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**ELDRIDGE**

# Rupe promoted; Kotter seeks hearing

By Mark Ridolfi  
NSP Assistant Editor

Eldridge council members Monday evening promoted wastewater superintendent Tony Rupe to assistant city administrator, asked him to continue serving as interim city administrator and gave him a pay raise equal to 90 percent of Lisa Kotter's salary.

The council voted for Rupe's proposal to take on both jobs, increase the salary, and perhaps consider him as a candidate

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for full-time head administrator to succeed the former terminated last month.

Kotter appeared at Monday's meeting with concerns about back wages and

severance package, and asked to buy the city phone she had used. She also has asked the council for a public hearing on her termination.

The council in June awarded Kotter a nine-month retroactive pay raise, bringing her annual salary to \$111,930. Her contract included provisions for severance and benefits exceeding \$75,000.

The council on Monday set Rupe's salary at \$100,737, to be compensated retroactively to Sept. 1 following a motion by council member Brian Dockery and approved by three other council members.

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From left: Frank Wood, Tracy Lindaman, Stephanie Eckhardt, Mark Pratt, Donn Wilmott and Nick Hansel.

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## Meet your school board candidates

Six candidates fielded 10 questions during the North Scott Press candidate forum Oct. 13 at the high school auditorium.

This edited transcript shares responses for eight questions.

Find the full transcript with two more questions, and a link to the video with this story online at northscottpress.com.

**Q: Introduce yourself. Tell about education, occupation, interests and experiences with the district.**

**Frank Wood:** "I have 14 years teaching at NS, physical education. I've coached probably every sport that is here." Among those teams was the Lancers' first five-on-five girls' basketball team that included Tracy Lindaman, now a board member.

Wood has 33 years in public school administration, at Rock Island, Riverdale district in Port Byron before returning to North Scott as assistant

high school principal.

He later served as athletic director six years. Wood's elected service includes three years as Eldridge mayor, then six years as a state senator.

**Stephanie Eckhardt:** The Ottumwa native was an educator 23 years, including six teaching language arts in Bettendorf, and 17 as a Davenport West and Williams Intermediate school counselor, including work with special education students.

Eckhardt earned a bachelor's degree in education from University of Northern Iowa, and a graduate counseling degree from Western Illinois University in Moline.

She is now a Realtor and has lived in the district four years. Her youngest child attends the junior high, and attended Shepard Elementary every year but one. The Eckhardts kept her home during the COVID year. "I think she got a much better education from



North Scott FFA member Caelan Engelbrecht and NSP assistant editor Mark Ridolfi ask questions at the forum.

NSP photo by Scott Campbell

her classroom teacher than she did from Mom and Dad," Eckhardt said.

**Tracy Lindaman:** Lindaman is a McCausland native who attended Grissom

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## Princeton gets \$2M utility offer

Iowa American promises water, sewer rates will rise less than the city's

By Mark Ridolfi  
NSP Assistant Editor

Iowa American Water put a \$2 million value on Princeton's water and sewer system and proposed a sale that would leave the city with about \$448,000 after paying off \$1.5 million in system debts.

Utility representative Frank Grage told council members Oct. 14 that his company estimates investing about \$1.59 million in upgrades, including new meters, some line replacements, and possibly dredging the sewage lagoon.

He also said Iowa American rates would be lower than the city's, if the city maintained ownership and took on those needed repairs.

"Iowa American would bill \$38 per month lower than Princeton could do it alone," Grage said.

He based that estimate on an average residential family's bill for 3,700 gallons per month. Now, the city charges about \$70. Grage said Iowa American's rate would be about \$95 per month, but estimated the city's would be above \$130.

He said Iowa Utility Board figures show Iowa American's rates average

### Meet Princeton candidates

Two compete for mayor, and three run for two council seats.

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# ELDRIDGE: Kotter asks for city cellphone back

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Adrian Blackwell was absent. Rupe will continue as wastewater superintendent, but council members agreed to consider full-time help at the plant. Rupe is the city's only sufficiently certified operator to oversee the plant. He told council members he estimated spending about 90 percent of his time on administrative duties if another operator is hired.

Council members decided that initially, 30 percent of the salary will be funded from the sewer utility and the rest from the general fund.

Council member Frank King joined the majority supporting the promotion. He objected to Rupe's promotion proposal last month, saying he needed more information.

"There were a lot of loose ends. So I reached out to Tony ... since I kind of postponed this," King said.

King said he had questions about division of duties, and pay levels, and asked Rupe to make a recommendation to the council.

"I feel that the appropriate first step would be to appoint me as the assistant city administrator and wastewater superintendent," Rupe wrote in an Oct. 14 memo to the council. "Setting the wage for this position is at council discretion. As you can imagine, there are not going to be any other people out there fulfilling the various roles that I do to use as a comparable wage."

Rupe proposed the 90-percent wage plan, and continuing to serve as interim administrator.

"When the time arrives to hire a city administrator, I will have experience, as I have been and will continue to be the interim assistant city administrator," Rupe wrote.

"At that time, the mayor, council and I can work together to decide if I would be the person to fulfill the permanent city administrator role or if we would prefer we look outside the organization for a city administrator and I remain assistant city administrator."

Council members commended Rupe's help as interim administrator.

"It's tough to beat all these years in the community and all he's done," Peeters said.

"Everybody has been in full support of Tony taking this job. He really stepped up to the plate and responded professionally," city clerk Denise Benson said.

**Kotter's complaints**

The council set a 7 p.m. meeting Monday, Oct. 25, or Wednesday, Oct. 27, to respond to Kotter's request for a hearing on her termination. She hand-delivered a one-sentence request Oct. 8.

State law gives city governments up to 30 days to schedule a hearing challenging a termination.

Kotter appeared at Monday's meeting and addressed the council with six concerns:

Only a quarter of her wages had been re-

ported for Social Security.

The city's attorney has been slow to reply to her emailed requests. Kotter said a question about severance sent Oct. 13 had not been answered.

She wants to change her withholding to reduce the amount of her severance check held back for taxes.

Her city health insurance ended Oct. 1, when she thought it remained effective through Oct. 31. "Those are different terms than my letter," she told the council.

She asked for the return of several personal items, including an iPad. Kotter said she was denied access to clean out her desk. Her belongings were boxed and sent to the city attorney's office.

Kotter asked to buy the city phone she used as administrator. She offered \$150 for the phone, which has photos, contacts and installed applications she would like.

Kotter said if the council denies her request, she will file a Freedom of Information Act request for the contents of the phone and other data.

**New officers**

Deputy police chief Andrew Lellig said two officer applicants completed physical testing and will undergo psychological testing this week. Next come background checks, he said.

Lellig is aiming for the two to be eligible for the Iowa law enforcement academy in January.

**Federal funds**

Rupe reported Eldridge will be compensated about \$90,000 for costs related to the August 2020 derecho storm. FEMA

provides the compensation to cover 75 percent of reported losses.

Mayor Marty O'Boyle said he hopes to hold a public hearing in November to get ideas for the city's \$1 million American Rescue Act payment. The city just received its first check for \$510,000, or about half.

**Fellner addition**

O'Boyle asked the council to consider city storm water and road improvements for the Fellner addition, a 52-lot subdivision on the northeast corner of Scott Park Road and Blackhawk Trail.

O'Boyle asked council members to support initial engineering work to improve drainage and streets on East Lomar Street, 25th and 26th avenues, and Hunter Lane.

The area was annexed into the city and lacked storm sewers and gutters.

O'Boyle likened the work to that done by the city for Country Acres subdivision.

"I thought it would be a nice gesture for those good people to take care of those streets, as a thank-you to them for keeping their areas nice," O'Boyle said.

The mayor queried each council member for consensus to get an engineer's estimate.

All agreed, except Bruce Cheek. "I don't think you want to hear what I have to say," Cheek said.

"OK," O'Boyle responded.

Peeters backed the idea, but asked the mayor to alert council members in advance, not at the meeting. "It was kind of abrupt. Send out a memo in the future," he said.

O'Boyle hopes a proposal will be ready by the next council meeting.

## ELDRIDGE CANDIDATE FORUM



**Forum today**

Eldridge mayoral and council candidates will share their thoughts about the city and its future at The NSP forum, 7-8:30 p.m. today, Wednesday, Oct. 20, at the Eldridge community center.

Candidates will take questions from NSP assistant editor Mark Ridolfi in a forum that will be live streamed on the NSP Facebook page.

Mayoral candidates Marty O'Boyle and Frank King open the forum at 7 p.m.

Council candidates Tisha Boussetot, Dan Collins, Brian Dockery and April Rus begin at 7:30 p.m.

**In-person early voting**

In-person voting at the Auditor's Office began Oct. 13, and continues 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., weekdays, and 8 a.m. through 5 p.m., on Monday, Nov. 1.

**Early voting Oct. 30 at library**

In-person voting will be available 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 30, at the Scott County Library in Eldridge.

**Absentee drop-box**

Voters may drop absentee ballots in a box at the Scott County Administrative Center on the west side of the parking lot through 8 p.m., Election Day. The absentee request deadline was Oct. 18.

## NORTH SCOTT PRESS FOOTBALL CONTEST

# Finn Carlson wins first with three misses

### Just 4 of 145 picked Purdue over Iowa

It was tough picking for everybody in last week's North Scott Press Football Contest. The first-place, \$50 winner, Finn Carlson of Eldridge, was the only entrant out of 146 who missed three.

Four entrants missed four. Kelly Kashmarek of Rocky River, Ohio, won the \$25 second prize with a tiebreaker of 53 (points in Iowa State's 33-20 win over Kansas State). Kelly Johnson of Walcott won the \$10 third prize with a tiebreaker of 47.

Mark Bloom of DeWitt (45) and Dylan Akers of Eldridge (74) also missed four.

It was such a tough week that five wrong made the honor roll: Lance Vanfosson, Jakob Nelson, Robin Porter, Nolan Mossage, Corinne Lillis, Hayden De-

cook, Chloe Lillis, Conner Kashmarek, J. Michael Burke, Ken Kashmarek, Dennis Claussen, Kevin Michalek, Charlotte Claussen, Pat Murphy, Susan Michalek, Lyn Jungblut, Bryan Janoski, Roger Blanche, Chuck Ullrich, Kay Friederichs, Ron Ketelsen, and Veryl Meyer.

Thirty missed six, and 41 missed seven.

The upsets that turned things upside down started with Purdue over Iowa, and included Burlington over Iowa City Liberty, Bettendorf over Cedar Falls, LSU over Florida, UCLA over Washington, Auburn over Arkansas, Minnesota over Nebraska and South Dakota over UNI.

Other winners: North Scott over Fort Madison, Clinton over Mount Pleasant, Davenport North over Muscatine, Iowa City High over Davenport West, Linn-Mar over Davenport Central, Michi-

gan State over Indiana, Ole Miss over Tennessee, and Iowa State over Kansas State.

Look for a new set of pairings in this week's NSP. Game pairings appear in the ads on the contest page with an entry form that must be filled out and delivered in person by Friday at 5 p.m. to The North Scott Press office at 214 N. Second St., or mailed to: North Scott Press, P.O. Box 200, Eldridge, IA 52748.

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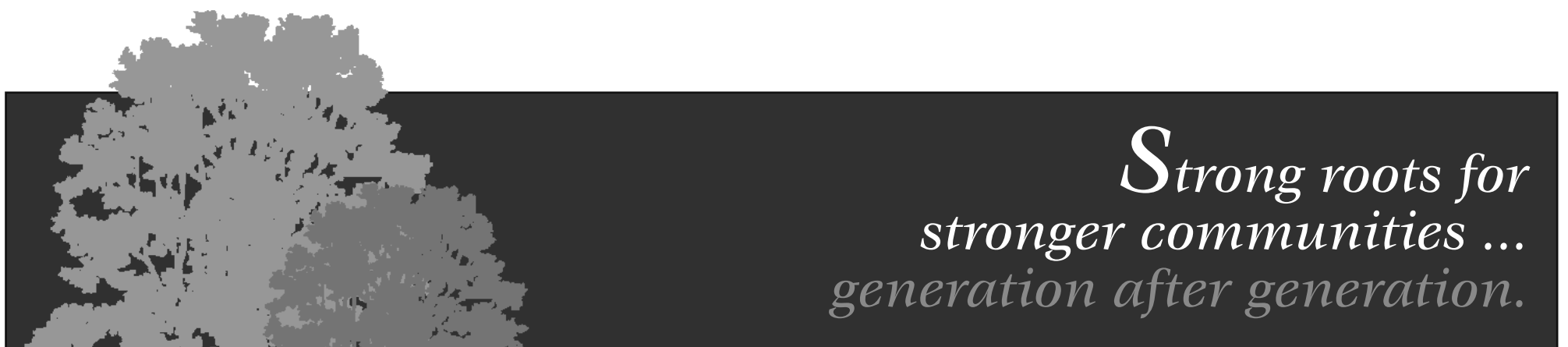
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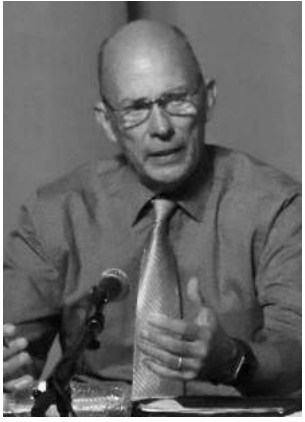
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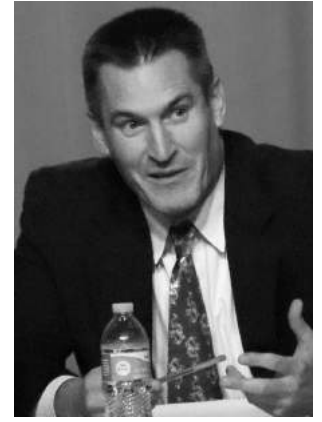
Tracy Lindaman



Mark Pratt



Donn Wilmott



Nick Hansel

# SCHOOLS: Candidates address diversity, COVID and future priorities

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and graduated from North Scott High School. Her husband attended White, and the high school. Five children went to Shepard.

“We’re lifelong Lancers in the Lindaman house,” she said.

She holds a math education degree from Northeast Missouri State, and a master’s in education from Drake University.

Lindaman is seeking her second term. “I feel very privileged and proud to be able to serve the community and would like nothing more than to engage in a second term.”

**Mark Pratt:** Pratt is a father of five children in the district: a high school freshman, a seventh-grader, a fifth-grader and twins in second grade.

“I’ve found over the last four years ... it’s a great way to connect as a community,” he said.

He moved to Eldridge in 2012 and won election to the board in 2017.

Pratt is deputy chief of construction for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at the Rock Island Arsenal. He’s worked 18 years for the corps managing lock and dam construction and other projects.

“That experience has helped me impart on the school board ... a lot of facilities work, provide some engineering expertise, and organizational structure and strategic planning.”

**Donn Wilmott:** The CEO of Central Scott Telephone Co. is seeking his fourth term on the board.

Wilmott was born in Sioux City, but grew up in San Diego. He holds a finance degree from San Diego State University. He moved from California in 2008 and moved to Eldridge two years later.

“I fell in love with this town when moved here in 2010,” he said.

“You’ve got to have a passion for this job, and I do. This is about our kids, not about agenda, not about bias. It’s only about our kids.”

**Nick Hansel:** Hansel was elected to the board in 2012, but lost his reelection campaign in 2017. He and his wife lived in the district 22 years and sent all six children through North Scott schools. Two have graduated and are attending Oral Roberts University, where Hansel graduated.

“I worked in sales for about 25 years, so I’m really result-minded, result-driven. That led to me wanting to get involved on the school board,” he said.

Hansel also was among the founders of Lancer Legacy, which has raised more than \$1 million to fund school

building projects.

**Q: What are your priorities for the district? What compels your candidacy now?**

**Eckhardt:** “I would like to see more open communication among all the stakeholders in our community. I think with the present state of our world, a lot of people do not have trust for one another. With open communication, we can develop that and enhance that so we have that trust factor. When we trust one another we can get results in what we want to do. When parents feel they have open communication with teachers and administrators, then they know when they can trust us, and come to us with their wants and needs.”

“The No. 1 priority for me is continuing North Scott educational excellence, because that’s why people come to North Scott.”

**Lindaman:** “My No. 1 priority for the next four years is to unify our community, and with that goes trust. One of the things that happened during the COVID lockdown is families weren’t able to come into schools like they used to. The parents felt shut out. So I’m very excited to see things go back to normal... It’s starting to resemble a normal school year, and people feel like we’re uniting again.”

Lindaman said, “I’d love to keep momentum going with building projects. The Regional Innovation Center is going to offer a lot of great opportunities to students and adults in the area. It will be the first of its kind,” serving agriculture, pre-veterinary, diesel mechanic and health science students.”

**Pratt:** “My priorities are to make sure our schools are a safe environment for students and staff. I’ll continue working on things we’ve been working on... tracking academic progress by measuring student growth, not necessarily by standardized testing, but by student growth.”

Priorities include “collaborating with administrators and teachers to increase academic rigor. Set the map for success when they leave North Scott, and hopefully come back and teach here, too.”

Pratt said he wants to continue work on the special education committee he initiated “to help parents tackle the IEP process.” He also wants to continue work with the facilities committee and the three-year strategic plan, “and keep making North Scott great and sharing our story.”

**Wilmott:** “The biggest challenge ahead of us is to close the academic gap cre-

ated by COVID in 1990.

“Teachers are the best asset we have. It’s not always classroom size, though that’s a component, but it’s putting the best teachers in front of our kids.”

He’s proud of the board’s decision to keep schools open and says most parents agreed. “By January of last year, we had 92 percent of kids back in school.”

He also helped initiate the YMCA development. “It was one of my pet projects, getting the Y on board and city involved, and starting a committee on school board. I can’t wait to see North Scott with a great swim team.”

**Hansel:** “You asked my priority. I would not have known until a few months ago. It started with the junior high meeting.”

Hansel was among district parents who challenged the junior high faculty’s response to a bullying incident in a gym class.

“Why did we have a privilege walk? That was in response to racism. We had to do something. I get it. I start diving into the root cause. We don’t have enough time tonight. There is cause and effect for everything in school. I believe it comes down to resource management.”

“Somebody proposed we’d have an assistant superintendent. That would take a lot of money. How did that affect our students and teachers?”

“My agenda would be getting resources to the junior high so they can firmly believe (students are safe) when they’re in their classrooms, going between classrooms, in the locker room, in the bathroom... We’re going to have to put more teachers” in the junior high.”

Hansel said support for a junior high lab during his tenure on the board was an example of how more resources can help.

**Wood:** “Trust and unity are the biggest priorities for me. We can create great things if we work together. But if we don’t work together, we won’t create anything.”

Wood agreed with Hansel on the value of the junior high lab. “It’s been emulated in Moline and Muscatine. Both have something similar... I’d like to see us build facilities that are top-notch and first-class. That brings people into the school system.”

He also wants to “close the achievement gap for all students. That gets me to hiring and retaining the best teachers we can get at North Scott. You can get a great teacher with a poor curriculum, and that student is still going to learn; but the reverse is not going to happen.”

“I’d like to see us building on successes we’ve already had. Look at agriculture, fine arts and athletics...”

## Diversity

**Q: North Scott families filled the junior high April 12 with concerns about how diversity and inclusion were being taught. Assess the district staff and board’s response to the bullying incidents at the junior high.**

**Pratt:** “When we were setting up for that meeting, I told fellow board members, this is how this is supposed to work. This is how government works. People should be able to come to meetings and voice their concerns. It was great to see the community be able to share their opinions on that.”

“Moving forward, there were a lot of behind-the-scenes meetings that did take place. There’s always room for improvement. We’re starting a diversity committee and addressing concerns raised in those meetings. We are making headway, and I’m pleased with the progress the district is making, and understand there is always room for improvement going forward.”

**Wilmott:** “School board members need to be a reflection of our democracy.”

“We were still under mask mandate. I’m glad we did that, and everyone had chance to express their feelings. As board members, we’re one vote out of seven. There’s a longing, a yearning for instant gratification when you come to us for something. Sometimes it takes a considerable amount of discernment and process behind the scenes to affect a change. I often equate it to trying to drive an aircraft carrier out of the San Francisco bay. You get one try to get it right.”

“I think this board did a number of things behind the scenes that not everyone sees or can be privy to. It’s personnel related and can’t be discussed. But we did act based upon the input we had.”

“A lot of members of this community sent a lot of emails and trust that this board member – I think all of our counterparts – read every email. Because we don’t respond to email doesn’t mean it doesn’t affect our decision.”

**Hansel:** “The community is not satisfied with the district’s response. There are parents still talking about it. I understand things are done behind the scenes. But it needs to be results driven. There needs to be more.”

“My wife is substitute teacher for the junior high gym class. The ratio is still two adults to 65-75 students. The racism, the biases, are still being talked about because there’s not enough coverage,” by staff in the school.

“How can two people control bathrooms, locker rooms and activities of gym class? I think an appropriate response would have been more resources to the junior high, more staff, more counselors, more gym teachers. I understand that as board members, we can’t put everything out there. But the community is wanting more.”

“You have elementary parents telling me, ‘What’s going to happen next year?’ I tell them, ‘Let’s get involved. Let’s not complain. Let’s volunteer. When’s the last time you volunteered at the junior high? Let me know, I’ll go with you.’

“There can be more done. I know I can be taken out of context here and say I’m pointing fingers that people have done something wrong, but that’s not



Moderators and candidates address a crowd of about 100 at the Oct. 13 forum.

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## NSP SCHOOL BOARD FORUM

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the case. I would say there is more that I would do.”

**Wood:** “I feel we need to be open and transparent with whatever we do with that situation. Be respectful to concerns and work together to make improvements.

I would analyze a situation, and find ways to improve.

“Without knowing all the facts, I believe school board members and administrators have looked at it. It did give the district a black eye. And I don’t think anyone in our district wants that. We need to work on ways to prevent that.

“I agree with Nick. It’s difficult for two individuals to supervise 65-70 kids. I was a PE teacher here, and I know what I had to do.”

**Eckhardt:** “A lot of times, parents have to trust us that behind-the-scenes actions are in place, and we’re working on the best results for your children. Unfortunately, we can’t always share what’s going on behind the scenes, especially to protect the privacy of all the individuals.

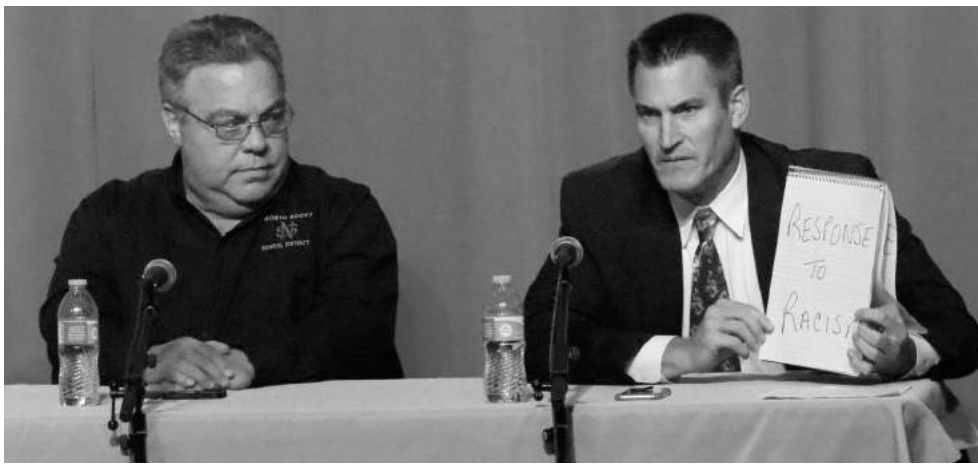
“I would want to see continued response and open communication among parents, administrators and teachers so we can improve. I agree we have many different ways to improve things at the junior high.”

**Lindaman:** “I feel the climate of our country led to some of the situations at the junior high. We’ve been in a state of unrest. I think what everyone can learn is to teach kindness and compassion. If adults can do that, then kids can do that.

“I know that everyone on the school board, every teacher, administrator and parent wants every child in this school to feel safe, welcome and respected. If we act that way, our kids will learn that.

“A lot of things were discussed behind the scenes in a number of meetings we had... We tried our best to solve the problems that were happening. Parents need to be communicated to about what’s going on with their children at school. Parents need to trust that things are being done correctly at school. If we can communicate and trust and show kindness to each other, we can make some ground and hopefully have fewer of these incidents and work for a better climate at school.”

**Q:** The district’s mission statement is “to produce graduates with the capacity to be successful in a changing world...” Not this world, but a changing world.



Candidate Donn Willmot listens as candidate Nick Hansel makes a point.

NSP photo

**The district’s Area Education Agency partner is mandated by state law “to provide services that support multicultural, gender-fair practices in school programs.” How do you ensure that our schools are implementing a multi-cultural, gender-fair education?**

**Willmott:** “Every student who walks through our door should feel welcomed... should feel safe... and should feel respected. That’s a foundation.

“There isn’t anything this board is going to do or act upon to break standing laws.

“I get back to that instant gratification. We see it in our community more than we ever had before. It’s the media. It’s social media. Groups come down, and they want that instant gratification.

“If you take the fact we want our students to feel welcome, safe and respected in the classroom, uniformly, and we’re not going to, as a school district, break a law. Please recognize that some of the focus and frustration needs to be with our legislators at the state and federal level.”

**Hansel:** “I think about, how would that work? I would have had those diversity and inclusion committees actually present to board members. That never happened.

“Sure, you want to throw it in the classroom and let teachers sink or swim with it? Bring it to the board. Have presentations on a monthly basis. Why not talk about it? ... We need to know how to talk about it. It can cost you your job if you don’t know how to handle it. It can cost you your character if you don’t know how to handle it.

“Our kids are learning from the cancel culture. Our kids are learning from Tic Toc.

“We need to take a leadership role in

this and allow our school board ???

“We need to get parents, teachers, and everybody to that diversity committee and really make progress with that. We can’t stay in neutral. You can try to stay in neutral, but it will take you over.

“If elected, I guarantee, the school board would have presentations on this frequently, and have discussions. We’d have it out in the open, not behind closed doors, behind the scene.”

**Wood:** “Our legislators, both federal and state, own a lot of this. The intent of the law is never really written word for word. They kind of wordsmith it, put it together, and expect people to follow it.

“When you start talking about multicultural, I know the district brought in several specialists in this area and have given workshops to our staff. But I think we can do more and give them more resources and more training. Our world is ever-changing. We need to be out in front.”

**Eckhardt:** “I do think we need to have transparency and know what our teachers are being expected to teach in the classroom. I like Nick’s idea of ... maybe coming to teach to the board and show different ways we can show respect for diversity. There are many different ways we are diverse in our country. It’s not all about race, gender, sex and skin color.

“The No. 1 way we could do that is show equity to all individuals in our school. That’s a tough task, too, but I think people in our community are willing to put forth the effort to get that done.”

**Lindaman:** “The world is ever changing, and I think it would be very difficult to be a child in today’s world. You’re being bombarded with social media, things

that confuse you and scare you. And sometimes kids act out. They do need to be educated on diversity.

“Diversity to me is every single thing that makes us different. We’re all diverse from each other ... A female in male-dominated workplace. It might be someone of a different color. It might be someone with an intellectual disability. If we can teach our children to be kind and compassionate to all people, we can battle some of these issues in our schools.

“A district-wide diversity committee is being assembled as we speak. We’re trying to make it diverse with different types of people, different backgrounds, different ages. Their goal is to help our schools adjust to this changing world.”

**Pratt:** “I go back to my feelings for kids that go through North Scott schools is to have them be successful in life once they graduate here. That’s part of critical thinking and having empathy for other people and understanding other viewpoints.

“In doing that, there are laws ... we can and cannot do certain things. We have a lot of wonderful teachers we rely on to teach our children a balanced curriculum.

“That’s a lot of what we’ve talked about here lately in our diversity talks ... having empathy for other people. It’s not all about gender, sex or race. It’s also about socioeconomic status and a whole wide variety of things that make us diverse.”

## Buildings

**Q:** FFA Chapter president Taylor Mahieu asks: What are your priorities for school building projects? Plans are under way for a regional innovation center, a new softball complex. What do you want to include in district’s 10-year capital improvement plans?

**Eckhardt:** “I am excited to see the Y coming to our community as a partnership with the schools and the Scott County Y. That’s real excitement for our community, so of course that’s a priority...”

“As a softball parent, I’m excited in hopefully four years my daughter possibly would get to play on the softball field.

“And I’m very excited to see a regional center where the agriculture building would be. As a city girl ... I’m excited to see what students can learn in that

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## Q: Assess the district's COVID response

**Frank Wood:** “In-school is by far the best education process we can give our kids. In supervising student teachers in Iowa and Illinois ... Illinois has a mask mandate, and I feel it is very difficult for those student teachers to teach with masks on.

Wood said school infection “percentages are very, very low. If we have an outbreak, we may have to do something different because we don’t want whole bunch of kids coming down with COVID.

“I think the school board has done a nice job with following the guidelines. Unfortunately, I think it’s become very political and I think education should be nonpolitical.”

**Stephanie Eckhardt:** “I’d like to thank Mr. Stutting and the school board for their communication throughout the entire process. Your communication was, in my opinion as a parent, I knew what was going on ... I do feel this fall you again listened to what parents in our community were saying, and you heard us that we wanted our children to stay in the classroom and be unmasked.”

Last school year, “I watched my 13-year-old come home every day from wearing masks and just collapse on the couch or her bed. She was even ignoring her cell phone because she was mentally drained from wearing a mask.

“If we would have some other type of outbreak come up, we have to look at it

through the medical standpoint of what they are recommending, not what our politicians are recommending.”

**Tracy Lindaman:** “I could not be more proud of how our school district handled our COVID response. Last fall, we were all unsure how the school year would begin.

“Currently, the number of positive COVID cases exactly a year ago the same week are almost exactly the same. Mask wearing last year, no masks this year? It doesn’t seem to have an effect on our community.

“It’s hard to enforce children wearing masks when we’re really not seeing a benefit from it. If the district starts to get in trouble with numbers, or a school, or even a classroom, we have plans in place that might include masks and might include online education for a time period.

“I believe each parent in each family should make their own decisions for their family. Personally, my family made a decision for my fourth-grader to wear a mask. That’s my decision. My decision should not have an effect on what your families decide.”

**Mark Pratt:** I couldn’t be more proud of decisions we made last fall to come back face-to-face from the get-go. All the diverse background we have on the board, it was amazing how much we were on the same page as this. Getting kids back

in the classroom was our No. 1 priority.

“To be honest, I didn’t think we’d make it to Thanksgiving. But we went through the whole school year in person. As the school year went on, we got more kids to come back to school from online.

“... We followed our gut, and I couldn’t be more proud of what we did as a school board.”

**Donn Willmott:** “The actions we took last fall were a reflection of what the community was telling us. We took some chances, but put in place the measurements and the metrics to make sure if something changed we changed.

“When we reopened school this year and made tough decision we weren’t going back to masks, we were going to follow the law. But we made the right decision.

“The numbers here in North Scott today versus a year ago with masks, there is no evidence it made a difference in what our kids were doing.

“Give our kids the opportunity to come to school in a mask-free environment while we follow the science. We’re prepared to act if we need to. Let’s measure outcomes. I’m proud of this board, and proud of the outcomes.”

**Nick Hansel:** “If you want to wear a mask, go ahead. If someone wants to mandate that you’re going to wear a mask, I’m going to push back on that.



New teachers mask up in August 2020 for orientation.

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“I think those people under 18 years of age have a very low hospitalization rate. The vaccinations for those who want vaccinations are there.

“I’m ready for normal. I can’t wait for normal to happen. At some point in time, we have to say as a community, ‘You’re ready. I’m ready. Let’s go.’ Normal is just around the corner. I know that might take time for others, and others are already there. But I can’t wait for that to happen.

“If you want to wear masks, go ahead. You want to get vaccinated? Go ahead. Want to live on antibodies? Go ahead. But any type of mask mandate, I’ll be digging my heels in. I think we’re past that.”

**NSP SCHOOL BOARD FORUM**

**SCHOOLS:** Candidates look ahead to vocational center, new softball complex

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building.  
 “I feel facilities at North Scott are premier. I remember walking into North Scott High School maybe five years ago. It was bright. It was clean ... It was amazing. I felt this would be a great place for my children to go to school.”

**Lindaman:** “I think we have top notch facilities at North Scott. The auditorium you’re sitting in is updated. The outdoor practice facility, so many children are able to access that ... baseball, softball, golf, soccer.

“Our transportation complex is an amazing facility in the center of the district.

And the Y. It’s an amazing project to be working with the city and the Y. It’s going to draw more families into the community and provide more opportunities for children to get involved in different organizations and clubs.

“In the future, the regional innovation center is going to affect so many people. We’re working with Eastern Iowa Community College on that, looking for different funding sources and hope to get past this COVID issue so we can begin to make some plans there.

“I also am interested in the softball complex. It’s going to be out by the baseball field. They’re talking about a great restroom, concession facility for baseball and softball.

“I believe we’re working on the orchestra room at the junior high.

“And a personal plug for Alan Shepard. We would love to get a cafeteria in there. They have PE and lunch in the same room. It’s very difficult for faculty to turn that over. That’s something in my 10-year plan.”

**Pratt:** “I sit on the facilities committee and have since I’ve been on school

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board.

We have a three- to five-year plan.  
 “The innovation center seems like it changes names every time, but it’s for the same purpose: Agriculture and career and trades education.

“The softball complex will be more like an athletic complex over by the practice facility. We’re going to greatly upgrade the concession stand and restrooms for that whole complex.

“In moving all those places around, we’re creating growth for industrial arts – that’s what they called it when I was in school. It’s now CTE, career and trades – creating places they can basically get an apprenticeship where they can learn how to do plumbing, electrical work, carpentry, almost anything on our grounds.

“Not only are we talking about what we want, but how are we going to fund this with the least amount of impact? What grants can we get? FEMA, like we had at Donahue for the John Glenn addition? And also ... the orchestra rooms at the high school and junior high.”

**Wilmott:** “Our facilities are very much something to be proud of. I take a pause and reflect on the fact we all pay an extra penny on our sales tax, we pay seven cents, not six. Recognize this is where the funding source comes from.

“It takes some time on the board to ... realize the general fund ... is completely separate from the silo of funds that goes into facilities ... That starts with the legislators. We’re given those diverse funding sources for a reason, and the reason is we don’t want to have to lay off



Contractors in 2019 build the indoor practice facility to replace the Silver Bullet.

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a teacher... because we have a wonderful lab.

“I’ve witnessed this board work together with diverse ideas and differing opinions.

“When Nick and I served and the first solution for the weight room was to expand into an orchestra room. I said ‘No,’ because on a cost-per-square-foot basis, it didn’t make sense.

“Then I also said ‘No,’ we’re getting project creep, and we’re getting this big lab. But the lab in hindsight is a wonderful thing.

“Please don’t confuse our facilities that we’re all proud of, with the funnel of money that goes to our teachers.”

**Hansel:** “I started Lancer Legacy ... a non profit that works with Joe (Stutting), and the Case family and a couple of other community leaders. We raised over 1.1 million dollars to give back to the school district. We’ve given a quarter million for this renovation in the auditorium. We gave a quarter million to the new Silver Bullet. We gave \$125,000 to the scoreboard on the football field. We built Kevin Tippett a football building.

“When it comes to facilities, we’re going to get fired up and get that stuff done. We’ll go beyond that in donations, and that’s what I’m a part of.

“What I want to make sure we hear tonight is that our football bathrooms are not ADA compliant. You find yourself in wheelchair... you cannot go to the bathroom.”

Hansel described the stadium as “a

community center where we as a community come and just love each other and have fun. But our bathrooms are like back in the Stone Age. It’s not, ‘Oh, Nick is just a football fan.’ No. That’s track. That’s field days. That’s where we say to ourselves, ‘Why does it look like that when everything looks like this?’

“We have to, if elected, put that as the first thing that gets done. It can be better. It should be better.

“I also hope to look forward to the refresh we have coming up for The Pit. Nobody wants to put money in that, and Lancer Legacy put \$100,000 down on that.”

**Wood:** Agriculture teacher “Jacob Hunter was probably one of the best hires I can look back on, and watched how he’s developed that program ... The pool will be an exceptional piece of equipment for us ... not only the high school swim team, but maybe we can get the junior high and even elementaries in there to teach them swimming.

“The softball field ... I’m going to be a little bit biased on this. My best friend passed away, hall of fame coach Denny Johnson. I’d like to see that thing be pristine in his honor ... I’ve seen some drawings ... and I’m excited to see that come to fruition.

“The barn, as I call it, the new Silver Bullet, has been a phenomenal facility. As girls’ golf coach, it’s great to go in their in January and February and have incoming golfers be able to start their swing and analyze it.

“Our industrial arts program has blossomed because of the teachers we have here. I can see that expanding so students can be close to getting their apprenticeships done. They’re not just building shoeboxes now. They’re learning a trade so when they get out, they’re going to hireable.

“I wish there as a way to increase seating in the Pit. But I don’t think there’s any way we can do that. If we could raise the roof, maybe? That’s pie in the sky. I didn’t win that \$550 million lottery, so I can’t help out on that one.

“In the future, with the idea we’d receive more kids, are we looking at the expansion of our buildings and how we’re going to be able to handle that expansion?”

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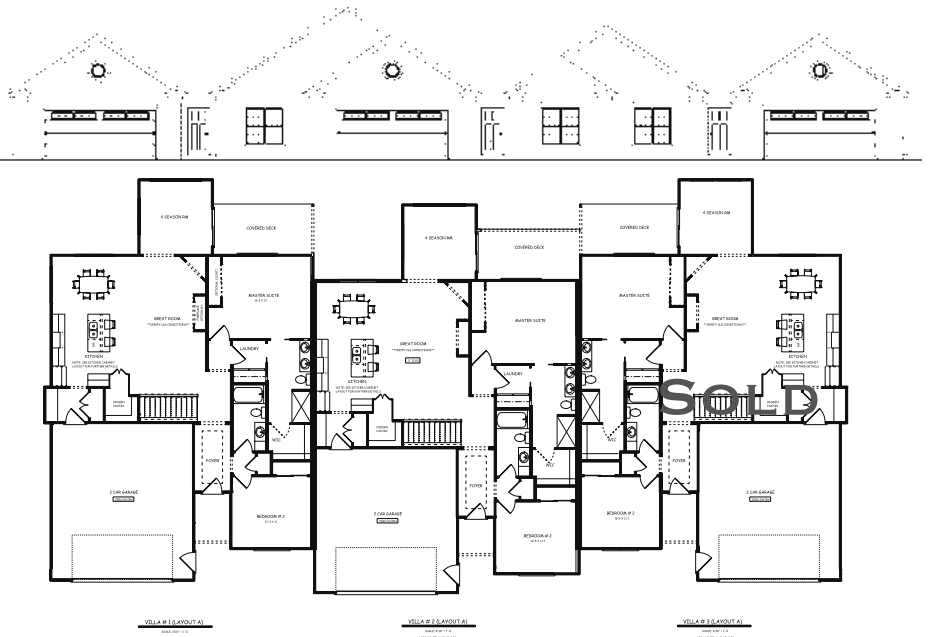
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**NSP SCHOOL BOARD FORUM**

# Why should people vote for you?

**Q: Why should people vote for you?**

**Mark Pratt:** “Four years ago, I didn’t have an agenda when I felt called to serve, and I still don’t have an agenda. I just want to do what’s best for the North Scott school district ... My resume, all my committee involvement and all the interview panels for all the administrators I sat on ... speaks to that.

“I’m an engineer by trade, so I love spread sheets and number crunching and all that comes with it. I bring a levelheaded approach to any decision and meeting I’m in with fellow board members. When I speak, it’s not off the cuff. I bring a levelheaded approach.

“I have five kids still in the school district and will be in the district when my next four-year term is done. I believe in this community. I’m very proud of and want to continue the great North Scott story.”

**Donn Wilmott:** “It’s about our kids. It’s about common sense and balance. It’s not about agenda and bias.

“Those of you who’ve seen my signs in the community, they’re the same ones that went out eight years ago. It’s the same passion to come to a district and provide some balance behind the scenes.

“I’ve learned a little bit about transparency tonight. Sometimes serving on a board isn’t 100-percent transparent. But you work with those who are elected alongside you, and together you make decisions that impact a positive outcome.

“I think just about everybody in this community can reflect on our work the

last 18 months. It was the toughest 18 months of the eight years I’ve served. We’re better prepared to tackle whatever lies ahead because of that.

“If elected... I plan to run for the Iowa Association of School Board’s state board looking for other ways to serve our kids, not only in this community, but provide them representation outside this community.

“My wife is fearful if this community decides not to reelect me, what’s going to happen with all my free time? Trust that I’ll find some way to apply myself. But I’d very much like to continue on in this capacity. If nothing else, get out and vote Nov. 2.”

**Nick Hansel:** “There are challenges we’ve talked about that we have to deal with. But one challenge we haven’t talked about. It’s vaping. Vaping is a problem in junior high, freshman and sophomore classes. Vaping is a significant problem that has hit my family, and hit my friends’ families.

“When I walk through the parking lot, it doesn’t take very much to see a phone in one hand and a hit in the other. It doesn’t take much to hear stories of it smells like fresh strawberries in the bathroom. There are kids who are good at it.

“We need to put resources toward that. Every cause has an effect. Resource management is the key. How are you going to hit that challenge? How are you going to hit that challenge of trust?”

“I look in the book of James. It says we need to be slow to speak, quick to listen,

slow to anger, and I’d like to add, quick to forgive.

“We need to get to work. It’s not going to get done because you want it to get done. You need to get somebody in there who’s going to make sure it’s measurable, sustainable and attainable, and I’m that guy. I’d appreciate a chance to serve again.”

**Frank Wood:** “I’ve lived in Eldridge 35 years, half of my adult life. I’ve raised two kids who graduated from North Scott who are doing very well for themselves. One is a teacher in Adel. Another is a Davenport firefighter and entrepreneur ... I have two grandchildren going to school now in North Scott.

“I moved away from North Scott for four years when I was working in Port Byron, and I moved back because I know the community involvement and support my kids would get. I’m happy they graduated from North Scott.

“I bragged about North Scott when I was in the legislature. I had senators and representatives say, ‘Well, your school can’t be doing that.’ I said, ‘Come on down and visit. I don’t understand why you’re not doing it in your school districts.’ We’re a leader in the state. We’re a leader in this area. We have people moving into our district because they want to be a Lancer. I’m a Lancer. Always have been. Always will be. I’d appreciate your vote.”

**Stephanie Eckhardt:** “I moved to the North Scott community four years ago with my family because I saw the dis-

trict here as a school of excellence. I’d like to be a champion for your kids in this community.

“I have committed all my life to sharing my time, my treasure and talents, whether in high school when I served on student council, to being an educator for 23 years, to now, all the volunteer works, and being a Realtor in our community today. I promise you I will listen and will communicate. I will not be quick to respond. I will be one who will look for solutions to the problems that are out there.

“I want to be accountable to the community as I want to be accountable to myself. I will provide open communication and transparency, because I believe all the students in this district deserve to have an equitable education here, and our school is one of excellence, and I hope to be able to serve you as one of your school board members.”

**Tracy Lindaman:** “I believe in service. I think my background in education and history in North Scott made this like a calling for me to serve on this school board. I feel very honored to do that for the citizens of North Scott for four years. If citizens put me in that place again, I promise I’ll do more of what I’ve been doing, which is working on uniting our community, listening and learning. I promise I will give all the time I can give, and all the energy I can give. More than anything, I promise to put our children first.”

# FFA student asks about future of rural elementary schools

**Tracy Lindaman:** “Our enrollment is growing every week, and it only looks like it’s going to continue that trend with the open enrollment situation with the Davenport schools, as well as all of the new construction going soon in North Scott areas. I personally think we’re on the road to making Glenn and Grissom more than one-section schools.



**“What commitment can you make to growing our small elementary schools in Donahue, Princeton and Long Grove?”**

North Scott FFA chapter treasurer Carley Schoenthaler

“I think it might be a process, because we’ve had to juggle students around this year, because open enrollment had no deadline. Every week we’re still getting new students.

“We feel once a student is enrolled in North Scott, they are a Lancer, and we want to give them the best education we can. So right now, we aren’t able to offer Glenn or Grissom to open-enroll students because those classes reached maximum capacity.

In the future, perhaps growing

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at the younger grades and working our way up, we’ll be able to get some of the smaller communities to have more than one section. I think it’s in the future.”

**Mark Pratt:** “Small town elementaries are one of the many reasons North Scott is such a great school district. It’s amazing how the towns embrace the school. The school and town are one in the same. I don’t want that to go away.

“Being on the trades advisory committee with student-built home, we are constantly working with Realtors and other developers to try and get affordable housing in these smaller towns ... There is growth that is coming. It’s not like it’s instantaneous. But all these towns are looking to expand and to grow. I don’t ever see an issue where Glenn or outlying schools will be one-section schools, or any smaller.”

**Donn Wilmott:** “What makes North Scott proud? It’s the sum of our parts. There are five buildings out there, and those five buildings aren’t going anywhere. There was some dysfunction that happened before I got here over something that was said. Let’s let that chapter rest.

“We will have five buildings. That’s a reflection of our community. Each of the five has capacity to grow in terms of our enrollment. Yes, Eldridge will grow. But with Eldridge growth will come peo-

ple who want to live in Donahue, and in Princeton and other areas. What might be a one-section school today will be a two-section out in Princeton some day ... I embrace everything North Scott is. It’s not a function of Eldridge at the core and everything feeding into Eldridge.”

**Nick Hansel:** “We were in those meetings in Donahue with citizens. Your school is not going anywhere. That chapter has closed ... We voted to put up an extra two classrooms in that building. So that’s kind of like a non-issue.

“When it is time to open up a new classroom, parents are always going to say, ‘I want that 1 to 12 ratio.’ Well you might not get it ...

“That is where you have to lean on the superintendent, and (finance director Jill VonRoekel) Jill, who balances the books. The worst thing to do is to open up a second class, then close it the next year because we didn’t balance our books right.

“Because now you have an expectation, but you failed to meet it, you failed to sustain it. As much as board members say we want to support that, it really comes to a balance sheet issue. Can you put it in place and can you sustain it?”

**Frank Wood:** “I think all five elementaries are viable. I believe North Scott will continue to

grow. I think it’s going to be a planning session with school board and administrators as to where growth will be, how we’re going to accept that growth and where we put our students.

“I hope we can plan to make room and bring more students out to North Scott, because we have a gold mine out here. We have a diamond in the rough, and people want to come here.”

**Stephanie Eckhardt:** “What makes North Scott unique is that we do have five elementary schools in five different zip codes ... That’s what makes this a place that’s amazing.

“As a Realtor, I know there’s growth in this area. It’s not unusual for me to sit down with one or two buyers each week and they always say, ‘I want North Scott schools.’ Sometimes the issue becomes affordable housing for those individuals. I think as we do provide affordable housing in different areas, if we can find those places, we’ll definitely have growth in those schools that are one section.”

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It was a banner year for North Scott Junior High choir members, as 19 were selected to participate in the prestigious 35th annual Opus Honor Choir Festival next month. More than 2,100 students were nominated by their directors to fill the 720 positions in the four Opus Honor Choirs, which is open to students in grades five through nine. The choirs will perform at 4 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 18, in C.Y. Stephens Auditorium in the Iowa State Center in Ames. North Scott students who will participate include, front row (l-r): Evan Keppy, Nolan Reese, Colton Gooding, Cael Mess, Kaden Timmerman, Brenner Peyton, Behren Radech, Benjamin Lightle, Nathan Anderson and Jack O'Neill. Back row: Payton Murphy, Natalie Nwatchock, Memphis Kearney, Rachel Eriksen, Jane Nichols, Taylor Vondal, Charlotte Madden, Tori Bendickson and Lauren White. NSP photo by Scott Campbell

# NSJH singers headed for Opus Festival

## NS Elementary Chorus auditions scheduled for this week

By Scott Campbell  
NSP Editor

The success of North Scott Junior High's choral program will be on full display at the 2021 Opus Honor Choir Festival next month, and elementary students who are interested in singing have a vehicle to lay the groundwork for their musical careers.

The North Scott Elementary Chorus

will be holding placement auditions on Friday, Oct. 22, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., or by appointment if necessary, at the junior high.

These "auditions" are a chance to meet and get an idea of a student's skill level, and parents are asked to email a preferred time to schedule an audition.

Kinze Maclin (kinza.maclin@northscott.k12.ia.us) is the director, with Paul Skyles (paul.skyles@northscott.k12.ia.us) serving as the assistant director.

Students should come to the audition with something to sing that shows their range and tone. Even "Mary had a Little Lamb" will do.


The North Scott Elementary Chorus is an opportunity to provide fifth- and sixth-grade students with a district-wide elementary chorale ensemble experience focused on the use of the solfeggio sight reading method, bel canto singing method, TaKaDiMi rhythm counting, and age appropriate literature to promote appropriate vocal skill and choral technique.

Rehearsals will be once a week on Tuesday afternoons from 3:45-5 p.m. at the junior high. Depending on the readiness/interest of the group, a performance time and venue to allow students to showcase and perform the skills and

techniques that have been learned will be scheduled.


Rehearsals will start on October 26. Also, there will be a \$35 fee for the year to pay for music, transportation and any other related costs for the ensemble. The North Scott Music Boosters will oversee all monies, and checks should be made out to that organization.

If money is an issue or there are other circumstances, please notify Maclin or Skyles so arrangements can be made. The directors don't want anyone to miss an opportunity to sing.



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8. What is a healthy snack item in your refrigerator? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Diabetes is a curable disease? True or False.
10. Name one person you know with diabetes. \_\_\_\_\_


One Entry per person

Check the Eldridge Lions Facebook page or Eldridge Lions website for hints.

Drop off your entries at The North Scott Press or mail to Lions Attn: Diabetes, PO Box 391, Eldridge, IA 52748 by Nov. 1 and Lions will draw from completed entries on Nov. 8, 2021.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Town & ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Eldridge Lions are accepting donations to help North Scott Nurses with supplies for their diabetic students.



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# Economist sizes up UAW strike against Deere

Dave Swenson says 2021 factors are far different from last strike in 1986

By Jared Strong and Katie Akin  
Iowa Capital Dispatch

The 10,000 Deere & Co. workers who went on strike Oct. 14 have a strong negotiating position and are likely to succeed in getting more pay and better retirement benefits in their next contract, predicted Dave Swenson, an economist at Iowa State University.

“They’re not striking from a position of weakness,” Swenson said. “From what I can tell, I don’t see how this strike lasts a long time.”

Deere’s union workers have been negotiating a new six-year contract for the past two months. More than 90 percent of Deere’s United Auto Workers employees voted down a tentative agreement offered by the UAW and company.

Under the rejected proposal, a typical production worker’s compensation would increase about 20 percent over six years, new employees would be eligible for health benefits after a month rather than seven months, and retirees would receive additional payments that would total more than \$100,000, Deere & Co. has said.

UAW leaders did not disclose the additional compensation and benefits desired by workers to end the strike.

“Our members at John Deere strike for the ability to earn a decent living, retire with dignity and establish fair work rules,” said Chuck Browning, vice president of UAW. “We stay committed to bargaining until our members’ goals are achieved.”

The last Deere strike was in 1986 and lasted for about five months.

That strike yielded settlement bonuses, increases in retirement and pension benefits and better job security for



Deere employees picket outside the Davenport plant entrance Friday. Pickets remain around the clock.

. NSP photos by Mark Ridolfi

workers in exchange for a wage freeze.

“In the longer run, the company prevailed,” Swenson said. “Workers were bargaining in 1986 from an extraordinary position of weakness, during a time when Iowa’s economy was just barely recovering from the farm crisis. If you got fired, there wasn’t another job to be had.”

This time, there is a shortage of skilled manufacturing workers, and Deere is set to post its largest single-year profit of nearly \$6 billion. That haul is thanks to recent high commodity prices and a windfall in subsidies for the agriculture industry that came as a result of the coronavirus pandemic and the country’s recent tariff and trade war with China, Swenson said.

Also, the strike’s timing during the

fall harvest might imperil the flow of parts to repair tractors and combines if they break down.

Jen Hartmann, director of public relations for Deere, declined to comment about the anticipated effects of the strike but provided a prepared statement that said, in part: “Employees and others will be entering our factories daily to keep our operations running.”

A long-term strike has the potential to affect other companies, too, especially those in the Quad-Cities region of southeast Iowa that produce components of Deere products.

“For some of them, John Deere is their only customer,” Swenson said. “If the strike drags on ... you get a ripple effect. They’re going to start laying off workers.”



Deere ships finished equipment out of the plant past UAW picket lines.

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## Eldridge City Council

October 4, 2021

The City of Eldridge, Iowa met in open session at the Eldridge Community Center at 7:00 p.m., October 4, 2021. Roll call vote showed Mayor Martin O'Boyle, council members Bruce Cheek, Frank King, Brian Dockery, Bernie Peeters and Adrian Blackwell. Also, present were Mark Ridolfi, Steffan Nass, April Rus, Cindy Sisler, Sarah Watson, Ashley Atkins, Kelly Bloomer, Bryan Bloomer, Traci Haxton, Colin Woods, Martin Waugh, Greg Schaapveld, Ryan Gale, Todd Johnson, Larry Johnson, Nikki Dillon, Ron Iossi, Tisha Bousselet, Darby Sparks, Jacob Rowe, Art Eggers, Jeff McDanials, Joe Sisler, Tony Rupe and Andrew Lellig.

Agenda –Motion by Blackwell to approve the agenda, second by King. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Public Comment – None  
Mayor's Agenda

A. Consideration to approve the minutes of September 20, 2021, and September 28, 2021. Cheek noted one change needed on the September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021 minutes. Barb Palmgrem needs corrected to Nadine Palmgrem. Motion by King to approve amended minutes as presented, second by Cheek. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

B. Consideration to approve bills payable in the amount of \$682,621.64. Midamerican Energy amounts of \$30.01 needs adjusted and taken off the total. Motion by Peeters, second by King. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Old Business –  
A. Consideration of the second reading of Ordinance 2021-08 extending No Parking on Iowa Street from N. 9<sup>th</sup> Ave to Golf Course Entrance. Motion by Dockery to approve the second reading, second by Peeters. Roll Call vote showed Dockery, Cheek, Blackwell, Peeters and King voting aye, no nays. Motion carried.

B. Consideration of hiring additional police officers. Council members discussed if the current budget would allow for the addition of two additional police officers this fiscal year. Both officers would attend the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy in January of 2022. Chief Sisler also proposed promoting Sgt Lellig from the hourly Sgt position to a salaried, newly appointed Deputy Chief position with a salary of \$80,000/year. Dockery made a motion to hire two additional police officers off of the current list and hire an office to replace Denoyer. Second by King. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

King made a motion to promote Sgt Lellig to a newly created Deputy Chief salaried position at a wage of \$80,000/year. Second by Blackwell. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

C. Consideration of the first reading of Ordinance 2021-09 rezoning the Arp Kraft Farm from S<sub>a</sub> to I-1. Motion by Peeters to approve the first reading, second by King. Roll Call vote showed Dockery, Cheek, Blackwell, Peeters and King voting aye, no nays. Motion carried.

D. Consideration of Ray Nees return to work status. King stated he has been reviewing emails from Ray Nees and as he was not complete, he would like to table this until a future meeting. Cheek stated he was waiting on a FOIA request from the City of Cedar Rapids. Cheek agrees with King that we should hold this matter over to another meeting. Cheek said he suggested a 30-day suspension but after reading over documents he would change that to termination. Dockery recommends a 3-day unpaid suspension, a written warning placed in his permanent file, and no interaction with Ashley Atkins. Mayor O'Boyle opened the floor up to those in attendance. Ron Iossi stated that he had an issue with Ray back in August of 2020 related to topsoil requirements, but he'd like to think that Ray was maybe having a bad day. Contractors Kelly Bloomer, Todd Johnson, and Colin Woods all spoke up in favor of Ray Nees. All recommended the council proceed with whatever punishment they see fit, but to get Ray Nees back to work as soon as possible. Motion made by Dockery for a 3-day suspension with no pay, a letter of reprimand in his personal file and keep separation from Ashley Atkins. No second. Motion failed. Peeters made a motion of a 5-day unpaid suspension a letter of reprimand in his personal file and separation from Ashley Atkins. Dockery seconds. Roll call shows Peeters, Dockery and Blackwell voting aye. Cheek and King voting Nay. Motion carried. Dockery makes a motion that the 5 day suspension can be served with vacation days or unpaid work days subject to approval from attorneys that vacation time may be used. Peeters second. Roll call shows Peeters, Dockery and Blackwell voting aye. Cheek and King voting Nay. Motion carried.

New Business-  
A. Consideration of Resolution 2021-39 Request to extend Preliminary Plat for Townsend Farms III. Motion by Blackwell to extend the preliminary plat, second by Dockery. Roll Call vote showed Dockery, Cheek, Blackwell, Peeters and King voting aye, no nays. Motion carried.  
B. Consideration of change order #1 for the East LeClaire Rd rec trail. The change order is for manhole and water valve box replacements and adjustments in the amount of \$2,700.00. Motion by Dockery to approve change order #1, second by Blackwell. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.  
C. Consideration of progressing towards filling the City Administrator position. Council discussion included advertising, reviewing previous applications, and reviewing the job description. Ron Iossi suggested reviewing the job description as well. With no objections, the process will move forward.

Activity Reports –  
None  
Motion by Dockery to move to closed session to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(c) at 8:14 pm. Second by King. Roll Call vote showed Dockery, Cheek, Blackwell, Peeters and King voting aye, no nays. Motion carried.

Reconvene to open session at 9:42 pm. Roll call shows Peeters, Dockery, Cheek, King and Blackwell present.  
Motion by Peeters that no actions were taken during closed session. Second by King. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.  
Motion by King authorizing legal council to reach out to opposing council to see if there is a possibility of a settlement. Second by Dockery. Roll Call vote showed Dockery, Cheek, Blackwell, Peeters and King voting aye, no nays. Motion carried.  
Motion by Blackwell to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m., second by King. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

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| <b>Martin P. O'Boyle</b><br>Mayor              | <b>Denise Benson</b><br>City Clerk |
| Advanced Graphix, services .....               | \$505.00                           |
| Alliant Energy, services .....                 | 361.69                             |
| Axon Enterprise Inc, services .....            | 3,192.47                           |
| COBRA, services .....                          | 21.00                              |
| Code 4, supplies .....                         | 3,375.00                           |
| Eldridge Welding, services .....               | 88.00                              |
| IA Dept Transportation, services .....         | 1,793.69                           |
| Jerry's Ace, services .....                    | 458.97                             |
| Logan Contractor Supply, supplies .....        | 83.26                              |
| Martin Equipment, supplies .....               | 314.00                             |
| Mid-American Research Chemical, supplies ..... | 396.43                             |
| Midamerican Energy, services .....             | 646.80                             |

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| Mills Chevrolet, services .....                | 31.14        |
| National Association of School, supplies ..... | 495.00       |
| Office Specialists, services .....             | 260.20       |
| P&K Midwest, services .....                    | 25,669.53    |
| Panther Uniforms, services .....               | 749.00       |
| Penny Nelson, services .....                   | 100.00       |
| Pleasant Valley Redi-Mix .....                 | 197.00       |
| Quad City TAS .....                            | 58.08        |
| Quad City Safety, services .....               | 390.07       |
| Republic Services, services .....              | 75.00        |
| River City Turf, supplies .....                | 352.50       |
| Riverstone Group, services .....               | 331.92       |
| Russell Construction, services .....           | 543,750.63   |
| Site One Landscape, supplies .....             | 16.57        |
| Strieter Motor Company, supplies .....         | 59.30        |
| Titan Machinery, services .....                | 6.60         |
| US Cellular, supplies .....                    | 406.88       |
| Uniform Den, services .....                    | 58.50        |
| USA Blue Book, services .....                  | 461.28       |
| Visit Quad Cities, services .....              | 3,000.00     |
| White Cap, supplies .....                      | 1,027.55     |
| White Roofing, services .....                  | 194.14       |
| Subtotal .....                                 | 588,957.21   |
| Payroll 10-2-21 .....                          | 93,694.44    |
| Subtotal .....                                 | 93,694.44    |
| Total of Check Register .....                  | 588,957.21   |
| Grand Total .....                              | \$682,621.64 |

## McCausland City Council

Council Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2021

Mayor Pro-Tem Holland opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Carsten, Claussen, Wuestenberg, Gillespie and Holland.

It was moved by Gillespie and seconded by Wuestenberg to approve the consent agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

Staff Reports:  
Police: Written report provided. New defibrillator and a new radio for the squad.

Clerk: Computers have arrived from the grant.  
Maintenance: Waiting on a bid for tuck pointing the bank building. Working on getting the blocks here for the salt shed.

Department Reports:  
Parks & Rec - New toilets are in the park bathrooms. Toilet fixed in the civic center.

Public Works - Streets are on the schedule and should be starting soon.

Community and Economic Development - Got a second bid for snowflake pole lights. Cost is \$2400 for 6 decorations.

Public Safety - Be aware and safe around farm equipment on the roads. Annual health assessment completed with Scott County Health Department.

General Government and Finance - First half of ARPA money has arrived. We will check to see if it can be spent on concession stand roof and siding.

Business - It was decided to hold trick or treating on Saturday, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> at 5pm at the park with hot dogs and drinks followed by a parade and trick or treating 5:30 to 7:30pm.

It was moved by Gillespie and seconded by Carsten to approve the quote from Midwest Janitorial for \$2145 to strip and wax the floor of the Civic Center. All ayes, motion carried.

Council Remarks - Karen Carsten reminded people to vote in the election and stated she was running again and relayed accomplishments.

Holland asked the clerk to check on the requirements for the well and sewer hookups at the new lots.

Public Comments - Carsten tagged some streetlights that are out and notified Alliant Energy. Aaron & Sue Tuttle were present to express a problem with the sewer line behind their house. The Clerk will call John Ploog.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.  
**Brian Holland, Mayor Pro-Tem**

Attest:

**Sheila Bosworth, City Clerk**

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| Alliant Energy, monthly utility bill .....                 | \$2,221.15  |
| Bi-State Regional Comm, quarterly dues .....               | 248.00      |
| Blackhawk Bank and Trust, amazon sub/office supplies ..... | 238.49      |
| Blackhawk Bank and Trust, barricade chain .....            | 100.19      |
| AT&T Mobility, cell phones .....                           | 135.51      |
| IA Dept of Revenue, q3 sales tax .....                     | 239.00      |
| John Deere Financial, bolts .....                          | 29.80       |
| Premier Parts Inc., mower battery .....                    | 67.99       |
| North Scott Press, mins published/labor day ad .....       | 473.09      |
| Pay/Tech Solutions, payroll .....                          | 1,932.44    |
| Pay/Tech Solutions, payroll .....                          | 2,468.66    |
| Ploog Plumbing, bathroom toilets .....                     | 3,076.00    |
| Ploog Plumbing, bathroom repair .....                      | 145.50      |
| REC, street lights .....                                   | 108.75      |
| Republic Services, garbage contract .....                  | 1,949.36    |
| Riverstone Group, road rock .....                          | 49.82       |
| West Bend Mutual Ins Co, insurance for labor day .....     | 737.00      |
| Accounts Payable Total .....                               | 14,220.75   |
| General .....  | 11,738.38   |
| Road Use Tax .....   | 166.91      |
| Sewer .....  | 2,315.46    |
| Total Funds .....  | \$14,220.75 |

## North Scott School Board

Board Minutes

October 11, 2021

NOTE: These minutes are unofficial until approved by the board at the next regular meeting.

A regular meeting of the North Scott Board of Directors was held on Monday, October 11, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Office. Members present: Joni Dittmer, John Maxwell, Tracy Lindaman, Mark Pratt, and Donn Wilmott. Absent: Glen Keppy and Molly Bergfeld.

President Dittmer called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

There were no changes made to the agenda. Maxwell moved to approve the consent agenda, as follows; seconded by Pratt. Motion unanimously approved.

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 27, 2021.

- Information items: JoEllen DeSanto 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach, Lane 44, Step 7. Job #8600010672, \$2,618, effective 2021-22 season only, due to no suitable replacement; Amy Guerrero, Food Service Director for the district will have a salary increase in the amount of \$10,000, effective October 2021.

- Approval of 2021-22 Open Enrollment In Request: Cameron Hendrix, resident district is DeWitt (VG-PreK5), Grayson Irish, resident district is Davenport (AS-1<sup>st</sup>), Emmett Jacobs, resident district is Davenport (AS-1<sup>st</sup>), Lavar Smith, resident district is Davenport (HS-12<sup>th</sup>), Brayden Shady, resident district is Davenport (EW-6<sup>th</sup>), Brenleigh Thomas, resident district is Davenport (NA-2<sup>nd</sup>), Johnathan Thomas, resident district is Davenport (NA-4<sup>th</sup>), Elsie Jacobs, resident district is Davenport (AS-4<sup>th</sup>), Chelsey Vandivier, resident district is Davenport (AS-5<sup>th</sup>), Cienna Vandivier, resident district is Davenport (AS-4<sup>th</sup>), Takota Killeen-Brown, resident district is Davenport (EW-4<sup>th</sup>), Keiryn Stone, resident district is Davenport (JH-7<sup>th</sup>), Sophia Lemaster, resident district is Davenport (AS-K), Faith Nead, resident district is Pleasant Valley (HS-12<sup>th</sup>), Elisah Shewmake, resident district is Davenport (HS-10<sup>th</sup>), Travis Shewmake, resident district is Davenport (HS-10<sup>th</sup>), Theodore Elliot, resident district is Davenport

(AS-1<sup>st</sup>), Talullah Elliot, resident district is Davenport (AS-3<sup>rd</sup>), Everlon Hicks, resident district is Davenport (NA-3<sup>rd</sup>), and Ariyah Aaron, resident district is Davenport (NA-4<sup>th</sup>).

- Construction Contract - Grandview Farms, Inc. - Student Build Homes  
- Grant Wood PowerSchool Access Agreement  
- Booklist Approval

Jill Van Roekel reviewed several items regarding the bill list, and presented the following bills for approval: General Fund - \$155,942.08, Student Activity Fund - \$33,473.66, Sales Tax Fund - \$543,750.64, PPEL Fund - \$67,431.06, School Nutrition Fund - \$82,119.82, Child Care Fund - \$891.20, Student Construction Fund - \$ 4,099.74, Self-Funded Health - \$84.00, Agency Fund - \$49.42, for a total of \$887,841.62. Maxwell moved to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Lindaman. Motion unanimously approved.

Congratulations to Collin Ellis for receiving MAC Boys Golf Coach of the Year!

The Career Development Events Team is going to Nationals later this month. The FFA team reported on their upcoming contest and achievements so far.

Administrative updates from the High School, Jr. High, Armstrong, Glenn, Grissom, Shepard, White, and Curriculum Cabinet were provided.

Bernie Brustkern, Katie Burbridge, Laura Jacobsen, and Shanna Robinson (AEA) provided an overview of literacy instruction and interventions at North Scott.

Heather Shults provided a Special Ed Advisory Committee report.

The superintendent presented recommendations from the district's policy committee for a second reading by the board. Maxwell moved to approve the policy recommendations as presented, seconded by Wilmott. Motion unanimously approved.

The superintendent reviewed the timeline and bid procedure for the annual replacement of three school buses. The bid results will be presented at the November 8, 2021 school board meeting for approval.

The superintendent's report included the following items: Enrollment - Open Enrollment, American Education Week - November 15-19, 2021, Virtual Town Meeting - The meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, @ 6:00 p.m., COVID-19 Update, the Annual Organizational Meeting will be on November 22, 2021, and Y update.

There being no further business, Maxwell moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Pratt. The meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Mr. Linnenbrink asked Pratt to sit in on a meeting with the Eastern Iowa Welding Regional Advisory Council to talk about the curriculum and skills needed for the profession. Pratt commented that it was nice to see one of our staff as a leader amongst the community.

**Submitted by:**  
**Terina Bruns, Secretary**

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| October 11, 2021, Board Vendor Bid List                                 |           |
| 4Imprint, Inc., supplies .....  | \$272.89  |
| Adcraft, supplies .....   | 4,391.75  |
| Alliant Energy, supplies .....  | 5,146.43  |
| Applied Educational Systems, Inc., purch serv, supplies .....           | 5,525.00  |
| Aramark Uniform & Career Apparel Group, Inc., purch serv .....          | 116.70    |
| Assumption High School, entry fee, purch serv .....                     | 135.00    |
| Batteries Plus Bulbs of Iowa & Illinois, supplies .....                 | 269.98    |
| Baumer, Terry, official .....   | 50.00     |
| Bethany for Children & Familie, purch serv .....                        | 2,160.00  |
| Bettendorf High School, entry fee, supplies .....                       | 225.00    |
| Burlington High School, entry fee .....                                 | 60.00     |
| Carriere, Angela, supplies .....  | 110.00    |
| Cedar Rapids Jefferson, entry fee .....                                 | 150.00    |
| Cedar Rapids Kennedy, entry fee .....                                   | 40.00     |
| Cedar Rapids Washington HS, student entry fee .....                     | 200.00    |
| Cenex Fleet Fueling, supplies .....                                     | 6,786.99  |
| Children's Choice Early Learning Center, purch serv .....               | 8,884.38  |
| Clinton Auto Group, vehicle .....                                       | 29,059.59 |
| Clinton High School, entry fee .....                                    | 345.00    |
| Communication Innovators, Inc., tech supp/purch serv .....              | 9,578.66  |
| Communications Engineering Company, Inc., equip/purch serv .....        | 3,379.90  |
| Copy Systems, Inc., copiers, licensure .....                            | 4,654.73  |
| Crafty Embroidery, embroidery .....                                     | 400.00    |
| Dan Cone Group, purch serv .....  | 395.70    |
| DeWitt Central High School, entry fee .....                             | 100.00    |
| DoggyBoy Enterprises LLC, bleachers .....                               | 22,900.00 |
| Dubuque Senior High School, entry fee .....                             | 250.00    |
| Eastern Iowa Tire, supplies .....                                       | 2,531.25  |
| Eaton-Miller, Crystal, reimb .....                                      | 37.40     |
| Educational Innovations, supplies .....                                 | 57.90     |
| Edwards, Matthew, official .....  | 141.00    |
| Eldridge Preschool, purch serv .....                                    | 19,819.01 |
| Eldridge Utilities, purch serv .....                                    | 29,789.66 |
| Eldridge Welding, Inc, supplies/purch serv .....                        | 720.00    |
| Ferguson Enterprises, Inc, supplies .....                               | 165.65    |
| Finnicum, Adeline, official .....                                       | 100.00    |
| Follett School Solutions, Inc., supplies .....                          | 1,079.29  |
| Frontline Technologies Group, LLC, purch serv .....                     | 12,517.81 |
| Gale, Ryan, police services .....                                       | 122.50    |
| Genesis Outpatient Rehabilitation Services, athletic trainer serv ..... | 5,700.00  |
| Go Van Gogh's, supplies .....   | 404.00    |
| Grace Lutheran Camp, entry fee .....                                    | 480.00    |
| Grainger, supplies/purch serv/equip .....                               | 768.73    |
| Graybar Electric Co, Inc, supplies/equip .....                          | 33.10     |
| Greenwood Cleaning Systems, supplies .....                              | 1,831.59  |
| Griebel, Jay, official .....  | 150.00    |
| Griggs Music, Inc, supplies/purch serv/equip .....                      | 107.30    |
| GT Sports Custom Design Products, custom apparel .....                  | 1,199.70  |
| GTM Sportswear/Champion Teamwear, supplies .....                        | 4,719.90  |
| Gumdrop Books, books & supplies .....                                   | 613.23    |
| Haxton, Robert, eldridge pd .....                                       | 105.00    |
| Heimemann, supplies .....   | 1,229.78  |
| Held, Candice, reimb .....  | 149.60    |
| Hinzman-Carlson, Jina, refund .....                                     | 225.00    |
| IA High School Speech Assn, supplies, fees .....                        | 480.00    |
| Inquirehire, background checks .....                                    | 618.00    |
| Iowa City West, entry fee .....   | 100.00    |
| Iowa Dept of Education, other objects .....                             | 2,250.00  |
| Iowa High School Soccer Coaches Association, pcard .....                | 25.00     |
| J.J. Keller & Associates, supplies .....                                | 313.62    |
| J.P. Gasway Co., Inc, supplies .....                                    | 1,368.70  |
| J.W. Pepper & Son, Inc, supplies .....                                  | 525.40    |
| Jerry's Hardware, LLC, supplies, equipment .....                        | 238.95    |
| John Mohr Photography, supplies .....                                   | 1,085.00  |
| Johnson, Christopher, official .....                                    | 91.00     |
| Kirk, Tom, official .....   | 85.00     |
| Kohl Wholesale, supplies .....  | 46,468.83 |
| Language Testing International, testing supplies, scoring .....         | 15.00     |
| Lego Education, supplies .....  | 339.95    |
| Lellig, Andrew, police officer .....                                    | 210.00    |
| Liberty High School, registration/entry fee .....                       | 80.00     |
| Lincoln Electric Company, equipment, supplies .....                     | 3,130.63  |
| Linn-Mar Community Schools, supplies, purch serv .....                  | 550.00    |
| Liske, Matt, official .....   | 50.00     |
| Little Caesars Pizza, supplies .....                                    | 4,069.00  |
| Lovewell Fencing, Inc, supplies .....                                   | 1,119.56  |
| Maquoketa High School, entry fee .....                                  | 80.00     |
| Martin Brothers Distributing Company, Inc., food service supplies ..... | 29,000.44 |

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| MCC Telephony LLC, internet service .....                           | 460.00     |
| Mechanical Sales Iowa, Inc., maintenance supplies .....             | 396.50     |
| Medco Supply Company, supplies .....                                | 181.09     |
| Menards, supplies .....   | 5,198.18   |
| Merrick, Janet, reimb .....   | 117.52     |
| Mid American Energy, purch serv, supplies .....                     | 44.15      |
| Midland Golf Club, entry fee .....                                  | 216.00     |
| Midwest Technology Prod, supplies .....                             | 838.69     |
| Midwest Wheel Co, supplies .....                                    | 801.95     |
| Mississippi Truck & Trailer Repair, Inc., purch serv, repairs ..... | 811.06     |
| MTI Distributing, Inc., supplies, purch serv .....                  | 108.61     |
| Muscatine High School, entry fee .....                              | 265.00     |
| NASP, Inc., entry fees, supplies .....                              | 254.00     |
| Nass, Steffan, contract serv .....                                  | 607.50     |
| Nguyen, Don, official .....   | 115.00     |
| North Scott Press, Inc, purch serv, subscription .....              | 1,009.58   |
| O'Neill, Theresa, refund .....                                      | 140.00     |
| Olson, Eric, official .....   | 137.00     |
| Parkview Water & Sanitary District, purch serv .....                | 850.85     |
| Pepsi Cola Bottling Co/Dav, supplies .....                          | 4,872.40   |
| Pleasant Valley High School, entry fee .....                        | 200.00     |
| Postmaster, purch serv .....  | 500.00     |
| Premier Pest Management Services, purch serv .....                  | 640.80     |
| Princeton, City of, purch serv .....                                | 55.61      |
| Pro-Ed, Inc., supplies .....  | 51.70      |
| Project Wisdom, Inc., professional supplies .....                   | 529.00     |
| Quadiant Leasing USA, Inc., purch serv .....                        | 929.64     |
| Randel, Elias, official .....                                       | 138.00     |
| Regalia Mfg Co, supplies .....                                      | 255.00     |
| Republic Companies, The, supplies .....                             | 1,338.47   |
| Riddell-All American Sports Corp, supplies, equipment .....         | 4,311.90   |
| Riverside Insights, testing assess & supplies .....                 | 1,613.81   |
| RLP Enterprises, supplies .....                                     | 503.00     |
| Rogers Athletics, supplies .....                                    | 1,875.00   |
| Russell Construction Co, Inc., purch serv .....                     | 543,750.64 |
| Safety Kleen Corp, supplies .....                                   | 170.03     |
| Sam's Club Direct, supplies .....                                   | 1,082.08   |
| Scholastic Inc., supplies .....                                     | 3,933.39   |
| Scholastic, Inc., supplies .....                                    | 1,246.77   |
| School Bus Sales, equip, purch serv .....                           | 715.60     |
| School Specialty, LLC, supplies/equipment .....                     | 92.14      |
| Schwertman, Jack, police supervision .....                          | 332.50     |
| Senior Woolly, LLC, pcard/supplies .....                            | 675.00     |
| Sisler, Joseph, police supervision .....                            | 175.00     |
| Skocinski, Michael, police supervision .....                        | 105.00     |
| Sloan, Tim, official .....  | 105.00     |
| Small, Jonathan, reimb .....  | 126.00     |
| Soccer.com, supplies .....  | 912.83     |
| Sunrise Hitek Group, LLC, laptop bags, supplies .....               | 930.00     |
| Tallgrass Business Resources, office supplies & equip .....         | 21.50      |
| Thompson Truck & Trailer Inc, supplies, repairs .....               | 3,514.12   |
| Thuenen, George, official .....                                     | 185.00     |
| Trane U.S. Inc., supplies, purch serv .....                         | 6.28       |
| Tri-State Travel, purch serv .....                                  | 3,710.00   |
| Trowers, Lloyd, official .....                                      | 105.00     |
| Ubel, Angie, refund .....   | 18.05      |
| University of Dubuque, entry fee .....                              | 205.00     |
| Venier Software & Technology, supplies .....                        | 7,626.38   |
| Vinton-Shellsburg Athletics, entry fee .....                        | 80.00      |
| West Music  |            |



# LEGAL NOTICES

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Public Safety - Woomert shared there was a post card sent out from ALERT IOWA that helps residents register the people in their house in case of an emergency and will send Scott County residents text messages when there is an emergency in the area. Woomert also stated last week the Princeton Fire Department volunteers stopped at the Pumpkin Dunkin and the School's fire safety week and both were a great turn out.

Water & Sewer - McDonough shared the Bioswale project was waiting on a rain measurement and mother nature really helped us out with that the last week and there will be more to update at the November meeting.

Park Board - Council Phares shared that Halloween festivities are all set, and they have doubled the prize money for the costume contest this year in hopes more residents will join in for the fun.

Trails - Council McDonough shared they had 55 runners/walkers register for the Princeton 5k this year and they had a lot of interest in their shirts so they will be doing an apparel fundraiser once there is a bigger variety in stock at Keith & Co. McDonough also shared that out of the 3 grants submitted she has heard back on 2: The state grant was not awarded, the TASA Bi-State grant was recommended for special consideration to move forward. The Federal grant has no information yet.

Community Center - Val Rasche Community Center Board Member shared they will be having an Open House at the Community Center on October 23 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. with free coffee, donuts, and other bakery items. During the open house there will also be a Princeton Apparel sale. Rasche also stated they have decided to move the monthly board meetings to the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 6 p.m. at Boll's. Clerk Tweed shared Summerfest Chair Demi Phares has decided to put together a fundraising event the first Friday of the colder months apart from October and that date will be October 29, 2021. The event will be a family movie night at Boll's.

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

With nothing further to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Approved:  
**Kevin Kernan, Mayor**

Attest:  
**Kisa Tweed, City Clerk/Treasurer**

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S LEVY AND SALE**

1<sup>st</sup> Ad - 10-13-2021  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ad - 10-20-2021

Iowa District Court  
COURT CASE #EQCE131722  
Special Execution

STATE OF IOWA

ss.  
**SCOTT COUNTY**  
Nationstar Mortgage LLC DBA Mr. Cooper, PLAINTIFF  
VS

Gary A. Weidell et al, DEFENDANT (Judgment Debtor)  
As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of the defendant(s) real estate to satisfy the judgment. The property to be sold is: Lot 5 in High Point 8<sup>th</sup> Addition to the City of Davenport, Iowa; 6749 Cresthill Dr., Davenport, Iowa.

The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows:  
Date and Time of Sale: 11/09/2021 11:30  
Place of Sale: Scott County Courthouse  
This sale not subject to redemption.  
Judgment Amount: \$120,225.49  
Accruing Cost: \$14,400.90  
Interest: \$9,260.24 from: 07/31/2019  
Attorney: Petosa Law LLP  
Date Filed: 09/13/2019

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Iowa District Court  
COURT CASE #EQCE133385  
Special Execution

STATE OF IOWA

ss.  
**SCOTT COUNTY**  
U.S. Bank Trust National Association Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Collateral Trust Trustee of Firstkey Master Funding 2021-A Collateral Trust, PLAINTIFF  
VS

James C. Lamar et al, DEFENDANT (Judgment Debtor)  
As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of the defendant(s) real estate to satisfy the judgment. The property to be sold is: Lot 4 in Block 5 in Fair Ground Addition to the City of Davenport, Scott County, Iowa; 1817 W. 17<sup>th</sup> St., Davenport, Iowa.

The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows:  
Date and Time of Sale: 11/09/2021 11:30  
Place of Sale: Scott County Courthouse  
This sale not subject to redemption.  
Judgment Amount: \$89,381.99  
Accruing Cost: \$59,189.26  
Interest: \$1,630.92 from: 06/15/2021  
Attorney: Petosa Law LLP  
Date Filed: 07/29/2021

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Iowa District Court  
COURT CASE #EQCE133601  
Special Execution

STATE OF IOWA

ss.  
**SCOTT COUNTY**  
IH Mississippi Valley Credit Union, PLAINTIFF  
VS

Eric Sparks et al, DEFENDANT (Judgment Debtor)  
As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of the defendant(s) real estate to satisfy the judgment. The property to be sold is: The West half of Lot 2 in Block 2 in the Village of East Davenport in the City of Davenport, Scott County, Iowa; 2112 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St., Davenport, Iowa.

The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows:  
Date and Time of Sale: 11/09/2021 11:30  
Place of Sale: Scott County Courthouse  
This sale not subject to redemption.  
Judgment Amount: \$58,723.04  
Accruing Cost: \$3,739.87  
Interest: \$779.29 from: 07/08/2021  
Attorney: Albee & Barclay PC  
Date Filed: 08/04/2021

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Iowa District Court  
COURT CASE #EQCE132434  
Special Execution

STATE OF IOWA

ss.  
**SCOTT COUNTY**  
Carrington Mortgage Services LLC, PLAINTIFF  
VS

Michael S. Ratliff et al, DEFENDANT (Judgment Debtor)  
As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of the defendant(s) real estate to satisfy the judgment. The property to be sold is: That part of the East One-half (1/2) of the North West Quarter (1/4) of Section No. Twentysix (26) in Township No. Seventy-eight (78) North Range No. Three (3) East of the 5<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian situated in Scott County, Iowa, which is particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point Forty-five (45) feet North of the intersection of the North line of Seventeenth Street with the West line of Warran Street in the City of Davenport running thence North along the West line of Warren Street Fifty-seven (57) feet; thence West One Hundred Eighty (180) feet to the East line of an alley; thence South Fifty-seven (57) feet; thence East One Hundred Eighty (180) feet to the place of beginning being identical with Lot No. Five (5) of William Armit's Subdivision of a part of the said East One-Half (1/2) of the said North West Quarter (1/4) of said Section No. Twenty-six (26) as per Plat thereof recorded in Book "83" of Town Lot Deeds on page 166 in the Recorder's Office of Scott County, Iowa; 1706 Warren St., Davenport, Iowa.

The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows:  
Date and Time of Sale: 11/09/2021 11:30  
Place of Sale: Scott County Courthouse  
This sale not subject to redemption.  
Judgment Amount: \$21,937.42  
Accruing Cost: \$4,571.46  
Interest: \$3,748.59 from: 05/01/2019  
Attorney: Southlaw PC  
Date Filed: 08/28/2020

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Iowa District Court  
COURT CASE #EQCE131966  
Special Execution

STATE OF IOWA

ss.  
**SCOTT COUNTY**  
U.S. Bank National Association, PLAINTIFF  
VS

Gary R. Patch et al, DEFENDANT (Judgment Debtor)  
As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of the defendant(s) real estate to satisfy the judgment. The property to be sold is: Lot 3 in Block 4 in Arlington Hill, a Subdivision by the United States Housing Corporation of a part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 78 North, Range 3 East of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., in the City of Davenport, Iowa, commonly known as 2950 Arlington Ave., Davenport, Iowa 52803 (the "Property"); 2950 Arlington Ave., Davenport, IA.

The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows:  
Date and Time of Sale: 11/09/2021 11:30  
Place of Sale: Scott County Courthouse  
This sale not subject to redemption.  
Judgment Amount: \$92,885.67  
Accruing Cost: \$15,373.08  
Interest: \$15,653.91 from: 02/09/2018  
Attorney: Southlaw PC  
Date Filed: 02/21/2020

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Iowa District Court  
COURT CASE #EQCE133607  
Special Execution

STATE OF IOWA

ss.  
**SCOTT COUNTY**  
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation as Trustee for the Benefit of the Freddie Mac Seasoned Loans Structured Transaction Trust Series 2019-2, PLAINTIFF  
VS

Susan A. Symmonds et al, DEFENDANT (Judgment Debtor)  
As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of the defendant(s) real estate to satisfy the judgment. The property to be sold is: Lot 25 in Foster's Crest Addition to the City of Davenport, Scott County, Iowa; 2223 N. Linwood Ave., Davenport, Iowa.

The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows:  
Date and Time of Sale: 11/09/2021 11:30  
Place of Sale: Scott County Courthouse  
This sale not subject to redemption.  
Judgment Amount: \$48,544.27  
Accruing Cost: \$11,421.07  
Interest: \$1,020.09 from: 07/15/2021  
Attorney: Petosa Law LLP  
Date Filed: 08/27/2021

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Iowa District Court  
COURT CASE #EQCE132386  
Special Execution

STATE OF IOWA

ss.  
**SCOTT COUNTY**

Nationstar Mortgage LLC DBA Mr. Cooper, PLAINTIFF  
VS  
Maria G. Gomez Perez et al, DEFENDANT (Judgment Debtor)

As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of the defendant(s) real estate to satisfy the judgment. The property to be sold is: Lot 3 in Block 1 in John Bartemeier's Addition to the City of Davenport, Scott County, Iowa; 1907 W. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Davenport, Iowa.

The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows:  
Date and Time of Sale: 11/09/2021 11:30  
Place of Sale: Scott County Courthouse  
This sale not subject to redemption.  
Judgment Amount: \$27,056.75  
Accruing Cost: \$4,978.16  
Interest: \$3,686.02 from: 01/17/2020  
Attorney: Petosa Law LLP  
Date Filed: 08/27/2021

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Iowa District Court  
COURT CASE #EQCE132253  
Special Execution

STATE OF IOWA

ss.  
**SCOTT COUNTY**  
Loancare, LLC, PLAINTIFF  
VS

Rebecca Ann Schabillon et al, DEFENDANT (Judgment Debtor)

As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of the defendant(s) real estate to satisfy the judgment. The property to be sold is: A tract of land located in the West Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 78 North, Range 4 East of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., more particularly described as follows: commencing at the Northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 78 North, Range 4 East of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., thence South along the West line of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 27 a distance of 1082.59 feet; thence East parallel with the North line of land owned by B.F. LeClaire 396.3 feet to the point of beginning on the tract herein described; thence continuing East parallel with the said line 150 feet; thence South along the West line of land owned by Park Commissioners of the City of Bettendorf, Iowa, 80 feet; thence West parallel with the North line of the tract herein described 150 feet; thence North Parallel with the East line of said tract 80 feet to the place of beginning. Together with an easement for the benefit of the present and future owners of the tract above described for driveway purposes over the following described real estate, to-wit: commencing at the Northwest corner of the tract above described; thence West parallel with the North line of land owned by B.F. LeClaire 396.3 feet; thence South 10 feet; thence East parallel with said north line 396.3 feet; thence North along the West line of the tract above described to the place of beginning. Situated in the County of Scott, State of Iowa; 1231 Devils Glen Rd., Bettendorf, Iowa.

The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows:  
Date and Time of Sale: 11/09/2021 11:30  
Place of Sale: Scott County Courthouse  
This sale not subject to redemption.  
Judgment Amount: \$59,971.55  
Accruing Cost: \$8,380.45  
Interest: \$6,264.77 from: 01/31/2020  
Attorney: Petosa Law LLP  
Date Filed: 08/27/2021

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## Notice of Election - Corrections

The following are corrected listings for the 2021 City-School Election Notice in last week's North Scott Press:

### BENNETT COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

(Vote for no more than three)

- Chris Eicher Sr
- Spencer L Hicks
- Gregory Reynolds
- Denise McGhee
- Teresa Bjurstrom

### CITY OF BLUE GRASS MAYOR

(Vote for no more than one)

- Brad Schuttte
- James Hayes

### CITY OF DAVENPORT ALDERMAN AT LARGE

(Vote for no more than two)

- JJ Condon
- Kyle Gripp

### CITY OF DONAHUE CITY COUNCIL

(Vote for no more than three)

- Tim Arp
- Trista M Cronkleton
- Chelle Hayslett
- Joel Kelley
- Andrew Cronkleton

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# OPINION: Ours, yours, theirs

## WORLD POLIO DAY

### Triumph on Baker Road

The year was 1955. The place was a rural community in northern Illinois, Durand, midpoint between Rockford and Freeport.

Life was good for the Walshes, Keron and wife, Anne, an Irish Catholic family of 14 kids active in school, church, 4-H, and work on the farm.



**Impressions**  
by Bill Tubbs

The new school year meant a fresh start after a summer of hard work, sports, county fair, and skinny dipping for the boys in the nearby watering hole marked with the sign, "Bare (Donkey) Beach. No Girls Allowed."

The world was at peace. The Milwaukee Braves, whose games they heard on the radio, were chasing the National League pennant with an all-star lineup including Hank Aaron.

It was an exciting time. "Life is grand when you live in Durand," they said.

#### 'I see snakes'

The rhythm of life was interrupted on Sept. 1 when 5-year-old Rose awoke with a headache. "I see snakes," she told her older sister as the children were getting dressed for the first day school.

Rose's parents rushed her off to the family doctor, who ordered a spinal tap. A diagnosis of polio was confirmed, and she was taken to Rockford Township Hospital and placed in isolation. Her parents were handed a brown paper bag with her shoes and clothes in it.

That scene with the brown paper bag would be repeated just days later, when 16-year-old Dave said he had a tingle in his back and was rushed to the hospital where a diagnosis of polio was confirmed.



**Bill Landers**

Days later, it was 15-year-old Ed. The boys were diagnosed with bulbar polio, a rare form of the disease, and had to be hospitalized in Chicago.

More clothes handed to parents in brown paper bags.

In all, five children were hospitalized, while six came down with milder cases and remained at home. Dave and Ed, who had been active on the sports teams and at the county fair, full of life, died on Aug. 21, 1956, and Sept. 3, 1957.

The Walsh family's story was told in the local papers and made national and international news when told in the *Chicago Tribune*. Cards, prayers, letters and money poured in from strangers worldwide. Rose even received a robe from Roy Rogers and Dale Evans.

Rose's path to success wasn't easy. She endured several spinal fusions and had to wear a special device to strengthen her spine. It was painful, but she survived and graduated from Durand High School in 1968, and Western Illinois University in 1972.

She planned to pursue a career in journalism, but switched to occupational therapy, and in 1975, moved to Iowa for her first OT job at the

University of Iowa's Hospital School.

There, she met Bill Landers, a special ed teacher. They married in 1977 and raised three children. Until age 60 Rose was active and independent. Later in life she was diagnosed with Primary Lateral Sclerosis (PLS), a slow form of ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease), and died on Feb. 5, 2018, at age 67 – but not before documenting her family's journey in the aforementioned book.

#### A gift in the mail

I received a copy of the book in the mail, unexpectedly, in March, from Bill with a letter. "On Sept. 15, 2019, you wrote a great article in *The Des Moines Register* about polio," he began. (This was actually a reprint of "Impressions" from July 31, 2019, about the dedication of a statue at Blank Children's Hospital in Des Moines, commemorating Rotary's quest to eradicate polio from the planet.)

Bill gave his phone number, so I called to say thank you, and learned it's a small world. His sister is Jane Schmidt, from rural Delmar, where I grew up. She was Iowa Teacher of the Year in 2014 and was a guest speaker at Rotary. In the letter, Bill told his wife's story and said he would welcome the chance to speak to Rotary. Last Friday, he did just that at the Rotary Club of North Scott.

The timing was good, because Oct. 24 is World Polio Day, when clubs worldwide are asked to create awareness of the achievements thus far toward eradication.

#### World Polio Day

Rotary's involvement with polio began in 1987. Since then, the 1.2 million members in every corner of the planet have contributed \$2.2 billion and countless hours to protect nearly 3 billion children in 122 countries from this paralyzing disease.

Wednesday evening (Oct. 20) members from the 11 Rotary clubs in the Quad Cities will get together at the Botanical Center to celebrate.

Polio cases have been reduced from 350,000 a year in 125 countries to just two cases in 2021 in two countries, Pakistan and Afghanistan. The last reported case was Jan. 27, but the World Health Organization says eradication cannot be certified until three years after the last case.

So we keep vaccinating, keep listening to the experts, and wait. As we have seen with Covid, the polio virus is sneaky. Surveillance includes looking for the virus in sewer systems in the endemic countries. As long as the virus is alive anywhere, it can spread everywhere.

Every Friday in my email I receive a report from Rotary, the WHO and CDC with the latest status of polio. I hold my breath each time and my eyes go straight to the line with the case counts in Pakistan and Afghanistan. Every Friday since February those numbers have been "zero" and "zero."

We are on the cusp of history if the zero case counts keep coming. I know, dear readers, I've written about this many times before, but I do not apologize. Only once in human history has a disease – smallpox – been eradicated. Think of it – just once. Polio is "this close" to being next, and stories like the Walshes will be relegated to the pages of history. Forever. It will be a victory for humanity.

For that, we should all be grateful!

*NSP publisher Bill Tubbs is a Past District Governor for Rotary and has been a member of polio immunization teams in Nigeria and India. He can be contacted at btubbs@northscottpress.com.*



## LEGISLATURE

### Iowa's strong fiscal position

The State of Iowa ended Fiscal Year 21 with a surplus of \$1.24 billion, putting the state in a strong financial position and proving what can happen with conservative, responsible



**Cournoyer**

budgeting practices and a diverse, robust economy that encountered a global pandemic and a derecho! For the past several years, we have been working to control spending and pushing for sustainable budgeting, while ensuring we fund our priorities in the most important areas, like education, public safety, mental health, health care, and broadband.

When Republicans took control of the legislature in 2017, one of the first bills passed was a de-appropriation because the state had over-promised the money it could deliver. I was on the Pleasant Valley School Board during that time, and I understood exactly how frustrating and damaging it was when the state over-promised and under-delivered funding putting pressure on school districts and impacting how education was delivered to students across the state of Iowa.

Since then, we have not only managed to pass a responsible budget for essential services in Iowa, but also pass the largest income tax cut in Iowa history. Since then, we have prioritized sustainable budgeting and tax relief for Iowans so hard-working families keep more of what they earned. Soon after, we passed legislation to bring more transparency to property taxes. This year, we passed additional legislation to bring tax relief to Iowa families, farmers, and small businesses, totaling over one billion dollars over the next several years.

I am happy to report the state's record budget surplus, and I am also proud of the work done to get to this point. In next year's legislative session, I look forward to pursuing more permanent tax relief for Iowans to

let them keep more money in their pockets and putting that money towards the things that matter most. This will help not only with relief for our current residents, it will help us retain and attract people to meet the needs of our workforce where we currently have more jobs than people to fill them. A strong, educated and skilled workforce will only continue to strengthen the Iowa economy, and those good, family-supporting jobs play a key part in what makes Iowa a great place to live, work, play and raise a family.

#### Redistricting Update

Last week the Iowa Senate did not approve the first redistricting plan developed by the Legislative Services Agency.

Iowa law requires districts to be compact and have population near the ideal number for each district. A number of districts at the Congressional, Senate, and House level did not meet the criteria for compactness. Several Iowa House districts have population at the outer limits of what the law permits.

I believe a better map can be drawn to improve compactness, while at the same time maintaining appropriate population levels in each district.

Iowa has a good redistricting process, and rejecting the first map does not change that process in any way. The first map has been rejected in the past under the same process, and I look forward to carefully reviewing the second plan which will be delivered on Oct. 21. I look forward to receiving feedback on that map from my constituents, and then our next special session is scheduled for October 28 to vote on that map.

*Chris Cournoyer of LeClaire is a member of the Iowa Senate. She can be contacted at chris.cournoyer@legis.iowa.gov or 563-289-7335.*

## READERS' POLL:

### Eldridge Administrator

With 434 votes counted, here is what readers said when asked if the Eldridge City Council took the correct action in terminating city administrator Lisa Kotter:

**94 PERCENT:** YES (410 votes)

**6 PERCENT:** NO (24 votes)

### New Question: VOTING

How do you plan to vote in the Nov. 2 city and school elections? 1) Absentee ballot; 2) Early voting at the Scott County Library in Eldridge from 9 to 3 on Oct. 30; 3) At the polls on Election Day between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m.; 4) I haven't decided; 5) I do not plan to vote.

Vote at [www.northscottpress.com](http://www.northscottpress.com). Results will be published next week.



# OPINION

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Editorials regarding city of Eldridge and Lisa Kotter hit the mark

#### Editor:

Like so many in our community, I look forward to Wednesdays and perusing through *The North Scott Press*.

I'm grateful to Bill and his team for providing a tool that allows our household to catch up on the latest happenings in our beloved Eldridge. I may not always agree with Bill and team on their articles/viewpoints, but I'm appreciative for the opportunity to look at something through a different lens.

That being said, I commend both Bill and Scott for their articles in the Opinion section of the NS Press, dated Oct. 6, 2021 - "Community, no matter what!" and "City council finally did the right thing," respectively.

In regards to Bill's article, I, too, believe in "a mulligan for Marty O'Boyle." Although I have only been a resident of Eldridge for seven-plus years, I have been an active member of the Quad Cities community for 18 years, with heavy involvement in both the Quad Cities Chamber and Visit Quad Cities (formerly the Quad Cities Convention & Visitors Bureau).

I have always been impressed with Mayor Marty O'Boyle's passion and vision for Eldridge. Locally, I have been a board member of the Eldridge Community Center as well as the North Scott Rotary Club.

Marty has the ability to work across party lines to do what is best for our community, and for that, he has my support.

I attended a couple of the heated council meetings over the past few months, and I was embarrassed at the exchange between the mayor, the council and staff. Actually, the only staff I am referring to is Lisa Kotter, which brings me to Scott's article.

Although, I believe the entire article was very well written with so many nuggets of information, the best summary is that "the tumultuous 18-month tenure of (Lisa) Kotter, the city's now former administrator, has come to an end."

I had interaction with Ms. Kotter while she had her short-lived employment with

the city of Moline. During that time, I was contracted with the Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce to be the on-site coordinator for the region's ribbon cuttings and ground breakings. At the time, former Moline mayor, Stephanie Acri, brought Ms. Kotter to all the ribbon cuttings/ground breakings taking place in Moline.

To say that I was not impressed with Ms. Kotter's demeanor would be an understatement. I found her to be unapproachable and arrogant towards me and the Quad Cities Chamber Ambassadors. The Ambassadors are made up of numerous professional, dedicated, passionate and outstanding individuals, and I found her behavior condescending.

When I found out that she was going to be the new city administrator for the city of Eldridge, I was somewhat dumbfounded. I, then, decided to take a step back and provide her the benefit of the doubt and give her another chance.

I watched Mayor Marty enthusiastically take her around our community to introduce her to people and help her get acclimated. I was hopeful that she might be the person to assist with moving our community forward.

That "another chance" was short lived when I witnessed her in action at our Eldridge Community Center Board meetings. Additionally, I signed up for a volunteer shift for the Eldridge Sesquicentennial Celebration and witnessed what appeared to be the Lisa Kotter Show and not Eldridge Days, as her constant need for the spotlight was on full display.

I was happy to not have to witness this same behavior during the International Softball Congress, where I believe the Eldridge city staff shined.

In closing, I will refer back to the area of Bill's article where he notes, "We are community, no matter what," and I look forward to our community moving forward together.

**Deanna Jensen-Valliere**  
112 N. 2nd St., Eldridge

### We need Brian Dockery on city council

#### Editor:

My hope is that this letter would be helpful to the new residents or others in Eldridge that may not have met Brian Dockery in the past. The people that know Brian already know most of the things I am about to write.

Presently, I am a member of the Eldridge Planning and Zoning Committee. City councilpersons sometimes attend our meetings, as Brian has.

I have also attended city council meetings. Brian conducts himself professionally and listens to all views respectfully. He always does what is best for the city of Eldridge, not just now, but what is best for the future of Eldridge and its taxpayers. He is a treasure trove of information

regarding city and state laws and how to conduct city business.

He has that common sense that seems to be in short supply with some elected officials these days. I have called Brian at his home with a question about a city issue in the past, and he called back promptly with an explanation.

We need Brian's knowledge of how city governments and budgets work, his prudent use of taxpayer funds, his compassion about the future of Eldridge, and his levelheaded temperament on the Eldridge City Council.

I encourage you to vote for Brian Dockery for city council.

**Mike Martin**  
837 S. 7th St. Court, Eldridge

### Keep Eldridge moving forward

#### Editor:

By any metric, the city of Eldridge is on the cusp of significant growth and opportunity. In recent months, the path to that future has been interrupted by the controversy surrounding the employment status of a municipal employee who has now been terminated. Hopefully the city can regain the momentum that will allow it to realize its potential.

In order to meet the challenges that

lie ahead, it is essential we have stable and experienced leadership. We believe that that leadership has been and will be provided by Mayor Marty O'Boyle and Councilman Brian Dockery. We support their candidacy; they will receive our votes.

We urge others to do likewise.

**Jack and Carmen Darland**  
905 E. Oak St., Eldridge



## DEMOCRACY

### Local elections are about YOU. Vote!

You might be surprised to learn that the upcoming city-school election may have a bigger impact on your daily life than who is elected president, senator, or governor. While races for those higher offices receive greater attention, the locally elected officials play a more direct and immediate role in your community.

I believe voting is the best way to make your voice heard and make a difference in society. The United States of America is the greatest and freest country in the world because we give citizens the power

to choose their elected leaders and form of government. As Abraham Lincoln famously said in his Gettysburg Address, we are a "government of the people, by the people, for the people."

Do not ignore the power and responsibility that lie in your hands. Learn about the candidates on the ballot on November 2 and exercise your civic duty by voting for the ones that best resemble your values.

This is a time of great unrest in our society. School board and city council meetings are often devolving into shouting matches. It seems every issue we face becomes a partisan battle.

Politics clouds everything today.

There is an easy solution. Instead of pointing fingers and raising voices, vote.

Instead of arguing endlessly on social media, vote.

Instead of wishing for a better world, change it yourself. Vote.

Countless Americans fought and died for our right to choose our representative republic. You can honor them Nov. 2 by voting. My office and Iowa's 99 county auditors will honor them and honor you by ensuring your vote is safe and secure.

Remember, if you requested an absentee ballot through the mail, your county auditor must receive the ballot by November 2. You can vote in person at your county auditor's office through Nov. 1. If you prefer to go to the polls on Election Day, they will be open from 7 a.m.-8 p.m. Make sure to bring your Voter ID.

For more information, visit [VoterReady.Iowa.gov](http://VoterReady.Iowa.gov). City and school elections are about you, your family, and your community. Make your voice heard on Nov. 2. Vote.

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**Guest Opinion**  
by Paul Pate

## SECOND IMPRESSIONS

### Well done, good and faithful servant

Don Gensing, who died at age 93 on my birthday, Oct. 12, was one of the finest gentlemen I have encountered in this life, anytime, anywhere.

I had the good fortune to work with the former coach, athletic director and chaplain during the 18 years the Rotary clubs sponsored sportsmanship awards for the Mississippi Athletic Conference. I was project coordinator for the Rotary clubs, and he was executive secretary and historian for the conference.

I looked up old emails from this period, and every one from Don was affirming, positive and uplifting. One example among many:

*Thank you for your faithful work with the Rotary and the Sportsmanship awards given to the member schools of the MAC. It has improved Sportsmanship throughout the conference, and the schools that have received the banners are proudly displaying them. Please thank each*

*Rotary club that provide this recognition... Sincerely Yours, Don Gensing*

That program ended in 2016 for reasons neither of us could control, but I will forever cherish the relationship.

Having worked with him, I understand why his teams at LeClaire, Wilton and Davenport won championships. He is the type of coach I would love to have played for.

A semi-pro baseball player and player-coach into his 70s, a Sunday school teacher, and chaplain for the Quad City River Bandits, his life exemplified perseverance and good character.

Rest in peace, my friend. - BT



**Don Gensing**

**READERS ARE REMINDED** of our longstanding policy that no NEW issues may be raised in our last issue before an election (in this case, Oct. 27) which would put one side at a disadvantage by not being able to respond. You may use the last issue to answer issues previously raised or to state your preference, but not to raise new issues which an opponent may need to answer. If you have questions, please ask. - Editors

# OPINION

## Eldridge to get pickleball courts

Oct. 20, 1971

• Donn Brennan, Robert Grimes, Marvin Hinkle, Frank Pancratz and Joe VanDeWiele were all candidates for Eldridge City Council. Leo Tombergs and Alvin Starkweather were running for mayor.

• Students at John Glenn Elementary learned about the democratic process during student council elections. Candidates had to take out nomination papers and collect signatures, and all voters had to be registered. There was a 100 percent voter turnout in the election.

### Our Past

From the files of *The North Scott Press*

compiled by *Erin Gentz*

Grove Fire Department, to present cash prizes to the winners of the fire prevention poster contest.

• Princeton native Donald Sierk, a senior dental student at the University of Iowa, had two articles published in the Dental Student national magazine and the Journal of the American Dental Association.

• Thirty-four girls were inducted into Brownie Troops 25 and 185 during an investiture ceremony held at Faith Lutheran Church.

Oct. 22, 1981

• Representatives from Mercy and St. Luke's hospitals proposed to set up a non-profit corporate ambulance service staffed by paramedics. The service was intended to serve the Davenport and Bettendorf areas, but Scott County supervisors specifically asked if it could be extended to the North Scott area.

• Andy Frahm, 21, was killed in a two-vehicle accident on Highway 61 near Blackhawk Trail. Frahm was a 1978 graduate of North Scott and currently farmed near Spragueville.

• Princeton police chief Pete Sanchez visited Virgil Grissom Elementary as part of the "Officer Friendly" program. He spoke to a second-grade social studies class that was studying communities. Students also got a ride in the town squad car.

• Kim Schneckloth won the Mississippi Eight girls' conference distance running meet with a time of 12:21. The girls' team placed second, behind Davenport West.

• Alice Darland earned first team all-Mississippi Eight conference honors in volleyball. Shelly Kapinski was named second team, and Wendy White was honorable mention.

Oct. 23, 1996

• The North Scott football team was the talk of the town after upsetting eighth-ranked Bettendorf 12-9 at the Bulldogs' Homecoming. The last time the Lancers defeated Bettendorf was in 1964.

• To tie in with the Iowa Sesquicentennial, Lancer Productions planned to present "The Music Man" as the fall musical. Cast members included Kent Hartwig, Joe Goodall, Lindsay Hoffman, Dallas Amhoff, Rich Mohr, Renae Crotty, Brant Gilkison, Adam Noel, Ben Walters, Jeremy Lydic, Gabe Davis, Tina VanDeWiele, Kerry Wilson and Zach Volrath.

• A group of sixth-graders at John Glenn Elementary School were planning a walk-a-thon to raise money for Matt Ernst, who was battling a rare bone disease that had immobilized him. Matt needed surgery to repair his hip and leg to help him walk again. He had already undergone several surgeries at Shriners Hospitals in Chicago.

• Katie Jacobsen of Dixon was serving at

Scott County Pork Queen. She was the daughter of Robin and Sally Jacobsen.

• The Golden Wedding Club was celebrating its own 50th anniversary. The group, which currently had 160 members, met at CASI in Davenport. Past presidents included Alice Stoltenberg, Elna Albrecht, Carl Martens, Billie Martens, Leroy Marten and Helen Madden.

Oct. 25, 2006

• The Eldridge Post Office hosted a "Passport Day," during which staff processed 115 new passport applications and seven renewals, and took 79 passport photos. As of January of 2007, citizens traveling by air or sea to and from Mexico, Canada, Central or South America, the Caribbean or Bermuda would be required to have a valid passport, and turnaround could take up to two months. Postmaster Tracy Harris called the event an "outstanding success."

• Sixty concerned citizens gathered at the North Scott School Board meeting to show support for retaining Dennis Johnson as the varsity softball coach. There had been rumors Johnson was out of the running for the position, but superintendent Dr. Tim Dose explained that the district was required to advertise the position as part of the hiring process.

• Greg Adamson, Chris Gallin, Richard Golinghorst, Larry Minard and Roxanna Moritz were vying for three seats on the Scott County Board of Supervisors.

• Students at Neil Armstrong Elementary School participated in a fundraising walk-a-thon in Park View. More than \$7,300 was raised to support school projects.

• The North Scott volleyball team's season came to an end at the hands of Davenport North during the regional semifinals. The Lancers would be losing just three seniors: twins Jenni and Julie Bader and Jenni Kilen.

Oct. 19, 2016

• Thanks to a \$10,000 Scott County Regional Authority grant and donations from local civic organizations and private donors, the pickleball court project at Sheridan Meadows was nearly complete. The Eldridge Park Board added an informational kiosk and lighting, so games could be played later in the evening.

• Mike Oeschner was appointed to the Long Grove City Council, replacing Cynthia Gregorich, who resigned.

• The Walcott Splash Pad project received a \$2,500 donation, the first of three, from the Walcott Day Committee during a fundraiser held at the Walcott Legion. The proposed splash pad would be constructed on West Otis Street, across from Wescott Park.

• The speed limit on Buttermilk Road was lowered from 45 to 35 miles per hour through most of Eldridge, and more stop signs would be installed. The move was in anticipation of more traffic from homes built in the Townsend Farms Addition.

• Carolyn Scheibe planned to retire as director of the Eldridge-North Scott Chamber of Commerce after 15 years on the job. She had seen tremendous growth in the community during her tenure, and predicted even more growth in the coming years. Nikki Dillon was promoted as her replacement.

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## HEALTH

### 'Vaccine passports' gave us freedom to travel to Italy and Poland

I have traveled internationally numerous times in my adult life, and I always experience something new.

My husband and I just got back from 12 days in Italy and Poland, with a wealth of "first times." We attended a friend's ordination in St. Peter's Basilica, a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.



#### Iowa Capital Dispatch

by Kathie Obradovich

Although we have visited the Vatican and Rome before, it was novel to be there as part of this meaningful celebration in the life of the church instead of as tourists seeking a Sistine selfie.

We caught the end of fashion week in Milan (window shopping only), and then grazed our way through the Emilia-Romagna, a region in Italy famous for its Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese, Parma ham and balsamic vinegar. Because of our flight connections, we took an extended stopover in Warsaw, our first trip to Poland. We learned how to make pierogi, the iconic Polish dumplings. We toured a vodka museum and one devoted to life under communism. We caught rides with Uber drivers in tiny Skoda cars.

None of those experiences would have been open to us without our CDC vaccine cards, which showed we'd been vaccinated against COVID-19. We needed them for the international flights, most ground transportation and for admission to many museums, tourism sites and even some restaurants. We had to show our cards to enter Vatican City.

We were prepared for this. We even made laminated photocopies of our vaccination cards to reduce the wear and tear on the originals. (Don't laminate your original cards, travelers. You'll probably need to update them.)

#### Have vaccines; will travel

Needing vaccinations to travel wasn't new for us. Before attending a friend's wedding in India in 2005, my husband and I took at least a half-dozen jabs. They were all recorded on a yellow World Health Organization card, which I don't recall ever having to show to anyone. Even so, we appreciated the protection against hepatitis, typhoid and a bunch of other diseases I don't even remember.

This time, I'd already been vaccinated against COVID-19 well before the trip, but I got my flu shot, updated my tetanus immunization and took a first shingles jab in the weeks leading up our departure. Nobody required this of me; I would have done it without any travel plans because my doctor recommended it and because I want to avoid getting sick.

We also weren't novices at wearing face masks, although not usually for such extended periods of time. We had to wear them even on our overnight flight, through all the airports, on the train, and in most of the indoor locales we visited. We had to do this even though we had tested negative within 72 hours before our first flight and immediately before our return home.

#### Everyone was wearing masks

It was an inconvenience at times. We walked a lot, so putting on a mask to go inside could be hot and uncomfortable. (It was also an incentive to eat and drink as often as possible, which was the only time masks were removed in indoor public spaces — except for an occasional quick photo.)

But everyone was wearing masks, even the uniformed kids we saw near our hotel in Rome, which was close to a primary school. We never saw anyone complain, protest, or throw a fit. People

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just got on with it. They didn't mistake an occasional inconvenience for a violation of their rights.

#### Return to Iowa

So it's been jarring to return to Iowa to hear all the same political claptrap about needing freedom from vaccine mandates and mask requirements. Last week, Gov. Kim Reynolds was at it again, saying to a conservative radio audience that she's talking to legislative leaders about trying to negate federal vaccine and testing regulations for workers at large businesses.

"(Iowans) have said enough is enough," Reynolds said during a WHO Radio interview Wednesday. "They are tired of the overreach, they are tired of the mandates."

You'd think Iowans would be even more tired of the suffering, deaths and business disruptions caused by unchecked COVID-19 infections.

#### Italy was hit hard by Covid

Italy was hit hard by COVID-19 in 2020. Today, 70 percent of its residents are fully vaccinated, compared to 55 percent of Iowans. During the entire pandemic, Iowa has recorded 14,893 cases of COVID-19 per 100,000 people, according to *New York Times* data. Italy, home to 60 million people, has recorded 7,811 cases per 100,000, just over half of Iowa's tally.

Even in Iowa, where GOP leaders have tried to outlaw mitigation efforts such as school mask requirements and government vaccine mandates, COVID-19 cases are finally waning again. But with continued vaccine resistance, new disease variants and zero mitigation requirements, there's nothing to stop another winter surge.

#### Be smart, Iowans!

Be smart, Iowans. Get vaccinated now. Get a booster if you qualify for one. Wear a mask indoors if you can't observe social distancing. It's not that difficult, and it could save your life or a loved one's.

I've learned a lot from traveling over the years, including how to pack light and to collect memories instead of a bunch of souvenir dust-collectors. What I'll always remember from this trip was the blessing of our friend's ordination and time spent with wonderful people in Rome, the sharing of delicious pasta dishes with fellow travelers near Parma, the joy on the faces of Polish dancers in Warsaw's Old Town.

Masks and vaccine mandates won't define this trip, and they didn't impose on our freedom. They gave us the security to have these life-enhancing experiences without worry about bringing home a life-threatening disease.

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**The First Amendment:** Congress shall make no law respecting the establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press; or the right of people peaceably to assemble and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.



# Princeton voters have choices for mayor, council

## Applegate challenges Kernan for mayor

Incumbent Kevin Kernan and city parks committee chairman Teri Applegate.

**Kevin Kernan:** Princeton's incumbent mayor has 18 years of city council and mayor experience and 30 years of business experience.

**Teri Applegate** chairs the city's park's committee, and served on the LeClaire council before moving to Princeton.

I have served five years on a historic district commission and eight years on the Buffalo Bill Museum Board, which makes me sensitive to our community's history and its preservation. Having worked many years with both Michigan and Iowa planning and zoning boards gives me unique abilities to understand state statutes, municipal ordinances and resolutions to help guide council and city of Princeton.



Kernan



Applegate

**Q: What are your goals and ideas?**

**Kernan:** I would like to continue to serve my community as a common sense leader with small-town values. My goals would be smart growth and having infrastructure ready prior to bringing more than we can handle into the city.

With the looming growth from the Anderson 400 we will have to be ready for the challenges that may arise with the potential for such growth. My plan is to listen to our residents and proceed with projects that a majority would like to see.

**Applegate:** My father was in the Navy so I have lived in a lot of different places, but we have always contributed to the places we lived. I wish to further the progress we have made in Princeton by being transparent, encouraging participation in council meetings and community events. I see the requirement for consistent planning and budgeting with the goal of meeting the needs of our city, while balancing its present and its future.

**Q: How should Princeton proceed with the recent community visioning projects develop-**

**ing ideas for parks, connectivity and trails?**

**Kernan:** The trail project has been a national project for many years now, and I support it. I have always been a budget hawk when it comes to spending on the trail as I have always felt that the county needs to pay their fair share of the project.

Our new trails group has done a great job making things happen. Visioning is great, but I do have an issue with some of the projects as we have parking issues that need dealt with, and I believe that needs to be addressed first.

When you add city amenities there is more labor involved to care and cost to maintain can be difficult for small cities.

**Applegate:** Serving on the community visioning committee and its interaction with our citizens, I feel like we have laid a good plan for enhancements and have developed a solid base of information to procure grant money and develop incremental and affordable improvements.

**Q: Share your thoughts on the needs of Princeton's water and sewer systems. Should they be addressed by the city, or by a new, private owner?**

**Kernan:** We are continuing with a rate study and lagoon repairs. Our residents have spent an awful lot of money to just turn our system over to a private entity,

and I would request it be a ballot issue for our residents, as it is a big decision.

I believe the city should maintain control of our enterprise and continue to make it self-sufficient. I do not believe we would get compensation from a sale that would even come close to our investment.

**Applegate:** I know water and sewer systems are important to the health and welfare of the community and for the growth of a city. It's critical that the council gets a complete understanding of the city's current and future needs, and an unbiased evaluation of our current system before a decision is made to put it before the citizens for a vote.

## Woomert, Phares and Bettis run for two council seats

Eight-year council incumbent and fire chief Karen Woomert, newly appointed council member Zach Phares, and Ethan Bettis are running for two seats.



Bettis

**Ethan Bettis** is an elections clerk for the Scott County Auditor and attends Eastern Gateway Community College through AFSCME's free college benefit. He attended Scott Community College and is working towards an associate's degree in professional office management.



Woomert

**Karen Woomert** has eight years on the council, and served 15 years on the fire department, the last six as chief.

She works for a heavy construction company as store administrator.



Phares

**Zach Phares** is a North Scott High School graduate, and works as a journeyman pattern maker at Liberty Pattern Co.

"I enjoy spending time with my kids, Saylor, 5 and Hayes, 3, and my wife, Demi. As a family, we enjoy spending time in the community and helping when we can.

**Q: What are your goals and ideas?**

**Bettis:** I want to serve the community of Princeton because it is the community where I grew up, and I want it to continue to be a community other people want to grow in as well.

I have many ideas for the city of Princeton. Renters should be represented in the city council and not left to the mercy of their landlord, whether that be a good one or bad. I want the trailer court to be restored to the nice neighborhood it was when I grew up there.

Citizens of Princeton shouldn't have to continue paying higher rates while the city is still going deeper in debt.

**Woomert:** I have a few loose ends I would like to see finished up. With the Anderson 400 in the city, I would like to be a part of the completion, continue to work on the water looping for better water flow in the community. Continued road reconstruction.

**Phares:** "My main goal is to listen to my community and use that, relay their thoughts and decisions. I want to grow Princeton, but maintain the small-town, home feel I grew up with.

**Q: How should Princeton proceed with the recent community visioning projects developing ideas for parks, connectivity, and trails?**

**Bettis:** Fundraise! Fundraise! Fundraise!

Grants are not an easy thing to apply for and receive. So if we want to see the hard work of the volunteers and the engineers actually be put into action we need the money in case those grants

that are applied for aren't awarded.

**Woomert:** Council member Gina Wolfe has taken this project under her wing, and I will work beside her and hope to see some projects come to life. I would like to see more business come into our community. The trail has been in the works since I was city clerk back in 2008. I attended many meetings with LeClaire and the IDOT. I believe council member Christina McDonough will see that project completed.

**Phares:** No answer

**Q: Share your thoughts on the needs of Princeton's water and sewer systems. Should they be addressed by the city, or by a new, private owner?**

**Bettis:** I think Princeton should model their water and wastewater system after other thriving models in the county such as Eldridge. Eldridge has the lowest rates in the county, and they maintain their own systems.

Princeton needs to make some tough choices, and the public needs to be heard. Raise rates now to get ahead on our deficit and start building reserves to improve the dilapidated system, or just maintain the status quo and continue into debt and a system that isn't sustainable.

**Woomert:** For the soft proposal that Iowa American Water proposed to the city, I am not interested in giving our system away. We have come a long way since 2008 when we had to build another tower for storage and update the lagoons. I was a part of all that, and we have another employee willing to learn to operate the systems since losing our public works foreman.

**Zach Phares:** A big issue currently is the water and sewer sale. Personally, I lean to finding ways to maintain and improve by keeping it within the city.

## PRINCETON: Community center open house Oct. 23

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a 1.9-percent annual increase. Municipally owned water and sewer utilities in Iowa are averaging 4.7-percent annual increases, he said.

He said the private utility could work more effectively with new businesses, and is able to offer incentives that could help draw investors to the Anderson 400, a 400-acre development site annexed into Princeton March 8, 2018.

The sale also would put the water and sewer infrastructure on the city's property tax rolls, he said. And it would absolve the council and staff from operating and state regulation compliance costs.

The council took no action, but members and residents grilled Grage on details.

Council members asked Grage to elaborate on the \$1.59 million of improvements planned by the utility company. Grage said residents can expect new or lined pipes in the oldest parts of town, and digital meters at every home and business.

Mayor Kevin Kernan said the city is conducting a rate review that council members will see at the Nov. 18 meeting. He said the review will help guide their decision.

Grage said with council approval, the next steps would be a more detailed system appraisal, and then a formal proposal for a public council vote.

**Next deputy clerk**

All council members on Oct. 25 will interview three deputy city clerk applicants to replace Patty Morgan, who is retiring Jan. 8.

The council plans back-to-back 30-minute interviews of applicants.

Council members agreed to Jamie Stutting's suggestion to post the 32-hour-per-week job at \$15 per hour. Morgan earns \$17.38.

"I don't think you'll find anyone for less than \$15," mayor Kevin Kernan said.

Stutting said eight applied for the post. "I'd like to see someone hired at our next meeting."

The council also backed Morgan's advice to allow her a month to train her replacement.

**Halloween events Oct. 29, 30**

Princeton celebrates Halloween on Saturday, Oct. 30, beginning with a 4 p.m. costume contest at Old School Park, a 4:30 p.m. parade, followed by hot dogs at the fire station.

Trick or treating is 5-7 p.m.

The community center is also kicking off its monthly Friday movie night with a Halloween feature Oct. 29.

**Community center open house Oct. 23**

Boll's Community Center volunteers will show off the historic building 8-11 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 23. Community center committee member Val Rasche said the event will generate interest in renting the historic building for family, club and other events.

The center added new 65- and 40-inch TV monitors, and a wi-fi system to the fully accessible first-floor meeting area and full kitchen. Rental rate is \$25 per

floor, with a \$100 refundable deposit. Contact city hall for reservations, or to learn more at 563-289-5315.

The Boll's Center was started in 1903, but remained a shell for 20 years as funding problems delayed its opening until 1928, according to the National Registry of Historic Places.

**The council also:**

- Launched 2021-22 budgeting with discussions about funding public works road-repair equipment. Public works foreman Chris Sheridan advised the council consider investing in equipment he can use for repairs instead of hiring contractors.

- Agreed that the Princeton Trails non-profit will cover costs for its own fundraising, and retain a contribution from former residents Brent and Judy Herman for trail development. The city will keep the council's annual \$10,000 allocation for eventual trail construction. That fund has \$20,000.

- Welcomed Cody and Chaylann Falkers to the Princeton fire department roster.



# Thank You, Citizens of Eldridge

Dear Citizens of Eldridge,

**THANK YOU** for the privilege and honor of serving as your mayor the last 12 years. Together, with the support of our excellent city staff and the people of Eldridge, we have accomplished much, and more remains to be done to continue to make the quality of life in Eldridge, a destination in the Quad Cities, a place we are proud to call our home.

My goal from the beginning has been, and will continue to be, **responsible and accountable growth, with stability** in our government services and workforce – and to keep taxes as low as we can. **Eldridge is the third largest city in Scott County with the third lowest city tax rate.** In the past 12 years, working as a team with our excellent city workers and department heads, we have brought in just under \$5 million federal money for streets and rec trails, including bike paths to Long Grove and to Blackhawk Trail, with trails soon to open to old Highway 61, and another to connect through the Townsend Farms Addition from 1st to 5th Streets. We completed a major upgrade of our Community Center, which is now designated as a storm shelter. We initiated Code Red alerts, a quarterly newsletter and a landlord registration and permit program. I supported and participated in the North Scott Honor Flight to our nation’s capitol to honor our veterans.

Since my first term as mayor began in 2009, together we have seen **19 percent growth in the U.S. Census report**, and Eldridge is now a city of 6,726. Our city crews have repaired neighborhood streets and provided first class snow removal and garbage pickup. We completed a major streetscaping project in the old downtown, and made improvements to West LeClaire Road, South 8th Street, North 8th Street, South 9th Avenue, South 11th Avenue and South 16th Avenue. We opened Pinehurst Drive as a public-private partnership, and rebuilt intersections in Eldridge Acres, installed a complete storm water system and streets – and **did not assess adjacent property owners for any of this.** We doubled our wastewater treatment facility three times, and our Police Department increased from five officers to nine, and soon-to-be 11. We created the concept of a 500-acre industrial area between South 1st Street and Buttermilk Road, north of Slopertown Road, and firms are starting to build there now.

I made it my personal mission to **work with the North Scott School District to find areas where we can cooperate.** This has resulted in a School Resource Officer at North Scott High School, major additions to Ed White Elementary School, and the **North Scott YMCA** which will open next year. This also involved partnership with the Scott County Family YMCA. Working with our Park Board, we have added pickleball courts and other improvements at Sheridan Meadows, opened Wiese Park in downtown Eldridge, added soccer fields at Buttermilk Road, identified old graves and created Sanctuary Garden, and kept the Eldridge Fitness Center open.

As your mayor, I have represented Eldridge on the Bi-State Regional Commission, the Bi-State Transportation Policy Committee, the Medic Ambulance Board, the Scott County Solid Waste Commission, the Scott County Emergency Communications Commission, the County Assessor’s Conference Board and the Scott County Emergency Management Agency. These meetings are at all times of the day and night. My service on these boards has **kept Eldridge connected with leaders in the greater Quad Cities.** Working with the Quad City Chamber of Commerce, we brought Ryerson Steel and Lewis Machine and Tool to Eldridge.

**With your support at the polls on Nov. 2,** I will renew my pledge to work for **responsible and accountable growth with stability** in our government services and workforce. **I will listen to your interests and concerns,** and I will be your advocate to maintain and **enhance the quality of life in Eldridge,** which we are proud to call our hometown. Thank You.

**Mayor Marty O’Boyle**



**Marty O’Boyle**

Scott County native  
Born in Davenport; attended Assumption and Central high schools and graduated from North Scott High School  
Eldridge resident 42 years  
Attended Scott Community College and St. Ambrose University  
37-year apprenticeship in building trades  
Boy Scouts Assistant Scoutmaster  
Member North Scott Rotary  
Married 52 years to Trish  
Proud parent and grandparent  
Former member of city council



**I WILL APPRECIATE YOUR VOTE ON NOV. 2. TOGETHER – I WELCOME YOUR IDEAS – WE WILL KEEP ELDRIDGE MOVING FORWARD.**



**MARTY O’BOYLE**  
**MAYOR OF ELDRIDGE**



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# NSP COMMUNITY

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SECTION

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Teacher Emily Scott and Ella Pearson jog along.



Enjoying their day in the September sun were (l-r): Shannon Moeller, Jenna Weime, Katy Honeywell, Jonathan Leone, Alaina Leone, Mason Schaapveld, Addyson Wilson, Emma Widner and teacher Dion Ayers. NSP photo by Scott Campbell

## Lapping up the Sunshine

Neil Armstrong Elementary students could have picked better weather conditions for their annual Fun Run last month. The weather was absolutely perfect as they made their laps around the Lancer Stadium track.



Teacher Jody Boddicker and students Coraline Haynes and Easton Weber enjoy a morning jog.



These Armstrong students took a short break because they wanted their picture taken. From left: Austin Byers, Chase Power, Joey Powers, Ian Dexter, Joseph Wagner, Landon Leppert, Cooper Sebastian, Ky Dexter, Evan Kuhn and Connor Thompson. NSP photo by Scott Campbell



Baylee Ewoldt and Z'Hayinia Murray stroll hand-in-hand.



Principal Tim Green enjoyed skipping around the track with these primary-grade students.

NSP photo by Scott Campbell



# FAMILY NEWS

## Jackie Spain to mark 80<sup>th</sup> birthday with open house

Jacqueline (Jackie) Spain of Lost Nation will celebrate her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

She was born Nov. 17, 1941, eldest daughter of Vincent "Babe" and Gladys (Thiel) Sheridan.

She married Darrell R. Spain July 16, 1966, at St. Ann's Church, Long Grove. Darrell died Aug. 4, 2015.

Jackie, a 1960 graduate of St. Joseph High School, had a bookkeeper career: 1960-1969 Wagener Ford Sales; 1969-1985 Accent Homes. She sorted seed corn 17 seasons for Cargill, Mycogen and Remington Seed.

She is the mother of Vincent (Stephanie) Spain. He grandchildren are Alexis (Kevin) Schneider, Spencer Spain and Cole Spain. A great-grandson is expected in December.

All friends and family are invited to call Sunday, Oct. 24, from 1-4 p.m. at



OLHR (Sacred Heart) Church Hall, Lost Nation. No gifts, please. Your presence will be treasured. Cards are welcome and can be sent to P.O. Box 353, Lost Nation, IA 52254-0353.

# BIRTH

## EMERSYN RAMMELBERG

**Matt and Callie Rammelsberg** of Cedar Rapids are the parents of a daughter born at 4:26 a.m. Sept. 2, 2021, at St. Luke's Hospital, Cedar Rapids.

Emersyn Rose weighed 7 lbs., 7 oz.,

and was 19 inches long.

Grandparents are Roger and Jodi Blake of Davenport, and Brian and Jeanne Rammelsberg of Atkins.

Great-grandmother is Bev Gustafson of Eldridge.

**NSP Family News:** Readers are invited and encouraged to submit news of significant family events – engagements, birth announcements, weddings, anniversaries, birthdays. There is no cost for most notices, except color photos are \$30. Bring them to our office at 214 N. 2nd St., Eldridge, or email to notices@northscottpress.com, or submit them through our website, www.northscottpress.com. Questions? 563-285-8111.

# MENUS

## NORTH SCOTT SCHOOL MENUS

For alternate lunch menu items and breakfast menus, visit north-scott.nutrislice.com.

**Monday, Oct. 25 – Elementary and Junior High:** Macaroni and cheese cup, mini corn dogs, peas, celery and baby carrots, sidekick, apple slices. **High School:** Chicken nuggets or crispy chicken drumstick, mashed potatoes with chicken gravy, buttermilk biscuit; or round tortilla chips, beef nacho meat, cheddar cheese sauce or fiestada pizza; or MaxSticks, marinara sauce cup or cheese pizza ripper or cheese pizza square.

**Tuesday, Oct. 26 – Elementary:** Homemade chili, Goldfish crackers, Colby jack cheese stick, crinkle cut French fries, fresh garden veggies, applesauce cup, orange wedges, chocolate chip cookie (CCP). **Junior High:** Homemade chili, grilled cheese sandwich or hot dog, crinkle cut French fries, fresh garden veggies, applesauce cup, orange wedges. **High School:** Popcorn chicken, crinkle cut French fries, Hawaiian sweet roll; or mandarin orange chicken or General Tso's chicken, seasoned rice with peas and carrots, broccoli stir fry vegetables, egg roll or Little Caesar's pizza.

**Wednesday, Oct. 27 – Elementary:** Wild Mike's cheese pizza bites, marinara sauce cup, fresh romaine salad, chopped peppers and cucumber, diced fruit cup, lunch bunch red grapes. **John Glenn, Alan Shepard:** Papa John's cheese pizza. **Junior High:** Little Caesar's pizza, broccoli salad with raisins, fresh romaine salad, chopped peppers and cucumber, diced fruit cup, lunch bunch

red grapes. **High School:** Macaroni and cheese bowl, mini corn dogs or crispy pork fritter sandwich or BBQ rib patty sandwich, battered sweet potato fries; or cheese pizza quesadilla or pepperoni calzone; or pasta with marinara meat sauce or cheesy chicken alfredo, Bosco cheese stuffed breadstick or Bosco cheese stuffed breadsticks, marinara sauce cup.

**Thursday, Oct. 28 – Elementary:** Soft flour tortilla, taco meat, shredded cheddar cheese, corn, shredded lettuce, salsa, cherry tomatoes and carrots, diced strawberry cup, banana, lemon cookie. **Junior High:** Tostitos ToGo chips, beef nacho meat, cheddar cheese sauce, corn, cherry tomatoes and carrots, diced strawberry cup, banana. **High School:** French toast sticks, pork breakfast sausage links, hash brown patty or giant breakfast sandwich; or cristpito, cheddar cheese sauce or totchos, refried beans with cheese; or Papa John's pizza.

**Friday, Oct. 29 – Elementary:** Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with chicken gravy, Hawaiian sweet roll, garden veggie cup with ranch, diced fruit cup, fresh seasonal fruit. **Junior High:** Chicken nuggets or crispy breaded pork fritter, mashed potatoes with chicken gravy, Hawaiian sweet roll, garden veggie cup with ranch, diced fruit cup, fresh seasonal fruit. **High School:** Premium breaded chicken sandwich (regular or spicy buffalo); or Papa John's premium pizza; or Wild Mike's cheese pizza bites, marinara sauce cup, Texas toast bread or cheese stuffed shells, Texas toast bread.

**KEN CROKEN SUPERVISOR**

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Max Birtell

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Worship Service 10 a.m.

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# OBITUARIES

## Robert Nowachek

Robert Fred Nowachek, also known as Bob, Poppie, Pops, Old Pop, Indian, Ol' Bohemian, returned to the hill on Friday, Oct. 8, 2021. This gentle soul witnessed 100 years, seven months, and two days on this earth and had stories that few could tell. First and foremost, a humble farmer, he was also a grand storyteller, horse whisperer, card player, and family man. He lived his life with integrity, honor, and the kind of hard work that is difficult to even comprehend.



He lived simply and loved fiercely. Bob was born on the Nowachek farm between Oxford Junction and Wyoming on March 6, 1921; the only son of Fred Joseph Nowachek and Clara Emma Fritz. Farming was his passion, and at age 13 his dad allowed him to start cultivating field corn with a one-row plow, pulled by two horses; one row up, and one row back. He had a passion for the horses and cared for up to 11 at a time. He managed to feed, curry, harness, and hitch them up to the post, along with slopping hogs, all before it was time to eat breakfast. After a change of clothes, he would attend the rural Schwab School #5, about a mile south of the family farm. He attended the one-room schoolhouse until age 13, then attended high school in Oxford Junction, where he graduated in 1939.

He met the love of his life at a dance hall in Baldwin. They were later engaged at the Jones County Fair in the summer of 1944. Algean Audrey Kuhlman became his wife on Nov. 25 that year and they exchanged vows at the First Lutheran Church in Maquoketa. Back in those days, you were a shoddy farmer if you didn't have your crops out by Thanksgiving, but they still managed to pick, by hand, the 10 acres still remaining in the field after their union. They would be married for nearly 77 years.

They welcomed Pamela Jean in 1946 and Ronald Fred in 1952. They worked like crazy and saved every penny. In his own words, he could "pick corn like a wild man" and was known to hand-pick 120 bushels before 4 p.m. The work wasn't complete until you unloaded the wagon, by hand, as they didn't have an elevator then. Frugal and simple living allowed Bob to buy his first brand new tractor, an IH 450, in 1957. Ronnie was 5 years old when he rode home on that tractor from Soppe's Implement store in Oxford Junction. They put a lot of miles on that old IH, and one final drive returned Poppie to his eternal resting place at Mayflower Cemetery.

He had a lot of accomplishments throughout his years that stemmed from his passion of the land and pride in farming. Ever modest, and never boastful, we must share a few of them now that the threat of a lickin' on our "purdell" is not likely. He was most proud of the 200-acre farm that has been in the Nowachek family for 144 years. He was a pivotal member that started the Oxford Livewires 4-H club in 1938 and later served at the county level. 4-H paved the

way to sharing his love of beef cattle at county, state, and national fairs. He was a member of the Jones Co. Cattleman's Association and in 1999, was inducted into the Jones County Cattleman Hall of Fame. Raising beef cattle was part of the farm since the time his grandfather Bert purchased the land in 1877. Bob kept the tradition going by farming with his father, Fred, for nine years. Bob and Algean started farming on their own in 1954 and were the epitome of a genuine hard-working American farm family. They moved to

town in 1979 and in 2004, Pop said this was "too damn long for a farmer to live in town," and continued to drive to the farm daily to oversee operations in the fields, pastures, and cattle yards. Over the years he did find time to serve on the Oxford Junction School Board and never missed an Alumni Banquet or Prime Steer Show until the last few years. He had a special fondness for his beloved team of ponies: Snoop and Pocket, and spent hours with the grandchildren tending them, and riding in local parades. Even after he was no longer able to drive, you still saw him at all the local sale barns where he could be amongst the cattle and the camaraderie.

Poppie loved his family, his children and grandchildren, whom he would always say made him extremely proud. He is survived by his wife and favorite dance partner, Algean "Mouse"; daughter Pam (Rob) White of Eldridge; Ron (Carmie) Nowachek on the family farm; six grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and sister Rosalie Westbrook (Denver, Colo.).

Loved ones that cleared the path for Poppie include his parents, and two sisters Anna Marie and LaVerna Mae.

It is not lost on his family that he died during the harvest. The time of year when all your hard work is reaped, recognized, and you're given the time to rest. Flowers are great, but Poppie would want your earnest money left with critical pillars of his community. Memorials may be left with St. Mark's Lutheran Church (everyone needs prayers right now), OJ Fire Department (they responded to many catastrophes at the farm over the years), OJ Ambulance Service (thank you for all the urgent and loving care), and the Legionnaire Ballroom (where they enjoyed dancing 'til their red satin shoes fell off).

Finally, the family is indebted to the incredible staff at Clarence Nursing Home. Each and every one of you cared for him, and continue to care for Gram, as if they were your own family and we are extremely thankful for doing the things that we could not.

His funeral service was held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 16, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Oxford Junction. A visitation was held on Saturday from 9-11 a.m. at St. Mark's Lutheran Church. Burial was held at the Mayflower Cemetery in Oxford Junction.

*Custom obituary*

**NSP Obituaries:** Families are invited and encouraged to ask the funeral home to submit a full custom obituary for publication in *The North Scott Press* at the nominal cost of \$95 in most cases. In lieu of a custom obituary, a standard obituary with less information will be published at no cost. If you have questions, please contact us at (563) 285-8111.

## LEGAL NOTICES

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### Public Notice

**TO: ALL PUTATIVE FATHERS OF A CHILD BORN ON THE 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021 IN DAVENPORT, IA**

You are notified that there is now on file in the office of the clerk of court for Webster County, a petition in case number JVV306377, which prays for a termination of your parent-child relationship to a child born on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021. For further details contact the clerk's office. The petitioner's attorney is Erin M. Hardisty, The Law Shop, 413 Grant Street, P.O. Box 252, Van Meter, Iowa, Tel: 515.996.4045.

You are notified that there will be a hearing on the petition to terminate parental rights before the Iowa District Court for Webster County, at the Webster County Courthouse in Fort Dodge, Iowa, at 1:30 p.m. on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.

This case has been filed in a county that utilizes electronic filing. General rules and information on electronic filing are contained in Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16. Information regarding requirements related to the protection of personal information in court filings is contained in Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16, Division VI.

If you require the assistance of auxiliary aids or services to participate in court because of a disability, immediately call your district ADA coordinator at (641) 421-0990. (If you are hearing impaired, call Relay Iowa TTY at 1-800-735-2942).

**WEBSTER COUNTY CLERK OF COURT**  
Webster County Courthouse  
701 Central Ave.  
Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501  
Phone: 515-576-7115

## Alta Hamann

Alta C. Hamann, age 96, of Walcott, passed away Monday, Oct. 11, 2021, at Courtyard Estates of Walcott. A memorial gathering will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 27, at Bentley Funeral Home, Durant. Private burial will take place in Walcott Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the Walcott Fire Department in Alta's memory. Online condolences may be left at [www.bentleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.bentleyfuneralhome.com).



Alta was born on Dec. 21, 1924, the daughter of Herman and Laura (Denklau) Grill, in Donahue. She was united in marriage to William "Billy" Hamann on Jan. 20, 1945, in Davenport. Bill died on Feb. 6, 2001.

Alta worked with Billy on the family farm, excelling in the role of farmer's wife and homemaker. She was employed at Jumer's Lodge and later at

Davenport West High School cafeteria, retiring in 1987. Alta and Bill enjoyed dancing and playing cards with friends. After Bill's death, Alta continued playing 500 with various civic organizations.

Those left to honor Alta's memory include her daughter, Linda Stender of Apex, N.C.; sons, Gary (Ruth) Hamann of Walcott, and Don (Donna) Hamann of Davenport; four grandchildren, Kara Weems, Kelly Vanstory, Brett Hamann and Brooke Moeller; and two great-granddaughters, Mackenzie and Avery Weems.

In addition to her husband, Alta was preceded in death by her sisters, Luetta Arp and Eleanor Rathjen, and her brother, Arnold Grill.

*Custom obituary*

## CLUB NEWS

### ELDRIDGE LIONS CLUB

The Eldridge Lions Club held its regular monthly meeting at 6 p.m. on Oct. 4, at Faith Lutheran Church and via Zoom with president Ann Baughman presiding. Lions district governor Paul Fugate was introduced as a special guest. He noted that the Eldridge Lions Club is an exemplary club and is leading the district in membership. He offered a lot of encouragement for promoting the Lions Club and enlisting younger members. Dan Ferry shared that KidSight screenings will occur at

all of the North Scott grade schools, beginning Oct. 19. The District 9EC Fall Rally will be held at St. Ann's Catholic Church on Saturday, Nov. 6. Voting for the Peace Poster will take place at the November meeting with the winners from Ed White Elementary and Quad City Montessori in attendance. Membership awards were presented to Barb Blake (10-year Chevron) and Tony Hill (20-year Chevron). Check out current postings from the Eldridge Lions on Facebook and on the Eldridge Lions Club website.

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# SCOTT COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

## MONDAY, SEPT. 20

**10:06 a.m.** — Deputies served a notice of no trespassing in the 100 block of South Park View Drive, Park View.

## FRIDAY, OCT. 1

**11:50 a.m.** — Vlado Curic, 61, Davenport, was charged with a sex offender registration violation — 1<sup>st</sup> offense, following an incident in the 400 block of West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Davenport.

## SATURDAY, OCT. 2

**2:00 p.m.** — Shawna Mae Duverney, 42, Park View, was charged with possession of a controlled substance, following a drug complaint on Valley Drive, Park View.

## MONDAY, OCT. 4

**12:51 p.m.** — Annita A. Hunt, 54, Chicago, Ill., was charged with two counts of drug possession/delivery and possession of a controlled substance, following an incident in the 3600 block of North Brady Street, Davenport.

## TUESDAY, OCT. 5

**11:40 a.m.** — Chesna Lynde Lipkowitz, 43, Davenport, was charged with a sex offender registration violation — 1<sup>st</sup> offense, following an incident in the 1000 block of Hall Street, Bettendorf.

**10:00 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a fraud complaint in the 19300 block of 251<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Bettendorf.

## WEDNESDAY, OCT. 6

**8:43 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a fraud complaint in the 14000 block of 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**10:02 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of theft in the 11300 block of 140<sup>th</sup> Street, Davenport. The complainant advised that some lawn decorations had been stolen from his yard.

**11:33 a.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of an accident with property damage in the 18800 block of 290<sup>th</sup> Street.

**3:11 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 3400 block of North Division Street.

**4:11 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a harassment complaint in the 400 block of West 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

**5:20 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a missing person in the 14100 block of 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**5:44 p.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of an accident with personal injury near Crow Creek and School House roads.

**7:22 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of an animal problem near 130<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 275<sup>th</sup> Street.

**8:45 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a weapons complaint in the 11900 block of 95<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Blue Grass. The complainants advised that their mailbox had been shot.

## THURSDAY, OCT. 7

**12:59 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 500 block of Walker Street.

**2:50 p.m.** — Deputies responded to the

scene of an accident with property damage in the 700 block of West Iowa 80 Road, Walcott.

**5:53 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a domestic disturbance in the 500 block of South 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

**6:16 a.m.** — Monica Sue Barten, 35, Davenport, was charged with 4<sup>th</sup> degree theft (theft from motor vehicles) and possession of a controlled substance; and Nicholas A. White, 44, Davenport, was charged with 4<sup>th</sup> degree theft (theft from motor vehicles), following a report of suspicious activity in the 11600 block of 140<sup>th</sup> Street Place, Davenport.

**7:08 a.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of an accident with personal injury near New Liberty Road and 130<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**9:25 a.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of a one-vehicle accident in the 20500 block of Wells Ferry Road, Bettendorf. A vehicle driven by Christopher Lee Dohrn, 64, Bettendorf, was southbound on Wells Ferry Road. Dohrn reportedly lost control on wet pavement, causing the vehicle to leave the roadway and roll into a ditch. Dohrn was transported by Medic to Genesis East Medical Center.

**9:29 a.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of an accident with property damage near Territorial Road and 277<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**12:22 p.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of an accident with property damage in the 13800 block of 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**12:44 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a burglary/home invasion on Park View Drive.

**8:37 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a trespassing complaint in the 2300 block of West Locust Street.

**8:59 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a burglary/home invasion in the 500 block of Davenport Street.

## FRIDAY, OCT. 8

**12:21 a.m.** — Shawana B. Fuller, 24, Park View, was charged with possession of a controlled substance, and cited for failure to obey a traffic control device, following a traffic stop on Park View Drive, Park View.

**5:58 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of theft in the 700 block of South 9<sup>th</sup> Street Court.

**6:23 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a burglary/home invasion in the 600 block of West Pinehurst Drive.

**11:01 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a trespassing complaint on Timberline Drive.

**3:13 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 600 block of Belmont Road.

**4:29 p.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of an accident with personal injury in the 500 block of Belmont Road.

**5:44 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a domestic disturbance in the 1100 block of West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

**7:17 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a missing person in the 14100 block of 115<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**9:21 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a missing person in the 30700 block of 210<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**9:30 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a re-

port of a disturbance in the 9900 block of 297<sup>th</sup> Street.

**9:38 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Manor Drive.

**10:25 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of an animal problem in the 25500 block of 210<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

## SATURDAY, OCT. 9

**12:41 a.m.** — Kayla Rene Mulvaney, 34, Eldridge, was charged with OWI — 1<sup>st</sup> offense, following a traffic stop near South Eastwood Drive and East Brownlie Lane, Long Grove.

**11:19 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 700 block of West Iowa 80 Road.

**12:12 p.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of an accident with property damage in the 23000 block of 277<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**1:19 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of an animal problem near 240<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 257<sup>th</sup> Street.

**5:30 a.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of a one-vehicle accident on 235<sup>th</sup> Street, where a vehicle driven by Richard Allyn Hintze, 34, Davenport, struck a deer that entered the roadway.

**5:35 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 500 block of South 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

**7:05 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance on Park View Drive.

**7:34 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance near South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and West Sheridan Drive.

**7:48 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a burglary/home invasion in the 30900 block of 52<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

**7:53 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 600 block of May Street.

**8:30 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of an animal problem in the 25900 block of Allens Grove Road.

**9:05 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a harassment complaint in the 400 block of Harrison Street.

## SUNDAY, OCT. 10

**1:54 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 24800 block of 179<sup>th</sup> Street Place.

**6:57 a.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of an accident with personal injury near East Kimberly Road and East 36<sup>th</sup> Street.

**8:55 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a domestic disturbance in the 300 block of East Ives Street.

**9:47 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of an assault in the 13200 block of 100<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Blue Grass. The complainant advised that he and his girlfriend had gotten into a fight and that his girlfriend began setting his towels on fire. He advised that he had attempted to get the blowtorch she was using away from her and she hit him in the head. The complainant advised he did not wish to press charges and declined medical attention.

**10:19 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a domestic disturbance in the 1800 block of Cody Street.

**12:29 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of an animal problem in the 14800 block of 300<sup>th</sup> Street.

**2:36 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 5000 block of 306<sup>th</sup> Street.

**7:39 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a domestic disturbance in the 500 block of South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.

**7:58 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a missing person in the 5100 block of North Fairmount Street.

**9:08 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a re-

port of theft in the 300 block of North Salina Street.

## MONDAY, OCT. 11

**11:30 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a fraud complaint in the 25100 block of 189<sup>th</sup> Street.

**1:24 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a juvenile problem in the 500 block of Park View Drive.

**2:47 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a burglary/home invasion in the 2100 block of Marquette Street.

**5:12 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Manor Drive, Park View.

**5:31 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 5000 block of 306<sup>th</sup> Street.

**5:45 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 1500 block of East LeClaire Road.

**5:54 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Manor Drive, Park View.

**8:14 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Park Avenue, Eldridge.

**8:45 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a missing person in the 600 block of Main Street.

## TUESDAY, OCT. 12

**8:47 a.m.** — Deputies recovered abandoned property in the 9100 block of 130<sup>th</sup> Street, Blue Grass.

**9:08 a.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of an accident with property damage near 70<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 116<sup>th</sup> Street.

**11:06 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of theft in the 4000 block of Lakehurst Court.

**11:29 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a weapons complaint near Southwest 35<sup>th</sup> Street and Valley Drive.

**11:51 a.m.** — Deputies responded to a vandalism complaint in the 3600 block of East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street.

**1:06 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 100 block of South Mississippi Street.

**2:04 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 6100 block of Forest Grove Drive.

**2:25 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a vehicle that failed to stop in near mile marker 3 on Interstate 280 West, Davenport.

**2:47 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance on Park Crest Court.

**3:15 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a weapons complaint in the 5100 block of North Fairmount Street.

**3:16 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a vandalism complaint in the 6700 block of Telegraph Road.

**4:27 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance in the 100 block of North Genessee Street.

**5:07 p.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of an accident with personal injury near Highway 61 and East LeClaire Road.

**6:18 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of theft in the 300 block of North Cody Road.

**6:27 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a weapons complaint in the 100 block of Crest View Drive.

**7:00 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of a domestic disturbance in the 200 block of West Davies Street.

**7:38 p.m.** — Deputies responded to the scene of an accident with property damage in the 4800 block of State Street.

**7:40 p.m.** — Deputies responded to a report of an animal problem in the 3900 block of State Street.

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# ELDRIDGE POLICE REPORT

## FRIDAY, OCT. 8

**12:30 p.m.** — Complaint of a semi broken down near South 1<sup>st</sup> Street and East LeClaire Road. Unable to locate. Handled by officer.  
**3:45 p.m.** — Complaint of a reckless driver in the 100 block of Muhs Circle. Handled by officer.  
**7:00 p.m.** — Alterrek Jones, 20, of Park View, was cited for no driver's license and no insurance, following a traffic stop near South Scott Park and East Lincoln roads.  
**9:12 p.m.** — Tiffany Thomas, 32, of Eldridge, was arrested on an outstanding warrant for failure to appear — domestic abuse assault with injury, following a report of a disturbance in the 100 block of West Spring Street.

## SATURDAY, OCT. 9

**12:05 a.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 600 block of Dammann Drive. Handled by officer.  
**12:19 a.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 700 block of East Augusta Court. Handled by officer.  
**1:06 a.m.** — Assisted Medic with an EMS call in the 400 block of West Donahue Street.  
**2:11 a.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 400 block of South Blanche Drive. Handled by officer.  
**2:45 p.m.** — Report of an alarm sounding in the 1000 block of Robert Edgar Court. Keyholder contacted. Handled by officer.  
**5:18 p.m.** — Complaint of suspicious subjects near North 3<sup>rd</sup> and West Franklin streets. Unable to locate. Handled by officer.  
**5:35 p.m.** — Report taken for a disturbance in the 500 block of South 5<sup>th</sup> Street.  
**6:01 p.m.** — Assisted Medic with an EMS call in the 300 block of South 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue.  
**7:05 p.m.** — Assisted another agency with a report of a disturbance on Park View Drive.  
**7:34 p.m.** — Lindsay Brower, 33, of Eldridge, was arrested on an outstanding warrant for traffic violations, following a report of a disturbance near South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and West Sheridan Drive.  
**8:49 p.m.** — Complaint of a disabled vehicle on Highway 61. Handled by officer.  
**9:58 p.m.** — Complaint of a dog running loose near West Donahue and North 7<sup>th</sup> streets. Handled by officer.  
**11:27 p.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 600 block of West Valley Drive. Handled by officer.

## SUNDAY, OCT. 10

**12:01 a.m.** — Complaint of a disabled vehicle near East Franklin Street and North 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Handled by officer.  
**12:27 a.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 1000 block of South 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Handled by officer.  
**12:36 a.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 200 block of West Torrey Pines Drive. Handled by officer.  
**12:40 a.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 100 block of North 9<sup>th</sup> Street. Handled by officer.  
**12:47 a.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 800 block of West Maple Court. Handled by officer.  
**1:07 a.m.** — Willard Hildebrandt, 23, of Bettendorf, was cited for operating a non-registered vehicle, following a traffic stop

on Highway 61.

**7:06 a.m.** — Complaint of for sale signs placed in a yard in the 400 block of West Donahue Street. Handled by officer.  
**1:25 p.m.** — Assisted Medic with an EMS call in the 200 block of South 1<sup>st</sup> Street.  
**5:52 p.m.** — Removed debris from the roadway on Highway 61. Handled by officer.  
**7:39 p.m.** — Complaint of a domestic disturbance in the 500 block of South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Handled by officer.  
**8:39 p.m.** — Assisted Medic with an EMS call in the 200 block of East Franklin Street.  
**11:58 p.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 1200 block of West Donahue Street. Handled by officer.

## MONDAY, OCT. 11

**12:04 a.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 1700 block of South 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Handled by officer.  
**1:46 a.m.** — Report of an alarm sounding in the 1600 block of Leonard Court. Keyholder contacted. Handled by officer.  
**2:12 a.m.** — Assisted another agency with a report of suspicious activity in the 2600 block of Scott Park Road.  
**4:07 a.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 500 block of South 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Handled by officer.  
**10:34 a.m.** — Assisted a subject near East Blackhawk Trail and South 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Handled by officer.  
**3:03 p.m.** — Assisted with child custody exchange in the 3200 block of South 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Handled by officer.  
**5:45 p.m.** — Complaint of a disturbance in the 1500 block of East LeClaire Road. Handled by officer.  
**11:45 p.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 1000 block of South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Handled by officer.

## TUESDAY, OCT. 12

**1:53 a.m.** — Report of an alarm sounding in the 900 block of Trails Road. Keyholder contacted. Handled by officer.  
**5:50 a.m.** — Complaint of a barking dog in the 600 block of South 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Handled by officer.  
**6:26 a.m.** — Andre Sykes, 41, of LeClaire, was arrested for driving under suspension, following a traffic stop in the 2000 block of Slopertown Road.  
**7:05 a.m.** — Removed debris from the roadway on Highway 61. Handled by officer.  
**8:11 a.m.** — Assisted Medic with an EMS call in the 400 block of West Donahue Street.  
**5:07 p.m.** — Payton Haack, 17, of Princeton, was cited for failure to maintain control, after being involved in a two-vehicle accident on Highway 61.  
**7:00 p.m.** — Complaint of a domestic disturbance in the 200 block of West Davies Street. Handled by officer.  
**7:12 p.m.** — Shy Calloway, 26, of Eldridge, was cited for dog at-large, following an incident in the 600 block of North 5<sup>th</sup> Place.  
**9:23 p.m.** — Complaint of a barking dog in the 600 block of South 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Handled by officer.

## WEDNESDAY, OCT. 13

**4:05 a.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 900 block of East Oak Street. Handled by officer.  
**4:59 p.m.** — Report taken for theft of property in the 400 block of South 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**7:08 p.m.** — Complaint of a subject trespassing in the 500 block of South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Handled by officer.  
**10:59 p.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 100 block of Muhs Circle. Handled by officer.

## THURSDAY, OCT. 14

**1:59 a.m.** — Report taken for a missing juvenile in the 500 block of South 5<sup>th</sup> Street.  
**11:24 a.m.** — Assisted Medic with an EMS call in the 200 block of East Price Street.  
**4:31 p.m.** — Complaint of a disabled vehicle near East Blackhawk Trail and Highway 61. Handled by officer.  
**4:48 p.m.** — Complaint of a suspicious subject near South Buttermilk and West Lincoln roads. Handled by officer.  
**6:16 p.m.** — Report taken for burglary to a concession stand in the 200 block of South 1<sup>st</sup> Street.  
**7:37 p.m.** — Complaint of a reckless driver near South 8<sup>th</sup> Street and West Pinehurst Drive. Handled by officer.  
**10:37 p.m.** — Complaint of suspicious ac-

tivity in the 100 block of West Harvest Street. Handled by officer.  
**11:24 p.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 1000 block of South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Handled by officer.  
**11:28 p.m.** — Complaint of suspicious activity in the 1000 block of West Pinehurst Drive.

## FRIDAY, OCT. 15

**12:20 a.m.** — Assisted Medic with an EMS call in the 300 block of Country Club Court.  
**1:31 a.m.** — Assisted Medic with an EMS call in the 400 block of West Donahue Street.  
**2:30 a.m.** — Assisted another agency with a report of a domestic disturbance near 277<sup>th</sup> Street and Scott Park Road.  
**5:28 a.m.** — Theresa Ewers, 56, of Dav- enport, was cited for operation with- out registration, following a traffic stop near East LeClaire and North Scott Park roads.



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## Probate

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT  
FOR SCOTT COUNTY  
CASE NO: ESPR080895  
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF  
APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR  
AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
Ron R. Bartscher,  
Deceased

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Ron F. Bartscher, Deceased, who died on or about September 30, 2021:

You are hereby notified that on October 12, 2021, the Last Will and Testament of Ron F. Bartscher, deceased, bearing date of July 13, 2021, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Sheryl Lang was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonable ascertainable, or

thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.  
Dated October 6, 2021.

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Executrix of Estate  
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## Scott County Board of Supervisors

October 11, 2021, 9:00 a.m.

The Board of Supervisors met as a committee of the whole and pursuant to adjournment with Beck, Croken, Kinzer and Maxwell present. Supervisor Knobbe participated electronically. Due to social distancing concerns relating to COVID19, Supervisors and staff were spaced apart during the meeting with some staff participating electronically.

Moved by Maxwell, seconded by Kinzer at 11:02 a.m. a motion to adjourn. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Ken Beck, Chair of the Board**  
**Scott County Board of Supervisors**

**ATTEST: Kerri Tompkins**  
**Scott County Auditor**

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## Scott County Board of Supervisors

October 12, 2021, 8:00 a.m.

The Board of Supervisors met as a committee of the whole and pursuant to adjournment with Beck, Croken, Kinzer and Maxwell present. Supervisor Knobbe participated electronically. Due to social distancing concerns relating to COVID19, Supervisors and staff were spaced apart during the meeting with some staff participating electronically.

Moved by Beck, seconded by Maxwell at 9:38 a.m. a motion to close the meeting pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(j) to discuss the purchase of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property or reduce the price the governmental body would receive for that property. Roll Call: All Ayes.

After the roll call vote, the Webex virtual meeting ended and Supervisor Knobbe then participated via telephone.

Moved by Kinzer, seconded by Maxwell at 10:26 a.m. a motion to convene in open session. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved by Maxwell, seconded by Kinzer at 10:28 a.m. a motion to adjourn. All Ayes.

**Ken Beck, Chair of the Board**  
**Scott County Board of Supervisors**

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## Scott County Board of Supervisors

October 14, 2021, 5:00 p.m.

The Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment with Beck, Croken, Kinzer and Maxwell present. Supervisor Knobbe participated electronically. Due to social distancing concerns relating to COVID19, Supervisors and staff were spaced apart during the meeting, with some staff participating electronically. The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Maxwell, seconded by Kinzer a motion approving the minutes of the September 28, 2021 Committee of the Whole (including closed session), the minutes of the September 30, 2021 Regular Board Meeting and the minutes of the October 7, 2021 Special Board Meeting (election canvass). Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved by Kinzer, seconded by Croken that the following resolution (204-2021) be approved. Roll Call: All Ayes.

BE IT RESOLVED: 1) In the Auditor's Office the title of GIS/Election System Technician (1.0 FTE) be changed to GIS Parcel Technician. The pay range remains the same at 24. 2) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Kinzer, seconded by Croken that the following resolution (205-2021) be approved. Roll Call: All Ayes.

BE IT RESOLVED: 1) That the proposal from United Health Care for two years for CY22-23 for third party administration services is hereby approved. 2) That the Human Resources Director is hereby authorized to sign the health insurance contracts for services on behalf of the Board. 3) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Kinzer, seconded by Croken that the following resolution (206-2021) be approved. Roll Call: All Ayes.

BE IT RESOLVED: 1) That the county enter into an agreement with iSolved Benefit Services for administration of the County's flex savings program is hereby approved through December 31, 2023. 2) That the Human Resources Director is hereby authorized to sign any necessary contracts for services on behalf of the Board. 3) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Kinzer, seconded by Croken that the following resolution (207-2021) be approved. Roll Call: All Ayes.

BE IT RESOLVED: 1) The following schedule of single health care premium rates for Scott County employees in calendar year 2022 is hereby approved: Health/Pharmaceutical; \$37.62 / mo, Dental; \$1.56 / mo, Avesis Vision; \$0.38 / mo. 2) The following schedule of family health care premium rates for Scott County

employees in calendar year 2022 is hereby approved: Health/Pharmaceutical; \$259.60/ mo, Dental; \$12.58 / mo, Avesis Vision; \$1.96 / mo. 3) Employee's opting to take the Dental supplemental plan shall pay an additional \$10.00/month for single or \$21.60/month for family coverage. 4) This resolution shall take effect on January 1, 2022.

Moved by Kinzer, seconded by Croken that the following resolution (208-2021) be approved. Roll Call: All Ayes.

BE IT RESOLVED: 1) The hiring of Kelsey Gaylord for the position of Secretary in the County Attorney's Office at entry level rate. 2) The hiring of Michael Fascher for the position of Roads Maintenance Worker in Secondary Roads at entry level rate.

Moved by Croken, seconded by Kinzer that the following resolution (209-2021) be approved. Roll Call: All Ayes.

BE IT RESOLVED: 1) The 2020 property taxes due in September 2021 and March 2022 for John and Pamela Jones, 124 South 9th Street, LeClaire, Iowa in the amount of \$2,323.00 including interest are hereby suspended. 2) The County Treasurer is hereby directed to suspend the collection of the above stated taxes and utility fees thereby establishing a lien on said property as required by law with future collection to include statutory interest, if any. 3) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Croken, seconded by Kinzer that the following resolution (210-2021) be approved. Roll Call: All Ayes.

BE IT RESOLVED: 1) The 2020 property taxes, due in September 2021 and March 2022 for Connie Martens, 4240 Telegraph Road, Davenport, Iowa, in the amount of \$2,140.00 including interest are hereby suspended. 2) The County Treasurer is hereby directed to suspend the collection of the above stated taxes thereby establishing a lien on said property as required by law with future collection to include statutory interest, if any. 3) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Maxwell, seconded by Kinzer that the following resolution (211-2021) be approved. Roll Call: All Ayes.

BE IT RESOLVED: 1) The Board of Supervisors approved the request for abatement of taxes from the City of Davenport for the following parcels due to Iowa Code Section 445.63 at the September 30, 2021 Board Meeting. Parcel: Address: Amount: L0017A01D, No situs address, \$1,826.00; F0054-04, 1201 E River Dr, \$4,632.00; X3501-02D, 8991 Division St, \$32,222.00; F0054-04C, No situs address, \$832.00; L0009-19C, 102 E 2nd St, \$12,796.00; L0009-20, 108 E 2nd St, \$5,150.00; L0009-21, 110 E 2nd St, \$4,994.00; L0021-01, 401 W River Dr, \$30,064.00; L0022-02, 102 S Harrison St, \$2,724.00; W0349-01, 6364 Northwest Blvd, \$2,158.00. 2) After further review by the Auditor's Office and Davenport City Assessor's Offices, these parcels had taxable values due to lease agreements by the City of Davenport and they recommend the taxable values on these parcels be reinstated. 3) The County Treasurer is hereby directed to reinstate taxable values on these City of Davenport parcels. 4) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Maxwell, seconded by Kinzer that the following resolution (212-2021) be approved. Roll Call: All Ayes.

BE IT RESOLVED: 1) The purchase of Judicial Dialog maintenance and support in the amount of \$26,721.57 is hereby approved. 2) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Maxwell, seconded by Kinzer that the following resolution (213-2021) be approved. Roll Call: All Ayes.

BE IT RESOLVED: 1) FY21 year-end fund transfers as presented by the County Administrator are hereby approved. 2) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Maxwell, seconded by Kinzer that the following resolution (214-2021) be approved. Roll Call: All Ayes.

BE IT RESOLVED: 1) FY22 fund transfers as presented by the County Administrator are hereby approved. 2) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Maxwell, seconded by Kinzer a motion to approve filing of fourth quarter FY21 quarterly financial reports from various county offices. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved by Maxwell, seconded by Kinzer that the following resolution (215-2021) be approved. Roll Call: All Ayes.

BE IT RESOLVED: 1) The Scott County Board of Supervisors approves for payment all warrants numbered 313839 through 314080 as submitted and prepared for payment by the County Auditor, in the total amount of \$1,663,006.56. 2) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Croken, seconded by Kinzer at 5:59 p.m. a motion to adjourn. All Ayes.

**Ken Beck, Chair of the Board**  
**Scott County Board of Supervisors**

**ATTEST: Kerri Tompkins**  
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Expenditures approved for payment by the Board of Supervisors on October 14, 2021

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| Advanced Radiology SC, x-ray services                                    | 8.44       |
| Ahlers & Cooney PC, professional services                                | 50.00      |
| Ahrens, Zachary, travel  | 290.00     |
| Aitken, Aitken & Sharpe PC, attorney-guardianship                        | 6,844.00   |
| All Star Pro Golf Inc, supplies general                                  | 1,649.19   |
| Alliant Energy/IPL, utilities electric                                   | 1,690.99   |
| Amy & Om Inc, crisis services  | 60.00      |
| Angerer, Mary, other expense   | 150.00     |
| Aqua-Tech Car Wash, maintenance vehicles-wash and detailing              | 300.00     |
| Arctic Glacier Inc, conservation supplies wlp beach concession           | 649.60     |
| Armor Up America, administrative expenses                                | 199.50     |
| Arndt, Courtney, mileage   | 61.60      |
| Aspen Equipment Co, vehicle supplies vehicular parts                     | 464.13     |
| AT&T, telephone data   | 43.01      |
| Baker Tilly US LLP-Baker Tilly Virchow Krause LLP, professional services | 2,400.00   |
| Bauer Built Tire Ctr, vehicle supplies vehicular parts                   | 458.48     |
| Begey, Kiley R, legal transcripts  | 222.00     |
| Bi-State Regional Commission, contribution to agencies                   | 19,338.75  |
| Bleigh, Beverly K, legal transcripts                                     | 35.50      |
| Bob Barker Co, supplies clothing   | 597.98     |
| Buffalo, City of, rent space   | 300.00     |
| Bunker, Misty, travel  | 69.38      |
| Burke Cleaners, professional services                                    | 185.00     |
| Calhoun County Sheriff's Office, juvenile justice hearing expenditures   | 31.00      |
| Calhoun-Burns and Associates Inc, direct charge                          | 2,226.50   |
| Carter, Gina, commercial services  | 200.00     |
| CDB Underground, technology and equipment remote sites wans              | 1,500.00   |
| Centurylink, telephone voice   | 856.44     |
| Charm-Tex Inc, supplies general  | 320.40     |
| Cintas Corporation 342, direct charge                                    | 436.98     |
| Cintas First Aid & Safety, commercial services                           | 419.45     |
| Climate Engineers LLC-CE, buildings jail                                 | 101,707.00 |
| Code 4 Public Safety Emblems, supplies general                           | 645.00     |
| Community Care of Knoxville LLC, mh-residential                          | 4,741.45   |
| Coyle, Carrie E, attorney-guardianship                                   | 636.42     |
| Crawford Company Inc, maintenance equipment                              |            |

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|   | 275.00     |
| Crescent Electric Supply Co, supplies general   | 489.29     |
| Crisis Prevention Institute Inc-CPI, schools of instruction general                   | 1,419.47   |
| CS Technologies Inc, internet line charges  | 4,999.70   |
| Culligan of the Quad Cities, supplies general   | 77.49      |
| Custom Art & Signs, supplies general  | 70.25      |
| Davenport-Finance Dept, City of, salaries regular                                     | 48,080.38  |
| Davenport Printing Co Inc-DPC, supplies general                                       | 135.00     |
| Delta Dental Plan of Iowa, administrative expenses                                    | 2,808.78   |
| Design Specialties Inc, kitchen supplies supplies                                     | 336.00     |
| Diamond Vogel Paint Ctr, supplies general   | 284.96     |
| District 6 Iowa County Recorders, memberships   | 25.00      |
| Doors Inc, maintenance equipment  | 1,141.00   |
| Drescher Custom Picture Framing, supplies general                                     | 337.95     |
| Eagle Point Energy 3-Eagle Point Energy Holdings, utilities electric                  | 1,549.36   |
| Earthgrains Baking Companies Inc, kitchen supplies groceries                          | 761.43     |
| Eastern Iowa Light & Power Coop-REC, direct charge                                    | 200.89     |
| Eastern Iowa Petro Inc, vehicle supplies fuels & lubricants                           | 9,898.14   |
| Eastern Iowa Propane Ltd, utilities propane   | 3,257.22   |
| Eastern Iowa Tire Inc, direct charge  | 2,086.00   |
| Eldridge, City of, rent space   | 400.00     |
| Eldridge Electric & Water, utilities electric   | 1,088.68   |
| Facility & Support Services, supplies general   | 10.00      |
| Family Resources Inc, service contracts   | 2,239.20   |
| FedEx, postage & shipping   | 28.70      |
| Fickel\Iowa-Illinois Reporting, Victoria, legal transcripts                           | 177.45     |
| First Med Pharmacy, pharmacy services   | 20,804.38  |
| Frontier Precision Inc, technology and equipment other equipment                      | 4,350.00   |
| Genesis Health System\Psychology Assoc, medical expense                               | 10,562.50  |
| Genesis Medical Center-Patients Financial Svcs, 229-5 day-hospital                    | 1,484.00   |
| Genesis Occupational Health, recruitment  | 242.00     |
| Gierke-Robinson Co Inc, direct charge   | 784.83     |
| Gimm, Nichole, travel   | 328.01     |
| Glaxomithkline Pharmaceuticals, reimbursable allotment                                | 5,087.17   |
| Global Security Services Ltd, professional services                                   | 5,232.04   |
| Glunz, Dean, direct charge  | 135.00     |
| Good Source Solutions, kitchen supplies groceries                                     | 4,974.54   |
| Granicus, service contracts   | 11,397.28  |
| Grant County Sheriff's Dept, pharmacy services  | 227.41     |
| Graves Environmental Inc, maintenance buildings                                       | 1,100.00   |
| Great Western Supply Co, supplies general   | 871.56     |
| Greater Davenport Redevelopment Corp, contribution to agencies                        | 7,500.00   |
| Greenwood Cleaning Systems Inc, supplies general                                      | 325.87     |
| Grunder, Linda, rent space  | 800.00     |
| H&H Construction & Development LLC, direct charge                                     | 1,700.00   |
| Hale Printing Inc, direct charge  | 73.16      |
| Halligan-McCabe-DeVries Funeral Home Inc, burial                                      | 3,060.94   |
| Hanson Industrial Inc, direct charge  | 581.40     |
| Harms Oil Company-Aberdeen, direct charge   | 20,131.00  |
| Harris-Automotive Detailing, Jody Allen, maintenance vehicle auxiliary equipment      | 350.00     |
| Harris Golf Cars, golf cart repair  | 41.66      |
| Haugen-Quarter Moon Tinsnips, Sally, commercial services                              | 200.00     |
| Heartland Business Systems, technology and equipment pc/printers                      | 1,150.70   |
| Henry Schein Inc, reimbursable allotment  | 2,302.73   |
| Hillcrest Family Services, mh-residential   | 12,288.81  |
| Hodges, Brett, medical examiner fees  | 300.00     |
| Hoogerwerf, Matthew, recruitment  | 105.28     |
| Huesmann, Kyle, per diem & expenses   | 20.60      |
| Humane Society of Scott County, service contracts                                     | 12,475.00  |
| IACME-Iowa Assoc of County Medical Examiners, schools of instruction general          | 750.00     |
| Illowa Culvert & Supply Co, direct charge   | 1,440.00   |
| International Assoc of Chiefs of Police-IACP/Net, periodicals & subscriptions         | 875.00     |
| Interstate Batteries of Quad Cities, vehicle supplies vehicular parts                 | 236.54     |
| Iowa American Water Co, utilities water   | 6,070.24   |
| Iowa Dept of Natural Resources, commercial services                                   | 95.00      |
| Iowa Dept of Revenue Property Tax Division, schools of instruction general            | 60.00      |
| Iowa Emergency Vehicle Installs, technology and equipment auxiliary equipment         | 17,921.32  |
| Iowa Municipalities Workers Comp Assoc-IMWCA, insurance premiums workers compensation | 946.00     |
| Iowa State Assoc of Assessors-ISAA, schools of instruction general                    | 325.00     |
| Iowa State Medical Examiner, medical examiner autopsies/lab                           | 18,526.42  |
| Ipromoteu, direct charge  | 1,127.26   |
| Isolved Benefit Services, administrative expense                                      | 822.50     |
| Jackson-Fifth of Country, Jeff, commercial services                                   | 450.00     |
| Jerome, William, medical examiner fees  | 630.00     |
| Jerry's Ace Hardware, supplies general  | 275.42     |
| John Deere Financial, vehicle supplies vehicular parts                                | 2,925.02   |
| Johnson, George Heath, reimbursable allotment   | 55.00      |
| Johnson County Sheriff, sheriff transportation  | 184.86     |
| Johnson Distributing Inc, commercial services   | 140.00     |
| JP Gasway, conservation supplies food & beverage miscellaneous                        | 1,434.05   |
| K&K True Value Hardware, supplies general   | 40.45      |
| Katz MD, Louis, medical director  | 12,487.50  |
| Kuhl-Kuhl's Under the Sun, Barbara, maintenance buildings                             | 720.00     |
| Kunau Implement Company, maintenance equipment  | 190.15     |
| Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings-Labcorp, laboratory services               | 7.38       |
| Larson, Kenneth, reimbursable allotment   | 1,500.00   |
| Linn County Treasurer, schools of instruction general                                 | 195.00     |
| Linwood Mining & Minerals Corp, direct charge   | 3,223.64   |
| Madison National Life Insurance Co Inc, long term disability-employer                 | 5,456.54   |
| Mail Services LLC, postage & shipping   | 5,723.21   |
| Marshall County Sheriff, extradition of prisoners house out of county                 | 4,200.00   |
| Martin Equip of IA-IL Inc, direct charge  | 162.18     |
| McAndrew, Mary, commercial services   | 150.00     |
| McReynolds, Kelly, commissary inmate surcharge use                                    | 432.00     |
| Mediacom, telephone data  | 236.90     |
| Mediapolis Care Facility Inc, mh-residential  | 10,062.63  |
| Medic EMS-Emergency Medical Services, contribution to agencies                        | 170,618.22 |
| Menards, supplies general   | 638.58     |
| Mickle Communications Group LLC, professional services                                | 1,000.00   |
| Midamerican Energy, utilities electric  | 55,812.33  |
| Midwest Automatic Fire Sprinkler Co, commercial services                              | 232.50     |
| Midwest Mailworks Inc, postage & shipping   | 20,000.00  |
| Midwest Pest Management LLC, direct charge  | 75.00      |

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| Midwest Property Holdings LLC, rent space  | 1,475.00       |
| Midwest Wheel Companies, direct charge   | 240.09         |
| Mississippi Valley Fair, mississippi valley fair funding   | 3,125.00       |
| Mississippi Valley OMS PC, dental services   | 1,540.00       |
| MMSGGS-McKesson Medical Surgical Inc, reimbursable allotment   | 1,669.90       |
| Moeller, Bonnie, professional services   | 50.00          |
| Molo Petroleum LLC\Molo Oil Co, direct charge  | 1,783.40       |
| MOMCC, memberships   | 50.00          |
| Morgan, Nancy J, commercial services   | 200.00         |
| Munck, CSR RPR, Michelle R, legal transcripts  | 38.50          |
| Muscatine County Jail-Housing, extradition of prisoners house out of county                            | 23,595.00      |
| Myers-Cox Co, inventory food/beverage  | 799.62         |
| Napa Davenport, vehicle supplies vehicular parts   | 59.20          |
| Napa DeWitt-Premier Parts Inc, vehicle supplies vehicular parts  | 291.78         |
| Nelsen Appraisal Associates Inc, professional services   | 4,000.00       |
| New Choices Inc-NCL, mr-residential  | 681.24         |
| New Relic, service contracts   | 4,762.44       |
| North Scott Foods, supplies general  | 82.49          |
| North Scott Press, public notices  | 1,637.72       |
| Northwest Mechanical Inc, commercial services  | 223.50         |
| Nutrien Ag Solutions Inc, direct charge  | 810.00         |
| Office Machine Consultants Inc, supplies office printing   | 365.30         |
| Ong, David S, travel   | 15.00          |
| Origin Design Co, direct charge  | 3,573.00       |
| Ottesen, James L, professional services  | 1,000.00       |
| Paige Company Containers, supplies general   | 705.60         |
| Paragon Commercial Interiors Inc, supplies general   | 915.18         |
| Partnership for Progress\Willow Heights, mh-residential  | 6,664.30       |
| Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co, inventory food/beverage  | 564.35         |
| Per Mar Security, commercial services  | 4,662.00       |
| Petersen Plumbing & Heating Co, conservation capital improvement projects buffalo shores               | 65,542.20      |
| Pillar Equipment, vehicle supplies vehicular parts   | 232.72         |
| Pleasant Valley Redi-Mix, direct charge  | 27,357.50      |
| Posey, DO, Christopher M, medical director   | 7,959.00       |
| Practisynergo, maintenance computer software   | 150.39         |
| Prairie Farms Dairy, kitchen supplies groceries  | 1,131.78       |
| Precision Builders Inc, buildings administration center  | 22,475.00      |
| Princeton Beach Marina, conservation capital improvement projects west lake park                       | 11,492.00      |
| Printers Mark, supplies office printing  | 30.00          |
| Quad Cities Convention & Visitors Bureau, contribution to agencies                                     | 17,500.00      |
| Quad City Times & Muscatine Journal, public notices  | 5,070.04       |
| Quad City Window Cleaning Inc/Agent Clean, commercial services   | 40.00          |
| Racom Corporation, 800 mhz access fees   | 82,372.98      |
| Rad Screenprinting, reimbursable allotment   | 150.00         |
| Radiology Group PC SC, x-ray services  | 34.72          |
| Rathjen, Leo L, per diem & expenses  | 19.48          |
| Raynor Door Co Inc of the Quad Cities, commercial services   | 140.00         |
| Redden, Jessica, reimbursable allotment  | 55.00          |
| Recco Equipment Inc-Interstate Billing Service, vehicle supplies vehicular parts                       | 469.58         |
| Recco Equipment Inc-Interstate Billing Service, technology and equipment secondary roads new equipment | 65,600.45      |
| Riverstone Group Inc, direct charge  | 1,180.24       |
| Rock Island County Sheriff-Civil, juvenile justice hearing expenditures                                | 225.05         |
| RP Lumber Co Inc, supplies general   | 170.10         |
| Runge Mortuary, transportation   | 7,002.00       |
| Rustic River Properties LLC-Marcus R Brand, rent space   | 500.00         |
| Sam's Club Direct, inventory food/beverage   | 635.00         |
| Satellite Tracking of People LLC, electronic monitoring-sheriff  | 665.00         |
| Schaeffer, Donald, medical examiner fees   | 150.00         |
| Schaller, Mark, travel   | 105.00         |
| Schwarz-Snow Removal & Lawn Care, Paul, maintenance buildings  | 405.00         |
| Scott Area Household Hazardous Materials, maintenance buildings  | 22.40          |
| Scott Area Landfill, commercial services   | 168.51         |
| Scott Area Recycling Center, recycling services  | 5,250.00       |
| Scott County Library System, professional services rivershare  | 15,997.00      |
| Shive-Hattery Inc, conservation capital improvement projects buffalo shores                            | 2,158.88       |
| Site One Landscape Supply, conservation supplies fertilizer/chemicals                                  | 744.20         |
| Staples Advantage Inc, contingency   | 511.59         |
| Stealth Partner Group, stop loss specific  | 40,029.28      |
| Stephens-Peck Incorporated, periodicals & subscriptions  | 200.00         |
| Stetson Building Products Inc, direct charge   | 6,565.07       |
| Storm Water Supply LLC, direct charge  | 1,588.19       |
| Stratus Audio Inc, professional services   | 104.23         |
| Strieter Motor Co, vehicle supplies vehicular parts  | 33.36          |
| Sunderlin, Bryse, travel   | 275.00         |
| T Steele Construction Inc, infrastructure telecommunication  | 2,375.00       |
| Tallgrass, supplies general  | 266.84         |
| The Row at 35th LLC, rent space  | 500.00         |
| Thompson Truck & Trailer Inc, direct charge  | 49.46          |
| Thoms-Proestler Co-PFG, kitchen supplies groceries   | 12,351.58      |
| Trane US Inc, maintenance equipment  | 869.00         |
| Treasurer-State of Iowa, sales tax payable   | 6,141.00       |
| Treasurer-State of Iowa, juvenile justice base expenditures  | 54,426.00      |
| Treasurer-State of Iowa-ILEA, schools of instruction general   | 2,125.00       |
| Treasurer-State of Iowa-DHS, independence  | 32,389.00      |
| Tri-City Electric Co of Iowa, commercial services  | 208.60         |
| Tri-City Fire Protection Inc, commercial services  | 2,595.60       |
| TSS Inc, commercial services   | 420.00         |
| Two Rivers YMCA, administrative expenses   | 100.00         |
| UHS Premium Billing-Unitedhealthcare Insurance Co, administrative expenses                             | 4,683.66       |
| Unitypoint Health-Trinity, crisis services   | 309,641.67     |
| US Foodservice Inc, kitchen supplies groceries   | 2,500.61       |
| Vera French Community, contribution to agencies  | 22,363.25      |
| Vera French Sheridan Springs, contribution to agencies   | 1,392.00       |
| Verizon Wireless, telephone cellular   | 5,893.35       |
| Vermeer DO, Richard, medical director  | 7,168.75       |
| Vigilant Solutions LLC, maintenance vehicle auxiliary equipment  | 14,075.00      |
| Volrath Hardwoods LLC, conservation supplies scp entry station   | 2,400.00       |
| Wall, Joshua, travel   | 40.00          |
| Watchguard Video, technology and equipment other equipment   | 1,605.00       |
| Webster County Sheriff, juvenile justice hearing expenditures  | 70.00          |
| Werthmann, Allan, per diem & expenses  | 41.20          |
| WGVV 92.5 FM, reimbursable allotment   | 4,500.00       |
| White Distribution & Supply-WDS, supplies general  | 671.20         |
| Report Total   | \$1,663,006.56 |

**ON SALE AT THESE LOCATIONS:**

**Blue Grass:** Jeff's Market,  
JLee Oil

**Davenport:** Fareway W. 53rd St.

**Donahue:** The Depot

**Durant:** Jeff's Market

**Eldridge:** Casey's, Big 10 Mart,  
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# NSP SPORTS

## VOLLEYBALL

# Tournament Ready

## Lancer spikers riding 14-game winning streak into postseason play

By Scott Campbell  
NSP Editor

Well, let's just call it Senior Night Perfection. And while we're at it, let's be bold and boisterous. There is no doubt: North Scott is tournament ready.

Ripping a page right out of the proverbial "How to Succeed on Senior Night" playbook, the Lancer volleyball team put an exclamation point on an impressive 28-4 season with an entertaining, electric and emphatic 25-14, 25-11, 25-10 sweep of potential postseason foe Central DeWitt on Thursday.

Seemingly clicking on all cylinders, where just about everything they touched turned to gold, the Lancers rolled to their 14<sup>th</sup> straight win in front of a loud and enthusiastic Pit crowd.

With a 26-set winning streak now in hand, and riding a wave of momentum

that shouldn't begin to crest until the state tournament in Cedar Rapids, coach Taryn VanEarwage's talented team is well-prepared for the postseason.

That road to Cedar Rapids begins Thursday night in the Class 4A regional semifinal, where the No. 2-ranked Lancers will entertain either Keokuk (13-12) or Burlington (5-28), two teams that were scheduled to meet last night (Tuesday).

Game time is 7 p.m.

Thursday's winner — and how can it not be the Lancers? — will advance to Tuesday's regional final against either second-seeded Central DeWitt (16-12), Solon (13-22) or Fort Madison (8-22). The highest remaining seed will have home court advantage, with a starting time of 7 p.m.

The 4A state tournament is set to begin in Cedar Rapids on Monday, Nov. 1, at either 4 or 6 p.m. Believe it, the Lancers have every intention of booking their third straight trip to the City of Five Seasons, and the way they played on Senior Night, no one is betting against them.

"It was an awesome night," said senior Ella McLaughlin. "I think we played really well, and I'm glad we were able to do that in our last regular season game."

"We made very few mistakes, and we were really on. I think we just wanted to come out and show a good crowd what we can do."

Consider it mission accomplished.

"It was perfect," said senior Scout Kirshy. "It was everything I imagined it to be. Usually our student section isn't like this, but they gave us so much energy, and it really helped us out at lot."

"This feels amazing," added senior Lexi Richards. "It's sad because it's Senior Night, and the second I saw my mom tearing up, I started tearing up, and I thought, Oh my gosh.' But it was so

fun. We literally couldn't have had a better night. We really were tuned in and focused, which I loved. It was absolutely perfect."

You could tell it was going to be a special night from the opening serve, and the visiting Sabers didn't know what hit them. The Lancers reeled off the first six points and never looked back. They built an early 10-2 lead; led 20-11, and rolled to the 25-14 first-set win.

It was same song, different verse in set two, as North Scott built a 16-6 bulge before closing out the 25-11 win, and the third set was nothing short of spectacular, thanks to a 10-0 run to start things off.

To be sure, it was a total team effort, and give VanEarwage plenty of props for inserting seniors Peyton Wenck and Melina Knutsen into the starting lineup.

The Lancers offense was on fire, as Richards (11), McLaughlin (10) and senior Gracie Graham (11) all hit double digits on the kill stat line. Senior Alyssa Atzen dished out 22 assists, with junior Nora Ralfs contributing eight.

"It was a lot of fun out there," said Atzen, "and we just wanted to make the most of it. We definitely had our connections down tonight. We were just having a lot of fun, which helped us play better."

Richards also led the defensive charge with 16 digs, while McLaughlin added 10. Wenck finished with eight, and Knutsen chipped in with seven. Graham had seven digs and was an intimidating force at the net and had a hand in three blocks.

Atzen delivered a team-high five ace serves, while Kirshy, who usually doesn't serve much, collected four.

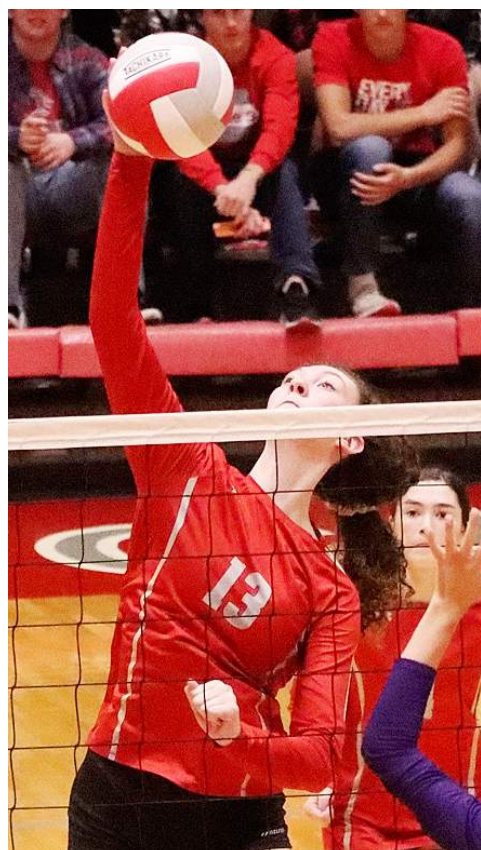
"We were really on," said junior Lau-

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Senior Ella McLaughlin

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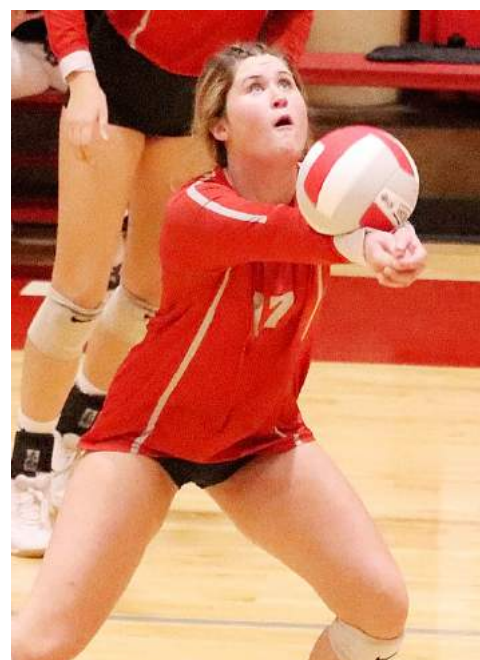
Senior Scout Kirshy

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Senior Peyton Wenck

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Senior Lexi Richards

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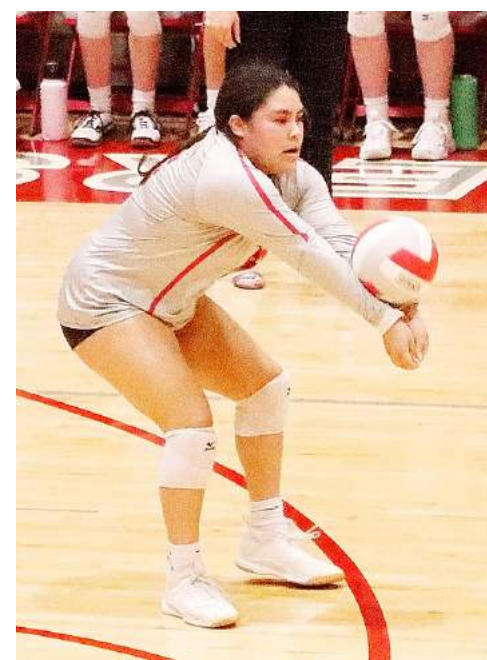
Senior Gracie Graham

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Senior Alyssa Atzen

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Senior Melena Knutsen

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### Scott's Takeaway

It was great to visit with former Lancers and current college players Kendall McNaull (Mount Mercy) and Emma Powell (University of Dubuque) Thursday night. The dynamic duo anchored North Scott's 2019 state tournament team, and played with current seniors Ella McLaughlin and Gracie Graham for two years.

Both Kendall and Emma were equally im-

pressed with this year's team.

"They are a different breed," said Emma.

"They are just so good," added Kendall.

"Their swings are amazing."

North Scott played so well, that I actually felt sorry for the Sabers. They didn't know what hit them, and they can't be looking forward to a possible rematch in the regional finals.

If you want to see some good volleyball, you need to watch this Lancer team.



FOOTBALL: NORTH SCOTT 35, FORT MADISON 0

# Lancers hunt down Bloodhounds

North Scott secures sixth straight district title with 16th consecutive victory

By Scott Campbell  
NSP Editor

Consider it lesson learned. Boy, it's amazing what a good week of practice will do for you.

After a lackadaisical and uninspired performance in a 41-7 win over Clinton a week earlier, North Scott's football team responded in style and continued the school's district title tradition with a convincing and never-in-doubt 35-0 whitewashing of Fort Madison Friday night.

The Lancers were focused, locked in and determined. By trade, the Bloodhounds are bred to hunt, but on this night, in his pregame speech, coach Kevin Tippet challenged his team to "be the hunter."

The Lancers took his words to heart, and the Bloodhounds should have stayed in their kennel.

**CLASS 4A DISTRICT 3**

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| North Scott       | 4        | 0 | 8   | 0 |
| Burlington        | 3        | 1 | 6   | 2 |
| Fort Madison      | 2        | 2 | 6   | 2 |
| Iowa City Liberty | 2        | 2 | 2   | 6 |
| Clinton           | 1        | 3 | 2   | 6 |
| Mount Pleasant    | 0        | 4 | 1   | 7 |

**Last week's results**

North Scott 35, Fort Madison 0  
Burlington 20, Iowa City Liberty 18  
Clinton 49, Mount Pleasant 7

**This week's games**

North Scott at Mount Pleasant  
Iowa City Liberty at Clinton  
Fort Madison at Burlington

With another stifling defense and a typical balanced offensive attack, the Lancers assured themselves plenty of postseason home cooking by rolling to their 16th straight win and capturing their sixth consecutive district title, all with one regular season game remaining.

On a cold and crisp Senior Night, the Lancers seemed to do everything right, and what a turnaround from a week earlier.

"Our prep was the difference," said senior Ryan Campbell. "We were all locked in all week in practice. Coach emphasized being focused, and that really showed on the field tonight. We



Grayson Juel's 24th touchdown pass of the season was an eight-yard toss to Sam Skarich.  
NSP photo by Scott Campbell



It was a big night for senior Darnell Butler as he contributed 166 yards of total offense, including 136 on the ground.  
NSP photo by Scott Campbell

were just zoning in on what we needed to work on.

"We weren't doing dumb stuff in practice. We set ourselves to a high standard. We knew it was going to be a big game, and we practiced at a championship level. We knew what was on the line, and that it was going to be a fun atmosphere with a lot of people."

"Our preparation was a lot better this week," echoed senior quarterback Grayson Juel, who passed for 235 yards and three touchdowns, elevating his school-record total to 24. "We had a good week of practice, and we were focused every single day."

"I knew what was at stake, and I felt like we had something to prove. I felt really good and excited about it."

The Lancers wasted no time in showing their superiority. They forced a three-and-out on Fort Madison's first possession, and then took just four plays to cover 59 yards and tally the opening score on senior Darnell Butler's five-yard scamper.

Using a faster-than-usual, up-tempo offense, Juel opened the game with a pre-scripted 34-yard pass to senior Jakob Nelson, and three straight Butler runs put the ball in the end zone.

"The first three plays were all scripted out, and they couldn't have been executed better," said Tippet. "Our coaching staff does a good job, and Kent (Dennison) and Tony (Stewart) work really hard on that."

"We also knew that we wanted to speed things up. They had had eight or nine kids playing both ways, and our coaching staff felt our depth was going to be a big part of what we could do. That showed in the second half. Our running game got better and better as the game went along."

Give credit to the Bloodhounds. They didn't roll over and play dead. They put together a 15-play drive on their second possession, only to have Lancer senior Connor Corson come up with a pick near the goal line.

After North Scott's lone turnover, a fumble by Nelson, it was senior Payton Kruse who thwarted the only other Fort Madison scoring threat with a blocked field goal with 2:21 left in the first half.

The Lancers responded with a quick six-play, 86-yard drive that ended with a Juel-to-Nelson scoring strike that covered the final 16 yards with 38 seconds left in the half.

It was Nelson's 14th touchdown catch of the season — extending his own school record — and the duo has now established itself as the most prolific TD combination in school history.

But they weren't the only stars on that drive. Butler ignited things with a big 31-yard scamper, and then Juel found a diving Ollie Hughes for 33 yards to set up the score.

The second half was all North Scott. The Lancers made it 21-0 on Juel's 49-yard pass to junior Miles Robertson, who didn't have a player within 15 yards of him.

"It was a little fake screen go that we practice a lot," said Juel. "I had a lot of help from the sideline that faked them out and everybody yelled screen, and Miles was wide open. It couldn't have been easier, except I was a little nervous about overthrowing him."

North Scott made it 28-0 with 1:30 left in the third when senior Sam Skarich latched onto an eight-yard Juel toss, and the Lancers turned on the running clock with Butler's 19-yard jaunt with 8:32 remaining in the game.

The North Scott offense was impressive, racking up 412 yards behind the yeoman efforts of Hunter Kaufman, Braxton Townsley, Dylan Akers, Mason Pike, Dylan Parrott and Nate Schneckloth.

In the words of O-line coach Stewart, "The big boys played pretty well tonight."

Butler led the rushing attack with 136 yards in 18 carries, and added 30 more through the air. Even Stewart could have run through some of the holes that

## A lot on the line

The district title is secure, as is home field advantage in the postseason, but the Lancers have one regular season game left, and they'll be making their first-ever trip to Mount Pleasant Friday night.

A victory would give North Scott its first unbeaten regular season since 2006, and just the third in school history.

Even though the Maple Leafs have won just one game, the Lancers won't be taking anything for granted.

"We won't overlook Mount Pleasant," said senior Ryan Campbell. "At this point we can't overlook anyone. We just have to come out like we did tonight. We didn't play perfect, but we're getting better."

"We have to keep that momentum going," added Darnell Butler. "We have to keep that grind and focus. We have to come to practice every day and be ready to go, just like the championship team that we are."

Tippet said this week will tell him a lot about his team.

"We'll find out a lot about the growth of this football team," he said. "Are we going to take the same approach to Clinton, or are we going to learn from it and be a better football team?"

"If we did, if we can go and have a good week of prep, we'll be fine. This time of year is not about being physical in practice. It's about making sure we practice hard and do our job. I hope we can. If I was a fortune teller, I'd be working in the circus."

Junior AJ Petersen isn't worried.

"I don't think we'll have the same problem we did against Clinton," he said. "I think after this week, everybody realizes what we need to do to be ready. We'll crack down and get going."

O-line created.

Nelson had five catches for 84 yards, while Hughes had three receptions for 60. All told, Juel utilized the talents of five different receivers.

While the offense was stellar, defensive coordinator Tim Brunkan's D was stout. The Bloodhounds entered the contest averaging 37 points and 377 yards per game, but they didn't know what hit them. The zero on the scoreboard loomed large, and they managed just 111 yards of offense.

Ouch!

Senior Adam Allen returned after missing two games and was a force in the middle, collecting five solo tackles and an assist. Junior Seth Madden had a hand in nine tackles, including a team-high six solo stops, and junior AJ Petersen was in on six tackles and recorded two quarterback sacks and one tackle for loss.

Junior Cole Jennings continued to play well in the backfield, pilfering two Bloodhound passes.

"It was so nice to be back on the field," said Allen, who missed one week because of illness and another due to injury. "I was so up on adrenaline, that I probably could have been snapped in half and I would've kept playing."

"Yesterday was the first day I practiced this week, and I was scared I wasn't going to play. I really wanted to get in this week because it was a good opponent, and I really wanted to help out."

Tippet couldn't have been happier with the turnaround his team displayed.

"It was a big win," he said. "I think our kids knew we didn't prepare like we should've against Clinton, and they knew we had a good opponent this week. We had four good days of prep, and I thought that showed tonight."

"I thought our effort was better tonight. Clinton played harder than us last week. I challenged our kids to play with that sense of urgency. There was a lot on the line this week, and I thought our kids responded."



GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY

# Ready for Districts

Lancers finish second at MAC meet; looking for state meet berth

By Scott Campbell  
NSP Editor

There's nothing quite like home cooking, and North Scott used that to its advantage on Thursday as the Lancers rolled to a second-place finish at the Mississippi Athletic Conference cross country meet, and set the stage for what will be an intriguing and competitive Class 4A district meet tonight (Wednesday).

With senior Faith Nead (fourth), junior Bailey Boddicker (seventh) and sophomore Peyton Madison (13<sup>th</sup>) all earning all-conference honors, the Lancers put 69 points on the board and trailed only top-ranked Pleasant Valley (33).

"I was extremely pleased with how the girls ran," said Lancer coach Amy Knoche. "They have been consistent all season, and I was confident that they could grab second place."

"The key was consistency, and believing in themselves. When you are confident that you can do something, you just go after it and take it. Faith, Bailey and Peyton have been running well all season, and Ella (Riniker) and Kate (Blodig) flipped spots this race, but they have also been consistent."

That consistency will need to continue tonight when the Lancers take to the hilly and difficult Crow Creek Park

course in Bettendorf, where they will be looking for a top-three finish and a trip to next Friday's state meet in Fort Dodge.

It will be a tough battle, but one the Lancers should be in the thick of.

There are six ranked teams in the 10-team field, including the No. 1 Spartans, Linn-Mar (11<sup>th</sup>), Iowa City High (13<sup>th</sup>), North Scott (17<sup>th</sup>), Iowa City Liberty (18<sup>th</sup>) and Bettendorf (20<sup>th</sup>).

Bettendorf finished third at the MAC meet, 23 points behind North Scott, so really, it's a four-team race for two spots, at least if you concede first to the host Spartans.

The race will step off at 4 p.m.

"I like our chances," said Knoche. "Pleasant Valley will be tough to get, but we beat Linn-Mar and Liberty at Wartburg, and finished only one point behind City High at Dubuque. It's going to be an exciting race for second and third, but I think either one of those two spots are attainable, and every point is going to matter."

"Again, consistency is the key. We just have to focus on ourselves, and find another gear. We need to be comfortable being uncomfortable, and run with heart. I still don't think we have run a complete race yet with everyone having a good day on the same day. There is still room for improvement."

Even if the Lancers fail to qualify as a team, they should be well represented in Fort Dodge. Both Nead and Boddicker have excellent chances to grab one of the top-15 individual spots.

Both girls will be looking to secure their third trips to the big show, as Nead previously qualified as a member of defending state champion Johnston's team, while Boddicker has made the trip twice as a Lancer.

"I like their chances of making it as individuals," said Knoche. "The way the MAC meet shook out, with both of them in the top seven, is encouraging and should be confidence boosting. They are both ultra-competitive and will find a way to get it done."

Boddicker is confident. "I do feel pressure since I did made it to state the last two years, and I want to make it the next two," she said. "I think our team has a great chance of making it, but I'm still going to try and get that top-15 finish."

"I love running at Crow Creek. Most people don't because there are so many hills, but it's a course where you can pass a lot of people up those hills."



Senior Faith Nead (fourth) and junior Bailey Boddicker (seventh) earned first-team all-conference honors at Thursday's MAC meet.  
NSP photos by Scott Campbell

The Lancers haven't qualified as a team since 2017.

Consistency pays off

There's no doubt North Scott will be riding a wave of confidence into the district meet after its runner-up finish at Scott County Park on Thursday.

It was their sixth straight top-four MAC finish, and first runner-up spot since 2017. The Lancers have never won the MAC meet, but finished second six times, but only on three occasions since 1988.

Boddicker stuck to her tried-and-true strategy, jumping out to an early lead and then hanging on for her third straight top-eight finish.

Nead, on the other hand, tried something different, and was just a tick away from finishing third.

"My new strategy really helped me," she said. "I just wanted to take my first mile a little faster than normal, and I felt good. I was just running with PV's top girls, and they really helped push me through the whole race."

"Faith is a seasoned runner, and always has a good game plan," said Knoche. "She went out with the PV girls and stuck with them the whole race. I think she did a good job executing her plan."

Boddicker was also pleased with not only her finish, but the team's as well.

"I felt good about my race," she said. "My legs felt kind of dead, but I knew I just had to push through if I was going



Running in her first MAC meet, sophomore Peyton Madison brought home an 11th-place finish.  
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## Scott's Takeaway

I can't forget to give a couple of shout outs. First of all, Lancer coach Amy Knoche was named Girls' MAC Coach of the Year for the fourth time since 2017. It's a well deserved honor, and just goes to show the respect her fellow coaches have for her.

Secondly, nice job by Pleasant Valley sophomore Josie Case, a former North Scott student who is open-enrolled at Pleasant Valley. Josie finished third, and just nipped Lancer senior Faith Nead at the wire.

Just for kicks, it was fun to refigure the team scoring if Josie would have been wearing scarlet and silver, and if that was the case, Pleasant Valley would still have claimed the title, but only by a 46-49 margin.

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## BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY



These four seniors competed in their final Mississippi Athletic Conference meet on Thursday, and they traversed some familiar trails as the Lancers hosted the meet for the first time. From left: Luke Crawford, Logan Soedt, Tyson Haedt and Dylan Dufloth. NSP photos by Scott Campbell

# Plenty of work to do

## Crawford's fourth-place finish paces Lancers to fourth at MAC meet

By Scott Campbell  
NSP Editor

There's no denying there was a bit of disappointment in the North Scott cross country team camp after Thursday's fourth-place finish at the Mississippi Athletic Conference meet, but no one is ready to concede that the Lancers won't be a factor at today's (Wednesday) Class



Junior Nik Davis finished 22nd at Thursday's MAC meet at Scott County Park. NSP photo by Scott Campbell

4A district meet.

The Lancers certainly aren't averse to putting in the work to be one of three teams advancing to next Thursday's state meet in Fort Dodge.

North Scott entered the MAC meet at Scott County Park with eyes on a second-place finish, but that didn't materialize. Eighth-ranked Pleasant Valley captured the team title with an impressive 32-point total, followed by Bettendorf (60), Davenport Central (82) and the Lancers (85).

Those four teams will also be in the 10-team field today at Crow Creek Park in Bettendorf, along with No. 3 Iowa City High, No. 14 Iowa City Liberty and No. 17 Linn-Mar. The race begins at 4:30 p.m.

"In my opinion, the boys do have a tougher road to state than the girls," said Lancer coach Amy Knoche. "In order to be successful, we have to take the last few meets, flush them from our mind, and just start fresh. These guys have good camaraderie. They just need to go out and run for each other."

"I still believe that our team has a lot to offer," said senior Luke Crawford, who finished fourth at the MAC extravaganza. "We have multiple very good runners, and if they run their best, we have the potential to place top three."

"However we have some very good teams, and it will not be easy. We all need to come with a positive mindset."

Without a doubt, Crawford has an excellent chance at qualifying as an individual with a top-15 finish, and don't count out senior Logan Soedt, who finished seventh on Thursday.

When Owen West qualified for state a year ago, he was the first Lancer boy since 2004 to accomplish the feat. Now, Crawford and Soedt have a chance to keep the streak alive.

"If we don't make it as a team, I think Luke and Logan still have a shot at qualifying as individuals," said Knoche. "I'm not sure anyone is a big fan of Crow Creek, but those are the cards we were dealt."

"They are competitors and will give every ounce of effort to give themselves a chance at the top 15."

Count Crawford as one who is not enamored with the hilly Crow Creek layout, but he's determined to give it his best shot.

**'Everyone has worked so hard this year while still having fun. We have great coaches that work hard, not only to help us with cross country, but also with our lives. I have never experienced such a great culture.'**

Lancer senior Luke Crawford

"Personally, Crow Creek has always been my least favorite course," he said. "When we ran in September, it was my worst race this year. But I have a new strategy for the course that I hope will help my time."

"I just need to focus on being positive. The course is hard, and I need to really push myself that race. I have hopes of going to state, but I try not to overthink it."

### Disappointing MAC finish

While the Lancers aren't big fans of the Crow Creek layout, which unfortunately has been their district destination of late, they did appreciate hosting Thursday's MAC meet.

Unfortunately, the results just weren't there.

"I think our team was a little disappointed with our finish," said Crawford. "I feel that we were capable of being second, and we just did not bring it today."

Crawford's time of 16:56 was just one second off his winning effort at the Lancer Invitational a month earlier, on a day when he blew away the field. Soedt knocked 20 seconds off his September time, but the rest of the Lancers struggled just a bit.

Junior Nik Davis bounced back from a sub-par outing a week earlier at DeWitt's Hetrick Invitational, and finished 22<sup>nd</sup>, followed by freshman Yorty Hagedorn (25<sup>th</sup>), senior Dylan Dufloth (27<sup>th</sup>), junior Braeden Bohannon (30<sup>th</sup>) and senior Tyson Haedt (42<sup>nd</sup>).

Davis' time was 34 seconds off his September pace, while Hagedorn was 19 seconds slower. Expect Haedt to have a big bounce-back effort this week, as Thursday just wasn't his night, as evidenced by the fact his 19:07 clocking was a full 67 seconds off his Lancer Invitational effort.

If it's any consolation, Lancer senior

Cael Straley finished fourth in the junior varsity race, and his time of 18:19 would have been good for 24<sup>th</sup> in the varsity race, which would have enabled the Lancers to claim third by two points over Central.

Despite finishing fourth, Crawford wasn't satisfied.

"I felt pretty tired throughout the race," he said. "I had a lack of motivation, especially on the second mile. Everyone started out very fast, and I had to make up some ground on people I would usually run with."

Knoche didn't think her senior star needed to be too hard on himself, and also thought Soedt and Davis ran well.

"Luke and the Bettendorf kid (Chase Wakefield) have been pretty evenly matched this season," she said. "Luke being the competitor that he is, probably wanted to avenge the DeWitt meet where he got second. He has been very consistent this season, and I think he ran a great race."

"It seems that in end-of-season races, Logan always finds a way to get it done, and he runs with a lot of guts and heart, and isn't afraid to put it all on the line. I also think that Nik is trending up from last week. I'm sure he's still disappointed in his race, but to be honest, as a coach, you don't ever want your athletes satisfied with their performance. You always went them hungry for more."

With one meet left, Crawford also took time to assess his rapidly ending season.

"I would just like to praise this team," he said. "Everyone has worked so hard this year while still having fun. We have great coaches that work hard, not only to help us with cross country, but also with our lives. I have never experienced such a great culture."



# VB: 'I just want the world for them'

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ren Golinghorst, who added four kills to the Lancer attack. "We went on that 10-point streak, which was really awesome, and we just kept bouncing balls."

"I was really pleased with our energy," said Graham. "Everybody played as a team, and we were really communicating. The ball didn't drop that much out there tonight."

VanEarwage was quick to credit the atmosphere.

"It was a great crowd, with great energy, and everyone played really well," said VanEarwage. "I don't think I could have written this up any better."

"Honestly, I thought we were going to be really focused, but because of Senior Night, I also thought that maybe in the beginning we might have a rocky start. But, when they came out with six straight points, I was like, 'Alright, let's do it.'"

"I'm just super proud of all of them, and how they handled an emotional situation," she continued. "It was pretty cool for them to be able to go out there and lock in like they did."

## Moving forward

The Lancers were in celebration mode after this one, and soaked up the atmosphere with the obligatory photos in their final regular season appearance in The Pit.

However, the postseason was still on everybody's mind, and the Lancers are a confident bunch moving forward.

"I'm really excited for the postseason," said McLaughlin, who missed out on last year's regional final and one-and-done state tournament appearance because of Covid-19 quarantine. "I feel like we've all worked really hard for this."

"Last year was a big disappointment for all of us, and every day when we come in the gym we have that goal in mind. I'm most excited about the oppor-

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| Pleasant Valley                 | 9        | 0        | 28        | 4        |
| Davenport Assumption            | 8        | 1        | 31        | 4        |
| <b>North Scott</b>              | <b>7</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>28</b> | <b>4</b> |
| Bettendorf                      | 6        | 3        | 16        | 13       |
| Davenport Central               | 5        | 4        | 10        | 13       |
| Clinton                         | 4        | 5        | 12        | 19       |
| Central DeWitt                  | 3        | 6        | 16        | 12       |
| Muscatine                       | 2        | 7        | 14        | 17       |
| Davenport West                  | 1        | 8        | 3         | 25       |
| Davenport North                 | 0        | 9        | 0         | 21       |

tunity to get back to state. I think we can do really well this year, and I'm excited to perform like I know we're able to."

Richards said Thursday's win was just what the team needed.

This gives us confidence heading into next week," she said. "We have all the confidence in the world with each other. We all have great teammates, and trust each other. Our words are resilience and unity, and we always focus on that."

Graham said she feels good heading into the tournament, but also knows there is work to be done if the Lancers want to achieve their goals.

"We have to work on free ball plays," she said "Everybody has seen what we can do, so we just have to mix it up for regionals, because they know what we're going to run."

VanEarwage isn't concerned.

"Now it's go time, and I'm excited," she said. "I think we've had a great ending to our regular season, and I think we're on the right path to do the things we want to accomplish in the postseason."

"I'm not really worried. I just want them to have the best experience they can, and I want them to do everything that they're capable of, because they are so, so good. I just want the world for them, and I hope that they get it this year."

# CC: 'I'm so proud of our team'

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to reach my goal of the top seven. I went out fast like I usually do, and then tried to pick up people in front of me.

"It worked, because in the second mile I was behind quite a few people, and I passed a lot of them the third mile. As for the team, I think the second-place finish was awesome. That was our goal, and all of us really pushed each other."

The finishes of Madison, Riniker and Blodig were uber impressive, especially because the each knocked time off their efforts from one month ago at the Lancer Invitational.

Madison shaved 24 seconds off her

time, while Riniker, who finished 22<sup>nd</sup>, was 34 seconds faster. Blodig finished 23<sup>rd</sup> after eclipsing her September time on the same course by four ticks, and sophomore Reese Hilsenbeck, who came home 25<sup>th</sup>, was 20 seconds faster.

"I'm not really surprised that they took so much time off," said Knoche. "We are a month past when we ran at our home meet, and the goal is that you get faster as the season progresses and peak at the end of the season."

"I feel pretty good about my race," said Madison, who didn't run a year ago because of Covid concerns. "We all gave a lot of effort, and I'm so proud of our team for finishing second."

# LANCER SPORTS ROUNDUP

## Varsity Volleyball

**North Scott def. Davenport North 25-7, 25-6, 25-12**

Monday, Oct. 11 at Davenport North

### NS INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**Attacks:** Grace Graham 13-15, 9 kills; Lauren Golinghorst 6-9, 2 kills; Ella McLaughlin 15-15, 11 kills; Scout Kirshy 8-11, 5 kills; Alexis Richards 14-15, 6 kills; Nora Ralfs 2-2, 1 kill. **Assists:** Alyssa Atzen 17; Ella McLaughlin 1; Alexis Richards 1; Nora Ralfs 13. **Digs:** Carley Bredar 10; Grace Graham 13; Peyton Wenck 1; Alyssa Atzen 4; Lauren Golinghorst 2; Ella McLaughlin 9; Scout Kirshy 1; Alexis Richards 11; Melena Knutsen 1. **Blocks:** Grace Graham 1 solo, 1 assist; Lauren Golinghorst 2 solo; Scout Kirshy 1 solo, 1 assist; Alexis Richards 1 solo; Nora Ralfs 1 solo, 1 assist. **Serves:** Carley Bredar 11-11, 3 aces; Grace Graham 10-12, 2 aces; Alyssa Atzen 13-15, 4 aces; Ella McLaughlin 13-14, 2 aces; Scout Kirshy 1-1; Alexis Richards 3-5, 1 ace; Melena Knutsen 11-12.

**North Scott def. Central DeWitt 25-14, 25-11, 25-10**

Thursday, Oct. 14 in The Pit

### NS INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**Attacks:** Grace Graham 14-15, 10 kills; Lauren Golinghorst 9-10, 4 kills; Ella McLaughlin 21-24, 10 kills; Scout Kirshy 13-16, 5 kills; Alexis Richards 21-24, 11 kills; Nora Ralfs 1-1, 1 kill. **Assists:** Alyssa Atzen 22; Ella McLaughlin 2; Alexis Richards 1; Nora Ralfs 8. **Digs:** Grace Graham 7; Peyton Wenck 8; Alyssa Atzen 6; Ella McLaughlin 10; Scout Kirshy 6; Alexis Richards 16; Nora Ralfs 1; Melena Knutsen 7. **Blocks:** Grace Graham 2 solo, 1 assist; Lauren Golinghorst 1 solo, 2 assists; Ella McLaughlin 1 solo; Alexis Richards 1 solo, 1 assist; Nora Ralfs 1 assist. **Serves:** Grace Graham 4-6, 2 aces; Peyton Wenck 3-6; Alyssa Atzen 23-24, 5 aces; Ella McLaughlin 13-15, 2 aces; Scout Kirshy 12-15, 4 aces; Alexis Richards 3-4.

## Cross Country

### MAC Meet

Thursday, Oct. 14 at Scott County Park

### Girls' Varsity Team Scoring

1. Pleasant Valley 33; **2. North Scott 69**; 3. Bettendorf 92; 4. Davenport Assumption 136; 5. Davenport Central 140; 6. Clinton 146; 7. Davenport West 179; 8. Davenport North 199; 9. Muscatine 215; 10. Central DeWitt 272.

### Girls' Top 10 Finishers

1. Grace Boleyn (PV) 19:05; 2. Lizzie McVey (PV) 19:16; 3. Josie Case (PV) 19:25; 4. Faith Nead (NS) 19:26; 5. Lois Blackman (DC) 19:32; 6. Camryn Sattler (CLI) 19:34; 7. Bailey Boddicker (NS) 19:42; 8. Kylie Daily (DW) 19:56; 9. Merin Crowder (DC) 20:00; 10. Hannah Bientema (BET) 20:00.

### North Scott Girls' Results

4. F. Nead 19:26; 7. B. Boddicker 19:42; 13. Peyton Madison 20:05; 22. Ella Riniker 21:37; 23. Kate Blodig 21:55; 25. Reese Hilsenbeck 22:01; 35. Kaitlyn Knoche 22:42

### Girls' Junior Varsity Team Scoring

1. Pleasant Valley 25; **2. North Scott 35**; 3. Bettendorf 92; 4. Davenport Assumption 112; 5. Clinton 144; 6. Davenport Central 160. Incomplete teams: Central DeWitt, Davenport North, Davenport West, Muscatine.

### Girls' Top 10 Finishers

1. Khushi Meta (PV) 21:21; 2. Sophie Serrano (NS) 22:26; 3. Hattie Hagedorn (NS) 22:49; 4. Ashley Lindquist (PV) 23:03; 5. Nali Sanchez-Carmona (PV) 23:04; 6. Nataly Bahns (DA) 23:05; 7. Molly Rawat (PV) 23:05; 8. Kennedy Brady (PV) 23:12; 9. Bella Warm (NS) 23:31; 10. Carly Porter (NS) 23:33.

### North Scott results

2. S. Serrano 22:26; 3. H. Hagedorn 22:49; 9. B. Warm 23:31; 10. C. Porter 23:33; 11. Natalie Naber 23:37; 13. Athena Nelson 23:48; 14. Anna Nichols 23:53; 18. Marin Smith 24:10; 35. Brooklyn Strief 25:29; 48. Erin Peck 26:44; Jaelyn Longnecker 27:01; 72. DeVynn Johnson 28:45; 76. Ava Hagedorn 28:59.

### Girls' Freshman/Sophomore Team Scoring

1. Pleasant Valley 32; 2. Muscatine 59; 3. Davenport North 75; 4. Bettendorf 91; **5. North Scott 119**; 6. Clinton 160. Incomplete teams: Central DeWitt.

### Girls' Top 10 Finishers

1. Sophia Ford (PV) 21:39; 2. Gabby Leibold (DN) 22:23; 3. Delainey Woodman (DN) 22:27; 4. Kiara R. Hallett (MUS) 22:42; 5. Caitlin Reiter (PV) 22:47; 6. Olivia Kopf (MUS) 23:21; 7. Allie Johnson (PV) 23:30; 8. Brooklyn Bullock (NS) 23:33; 9. Sabrina Richards (PV) 23:35; 10. Hannah McVey (POV) 23:37.

### North Scott results

8. Brooklyn Bullock 23:33; 17. Kennadi Thiessen 24:13; 22. Olive Khoury 25:15; 37. Piper Johnson 28:51; 39. Anna Harris 29:51; 40. Laura Azuela 30:23.

### Boys' Varsity Team Scoring

1. Pleasant Valley 33; 2. Bettendorf 60; 3. Davenport Central 82; **4. North Scott 85**; 5. Muscatine 146; 6. Clinton 163; 7. Davenport Assumption 176; 8. Davenport North 196; 9. Central DeWitt 206; 10. Davenport West 306.

### Boys' Top 10 Finishers

1. Jacob Mumej (PV) 16:30; 2. Luke Knepp (PV) 16:48; 3. Chase Wakefield (BET) 16:54; 4. Luke Crawford (NS) 16:56; 5. Matt Bender 17:11; 6. Ethan Cole (BET) 17:27; 7. Logan Soedt (NS) 17:30; 8. Owen Christy (DC) 17:30; 9. Xavier Potts (BET) 17:33; 10. Aidan Armstrong (MUS) 17:33.

### North Scott results

4. L. Crawford 16:56; 7. L. Soedt 17:30; 22. Nikolas Davis 18:15; 25. Yorty Hagedorn 18:21; 27. Dylan Dufloth 18:34; 30. Braeden Bohannon 18:44; 42. Tyson Haedt 19:07;

### Boys' JV Team Scoring

1. Pleasant Valley 21; 2. Bettendorf 54; 3. North Scott 61; 4. Davenport Central 123; 5. Davenport Assumption 166; 6. Muscatine 170; 7. Clinton 175; 8. Davenport North 211. Incomplete teams: Central DeWitt, Davenport West.

### Boys' Top 10 Finishers

1. Isaiah Steele (PV) 17:46; 2. Rocco D'Antico (PV) 17:47; 3. Pranav Suresh (PV) 18:16; 4. Cael Straley (NS) 18:19; 5. Robert Schwan (BET) 18:29; 6. Benson Richards (PV) 18:33; 7. Patrick Mooney (BET) 18:52; 8. Kaiden Power (NS) 18:54; 9. Asvanth Parandiharan (PV) 18:59; 10. James Frohlich (BET) 19:06.

### North Scott results

4. C. Straley 18:19; 8. Kaiden Power 18:54; 13. Caleb Wilshusen 19:29; 16. Alec Harris 19:47; 25. Ross Willerth 20:14; 35. Mitch Mess 20:38; 38. Isaac Copeland 20:40; 41. Connor McMann 20:50; 43. Oliver Olsen 20:51; 50. Dawson Dufloth 21:16; 54. Patrick Kohnlein 21:30; 68. Mason Schaack 22:27; 73. Isaac Simmons 22:35; 78. Grant Porter 22:52; 80. Austin Lee 22:56; 89. Matt Mize 24:28; 90. Cole Yarham 24:44; 91. Luke Bullock 24:44; 99. Owen Powell 26:00.

### Boys' Freshman/Sophomore Team Scoring

1. Pleasant Valley 38; 2. Bettendorf 38; 3. Davenport North 65; 4. Davenport Central 113; **5. North Scott 119**; 6. Clinton 170; 7. Central DeWitt 172. Incomplete teams: Muscatine.

### Boys' Top 10 Finishers

1. Grant Wiese (DN) 18:05; 2. Gage Rath (BET) 18:08; 3. Ryan Heden (BET) 18:10; 4. Cole Miller (DN) 18:27; 5. Drew Peters (PV) 18:34; 6. Carl Rekow (PV) 18:45; 7. Zach Van Wychen (BET) 18:52; 8. William Parrish (PV) 18:59; 9. Luke Eckman (PV) 19:00; 10. Tyler Nels (PV) 19:07.

### North Scott results

19. Elliot Schroeder 20:07; 21. Brody Westendorf (NS) 20:14; 22. Matthew Simmons 20:21; 27. Luke Simmons 20:51; 31. Grant Peterson 21:07; 32. Isaac Stanley 21:09.

## Varsity Football

**North Scott 42, Burlington 0**

Friday, Oct. 1 at Bowerswell Stadium

### SCORE BY QUARTERS

|                    | Q1       | Q2       | Q3        | Q4       | Total     |
|--------------------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Fort Madison       | 0        | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0         |
| <b>North Scott</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>35</b> |

### SCORING

NS—Darnell Butler, 5-yard run (Ollie Hughes kick), 9:27, 1Q  
NS—Jakob Nelson, 16-yard pass from Grayson Juel (Hughes kick), :38, 2Q  
NS—Miles Robertson, 49-yard pass from Juel (Hughes kick), 6:57, 3Q  
NS—Sam Skarich, 8-yard pass from Juel (Hughes kick), 1:31, 3Q  
NS—Butler, 19-yard run (Hughes kick), 8:32, 4Q

### STATISTICS

|               | FM     | NS      |
|---------------|--------|---------|
| First Downs   | 9      | 17      |
| Rushes/Yards  | 27-65  | 29-177  |
| Passing Yards | 46     | 235     |
| Total Offense | 111    | 412     |
| Comp/Att/Int  | 9-21-3 | 12-18-0 |
| Penalties     | 2-17   | 9-83    |

### NORTH SCOTT INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**Rushing:** Darnell Butler 18-136; AJ Petersen 3-20; Payton Kruse 2-9; Connor Ludtke 4-7; Drew Kilburg 1-4; Grayson Juel 1-1. **Passing:** Juel 12-18-0, 235 yards. **Receiving:** Jakob Nelson 5-84; Ollie Hughes 3-60; Miles Robertson 2-53; Butler 1-30; Sam Skarich 1-8.

**Tackles:** Seth Madden 6 solo, 3 assists; Adam Allen 5-1; AJ Petersen 5-1; Hunter Davenport 3-0; Ryan Campbell 2-2; Carder Lafrenz 3-1; Cole Jennings 2-1; Payton Kruse 2-1; David Borchers 1-2; Hughes 1-1; Ryan Sanders 1-1; Adam Link 1-1; Connor Corson 1-1; Dylan Marti 1-1; Trevor Kilburg 1-0; Landon McDonald 0-1; Aydan CARY 1-0; Aiden Reyes-Lewis 1-0; Nathan Ervin 1-0; Nate Schneckloth 1-0; Joe Knepper 1-0. **Tackles for loss:** Petersen 1, Davenport 1, Jennings 1, Lafrenz 1. **Quarterback sacks:** Petersen 2. **Interceptions:** Jennings 2, Corson 1. **Blocked field goal:** Kruse.

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# Believe it or not!

## This article was written in 1998!

### “A Quad City Bed Time Story”

From the L & W Bedding sales floor you can't hear the seamstress guiding fabric through the two Singer sewing machines bought used, build in 1951 and 1933. You can't even hear Mr. Wheatley, the 37-year old owner, sneezing in the factory office from 30,000 disintegrating customer receipts dating back to the year 1989.

The sales floor seems, at first glance, to be another no-frills specialty store along 16th Avenue. Bare mattress with a variety of ticking stand all in rows. A salesperson sits in a small office at a wooden desk near the center of the store.

But beyond the showrooms' antique entry door, smoothed and faded as old velvet, lies a slice of Quad Cities past. When streets were lined with small factories run by families who worked 7 days a week and made deliveries themselves, when products were made one at a time by workers who stayed for decades.

A business initially operated out of his garage, for 12 years in this building John Wheatley and family and 1/2 dozen employees have produced, on average about 10 mattresses a day.

There are still no automated assembly lines or voice mail; a call to

L & W Bedding after hours will simply ring unanswered. Orders are still written up by hand, and the 4-digit telephone line has not changed since 1989. The mattresses are still being made primarily from John Wheatley himself.

Yet the company has become downright trendy.

For 6 years he would work a 12-hour shift at a Rock Island mattress manufacturer and then turning his evenings over to his Moline operation. “If your going to be somebody you have got to do a lot of hard work”, he say's. He doesn't see a of the profits, as he puts it right back in the business. You don't need a fancy place to sell beds or, need to spend high amounts of rent to sell the masterpieces we make.

The mattresses are something of an inside secret among chiropractors and orthopedics, decorators and socialities. Talk radio's Jim Fisher owns as does half of the Chicago visitors that have slept on one in a friend's guest room. As have families that are retrofitting heirloom beds.

L & W Bedding is the only local manufacturer in the Quad Cities still operating, and buyers line up to take whatever just-finished mattress slid off the finishing table.

John Wheatley came to the mattress business by the way of pillows. Born in Moline of local heritage, he moved on to make his fortune by using the scrapes of the bedding otherwise known as extra pieces with this he created top quality pillows and cushions for ease and comfort the body once again. He then sold them in area Flea markets and sporting events; the profits made were switched to mattress machinery.

**SHOP AND COMPARE!**

Buying and operation of the Factory began in 1990. The 10,000 square foot building for twenty years the Salvation Army thrift store operated, is now L & W Bedding.

“Word of mouth gets around & people are finding out that I've got the best mattress & best price” - right down to his approach. In fact, he encourages those who visit his showroom to shop and compare. (More than twelve years later the mattresses are still tailor-made.) No sales, no gimmicks just guaranteed.

One secret is low overhead, passing the savings, directly over to his customers. No short cuts assuring quality mattresses.

But, about 22 years ago, when Johns daughter was born his aunt Marcie King who was employed as a seamstress 40 years, though he count use the money. As dozens of mattresses were made by John, every time he walked by the Boss's office he started his own dream.

Growing up in the business and never considered any other avenue. He joined up with Craig Long a partner for about one year. John became full owner. He did it for about a month, but couldn't stand it and started coming in everyday again.

His brothers all younger never took after John and went on to separate vocations. One bookkeeper his only sister Sue has worked hard and unselfishly to put L & W Bedding first. We treat each other as human beings not just employees, not, as part of the machinery.

Over the years the number of mattresses manufactured steadily dwindled some driven out of business, some driven by rising rents and wages to other locations. “We've worked out little niche pretty good,”

Jon Wheatley says except for the first years, the company has never sold mattresses anywhere but its Moline sales floor, and the product was and is, unlike any other.

As his reputation continued to grow John began to envision, yet another expansion February 1, 1995 he made the plunge in the Iowa market crossing the Mississippi River opening his 2nd showroom in Davenport. “We've continued to grown every year since it opened the business.”

Entering the basement floor of the factory is like stepping into a black and white photograph of a bygone era. There's a simple and unhurried quality to the place, though cotton and foam is flying and hand are sewing and stapling. A visit is a reminder of a time when there was great value in simple doing ones jobs well day after week after week and year after year.

John Wheatley is a smallish, wiry man overseeing everyone's move at the factory. He makes sure the coils are hinged together properly to form a coil boxspring, which John considers the secret to a great mattress set. John Wheatley now with 20 years development and research in the industry, is anxious to teach all

knows to apprentice Keith Scruthers. Keith worked for John 4 years after high school hours on weekends when other guys are out playing. Side by side the various jobs in the factory are hand-crafted with pride of doing so.

Customer satisfaction letters pile in the mall thanking for custom build bedding with an at home feeling. A place where Goldilocks would sure love.

Customized goods go further than traditional mattresses. He features crib mattresses, boats, campers, prestige pillow tops, and waterbed fillers. I'll make any mattress to your specifications.

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As city life whirls by with its disposable restaurants and management theories, L & W bedding stands in the Moline Uptown district like a gentleman in a dark suit and hat a bit old fashioned a bit plain, teaching by its mere presence that integrity and simplicity never go out of style.

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John Wheatley, owner of L&W Bedding, shows off the quality workmanship that goes into his mattresses.

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