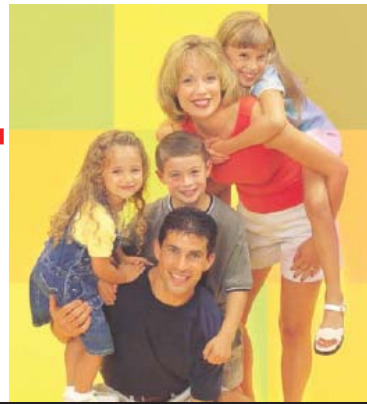


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Local News

Retail Trade Completes Laurens Welcome Bags!

Retail Trade members gathered together at Pizza Ranch to "stuff" the NEW Laurens Welcome Bags. These bags are to welcome potential newcomers to Laurens. Thanks to the businesses and organizations who participated in putting their items into the bags! (and of course, thanks to Retail Trade for doing the work!!)



**K - 12
LAURENS-MARATHON
PARENT AND STUDENT
OPEN HOUSE
THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 2013
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

****Grillout for Parents & Students**
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

***MS/HS Computer Rollout*
6:00-7:00 PM**

Mr. Oehlertz and Mr. Jamison will discuss the "L-M Laptop Policies Agreement". Laptop computers will be distributed. A computer usage form must be signed and the insurance fee (\$40) must be paid.

****Visit Classrooms and Teachers**
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

****TITLE I Parent Meeting**
6:00 PM in the ICN Room**

Back to School



Albert City Threshermen Hosting IH Collectors and Featuring Civil War Encampment

An 1860s Civil War Encampment . . . one year of farming in 60 minutes . . . hundreds of International Harvester tractors and implements . . . an ICAP sanctioned tractor pull . . . and, a kid's potato patch . . .there is only one place you can take in all of these events and so much more!

The Albert City Threshermen and Collectors 2013 show is August 9-11 at the Threshermen grounds northwest of Albert City on M-54.

A special attraction this year is the Army of the Southwest. This organization expects to bring 30 to 40 members and will share the lifestyle of the Civil War era. They will set up their camp Friday and will be doing the encampment all day Saturday and Sunday. There will be special cannon and arms firing at 9 a.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. on Sunday. There will also be educational displays, materials and reenactments.

New this year is a special demonstration in the field which will show one year of farming in 60 minutes. This event features all of the activities that happen in one year of farming including harvesting, binding, combining, plowing, disking, dragging and planting. Of course, these will all be done with vintage IH machinery.

This year the show is hosting the International Harvester Collectors Iowa Chapter 5. Members are expected to arrive from all over the state to exhibit a wide variety of tractors, implements, and memorabilia. The works of the famous artist Charles Freitag will also be on display. Freitag is well-known for his art depicting family life on the farm.

The annual Saturday tractor pull is expanding with the addition of an Iowa Central Antique Pullers event. The event will include the usual class for amateur or local pullers and will be followed by four other classes: stock, classic, open and V-8, which are all point pulls.

For the second year, the kids can enjoy the potato patch. This patch is planted in the spring with a horse-drawn planter. During the show, a horse-drawn plow digs up the potatoes and the kids run into the dirt to gather their bags of potatoes.

The Threshermen have a reputation for all of the hands-on action and field activities using vintage farm equipment. These will include threshing with steam engines, binding, baling, combining, corn shelling, plowing, and disking.

Other special events include a tractor ride Thursday afternoon, an antique appraisal fair Saturday morning and a talent contest Saturday afternoon.

Regularly scheduled exhibits include a toy show, wood shop, wood carvers, a heritage doll show, quilt show, petting barn, arts and crafts, vintage military vehicles, antique cars and trucks, Ridge Runners, blacksmith shop, broom factory, flour mill, saw mill, school house, farm house, Svenska Stuga, horse activities and of course lots of food, including homemade ice cream.

The show is now in its 43rd year and provides family fun for about 14,000 visitors each year. For more information, contact the Threshermen at 712-843-2076 or visit their web site at www.albertcitythreshermen.com.



LAURENS-MARATHON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
2013-2014
SCHOOL SUPPLIES

L-M PRESCHOOL

- (1) Pair of Velcro Shoes for gym
 - (1) Baggie Girl Hair Ties
 - (1) Book Bag
 - (1) Extra set of clothing (shirt, pants, underwear & socks)
- PLEASE MARK EACH INDIVIDUAL ITEM WITH CHILD'S NAME (CLOTHING ALSO)

KINDERGARTEN

- (1) Pair of P.E. Tennis Shoes
 - (2) Boxes of Kleenex (200 count)
 - (2) Fine point dry erase markers
 - (1) Highlighter
 - (1) Bottle of glue
 - (1) Box of Crayons (No more than 24 count)
 - (1) Pencil box
 - (1) Box Snack size Ziploc bag
 - Book Bag
- PLEASE MARK EACH INDIVIDUAL ITEM WITH CHILD'S NAME (CLOTHING ALSO)

FIRST GRADE

- Pencil Box (No bigger than about 6"x 9")
 - (3) Double-Pocket Folders (with NO fasteners and NO plastic folders)
 - (20) #2 Pencils (NO mechanical pencils)
 - (6) Large Erasers
 - (2) Large Boxes of Kleenex (200 Count)
 - (2) Glue Sticks
 - (2) - 8 oz. Bottles School White Glue
 - (1) - 7.5" x 10" Canvass Zipper Bag with Clear Front
 - (1) Pair of Tennis Shoes for P.E.
 - (4) Dry erase markers
 - (1) Box Sandwich size Ziploc bag
 - Crayons (any size)
 - Markers
 - Book Bag
 - Scissors
- PLEASE MARK EACH INDIVIDUAL ITEM WITH CHILD'S NAME (CLOTHING ALSO)

SECOND GRADE

- (2) - 7.5" x 10" Canvass Zipper Bag with Clear Front
- (20) #2 Pencils (no mechanical pencils)
- (2) Large Erasers
- (5) Pencil Tip Erasers
- (2) Bottles of White Glue
- (3) Glue Sticks
- (4) Dry Erase markers & 1 SOCK (To use as an eraser and store the dry
- (5) Double Pocket Folders (with NO fasteners)
- (2) Large Boxes Kleenex
- (1) Pair of Tennis Shoes for P.E.
- (2) Individual gallon-sized Ziploc bags labeled with student's name
- (2) Wide-Lined Spiral Notebooks
- Supply Box (No bigger than about 6"x9")
- Crayons (24 Count)
- Scissors

THIRD GRADE

- (2) individual gallon-sized Zip-loc baggies
 - (2) Large erasers
 - (1) Ruler
 - (20) #2 pencils with erasers (No mechanical pencils)
 - (4) Wide-lined spiral notebooks
 - (1) Red correcting pens
 - (2) Bottles of school glue
 - (1) scissors
 - (4) Double-pocket folders
 - (2) Large boxes of tissues (200 count)
 - (1) Zippered bag for pencils
 - (1) Box crayons (24 count or less)
 - (1) Pair of tennis shoes for P.E.
 - (1) Box markers (optional)
 - (4) Dry-erase markers
 - *No Trapper Keepers.
- PLEASE MARK ALL ITEMS WITH CHILD'S NAME (CLOTHING ALSO)

FOURTH GRADE

- (20) #2 Pencils (not mechanical)
 - (1) Large Eraser
 - (1) Red Correcting Pen
 - (4) Dry erase markers & 1 SOCK (To use as an eraser)
 - Zipper Case for Pencils
 - Box of Colors (24 count)
 - (4) Spiral Notebooks (wide-lined)
 - (1) Composition Notebook (paper does not tear out)
 - (6) Double-Pocket Folders (no fasteners) or 1 Expandable Folder and (2) Pocket Folders
 - (1) Bottle Glue or (2) Glue Sticks
 - (2) Large Boxes of Kleenex
 - (1) Box of sandwich bags
 - (1) Pair of Tennis Shoes for P.E.
 - Scissors
 - Markers (optional)
 - Colored Pencils (optional)
 - Assignment Notebook (\$2.00 Purchased at Registration) Students must have this one!
 - **No Trapper Keepers
- PLEASE MARK ALL ITEMS WITH CHILD'S NAME (CLOTHING ALSO)

FIFTH GRADE

- (1) 3-Ring Binder for Iowa History (1.5 inches)
- (25) Plastic sleeves to put inside an Iowa History binder
- (2) Composition Notebooks
- (3) Spiral Notebooks
- (1) Highlighter
- (4) Dry erase markers & 1 SOCK (To use as an eraser and to store the dry erase markers
- (1) Large Box of Kleenex
- (1) 1 box of sandwich Zip-loc baggies
- (4) Double-Pocket Folders
- (1) Bottle of White Glue or Glue Stick
- (1) 12" Ruler
- (1) Correcting Pen (any color)
- (1) Box of Crayons (no larger than 24 count)
- (1) Set of Markers

The City Council of the City of Laurens is taking nominations by petition for the following three council seats:

2 seats to serve a four year term beginning January 1, 2014

1 seat to fill the appointed council seat beginning after the election through December 31, 2016

Any interested party should contact City Manager, Barbo Smith, at 841-7862 or 515-574-9944; or inquire at City Hall

Nomination papers MUST be turned in to City Hall no later than 5 p.m. on September 19, 2013



Guess Who's Expecting?!?!

Join us for a baby shower honoring

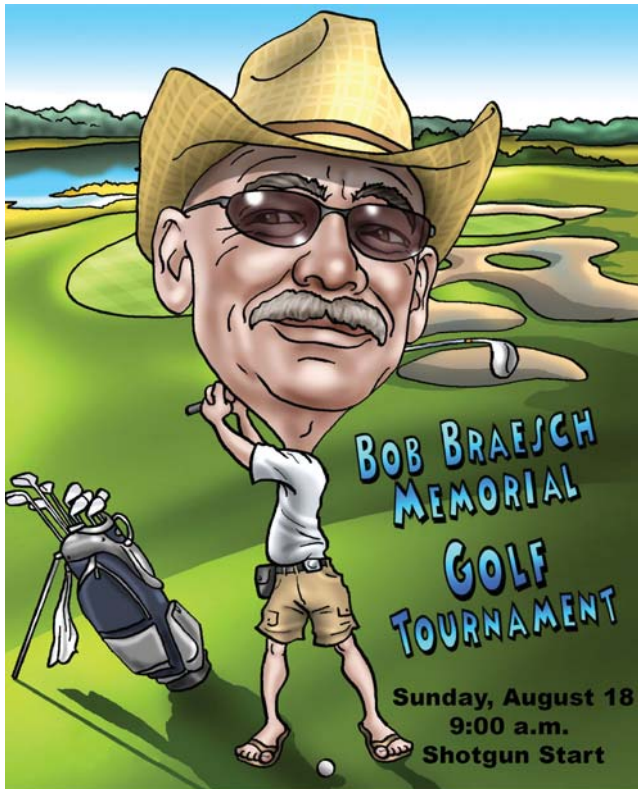
Alicia Schossow

August 17, 2013 @ 1:00 P.M.
Sacred Heart Parish Center
Laurens, Iowa

Hosted By: Grandma Joan & Grandma Shelley

RSVP to 712-845-4926 or djleuer@pionet.net

Alicia is registered at Babies R Us, Buy Buy Baby & Target



BOB BRAESCH MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sunday, August 18
9:00 a.m.
Shotgun Start

2-Person Best Shot 18-Hole Tournament

Laurens Golf & Country Club

Prizes Awarded

\$25 per player includes meal

Open to the Public
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or
Call 712-841-4548

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

11:00 A.M.

BIKE ROUTE:
Start at The Zone to Havelock and back.
26 miles

FOOD AND DRINK SPECIALS!

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
PLANT ROCK
7:00 P.M.

COMING AUGUST 17
Cosmic Brownies

The Zone - 230 North Main, Pocahontas, Iowa
(712)335-3500

Free & Reduced Meals

The Iowa Department of Education, Bureau of Nutrition and Health Services, today announced its policy for free and reduced price meals for children unable to pay the full price of meals served under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program and the Afterschool Care Snack Program.

State and Local school officials have adopted the following family size and income criteria for determining eligibility:

<u>Household Size</u>	<u>Free Meals</u>					<u>Reduced Price Meals</u>				
	<u>Yearly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Twice a Month</u>	<u>Every two weeks</u>	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Yearly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Twice a Month</u>	<u>Every two weeks</u>	<u>Weekly</u>
1	14,937	1,245	623	575	288	21,257	1,772	886	818	409
2	20,163	1,681	841	776	388	28,694	2,392	1,196	1,104	552
3	25,389	2,116	1,058	977	489	36,131	3,011	1,506	1,390	695
4	30,615	2,552	1,276	1,178	589	43,568	3,631	1,816	1,676	838
5	35,841	2,987	1,494	1,379	690	51,005	4,251	2,126	1,962	981
6	41,067	3,423	1,712	1,580	790	58,442	4,871	2,436	2,248	1,124
7	46,293	3,858	1,929	1,781	891	65,879	5,490	2,745	2,534	1,267
8	51,519	4,294	2,147	1,982	991	73,316	6,110	3,055	2,820	1,410
For each additional family member add:	5,226	436	218	201	101	7,437	620	310	287	144

Households may apply for free or reduced price meal benefits one of four ways as listed below.

1. Households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for reduced price meals or for free meals. Households may complete one application listing all children and return it to your child's school.
2. Food Assistance households and children receiving benefits under the Family Investment Program (FIP) are eligible for free meals. Most children from Food Assistance and FIP households will be qualified for free meals automatically. These households will receive a letter from their children's schools notifying them of their benefits. Households that receive a letter from the school need to do nothing more for their children to receive free meals.
3. Some Food Assistance and FIP households will receive a letter from the Department of Human Services (DHS) which will qualify the children listed on the letter for free meals. Parents must take this letter to the child's school to receive free meals.
4. Food Assistance or FIP households receiving benefits that do not receive a letter from DHS must complete an application for their children to receive free meals.

Only complete applications will be approved by the school. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year. If a family member becomes unemployed, the family should contact the school to complete an application.

Foster children are eligible for free meal benefits. Some foster children will be qualified for free meals automatically through the State Direct Certification process. Their host family will receive notification of these benefits. Families that receive this notification from the school need to do nothing more for their foster children to receive free meals. If a family has foster children living with them and does not receive notification and wishes to apply for such meals, instructions for making application for such children are contained on the application form. Special Supplement Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) participants may be eligible for free or reduced price meals based on a completed application.

Households with children who are enrolled in the Head Start/Even Start Program or the Migrant Education Program or who are considered homeless or runaway by the school district's homeless liaison should contact the school for assistance in receiving benefits. If households are dissatisfied with the ruling of the officials, they may make a formal appeal either orally or in writing to the school's designated hearing official. The policy statement on file at the school contains an outline of the hearing procedure. School officials may verify the information in the application, and that deliberate misrepresentation of information may subject the applicant to prosecution under applicable State and Federal criminal statutes. Households should contact their local school for additional information.

Engagement Announced

Jeff and Kathy Olson of Maplewood, MN are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Olson to Barry Hakes, son of Evelyn Hakes of Okoboji, IA and the late Michael Hakes.

The couple is planning a October 19, 2013 wedding.



Board of Health to Meet

The Pocahontas County Board of Health will meet at 12 noon on Wednesday, August 14 in the Assembly Room at the Pocahontas County Courthouse. Anyone wishing to obtain time on the agenda may contact Pat Alexander at (712) 335-4142.

**LAURENS' SEMI-ANNUAL
CLEARANCE SALE
UP TO 75% OFF**

Friday, August 9th

7:30 am kick-off time

**Participating businesses will
have balloons outside!**

www.LaurensRetail.com

Coat Swap Date Set

The coat swap will take place on September 21st from 9 a.m. to 1p.m. at the Laurens Public Library. Any parent may BRING THEIR CHILD to the library this one day only and pick out a coat. We have a variety of sizes and we CANNOT guarantee we have a coat for you, but please come to see!! The child must be present to receive a coat. This is open to the whole community for any child including High School students that need a winter coat.

The coats are free and in great condition. No questions asked, just come in, have your child try one on and take it home. Our goal is to make sure no child in our community is cold this winter because they don't have a coat!! We Thank Everyone Who Donated Coats for This Event!!!!

Swing Thoughts

By: Chris Seaboch

Hello again, my golfing friends. Finally an article where I can brag about how nice the weather has been lately! If you haven't had a chance to get outside and play golf in the last couple of weeks, then you've been missing some of the best days July has ever had to offer. Several times within the last few weeks, I've caught myself saying "it just can't get any nicer than this".

I have been lucky enough to play a little golf, maybe averaging 9 holes a week, but definitely not enough. Although my wife and I have had many chances to get out and take the dogs for plenty of walks and enjoy the weather in that sense.

Standing on #7 tee box at Indian Creek Country Club in Nevada on Thursday night during Men's League, one of the gentlemen in my foursome asked if I was still writing columns for the Ames Tribune. I thought to myself, then proclaimed out loud "dang, I still need to write my article for this week." They were worried I was going to call them out and talk about all of the bad shots they had hit that evening. Truth be told, they played pretty well, so they didn't give me much to work with. But it did get me thinking, as I had been playing better that night than I had in a long time.

My golf game has been very shaky this summer. With the transition of the new job, I knew I may not get out much this summer and possibly next, but by 2015, I'll be ready to play a tad more. I've never been one to play a lot of golf. But, I was always lucky because I enjoyed 2 or 3 short practice sessions each week. It seemed much easier to practice for a half hour here or

there than to play a 4-5 hour round of golf. Plus, the practice made it more enjoyable to play, so it was a win-win situation for me.

My game is just like yours. Our scores are a direct reflection of the amount of practice time we put in. This summer, I think I've hit 2 buckets of balls, and one of those buckets was back on that one nice day in April. Yes, I'm pretty sure there was only one nice day that entire month. And my scores this summer reflect my lack of practice time.

I knew standing on that tee box, talking to my partners, why I had been playing better that night. I had a chance before we started for the night to hit about 10 balls on the range. And something just clicked. I decided to focus on only two things during my 10 shots on the range and throughout my round.

First of all, I needed to slow my tempo down. I've been focusing on my tempo all summer, but I haven't been controlling it consistently throughout my rounds. It's amazing to me how slow I need to feel like I'm swinging to hit the ball well. It's almost like the slower I swing, the farther the ball goes.

A concept I've known for years, but actually implementing this into every shot can be tough, especially when things go wrong.

Secondly, I focused on trying to extend my hands away from my body and feel like they end up straight out from my

ear at the top of my swing. Do any of you ever focus where your hands are at the top of your swing? Typically, on a normal shot, we would like them somewhere in the general area of our ear. And I don't mean to bend your arms, so your hands are right by your ear. Your arms should be extended away from you. But for those of you who hit a slice, there is a good chance your hands are out in front of your face at the top of your swing. This swing is very upright and leads to a lot of shots ending up to the right. And those of you who hit a hook, your hands are probably closer to your shoulder, producing a flatter swing. The key is to be right in the middle, which just happens to be around the area straight out from your ear.

I think the true key for those of you who only play once a week at best, is to find only 1 or 2 swing thoughts during your round and stick to them for that round. Don't allow multiple thoughts to enter your mind before and during your swing. Keep it as simple as you can. Try it during your next round. Good luck!

SILVER DOLLAR
SALOON

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 2013
GREAT LAKES HYBRID BAND
9:00 P.M TO 1:00 A.M

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2013
STREET DANCE
NEIL ROUGE & 50 MILE FAM BAND
9:00 P.M TO 1:00 A.M

Downtown Laurens, Iowa 712-841-6986

At the Library with Glenda Mulder

August 7, 2013

Well, our youth writer's club now has a name. It's www. This stands for Wonderful Writing Weirdos. What a fun bunch of kids! And I love the fact that they practically begged for us to facilitate this for them! They are giving each other writing topics and reading their work to the group when they meet. Right now they are meeting every Monday at 1 o'clock. We haven't figured out a school year schedule, we'll let you know when

we do. If you have a middle schooler who would like to join the fun, send them to us!

Albert City native Tiffany Malcom, author of "50 Dates in 50 States; One woman's road trip in search of Love and Adventure" is in the area this week. After years of imagining how freeing the open road would feel, Tiffany Malcom decided it was time to take off on the adventure she'd been longing for. With \$5000 and a car named Cherry Cherry, she set off to see America . . . and go on a blind date in every state along the way. Come hear the story of her journey to see if she still had a chance at love. She will be making a

few other stops in the area, but will be at our Library Friday, August 9 at 4:30 p.m. for a short program. She'll then be available to sign copies of her book & answer questions until about 6:00 pm. Come show your support for this local talent!

Our Writer's Free for All assignment for the month is to write a story about going to the State or County Fair or a family vacation. This can be a childhood memory or something that happened more recently. It can be fiction or something that truly happened. Be

ready to share these when we meet August 19th at 7 pm.

The Book Club will meet Monday, August 26th at 7 pm to discuss "The Last Lecture" by Randy Pausch. Our catalog describes it this way, "The author, a computer science professor diagnosed with terminal cancer, explores his life, the lessons that he has learned, how he has worked to achieve his childhood dreams, and the effect of his diagnosis on him and his family." This book has been on my "To Read" list since it first came out, so I'm really looking forward to it. Pick up a copy and join our discussion!

COMING ATTRACTIONS

August 8 - All day LegoMania!

August 9 - 4:30- 6:00 p.m. Tiffany Malcom author of "50 Dates in 50 States: One Woman's Road Trip in Search of Love & Adventure"

August 15 - All day LegoMania!

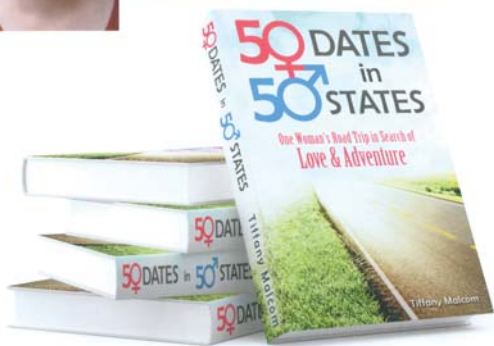
August 19 - 7 p.m. Writer's Free for All

August 26 - 7 p.m. The Book Club - "The Last Lecture" by Randy Pausch



Book signing with author

Tiffany Malcom



In 2010, Albert City native Tiffany Malcom went on the adventure of a lifetime, seeing America and going on a date in every state. Malcom will be back in our area to talk about her adventure and sign hot-off-the-press copies of the book that tells the tale of her adventure, *50 Dates in 50 States*. Come find out if she found love on the open road!

**Friday, August 9
4:30-6:00PM at
the Laurens
Public Library**



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New Supported Community Living Program in Pocahontas!
Are you a fun loving, energetic, caring person?

Genesis Development is looking for employees like you to work in our Daily and Hourly Supported Community Living Program, assisting persons with disabilities to live life to their fullest potentials!

Community Support Staff Positions are full time (40 hours per week) and part time (15-20 hours per week). A Team Leader Position, which is supervisory, is full time (40 hours per week). Benefits package includes paid time off, insurance benefits, training, and others. HS Diploma or GED required for the positions. Valid Iowa Driver's License and vehicle insurance required.

If you are interested in encouraging and supporting others to reach their fullest potential in the Pocahontas area please contact Chris at 712-732-5038. You can visit www.genesisdevelopment.com for additional information and to print out an application. Send completed applications to: chris@genesisdevelopment.com

Or mail to: Genesis Development, Attn: Chris Abaray
 1607 Lake Ave., Storm Lake, IA 50588

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NOTICE:

To our loyal customers we regret to inform you that the last day Deb's will be in operation is August 29. We would like to thank our customers who have supported us through this great adventure and we would like to take the opportunity to tell all of you that it's been greatly appreciated. The 19 years that we have been a business in Laurens has been wonderful! We will still be open until August 29, so please continue to support us through to the end. Once again, thank you for the patronage over the past 19 years.

Amy, Stephanie, and Deb

Winkler Grandson Part of State Championship Baseball Team!

Congratulations to the Johnston Dragons for winning the Iowa Class 4A State High School Baseball 2012/2013 Championship on Saturday night August 3, 2013. Starting at center field was Sam Schade, son of Carol and Dean Schade. Leading the cheering section was Grandpa Ben Winkler of Laurens. Several relatives and friends from Laurens were in attendance.

Local & School Calendar

August 8 - Lego Mania all day at the Laurens Public Library; Charger Football Camp for grades 7th & 8th, 8 to 9 a.m.; for Grades 9th-12th, 9-10 a.m.; Show Choir Boot Camp from 12:30 to 4 p.m.; Iowa State Fair starts through Aug. 18.

August 9 - Charger Football Camp for grades 7th & 8th, 8 to 9 a.m.; for Grades 9th-12th, 9-10 a.m.; Show Choir Boot Camp from 12:30 to 4 p.m.

August 12 - Volleyball Practice begins, from 8 a.m.-noon; Football Practice begins; Show Choir Boot Camp from 12:30-4 p.m.; Laurens-Marathon School Board of Education will meet at 5:30 p.m.

August 13 - Volleyball Practice from 8 a.m.-noon; Football Practice; Show Choir Boot Camp from 12:30 to 4 p.m.; Volleyball Parent Meeting at 6 p.m. in the new gym; New Staff Orientation.

August 14 - Volleyball Practice from 8 a.m.-noon; Football Practice; PK-12 Staff Professional Development.

August 15 - Volleyball Practice from 8 a.m.-noon; Football Practice; PK-12 Staff Professional Development; K-12 Open House from 5 to 8 p.m.; Title I Parent Meeting at 6 p.m. in the ICN room-Will visit classrooms from 6 to 8 p.m.; Lego Mania all day at the Laurens Public Library.

Don't Monkey Around, Go Bananas!

Laurens City Wide
Garage Sale
Saturday, August 10, 2013
8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

25 sites, for map/sale items go to:
www.laurensiachamber.com



Moped Safety Course

A Moped Safety Class will be offered at the Transportation Technology Center of Iowa Central Community College located at 1106 South 32nd Street, Fort Dodge, on Saturday, August 10, from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This is a State approved program.

If you are 14 or will be turning 14 within 5 months, it is required that you take this course. Class size is limited to 30. Pre-registration and pre-payment of \$45 is required.

For additional information, contact the Transportation Technology Center at 800-362-2793 ext. 1971 or 515-574-1971.

Happy August 8th Birthday, Millie!



*Love,
Ken, Nancy, Ashley, Katie, and John*

Bridal Shower

There will be a wedding shower for Megan Cleveland, bride-elect of Zach Lovin, on Saturday, August 17 from 9-11 a.m. at Iowa West Bank.

Megan and Zach are registered at Kohl's, Target, The Straw Horse, and JH Design.

Moped Class

If there is enough interest, the Pocahontas Police Department will offer a Moped Class on Friday, August 9, 2013 at the Pocahontas Public Library from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The cost of the class is \$30.00. If you are interested, please contact the Pocahontas Police Department at 712 (335-3536). You do not have to be fourteen years of age to take the class. The completed certificate can be held for a period of time and then be applied to the instruction permit when they turn fourteen.

Bridal Shower

There will be a bridal shower for Amy Olson, bride to be of Barry Hakes, on Sunday, August 25 from 1-3 p.m. at West Iowa Bank Community Room.

The couple is Registered at JH Design, Target, Home Depot and Bed Bath and Beyond

HELP WANTED:

A position in the maintenance department has become available at approximately 20+ hrs per week, at Pleasant View Home in Albert City. The person selected will be responsible for preventative maintenance, minor repairs, and supplies and other duties that may be assigned by the Administrator. Maintenance person will frequently be called upon to perform duties involving twisting, bending, crawling, squatting, kneeling, and crouching and transporting residents to appointments. Outside work in both winter and summer will be required. Background check will be required as well as a physical.

Stop by Pleasant View Home office and pickup an application. Applications will be accepted until position is filled. For further details, please contact Beverly Mericle, Administrator, at 712-843-2237.

JH Design Bridal Registry

Amber Dorothy & Adam Hanson - Wedding August 10

Jamie Peterson & Shane Braunschweig - Wedding August 17

Megan Cleveland & Zach Lovin
Shower - August 17 ~ Wedding - October 5

Katie Stevens & Alex Molina - Wedding September 7

Kelsey Bell & Christopher Ruthart
Shower - October 12 ~ Wedding - December 14

Tracy Reese & Casey Diehl
Wedding - September 14

Amy Olson & Barry Hakes
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Announcements

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Weekday Mass : Friday, 8:00 AM
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St. Joseph Catholic Church, Sioux Rapids
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Weekend Mass: Saturday 5:00 PM
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8:00 AM
Weekend Mass: Sunday 10:30 AM



This Week at First Christian Church

Wednesday, Aug. 7
1 p.m. - Willing Workers
6 p.m. - Pastoral Relations Committee
7 p.m. - Mission Council

Thursday, Aug. 8
7 p.m. - AA Meeting

Sunday, Aug. 11
9:30 a.m. - Worship followed by coffee and fellowship
"Surprised by Hope" Book Study
4 p.m. - Service at Laurens Care Center



Wednesday, August 7, 2013
7:00 PM ~ Christian Ed/Youth Mtg.

Sunday, August 11, 2013
9:00 AM ~ Worship
10:00 AM ~ Coffee Fellowship

Tuesday, August 13, 2013
7:00 PM ~ W/M Mtg.

Thursday, August 15, 2013
2:00 PM ~ Afternoon Circle

*Worship, Love, Accept-
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This Week at Laurens United Methodist Church

Fri., Aug. 9th
Men's Bible Study @ 7 a.m.

Sun., Aug. 11th
Worship @ 9:30 a.m.
Special music: Ecumenical Bell Choir
Fellowship Coffee @ 10:30 a.m.

Tues, Aug. 13th
Sunday School Teachers/Christian Ed.
Committee meeting @ 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

Fri., Aug. 16th
Men's Bible Study @ 7 a.m.



Renewing Your Driver's License Online

The Pocahontas County Treasurer's Office would like to warn those that choose to renew their driver's license or ID online of fraudulent websites attempting to take advantage of people. The only legitimate site for online renewals is mymvd.iowadot.gov.

If you have trouble remembering this website, you can also locate it from the Iowa Department of Transportation website iowadot.gov. From this site's home page, you would click on "Tell Me More" below Drivers/Vehicles. On the next screen, click on Licensed Drivers, then Driver License Renewal. On the final page choose either "mymvdonlineservices" along the left hand side of the page or in the third paragraph, click on the words "renew your license now".

There are stipulations as to who can renew a driver's license or ID online. You will need an active credit or debit card and you should be able to renew online if:

- You have a valid non-commercial Iowa driver license or ID
- You are at least 18 but younger than 70 years old
- Your license or ID has not been expired for more than a year
- It is less than 180 days until the

renewal date of your DL or ID

- You are a US citizen
- You do not have any medical or vision conditions that impact your driving ability (this does not include a "B" restriction for corrective lenses)

- You do not need to change your address or name

The fees remain the same for issuing online, however a \$1.50 online processing fee will be added to the cost. A 5 year driver license is currently \$20, a 5 yr driver license with a motorcycle endorsement is \$30 and an ID is \$5. Any other fees requested, other than the online processing fee, would indicate you are not at the correct site. Online renewal cards will retain the same photo that is on your current DL or ID. You will only be allowed to renew online every other renewal period. The new plastic will be sent in the mail within 30 days of renewal. Remember that the new plastic is mailed in an unmarked window envelope so be sure to open all your junk mail to avoid throwing your new card away. Continue to carry your current card until you receive the new plastic DL or ID in the mail. Once you receive the new plastic, please cut up and destroy your old one. You may also print a proof of the online transaction to carry with you; however, this isn't necessary. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the online renewal process,

you must call the Iowa Department of Transportation at 1-800-532-1121.

Other features of the online website mymvd.iowadot.gov include:

- Sign up to receive electronic renewal notices
- Change your mailing address record (you will still need to come into the office to change your actual document)
- Obtain a copy of your driving record (a certified copy costs \$5.50 plus an online processing fee of \$1.50)
- Learn what is needed to reinstate your DL license after it has been revoked or suspended
- Pay civil penalties (online processing fee of \$1.50)

Another point to consider when renewing online is that the county is not reimbursed unless issuance is completed in the Pocahontas County Treasurer's office. Currently the county receives \$7 from the state for each license issued by our office. Even this reimbursement does not fully fund the cost of providing driver license issuance. The approximate \$3 per issuance gap is currently funded through property tax dollars. Again, should you have any questions regarding the online renewal process, please call the Iowa Department of Transportation at 1-800-532-1121 as the county treasurer's office is not affiliated with online renewals.

The hours for issuing driver's license in the Pocahontas County Treasurer Office are from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. If you need to take written test, we request that you be here by 2:30 p.m.

Mr & Mrs. Tim Rourke

Staci Latham, daughter of Terry & Diane Latham of Laurens, and Tim Rourke, son of Doug & Paulette Rourke of Omaha, NE were married June 21, 2013 at the Key West Marriott Beachside Hotel in Key West, Fl. A reception was held at the hotel immediately following the ceremony. The couple is residing in Omaha, NE.



HELP WANTED

Laurens Municipal Power & Communications is searching for an Electric Line Person. Preferred applicant should be a line school graduate with experience working with underground and overhead systems. Successful applicant will be expected to work with high voltage electricity and our diesel generation plant as needed. Must have or be able to obtain a Class B CDL and pass a pre-employment drug/alcohol screening. Wage DOQ and excellent benefit package. Send resumes to: Laurens Municipal Power & Communications, 272 N. Third Street, Laurens, IA 50554. Resumes will be accepted until the position is filled.

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Services Held for Eileen Maxine (Triggs) O'Brien

Eileen Maxine (Triggs) O'Brien, the daughter of John and Lucille (Bishop) Triggs, was born March 14, 1927, in Ayrshire, Iowa and departed this life on Thursday, July 18, 2013, at the Avera Holy Family Hospital in Estherville at the age of 86 years old.



She received her education in Palmer, Iowa, graduating from Palmer High School.

On April 15, 1950, she was united in marriage to Joseph O'Brien. After their marriage, the couple made their home in Fort Dodge. Eileen worked five years for the Fort Dodge Laboratory. The couple moved to Iowa Falls then to Estherville. Joe and Eileen enjoyed their yearly trips to Las Vegas. Eileen also enjoyed playing cards, spending time at the lakes and with her family.

Eileen was a member of the St. Patrick's Catholic Church in

Estherville, altar society and the VFW Auxiliary.

Left to cherish Eileen's memory are her daughter, Kathy Simacek and her husband, Bob of Laurens, Iowa; son Rick O'Brien and his

wife, Sarah of Adel, Iowa; grandchildren, Brandie (Lalo), Amanda (Jeremy), Emily, Joseph, Morgan (Brandon), Madison, Logan, and Mitchell; great-grandchildren, Kaleb, Lenon, Clay, Jakson, Adela and Evan; brother, Vince (Eileen) Triggs of Laurens; sister, Vira (Vern) Metzger of Palmer and brother-in-law, Ron (Iva) Lang.

She has been preceded in death by her husband; parents; brother and sisters-in-law, Paul and Marie McDonnell; Kenny and Marge Sternitzke and other relatives.

Visitation was held on Sunday, July 21 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Henry-Olson Funeral Chapel in Estherville.

Funeral service was held Monday, July 22 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Estherville.

Marjorie Elaine McCann

January 21, 1937 - July 5, 2013

Marjorie Elaine McCann, the daughter of Julius and Orma Seaman Phillips, was born January 21, 1937 in Sioux City, IA. Her childhood years were spent in the Laurens, IA area where she graduated from Laurens High School before attending Morningside College in Sioux City, IA.


Marjorie married Dale McCann on February 7, 1974 in Arnolds Park, IA. She worked for Sunshine Services. She was a member of Grace United Methodist Church in Spencer. She enjoyed riding horses as a child and spending time with family was always very important to her.

Marjorie passed away on Friday, July 5, 2013 at Longhouse Residence in Spencer, IA, at the age of 76. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Dale on September 11, 1980, and her brother Donn.

Left to cherish her memory is her son Gary (Brittany) McCann of Rolfe, IA; 7 grandchildren; other relatives and many friends.

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July 30, 2013

The Utility Board of Trustees of Laurens, Iowa met in regular session at the Municipal Building, 272 N. Third Street, Laurens, Iowa, at 11:30 a.m. on the above date. Present were Trustees Richard Main, Ben Storms and Jerry Runneberg. Also present was General Manager Chad Cleveland and L.J. "Bud" Hawley.

The agenda for the July 30, 2013 meeting stands approved as presented.

Chairman Main announced that this was the time set pursuant to Resolution of the governing body and public notice given as required by law for the meeting and hearing upon the proposition of approving and consenting to the Amended and Restated Lehigh-Webster Transmission and Webster Terminals Facilities and Operating Agreement, as further amended, between and among Corn Belt Power Cooperative and MidAmerican Energy Company, Laurens Municipal Electric Utility, Laurens, Iowa, and certain other electric utilities.

Chairman Main asked the Secretary whether any petitions or objections to the proposed action or to the form of the Amended and Restated Lehigh-Webster Transmission and Webster Terminals Facilities and Operating Agreement, as further amended, or with respect to any matter related thereto had been filed. The Secretary reported that no objections or petitions opposed to said matters had been filed. Chairman Main asked for oral objections to said matters and no oral objections were offered. Discussion was then held on the proposed Amended and Restated Lehigh-Webster Transmission and Webster Terminals Facilities and Operating Agreement, as further amended, as well as to the consequences to be expected therefrom.

At 11:40 o'clock a.m. Chairman Main closed the public hearing.

Trustee Storms introduced the following Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION FINALLY ADOPTING, APPROVING AND CONSENTING TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED LEHIGH-WEBSTER TRANSMISSION AND WEBSTER TERMINALS FACILITIES AND OPERATING AGREEMENT, AS FURTHER AMENDED, BETWEEN AND AMONG CORN BELT POWER COOPERATIVE, MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY, LAURENS MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITY, LAURENS, IOWA, AND CERTAIN OTHER ELECTRIC UTILITIES" and moved its adoption. Trustee Runneberg seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called and the vote was,

Ayes: Main, Runneberg and Storms Nays: None

Chairman Main declared the following Resolution duly adopted:

WHEREAS, on the 24th day of June, 2013 a proposed form of Amended and Restated Lehigh-Webster Transmission and Webster Terminals Facilities and Operating Agreement, as further amended, was filed with the Secretary of this governing body and preliminarily approved by resolution subject to final hearing and approval upon public notice as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the proposed form of Amended and Restated Lehigh-Webster Transmission and Webster Terminals Facilities and Operating Agreement, as further amended, is found to be in proper form and to serve the best interest of the City, its residents and consumers of electricity furnished by the Laurens Municipal Electric Utility; and

WHEREAS, notice of hearing on the proposed form of Amended and Restated Lehigh-Webster Transmission and Webster Terminals Facilities and Operating Agreement, as further amended, was published as required by the provisions of Chapters 390 and 73A of the Code of Iowa, 2013, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Laurens Municipal Electric Utility of the City of Laurens, Iowa:

That the Amended and Restated Lehigh-Webster Transmission and Webster Terminals Facilities and Operating Agreement, as further amended, and the form thereof be and the same are hereby approved, consented to and adopted as the Amended and Restated Lehigh-Webster Transmission and Webster Terminals Facilities and Operating Agreement, as further amended, to be executed and performed on behalf of the City and its Municipal Electric Utility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman and Secretary are directed to execute the Amended and Restated Lehigh-Webster Transmission and Webster Terminals Facilities and Operating Agreement, as further amended, in the form approved together with any additional consents or related documents as may be appropriate to complete the amendment process.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 30th day of July, 2013.

Richard Main
Chairman, Board of Trustees

Attest: Chad Cleveland
Secretary, Board of Trustees

The minutes of the June 24, 2013 meeting were previously distributed to the Board and stand approved as recorded.

Motion by Trustee Storms and seconded by Trustee Runneberg to approve the list of bills for June 2013 in the amount of \$550,581.14. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

AFLAC	Insurance premiums	\$	419.76
Ahlers & Cooney	Legal fees	\$	75.00
Alliant Energy	Natural gas bill	\$	191.75
Allied National	Insurance premiums	\$	253.80
Aramark	Floor mats	\$	149.34
Avesis Third Party Administrators	Insurance premiums	\$	115.05
BBC America	Programming fees	\$	23.46
Big 10 Network	Programming fees	\$	614.86
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance premiums	\$	6,790.86
Buena Vista Stationery	Supplies	\$	114.25
Century Business Products	Supplies	\$	105.39
Century Link	Directory listings	\$	42.10
Century Link	Transport fees	\$	674.96
Certified Testing Services	Generation project	\$	1,090.00
Clark, Molly	Refund	\$	175.00
Consortia Consulting	Consulting fees	\$	750.00
Dearborn National Life Insurance Company	Insurance premiums	\$	154.35
Department of Energy	WAPA energy bill	\$	33,510.46
DGR Engineering	Generation project	\$	1,997.00
Discovery Communications	Programming fees	\$	42.52
Echo Group	Supplies	\$	7,743.60
Employee Benefit Systems	Insurance administration	\$	120.00
ESPN	ESPN3.com	\$	62.70
Fox Sports North	Programming fees	\$	1,528.49
Grundman-Hicks, LLC	Generation project	\$	55,366.80
HUB Television Networks, Inc.	Programming fees	\$	10.63
ICMA Retirement	Employee contribution	\$	1,600.00
IPERS	IPERS withholding	\$	4,220.36
Integrated Broadband Services	Modem provisioning	\$	535.00
Internal Revenue Service	Federal/FICA taxes	\$	6,848.68
Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities	Meeting expense	\$	50.00
Iowa Network Services	Communication services	\$	230.79

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Iowa One Call	Locates	\$	21.20
Treasurer, State of Iowa	Iowa withholding tax	\$	1,325.00
Treasurer, State of Iowa	Iowa sales tax	\$	7,658.00
J & J Service	Vehicle expense	\$	48.06
Laurens, City of	April billing	\$	77,329.36
Laurens, City of	Cash Contribution	\$	15,000.00
Laurens, City of	CATV franchise fees	\$	14,789.49
Laurens Country Store	Meeting expense	\$	29.94
Laurens House of Print	Supplies	\$	74.37
Laurens Municipal Power & Communications	Communications bill	\$	257.78
Laurens Municipal Utilities	Conservation/refunds	\$	1,134.25
Laurens Municipal Utilities	Utility bill	\$	52.84
Laurens State Bank	Purchase CD	\$	100,000.00
Laurens Sun	Publications	\$	531.34
Long Lines	Communication services	\$	3,959.93
Long Lines	Internet services	\$	3,351.00
Long Lines	Long distance	\$	3,129.05
Mid American Communications	US Cellular project	\$	319.55
Mid American Energy	Neal 4 operations	\$	127,000.00
Music Choice	Programming fees	\$	184.55
National Cable Television Cooperative	Programming fees	\$	12,935.06
National Cable Television Cooperative	Supplies	\$	102.86
National Emergency Number Association	E911 fees	\$	250.00
North American Numbering Plan	Telephone fees	\$	25.00
Northwest Communications	Transport fees	\$	722.56
Oak Hill Consulting	Engineering services	\$	124.00
Office Elements	Supplies	\$	75.46
Olson, Karen	Refund	\$	6.92
OWN	Programming fees	\$	22.08
Payroll	Salaried, hourly & overtime	\$	18,848.07
Pocahontas 911 Service Board	E911 fees	\$	1,971.79
Post Master	Postage	\$	518.04
Power & Telephone Supply	US Cellular project	\$	173.66
Pro Cooperative	Fuel	\$	554.30
R.B. Lumber Company	Supplies	\$	8.64
Rebnord Technologies	Server backup	\$	25.00
RFD TV	Programming fees	\$	11.25
Rovi Guides	Programming fees	\$	558.10
Schmidt, Tom	Meeting expense	\$	167.24
Schoon Construction	US Cellular project	\$	23,494.64
Spencer Municipal Utilities	Programming/transport fees	\$	1,429.12
TV Guide Networks	Programming fees	\$	538.76
VECTOR	Annual dues	\$	3,697.37
Verizon Wireless	Wireless service	\$	219.33
Williams, Amber and Mathew Sparks	Refund	\$	157.22
Woodley Insurance & Real Estate	Insurance premiums	\$	2,142.00
	Total	\$	550,581.14

The Trustees reviewed the Utility Funds Report. No specific action was taken.

Motion by Trustee Storms and seconded by Trustee Runneberg to approve and authorize payment of \$43,569.66 to Grundman-Hicks, LLC for work completed on the Generation Project as presented by DGR Engineering as Pay Estimate No. 11. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on purchasing a 5 year Extended Coverage Plan and a 5 year Customer Support Agreement for each of the new diesel CAT generators. The Trustees are concerned with the cost of these items and would like to have a representative from CAT to join us at the next Board meeting. No action was taken at this time.

Motion by Trustee Runneberg and seconded by Trustee Storms to approve and authorize the purchase of a new server and related equipment and software from Professional Computer Systems as proposed. Since the labor on the quote is an estimate, the Electric and Communications Utilities are authorized to spend up to \$22,000.00 on this project. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Storms and seconded by Trustee Runneberg to regretfully accept the resignation of Scott Bortscheller, effective August 16, 2013. The Trustees expressed their appreciation for his 7 years of dedicated service to Laurens Municipal Power & Communications and wished him well in his future endeavors. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business, on motion and vote, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Richard Main
Chairman, Board of Trustees

ATTEST: Chad Cleveland
Secretary, Board of Trustees

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal Building at 5:00 pm, August 5, 2013. Mayor Rod Johnson called the meeting to order. Present were Council members Clarence Siepker, Rich Newgard, Gary Heuton, and Julie Potter; Public Works Director, Julian Johnsen; Police Chief Chris Toner; City Manager, Barbara Smith ; and City Attorney, Ann Beneke. Councilman Ken Kunickis was absent.

Mayor Johnson suggested the removal of the Laurens Country Store's liquor license from the consent agenda as the license had not been submitted to the local authority at this time. Siepker asked that the July 24 minutes be amended to add the phrase "and to review the salary in six months as well as having certain bench marks set". Heuton motioned to accept the amended consent agenda, consisting of the agenda (as amended), minutes from the July 15, July 24 (as amended) and August 2 meetings, list of claims, and the liquor license for Laurens Lounge and Lanes; seconded by Newgard. Ayes all; motion carried.

Matt Cole with Bolten and Menk updated the Council on the East and Veteran's Road project. All of the underground work should be completed by the middle of next week. He also explained to the Council that he and Carstensen had been approached by two residents on S 2nd Street about adding fill dirt to their back yards. Installing an intake for storm water at the Peterson property was also discussed. This work would be completed at the owners expense. Smith will check the City Code for rules in redirecting water runoff from personal property.

Newgard motioned to approve pay estimate #6, seconded by Siepker. Ayes all; motion carried.

Nathan Brazel, representing the Silver Dollar Saloon, was present and discussed parking for "Bike Night" held on Thursday evenings. Siepker motioned to allow the Silver Dollar Saloon to block off no more than 8 parking spaces on the west side of 3rd Street beginning with the northern most parking spot on Thursdays between the hours of 5 pm and 2 am, from May 1 through September 30. Heuton seconded. Ayes all; motion carried.

Brazel was informed that the picnic tables located on the front sidewalk as well as the grill located in the same area need to be removed immediately. Smith will check for any ordinance or zoning code in reference to the picnic table located behind the business.

Heuton motioned to allow the street dance scheduled for August 10, 2013 and to allow blocking the parking area in front of the Silver Dollar Saloon from 11 am to 6 pm. At 6 pm, the Silver Dollar Saloon will be allowed the block the remaining area of Third Street (as shown in map provided) from 6 pm until 2 am. Siepker seconded the motion. Ayes all; motion carried.

Heuton motioned to approve the outdoor service area for Silver Dollar Saloon, pending dram shop approval; seconded by Siepker. Ayes all; motion carried.

Street dances for Oktoberfest scheduled October 4 & 5 were discussed. Siepker motioned to approve the street dances for those dates with the closing of 3rd Street at the corner of Walnut to begin at 3:30 pm on October 4, then close the street to the south of Pizza Ranch at 6 pm. The street will be required to be open for business the following day. The details of the street closing for the October 5 street dance are to be decided at a later date to coincide with the Chamber's Oktoberfest Celebration. Heuton seconded. Ayes all; motion carried.

After much discussion, Siepker motioned to postpone the 15 minute parking signs and locations until the next meeting as he would like to check all options; seconded by Newgard. Ayes all; motion carried. The discussion will continue at the August 19 meeting.

Heuton motioned to approve up to two tables to be located on the sidewalk outside of each business for the Semi Annual Clearance Sale for the Retail Trade Association on August 9, 2013; seconded by Potter. Ayes all; motion carried.

Siepker motioned to approve Resolution 20-13, City Street Financial Report; seconded by Heuton. Roll call vote: ayes all – Kunickis absent. Resolution 20-13 was approved by unanimous vote.

Newgard motioned to approve Resolution 22-13, a Resolution Naming The Laurens Sun as the official newspaper of record; seconded by Siepker. Roll call vote: ayes all – Kunickis absent. Resolution 22-13 was approved by unanimous vote.

The council set a tentative work session date of August 12, 2013 at 5 pm at City Hall. If there are any changes, Smith will notify the Council members as well as the newspaper.

During city staff reports, Johnsen stated that the City had received the Sanitary Survey Inspection report and there were only minor findings. He also mentioned there was a water main break last week on the project site. Toner mentioned there have been numerous complaints about semi trucks driving on routes not marked as truck routes; and Smith talked about the new playground equipment to be installed on August 17 and the Hometown Pride program.

Brad Olsen representing HyVee talked with the Council about the effect of the street closures for street dances on his business and Randy Hopkins talked about the shelter in the City Park needed a new roof. Smith stated that plans are being worked out to have the shelter painted and a new roof installed.

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Claims 08-02-2013		
ACCO	LIFT	3,365.20
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES	1,375.78
AVESIS	INSURANCE	129.05
B & K EMBROIDERY	CLOTHING	46.96
BARB SMITH	MILEAGE	287.81
BROWN SUPPLY CO	SUPPLIES	678.31
CARSTENSEN CONTRACTING	PAY REQUEST #6	305,351.13
CASEY'S GENERAL STORE	FUEL	43.31
CERTIFIED TESTING SERVICE	TESTING	770.75
COLLECTIONS SERVICE	CHILD SUPPORT	141.23
CENTE		
COUNTRY STORE	CONCESSIONS	175.52
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	WATER METER	771.03
EMC INSURANCE CO	INSURANCE	423.82
FOX INTERNATIONAL INC.	REPAIRS	1,105.51
HACH CO	ANALYSIS	206.01
IRS	TAXES	7,087.97
IPERS	IPERS	4,516.51
IPERS/PD	IPERS	1,697.42
JANITOR'S CLOSET	SUPPLIES	91.10
LMPC	COMMUNICATION	345.38
LMU	UTILITIES	7,624.24
LAURENS PLUMBING	MEMORY LANE EXPENSE	119.99
LAURENS STATE BANK	LOAN PAYMENT	1,525.42
PEPSIAMERICAS INC	CONCESSIONS	310.41
PETERSEN MFG CO INC	MEMORY LANE FOUNTAIN	1,721.00
POC COMMUNITY H	CLAIMS	95.00
PRINCIPAL LIFE GROUP	INSURANCE	691.26
RB LUMBER	MEMORY LANE SUPPLIES	144.67
SHAMROCK RECYCLE INC	RECYCLING	1,574.71
SIEPKER AUTO REPAIR	REPAIRS	275.35
STA-MEL ENTERPRISES INC	TRUCKING EXPENSE	238.71
STAPLES	SUPPLIES	465.39
TOWN AND COUNTRY	HOMETOWN PRIDE	
FLORAL	PLANTERS	411.00
TREASURER, STATE OF		
IOWA	SALES TAX	4,599.00
USA BLUE BOOK	SUPPLIES	388.53
WELLMARK BLUE		
CROSS/BLUE	INSURANCE	5,444.90

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WRITTEN IN STONE & GLASS	MEMORY LANE	575.00
ZARNOTH BRUSH WORKS	PARTS	<u>372.67</u>
	TOTAL	<u><u>355,187.05</u></u>
PAYROLL		
001	GENERAL	8,955.56
110	RUT	1,070.72
600	WATER	2,231.33
610	SEWER	1,838.51
670	GARBAGE	<u>2,024.22</u>
	7/22/13 PAYROLL	<u>16,120.34</u>
001	GENERAL	126.95
600	WATER	74.77
610	SEWER	171.05
670	GARBAGE	<u>74.78</u>
	7/25/13 PAYROLL	<u>447.55</u>
001	GENERAL	<u>4,323.47</u>
	8/2/13 PAYROLL	<u>4,323.47</u>
	TOTAL PAYROLL	<u><u>20,891.36</u></u>
	CLAIMS TOTAL	<u><u>376,078.41</u></u>

Siepkner motioned to adjourn on 6:46, seconded by Heuton. Ayes all; motion carried.

Rod Johnson, Mayor

Barbara Smith, City Clerk