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## Teaching from Yesterday to Today

### “I Liked Most Every Minute of Teaching”

This article was written by Evadna Keller and appeared in the New Virginian newspaper in December 1974. It is about Mary Kathryn “Katie” Gleckler Irwin who taught at the New Virginia School from 1919 to 1959.

Can you imagine facing kids day after day for years and liking most every minute of it? Mrs. Irwin did! In fact, when she was growing up, she never dreamed of anything else but being a teacher when she completed her own education. “Back in those days, though, there really weren’t many other job opportunities for women.”

Katie, as most of us call her now, was born in Ayrshire, Iowa, in Palo Alto County on January 25, 1892 and started to school in the one-room Lost Island Lake Country School. When she was ten years old, the family

moved to New Virginia, and her dad built the house in which Richard Strange lives. Her parents, obviously wanting to give her the best education possible, paid tuition and sent her to school in New Virginia rather than to the country school in their area. She graduated from New Virginia High School in 1910 but remained at home for another year.

A high school diploma was all that was required, in those early years, before one went into teaching. The country schools had three terms: Fall, Winter and Spring. In the Spring of 1911, a teacher was needed to fill out this term at Big Rock Country School, and Miss Gleckler began her teaching career. Big Rock, as such, doesn’t exist anymore, but this school was located northeast of New Virginia on the west side of the road across from Ed McDole’s house.

In the Fall of 1911, Miss Gleckler taught in the Happy Hollow Country School and completed all three terms there. Happy Hollow has also gone by the wayside. This school was down the hill just southwest of George Smalley’s house near the former railroad tracks. “Of course, in those days, you were your own janitor, and I had 36 children in that one-room school to prepare lessons for, including all the elementary grades through the eighth. Some of my students were nearly as old as I was. My most memorable experience there was the morning I went in to get the fire started and the necessary preparations made before the children arrived, and I discovered a tramp had evidently spent the night there. Thank goodness he was gone before I arrived! That was a hilarious year!” The next year, she came in to New Virginia and taught one year, then was married to Benjamin Harrison Irwin on June 4, 1913. She and Ben made their home on the farm where Dick Hoversten lives. Much too soon, however, Katie had to return to teaching, as her husband passed away in 1918, and she was left with two small children to support. Happy Hollow School had closed by this time, so she bought the building, had it moved into town and made into the house

that has been her home ever since. In the Fall of 1919, she began teaching in the New Virginia School again and continued through the year of 1959, when she retired. During these years it also became necessary to have college credits to keep the teaching certificate, so she completed those requirements by attending both Simpson College and Drake University while helping her two children to complete their college education. Over the years, she taught children of at least three generations of several families.

Since her retirement, her hobbies have been quilting, making afghans, crocheting and making craft items such as coat hangers, bead necklaces, etc. Her most loved ones, though, are her flowers, gardening and cooking. Even though her health does not permit her to be as active as she’d like, she still gardens and cans the harvested food items. She also had to slow down on participation in organizations, but she is a member of the United Methodist Church, over a 50-year member of Neophyte Chapter Number 206, Order of the Eastern Star, a member of Past Matrons Club and belongs to the New Virginia Garden Club.

Nearly every winter since her retirement, Katie has spent a few months with her children in Illinois and Indiana, and at this writing, she is making preparations to leave for this season. She’s always glad to go for a visit, but by spring, she’s quite anxious to get back to her own home and out into her garden and flower bed.

Many reading this article will no doubt be a past student of Mrs. Irwin. To you, especially, she said, “I liked most every minute of teaching school, and I’m always interested in hearing from or about any student I’ve ever taught. I hear from several at Christmas time, and others stop in when they come to town. I really do appreciate hearing from and visiting all of them.”

Katie Irwin passed away at the home of her daughter Martha and husband Earl Finder in Urbana, Illinois on July 12, 1978 at the age of 86. At that time, her son James and wife Martha Irwin lived in Indianapolis, Indiana. Katie had five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren at the time of her death.

Any number of former students have been heard to make remarks of how well they liked Mrs. Irwin and what part she had in helping them overcome their trials in education or achieve their goal in life. There’s no doubt that she holds a pleasant spot in the hearts and minds of most who’ve ever known her. Thanks to Jody Taylor and Vicki Morris who suggested this retelling of Katie Irwin’s story and identified Katie’s house as being at 128 Main Street and subsequently owned by Roger Carlson, Amy Morris Janssen and Merlin Morris.



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## A Glimpse in Kindergarten

When I began my teaching career in 1990, I never could have imagined the course education would take. It has definitely changed over the last 31 years.

My perspective comes exclusively from kindergarten. Not only have I taught only this grade level, but I also have had many different experiences that range from half-day, full-day, and team teaching. I have also taught in three districts and two states: Iowa and Missouri.

Let's take a look at how it has changed.

### **1990: full-day kindergarten**

**Preschool:** Preschool was most often in churches, and the focus was social and fine motor skills, not academic. Most of my students never attended Preschool.

**Kindergarten Report Card:** My report card consisted of: full name, address, phone number, tying shoes, letters, sounds, number recognition, counting, shapes, colors, and social skills. The reports cards were several layers of paper that would transfer any printed information to the bottom sheets.

**Our daily routine:** We would do the calendar, read stories, practice handwriting in our writing books, and learning letters and sounds with the Letter People.

Math skills were taught through a writing curriculum using workbooks.

Each month, we had a science or social studies theme. Apples in September meant we would make applesauce on Johnny Appleseed Day. Art projects were done weekly as we worked through each theme.

Kindergarten stressed the importance of learning through play. This skill allowed students to learn about sharing, discovering through trial and error, following the rules of a game, assembling, constructing, and using our imagination.

We had snacks, napped, and had three recesses every day. The children also had special classes: library, art, physical education, and music.

**Technology:** Computers were non-existent for teachers and students. The only electrical device I would use was a TV. I would sign up to use the large TV on a cart to watch any educational videos. This was done by checking it out from the library.

### **2021: full-day kindergarten**

**Preschool:** Students usually have a full year of Preschool prior to arriving in Kindergarten. Some have also attended three-year-old Preschool programs as well.

### **Kindergarten Report Cards:**

Our report card is based on the Iowa Common Core. Academic standards are selected that reflect what a kindergartener should know prior to entering first grade. We still need to know our letters, sounds, numbers, and counting skills. But now we are reading words, decoding, and writing words. We are emergent readers and read 50+ sight words.

In math, we need to know the numbers, write the numbers, and count. But we also need to know greater and less than, counting on from a certain number, using games to learn mathematical skills, and solving addition and subtraction equations.

Grading is completed using my laptop on a platform called PowerSchool.

**Daily Routine:** This school year is focused around health and safety. First of all, we must all wear masks. Due to the pandemic, we are required to keep students and teachers safe at school. This has been a challenge for some of my students. I never dreamed I would be saying, "Cover your nose" multiple times a day to some of my students; but I am. We also wash our hands often, use hand sanitizer each time we enter the classroom, and practice social distancing as best we can.

We still do the calendar, but it has many more components. We find several ways to make a number, look at patterns, do addition, compare numbers, use a number line, make predictions, and document our observations.

We still learn letters and sounds, but we are also learning how to build and decode words. We have writing time on white boards and don't make just letters. We write words and sentences. The children have small group reading time and large group. We are emergent readers.

Math is not just learning numbers, but discussing our thinking, problem solving, and using manipulatives to show our thinking.

Science is not a theme a month. It is ongoing with weather, living and non-living things, and engineering. Art projects are usually tied to a current lesson or topic.

Play no longer is a focus. It is now part of Preschool. We have play time/center time at the beginning of the year. As new expectations are introduced, play time goes away. Play time/center time is usually inside recess.

We still have snacks, but we only have rest time the first half of the year. We have two recesses a day. We still have library, art, p.e., and music. We also have guidance class.

**Technology:** Students are savvy on an iPad, tablet, and some a chrome book. They are beginning to acquire typing skills. Our students can interact on a smart board. Many also know how to operate a smartphone.

Due to COVID, we can learn from home on a computer, if needed. In the past year, I have had remote students who get on a platform to get lessons. I insert recorded lessons, stories, videos, and printable activities for learning. Parents can help them remotely, and they respond back with videos, photos, and written responses for their work.

I have evolved as a teacher over the past 31 years. I am grateful for all the amazing educators with whom I have had the pleasure to work along the way. I have been blessed with not only great school districts, but also great students. Although the program has changed, the five- and six-year-olds who enter my classroom every year are still the same. They arrive each fall, full of wonder, curiosity, excitement, and love.

Becky Bertrand

### A reflection of Teaching

Throughout my career, I have been asked to focus on different components of the teaching and learning processes. Educators have realized that emotional intelligence directly affects one's relative intelligence. Research even suggests that emotional intelligence is more important.

This past school year, I focused on teaching peace, growth mindset, and emotional intelligence, alongside my English Language Arts curriculum. I believe experience is the best teacher, because learning takes place when it is individualized.

I feel blessed to have started this school year back at Interstate 35 taking on a new teaching assignment as the fifth grade ELA teacher. I have surprised people by saying that this year has been one of the best teaching experiences of my career. I tell teachers weekly that the fifth graders are going to change the world. Their emotional and relative intelligence are outstanding. I can't wait to see what they become!

*Contributed by Jamie Gelner*



## Iowa Fireworks Farm



One of the biggest challenges in the fireworks industry for 2021 has been getting products. The fireworks business was booming in 2020 across the U.S. This resulted in most of the wholesalers in the U.S. having empty warehouses after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July last summer, when they historically would have 20% to 40% of their warehouse still full at that time. At the same time last summer, U.S. consumer spending was peaking, as many consumers were buying things to entertain themselves or fix up their homes, since they hadn't been able to travel or do the things they normally would have done, due to COVID. This led to a surge in the demand for freight from China to the U.S., since so much of what the U.S. consumes is made in China, and fireworks are no exception. Unfortunately, almost all of the consumer fireworks used in the U.S. are made in China. As demand for more consumer goods increased through the fall and into the holidays, spots on cargo ships from China to the U.S. became harder and harder to get, as well as more expensive. The shipping cost of fireworks, which makes up a large part of the retail price, has roughly doubled from May 2020 to May 2021. As a result of the shipping issues and the unprecedented demand for fireworks last summer, there is expected to be an industry-wide shortage of 30% to 50% of the usual fireworks this summer. Fortunately for our store, once I saw how demand was ramping up last summer as soon as we opened our doors in June, I started ordering additional inventory and haven't stopped since. While there may be some things we would like to have on the shelves that we can't get this summer, we have well over twice as much inventory on hand as we did last summer, so we should be able to supply everyone with their boomers this summer, but if you want the best selection, it will be smart to shop early and not wait until the 1<sup>st</sup> of July.

Last summer, as a way of supporting the community that supports us, we partnered with a few organizations and selected a product for each of those organizations where we would donate \$10 from the sale of each firework to the respective organization. We were able to make donations at the end of the season to the New Virginia Old Settlers Committee, the I-35 Booster Club and the Truro Betterment Committee. We're looking forward to doing the same thing again this summer or possibly expanding the idea.

While many fireworks businesses try to have as many locations as possible to maximize sales, our approach is to create a pleasant and memorable shopping experience to everyone who comes through our doors. We do that by having a clean, organized store and knowledgeable staff who can assist those customers who want help in picking out their fireworks, all while providing the best value possible. I know that I always enjoy my fireworks more when I feel like I got a good deal on them. Our flagship "home" location will always be New Virginia, but if we can replicate that experience, I wouldn't rule out additional locations, but you don't get better by being bigger, you get bigger by being better.

*Contributed by Wade Peterson,  
Iowa Fireworks Farm*



## Those Who Served



### Those Who Served Junior D. Edwards

Junior D. Edwards from Indianola, Iowa, was born In October 1926. He served in the US Army and first joined in January 1945, at 19 years of age, just before World War II ended. He was discharged in August of 1946 but rejoined the Army in June of 1947. Junior attained the rank of Sergeant First Class and was sent to Korea. On January 2, 1951 Sfc Edwards was killed after distinguishing himself by conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty in action against the enemy. On January 16, 1952, his father received the Medal of Honor on his behalf at the Pentagon. Sfc Edwards is buried at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Indianola, Iowa.

The Medal of Honor has only been presented 3,526 times since 1861. It is the highest award anyone in the US military can receive. It always involves extreme war combat and extraordinary courage in the face of death. There are only 67 living recipients today. They don't win this medal; it isn't a contest. The Medal is awarded. The person is a "recipient" of the Medal of Honor. A general officer will salute a private if he is wearing the Medal of Honor.

I encourage you to look at Junior D. Edwards' citation on the Medal of Honor website and what others have done. They were fighting for us, but at the time they were fighting for their friends around them. It's been said that "freedom isn't free," and these 3,507 recipients have paid a great price.

*Behind you - All your memories  
Before you - All your Dreams  
Around you - All who you love  
Within you - All you need*



### *In Years Past... May 1977*

I-35 graduation achievement award recipients included Kim Strawn who received the "I Dare You" (Danforth Award) representing outstanding qualities of leadership, well-balanced in physical, mental, social and character development.

# City Of New Virginia

## Council Meeting Minutes

May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

The Council met in regular session on Monday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. for the May Council Meeting.

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

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

**Old business discussed:** It has been confirmed with Atlantic Bottling Company that a pop machine will be placed on the east side of the community building in GAMP Park. The Lions Club and Old Settlers Committee are ok with placing a pop machine in Old Settlers Park next to the shelter with proceeds from sales to be split between the two organizations. The placement of a pop machine in Lions Park has to be approved by Atlantic Bottling Company. Rick Long, Atlantic Bottling Company representative, will be contacted about placing a pop machine in Old Settlers Park.

The drainage problem in the 800 block of East Street was discussed. The price quote from Savage Excavating to alleviate the drainage problem is \$17250.00. It was decided to do a chlorine test on the water to make sure the source of the water is not coming from a water leak.

Nelson advised Terry Stuart will allow connection to a water curb stop on his property so a water line and hydrant can be run to the shelter building in Old Settlers Park if a hydrant is placed on his property at the time the work is being done. Galivan moved, seconded by Truman to approve the placement of a water line to the shelter building in Old Settlers Park from a curb stop on Terry Stuart's property to include a 1 inch water hydrant at the shelter and a one inch water hydrant on Stuart's property. The project will also include at least one curb stop in the new line as well as a water meter pit and a sunset agreement for Stuart to use water without charge as long as he owns the property. A roll call vote was taken: 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Water utilities discussed:** Brian Lawson, sales representative from Utility Equipment Company was present to give a presentation on the SET Smart Earth Technologies remote smart valve and abilities of the software. The Starter Solution complete package includes 5 Setflow X231 cellular AMI endpoints; SETflow meter data management system software; SETflow field mobile application and handheld tablet; lifetime data subscription for AT&T or Verizon; 2 hours of remote configuration and system training; 1 remote smart valve for a total cost of \$1800.00. The cost of an individual smart valve is \$369.00. The cost of a standard ultrasonic water meter is \$130.00.

Representatives from Omnitel, with an office in Truro, were present to discuss fiber optic internet within the city limits of New Virginia and right-of-way for placement. The fiber optic has been installed up to the west side of town at the intersection of Vermont Street and 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Omnitel's proposed work for 2021 is in areas of the west side of town (see attached map). Sign-ups are key to 2022 extension further into the city limits. **To sign up, citizens need to register at connect.omnitel.biz.** A \$50.00 deposit is required for a drop

to your home. Construction bonuses available only during construction include: free standard installation of any service; no contracts; save \$75.00 with a \$25.00 monthly internet credit for 3 months; free Omni-Fi premium Wi-Fi router for first 3 months. Prices for high speed internet, unlimited data are as follows: 50 Mbps \$89.95/mth; 100Mbps \$119.95/mth; 500 Mbps \$159.95/mth; Gigabit (1,000 Mbps) \$219.95/mth. Digital phone with unlimited local calling can be added for \$5.00/mth. Contractors installing the fiber optic lines are held to a one year warranty. Omnitel is willing to remove the old cable TV pedestals. If you have questions, contact the Truro Office at 641-765-4201 or email at [questions@omnitel.biz](mailto:questions@omnitel.biz). **If interested, it is of utmost importance and essential that you sign up for the internet service at connect.omnitel.biz.** The agreement regarding use of public right of way for fiber optic communications system will be forwarded to the City Attorney for review.

**Law Enforcement** – The report summary from the Sheriff's Office for the month of April was reviewed. Deputies received or initiated 15 calls for service during the month. Officers spent in excess of 47 hours in the City for the month. There was one citation and/or warning written for traffic violations that occurred within the City of New Virginia proper.

Proposed IT policies per ICAP, the City's insurance carrier were reviewed. Draft policies for acceptable internet use and passwords will continue to be worked on.

A public hearing was held to amend the current 2020-21 New Virginia City Budget. With no citizens present to approve or disapprove and no written or email responses regarding said proposed amendments, Nelson moved, seconded by Truman to close the public hearing. A roll call vote was taken: 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

After reviewing amendments of the current budget, Nelson moved, seconded by Galivan to pass & approve the amendments to the current 2020-21 New Virginia City Budget (see attached Amendment Of Current Budget). A roll call vote was taken: 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Fire Department Business:** Galivan moved, seconded by Truman to approve Alexis Owens from probationary status to full member status. A roll call vote was taken: 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The Council was advised the fire department received a grant from Farm Bureau in the amount of \$1500.00 for an enclosed trailer to store grain bin rescue equipment and other equipment. The cost of the trailer is \$2500.00. The additional \$1000.00 would be paid by the New Virginia Fire Department Association.

The City received a total of three bids for fire truck 768. The bids were opened and Galivan moved, seconded by Nelson to approve and accept the high bid of \$5376.00 for fire truck 768. A roll call vote was taken: 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed and discussed two street repair proposals. G&H Asphalt Corporation bid \$19900.00 – repave asphalt patches 2 and 4 inch depths; overlay Book Alley 2 inches deep. InRoads Asphalt Paving - \$20967.00 – repave all asphalt patches to depth of 4 inches; overlay Book Alley 2.5 inches deep. With all repave patches to be 4 inches deep and Book Alley to be 2.5 inches deep, Truman moved, seconded by Galivan to approve the InRoads Asphalt Paving bid of \$20967.00. A roll call vote was taken: 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

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## GAMP FINANCIAL UPDATE

May 3, 2021

The following are the balances for the GAMP accounts: Money Market \$31798.86; Regular Account \$765.58. Our rentals/groups utilizing the building still remains the same. We are still doing extra cleaning and sanitizing processes after each use. We are still strongly suggesting all who enter wear masks and social distance. We are also asking renters to operate at the 50% capacity. We will install a pop machine at the GAMP building as well. This will be placed outside to be used when residents are using the park. The disc golf course will be installed here in the near future.

## NEW VIRGINIA PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE UPDATE

Steve Savage has removed the old shelter pad and the dead ash tree from the Lions Park. Mike Bethards has poured the new concrete slab for the shelter. Lane Sturtz and Dryseal Roofing will work on the construction of the second shelter within this month. Our deadline is June 1, 2021. We will need to move the current grills at the park in order to be compliant with the insurance regulations. We are working on placement of the two grills at the Lions Park and possibly two grills at the Gerry Allen Memorial Park. Mike Bethards was able pour the concrete for the new sign to be placed at the park. Once these projects are finished, we will place a memorial tree in honor of Mary Bates. Our account balance is \$11,916.82.

## KEEP IOWA BEAUTIFUL PROGRAM

The account balance is \$9515.76. An Art In The Park activity is planned for June 13<sup>th</sup> that will include music and activities for kids. A five foot tall white oak tree is available for planting. It was discussed to place it in the Lions Park south of the basketball court.

## Spring Curbside Clean-Up Day is scheduled for May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations from Mayor Huston to Ryan Meyer, a 7<sup>th</sup> grade student at Interstate 35 Community School who lives in Truro, for winning the state wide Iowa League Of Cities "If I Were Mayor" essay contest. Ryan received a \$500.00 scholarship for his winning essay.

Nelson moved, seconded by Galivan to approve payment of all City bills and GAMP bills. A roll call vote was taken: 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

With no further business to come forth, Truman moved, seconded by Nelson to adjourn meeting. A roll call vote was taken: 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m. The June council meeting is scheduled for Monday June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. **June meeting date – Monday June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**



Brent Baughman, City Clerk

CLAIMS REPORT		AMOUNT	CHECK #	CHECK DATE
VENDOR	REFERENCE			
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS/STREET LIGHTS	\$496.43	14141	4/30/2021
CAPITAL SANITARY SUPPLY	OPERATING SUPPLIES CLEANING	\$167.78	14147	5/4/2021
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	DUES BOARD OF PHARAMCY	\$268.29	14142	4/30/2021
D&L ELECTRIC & AUTO SALES	MAINTENANCE REPAIR LIGHTS BLDG	\$362.00	14149	5/4/2021
EXTINGUISHER COMPANY	OPERATING SUPPLIES EXTINGUISHE	\$55.00	14151	5/4/2021
HUSTON'S LAWN/SNOW REMOVAL	OTHER CONTR SERV MOWING	\$950.00	14152	5/4/2021
HY-VEE	MEDICATIONS	\$3.20	14153	5/4/2021
IOWA COMMUNITIES ASSURANCE POO	INSURANCE MAY 1 2021	\$12,608.70	14140	4/19/2021
IOWA PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEM	IPERS	\$272.93	16326174	5/1/2021
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	\$332.66	16326175	5/1/2021
J&L SANITATION	GARBAGE SERVICE -	\$60.00	14155	5/4/2021
MERCYONE	AMBULANCE RUNS	\$328.00	14156	5/4/2021
PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$37.77	14157	5/4/2021
VERIZON	TELEPHONE	\$152.50	14143	4/30/2021
WARREN CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT FY21	\$5,097.00	14159	5/4/2021
WASTE MANAGEMENT	RECYCLING	\$940.14	14161	5/4/2021
WASTE SOLUATIONS	OPERATING SUPPLIES-NVOS	\$660.00	14162	5/4/2021
WEX FLEET UNIVERSAL	VEHCILE FUEL	\$217.45	14163	5/4/2021
WINDSTREAM	TELEPHONE/INTERNET	\$321.79	14164	5/4/2021
ZIEGLER CAT	OPERATIONAL EQUIP REPAIR	\$5.28	14165	5/4/2021
	<b>General Total</b>	<b>\$23,336.92</b>		
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS/STREET LIGHTS	\$1,060.70	14141	4/30/2021
TIM WEEKS	STREET MAINTENANCE	\$346.27	14158	5/4/2021
	<b>Road Use Total</b>	<b>\$1,406.97</b>		
ANCEL KENNEDY	SERVICE	\$125.00	14166	5/4/2021
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES INK CARTRIDGES	\$49.35	14142	4/30/2021
CITY STATE BANK	BANK/COLLECTION FEES	\$17.00	14148	5/4/2021
DES MOINES WATER WORKS	WATER TESTING	\$12.00	14150	5/4/2021
IOWA COMMUNITIES ASSURANCE POO	INSURANCE MAY 1 2021	\$2,683.50	14140	4/19/2021
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	WET TAX 1ST QUARTER 2021	\$1,235.00	16326172	4/29/2021
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	SALES TAX 1ST QUARTER 2021	\$58.00	16326173	4/29/2021
IA ONE CALL	METER LOCATES	\$20.80	14154	5/4/2021
IOWA PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEM	IPERS	\$282.07	16326174	5/1/2021
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	\$344.67	16326175	5/1/2021
WARREN WATER DISTRICT	WATER USAGE/LOAN PAYMENT	\$4,140.00	14160	5/4/2021
	<b>Water Utilites Total</b>	<b>\$8,967.39</b>		
Payroll	General	\$1,379.50		
	Water Utilities	\$1,424.54		
	<b>Total Payroll Paid</b>	<b>\$2,804.04</b>		
	<b>***** REPORT TOTAL *****</b>	<b>\$36,515.32</b>		



Mrs Kathryn Irwin

We, the class of 1958, feel it a privilege to dedicate our annual to Mrs Kathryn Irwin:

For her 41 years, of which 40 has been here at New Virginia, of unselfish devotion to the welfare of her students.

For her sympathetic awareness of their problems.

For her constant and untiring efforts to instill in them the desire for scholastic achievement.

Source 1958 Rocket yearbook



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### Updated Rental Rates!

#### Gerry Allen Memorial Park Community Building New Virginia, IA

	N.V. City Limits	All Other
Renters		
Full Day Rental	\$125	\$150
Half Day Rental	\$75	\$100
Hourly Rental	\$20	\$20

- \*Deposit \$125, due at time of reservation, rental fee due prior to event.
- \*\*All Non-Profit groups - there will be no rental fee.
- \*\*\*Signed rental agreement required.
- \*\*\*\*Certificate of liability insurance for rentals over 50 persons required
- \*\*\*\*\*All rentals require cleanup at the conclusion of their event. We are also providing a deeper sanitization and cleaning at this time with additional fee of \$25.

*Due to COVID-19, Social Distancing and wearing of masks strongly encouraged.  
Current capacity is at 50% until the state restrictions are lifted.*

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or call Jennifer Baughman 641-449-3492 or Erin Thornburgh 641-449-3632

### Former Local Man and Wife Direct Vanities

Frank Sposeto III and wife Tammy co-directed Vanities, a dinner theater production held April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Avenue of the Saints Event Center. The evening began with 5 p.m. Happy Hour, 6 p.m. Dinner (choice of delicious steak, chicken, or meatless pasta), followed by 7 PM Show.

Tickets at \$35 included dinner, two well drinks or domestic beer, the show, and dessert.

*Vanities: A bittersweet comedy that is an astute, snapshot sharp chronicle of the lives of three Texas girls. In 1963, Joanne, Kathy and Mary are aggressively vivacious cheerleaders. Five years later in their college sorority house, they are confronting their futures with nervous jauntiness. In 1974, they reunite briefly in New York. Their lives have diverged their friendship, which once thrived on assumption as well coordinated as sweater sets, is strained and ambiguous. Old time banter rings false. Their attempts at honest conversation only show they can no longer afford to have very much in common.*

–Publisher’s description.

Following the show, a full crowd enjoyed Karaoke, by Brad Sinclair, in the room adjacent to the show.

Two great events in one night at the Avenue of the Saints Event Center and Talk Shop Lounge!

## The Sign

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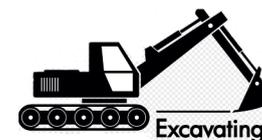
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Thursday, June 17<sup>th</sup>

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# COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS



## NEW VIRGINIA AMERICAN LEGION POST 281 NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The New Virginia American Legion will be placing small flags on the veterans graves in the New Virginia Cemetery on Friday, May 28, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. They will also be placing the large flags on the New Virginia Cemetery road for the "Avenue of Flags". On Monday May 31, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. they will have a ceremony at the New Virginia Cemetery. On Monday May 31, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. they will be taking all of the flags down. Lots of volunteer help is needed for this project. If you are able to help, be in the cemetery parking at the designed times.

THANK YOU!

New Virginia American Legion Post 281.



## LITTLE MISS AND MISTER NEW VIRGINIA CONTEST



LET'S  
HAVE  
SOME  
FUN



If you would like your child to participate in the Little Miss and Mister Contest for the New Virginia Old Settlers Celebration, the child must be 4-6 years of age and reside in the New Virginia area. The child may enter more than one year but cannot re-enter after winning the contest. Entries must be received by June 10, 2021.

The pictures and voting containers will be displayed at The New Virginia City State Bank. The voting will begin on June 15, 2021. For those who are not aware of the voting process, anyone who wishes to vote for a contestant may do so by making a monetary contribution to the New Virginia Old Settlers by placing money in the voting container of the child of their choice. All money raised will go towards the New Virginia Old Settlers Celebration. Voting will end on Thursday, July 8, 2021, at 4 p.m. The boy and girl with the most money contributed to their voting container will be crowned Little Miss and Mister New Virginia at the Friday, July 9, 2021, evening program in Lions Park.

This is a fun contest and a great fundraiser for the New Virginia Old Settlers. Each child entered will receive a goodie bag on Friday evening when the winners are announced. The Little Miss and Mister New Virginia winners will ride in a convertible in the Saturday night parade.

To enter, please send a photo of your child (preferably a 4"x6" or close in size) with the information below either by mail or e-mail to:

Deann Strange, P.O. Box 504, New Virginia, IA 50210 or to  
dstrangedleec@gmail.com

Include the child's name, Parent's name, Age, Favorite activity, Parent contact info (phone number, address, e-mail address).

The display will list only the child's name, age, and favorite things. If you have any questions, please e-mail Deann at the address above or call (515)210-8847.

## NEW VIRGINIA ALUMNI BANQUET

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## MEMORIAL DAY



MAY 31<sup>st</sup>



## New Virginia Summer Reading Program Reading Colors Your World 2021!

Pick up your Summer Reading materials starting

Tuesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at 4 p.m.!

Every Tuesday at 5 p.m. and Every Wednesday at 10 a.m. we  
will be having programs June 8<sup>th</sup> -July 28<sup>th</sup>!

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 & 1 pm - 8 pm  
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 Sat 9 am - 12 pm

## What's happening at the New Virginia Public Library?

Every Wednesday Afternoon at 2pm is Cribbage!

Every Third Wednesday at 4pm is Book Club!

The Library is now a member of the AmazonSmile program!

We have many puzzles for children and adults for checkout!

Summer Reading Program starts June 1<sup>st</sup>!

### New Books This Month

21<sup>st</sup> Birthday by James Patterson

A Gambling Man by David Baldacci

Finding Ashley by Danielle Steel

Country Proud by Linda Lael Miller

Check our Facebook page for updates on upcoming activities!

[www.newvirginia.lib.ia.us](http://www.newvirginia.lib.ia.us)



## Nominate a New Virginia Area Volunteer For "The 2021 New Virginia Volunteer of the Year Award"

The Old Settlers Committee will be continuing the "Volunteer of the Year Award" for the 2021 New Virginia Old Settlers Celebration. They are asking for you to send the Old Settlers Committee a letter telling why your nominee should be the 2021 New Virginia Area Volunteer of the Year. Please include what groups they are involved in, list some of their accomplishments and other pertinent information. The winning volunteer will be honored at the Friday evening program, receive a Volunteer of the Year medal, and be the Parade Marshall for the Saturday night parade.

Nomination letters should be received by June 15, 2021, and can be mailed to: Deann Strange, P.O. Box 504, New Virginia, IA 50210 or e-mailed to [dstrangedleec@gmail.com](mailto:dstrangedleec@gmail.com) or contact any of our committee members.

## Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary!



Charlie and Jody Stills of New Virginia, married in St Marys on May 15, 1971, celebrate 50 years together!



## Happy 93<sup>rd</sup> Birthday

### Daisy Jacobs!

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St Charles, IA 50240

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Keeping cool when things get hot!  
 Emotion are like a force of nature, but with God's help, we can learn to take control of our emotions before a storm hits! During our four days at the Lava Lava Luau, we'll see what God's word says about anger, negative attitudes, jealous and frustration and learn how we can respond to others who may be feeling these emotions as well. Please join us for 4 fun filled days. To learn more or pre- register please contact Cindy Miller at 515-669-1476 or Jennifer Baughman at 641-449-3492

## Annual Forages Can be a Valuable Resource

AMES, Iowa – Annual forages can provide flexibility when managing forage supply, whether filling forage production gaps or serving as a primary forage source.

Learn more about annual forages and integrating them into a cropping rotation in a virtual field day set for June 3 beginning at 8:30 a.m., hosted by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

"We've seen an interest from producers wanting to integrate both cool and warm season annual forages into their farming operation," said Erika Lundy, beef specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach. "However, many questions still remain regarding which forage species is best for a given situation or farm goal as well as their nutritional value and yield potential."

The event will highlight a research project evaluating different cool-season annual forage species in terms of forage nutritional value, yield potential and practical considerations for integrating annual forages into cropping rotations. To learn more about this project and what's been learned, plan to attend this virtual field day, which will feature a tour of the annual forage plots at outlying Iowa State University research farms.

There is no cost to participate and the field day is open to all. However, pre registration is required prior to the event. To register, go to [www.aep.iastate.edu/forage](http://www.aep.iastate.edu/forage). Once registered, participants will receive a confirmation email with the link to join, which will be provided through Zoom. If you don't have this app on your computer or device, you'll want to download and install it for the best quality.

Participants may join through their web browser, mobile phone or tablet and will need to download a free app prior to joining. Participants should join the webinar 10 minutes in advance to ensure connections and software are working correctly.

For more information, questions, or if you need assistance with registration contact Iowa Beef Center at [beefcenter@iastate.edu](mailto:beefcenter@iastate.edu) or 515-294-BEFF (2333).

Funding for this project provided is by the Iowa Nutrient Research Center.

The Zoom download is available through the App Store for iOS devices <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/id546505307> and through Google Play for Android <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=us.zoom.videomeetings>.

The Iowa Beef Center at Iowa State University was established in 1996 with the goal of supporting the growth and vitality of the state's beef cattle industry. It comprises faculty and staff from Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and College of Veterinary Medicine, and works to develop and deliver the latest research-based information regarding the beef cattle industry.

Source for **In Years Past:**  
The New Virginian newspaper  
Historical Scrapbooks compiled  
by Leota Houlette  
New Virginia Public Library

**Do YOU have a cover story  
idea for Tri-Corner?**

Please email your idea or draft of your  
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## *In Years Past...*

May 1976

Back to the Good Old Days! Six new white buildings (outhouses) were moved near the New Virginia Schoolhouse to aid in conserving the town's water supply.



## Those Who Served Roger D. Kitner

Roger Kitner is the son of Robert and Emilyn Kitner and graduated from Forest City High School in 1969. Roger joined the US Army and received his basic training at Fort Lewis, Washington and then served at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Roger states that he got to see both coasts. Roger served in the Army from 1970 to 1972 and achieved the rank of SP-4.

Since discharge, Roger has worked as a farmer, custodian at I-35 and Martensdale-St. Marys Schools and Simpson College. He has been a bus driver for I-35 Schools and a newspaper offset pressman.

## **Iowa Fireworks Farm**

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# CITY OF ST CHARLES

## 3 May 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes

The St. Charles City Council met at City Hall on Monday, 5/3/2021, for a regular meeting. Mayor Dennis Smith called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

Council members Tom Blomme, Dan Kozak, Jane Hutton Edwards, Megan Allison, and Whitney Hutton were present along with 6 guests.

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

Approval of Minutes for Council Meetings from 4/5/2021, 4/12/2021, and 4/14/2021: Motion made by Tom Blomme/Dan Kozak to approve the minutes. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of April Treasurer and Budget Reports: Motion made by Jane Hutton Edwards/Dan Kozak to approve the treasurer and budget reports for March. Voice vote passed unanimously.

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

Sheriff's Report: During March there were 64.56 patrol hours, 14 calls, and 27 traffic stops in St. Charles.

### City Boards/Committees:

- Sewer Report: April's sewer report was submitted.
- Emergency Management: A Coordinator report was submitted. Diogenes Ayala reviewed a proposed Emergency Operations Plan with the Council.
- Fire/Rescue Department: April minutes were submitted. Motion by Megan Allison/Jane Hutton Edwards to use Local Option Sales Tax funds to purchase new extrication equipment for the Fire Department. The Fire Department should also look for grants to help cover the expense. Voice vote was unanimous.
- Library Board: April minutes were submitted.
- Old Settlers Board: April minutes were submitted.
- Clerk's Report: An abatement notice was given. City Hall will be closed on June 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Maintenance Report: Maintenance will ask Grimes Asphalt for some of the millings during road construction. MCB construction will look at the culvert under Hartman Street to see if debris can be cleared away. Motion by Megan Allison/Dan Kozak to sell the street sweeper to Truro for \$250. Voice vote was unanimous.

Resolution 5A-2021 Approving the Hiring of a Public Works Director: Motion by Jane Hutton Edwards/Tom Blomme to approve resolution 5A-2021 the hiring of Chris Nehring as Public Works Director. R/C vote was unanimous.

Public Hearing for Budget Amendment 2 for FY 2021 Published April 21, 2021: Motion by Megan Allison/Jane Hutton Edwards to begin the public hearing at 7:46 PM. No public wished to speak. The Council closed the public hearing at 7:49 PM.

## St. Charles Public Library St. Charles, IA

[scplibrary@myomnitel.com](mailto:scplibrary@myomnitel.com)  
641-396-2945  
113 Lumber St.



**Sun: 1-5 pm**  
**Mon: 10 am-6 pm**  
**Tues: Noon-8 pm**  
**Thurs: Noon-8 pm**  
**Sat: 9 am-noon**

SC Library is partnering with the Park and Rec Department to offer a free 'Summer Camp' for kids ages 5 to 11. Sessions will be Tuesday and Thursday mornings beginning June 8. Stay tuned for registration information next month in the Tri-Corner-Express or contact the SC Library for more details.

Resolution 5B-2021 Approval of Budget Amendment 2 for FY 2021: Motion by Jane Hutton Edwards/Whitney Hutton to approve Resolution 5B-2021 Budget Amendment 2 for FY 2021. R/C vote was unanimous.

Renewal of Tobacco Permit for Casey's: Motion by Jane Hutton Edwards/Dan Kozak to renew Casey's tobacco permit. Voice vote was unanimous.

Public Forum: The City Council discussed protocol for all future complaints received by residents. A form is to be filled out at City Hall and submitted to the Council for review. Kurt Reineck addressed the Council via Zoom on several issues he would like the City Council to look at. Dawn Vetter and Margaret Blair shared with the Council this year's summer reading program will be a collaboration between the Library, Park Board, and Old Settlers Board. This will be for children ages 5-11. Sign-up sheets are in the library.

Old Business: No old business.

New Business: No new business.

Motion made by Jane Hutton Edwards to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 pm.

The next City Council meeting will be at 6:30 pm, June 7, 2021, at City Hall.

Dennis Smith, Mayor

Attest: Tracy Kozak, City Clerk

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

# St Charles Summer Camp

## Bringing our community together

Recent findings of the SC Heart & Soul Project highlight the importance of our "small-town feel" and the ways we can connect. This summer St Charles is coming together for our kids!

The St Charles Public Library and the St Charles Park and Rec group are coming together to provide entertaining, exciting, and even educational activities for kids! Discover adventure right here in our hometown!!!

Supervised activities will be offered at the **SC Library** every Tuesday and at **City Park** on Thursday from **June 8** through **July 15** for children ages 5-11.

Sessions will be on Tuesday (Library) and Thursday (City Park) from **10:00 to 11:30**. Kids can sign up for all or just one session— but registration will be required!

Summer Camp at the Library will be directed by adult volunteers and student interns. Children will discover adventure through books and activities involving art, science, and snacks!

Summer Camp at the Park will be guided by adults and student interns as children explore the park itself and learn to play new games!

**Pre-registration is required by June 1. Register soon... Enrollment is limited!**

**Forms are available at the St Charles Public Library.**

## Adventure awaits!

### St. Charles Reminder

**PLEASE KEEP YOUR GRASS OFF THE ROAD!**

Blowing your grass clippings onto the roadway can clog storm drains, cause flooding and is dangerous for motorcycles.

Please keep your clippings on your lawn.  
Thank you!



June 8: Discovering Our Library  
 June 10: Exploring our City Park  
 June 15: Celebrating Flag Day  
 June 17: Fun with Flags  
 June 22: Bubbles & Books  
 June 25: Fizz,Foam, Bubble, POP  
 June 29: Stories that Soar  
 July 1: Let's Fly  
 July 6: Pillow Talk-Bedtime Stories  
 July 8: Bike Safety  
 July 13: Wonderful World of Water  
 July:15: Water Play  
 Tuesdays will be at the SC Library  
 Thursdays will be at the SC City Park  
 Masks are required at the Library

Please drop off or mail completed form to St Charles Public Library, 113 S Lumber St, St Charles, IA 50240 by June 1

## "Discover Your Adventure" SC Camp Registration

### Check each of the sessions your child will be attending.

\* Please note: Children attending camp must be ages 5 through 11. **Preregistration is required** and enrollment is limited.

#### Tuesdays at the SC Public Library

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

<b>June 8</b> Introduction: Discovering Treasures in Our Library
<b>June 15</b> Celebrating Flag Day
<b>June 22</b> Bubbles and Books
<b>June 29</b> Stories that Soar!
<b>July 6</b> Pillow talk: Bedtime stories
<b>July 13</b> Wonderful World of Water

#### Thursdays at the SC City Park

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

<b>June 10</b> Introduction: Exploring Our City Park
<b>June 17</b> Fun with Flags
<b>June 25</b> Fizz, Foam, Bubble POP
<b>July 1</b> Let's Fly!
<b>July 8</b> Bike safety
<b>July 15</b> Water Play

#### Child's Information

Name		
Birthdate (M/D/Y)	Age	Grade Entering in Fall 2021
Any food allergies? Any physical restrictions? Other information you want to share?		

#### Emergency Contact Information

Parent/Guardian Name:	
Home Phone:	Work/Cell Phone:
Emergency Contact Name:	Relationship to Child:
Emergency Number:	Alternate Phone:

In case of emergency, every effort will be made to contact me using the emergency numbers listed. Failing to reach any of these contacts, I give my permission to secure proper emergency treatment.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### NEWS & EVENTS

1. St. Charles Old Settlers Celebration will take place July 16th and 17th.
2. Big Country Bash will be at the Avenue of the Saints Amphitheater on July 2nd & 3rd.
3. Grimes asphalt is planning to be in town for road construction in June, weather permitting. A list of the construction projects can be found at City Hall.
4. Anyone wanting to reserve the City Park Shelter House please call City Hall at 641-396-2545. We have several dates that have already been reserved. A list of reserved dates can be viewed on the St. Charles Parks Facebook page, under events.

## Iowa PBS Offers Summer Mentorship Program for High School Students

JOHNSTON, Iowa (April 21, 2021) - High school students in Iowa can get a unique glimpse into the world of television production and public media while gaining practical and valuable experience in the industry. In order to broaden opportunities for minority and female-identifying high school students, Iowa PBS is offering a television production mentorship program for summer 2021.

The unpaid mentorship program will give two students the opportunity to observe and gain hands-on experience in all aspects of 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 process of creating broadcast and digital content.

Iowa PBS's 2021 High School Mentorship Program begins Thursday, June 17 and runs through Tuesday, August 3. Students will have the opportunity to work with network staff during the production of any number of the following television programs:

- \* Market to Market
- \* Iowa Press
- \* Greetings From Iowa
- \* Iowa Ingredient

Interested applicants should provide a letter of support from a school advisor or community leader. Students should also write a one-page summary about themselves that describes their interest in television production and outlines their qualifications to be part of Iowa PBS's statewide network team. Applicants must complete an Iowa PBS Application for Employment and Applicant Survey found at [iowapbs.org/employment](http://iowapbs.org/employment).

More information, including applicant eligibility and submission information, is available at [iowapbs.org/mentorship](http://iowapbs.org/mentorship). Application materials should be submitted no later than May 7, 2021.

Learn more at [iowapbs.org](http://iowapbs.org).

For more information about Iowa PBS, please contact Susan Ramsey at 515.725.9703 or [susan.ramsey@iowapbs.org](mailto:susan.ramsey@iowapbs.org).

## 125 YEARS OF NEW VIRGINIA OLD SETTLERS

2022 will mark the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of New Virginia Old Settlers. The Tri-Corner-Express is asking our readers to submit past articles, pictures, memories, etc. of past celebrations. Our intent is to publish something about Old Settlers each month for the entire year in 2022.

Please send your submissions to P.O. Box 302, New Virginia, IA 50210 or email to [tricorners@newvirginia.com](mailto:tricorners@newvirginia.com).

Thanks for helping make next year a memorable one!

### *In Years Past...*

May 18, 1980

In the state of Washington, the eruption of Mt. St. Helens has been classified as the most disastrous volcanic eruption in U.S. History.

-From [holidayinsights.com](http://holidayinsights.com)

### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF NEW VIRGINIA

The City of New Virginia encourages all residents to mow and trim your lawn's including the road side ditches before memorial weekend. Please do your part to beautify our town.



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### NEW VIRGINIA OLD SETTLERS 2021 T-SHIRTS FOR SALE, ORDERS & PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup>

The t-shirt can  
also be viewed at  
our Facebook page  
[oldsettlersnv](https://www.facebook.com/oldsettlersnv)



Youth Sizes: Small 6-8, Med 10-12, L 14-16, & X-L \$15.00

Adult Sizes: Small, Med, L, X-L - \$15.00

Adult 2X - \$18.00 & Adult 3X - \$19.00

Check payments should be made payable to: New Virginia Old Settlers & Mailed with your order specifying Adult or youth size & quantities to: Deann Strange, PO Box 504, New Virginia, IA 50210

VENMO Payment can be made at:

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Please include a comment with your VENMO payment of: T-Shirt order & then email your order to:

[oldsettlersnv@gmail.com](mailto:oldsettlersnv@gmail.com)

**Century & Heritage Farm Applications:** Eligible farm owners can apply for the 2021 [Century](#) and [Heritage](#) Farm Program now. The program was created by IDALS and the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation to recognize families who have owned their farms for 100 years and 150 years, respectively. For more information, go to:

<https://iowaagriculture.gov/century-and-heritage-farm-program>

## Interstate 35 School June Summer Food Service Program Information

Interstate 35 Community School is participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided to all children age 2-18 without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at the sites and times as follows:

Truro High School, Door #1, starting June 2<sup>nd</sup> Grab & go breakfast & lunch, pickup 11-11:30 a.m.

St. Charles Lions Hall, West Door, starting June 2<sup>nd</sup> Grab & go breakfast & lunch, pickup 11-11:30 a.m.

New Virginia Old Settlers Park Shelter House, starting June 2<sup>nd</sup> grab & go breakfast & lunch, pickup 11-11:30 a.m.

Please sign up at the following link: <https://forms.gle/PGjppq1kg4GzuDRcy5>

This helps us to know how many meals to send to each site. Questions, call (641)765-4818.

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### Donkey Hodie and new PBS KIDS schedule coming to Iowa PBS!

A new, whimsical PBS KIDS puppet series is coming to Iowa PBS this spring! Donkey Hodie and her pals will empower kids to dream big, work hard and never give up. Donkey Hodie follows the title character in adventures alongside her friends Purple Panda, Duck Duck, Bob Dog and her Grampy Hodie, the founder of Someplace Else and the original Fred Rogers character in Mister Rogers' Neighborhood. The show features new original music along with reimagined versions of Fred's iconic songs to reinforce and underscore each story's positive message.

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The twins Dean and Dell Reed. . .

Charley and Minnie Howell. . .

When Sammie Wright went to Arkansas to get his bride. . .

When most cars had large hood ornaments. . .

When tattoos were few and far between and never on a lady. . .

When we never heard of drugs or crime like today. . .

When polio was the Covid in its day, before Salk and Sabin perfected the vaccine. . .

Sulfa was the medical drug of choice before antibiotics.

When Bill Cregar was the ultimate athlete. . .

When the laundry dryer came in the form of poles and #9 wire. . .

When housewives were known to catch a finger in the wash machine wringer. . .

When Kent Taylor left us because of leukemia. . .

When graves were decorated with real flowers in glass jars.... It was known as Decoration Day.

**Contributed by Jerry Stansell**

PBS KIDS programming is available to livestream, with many shows on-demand, at [iowapbs.org/kids-tv](http://iowapbs.org/kids-tv) and through the PBS KIDS Video App on mobile devices and streaming services, including iOS, Android, Amazon, YouTube TV, Apple TV, Roku, Chromecast and the PBS KIDS Plug & Play.

In addition to its statewide broadcast, Iowa PBS .1 is available to livestream on [iowapbs.org/watch](http://iowapbs.org/watch), [pbs.org/livestream](http://pbs.org/livestream), the PBS Video App and YouTube TV. Iowa PBS programs, behind-the-scenes extras and more can be enjoyed on [iowapbs.org](http://iowapbs.org),

Learn more at [iowapbs.org](http://iowapbs.org).

For more information about Iowa PBS, please contact Susan Ramsey at 515.725.9703 or [susan.ramsey@iowapbs.org](mailto:susan.ramsey@iowapbs.org).



Walter "Dean" Strawn, the son of John and Northa (Johnson) Strawn, was born on January 21, 1942, at home in St. Charles, Iowa. He attended St. Charles Consolidated High School and graduated with the Class of 1960. He later attended Simpson College and earned his bachelor's degree.

On November 25, 1965, he was united in marriage to Patricia Garden at the Central United Methodist Church in Oskaloosa. Patricia passed away on March 30, 1980. On April 16, 1983, Dean was united in marriage to Jane Stills Baker at the Little Brown Church at Nashua. Jane passed away on April 21, 2017.

Dean owned an Allis Chalmers farm equipment dealership in Oskaloosa and later owned and operated Gold Circle Incorporated in Centerville. He later went to work for Walton Insurance Agency as a salesman. Dean was an active member of the Elks Lodge and at one point, served as Grand Exalted Ruler. He enjoyed golfing and spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

On Thursday, April 8, 2021, Dean passed away at the MercyOne Hospice in Johnston, Iowa at the age of 79 years, 2 months and 18 days.

His family includes four children, Jim (Ann) Strawn of Clive, Pam Harrison of Waukee, Brant (Vanessa) Baker of Des Moines and DeAnn (Brent) Knoop of Oskaloosa; 12 grandchildren, Lexus, Sam, Taylor, Leah, Paiven, Jack, Emily, Parker, Brock, Tate, Sam and Clark. He is also survived by his siblings, Dennis Strawn of St. Charles, Alice (Garald) Slye of Norwalk, Russell (Joyce) Strawn of Florida, Phil (Carmen) Strawn of Colorado and Charles (Audrey) Strawn of St. Charles.

Dean was preceded in death by his parents, John and Northa Strawn; his wife, Jane Strawn; his first wife, Patricia Strawn; and a sister-in-law, Marilyn Strawn. A funeral service was held on April 12<sup>th</sup> at the Bates Funeral Chapel in Oskaloosa, and burial of Dean's remains was in the New Virginia Cemetery on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

Memorials may be made to the Elks Lodge in Oskaloosa.



# June 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>ALL MENU ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE</b>	1 Club Sandwich Chips Fresh Vegetables Ambrosia Salad Grapes	2 Salmon Cake Spinach Banana Blueberry Bar	3 Cheeseburger Pie Cream Corn Mandarin Oranges Blonde Brownie	4 Chicken Broccoli Pasta Wax Beans Apricots Fruit Cocktail Breadstick
7 Salisbury Steak Roasted Red Potatoes Green Beans Amandine Cheesecake w/ fruit topping Apple	8 Baked Fish Sandwich Creamy Coleslaw Sweet Potato Fries Mandarin Orange Cake	9 Chicken & Rice Casserole Lima Beans Honey Dew Melon Carrot Cake	10 COOK'S CHOICE	11 Biscuits & Gravy Scrambled Eggs Vegetable Dark Cherries Fruited Yogurt
14 Beef Stroganoff Over Buttered Egg Noodles Roasted Brussels Sprouts Fresh Fruit Cup Butterscotch Pudding	15 Wisconsin Cheese Soup 1/2 Tuna Salad Sandwich Crackers Cantaloupe Brownie	16 Beef Enchilada Casserole Tortilla Chips & Salsa Fiesta Corn Raisins Raspberry Peaches	17 Pork Cutlet Whipped Potatoes Broccoli Normandy Grapes Cherry Fruit Salad	18 Tossed Salad w/ Grilled Chicken Harvard Beets Banana Oatmeal Cookie Breadstick
21 BBQ Pork on Bun Sweet Potato Bake Asparagus Mixed Berry Cup Chocolate Mousse	22 Tater Tot Casserole Peas Pears Cherry Pink Cloud Salad	23 Lasagna Lettuce Salad Italian Vegetables Watermelon Garlic Bread	24 Basil Chicken Fried Potato w/ Onion Spinach Peaches Cinnamon Applesauce	25 COOK'S CHOICE
28 Chicken Salad on Bun Spoon Salad Three Bean Salad Pears Chocolate Chip Cookie	29 Pot Roast w/ Roasted Vegetables Mandarin Oranges Apple Raisin Cobbler Dinner Roll	30 Turkey Divan Crispy Baked Potatoes Asparagus Pineapple Lemon Pudding	CARLISLE MEAL SITE 515-989-4367 INDIANOLA MEAL SITE 515-961-1155	LACONA MEAL SITE 641-534-3401 MARTENSDALE MEAL SITE 641-764-2736

\*Milk offered with all meals. All meals meet 1/3 of the Recommended Dietary Allowances (RDA) for older adults.

*Stephanie Laberz MS, RD, LD*

### Iowa Health Care Foundation Scholarships Application Deadline Approaching Soon:

Apply by May 31

WEST DES MOINES, Iowa (May 10, 2021) - The Iowa Health Care Association (IHCA) Foundation is offering 75 scholarships, totaling \$167,500 to help individuals interested in pursuing or advancing their career in long-term care. Scholarship opportunities are available for current long-term care employees, veterans and high school students.

"As the past year has demonstrated, our health care workers are so vitally important. We are grateful to have this opportunity, thanks to our generous donors, to offer these scholarships to support those who are interested in joining the 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 -
- John W. & Kimberly D. Grubb Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Scholarship
- Juckette Family Veteran Scholarship
- IHCA Member Employee Scholarship
- High School Scholarship Made Possible by MolinaCares

#### How to Apply

Eligibility requirements, application guidelines and materials are available online at [iowahealthcare.org/foundation](http://iowahealthcare.org/foundation). Completed applications are due by May 31.

Winners will be announced in July.

## House of Representatives State of Iowa

**Education:** Legislators continue to hear from countless parents, guardians, and concerned citizens about the content being taught, the way it is being taught, and other school district decisions in their local schools. The Iowa Department of Education has a link to general steps that may be taken by parents, guardians and community members when they have concerns about public school districts or their governing boards:

<https://educateiowa.gov/pk-12/parent-guardian-and-community-concerns>

## Pasutti Recognized By Governor Reynolds For Academic Excellence



West Des Moines Iowa - May 6, 2021 – Summer Pasutti, a student at Interstate 35, Truro, was recognized by Gov. Kim Reynolds and Lt. Governor Adam Gregg for outstanding academic achievement at the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Governor's Scholar Recognition Ceremony April 25<sup>th</sup> at Hy-Vee Hall 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 424 high school seniors from across Iowa.

*“Iowa Farm Bureau members are proud their organization showcase its commitment to youth and education in many ways, including the half million dollars in scholarships we provide each year. Our 19-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 Craig Hill. *“We all recognize the need for supporting youth, because they hold the keys of Iowa's continued innovation and economic success.”* Said Hill.

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-eight percent of those recognized also participate in extra-curricular school activities, with more than 75 percent participating in at least one interscholastic sport. More than 63 percent of the group plan to continue their education in Iowa.



We would like to congratulate all of the Seniors for the achievements. We wish them the best of luck for their futures.

*The Tri-Corner-Express Board*



As we wrap up the school year there are a few items to note. We want to again extend a thank you to all of our families for helping us navigate a school year unlike any we have had before. There were disruptions to our regular routines, added expectations for everyone, and so much uncertainty brought upon us by the pandemic. As we near summer, the prospect of a normal return to school is looking like a real possibility. Our hope is that public health guidelines allow us to return next fall with a mask-optional policy, a return to regular building use, and relaxation of capacity limits.

We will also be 100% in-person. There will be no option for remote learning during the 2021-2022 school year. Below are some important upcoming dates; if you have any questions please reach out to us.

May 23	Graduation, 2:00 pm
May 26	Last Day of School, regular dismissal time
August 2-6	Summer School (Grades K-8; More information will be forthcoming)
August 9-13	Summer School (Grades K-8; More information will be forthcoming)
August 10	Registration, Noon - 8:00 p.m.
August 18	7th Grade Orientation - 6:00 p.m.
August 19	Open House, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
August 23	First Day of School for the 21-22 School Year
August 23-24	Kindergarten Round Up
August 25	No school for Kindergarten
August 26	First Official Day for Kindergarteners



**Thank Your Local School Board Members This May  
for Leading Through Uncharted Waters**

DES MOINES, Iowa (April 28, 2021) - The Iowa Association of School Boards (IASB) invites communities to celebrate and thank their local school board members during School Board Recognition Month, May 1-31, 2021. This year's theme is "School Boards: Leading Through Uncharted Waters" and pays tribute to these volunteers for their perseverance and leadership through the pandemic.

"Leadership at the board table has come with challenges we never anticipated. School boards across the state have been faced with incredibly difficult decisions that impact the health and safety of students, staff and the school community. There's never been a more important yet trying time to be on a school board and impact the future of our students," said IASB Board President Jim Green.

More than 2,000 Iowa board members (1,859 K-12, 79 AEA and 124 community college board members) volunteer countless hours on board work each month. They receive no compensation, but many say the reward of service is more than enough-meeting the needs of Iowa's future citizens.

These locally elected school board members oversee \$5.96 billion statewide in Iowa public schools for 487,651 students. Please join us in celebrating these leaders by publicly thanking them for their hard work and dedication. IASB has developed a media toolkit which includes public service announcements, school board member facts and graphics for news articles. Visit [www.ia-sb.org/SBRMMediaToolkit](http://www.ia-sb.org/SBRMMediaToolkit) to access these resources.

IASB is a nonprofit organization representing Iowa's 327 public school districts, nine area education agencies and 15 community colleges.



# Critter Corner

## Feline & Canine Parasites

From birth to adulthood, dog and cat owners should always be prudent with parasite control. Parasites are capable of causing serious illness and can easily be overlooked in our pets. In addition to this, parasites in our pets can even be transmissible to humans. Parasite control should start with our puppies and kittens and extend throughout the life of our pets. Controlling parasitism enables our pets to be as healthy as they can be, and it can prevent illness in the future. Strategically deworming cats and dogs can seem frustrating, but with the help of your veterinarian, it can be made simple.

The vast majority of pet owners know that each new kitten and puppy needs their exam and vaccines in order to prevent illness, especially at a young age. However, each new pet should have a fecal exam in order to establish the amount of parasites each pet has and how to treat them strategically. Every kitten and puppy are born with a certain amount of parasites because parasites are able to infect them in-utero with their mother. Depending on the parasite load, puppies and kittens can be given a dewormer to control the infection at a young age. This initial treatment helps clear the active infection and sets the pet up for success. Now, we should talk about how to control our pet's parasite load and the strategies we can use to make sure our pets are staying healthy.

An easy strategy to start employing to control parasites is to continue or start using monthly preventatives that prevent Heartworm Disease (Heartgard Plus, Interceptor Plus, Revolution Plus) because these products also deworm the pet monthly while at the same time preventing Heartworm. Pet owners that use preventatives are maintaining a healthy parasite load for their pets, and it's easy to start using preventatives for those that don't right now.

For those with cats that enjoy mousing or dogs that enjoy hunting, tapeworms can become an issue due to them eating other animals. Tapeworm treatment requires a specialized drug called Praziquantel and is not included in most monthly preventatives. Interceptor Plus for dogs and Centragard for cats are monthly preventatives that will treat and control tapeworms on a monthly basis. If tapeworms are diagnosed with a pet not on those preventatives, then treatment can be given with injectable or oral Praziquantel.

*Contributed by Dr. Dakota Hottle*



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***In Years Past...***

May 1976 Leonard Chumbley, 1940 graduate of New Virginia High School, was honored with an Emmy Award for Outstanding Achievement in Technical Direction for his work on "The Adams Chronicles," which chronicles the story of the Adams political family from 1758-1893.

**HERSHEY'S COCOA CREAM PIE**

½ c. cocoa	3 T butter or margarine
1 ¼ c sugar	1 ½ tsp vanilla
1/3 c cornstarch	1 (9") baked pie crust or graham cracker crust, cooled
1/4 tsp salt	
3 c milk	

In a medium saucepan, stir together cocoa, sugar, cornstarch, & salt. Gradually add milk, stirring until smooth. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture come to a boil: boil 1 minute. Remove from heat, stir in butter & vanilla. Pour into prepared crust. Cool to room temperature. Refrigerate for 6 to 8 hours. Garnish as desired (Cool Whip) Cover; refrigerate leftover pie.

## Jesus' Right Hand

Hello friends,

Spring has sprung! The tulips have sprung up, and the fragrance from the lilacs is coming forth. At the time of this writing, we are seeing the north wall of our building being transformed by the artists commissioned by the New Virginia Hometown Pride Committee. Spring is the season of fresh and new things, and it's exciting to see the daily progress on the mural. The bicycles and skateboards are once again in use, and the sound of lawnmowers bring forth the smell of freshly cut grass. If you listen closely, you can hear some of the crickets and frogs beginning their songs of spring. Are you ready to sing your song for the season? Many times, we get so overcome by all the work it takes to keep up our homes and businesses that we don't take time to "smell the roses" and appreciate all the beauty that is surrounding us. We are being bombarded by all the negativity taking place around us, however, there are always good things going on. God has given us another day; this means He is not done with us yet, or we would not be here on this earth. Make an effort to seek out the positive instead of focusing on the negative things that are going on. If you find it hard to find the positive, then BE the positive. Call someone on the phone and let them know you are thinking of them. Do a small random act of kindness for someone who is feeling down. Praise God for all He has given you, even though it does not fill your expected needs at this time. Learn to be still after you have made your request, and wait on God's timing. He hears every prayer, but we need to wait on His timing. Remember to thank God for allowing you to see the beautiful work of His hands.

We are constantly being surprised and blessed at Jesus' Right Hand with little ways that God seems to meet our needs and bless us unexpectedly. We are getting close to having all of our staff and volunteers back with us again after working for so long with only half the number of people. This past year has taught us that we can do more than we thought, and with the help of God, that we are much stronger and resilient than we give ourselves credit for. We have been so blessed to have new people come on board as volunteers, and they have quickly become family to us. And it seems, just at the right time, someone will walk through the door and offer their help for that particular day, just when we are short on help. It's so much fun to get to work side-by-side with someone from the community and get to know them better!

The type of food we give out every Monday during the Fresh Food Giveaway is usually based on what we have picked up during that week from the different places that have been generously donating to us on a regular basis. Some weeks it seems like we have mountains of cut broccoli, and the next week we have box after box of bread and desserts. We utilize every one of our freezers and refrigerators to keep these items fresh and viable for Mondays, and with few exceptions, all of the items we receive that week are given out on Mondays during the two hours of the giveaway. It still amazes us how the quantity we receive seems to meet the needs of everyone who comes to us for food with very little left over! Isn't that just like God to "multiply the fishes and loaves" when it looks like there isn't enough and bring in the multitudes when we have more than enough? We have never run out of food, even for the last-minute person pulling up to the door. God has seen to it that we have had more than enough food to provide for each and every person in need who comes to us for help. And it is amazing to watch Him work!

Please know that we are here for you, and we are only a phone call, an email or a door knock away! We are available to encourage and uplift with a prayer, a word of encouragement or just a listening ear. Be blessed in all you do.

In His Service & Love,  
Jesus' Right Hand Ministries



### Truro Public Library *We are open our regular hours!*

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### ~ I-35 Girl Scouts ~ Looking forward

Like everything else, there were new challenges in Girl Scouts this past year. We look forward to life getting back to normal and being able to continue as usual again!

THANK YOU to all of our Girl Scout families who encourage your girls!

Early Bird Registration begins- NOW! Go to [www.girlscoutsiowa.org](http://www.girlscoutsiowa.org)

Questions? Happy to help Sarah Lawyer  
5SARAHJL5@gmail.com



GIRL SCOUTS

*thank you*

**We would like to thank the Medora Church for opening up their doors for us. Thank you to Pastor Bruce Giese for the special service. Your kindness and caring words helped us thru a difficult time. We also want to thank the Medora Ladies Aid for the delicious meal. It was wonderful & very much appreciated.**

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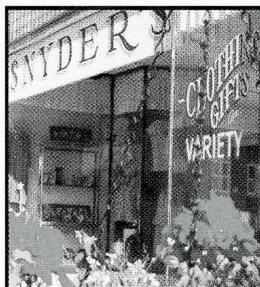
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### In Years Past...

April 1975

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# Church Directory

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2841 South Street,  
Churchville, IA  
Business Office:  
c/o St. John the Apostle Church  
720 Orchard Hills Drive,  
Norwalk, IA 50211  
Fr. Daniel Kirby  
Mass Monday evenings at 5:30 p.m.  
(During Lent.)  
Mass : First Sunday of the month at  
10:30 a.m. (Rosary at 10:10 am)

St Patrick's Irish Settlement  
3396 155<sup>th</sup> St Cumming, IA 50061  
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  
(An Evangelical Free Church)  
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](http://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

Grace Baptist Church  
304 Knotts Street  
New Virginia, IA 50210  
Pastor Michael Mattson  
[www.gbcnv.org](http://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  
641-396-2441  
[www.saintcharlesparish.org](http://www.saintcharlesparish.org)  
Sunday School 9 am  
Worship Service 9:45 am  
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Truro Congregational  
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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](mailto:revkbriggsacc@msn.com)  
Sunday School: 9:30 am  
Worship 10:30 am  
Coffee & Fellowship: 11:30 am

Immaculate Conception  
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St Marys, IA 50241  
Fr. Chris Fontanini  
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641-342-6603  
Pastor: Sheldon Lorenson  
Youth Pastor: Tyler Murrow  
[oefc@iowatelecom.net](mailto:oefc@iowatelecom.net)  
Sunday School 9:00 am  
Worship: 10:00

Calvary Baptist Church  
109 N. Hartman St. Charles, IA 50240  
641-396-2234  
Pastor Doug Helton 641-396-2747  
Sunday School – 9:30 AM  
Worship – 10:40 AM & 6 PM  
Wed. Prayer, Bible Study & Youth – 7 PM  
Wed. AWANA (Sept-April) 6:30-8 PM

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(Disciples of Christ)  
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515-490-4444 Cell: 515-770-3713  
Sunday Worship: 11 AM

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301 West Street / Box 301  
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Pastor Bruce Giese  
515-867-4088  
Pastor's email: [pstrbruceg@gmail.com](mailto:pstrbruceg@gmail.com)  
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Pastor's email: [pstrbruceg@gmail.com](mailto:pstrbruceg@gmail.com)  
Church email;[NewVA-Medora@outlook.com](mailto:NewVA-Medora@outlook.com)  
Sunday School: 9:15 AM (children)  
Worship: 9 AM  
Quilters: 1:00 P.M. Thursday

Church of Christ  
10985 44<sup>th</sup> Lane Prole IA 50229  
Sunday Worship: 10 AM & 6 PM  
Wednesday Worship: 7 PM  
Elder: Duane Proudfit 515-961-4470  
Elder: Mike Penick 515-989-4165  
Deacon: Fred Bown 641-764-2484  
Deacon: Richard Bown: 641-764-2765

Linn Grove United Methodist Church  
7483--50<sup>th</sup> Ave  
(4 miles north of Martensdale)  
(1 block east of Hwy 28)  
Prole IA, 50229  
Pastor: Bernie Colorado  
515-981-4062  
Sunday Breakfast: 8 - 9:30 AM  
(free will offering)  
Traditional & Children Sunday Worship 10 AM  
Adult Sunday School-1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 11:15 AM  
Pastor's email: [bernieco2003@yahoo.com](mailto:bernieco2003@yahoo.com)

Broadhorn Community Church  
½ mile East of Truro Exit, then ½ mile North  
Pastor: Rev. Larry Smith  
641-765-4555  
Worship Service: Sunday 10 AM  
Prayer & Study: Monday 7 PM  
at Pastor's home: 750 - 1<sup>st</sup> St. in Truro  
[Pastorlarry@netins.net](mailto:Pastorlarry@netins.net)

St. Paul Lutheran  
(Evangelical Lutheran Church in America)ELCA  
615 Iowa Ave / Box 290  
Martensdale IA 50160  
641-764-2752  
Pastor Don Rothweiler:  
C- 515-975-9225  
[Donrothweiler@yahoo.com](mailto:Donrothweiler@yahoo.com)  
Worship: 10:00 AM  
Sunday School PreK - 6<sup>th</sup>: During worship

Grace Bible Church of Southern Iowa  
410 N Dewey  
Osceola, IA 50213  
641-784-8890  
Sunday School: 9 am  
Worship Service: 10 am  
Pastor Chuck Myer

