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*Local News*

## *Laurens Care Center Employee Receives Honor*



Pictured L-R: Tanya Louwagie, DON, Gail Olson, Administrator, Joy Raasch and IHCA Deputy Director Cindy Baddeloo.

Joy Raasch, Charge Nurse at Laurens Care Center, has been named as an Iowa Health Care Association (IHCA) Foundation scholarship recipient. Cindy Baddeloo, IHCA Senior Vice President/COO, presented Raasch with the Foundation's \$1,000 Northwest Nurse Scholarship for her outstanding commitment to providing long term services and supports to the residents' she serves at Laurens Care Center.

Raasch has worked in the healthcare field for the past 30 years and is currently working toward an associate's degree in nursing (ADN). By advancing from a licensed practical nurse (LPN) to a registered nurse (RN), Raasch feels as though she is bettering herself in her profession.

"I am dedicated to my job," said Raasch in her nomination essay. "I have always enjoyed working

in long term care and am looking forward to using my new skills."

Gail Olson, Laurens Care Center Administrator, speaks kindly of Raasch. "Joy learns the residents quickly and is able to direct and teach staff in any particular needs of the new residents," said Olson. "She is active in the community and her church, and exhibits her caring for people in many ways."

Upon graduating from Northwest Iowa Community College, Raasch plans to continue making a difference in Laurens Care Center where she can apply her new-found skills.

The Iowa Health Care Association Foundation is supported by the 819 member organizations of the Iowa Health Care Association, which includes Iowa nursing facilities, assisted living communities, residential care facilities, home health agencies and long term services and supports associated businesses.

To learn more about the scholarship program, contact Claire Seely, IHCA Vice President, Public Relations and Member Communications, at (515) 978-2204. For information about the programs and services at Laurens Care Center, contact Administrator Gail Olson at (712) 845-4915.

## ***Rally -4-Veterans Golf Tournament To Be Held***

Iowans make a diligent effort to support our veterans. The Buena Vista County Chapter of Rally-4-Veterans has organized a fun and easy way to participate in a fund-raising effort to help purchase a service dog for an Iowa veteran and possibly help send a Buena Vista county veteran on the Honor Flight.

A 4-person Best Shot tournament will be held at Lake Creek Golf Course on Saturday, August 27, 2016 with a 10:00 a.m. shotgun start.

BVU ROTC will present the Color Guard. The committee hopes to have a National Guard Howitzer signal the start. Plans are in the works for a military flyover.

Enjoy raffles and contests plus 18 holes of golf with cart on a beautiful golf course boasting lakes and creeks, followed by a pork loin supper for \$75 per person.

Don't golf? Join us for supper for \$12 and the chance to purchase raffle tickets and share the fun!

Space is limited so sign up today! Stop by Lake Creek Club House, #1 Clubhouse Drive, Storm Lake, Ia or call 712-732-1548 for reservations. Event will be held rain or shine.

Winners will have their name on an impressive traveling trophy. Contact Lake Creek to sponsor a hole or donate a raffle prize.

Support our vets by signing up today and show your pride by wearing Red, White and Blue!

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## ***Starve A Mosquito! Donate Blood!***

Starve a mosquito this summer and donate blood to hospital patients through LifeServe Blood Center instead!

A blood donation takes around an hour and each pint can help save up to three lives in your community. Eligible donors should: weigh 120 pounds, be in general good health, be 16 years or older and bring a photo ID to donation appointments.

Who will your blood benefit this month: mosquitoes or hospital patients?

• Laurens Community Blood Drive, Thursday, August 25, 2016 from 1:30 PM - 5:30 PM at United Methodist Church, 201 West Main Street.

Schedule a blood donation appointment online at [lifeservebloodcenter.org](http://lifeservebloodcenter.org) or call 800.287.4903.

LifeServe Blood Center was established in April, 2010 when The Blood Center of Iowa joined operations with Siouxland Community Blood Bank. As one of the 15 largest blood centers in the country, LifeServe Blood Center provides blood and blood products to more than 100 hospitals located across Iowa, Nebraska, and South Dakota. LifeServe is committed to saving lives by providing premier service to volunteer blood donors and access to a safe, quality blood supply for hospitals and patients. For more information about blood donation or to schedule an appointment to donate blood, call 800.287.4903 or visit [www.lifeservebloodcenter.org](http://www.lifeservebloodcenter.org).

### **FOR SALE:**

Dark wood dinning table  
with 2 leaves. Comes with  
4 chairs with cushions.

Was: \$90 - Now: \$72.

(712) 845-2416

*Sale at Vintage  
Marketplace,  
Downtown Laurens  
August 11, 12 & 13  
20% off many booths!*

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### **Laurens City Wide Garage Sales!**

**Saturday, August 13**

**8 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

**Don't monkey around,  
go bananas at the  
City Wide Garage  
Sales!!**

For map/sale items  
go to:

[www.laurenschamber.com](http://www.laurenschamber.com)

or pick up a map at  
Laurens Country Store or  
Casey's.

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## *Second Sunday at Fonda Arts Center*

The Fonda Arts Center presents another enjoyable afternoon of music as August's Second Sunday rolls around! Larry Heschke and Randy Schmitt will keep you entertained with a musical "back and forth", as the curtain goes up on "Two Men & Their Music". Randy is well known for his unstructured adeptness on the piano and his theatrical wit, whereas, Larry has a singing voice loaded with emotion.

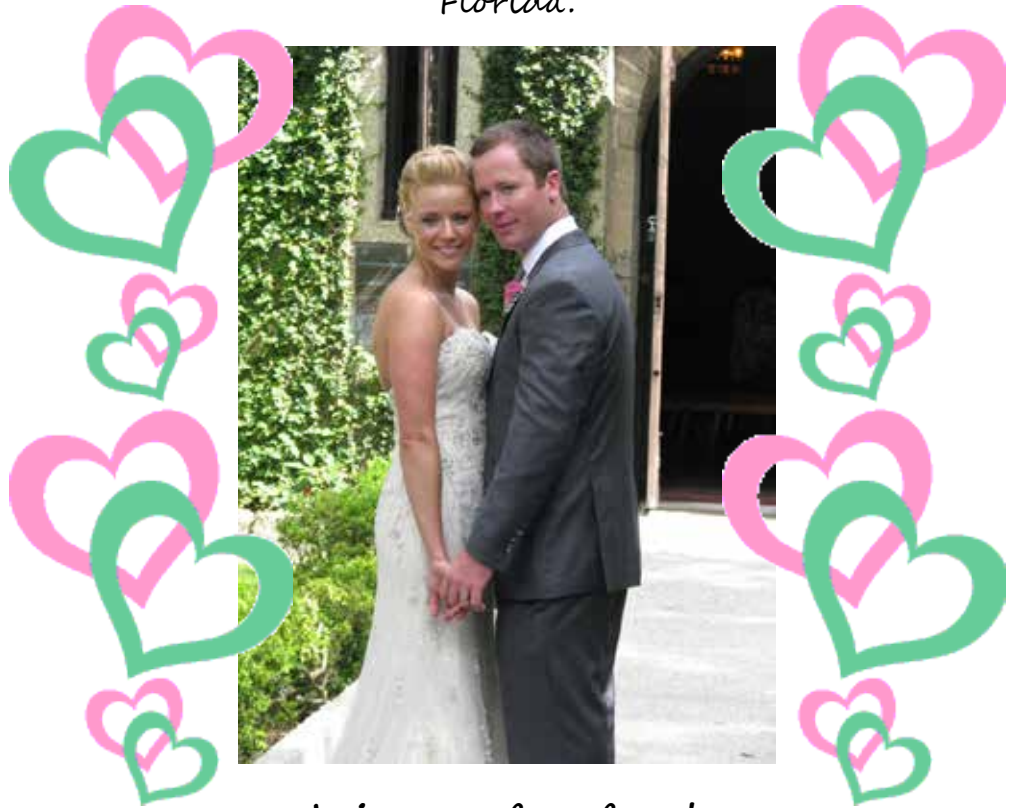
All this happening on Sunday, August 14th, beginning at 2 p.m., at the Fonda Arts Center, located on the Northwest corner of Fourth & Main in Fonda. As always, free admission, free refreshments! Everyone is welcome!

## *JH Design Bridal Registry*

*Jena Hopkins &  
Kristopher Hauswirth  
Wedding - August 12*

## *Meet and Greet Open House Honoring Mindy and Tim Lanahan!*

Marc and Leslie Stewart are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter, Mindy Stewart to Tim Lanahan, which took place in St. Augustine, Florida on May 21, 2016. You are invited to a come and go "Meet and Greet" to congratulate our special couple from Florida.

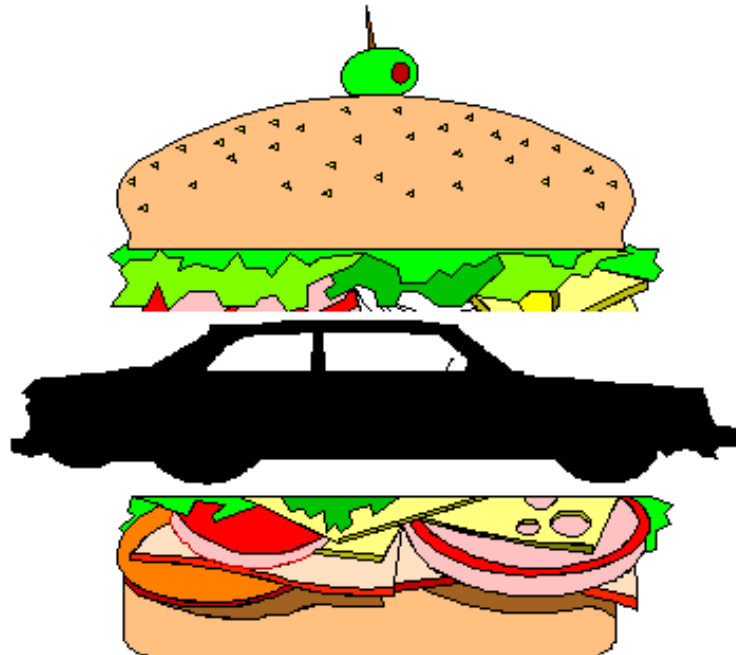


*Join us for food,  
fellowship, and fun!  
Saturday, August 20, 2016  
from 4:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.  
at the Laurens Golf & Country Club  
HYW 10 (West of Laurens, IA)*

**The DRIVE THRU DINER  
IS BACK**

**Wednesday, August 17  
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

**Drive by the First Christian Church  
324 W. Section Line Road, Laurens  
and take out a  
“Full Meal Deal”  
(burger, chips, drink & frozen malt)  
for only \$6.00!**







**Midwest Chow  
Wagon Food Truck**

Monday-Friday  
11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  
Hwy 10 Hardware Lot  
Find our daily specials  
on Facebook or on  
Channel 2!



Laurens 712-841-4930  
Spirit Lake 712-336-9111  
Toll Free 877-849-1756

**Special for  
Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup>  
is taco salads or  
order off our full  
menu! Serving begins  
at 5 p.m. Bring a  
friend and enjoy a  
great meal with us!**



**Kevin Lind & band  
will be playing  
at Laurens Golf &  
Country Club on  
Saturday, August 13  
from 8-11:30 p.m.**

**HELP WANTED**

**THE CITY OF ALBERT CITY IS ACCEPTING  
APPLICATIONS FOR THE FULL-TIME POSITION OF  
PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT.**

**APPLICANTS MUST HAVE THE ABILITY TO OBTAIN  
A CDL CLASS B WITH AIR BRAKES.**

**APPLICATIONS MAY BE PICKED UP AT CITY HALL  
AND ARE DUE AT CITY HALL BY AUGUST 18.  
PHONE: 712-843-5613.**

**EOE/VETERAN EMPLOYER**

IN CONCERT

# Chuck Crain

FROM PRESLEYS' BRANSON & RFD TV

*Performing Sunday, August 14 at  
6:30 p.m. at Laurens Methodist  
Church! Free will offering.  
Refreshments afterwards.*

*Join us for a night of music!*



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Two fundraisers are planned to close out the 2016 season at the Earl Mackie Memorial Swimming Pool.

Friday, August 19 join us for a Glow Swimming Party from 8:30 - 10:00. A \$5 admission fee will get you glow bracelets and popcorn.

Saturday, August 20 there will be a Pet Swim from 3:30 - 5:30. A free will donation will be collected to have your favorite pet join you for one last splash in the pool.

Please follow the Laurens Pool Project & the Earl Mackie Memorial Swimming Pool on Facebook for event updates.

Thank you to everyone who joined us this summer at the pool, we hope to see you for our final two days!

Everyone....Let's Create a SPLASH together by:

-Using our New Online Donation page: <https://www.youcaring.com/residents-of-laurens-501476>

-Sending a Tax Deductible Donation to:

Laurens Pool Project, c/o City of Laurens, 272 North 3rd Street, Laurens, IA 50554

-Dropping it off at City Hall

Like us on Facebook: Laurens Pool Project

[www.laurens-ia.com](http://www.laurens-ia.com)



## *At the Library with Glenda Mulder August 10, 2016*

Our Summer at the Library is winding down. I think the kids are about as ready to go back to school (although not all will admit it!) as we are to have them go back! The Library staff agrees that we ready for a few quiet days. After a few days we'll probably be glad when 3:30 comes and the kids come back to see us, though. When the kids are back in school, we'll be done with Wednesday story time and Friday LegoMania. Our Monday Tot Times for the littles will begin after Labor Day.

New selections in our fiction

department include: *Siracusa* by Delia Ephron, *Damaged* by Lisa Scottoline and *Sting* by Sandra Brown (CD Audiobook too!) New DVDs include *Mother's Day* and *Batman vs. Superman: Dawn of Justice*.

Our Book Club choice for August is "*What Alice Forgot*" by Liane Moriarty. Our cataloging system describes it this way, "Suffering an accident that causes her to forget the last ten years of her life, Alice is astonished to discover that she is thirty-nine years old, a mother of three children, and in the midst of an acrimonious divorce from a man she dearly loves." Oh, that sounds like it will make for a good discussion, doesn't it?! You know me though, I'm in the middle of another book and

probably won't start this one until the week before we meet. Grab a copy of this book and join the discussion at 7 p.m. Monday, August 22.

We have had so much on our coming events calendar that it seems strange that this list is so short. I'm sure we'll take a deep breath and add to this again soon. Our Card Making and Maker Monday gurus are making plans to start up again in September, so stay tuned for details on that!

### *Upcoming Events*

- On Your Mark, Get Set, READ! Wednesdays @ 1:30
- LegoMania is all day Friday, every Friday!
- Book Club is 4th Monday of every month at 7 pm
- Meet Your Pocahontas County Candidates October 3

## *Madyson Main Visits the Library*

Madyson Main presented a program about her visit to an Orphanage in Romania to many friends, relatives and other interested people at the Laurens Public Library. In this picture, the audience was asked to raise their hand if they were related to Madyson. The lucky lady has four sets of Grandparents that live in Laurens!

She had us riveted with her stories of the orphans and how working with them changed her view of the world. She came home with more appreciation for her upbringing and the American way of life. She also stated this has helped steer her career path.





***Grace Lutheran  
Church Marathon,  
Our Savior's  
Lutheran Church  
Albert City & St  
John Lutheran  
Church Rural Albert  
City***

Pastor John Mayer

Saturdays 5 p.m. Worship Service @ Grace Lutheran Church - Marathon

Sundays 10:30 a.m. Worship @ Our Savior's Lutheran Church - Albert City

Sundays 9:00 a.m. @ St John Lutheran Church Rural - Albert City

***This Week at  
First Christian  
Church***

Pastor Rev. Rita Cordell

**Wednesday, Aug. 10**

1:00 p.m. - Willing Workers

**Thursday, Aug. 11**

2:00 p.m. - Coffee with Pastor

**Friday, Aug 12**

7:00 p.m. - AA

**Sunday, Aug. 14**

9:30 a.m. - Worship

10:30 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship

4:00 p.m. - Service at Laurens Care Center

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***This Week  
at Bethany  
Lutheran***

**Saturday: August 13, 2016**

8 AM to 1 PM - City Wide Garage Sales

**Sunday: August 14, 2016**

9:00 AM - Worship

10:00 AM - Coffee Fellowship

1:30 PM - Youth Board Mtg. at UMC

**Monday: August 15, 2016**

7:00 PM - Hand Bell Rehearsal

**Tuesday: August 16, 2016**

10:00 AM - Coffee Time

6:00 PM - 125th Steering Committee Mtg.

**Wednesday: August 17, 2016**

6:00 PM - Christian Ed/Youth Mtg.

7:00 PM - Council Mtg.

**Thursday: August 18, 2016**

9:00 AM - Morning Circle at Pat Boughey's

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



**Bethany**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH  
*North American Lutheran Church*

***Sacred Heart Church Laurens***

Pastor - Father Francis Makwinja

Weekday Mass : Friday, 8:00 AM

Weekend Mass: Sunday, 8:30 AM (July - October)

Cluster Parishes

St. Joseph Catholic Church, Sioux Rapids

Weekday Mass: (Monday&Wednesday), 8:00 AM

Weekend Mass: Saturday, 5:00 PM (July - October)

St. Louis Catholic Church, Royal

Weekday Mass: (Tuesday & Thursday), 8:00 AM

Weekend Mass: Sunday, 10:30 AM (July-October)

***This Week at  
Laurens United  
Methodist Church***

**Fri., Aug. 12th:**

Men's Bible Study @ 7 a.m.

**Sun., Aug. 14th:**

Adult Sunday School @ 8:30 a.m.

Worship @ 9:30 a.m. w/ Holy Communion

Fellowship Coffee @ 10:30 a.m.

Laurens Area Community Youth Group

Board meeting here @ 1:30 p.m.

**Mon., Aug. 15th:**

Christian Ed. Committee & Sunday School

Teachers meeting @ 7 p.m. in Fellowship

Hall



## ***Cover Crops Questions Answered in New Publication*** ***Research and producer input provides fact-based answers to cover crop questions***

With the use of cover crops becoming more prominent, a group of Iowa State University researchers has created a publication to answer common producer questions about their use.

Former Iowa State graduate students Andrea Basche and Gabrielle Roesch-McNally and current undergraduate student Rebecca Clay, under the guidance of associate professor Fernando Miguez, wrote the publication *Answering Common Producer Questions on Cover Crop Use in Iowa (HORT 3053)*. The publication is available through the Extension Store.

The authors combined existing scientific research and information gathered during focus group discussions with Iowa farmers to complete the publication.

“There is already a great deal of research that has been done on cover crops – from extensive on-farm trials to long-term government and university research – across Iowa and the Midwest,” said Basche. “We wanted to provide a short resource to aggregate this research in response to producer questions on cover crop management and costs, specifically those growing corn and soybeans.”

The publication asks a series of questions, using research and input from farmers who use cover crops to provide fact-based answers to those questions.

The questions answered in the publication are:

- How do cover crops impact corn yield?
- What are other cover crop plant species options for Iowa?
- How do cover crops influence nitrogen rate and timing for the following cash crop?
- How does a cover crop affect my bottom line?

“The topics addressed in this publication were questions that producers continually raised during our focus group discussions,” said Basche. “There is a desire to understand how cover crops impact corn yield, how to manage nitrogen following a cover crop, how species beyond cereal rye perform in Iowa as well as what information exists on the economic value of soil.”

## *Educational Series to help Livestock Industry Prepare for Veterinary Feed Directive*

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, Iowa Farm Bureau, and the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association are partnering to offer an educational series about the Veterinary Feed Directive (VFD). Iowa State Extension beef program specialist Chris Clark said Iowa veterinarians, livestock producers, and feed industry personnel are invited to participate.

“The program will include a general overview of the VFD, species break-outs and discussion panels featuring veterinarians, producers and feed industry personnel,” Clark said. “The implementation date of Jan. 1, 2017, is approaching and at this point people may have some specific questions or scenarios that they are unsure about. Hopefully we can help answer some questions and clarify some of those issues.”

Iowa veterinarians, livestock producers and feed industry personnel are invited to attend any of the 11 locations. Each program features breakout and discussion sessions, with a primary objective of helping attendees learn about the roles and responsibilities of all involved parties.

“Implementation of the VFD will require cooperation and communication between veterinarians, producers and feed industry personnel,” Clark said. “It’s important that each party knows not only their own responsibilities but also what to expect from the other two parties. It may be really valuable to hear what others are thinking and planning in regard to implementation of the VFD.”

The series runs from Aug. 22 through Sept. 1 with specific times set for each location. There is no fee to attend, but preregistration is encouraged to assist organizers with planning. Please register by calling the number associated with the desired session.

- Monday, Aug. 22, 1 to 4 p.m. – First United Methodist Church, Emmetsburg; RSVP to the Palo Alto County Extension Office, 712-852-2865
- Tuesday, Aug. 23, 1 to 4 p.m. – ISU Extension meeting room, Orange City; RSVP to the Sioux County Extension Office, 712-737-4230
- Tuesday, Aug. 23, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. – ISU Extension meeting room, Storm Lake; RSVP to the Buena Vista County Extension Office, 712-732-5056
- Wednesday, Aug. 24, 1 to 4 p.m. – NE Iowa Dairy Center, Calmar; RSVP to the Benton County Extension Office, 319-472-4739
- Wednesday, Aug. 24, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. – Buzzy’s, Welton; RSVP to the Benton County Extension Office, 319-472-4739
- Thursday, Aug. 25, 9 a.m. to noon – Heartland Acres Agribition Center, Independence; RSVP to the Benton County Extension Office, 319-472-4739
- Monday, Aug. 29, 9 a.m. to noon – Swan Lake Conservation Center, Carroll; RSVP to the Carroll County Extension Office, 712-792-2364
- Monday, Aug. 29, 6 to 9 p.m. – Cass County Community Center, Atlantic; RSVP to the Cass County Extension Office, 712-243-1132
- Tuesday, Aug. 30, 1 to 4 p.m. – ISU Extension Office Hancock County, Garner; RSVP to the Hancock County Extension Office, 641-923-2856
- Wednesday, Aug. 31, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. – ISU Extension Office Washington County, Washington; RSVP to the Washington County Extension Office, 319-653-4811
- Thursday, Sept. 1, 1 to 4 p.m. – Carpenters Hall, Chariton; RSVP to the Lucas County Extension Office, 641-774-2016

For more general information, contact Clark at 712-250-0070 or email at [caclark@iastate.edu](mailto:caclark@iastate.edu). You also can contact your regional Iowa State Extension livestock specialist.

## ***Farmland Leasing Meetings Provide Valuable Information Meetings help tenants and land owners understand current market conditions and make informed decisions***

ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County will hold a 2016 Farmland Leasing Meeting on Tuesday, August 16, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. at Pocahontas County Extension Office. This year's meeting will focus on land values and cash rent trends, cost of production, methods for determining a rental rate, legislative updates regarding leases and communicating with tenants or landlords.

The workshop is designed to assist landowners, farm tenants and other agri-business professionals with current issues related to farmland ownership, management and leasing arrangements. Attendees will gain a better understanding of factors driving next year's rents such as market trends and input costs.

A 100-page workbook is provided for the programs, with resources regarding land leasing agreements such as surveys, sample written lease agreements and termination forms along with many other publications.

The leasing meetings being held across Iowa are facilitated by farm management specialists with ISU Extension and Outreach. A listing of county extension offices hosting the meetings is available on the following website: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/agdm/info/meetings.html>

To register for the farm leasing meeting, please call 712-335-3103. Pre-registration is encouraged as an additional \$5 fee may be added if registering less than two calendar days before the meeting date.

The Ag Decision Maker leasing section also provides useful materials for negotiating leases, information on various types of leases, lease forms, and newly updated Decision Tools.

Because of leasing's importance in the ag economy, ISU Extension and Outreach held over 80 meetings focused on farm leasing during the summer of 2015 and will do so again over the coming weeks. Over 1,800 people participated in the meetings last year. ISU Extension and Outreach online resources were also extensively used, with the ISU Cash Rent Survey having 164,234 downloads and example cash lease forms being downloaded 138,820 times.

Six months after the 2015 meetings concluded, attendees were surveyed in an effort to gain additional insight into rental markets and trends. The farm management team found that 21 percent of attendees participated to gain information for communicating with other parties involved in the rental agreement. Additionally, 95 percent said they were happy with the effectiveness of the leasing programing being done by ISU Extension and Outreach.

The data collected showed on-going satisfaction with 61 percent of respondents having attended a farmland leasing meeting in a prior year, with 44 percent attending multiple times in the past.

The survey asked for changes attendees planned to make in their lease agreements. Nearly one third – 30 percent – of respondents said they planned to decrease rent. Nine percent decided to move from an oral lease to a written lease agreement while nine percent also pledged to implement new conservation strategies.



## LAURENS-MARATHON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ~ 2016-2017 ~ SCHOOL SUPPLIES

### L-M PRESCHOOL

- (1) Pair of Velcro Shoes for gym
  - (1) Full-sized 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
  - (10) #2 Pencils (NO mechanical pencils)
  - (2) Large Erasers
  - (3) 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
- Book Bag  
Scissors
- 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" Canvas Zipper Bag with Clear Front
  - (1) Pair of Tennis Shoes for P.E.
  - (4) Dry erase markers
  - (1) Box quart size Ziploc bags
  - (2) Wide-lined Spiral Notebooks
- Crayons - any size  
Markers  
Book Bag  
Scissors
- PLEASE MARK EACH INDIVIDUAL ITEM WITH CHILD'S NAME  
(CLOTHING ALSO)

### SECOND GRADE

- (20) #2 Pencils
  - (4) Medium or Large Erasers
  - (2) Bottles of White Glue
  - (4) Glue Sticks
  - (4) Dry Erase markers & 1 SOCK (To use as an eraser and store the dry
  - (3) Double Pocket Folders
  - (3) Large Boxes Kleenex
  - 1 pair of tennis shoes for P.E.
  - (1) Box of quart-sized Ziploc bags
- Wide-Lines spiral notebooks  
Supply Box (No bigger than about 6"x9")
- (2) Pack of Crayons (24 Count)
- Scissors  
(1-2) Markers "Basic/Normal Colors"  
Book Bag (Bring Daily)
- PLEASE MARK ALL ITEMS WITH CHILD'S NAME  
(CLOTHING ALSO)

### THIRD GRADE

- (1) Backpack
- (1) Box of gallon size ziplock baggies
- (2) Pink erasers

- (1) Ruler
  - (1) Pack of 4 Glue Sticks
  - (3) Boxes of 12 count pencils
  - (4) Wide-lined spiral notebooks
  - (1) Scissors
  - (6) Double pocket folders
  - (3) Large boxes of tissues (200 count)
  - (1) Pencil case or box
  - (2) Boxes of 24 count crayons
  - (1) Pair of tennis shoes for PE
  - (1) Box of markers
  - (1) Four pack of dry-erase markers
  - (1) Pair of headphones or earbuds for iPads\*must have!
  - (1) Composition Notebook\*must have!
  - (1) 1.5 inch three ring binder
- PLEASE MARK EACH INDIVIDUAL ITEM WITH CHILD'S NAME  
(CLOTHING ALSO)

### FOURTH GRADE

- (20) #2 Pencils (not mechanical)
  - (1) Large Eraser
  - (4) Dry erase markers
- Zipper Case for Pencils  
Box of Colors (24 count)
- (4) Spiral Notebooks (wide-lined)
  - (6) Double-Pocket Folders (no fasteners)  
or 1 Expandable Folder and (2) Pocket Folders
  - (1) Bottle Glue or (2) Glue Sticks
  - (2-3) Large Boxes of Kleenex
  - (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!
- PLEASE MARK ALL ITEMS WITH CHILD'S NAME (CLOTHING ALSO)

### FIFTH GRADE

- (2) 3-Ring Binder for Iowa History (1.5 inches)
  - (25) Plastic sleeves to put inside an Iowa History binder
  - (1) Composition Notebook
  - (5) Spiral Notebooks (red, blue, green, yellow, purple)
  - (4) Highlighters (4 different colors)
  - (4) Dry erase markers & 1 SOCK (To use as an eraser and to store the dry erase markers
  - (3) Large Box of Kleenex
  - (1) 1 box of quart-sized Zip-loc baggies
  - (5) Double-Pocket Folders w/brads (colors: r, b, gr, y, p)
  - (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
- Colored Pencils (optional)  
Scissors  
(20) #2 Pencils (and/or mechanical pencils)  
Zipper Case for Pencils  
Large Eraser
- (1) Pair of Tennis Shoes for P.E.
  - (1) container of disinfecting wipes
- Assignment Notebook (\$2.00 Purchased at Registration)  
Students must have this one!  
\*\*No Trapper Keepers
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# City Council Minutes

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal Building at 5:00 pm, August 1, 2016. Mayor Rod Johnson called the meeting to order. Present were Council Members Jean Swanson, Julie Potter, Ken Kunickis, Sid Enockson and Rich Newgard; City Manager, Barbara Smith; Public Works Director, Julian Johnsen; and Police Chief, Chris Toner. City Attorney, Ann Beneke, was absent.

Kunickis motioned to approve the consent agenda consisting of the agenda, minutes from the July 18, 2016, meeting, the list of claims, and the class C liquor license renewal for Laurens Lounge and Lanes (pending the outcome of the fire inspection); seconded by Potter. Ayes all; motion carried.

CLAIMS	08-01-16		
ACCO		CHEMICALS	551.00
ALLIANT ENERGY		UTILITIES	602.20
BAKER & TAYLOR		BOOKS	271.00
BARB SMITH		MILEAGE	153.68
BOLTON & MENK		ENGINEERING	12,618.00
BOMGAARS		SUPPLIES	265.96
BROWN SUPPLY		SUPPLIES	292.32
CASEYS		FUEL	228.83
CERTIFIED TESTING		W MAIN ST	638.00
CHAD CLEVELAND		FOGGERS	7.48
CHRIS TONER		SUPPLIES	62.58
COUNSEL		MAINT CONTRACT	77.82
DELTA DENTAL		INSURANCE	87.52
FUCHS CONSTRUCITON		STREET REPAIRS	1,360.00
HALLETT MATERIALS		GRAVEL	554.04
ICMA		457 PLAN	250.00
IDNR		WASTE WATER PERMIT	210.00
IRS		TAXES	5,238.09
IA LAW ENFORCEMENT		ACADEMY	65.00
IPERS		IPERS	5,004.83
IPERS/PD		PROTECTED IPERS	1,769.57
JCL SOLUTIONS		SUPPLIES	114.17
LAURENS COUNTRY CLUB		CONCESSIONS	171.00
LMPC		COMMUNICATIONS	523.44
LMU		UTILITIES	6,162.56
LAURENS PLUMBING		SUPPLIES	186.99
LAURENS STATE BANK		POSTAGE	104.22
METHODIST MEN		WINE FESTIVAL	42.00
MW FIRE EQUIP		REPAIRS	206.63
MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT		SERVICE	1,200.00
POC CO TREASURER		DRAINAGE	20.70
POC EQUIPMENT		PARTS	24.28
PRIME BENEFITS		INSURANCE	96.25
STAPLES		SUPPLIES	99.96
TREASURER STATE OF IA		TAXES	5,279.00
ULTRA MAX		SUPPLIES	1,532.00
US BANK		SUPPLIES	345.24
USA BLUE BOOK		SUPPLIES	945.73
VAUGHN DELOSS		PAY REQUEST #11	60,591.53
		TOTAL	<u>107,953.62</u>
PAYROLL	7/18/2016		
	001	GENERAL	8,583.58
	210	ROAD USE TAX	1,458.65
	600	WATER	2,308.80
	610	SEWER	1,914.61
	670	GARBAGE	2,174.62
		TOTAL	<u>16,440.26</u>
		PAID TOTAL	<u>124,393.88</u>
BY FUND			
	001	GENERAL	24,054.51
	110	ROAD USE TAX	4,138.44
	112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	56.86
	171	SISTER CITY	163.97
	176	HOMETOWN PRIDE	246.88
	316	WEST MAIN & BISSELL	73,847.53
	600	WATER	12,776.83
	610	SEWER	4,701.23
	670	GARBAGE	4,407.63
		TOTAL BY FUND	<u>124,393.88</u>

## REVENUES BY FUND - DEC

001	GENERAL	14,808.70
110	ROAD USE	11,707.69
112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	3,483.36
113	EMERGENCY	273.39
121	LOCAL OPTION	6,170.39
172	SISTER CITY	1,820.00
174	POOL RESTRICTED	1,486.08
175	POCKET PARK	125.00
176	HOMETOWN PRIDE	4,081.90
200	DEBT SERVICE	4,496.33
300	CAPITAL PROJECTS	532.41
600	WATER	47,105.87
610	SEWER	28,229.93
670	GARBAGE	21,290.82
745	STORM WATER	2,645.04
		<u>148,256.91</u>

The possibility of allowing ATVs, UTVs, and golf carts on the city streets was discussed. If allowed, there would be regulations such as the driver must be 18 or above, only allowed sunrise to sunset, muffler required, headlights & taillights required, as well as permits. The council decided to ask for input from the public and make a decision whether to pursue this ordinance at a later date.

Newgard motioned to approve the 2016 Outstanding Obligations Report, seconded by Swanson. Ayes all; motion carried.

Swanson motioned to approve Resolution 31-16 Establishing a Cross Walk on Highway 10 for the Prairie Park Trail; seconded by Kunickis. Roll call vote: Ayes all; motion carried.

Kunickis motioned to approve pay request #11 for the West Main and Bissell Street project; seconded by Swanson. Ayes all; motion carried.

Smith informed the council that construction on the Prairie Park Trail is scheduled begin tomorrow (August 2, 2016).

Potter motioned to adjourn at 5:45 pm; seconded by Enockson. Ayes all; motion carried.

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Rod Johnson, Mayor

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Barbara Smith, City Clerk

July 29, 2016

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 John Pohlman.

The agenda for the July 29, 2016 meeting stands approved as presented.

John Pohlman was in attendance to cover for City Manager Barb Smith as she was unavailable for this meeting. Mr. Pohlman went over the Prairie Park Trail Project summary provided by the City Manager. This project is going to cost \$125,740. The project has secured the following funding sources: REAP Grant of \$74,440 and the Laurens Parks & Recreation is contributing \$15,000. This leaves a balance of \$36,300. The City of Laurens will be approaching the Pocahontas County Economic Development Commission and the Laurens Industrial Foundation about contributing to this project. The City of Laurens is hoping that the Utilities would also consider donating to this project. All members of the Board of Trustees agreed that this was a worthwhile project for the community. The issue we have is that this project was not budgeted for. The Board informed Mr. Pohlman that they would consider this request but would not take action on it at this meeting.

Motion by Trustee Storms and seconded by Trustee Runneberg to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2016 meeting. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Runneberg and seconded by Trustee Storms to approve the summary of receipts for June 2016 in the amount of \$339,608.45 and the list of expenses for June 2016 in the amount of \$439,458.89. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Summary of Receipts:**

A/R Electric	\$ 223,774.32		
A/R Communications	\$ 67,109.56		
Misc. Electric Sales	\$ 910.00		
Carrier Access Fees	\$ 6,556.66		
Electric Deposits	\$ 1,646.37		
Internet Deposits	\$ 288.00		
Cable TV Deposits	\$ 156.00		
Telephone Deposits	\$ 25.00		
Marathon Power Sales	\$ 11,127.59		
Interest Income	\$ 361.00		
Attachment H Revenues	\$ 23,511.58		
Attachment H Set Aside	\$ (745.00)		
Misc. Cable TV Sales	\$ 505.37		
Insurance True Up	\$ 3,399.00		
Tower Lease Fees	\$ 900.00	Electric Receipts	\$ 263,984.86
Lifeline Reimbursement	\$ 83.00	Communication Receipts	\$ 75,623.59
Total Cash Receipts	\$ 339,608.45	Total Cash Receipts	\$ 339,608.45



## List of Expenses:

A & M Laundry	Floor Mats & Mops	\$	85.28
Advanced Control Systems	Annual SCADA Support	\$	4,744.56
AFLAC	Employee Contributions	\$	227.40
Alliant Energy	Natural Gas	\$	183.81
Ashli Fernando	Offset Recovery Overage	\$	62.00
Associate Partners	Annual Pre-Equalization Support	\$	295.00
Aureon	CALEA/SS7/Switching	\$	135.50
Avesis Third Party Administrators	Insurance Premiums	\$	186.60
Bankers Trust Company	Bond Interest Payment	\$	92,900.00
Big 10 Network	Programming Fees	\$	1,345.02
Biorn Corporation	Collection Fees	\$	10.18
Border States Electric	Supplies	\$	286.85
BSG Clearing Solutions	LECC Third Party Billing	\$	113.52
Buena Vista Stationery	Office Supplies	\$	100.51
Century Business Products	Copier Maintenance Agreement	\$	133.91
Century Link	Transport Fees	\$	558.10
Century Link	Directory Listings	\$	29.64
Cleveland, Chad	Meeting Expenses	\$	288.93
City of Laurens	Utility Billing	\$	85,137.46
Consortia Consulting	Consulting Fees	\$	850.00
Counsel	Printer	\$	464.11
Customers	Deposit/Closed Accounts Refunds	\$	6,380.10
Department of Energy	WAPA Power Bill	\$	33,510.46
DGR Engineering	Engineering Fees	\$	1,261.00
Echo Group	Supplies	\$	95.17
Employee Benefit Systems	Self-Funding Administration	\$	120.00
Fox Sports Net North	Programming Fees	\$	3,563.53
Grainger	Supplies	\$	66.16
Grundman-Hicks, LLC	Generation Plant Sealant	\$	796.99
Hearst Television	Programming Fees	\$	813.28
ICMA Retirement Trust	Employee Contributions	\$	1,000.00
Internal Revenue Service	Payroll Taxes	\$	8,175.92
Iowa Department of Revenue	Sales & Withholding Taxes	\$	9,966.00
Iowa One Call	Locates	\$	14.40
Iowa Public Employees Retirement System	IPERS Withholding	\$	4,772.09
JT Services	Electric Supplies	\$	416.17
Kriz-Davis Company	Sectionalizer	\$	2,408.57
KTIV – TV	Programming Fees	\$	696.60
Laurens Equipment	Parts	\$	19.01
Laurens Food Pride	Supplies	\$	187.78
Laurens Golf & Country Club	Parade Supplies	\$	118.20
Laurens House of Print	Supplies	\$	88.28
Laurens Municipal Power & Communications	Communications Bill	\$	246.43
Laurens Municipal Utilities	Utility Bill	\$	72.14

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Laurens Plumbing/Hwy 10 Hardware	Supplies	\$	108.64
Laurens State Bank	Service Charges	\$	44.80
Laurens Sun	Publications	\$	31.89
Long Lines	Switching/Internet/Billing/LD	\$	6,452.61
Matt Brockman	Deposit Refund	\$	150.00
Merchant Bankcard	Credit Card Processing Fees	\$	486.03
MidAmerican Energy	Neal 4 Operations	\$	54,000.00
Miller Lawn Service	Vegetation Control	\$	895.00
National Cable Television Cooperative	Programming Fees	\$	14,392.99
National Cable Television Cooperative	Equipment	\$	1,765.67
NENA CID	E911 Annual Fees	\$	250.00
Newgard Auto Parts & Supply	Equipment	\$	124.07
Nexstar Broadcasting	Programming Fees	\$	3,728.20
NIMECA	Power Bill	\$	17,738.15
NIMECA	IADG Membership Fees	\$	2,350.59
Payroll	Salaried, Hourly & Overtime	\$	21,631.07
PLIC – SBD Grand Island	Group Insurance Premiums	\$	543.83
Pop Media Networks	Programming Fees	\$	623.68
Pro Cooperative	Fuel	\$	233.40
RFD TV	Programming Fees	\$	8.85
Rovi Guides	Programming Fees	\$	609.07
Secure Shred Solutions	Paper Shredding	\$	24.00
Sinclair Broadcast Group	Programming Fees	\$	1,787.10
Solomon Corporation	Substations/Load Tap Changer	\$	35,668.05
Spencer Municipal Utilities	Programming/Transport Fees	\$	1,751.26
Stuart C. Irby Company	Electric Supplies	\$	931.64
The Messenger	Advertising	\$	90.00
Tower Distribution Company	Programming Fees	\$	832.83
Upper Des Moines Opportunity	LIHEAP Credit Refunds	\$	180.00
US Bank	Annual VM Ware Support	\$	472.00
VECTOR	Insurance/CPR Training	\$	214.97
Verizon Wireless	Wireless Service	\$	271.05
Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance Premiums	\$	7,368.31
Zcorum	Internet Fees	\$	772.48
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>439,458.89</b>

<b>Electric Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 374,879.65</b>
<b>Communications Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 64,579.24</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 439,458.89</b>

The Trustees reviewed the Utility Funds Report and the Income Statements for June. No specific action was taken.

Motion by Trustee Storms and seconded by Trustee Runneberg to approve Revision 2 of Exhibit C to Contract No. 90-BAO-543 between Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) and the City of Laurens, Iowa. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Storms and seconded by Trustee Runneberg to approve Revision 3 of Exhibit C to Contract No. 97-UGPR-897 between Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) and the City of Marathon, Iowa. Contract No. 97-UGPR-897 was assigned to the City of Laurens, Iowa effective January 1, 2004. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Runneberg and seconded by Trustee Storms to approve the Short Term Lease of a tract of land approximately 1.08 acres in the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 27, Township 93 North, Range 34 West of the 5th P.M., Pocahontas County, Iowa. This tract of land has been known as “the pumpkin patch”. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Storms and seconded by Trustee Runneberg to approve the proposed Interconnection Standards for Parallel Installation and Operation of Customer-Owned Distributed Generation Facilities. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Storms and seconded by Trustee Runneberg to approve the proposed Agreement for Electric Service and Interconnection of a 100 kW, or Less, Distributed Generation Facility. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on launching Skitter TV. The Agreements have been reviewed by Steve Nadel of Ahlers Law Firm and a memo was prepared and presented to Skitter TV for consideration. Skitter TV has responded to our memo and it looks like there are just a couple issues to be worked out yet before we can sign the agreements.

General Manager Cleveland reported that the City of Marathon is considering installing either wind turbines, solar panels or a combination thereof. The City of Marathon has invited us to their next City Council meeting on August 9, 2016.

There being no further business, on motion and vote, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

**Richard Main**  
**Chairman, Board of Trustees**

**ATTEST: Chad Cleveland**  
**Secretary, Board of Trustees**