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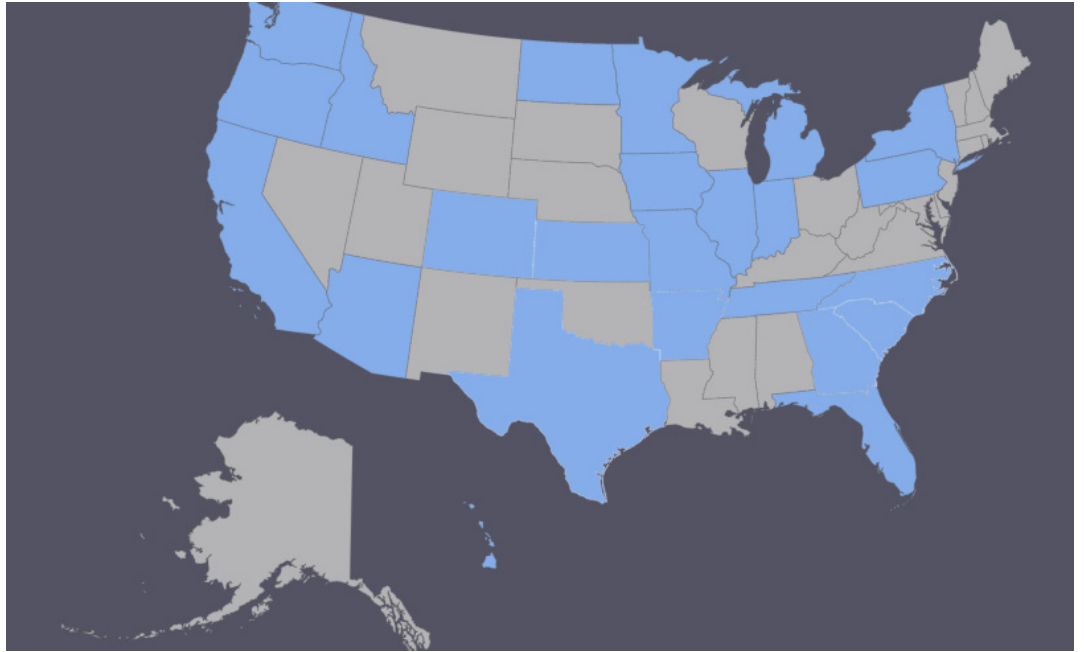
September 12,  
2018

## Local News

## Is Your State Blue!?

The Bellinghausen 2 for 1 Challenge is drawing to a close. So far, we have received donations from these States:

Arizona  
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California  
Colorado  
Florida  
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Hawaii  
Idaho  
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Indiana  
Iowa  
Kansas  
Michigan  
Minnesota  
Missouri  
New York  
North Carolina  
North Dakota  
Oregon  
Pennsylvania  
South Dakota  
Tennessee  
Texas  
Washington  
Wisconsin



If your state is not represented here, please take care of that! If your state is represented, pat yourself on the back and think about donating again!

So far our donations have totaled \$30,290. This means the Bellinghausen family will kick in \$60,580, bringing us up to \$90,870! That's a lot of drops in our pool!



### *At the Library* with Glenda Mulder September 12, 2018

Next Tuesday you will have the opportunity to meet or get reacquainted with L-M alumni Gwen Conklin as she asks the question, "Can You Go Home Again?" She has recently returned here to her roots, after many years in California where she worked in legal and law enforcement arenas, before finally returning to her first loves as an actor, writer and filmmaker. Will small town country living be too big of an adjustment? Or will she decide she can go home again – to stay?! Join us for this program on Tuesday, September 18 at 1 o'clock.

In memory of Gary Finnestad, we received the western novel *Depth of Winter* by Craig Johnson. This memorial is from the Laurens Class of 64. Just two other adult books this week, one fiction and one nonfiction. The nonfiction is, *Girl, Wash Your Face: Stop believing the lies about who you are so you can become who you were meant to be* by Rachel Hollis. There has been much talk among book people about this lifestyle guru's book about breaking the cycle of negativity, so I just had to order it! Our fiction book is *Lies* by T.M. Logan. If you like psychological thrillers, the reviewers say you won't be able to put this one down!


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 enjoying the author's writing style as I reread it. Grab a copy, read it, and join our discussion Monday, September 24 at 7 p.m.


Remember last week when I told you that our October calendar is filling up fast? Well, I added something else! Friday, October 5th at 1:30 p.m. Rachel Potter will be here to talk about her life-changing experiences with the kids and staff at STEMM in Tanzania this past summer. More details closer to the event!

### COMING EVENTS

- Book Club 7 p.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.
- Can You Go Home Again Tuesday, September 18 at 1 p.m.
- Card Class 4th Tuesday starting September 25
- Straight-laced Girls, Uptight Ladies & Loose Women by Kathy Wilson 1 p.m. Thursday, October 4th
- Summer in Tanzania by Rachel Potter October 5 @ 1:30 p.m.
- Women's Self Defense Class 6-8 p.m., Tues. October 9
- Sister City Travel 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 17
- Foundation Supper 5-7 p.m. October 18




## Can You Go Home Again?




After college, LM Alumni GWEN CONKLIN moved to California to pursue a career in the entertainment industry. Taking a break now, from her career as an actor, writer and filmmaker, Gwen has taken a journey back to her home town of Laurens, Iowa. She'll be living here for several months to see what it's 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?

# 1 pm TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18



## Laurens Public Library



## ***Real Estate Taxes are Due***

First half real estate and mobile home, drainage and special assessment taxes are due September 30, 2018. Because the last day of September falls on a Sunday, taxes can either be paid in the Treasurer Office on Monday, October 1, 2018 or postmarked October 1, 2018. After October 1st, interest of 1-1/2 % per month will apply to any unpaid taxes.

Please provide the payment stubs from the statements received in August to insure proper credit.

You may use the payment drop-box which is located at the east exit driveway of the north courthouse parking lot for your property tax payments.

You may also pay online at [www.iowatreasurers.org](http://www.iowatreasurers.org) by using a credit card or e-check.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 712-335-4334.

*Thank you for your payment!*

*Sarah Winkler, Pocahontas County Treasurer*

## ***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!

*Biggest Little Paper In Town!*

## ***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.



## ***Laurens Women's Club to Meet***

The Laurens Women's Club will meet at the Laurens Public Library on Friday, September 14 at 1:30 p.m. Jackie Stelter will present the program about "Southwest Adventure". Members of the serving committee will be Dorothy Long, Ann Beneke and Bertha Olson.

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# FUNDRAISING

Learn more &  
Donate online:

[www.inhf.org/laurenstrail](http://www.inhf.org/laurenstrail)

Donate by check:

Checks payable to Iowa  
Natural Heritage  
Foundation

Pocahontas County Trails  
702 NW 7th St  
Pocahontas, IA 50574

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.



### Services Held for Arlene Wessman



Arlene Wessman, age 92, of Albert City, Iowa, died on Friday, August 31, 2018, at the Pleasant View Home in Albert City.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Albert City. Burial was in the Fairfield Township Cemetery. The Sliefert Funeral Home in Albert City was in charge of arrangements.

Arlene Esther Peterson, the daughter of Waldemar and Esther (Gustafson) Peterson, was born on November 30, 1925, on a farm northwest of Albert City. She was baptized and confirmed at Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Albert City. Arlene attended the Albert City School and graduated in 1943 with her class of 24 students. Following graduation, she worked at Johnson Hardware in Albert City until she married

Richard Wessman on November 23, 1944. It was Thanksgiving Day and they spent that night at Arlene's parent's home, before leaving for Sioux City the next day.

In addition to raising her busy family, she worked part-time at Mohr's Grocery Store in Albert City and also at the Albert City Floral and Gift. In 1979, she and Richard had the opportunity to buy the Floral Shop, which they owned and operated for eleven years. Arlene really enjoyed the people she served while owning the flower shop.

Arlene was a member of Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Albert City, the WELCA at Our Saviors, the HOA Club, the Golden Rule Club, Young at Heart and a board member of the Historical Association for 15 years.

Arlene loved to bake. Her bread, cinnamon rolls, rye bread, pies and gravy were the best. When a family would come for a visit, spamburgers were always served. It was tradition. She crocheted afghans and our favorite "scratchies", that we will all miss. She sewed a quilt for each granddaughter and a blue jean quilt for each grandson. She and Richard took many trips to visit their children and enjoyed numerous bus trips together. She loved a good game of pinochle and was in many 500 card clubs. Arlene still loved to arrange flowers when she moved to the Pleasant View Home in October of 2016. She always greeted everyone she met with a smile. Arlene felt she was the "welcoming committee" at the Pleasant View Home for new residents. Arlene was still able to go to the farm and enjoyed cooking, freezing corn, planting flowers and even washing dishes.

Arlene's life will always be loved and cherished by her family which includes Rosemary Cohoon of Albert City, Iowa, Annette Boswell of Portland, Oregon, Dee Pearce (Jeff Gibbons) of Scottsdale, Arizona, Tom Wessman (Jodie Morin) of Albert City, Iowa, Patty (Marc) Hagenson of Tempe, Arizona, Linda (Bruce) Baier of Alta, Iowa, her grandchildren: Kerry Cohoon, Kert (Tracy) Cohoon, Kris Cohoon, Michael (Stephanie) Ackerman, Michelle (Ben) McCollum, Tokey (Eileen) Boswell, Addie (Adam) Crane, Meghan (Sean) Alfonso, Jessica (Shane) Melde, Heidi Hagenson, Calvin Hagenson, Ben Baier, Jamie (Aaron) Kennison, and Jessie (Kyle) Hansen, 12 great grandchildren, 3 great great grandchildren, one sister: Mavis Foster of Albert City, Iowa, one sister-in-law: Arlene Riffle of Perry, Iowa, many nieces, nephews and other extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Richard, her daughter, Anita Ackerman, two sisters-in-law, four brothers-in-law, and one grandchild.

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## *This Week at Bethany Lutheran*

**Pastor Scott Baker**

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

**Sunday: September 16, 2018**  
**17th Sunday after Pentecost**  
9:15 AM ~ Adult SS  
9:30 AM ~ Rally Sunday w/Root Beer Floats  
9:30 AM ~ 1st day of Youth SS  
10:30 AM ~ Worship w/Communion  
11:30 AM ~ Potluck  
11:30 AM ~ Christian Ed. Mtg.

**Thursday: September 20, 2018**  
9:00 AM ~ Morning Circle at Sandy George

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



## *This Week at First Christian*

**Pastor Rev. Rita Cordell**

**Wednesday, Sept. 12**  
7:00 p.m. - Lydia Group

**Friday, Sept. 14**  
7:00 p.m. - AA

**Sunday, Sept. 16**  
9:30 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. - Worship



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## *This Week at Laurens United Methodist Church*

**Pastor Ed Frank**

**Wed., Sept. 12th:**  
Book Club @9 a.m.

**Thurs., Sept. 13th:**  
Brain Trauma Support Group @ 6 p.m.

**Fri., Sept. 14th:**  
Men's Bible Study @ 7 a.m.

**Sun., Sept. 16th:**  
Adult Sunday School @ 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School @ 9:10 a.m.  
Fellowship Coffee @ 9:30 a.m.  
Worship @ 10:30 a.m.  
Larry Perkins filling the pulpit



## *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

**Confessions:** Saturday 4:15 pm at  
Resurrection

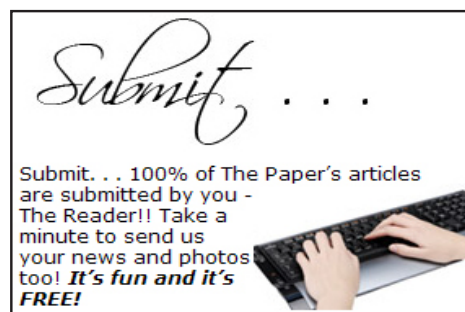
**Office:** 16 SW 2nd Street,  
Pocahontas

**Office Phone:** 712-335-3242

**Residence Phone:** 712-335-8065

**E-mail:** colly@ncn.net

**Pastoral Care:** Sister Renae  
Hohensee,  
563-552-8666



## *Develop Early Literacy One Step at a Time*

Parents can help their children develop literacy skills long before they are old enough to go to school. By starting early and making learning part of everyday activities, parents can encourage the skills children need for success in school later on, says Joy Rouse, a human sciences specialist with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

“Many parents already are doing literacy-building activities with their children, but may not realize the important skills they are sharing,” said Rouse, who specializes in family life issues.

“For example, by simply talking with your child, you help him or her learn the sounds of spoken language. Children can have fun while they are learning about the sounds,” Rouse said.

The first step to literacy is to develop listening skills. Parents can make a game of listening to sounds with their children and naming the sounds.

“You can speak the sounds to your child, or you can listen to a recording together, or you

can listen to sounds in your home or backyard or in the car or anywhere. You also can ask your child to match the sound with a picture of what makes the sound. Even though your child isn’t using written words, he or she is learning to listen carefully to differentiate the sounds,” Rouse said.

The next step is helping children learn to distinguish words that sound alike or rhyme. Many children’s books and songs contain rhyming. Families also can make their own books with words and pictures to illustrate the rhyming words.

“As you say the rhymes, be sure to emphasize the rhyming words by your tone of voice or body actions to help your child hear the sounds. At age 3, children are able to make simple rhymes. At around age 4 they will play with different words and sounds,” Rouse said.

The third step is alliteration – speaking adjacent words with the same first consonant or vowel sound. Parents may remember examples such as Silly Sally or Peter Piper, often referred to as tongue twisters. Children can help make up a tongue twister or find examples in books, Rouse said.

These activities can be a time for parents and their children to

have fun as well as learn. It also can be a time to get other family members involved in the fun.

“Building listening, rhyming and alliteration skills are some initial steps for developing literacy in children. These activities provide a way for families to have fun together while children learn and build skills that will lead to success in school, Rouse said.

For more information, see the following publications. They are available for free download from the Extension Store at <https://store.extension.iastate.edu>:

3-Year-Olds – Ages and Stages (PM 1530E)

4-Year-Olds - Ages and Stages (PM 1530F)

5-Year-Olds - Ages and Stages (PM 1530G)

Language Development - Understanding Children (PM 1529F)

Learning to Read and Write – Understanding Children (PM 1529E)

## *Red Cedar Tree Management and Markets Workshop and Tour*

If you have Eastern Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*) trees in your landscape, you may have noticed seedlings growing in areas you did not plant them. Eastern red cedar is native to much of the U.S. and offers protection and food for wildlife. The main reason red cedar trees spread into pastures and other landscapes is when birds or wildlife eat the berries. If these wild seedlings are not controlled, they can grow and take over open areas and pastures, changing the intended use of the property.

Red cedars can be managed to protect pastures while still leaving stands for wildlife. In an effort to update farmers, landowners and natural resource professionals on management and possible markets of red cedar, a workshop and tour has been planned for September 19, 2018 near Peterson, Iowa.

The Eastern Red Cedar Workshop and Tour will be held Wednesday, September 19, 2018 from 8:30 AM till 4:00 PM at the Prairie Heritage Center, 4931 Yellow Ave., Peterson, Iowa 51047. A workshop session will be held in the morning with a tour of red cedar sites with different management controls and needs in the afternoon.

Topics and speakers for this Red Cedar tree workshop include:

- Soil Health Potential by Tom Sauer, USDA - Ag Research Service, Ames, IA
  - The Good, Bad and Ugly – Red Cedar and Wildlife by Amy Crouch, The Nature Conservancy
  - Laboratory Evaluation of Biofuel Production by Junyong Zhu, US Forest Service
  - Screening Phytochemicals in Red Cedar for Development of Potential Entrepreneurial Opportunities by Chung-Ho Lin, University of Missouri Center for Agroforestry
  - Management Considerations for Red Cedar in Agroforestry Systems by Diomy Zamora/Gary Wyatt, University of Minnesota Extension
  - Eco-Cedar 1.0: A visual and Economic Decision Support Tool for Farm and Rangeland Managers by John Tyndall, Iowa State University
- Registration fee includes lunch.

Register on-line at this site: [www.regonline.com/RedCedar](http://www.regonline.com/RedCedar)

This research project was supported by funding from the North Central Regional Sun Grant Center at South Dakota State University through a grant from USDA.

For more information, contact Diomy Zamora, [zamor015@umn.edu](mailto:zamor015@umn.edu) or Gary Wyatt, [wyatt@umn.edu](mailto:wyatt@umn.edu).

To learn more about other landowner programs and how to manage your woodland or forest, look at My Minnesota Woods, [www.myminnesotawoods.umn.edu](http://www.myminnesotawoods.umn.edu) and [www.extension.umn.edu/agroforestry](http://www.extension.umn.edu/agroforestry)

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## *Publication Addresses Value of Cereal Rye for Cow-Calf Producers*

Cereal rye is a common feed used in cow-calf production, extending the grazing season, providing early spring forage or as an emergency area for spring calving during inclement weather.

Understanding how to grow cereal rye and best use the crop is the focus of a new Iowa State University Extension and Outreach publication titled “Grazing Opportunities with Cereal Rye” (IBC 0128). The publication is written by Beth Doran, beef specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach.

“Growing and using cereal rye is not without its challenges, but it has become the first choice of cover crops to graze because it grows rapidly and tolerates colder temperatures,” Doran said.

The publication provides best management practices for producers to use when grazing cereal rye with stocker cattle. Nine steps are listed for producers to think about and follow in order to grow cereal rye of the highest quality.

Included in the publication are a pair of tables that show research on both the yield and nutrient density of cereal rye.

“A high level of management is involved in successfully growing and grazing cover crops,” Doran said. “Whether it is cereal rye or another cover crop, cattle producers need to consider five things – the crop grown previous to the cover crop, the kind of cover crop to be grown, the crop that will be grown after the cover crop is terminated, the characteristics of the grazing animal and weather.”

Growing cereal rye can also provide added value for crop producers through selling excess feed, leasing crop acres to cattle producers to graze or temporarily grazing stocker cattle themselves.

“Leaving out the value of cereal rye as a feedstuff for livestock, it benefits a crop producer,” Doran said. “Cover crops improve soil health, nutrient retention and aid in weed control.”

## *Extension Programs Help Child Care Workforce Plan for Financial Well-being*

Working parents need access to quality child care, so they can go to work knowing their children will be safe and well cared for. However, the people who provide that care often face low wages and lack benefits such as health insurance, sick leave or retirement plans, making it a financial challenge for them to remain in the profession.

Providing quality child care is a matter of economics as well as workforce development, which Iowa State University Extension and Outreach addresses with research-based information and education, says human sciences specialist Sandra McKinnon.

“According to Early Childhood Iowa, Iowa leads the nation in the number of families with parents working outside the home. This State of Iowa initiative also has documented that in many Iowa communities, child care is unaffordable or inaccessible, or simply doesn’t exist,” said

McKinnon, who specializes in family finance.

“It is important to recruit and retain qualified individuals with the experience, knowledge and skills to provide the highest quality of care for young children, but who also are able to make a living in the child care profession,” McKinnon said.

**Financial well-being for child care professionals.** McKinnon and her family finance colleagues offer educational programming across the state and online, targeted to Iowa’s child care workforce and focused on financial well-being.

One of those programs is “Cent\$ible,” three workshops to help providers feel more comfortable with their financial situation. One workshop covers basic money management and two are about preparing for retirement.

“Our premise is with increased personal financial well-being, a career in early childhood can contribute to long-term financial security. Providers can concentrate on tasks at work, avoid absenteeism, remain in the profession and ultimately provide stability to the children in their care,” McKinnon explained.

“Hopefully this type of education will slow the decline in available child care across the state,” she added.

**Financial education for children.** Child care providers

also can play an important role in promoting beneficial financial behaviors in children, as many adult money habits are set by a very early age, McKinnon said.

ISU Extension and Outreach offers “Preschoolers and Pennies: Read, Talk, Learn and Play.” This workshop focuses on how to teach appropriate financial concepts to 3- to 5-year-olds with fun activities in the day-to-day learning environment.

“Munchkins and Moolah” focuses on teaching preschoolers about sharing, saving and spending, and “I Want! Building Good Consumers” focuses on the influence of media and advertising.

Child care providers may sign up for training via Iowa’s Child Care Provider Training Registry.

For more ideas, visit the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. Select consumer tools, then Money as You Grow, to find free activities and conversation starters for children ages 3 to 5, as well as information for older children. MyMoney.gov has information for youth, teachers, other educators and researchers. The site also offers games, fun facts and activity ideas.

## *Yard and Garden: Fall Lawn Care*

Proper lawn care in fall helps ensure an attractive, healthy lawn next season. Iowa State University Extension and Outreach horticulturists share tips on fall lawn care practices, including controlling broadleaf weeds, mowing, fertilizing and aerating. To have additional questions answered, contact the horticulture hotline at [hortline@iastate.edu](mailto:hortline@iastate.edu) or call 515-294-3108.

**When is the best time to apply a broadleaf herbicide to the lawn?** Fall (late September to early November) is the best time to control perennial broadleaf weeds in the lawn with broadleaf herbicides. In fall, perennial broadleaf weeds are transporting food (carbohydrates) from their foliage to their roots in preparation for winter. Broadleaf herbicides applied in fall will be absorbed by the broadleaf weed's foliage and transported to the roots along with the carbohydrates, resulting in the destruction of the broadleaf weeds.

Effective broadleaf herbicides include 2,4-D, MCPP, dicamba,

triclopyr and others. The most effective broadleaf herbicide products usually contain a mixture of two or three herbicides, as no single compound controls all broadleaf weeds. Broadleaf herbicides can be applied as sprays or granules. (Sprays are generally more effective than granular products in controlling broadleaf weeds.) Before applying any herbicide, carefully read and follow label directions.

**How long should I continue to mow the lawn?** Continue to mow the lawn until the grass stops growing in fall. The foliage of Kentucky bluegrass and other cool-season grasses usually stops growing in late October or early November in Iowa. Mow Kentucky bluegrass lawns at a height of 2½ to 3 inches in fall. When mowing the lawn, never remove more than one-third of the total leaf area at any one time. Accordingly, a lawn being mowed at a height of 3 inches should be cut when it reaches a height of 4½ inches.

**When should I fertilize the lawn?** Mid-September and late October/early November (after the grass has stopped growing) are excellent times to fertilize Kentucky bluegrass lawns in Iowa. Mid-September fertilization helps the grass recover from stressful

summer weather. An application of fertilizer in late October/early November promotes root growth and early green-up next spring. Apply no more than 1 pound of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet in a single application. Lawns also can be fertilized in spring (April to mid-May).

**When should I aerate the lawn?** Early September is an excellent time to aerate lawns growing in heavy, clay soils and those subject to heavy foot traffic. Aeration relieves soil compaction, improves water and nutrient movement in the soil, and prevents thatch accumulation.

Aerate lawns with a core aerator. Core aerators have hollow metal tubes or tines that remove plugs of soil. Remove soil cores that are approximately three-fourths of an inch in diameter and 3 inches in length. When completed, properly aerated lawns should have 20 to 40 holes per square foot. This usually requires several passes of the core aerator. Lawns also can be aerated in April or early May.

# City Council Minutes

September 5, 2018

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Mayor Rod Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Present were Council members, Jean Swanson, Aaron Christenson, Rich Newgard, John Jamison, Julie Potter, City Manager Hilary Reed, City Clerk Joan Hoben, Public Works Director Julian Johnsen City Attorney Ann Beneke, and Police Chief Tom Shaw.

Potter moved to approve the consent agenda with the amended minutes from the August 20th, 2018 meeting, and the list of claims. Christenson seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

## CLAIMS 09/05/18

ALLIANT ENERGY	POOL GAS BILL	1,147.66
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	702.59
CEMSTONE CONCRETE MATERIALS	CONCRETE FOR MUSIC GARDEN	936.00
CONNECTIONS, INC	GROUP INSURANCE	32.30
GALL'S	POLICE SUPPLIES	146.98
GILLMAN SERVICES	FINAL PAY REQUEST - REWRITE	32,348.20
GRAHAM TIRE SPENCER	NEW TIRES	121.26
HILARY REED	MILEAGE TO MEETING	99.67
ICMA	RETIREMENT 457	400.00
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	6,042.06
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	18.90
IPERS	IPERS	5,073.13
IPERS/PD	PROTECTED IPERS	1,778.16
JCL SOLUTIONS	CLEANING SUPPLIES	73.45
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	SEWER EQUIPMENT	2,320.68
JOHN RUNNEBERG	FORMS FOR CONCRETE PADS	1,163.72
LAURENS HOUSE OF PRINT	OFFICE SUPPLIES	166.00
LMU	MONTHLY UTILITIES	5,505.53
LAURENS SUN	NUSIANCE LEGALS	326.24
LEE BAILEY	MOWING EXPENSE	918.75
MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS	3/4 ROCK	484.05
MENARD'S	SHOP SUPPLIES	72.73
NORTH LAKE TRUCK REPAIR	GARBAGE TRUCK REPAIRS	137.12
POC COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	AMBULANCE BILLING	515.42
POC COUNTY RECORDER	RECORDS 202 BISSELL	15.60
POCAHONTAS TITLE CO	LIEN SEARCH	150.00
POCAHONTAS EQUIPMENT	CHAIN SAW PARTS	2.20
PRIME BENEFIT SYSTEMS	MAY GROUP INSURANCE	192.50
PRINCIPAL LIFE GROUP	GROUP LIFE	641.67
SANTANDER LEASING, LLC	PUMPER TRUCK	1,461.34
SIEPKER AUTO REPAIR	OIL FILTER	181.14
STAPLES	OFFICE SUPPLIES	154.07
STEVE FALES	CLEAN UP DEAD TREE - 512 SMITH	300.00
TREASURER STATE OF IA	STATE TAX	1,902.00
US BANK	CONFERENCE FEES / OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,853.81
USPS	MONTHLY BILLING POSTAGE	302.68
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONE	112.79
WELLMARK	SEPT. HEALTH INSURANCE	11,042.02
WEX BANKS	FUEL	580.52
	TOTAL	<u>79,422.94</u>

## PAYROLL

	8/27/2018	
001 GENERAL	6,230.77	
210 ROAD USE TAX	1,213.88	
600 WATER	2,098.01	
610 SEWER	2,092.86	
670 GARBAGE	2,498.64	
	<u>TOTAL</u>	14,134.16
001 GENERAL	5,454.13	
	<u>PAID TOTAL</u>	<u>99,011.23</u>

## BY FUND

001	GENERAL	27,382.58
110	ROAD USE TAX	4,042.00
112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	7,232.91
171	SISTER CITY	77.40
176	HOMETOWN PRIDE COMMITTEE	2,099.72
321	OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING	32,348.20
600	WATER	9,486.32
610	SEWER	9,595.57
670	GARBAGE	6,746.53
TOTAL BY FUND		<u>99,011.23</u>

## REVENUES

GENERAL	10,849.57
POLICE SPECIAL	4.00
ROAD USE TAX	19,021.22
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	374.49
EMERGENCY LEVY	22.84
LOCAL OPTION	8,418.06
SISTER CITY	100.00
POOL RESTRICTED	1,780.00
POCKET PARK	888.00
DEBT SERVICE	379.81
CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	41.57
WATER	45,564.23
SEWER	29,506.60
GARBAGE	20,326.47
STORM WATER	<u>3,070.22</u>
	<u><u>140,347.08</u></u>

Jamison moved to approve Resolution 15-18- Application for Tax Abatement. Swanson seconded. Roll call vote: Ayes: Potter, Jamison, Newgard, Christenson, Swanson. Nays: None.

After much discussion, Newgard moved to approve the first reading of amendments to Chapter 69, adding subparagraph four to 69.08 and the removal of 69.10. Swanson seconded. Roll call vote: Ayes: Potter, Jamison, Newgard, Christenson, Swanson. Nays: None.

Newgard moved to approve the resignation of Officer Brandon French with well wishes. Jamison seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Potter moved to adjourn at 5:51 p.m. Jamison seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Rod Johnson, Mayor

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Hilary Reed, City Clerk