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Fruit Picking 101

Contributed by Sue Stills



If you don't golf, play tennis, pickleball or bocce ball, go dancing or walk the palm-lined streets, how does a person get exercise in Sun Lakes, Arizona, in the winter? One could volunteer with the Sun Lakes Citrus Sharers (SLCS), a community activity that helps homeowners remove their unused citrus fruit which is then donated to a local food bank, St. Mary's Food Bank. My husband Mel and I have gotten our exercise volunteering with this group for the last two years, as well as this year. SLCS has been active for 16 years and begins the fruit-picking season with a kick-off meeting on a Saturday near the end of January. There are nine picking teams, with anywhere from 10 to 20 persons on a team. The kick-off meeting is a time to orient new volunteers to the tasks, requirements and dangers of fruit picking. All have to sign a waiver releasing SLCS of responsibility in case a worker is injured. This is also a time for returning volunteers to meet up with their captains and team members.

Fruit picking took place from January 29 to February 28 this year, for four hours on each of those Saturday and Monday mornings, 8 a.m. to noon. The weather was usually in the 30's or 40's, so dressing in layers was a must. The rising temperatures, sunshine and our level of activity meant that we shed our outer coats and sweaters as the morning progressed. Our team leader, James, emailed the days' routes to us before each workday, and we met at the first house at 8 a.m. or before. Our team's work area was the south part of Sun Lakes Phase 1, our neighborhood, so we could easily follow our map, and we also knew some places to have a pit stop when needed. We wore name tags which helped in getting to know each other.

We workers drove to the first house in our cars, pickup trucks or golf carts. We each had a sign showing on our dashboards, indicating that we were part of the Sun Lakes Citrus Sharers. Our team leader spoke to the homeowner, to notify him or her that we had arrived to pick their fruit. Sometimes the homeowner requested

that we leave some low-hanging fruit for them, and sometimes they visited with us as we worked. We all carried our equipment into the homeowner's yard, blankets, picking poles and 5-gallon buckets. The yards in Sun Lakes are mainly stone or gravel, so it was important to spread large "moving blankets" under the trees before starting to pick the fruit. The blankets cushioned the fall, especially of the heavy grapefruit, so that the fruit would not be split open by hitting the gravel and thus be unusable. Some fruit was unusable when it had been eaten by birds or roof rats or when it had been left on the tree since the previous year and was now spongy. We gathered up this unusable fruit and put it into the homeowners' trash bins. Some fruit that was just "split" in the process of picking, we called "juicers" and placed it into a juicer bucket that the team leader took home with him. We always took care to remove all of the stems, since these could pierce the fruit in the buckets and bins and make a juicy mess.

Usually, the women would pick the lower hanging fruit, while the men would use hooked poles to reach the higher fruit. I, as well as some of the other women, tried our hand at using the poles. Some fruit stems were trickier than others to grab onto in order to pull the fruit down. Climbing the trees was forbidden due to safety concerns. We all had to watch out for each other to avoid tripping on the blankets, fruit on the ground, garden ornaments, low retaining walls around the trees and of course, falling fruit dislodged by the poles. There was quite a risk of being hit on the head and other body parts when the fruit came falling down – a risk to both the person wielding the pole and to the person scooting under the tree to pick up the fruit from the ground. Sometimes there was so much fruit on the ground that we "gatherers" asked for a halt to the high picking so that we could gather up what was already on the ground. As the 5-gallon buckets were filled,

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workers carried them to the curb at the street where they were loaded into a pickup truck, usually the leader James' truck. When the truck was full, he drove to a house about one mile away, nicknamed "Citrus Central," where the buckets from all of the teams were unloaded into huge cardboard bins. The workers stationed there made sure that the various fruits (grapefruits, oranges and lemons) were dumped into their appropriate bins. James then drove back to where the team was, as we progressed on to the next house. On Mondays, a semi-truck arrived from St. Mary's Food Bank in Phoenix to load the bins and take them to the food bank.

There was a lot of stretching, bending, walking and carrying 5-gallon buckets in each workday, so we all got plenty of exercise! All of the teams agreed that the fruit harvest this year was exceptional. Our team remembered a particular lemon tree from last year, affectionately known as "the tree from hell," which took almost two hours to pick. On the day we did that tree, one worker's ten-year-old granddaughter helped pick. Did you know that a lemon tree has thorns on the branches? Many trees had not had the dead branches thinned out, so reaching into the branches usually resulted in jabs and scrapes on our arms. Work gloves protected our hands, and some workers wore hats to protect from falling fruit. We averaged picking at seven houses per day and 16 trees per day. At the end of the picking season, a total of 663 homes were serviced by all of the teams, with a total of 1,506 trees (683 orange, 230 lemon, 541 grapefruit and 52 other). The total weight was over 100 tons of fruit! Our last task of the season was to gather at one worker's house and wash and rinse the 60+ buckets we had used.

Close to 200 volunteers and spouses celebrated the end of the successful fruit picking season with a party at "Citrus Central." We enjoyed snacks, beverages, a catered Italian meal and dozens of desserts (each volunteer family brought a dessert). A representative from St. Mary's Food Bank spoke and expressed his great appreciation for our efforts. There were a great many "door prizes," and Mel and I each won one. Mine was a kitchen caddy set with hand soap, hand cream and dish soap, all in a "grapefruit scent," with a scrub brush and rubber gloves. Although Mel would rather have won a gift card to Lowe's or Home Depot, he won a kitchen towel with oranges on it, a jar of orange marmalade and a lemon juicer.

All of the fruit is donated to the St. Mary's Food Bank in Phoenix. It was founded by John van Hengel in 1967, and it exists to help feed hungry families throughout Phoenix and nine Arizona counties. It is one of the largest food banks in the United States. Van Hengel founded several other food banks across the country, founded the national organization America's Second Harvest (known today as Feeding America), and founded the Global Food Banking network. St. Mary's has another location in Surprise, AZ. According to the St. Mary's website www.firstfoodbank.org, with the support of their generous donors and the help of over a thousand partner agencies, St. Mary's distributed 110,427,114 pounds of food last year throughout most of Arizona.

The website further explained that citrus tree owners can have their trees gleaned at no cost by one of their volunteer gleaning crews. To glean is to gather, pick, collect or reap. Persons may also take their excess crop directly to St. Mary's. The citrus crop is so abundant that it is common to see boxes and bags of it at curbsides in neighborhoods, in the workplace and in the church courtyard. Neighbors share with family and friends, and "snowbirds" often return to their Northern/Eastern homes with fruit to share. At the end of the "gleaning" season, the trees are ready to start all over again, and the fragrance of blossoming citrus trees is so pleasant. We were happy to share our time and energy for a worthwhile cause and will do it again if we can.

I want to thank my family, my church family community and all of those who have supported me on this journey. Having had multiple strokes and damage to my heart valve starting on October 2, 2021, I am so grateful for the support I have received from the community and around the world. I continue on this journey. I don't know what is next for me. There will be no surgeries. We just wait to see what God has in store for me. It has been such a privilege to share my journey with all of those who have supported me throughout this time and will continue to support me in the future.

On October 2, 2021, my life changed in an instant when an infection caused multiple strokes, total blindness and severe damage to my heart valve. It has been a journey of unknown situations, but I know that God is in control of my life. I am waiting to see what the future holds. I know that God has a plan for me, and I am at peace with whatever that plan may be. I am so grateful for the love and support from my family, my church family, my community, healthcare workers and all the others whom I have met along the way. I want to thank everyone for the kindness that you have shown through the visits, calls, food, flowers, cards and letters. Thank you from the depths of my defective heart.

I draw my strength from the following scripture:

Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
Lean not on your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge Him,
And He will direct your path.
Proverbs 3: 5,6

Donna Conway



JOB OPPORTUNITY

Martensdale-St. Marys has immediate openings for bus drivers!

We are in need of drivers for AM and PM routes, as well as activity trips and drivers who could substitute as needed. Route pay is \$21.00/hr. with a 2-hour minimum pay per trip. Activity driving is paid at \$14.00/hr.

We pay for all the required training and pay you for your time to train! In order to drive a school bus, drivers must obtain their CDL with Passenger, Student, and Air Brake endorsements and must be able to pass a DOT physical examination.

If interested, please apply online at www.teachiowa.gov or stop into the Central Office for a paper application.

Questions can be directed to Ross Turner, ross_turner@mstm.us.

June 7th 2022

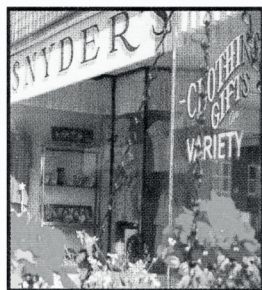


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IHCA Foundation Offers Health Care Scholarships for Long-Term Care Employees, High School Students, Veterans and Rural Iowa Residents

88 scholarships now available; applications due May 31

WEST DES MOINES, Iowa (April 5, 2022) - The Iowa Health Care Association (IHCA) Foundation is offering 88 scholarships to help individuals interested in pursuing or advancing their career in long-term care. Scholarship opportunities are available for current long-term care employees seeking to advance their health care or leadership skills, as well as high school seniors, veterans or individuals residing in rural Iowa counties who are pursuing an education in health care.

"As the need for highly skilled health care workers continues to grow, the IHCA Foundation has continued to enhance its scholarship program to help meet those needs. We are grateful to have this opportunity, thanks to our generous donors, to support those who are interested in working in the long-term care profession and building a long-term career," said Lori Ristau, executive director, IHCA Foundation. "For those who choose this profession, it is not just a job; it is a calling. It is a way to build and apply skills to make a meaningful difference in the lives of others, while working in a career that is in high-demand and provides exciting opportunities for advancement."

Scholarship Offerings

The IHCA Foundation is now accepting applications for the following scholarships:

* John W. & Kimberly D. Grubb Registered Nurse (RN) Scholarship Program - This \$3,000 scholarship, made possible by the John R. and Zelda Z. Grubb Charitable Foundation, is for employees of IHCA member organizations who are pursuing an RN degree. A total of nine scholarships are available.

* MolinaCares High School Scholarship Program - This \$2,000 scholarship, made possible by The Molina Healthcare Charitable Foundation (MolinaCares), is for Iowa high school seniors who are in their senior year during the 2021-2022 academic year and enrolled in a certified nursing assistant (CNA), licensed practical nurse (LPN), registered nurse (RN) or bachelor of science in nursing (BSN) program for the 2022-2023 academic year. It is intended for those interested in a future career in long-term care. A total of 14 scholarships are available.

* Linda Juckette Family Rural and Veteran Scholarship Program - This \$2,000 scholarship, made possible by the Linda Juckette Family Gift Fund, is for anyone residing in a rural Iowa county or is a veteran who is pursuing nursing or health care administration programs or certification programs for dietary management, activities, social services or reimbursement professionals in Iowa, with the goal of working in long-term care. A total of five scholarships are available.

* Iowa Total Care Leadership Training Scholarship Program - This \$350 scholarship, made possible by Iowa Total Care, is for managers at IHCA member organizations who are interested in advancing their leadership skills by attending the American Health Care Association's PHI Coaching Supervision Course. A total of 40 scholarships are available.

* IHCA Member Employee Scholarship Program - This \$1,500 scholarship is for employees of IHCA member organizations who are pursuing a nursing, health care administration or a physical or occupational training program. A total of 20 scholarships are available. This scholarship is made possible by the IHCA Districts, Iowa Council of Nurse Leaders, Iowa Society of Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine, The Vetter Foundation, Brighton Consulting Group, HPSI Purchasing Services, Right Dose, A Guardian Pharmacy and Robert and Shirley V. Dahl Foundation.

How to Apply

Eligibility requirements, application guidelines and materials are available online at iowahealthcare.org/foundation. Completed applications are due by May 31. Winners will be announced in July.

-About the Iowa Health Care Association Foundation

Founded in 1988 by the Iowa Health Care Association (IHCA), the mission of the IHCA Foundation is to foster excellence in long-term care for Iowans by building a stronger workforce. The IHCA Foundation carries out this mission by empowering individuals to reach their career goals in the long-term care profession through scholarships, career education and career access programs. IHCA Foundation programs help support career opportunities available in the long-term care continuum, including nursing facilities, assisted living programs, residential care facilities, senior living communities and home health agencies.



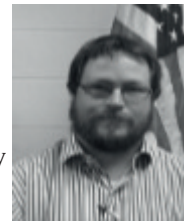
ROADRUNNER PRIDE INTERSTATE 35 COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION:

Preschool Registration is open and taking application for the 2022- 2023 school year. If your student is going to be 4 on or before September 15, we would enjoy visiting with you about our preschool program! Not quite 4 by September 15, consider enrolling your student in our 3-year-old program. For more details please contact our Early Childhood Director, Jenny Dickinson at jdickinson@i-35.k12.ia.us or call the school at 641-765-4901.

May is Board of Education Recognition Month

In honor of Board Recognition Month, we wanted to thank the Board of Education for the Interstate 35 Community School District. Information about the Board of Education can be found on our district website at www.roadrunnerpride.org
Jeremy Maske, President



Term Ending 11/2023 (District 1)

Email: maske_j@yahoo.com or
jeremymaske@roadrunnerpride.org

My wife, Christine, and I have three children- Ainsley, an I-35 Graduate, Jack, and Ivey currently students at Interstate 35 Community School District. I am an employee of the federal government where I have been a National Officer and am currently a local president in the employee union. I also serve on the Iowa Federation of Labor's board of directors. I believe that every student is capable of learning, and I believe that the school needs to be supported in order to assist every student in the pursuit of excellence.

Roger Cannoy, Vice President

Term Ending 11/2023 (At Large)

Email: rcannoy@i-35.k12.ia.us

I grew up in Sheldon, Iowa, with both parents having careers in education. I attended University of Northern Iowa, where I obtained a degree in Construction Management and Business Administration. I am the Central Iowa Regional Manager for Interstates,

an electrical engineering, automation and construction company based out of Sioux Center, Iowa. My wife, Lyndsay, is an alumna of Interstate 35, making our boys, Charlie and Porter, 3rd generation Roadrunners. We have been residents of Truro since 2009. In my free time, I enjoy golfing, furniture building, hunting, camping and various home improvement projects. I also coach and referee youth basketball.

I serve on the school board because I believe that all of our students deserve an opportunity to be successful and that our school must provide diverse opportunities for our students. Additionally, I believe our school needs to provide our students an environment to develop a strong work-ethic and high ethical/moral standards.



Eddie Vonnahme, Board Member

Term Ending 11/2023 (District 2)

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I'm married to Katie Vonnahme, and we have 6 children; Max and Sam, both I-35 graduates, Maggie, Louie, Lucy, and Ben who are all currently students at Interstate 35. We moved to the district in 2008 from Des Moines, and we built a home east of St. Charles. I currently work for Security Benefit as a Portfolio Manager. Any time away from work, we spend together as a family. That takes the form of 4-H projects for the Madison County Fair, camping on Spring Break and summer vacations, school and church functions, and working on our small farm.

The Middle School Club Program

By Mitchell Stanley

The MS club program is a very unique program with lots of opportunities and gives students a chance to experience new things and possibly spark new interests. For me personally, it turned out to be an eye-opening experience for how yoga can affect/change one's physical and mental mindset. Other classes such as hunter safety, cooking in a microwave, arts and crafts, and even bucket drumming have taught students how to try new things and broaden their horizons, all of it while staying at school in a comfortable environment.



Also, it is nice to have a period just designated for yourself, your interest, and your peers. A Harvard study found that socialization is a key factor in not only brain development, but also helps with decreasing depression levels in teens and young adults. This is relevant because school tends to be a place of focus, learning, and hard work, and this can be an especially big deal to middle schoolers as they are transferring from having recess periods to having only lunch as a social opportunity. This is yet another one of the very many reasons MS clubs are beneficial to the school district and its students. Another element to consider is the teachers and administrators. It is a chance for them to get to know their students, other than their grades and test scores. Having a relationship with a student helps them better grasp and understand the material being taught. Also, the teachers get to have fun doing a club more likely than not about an interesting and significant topic. When asked what they think, Tiffany Bortell stated: "I think it is interesting, and I am glad my students and children get to participate in such a cool experience. I wish we had something like it when I was in school." This is all of my reasoning why I think that the MS club program is a very unique and innovative program; it should be spread state, national, and internationally wide.



Note: If you have interest in being a part of our club programs that we offer to students, please contact Mrs.

Dutrey at hdutrey@i-35.k12.ia.us about possibilities



I serve on the I-35 School Board to try to use some of the skills I've been given to assist I-35 however I can. My goal for I-35 is to help direct strategy and to assist the administration, teachers, and students as we strive to provide a solid education for our students.

Monica Strange, Board Member



Term Ending 11/2025 (District 3)
Email: mstrange@i-35.k12.ia.us
My husband, Justin, an I-35 alumnus, and I have 3 children who are 3rd generation Roadrunners, Laura (11th), Keegan (9th) and Kelsey (2nd). I currently work as a Subrogation Representative for Sedgwick Claims Management. I am currently attending SNHU to obtain my bachelor's degree, and I am a member of the I-35 Booster Club.

I am proud to serve on the board and ensure the continued growth of our district, community, and values. I believe that a Parent's voice in their child's education is important. I will always listen to all sides of an issue before making a decision. I believe in accountability and clear communication when it comes to our Children's education and the students, teachers and parents' input into those decisions.

Melissa Keller, Board Member



Term Ending 11/2025 (District 4)
Email: mkeller@i-35.k12.ia.us
My husband Andy and I have 2 children, Tucker (11th grade) and Cora (9th grade) at I-35. My husband is a Roadrunner Alumnus. I have been employed in the financial industry for over 16 years and enjoy all aspects of my position that continue to allow me to build relationships. In

my free time, I enjoy working on our hobby farm, gardening, watching kids' sports and serving in my local church. I believe transparency and collaboration among parents, teachers, students and the administration are a necessity. My goal is to continue and encourage this. I want our students to learn the core curriculum that will help them to be academically successful. I support our teachers and tax payers, and with growth can come decisions. I will always look at the big picture with an open mind, but maintain alignment with our small-town community values. I am thankful for this opportunity and will always look at what is best for our students and their future as Roadrunners.



Anticipated School Lunch Changes

During the 2020-2021 year, the federal government extended free lunch to all students PK-12. This allocation carried into the 2021-2022 school year. It is anticipated that this will not be carried the next school year. What that means for our students is they will need to pay for breakfast and lunch in school next year. It is important to remember that we do offer free and reduced lunch prices for anyone who qualifies. If you directly qualify, you will receive a letter--please be sure to complete the information for the books and fees and return the form to the school.

If you are unsure if you qualify, we encourage you to complete the application—one will be found in the summer Roadrunner Report or you can contact Deann Strange for more information at dstrange@i-35.k12.ia.us.

Upcoming Events

Come out and support the ROADRUNNERS over the next few weeks!!!

April 21	B/G Golf at Woodward Granger
April 21	Girls Track and Field at Southwest Valley
April 21	Boys Track and Field at MStM
April 22	FFA Banquet
April 25	Board of Education Meeting
April 25	Girls Track and Field at Van Meter
April 25	Boys Track and Field at Gilbert
April 26	B/G Golf at Earlham
April 26	Boys Track and Field at Mt. Ayr
April 27	Baccalaureate at MStM
April 28	6 th grade Science Fair
April 28	B/G Golf at Lamoni
April 28	Girls Track and Field at Clarke (Osceola)
April 28	Boys Track and Field at Bondurant-Farrar
April 30	Spring Musical
May 2	Girls Golf at Pleasantville
May 3	Girls Track and Field at Panorama
May 3	Boys Track and Field at Van Meter
May 3	PTO BEEP Club
May 4	Boys Golf at Panorama
May 5	Boys Track and Field at Southwest Valley
May 6	Family STEM Night
May 7	Large Group Band & Choir at Woodward Granger
May 9	B/G Golf at Mormon Trail
May 9	Boys Track and Field at Nodaway Valley
May 9	Girls Track and Field at MStM
May 10	6-12 Band and Choir Concert
May 11	Boys Golf (TBA)
May 12	B/G Track and Field Districts (TBA)
May 13	Girls Golf Regional (TBA)
May 17	Fine Arts Night
May 18	Senior Awards Night
May 19	Preschool Graduation
May 19	B/G Track and Field State at Drake Stadium
May 20	B/G Track and Field State at Drake Stadium
May 21	B/G Track and Field State at Drake Stadium

ALL athletic competitions are VARSITY contests. For additional information, please see our webpage at WWW.ROADRUNNERPRIDE.ORG and check out our ACTIVITIES page.

Let's Go ROADRUNNERS!

City Of New Virginia

The Council met in regular session on Monday April 4th, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. for the April Council Meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mayor Huston with Council Members Galivan, Nelson, Strange, Taylor and Truman present.

Minutes from the March council meeting and Treasurer's Report were approved.

Old business discussed: Jeff Winslow from City State Bank advised there is a potential buyer for the old gas station and wanted to know if the City had any concerns with the station.

Citizen Input: A citizen inquired about tax abatement for his new home. Work continues on getting the City Tax Abatement program updated. Hopefully this process will be completed before the end of this summer.

It was discussed that gravel needs to be placed on Pine Street.

The Council was advised that there has been more items/junk placed behind a home in the 400 block of East Street. An official letter from the City will be delivered to the property owner regarding this matter.

Water Utilities discussed: Follow-up will be done with the Baptist Church regarding trouble-shooting for a possible water leak on the property.

Law Enforcement: – The report summary from the Sheriff's Office for the month of March was reviewed. There were eight calls for service received or initiated by Deputies in the month of March. There was one citation and/or warning issued for traffic violations that occurred within the City of New Virginia proper. Officers spent in excess of 36 hours in the City for the month of March.

Fire Department Business: Iowa Code 100.40 – Illegal Burning, was discussed. There was a burning ban in Warren County for most of the month of March. There were several grass fires started during the burn ban. Fire Departments throughout the county issued citations for illegal burning. The County Sheriff does not issue citations for illegal burning. The citations have to be issued by the fire department per State Code. Issuance of citations for illegal burning will be discussed with the City Attorney as well as Warren County Fire Departments that have issued citations.

A public hearing was held to vacate a sixteen and a half foot alley running East and West and lying North of and adjacent to Lots 27 and 28 in Block "L" Original Town Plat of New Virginia, Warren County, Iowa. There was one citizen present that did not voice an opinion on vacating the alley. There were no written or email responses regarding said proposed alley closing. Strange moved, seconded by Nelson to close the public hearing. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Nelson moved, seconded by Taylor to vacate and sale a sixteen and a half foot alley running East and West and lying North of and adjacent to Lots 27 and 28 in Block "L" Original Town Plat of New Virginia, Warren County, Iowa. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

A public hearing was held for the first reading of Ordinance #115 – ORDINANCE VACATING AN ALLEY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEW VIRGINIA, IOWA. There was one citizen present that did not voice an opinion regarding the first reading of Ordinance #115. There were no written or email responses regarding Ordinance #115. Truman moved, seconded by Galivan to close the public hearing. A roll call vote was taken 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Taylor moved, seconded by Nelson to approve the first reading of Ordinance #115 – AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN ALLEY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEW VIRGINIA, IOWA. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

A public hearing was held to pass & approve Resolution 2022-05 – A RESOLUTION PROPOSING DISPOSAL OF AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY BY SALE. There was one citizen present that did not voice an opinion regarding said Resolution. There were no written or email responses regarding said Resolution. Strange moved, seconded by Truman to close the public hearing. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Nelson moved, seconded by Truman to pass & approve Resolution 2022-05 – A RESOLUTION PROPOSING DISPOSAL OF AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY BY SALE. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

A public hearing was held to vacate a twelve foot alley running East and West and lying North of and adjacent to Lots 3, 10, 11, & 12 in Davidson's Addition to the Town of New Virginia, Warren County, Iowa AND, the twelve foot alley running North and South and lying East of and adjacent to Lot 12 in Davidson's Addition to the Town of New Virginia, Warren County, Iowa. There was one citizen present in favor of vacating the alley. There were no written or email responses regarding said proposed alley closing. Taylor moved, seconded by Galivan to close the public hearing. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstained. Motion carried.

Truman moved, seconded by Taylor to vacate and sale a twelve foot alley running East and West and lying North of and adjacent to Lots 3, 10, 11, & 12 in Davidson's Addition to the Town of New Virginia, Warren County, Iowa AND, the twelve foot alley running North and South and lying East of and adjacent to Lot 12 in Davidson's Addition to the Town of New Virginia, Warren County, Iowa. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstained. Motion carried.

A public hearing was held for the first reading of Ordinance #116 – ORDINANCE VACATING ALLEYS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEW VIRGINIA, IOWA. There was one citizen present in favor of the first reading of Ordinance #116. There were no written or email responses regarding Ordinance #116. Truman moved, seconded by Taylor to close the public hearing. A roll call vote was taken 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstained. Motion carried.

Strange moved, seconded by Taylor to approve the first reading of Ordinance #116 – AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN ALLEY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEW VIRGINIA, IOWA. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstained. Motion carried.

A public hearing was held to pass & approve Resolution 2022-06 – A RESOLUTION PROPOSING DISPOSAL OF AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY BY SALE. There was one citizen present that was in favor of said Resolution. There were no written or email responses regarding said Resolution. Galivan moved, seconded by Taylor to close the public hearing. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstained. Motion carried.

Taylor moved, seconded by Truman to pass & approve Resolution 2022-06 – A RESOLUTION PROPOSING DISPOSAL OF AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY BY SALE. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstained. Motion carried.

The City received four mowing bids for the 2022 mowing season. After reviewing and discussing the four bids, Strange moved, seconded by Truman to accept and approve the bid of Ross Baughman for the 2022 mowing season: mowing city parks, fire station, library, Hen House, welcome signs, City Right of Way southeast corner of Broadway & Border St at \$400.00/month. GAMP east half at \$400.00/month; west half of GAMP at \$250.00/month. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 1 nay. Motion carried.

The current city budget and fund balances were reviewed. There will need to be at least one budget amendment to the proprietary (Water Utilities) function of the current city budget.

GAMP FINANCIAL UPDATE

April 4, 2022

We have several rentals within the next two months. The Committee has sent out sponsor letters for the 2022 truck pull. We have started receiving those funds.

NEW VIRGINIA PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE UPDATE

The bricks will be delivered to the engraving company within the next couple of weeks. We are still working with Dustin Reese at Ted Lare Building, Inc. for a list of ideas for the memorial tree. We hope to have this purchased and set in place this spring. Our account balance is \$2675.82.

KEEP IOWA BEAUTIFUL PROGRAM

The account balance is \$2,955.82. KIB monthly meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 6, 2022.

Keep Iowa Beautiful Committee held their 2nd Kite Flying event on March 20th. This was a great success again this year.

The artwork for the windows above the Depot Restaurant continues to be worked on.

The flower bed in the southwest corner of Old Settlers Park will be re-worked. Landscaping bricks have been purchased.

The banners will be placed back on the poles this spring, hopefully in May.

Discussion was held regarding disbursement of left over funds from the New Virginia Area Development Corporation. The City Attorney will be consulted to see if the funds can be disbursed to various committees and groups that are affiliated with the City or are a 501(c)3 organization.

The Council reviewed two draft letters to citizens regarding unleashed and unleashed/loose running dogs. The letters will be delivered to the dog owners by a Warren County Deputy.

There will also be a letter delivered by a Warren County Deputy to a property owner that has two unlicensed/junk vehicles.

There was discussion in regards to filling a hole with rock at West Street and Broadway.

Per the Warren County Budget Director, the 2022-23 City Budget will have to have another public hearing process including publication of the public hearing and approval of the budget by resolution. This is because the public hearing for the budget was published before the Maximum Tax Levy Rate was approved. It is planned to have a special meeting on Saturday April 23rd, 2022 to re-approve the 2022-23 city budget.

Mayor Huston received two letters from Interstate 35 3rd graders thanking him for his service as Mayor to our community. Mayor Huston wrote a letter back to the 3rd grade class thanking and encouraging them.

Nelson moved, seconded by Taylor to approve payment of all City bills. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

With no further business to come forth, Truman moved, seconded by Taylor to adjourn meeting. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The May council meeting is scheduled for Monday May 2nd, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. **May meeting date –**

Monday May 2nd, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.



Jennifer Baughman City Clerk

CLAIMS REPORT

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT	CHECK #	CHECK DATE
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS/STREET LIGHTS	\$896.64	14465	4/3/2022
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES INK CARTRIDGE	\$131.26	14466	4/3/2022
D&L ELECTRIC & AUTO SALES	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERV GAMP	\$57.12	14467	4/3/2022
DINGES FIRE COMPANY	VEHICLE PARTS BUMPERNOZZLES	\$1,579.51	14482	4/5/2022
DRIVE APPEAL	VEHICLE FIRE DEPT TRUCK	\$22,625.00	14464	3/16/2022
GENTRY BURTON	CLEANING	\$75.00	14483	4/5/2022
IOWA PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEM	IPERS	\$291.01	16326215	4/3/2022
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	\$543.61	16326216	4/3/2022
J&L SANITATION	GARBAGE SERVICE - CITY	\$60.00	14484	4/5/2022
JAKE ZUERCHER	FUEL NEW FIRE TRUCK	\$146.10	14485	4/5/2022
LEXIPOL	FIRE TRAINING SOLUTION	\$810.00	14468	4/3/2022
NAPA AUTO PARTS PREMIER PART	OPPERATING SUPPLIES BATT CHARG	\$230.56	14486	4/5/2022
REGISTER MEDIA	PUBLICATION BUDGET FY22-23	\$270.54	14487	4/5/2022
VERIZON	TELEPHONE	\$161.39	14469	4/3/2022
WASTE MANAGEMENT	RECYCLING	\$1,051.40	14489	4/5/2022
WEX FLEET UNIVERSAL	VEHCILE FUEL	\$594.99	14490	4/5/2022
WINDSTREAM	TELEPHONE/INTERNET	\$335.25	14491	4/5/2022
	TOTAL GENERAL	\$29,859.38		
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS/STREET LIGHTS	\$1,152.43	14465	4/3/2022
	TOTAL ROAD USE	\$1,152.43		
ANCEL KENNEDY	SERVICE	\$125.00	14479	4/5/2022
CITY STATE BANK	BANK/COLLECTION FEES	\$17.00	14480	4/5/2022
DES MOINES WATER WORKS	WATER TESTING	\$190.00	14481	4/5/2022
IOWA PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEM	IPERS	\$300.43	16326215	4/3/2022
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	\$348.62	16326216	4/3/2022
VERIZON	TELEPHONE	\$41.61	14469	4/3/2022
WARREN WATER DISTRICT	WATER USAGE/LOAN PAYMENT	\$3,893.60	14488	4/5/2022
	TOTAL WATER UTILITES	\$4,916.26		
	GENERAL	\$2,745.98		
	WATER	\$1,560.76		
	TOTAL PAYROLL	\$4,306.74		
	***** REPORT TOTAL *****	<u>\$40,234.81</u>		

General Fund	3958.72
GAMP	282.89
Debt Service	3.61
Water Utilities	7480.81
Road Use	2314.90
LOST (local option sales tax)	8802.36
Total	<u>\$ 26152.54</u>

March Revenues

Fire/Ambulance 3309.25



New Virginia Residents
Please mark your calendars



Will be held on May 14, 2022
More information to come next month

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May
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In Years Past...

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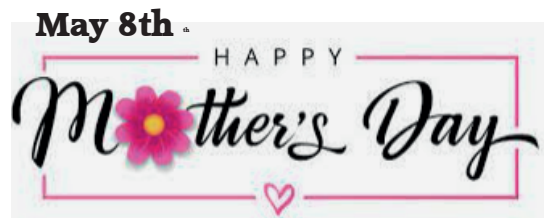
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In Years Past...

April 1974
The Altoona Kitchen Band is appearing at the TEKE Inn, New Virginia, 9-12 p.m.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS



The New Virginia United Methodist Church will be participating in the City Wide Garage Sale on Saturday May 7, 2022 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



**Breakfast
May 7, 2022**



**Serving
6:15 AM to 9:30 AM**

**Breakfast Burritos
Juice & Coffee**

**New Virginia
Shelter House
Old Settlers Park**

"\$5.00 Per Burrito"



Whitney Stuart



will be joining Nancy Hagan at **Shear Serenity Salon**, starting the beginning of June. Her services will include haircuts, colors, highlights, perms, facial waxing, and more. Contact Whitney at 641-740-2962 to schedule your appointment.



**ATTENTION
PLEASE**

Notice

New Virginia Cemetery Clean-Up

Starting May 1st of this year, we will start cleaning around all cemetery headstone bases in preparation for Memorial Day. If you have a family grade that will be affected by this, please visit the cemetery before that date and take the items that you want to keep with you.

Thank you, Cemetery Grounds Keeper

In Years Past.....

April 1971

New Virginia, IA, served by the Hawkeye State Telephone Company, will have Direct Dial facilities placed in service on April 1. Direct Dialing will mean that customers will be able to call practically anywhere in the United States without operator assistance.



Truro Public Library

Tuesday 9:30-3:30
Wednesday 3:30-6:30
Thursday 10-6
Saturday 9-noon



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New Virginia Fireworks DONATIONS STILL NEEDED FOR 2022 NEW VIRGINIA FIREWORKS

The Saturday evening fireworks are a big part of our Old Settlers Celebration. We still need donations to pay for the 2022 fireworks. We still need approximately \$800.00 in donations to be able to receive our March 1st early pay fireworks discount. For those of you who like to do your business online, the New Virginia Old Settlers Association has set up a Venmo account for online donations. Our link to donate is:

<https://venmo.com/NewVirginia-OldSettlers> . You can also donate to the New Virginia Fireworks Fund at City State Bank or you may also mail a check (please write fireworks in the memo) to the fireworks fund to:

City Clerk of New Virginia
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New Virginia, IA 50210

Any questions feel free to contact, Deann Strange (515)210-8847 or dstrangedlec@gmail.com

****Mark your calendar****

**New Virginia Christian Church would like to
invite you to our
Annual Chicken Dinner (and More)**



**Sunday, May 1st
11:30 – 1:00 PM
At the New Virginia Lions Hall**



**All Proceeds to go to Hiz Kidz,
A non-profit organization that is working in conjunction with
our local Churches to provide
an after school program for our I-35 youth**

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COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS



NEW VIRGINIA ALUMNI BANQUET

New Virginia Legion Hall

Doors Open at 5 p.m.

Social Hour 5-6 p.m.

Dinner Served at 6 p.m.

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The Hometown Pride Committee highlights how wonderful the New Virginia Community is through opportunities to make someone's day special to enhancing the beauty that can be found on a small-town street. Our mission is simple; however, we cannot do it alone. How can you help make a difference? Contact us or visit us during one of our meetings, the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM, find us at The Depot or at Old Settlers Park.

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What's happening at the New Virginia Public Library?

Every Wednesday Afternoon at 2:00 p.m. is Cribbage!

Every Third Wednesday at 4 p.m. is Book Club!

The Library is now a member of the AmazonSmile program!

We now have a community refrigerator for anyone in Warren County!

New Books This Month

The Recovery Agent by Janet Evanovich

A Relative Murder by Jude Deveraux

Shadows Reel by CJ Box

Check our Facebook page for updates on upcoming activities!

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New Virginia United Methodist Church Necessities Pantry

In 2017 the New Virginia United Methodist Church started a non-food essentials pantry and now is celebrating the start of the fifth year of the pantry. The project began as a project of the United Methodist Women, but it was quickly supported by members of the community and friends from Medora, Indianola, St Charles, Leon, and all places in between.

In the first years, the pantry has severed over 100 families – some on a repeat basis, others only when an emergency arose – and has distributed over 3,800 items. Over the years, the pantry has grown. With the help of grants and generous donations from the community, the pantry has been able to extend its hours, expand the number of items to be given away each month, and also expand the area served.

The pantry is housed in the New Virginia United Methodist Church. It is open the second Wednesday of each month. The hours are 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Some of the items that are stocked include: toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, laundry detergent, bleach, toothpaste, shower gel, bar soap, liquid hand soap, air freshener, glass cleaner, toilet bowl cleaner, baby wipes, sanitary napkins, tampons, adult diapers and pads.

The first time a family patronizes the pantry they can have one of each item they need. Afterwards, when a need arises, they can have 10-12 items (depending on availability). A family can also have two of the same item if needed.

The pantry always accepts donations – both in kind and cash. If you would like to donate or if you have questions, please contact Sharon Dunkin at 515-577-3540 and leave a message.

New Virginia City Wide GARAGE SALE & CRAFT SALE

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2022

8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

New Virginia Lions will serve breakfast burritos & New Virginia Old Settlers will serve a lunch of pulled pork sandwich or hot dog, baked beans, chips, dessert and a drink in Old Settlers Park

Garage Sales & Crafters may set up in Old Settlers Park for a \$5.00 fee

Craft & Garage Sales may be posted on our Facebook page for FREE www.facebook.com/oldsettlersnv



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CITY OF ST CHARLES

4 April 2022 City Council Meeting Minutes

The St. Charles City Council met at City Hall on Monday, 4/4/2022, for a regular meeting. Mayor Dennis Smith called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

Council members Tom Blomme, Dan Kozak, Whitney Hutton, and Lois Stanley were present. Councilman Megan Allison joined the meeting via phone. Six guests were also present.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Tom Blomme/Whitney Hutton to approve the agenda. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes for Council Meeting from 3/7/2022: Motion made by Dan Kozak/Tom Blomme to approve the minutes. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of March Treasurer and Budget Reports: Motion made by Lois Stanley/Tom Blomme to approve the treasurer and budget reports for March. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of April Bills: Motion made by Tom Blomme /Dan Kozak to approve the April bills. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Sheriff's Report: During March there were 51.53 patrol hours, 9 calls, and 9 traffic stops in St. Charles.

City Boards/Committees:

- Sewer Report: Rhonda Guy Submitted a sewer report for March.
- Maintenance Report: Tom Blomme will contact Madison County to have a road grader grade Council Drive and North Cross Streets. New gravel will be put down after the grading.
- Fire/Rescue Department: March minutes were submitted. A budget amendment will be required for the Rescue Department to allow for ambulance expenses.
- Library Board: Margaret Blair presented minutes from March. The Library will require a budget amendment to allow for the expense of the new book drop. The funds were part of the Dale Beaman Memorial and will be transferred from Library saving account.
- Old Settlers: Minutes from the March 10th meeting were submitted.
- Park Board: Rebecca Albers gave an update on the new park projects. A budget amendment will be done to allow for the equipment to be ordered before another price increase. The City Council agreed to allow the Park Board to use funds from the park savings account should they need them. John Walker will be removing the old fence at the City Park to make room for a pickle ball court.
- Emergency Management: March report was submitted.
- Clerk's Report: Variance Board minutes for the property at 114 N Cross was shared with the Council.

Welcome Center Update and Discussion with Amara Huffine: Amara Huffine, Executive Director of the Madison County Chamber of Commerce discussed the possibility of the St. Charles Welcome Center becoming a satellite of the Winterset Welcome Center. Motion by Tom Blomme/Lois Stanley to allow the Chamber of Commerce to run the Welcome Center for 5 months of the year 2022 with no rental fee. Voice vote was unanimous. If the Chamber Board agrees to operate the Welcome Center, they will be providing all the fixtures, pay, and training for employees and volunteers. The City of St. Charles will continue to pay utilities and is planning to allow public use of the facility not utilized by the Chamber of Commerce. Motion by Tom Blomme/Dan Kozak to accept a bid by Brant Electric to make some electrical changes to the Welcome Center. Voice vote passed unanimously

Main Street Waste Containers: Motion by Tom Blomme/Megan Allison to purchase 3 waste containers to be placed on Main Street and at Covered Bridge Park.

US Cellular Installing Small Cell Equipment: Should new poles need to be installed, the City Council would like to be notified before the installation. If US Cellular uses existing Mid-American Energy poles, they may proceed with the installation of the equipment to improve speeds and data service in St. Charles.

Public Forum: No public asked to speak.

Old Business: Two nuisance letters will be sent.

New Business: No new business

Motion made by Lois Stanley to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm.

The next City Council meeting will be on May 2, 2022, at City Hall.

Dennis Smith, Mayor

Attest: Tracy Kozak, City Clerk

Posted at: City Hall, Post Office, Montross, and Library



City Hall Hours:

Tuesday: 9:30 am – 3:30 pm

Wednesday: 9:30 am – 3:30 pm

Thursday: 9:30 am – 3:30 pm

Other times are available by appointment only.

In Years Past...

April 20, 1972

The Apollo 16 Lunar Module (LM) "Orion" was the 5th crewed vehicle to land on the Moon. Its two astronauts Commander John W. Young and LM Pilot Charles M. Duke, Jr. were the 9th and 10th men to walk on the Moon.

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April 3-9, 2022, is National Library Week

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How: By utilizing your libraries' resources and encouraging your friends to do the same.

Come visit us and support our efforts to serve the community.

Parades, Petals & Poffertjes Tulip Time Festival in Pella May 5, 6 & 7

PELLA, Iowa (April 15, 2022) -Residents are excited to welcome visitors back to town for the annual Tulip Time Festival in Pella, Iowa! This year's festival is Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 5, 6 and 7, 2022.

When you visit Pella during Tulip Time you are greeted with parades, delicious food, residents in Dutch costumes, flower shows, auto displays, city tours, a Dutch craft market, shows and entertainment and of course, TULIPS!

Activities begin each day around 9 a.m. and continue until the lighted parade floats go dim around 9:30 p.m. Each evening our Feesthouden show features live and free special entertainment on the Tulip Toren stage at 7 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and on 6:30 p.m. on Saturday. Thursday's entertainment will feature the Air Force Band of Mid-America Shades of Blue Jazz Ensemble. Friday's entertainment will feature ALMA from Central College. Saturday's entertainment will feature Tyler Richton and the High Bank Boys with iconic country music.

Throughout each day, you can see the sights from a guided city tour, experience the sights and sounds of the Historical Village, see Dutch dancing and costumes around the town and during our grandstand shows, and much more! A fireworks display will cap off the evening on Friday night, sponsored by Pella Corporation. Tickets may be purchased at the ticket booth at the corner of Franklin and Main Streets during the festival. Grandstand tickets are \$10 for bleacher seats and \$5 for park seats.

For a complete schedule or more information, visit www.pellatuliptime.com.

**ST CHARLES
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SATURDAY, JUNE 11TH**



It's that time of year and Waste Management will begin the June 11th Clean Up at 6AM in St. Charles



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When COVID Came to Madison County

The Tri-L Book Club is collecting pandemic memories from people in Madison County.

The goal is to gather memories of the changes and challenges in our lives during the COVID pandemic. Once the memories are collected, the book club will produce a publication for the libraries in our county.

We need your help.

What memories do you have? Share them with us by creating a short one or two paragraph narrative of no more than 250 words to answer the questions provided on our questionnaire.

Questionnaires are available at the St. Charles Public Library, with a drop box provided. They also can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/3spmyjnb>.



Critter Corner

Contributed by Dakota Hottle

Canine Immunization

In our area, dog owners are very conscientious and informed about keeping their pet healthy. A major part of keeping dogs healthy is staying up to date on routine vaccinations. I thought it would be a good idea to highlight what your pet needs and when.

By six weeks of age, puppies should be given their first round of vaccine that includes protection for: Distemper, Parvovirus, Parainfluenza virus and Adenovirus. If their initial vaccine is given at six weeks, the same product should be boosted three weeks later at nine weeks of age. This concludes their "puppy" series.

After the initial two rounds of puppy vaccine, twelve weeks of age is when young dogs can receive their first "adult" shot. This vaccine includes the four viruses listed above as well as their four strains on Leptospira. Leptospira is a bacteria transmitted by rodents that most dogs can be exposed to at some point in their life. After their twelve week shot, the same product should be boosted 3 weeks later. In addition to the previous vaccinations, dogs can receive their Rabies shot after twelve weeks of age as well as their Kennel Cough vaccine. Kennel Cough is an excellent routine vaccination for dogs, especially if you plan on having your dog groomed or boarded with a professional. Lyme vaccine is also catching on to provide protection against Lyme Disease. If you follow through with the above vaccine schedule, your dog is protected for the first year of life.

Following the first year of life, annual exams are a great time to keep dogs up to date on their shots. Annual virus and Leptospira boosters are needed as well as staying current on Rabies and Kennel Cough.

Keeping our pets healthy is important and something we all strive for. If you have any questions on what your pet has had or needs, consult your veterinarian.



A big thank you to these 4-H kids! Ohio Future Feeders worked hard this Sunday during roadside cleanup. Their adopted highway is across from the I-35 school.



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In Years Past...

April 25, 1971

Jack Keller and Danny Hopkins received the highest rank in the Boy Scout Program, the rank of Eagle. They completed 21 various projects and are the first Boy Scouts in the history of Troop 119 to become Eagle Scouts. The proud parents are Mr. & Mrs. Paul Keller and Mr. & Mrs. Carl Hopkins.

USDA Encourages Producers to Enroll Grasslands into Special Conservation Reserve Program Signup Producers Must Apply by May 13

DES MOINES, Iowa, March 30, 2022 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) encourages producers and landowners to enroll in the Grassland Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) starting next week through May 13, 2022. Grassland CRP provides a unique opportunity for farmers, ranchers, and agricultural landowners to keep land in agricultural production and supplement their income while improving their soils and permanent grass cover. The program had its highest enrollment in history in 2021 and is part of the Biden-Harris Administration's broader effort to equip producers with the tools they need to help address climate change and invest in the long-term health of our natural resources.

Grassland CRP is a federally funded voluntary working lands program. Through the program, USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) provides annual rental payments to landowners to maintain and conserve grasslands while allowing producers to graze, hay, and produce seed on that land. Maintaining the existing permanent cover provides several benefits, including reducing erosion, providing wildlife habitat and migration corridors, and capturing and maintaining carbon in the soil and cover.

"Grassland CRP is an important working lands conservation tool that offers a win-win to both our country's producers and the environment by supporting and enabling grazing activities, while at the same time promoting plant and animal biodiversity and stemming rangeland conversion," Matt Russell, FSA State Executive Director in Iowa. "We had a successful signup last year, and we look forward to broadening our base and working with new producers, particularly our historically underserved producers, to ensure they can access the program and its many benefits."

FSA provides participants with annual rental payments and cost-share assistance. The annual rental rate varies by county with a national minimum rental rate of \$13 per acre for this signup. Contract duration is 10 or 15 years.

Broadening Reach of Program

As part of the Agency's Justice40 efforts, producers and landowners who are historically underserved, including beginning farmers and military veterans, will receive 10 additional ranking points to enhance their offers.

Additionally, USDA is working to broaden the scope and reach of Grassland CRP by leveraging the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) to engage historically underserved communities. CREP is a partnership program that enables states, Tribal governments, non-profit, and private entities to partner with FSA to implement CRP practices and address high priority conservation and environmental objectives. Interested entities are encouraged to contact FSA.

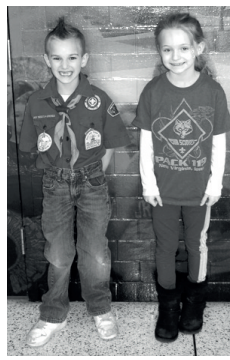
More Information on CRP

Landowners and producers interested in Grassland CRP should contact their local USDA Service Center to learn more or to apply for the program before the May 13 deadline. Additionally, fact sheets and other resources are available at fsa.usda.gov/crp.

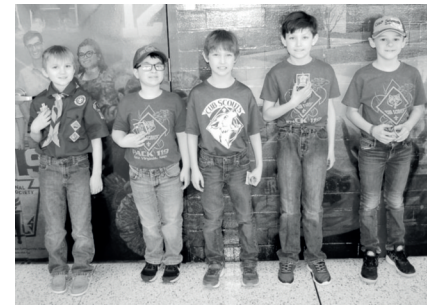
Signed into law in 1985, CRP is one of the largest voluntary private-lands conservation programs in the United States. The working lands signup announced today demonstrates how much it has evolved from the original program that was primarily intended to control soil erosion and only had the option to take enrolled land out of production. The program has expanded over the years and now supports a greater variety of conservation and wildlife benefits, along with the associated economic benefits.

USDA touches the lives of all Americans each day in so many positive ways. Under the Biden-Harris Administration, USDA is transforming America's food system with a greater focus on more resilient local and regional food production, fairer markets for all producers, ensuring access to safe, healthy and nutritious food in all communities, building new markets and streams of income for farmers and producers using climate smart food and forestry practices, making historic investments in infrastructure and clean energy capabilities in rural America, and committing to equity across the Department by removing systemic barriers and building a workforce more representative of America. To learn more, visit usda.gov.

Pack 119 Pinewood Derby - 2022



L-R Ethen Ashby, Layla Roberts



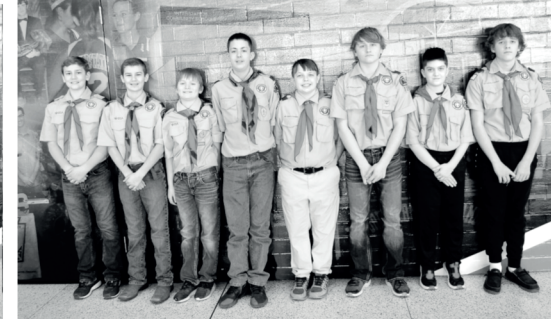
L-R Karson Good, Blake Downs, Brantly Brown, Hayden Schirm, Mack Hanna



L-R Henry McMichael, Asher Skuya



L-R Eli Mongan, Blake Scrivner, Seal Wilson, Tucker Wilson, Benny Delzell, Alex Bryant, Oaklynn Norman, Aiden Haskall



L-R Reagan Anderson, Adrian Anderson, Keaton Good, Kolin Pebbles, Micah Harrington, Kolter Good, Elliott McMichael, Caleb Kollbaum



L-R Benny Delzell, Henry McMichael, Hayden Schirm, Ethen Ashby



Our aluminum pinewood derby track with digital timer set up in the I-35 Auditorium

On 2-26-2022, Pack 119 held their Pinewood Derby. This is the first time it was held in the I-35 Community School auditorium, it was a hit! Thanks to Troop 119 for all of your help!

In Years Past...

April 7, 1972

Samuel Irwin, son of pioneers Samuel & Isabel Steele Irwin, died at the age of 92 years, 5 months, 2 days at Leisure Manor Nursing Home, Osceola. He was born near New Virginia 11/5/1879, farmed in Warren County all his life and was a member of Masonic Lodge, Neophyte Chapter No. 301 and the New Virginia United Methodist Church.



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Sadly, in today's world, The Vagus Nerve is under attack.

Fear, stress, and anxiety during pregnancy.

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Inflammatory foods and chemicals all throughout our environment

High levels of stress, anxiety, and tension within the family and society.

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ServSafe® Certified Food Protection Manager Course

Whether you are a food service manager or an employee, using current best practices in safe food handling is essential to keep your food establishment in compliance and protect the health of both customers and staff. You'll have the opportunity to take the exam to become certified as a Food Protection Manager. A class will be offered at the Madison County Extension office, 117 North John Wayne Drive in Winterset on May 11, 2022 from 9:00-6:00 pm. Register at www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/servsafe until April 20 or until the class is full. For questions contact Cathy Drost at (641) 673-5841.

Do you own a food service business? Interested in learning safe food handling practices? Madison County Extension and Outreach is hosting ServSafe to interested individuals. The class will take place May 11 from 9 am to 6 pm at the Extension office (located at 117 N. John Wayne Dr., Winterset.)

ServSafe teaches important compliance information which protects both customers and staff of food service operations through interactive class time. After attending class and passing a written exam, students will be certified Food Protection Managers. Cathy Drost, ISU Extension and Outreach Food and Health Specialist, will be leading the class. Her phone number is 641-673-5841. [Pre-registration is required.](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/servsafe) Anyone interested can register at www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/servsafe. [Registration will remain open until April 20 or until the class is full.](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/servsafe)

APRIL SNOW

Even though our April weather treats us to some warm days, Iowans know that sometimes snow can come in April too. The April 10, 2022 issue of [The Des Moines Register](http://www.desmoinesregister.com) looked back at an archived story of a snowstorm in April 1973, when Iowa was hit with an epic snowstorm that became Iowa's worst spring snowstorm since weather records were started in the state in 1881.

As reported in the article, it started snowing on April 8, a Sunday, and didn't stop until April 10. More than 20 inches of snow fell on some parts of the state. Des Moines got 14 inches, including 10.3 on April 9, which the weather service said was the city's snowiest April day on record. Wind gusts of 65 mph created drifts across the state up to 16 feet high, leaving many people stranded on impassable roadways and thousands more stuck in their homes without power. More than a dozen people and thousands of head of cattle and other livestock died during the storm. Iowa National Guardsmen were called out to assist in the aftermath of the storm. Those persons who experienced this storm of April 1973 have likely not forgotten it.



Virginia Boosters 4-H Club News Written by Abby Fantz, Reporter



The Virginia Boosters 4-H Club held their April 13 meeting at 7:00 PM at the Lions Hall.

Brady Streeter called the meeting to order at 7:00. Roll call was 'What is your favorite sport or activity?' Abby Fantz gave the Secretary's report and Brianna Fantz read the Treasurer's report.

The old business for this month was discussing helping with the summer reading program at the library. The club got an update and decided to send a committee to the library on May 10. The club also discussed their online auction. It will begin on April 22 8 a.m. through the 24 at 8 p.m.

The review of the monthly county newsletter began the new business, sparking conversation about upcoming dates. The sheep weigh-in (April 30), taste of camp (June 10-12), YQCA (due on June 1), and the dog project were discussed. They talked about having a farm tour this year and formed a committee to start to organize it.

Rosemary Seward led the 4-H pledge. Brianna Fantz made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Rosemary Seward seconded.

The presentation given this month was by Brianna Fantz. Brianna's presentation was about abused horses and the abuse in the Big Lick competition. The host for this meeting was Ella Scott.

The next meeting is on May 11 at 7:00 PM. The presentations will be done by Rosemary Seward, Katie, Mackie Loomis, and Sydney. The host will be Hunter Harskamp. Have a good day!

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Source for **In Years Past:**

The New Virginian newspaper
 Historical Scrapbooks compiled
 by Leota Houlette
 New Virginia Public Library

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 idea for Tri-Corner?**

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 own writing for review and consideration
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Iowa PBS offers high school minority mentorship program
 In order to broaden opportunities for minority high school students, Iowa PBS is once again offering a television production mentorship program for summer 2022. Minority and/or female students in Iowa may apply to experience firsthand the world of television production and public media. This unpaid mentorship program will give two students practical experience as they observe and learn hands-on skills for media journalism including videography, lighting design, video editing, graphic design, web production and storytelling. Each student will shadow and assist Iowa PBS personnel during the creation and production of broadcast and online content.

Iowa PBS's 2022 High School Mentorship Program will be conducted in person, and begins with an orientation on Thursday, June 9. This year's program runs through Tuesday, August 2. Selected students will work with network staff during the production of any number of the following television programs:

- * Iowa Press
- * Market to Market
- * Des Moines Metro Opera
- * In Their Words
- * Yankee Doodle Pops

Interested applicants must complete an Iowa PBS Voluntary Mentorship Application found at iowapbs.org/careers. They should also provide a letter of support from a school advisor or community leader, and a one-page essay about themselves, their interest in television production and why they are a good candidate for the program. More information, including applicant eligibility and submission information, is available at iowapbs.org/mentorship. Applications and supporting materials should be submitted no later than May 6, 2022.

Learn more at iowapbs.org.
 For more information about Iowa PBS, please contact Susan Ramsey at 515.725.9703 or susan.ramsey@iowapbs.org.



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Darin Feikema presenting Mary Siebert flowers and plaque for her dedication to the Easter Cantata for 12 years.



12th Annual Madison Warren Ecumenical Association Easter Cantata was held Sunday, April 10th at 6 p.m. in the I-35 Community School Auditorium.

EASTER CANTATA 2022

The excellent auditorium at the Interstate 35 High School in Truro, IA, was the venue for the Easter Cantata held on Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022. A cantata by definition is a medium-length narrative piece of music for voices with instrumental accompaniment. This year's cantata was entitled "Behold the Lamb!" remembering the sacrificial and resurrected Lamb of God. Eight songs were beautifully sung by 29 vocalists and accompanied by 13 members of the orchestra. Two persons gave narration before the beginning of each song. The cantata was directed by Mary Siebert.

The harmony of the many voices was perfect, with the soft alto voices featured at times, then the sopranos, tenors or basses, and when all voices rose in crescendo, the effect was very moving. This was the twelfth and last year that there will be a performance in this format. The choir, consisting of members from many area churches, began practicing in January, and thus have put in many hours of preparation, as have the orchestra members. The results were truly beautiful. The appreciative audience numbered close to 200, and they all enjoyed refreshments afterward, provided by the Madison Warren Ecumenical Association. A free will donation of \$640 gathered that evening will be given to the Interstate 35 and Martensdale/St. Marys Schools for their Children at Risk programs. This was such a special way to begin Holy Week, leading to Easter.



There's just something about spring that gives everyone a fresh perspective on life. It's almost like the first day at school, all fresh with new notebooks, pencils and backpacks. You have your entire year ahead of you, the cold and gloomy winter is behind you, and your head begins filling with plans of what you are going to do to experience this year. The past seven months here at Jesus' Right Hand have been a flurry of activity with new partners, new volunteers and new opportunities. We are all trying to wrap our minds around the wonderful miracles that God has provided for us and are excited for some of the new directions in which we are being taken.

Through all of the changes, however, we have to be careful to allow God to direct our paths. The Bible clearly tells us in Proverbs 14:12, "There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end, it leads to death." Although this could quite literally mean "death" as in the end of life as you know it, it could also mean the death of a goal, a dream, or a ministry. But if you take a step back and look at the overall picture, it's really quite simple. When you were a child, you relied on the adults in your life to guide you. You may not have liked some of the things you were asked to do, but they had your overall wellbeing in mind. We all know there were things we were forbidden to do as children, things that may have caused great harm if we had been allowed to follow our own plans. But in the greater plan of life, it allowed you to be a child and experience your journey through life. If there was a problem, you brought it to the adults in your life for help. If you were scared, they comforted you. Your only responsibility was to maintain that relationship with them and to follow their guidance.

As we mature, we all have choices to make along the way. Sometimes those choices seem insurmountable, and sometimes they seem relatively simple. Let God guide you. Let God be in your life as if you see Him every day. He will not leave you nor forsake you even in the hardest of times. If God is truly guiding you, then there is no need to panic nor fear. His choices for your life are truly the best choices for you.

This is something that we have learned through the years this ministry has been open. It's hard to believe that it's been over 36 years since it was established in 1986! We are working on developing a new website which should be up and operational shortly, and there are small changes within our day-to-day operations that have streamlined and made things more efficient. Through all of this, we continue to seek God before making any changes. Sometimes we hold to the old saying, "if it ain't broke, don't fix it," but there are other times when an update is painfully obvious. We have all grown so much during this time, and although the learning curve has been steep, it has been a rich and rewarding experience.

We have opened up our clothing rooms once again for those who are needing clothing items. We are taking limited clothing donations and must strongly emphasize that we are only taking new and like-new items because our space is so limited.

Monday's Fresh Food Giveaway is growing and expanding, and we found that extra space was needed to make the giveaway more efficient. We have opened our distribution area up into the area to the north that was formerly occupied by the beauty shop and will be using this space for our giveaway and other ministry purposes. A lift has been designed and built for the basement stairs which will enable us to send totes of storage items up and down the stairs without having to carry them. It is a blessing to have such a creative handyman who can fulfill the ideas God gives him to make our work around here easier! There is something to be said about letting go of the worry when situations arise and allowing God to take the wheel. Our natural instinct is to maintain our own control, but the stress levels certainly decrease when you release that control and trust God to take care of things.

We want to thank everyone who has stood by us in the past few months during the changes this ministry has undergone. We cherish the relationships that have been built over the years, and we have grown to love this tri-county area in ways that are unimaginable! Please be encouraged in your life and know that we are here for you, with a hug, a prayer and a smile.

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St Patrick's Irish Settlement
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Fr Thomas Dooley - 515-462-1083
Mass: Sunday 8 am
Religious Ed: Ginny Darr,
ginginery@aol.com
or call 515-707-9243

Martensdale Community Church
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3953 Hoover St PO Box 200
Martensdale, IA 50160
1 mile north of Martensdale on Hwy 28
Pastor: Jeremy Kidder
641-764-2491
Associate Pastor: Daniel Moore
Sunday Worship 9:00 am
Bible Study: 10:30 am
Sr. High Youth 6 pm Sunday
Awana: 6:30 pm Wed Sept thru Apr.
Jr High Youth 6:30 pm Wed Sept thru
Apr. www.mcc-church.com

Fairview Community Church
19705 Hwy 69 Indianola, IA 50125
515-961-6069
Pastor Gearold McElwee
Cell 515-669-5519
Sunday School: 9:30 am
Sun Morning Worship 10:30 am
Sun Evening Worship 5:30 pm
Cubi Club & Twenty/20 - 5:30 pm
Adult Endeavor - 6:00 pm
Wed Bible Study & Youth Classes 7 pm

Peru Murray United Methodist Church
Pastor Brandon Campbell
No Sunday School
Peru Worship 9:00 am
Murray Worship 10:30 am

Church Directory

Grace Baptist Church
304 Knotts Street
New Virginia, IA 50210
Pastor Michael Mattson
www.gbcnv.org
Sunday Worship: 10:30 am
Wednesday Evening:
Youth 7 pm, Prayer 7:30 pm

St Charles Parish
305 W Main St PO Box 208
St Charles, IA 50240
Pastor: Darin Feikema
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www.saintcharlesparish.org
Sunday School 9 am
Worship Service 9:45 am
Fellowship time: 11 am

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155 E Garfield Box 17 Truro, IA 50257
Pastor Kenneth Briggs
641-765-4524 Cell: 515-314-6494
Email: revkbriggsacc@msn.com
Sunday School: 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am
Coffee & Fellowship: 11:30 am

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Worship: 10:00

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Pastor Doug Helton 641-396-2747
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Worship - 10:40 AM & 6 PM
Wed. Prayer, Bible Study & Youth - 7 PM
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515-490-4444 Cell: 515-770-3713
Sunday Worship: 11 AM

New Virginia United Methodist Church
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New Virginia IA 50210
641-449-3779
Pastor Paul Burrow
515-402-1802
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Church_email:NewVA-Medora@outlook.com
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Pastor's email: bernico2003@yahoo.com

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Pastorlarry@netins.net

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641-764-2752
Pastor Tim Jacobsen:
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Tim@mystpaullutheran.com
Worship: 10:00 AM

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641-784-8890
Sunday School: 9 am
Worship Service: 10 am
Pastor Chuck Myer

