middle-aged Karoline Olsen, mother of six, must make the 145-mile trip from Cedar Falls to Soldier, by horse-drawn wagon to bring his body home. With the corpse on fast-melting ice, Karoline struggles to make good time across the rolling prairie during an exceptionally hot summer, recalling the story of their rocky marriage that brought them from Norway to the New World. The young couple, anxious and naive, arrive in the United States in 1884, with hopes of establishing a farm among other Norwegian immigrants, but are met instead with constant battle against disease, famine, and poverty. A chronicle of the Olsens' fight to survive in the undeveloped Midwest, to preserve tradition in a new context, and to protect their family from the ravages of pioneer living, *The Journey of Karoline Olsen* is the tale of a woman and a wife building the American Dream out of nothing but the dirt on which she stands.

4-H Camp of Discovery

Experience the adventure and excitement of three days filled with 4-H camping traditions and favorite activities at Camp of Discovery, June 6-8, at Camp Nebowa outside Onawa. Camp of Discovery is offered for youth completing grades 5, 6, and 7 in Spring 2023.

A full camp experience will include nature hikes, canoeing and kayaking, archery, swimming, camp songs, crafts, nature art and poetry, games and campfires. Bring a friend with you and make new ones while you are there too. Stay overnight in the youth dorms and enjoy meals and snacks, all provided.

Camp will run from Tuesday, June 6 until closing ceremony on Thursday, June 8.

The camp will be filled at 50 youth, so register before it fills up. Registration deadline is May 25. Monona County 4-H members receive a discount. Additional scholarships are also available from the Iowa 4-H Foundation, visit [www.iowa4hfoundation.com](http://www.iowa4hfoundation.com) for information on this funding opportunity.

Register online at [https://survey.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_esUzzj-bATyXsiUu](https://survey.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_esUzzj-bATyXsiUu) before May 25. Contact the Monona County Extension & Outreach County Office at 712-423-2175 or [mbeerman@iastate.edu](mailto:mbeerman@iastate.edu) for more information about Camp of Discovery.

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2023 Monona County Fair Queen and Little Princess contests



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It is time to enter the 2023 Monona County Fair Queen and Little Princess contests! Both contests will be held on Monday, July 10, at the Beef 'n Brew Restaurant in Mapleton. The coronation of the 2023 Fair Queen and Little Princess will take place during the Monona County Fair Opening Ceremony at 7 p.m., Tuesday, July 11. For both contests: contestants and parents are responsible for reading the complete set of rules posted on the fair website: [www.mononacountyfair.com](http://www.mononacountyfair.com). If you have any questions, please contact: Monona County Fair Queen Chair Monona County Fair Little Princess Chair; Sharyl Bruning (Queen) 712-880-7749 Jessica Hupke (LP) 515-570-1300

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Due to the upcoming Memorial Day Holiday, the June 1st Mapleton Press edition will be printed early. Deadlines are as follows:

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Our office will be closed Monday, May 29th. Have a safe Memorial Day Weekend!

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Obituary...

Joan L. Siebersma, 89

Joan L. Siebersma, 89, of Ankeny, (formerly of Mapleton) passed away on Thursday, May 11, 2023, at the home of her daughter in Ankeny.

Joan Lois Siebersma was born on April 14, 1934, in Boyden, Iowa, the daughter of Joe and Elizabeth (Van Veldhuizen) Van Velzen. She was raised and educated in Boyden and graduated from Boyden High School with the class of 1952.

On November 2, 1956, Joan married Cornie Siebersma in Worthington, Minnesota. They made their home in Sheldon, where she was employed as a bookkeeper for various businesses. They later moved to Mapleton, and she managed the drapery department at Reed's Furniture Store and Carpet Specialties. In 1985, they relocated to Santa Cruz, California, where she was employed as the manager of the drapery workroom for Haber Furniture Store. In 1992, the couple made their final move to Ankeny, where she worked at Burgin Drapery Workroom, as office manager at Sky's the Limit Crane Service and as a greeter at Hy-Vee Food Stores.

Joan utilized her exquisite sewing skills in the making of many wedding and bridesmaid's dresses, quilts, blankets and anything that involved fabric. She had the unique experience of making all of the window coverings for the movie set of Bridges of Madison County. Joan loved sporting events and took pride in attending her grandchildren's activities. She also enjoyed watching



Joan Siedersma

sports on TV and doing puzzles with her friends. Family was always first with Joan and she especially loved spending time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her son Terry and his wife Kate of Mapleton; daughter Judi and her husband Dennis Wieben of Ankeny; seven grandchildren: Amy Christiansen, Jenny Kenney, LeAnn Siebersma, Brad Siebersma, Jeff Siebersma, Jamie Jo Wieben and Nicky Christophersen; 12 great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband Cornie Siebersma, parents Joe and Elizabeth Van Velzen, brothers Henry and Clarence Van Velzen, infant son Dewayne and infant daughter Jocquelyn.

A Graveside Service will be held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, May 24, at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Mapleton. Lay Speaker James De Kruijff will officiate.

The Armstrong - Van Houten Funeral Home of Mapleton, is in charge of the funeral arrangements. Condolences may be sent online [www.armstrongfuneral.com](http://www.armstrongfuneral.com).

Obituary...

Jon Weaver, 75

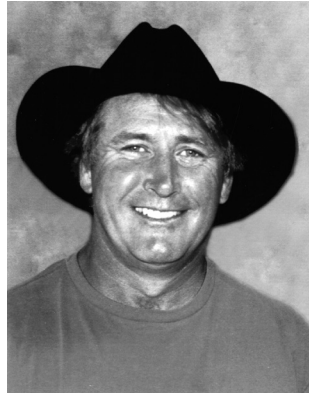
Jon E. Weaver, 75, of Onawa, passed away Thursday, May 18, 2023, at his residence surrounded by his family.

The Funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 25, at Goslar Funeral Home Chapel, Onawa, with Pastor Chip Borgstadt, officiating. Live stream of the service will be posted on the Goslar Funeral Home website with Jon's obituary. Burial will follow in the Belvidere Cemetery, Turin. Visitation will be 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, May 24, at the Goslar chapel. Arrangements are under the direction of Goslar Funeral Home and Monuments, Onawa.

Jon Elliott was born June 26, 1947, in Onawa, the son of Joe

"Bud" and Josephine (Heistand) Weaver. In 1952, he started school at Arcola one room schoolhouse north of Turin, and then went on to attend Onawa Public School. He graduated from West Monona High School with the class of 1965. Jon furthered his education at Midwestern College from 1965 - 1969 and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Drama and Speech. He went on to graduate studies at UCLA in 1969 for Theatre Arts. Jon taught English and Speech in Harlan, for one year. In Jon's younger years he enjoyed hunting, fishing, and camping. Jon was a farmer from the early 70's to mid 1980's.

Jon and Cynthia A. Ferris were united into marriage on March 23, 1985, in Las Vegas, Nevada. When Jon stopped farming in the 80's, he drove a truck for Yellow Freight. He worked for Yellow Freight for ten years and traveled throughout the Mid-West and Northeastern United States. In the 1990's Jon returned to farming and raising cattle. He loved animals of all kinds including horses, cats, dogs, and cattle. His first horse's name was "Star," and his favorite cow's name was "Sugar." At the Denver Stock Show



Jon Weaver

and the Iowa State Fair, Jon received many ribbons for showing his cattle.

He collected many antiques, coins, glass, pottery, guns, and even learned how to cut gemstones. Jon was a member of the National Hot Rod Association and enjoyed drag racing. His pro-stock car was ranked 3rd in the world. Jon was a vintage car enthusiast. He was also a member of the Amateur Trapshooting Association, All American Trap Shooter, and is in the Nebraska Trap Shooter Hall of Fame.

Jon and Cynthia enjoyed traveling together. In their travels, they visited six different continents including Antarctica.

Jon was a member of the Bethesda Lutheran Church in Moorhead.

Jon was very proud of his achievement of being five years sober. He received his five-year chip through AA where he cherished many friendships.

Survivors include his wife, Cynthia A. Ferris, M.D. of Onawa; son, Clint (Tana Barnett) Weaver of Onawa; brother, Dan (Pati) Weaver of Turin; mother of Jon's children, Karen (Thomas) Urquhart-Myers of Tampa, Florida; and several nieces and nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents, Joe and Josephine (Heistand) Weaver; and daughter, Michelle Weaver.

Condolences may be left online for the family at [www.goslarfuneralhome.com](http://www.goslarfuneralhome.com)

CCMH celebrates Daisy and Bee Award winners

Crawford County Memorial Hospital is pleased to announce its DAISY and BEE Award recipients for May 2023. The DAISY Award is an international recognition program that honors extraordinary care given by nurses, and the BEE Award can be given to any staff member that supports patient care and that continuously go above and beyond to provide an exceptional patient experience.

Brooke Schwery, a Registered Nurse (RN) in the CCMH Emergency Department, was honored with The DAISY Award For Extraordinary Nurses. The nomination submitted read, "Brooke Schwery has been an extremely motivated nurse in her time in the ER. She has re-instated the SANE program that gives members of our community access to high specialized nurses in their time of greatest need following a sexual assault or abuse. Brooke has also championed our customer service initiatives, leading to our hospital achieving a quality star rating of 4 stars! She leads her team by example and is always willing to lend a helping hand. Brooke has even stepped up and taken a role in the EMS team, assisting with numerous transfers, patient cares, and education duties; all in her scheduled time off. She has shown a commitment to CCMH as a facility, her coworkers as a team leader, and to her community as a professional, and that is why I believe Brooke Schwery is very deserving of the Daisy Award!"

Jenn Knickman, Surgery Secretary at CCMH, was chosen to receive the BEE Award for her kind heart and dedication to excellent patient care.

Knickman's nomination read, "Jen is an extremely hard worker. She always strives to do the best work no matter the circumstances. On multiple occasions she has gone above and beyond for patients. She once brought a patient a birthday cake and balloons because he was having surgery on

his birthday, and just recently she bought one of our pediatric surgery patients a Valentine's Day gift because he was going to be missing his party at school. These are just a few examples of the things she goes above and beyond for our patients every day! We are very lucky to have her in the surgery department!

"We are so proud of every single one of our nurses and support staff," says CCMH CEO, Erin Muck "Their work is valued not only by everyone here at the hospital, but also by our patients, whose gratitude at the expert care and kindness they receive is expressed so clearly in the DAISY and BEE nominations we receive year-round."

Each honoree received a certificate, a pin, and a celebration in their department. Schwery also received a sculpture hand-carved by artists of the Shona Tribe in Zimbabwe, designed specifically for DAISY Award winners.

Nominations for future DAISY and BEE Awards at CCMH continue to be accepted. Patients and visitors are encouraged to share and submit their story of witnessing excellent and compassionate care from staff. Brochures about the DAISY Award and BEE Awards, along with nomination forms, are available throughout the hospital and CCMH Medical Clinic, and can also be found online at [www.ccmhia.com/contact-us/](http://www.ccmhia.com/contact-us/). The next DAISY and BEE awards will be presented in December 2023.

The DAISY (Diseases Attacking the Immune System) award, is an international award backed by the DAISY Foundation, a nonprofit organization with a mission to recognize the extraordinary, compassionate care that nurses provide patients and families every day. The BEE (Being Exceptional Everyday) award is designed to recognize non-nursing CCMH staff that have gone above and beyond their call of duty to provide an exceptional patient experience.



Brooke Schwery, RN



Jennifer Knickman

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**Ute Community Calendar**

**May 24:**  
Ute Community Club Meeting @ Ada J's, 7 p.m.

**May 26:** Last Day of School

**June 1:** Ute VFW Meeting

**July 29:**  
Ortner Scholarship Golf Tournament

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**May 26:** Last Day of School

**May 29:** Charter Oak Fire Dept. Breakfast at Park Shelter House  
Memorial Day Service at 9:30 a.m.

**May 31:**  
Charter Oak Community Club, 5:30 p.m.

**June 5:** Charter Oak City Council Meeting

**June 21:** Toby KID Friendship Adventures program at Charter Oak Library, 2 p.m.

**June 24:** Scavenger Hunt with Lindsey Schnoor at 1 p.m. at Arboretum and Library

**June 28:** "ABC Agriculture" at Library, 2 p.m.

**July 8-12:** Charter Oak Achievement Days

**July 29:** Ortner Scholarship Golf Tournament

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## Charter Oak Memorial Day Service Monday, May 29, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. Charter Oak Community Building

**Welcome and Introduction:** Commander Derek Meyer  
**Prayer:** 1st Vice Commander Melvin Neddermeyer  
**"3 Patriotic Parades":** Charter Oak-Ute Band  
**Gettysburg Address:** Carolyn Henschen  
**Roll Call:** Adjutant Bill Tuttle; 2nd Vice Commander B.H. Meyer  
**"The Star Spangled Banner":** Charter Oak-Ute Band  
**Address:** Nick Schumacher  
**Decorate Unknown Grave:** Sergeant-at-Arms Roger Jepsen  
**Prayer:** 1st Vice Commander Melvin Neddermeyer  
**21 Gun Salute:** Firing Squad  
**Taps:** Jodi Kruse and Jayden Meyer

## Ute Memorial Day Service

Monday, May 29, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. • St. Clair Cemetery

**Welcome:** Donald Kuhlmann  
**"3 Patriotic Parades":** Charter Oak-Ute Band  
**Gettysburg Address:** Micah Friedrichs | **Roll Call:** Donald Kuhlmann  
**Address:** John Larson | **Prayer:** Donald Kuhlmann  
**"The Star Spangled Banner":** Charter Oak-Ute Band  
**Salute to the Dead:** Ute AABY Post 442; VFW Post 5605 Honor Guard; Donald Kuhlmann, Sgt. of Arms  
**Taps:** Avery Funkhouse, Emerson Goslar and Cheyenne Vogt  
**Retire the Colors**  
**FOLLOWING THE SERVICE:** St. Paul's Lutheran Church will be serving a light lunch at the Ute Senior Center on Main Street.

## Castana Memorial Day Service Grimsley-Thayer American Legion Post #502 Monday, May 29, 2023 at 11 a.m. Veterans Memorial at the Castana Park

The Grimsley-Thayer American Legion Post 502 of Castana will conduct a Memorial Day Ceremony to honor our nation's fallen heroes who gave the ultimate sacrifice. The ceremony by Post 502 will include a color guard, taps and rifle detail's "21-gun salute." Other portions of the event will include an honored guest speaker and a reading of our local fallen heroes. Following the Memorial Event, a lunch meal will be served by the American Legion Auxiliary in the Castana Community Hall, a 'free will' donation is available. Additionally, Post 502 and the Legion Auxiliary will be posting personal American flags at each veteran's gravesite at local cemeteries on Saturday, May 27 through Memorial Day. Anyone desiring to assist in placing the flags (i.e., individuals, youth groups, church groups) please meet at the Castana Community Hall, 8 a.m., Saturday.

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## Mapleton Memorial Day Service

Mt. Hope Cemetery--Mapleton  
Monday, May 29, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.

**Welcome:** Neal Seuntjens, Commander; **Opening Prayer:** Marv Sonksen  
**"National Anthem" and America the Beautiful:** MVAOCO HS Band  
**Laying of the wreath:** Carl McGrain  
**Roll Call of Departed Comrades:** Sandy Bubke  
**Salute to Departed Comrades:** Loren Hollister Honor Guard  
**Taps:** MVAOCO Band Members  
**Speaker:** Dr. Lynn Charrlin  
**Raising the Flag to Full Staff:** Carl McGrain  
**Closing Prayer:** Marv Sonksen **Dismissal:** Neal Seuntjens  
 Bring your lawn chairs. In case of bad weather, the program will be at the Legion Hall. The Legion Honor Guard will stop at the Heisler cemetery to salute our departed comrades.  
**Sat., May 27th at 8 a.m.:** Put up Avenue of Flags and small flags  
**Monday, May 29th at 5 p.m.:** Take down Avenue of Flags and small flags

## Schleswig Memorial Day Service

Monday, May 29, 2023 at 10 a.m. • Morgan Cemetery

**Advancement of Colors:** VFW & American Legion  
**Invocation:** Pastor Merle Mahnken  
**Star Spangled Banner:** 6th, 7th, 8th Grade Band  
**Address:** Rep. Steve Holt, USMC 1SG (Ret)  
**Roll Call of the Dead:** Brandon Wigg; Janet Lafrentz, Bells  
**Presentation of Wreath:** Richard Fredericks and Robert Andresen  
**Veterans Pass in Review:** James Streck and Peter Teut  
**Poppy People:** Ronni Brockman, Mason Gallagher, Blake Gierstorf, Jett Lundell, Schalee Schrader  
**In Flanders Fields:** Kaitlyn Bruhn  
**Salute to the Dead:** Taps - Karsen Bruhn  
**America the Beautiful:** 6th, 7th, 8th Grade Band  
**Retirement of the Colors**

## Grant Cemetery Memorial Day Service

Monday, May 29, 2023 at 10 a.m. • Rodney, Iowa  
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Above, Trista Ohlmeier jumped 5-4 in the Class 2A State high jump to finish third. Left, Charlie Forbes placed 20th in the Class 2A 800 meter run at the State Track Meet with a time of 2:03.95.

State Track action

Rams start baseball season off with a bang

By Dusty Kruger

Play Ball! Baseball season is finally here and the MVA-OCOU Rams kicked it off with a bang. The Rams outscored their opponents 36-12 in the first three games.

The Rams struggled a little in their season opener on May 15 against Missouri Valley. The Big Reds got on the board first scoring one run in the bottom of the first. The Rams responded in the third and fifth innings by scoring two runs in each inning to take a 4-1 lead. The Big Reds fought back to close the lead to 4-3 before the Rams put away the game by scoring one in the sixth and not allowing anymore runs the rest of the game.

The Rams found their bats in their second game on May 17 against Cherokee Washington. After being down 4-2, the Rams put up seven runs in the top of the third inning to jump out to a 9-4 lead. The Braves pulled to within four runs after four innings trailing the Rams 12-8. That would be as close as they would get as the Rams added four more runs in the sixth inning to seal the 16-8 victory.

To wrap up their first week of the season the Rams made a statement against Boyer Valley on May 19. The Rams put up 10 runs in the first inning and never looked back. The Rams put up five more runs over the next three innings to win by run rule over Boyer Valley 15-1.

The Rams faced off against OABCIG and Westwood earlier this week. Results from those in next week's paper. The Rams will face off against West Monona on May 25 and play two games on May 27 against Sioux Central and Storm Lake.

Stats: T. Nutt 0-2, 1 Run; T. Ohlmeier 0-2, 2 Runs, 2 BBs; K. Scott 4-4, 4 RBIs; J. Henderson 0-3, 1 BB; T. Dixon 0-2, 1 BB; E. Kuhlmann 1-4; M. Kuhlmann 0-3; L. Hanke 0-2; L. Cameron 1-2, 2 Runs; C. Mahrt 0-1

Pitching: K. Scott, W, 4 IP, 5 Hits, 1 Run, 8 Strikeouts; E. Kuhlmann 3 IP, 1 Hit, 7 Strikeouts; M. Kuhlmann 0 IP, 0 Hits, 2 Runs, 2 Earned Runs, 1 BB

5-17-23  
MVAOCOU 0 2 7 3 0 4 0 - 16  
Cher. Washington 2 2 0 4 0 0 0 - 8

Stats: T. Nutt 2-5, 1 Run; L. Cameron 1-4, 1 Run, 1 RBI, 1 BB; K. Scott 2-5, 2 Runs, 2 RBIs; T. Ohlmeier 2-4, 2 Runs, 1 RBI, 1 BB; J. Henderson 2-3, 3 Runs, 2 BBs; T. Dixon 0-1, 1 Run; E. Kuhlmann 1-2, 1 Run, 4 RBIs, 2 BBs; L. Hanke 1-2, 1 Run, 2 RBIs; N. Collins 2-5, 2 Runs, 2 RBIs

Pitching: M. Kuhlmann, W, 3 IP, 4 H, 4 R, 2 ER, 1 BB, 7 Strikeouts; B. Clausen 2.2 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 3 BBs, 4 Strikeouts; C. Schmidt 1 IP, 1 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 0 BB, 0 SO, T. Ohlmeier 0.1 IP, 1 H, 4 R, 2 ER, 3 BBs, 1 SO

5-19-23  
Boyer Valley 0 1 0 0 0 0 - 1  
MVAOCOU 10 4 0 1 0 0 0 - 15

Stats: T. Nutt 1-3, 2 Runs, 1 RBI; T. Ohlmeier 0-0, 1 Run, 2 RBIs, 2 BBs; K. Scott 0-3, 1 Run, 3 RBIs; J. Henderson 1-3, 1 Run, 2 RBIs; E. Kuhlmann 0-0, 1 Run, 2 BBs; T. Dixon 1-1, 2 Runs, 1 RBI, 1 BB; L. Hanke 0-0, 2 Runs, 2 BBs; M. Kuhlmann 1-2, 1 Run, 1 RBI; N. Collins 0-0, 2 Runs, 1 BB

Pitching: E. Kuhlmann, W, 2.0 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 2 BBs, 5 SOs; C. Smeltzer 2.0 IP, 1 H, 1 SO; J. Henderson 1.0 IP, 1 BB

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Morgan Koenigs, Sam Halbur, Kendra Sexton and Emalee Funderman, members of the MVAO 4 x 800 Meter Relay Team, have qualified to compete at the 2013 Girls State Track Meet. Also, Kirsten Leisinger, of Charter Oak-Ute High, will compete in the Discus competition.

Buddy Leisinger, Commander of the Ute VFW Post 5605, is one of fourteen people to be awarded the title of All-State Commander. Craig Leisinger was named All-State Quartermaster. The contest is held among all VFW Posts in Iowa.

## 20 Years Ago May 22, 2003

The National Arbor Day Foundation and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources are proud to announce that the City of Mapleton has received the 2002-2003 Tree City USA Sterling Award. This award is a symbol of a community that has made a commitment to the management of public trees, and have gone beyond the minimum standards as a Tree City, USA. Mapleton is one of just three cities to qualify for this year's award.

Those coming to Mapleton this Memorial Day will now be able to locate a flag on the Avenue of Flags more easily. Thanks to members of the Mapleton American Legion Post 496, a directory will now be available for all the flags of the veterans. Among those working on the project are, John Jacobs, Carl Mohrhauser and Leo Dose.

Fran Tramp, CEO of Burgess Health Center in Onawa, has announced that Shirley Bruegger has been named the Director of the Burgess Foundation. According to Mr. Tramp, the Foundation has been managed by the Board of Directors since 1982, but they are now ready to move to the next level and have a greater impact on health care in the area.

## 30 Years Ago May 27, 1993

The Maple Valley-Anthon-Oto Joint Sharing Study Committee met recently, and heard encouraging and constructive comments, from the surveys the public relations committee conducted in the community. Possible room configurations at the Maple Valley High School were discussed. Maple Valley High School Principal, Steve Oberg, will conduct a building utilization study, of all three Maple Valley Centers.

Confirmation services were held at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Mapleton, on Sunday, May 2. Those confirmed by Pastor Charles Adams are, Penny Bakalyar, Bill Kovarna, Trent Lafrentz, Aaron Knuth, Holly Johnson, Billy Krueger, Adam Chandler and Seth Johnson.

## 40 Years Ago May 26, 1983

Two Foreign Exchange students are studying at Maple Valley High School this year, and received honorary diplomas, with the graduating class, on Sunday. Ricardo Goncalves, who is staying with the Eugene Rolfes family, comes from the city of Brasalia, in Brazil. Three thousand students all share the same building, at his school. Any Missirilian, also from Brazil, in the city of Sao Paulo, has been staying with the Cleo Tippery family. She comes from a school of fifteen thousand students, in grades K-12.

Tom LaFrens and his wife Cecelia will soon be opening a new grocery store, in Mapleton. They have purchased the former Moore Brothers building and the

new store will be known as Tom's Thrifty Way. The LeFrens have two children, Tonya and Chad, and are originally from Nebraska.

The City of Mapleton will have a new library, in the near future, as work to get the old building cleaned out has progressed rapidly. Early last week, members of the Mapleton Rotary Club, Fire Department, and Mapleton Boy Scouts joined forces to move books and tables out of the old library building. The books are being stored at the National Guard Armory, and other equipment at the Episcopal Church building. Bids on the demolition of the old library will be opened on Monday.

## 50 Years Ago May 24, 1973

IRS Productions Inc. was started on November 30, 1972, by John and Jean Schlosser, along with fourteen other people. The company was organized for the purpose of further developing and promoting an original game, invented by Mr. Schlosser, in the summer of 1970. The game, titled "Vacationland," has since been

patented and copyrighted. The Schlosser's are now in the process of finding a location and securing capital, to begin manufacturing the game.

The Mapleton City Council met Monday evening, with a group of citizens interested in plans for re-locating the Clark Redi-Mix Plant. Representatives from the Mapleton Flying Club, the Mapleton Club, and other citizens attended. Mayor Dennis Reed and Roy Paradise, head of the Development Committee, explained the project. After discussion, it was decided that Jim Welte, Roy Paradise and Dennis Reed would meet with a Clark Company representative, and discuss other possible locations.

Vincent (Whimpy) LeFebvre, Mapleton Fireman, received extensive burns, in an explosion Thursday evening. A group of firemen were preparing to destroy an old building, for training purposes, when the explosion occurred. LeFebvre was taken to St. Joseph Hospital in Sioux City, and is reported to be much improved at this time.

# Charter Oak-Ute

## 20 Years Ago May 22, 2003

The Charter Oak-Ute Shuttle Hurdle Relay Team has qualified for the State Track Meet, as the eighth seeded team. Team members are, Karin Brandt, Kala Kuhlmann, Lilly Woodard and Kelsey Grindle. This is Kelsey's fourth time to compete at the State Meet, and is the defending state champion in the 100 meter hurdles. Lilly Woodard is competing at the State Meet for the second time.

Confirmation Services were held on April 27, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Ute. Those confirmed by Pastor Ed Brandt are, Ryan Pithan, the son of Jeff and Mona Pithan, Sierra

Sorensen, the daughter of Mike and Jane Ohlmeier and Jim Sorensen, Tyler Soukup, the son of Alan and Kris Dale and Dennis Soukup, Brett Mohr, the son of Bruce Mohr and Tamara Piitman, Kyle Savery, the son of Don and Mary Ann Savery, Brooke Goslar, the daughter of Gregg and Leslie Goslar and Nina Hull, the daughter of George and Gina Hull.

## 30 Years Ago May 27, 1993

Joni Rickert Moore, a registered nurse at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, has been named the Facilitator of the hospital's new Arthritis Support Group, and will be working closely

with the National Arthritis Foundation. She was diagnosed with Arthritis as a high school junior, twenty years ago, and has numerous surgeries over the past eleven years, for joint replacement. Joni is formerly from Charter Oak and a graduate of the Charter Oak-Ute High School.

Bruce Meeves, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Meeves of Dunlap, graduated with honors, from Washington State University, Pullman, WA., on May 8, 1993. He received a Master's of Science degree, in Physics.

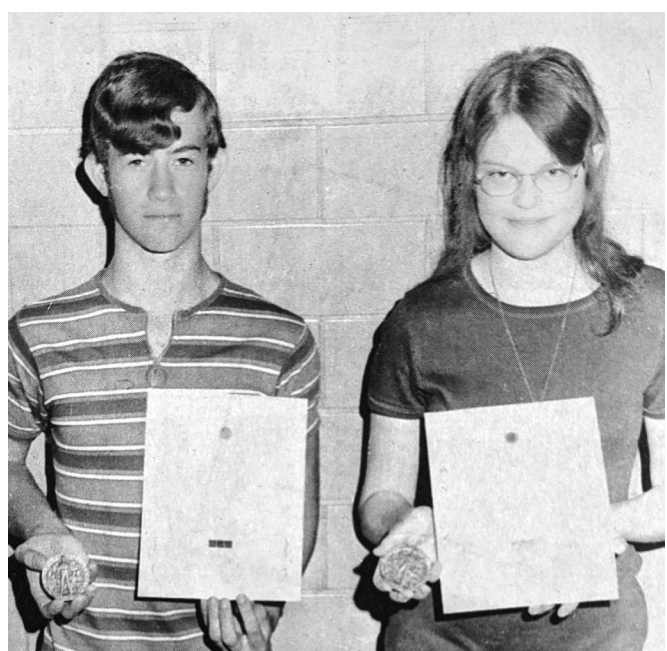
## 40 Years Ago May 26, 1983

Farmers State Bank has

added two new members to its staff. Theodore Chamberlin of Traynor, IA., is the Vice-President and Nancy Rosburg of Charter Oak will be the Bookkeeper. Mr. Chamberlin replaces Tom Van Beek, who has accepted a position with a Carroll, IA. bank.

A Farewell Party was held Sunday evening, for Pastor Dennis Bailey and family, at the United Methodist Church in Charter Oak. Approximately seventy five people from the Charter Oak and Deloit areas were on hand to enjoy entertainment and refreshments. Pastor Bailey will be moving to Marshalltown in June, where he will be the Pastor of the First United Methodist Church.

# Photo Rewind



Loren Hollister Post 496, American Legion, presented their annual citizenship award at the Danbury Center of Maple Valley schools. This award is presented each year to two junior high students boy and girl, for good citizenship, scholastic attainment and leadership. This year the awards, which consist of a certificate and medal were presented to Chris Seuntjens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayen Seuntjens and Susan Leitschuck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Leitschuck, all of Mapleton.

# Schleswig Leader

## 20 Years Ago May 22, 2003

Fourth grade art students from the Schleswig School participated in the "Children of the Hills Art Exhibit," hosted by the Culture Center in Moorhead. Preservation of the Loess Hills was the prevailing theme of the exhibit. Three Schleswig fourth graders took the top three places, in the fourth grade division. Kelsey Wittorf won first place for her entry, Dalton Rupert received second and Cassie Morgan placed third. Ms. Litwin is the art instructor for the students.

On Sunday, June 1, Reverend Trish Underberg will be installed as the Pastor of Faith Lutheran Church in Odebolt and the Bethel Lutheran Church in Kiron. Reverend Danette Johns, Assistant to the Bishop of the Western Iowa Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, will officiate at the Rite of Installation.

## 30 Years ago May 27, 1993

The Schleswig Elementary School held an Appreciation Tea, for its volunteers, on Friday, May 24. The Kindergarten through fourth grade teachers and Superintendent Bill Wright honored and thanked the volunteers for their help over the school year. Elaine Teut and Sharon Thompson, staff of the Schleswig Leader, were also thanked, for always being on hand to take pictures, when needed. Volunteers who attended the tea are, Deb Aldag, Phyllis Sedore, Marla Teut, Barb Quandt, Fanchon Sinn, Dorothy Reese, April McClellan, Judy Schultz, Janice Ferry, Phyllis Gosch, Wilma McClellan, Chris Schmidt and Elvera Hollander.

School Boys Golf Team qualified for the State Golf Meet, by placing third in the District Meet at Coon Rapids, May 14. Team members are, Ryan Jepsen, Nathan Dean, Ross Wood, Scott Clausen, Scott Quandt and Matt Kluber. They are coached by Mr. Cantrell.

## 40 Years Ago May 26, 1983

Dan Grau, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Grau of rural Ida Grove, has received and accepted an appointment to attend the United States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, MD. He is a 1983 graduate of the Schleswig High School.

Four members of the Schleswig Boys Track Team will compete in the State Track Meet, at Drake Stadium in Des Moines, this weekend. Randy Schreiber, will compete in the long jump, Kurt Gardner in the high jump, and Brian Teut, Kurt Gardner, Kenny Gardner and Randy Schreiber, in the 1600 meter relay.

## 50 Years Ago May 24, 1973

There will be three new teachers at the Schleswig Community Schools in the 1973-1974 school year. Mrs. Judith Ann VanderPol of Mapleton will be the High School librarian, Mr. Michael Nash of West Branch, IA., will teach Psychology, Drivers Education, Boys Physical Education, and will be the head coach for football and boys track. Mr. Vic Wood of Fairfield, IA., will be the Instrumental Music instructor. He will arrive in Schleswig in Mid-July, in order to conduct the Schleswig High School Marching Band, in the Ricketts Steam and Antique Show parade, in early August.

The Sioux City Journal recently sponsored a

contest for its carriers, in which each boy who gained ten new members for the Journal would receive a trip to Indianapolis, IN., for the Memorial Day 500 Race. Ross Moellor and Rex

Hinkhouse of Schleswig were winners, and will spend May 27-29 in Indianapolis. Enroute home, they will also be treated to free rides at Riverview Park, in Des Moines.

## Charter Oak-Ute Community Schools

June 2023

ACTIVITY CALENDAR

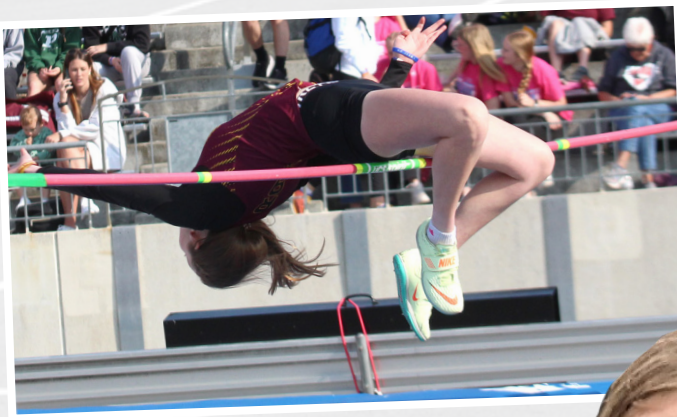
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11	12 · SB/BB @ River Valley, 5:30 PM	13 · SB vs. East Sac @ Mapleton, 4 PM	14 · SB/BB vs. Westwod @ Sloan, 5:30 PM	15 · SB vs. Boyer Valley @ Mapleton, 5:30 PM	16 · SB/BB Rain Date	17 · SB Tournament @ Audubon
18	19 · SB vs. Denison-Schleswig @ Mapleton, 4 PM · BB WVC Tournament	20 · JVR SB @ Missouri Valley, 11 AM · BB WVC Tournament	21 · SB WVC Tournament	22 · SB WVC Tournament · BB WVC Tournament	23	24 · SB Tournament @ Woodbine
25	26 · BB vs. Lawton-Bronson @ Lawton, 5:30 PM	27 · BB/SB @ Riverside, Oakland, 5:30 PM	28 · School Board Meeting @ 4 PM · BB/SB vs. IKM-Manning @ Mapleton, 5:30 PM	29 · JVR SB vs. Cherokee @ Mapleton, 11 AM	30 · SB Regionals	

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# STATE TRACK 2023



< TRISTA OHLMEIER,  
SOPHOMORE  
HIGH JUMP

CHARLIE FORBES >  
SOPHOMORE  
800 METER RUN



Trista Ohlmeier was really close to making it to State in the high jump last year as a freshmen but struggled at the state qualifying meet.

She used this as motivation going into her sophomore year with a goal of making it to State. She focused on just track (she also golfed in 2022) putting all of her attention into it.

Head track coach Gaige Gill said, "Trista has continued to improve her ceiling while becoming more and more consistent. A long time ago, 5-2 seemed high, she has now cleared 5-2 several times."

At the East Sac Relays on May 8, she cleared 5-3.

"Field events are just as difficult mentally as they are physically. Little things can create challenges and impact performance," Gill said. "Trista has found a way to focus on the next jump and is starting to develop that confident mindset."

At the state qualifying meet, Trista entered at 4-8, as she usually does. She was able to stay loose, treating it like any other meet and stay clean through 4-8, 4-10, 5-00, and 5-01.

She cleared 5-2 on her second attempt, which was enough to earn her a meet champion and a state qualifying berth.

Trista said it was a really happy moment when she qualified.

Under guidance of coach Jordyn Lowe, Trista has continuously improved and become more consistent.

As a freshman, Charlie Forbes was running quality 400's, but it didn't seem like he'd be able to piece together a relay or get there individually said Coach Gill. Halfway through the season they bumped him up to 800s. At the state qualifying, Charlie got down to a 2:11.

"This year I put the pedal to the metal, I said I can do better than that and worked my tail off in the off season and it paid off," he said.

Charlie ran cross country in the fall which he said really helped him.

Coach Gill said, "Charlie has that mix of speed and as of his all conference sophomore cross country campaign, some endurance to go with it."

Early this season, he was running 2:15-2:16. Then about a month ago he made the jump to 2:12. A few weeks after, he started hitting 2:10-2:11. Then he made the jump under 2:10 and has continually cut time in the last few weeks of the season.

At the state qualifying meet, Charlie got out well but was in second at the bell, splitting a PR first lap time of 58.9. He then made a push into first with the lead exchanging hands before finishing second and qualifying for the state track meet.

Charlie said all of the coaches he has ever had have told him to push that extra little bit.

"Especially my mom because she believed in me and knew I could do it," he said. "It was a surreal, I didn't believe it at first and it took a few minutes to set in. I'm going to state. I did it."



Story by Jenna Comes | Action Photos by Matt Gengler

Congratulations, Charlie on making it to the STATE TRACK MEET

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# Recapping Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month

Burgess Public Health would like to thank everyone that participated in their Child Abuse Prevention Awareness month activities. In April, they recognized the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse and neglect and promoted the social and emotional well-being of children and families. April is a time to help people understand that safe, stable and nurturing relationships and environments are necessary to ensure that children grow up happy and healthy. We all play a role in supporting the well-being of others.

In honor of Child Abuse Prevention Awareness month, the Burgess Public Health Learning for Life program and the Monona County Child Abuse Prevention Council sponsored many activities. You may have seen one of our over 30 Pinwheel Flower pots around the county. The blue pinwheel is the national symbol Prevent Child Abuse America. Or perhaps you participated in our Family Bingo. We distributed over 700 Family Bingo cards to children and their families. Each bingo card was filled with fun, free family activities to promote positive bonding and togetherness.

With generous funding from the Harrison, Monona and Shelby Early Child-



Front Row: Vince Phillips, Tom Brouillette, and Bo Fox of the Monona County Board of Supervisors. Back Row: Paula Nagel, West Central Community Action/Head Start, Michelle James with Family Crisis Centers, Debbie Lahr, Kaylee Kirkpatrick, and Adam Hadden.

hood Board, families who completed a "blackout" and turned their card in, were eligible for a prize drawing of one of three family memberships to the Henry Doorly Zoo or one of three family game baskets. Congratulations to the winners from each school district: Kendyl Purcell, Jasmine Warren, Madison Golden, Wylie Eckert, Hudson Blatchford and Trigg Fox.

It is our hope that the families who did not turn in a "blackout" card were able to complete some of the activities or at the very least read through the cards to see how simple it can be to spend quality time together.

The Monona County Board of Supervisors also signed a proclamation declaring April as Child Abuse Prevention Awareness month to show their support to the families and children in our county. Public Health appreciates their time and collaboration. They also want to thank those that wore blue on Fridays during April to show their support.

The Monona County Child Abuse Prevention Council meets regularly to ensure that EVERY CHILD has a safe childhood free of violence. The Council is actively seeking members. For information on how

to be involved or if you or a friend would like to learn how to participate in educational early childhood home visits that will help your child's growth and development, please contact Burgess Public Health at 712-423-9175. Our Learning for Life Program is a free home visiting program for families with children prenatal through kindergarten entry. The Learning for Life Program is funded by grants from the Harrison, Monona and Shelby Early Childhood Iowa Board, Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program grant funding and the Monona County Board of Supervisors.

## 1000 Books Before Kindergarten



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Another 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten has been awarded at the Fisher Whiting Memorial Library in Mapleton. Brant Brown, son of Nathan and Alice Brown of Mapleton just completed his 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge. Brant received a new book for every 100 books read and when 1,000 books were reached, he received a book pillow with more books and other small prizes. The book pillow says, "Reading can soar you to new heights". If you live in or around Mapleton and are interested in this program, stop in the library to see how you can participate. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Mapleton Library.

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## May is Mental Health Awareness Month

By Todd Stevens

May is Mental Health Awareness Month, an important time to talk about psychological and emotional wellbeing. The purpose of this specially designated month – recognized in the United States since 1949 – is to increase understanding and reduce stigma about mental health conditions and challenges, according to Todd Stevens, a human sciences specialist with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

"Many of us are concerned about the mental health of our family, friends, coworkers and even strangers," said Stevens, who specializes in family wellbeing.

Statistics from the National Alliance on Mental Illness show that

- 1 in 5 U.S. adults experience mental illness each year.
- 1 in 20 U.S. adults experience serious mental illness each year.
- 1 in 6 U.S. youth age 6-17 experience a mental health disorder each year.
- 50% of all lifetime mental illness begins by age 14, and 75% by age 24.
- Suicide is the second leading cause of death among people age 10-14.

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach offers several mental health

programs and resources to educate and inform Iowans.

Question. Persuade. Refer. is a suicide prevention and education program that teaches participants how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade and refer someone to help. A list of upcoming program locations is available online. <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/QPR>.

Mental Health First Aid teaches participants how to help someone who is developing a mental health problem (such as depression or a substance abuse disorder), has an existing mental health condition that is getting worse, or could be experiencing a mental health crisis. A list of upcoming program locations is available online, <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/MHFA>.

Iowa Concern Hotline – Call 800-447-1985 for 24/7 access to stress counselors and an attorney for legal education, as well as information and referral services for a wide variety of topics. You can also visit the Iowa Concern website to live chat with a stress counselor one-on-one in a secure environment. <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/iowaconcern/> Farm Stress and Mental

Health is available for free download from the Extension Store. This fact sheet is designed to help agricultural advocates respond to someone in crisis with support and resources. <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/16350>

"Mental Health Matters!" publications from the Extension Store are designed to provide information on youth mental health. They include activities that young people can do to gain skills related to their mental and physical wellbeing. <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/16401>.

Encouraging a Friend to Seek Professional Help examines how loss, grief or

depression can immobilize a person, making it hard for the individual to look realistically at a situation or to act. It's important for friends or family members not to ignore signs that the person needs help. <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/4551>

"The Iowa State University Extension and Outreach mental health team works to increase awareness about mental health challenges and reduce the related stigma," Stevens said.

For more information about mental health, resources and training, visit <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/mental-health-and-well-being>.

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## Minutes

### MAPLE VALLEY – ANTHON OTO COMMUNITY SCHOOL SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MAY 11, 2023

President Wimmer called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. Present: Wimmer, Streck, Kennedy  
Absent: Hamman and Schram  
Guests: Crista Else and Kim Handke  
Streck motioned and Kennedy seconded that the board select Map option 1 and approve the proposed resolution stating so. The Board of Directors of the MVAO Community School District, in the Counties of Monona, Woodbury, Ida, and Crawford, State of Iowa, met in open session, at the district Central Office, 501 South 7 th Street, Mapleton, Iowa at 7:00 P.M., on the above date. There were present President Dale Wimmer, in the chair, and the following members of the Board of Directors: Streck, Kennedy,

Absent: Hamann, and Schram  
The proposed action to adopt redistricting plan adjusting director district boundaries and approving existing method of election following the 2020 federal census was considered. Director Wimmer introduced the following Resolution and moved that it be adopted. Director Kennedy seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called and the vote was: AYES: Wimmer, Kennedy, and Streck. NAYS: None  
Whereupon, the President declared the resolution duly adopted as follows:  
RESOLUTION ADOPTING PLAN TO ADJUST DIRECTOR DISTRICTS BOUNDARIES AND APPROVE EXISTING METHOD OF ELECTION FOLLOWING 2020 FEDERAL CENSUS WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 275.23A provides that a public school district which has a board of directors with members representing director districts

shall be divided into director districts according to standards specified in state law; and WHEREAS, following each federal decennial census, the board of directors of the school district shall 1) determine whether the school district's existing director district boundaries conform to state law utilizing the most recent federal decennial census; 2) adjust director district boundaries when appropriate and may change its method of election, if desired and 3) prepare the necessary paperwork related to director district boundaries and any change in method of election required for submission to the Secretary of State; and WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the MVAO Community School District has five (5) directors under its current method of election; five (5) of whom are elected at-large but must live in their respective single director districts; and WHEREAS, the District has

contracted with Mapping Strategies, LLC ("Mapping Strategies") to provide assistance to the District with respect to the application of the 2020 federal census population data to its existing director district boundaries; and WHEREAS, according to the analysis conducted by Mapping Strategies, all five (5) of the director district boundaries for the MVAO Community School District need adjustment to conform to state law based on the 2020 federal census population; and WHEREAS, the new adjusted director district boundaries are described and depicted on the school redistricting worksheet and proposed director district configuration map(s) attached hereto as Exhibit A; and WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the MVAO Community School District has reviewed and fully considered the findings of Mapping Strategies, including

the redistricting worksheet and proposed director district configuration map(s), and the following action is now considered to be in the best interests of the MVAO Community School District and the residents thereof. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MVAO COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT: Section 1. That the MVAO Community School District shall make no change to its current method of election for its Board of Directors and it shall continue to have five (5) directors under its current method of election; five (5) of whom are elected at-large but must live in their respective single director districts; and Section 2. That the redistricting plan attached adjusting all five (5) of the director district boundaries of the MVAO Community School District following the 2020 federal census population is adopted and the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the redrawing of

such necessary director district boundaries to become effective July 1, 2023 for the 2023 regular school election. Section 3. That the appropriate officials of the MVAO Community School District are authorized to make all certifications and submit any and all information as necessary and required by law regarding the redistricting plan and the adjustment of director district boundaries to the Iowa Secretary of State and other state and local agencies. PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of May, 2023. MVAO Community School District By: Dale Wimmer, President of the Board of Directors  
Attest: Shona Klingensmith, Secretary of the Board of Directors  
President Wimmer adjourned at 7:14 PM.  
MVAO Board President – Wimmer  
MVAO Board Secretary -  
Klingensmith  
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## Minutes

### MONONA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MAY 9, 2023

The Monona County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. o'clock on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 in the boardroom of the courthouse in Onawa, Monona County, Iowa with Chairman Fox presiding. Other, Supervisors present: Tom Brouillette and Vince Phillips. Supervisor Absent: None. Also, present was Auditor Peggy A. Rolph.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Fox to approve the agenda. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Kevin Ewing, Sheriff, was present for authorization to hire part-time on-call jailer/dispatchers and for bids on doors.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to authorize Sheriff Ewing to hire Zach Brown and Sandy Tollufsen as part-time on-call jailers/dispatchers at the rate of \$17.00 per hour per union contract. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion Carried.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to table the bids on the doors until more information was presented. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Secondary Roads Engineer Dustin Wallis was present for Secondary Roads business. Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Fox to approve right of way easement contract with

Michael Mordhorst, BROS-SWAP-C067(93)6FE-67. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Brouillette, seconded by Supervisor Phillips to approve right of way easement contracts with Teresa Mordhorst, BROS-SWAP-C067(93)6FE-67. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion Carried.  
Supervisor Brouillette introduced and moved to adopt the following Resolution, seconded by Supervisor Fox:  
RESOLUTION NO. SR 23-12  
The Board of Supervisors consents to the recommendation of the County Engineer to hire Samuel Hanson to fill a Seasonal Roadside Operator position at a Start rate of \$19.00 per hour. Seasonal employment dates will be April through September. Date: May 09, 2023  
Ayes: /s/ Bo Fox; /s/ Tom Brouillette; /s/ Vincent Phillips  
Nays: /s/ Bo Fox  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors ATTEST: /s/ Peggy A. Rolph  
Monona County Auditor  
Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to acknowledge receipt of resignation letter from Zach Schrader, Assistant to Engineer II, effective May 31, 2023. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion Carried.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to acknowledge receipt of resignation letter from Brandon Vogt, Area Road Foreman,

effective June 8, 2023. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion Carried.  
Discussion items were patching roads, E-16, culvert project, signs and posts that were burnt from the fires, and rock. No action was taken.  
It was moved by Fox, seconded by Brouillette to adopt Resolutions Levying Special Assessments in the Kennebec Drainage District; Little Sioux InterCounty Drainage District; McCandless Intercounty Main Drainage District; McCandless Laterals 4, 8 and 10; Nagel Drainage District; New Farmers Main Drainage District; New Farmers Laterals 2, 3, 4, 5N and 6; Sandhill-Lakeport InterCounty Drainage District; Soldier Valley Drainage District; Upper Soldier Drainage District; and Woodbury-Monona Laterals 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Phillips and Brouillette. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Resolutions are placed on file at the Drainage Office.  
It was moved by Phillips, seconded by Fox to approve the petition of Tim Hodgson requesting that Gray Lateral F be spot cleaned from Mango Ave East along 280th St. Vote on motion: Ayes: Phillips, Fox and Brouillette. Nays: None. Motion Carried.  
Goslar Construction has been contacted, being the next contractor on our Contractors List, and has indicated he plans to begin the work the week of May 15, 2023. Goslar suggested that the spoils be placed on the adjacent dirt road. Dave Brown, Secondary Roads Foreman, was

contacted and agreed that they would level the spoils.  
Jim Wigton, IT Director, and Kevin Ewing, Sheriff, were present for approval for panic buttons, Microsoft Office 365, upgrading the website, and computers for the courthouse and Sheriffis Office.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Brouillette, seconded by Supervisor Fox to approve panic buttons for the Courthouse through Alpha Wireless for \$14,466 using ARPA funding. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to approve Microsoft Office 365 upgrade for the Courthouse and Sheriffis Office for \$21,303.75 using ARPA funding. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Phillips to approve to upgrade the Monona County website not to exceed \$15,000 using ARPA funds. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Fox seconded by Supervisor Phillips to approve upgrading the computers in the Courthouse for \$33,987 and the Sheriffis Office and patrol vehicles for \$74,452.56 plus \$3,984 for Datto backup using ARPA funds. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Kelly Parsley, Deputy Auditor, was present for the review of the World Insurance Associates,

LLC proposal for life an AD&D Insurance, additional life insurance, short term disability insurance. The proposal was discussed with no action was taken.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to approve the minutes of May 2, 2023 as read. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Fox to approve claims. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to acknowledge receipt of manure management plans & plan updates for Bar 7, LLC Facility ID #71297. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Brouillette, seconded by Supervisor Fox to acknowledge receipt of manure management plans & plan updates for Jordan Ridge Poultry, LLC Facility ID #71185. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Phillips to approve upgrading the computers in the Courthouse for \$33,987 and the Sheriffis Office and patrol vehicles for \$74,452.56 plus \$3,984 for Datto backup using ARPA funds. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Kelly Parsley, Deputy Auditor, was present for the review of the World Insurance Associates,

Chairman's signature on status/ payroll change report for a three-month wage increase for Bryan Phillips. He will be going from \$17.00 per hour to \$17.51 per hour per original hiring agreement. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox and Brouillette. Nays: None. Abstaining: Phillips. Motion carried.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to authorize the Chairman's signature on MOU with the Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO), Iowa Department of Management for CrowdStrike Migration Initiative for CrowdStrike software installation. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Brouillette, seconded by Supervisor Phillips to approve Teamsters Local Union #554 to have a cookout for Monona County Employees on June 1st at 4:30 p.m. at the Onawa Shed. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
It was moved by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to hereby adjourn at the hour of 12:37 p.m. o'clock. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
/s/Bo Fox  
BO FOX, CHAIRPERSON  
MONONA COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
ATTEST: /s/Peggy A. Rolph  
PEGGY A. ROLPH, AUDITOR  
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## Minutes

### CHARTER OAK-UTE COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR HEARING MAY 15, 2023

The Board of Directors of the Charter Oak-Ute School met on the above date in the Charter Oak Center with Directors Weed, Klinker, McAndrews, Goslar, Superintendent Eggeling and Secretary Carstens were present. Director Schultz was absent. President Weed called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. It was moved by Klinker, seconded by McAndrews to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda as presented. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
It was moved by McAndrews, seconded by Goslar to approve the consent items listed below. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 17, 2023  
Approval of the Minutes of the Budget Hearing Meeting on April 17, 2023  
All Fundraising Approvals  
All Financial Reports  
Invoices for Payment  
Superintendent Eggeling discussed applications for job openings, needs assessments, state report, state testing scores, insurance claims from hail damage regarding the ac units,

bus garage, storage shed, stratus and buses. He also discussed the ROI Energy lights and summer schools.  
It was moved by Klinker, seconded by Goslar to approve the 2023-2024 Teacher Handbook. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
It was moved by McAndrews, seconded by Klinker to approve the classified staff salary agreements with a 3.79% average increase which is .71 cents per person and a \$35.00 insurance increase for the full time 12 month employees. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
It was moved by McAndrews, seconded by Klinker to approve the starting wages at \$11.50 an hour. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
It was moved by Klinker, seconded by Goslar to approve the IASB membership and policy reference membership. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
It was moved by McAndrews, seconded by Klinker to approve the purchase of the Boost intervention through Amplify. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
It was moved by Klinker, seconded by McAndrews to approve the resolution existing director districts and method of election following the 2020 federal census. Roll call vote: Ayes –

Goslar, Klinker, McAndrews and Weed. Director Schultz was absent. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
It was moved by McAndrews, seconded by Goslar to approve the shared social worker agreement with NWAEA. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
It was moved by Goslar, seconded by Klinker to approve the director of maintenance and operations salary as presented for the 2023-2024 school year. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
It was moved by Klinker, seconded by McAndrews to set the June board meeting to June 28, 2023 at 4p.m. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
The board discussed future agenda items: vehicles, air conditioning and restroom project and administration salaries  
There being no further business it was moved by Klinker, seconded by McAndrews to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Ayes all. Motion carried.  
Secretary Carstens  
Charter Oak-Ute Csd Board  
Report-May 2023 Bills  
Vendor Name, Description Amount  
Fund: 10 Operating Fund  
141 One Stop, Service.... 744.18  
Ahlrs & Cooney P.C., Service..... 391.00  
Bomgaars, Supplies ..... 102.41

Capital One, Service..... 42.04  
City Of Charter Oak, Service..... 331.54  
Denison Auto Parts And Machine, Supplies..... 571.59  
Dhs Cashier 1St Floor, Service..... 1,617.74  
Dhs Cashier 1St Floor, Medic-aid..... 6,500.94  
Vendor Total:..... 8,118.68  
Drees Heating And Plumbing, Service..... 670.00  
Eric Armin Inc, Supplies..... 59.90  
Feh Design, Service.... 62,380.80  
Frontier, Service ..... 83.00  
Ia Schools Emp Benefits Assc, Insurance..... 481.45  
Iowa Communications Network, Service..... 375.60  
Ipers, Ipers Benefits..... 3,506.89  
Joe's Welding, Supplies .... 20.00  
Lambert Family And Sports Chi-ropactic Pc, Service..... 75.00  
Maple Valley-Anthon Oto Community Schools, Open Enrollment Invoice..... 46,503.63  
Maple Valley-Anthon Oto Community Schools, Service .. 30,936.16  
Maple Valley-Anthon Oto Community Schools, Whole Grade Sharing..... 287,424.00  
Vendor Total:..... 364,863.79  
Mapleton Press, Services 104.53  
Meseck Electric, Llc, Service..... 34.18  
Midamerican Energy Company, Service..... 1,308.15

New Cooperative Inc, Diesel..... 4,300.60  
Plunkett's Pest Control, Service..... 69.55  
Quill Corporation, Supplies..... 167.18  
R&S Waste Systems, Inc, Service..... 432.43  
School Specialty Inc., Supplies..... 43.65  
Timberline Billing Service, Service..... 207.51  
Verizon Wireless, Phone .254.82  
Wehr, Calvin, Service..... 375.00  
Fund Total:..... 450,115.47  
Fund: 21 Student Activity Fund  
141 One Stop, Service .... 108.74  
Behrendt, Dan, Morp Dj... 250.00  
Bissen, Amber, Ms Field Trip Reimb ..... 20.00  
Capital One, Service..... 465.43  
Henry Doorly Zoo, K-1 Filed Trip ..... 361.00  
Henry Doorly Zoo, Student Council Field Trip ..... 361.00  
Vendor Total:..... 722.00  
Odyssey Of The Mind, Worlds Finals Fees And Rooms .. 9,100.00  
Otc Brands, Inc, Supplies 282.84  
Otc Brands, Inc, Supplies 241.76  
Vendor Total:..... 524.60  
Pizza Ranch, Preschool Field Trip ..... 118.46  
Staley's Food Service, Inc., Odyssey Of Mind Fundraiser Meal..... 1,254.63  
Fund Total:..... 12,563.86

Fund: 22 Management Fund  
Ia Schools Emp Benefits Assc, Insurance..... 1,470.36  
Fund Total:..... 1,470.36  
Fund: 33 Capital Projects Fund  
Ullerich, Clayton , Service..... 3,490.80  
Fund Total:..... 3,490.80  
Fund: 36 Physical Plant & Equipment Access Systems, Service..... 1,041.37  
Shi International Corp, Hardware..... 9,829.00  
Software Unlimited, Inc., Service..... 3,950.00  
Fund Total:..... 14,820.37  
Fund: 61 School Nutrition Fund  
Dfa Dairy Brands Dallas, Food..... 1,201.90  
Fareway Stores Inc, Food .68.52  
Fareway Stores Inc, Food 113.66  
Vendor Total:..... 14,820.37  
Hobart Corp., Supplies ..... 78.65  
Hy-Vee, Food..... 15.26  
Martin Bros, Food..... 6,164.77  
Pan-O-Gold Baking Co, Food..... 281.78  
Rasmussen Mechanical Services Inc, Service..... 378.00  
Staley's Food Service, Inc, Supplies..... 22.22  
Fund Total:..... 8,324.76  
Checking Account Total:..... 490,785.62  
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### MONONA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MAY 12, 2023

The Monona County Board of Supervisors met in special session at 9:30 a.m. o'clock on Friday, May 12, 2023 in the boardroom of the courthouse in Onawa, Monona County, Iowa with Chairman Fox presiding. Other, Supervisors present: Tom Brouillette and Vince Phillips. Supervisor Absent: None. Also, present was Auditor Peggy A. Rolph.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Fox to approve the agenda. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion

carried.  
Jim Wigton, IT Director, was present to add an additional door to the previous quote and for a card printer for the doors. Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to approve adding the additional door to the quote and purchase a card printer for the doors using ARPA funding; the cost of the printer and cards will be \$3,060. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Kevin Ewing, Sheriff, was present for bids on the doors. Motion was made by Supervisor Fox, seconded by Supervisor Phillips to table the bids on the doors at

the Law Enforcement Center until updated bids are received. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Secondary Roads Engineer Dustin Wallis and Deleta Huffman, Office Manager, were present for Secondary Roads business. The Supervisors reviewed Dustin Wallis Consultant Contract with Mr. Wallis.  
Motion was made by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Fox to approve Consultant Contract with Dustin Wallis. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
Supervisor Brouillette introduced

and moved to adopt the following Resolution, seconded by Supervisor Phillips:  
RESOLUTION NO. SR 23-13  
The Board of Supervisors advises and consents to the County Engineer's recommendation to accept the quote from Ziegler CAT, Sioux City, Iowa, to supply a 2023 CAT 140 Motorgarder to Monona County as specified. The total cost is \$456,095.00. Date: May 12th, 2023  
Ayes: /s/ Bo Fox; /s/ Tom Brouillette; /s/ Vincent Phillips  
Nays: /s/ Bo Fox  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors ATTEST: /s/ Peggy A. Rolph  
Monona County Auditor

Supervisor Fox introduced and moved to adopt the following Resolution, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette:  
RESOLUTION NO. SR 23-14  
The Board of Supervisors advises and consents to the County Engineer's recommendation to accept the quote from Murphy Tractor, Sioux City, Iowa, to supply a 2023 John Deere 250G Excavator to Monona County as specified. The total cost is \$327,475.00. Date: May 12th, 2023  
Ayes: /s/ Bo Fox; /s/ Tom Brouillette; /s/ Vincent Phillips  
Nays: /s/ Bo Fox  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: /s/ Peggy A. Rolph  
Monona County Auditor  
It was moved by Supervisor Phillips, seconded by Supervisor Brouillette to hereby adjourn at the hour of 11:45 a.m. o'clock. Vote on motion: Ayes: Fox, Brouillette, and Phillips. Nays: None. Motion Carried.  
/s/Bo Fox  
BO FOX, CHAIRPERSON  
MONONA COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
ATTEST: /s/Peggy A. Rolph  
PEGGY A. ROLPH, AUDITOR  
MP5-25-23

Minutes

MAPLE VALLEY-ANTHON OTO COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
 Date: Wednesday, May 10, 2023  
 Time: 7:00 PM  
 Place: Board Room, Central Office, Mapleton, Iowa  
 Present: Wimmer, Streck, Kennedy, Hamann, and Schram  
 Absent: None  
 Others: 5 guests  
 AGENDA:  
 I. Opening of Meeting  
 President Wimmer called the meeting to order and declared a quorum at 7:04 PM.  
 II. Communications  
 The board enjoyed pies provided by Security National Bank for School Board Appreciation Month.  
 Mrs. Else asked the board about approved fundraisers and our website.  
 Ann Hardy addressed the board about turnover in the Anthon building and the need for a culture shift.  
 III. Consent Agenda  
 Hamann moved and Streck seconded to approve the consent agenda. 5 ayes. Motion carried.  
 General \$269,846.13; Management \$3,248.36; PPEL \$16,754; Activity \$40,521.96; Hot Lunch \$70,852.93; Infrastructure \$61,966.34; Extra&Hourly Pay \$155,424.35.  
 IV. Action Items  
 A. Employee Resignations/Contract Modifications/Hiring – This item was moved to the end of the meeting after exempt session. Streck moved and Kennedy seconded to approve the resignations of Dina Mitchell (title teacher), Kirk Bollig (bus driver), Mona Kirchgatter (art teacher), Rochelle Maynard (K-8 principal), Derek Dougherty (MS teacher), and Jon Hookham (Anthon custodian); and the hiring of Bill Collins (2nd semester MS algebra), Logan Landwehr (HS special ed teacher), Jacob Burger (Head football), Tiffany DeRoche, Izabel Borja, Maddison Vermeys, and Frankie Hopkins (BOP summer program), and David Seieroe (60% Elem counselor). 5 ayes. Motion carried.  
 B. Approval of District Boundary Map – Streck moved and Schram seconded to table until tomorrow. 5 ayes. Motion carried.  
 C. Certified Staff Handbook – Schram moved and Kennedy seconded to approve the certified staff handbook. 5 ayes. Motion carried.  
 D. E-Rate Technology Bids – Streck moved and Hamann seconded to table this item until June. 5 ayes. Motion carried.  
 E. Appointment of Designated

Person for Asbestos and Child Abuse Investigator – President Wimmer appointed Kody Berg for asbestos and Jen Kinsey for child abuse investigator. 5 ayes. Motion carried.  
 F. Board Policy Review 700 Series – Hamann moved and Schram seconded to approve the 700 policies. 5 ayes. Motion carried.  
 G. Non-Certified and Administrative Contracts – This item was moved to the end of the meeting after exempt session. Streck moved and Schram seconded to approve the non-certified and administrative contracts with a 4.54% increase. 5 ayes. Motion carried.  
 H. 2021-2022 Audit – Streck moved and Kennedy seconded to approve the 21-22 audit. 5 ayes. Motion carried.  
 I. Early Graduation – board policy 505.6 states requirements for early graduation so no motion needed.  
 J. Girls' Wrestling Contract for 23-24 – Schram moved and Hamann seconded to approve the girls' wrestling contract with West Monona. 5 ayes. Motion carried.  
 V. Discussion Items  
 A. Registration Fees for 2023-2024 School Year  
 B. School Branding  
 VI. Reports  
 A. Principal Reports  
 VII. Future Agenda Item Requests  
 A. Approval of 2023-2024 General and Building-Level Handbooks  
 B. Registration Fees and Meal Prices for 2023-2024  
 C. Milk Bids for 2023-2024  
 VIII. Announcements  
 A. Commencement- 2:00 PM, Sunday, May 21, 2023 at MVAOCO High School Gymnasium  
 B. Next Meeting- Monday, June 12, 2023 in Anthon  
 IX. Adjourn – President Wimmer adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM. The board remained in exempt session until 10:09 PM. President Wimmer called the meeting back to order at 10:09 to complete the last two agenda items. President Wimmer adjourned the meeting at 10:29 PM.  
 MVAO Board President – Wimmer  
 MVAO Board Secretary – Klingensmith  
 MVAO Claims - May 2023  
 Vendor Name, Vendor Description, Total Fund  
 Abu Bekr Shrine Circus, Field Trip ..... 175.00  
 Ahlers & Cooney Pc, Legal..... 862.00  
 Alexander Bothwell, Llc, Sup-

plies ..... 100.00  
 Amazon.Com Business Account, Supplies..... 212.37  
 American Heart Association, Donations..... 705.98  
 Anchor Music Publications, Supplies..... 75.00  
 Armstead, Andrew, Reimbursement..... 270.76  
 Arnold Motor Supply, Supplies..... 1,685.07  
 Barnes And Noble, Inc., Supplies..... 203.28  
 Boekelman, Tana, Reimbursement..... 22.89  
 Brenner's, Supplies..... 219.00  
 Britton, Laurie, Reimbursement..... 20.00  
 Bullwinkle's Ice Cream Rentals, Supplies..... 300.00  
 C H N Garbage Service, Inc., Garbage..... 426.50  
 Centurylink, Telephone, 321.60  
 City Of Anthon, Anthon City Hall, Utilities..... 8,403.20  
 City Of Danbury, Summer Program..... 1,440.00  
 City Of Mapleton, Utilities..... 19,286.13  
 Claim Aid, Medicaid Billing/275.50  
 Clark, Kristi, Reimbursement..... 40.99  
 Colbert's Market, Supplies..... 1,459.53  
 Cornhusker International Trucks, Supplies..... 382.58  
 Croghan, Brenda, Reimbursement..... 27.71  
 Danbury Review, Publishing..... 233.67  
 Department Of Education, Bus Inspection..... 1,250.00  
 Drees, Michelle, Reimbursement..... 273.99  
 Educators Benefit Consultants, Llc, Flex Program..... 125.00  
 Else, Crista, Reimbursement..... 396.00  
 Facts Education Solutions, Llc, Supplies..... 1,682.83  
 First Unum Life Insurance Company, Insurance..... 489.74  
 Golemo, Mike, Services 75.00  
 Graham Tire Storm Lake, Tires..... 352.24  
 Hamman, Amy, Reimbursement..... 278.80  
 Healthiest You, Insurance..... 1,463.00  
 Henry Doorly Zoo, Field Trip..... 456.00  
 Hoglund Bus Co., Inc, Supplies..... 15.41  
 Home Depot Pro Institutional, The, Supplies..... 10,533.09  
 Hometown Variety, Supplies..... 141.35  
 Iowa Assoc School Boards, Supplies..... 2,978.00  
 Iowa Communications Network, Internet..... 54.65  
 Iowa High School Music Asso, Registration..... 262.70  
 Iowa Information Media Group, Publishing/Advertising 815.90

Iowa Sports Supply, Supplies..... 229.00  
 J.W. Pepper & Sons, Inc., Supplies..... 85.98  
 Jager, Patricia, Reimbursement..... 100.00  
 Jessen Automotive, Supplies..... 2,015.04  
 Johnson Propane Inc, Propane..... 6,444.00  
 Jostens, Yearbook..... 778.20  
 Junior Library Guild, Supplies..... 2,558.90  
 Kinsey, Jennifer, Reimbursement..... 339.72  
 Kirchgatter, Mona, Reimbursement..... 385.00  
 Klingensmith, Shona, Reimbursement..... 88.91  
 Kovarna, David, Reimbursement..... 60.00  
 Kovarna, Linda, Reimbursement..... 170.32  
 Krier, Tiffany, Reimbursement..... 25.00  
 Lefebvre, Michaela, Reimbursement..... 44.00  
 Macs Chevrolet Pontiac, Supplies..... 110.00  
 Mallory, Bethany, Reimbursement..... 155.24  
 Mapleton Bp, Supplies 1,220.48  
 Mapleton Communications, Internet..... 5,433.74  
 Mapleton Press, Legal Publishing/Renew..... 356.17  
 Maynard, Rochelle, Reimbursement..... 223.93  
 Mcgrain, Erika, Reimbursement..... 208.76  
 McGraw-Hill, Supplies 7,867.48  
 Menards, Supplies..... 743.16  
 Mercyone Anthon, Physical 44.68  
 Monona County Treasurer, Supplies..... 50.00  
 New Coop-Ute, Fuel 6,533.55  
 Northwest Area Education Agency, Supplies..... 360.00  
 Oberreuter, Angela, Reimbursement..... 122.00  
 Occ Outdoors, Inc, Supplies..... 886.20  
 Quill Corporation, Supplies..... 2,053.10  
 Renner, Taylor, Reimbursement..... 250.71  
 Rent-All Inc., Supplies 225.00  
 Rentokil North America, Inc., Services..... 56.50  
 Ryan Publishing Company, Publishing..... 67.20  
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**Can We All Agree on This?**

*"We believe in that which was sent down unto us and was sent down unto you; our God and your God are one, and unto Him are we submitters."*  
Quran 29:46

I'm often dismayed at how frequently otherwise well-meaning people disagree on simple matters of right and wrong or good and bad. I generally and perhaps naively give politicians the benefit of the doubt when it comes to judging their motives. That is, I assume that they have the best interests of their constituents and the country at large in mind when they go to the state capital or to Washington. But when I see them wrangling and arguing ceaselessly and often just being downright nasty, I sometimes think my faith in their goodwill is misplaced. Likewise with nation states; I'd like to think that national leaders the world over care about their people and want what is best for them, but history and common sense tells us this is frequently not the case when heads of state steal from and kill their own people. If there is one area where we ought not to see this dark and malevolent side of human nature, it would seem to be in religion, where there seems to be some uniformity in praising justice, mercy, and kindness towards our fellow man. That is not to say that people who profess to be religious always live up to these ideals—we frequently don't—but at least when we delve into our sacred texts and traditions, we see that there is broad agreement on the fundamentals of human behavior. Love your neighbors; be kind to everyone you meet. And strive to live a good and virtuous life.  
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## Yard and Garden

# Selecting and Planting Perennials in Spring

### Perennials can help keep a garden interesting all season

Perennials are a great way to provide flowers and color in the garden and by planting perennials with different seasons of bloom, you can have interest throughout the growing season. In this article, horticulturists with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach provide tips for selecting and planting perennials in your Iowa garden.

### What should I look for when purchasing perennials?

It is important to select perennials well-suited for the planting location. Be sure the soil moisture, light levels and winter hardiness of the garden site match the growing requirements of the perennial. Additionally, check the mature height and width of the perennial and be sure there is enough space for the plant to reach full size.

Select high-quality plants by first looking at the condition of the plant. The overall habit or shape of the plant should be well-balanced and not too big or small for the container. Perennials should be sturdy, robust and compact. Bigger is not necessarily better, as spindly or lanky plants do not transplant well. Leaves should not be off-colored or mottled. While a few brown leaf edges or missing leaves can be expected from a perennial growing in a container, avoid plants with excessive leaf damage or loss. Plants with overly dry or wet soil often indicate poor care and should be avoided. Plants should be firm and upright, not limp or wilted. Look under the leaves and near the crown of the plants for signs or symptoms of disease and insect pests. Do not purchase plants that show signs of insects or disease.

Remember, while flowers are pretty, they are not required for

the purchase of your plants. Buying only plants that are in bloom often creates garden spaces with heavy spring bloom and little interest later in the season because many gardeners do most of their plant shopping in spring. Pretty flowers are nice, but are not a universal sign of good health and high quality.

### How do I plant perennials?

Planting container-grown perennials starts with digging a hole at least twice as wide as the container. The depth of the hole should equal the depth of the soil in the container. It is important not to plant perennials too deeply as it may cause poor growth or flowering. Pull the perennial out of the container by squeezing the sides of the pot and then gently pulling the root ball out. Carefully loosen the root ball and roots, especially those roots that are circling the root ball. Set the perennial in the ground at the same level as in the container and backfill with the soil that came out of the hole. If the soil is of very low quality, such as those that are poorly drained or have a lot of clay, the planting hole should be dug three or four times the container's width and the native soil can be amended with compost. In nearly all cases, amendments are unnecessary, and the soil dug out of the planting hole goes back into the hole.

Most perennials don't need a starter fertilizer, but you can use one if you choose by following the label directions. Place 3 to 4 inches of mulch around the base of the perennial to help conserve soil moisture and prevent weed growth. The last step is to water the newly planted perennial. Watering after planting is important because it settles the soil and gets the roots in contact with the surrounding soil getting the plant off to a good start.

### What are some good low-maintenance perennials?

All perennials require some maintenance. Watering, fertilizing, pinching, staking, deadheading, dividing and providing winter protection are common maintenance chores. Some perennials require frequent attention throughout the growing season. Others require minimal care.

Low-maintenance perennials for sunny locations include butterfly weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*), false blue indigo (*Baptisia australis*), hardy geranium (*Geranium* spp.), false sunflower (*Heliopsis helianthoides*), daylily (*Hemerocallis* spp.), Siberian iris (*Iris sibirica*), blazing star (*Liatris* spp.), daffodil (*Narcissus* spp.), peony (*Paeonia* hybrids), Russian sage (*Salvia yangii*, syn. *Perovskia atriplicifolia*), moss phlox (*Phlox subulata*), balloon flower (*Platycodon grandiflorus*), coneflower (*Echinacea* spp.), perennial salvia (*Salvia x superba*), sedum (*Sedum* spp.), speedwell (*Veronica* spp.) and ornamental grasses (various species).

Low-maintenance perennials for partial to heavy shade include lady's mantle (*Alchemilla mollis*), Canadian wild ginger (*Asarum canadense*), heartleaf brunnera (*Brunnera macrophylla*), turtlehead (*Chelone* spp.), bleeding heart (*Lamprocapnos spectabilis* and *Dicentra* spp.), barrenwort (*Epimedium* spp.), hosta (*Hosta* spp.), creeping phlox (*Phlox stolonifera*), lungwort (*Pulmonaria* spp.), bloodroot (*Sanguinaria canadensis*), foam flower (*Tiarella* spp.) and ferns (various species).

### Which perennials are long-lived?

Perennials are any plant that lives in the garden for three or more years. Some perennials grow well for a few years and then de-



cline and fade away. When given favorable growing conditions and good care, long-lived perennials often thrive for 20 or more years. Long-lived perennials make great low-maintenance additions to the garden because they rarely need to be replaced.

Long-lived perennials include black snakeroot (*Actaea racemosa*), lady's mantle (*Alchemilla mollis*), goat's beard (*Aruncus dioicus*), butterfly weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*), false blue indigo (*Baptisia australis*), gas plant (*Dictam-*

nus albus), ferns (various species), hardy geranium (*Geranium* spp.), ornamental grasses (various species), daylily (*Hemerocallis* spp.), hosta (*Hosta* spp.), Siberian iris (*Iris sibirica*), blazing star (*Liatris* spp.), daffodil (*Narcissus* spp.), peony (*Paeonia* hybrids), balloon flower (*Platycodon grandiflorus*), lungwort (*Pulmonaria* spp.), black-eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia fulgida*), stonecrop (*Sedum* spp.) and Carolina lupine (*Thermopsis villosa*).

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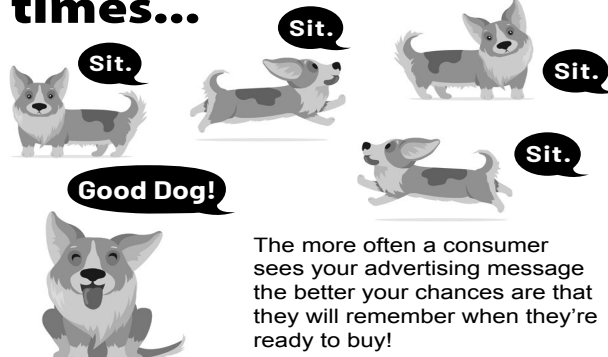


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## AREA ROAD FOREMAN

Monona County Secondary Roads Department is looking for a qualified person to fill the vacant position of Area Road Foreman. This position will report to the County Engineer. This position is responsible for supervising, planning, and scheduling road maintenance and repair in assigned area.

Qualified applicants should have a high school diploma or GED and a minimum of 5 years of related experience. Applicants must possess a Class A CDL.

A resume and application are required. Applications are available at the Monona County Courthouse or online at www.mononacounty.iowa.gov.

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Submit a Resume and Application to the Monona County Engineer, 610 Iowa Avenue, Onawa, Iowa 51040 or email to mocosrsec@mononacounty.org

## SECONDARY ROADS MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT



Monona County is accepting applications for the Maintenance Superintendent Position. Starting salary range is from \$60,000-\$75,000 based on experience and qualifications.

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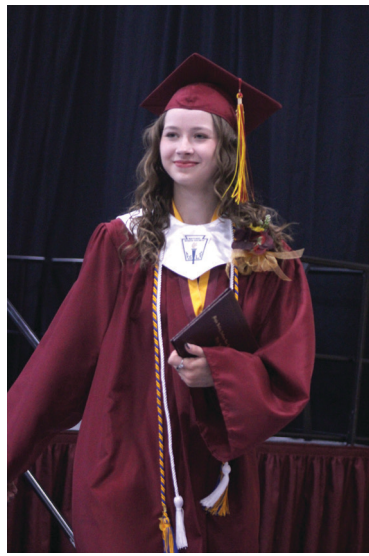
The Class of 2023 makes their way down the hallway to start commencement.



Lauren McMillen and Nick Collins received the MVAOCO Staff Citizenship Award.



Maycie Howland walks across the stage with her diploma.



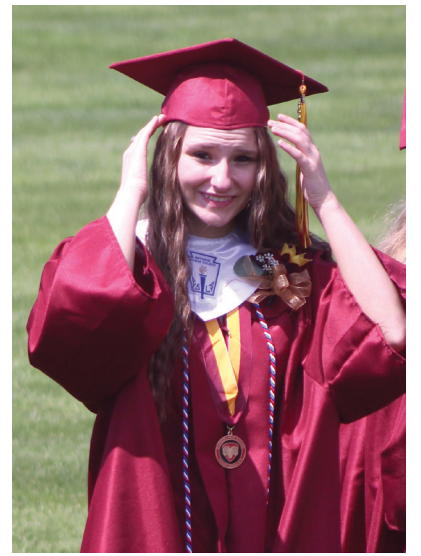
Emily Sorensen smiles as she holds her diploma.



Julia Gain walks across the stage with her diploma.

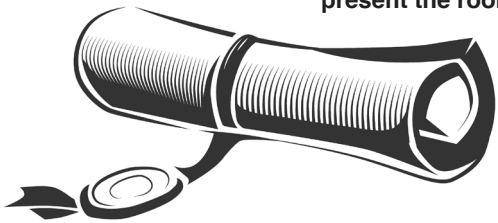


Hunter Dixon walks across the stage with his diploma.



Kylie Bohm fixes her cap.

Maggie Hoskins, Brenner Jung and Ethan Kuhlmann listen to Mr. Thelander present the room.



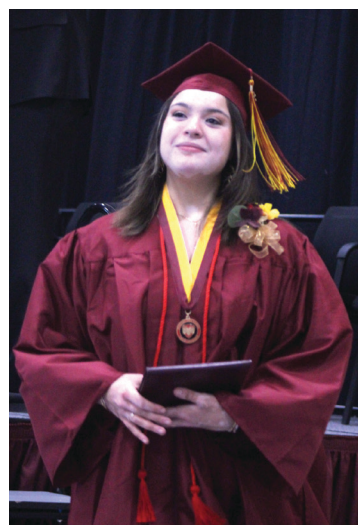
Principal Andy Armstead moves Kaylee Brodesen's tassel.



Molly Fitzpatrick gave the senior address.



The senior choir members and the jazz choir sang "My Wish" during commencement.



On the left, Katie Brenner and Leah Parker wave as they walk down to the field after commencement. Middle, Gracie Friedrichsen smiles as she holds her diploma. On the right, Caden Mahrt and Tyler Ohlmeier share a laugh after commencement.

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