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School News

Art and History at Laurens-Marathon Show

The Middle School Spring Concert on May 8 was more than something good to hear—it was also something to see.



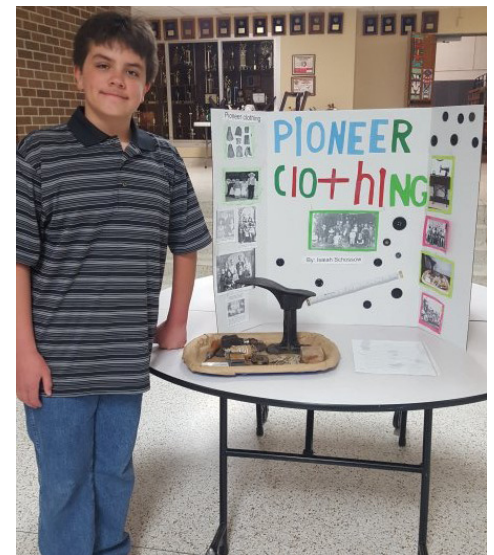
Tiffany Sheets

Fifth graders dominated the school lobby with tabletop history lessons. They had all been downtown to the county museum where they had selected topics in local history for displays at school. Here Isaiah Schossow shows off a cobbler's kit used a century ago. Also shown is Tiffany Sheets who learned about early hunting in Iowa. She exhibits a coyote pelt.

On the south wall of the old gymnasium hung scores of art works. Bekka Madsen produced this study of lines and colors. Art teacher Katie Wenell said students considered warm and cool colors, wavy lines and bumpy lines. The lines were woven together to create depth.



Bekka Madsen's art



Isaiah Schossow

Eighth grade student Elizabeth Runneberg used colored pencils and a sharpie to turn an ordinary bottle of glue into a work of art.

**Great Work,
Students!**



Elizabeth Runneberg's art

Awarding L-M Scholarships

By: Jerry Depew

Laurens-Marathon guidance counselor Gavin Hjerleid and human resources manager Wendi Geno administer a large group of scholarships at the school. Both are relatively new here. Both agree the program is “remarkable.”

The school board carried \$293,000 on its books as of last June to fund the scholarships that are endowed.

Five of them are named for area farmers. Other endowments honor school teachers, a banker, two lawyers, a doctor, two businessmen, and a postmaster who ran the scoreboard at Laurens basketball games for many years—the Ray Wright Scholarship.

It is a colorful history. Lawyer Whitfield, who went to Harvard, later endowed a scholarship here. Meanwhile L-M gave a scholarship in 1979 to Craig Harms who used it at Harvard.

According to Hjerleid, “Recipients are selected in different ways for different scholarships. Seniors turn in an application that is used for all our local scholarships. A packet of those applications is then sent to those scholarships that select their own recipient.

“Other scholarships have a committee made up of staff members select their recipient(s). Each scholarship, whether selected by the school staff committee or an outside committee/family/person has certain criteria for selecting their recipient.”

Although college costs rise every year, some scholarships are limited by the recent low bank interest rates, Hjerleid said.

Hjerleid expects the program to continue even as students attend their final four years in Pocahontas. They will still apply to Hjerleid or his L-M successors in the future to be assisted in their scholarly pursuits by the Laurentians of yesteryear and those who honor them today.

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Talent Show at Threshermen's Show

Talented musicians and vocalists are encouraged to enter the talent show and contest during the Threshermen & Collectors Show. The 47th annual show, located near Albert City will be held August 10-13. The talent show will start at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 11. There is no entry fee and all ages and types of entertainment are welcome.

There will be three age groups: 18 and over with \$400 for first place; \$200 for second place and \$100 for a third place prize; age 12 to 17 with prizes of \$200, \$100 and \$50; and age 11 and under with prizes of \$75, \$50 and \$25. Anyone interested in participating should contact the show office at 712-843-2076 to pre-register. Contestants will be limited to performing one selection with a maximum time of five minutes.

This year the Threshermen are celebrating the 175th Anniversary of Case and hosting two international and five regional Case Collector Clubs.

Banquet to Mark GoServ Global 6 Year Anniversary

GoServ Global, a faith-based disaster relief organization headquartered in Eagle Grove, IA, and serving in the U.S., Peru, Haiti, Guatemala, and India, will mark its six-year anniversary on Saturday, June 10, with a banquet/fundraiser at the Clay County Events Center in Spencer, IA. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. with a dinner beginning at 6 p.m.

Program highlights include a Q&A facilitated by More 104.9 Radio Personality Kevin Tlam with GoServ Global's country directors that include India Directors Sunny & Kuni, Guatemala Missionary Mark Lee, and others. Worship will be led by Pastor Rivenson Dige of Haiti, who is releasing his first Christian Worship album on iTunes through Matchlight Records.

We would like to invite those interested in learning more about GoServ Global to attend the banquet/fundraiser to help GoServ Global celebrate all that God has done this past year in our ministries around the world.

The event is free to attend. However, to help offset the cost of the celebration and enable GoServ Global to raise additional funds, there will be an opportunity to make a donation at the banquet or you may mail a check to GoServ Global, PO Box 193, Eagle Grove, IA 50533. You can also "Sponsor a Table for 8" with a \$400 contribution. The sponsor may choose to reserve a Table of 8 for their own invited guests. Please fill your table with those you feel would have the most impact on GoServ Global. Or, you may also choose to sponsor a table with guests filled by GoServ Global.

Reservations are needed; seating is limited. Please RSVP by May 30th to Amy at amy@goservglobal.org or at 515-448-3131.

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For more information, visit goservglobal.org.

Mobile Food Pantry
Wednesday, May 24
4:30 to 6:00 p.m.
At the Expo Center in
Pocahontas, IA

Please call Melissa at Hope United Methodist Church, ph.712-335-3663, with any questions.

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Pocahontas County Public Health Reminds Parents of New School Immunization Requirement

Pocahontas County Public Health reminds Pocahontas County parents a new immunization requirement will be in effect next school year for all students enrolling in 7th and 12th grades. The change requires a one-time dose of meningococcal (A, C, W, Y) vaccine received on or after 10 years of age for students in grades 7 and above, if born after September 15, 2004; and two doses of meningococcal (A, C, W, Y) vaccines with 1 dose received on or after 16 years of age for students in grade 12, if born after September 15, 1999; or one dose if received when students are 16 years-of-age or older. This requirement is effective for the 2017-2018 school year and parents should plan now.

"Meningococcal disease is a very serious, life-threatening illness," said Pocahontas County Public Health Director Diane Ferguson. "This vaccine protects against four strains, or 'serogroups' of meningitis, and is 85 to 100 percent effective at preventing infection." According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 10 to 15 percent of people with meningococcal disease die, even with appropriate treatment. Of those who recover, up to 20 percent have serious after-effects like permanent hearing loss, limb loss, or brain damage.

"This new school immunization requirement is important because the bacteria that cause meningococcal disease are spread through upper respiratory droplets like saliva. Teens and young adults are at increased risk for meningococcal disease, and meningococcal vaccine is the best protection" said Ferguson. As with all vaccinations, this immunization not only protects the individual, but also their friends and those around them.

For more information on the new meningitis vaccine requirement and for other school vaccine information, visit <http://www.idph.iowa.gov/immmtb/immunization/laws>. If you have questions about immunizations, contact Pocahontas County Public Health at 712-335-4142.

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Laurens Genies to Meet

The Laurens Genies will meet Friday, May 26 at 2:00 p.m. at the Homestead Cooperative of Laurens. The program will be about “Scrapbooks – a Genealogist’s Goldmine” presented by Grace Hertz. Roll Call will be “Share a scrapbook or some kind of memory book”.

Anyone who is interested in family research and genealogy is cordially invited to attend. Members are to note the change in program topic and roll call for the meeting.

At the Library with Glenda Mulder May 24, 2017

The first holiday of summer is upon us! Naturally, the library will be closed Saturday through Monday in celebration of Memorial Day. Stop in now to check out extra books and DVDs to get you through the weekend.

Memorial Day also marks the end of the season for our Monday Tot Times and the beginning of summer reading season. Jeri, our children’s librarian, has been busy making plans for this. The 2017 theme is “Build a Better World.” She has all kinds of fun things up her sleeve, including visits from Author/Illustrator Tim Read, Lisa Laird’s Pockets Full of Fun, ISU Extension Service and even a “Field Day”! All the excitement will be happening on Wednesdays this year. The time will be 1 p.m., with the exception of Tim Read, who will be here at the library at 11:30 a.m. So mark Wednesdays on your summer calendar starting on June 14th!

For the next few months our Take it Tuesday will be open card making. We’ll put out our stamps, embossers, cutters, etc. You bring your basic paper supplies and your ideas. Deb will be here to help if you get stuck. This takes place monthly on the first Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

In keeping with the exhibit “German Iowa & the Global Midwest” that will be in our library in July, our Book Club choice for June is “Bottomland” by Michelle Hoover. This is also 2017’s All Iowa Reads selection. The purpose of All Iowa Reads is to foster a sense of unity through reading. Our catalog describes it like this: “In the years after World War I the Hess family attempt to rid themselves of the anti-German sentiment that left a stain on their name. But when the youngest two daughters vanish in the middle of the night, the family must piece together what happened while struggling to maintain their life on the unforgiving Iowa plains.” Our set of 10 copies will arrive the first of June, so we’ll have to read quickly and share this month! Plan to join our discussion Monday, June 26 at 7 p.m.

COMING EVENTS

- Tot Time every Monday at 10 a.m.
- Card Making 4th Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
- Take it Tuesday - 1st Tuesday 6:30 Open card making!
 - Book Club 4th Monday at 7 p.m.
- “German Iowa & the Global Midwest” July 5-17

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Order of Events for Memorial Day 2017

- * Start Time - 9:00 a.m. Monday, May 29, 2017*
- * Welcome - Patricia Bailey Welcome - Patricia Bailey*
- * The "Star Spangled Banner" played by the L-M Band -
Directed by Sabrina Booth*
- * Opening Prayer - Pastor Rita Cordell*
- * Pledge of Allegiance - By Everyone*
- * "Marches of the Armed Forces" played by the L-M Band*
 - * Speaker - Major Rita Cordell, Retired US Army*
- * Reading of the Honor Roll - Patricia Bailey - Members of
our Local Boy Scouts will place the wreaths*
 - * Closing Prayer - Pastor Rita Cordell*
- * The color guard is made up of members of our local VFW
and American Legion FW and American Legion*
 - * "Taps" will be done by Alyssa Kunz*

**Pocahontas
Community Hospital**



An Affiliate of  UnityPoint Health

**You are cordially invited to attend
Pocahontas Community Hospital's
50th Anniversary Celebration!!**

Monday, June 5, 2017

4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Expo Center, Pocahontas, Iowa

The Pocahontas County Cattlemen will be grilling hamburgers provided by the Pocahontas Community Hospital

This will be a come and go event with educational tables and raffle drawings. There will also be a short program beginning at 5 p.m.

We hope that you will be able to join us to help celebrate 50 years of serving the healthcare needs of the people of Pocahontas County!

Thank You!

Darlene Goerner and her children send our sincere THANK YOU for the birthday cards and greetings sent to her to celebrate her 90th birthday. Darlene really enjoyed them and it was a big day for her and us!!

Raylene, Linda, Carol, Larry, Julie, Elaine, Donna, Debbie and Randy and all our families.

90th Birthday!!

Please join us in wishing our mom, Marilyn Dubbert, "Happy 90th Birthday"!!

She will be celebrating with immediate family on May 28.

Send cards, no gifts please, to: 12357 460th Street, Laurens, IA 50554.

*Thank you,
Dan, Kevin, Shari*



**2017 Laurens
Summer Ball
Umpires Needed!**

We have games in Laurens Tuesday through Friday starting May 24th to June 23rd. Games are at 6 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. I need one umpire for the Girls Minor games and two umpires for Girls Peewee and Boys Peewee games. If you are able and willing to help, please contact Allison Price.

Cell: (314) 413-6402 or Home: (712) 845-2327

Email: allison1971@sbcglobal.net



Laurens Summer Ball Home Games

Wednesday, May 24th - 6PM Boys Coach Pitch/7:30PM Boys Peewee

**Thursday, May 25th - 6PM Girls Coach Pitch and Girls Minors/
7:30PM Girls Peewee**

Wednesday, May 31st - 6PM Boys Coach Pitch/7:30PM Boys Peewee

Thursday, June 1st - 6PM Girls Minors

Tuesday, June 6th - 6PM Girls Coach Pitch/Girls Minors

Friday, June 9th - 6PM Boys Coach Pitch/7:30PM Boys Peewee

Tuesday, June 13th - 6PM Girls Coach Pitch/7:30PM Girls Peewee

Thursday, June 15th - 6PM Girls Minors

Friday, June 16th - 6PM Boys Coach Pitch/7:30PM Boys Peewee

Tuesday, June 20th - 6PM Girls Coach Pitch/7:30PM Girls Peewee

Wednesday, June 21st - 6PM Boys Coach Pitch

Friday, June 23rd - 6PM Boys Coach Pitch/7:30PM Boys Peewee



HELP 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Students Visit Washington, D.C.

***Fund-raiser Lunch to be held on
Sunday, June 4 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.***

Grace Masonic Lodge in Laurens will host a fund-raiser lunch with the assistance of students planning on visiting Washington, D.C. in 2018. All proceeds will be divided equally between the student workers. Meals will include a choice of hotdog or hamburger, chips, and a soft-drink for a freewill donation. Grace Lodge will provide the food so 100% of the proceeds will go to the students.

Enjoy the meal at Grace Lodge in Laurens, 323 W. Main Street—across from the post office or get it to go.



If you can't attend, but you'd still like to donate, mail contributions to:

Grace Lodge
45640 150th Ave
Laurens, Iowa 50554

22nd & Final Marathon to Marathon Schedule of Events Saturday, June 10, 2017

Friday, June 9, 2017

Storm Lake Community High School, 621 Tornado Drive, Storm Lake, Iowa

- 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Race Packets may be picked up
Registration for all races
Marathon to Marathon merchandise for sale
- 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Spaghetti Supper by the Storm Lake High School travel club
- 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Piano music by Adam Ullerich
- 6:30 pm. Marathon to Marathon Trivia Contest

Saturday, June 10, 2017

Storm Lake Community High School, 621 Tornado Drive, Storm Lake, Iowa

- 4:30 a.m. – 5:30 a.m. Race packets may be picked up and Registration for all races except the 5K
- 6:00 a.m. Full Marathon and Marathon Relay begin
Dave Dixon (5 Time Winner) – Honorary Starter
National Anthem sung by Arwal Andrews & Jr. Zambrana
- 6:05 a.m. Bus leaves for Half Marathon
- 7:00 a.m. Half Marathon begins - Al Pierce, Honorary Starter

Marathon Community Center, 300 W. Attica, Marathon

- 4:30 a.m. Shuttle Bus leaves for Storm Lake
- 7:00 a.m. 5K/ Run/Walk Registration and Packet pickup
- 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Omelet Breakfast available for purchase
- 8:00 a.m. 5K Run/Walk begins - Karen Johnson, Honorary Starter
National Anthem sung by Karen Lind
- 8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. Tot Trot Registration – Free to Children age 8 and under
- 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Audience pie “give away” starts, 1 pie every 15 mins.
Marathon to Marathon merchandise for sale
Free popcorn, courtesy of First Coop Association
- 9:00 a.m. Tot Trot begins
- 9:30 a.m. Awards Ceremony for 5K Run/Walk
All other awards can be picked up as results are posted
- 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Lunch available for purchase (served by the Churches of Marathon)
- 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Music by the Davis Family
- 5:15 p.m. Doors open for the 111th MHS Alumni Banquet

Marathon Area Historical Society, Home of the LM ‘n O Railroad Museum, 508 S. Neptune, Marathon, Iowa

- 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Open for tours and motor car/pedal rides

Main Street, Marathon, Iowa

- 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Antique trucks, cars, tractors and motorcycle show
- 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Mini Tractor Pull, 2 blocks east of Ikes Job Site (712-358-0949)
- 4:00 p.m. Bean Bag Tournament, \$20 entry fee/team, 32 teams, double elimination (712-358-0949)
- 5:00 p.m. 20th Annual Ton-A-Thon, Ikes Job Site
- 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Rib Cook-off @ Ikes Job Site, \$10 entry fee 712-289-4704
- 6:00 p.m. Supper @ Ikes Job Site, Free will offering
- 9:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m. Street Dance @ Ikes Job Site, “Great Lakes Hybrids”

This Week at First Christian Church

Pastor Rev. Rita Cordell

Wednesday, May 24

1:00 p.m. - Willing Workers

Friday, May 26

7:00 p.m. - AA

Sunday, May 28

9:30 a.m. - Worship (note time change)



This Week at Bethany Lutheran

Sunday: May 28, 2017

TIME CHANGE

Seventh Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM - Worship

10:00 AM - Coffee Fellowship

Usher & Greeter: Dean & Eloise Armstrong

4:00 PM - Laurens Care Center

NO Evening Youth Group

Tuesday: May 30, 2017

10:00 AM - Coffee Time

*Worship, Love, Accept~ Together
in Christ's Name*



This Week at Laurens United Methodist Church

Wed., May 24th:

Book Club @ 9 a.m.

“Caring Cards” card making session @ 7 p.m.

Fri., May 26th:

Men's Bible Study @ 7 a.m.

Sun., May 28th:

Summer Worship Schedule begins!

Adult Sunday School @ 8:30 a.m.

Worship @ 9:30 a.m.

Fellowship @ 10:30 a.m.

Mon., May 29th:

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

(Memorial Day)

Wed., May 31st:

United Methodist Women's Executive Board meeting @ 5 p.m.



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Sacred Heart Church Laurens

Pastor ~ Father Francis Makwinja

Weekday Mass : Friday, 8:00 AM

Weekend Mass: Saturday, 5:00 PM (March - June)

Cluster Parishes:

St. Joseph Catholic Church, Sioux Rapids

Weekday Mass: Monday & Wednesday, 8:00 AM

Weekend Mass: Sunday, 10:30 AM (March - June))

St. Louis Catholic Church, Royal

Weekday Mass: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:00 AM

Weekend Mass: Sunday, 8:30 AM (March- June)



Celebrate June Dairy Month in Iowa

By: Leo Timms, Animal Science and Jan Shearer, Professor and Dairy Veterinary Specialist

June is dairy month and the public is invited to celebrate the efforts of Iowa's dairy farmers who deliver a wholesome and nutritious supply of milk and dairy products, making a significant contribution to the state's economy. Iowa State University Extension and Outreach is offering several educational opportunities across the state to learn about dairy farming first-hand.

"Our goal is to create the next generation of dairy lovers," said Leo Timms, Morrill professor of animal science and extension dairy specialist with Iowa State University. "We're giving visitors an opportunity to get inside a dairy barn and see our commitments to animal well-being, environmental stewardship and production of high quality, safe milk and dairy products. Consumers need to know about local dairy products and the work it takes to make Iowa 12th in the nation for milk production."

Dairy is the fifth-largest agricultural business in Iowa, generating \$4 billion a year in economic activity according to

the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service 2012 Census of Agriculture. There are about 1,400 dairy farms in the state and about 99 percent of them are family-owned.

The dairy month open house schedule includes face-to-face conversations with farmers and on-farm milking demonstrations. Open house activities vary by location and may include a meal or samples of dairy products, a kid friendly area to meet calves and visit educational exhibits, and a guided farm tour allowing families to milk a cow and see robotic milking machines.

- Friday, June 9, 6-11 a.m. – ISU Dairy Farm Open House and Ag Discovery Center, 52470 260th St., near Ames.

- Saturday, June 17, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. – 7th Annual Breakfast on the Farm at Iowa's Dairy Center, 1527 Hwy 150 South, near Calmar.

- Wednesday, June 28, 4-7 p.m. – 9th Annual Western Iowa Dairy Alliance Open House, Summit Dairy (5564 390th Street near Primghar).

Events are held in partnership with the Midwest Dairy Association, Iowa State Dairy Association, Western Iowa Dairy Alliance, Northeast Iowa Dairy Foundation, Northeast Iowa Community College and various agriculture and commodity group sponsors and supporters in the

local communities.

Visitors are asked to take precautions and follow biosecurity policies if they have been at another livestock operation. Those who have recently returned from a trip abroad are asked to wait five days before visiting farms with animals. Visitors are asked to change clothing and footwear if going from farm to farm and to refrain from bringing any food items to the farm. For more information, contact the farm manager of the dairy operation.

Additional Contacts - ISU Extension and Outreach Dairy Team
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Avenue of Flags

The Laurens Avenue of Flags will be put up at 8 a.m. on Saturday, May 27

Anyone interested in helping is welcome!

The flags will be taken down at 4 p.m. on Monday, May 29.

City Council Minutes

May 15th, 2017

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal Building at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 15th, 2017. Mayor Rod Johnson called the meeting to order. Present were Council members Jean Swanson, Pat Sullivan, Rich Newgard, Sid Enockson, Julie Potter, City Attorney Ann Beneke, City Manager Hilary Reed, City Clerk Joan Hoben, Public Works Director Julian Johnsen, and Chief of Police Chris Toner.

Potter moved to approve consent agenda consisting of the agenda, minutes from the May 1st, 2017, meeting, the list of claims, as well as a Class C Liquor License Renewal for Rally Point. Swanson seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

CLAIMS	05-15-2017		
ACCO		WATER PLANT CHEMICALS	2,545.55
AFLAC		MAY GROUP INSURANCE	558.28
AHLERS & COONEY PC		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	84.00
AIRGAS NORTH CENTRAL		OXYGEN CYLINDERS	30.10
ALPHA WIRELESS		AMBULANCE RADIO	194.25
AMAZON		BOOKS & DVDS	371.46
FIDELITY LIFE		JUNE EYE INSURANCE	177.02
BAKER & TAYLOR		BOOKS	957.74
BANKERS TRUST		EAST MAIN & BISSELL PRINCIPAL	41,737.50
CHRIS TONER		OFFICE SUPPLIES	79.12
CONNECTIONS		GROUP INSURANCE	32.30
COUNSEL		COPIES	120.55
DELTA DENTAL		JUNE DENTAL INSURANCE	870.12
DEMCO		FURNITURE- TEEN SPACE	6,464.38
FIRST COOP		MOWER OILS	76.50
FOLLETT SOFTWARE COMPANY		BARCODES FOR BOOKS	268.53
FREEDOM QUILTS		BOOK	15.00
GOEDERS CONSTRUCTION		PAY REQUEST #2	9,078.80
HILARY REED		MEALS	10.50
IRS		FED/FICA	5,505.73
JCL SOLUTIONS		CLEANING SUPPLIES	40.82
LAURENS FOOD PRIDE		WATER SUPPLIES	5.78
LAURENS HOUSE OF PRINT		OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,008.40
LMPC		INTERNAL TIF LOAN	53,874.88
LAURENS STATE BANK		GARBAGE TRUCK PAYMENT	1,648.69
LAURENS SUN		LEGALS	187.76
MET		WASTEWATER TESTING	342.00
MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS		PARK TRAILS	2,130.05
NAPA		STREET SUPPLIES	131.11
PCC AMBULANCE BILLING SERVICE		AMBULANCE BILLING	508.57
PETE HOWE INDUSTRIAL		STORM SEWER CLEANING	1,750.00
POC COMMUNITY HOSPITAL		AMBULANCE SUPPLIES	239.88
POC COUNTY RECORDER		RECORDING FEES	21.00
POC FORD LINCOLN MERCURY		AMBULANCE REPAIRS	2,170.41
POCAHONTAS CO SOLID WASTE		APRIL LANDFILL FEEDS	5,341.62
PRINCIPAL LIFE		GROUP INSURANCE	735.61
PRO COOPERATIVE		APRIL FUEL	1,141.15
R&D INDUSTRIES, INC		SOFTWARE	647.00
RB LUMBER		PARK SUPPLIES	5.50
SHAMROCK RECYLING		APRIL RECYCLING	1,609.91
UNITY POINT CLINIC		RANDOM TESTING	37.00
WELLMARK		JUNE HEALTH INSURANCE	8,511.87
WOODLEY INSURANCE		INSURANCE	374.00
		TOTAL	<u>151,640.44</u>

PAYROLL		5/1/2017	
	001 GENERAL		4,779.33
PAYROLL		5/1/2017	
	001 GENERAL		4,657.40
	210 ROAD USE TAX		1,330.18
	600 WATER		2,120.86
	610 SEWER		1,738.12
	670 GARBAGE		1,032.25
		TOTAL	10,878.81
		PAYROLL TOTAL	15,658.14
		PAID TOTAL	167,298.58
BY FUND			
	001 GENERAL		29,900.46
	110 ROAD USE TAX		1,960.01
	112 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		5,606.51
	200 DEBT SERVICE		95,487.50
	321 OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING		9,099.80
	600 WATER		7,802.47
	610 SEWER		5,479.67
	670 GARBAGE		11,962.16
		TOTAL BY FUND	167,298.58

Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing for the 2017 budget amendment at 5:01 pm. With no written or oral objections, Mayor Johnson closed the public hearing on the matter at 5:02 pm.

It was noted that there was a mistake in the spreadsheet used for the budget amendment. Amended expenses were overstated by 125,600 in the capital projects category.

After discussion of the Budget Amendment, Newgard moved to approve Resolution 15-17, FY17 Budget Amendment. Sullivan seconded. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Potter, Enockson, Newgard, Sullivan, Swanson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The council received the unanimous recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board for the rezoning of lots 0127204001, LOT 1 BLK 2; 0127204002, LOT 2 BLK 2; 0127204003, LOT 3 BLK 2; 0127204004, LOT 4 BLK 2 from R-2 to C-1. Mayor Johnson let John Pohlman, on behalf of the Laurens Industrial Foundation, address the council for the proposed rezoning. Mr. Pohlman informed the council the Industrial Foundation was proposing the change for an interested party acquiring the property for a proposed parking lot. Mayor Johnson also let Mike Olson, an adjacent property owner, address the council. Mr. Olson voiced his concerns of having no assurance as to what was going to happen within the said lots. Iowa Code 414.5 allows for stipulations for rezoning that must be done before a first reading of the ordinance. Therefore, Newgard motioned to approve the Planning and Zonings board recommendation to rezone said lots from R-2 to C-1 with stipulations to be contracted up. Sullivan seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Potter moved to approve Resolution 16-17, Setting a Public Hearing Date on the Rezoning of Property. Enockson Seconded. Roll call Vote. Ayes: Potter, Enockson, Newgard, Sullivan, Swanson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mike Flannegan, with Shamrock Recycling, presented the council a 5 year contract for Shamrock Recycling. Enockson motioned to approve the 5 year contract. Swanson seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Vani Ahlers proposed closing off the street off on July 8th, 2017, from The Treasure Chest down to the intersection of 3rd and Main street, for Rally4Veterans Rally. She has spoken with businesses affected and all are okay with the closing. Swanson moved to approve the closing of the street. Potter seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Potter motioned to approve Ordinance 01-17, water rates; seconded by Enockson. Roll call vote—Ayes: Potter, Enockson, Newgard, Sullivan, Swanson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Swanson motioned to approve Ordinance 02-17, sewer rates; seconded by Sullivan. Roll call vote—Ayes: Potter, Enockson, Newgard, Sullivan, Swanson. Nays: None. Motion carried

Potter motioned to approve Ordinance 03-17, garbage rates; seconded by Swanson. Roll call vote—Ayes: Swanson, Sullivan, Newgard, Enockson, Potter.

Discussion was held on ATVS, UTVS, and Golf Carts. It was decided that Police Chief Chris Toner would continue to draft up ordinances the council would be able to review at the June 5th meeting.

Newgard moved to approve the resignation of Officer Blake Wiley. Potter seconded. All ayes; motion carried. The council would like to thank Officer Wiley for his time, dedication, and service to the Laurens Police Department and City of Laurens.

Potter moved to adjourn at 6:10 p.m. Enockson seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Rod Johnson, Mayor

Hilary Reed, City Clerk