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Local News

Becky Josephson Makes it to Kmart National Contest

Story Courtesy of Storm Lake Times. Story By: Dolores Cullen

Someone has to be the best Kmart cashier in the nation. And Becky Josephson is inches away from that lofty title.

Becky, the daughter of Dan and Kathy Josephson of Albert City, lives in Spearfish, S.D. and works at the Kmart there. Her store recently had a contest for the Ultimate Kmart Cashier, which she won.

She advanced to the district contest, which for her was held in Casper, Wyo. She won that competition and then advanced to the regionals in Las Vegas. Remarkably, she won there as well.

Next month she will go to the final contest held in Chicago at the national Kmart headquarters.

She'll face off against nine other regional winners, each having bested up to 11,000 cashiers in their regions.

The contestants answer questions about how to greet customers, what to do during down time (keep the checkout aisles clean and orderly) and know details about the store services, like the rewards program.

Prizes have been modest so far: pins to wear on her nametag, \$25 in Kmart gift cards and a trophy from regionals.

Kmart didn't go cheap on the trip to Las Vegas, though. "The company paid for everything: airfare, hotel, food. We stayed in the MGM Grand, which was so incredible and beautiful," she said. When she returned to Spearfish, her store welcomed her with a big party.

"It was awesome to meet all these other cashiers, and I'm very excited to meet even more at the contest in Chicago." All of Becky's comments are glowing, probably one of the reasons the Kmart judges like her.

She's gotten tips from last year's national winner and he says confidence and a good personality are as important as answering questions correctly. "Hopefully with his guidance, I can go on and win Nationals!" she exclaimed. A thousand dollars goes to the person named ultimate cashier.

Becky is a 2009 Laurens-Marathon Community School graduate.

Good Luck, Becky!



Becky holds the trophy she won at regionals in Wyoming.

VOTE FOR L-M!!

Target is sponsoring the "Give with Target" campaign on Facebook. Each vote for Laurens-Marathon CSD will give the school \$1 to Target to help pay for supplemental materials. You can vote once in each voting period, now through the middle of September or when Target reaches \$5 million in donations. Go to Facebook and find "Give with Target" and vote for L-M today!

Civil War Historian to Speak at Methodist Church!

The Laurens Women's Club, in conjunction with Humanities Iowa, is proud to host Civil War historian, O. J. Fargo for a program on Friday, September 13 at 1:30 p.m. at the Laurens United Methodist Church.

Fargo's presentation is entitled "Just Before the Battle, Mother – A Visit from a Civil War Soldier". He will appear as a returning Civil War soldier, and, after a brief overview of Iowa's participation in the Civil War, the audience will be encouraged to ask questions and engage in a dialogue with the "soldier" who will stay in character the entire time. O.J. Fargo dresses in full Union Army regalia for the presentation. He will also have with him a full roster of all men who served from Iowa in the Civil War so that audience members may check for information about ancestors who served.

O.J. Fargo recently retired as the Director of Media Services and a Social Studies consultant for

the Green Valley Area Education Agency in Creston. He is the author of several books and booklets on Iowa history, the Civil War and U.S. history. He is also president of an Iowa regiment of Civil War re-enactors.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend this presentation. Admission is free and open to the public.



Benefit for Jeannie Goedert

A benefit for Jeannie Goedert is scheduled for Wednesday, September 18, 2013 (5 - 7 p.m.) at the Pocahontas Expo. There will be a pork loin sandwich meal, plus a live and silent auction. All proceeds will go to assist the Goedert family with expenses for Jeannine's lengthy stay in Rochester as a result of her stem cell transplant.

If you are interested in making a cash donation or donating an item for the auction, you may do so by calling Nancy Goedert 841-4957 or Jenifer Krischel 712-358-3033.

Smokin' In The Park
SECOND ANNUAL

BBQ Competition
October 5, 2013
LAURENS, IOWA

Laurens City Park
Saturday, October 5, 2013
\$10 entry fee
3 categories will be judged and CASH PRIZES awarded
Pulled Pork, Ribs and Chicken!!
Judging starts at 3:00 p.m.
Public Tasting starts at 4:00 p.m., \$5 per person

If interested in entering the contest or for more information contact Rick Woodley - 712-841-4568

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Cancer Prevention STUDY-3: Research today for a cancer-free tomorrow

This year the American Cancer Society is celebrating its 100th birthday! While the progress we've helped make in the past 100 years is remarkable, there's still more work to be done. To better understand ways to prevent cancer, the American Cancer Society is recruiting men and women across the US and Puerto Rico for a landmark new research study – Cancer Prevention Study-3 (CPS-3).

Enrollment is being brought to the Fort Dodge area in partnership with UnityPoint Health – Trinity Regional Medical Center, Webster County Health Department and Fort Dodge Community Recreation Center along with the American Cancer Society from October 24 - 26, 2013. Individuals may choose to participate if they are willing to make a long-term commitment to the study (which involves completing follow-up surveys periodically over the next 20-30 years), are between the ages of 30 and 65 years old and have never been diagnosed with cancer. CPS-3 will help researchers better understand the genetic, environmental and other factors that may cause or prevent cancer. If you don't meet the eligibility requirements, your significant participation comes from telling everyone you know about the opportunity to help prevent cancer.

It's hard to find anyone who hasn't been personally touched by cancer, 1 in 2 men and 1 in 3 women

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will face cancer in their lifetime. In Iowa, almost 2 people every hour are diagnosed with cancer. That is why CPS-3 is so important to the citizens of Fort Dodge and the surrounding area; it's a way for all of us to make a difference in our fight against cancer and to help save more lives for generations to come.

As part of enrollment, individuals who choose to participate will simply fill out a comprehensive survey packet about health history, provide a small blood sample (to be collected by trained phlebotomists) and provide a waist measure. Enrollment will take approximately 20-30 minutes at your local event. From that point forward, study participants will be followed over time to update information via periodic, mailed surveys. Your involvement in CPS-3 will help American Cancer Society researchers understand the causes of, and ultimately determine ways to prevent cancer.

Researchers will use the data from CPS-3 to build on evidence from a series of American Cancer Society studies that began in the 1950s that collectively have involved millions of volunteer participants. The Hammond-Horn Study and previous Cancer Prevention Studies (CPS-I, and CPS-II) have played a major role in understanding cancer prevention and risk, and have contributed significantly to the scientific basis and development of public health guidelines and recommendations.

Those studies confirmed the link between cigarette smoking and lung cancer, demonstrated the

link between larger waist size and increased death rates from cancer and other causes, and showed the considerable impact of air pollution on heart and lung conditions. The current study, CPS-II, began in 1982 and is still ongoing. But changes in lifestyle and in the understanding of cancer in the more than two decades since its launch make it important to begin a new study.

The American Cancer Society nationwide goal for CPS-3 is to enroll a diverse group of at least 300,000 men and women aged 30-65 years with no prior history of cancer by 2013. CPS-3's enrollment goal for the Fort Dodge area is 250. If you are a cancer survivor, invite your family and friends to participate in CPS-3 in your honor.

If you've ever wondered how you can change the world, here is your chance. By joining CPS-3, you can help researchers better understand the genetic, environmental and lifestyle factors that cause or prevent cancer, which will ultimately save lives. Enrollment is simple, just log onto www.cps3FortDodge.org to schedule your appointment today.

Liddy Hora is a American Cancer Society Hospital Representative. Liddy can be reached at liddy.hora@cancer.org or 515.576.7975. For more information on cps-3, visit www.cancer.org/cps3, call 1-888-604-5888 or e-mail cps3@cancer.org.

You can help finish the
fight against cancer.
Enroll in **CANCER PREVENTION STUDY-3**
Fort Dodge, October 24-26 | cps3FortDodge.org



A Living Legacy for a New Generation

On Sunday, August 25, a good crowd helped celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Wiegert Prairie Fall Fest on a hot & windy summer day. The day opened with Morning Worship at the Pioneer Church. Once again, the farm yard quickly came to life as old neighbors and new friends listened to country music and watched a skit while enjoying a cup of egg coffee with their pancakes or pie and ice cream. The house came to life with some fresh paint on the walls, fresh produce in the kitchen, and organ music in the parlor. The crib came alive with spinners, quilters, a display on maize, and kids playing farm. The farmyard came to life with machinery & tool displays, gas engines, as well as a fat calf and milk goats. The north field came to life with potato diggers and a black powder shooting display while the prairie was alive with blooming grasses, herbs, and horse-drawn wagon tours.

Many people also enjoyed trying their hand at something different this year – dipping a beeswax candle, creating an insulator bug, or squeezing fresh apple juice. As always, people enjoyed reliving past celebrations through pictures and photo albums on the north side of the barn.

Pocahontas County Conservation and Historical Society thanks everyone who helped plan and lead the many events that enabled people of all generations to once again experience life in the early and mid-1900s. To everyone who attended Fall Fest this year as well as our many volunteers, thanks for coming – we couldn't have done it without you!

We trust the Wiegert Prairie Farmstead will continue to reach a new generation and remain a quiet place where each of us may step back in time and reflect upon the legacy we have received, the legacy we will bequeath.



Fresh flowers and vegetables bring the farmhouse porch to life.



Aaron led a beeswax candle dipping station complete with 'candlestick.'



Dave & Shirley brought the wonderful smell and taste of freshly pressed apples to life.



Allison gave a live lesson on milking her goat.

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Brenda was kept busy creating garden bugs out of old telephone insulators.



A new generation enjoys Wiegert Fall Fest.

Rigby Wins Principal Paw!

Ashton Rigby won a “Principal Paw” for showing so much PRIDE last week! Each classroom teacher recognizes one student per week, they are recognized in front of the whole school on Monday mornings and they receive a Putnam pencil. Ashton is the great granddaughter of Millie and Bob Rigby of Laurens and Eleanor Dwyer of Aurora, Colorado (formerly Laurens) and the granddaughter of Allen and Bobbi Rigby of Aurora, Colorado. Ashton started Kindergarten on August 20 in Fort Collins, Colorado.



Albert City Library Children's Story Hour Begins

The Albert City Public Library announces the start of their Children’s Story Hour on Friday morning, September 6th from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Come and meet new Story Hour Leader Sam Aronson.

Do you remember Mr. Rogers, Captain Kangaroo, Mr. Green Jeans (I know I am dating myself—they go way back!) Canyon Kid, and Bart’s Clubhouse or the more recent Caped Crusader-Dan Wardell from IPTV? How about Dr. Seuss’ Sam I Am? Well, our Sam will provide a fun environment with characters to brighten the hour. He’ll read lots of stories and engage the children. Sam has a great singing voice for children’s songs and nursery rhymes to add to the fun. He comes with lots of experience working with children through teaching Sunday school and coaching Little League Baseball for many years. Incidentally, he maintains our goldfish aquarium which holds two large goldfish that the children love to watch.

So bring your little ones who are not attending school yet, to enjoy stories, puppets, finger plays, and music as they explore the wonderful world of books. Start your little ones enjoying books at an early age so that they will enjoy reading for a lifetime. Those who read succeed!



Memory Lane Bricks to be Engraved on Site!

Memory Lane bricks will be engraved on site sometime this fall. Get your brick order forms from Peg Milton, 841-4645, or pick them up at Memory Lane.

Click here for your brick order form!

A promotional poster for Silver Dollar Saloon. The text reads: **SILVER DOLLAR SALOON**, **LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2013 KARAOKE WITH NATHAN 9:00 P.M TO 1:00 A.M**. Below this, it lists **TACO TUESDAYS- 5:00 P.M.** with a price of **\$2.50 HARD OR SOFTSHELL TACOS & TACO IN A BAG TRY A TASTY MARGARITA WITH YOUR TACOS** and **HALF OFF FRIDAYS All mixed drinks, beers and wine 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** The bottom of the poster says **Downtown Laurens, Iowa 712-841-6986**. There is a small image of a margarita and a taco.

We are raising funds to get a

Van for the Man

Dakota Caldwell

Son of Jessica and Jamie Wood

Dakota Caldwell, of Albert City, is a 12 year old living with Cerebral Palsy. Dakota continues to grow, currently weighing 105 pounds. His mom, Jessica, has an increasingly hard time getting him in & out of their current van as it is not handicap accessible and she often has to lift him by herself. Dakota has had a few surgeries to try to help him walk, and goes to therapy a few times a week.



It would mean the world to Dakota and his family to get a wheelchair accessible van.

There will be several events to help raise funds with the goal of getting a van with a lift for Dakota's wheelchair.

For more information please visit **Facebook**, search **"Van for the Man"**

August 16th - Family Fun Night ~ Hawaiian Luau

at the Albert City Swimming Pool Park from 6 to 9 pm. *Rain date 8/18 from 12-3*
Swimming, Games in Park, and a Meal including:
hot dogs, bars, chips, and drink - **free will donation**

Grain Drive
at Ag Partners
in Albert City &
First Coop. in
Marathon

September 28th - Fun Run

for any vehicles to local communities
sign up at Beef Country in Albert City

**Flocking
Flamingos**
in Albert City

September 29th - Family Meal

at Albert City-Truesdale School from 11 am to 1:30 pm - **free will donation**
LIVE AUCTION at 1:30 in the old gym

An account has been set up as Dakota Caldwell Benefit at

Community State Bank
PO Box 128
Albert City, IA 50510

Watch for more information on these events and other FUN

Fundraisers to get a "VAN FOR THE MAN"

Card Shower

Lorraine Baedke of Laurens will celebrate her 90th Birthday on September 4, 2013.

Lorraine's family invites family and friends to send birthday greetings to help her celebrate.

Happy Birthday wishes may be sent to: Lorraine Baedke at 413 East Veterans Road, Laurens, Ia 50554.

Bridal Shower

A bridal shower for Shonda Roder, bride elect of Colby Vetter, will be held on Saturday, September 7 at the Marathon Community Center. It will start at 10 a.m. with brunch.

Shonda is registered at Heart 'n Home, Wal Mart and Target.

Please bring your favorite recipe to share with the bride!

PCHS Dues for 2014 are Due!

PCHS dues for the 2014 year are now due and are payable to Treasurer, Kristy Mather. Checks can be sent to Kristy Mather, 15204 450th St., Laurens, IA 50554.

Dues are \$5 for one year and \$25 for lifetime.

Local & School Calendar

September 5 - Volleyball with PAC, Manson/NW Webster and Sioux Central at Sioux Rapids at 5:30 p.m., varsity.

September 6 - Football with Remsen St. Mary's at Laurens at 7:00 p.m.

September 7 - Clay County Fair begins through Sept. 15.

September 8 - All Iowa Honor Dance Team Auditions.

September 10 - Estherville Lincoln Central Cross Country Invitational Meet at Estherville at 5:00 p.m., girls & boys JV & V; JH Volleyball with Alta/Aurelia at Laurens at 4:00 p.m., 7th & 8th; JV Football with Remsen St. Mary's at Remsen at 6:00 p.m.; JH Football with Remsen St. Mary's at Remsen at 4:00 p.m.; School Board Election.

September 11 - Professional Development from 8:00-10:00 a.m.-Classes begin at 10:20 a.m.; No Breakfast served.

September 12 - Volleyball with Newell/Fonda at Newell at 5:30 p.m., JVR & JV.

Baby Boy!

Aaron and Jenny Blankenship of Clive, IA are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Declan James. Declan was born on August 9th in West Des Moines. He was 8lbs 1oz and 20" long. He was welcomed home by big brother Gabriel.

Grandparents are Chuck and Karen Blankenship of Laurens and Maggie Hunt of Dolliver, IA.



At the Library
with Glenda Mulder
September 4, 2013

Next Monday, September 9th we'll start up our Tot Times for the youngest of our patrons. These will be every Monday at 10 a.m. Quite a few of our "bigger" kids started preschool this year, so it be interesting to see how big the younger siblings seem now! Allison is enjoying making lots of fun plans!

If you look all the way to the bottom, you will notice I added some new dates to our calendar. The Library Foundation's Pancake Supper will be on Thursday, October 24th and our Halloween just wouldn't be complete without our Halloween Magician at 6:30 p.m. after Trick or Treating! Of course, there are some more dates that recur monthly, like Writers' & Book Club. Our Preschool Story times, Middle School Book Talks and Brown Bag lunches with the school kids are starting up again this month, too. What fun to fill up our calendar!

I finished the Library's Annual Report to the State Library last week. Whew, what a good feeling to have that done! I won't bore you with the entire 14 pages of questions, but here are a few things I thought were interesting. We withdrew a grand total of

3,657 items last year. This included 2,753 books and 821 VHS tapes! We added 1,340 items to our collection, so the total items owned by our Library are 24,434. This was a bit of an unusual year; usually we add and withdraw approximately the same number of books annually, but we were on a mission this year! Our total circulations were 40,835. Last year we were easily within the top 75th percentile in circulations for our size library and I'm sure we will be again this year. We have 1,780 card holders, so that means each patron averaged 23 checkouts this year. I'm above average – are you? Computer use increased to 5,139 last year from 3,694 in 2012. Some of that is due to the kids' iPads, but our regular computer use has also increased.

The Book Club will be reading a book by one of my favorite authors in September – Jodi Picoult's "*Plain Truth*." It is set on an Amish dairy farm near Lancaster, PA where an unmarried teenager is accused of smothering her newborn baby. Picoult has a wonderful way of weaving the story through the eyes of all the characters so the reader is presented with many different viewpoints. I'm looking forward to rereading this book! Pick up a copy and join what is sure to be a lively discussion on September 23rd!

Writers will meet at 7 p.m. on September 16. We are asked to keep sharing memories, especially about

fall, Back to School & Halloween. We've also been taking turns sharing a bit about our individual career path. This month is my turn to share – how many of my different careers do you remember?

COMING ATTRACTIONS

September 9

10:00 am Tot Time

September 16

10:00 am - Tot Time

1:30 p.m. - Advanced Genealogists

3:33 p.m. - www.

7:00 p.m. - Writer's Free for All

September 23

10:00 a.m. - Tot Time

7:00 p.m. - Book Club "*Plain Truth*" by Jodi Picoult

September 30

10:00 a.m. - Tot Time

October 24


5-7 p.m. - Library Foundation Pancake Supper

October 31

6:30 p.m. - Halloween Magician
Larry Dunbar

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J&H Design Bridal Registry

*Megan Cleveland & Zach Lovin
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 Nakes
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Announcements

The kitchen at Laurens Golf & Country Club will be CLOSED on Sept. 5th, because of the Ag Day tournament. The kitchen will be open on Sept 12th as usual at 5 p.m. with a special of chicken drummies with salad or fries.

Clothing starts at .25¢! All other merchandise 1/2 off! Treasure Chest, downtown Laurens.

Help Wanted

Do you... *Like to read? *Need a new challenge? *Like to learn new things? *Want a fun part-time job? We have an opening for a Circulation Desk Librarian two days a week and one Saturday morning a month. Please apply in person at the Laurens Public Library.

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Tickets: \$4-adults \$2- children 12 and under
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September 6 - September 12
Despicable Me 2
Rated PG

Showtime: 7:00 nightly - 2:00 Sunday Matinee
 Free Popcorn w/Paid Admission Thursday
 \$2.00 Admission for ALL Monday Evening
Coming Sept 13: Pacific Rim

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Sacred Heart Church Laurens

Pastor ~ Fr. John J. Gerald
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
St. Louis Catholic Church, Royal
Weekday Mass: (Tuesday & Thursday)
8:00 AM
Weekend Mass: Sunday 10:30 AM

This Week at Laurens United Methodist Church

Wed., Sept. 4th
UMW Executive Board mtg @ 7 p.m.

Thurs., Sept. 5th
UMW General meeting @ 9:30 a.m.

Fri., Sept. 6th
Men's Bible Study @ 7 a.m.

Sat., Sept. 7th
Methodist Men's Breakfast/Mtg @ 7 a.m.

Sun., Sept. 8th
Fall Worship Schedule begins
Sunday school "kick off" @ 9:15 a.m.
Fellowship Coffee @ 9:30 a.m.
Worship @ 10:30 a.m.
"Blessing of the Backpacks" during the children's sermon
Family Council mtg following worship

Mon., Sept. 9th
Girl Scout Troop 240 here from 4-5 p.m.

This Week at Bethany Lutheran

Wednesday, September 4, 2013
Life Line Screening Sunday
5:00 pm ~ Teacher's Mtg. for Rally

Sunday September 8, 2013
9:00 AM - Confirmation Class
9:15 AM - Coffee Fellowship
9:15 AM - SS Rally Sunday w/Root Beer Floats
9:30 AM - Adult Sunday School
10:30 AM - Worship w/Teacher Installation & Bible Presentation
11:30 AM - Grill-Out Potluck
4:00 PM - Care Center Worship

Tuesday, September 10, 2013
10:00-11:00 AM - Coffee/Refreshments w/ Pastor Jerry
5:30 PM - Worship & Music Mtg.
7:00 PM - Hand Bell Rehearsal

Wednesday, September 11, 2013
7:00 PM Choir practice

This Week at First Christian Church

Wednesday, Sept 4
7:00 p.m. - Mission Council

Thursday, Sept. 5
2:00 p.m. - C.W.F.
7:00 p.m. - AA Meeting

Saturday, Sept. 7
School for Congregational Learners in Des Moines

Sunday, Sept 8
9:30 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship (Note change of time) GROUP PICTURE

Tuesday, Sept. 10
11:30 a.m. - Ladies Lunch at Pizza Ranch

One Year Mark at Laurens Care Center!

Everyone at the Laurens Care Center got together recently to celebrate their 1 year anniversary!



SHOW YOUR CYCLONE SPIRIT!



Put on your Iowa State gear and stop by the
ISU Extension and Outreach
Pocahontas County office for an
ISU Tailgate Party!

Grilled Hot Dogs, Chips, & ISU Bottled Water
Friday, September 13, 2013

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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Chargers Fall Short in Opener Against Kingsley-Pierson 44-22

On Friday, Aug. 30, under hot conditions, the L-M Chargers got the season underway traveling to Kingsley Pierson. It was a one-sided contest which found the Chargers down 22-0 in the third quarter before Freshman Noah Anderson broke with a 75 yard kick off return to get the Chargers their first score. The extra point failed, making the score 22-6. After that the Panthers rattled off three more scores to up the total to 44-6. To close the game, the Chargers scored 16 points behind some nice rushing by Noah Anderson and a couple of 2 point conversions. Riley Maschino to Chase Oehlertz after Anderson's second TD of the night and Maschino to Levi Bechtel on Anderson's third TD of the night. Final score 44-22. Defensively, the Chargers were led by Jordan Gunnarson with 13 tackles and a fumble recovery.

The Chargers next contest is home against Remsen St. Mary on Friday, Sept. 6th



Notable offensive statistics:

Rushing

Noah Anderson—15 for 73 yds and 3 TDs

Chase Oehlertz—12 for 50 yds

Keegan Jamison 1 for 28 yds

Tre Seiler 1 for -1yd

Passing

Chase Oehlertz 1 for 5 33 yds 1 interception

Receiving

Keegan Jamison—1 for 33 yds

Notable Defensive statistics:

Jordan Gunnarson 12 tackles 1 Asst.

Keegan Jamison 7 tackles

Wyatt Shannon 7 tackles 1 Asst.

Caleb Pierce 5 tackles 1 Asst.

Ben Kenobbie, Jordan Gunnarson and Wyatt Shannon each recovered a fumble



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4-H Find Out Day

All children in 4th through 12th grade are encouraged to get signed up for the upcoming 4-H year. The Pocahontas County ISU Extension and Outreach Office will be open from 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11 to answer any question you might have about Pocahontas County 4-H or if you need help getting enrolled. Enrollment is done online by going to the following website <https://ia.4honline.com> The new 4-H enrollment began on Tuesday, September 3, please do not enroll before that date. If you need assistance with enrollment and are unable to stop by on Wednesday, September 11 please call the Pocahontas County ISU Extension and Outreach Office at 712-335-3103.

It is great to be an ISU CYCLONE!

Join Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, Pocahontas County for CYDay Friday Tailgate Party in front of Pocahontas County Extension and Outreach on Friday, September 13, 11:30 – 1:00. We will be serving grilled hot dogs, chips, and ISU bottled water.

Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame

Craig and Terry Ferguson of Pocahontas County were inducted into the 2013 Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame during a ceremony at the 4-H Exhibits Building at the Iowa State Fair on Sunday, Aug. 18. Eighty-three Iowa counties participated this year and selected 110 inductees for their outstanding service and dedication to 4-H. Inductees or their surviving family members were presented a certificate by the Iowa 4-H Foundation as they were introduced on stage and honored at a reception following the ceremony.

Craig and Terry Ferguson became involved with the Pocahontas 4-H program when their daughter, Brooke, joined the Swan Lake Cloveteers in 1993. Some of Brooke's first projects were in the cattle and horse department. They were both interested in these project areas and became active on these livestock committees. Craig helped with cattle weigh-in every year regardless of the weather. He also helped implement the bucket calf class, encouraged the Cattlemen to sponsor trophies and buckles that were auctioned off at the Pocahontas County Cattlemen's banquet. Part of these auction proceeds are donated to the fair board.

Craig has taken care of marketing the fair show cattle for several years. He lined up the trucking and helped with the drug papers as the cattle

from our auction go to market. A dark cutter insurance program was started to help buyers and exhibitors in case of grading problems with the packing plant. We have sold bucket calves to other 4-H members to get them started in the cattle show.

Terry has been on the horse committee for several years doing whatever needs to be done at both the 4-H show and the open show. Terry was a co-leader of the Swan Lake Cloveteers during the time her daughter was in 4-H. She has judged horse shows since 1992. She served one term on the Extension Council.

Even though their children are out of 4-H, Craig and Terry still are wonderful volunteers helping in the livestock division of the 4-H program.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for the counties and state to recognize and celebrate 4-H volunteers and staff who have shown outstanding service and dedication to Iowa's 4-H program," said Chris Gleason, 4-H youth program specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach.

The Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame was initiated in 2002 to help commemorate the 100th anniversary of 4-H. A display of previous honorees was available for viewing at the 2013 Iowa State Fair in the 4-H Exhibits Building.

Meetings to Help Farmers Respond to Late Harvest, Lower Grain Prices

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach has scheduled three North Central Iowa meetings to respond to producer questions related to the late spring, dry summer and slow crop development. Extension specialists will discuss crop maturity, crop drying and potential effects of an early frost during the meetings. Other topics covered will include crop management, fallow syndrome and fall nitrogen management. Grain marketing and a grain market price outlook also will be on meeting agendas.

ISU Extension and Outreach speakers include: Chad Hart, grain marketing analyst, Charles Hurburgh, grain quality and handling specialist, Dave Rueber, ISU North Iowa Research Farm superintendent, Mark S. Johnson, field agronomist, Ankeny, Kelvin Leibold, farm management specialist, Paul Kassel, field agronomist, Spencer.

Call your county office if you plan to attend. Registration is not required to attend the meetings, but calling ahead will assist planners as they make meeting preparations.

- Heartland Museum, Clarion. Friday, Sept. 6, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Speakers are Rueber, Hart, Hurburgh, Johnson.
- Wesley Community Center, Wesley. Friday, Sept. 6, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Speakers are Hart, Hurburgh, Kassel.
- Sheffield Ridgestone Country Club, Sheffield. Tuesday, Sept. 10, 9:30 a.m with lunch to follow. Speakers are Leibold and Johnson.

Yard and Garden: Pears

Perfectly ripe pears are a luscious treat. Horticulturists with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach answer questions about when to harvest and how to ripen and store pears to have the most desirable fruit. To have additional gardening questions answered, contact the ISU Hortline at 515-0294-3108 or hortline@iastate.edu.

When should I harvest pears? Pears should not be allowed to ripen on the tree. If the fruit are left on the tree to ripen, stone cells develop in the fruit, giving the pears a gritty texture.

Tree-ripened fruit also will be poorly flavored. Harvest pears when the color of the fruit changes from deep green to yellow green. The fruit will still be firm, not soft, at harvest.

How do I ripen pears? Pears should be ripened indoors at a temperature of 60 to 70 F. The ripening process should take seven to ten days. To speed up ripening, place pears in a tightly sealed paper bag. The fruit give off ethylene gas, which accumulates in the bag and promotes ripening.

How do I store pears? For long-term storage, refrigerate unripened pears at a temperature of 30 to 35 F. Pears may be stored for approximately one to three months. Remove stored fruit about one week prior to intended use.

There are tan-colored, rough spots on the surface of my pears. Is it possible to prevent this from occurring? Russetting is probably responsible for the tan-colored spots on your pears. Russetting also develops on the surface of apples. While affected fruit are not attractive, russetting doesn't affect the eating quality of the fruit.

Several factors may be responsible for russetting. High humidity, rainfall or heavy dew, cold temperatures and use of certain fungicides may induce russetting. Genetics also play a role in russetting. Some pear cultivars are more likely to develop russetting than others. Since most factors responsible for russetting are beyond our control, little can be done to prevent its occurrence.