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Farewell from the Class of 2023
Contributed by Kyla Schumacher and Laura Strange

Hello, my name is Kyla Schumacher, and I am a graduating senior! This year has been quite the experience between high school classes, DMACC courses, and church activities. I decided to take ceramic courses this year and spent the first semester learning basic skills. I made a teacup and different types of vessels. I enjoyed this class so much that I decided to take Ceramics II for the second semester. My favorite projects during second semester were the Lorax and my cat puzzle. Other projects were my deforestation bottle, pierced bowl with flowers and bees, and a thrown spice jar. I definitely recommend Ceramics for any high school students!

This year, I also took Composition I and II as DMACC courses. My favorite assessment from first semester was my profile paper. I observed a night with an officer and had to write a specific perspective using various college-level skills. For my second semester, I focused all my papers on Niger, a country in central Africa. I wrote my problem-solving paper for the World Food Prize. This essay talked about the lack of education in Niger and ways to improve this issue. The Iowa Youth Institute accepted me to discuss what my paper was about with experts in the agricultural field.

During this semester, I also accepted an opportunity for an internship. My internship was for the Tri-Corner-Express, and I have learned so much about preparing newspapers. I enjoyed contributing to the community while portraying my interest in creating designs and writing.

This spring, I was a host for my church's Alpha group. It was a wonderful experience to lead the teen Alpha group. Alpha is a group for anybody to learn about God's word in a judgment-free area. It was wonderful seeing other adolescents learn about God's word while exploring what they believed. Besides Alpha, I also joined Revive, the young adult ministry. It's been a great year coming together as a community and meeting other young adults.

For my future plans, I am attending DMACC and will get my Associate of Science Degree. After that, I am transferring to Iowa State University to get my Bachelor of Science Degree. My goal is to get accepted into the Veterinary Program at ISU. I am pleased about what I have experienced during high school, and I am even more eager for what my future holds.

Kyla Schumacher, Interstate 35 Class of 2023



Hello! My name is Laura Strange. I am a senior at Interstate 35. I have lived in New Virginia my whole life, and I have been going to Interstate 35 since preschool. My class is small (just 54 people), so, for the most part, everyone in my class knows each other.

Looking back at the last four years, I can see that my classmates and I have changed and grown a lot. Most of these people I have been going to school with since kindergarten. Others I met further down the road. But no matter when I met them, I will be going through the biggest event of my life, thus far, with them: high school graduation! Graduation is the closing of one of the biggest chapters of growth in our lives. Even if I wasn't close with most of my class, they all had an impact on shaping me into the person I am today. Whether we were best friends or hardly acquaintances, I would go to the ends of the Earth for some of these people.

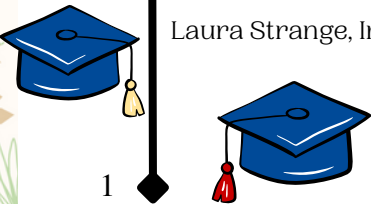
Going into high school, I was shy; I stuck to my friend group, and I tended to let people walk over me. Leaving high school, I have grown and matured into nearly a whole new person. Through the last four years, I have learned a lot of hard lessons through both good and bad experiences. I am still kind-hearted, but I learned that not everyone has your best interests in mind. Being able to stand up for yourself is very important.

I leave high school with some advice for underclassmen: even though everyone says it, "time really does fly fast." Some of your friendships won't last through high school, and some will. Regardless of this, cherish the time together because in the near future, you will be closing this chapter of your life and starting the next.

Staying involved at school and in your community is, also, very important. I met some of my closest friends through sports and activities. I, also, got very involved in my community, and I learned some valuable lessons from the members of my community with whom I volunteered. Volunteering with my community was a very rewarding experience and one of my favorite things about high school.

From the Class of 2023: Thank you to the community for supporting us as we have grown up into the people we are today!

Laura Strange, Interstate 35 Class of 2023



*Congratulations
Class of 2023*



City Of New Virginia
Council Meeting Minutes -

The Council met in regular session on Monday May 1st, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. for the May council meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Huston with Council Members Galivan, Taylor, and Truman, present. Absent Nelson.

Galivan moved, seconded by Taylor to re-instate Justin Strange as a Councilmember. A roll call vote was taken: 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Minutes from the April regular meeting and Treasurer's Report were approved.

Old business discussed: No old business to discuss.

Citizen Input: Kim Kirkpatrick was present to get information about the proposed chain link fence extension on the south side of GAMP Park. Kim inquired if the trees in the old fence line were going to be taken out. The Council advised that the new fence extension would be set back to the north of the old fence line approximately six feet to give enough room for a mower to mow a strip on the south side of the new fence. The trees in the old fence line will remain and not be removed.

Water Utilities discussed: No new information or items to discuss.

Fire Department Business: The possible need for ordering new decal numbers for the fire trucks and ambulance was discussed. Warren County is considering following the National Incident Management System (NIMS) which requires re-numbering emergency response vehicles. Price quotes for decal numbers will be requested from Iowa Prison Industries.

Law Enforcement: The report summary from the Sheriff's Office for the month of April was reviewed. Deputies received or initiated 22 calls for service during the month. Officers spent in excess of 45 hours in the city for the month. Officers patrolled in excess of 239 miles within the city limits for the month. There were two citations and/or warnings written for traffic violations that occurred within the City of New Virginia proper.

Warren County Sheriff Joe Carico was present to discuss some items. Carico inquired if the Council was ok with door checks all going on one call for service instead of each individual door check generating a call for service. The Council agreed to one call of service for all door checks. Carico was advised the Council likes the way Deputies are providing service for New Virginia. Old Settlers patrol will be the same as it has been in the past. There will be patrol scheduled for the June and September truck pulls. Fraud on a City credit card from an outside source was discussed. A detective will file a report regarding this issue.

Bids for extending the chain link fence on the south side of GAMP Park were reviewed and discussed. Three bids were received: Central Iowa Fencing \$17873.00; American Fence Company \$13724.00; Clanton Creek Fence & Gate \$12789.00. After thorough discussion, Truman moved, seconded by Strange to approve and accept the Clanton Creek Fence & Gate price quote of \$12789.00 to extend the chain link fence on the south side of GAMP Park. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

There was only one bid received for the 2023 mowing season. Strange moved, seconded by Taylor to accept and approve the mowing bid of R & R Mowing Services for the 2023 mowing season: mowing Lions Park, Old Settlers Park, fire station, library, Hen House, welcome signs, City right of way southeast corner of Broadway & Border Street at \$425.00/month. GAMP Park east half at \$425.00/month; west half of GAMP Park at \$300.00/month. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Street projects for this summer/fall were discussed.

The current city budget and fund balances were reviewed. There will not need to be any budget amendments for the 2022-23 fiscal year budget.

GAMP UPDATE

May 1, 2023

A check has been sent to the Midwest Pullers Association for the June truck pull. There will be a Fall pull on September 30th, 2023.

The GAMP sign is done. Installation of the sign will try to be done by graduation time.

KEEP IOWA BEAUTIFUL PROGRAM

The account balance is \$4,782.20. The kite flying day turned out well. The Committee will look at changing this activity to a May date.

Putting up the banners before Memorial Day Weekend was discussed.


The utility easements for Justin Strange need the dates changed. The dates will be taken out and a blank line will be inserted for the date to be handwritten.

It was discussed that TRM needs to be notified about Justin Strange's location at 3685 G76 Hwy is in the city limits regarding the city-wide clean-up.

Galivan moved, seconded by Taylor to approve payment of all City bills. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

With no further business to come forth, Taylor moved, seconded by Truman to adjourn meeting. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m. The June council meeting is scheduled for Saturday June 3rd, 2023, at 7:30 a.m. June meeting date – Saturday June 3rd, 2023 at 7:30 a.m.

**REVENUE
FOR APRIL**
will be printed
in June Issue


Jennifer Baughman, City Clerk



Public Notice

All City Water Payments need to be mailed or dropped off into the gray payment/drop box. This payment/drop box is located by the New Virginia Hen House and New Virginia Post Office.

KAREN'S KORNER

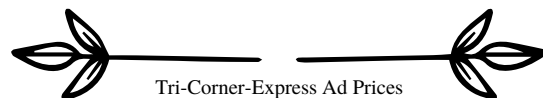
The New Virginia Garden Club was formed in 1932, and many local women have enjoyed the regular gathering of women interested in gardening. As stated in the Club's Constitution: The object of this organization shall be the encouragement of amateur gardening, the study and protection of birds and wild life, the encouragement of shade tree planting, the improvement of the parks and lawns of the town, the exchange of seeds and plants among members, mutual helpfulness in the discussion of gardening methods through a question and answer service and the exchange of ideas in meetings. Some members were more avid gardeners than others, and Karen Taylor was a member who liked working with flowers and didn't mind "getting her hands dirty."

The small flower bed in the southwest corner of Old Settlers Park has offered a bright spot of color for many years. The New Virginia Garden Club took the responsibility to maintain it, and for many years, Karen Taylor was one of the persons who tended it and watered it. By 2021, the timbers on the borders of the flower bed were deteriorating and were in need of replacement. Member Cindy Miller was instrumental in seeing this need, and the Garden Club took on the project. Karen passed away on June 17, 2021. The Club decided to dedicate the flower bed to Karen and named it Karen's Korner. Cindy found bricks for the two tiers of borders, and the Garden Club paid for them. Kerry Johnson and Kim McWilliams did the design and construction of the flower bed. Bailey Farms donated the soil. The plants were removed during the renovation project and then were replanted, along with some new plants.

Funding for the project was accomplished by selling hanging baskets of flowers and having a donation bucket on the May 7th garage sale day. The New Virginia Garden Club made a donation, and a generous donation was received from Red Taylor, Karen's husband. Sue Stills wrote a poem for a sign for the Korner, Kathleen Trail of Crown Trophy in Grimes, IA, engraved the sign, and DSI Fabrication in New Virginia made the steel backing and support legs for the sign that is now at the flower bed. DSI installed the sign on November 7, 2022. The birdhouse garden ornament was originally painted by Karen. This is another town project that was made possible by the generosity (money and muscle) of this community. The Garden Club members hope that Karen's Korner will delight all who see it and that the memory of a good friend and willing helper will be kept alive.



Sue Stills holding a sign with a poem she wrote for Karen's Korner.



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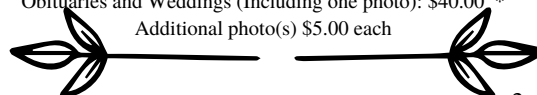
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\$0.10 per word over 100 words \$5.00 for each photo

Obituaries and Weddings (Including one photo): \$40.00 *

Additional photo(s) \$5.00 each



VENDOR	REFERENCE	CLAIMS REPORT	AMOUNT	CHECK #	CHECK DATE
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS/STREET LIGHTS		\$722.58	14885	5/1/2023
AT&T FIRSTNET	PHONE SERVICE		\$80.17	14884	4/30/2023
AT&T FIRSTNET	PHONE SERVICE		\$79.81	14909	5/9/2023
BORTELL WELDING	PLATFORMS FOR REAR FD TRUCK		\$3,365.00	14890	5/3/2023
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	OFFICE SUUPLIES - INK		\$271.52	14886	5/1/2023
CENTRAL IOWA PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL		\$68.00	14891	5/3/2023
HY-VEE	MEDICATIONS		\$73.90	14893	5/3/2023
IOWA COMMUNITIES ASSURANCE POO	INSURANCE RENEWAL		\$18,711.00	16326338	4/17/2023
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	WITHHOLDING TAX PENALTIES 4TH		\$36.24	16326353	4/30/2023
INDEPENDENT ADVOCATE -RHT	PUBLISH LEGALS-ALLEY CLOSINGS		\$88.60	14911	5/9/2023
IOWA PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEM	IPERS		\$291.00	16326358	5/1/2023
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX		\$335.25	16326359	5/1/2023
J&L SANITATION	GARBAGE SERVICE - CITY		\$62.00	14894	5/3/2023
JAKE ZUERCHER	EQUIPMENT - FIRE HOSE		\$171.19	14895	5/3/2023
MIDWEST PULLERS ASSOCIATION	TRUCK PULL FEES		\$4,000.00	14883	4/25/2023
NAPA AUTO PARTS PREMIER PARTS	EQUIPMENT TRAILER CONNECT KIT		\$15.52	14897	5/3/2023
NICCI TRUMAN	REFUND DEPOSIT		\$125.00	14898	5/3/2023
ONE BILLING SOLUTIONS LLC	AMBULANCE BILLING		\$1,514.20	14899	5/3/2023
PI PI'S PORTA POTTY SERVICE	OTHER CONTR SERV		\$214.00	14900	5/3/2023
LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC.	OPPERATING SUPPLIES		\$44.40	14901	5/3/2023
R&R MOWING SERVICE	MOWING CITY AREAS WEST ENDGAMP		\$325.00	14902	5/3/2023
STRANGE'S SPECIALTY TIRE	VEHICLE OPERATIONS TRAILER CHE		\$1,391.72	14903	5/3/2023
WASTE MANAGEMENT	RECYCLING		\$1,092.95	14910	5/9/2023
WEX FLEET UNIVERSAL	VEHICLE FUEL		\$234.27	14905	5/3/2023
WHITNEY STUART	GAMP CLEANING		\$79.25	14906	5/3/2023
WINDSTREAM	TELEPHONE/INTERNET		\$347.29	14907	5/3/2023
Total General			\$33,739.86		
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS/STREET LIGHTS		\$1,137.46	14885	5/1/2023
HUSTON'S LAWN/SNOW REMOVAL	STREET MAINTAINANCE REPAIR		\$117.00	14892	5/3/2023
LOGAN CONTRACTIONS SUPPLY	STREET MAINTAINANCE		\$222.00	14896	5/3/2023
Total Road Use			\$1,476.46		
ANCEL KENNEDY	SERVICE		\$125.00	14889	5/3/2023
AT&T FIRSTNET	PHONE SERVICE		\$22.51	14884	4/30/2023
AT&T FIRSTNET	PHONE SERVICE		\$22.29	14909	5/9/2023
DES MOINES WATER WORKS	WATER TESTING		\$15.00	14908	5/4/2023
IOWA COMMUNITIES ASSURANCE POO	INSURANCE RENEWAL		\$2,481.00	16326338	4/17/2023
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	WETTAX FEBRUARY 2023		\$470.36	16326354	4/25/2023
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	WETTAX JANUARY2023		\$499.12	16326355	4/25/2023
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	WET TAX MARCH 2023		\$411.64	16326356	4/25/2023
IOWA PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEM	IPERS		\$340.56	16326358	5/1/2023
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX		\$387.36	16326359	5/1/2023
WARREN WATER DISTRICT	WATER USAGE/LOAN PAYMENT		\$4,282.50	14904	5/3/2023
Total Water Utilities			\$9,057.34		
			GENERAL		\$1,538.68
			WATER		\$1,803.57
					\$3,342.25
Total Payroll Paid					\$47,615.91
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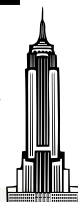
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CITY OF ST CHARLES

1 May 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes

The St. Charles City Council met at City Hall on Monday, 5/1/2023, for a regular meeting. Mayor Dennis Smith called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM. Council members Tom Blomme, Dan Kozak, Lois Stanley, and Megan Allison were present along with 4 guests. Council Member Whitney Hutton was absent.

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

Approval of Minutes for Council Meeting from 4/3/2023: Motion made by Dan Kozak/Tom Blomme to approve the minutes. Voice vote passed unanimously.

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

Approval of May Bills: Motion made by Tom Blomme/Lois Stanley to approve the May bills. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Sheriff's Report: During March there were 43.18 patrol hours, 9 calls, and 8 traffic stops in St. Charles.

City Boards/Committees:

- Fire/Rescue Department: Rick Schaffer presented April Minutes. Unexpended Rescue Transport Funds will be moved to a saving account at the end of the Fiscal Year for future needs.

- Library Board: Margaret Blair presented April Library Minutes. The Library is planning to purchase a new computer.

- Welcome Center: Mary Seibert was present. The Chamber of Commerce will purchase a security gate for the Welcome Center to secure the area they use. Mary wanted to thank all those that volunteered at the Welcome Center. The Council agreed that any old damaged chairs at the Welcome Center should be disposed of.

- Old Settlers: Cooking up Some Fun will take place July 14th and 15th.

- Maintenance Report: A storm drain will need to be repaired at 221 W Vine Street. The DNR will take inventory of the trees in the city over the summer and will provide a plan for the Council on how best to maintain the trees.

- Emergency Management: April's Coordinator Report was submitted.

- Clerk's Report: City Hall will be closed on May 4th.

Tracee Knapp, A Constituent Services Representative for Zach Nunn introduced herself to the City Council. Tracee can be contacted by the City to receive information and help concerning Federal Funds and Grants.

Public Hearing for Proposed Budget Amendment 2 for FY23: Motion by Megan Allison/Tom Blomme to open the public hearing at 7:46 pm. No public wished to speak and the public hearing was closed at 7:49 pm.

Resolutions 5A-2023 Approval of Budget Amendment 2 for FY 23: Motion by Tom Blomme/Dan Kozak to approve Resolution 5A-2023 Budget Amendment 2 for FY23. RC vote was unanimous. This Budget Amendment approved the funds from the savings account for the Welcome Center to be spent this fiscal year for heating and cooling.

Resolution 5B-2023 Transfer of Funds from Welcome Center Savings to General Fund: Motion by Megan Allison/Tom Blomme to approve Resolution 5B-2023. RC vote was unanimous.

· Ordinance 227 Amending the Code of Ordinance by Amending Provision Pertaining to the Sewer Service Charge, 2nd and Possible Final Reading: Second reading for the sewer rate increase starting July 1st. Motion by Megan Allison/Lois Stanley to approve the second reading of Ordinance 227 as the final reading. R/C vote was unanimous. Ordinance 227 will be in effect starting July 1, 2023.

Resolution 5C-2023 Proposing Disposal of an Interest in Real Property by Sale: Motion by Tom Blomme/Megan Allison to approve Resolution 5C-2023. RC vote was unanimous. This is to fix a typo from the original sale from 2019.

Resolution 5D-2023 Transfer of Funds to Balance Water Account: Motion by Tom Blomme/Megan Allison to approve Resolution 5D-2023. RC vote was unanimous. The transfer of funds from Savings to Checking will clear up a negative balance in the old water account.

Opportunity Forms: The Council was given an update concerning a property on Cherry Street.

Public Forum: No public asked to speak.

Old Business: No old business

New Business: No new business

Motion made by Megan Allison to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm.

The next City Council meeting will be June 5, 2023, at City Hall.

Dennis Smith, Mayor

Attest: Tracy Kozak, City Clerk

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



City of St. Charles Ordinance 95.04 Prohibits Surface Run-Off or Ground Water from being directly or indirectly discharged into the sanitary sewer. This includes floor drains inside your home.

Discharging Storm Water

- Use downspout extensions to send rainwater away from your foundation.
- Slope your yard, driveway, and sidewalks so rainwater does not flow toward your home.
- Make sure that your sump pump discharge does not cross or flow directly onto the sidewalk.
- Do not discharge your sump pump or direct your downspouts toward your neighbor's property.



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CITY OF ST CHARLES

Iowa Prohibition 1884-1894 and How
That Led to the “Wildman” of St. Charles

For Frank Pierce, his reign ended as it began, in violence and strange fortune. In 1891, Frank Pierce was very well off. He not only made money by extorting businesses and placing fines on the guilty and innocent, but Pierce, also, ran a garbage collection business. There were no official city garbage collectors, so everything was done through private businesses called scavenger agencies. These collectors not only picked up the debris, but, also, went through it for items to repair and resale. Still, the garbage collected and sorted must go somewhere, so a great amount of collected garbage was illegally dumped into the Raccoon River or on private and public lands. These foul and disease carrying “dumpings” became so bad that towns and cities asked landowners to use their lands for garbage. These private dumps charged the city, and the scavengers paid fees to put garbage there. But, due to the scavenger’s attempts to illegally dump rather than pay a fee, Des Moines policemen were asked to send constables to monitor these dumps and help control these known scavengers that were troublesome like Frank Pierce. Edward H. Wishart was one of these constables. A veteran of the 2nd Iowa Infantry during the Civil War, he fought as a private through the entire war with this regiment, surviving Fort Donaldson, Shiloh, Corinth and Iuka, Town Creek, Resaca, Rome Crossroads, Kennesaw Mountain, Atlanta, Jonesboro, Ogechee River, the March to the Sea, and the Carolina Campaign.

Past fifty years of age, Wishart still needed a paycheck, so he joined the Des Moines Police. On June 30, 1891, Edward H. Wishart was guarding the city’s crematory on West 9th Street. For a time, Pierce and his scavengers were dumping their materials on the land of Mr. Hubble, which was managed by Augustus Becker. Mr. Becker charged scavengers to dump on Hubble’s land and declared that Pierce to stop paying for the privilege. However, Pierce declared that Becker simply did not want the business anymore, as he was mad at the mayor with whom Pierce had his contract. Either way, Becker built a sturdy fence around the land which Pierce simply broke through declaring that this land was the only place the city would allow him to dump. Becker informed Frank Pierce that the next time they tore down his fence, they should bring a coffin for themselves and that he would ask constable Wishart to monitor the land and crematory. Pierce, from witness records, angrily retorted he would kill Becker and Wishart if they interfered with his business.

On the afternoon of June 30, Pierce arrived and was met by Wishart who informed them they were not going to tear down a private citizen’s fence to dump their cesspool waste. Pierce ordered his crew to dig holes in the crematory land and dump the materials from the cesspools into those. Wishart, with his police star on his left breast pocket, informed Pierce that this was not going to happen as it was against city regulations. Pierce became belligerent, and Wishart informed Frank Pierce that he was under arrest. Pierce jumped from his buggy with a cocked pistol in his hand, pointed at Wishart’s head screaming that it was Wishart who was under arrest. By a dark comic turn of events, as both men were constables, both were arresting the other, but neither was willing to be arrested. As Wishart pulled his own pistol, Pierce shot him in the arm and stomach where the bullet lodged in the spine. Wishart died that night declaring that “Frank Pierce said he would kill me and has.” Because of a large lynch mob that called for the blood of Pierce, his trial was moved from Des Moines to Indianola that summer.

Frank Pierce was not put on trial for Wishart’s murder until the spring of 1892. Even then, while on trial, Pierce claimed he fired in self-defense while Wishart’s deathbed report said it was not. At the trial, none of the witnesses’ stories matched the others. Even the reports of four police officers who were nearby or involved, did not collaborate each other. The trial for murder was lowered to manslaughter, and Pierce was sentenced to four years in the state penitentiary. Though the verdict was passed down to Pierce in 1892, he would not be incarcerated until 1894 and went freely about after paying a \$500 bond.

Either through connections or because of good behavior, Governor Francis M. Drake pardoned Frank Pierce and released him from the penitentiary in November 1896. By January 1897, Pierce had his wife and children, who were staying with her family in St. Charles, join him, and he was seen going about Warren and Madison Counties asking for signatures to demand the governor reimburse Pierce his \$500 bond fee for the trial in 1892.

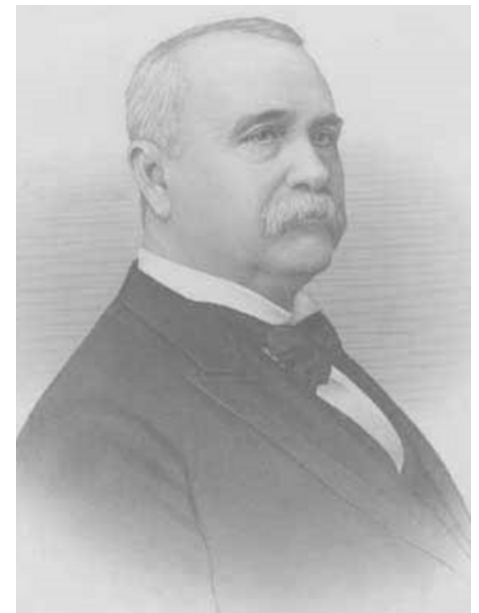
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St. Charles City Wide Yard Sales
June 2 and 3
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Maps @ Casey's



The new governor, Francis M. Drake,
pardoned Pierce in 1896



ROADRUNNER PRIDE INTERSTATE 35 COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

I-35 Drama Spring Play - Murder on the 518

On Friday, May 5, and on Saturday, May 6, the I-35 Drama Department proudly presented the spring play “Murder on the 518.” The dramatic production centered on a group of train passengers on the westbound 518. The group was shocked when first one passenger, movie star Isabella Madison (Claira Carico, 6th) and then another, paparazzo Sidney Bennett (Zaylee Gutzmer, 6th) mysteriously dropped dead right before their eyes just as the train was halted by a rock slide in an isolated canyon. Because the pair appeared to have been poisoned, anyone and everyone in the train dining car was a suspect!

Unable to call for help, the eccentric passengers — newlyweds Rachel Knox (Gracey Carico, 9th) and Caleb Knox (Anthony Cicero, 9th), astronomy professor Holly Barnes (Alyssa Weinstock, 6th), sports recruiter Mike Umbarr (Justin Bennett, 5th), CEO Avery Millen (Karlee Stuart, 9th) and her assistant Jillian Hill (Brianna Fantz, 9th), aspiring musician Nelson Harry (Mackenzie Maiers, 6th), writer Ella Williams (Piper Wernli, 6th), emergency room doctor Lauren Maloney (Reagan Trost, 9th), veterinary medical student Abby Wells (Evolett Wells, 6th), private investigator Owen Casey (Elliot McMichael, 7th), chef Derek Warren (Emi Gutierrez, 6th) and wife Jennifer Warren (Addison Scrivner, 7th), and personal assistant Lucy Blake (Hailey Cormeny, 8th) — tried to work together with the waitstaff (Peyton McDonald, 6th, Macean Jones, 5th, Lola Fales, 5th, and Claire Tuttle, 5th) to find the murderer before they reached their destination, and the killer escaped for good. Along to help were the train conductor (Camille Hutton-Edwards, 5th), ticket sellers (Ivey Maske, 5th and

Brooke Beener, 5th), the kitchen staff (Gaea Adix, 6th and Sean Wilson, 6th), local police officers (Sutton Adix, 5th, Molly Adams, 5th, and Lily Edwards, 5th), and reporters on scene (Faith Reisinger, 5th, Carly Gehringer, 5th, Claire Tuttle, 5th and Daisy Lorton, 6th).

In addition to the large cast, the performance was also produced with the help of dedicated crew members Danica Tessau, 8th, Laila Silvius, 8th, Daisy Lorton, 6th, Hunter Harskamp, 6th, Talia Naggar, 9th, Eilan Naggar, 7th, Ryker Anderson, 6th, Maya Cowden, 6th, Alexis Crawley, 5th, Avaya Clark, 6th, and Alex Bryant, 5th, Assistant Director Amanda Geddes and the painting expertise of Mrs. Amy Maiers.

A great deal of time and effort goes into preparing for any drama production, and each student spent several weeks and countless hours preparing for opening night. They were all delighted by the wonderful turnout at both shows. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the performances, and we are already beginning plans for our next performance in the fall!

(pictured right) Passengers on the 518 prepare for their meal - (left to right) Mackenzie Maiers, Reagan Trost, Macean Jones, Evolett Wells, Elliot McMichael, and Piper Wernli.



(picture far left) Train passengers make their way into the dining car - (left to right Addison Scrivner, Emi Gutierrez, Claira Carico, Gracey Carico).

(pictured left) Curtain call for the Roadrunner Actors who performed "Murder on the 518."

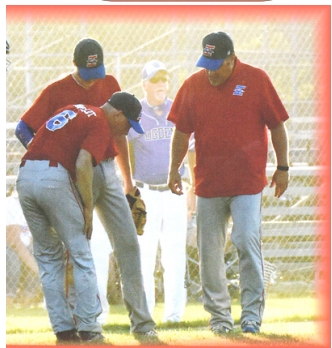


Coach Douglas to be inducted into the Hall of Fame

The Interstate 35 Roadrunners Baseball Team is heading up to Principal Park on Monday, May 22nd to play the Central Decatur Cardinals at 5:00 PM. Admission to the game is free, and we are hoping to get as much red and blue in the stands as possible to cheer on the team. In addition to the game, Interstate 35 will be honoring longtime Roadrunner baseball coach, Jeff Douglas, for his 2023 induction to the Iowa Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame. This recognition will occur prior to first pitch on the baseball field with Coach Douglas and his family.

Coach Douglas' coaching career at Interstate 35 spanned the years 1998 to 2022. He and his teams had 393 total high school wins, he was named IHSBBCA SW District Coach of the Year three times, coached teams that accumulated six conference titles and three district titles. On his longevity of his career, his greatest reward has been "working with the kids and seeing their passion for the game grow and develop." He says he would not have been able to be as successful or stay in the game as long as he did without the young men he has had the privilege to coach.

Coach Douglas continues to teach at Interstate 35 in the physical education department. Even though he is "retired" from his baseball coaching position, you will find him at the field this summer, enjoying the game and more importantly, appreciating the love of the game the players exhibit. Congratulations Coach Douglas on your induction into the Hall of Fame!



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Tuesday, May 16	Baseball vs. Bedford
Wednesday, May 17	Awards Night
Thursday, May 18	Preschool Graduation
Thursday, May 18	State Track and Field at Drake
Friday, May 19	Baseball vs. Collins-Maxwell
Friday, May 19	State Track and Field at Drake
Saturday, May 20	State Track and Field at Drake
Sunday, May 21	Graduation
Monday, May 22	Baseball vs Central Decatur at Principal Park
Tuesday, May 23	Baseball/Softball vs. Van Meter
Wednesday, May 24	Elementary Assembly
Wednesday, May 24	Last Day of School (2 hour early out)
Thursday, May 25	Teacher Inservice
Thursday, May 25	Baseball/Softball at WCV
Saturday, May 27	Softball at Winterset
Monday, May 29	Softball at Mt. Ayr
Tuesday, May 30	Baseball/Softball vs. Des Moines Christian
Wednesday, May 31	Baseball at Creston
Wednesday, May 31	Softball vs. Central Decatur
Thursday, June 1	Baseball/Softball vs. Woodward Granger
Saturday, June 3	Softball Invitational at Interstate 35
Monday, June 5	Baseball at Clarke Community
Tuesday, June 6	Baseball/Softball at Pleasantville
Wednesday, June 7	Softball vs. Wayne
Thursday, June 8	Baseball/Softball at AC/GC
Friday, June 9	Softball at Mount Vernon
Saturday, June 10	Baseball at MStM
Saturday, June 10	Softball at Cedar Rapids--Jefferson
Monday, June 12	Baseball/Softball vs. Earlham
Tuesday, June 13	Baseball/Softball at Van Meter
Thursday, June 15	Baseball/Softball vs. Madrid
Friday, June 16	Softball at Saydel

ALL athletic competitions are VARSITY contests. For all sport and activity calendar please visit www.roadrunnerpride.org

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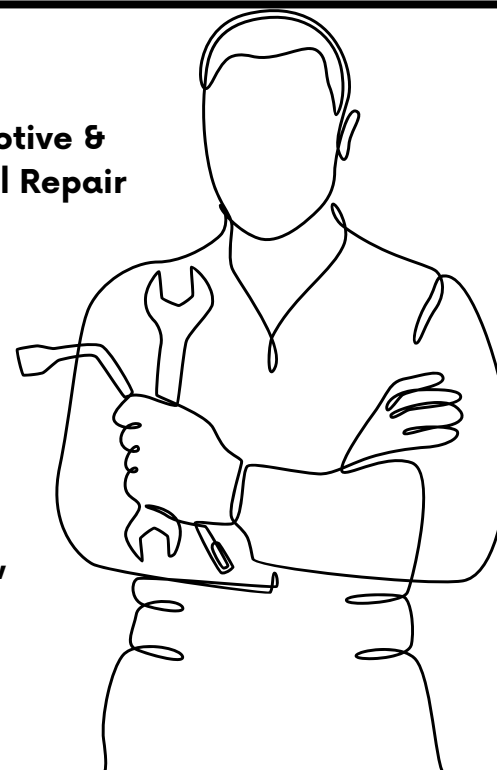
OmniTel Communication Grants for the 1st Quarter of 2023.

The Board of Directors of OmniTel Communications has awarded grants to 18 organizations, including: St. Charles Old Settlers 5K and Interstate 35 Education Foundation. The next grants will be awarded in July. Grant applications can be found at www.omnitel.biz

OmniTel Communications invites public and private non-profit organizations to submit applications for funding to help with specific projects and events in your community. The purpose of OmniTel's Charity Grant Program is to positively impact the quality of life in the communities which we serve. Greatest consideration is given to the projects and events that benefit the most people. No Charity Grant will be awarded to individuals for personal gain (i.e., pageants, school trips, etc.). All applications are reviewed at the first board meeting of each quarter. Completed applications may be submitted at any time during the year. Civic organizations may request up to \$1,000, non-civic related organizations may request up to \$500, school activities and summer youth programs may request up to \$250.



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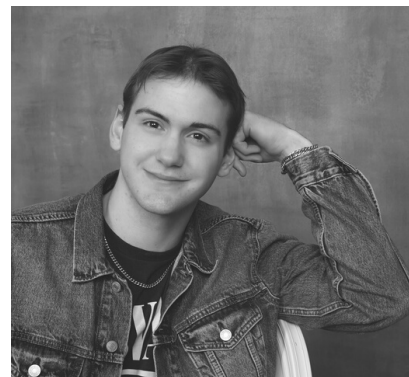
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Community Happenings



Tom Brommel, from the Pink Tractor Foundation, accepting a donation from Vicki Morris of the Classic Chassis Granny Basketball Team on their game day, April 22nd. The Pink Tractor Foundation was selected as our fundraiser to donate to that day. The Pink Tractor Foundation was founded in 1996 by the Tom Brommel family after his wife passed away from cancer. The foundation has given out over \$500,000 dollars to families dealing with a cancer diagnosis.



New Virginia Fireworks DONATIONS STILL NEEDED FOR 2023 NEW VIRGINIA FIREWORKS

The Saturday evening fireworks are a big part of our Old Settlers Celebration. We still need donations to pay for the 2023 fireworks. 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 New Virginia Fireworks

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The New Virginia ELF Club members had a great time lighting up Old Settlers Park for the 2022 holiday season, along with the Tree Sponsors. To enhance the 2023 season, we are on a mission to light up the beautiful blue spruce in the park. In an effort to accomplish this, we have reached out to the community for donations, and with their help, we are getting closer to bringing this to fruition.

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Community Happenings

VONNAHME RECOGNIZED BY GOVERNOR REYNOLDS FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE WEST DES MOINES, IOWA – May 8, 2023 – Maggie Vonnahme, a student at Interstate 35, was recognized by Gov. Kim Reynolds and Lt. Governor Adam Gregg for outstanding academic achievement at the 21st Annual Governor's Scholar Recognition Ceremony on April 30 at the Iowa Events Center in Des Moines. The statewide program, sponsored by the Iowa Governor's Office, Iowa High School Athletic Association (IHSAA) and its title sponsor the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation (IFBF), honored 422 high school seniors from across Iowa.

"Iowa Farm Bureau members are proud that their organization showcases its commitment to youth and education in many ways, including the half million dollars in scholarships we provide each year. Our 21-year title sponsorship of the Annual Governor's Scholar Recognition Ceremony is just one way we celebrate Iowa's exceptional high school students," said IFBF President Brent Johnson. "We all recognize the need for supporting youth, because they hold the keys of Iowa's continued innovation and economic success." Each high school was invited to select a senior student with the highest academic ranking, based on grade point average for their first seven semesters. Students selected for the award also had the opportunity to recognize their favorite/most influential teacher and will receive a photo plaque of their meeting with Governor Reynolds and Lt. Governor Gregg.

"The principles learned through academic success, like those learned from participation in education-based activities, help develop outstanding leaders and citizens," said IHSAA Executive Director Tom Keating. "The partnership between the IHSAA and the Iowa Farm Bureau, along with the great cooperation of the Governor's Office has made this prestigious event possible for many years."

Ninety-nine percent of those recognized also participate in extra-curricular school activities, with more than 80 percent participating in at least one interscholastic sport. More than 65 percent of the group plan to continue their education in Iowa.

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The New Virginia American Legion is requesting help to put up and take down flags at the New Virginia Cemetery for Memorial Day weekend. We will put up flags on Friday, May 26, at 5:30 p.m. and take them down on Monday, May 29, at 5:30 p.m.

Thank you.



The family of Jerry Cooley wants to let everyone know how much they appreciated the community who surrounded them with compassion and care over the last four weeks. Your support highlights how much we all were impacted by Jerry. Thank you for sharing in the pain with gentle and tender words. May we all take a page out of Jerry's book and be a quiet encouragement to those around us.

Karen Cooley
Sandy Gaffey
Tom and Kathleen Gaffey and family
Craig and Kim Phinney and family



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President and Cabinet Director of the Graduate and Professional Student Government, President of First-Generation Lawyers, and Conference Chair of the Organization of Women Law Students and Staff. She has, also, represented Iowa Law for two years as a Student Ambassador. Crow was an active participant in the Appellate Advocacy program and served her community through Iowa Law's Immigration Clinic and Law and Policy in Action Clinic. Following her graduation, Crow will be joining Faegre Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP in Des Moines, Iowa as an incoming associate attorney.

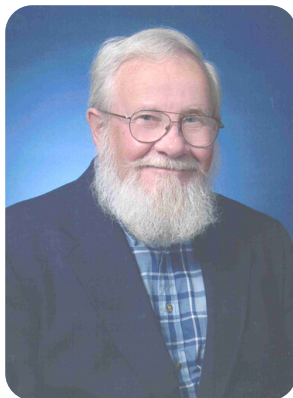


HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY

Phyllis Glasscock will be 90 on May 29.
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Jack Roland Daniels, son of Jack R. Daniels and Jessie Bernice (Day) Daniels Gates was born January 14, 1937, in Des Moines, Iowa and passed from this life Saturday, April 29, 2023 in Des Moines, Iowa at 86 years of age.

Jack grew up in Des Moines until the family moved to St. Charles when he was a teenager. He graduated from St. Charles High School. Jack was united in marriage to Joyce Tomes on April 7, 1957, and they were blessed with five children, Cynthia, Sharon, Vicki, Jack and Melissa.

Jack worked for Coca Cola for a few years before starting work for LBS/Corporate Image. He retired as a Prepress Manager after 43 years. Jack was a loving family man who enjoyed life.

He had many hobbies and enjoyments that always included family and friends. He enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, fishing, camping, gardening, horses and always his dogs. He also enjoyed woodworking, carving and painting. Due to his enjoyment of black powder shooting competitions, he and his brother Art started the annual Daniels Rendezvous, a black powder event. Jack enjoyed playing cards, poker and all types of games. He was very musical and could play multiple instruments. Jack was known all over for being "Santa" and his wife Joyce joined him as Mrs. Claus for many years. Together they touched the hearts of hundreds of children, young and old alike.

Jack and Joyce enjoyed traveling, camping and were members of the Rolling Wheels Camping Club. Together they were honored as King and Queen of the St. Charles Old Settlers in 2014. Jack was a member of the St. Charles Lions Club, The Pressman's Club, Iowa Distilling "Bourbon Club" and the St. Charles Parish.

The relatives who preceded Jack in death were his wife, Joyce Daniels, parents, Jack Daniels Sr. and Bernice Gates, great grandchildren, Olivia and Abigail, sisters, Joyce Ann Daniels and Bea Kay Gracey, and brother, Claude Owen Daniels.

Jack leaves to cherish his memory; daughters, Cynthia (Kent) Strawn of Norwalk, IA, Sharon (Mike) Ashby of Winterset, IA, Vicki (Stacey Deist) Howell of Polk City, IA, Melissa (Don) Walker of Peru, IA, son, Jack Daniels of St. Charles, IA, 17 grandchildren, Elizabeth (Brian) Wilson, John (Jessi) Strawn, Eric Ashby, Mike (Alisa) Ashby, Jr., Jennifer (Preston Wilmes) Shilhanek, Linda (Matt) Reyna-Willms, Dan (Kathryn) Ashby, Heather (Bill) Hendrickson, Ryan (Megan Gruber) Gavin, Charity Shaver, Nicki (Danny) Craig, Kyle (Jauna Hopkins) Howell, Jack (Courtney Wright) Daniels, Charles Daniels, Joshua Daniels, Joey Walker, Kody (Aaron Will) Walker, 37 great grandchildren, Connor, Zachary, Chase, Zoey, Madyson, Alyson, Kaitlyn, Robert, Michael Noel, Lacy (Scott), Reyna (Raymond), McCartney, Lennon, Harrison, Hudson, Hayden, Hank, Elizabeth, Annabelle, Seraphina, Michaela, Ian, Lillian, Lola, Emmeline, Trenton (Daniel), Spencer, Noah, Ryder, Bane, Grayson, Layla, Angus, Griffin, Charlie, Syllis, NevaehJoyce, 6 great-great grandchildren, Zayden, Fallyn, Asher, Jayden, Judah and Riley, brothers, Larry (Sandy) Daniels of Windsor Heights, IA, Art (Linda) Daniels of New Virginia, IA, Ed (Peggy) Daniels of St. Charles, IA, sister, Julie (Kay Kline) Daniels of St. Charles, IA, sister-in-law, Barbara Daniels of St. Charles, IA as well as many other relatives and friends.

Jack's family greeted friends from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, May 4, 2023, at Kale Funeral Home in Osceola, IA. Services were held at St. Charles Parish, Friday, May 5, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. with Pastor Darin Feikema officiating. Interment was in the St. Charles Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be directed to his family for a fitting tribute to be decided at a later date.

In Years Past: May 6th, 1937 The German airship Hindenburg burst into flames as it neared Lakehurst, New Jersey following a transatlantic voyage. Thirty six of the 97 passengers and crew were killed. The inferno was caught on film and also witnessed by a commentator who broke down amid the emotional impact and exclaimed "Oh the humanity."

Jeannine Kay Freeman Wood was the second daughter born to Arza Ross Freeman and Edna Jenness Moore Freeman on August 29, 1936, at Iowa Methodist Hospital in Des Moines, Iowa. She passed away at Southern Hills Specialty Care in Osceola, Iowa, on April 23, 2023, at the age of 86.

Jeannine lived in Des Moines until she was 10 years old, where she attended Casady Elementary School. In 1946, she and her family moved to a farm west of New Virginia, Iowa. She graduated from New Virginia High School in 1954 and continued her education at the University of Iowa and Drake University.

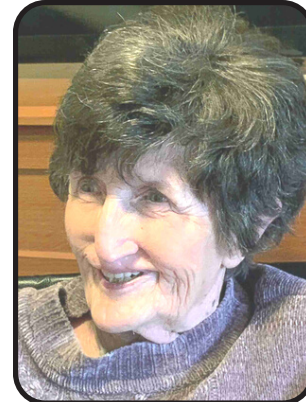
In 1957, Jeannine married Fred J. Wood. They had two children, Frederic (Rick) Ross and Cynthia (Cindy) Rae. Fred and Jeannine later divorced. Jeannine was a long-time resident of Osceola, since 1958.

Jeannine had a love for sports. In her youth she was a talented basketball player, well known for her hook shot, a forward on New Virginia's Girls Basketball Team. She was a long-time bowler and enthusiastic bridge player, who at one time belonged to five different clubs. Jeannine was a skilled golfer, who enjoyed competing in and won several golf tournaments.

Jeannine had a lifelong love for animals. Growing up, she cared for farm animals on the Freeman land. She was an excellent owner of many beloved dogs and cats. In the mid-1970s, Jeannine tragically suffered a dog bite to her face and bravely endured extensive reconstructive surgeries.

Jeannine worked as a bookkeeper at Highway Lumber Company for many years. She enjoyed interacting with employees, builders, and customers, and kept a candy jar full for all! After her long-time employment with Highway Lumber Company, Jeannine cared for residents at the Mosaic Foundation Assisted Living, in Osceola. The residents appreciated her wonderful sense of humor and enjoyed her home cooked meals.

Jeannine was preceded in death by her parents, Ross and Edna Freeman, her son, Rick Wood, her daughter, Cindy Wood, her sister, Joyce E. Baughman, and stepfather, Donald B. Warner. She is survived by her sisters Patricia Beardsley (Dan) of Springfield, VA, and Dolores (Dee) Marie Glafka of Ridgefield, WA, brother-in-law, Lonnie Baughman, of New Virginia, IA, her daughter-in-law, Sara Wood of Osceola, IA, her granddaughters Jessica Wood Duffel of Oklahoma City, OK and Devin Wood of Genoa City, WI, and her great granddaughters Harper and Gwenevere. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. At Jeannine's request, there will be no funeral or memorial service.



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Jesus' Right Hand

"Sometimes it's nice to live an unhurried life. Most of the time after I've made a trip to "The City" (a.k.a. Des Moines), I can just feel the tension and stress from the rushed atmosphere that is typical of most metropolitan areas. It's nice to have 20+ miles of interstate to begin to wind down, but I never truly can breathe a sigh of relief until I hit the New Virginia city limits. We have lived in the smallest of towns (population 139) and the biggest of cities (million +). There are tremendous advantages to either extreme, but there are equally as many trade-offs. However, when I pull around the curve coming into New Virginia, I feel such a beautiful peace that all of that stress from my trip just melts away. Often I will say, "I'm so glad to be back home." I really cherish this beautiful small-town life. Of course, we have our moments where we have stress and must move at a faster pace, especially around the ministry on Mondays. But living an unhurried life is truly a choice, even on a Monday at Jesus' Right Hand.

Jesus gave us this example with the way He lived His life. In the Book of John, Chapter 11, Jesus received word that his good friend, Lazarus, had become critically ill. However, instead of jumping up and running to where his friend lay ill, Jesus chose to stay where He was for two more days. Now Jesus was at least a day's journey away from his dear friend. When you take into account that He didn't actually hear about Lazarus until the next day from the messenger that Martha and Mary sent with the news. To put it in perspective, they sent word to Jesus, let's say on Monday, and Jesus didn't arrive on the scene until some time on Saturday. He had good reason to wait, and I'm sure that His reasons were multi-layered and much deeper spiritually than our minds can comprehend. But the foundational truth of this story is that Jesus lived an unhurried life, fully trusting in God's timing and direction, refusing to bow to outside pressure.

Another example of Jesus' unhurried life is the story of Jairus' daughter in the Book of Mark, Chapter 5. He arrived at the other shore of the lake, and a synagogue leader named Jairus came to him and pleaded for Jesus to come with him because his daughter was dying. There was a huge crowd of people, and as they were trying to make their way through the crowd to get to Jairus' home, a woman with an issue of blood touched the hem of His garment. He stopped suddenly to find out who had touched Him. Why did He stop? Did He feel the woman's need was greater than Jairus' need? Again, His reasons were much deeper than we can comprehend with our minds, but I don't believe Jesus was choosing one over the other. It took the woman an extraordinary amount of courage to even be in that crowd, let alone touch the hem of His garment. The law in that day prohibited her from touching any person when she had this condition. But Jesus stopped. The woman was healed at that moment. And as He was still talking to her, word came that Jairus' daughter had died. But even then, Jesus didn't succumb to the pressure. He reassured Jairus, and they continued their journey. After He had arrived at the bedside of the dead girl, Jesus cleared the room of all the mourners. He simply took her by the hand, spoke a few words to her, and she arose.

Jesus made a choice to be unhurried. And as much as we argue otherwise, we have a choice. Do we choose to leave slightly early for work to account for any traffic delays, or do we choose to drive well over the posted speed limit because we cut our travel time down to the minute? Do we try to cram as much as possible into each day and fall into bed at night, aching and unable to sleep? Our decision-making process gets blurred when

we are stressed. We don't think clearly, and often times we rush into a choice that we later regret. I've been guilty of quieting hungry and cranky kids with something quick and fast before supper, only to find out they don't want to eat their supper when it's ready. What happens when we find our lives too busy to spend some quiet time with God? I can't even imagine how life would begin to unravel when that happens.

We have it good here in the Tri-County area. This is coming from a small-town girl who has lived in the concrete jungle and also out on the gravel. Small town life is the perfect balance, and even though we have to travel a distance for almost everything, we have the assurance that we can soon return back home and breathe a huge, stress-relieving breath of Tri-County air. It sounds kind of sappy, but that's my story, and I'm sticking to it. As for all of us here at Jesus' Right Hand, please know that we are here for you, whether it's with a hug, a kind word or a time of prayer. No hurry, no stress. Just like Jesus. Be encouraged with this word today, and be blessed in all that you do.

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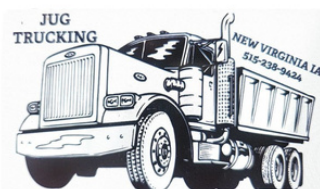
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In 1853, the Gadsden Purchase brought a portion of present-day southern Arizona and southern New Mexico under U.S. control. Centuries earlier, however, Native Americans were living in the area, and there are many reservations in Arizona today. Reminders of their heritage are evident in national monuments, tribal parks and historic sites that preserve their ancient dwellings, customs and crafts. Arizona's nickname is the Grand Canyon State. We drove to the Grand Canyon National Park April 14th with our 28-year-old grandson Josh and his lovely fiancée Mary who live in Philadelphia. It is about a four-hour drive from our house to the Canyon. Grand Canyon Village, at the South Rim of the Canyon, is heavily built up with hotels, lodges, cabins, shops and restaurants, and the nearby Southern Entrance Station, the most popular entrance, can be so crowded that a two-hour wait to enter is not uncommon.

In preparation for the trip, we found that the Village hotels were already booked and outrageously expensive. We wisely chose to drive to the little town of Cameron (about 18 square miles, population about 872), on the Navajo Nation Reservation. It is east of the Canyon, about a three- and one-half-hour drive, 222 miles from our house. We stayed at the Cameron Trading Post and Lodge which also had a large restaurant and a "just as large" gift shop filled with Native American crafts. I held myself to buying just one pair of turquoise earrings. The Trading Post has been owned and operated by the Richardson family of Indian traders since 1916, and today, it is owned by the people who work there. The view from our rooms was the Cameron Suspension Bridge over the Little Colorado River Gorge. The Navajo Nation honors Daylight Saving Time, which the rest of Arizona does not, so sometimes it was confusing to know just what time it was.

Driving west from Cameron, we entered the Park at the East Entrance Station – and we were the only visitors entering on both days that we were there! The guard at the gate remembered us on the second day! Our Senior Pass for the National Parks saved us the \$35 entrance fee each day. The 25-mile Desert View Drive from the East Entrance to Grand Canyon Village wound through a ponderosa pine forest and featured several viewpoints along the way. So we had our first views of the Canyon that was carved by the Colorado River over millennia. The Canyon is 277 miles long and a mile deep and features buttes, mesas, cliffs and side canyons. As the raven flies, it is 10 miles from the South Rim Village to the North Rim lodge. The rock layers at the bottom near the Colorado River date back some two billion years. There are a number of hiking trails to the bottom of the Canyon, or you can ride a mule to the bottom. There are Pink Jeep tours at ground level, as well as airplane and helicopter tours, and a small Yavapai Geology Museum. Josh and Mary did a little hiking, but we oldsters just enjoyed the view of this truly remarkable geologic wonder that is visited by six million visitors a year! (Source: AAA Tour Book)

We received a "Flat Stanley" request from our son John's first-grade granddaughter MacKenzie and her teacher in Southampton, PA. So Flat Stanley enjoyed learning about Arizona through postcards, being photographed with various citrus fruits, sitting on a blooming oleander bush and a blooming prickly pear cactus, and of course, going to the Grand Canyon. Our son James from New York City visited us April 23-29 and experienced an environment and neighborhood quite different from his on W. 80th Street in Manhattan. Since he doesn't drive and could not help with the driving, and since we had just been to the Grand Canyon, unfortunately, we did not take him there. We did, however, drive south toward Tucson to the Saguaro National Park in the Sonoran Desert where we saw fantastic rock formations, a variety of desert vegetation and millions of saguaro (pronounced suh wah row) cacti. These are the cacti that grow "arms" and thus take on somewhat humanlike shapes. The saguaro grows only in southern Arizona, in California along the Colorado River and in the northern Mexican state of Sonora. It can live more than 200 years, attaining heights of 30 to 40 feet. The cactus does not develop its "arms" until it is 50 to 70 years old. Its blossom, the Arizona state flower, appears in May and June (we saw many in bloom and many with buds). Native Americans use its fruit for food and as a beverage base. (Source: AAA Tour Book) We enjoyed seeing many other cacti in bloom as we drove through the Park.

Springtime is beautiful here in Arizona, with many flowering bushes, trees and cacti and bright green leaves on many of the trees. Most trees and bushes stay green all year round. We had a small "heat wave" recently and had our first over 100° day in April, needing our A/C in the house and definitely in the car. Just a small taste of what is to come in the summer!



Patricia "Pat" Dolores Lowe was a caring, mother, grandmother, sister and friend. She left this world on April 13, 2023, at age 93.

She was born to Everett and Elva Jones on December 14, 1929. After graduating from Bondurant-Farrar High School in Bondurant, Iowa, she met her husband, Jerry Weldon Lowe. Together, they had 2 children, James Craig Lowe and Patricia "Patty" Louise Lowe. While doting on and caring for her children, she also worked full-time as an Accounting Clerk until she was 83 years old.

Pat had an uncanny ability to find happiness in her daily activities and her pleasant personality was contagious to everyone she met. She loved spending time reading, working crossword puzzles and creating delicious meals for her family. She had a passion for baseball, football, basketball and game shows.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Everett and Elva Jones, husband, Jerry Weldon Lowe, and sister Hazel Jones-Burns. She is survived by her son, James Craig Lowe (Bliss), her daughter, Patty Lowe (Jim), two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She will be forever missed.

A graveside service was held 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at Field Cemetery in Truro, Iowa with Pastor Chuck DeVos officiating.

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Iowa Youth Institute by Kyla Schumacher

During my second semester of Composition II, the class was introduced to a new opportunity. We had the choice to complete a paper for the World Food Prize. Students who chose to write for the Global Food Challenge would focus all their papers on the same country. I decided to take the opportunity to learn about a global issue and how to create a solution.

I picked an unfamiliar country in central Africa. Niger is a landlocked, severely hot country, and most of Niger's land is filled with desert plains and dunes. The unbearable heat becomes a challenge when women have limited access to satisfactory food quality for their families.

My focus was to talk about education in Niger, especially when it comes to women needing an education. Nigerien women have a lack of education which prevents them from providing for their families. The lack of education in Niger is resulting in healthcare risks, malnutrition, and a lack of women's rights.

After writing my paper, I wasn't certain that I would get accepted. Weeks went by, and I received an email about the Iowa Youth Institute. The email was an invitation to come and present my paper to experts at Iowa State University. All I had to do was prepare a three-minute speech in advance.

On April 24, Mrs. Dentlinger drove Emma Leih and me to Iowa State University. After the Welcome and Recognition, we were split up into small groups. One of my experts was Madeline Schultz, the Women in Ag Program Manager, as well as the other expert in our group, Ellen Lupkes. After my presentation, the experts and students had a conversation about all the essays. One student mentioned infrastructure in her essay, and the experts wanted us to find a connection within our essays. I talked about how a possible solution could be building roads, so there's better road access in Niger. Many areas are not safe to travel without roads, and it's hard for anyone outside of Niger's capital to get there. That means if someone needed to access hospitals, they wouldn't be able to. We had a wonderful discussion about all our solutions and even the disadvantages of each of ours. Once we had finished our speech, we were officially Borlaug Scholars with a \$1,000 scholarship for Iowa State!

Something to keep in consideration is that solutions that may work in the United States may not work in another country. There are so many different cultures and religions globally that may affect how that country functions. One of the points I mentioned was that Niger's main religion is Islam. Even though many Nigeriens believe it is God's command to have many children, it is just as important to be able to provide for all of them adequately. The main issue occurring is a lack of women's rights, primarily in education and healthcare. The good news is that within Islam, education is a divine command for both men and women. This point made from their religion is very important because it allows others globally to understand more about how to help them using knowledge about their religion and lifestyle. If what they believe from their holy book, the Quran, says women should have the opportunity to have an education, Nigeriens need to uphold this value.

As a United States citizen, I have had the opportunity to learn from a young age. I have been reading for almost a decade and a half. I have been writing for almost as long. I was raised in a family with enough income to send me to school, feed me, and provide other basic needs. These are the bare minimum a parent should be able to provide to a child. Children should be in school learning how to read and write and developing social skills. Unfortunately, in Niger and many countries with poverty, children do not have access to basic needs such as high food quality, water, access to school, money for education, money for a home, and even basic sanitation needs. I doubt many of us here could go one day without any of these basic needs, let alone without the things we want, such as our phone, television, computer, or car. None of us would be able to do our jobs or continue in our education if we didn't learn to read and write first. This is why it's so important to advocate and find solutions to end these worldly issues because we have the privilege to do so.

I advise students taking Composition II next year to complete the paper for the Global Food Challenge. There are so many career opportunities and choices to explore even during the Iowa Youth Institute.

The following list contains some of the majors you can explore relating to The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences: Agriculture and Life Sciences Education; Agricultural Business; Agricultural Communication; Agricultural Systems Technology; Agronomy; Animal Science;

Animal Ecology; Biochemistry; Biology; Nutritional Science; and Environmental Science. The Iowa Youth Institute allows you to learn from professionals in agricultural positions and people who have traveled outside of the country. It's a wonderful time to engage with others while conversing about worldly issues as a collective group.

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