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Local News

Judy Krips Inducted into the Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame

Judy has been involved in 4-H as long as she can remember. From making a yellow sundress, to baking countless cookies and breads she learned at a young age, it takes a lot of time and dedication to be successful at different tasks.

Her journey with 4-H did not stop when her childhood years in 4-H ended. Judy became a 4-H leader and continued to lead a Pocahontas County group for 15 years. While an active 4-H leader and with two children in 4-H, Judy also managed the 4-H food stand for 12 years. Both her daughters were in 4-H and Judy believes this was a great opportunity for both her girls as well as the entire family.

4-H was not only a part of Judy's life, but it quickly became a big part for the family. Both daughters grew up around 4-H, baking, visual arts, and most importantly to their family, involvement in livestock.

Being involved in the fair was

always the highlight of the summer. The pigs had been selected and were ready to show. Judy would sit up in the stands with family and friends, while dad and the girls worked in the barn. The family still has many talks about the pigs they took to fair each year.

Since the girls were involved in 4-H, they have started a family business, Krips Kreations Show pigs. This has really kept the family invested in not only the pigs, but also the importance of 4-H in our community.

Judy has made many close friends

through her 4-H journey, and still has those friendships today. Judy believes 4-H creates not only challenges for our youth, but helps them to create lasting memories, meet new people and develop long, lasting friendships. 4-H helps youth to be involved in their community.

Judy is so grateful for the opportunity and honored to receive the Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame recognition.



60 Year Class Reunion

The Laurens High class of 1958, and some former members of the class, met on Saturday, August 25th, for their 60th class reunion at the West Iowa Bank in Laurens. They had twenty-four actual class members attend, with accompanying family members, which was a wonderful representation of attendance after 60 years. Those attending came from Minnesota, Arkansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wisconsin, and all parts of Iowa. Class member Bob Siddall got the celebration started earlier in the afternoon with an invitation to his great refurbished barn, and most of the class members started the festivities there, and then proceeded on to West Iowa Bank for the reunion dinner that was prepared and served by Craig and

Sue Hanson. From all reports, everyone had a great time and are all looking forward to celebrating our 65th in five years!

Thank you, class members, for this memory-making event!

One class member, Joan Hitchcock Peterson, had left before the photo was taken. Those pictured are: Row 1: Helen Rigby Gaddis, Karen Blake Baumunk, Phyllis Holland Anderson, June Ryon Buhr, Karen Siddall Dahlerup, Joanne Hopkins Bennett, Jo Ann Tool Pickering and Ruth Nelson Richter.

Row 2: Diane Osier Mohler, Bill Hinners, Don Hertz, Arthur Felsing, Pat Mefferd Boughey, Phyllis Hanish Anderson and Yvonne Hawley Wenell.

Row 3: Jim Baumunk, Gene Richardson, Dennis Larson, Bob Siddall, Garold Hopkins, Arlo Hinners, Bill Martin and Wayne Stoner.



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Laurens Country Club Ladies Board Fall Meeting

Laurens Country Club Ladies Board Fall Meeting will be held Tuesday, September 18th. Social hour at 5, meeting at 6, meal to follow.



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Recently, the City of Laurens was awarded a \$75,000 REAP grant, a \$60,000 Land and Water Conservation Fund grant, and a \$70,000 Wellmark grant. The City of Laurens and the Pocahontas County Trails Committee are now working to raise the \$40,000 cash match required for the grants, and the **community support** is vital. So friends, this is where we need your help. There is no amount too small or too big; every dollar from \$5 to \$5,000 is greatly appreciated and all contributions are tax deductible!

Questions? Contact Hilary Reed at 712-841-4526 or Brian Reis at 712-335-4395

“R & R Line” Band at Fonda Arts Center

The Fonda Arts Center is happy to announce a unique event coming on September 23 at 3 PM. The “R & R Line” Band from Storm Lake will be performing a range of songs from old standards, country and pop music. The band consists of Rex Wittrock on vocals, banjo and guitar; and Roger Christiansen on keyboards and vocals. Gene Kestel will also join the boys on Tenor Saxophone along with local musicians from the Fonda area.

In the middle of the music set, Roger Christiansen will give a presentation of his artistry from years of painting with gold leaf on the wood boats of Okoboji.

The music and program is sure to bring back memories from the past and more. They look forward to seeing everyone there and will ask the audience to sing along!!

We hope you will be able to join us at the Fonda Arts Center, on the northwest corner of Fourth & Main, Fonda, IA, where everyone is welcome. As almost always, free admission and free refreshments.



Help Us Keep 51 Year Laurens Tradition Alive!

For some in Laurens, swimming is an activity that takes place only in the summer. There is a small group of swimmers who make the trek out of town the remainder of the year to compete. Whether they're swimming for the Storm Lake High School in the fall or the Emmetsburg Swim Team in the winter, for them there really is no place like home! The summer allows them to jump back into the pool where they first learned to swim.

Help us continue the 51 year tradition of swim team in Laurens by donating today! With the Bellinghausen Challenge, each donation is multiplied!

Pictured is Elizabeth Runneberg, Kennedy Tate, and Allison Graff, who are currently swimming for Storm Lake HS. They are joined by Ethan Runneberg and Landen Tate in the winter at Emmetsburg.



PARA-EDUCATOR(S) VACANCY **LAURENS-MARATHON CSD** **2018-2019**

Para-Educator(s) ***Full-time position***

***Interested applicants need to send a
resume/application to:***
Troy Oehlertz, Principal
Laurens-Marathon CSD
300 W Garfield St
Laurens, Iowa 50554
Position will be opened until filled
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BUS DRIVER VACANCY **LAURENS-MARATHON CSD** **2018-2019**

Bus Driver ***Good Pay \$33.95 per route*** ***Up to \$67.90 per Day***

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At the Library with Glenda Mulder September 5, 2018

Does the name Gwen Conklin sound familiar? If it doesn't, it will soon! Gwen is an L-M alumni who loved acting and writing in High School and initially majored in Theater in College, but graduated with a liberal arts degree in Writing. This and a love of movies prompted her move to California, where she worked in legal and law enforcement arenas, before finally returning to her first loves as an actor, writer and filmmaker. Now she has taken a journey across America, back to her home town of Laurens, Iowa. She'll be living here for several months to see what it is really like to go home again. Will she be able to settle back into her hometown? Or will small town country living be too big of an adjustment? Join Gwen at 1 p.m. Tuesday afternoon, September 18 to explore "Can You Go Home Again?"

The fun of our arts-based ALLI grant continues. Our September 11 natural stone beaded necklace class is full and we've started a waiting list. If you'd like to be on the waiting list, please let us know. BUT Deb recently received word that the grant has been renewed and we will receive funding for 4 more classes! Yippee! Be on the lookout for more news on this and get signed up right away for any classes you are interested in!

New novels this week include: *Vox* by Christina Dalcher, *Bar Harbor Retirement Home for Famous Writers* large print by Terri-Lynn DeFino, *Field of Bones* by J.A. Jance, *The Other Woman* by Sandie Jones, *Girl at the Grave* by Terri Bailey Black, *Shadow Tyrants* by Clive Cussler, *Exes Revenge* by Jo Jakeman, *Forbidden Door* by Dean Koontz, *When the Lights Go Out* by Mary Kubica, *Juror Number 3* by James Patterson, *In Times Gone By* by Traci Peterson, *Cross Her Heart* by Sarah Pineborough and *Glass Ocean* by Beatriz Williams. In nonfiction we also received *It's All Under Control: A Journey of Letting Go*, *Hanging On*, and *Finding a Peace You Almost Forgot* by Marathon native Jennifer Dukes Lee!

Our Book Club choice this month is *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime* by Mark Haddon. I read this book, told from the point of view of an autistic boy, when it first came out, and am actually looking forward to rereading it! Grab a copy, read it, and join our discussion Monday, September 24 at 7 p.m.

Our October calendar is filling up fast! Kathy Wilson, who was at our library last Fall with her program about Victorian Death traditions, will return to our library for a program Thursday afternoon, October 4th, but we're still pouring over her program menu and trying to decide which one to choose! The Sister City delegation will be reporting on their trip to Laurens, France on Wednesday, October 17. The Self-Defense class that I told you about last week is the evening of October 9th. And of course, we'll be scheduling our annual Halloween celebration!

COMING EVENTS

- Book Club 7p.m. 4th Monday of the month
- Take it Tuesday 6:30 p.m. 1st Tuesday of the month
- Tot Time Every Monday at 10 a.m. starting September 10
- Natural Stone Beaded Necklace 3-5 p.m. September 11
- Can You Go Home Again Tues, 1 p.m. September 18
 - Card Class 4th Tuesday starting September 25
- Kathy Wilson History 1 p.m. Thursday, October 4th
- Women's Self Defense Class 6-8 p.m., Tues. October 9
 - Sister City 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 17
 - Foundation Supper 5-7 p.m. October 18

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Model A Car Club

Fonda will be the first stop on a five day, 550 mile trip, when some thirty-five Model A Fords wind their way around Northwest Iowa. This will be the twenty-third tour of this "traveling museum", sponsored by the Central Iowa Model A Club.

Starting out in Johnston, north of Des Moines, the group plans to lunch in Fonda and see the many wonders of Gib and Jan Alpers' Fonda Museum before continuing on. Some five million Model A Fords were made from 1928 to 1931.

The public is welcome to take in this bit of America's history, September 17th, with the first cars arriving shortly after twelve o'clock noon, and lining Fonda's Main Street for the next couple hours. Be prepared for what these proud owners enjoy doing most: talking about their cars!

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This Week at Bethany Lutheran

Pastor Scott Baker

Sunday: September 9, 2018
16th Sunday after Pentecost

9:15 AM ~ Adult SS
9:30 AM ~ Coffee Fellowship
10:30 AM ~ Worship

Monday: September 10, 2018
7:00 PM ~ Hand Bell Rehearsal

Wednesday: September 12, 2018
7:00 PM ~ Council Mtg.

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



This Week at First Christian

Pastor Rev. Rita Cordell

Friday, September 7
7:00 p.m. - AA

Sunday, September 9
9:30 a.m. - Worship



This Week at Laurens United Methodist Church

Pastor Ed Frank

Thurs., Sept. 6th
UMW Ex. Board @ 8:30 am
UMW General @ 9:30 a.m.

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

Sun., Sept. 9th:
Adult Sunday School @ 9 a.m.
Sunday School Kick-off @ 9:10 a.m.
for kids 3 years old-High School
Fellowship @ 9:30 a.m.
Worship @ 10:30 a.m.
Caring Cards 2-4 p.m.



Resurrection of Our Lord Catholic Church

**Pocahontas, IA -- Pastor: Very Rev.
Craig Collison, VF**

MASS TIMES:
Daily Mass as scheduled in the
weekly bulletin
Saturday at 5:00 PM
Sunday at 10:30 AM

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Yard and Garden: Insect Pests of Raspberry Fruit

Raspberry plants are relatively easy to grow, and are hardy and productive in most of Iowa. If given proper care, a 100-foot-long row of red raspberries can produce 100 to 150 pints of fruit. However, several insects also like raspberries. Iowa State University Extension and Outreach horticulturists share tips on controlling these uninvited guests. To have additional questions answered, contact the horticulture hotline at hortline@iastate.edu or call 515-294-3108.

There are small, black beetles feeding on my raspberries. What can I do? The small, black beetles are likely sap beetles. They also are known as picnic beetles or picnic bugs. Sap beetles commonly feed on over-ripe or damaged fruits and vegetables in the garden. Sanitation is the best management strategy for sap beetles in home gardens. Keep the raspberry planting as clean as possible by promptly harvesting ripe fruit and removing damaged, diseased and over-ripe fruit from the site.

Insecticides are not very effective and difficult to use because of preharvest intervals (the wait time between a pesticide application and when a crop can be harvested). If you

decide to use an insecticide, select a product with a short preharvest interval and read and carefully follow label directions.

There are small, white worms in my raspberries. What are they and how can they be controlled? The small, white worms are likely the larvae of the spotted wing drosophila. Spotted wing drosophila adults are small, yellowish brown flies. Males have distinctive dark spots on their wings, hence the name spotted wing drosophila. Female adults have serrated, saw-like ovipositors and lay eggs in soft, ripening fruit.

Spotted wing drosophila larvae are white, 1/8-inch-long maggots. Spotted wing drosophila feed on soft, thin-skinned fruit. Their preferred food choices are raspberries (especially fall cultivars), blackberries and blueberries. However, they also feed on grapes, strawberries, cherries and aronia berries.

Control of spotted wing drosophila is difficult. In the home garden, sanitation is the most practical control measure. Promptly harvest ripe fruit. Remove and dispose of over-ripe, damaged or rotting fruit. Dispose of berries in a manner that prevents flies from emerging and infesting additional fruit. Insecticides are a possible control option. However, most commonly available garden insecticides have preharvest intervals of several days, making their application to ripening fruit impractical. If you decide to use an insecticide, select one with a short

preharvest interval (such as one day) and carefully read and follow label directions.

How do I stop yellow jackets from feeding on my raspberries?

Yellow jackets are social wasps that build paper nests in the ground, logs, building walls, attics or other sites. The workers from the colony travel up to a few hundred yards from the nest while looking for food. In early summer, the wasps forage for caterpillars and other “meat” items and are beneficial predators. However, in late summer they prefer sweets, such as soda pop, candy and the juices of fruits and vegetables.

Discourage yellow jackets from feeding on raspberries by harvesting the fruit as soon as they ripen. Remove any over-ripe or damaged fruit from the garden area. Do not leave beverages, candy, or other food items in the vicinity of the raspberries, as they may attract yellow jackets to the area.

Applications of insecticides to raspberries are of very limited benefit and difficult to use because of preharvest intervals. Yellow jacket nests in the ground, logs or walls can be destroyed by placing an insecticide dust in and around the nest entrance during the night.

Iowa State Reveals Connection Iowa Land Has to Other Land Grants

More than 1,200 parcels of land in northwest Iowa have an unusual connection to Iowa State University. The 160-acre parcels make up the federal land allocated to Iowa when the Morrill Act passed in 1862. The lease and sale of the land generated funds for the development of the land grant university, Iowa State University.

The historical significance of these lands is the object of the Land Grant Legacy project initiated by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. The project website, www.landgrant.iastate.edu, maps all the parcels tied to the start of Iowa's land grant university, and shares historical details of the parcels and stories around the development of agricultural education in Iowa.

Over the past three years, ISU Extension and Outreach researchers, along with county office staff and extension councils, have begun notifying

landowners of the land's history and asked landowners to share stories of their ties to the land. Some county extension offices have hosted events to celebrate with landowners and provided certificates of recognition.

Landowners are encouraged to check the parcel map and their land abstract to confirm the connection with Iowa State, then share stories of the land's use and any family ties to the university.

Land grant ties spread even further. An additional 1,700 land parcels in northwest Iowa have a slightly different, but similar connection to the Morrill Act of 1862. At the Farm Progress Show Aug. 28-30, the Land Grant Legacy project will share maps showing Iowa land first leased and sold by other states for the development of their land grant universities. The maps indicate federal land claimed by 25 states to fund their land grant universities. This was allowed when states didn't have federal land available within their own state.

"We learned from the Bureau of Land Management that 25 states claimed federal land in Iowa under the terms of the agricultural land grant act," said Ray Hansen, Land Grant Legacy project co-leader with ISU Extension and Outreach. "We had a landowner

ask us about land grant parcels for other states, saying a neighbor owned land that was claimed by Tennessee. So we dug deeper – and acquired Bureau of Land Management records that we have used to add a layer to our project mapping."

The project team will have maps on display in the Iowa State exhibit tent during the Farm Progress Show.

"A multi-state, international event like Farm Progress Show is a wonderful venue to share the connection Iowa land has to 26 land grant universities," said Hansen. "It's sort of a treasure hunt for landowners and people connected to land in the northwest corner of the state, and fun for people associated with land grant universities."

Iowa is the first to identify and map land grant parcels within state borders, which seems natural when considering all the firsts related to agricultural education achieved in Iowa. Farm Progress Show visitors will have the opportunity to explore those firsts when the project team launches a new iPad app at the show. The app will engage visitors in a tour of Iowa, Iowa State and ISU Extension history – and perhaps spark new stories and connections with Iowa land.

LAURENS-MARATHON BOARD MINUTES

Special Board Meeting-August 22, 2018

The Laurens-Marathon School Board of Directors met for a special board meeting on Wednesday August 22, 2018, in the Laurens-Marathon media center. President Charles Harrold called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Roll call to establish quorum of the present board members included President Charles Harrold, Vice President Dorothy Lamberti, Pete Runneberg, and Laura Todd. Board member Deb Knobbie was absent. Also present was Superintendent Scott Williamson, Board Secretary Amy Hubbell and a few guests.

Runneberg moved, Todd seconded, to enter into closed session at 6:06 p.m., as provided in the Code of Iowa Section 21.5 (1)(a) of the open meetings law to review or discuss records which are required or authorized to be kept confidential. By roll call: Ayes Harrold, Lamberti, Runneberg and Todd. Nays-None. Motion passed 4-0. The board entered into closed session at 6:06 p.m. and re-entered into open session at 6:54 p.m. with no action taken.

With no further business to discuss, Lamberti moved, Runneberg seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. Motion passed 4-0. The next regular board meeting will be September 10, 2018.