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Highland High School senior Bill Laughlin does batting practice with help from his sister Dani at the Hall Park batting cage. **JIM JOHNSON/THE NEWS**

Outlook grim for 2020 fair

BY JAMES JENNINGS
The News
WASHINGTON

The Washington County Fair Association, in partnership with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach of Washington County, announced last week that the 2020 fair will be modified to only a youth exhibitor fair.

"Due to the ongoing social distancing guidelines and precautions taking place to help slow and reduce the spread of COVID-19 in this community, the Washington County Fair Association has made the difficult decision to postpone the public grandstand entertainment and public activities for the 2020 Washington County Fair," a press release from the Extension said. "The 2020 event held July 18-25 will not be open to the public, but only to 4-H and FFA members, their immediate families and approved 4-H/FFA volunteers and committees."

Washington County Fair Association President John Wagner said, "The safety and health of exhibitors, volunteers, staff, visitors, community partners, and vendors is our number one concern."

Washington County 4-H/Youth Coordinator Amy Green said that organizers are working to finalize a modified fair experience that will provide opportunities to 4-H and FFA

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Kalona pool won't open right away

BY JAMES JENNINGS
The News
KALONA

Gov. Kim Reynolds announced last week that public pools will be allowed to open for lessons and laps only.

However, the Kalona pool, which is operated by the Washington County YMCA, will remain closed, according to City Administrator Ryan Schlaubaugh.

"At this time, we would not expect the Y to open for lap swims," Schlaubaugh said Tuesday morning. "We'll wait for the governor's guidance on reopening the pool. Opening just for laps is not conducive."

Prior to the governor's announcement, Kalona City Council members and Washington County YMCA CEO Amy Schulte had a lengthy discussion about proposals to open the pool at the May 18 council meeting.

"There are a lot of communities that have pretty much closed their pools for the summer," Schlaubaugh said. "I'd rather give it a try and see if we can socially responsibly manage it."

Schulte outlined a plan that would give priority to those who live in the 52247 zip code.

Only those living in the 52247 zip code would be allowed to purchase season passes or 10-visit punch cards.

"How we serve the communities that the pools are located in and make sure the residents

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FINDING THEIR OWN WAY

Improvising the workouts while staying at home

BY KALEN MCCAIN
The News

For area student athletes, uncertainty caused by COVID-19 upended a carefully planned and highly anticipated season. Many students struggled to practice for summer sports with no facility access, restricted contact with coaches and the looming possibility of a canceled season.

Last week, Gov. Kim Reynolds authorized partial seasons for baseball and softball beginning June 1. Although the prospect of a late season is a welcome one, the green light from the state government came later than most would have liked, a lack of information lengthening the wait.

The uncertainty left coaches and administrators flying blind through the baseball and softball preseasons while athletic association guidelines heavily restricted in-person and virtual interaction with students.

"I think the most challeng-



Mid-Prairie softball player Lanie Bowlin found a substitute for weightlifting with her job at Big Iron Welding in Hills. **JIM JOHNSON/THE NEWS**

ing part is that this becomes your life for so long," said Highland softball coach Carrie Wieland. "You get to the month of April, and you're doing your preseason, and you've got kids playing, and then, all of a sudden, it just stops."

Hillcrest baseball coach

Danny Hershberger agreed. "You like to be prepared and have things worked out, and there's so many unknowns with what's going on that it's tough to do," he said. "It's tough to be prepared for whatever, because you don't really know what the situation

is, what's going to be asked of you."

"With all the uncertainty that's going on, it's really hard to know for sure if we're going to have a season or not, so trying to stay as positive as possible throughout the whole process has been kind of interesting," senior Lone Tree softball player Abby Buckman said. "Knowing that this is my last season and knowing that it might not happen is something that's been hard lately."

Many athletes have struggled to stay on top of their games without the support of their teams.

"It's really hard not seeing all of your teammates and trying to push yourself without other people there to encourage you," said Whitney Wilcox, another Lone Tree softball senior. "Our softball program definitely has a very encouraging atmosphere when you're with your teammates, and it's really hard to get that over no face-to-face contact."

Finding substitutes for specialized equipment has been no easy task. Athletes found creative solutions to keep up their pre-season practice, converting everyday supplies and

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PLAY BALL! High school baseball, softball resume

BY JAMES JENNINGS
The News

Schools across the state have the green light to move ahead with summer sports.

Last week, Gov. Kim Reynolds cleared the way for schools to have summer activities, including baseball and softball, beginning June 1.

"We trust that our administrators, coaches, umpires and fans will responsibly follow the guidelines in place to keep themselves and each other safe," Iowa High School Athletic Association Executive Director Tom Keating said. "This is terrific news and is a step toward getting our student athletes reconnected to the activities that mean so much to them."

After Reynolds' announcement, the Iowa Department of Education released a document providing re-opening guidance for schools.

Practices are allowed to begin on June 1, with a number of restrictions.

Those restrictions include no usage of dugouts during practices and keeping players' equipment lined up at least 6 feet apart; parents remaining in their cars if they stay at practices; players using their own equipment; coaches ensuring social distancing between players as much as possible; players bringing their own beverages; and sanitizing equipment before and after each practice.

When games commence on June 15, some of the restrictions change.

Dugouts can be used for games only, and schools must limit the use of bleachers for fans.

Schools should encourage fans to bring their own chairs or stand, practicing social distancing between different households.

"We've been reviewing what the Department of Education said and creating our own document," Mid-Prairie Activities Director Tyler Hotz said. "We're looking at what steps we need to take at Mid-Prairie to make sure we're following the guidelines."

Athletic directors from the River Valley Conference, of which Mid-Prairie is a member, met last week to discuss rules and schedules, Hotz said. He provided a tentative

schedule for Mid-Prairie baseball and softball, explaining that both baseball and softball games will be played at the same site:

- June 15 - vs. Northeast
- June 18 - vs. Tipton
- June 19 - at North Cedar
- June 22 - vs. Durant
- June 25 - at Regina
- June 26 - at Cascade
- June 29 - at West Liberty
- July 2 - at West Branch
- July 3 - vs. Wilton
- July 6 - vs. Monticello
- July 8 - at Anamosa
- July 10 - vs. Camanche (softball only)
- July 11 - First Round Baseball Districts (unofficial)
- July 13 - First Round Soft-

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Cater menus to guests' needs

Gone are the days when wedding reception menus were limited to the one-size-fits-all offerings of meat, chicken or fish. Thanks to modern diets, couples hoping to accommodate guests may need to provide a wide array of food choices.

It is impossible to pinpoint an exact number, as there are no definitive surveys classifying all dietary preferences, but there are believed to be around 7.9 million people in the United States who follow a vegetarian-based diet. Of those people, around one million are strictly vegan, according to data in The Economist.

Toss in the scores of people with peanut or other allergies and even more caution is needed when designing wedding menus.

Savvy couples who have guests' health and comfort in mind recognize the importance of offering a varied meal plan for wedding-related parties and receptions. The following are some ideas to consider when planning wedding menus.

- **Consider a buffet-style service.** Although couples might like the tradition and flair that a seated/plated meal offers, it creates a much more



Couples hoping to cater to their guests' dietary needs may provide a wide array of food choices.

limited selection of meal options. Buffet-style dinner service often provides couples with multiple choices, and it's much more likely they can come up with a combination that caters to any food allergies or dietary restrictions guests may have.

- **Opt for food stations.** In lieu of one long buffet table, a modern approach is to have staffed food stations. Foods as well as their ingredients can be clearly stated on food table placards so guests can make appropriate choices.

- **Offer alternatives for**

dessert. Wedding cake can be a challenge to someone with a gluten sensitivity or an egg or a nut allergy.

While not every guest indulges in dessert, make it a point to offer an alternative to cake. Perhaps a groom's cake can be revamped into gluten-free cookie bars or a nut-free trifle.

Couples who know in advance which types of dietary restrictions their guests have can work with caterers to devise a menu that suits everyone.



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Getting here to there on your special day

You've planned the date, met with the officiant, decided on what to wear, and booked the venue. But how are you going to arrive in style?

Arranging wedding transportation can be tricky, even if it seems like it's a relatively minor detail. However, getting not only the bride and groom, as well as the rest of the bridal party and guests, from point A to point B and even point C is often a taller task than it seems. If the wedding will be held during prom or graduation season, couples may want to reserve vehicles even earlier due to high demand.

While rented transportation is not necessary, it's a luxury many couples prefer, as it allows them to leave the driving to someone else.

Generally speaking, hired cars will pick up the bride and groom separately before the ceremony; otherwise, they will arrive to the ceremony by other means and then utilize



Rented transportation is a luxury many couples prefer.

a limo or other vehicle afterward. The transportation will then take the married couple and typically members of the bridal party and immediate family to the reception venue.

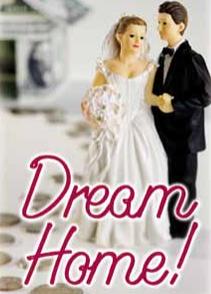
Depending on the head count and how many other people will be getting a lift, two or more vehicles may be necessary.

And since the limos will leave after the reception drop off, some other form of transportation will be necessary to take the couple and whomever else rode to the reception back home (or to the airport). This may require dropping off one or more personal cars at the reception venue in advance.

Budget also will dictate if transportation is provided for other guests. The majority or guests will drive their own cars to the wedding.

However, if the ceremony and reception site are far apart or if the journey is arduous and out of the way, some well-meaning couples will arrange for transport. Many times couples will have to opt for function over form when tasked with transporting a large number of people. Priced out different options can yield the most cost-effective route, which very well may be a school or charter bus instead of several limousines.

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Secrets to hosting a wedding at home

Weddings at home can be a unique opportunity for couples who love the comfort and familiarity of their own homes. Below are some things to consider before hosting at home.

Assess the space
The average home is not equipped to handle hundreds of guests, wait staff, caterers, and parked cars.
Concessions in regard to

comfort and safety will have to be made when drawing up the guest list.

Hire a cleaning service
It's important to present a clean, inviting space when hosting a wedding at home. A cleaning service will conduct a thorough cleaning before and after the festivities, freeing up your time for last-minute tasks or to embark on your honeymoon.

Book an officiant early
Confirm with an officiant that they can oversee the wedding proceedings at your home. Many religious officials are not able to perform ceremonies outside of a place of worship.

Learn if it's legal
Certain municipalities may require permits for parking on street, noise past a certain hour, closing of streets, and much more. Do your research. You may need to coordinate parking at a nearby lot (like a school closed on the weekend) and shuttle people to your home.

Consult with insurance carrier
Inquire if having such a large party at home is covered by your homeowner's insurance policy, particularly if your home is damaged or someone gets injured during the festivities. Supplemental liability insurance or an umbrella policy may offer greater protection.

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Annual Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale canceled

The executive committee of the Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale unanimously decided to cancel the 41st annual sale, scheduled for May 29 and 30 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. At this time, there are no plans to reschedule.

Despite the cancellation, the executive committee is still hopeful to raise funds for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), the annual sale's benefactor.

The Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale goal of raising \$65,000 for MCC is approximately half of what the sale profited in 2019. Due to COVID-19, MCC has

seen the cancellation of multiple relief sales and temporary closures of nearly all its thrift stores in North America, losing hundreds of thousands of dollars in annual revenue.

Donations can be mailed to Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale at P.O. Box 234, Kalona, IA 52247 or on the website at www.iamcreliefale.org.

In addition, help support MCC by participating in a socially distant 5k run or walk, on or near, June 6.

Visit www.iamcreliefale.org/5k-trail-runwalk.html for more information or to register. Cost to register is \$25.

Funeral director helps deal with D.C. COVID-19 deaths

BY KALEN MCCAIN
The News

Mark Beatty has long been accustomed to death, but nothing on the scale of what he's seen since volunteering to join a group of 10 volunteer funeral directors in Washington D.C.

The nation's capital was a hotspot of the COVID-19 outbreak where local caretakers were ill-equipped to deal with the surge of deaths caused by the virus.

"The reality sets in once in a while when you read the toe tags and the ID tags and you relate that that's somebody's brother or somebody's mother or grandmother, and you see 20 of them in a row," Beatty said in a phone interview. "That's pretty much in your face, you know?"

Beatty, a funeral director at Beatty and Peterseim Funeral and Monument Services, said end-of-life care requires specialized personnel with funeral directors' licenses, which are typically only valid for the state in which they're issued.

Beatty was one such volunteer, eager to ease the burden of the tragedy. "I never received anything from the National Funeral Directors Association (about) what was entailed in the job," Beatty said. "They said, 'Would you be willing to assist any community that needs assistance?' And I signed a document that said I would."

There were several areas needing the support of additional directors, including next-of-kin support, morgue operations and verification services. Beatty was assigned to a morgue to witness and carefully double-check end-of-life paperwork essential to the proper handling of deceased remains.

"They were well ahead of this to be prepared out here for the additional deaths," he said. "There's quite an elaborate system of verification, which impresses me."

The job is not without risks. Evidence exists, although inconclusively, that the novel coronavirus can still be contracted from deceased remains. Morgue staff have taken precautions accordingly, equipped with maximum per-

sonal protective equipment and decontamination measures separating secure potential virus sites from the rest of the world.

"I feel very comfortable with the level of protection that they've offered us out here and PPE, even at our lunch breaks, they have us separated out from each other at the designated area," Beatty said.

The volunteers were subject to substantial health criteria before qualifying for the deployment, one of which was being under the age of 60, a requirement that Beatty narrowly met with four years to spare.

"I don't fear it, I guess my thought is if you're prepared and have enough knowledge, you can deal with that," Beatty said. "I thought, well, I taught my staff, we have a good staff, we know how to handle it, and if I can be of assistance elsewhere, I'm comfortable with it ... it's one way we can kind of help out where we can."

His deployment was originally scheduled to last two weeks before his return last Saturday, but Beatty chose to extend his stay until June 6 after seeing the gravity of the situation.

"The morgue operation doesn't stop. I mean, if it's seven days a week, and... it kind of all just merges together and you think, 'When was the last time I was home?'" he said. "Week 2 here will be Saturday, and it doesn't seem like that long, it seems kind of short."

LLAMAS VISIT PLEASANTVIEW



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Mulberry Creek Acres, owned by Doug, Alisca and Hope de Regnier of North English, have been visiting area nursing and group homes with their llamas. Shown are (from left) Hope de Regnier with Addy the llama, Mid-Prairie sixth-grader Maddie Sieren with Lady, and Doug de Regnier with Chip during an April 20 visit to Pleasantview Home.

Hillcrest opts for in-person graduation

JAMES JENNINGS
The News

KALONA

Hillcrest Academy will be holding an in-person commencement ceremony on June 14.

"Due to the lifting of restrictions, we have made a decision to hold graduation in person at Hillcrest Academy on June 14 at 4 p.m.," Principal Dwight Gingerich announced Saturday. "We will have limited tickets and we will have more details to come."

There are 18 members of Hillcrest's class of 2020.

Hillcrest had been moving forward with plans for a virtual commencement ceremony on the same date, including a livestream of the ceremony.

Gingerich said that a drive-in ceremony was also considered but weather concerns made it unfeasible.

Hillcrest's graduation was originally scheduled for May 24.

4-H SENIOR PROFILE

Drew Blauvelt

Hometown: Wellman.

Parents: Andy and Kim Blauvelt.

School: Hillcrest Academy.

4-H Club: Limecreek Livewires.

Projects: Bucket bottle calves, market beef, breeding heifers, and bucket of junk.

4-H activities: Judging.

Special 4-H memory: Cattle show days and the prep getting ready. Love the week of fair.

What you learned in 4-H: "I learned responsibility for taking care of my animals and learning more about the agriculture industry. It was a great experience and I loved my



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time."

Other activities: Youth group, Compassion Club, basketball, soccer, baseball, FFA and school play.

Future plans: I plan to go into the work force.

THANK YOU!
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~ Pauline Wyse

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Kalona starts reopening city services to public

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Ryan Schlabaugh
City Administrator

On behalf of the Kalona City Council, I would like to thank Jim and Bridget Johnson and the staff at The News for all of their hard work throughout this time. We are fortunate to have a local paper that has been proactive in getting information out to the public. Again, with their help I would like to share a current timeline and some changes that will take place in Kalona.

City Hall

On June 1, the Kalona City Hall will welcome walk-in traffic to City Hall between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Should you need city services but are unable or uncomfortable meeting in person, contact City Hall at 319-656-2310.

We would encourage you to visit Washington County Public Health's website to stay updated on COVID-19. Their website is www.washph.com.

Recreation

On May 26, the YMCA will be opening the Kalona Community Center for use. Numerous changes have needed to be implemented due to COVID-19. We must adhere to the governor's proclamation to open in a socially responsible manner to provide a safe environment for members and staff.

Visit the YMCA of Washington County website at WashingtonCountyYMCA.org to get updated information on re-opening details.

During the May 18 City Council meeting, the YMCA presented a plan for opening the Kalona city pool this summer. The council accepted their plan.

That plan is on hold until the governor opens pools for use again. We are ready in partnership with the YMCA when that announcement is made. Together we are working through the logistics of capacity, usage and cleaning schedules that need to be in place before we open.

City Park

These are the current Kalona City Park conditions. Again, these may change with a new proclamation from the

governor, but at this time:

- Play structures and courts are currently closed.
- Ballfields are currently closed to the public and organized groups.
- The campground is open for self-contained camping.
- Currently all restrooms and shower houses are closed.

Summer ball programs through Tri-County youth sports were canceled through their board of directors for summer 2020. The YMCA will be looking to do an abbreviated baseball and softball program for both boys and girls this summer. Keep an eye out for information and registration forms.

• We have seen a tremendous outpouring of community support that has allowed us to provide more than 15,000 pounds through roughly 600 food boxes.

We will be hosting our fourth Pop-Up Pantry on Saturday, May 30, from 9-11 a.m. at 711 A Ave. (city shop) in Kalona.

Food Pantry

The communities of Wellman, Riverside and Kalona have partnered to provide those in our area experiencing food insecurities with food boxes. We have seen a tremendous outpouring of community support that has allowed us to provide more than 15,000 pounds through roughly 600 food boxes.

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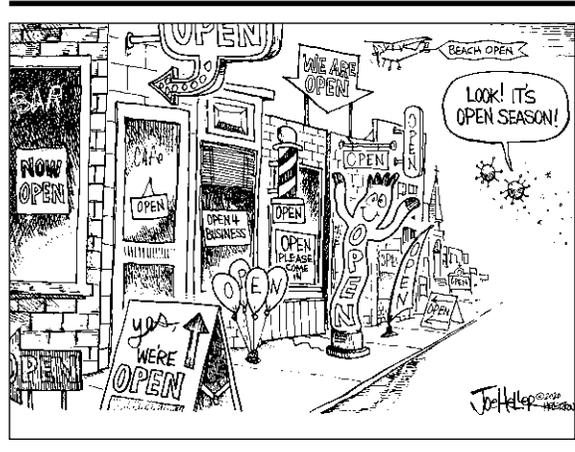
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Kalona Public Library

On June 1, the Kalona Public Library will open to the public for limited in-person use and curbside pick-up. Our library staff has done a great job of keeping patrons engaged and reading throughout this time. Check for updates at Kalona.lib.ia.us for public uses hours and rules.

In closing, I'd like to ask for your patience and understanding for not only our city services, but to our business community as well. This has been a difficult time, and I know everyone is trying their best to work toward opening back up in a socially responsible manner.

There will be changes and possibly some mistakes, but we will need to work together to continue to move Kalona forward.



Gov. Reynolds mismanaging virus crisis

As you know, Gov. Reynolds "opened up" Iowa back on May 15, despite the fact that infections and deaths both continued to rise.

There was no ramping up. It was "let 'er rip!" That is in keeping with the way in which she has mismanaged everything regarding the COVID-19 crisis. To wit:

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Rod Sullivan
Sullivan's Salvos

Until they weren't. With no explanation.

• Ask to see the data? Not happening. She refuses to share this public information with the public that both pays her and paid for the information.

• Speaking of paying - Gov. Reynolds spent \$26 million on a no-bid contract with an out-of-state company for testing that never worked. Now those results are lumped in with all the rest, so we cannot see how badly these tests perform.

• The governor traveled to D.C. when Zoom would suffice. She didn't wear a mask. When she got exposed to the virus herself, the rules didn't apply to her. Her quarantine was "modified."

• Reynolds appeared on-stage (without a mask) with meatpacking executives - all rich, white men. She has not

visited the workers she calls "essential" - people of color who work on the line.

• Black and brown people are affected at a much higher rate. But we refuse to track that data. Meanwhile, the places they work are defined as "essential," even though they don't get the PPE other "essential" employees get.

• Other workers? The governor "opened up" so that you lose your unemployment. Now get back to your job. And quit whining about the fact that Iowa's minimum wage remains \$7.25.

• Want to ask questions about all of this? Sorry - four questions per day, no follow-ups. Only two of the four questions are the type of tough ones we need; she simply doesn't answer those.

• Finally - and most importantly - where is the compassion? We have had more than 15,000 of our fellow Iowans fall sick. Almost 400 have died as of this writing. But all she can talk about is people going out to restaurants.

The whole thing is shameful.

Highland team works on school plans

The administrative meetings for the Highland Community School District have been interesting lately to say the least. The amount of information that the team is trying to cover is massive with little or no frame of reference to draw upon.

What will the 2020-2021 school year look like? What rules may or may not be in place? How does the school district make plans to accommodate state health guidelines that might be put in place?

It is unknown as of this writing if school will be held in person or online at the start of the year. The school districts in Iowa are working feverishly on devising plans with many options for the start of the year. Here are a list of some of the uncertainties:

• **Funding:** Prior to shutting down the legislative session, a growth figure had been approved for the schools. Obviously with the lack of state revenues and sales due to the pandemic, when the legislature reconvenes in June, that could be revoked.

There is discussion that an across-the-board cut of state-



Highland Highlights
Mike Jorgensen

funded programming will be implemented as well. Schools have already passed and approved budgets for next year that may need to be modified based on what the Legislature decides.

• **Social distancing:** The assumption is that schools will begin again in person in the fall. However, there is a further assumption that social distancing guidelines may be in place. One of those guidelines is classrooms at 50%.

What does that mean? It would be nice if you had the money to double your teaching staff and have enough classrooms to cut class sizes in half. That is not feasible. So you either implement an every other day schedule for students or a morning and afternoon shift for students.

• **Activities:** How do you practice social distancing in football, marching band, cross

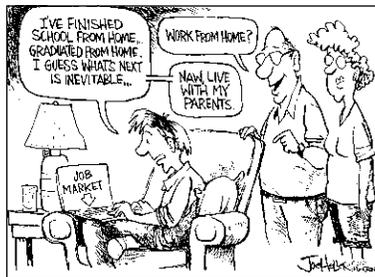
country, volleyball or vocal choirs? Do you allow fans in the stands? If yes, how do you enforce social distancing?

• **Vaccines:** If and when a vaccine is developed, do you require all students to have it prior to being readmitted to the school? I read recently that as many as 30% of the population state they won't take the vaccine even when it is offered.

I'm not sure I can relate to the reason why, but does this become a part of the same requirements that schools enforce with other vaccinations? These are only a few of the topics for discussion. So many questions with few definitive answers. School administrators are working hard on developing plans with several options depending upon what is decided on at the state level.

Unprecedented for sure, but I can assure you that the Highland district administrative team is working hard on addressing these questions.

There is no experience to draw upon from the past. There is so much uncertainty. The hope is that things will be normal while the reality is that there are probably going to be some changes.



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OBITUARIES

Ken Miller
1957 - 2020



Ken Miller passed away peacefully with his wife by his side on May 19, 2020, at the age of 62 years, after a courageous battle with cancer. A private celebration of life is being planned for a future date. He was born Sept. 17, 1957, the son of Albert C. and Mary V. Miller. On Sept. 17, 1977, he married Cheryl McDowell in Eagle Grove, Iowa. They made their home in Goldfield, Iowa. He was raised in Kalona and then spent a short time in the Marine Corps before being medically discharged with a fractured hip. He worked at Twin County Dairy as a cheesemaker and then as the plant manager for many years. He also worked for Adams Vending until he purchased his own vending route. Ken's Vending served the area for many years. When he sold it, they started Cheryl's Fresh Salsa.

Ken loved life and showed it in everything he did. He loved his family, especially his kids and grandkids. He loved his houseboat and loved helping everyone he met. He always had a smile on his face and never met anyone he didn't like.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years; his three children: Angi (Shane) Wasson, Ryan

(Heather) Miller and Craig (Amanda) Miller; grandkids: Ashton Wasson, Taylor Wasson, Lance Wasson, Jett Wasson and Dax Miller, Ashton Tabor, Lorenzo (Kristina) Neuzil, Tyson Neuzil and Ellie (Taverosa) Moore; siblings: Lee (Judy) Miller, Wes (Connie) Miller, Ernie (Eddie) Miller, David (Joyce) Miller, Eldora (Wayne) Miller, Carol (Kathleen) Gingerich and Lola (Stieve) Wengert; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother: Duane Miller; and a stillborn sister.

He will be greatly missed by all his family, especially his grandkids and friends!

Edwin L. "Ed" Yoder
1929 - 2020



Edwin L. "Ed" Yoder, 91, of Kalona, died on May 19, 2020, at Mercy Hospital Iowa City, at the age of 91 years and one day.

A private family burial will be held Saturday, May 30, 2020, at the East Union Cemetery. A public drive-through visitation will be held Saturday, May 30, from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. at East Union Mennonite Church carport.

Ed Yoder was born near Kalona on May 18, 1929, to Jonas and Lena Yoder. He attended Evergreen School. He later earned his GED and attended trade school to become a bricklayer. Ed married Esther Miller on June 3, 1951. They were married 59 years, until Esther's passing in 2010. Ed worked as a bricklayer in Iowa and Atlanta, Ga. He was a member of East Union Mennonite Church and the Washington Township Optimist Club. He will be remembered for his parents; his wife Esther; and driving his little red scooter around Kalona for the past several years. Upon retirement, Ed and Esther moved to Horseshoe Bend, Ark., where they lived for 10 years before returning to Kalona. Before moving to Georgia, Ed donated blood for many years.

Ed is survived by six children and their spouses: Rodney and Yvonne Yoder of Camp Crook, S.D., Bob and Deb Yoder of Kalona, Eric Yoder of

Riverside, Melanie and Mike Schweitzer of Wellman, Beth and Jim Schlaubaugh of Wellman, and Celia and Emmanuel French of Newport Beach, Calif.; grandchildren: Megan Yoder of Kalona, Stephanie and Tyler Weers of Falcon Heights, Minn., Austin Schlaubaugh and Jared Schlaubaugh of Wellman, and Gigi French of Newport Beach, Calif.; great-granddaughters: Nora and Violet Weers of Falcon Heights, Minn.; and a brother: Frank and Ada Yoder of Kalona; sisters-in-law: Vesta Neale, Mary Jane Baker, Anne Miller, Ida Fern Miller, and Ruby Miller; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Ed was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Esther in 2010; a granddaughter: Allison Yoder; brothers: Paul and Katie Yoder; David and Verna Yoder; and three half-siblings: Chriss Yoder, Frieda Whetstone, and Mabel Miller.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to East Union Mennonite Church or the Mississippi Valley Blood Bank.

Beatty-Peterseim Funeral Home of Kalona is caring for the family.

Chester H. Miller
1933 - 2020

Chester Miller, 86, of Riverside, Iowa, died Monday, May 25, 2020, following an eight-month battle with cancer. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 27, 2020, at the Merlyn Miller residence, Riverside, with Minister Clayton Borntrager officiating. Burial will follow at the South Gingerich Cemetery. Guidelines for social distancing set forth by the state will be enforced.

Chester H. Miller was born Dec. 18, 1933, in Kalona, Iowa, the son of Henry B. and Edna (Miller) Miller. He accepted Christ as his savior in his youth and was baptized in the Old Order Amish Church. He was united in marriage to Mary Ropp on Jan. 12, 1956.

Chester is survived by his wife, Mary; and three sons

and six daughters: Lulla Belle at home, Henry (Glo) Miller of Kalona, Charles (Ellen) Miller of Reed City, Mich., Merlyn (Myrna) Miller of Riverside, Gladys (Loren) Borntrager of Kalona, Wanda (John Dale) Gingerich of Kalona, Joyce (Solomon) Hershberger of Riverside, Shirley Miller of Kalona; 39 grandchildren; 47 great-grandchildren; one sister-in-law: Edna Miller; three brothers: Norman H. (Alma), Morris H. and Vernon H. (Nina), one sister: Mary Pearl (Fred) Mast all of Kalona.

Preceding Chester in death were his parents; one brother: Emery; two sisters-in-law: Mary Jane and Freda Miller; and two great-grandchildren.

Tater Tot casserole tops off day's activities

Today daughters Verena, 22, Loreta, 19, Lovina, 16, son Kevin, 14, and I went to assist niece Emma in preparing for hosting the next church services. Sister Emma and son Steven, niece Elizabeth, and sisters Verena and Susan were also there helping, along with my daughters Elizabeth and Susan and their children.

Emma told us all to come for breakfast and she had made a breakfast casserole. Everyone took a dish, so there were four different kinds of cookies, rhubarb pie, watermelon, and cupcakes. Daughter Susan took a Tater Tot casserole for lunch, so that made the day easier. Their laundry was washed and the living room and kitchen walls, ceilings, furniture, and windows were all cleaned.

My grandchildren enjoyed playing with Emma's 16-month old Jessica's toys. They all get along, playing together nicely. T.J., 17 months, enjoyed standing outside the chicken fence, watching the chickens.

We finally had a day of sunshine after having rainy weather here in Michigan. I think my husband Joe said we had over six inches of rain this week. The gardens are still too wet to put the plants out. Today it did rain lightly for a little bit, enough to make us run to get Emma's laundry off the lines. The laundry was mostly dry, so we hung what wasn't dry yet in the house on clothes racks.

I had the same problem with my laundry on Tuesday when I decided to chance it. It would start raining awhile and then stop, but the wind was strong and dried it fast.

My new lines held out really well in the wind. I like laundry days when there isn't a cloud in the sky and the sun is shining. That is much more relaxing than not knowing when you might need to run to get the clothes in because it has started raining. We cannot control the weather, so I must not complain. Such is life!

Maintain relationships with each other

A friend recently told me when he visited the Holy Lands, he had an opportunity to go to Mount Olivet where Christ ascended into heaven. He said, "To say what it was like to stand on the mountain top where the Ascension occurred, is beyond words."

But Jesus had words to say just before he ascended into heaven. At the end of Matthew's Gospel, he says "Go therefore, make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." These words have reverberated down the centuries and still apply to us today.

So, what are you doing to evangelize and keep Christ alive in your life today? It certainly isn't easy in this time of isolation and social distancing, is it? But it is still possible. In fact, it is even more vital than



Son Joseph, 17, is out in the field, line-driving his two-year-old horse, Sugar. He is training her, and eventually wants to hitch her to the buggy. It's always challenging, with a little excitement, when they train a horse. Sugar is doing pretty well. My husband, Joe, has trained most of the horses that we have raised, so he can give Joseph pointers on training. Sugar will be our gift to Joseph in July for his 18th birthday.

Son Benjamin, 20, left tonight to go fishing with friends. Daughter Lovina went to a friend's house for supper. Verena made potato soup and heated up the grilled meat from last night's supper for our supper tonight. Of course, we needed cheese and crackers to go with potato soup.

Thursday, May 21, is Ascension Day, so everyone will be home from work. We will fast and have a prayer day in the morning. Our family is all coming for the noon meal.

After lunch, we will have an egg hunt for our grandchildren that we couldn't have at Easter. As a treat for our children, Joe and I wrapped small gifts in plastic, making a big ball. They will take turns rolling dice until they get a six and can unwrap the ball and keep the gifts that fall out before the next person rolls a six and takes over. This is always exciting to watch, especially when they get closer to the last gift, which is the grand prize.

Friday, May 22 was birthday number 49 for me! This is my last year in my forties, and then it's the big 50! I really am getting old! (smile)

I'll share the recipe for



One of the first attempts at training son Joseph's horse, Sugar.

the Tater Tot casserole that daughter Susan took to niece Emma's. I wish God's blessings to each of you! Stay safe and healthy!

- Tater Tot Casserole**
- 2 pounds hamburger
 - 1/2 cup chopped onion
 - 2 pounds Tater Tots
 - 1 pint sour cream
 - 2 cans cream of chicken soup
 - 1 1/2 soup cans milk
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon pepper
 - 1 pound Velveta cheese
 - 2 cups crushed Corn Flakes or Ritz crackers
 - 1/2 cup melted margarine

Fry hamburger with onions and set aside. Put Tater Tots in bottom of a large casserole dish. Mix together sour cream, soup, milk, salt, and pepper and pour over Tater Tots. Top with cheese and fried hamburger with onions. Sprinkle with Corn Flakes or cracker crumbs mixed with melted margarine. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 to 60 minutes.

Variation: Lovina's daughter Susan uses crushed Doritos instead of Corn Flakes or crackers.

Lovina's Amish Kitchen is written by Lovina Eicher, Old Order Amish writer, cook, wife, and mother of eight. Readers can write to Eicher at PO Box 1689, South Holland, IL 60473 (please include a self-addressed stamped envelope for a reply); or email Lovina@AmishKitchen@MennoniteMedia.org and your message will be passed on to her to read. She does not personally respond to emails.



Derick Cranston
Christian Spirituality

ever if we are going to keep our faith alive, and pass it on to the generations to come.

Even in our isolation we can still maintain relationships with others and with Christ. There are a number of options out there, most of them involving social media and long-distance communication.

Yes, it will take a little work for those of us not that comfortable with technology. But it is not impossible. In these challenging times, we need to make that extra effort to share the joy of the Gospel in new,

unique, and creative ways. Do not give up.

Our ancestors in the faith certainly did not give up. They planted and grew the church through three centuries of persecution; survived the Black Plague in the 14th century which killed a third of Europe's population; and Christians today still hold on their faith in areas of the world where they are mercilessly persecuted and put to death.

Do not be discouraged by the circumstances the Christian faith faces today. As St. Paul says, "For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor principalities, nor powers, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord"

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Supervisors approve road projects, OK ambulance staff

BY MARY ZIELINSKI
Correspondent
WASHINGTON

At Tuesday's board meeting, Washington County supervisors approved two separate road work contracts, totaling nearly \$1.85 million.

The first project includes grading and surfacing Spruce Avenue from 135th Street to Riverside Road, a \$229,142 contract awarded to Delong Construction of Washington.

The second is a tiered paving project on 290th Street, Kiwi Avenue and 330th Street, a \$1.62 million contract awarded to Jones Construction of West Point.

The paving is part of a larger project that involves the expansion of Premier Ag I, which is helping finance the work, and for which the county received a \$250,000 REAP grant.

In a separate road project, the board authorized a preliminary engineering agreement for the Canadian Pacific Railroad (Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad) for crossing signal system improvements near McKain's Landing at Dogwood Avenue.

The estimated cost for the work is \$5,000 for the site plan, cost estimates and preliminary circuit plans for the improvements.

The actual crossing, crossing closures or crossing consolidation would involve separate agreements.

Supervisors approved the hiring of nine additional county ambulance department personnel.

The nine, which department director said should "be all for a while" are part-time EMTs Craig Shetler, Nicole Stout, Elizabeth Duncan, Steven Ebersole, Bruce Murphy, Dough Sanders, Casey Wieland and Connor Musser, all at \$18.55 per hour, and full-time billing coder Angela Ballard at \$20 per hour. All are effective July 1.

WELLMAN-SCOFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Registration is open for our Summer Reading Program. Call 319-646-6858 or email scofield@netins.net to register. Packets will be mailed to each participant as we slowly phase in reopening of the library. Our theme this year is "Imagine Your Story."

For students in grades 3-5, here is the list for next year's Children's Choice award. Read all you can before school starts. "New Kid" by Jerry Craft; "Louisiana's Way Home" by Kate DiCamillo; "Strays Like Us" by Cecilia Galante; "You Don't Know Everything, Lily P" by Alex Gino; "The Great Treehouse War" by Lisa Graff; "Squirm" by Carl Hiaasen;

"Because of the Rabbit" by Cynthia Lord; "Bob" by Wendy Mass; "Harbor Me" by Jacqueline Woodson; "Ms. Bixby's Last Day" by John David Anderson; "Greetings From Witness Protection" by Jake Burt; "The Perfect Score" by Rob Buyea; "Saving Winslow" by Sharon Creech; "The Rhino in Right Field" by Stacy DeKeyser; "The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street" by Karina Yan Glaser; "The Unteachables" by Gordon Korman; "Captain Superlative" by J.S. Fuller; "Amal Unbound" by Aisha Saeed; and "Front Desk" by Kelly Yang.

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'Wild child' makes her way after graduation

I realized over the course of the past few months, that I have been living in "quarantine" for about the last decade. In other words, other than not meeting in the church building on Sundays and making a few less trips to Walmart and the mall, my life did not change much.

The biggest changes, of course, were felt by my children when school was so abruptly closed. My senior, Kinzey, struggled to remain upbeat and cheerful, while lamenting the loss of all her senior year had yet to offer and the limited social interaction with her friends.

To help her keep some contact with friends, we allowed her to hold bonfires with social distancing guidelines. Conversations with peers, sitting around a bonfire, roasting hot dogs and s'mores on balmy spring nights go a long way to restoring peace of mind amid the chaos in the world right now.

We have two graduates this spring. Our daughter Delaney has graduated from Kirkwood Community College and has moved into a new apartment in Cedar Rapids. She is excited to be living alone and enjoys fostering animals from the shelter where she works.

As a dedicated introvert, she was quite pleased she did not have to take part in a public graduation ceremony and relieved we could not argue with her about it because of the restrictions in place. I wrote a tribute to her when she graduated high school, and now it is her sister's turn.



Jana Miller
Mommy Diaries

Our daughter Kinzey has graduated from WACO High School and plans to attend Kirkwood in the fall if sessions commence as usual. Her original plan of taking a gap year and moving to Florida changed when the world changed, and she felt it might not be wise to be so far from home if the country continues along its path of insanity.

I am still feeling faint whispers of disbelief that this child of mine is turning 18 this summer. She was my wild child, a sturdy, stubborn, independent toddler that fiercely loved her baby sister, Jaicey, adored her older siblings Delaney, Walker and Whitney - and kept me on my toes constantly.

She ate dog biscuits with the family dog, plastered stickers on all my furniture, tried flushing everything she could find down the toilets, drew masterpieces on my walls with permanent marker, broke her foot when she was 2 and never cried. It was two weeks before we could use the furniture, tried flushing everything she could find down the toilets, drew masterpieces on my walls with permanent marker, broke her foot when she was 2 and never cried.

She locked me out of the house for an entire afternoon and demanded her naps. Yes, demanded her nap time, and to this day, loves her sleep! She was our best eater and did not get picky about food until she hit high school.



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Kinzey Miller, 2020 graduate of WACO High School.

She grew taller than her sisters and is my "top-shelf teacher." She is strong, resilient and talented. She takes no bull from her siblings, stands her ground on what she believes and is deeply loyal to her friends.

While she was not a huge fan of the academic side of school, her grades were high and grade point average respectable. She enjoyed her classes, teachers, coaches and classmates, and her senior year was going very well before screaming to an unexpected and fragmented end.

While my heart aches for her for all she has missed, her father and I are so proud of the young woman she is and all the potential we see in her for remarkable things in the future. Our prayer is that she stays steadfast in her faith, committed to her family, kind in all her dealings with others, and true to herself.

Congratulations to our two beautiful graduates. May God bless your future and protect you and keep you wherever you go. We love you.

KALONA PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

The book drop is open for returns from 9 a.m. Monday through 5 p.m. Friday.

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New adult fiction: "Hello Summer" by Mary Kay Andrews; "Long Range" by C.J. Box; "The Happy Camper" by Melody Carlson; "Wrath of Poseidon" by Clive Cussler; "Buried Secrets" by Joseph Finder; "Writers and Lovers" by Lily King; "The Mirror and the Light" by Hilary Mantel; and "Book of Lost Friends" by Lisa Wingate.

New adult nonfiction: "We the Interwoven: An Anthology of Bicultural Iowa" edited by Andrea Wilson; "Untamed" by Glennon Doyle; "Why We're Polarized" by Ezra Klein; and "Hidden Life of Trees" by Peter Wohlleben.

New young adult: "The Memory of Things" by Gae Polisner; "The Twin" by Natasha Preston; "Skyward" by Brandon Sanderson; and "United We Stand" by Eric Walters.

New junior fiction: "Ms. Bixby's Last Day" by John David Anderson; "Mac Cracks the Code" by Mac Barnett; "Strays Like Us" by Cecilia Galante; "The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise" by Dan Gemeinhart; "Touchdown Kid" by Tim Green; "Sink or Swim" by Sarah Mlynowski.

New junior nonfiction: "A Picture Book of Lewis and Clark" by David A. Adler; "Whoosh!: Lonnie Johnson's Super-Soaking Stream of Inventions" by Chris Barton; "Where Are the Great Pyramids?" by

Dorothy and Thomas Hoobler; and "Where is the Tower of London?" by Janet B. Pascal.

New easy reader books: "Duck and Cat's Rainy Day" by Carin Bramsen; "A Puppy for Miguel" by Melissa Lagonegro; and "Strike Three, Marley!" by Susan Long.

New easy books: "Gator, Gator, Gator" by Daniel Bernstrom; "Beware the Monster!" by Michael Escoffier and Amantine Piu; "Birds of a Feather: A Children's Story of Love, Loss, and What Came Next" by Tom Crice; "Shit! We Have a Plan" by Chris Haughton; "Max for President" by Jarrett J. Krosoczka; "The Piano Recital" by Akiko Miyakoshi; "Monkey on the Run" by Leo Timmers; and "Little Red" by Bethan Woolfin.

New children's DVDs: "Arctic Dogs"; "Barbie in Princess Power"; "Curious George Goes to the Doctor"; and "My Little Pony: The Friendship Express."

LOCAL CHURCH SERVICES

Answorth
Answorth Community Church: Answorth, Worship Sunday 10:30 a.m.; Kids Club Wed 6:30 p.m.

Hills
St. Joseph Catholic Church: Administrator: Father Mike Spiekemeier; Carol Kaalberg, 319-330-5324. Mass schedule: Sunday 10 a.m.

Iowa City
Congregational Baptist Church: Pastor Bill Barr. Meeting at the Claretan Hotel 2525 N. Dodge Street, Iowa City. Sunday Worship 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Supper and Bible Study (offsite).

Kalona
Cornerstone Community Church: 229 South 14th St.; Floyd Yaky, 319-430-9174; cornerstonecc@outlook.com; Sunday, 10 a.m.; Nursery & kid's classes available

East Union Menonite Church: 5615 Galois Ave. SW, 656-2590; Josh Beach, Pastor, Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. Traditional Service: 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Fairview Conservative Menonite Church: 2605 540th St. SW; Pastor: Conrad Hertler, 319-512-6186; Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. & 7 p.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Message: 10:45 a.m.

Full Gospel Revival Center: 1103 J Ave. 656-2298; Pastor: Jeremy Gagli, Sunday Worship 10 a.m.; Wednesday Midweek Service: 7 a.m.; 10:45 a.m.

Howen Conservative Menonite Church: 5203 Congress Rd. SW, 1 mile west of Hwy 1; Ministry: Nelson Beach, 683-2371; James Swartzentruber, 683-2372; Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Kalona Menonite Church: 6th Street & Ave. 656-2736; kalonamenonitechurch.com; Pastor: Scott Swartzentruber; Associate Pastor: Josh Lundberg; Sunday Worship:

9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.

Kalona United Methodist Church: 4th St. & C Ave. 656-2642; www.kalonamc.org; Pastor: Gene Kubli; Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. Fellowship following: Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.

Lower Deer Creek Menonite Church: 1408 540th St. SW 656-2076; http://lowercreek.org; Email: killeck@net.net; Pastor: Don Patterson; Associate Pastor: Steve Nelson; Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Sunday School: 9 a.m.

Sharon Bethel Menonite Church: 5 miles north on Highway 1, 1/2 mile east, 683-2672; Pastors: Delmar Botzinger; Dawn Sattman; Gabere Beach; Lamar Rapp; Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Sharon Center United Methodist Church: rural Johnson County at corner of James Ave & 520th St. 683-2564; http://sharoncenterumc.wordpress.com; Pastor: Anita Johnson; Casual Worship: Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Hour: 9:30-10:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages: 9:30-10:30 a.m. Traditional Service: 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Sunrise Conservative Menonite Church: 501 14th St. 656-2688; Pastor: Floyd Helms and Mary Bender; Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. & 7 p.m. Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.

Shoek: 209 1st St., 656-3156; Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.; Small group meetings in homes throughout the week.

Klerness
Klerness Christian Church: Sunday worship: 9:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Lone Tree
St. Mary's: 216 W. Jaye St. Administrator: Father Mike Spiekemeier; Carol Kaalberg, 319-330-5324. Saturday Mass: 4 p.m.

United Presbyterian Church of Lone Tree: 119 W Elm St. 629-4900; www.untreepresbyterianchurch.com; Pastor: Rev.

Jim Bonewald; Sunday: Worship: 10 a.m. Sunday School: 10:15

Nichols
Nichols Christian Church: 607 Grant Ave. 723-4346; Pastors: Worship: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.

Nichols United Methodist Church: 315 Main; 723-4985; Pastors: Mary & Don Timmerman; Email: killeck@net.net; 9 a.m. Family Worship Service with Children's Message

St. Mary's Short St & Grant Ave. Administrator: Father Mike Spiekemeier; Carol Kaalberg, 319-330-5324. Sunday Mass: 8 a.m.

North English
Champion Hills United Methodist Church: 3132 1st Ave., north North English. 319-464-3629; Sunday worship: 10:30 a.m.

Ottaw
Windham Community Church: 1424 Black Diamond Rd. SW, 2 miles north of Frytown; Pastor: Randy Harker, 319-430-1912; Sunday Worship 10 a.m.; windhamchurch.org

Richmond
Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church: 648-2331; clusterparishes.org; Fr. Bill Roush; Mass: Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Riverside
The Church in Riverside: 41 E 1st St., 698-2185; thechurchinriverside@hotmail.com; Pastor: Leonard, Evangelist Services: Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

River City Church: Meet at Highland Elementary School, 220 Schoenleber St.; www.rivercity.org; Pastor Rodney Gehman; Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

St. Mary's Catholic Church: 51 St. Mary's St., 648-2331; clusterparishes.org; Fr. Bill Roush; Mass: Sunday, 10 a.m.; Thursday 11 a.m. at Pescasserone House.

Trinity United Methodist Church in Riverside: 11 E 2nd St. 648-3002; Pastor: Edward Peterson; Sunday Service: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:45 - 11:15 a.m. (Pre-

school - 6th grade).

South English
English River Church of the Brethren: 2252 137th St. (Hwy 22, between South English & Winona) 607-6235; 319-646-2700; 10 a.m. Sunday School; 9:30 a.m.

Wellman
Amsch Circuit: Chancel: 10:00 Oct. to April; Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m. For information, call Fred Wagner, 319-956-7778.

Asbury United Methodist Church: 601 8th Ave. 646-2417; Pastor: Melissa Warren; Sunday Worship: 9:15 a.m.; Sunday School: Adult 8:15 a.m., Children: 10:15.

First Baptist Church: 600 4th St., 646-2294; Pastor: Rev. Mark Larson; Sunday School for all ages 9:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. Communion is held the first Sunday of each month.

Luthern Church of the Good Shepherd (Missouri Synod) 5th St. & 4th Ave. 646-2702; Pastor: Rev. Zachary Yous; Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.

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Salem Menonite Fellowship: 1306 Kookuk Washington Rd., 7 miles west of Wellman; Ministry: Gerald Reeder 319-248-7726; Bethel: Bethel 319-656-3133; Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church: 11th St & Maplewood, 648-2331; clusterparishes.org; Fr. Bill Roush; Saturday Mass: 5 p.m.

Upper Deer Creek Menonite Church: 6 1/2 miles west of Osceola; Pastor: Emer Miller; Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.

Wellman Menonite Church: 1215 8th Ave. 646-2532; Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

West Union Menonite Church: 3253 305th St. Parnell, 646-6004; Pastor: David Heasler; Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.; Menonite Women: first of every month 8:30a.m.-5p.m.; at Men's Luncheon: second Thurs. noon of each month with Roger Stutzman's.

Zion Christian Fellowship: 1388 Madison Ave. Pastor: Erin Martens; Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

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West Chester United Methodist Church: 403 Franklin Street, 698-4665; Pastor: Melissa Warren; Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. Sunday Service: 9:30 a.m.

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Praine Flower Baptist Church: 1909 Larch Ave. at the corner of 190th St., rural Washington; Pastor: David Conner; Sunday Worship: 10:15 a.m. Sunday School: 9 a.m. Praine Time 9:45 a.m. Wednesday: Various activities posted on our web site, praineflowerbaptistchurch.org

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**115 YEARS AGO
JUNE 2, 1905**

Kalona

We thought the parties who have been guilty of destroying plants and flowers in this town, under the cover of darkness, were mean enough, but Riverside has people a shade mearer.

The Leader says "Some parties have been mean and low enough to steal flowers off of graves at the cemeteries the past few weeks. It makes people feel pretty blue after they go to a lot of trouble to fix up the graves of their departed ones and get flowers started and just when they begin to look nice, to have some one who has no respect for the dead, destroy or steal the flowers. It will not be very healthy for the party committing the depredations of being caught."

**100 YEARS AGO
MAY 27, 1920**

Kalona

Only a little over a month now until the Fourth of July. Kalona has not celebrated the Fourth for so long that is surely is our turn this year. If we begin preparations in time we can have a rousing good celebration.

Things are rather quiet around the Hartscock school. The enrollment was 22, now is 10. The rest of them are entertaining the measles.

Five Riverside homes were quarantines for small pox this week.

There will be a grand ball at Richmond Z.C.B.J. Hall on June 3. Good music and order. Everybody invited.

**75 YEARS AGO
MAY 31, 1945**

Kalona

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kos received word that their son, Staff Sgt. Kenneth Kos, has been liberated from Bostlau prison in Austria. Sgt. Kos was taken prisoner in April 1944 when the bomber on which he was a gunner went down over Austria. He was liberated on May 1 by the Russians.

Mrs. Branson Batterson received a letter from her husband Monday. This is the first direct word she has had from him since his liberation from a German prison camp May 3, their daughter's second birthday. He said he had lost 39 pounds and to expect him home anytime.

Geraldine Swartzendruber and Edith Yoder went to Chicago Tuesday to spend Memorial Day and also to attend the national Youth for Christ meeting which is being held at Soldier Field.

Louise Miller returned from Nebraska where she has been visiting relatives and friends. She is now back at her duties in the Edmondson Department Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Rhodes and Gary Dean spent Sunday evening in the Walter Marner home.

Mrs. Don Miller and daughter returned to their home in Ohio after several weeks visit in the parental R. H. Peterseim home.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Yoder and Jackie of Iowa City were dinner guests in the parental Jeff C. Yoder home Wednesday. Evening callers were Mrs. Alpheus Miller, Katie Kinsinger, Mary Ann Miller, Dorothy Gingerich, Irma Gingerich, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hochstetler, Virginia and Junior.

Mrs. Melack Marek called on Mrs. George Eglin Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Horesowsky and Barbara Kay of Lone Tree visited in the H. V. Beck home Sunday evening.

Mrs. Raymond Miller and family, and Anna Mae Miller called in the John L. Hostetler home Sunday evening.

Wellman

Although once they were only three-fourth of a mile apart somewhere in Europe, twin brothers Cpl. Dan Brenneman and Sgt. David Brenneman have not seen each other since July 1943.

Mrs. John Fladung was initiated as an honorary member of the Washington County 4-H clubs at the concluding session of the rally held Monday evening.

This year's first carload of dressed turkeys went out of Wellman yesterday.

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LOOKING BACK - KALONA



The above photo is a celebration in Kalona on July 3, 1915.

**50 YEARS AGO
MAY 28, 1970**

Kalona

Commencement will be held at Iowa Mennonite School on Monday, June 1. Class officers are Ron Troyer, president; Sheldon Yoder, vice-president; Letha Mullet, secretary; and Wendell Miller, treasurer. Class sponsor is Lynn Newcomer.

Commencement for Mid-Prairie will be held Thursday evening, May 28. Class President Glen Eash gave the senior challenge. Guest speaker is Hon. Roger W. Jepsen, lieutenant governor of the state of Iowa.

Mrs. H. L. Walker presents the following pupils in a piano recital: Joyce Christner, Steve Christner, Kathy Duwa, Julia Erb, Bryan Fry, Annette Guengerich, Audrey Guengerich, Susan Harland, Rick Leiting, Eileen Miller, Myrna Miller, Karen Mullet, Lori Mullet, Ann McAndrew, Nancy Schaefer, Candy Shalla, Sue Ann Skola, Donna Swantz, Susan Swartzendruber, Marilyn Stumpf, Shirley Stumpf, Patty Welte and Tom Welte.

Dale Marner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace D. Marner, began a two-year term of voluntary service as a junior clerk at Mount Sinai hospital.

Wellman

The local unit of the American Legion Auxiliary honored the charter members living in the Wellman area for 50 years of service to the unit at special ceremonies on May 6. Charter members are Mrs. Tressa Yoder,

er, Mrs. Ida Bull, Mrs. Thomas Johnson, Mrs. Ray Bell, Mrs. Alta Berry, Mrs. Vera Turnipseed and Mrs. Ruby England.

Present officers are Mrs. Alvin Acord, president; Mrs. John Vincent, vice president; Mrs. Cecil Miller, secretary; Mrs. Edith Long, treasurer; Mrs. Wade Page, chaplain; Mrs. Leo Hall, historian; Mrs. Al Debler, sergeant-at-arms; Mrs. Ida Bull, child welfare; Mrs. Norma Gardner, musician; Mrs. Donald Blum, rehabilitation; Mesdames Mae Marek, Paul Oldfield, Harold Ross are executive officers.

A barbecue was enjoyed by 13 ninth-grade girls Friday evening at the home of Sue Ann Goschke. Assisting her was Paula Boone as they honored several of their classmates who will attend IMS next fall. Attending were Anna Guengerich, Kathy Stutzman, Cindy Shetler, Rose Yoder, Jody Goodwin, Debbie Kos, Juanita Schaefer, Cathy Schultz, Connie Stagner, Roberta Wade, Doreen Koshatka and the hostesses.

Lone Tree

The Lone Tree Woman's Club met at Lassie's Red Barn for their May breakfast. There were 16 members and one guest present. Mrs. Edward Rossman, the president presided at the business meeting following the breakfast. She appointed Mrs. Harry Baker and Mrs. Raymond Benell as the auditing committee. Mrs. Loren Swartzendruber, the new president, named her committees for the coming year and had a short discussion about the programs.

**25 YEARS AGO
JUNE 1, 1995**

Kalona

Construction has started on a 15,000-square-foot addition to CIVCO Medical Instruments. The new area will house expanded manufacturing, shipping and inventory plus expansion on the engineering facility.

Diplomas were awarded to 87 in the Mid-Prairie Class of 1995 during ceremonies Sunday. Havilah Meinel was named valedictorian and Kara Troyer and John Mehaffy shared the salutatorian honors. Senior reflections were given by Kelley Conway and Rodney Gingerich.

Iowa Mennonite School Class of 1995 was the largest graduating class in the school's 50-year history with 44. Katherine Graber was named valedictorian and Andrea Yoder, salutatorian.

Dr. Charles Beckman delivered the Memorial Day address at the Sharon Hill Cemetery, noting that this year marks the 50th anniversary of World War II's end. There were more than 100 who turned out, under sunny skies, for the service that featured military observances by members of the Richmond AmVets Post No. 107.

Approximately 5,000 people attended the 16th annual Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale. The sale grossed \$158,000 on the Johnson County Fairgrounds and another \$6,225 in livestock sales at the Wayland Sale Barn.

Mary Parkins of Arrow Sign & Design hand-painted quilt designs on a number of

Kalona businesses prior to this year's Kalona Quilt Show.

Wellman

A beautiful Memorial Day brought a crowd of nearly 100 to the Wellman Cemetery. The address as given by Terry Palmer. The Mid-Prairie band, under the direction of Craig McClellan, provided the music for the ceremony.

Send us your old photos of Wellman, Riverside and Lone Tree for our Looking Back section!



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of those communities have access," Schulte asked. "This is a lot different from anything we've done before. We've never asked for addresses or locations or restricted that way."

"The reason for doing it is to serve the community that the pool was intended for first and foremost."

Schlabauh called it a "Kalona first" proposal.

"We look to our closest residents within our corporate limits to be able to provide that service to them," Schlabauh said. "They're the ones who support this pool on a yearly basis, and they're the ones who paid for the pool through their property tax."

Schulte added that a punch card can only be used by members of that person's family.

Council member Hank Beisheim asked about the YMCA's refund policy.

"What happens if we sell a lot of season passes, and there's a major surge in illness from the virus and you're forced to shut it down?" Beisheim asked.

"We've never issued refunds for memberships," Schulte responded. "It's just not something we do. Obviously, that's something we'd have to evaluate if, two weeks in, we have to shut down."

"That might be an argument to not sell passes and just sell punch cards and daily passes."

Schulte said that, in an effort to keep capacity down, the pool would operate in two shifts.

"We would definitely set a capacity much lower than we have seen in the past," she said. "We would close for a half an hour each day to cleaning and sanitation."

Laps and lessons would be done in the morning. The first

“The reason for doing it is to serve the community that the pool was intended for first and foremost.”

Amy Schulte
Washington County YMCA

shift would run from 1-4 p.m., after which the pool would be closed for cleaning.

It would re-open at 4:30 p.m. and be open until 7:30 p.m.

Council member Greg Schmidt questioned whether a pass would be good for both shifts.

"You don't want people monopolizing the pool all day during this particular summer," Schlabauh responded.

Schmidt then suggested passes be labeled as "sectional passes."

Other restrictions include no unsupervised children under 12, no outside food and drinks, and no outside pool toys.

The YMCA will have a staff member, in addition to the lifeguard, to monitor the pool deck to make sure people are following pool rules regarding social distancing.

Schlabauh said that they are looking at adding prominent signage clearly stating the rules.

The consensus of the council was to move forward with the plan as presented.

"I think this is a good start, but I think we need to continue to evaluate it as we go and possibly modify it as necessary," Schmidt said.

Three-city food pantry set for Saturday

BY JAMES JENNINGS
The News

The cities of Riverside, Kalona and Wellman will again join forces to provide food for those in need.

A combined drive-up food pantry will be held from 9-11 a.m., Saturday at the Kalona city shop, 711 A Ave.

Saturday's distribution will be the fourth pop-up pantry that the cities have combined resources to hold.

This week's distribution will only be in Kalona, however, the pantry is open to residents of all three communities.

For those who are unable to make the trip to the distribution site, deliveries can be ar-



JAMES JENNINGS/THE NEWS

Riverside Mayor Allen Schneider and Mid-Prairie school board member Gabby Frederick carry food boxes at the May 16 food pantry.

side residents can call 319-930-8440.

Anyone needing after-hours assistance can call 319-936-9354.

Riverside to talk expanding noise code

BY KALEN MCCAIN
The News
RIVERSIDE

The Riverside City Council plans to discuss a comprehensive expansion to its noise ordinance at the next council meeting on June 1. The proposed changes - drawn from Coralville, West Liberty and North Liberty noise policies - are intended to make noise control enforceable for local police.

To avert the need for specific sound-testing equipment, the proposal includes a reasonability clause which defines problematic noise as that which disturbs "a reasonable person being of normal sensitivities," rather than using a decibel-based definition, which would be harder to enforce.

While other city noise ordi-

nances differentiate quiet hour windows for each noise disturbance, the city council considered a catch-all 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. window for its policy during its May 4 meeting.

Show removal and emergency vehicles would likely be exempt from the otherwise catch-all quiet hours, as would sounds caused by persons with a city-granted noise permit.

At present, the city lacks a specific ordinance for noise control.

Existing noise regulation measures are minimal, dispersed among clauses of animal control and public peace ordinances, as well as the city's general traffic regulations.

Riverside City Attorney William Sueppel recommended 11 inclusions and 16 exemptions to a list of noise violations in a memorandum to the

City Council on May 18.

One notable inclusion in the memo was the playing of instruments and sound equipment "to the disturbance of any adjoining property." Audio players installed in trucks and cars would be exempt so long as they are "not audible for more than 50 feet away from the vehicle," a distance which Councilperson Edgar McGuire said might be too short at the May 18 meeting.

The proposals restrict any noise caused by "repairing, rebuilding, modifying or testing of motor vehicles" as a disturbance during the yet undetermined nighttime quiet window. The proposed rules would restrict sound from motorcycles and recreational vehicles on private property from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m.

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spaces into improvised facilities.

Mid-Prairie softball player Jaselyn Robertson said she had the space to practice hitting but not an adjustable tee for practice.

"We don't have those nice tees they have at the field, so we have to break part of our tee to do a low ball or have buckets underneath the tee to do high pitches," she said.

"I lift steel at work every day, so I kind of count that as my weights," Mid-Prairie softball player Lanie Bowlin said. Bowlin works at a welding shop and is considered an essential worker during the pandemic.

"We have one set of, like, five-pound weights, so I do more of bodyweight exercises," Noah Miller said.

The sophomore baseball player for Hillcrest Academy said he received a variety of weight-free exercises from his soccer coach before its season was canceled. He does these exercises — including push-ups and planks — in the family's basement.

"We have a shed that's a good enough size for us to throw and be able to hit in... we have a net up, so I can just come in and hit tee," senior Mid-Prairie pitcher Brad Tornow said.

Grace Bachelor, a Highland senior, downloaded a workout app that helps her stay healthy without access to gym equipment.

"I just do it in the living room; we have a TV, so I can just mirror my phone onto there," she said.

Students with athletic family members have capitalized on their time together during the pre-season.

Connor Grinstead, a Highland sophomore baseball player, has been practicing with his dad, a former baseball player. Grinstead said his dad had been instrumental for throw-

ing and catching practice and as a source of motivation during the uncertain pre-season.

Billy Laughlin, a Highland senior, practiced with his sister, Dani, who, as an eighth grader, had the school's highest varsity softball batting average last year. He met with other players, usually one at a time, at public ballfields in Riverside.

He said the delays and season cuts were particularly hard for him as a senior.

"It's just difficult wrapping my head around that there's not going to have a senior season," Laughlin said. "I'm a multi-sport athlete, and I enjoy baseball the most, easily, and I look forward to it every year."

Underclassmen have empathized with their graduating teammates.

"If we don't have games or anything, I'd feel so bad for our seniors," said Chase Schultz, a Highland sophomore. Schultz said if the baseball-playing seniors missed their last season, the whole team would feel their grief.

Hopes have risen with the governor's announcement and schools setting season schedules for baseball and softball starting June 1.

Mid-Prairie baseball coach Andy Greiner said he thought the school's home field was spread out enough to facilitate social distancing during games. He hoped responsible behavior would allow fans to attend games without jeopardizing public health.

"We just really encourage everybody, once we do get started, to just come out and support these guys, they deserve it," Greiner said. "We have six seniors this year, so it just means a lot that we're able to send these guys out the right way."



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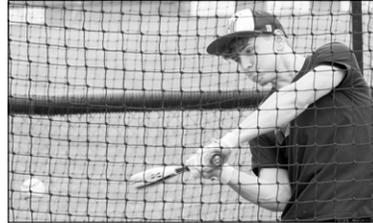
Highland's Grace Bachelor follows a workout on TV in the family living room in Riverside.



Mid-Prairie pitcher Brad Tornow has set up a practice area in the shed behind his house with a net for batting practice.



Mid-Prairie's Jaselyn Robertson stacked a batting tee on top of a bucket for to practice hitting high pitches in the family shed.



Highland's Connor Grinstead, top photo, practices hitting with his dad. In the bottom photo, Abbi Patterson, who pitches for Mid-Prairie, practices in her backyard.



Whitney Willoz hits the softball off the tee. She plays for the Lone Tree Lions. At right, Hillcrest Academy's Noah Miller improvised his workouts with exercises utilizing his body weight, such as planks.



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Hillcrest Principals Dwight Gingrich said.

He said that the superintendents' recommendations have been passed to the schools' athletic directors, who met on May 20.

"The conference is working to establish how things are going to happen regarding scheduling," he said.

Schedules will be posted on the conference website as soon as they are completed.

members to showcase their learning, receive evaluation and recognition.

"As these changes and logistics are finalized, information will be sent directly to families and volunteers," the press release stated. "At this time, there are plans only for the exhibition of the youth communication projects, non-livestock/static exhibits, and livestock projects as safety guidelines allow in July."

Green said, "The love for

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and great tradition of the Washington County Fair will not change even when it has to look different."

The Extension office published an FAQ sheet for 4-H and FFA exhibitors.

"The fairgrounds will not be open to the public but will be open for exhibitor competition and those exhibitor families only that day," it stated. "It will not be the week-long experience you are familiar with, however, it will give you

the opportunity to have a showcase of your learning, receive evaluation and recognition."

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JOHNSON COUNTY

Cost of this publication: Fiscal year to date cost (as of 7/1/19): THE JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FORMAL MEETING MINUTES MAY 14, 2020 Proclamations, ordinances and resolutions adopted by the Board of Supervisors are only summarized in the published minutes; the full text may be inspected at the Office of the County Auditor, 913 S. Dubuque Street, Iowa City, Mo., thru Fr., between 7:45 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. and at www.johnsoncounty.com.

Chairperson Sullivan called the Johnson County Board of Supervisors to order in the Johnson County Administration Building Boardroom at 5:31 p.m. Present: Lisa Green-Douglas via conference call, Pat Heiden, Royceann Porter via conference call, Janette Rettig via conference call, and Rod Sullivan. All actions were taken unanimously.

PROCLAMATION EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK MAY 17-23, 2020

Summary: This proclamation recognizes emergency medical services as an essential public service and acknowledges the vital contribution of EMS teams to saving lives.

Board Action: Resolved to hereby proclaim May 17-23, 2020 as Emergency Medical Services Week with the theme "Ready Today, Preparing for Tomorrow," in Johnson County, Iowa, and encourage the community to observe this week with activities and programs that recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers.

Motion by Heiden, second by Rettig, to approve Proclamation 05-14-20-01, Ambulance Director Fiona Johnson spoke and accepted the proclamation.

COUNTY RESPONSE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY

Motion by Heiden, second by Rettig, that the Johnson County Board of Supervisors continue the closure of the Johnson County buildings to the public except for the Johnson County Courthouse. The Johnson County Courthouse will continue limiting public access to those members of the public who need to access the courts for the specific reasons specified in the March 30, 2020 order of the 6th Judicial District Chief Judge Patrick Grady, incorporated herein.

This order will remain in effect until 7:30 a.m. on June 8, 2020.

Sullivan said the County has a re-opening task force and the task force expects to roll out information for feedback soon.

Sullivan announced that the Johnson County Agricultural Association has decided to not hold the public portion of the Johnson County Fair this year, meaning no rides, no booths, and no exhibits. Sullivan said they are working on a plan to allow youth to complete their projects.

County Auditor Travis Weipert reported that the Auditor's Office has received 19,888 absentee ballot requests for the June 2, 2020 Primary Election. There are 4,440 returned ballots and an additional 12,000 ballots mailed out just today. Weipert said there will be 46 polling places on Election Day and the Auditor's Office received another shipment of personal protective equipment yesterday.

He said auditors are concerned that poll workers will lack out of working the election, although Johnson County has not had this issue yet. Weipert provided an update on curbside voting and the precautions taken by workers.

County Treasurer Tom Kriz spoke about the Treasurer's Office operations and said they have issued 350 tickets since outside services began. Kriz said there is currently a 10-day wait for appointments, which is a little frustrating to the public. Board members and Kriz discussed a process for safely reopening the building.

Motion by Green-Douglas, second by Porter, to approve the claims on the Auditor's Claim Register for May 14, 2020, as approved by a majority of the Supervisors.

LONE TREE CSD

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MAY 13, 2020 5:30 PM

Electronically as per Iowa Code 21.8 due to Covid-19 pandemic Zoom Meeting.

Present: Magruder, President; Crawford, Superintendent; Waldschmidt; Stone, HS Principal; Williams; Jacques; Ellen Principals; Yedlik; Forbes; Board Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at

WASHINGTON COUNTY REAL ESTATE

May 4-8, 2020 Patricia M Brophy, grantor; Beth Ann Melinger CoTrustee, Joseph J Brophy CoTrustee, Patricia Brophy Revocable Trust, grantee; quit claim deed; Part E2 NE 13-76-6; E 56 FT of W2 NE 13-76-6; E2 SW 13-76-6; SW SE 13-76-6; E2 NW 24-76-6; Comm SWM CSM NW 24-76-6

Washington State Bank, grantor; Elizabeth Schoening, Michael Schoening, grantee; warranty deed; Washington Ad to Washington Lot 3 Block 3; \$37,000

Savett Matthew Streib, Steven M Streib, Joanna Streib, Joanna Susan Streib, grantor; Barbara W Kane, David

Table listing various property owners and their addresses in Johnson County, including names like Kiani Of Johnson County, Naga Allen, Hanson Business, etc.

Report, the Activity Fund Report, the General, Local Option, Debt Service, Wellness Center and School Nutrition Fund.

Waldschmidt moved, Yedlik seconded, to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2020 Public Hearing, April 8, 2020 Regular Meeting and the April 22, 2020 Work Session. Motion carried 4-0.

Williams moved, Waldschmidt seconded, to approve the Monthly Financial

Table listing various property owners and their addresses in Lone Tree CSD, including names like P Kane, grantor; warranty deed; Rural Subdivisions Saddlewood Estates Lot 1; \$650,000

Francisco Larros, Josefina Larros, grantor; Cody M Soper, Shaley Anderson, grantee; warranty deed; Washington 175 FT of NE 54-106-500

Consultants, Inc. was present via conference call to answer questions. Public Hearing closed at 5:12 p.m.

RESOLUTION No. 05-14-20-01 PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT AND SUBDIVISION'S AGREEMENT OF SUFFICIENT SURVEYING JOHNSON COUNTY, IOWA Summary: The owner filed application PZC-20-27834 for approval of the preliminary and final plat of Schmidt Fourth Subdivision and the County Zoning Commission recommends that the plat be approved.

Board Action: Resolved to approve and file the preliminary and final plat of Schmidt Fourth Subdivision's Agreement, and named the documents required to be recorded. Effective date: May 14, 2020.

Motion by Heiden, second by Porter, to approve Resolution 05-14-20-01. RESOLUTION No. 05-14-20-02 Summary: The Johnson County Planning and Zoning Commission recommends actions on certain zoning and subdivision applications as named herein.

Board Action: Resolved to set a public hearing on June 11, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room, Johnson County Administration Building, 913 South Dubuque Street, Iowa City, Iowa, on the following zoning application: Maricarla Rohret (#PZC-20-27867) and Nate and Jesse Frees (#PZC-20-27868) and on the following subdivision applications: Nick Hemann (#PZC-19-27897), Maricarla Rohret (#PZC-20-27870) and Nate and Jesse Frees (#PZC-20-27872), and authorizes publication of the official public hearing.

Effective date: May 14, 2020.

Motion by Rettig, second by Porter, to approve Resolution 05-14-20-02. Motion by Heiden, second by Porter, to approve the minutes of the 6th Judicial District Public Hearing on the FY20 Budget Amendment at 6:14 p.m. Finance Department Administrator Thomas Ba-Sa-San spoke about the amendment. No one from the public spoke. Public Hearing closed at 6:15 p.m.

RESOLUTION No. 05-14-20-03 HEARING ON PROPOSED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT, AND ESTIMATED TOTAL COST FOR THE CREEK WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, BID PACKAGE #2 (CDBG #13-NDR1-007) LOCATED IN OXFORD TOWNSHIP, JOHNSON COUNTY, IOWA

Summary: The Creek Watershed Watershed Improvement Project, Bid Package #2, is deemed necessary and the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimated total cost prepared at the request of the Board of Supervisors by Clapscoff-Gardner and Associates, Inc., are available for inspection in the office of the Johnson County Auditor.

Board Action: Resolved that the Johnson County Board of Supervisors set a public hearing on said proposed plans, specifications and form of contract for and estimated total cost of the public improvement project for Thursday, the 28th of May, 2020, at 9:00 A.M., Central Time in the Johnson County Board of Supervisors Boardroom, Johnson County Administration Building, 913 South Dubuque Street, Iowa City, Iowa and authorize publication of the public hearing notice. Effective date: May 14, 2020.

Motion by Rettig, second by Heiden, to approve Resolution 05-14-20-03. RESOLUTION No. 05-14-20-04 JOHNSON COUNTY, IOWA SUMMARY: A SEGREGATION OF DUTIES POLICY

Summary: Segregation of duties is important to accounting practices and a formalized policy concerning accounting duties is needed for the County. Board Action: Resolved to adopt the Segregation of Duties Policy of Johnson County, Iowa, set forth herein.

Introduction State and federal policies require the segregation of duties to ensure that authorized accounting to sound management practices. One of the most basic, yet most important, principles of sound management is that of segregation of duties.

Segregation of duties is critical because it ensures separation of different functions and defines authority and responsibility for all transactions. Segregation of duties is critical to effective internal control; it reduces the risk of both errors and fraud in appropriate actions.

The fundamental premise of segregated duties is that an individual should not be able to initiate, approve, and review the same action. Also, the accounting/reconciling function and the asset (e.g., inventory, inventory) custody function should be separated among employees. These are called incompatible duties when performed by the same individual.

Policy Statement Elected officials and department heads must consider the principle of segregation of duties when designing and defining job duties. They must implement processes and control procedures that, to the extent feasible, segregate duties among employees and that include effective oversight of activities and transactions.

Board Policies 605.7, 605.7R1, 701.1, 701.2, 701.4, 702, 703.1, 703.2 and 703.3. Motion carried 4-0.

Williams moved, Yedlik seconded, to approve contract agenda #3, Policy 606.5 Student Field Trips and Excursions. Motion carried 4-0.

Williams moved, Yedlik seconded, to approve the 2020-2021 Handbook. Motion carried 4-0.

Williams moved, Waldschmidt seconded, to approve Resolution #3 Pandemic Response & Emergency Suspension of Policy. Motion carried 4-0.

Williams moved, Waldschmidt seconded, to approve the 2020-2021 Teaching Contracts. Motion carried 4-0.

Rath Ad Lot 4; \$194,000 Adam J Barnes, Alson D Barnes, grantor; Jacob L Delay, grantee; warranty deed; Riverside Schneobelens SD Lot 51; \$160,000

Housing & Urban Development Secy, grantor; Anastasia Rohrer, grantee; warranty deed; Comm at NE Corn Crawfordville Crawford Ad Lot 1 Block 5 Thence W 70 FT, Thence S E & N

Mattmood M Abdalla, Laura J Zaper, grantor; Kenneth Cole, grantee; quit claim deed; Part Parc D of Lot 1 of SD of Kalona 77-7-18 NW NW

Johnson County maintains detailed segregation of duties procedures for the following activities: Financial Close and Equity, Grants, Inventory, Capital Assets, Insurance, Debt, Property Tax, Investments, Accounts Payable, Payroll, Ambulance and Auto Registration. The procedures are updated annually and reviewed by the County's external auditors and remain on file with the Finance Department. Effective date: May 14, 2020.

Motion by Heiden, second by Porter, to approve Resolution 05-14-20-04. Motion by Heiden, second by Porter, to approve the Johnson County General Purchasing and Procurement Policy.

Motion by Heiden, second by Green-Douglas, to set the Johnson County minimum wage to \$10.63 per hour effective July 1, 2022.

RESOLUTION No. 05-14-20-05 AUTHORIZING INTERFUND LOAN AND TRANSFERS BETWEEN THE GENERAL BASIC FUND AND DEBT SERVICE FUND

Summary: Budgeted revenues in the Debt Service Fund are intended for the payment of County debt principal and interest obligations. Due to temporary relief measures imposed by the Governor of the State of Iowa through a series of proclamations responsive to the Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak, an insufficient amount of fiscal year 2020 property tax revenues in the Debt Service Fund have been collected to date, yet scheduled debt payments for which the County is obligated remain due on June 1, 2020, creating the possibility of a near-term shortage of cash.

An interfund transfer, under Iowa Code section 331.432 becomes effective after authorization by resolution of the Board of Supervisors, and will be repaid by the Debt Service Fund once sufficient amounts of fiscal year 2020 property tax revenues are received.

Board Action: Resolved that 1) funds sufficient to timely satisfy near-term debt obligations of the County be loaned on a demand basis from the General Basic Fund to the Debt Service Fund, up to \$500,000.00, during fiscal year 2020, and 2) the Johnson County Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer up to \$500,000.00 to the Debt Service Fund from the General Basic Fund during fiscal year 2020, with due regard for available tax revenues and adequate cash flows, and 3) the Johnson County Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer funds from the Debt Service Fund to the General Basic Fund for repayment of the interfund loan as property tax receipts become available in the Debt Service Fund during the remainder of fiscal year 2020 and into fiscal year 2021 or until the loan is repaid in its entirety. Effective date: May 14, 2020.

Motion by Rettig, second by Porter, to approve Resolution 05-14-20-05. Motion by Heiden, second by Porter, to approve the job-revaluation recommendation, as submitted by Human Resources Administrator Lora Shramke, for the position of Board Office Executive Director.

Motion by Green-Douglas, second by Porter, to approve the job-revaluation recommendation, as submitted by Human Resources Administrator Lora Shramke, for the position of Public Health Health Educator.

Motion by Rettig, second by Porter, to approve the Waparuquon Support Services position, DCA4-21-001.

Motion by Green-Douglas, second by Heiden, to approve the Third Amendment to the Community Partnership for Protecting Children Contract, DCA4-19-005.

Motion by Heiden, second by Rettig, to approve the Waparuquon Support Services position, DCA4-21-001.

Motion by Rettig, second by Green-Douglas, to approve the FY21 agreement for law enforcement funding with the following cities: Hills for \$32,760, Lone Tree for \$60,840, Oxford for \$30,420, Silvestri for \$32,760, Seilon for \$88,920, Swisher for \$63,000, and Tiffin for \$163,800.

Motion by Heiden, second by Porter, to approve change order #10 with SG Construction in the amount of \$48,976 for the SEATS and Secondary Roads Facility-Vehicle Storage Building Addition.

Motion by Heiden, second by Green-Douglas, to respond to Bill Blanchard and Chadwick Reppert to the Commission of Veterans Affairs for a term ending May 31, 2023.

Motion by Rettig, second by Green-Douglas, to respond to Pat Heiden, the Heritage Area Agency on Aging Board.

Motion by Green-Douglas, second by Rettig, to appoint Royceann Porter to the Johnson County Recovery Committee, Project Better Together.

Adjourned to Informal Meeting at 6:40 p.m. /s/Rod Sullivan, Chair, Board of Supervisors

/s/Attest: Travis Weipert, Auditor Recorded by Nancy Tomkovicz These minutes were sent for formal approval and publication on May 21, 2020.

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Respectfully Submitted by: Kelly D Forbes, Board Secretary

President, Christina Magruder Board Secretary, Kelli Forbes

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CITY OF WELLMAN

MAY 18, 2020 WELLMAN, IOWA

The Wellman City Council met in regular session via Zoom meeting in order to help stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus at 5:30 pm. On March 19, 2020, Governor Reynolds issued a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency which included a suspension of Iowa laws that would prevent the use of electronic meetings or the limitation on the number of people present at an in-person meeting site. Therefore, only City Clerk Beth VanWinkle was present at Wellman City Hall. Mayor Ryan Miller along with the City Administrator and the following Council Members: Shannon McCain, Aaron Fleming, Angela Stutzman, Anthony Evans, & Mark Philpot were all present via Zoom. The Consent Agenda was approved upon motion by McCain, seconded by Stutzman and all voted eye by roll call. The consent agenda includes the agenda, minutes from previous meeting, Approval of April Financials, Approval of Freeman Foods Cigarette, Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Permit, and the following: 5/18 Payroll Megan E Harris \$331.01 Karen Bartel \$318.00 Robert J VanWinkle \$180.85 Carol A Wilcox \$1,026.23 Jeff W. Williams \$495.38 Terese K Langer \$1,096.34 Betty Johnson \$276.78 Dan Taylor \$1,296.20 Dan Taylor \$1,232.82 Tammy J Gammell \$1,141.25 Heidi J Hartley \$1,085.00 Jesse J Meade \$1,242.87 Josh S VanWinkle \$1,113.86 Keith J Lindahl \$1,551.86 Cynthia S Drapp \$985.38 Jeff Tates \$3,994.29

CITY OF RIVERSIDE

RIVERSIDE CITY COUNCIL MEETING: MAY 18, 2020

The Riverside City Council meeting opened at 6:00 pm in City Hall with Mayor Allen Schneider presiding, roll call. Council members present were: Tom Sexton, Andy Rodgers, Edgar McGuire, Lois Schneider, and Jeanine Redlinger. Motion by Redlinger to approve agenda. Second by McGuire, passed 5-0. Rodgers moved to approve the minutes of May 4th 2020, expenditures, and liquor licenses returned for Riverside Travel Mart. Second by Schneider, passed 5-0. Bill Stukely, PeopleServiceInc, presented April water and waste water report. 3/28% complete. Second by Mc-

RIVERSIDE EXPENDITURES 5-20-20 COUNCIL MEETING

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CITY OF KALONA

KALONA, IOWA CITY HALL MAY 18, 2020 7 PM

This is an electronic meeting per Iowa Code Section 21.8. Should the public choose to participate please utilize the following "conference bridge" number, along with the "participant" code. The conference bridge number 656-2663. The Participant number 447334. Regular meeting of the Kalona City Council with Mayor Robb presiding. Motion was made by G Schmidt, and seconded by Bender, approving the agenda, with all voting yes. Council Members present by video were due to the Covid-19: Bender, J Schmidt, Spitzer, G Schmidt, and Beisheim. Minutes of the Regular meeting on May 4, 2020 were approved as presented and published. On motion by J Schmidt, and seconded by Beisheim, the following bills were allowed with all voting yes. Access Systems, Waterless \$1.00 Baker's Super Library Fund \$1,100.00 Booked, Library Fund \$189.50 Cardinal Sign & Graphics, campground lid markers \$119.65

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANNA H. BLOSSER, Deceased. CASE NO. ESPRO07515 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To All Persons Interested in the Estate of ANNA H. BLOSSER, Deceased, who died on or about April 29, 2020: You are hereby notified that on May 12, 2020, the last will and testament of ANNA H. BLOSSER, deceased, bearing date of December 29, 2017, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Heather Blosser Henschberger was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said County within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred. Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are re-

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Table with 2 columns: Item Name and Amount. Includes items like Road Use Tax, Employee Benefit, and various utility bills.

Schneider moved to approve vacation days for Administrator. Second by McGuire, passed 5-0. Sexton moved to open Public Hearing for Budget Amendment at 6:08 pm. Seconded by Rodgers, passed 5-0. There were no written or oral comments. Schneider moved to close Public Hearing at 6:10 pm. Second by Rodgers, passed 5-0. Redlinger moved to pass Resolution #051820-07 Approving adoption of City Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. Second by Rodgers, passed 5-0. Sexton moved to pass Resolution #051820-02, Approving Pay Request #1 for Job Construction on the 4th Street Project in the amount of \$27,274.50 with 3.28% complete. Second by Mc-

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Guire, passed 5-0. Redlinger moved to pass Resolution #051820-03, Approving Change Order #5 for Cornerstone Excavating with the Ash/Tupelo Street Project in the amount of \$200.00 to replace curb stop at 661 Palm Street. Second by Schneider, passed 5-0. Redlinger moved to pass Resolution #051820-04, Approving Change Order #6 for Cornerstone Excavating in the amount of \$2180.00 to raise elevation of two beehive intakes on the Ash/Tupelo Street Project. Second by Rodgers, passed 5-0. Rodgers moved to table Resolution #051820-05 for further clarification. Second by Redlinger, passed 5-0. Sexton moved to pass Resolution #051820-06, Approving contract with Broadley J. Haugse, HOCHSTETLER, INC. Second by McGuire, passed 5-0. McGuire moved to pass Resolution

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ments for FY20 Budget Amendment was opened by Philpot, seconded by Stutzman and all voted eye by roll call the vote was unanimous yes. There were no written or oral comments received. Fleming moved to open public hearing. McCain seconded, and upon roll call the vote was unanimous yes. Resolution 2019 A Resolution approving FY20 Budget Amendment was introduced and caused to be read. A Resolution 2019 A Resolution was introduced by Stutzman and upon roll call the vote was unanimous yes. Discussion and action on the Mayor reopening the Wellman Facility. McCain made a motion to approve the plans, Philpot seconded and upon roll call the vote was unanimous yes. Discussion and action on Cindy Trapp Health Insurance Options was had. Litwiler explained the two options that the city has for Trapp's Health Insurance. If we go with continuing the coverage through her current carrier the city would save around \$7,000 per year. If we go with changing to the new carrier current carrier if possible, McCain seconded and upon roll call the vote was unanimous yes. McCain made a motion to approve tree planting at 819 9th Ave. (Bernard Program) and to approve the purchase seconded and upon roll call the vote was unanimous yes. Discussion and action on agreement with Garden & Associates to analyze alternative water supply and recommend the quality of water. McCain seconded and upon roll call the vote was unanimous yes. Well #3 is our current back-up water source. The quality of water is not an issue. Another option would be to have Rural Water be the back-up. The status report via email with nothing out of the ordinary. A public hearing to receive com-

#051820-07 Approving 911 Tower Lease Site with Washington County. Second by Rodgers, passed 5-0. McGuire moved to pass Resolution #051820-08, Approving Water Treatment Sludge Disposal Agreement with ENGIE Generation North America LLC for use of Riverwest's idle lagoon contingent with DNR approval of permit classification change. Second by Schneider, passed 5-0. McGuire moved to pass Resolution #051820-09, Approving pay request from American Response Vehicles in the amount of \$5000 to cancel purchase of new ambulance. Second by Schneider, passed 5-0. Council heard discussion on possible reopening of City Hall. Mayor Schneider reported on May 18th Food Parts in Kalona. Council received samples of Noise Ordinance Codes. Code Committee will

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approve, Philpot seconded and upon roll call the vote was unanimous yes. Discussion and action on agreement with Garden & Associates for Street Inventory Mapping. Garrett explained that we have completed the Sewer Mapping of the town and are currently working on Water Mapping. It only makes sense to do the street mapping as well. Garden & Associates would be willing to do this while they are doing the Water mapping and with an additional cost of \$4,500. Philpot made a motion to approve, McCain seconded and upon roll call the vote was unanimous yes. Discussion on Feral Cats in town was had. Miller explained that he has heard many complaints from residents in town that feral cats is a big problem. Council discussed options to help control this problem and asked that the office due more research on some possible solutions or ways to help control this. Discussion was had on Wellman re-open (COVID-19 update). Litwiler explained what the surrounding cities and the county are looking to do. The plan is to have the city employees return to full staff as of June 1st. The city hall will remain closed to foot traffic for the time being and we will look into some permanent options to be made before reopening. Sr. Dining, Skate Rink, and parks will remain closed as well. With no further business to be discussed Philpot moved for adjournment at 6:39pm. Fleming seconded, and all voted eye. The next regular Council Meeting will be held Monday June 1, 2020 at 5:30pm via Zoom, meeting id: 826 0206 2136, PW: 530800. Minutes transcribed by City Clerk subject to Council Approval.

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and specifications and Awarding Bid for English River Watershed Bid package #3. Motion was made by Bender, and seconded by Schmidt, with all voting yes. The motion carried. Discussion of Washington County lease for the City Water Tower, for communications equipment on top of the tower, was held by council. Motion was made by Beisheim, and seconded by Spitzer, with all voting yes. The motion carried. Covid-19 re-opening options and regulations were considered by council. Staff was directed to consider June 1, 2020 as an option to re-open certain buildings, and park areas. Amy Schulte, and Marcus Hall, with the Washington County YMCA, were present to share re-opening safety procedures for the Kalona YMCA, and the Kalona Pool. The re-opening of the Kalona Pool is pending on a decision from the Governor. Council was informed that the YMCA will send out information to members, with a 4-1 vote, the motion carried. Setting of Public Hearing at 7:00 PM. On May 13, 2020, for approval of plans

be brought in the district court of said County within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter 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 court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless otherwise notified by this notice, on or about May 10, 2020. You are hereby notified that on May 19, 2020, the last will and testament of MARVEL HOCHSTETLER, deceased, bearing date of November 13, 2015, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Rebecca Yoder was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must

THE HIGHLAND CSD SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MONDAY, MAY 18, 2020 5:30 P.M. - HIGHLAND BOARD ROOM The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Nate Robinson, and the meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer. Megan Allen, Rachel Longbine, Samantha Holden, Kathy Butler and Nate Robinson all present via Zoom. Kevin Engel was absent. Also in attendance were Ken Crawford, Superintendent and

Longbine made a motion to adjourn at 5:38 pm. Seconded by Golden. Motion carried 7-0. Reports and documents and the full text of motions, resolutions, or policies considered by the Board at this meeting are on file in the Board Secretary's office, 649-2522. Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. PRESIDENT, NATE ROBINSON SECRETARY, SUE E RICH Published in The News, Thursday, May 28, 2020 L-38

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PUBLIC NOTICES

WASHINGTON COUNTY DISPATCH

May 18
 Caller in the 900 block of Ninth Avenue, Wellman, requests a deputy in regards to suspicious activity. Report to be filed.

Caller in the 1100 block of E Place, Kalona, requests to speak to a deputy in reference to a possible theft. Documentation at this time.

Caller in the 2100 block of 130th Street, Kalona, reports he lost his hand gun while walking in the timber. Documentation.

Caller in the 200 block of First Street, Kalona, reports two juveniles behind EPC with pellet guns shooting at things. Officer responded. Spoke with the juveniles and their parents. The parents took the BB guns away.

Caller reports hearing an alarm near the Wellman Elementary school. Officer responded but was unable to locate any noise.

May 19
 Caller in the 1500 block of Angle Road, reports hitting the gas line on the propane tank with the lawn mower. Kalona Fire Responded. Home Gas contacted.

May 20
 Officer reports being out with a disabled vehicle at Highway 1 and 140th Street, Kalona. The owner got a ride from her father and they will be making arrangements to get it moved.

Welfare check on a juvenile female

in the 100 block of South Sixth Street, Kalona, who has mentioned suicidal thoughts and sent some concerning emails to some of the other teachers.

Officer responded and spoke with parent and the child who deny any issues.

Caller in the 400 block of E Avenue, Kalona, reports her boyfriend struck her in the face. Officers responded and arrested Arturo Jilgas Jr., 32, of Washington, for domestic abuse assault causing bodily injury and possession of drug paraphernalia.

May 21
 Caller in the 1100 block of 135th Street, Wellman, reports a vehicle trespassed and tore up some property. Officer spoke with the subject and will stop back tomorrow for some further information.

Caller in Kalona reports the city maintenance stop was broken into sometime earlier this week and a lawn mower and tools are missing. Officer spoke with the caller who will get a list together of items missing. Report filed.

Caller in the 200 block of A Avenue, Kalona, reports two kids on two lawn mowers driving erratically around the trailer court, not mowing, making a lot of noise. Officer responded and spoke with the subjects.

Vehicle stop at Ginkgo and 170th Street, Wellman. Austin Patrick Golelstedt, 25, of Keota, cited into court for driving while barred. Owner of the vehi-

cle was contacted and advised not to let a barred driver operate her vehicle.

Caller in the 1600 block of 130th Street, Wellman, reports subjects pulling a mower behind a four-wheeler on 130th Street. To Theron Sutton in Wellman to mow lawns. Officer spoke with the parents of the kids and made them aware of the caller's concern for the kids safety.

Caller in the 1800 block of 120th Street, Wellman, reports someone took the sign at the end of his drive that says private drive. Approximately a month ago someone also took a stop ahead sign from the level B road 120th and Hickory. The vehicle the caller saw today was a red pick up. Occurred within the past 15 minutes. Officer was advised of the complaint and will check the area. County engineer's office was also advised.

Caller requests a welfare check on her sister in Wellman. Officer responded. Everyone at the residence was intoxicated. Everything was fine.

May 22
 Caller in the 200 block of Fifth Street, Wellman, reports two subjects sitting in a car outside for a lengthy period of time smoking something. Officer responded. Located the vehicle but nobody around.

Caller in the 500 block of 11th Street, Kalona, reports a male threatening him. Officer responded and arrested Lucas Ray Anthony, 27, of Kalona, Wash-

ington County warrant for probation violation for original charge OW 1st. Bond \$1,000 cash only. The suspect was advised to have no more contact with the female.

Caller in the 1100 block of E Place, Kalona, reports she was in a dispute with her ex-boyfriend on Monday. Request to speak to a deputy. The incident was documented.

May 23
 Caller in the 200 block of 10th Avenue, Wellman, reports five subjects making noise. They were asked to keep it down.

Caller in the 3100 block of Highway 22, Riverside, reports a transformer on electrical pole arcing, possibly on fire. Riverside fire responded. No fire. The transformer is blown due to a lightning strike. REC was contacted.

Caller in the 200 block of A Avenue, Kalona, reports a juvenile male who has been riding around in the street on a lawn mower for the last couple of hours. He also has a very small female with him. He has been doing circles in the street. Officer responded. Subject was driving the mower on a private drive. Spoke with the father. No issues.

Officer reports being out with several juveniles in Hall Park, Riverside. Spoke with the subject who were advised to leave the park.

May 24
 Dispatch received a hang-up 9-1-1

call from a residence in Riverside. Upon calling back the line was static. Spoke with the homeowner who has had problems with the home phone. No problem.

Caller in the 700 block of Eighth Avenue, Wellman, reports there are some raccoons in the basement. Requests a deputy assist. Subject called back to say they must have gotten out. He no longer hears them.

Caller in the 1200 block of Ninth Avenue, Wellman, reports a subject who continually drives by and the bass is blaring. Officer made contact with the owner who will handle this with his son who is driving the vehicle.

Caller reports a two-vehicle accident with no injuries in the east ditch of Highway 219 north of 130th street. Officer responded. Requested Riverside ORS for a female occupant complaining of shoulder pain. Operators Martha Louise Dahlin, 69, of Ansonworth and Jason Antonio Jones, 26, of Cedar Rapids. Jones cited for following too close. Both vehicles towed.

May 26
 Door to the main building at 100 Shiloh Drive is propped open and there is an abandoned bicycle. Officers responded. Bicycle was taken to the city shed and card left for the owner to call in. Documentation.

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Donna Fanatia of the Charles Polton American Legion Post No. 427 in Wellman plays "Taps" during a brief Memorial Day ceremony at the Wellman cemetery Monday morning.

A subdued Memorial Day celebration



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Caedyn Huston fastens a flag to a pole at Sharon Hill Cemetery in Kalona. He was there with sister, Adelyn, and his dad, Michael.

The crowds were smaller at Memorial Day events, but area residents still honored those who have died in wars.

The only formal ceremony was at Sharon Hill Cemetery in Kalona, where the Richmond AmVets post provided an ab-

breivated ceremony with an honor guard, a rifle salute and the playing of "Taps."

About 100 people attended.

In Wellman, the Charles Polton American Legion Post 427 held a brief ceremony at the Wellman cemetery with a

salute and "Taps."

In Riverside, the local VFW post posted flags on the graves of veterans buried in the city cemetery. The ceremony was not held, due to the desire to protect older residents from the coronavirus.



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Clockwise from top left, Richmond AmVets Sgt. at Arms Mike Welte lays flowers on the memorial to the unknown dead at Sharon Hill Cemetery. Mara Jones helps raise a flag at the cemetery, and Rudi Rencher, left, and Jann Frank discuss placing flags at the Riverside Cemetery on Friday evening. Below, flags flutter in the breeze at the cemetery in Wellman.

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