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Local News

School Board News

By: Jeff Kruse

The Laurens-Marathon Board of Education met on Monday night, November 14. During the discussion section of the agenda, the board reviewed a 5-year financial plan. As a board, they set a target of maintaining an unspent balance of 15% for the next five years. Enrollment, state supplemental aid, and the rate expenditures grow have a direct impact on the budget. Enrollment decreased by 25 students this fall. State supplemental aid has not been set, but I would predict a low SSA rate. Expenditures tend to grow around 3-3.5% per year with the largest cost to a school being personnel salaries and benefits.

The board had a good discussion on the pros and cons of expanding the partial day sharing agreement with PAC. The board was unified with the concept of moving forward to whole grade share with PAC in grades 9-12 beginning with the 2017-18 school year. I have been directed to work with the administration from PAC to draft a possible sharing contract. The board currently does not have any plans to move toward reorganization.

In the Code of Iowa, Sections 282.10-12, it provides a mechanism

for schools to enter a whole grade sharing agreement by following certain procedures. For sharing to expand, a whole grade sharing agreement must be approved by February 1. Not less than 30 days prior to signing a whole grade sharing agreement, a public hearing must be conducted.

The last discussion item related to the needs assessment conducted by IASB. First of all, thank you to those who were able to complete the survey. The board intends to review the characteristics of effective education over the next several months, focusing on a different topic area each month, starting with goals and

priorities.

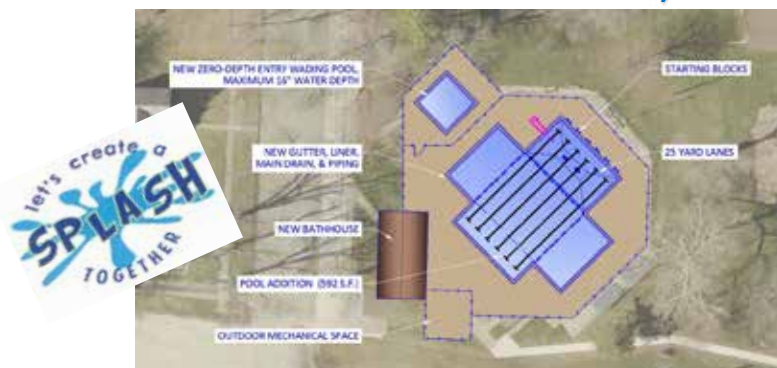
A resolution was approved for a Voter PPEL election next September. PPEL can be used to improve buildings and grounds, for transportation needs, and technology. The district currently has a Voter PPEL set to expire at the end of FY18. If approved by the voters, the new PPEL would be for an additional 10 years and could be funded by a mix of property taxes and income surtaxes. And finally, the board approved the SIAC goals as presented.

The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 12, starting at 6:00 p.m. at the school.

Meet the NEW Laurens Pool!!

Thursday, December 1st 3-6 pm

at Laurens Public Library



Join Pool Committee members for coffee,
cookies and answers to your questions!

Holiday



Volunteers Needed

Charger Pride

Holiday Gift Shop

Charger Pride is having a Holiday Gift Shop for the students at Laurens-Marathon this year. The Holiday Gift shop is a special event for the students. Charger Pride and volunteers set up a “gift-store” in the school. Students can purchase gifts for family and friends in a safe, friendly and comfortable environment. Students learn the importance of saving money and can plan their purchases in a positive learning environment. All gifts are “kid priced” as low as \$.50. The gifts will be placed in gift bags at the shop and sent home with the students.

Shop dates are December 1st, 2nd, 5th, 6th, and 7th. We need volunteers to staff the shop on those dates from 11:45 am to 3:30 pm. Even if you can only do one day for an hour, any help would be appreciated. You will be helping the students shop, checking them out, and bagging/wrapping the gifts.

Please contact Allison Price with any questions or if you are able to volunteer your time at the shop.

Allison1971@sbcglobal.net

Home: 845-2327

At the Library with Glenda Mulder November 23, 2016

Happy Thanksgiving! I love this holiday that reminds us of all that we have to be thankful for! One of the things I am thankful for is a long family weekend. The Library will be closed Thursday, Friday & Saturday, so stock up now to assure you have enough reading materials!

New fiction at the library lately include: *When All the Girls Have Gone* by Jayne Ann Krentz, *I'll Take You There* by Wally Lamb, *Wings vs the World* by Jade Chang, *Bookshop on the Corner* by Jenny Colgan, *Guineveres* by Sarah Domet, *The Whole Towns Talking* by Fannie Flagg, *Faithful* by Alice Hoffman and *Fractured* by Catherine McKenzie. The Class of '64 donated large print volumes of *W, X & Y* in Sue Grafton's alphabet series in memory of classmate Wes Etheridge. *Finding Dory* is our newest DVD.

Attention TumbleBooks kids e-book users! There has been a bit of a change. You still follow the link on the Library's webpage. But now they may ask for your library card number the first time you use a device. Here's your hint: it's a "p" followed by 4 digits. If you don't remember it, call the library (Or maybe just try making one up....I didn't try that, but I now wish I had!)

Our November Book Club choice is *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* by William Kamkwamba. This is the true story of an African teenager who built a windmill from scraps to create electricity for his home and his village, improving life for himself and his neighbors. He did all this after reading books in his local library! I got an early start on my book and have to say, I am totally enjoying it! We will meet November 28 to discuss this book.

- Tell Me a Yarn every Monday 5-7 p.m.
- Card Making 4th Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
- Take it Tuesday 1st Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
- Book Club is 4th Monday at 7 p.m.

The Laurens VFW (VFW Post #3533) is raffling off a Ruger 10/22 Take Down Rifle on Saturday, December 24. (Need not be present to win.)

Tickets:

1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10

All proceeds go to the
Brushy Creek Area
Honor Flight.

Contact a Laurens VFW
member for a ticket!



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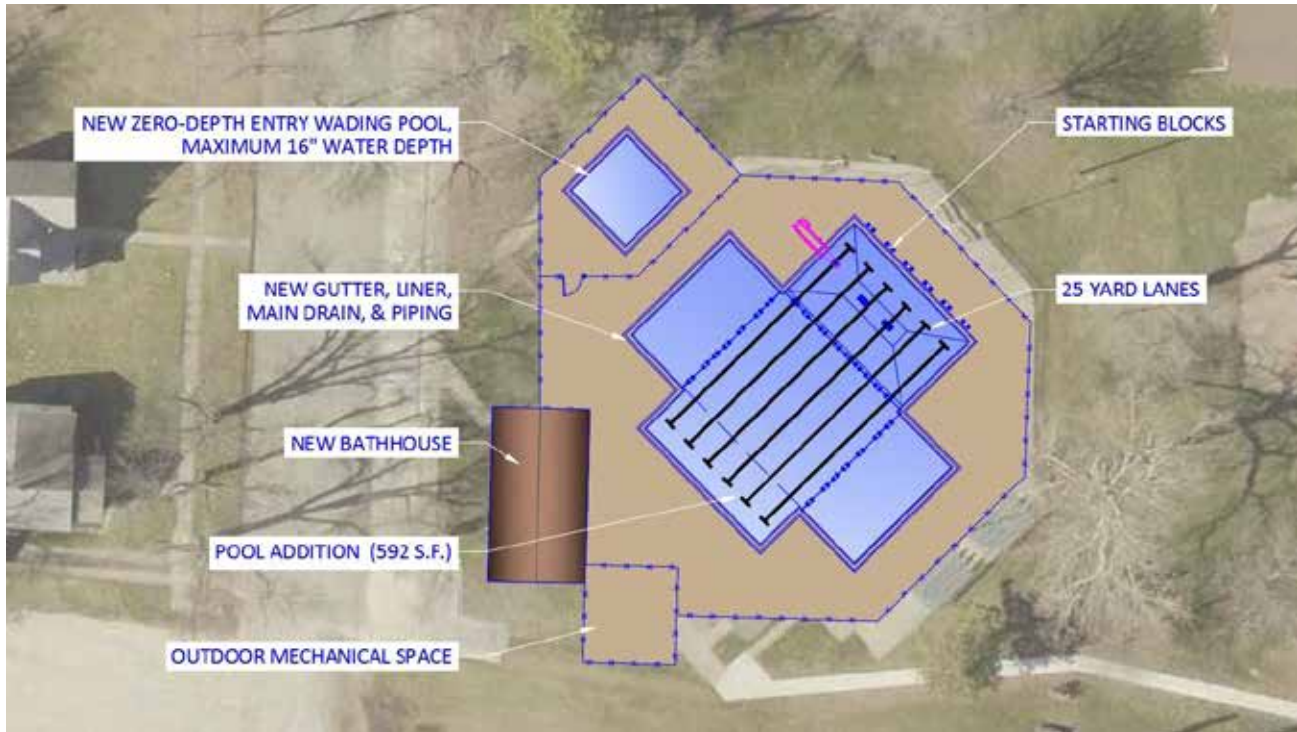
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Meet the New Laurens Pool



The Laurens Pool Committee has rolled out a new reduced cost and affordable pool project for the Laurens Community. The pool cost has been reduced by over one million dollars. This very thoughtful project has been developed by the hardworking Pool Committee over the past 6-7 months and includes the following features:

- The failing 61-year old bathhouse will be replaced. The existing bathhouse is located only six feet from the back of the pool wall and does not offer efficient space for renovation or deck space. The new bathhouse will be located as shown in the above site plan, resulting in a very efficient layout.
- The 61-year old swimming pool, although structural stable, suffers from severe leakage and does not have proper swimming lanes. This pool vessel will be renovated with a small extension creating the correct swimming lanes, an addition of a ADA staircase, new perimeter gutter and all new deck. To leak proof the pool vessel, a heavy duty PVC liner will be installed, eliminating the bi-annual pool painting.
- The failed pool piping will be replaced and new recirculation equipment will be installed.
- The renovated pool will still have diving, proper swim lanes and play area. With this new layout multiple activities can occur in the pool vessel at the same time.
- The total cost for the project is \$1.94m and will result in many years of service to the community.
- Your financial help is much needed to bring this project into reality.

Let's make a BIG splash in Laurens!



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, Nov. 23

1:00 p.m. - Willing Workers

7:00 p.m. - Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service at Bethany Lutheran Church

Thursday, Nov. 24

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Friday, Nov. 25

7:00 p.m. - AA

Sunday, Nov. 26

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship

Biggest Little Paper In Town!

This Week at Bethany Lutheran

Wednesday: November 23, 2016

7:00 PM ~ Laurens Ecumenical

Thanksgiving Service

Host: Bethany Lutheran Church

Speaker: Pastor Ed Frank

Sunday: November 27, 2016

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

NO SS & Confirmation

9:15 AM ~ Coffee Fellowship

9:15 AM ~ Adult SS

10:30 AM ~ Worship w/Communion

11:30 AM ~ Light Lunch & Decorate for Christmas

Ushers: Jim & Margaret Nomann

Greeters: Brian & Jennifer Runneberg

NO Laurens Area Youth Group

Monday: November 28, 2016

7:00 PM ~ Hand Bell Rehearsal

Tuesday: November 29, 2016

10:00 AM ~ Coffee Time

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



Bethany
LUTHERAN CHURCH
North American Lutheran Church

This Week at Laurens United Methodist Church

Wed., Nov. 23rd:

NO Puppet Troop

Thurs., Nov. 24th:

Happy Thanksgiving

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Fri., Nov. 25th:

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Sun., Nov. 27th:

Adult Sunday School @9:10 am

Sunday School (kids) @ 9 a.m.

Fellowship @ 9:30 a.m.

Hanging of the Greens Worship Service @ 10:30 a.m.

Festival of Trees set up 3-7 p.m.

Choir practice @ 7 p.m.

NO Youth Group

Mon., Nov. 28th:

Festival of Trees set up 9 a.m.-7 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 29th:

Festival of Trees set up 9 a.m.-7 p.m.



Sacred Heart Church Laurens

Pastor ~ Father Francis Makwinja

Weekday Mass : Friday - 8:00 AM

Weekend Mass: Sunday - 10:30 AM (November-February)

Cluster Parishes

St. Joseph Catholic Church, Sioux Rapids

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

Weekend Mass: Sunday - 8:30 AM (November-February)

St. Louis Catholic Church, Royal

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

Weekend Mass: Saturday - 5:00 PM (November-February)



Service Held Recently for John Galbraith

John B. Galbraith - age 70, of Laurens, passed away Wednesday, November 16, 2016, at the Pocahontas Community Hospital in Pocahontas, Iowa.

John Blaine Galbraith was born June 12, 1946, in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. He was the son of Ralph and Grace (Robarge) Galbraith. John graduated from Hibbing High School in Hibbing, Minnesota in 1964. He then went on to attend Hibbing Junior College for Forestry and graduated from the Minnesota School of Business in 1969. On June 20, 1970, John married Linda Lagerquist in Bloomington, Minnesota. The couple lived in Minnesota and in Illinois before settling in Laurens in 1989. They operated a variety store in Pine Island, Minnesota and later in Laurens. John went on to work at Scrivner Foods,

Fleming, Trinity Regional Medical Center and for the Laurens - Marathon School District as a custodian and bus driver.



John was a member of the Bethany Lutheran Church and Laurens Chamber of Commerce. He was a past president of the Laurens Kiwanis and was a past president of the Pine Island Lions, where he received an Outstanding Young Businessmen's Award. John was

a huge NASCAR fan, he loved hunting, fishing, boating, being outdoors and watching hockey.

Survivors include his wife, Linda of Laurens; children, Nicole (Mike) Murray of Shakopee, MN and Anna (Ryan) Buck of Ames; a grandson, Liam Murray; sisters-in-law, Susan and Cheri Lagerquist of Minneapolis, MN and several cousins. John was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation was held on Sunday, November 20, 2016 at Powers Funeral Home in Laurens.

Memorial service was held on Monday, November 21, 2016 at Bethany Lutheran Church in Laurens.

60th Wedding Anniversary

Come join Ray and Marge Anderson of Sioux Rapids as they celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, December 4th, with an open house and dance from 1-5 p.m. at the Marathon Community Center. The Leon Olsen Band will be playing for the celebration. It will be hosted by their children Loren and Lisa Anderson, Teresa and Wayne Stephens, Doyle and Melanie Anderson and families.



Services Held for Chris Vierow

Robert "Chris" Vierow, age 81, of Albert City, Iowa and formerly of Marathon, Iowa died Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at Pleasant View Nursing Home in Albert City.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, October 29 at the United Methodist Church in Marathon. The Sliefert Funeral Home in Albert City was in charge of the arrangements.

Robert "Chris" Vierow was born August 24, 1935, the son of William and Florence (Smith) Vierow.

He was baptized and confirmed into the Lutheran Faith.

Chris was raised in Ayrshire and the family moved to Laurens while he was still young. Chris attended school in Laurens, and began his agriculture career at a young age.

On April 3, 1954, Chris was united in marriage to Garnet Lane at the Methodist Church in Jackson, Minnesota. Together, the couple was blessed with three children: Brenda, Vickie, and Kelley.

For 60 years, Chris worked for John Deere, starting as a mechanic and then in sales. He worked in various John Deere implements throughout his life such as Art Johnson Implement in Marathon, Quality Equipment in Peterson, and Laurens Equipment.

Chris served as a member of the

Marathon Park Board. He was also a member of the United Methodist Church in Marathon.

Fishing, hunting, and playing cards were some of Chris' favorite pastimes. He also collected John Deere toys. Most of all, Chris loved spending time with his grandchildren and family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.



Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Garnet Vierow of Albert City, Iowa; children: Brenda (Tim) Hawley of Laurens, Iowa; Vickie (Chuck) Erickson of Marathon, Iowa; Kelley Archer (Mike Dornsbach) of Marathon, Iowa; grandchildren: Kari (Adrian) Christensen, Tracy (Hector) DeLaO,

Adrian (Sara) Erickson, Abbey (Brad) Greene, Cody Archer, Tanner Archer; step grandchildren: Alyssa, Jon and Michael Hawley; great grandchildren: Sarah and Sophie Christensen; Arabella DeLaO; Ajay, Mollie, and Brody Erickson; Greyson Archer; step great grandchildren: Reuben, Yesenia, Julianna, Xavier DeLaO; sister, Marjorie (Gary) Kramer of Palmer, Iowa; sister-in-law, Erma Westercamp of Newton, Iowa; aunt, Shirley Smith of Ayrshire, Iowa; several nieces and nephews; extended family and friends.

Chris was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Joan Vierow; brother, Clifford (Muriel) Vierow; and son-in-law, Tom Archer.

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Services Held for Lois E. Kneedler

Lois was born on June 28, 1926 at home on the family farm in Palo Alto County, Iowa; the third child and second daughter of Martin and Virginia Dahlberg. She attended elementary school in a one room schoolhouse built on a corner section of land donated by her father and went on to attend and graduate from Laurens High School, Laurens, IA in 1943. During those years, she played clarinet and marched in the band; developing a life-long love of marching bands and their music.



Lois briefly attended Morningside College before returning to Laurens to work. After WWII, she moved to Des Moines where she resided for the rest of her life. She raised two children on her own after a brief marriage and, despite the obstacles of the time, purchased her own home where she resided until moving into Assisted Living in 2012. In September, 1971, she married Larry Kneedler who preceded her in death in February, 2015.

In 1988, Lois retired after more than 32 years as a cashier for the Polk County Treasurer's Office-Motor Vehicle Division. After retirement, she would frequently say that she didn't know how she had found time to work. She enjoyed traveling and being with her sisters,

Eleanor, Helen and Dorothy, and her daughter and grandchildren in Texas. She doted on her family, enjoyed being known as 'Nana' to her grandchildren and 'Super Nana' to her great-grandchildren.

She worked to stay in contact with extended family scattered across the continent and diligently researched and documented the family genealogy through accessing libraries and dusty records long before the advent of the internet. She also loved crafts and working on the various projects and ministries of her beloved church, Sheridan Park United Methodist Church in East Des Moines, where she served in various leadership and membership positions.

Lois was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Larry Kneedler, her brother and wife, Ernest & Donna Dahlberg, sister and husband, Eleanor & Thomas

Shepperdson, sister and husband, Helen & Loren Hudson.

She is survived by her daughter and husband, Sandra & Thomas Masters of Midland Park, NJ and son and wife, Ronald & Margaret Dahlberg of Des Moines; three grandchildren and grandchildren-in-laws, Kristine (& Kevin) Thompson of Pearl River, NY, Andrew (& Jennifer) Masters of Laredo, TX, and Kasey (& Nathan) Geary of Elizabethtown, KY, and three great-grandsons, Ethan Thompson of Pearl River, NY and Jacob & Caleb Masters of Laredo, TX in addition to several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Sheridan Park United Methodist Church, 4100 East Sheridan Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50317.

HELP WANTED

Immediate opening for a part time position.

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-2 p.m.

Some Saturdays 8:00 a.m.-12 noon.

Duties: dispatching, computer knowledge and bookkeeping.

Strong telephone and organizational skills a must.

Send resume to Triple R Trucking Inc P.O. Box 102 Laurens IA 50554.

National ‘Your Money, Your Goals’ Training Comes to Spencer December 2016

Gain tools and resources to help others define their financial goals, use credit wisely, manage debt effectively and access appropriate community resources with the “Your Money, Your Goals” toolkit from Iowa State University Extension and Outreach on Tuesdays, December 13 and December 20 from 9:30 AM-3:00PM at the Prairie Lakes Area Education Agency, 23 East 7th Street, Spencer, IA.

Beginning December 13, 2016, with the second session on December 20th, the ISU Human Sciences Extension and Outreach is offering an 8-hour training on the “Your Money, Your Goals,” toolkit. This professional training is designed for service providers, volunteers, clergy members or anyone interested in helping others take steps towards financial stability and self-sufficiency. Professionals will learn how to help themselves and others when they: develop a spending plan and save money, get and review a credit report, make a simple plan to pay down debt, access appropriate community resources, and understand influences on financial decision-making.

The Your Money Your Goals course location will be at Prairie Lakes Area Education Agency, 23 East 7th Street, Spencer, Iowa. Course Registration is through the Clay County Extension Office at: 712-262-2264. Ask for the registration brochure, which can be found online at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/clay/>

Registration of \$75, which includes all course materials, is pending with a possible grant that may pay for a portion of the fee. An additional \$10 for lunch is available as well as CEUs are available for an additional fee.

For additional information, visit: www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/your-money-goals.

Or contact your Family Finance Specialist, Jan Monahan, jmonahan@iastate.edu, phone: 712-336-3488 and Carol Ehlers, xehlers@iastate.edu, phone: 712-732-5056.

Pest Control Operators Course Offered Dec. 7

Register before Dec. 7 for fall commercial pesticide applicator training recertification!

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County office will host a Pest Control Operators Continuing Instruction Course (CIC) for commercial pesticide applicators on Wednesday, December 7, 2016. The program is offered at office locations across Iowa through the ISU Extension and Outreach Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP).

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. followed by sessions from 9 to 11:30 a.m. To register or to obtain additional information about the CIC, contact Dianne Dirks at the ISU Extension and Outreach office in Pocahontas County by phoning 712-335-3103 or email dianned@iastate.edu.

The course will provide continuing instruction credit for commercial pesticide applicators certified in categories 7A (General Household Pest), 7B (Termite), 8 (Public Health), and 10 (Research and Demonstration). The course will cover bed bug, ant, rodent and termite control while emphasizing ways to reduce human exposure in sensitive locations.

Presenters this year include Drs. Eric Benson, Clemson University and Fred Whitford, Purdue University.

Additional information and registration forms for this and other courses offered through PSEP can be accessed at www.extension.iastate.edu/PSEP.

Fun with Renewable Energy



Ben Applegate, kneeling, instructs a student on how to make a solar car.

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach and University of Northern Iowa partnered to offer children in 4th – 8th grade solar and wind energy activities. Pocahontas County 4-H alumni Ben Applegate represented UNI and assisted Pat Higby, University of Northern Iowa, Energy Education and Outreach Coordinator, instructing students on making a solar car and a wind turbine. It was a beautiful sunny fall morning so children were able to run their solar powered cars on the playground at Pocahontas Area Community School. If you would like to find out about other youth activities in Pocahontas County, contact the ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County at 712-335-3103.



Ryan Panbecker is making his wind turbine move.

Beef Weigh-in

All market calves that will be exhibited at the 2017 Pocahontas County Fair must be weighed-in on Saturday, December 17 from 9:00-10:30 a.m. at the Dale Wenell farm, Albert City. If you have questions, please contact the ISU Extension and Outreach Office at 712-335-3103 or lzeman@iastate.edu

5th Annual Community 4-H Meal

Pocahontas County 4-H'ers under the direction of Master Food Volunteer Heather Hull, prepared turkey, garlic mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, fruit salad, dinner rolls, and pumpkin pie for over 100 members of our community. This meal gave the children an opportunity to learn basic kitchen safety and cooking skills as well as serving their community. Thank you to the members of our community for letting the children practice their skills preparing the meal and your coming out to enjoy the meal with family and friends.



Best Job Ever! 4-H'ers top fresh baked pumpkin pie with real whipped cream!

4-H Awards Day

Pocahontas County 4-H'ers were honored for their accomplishments at the 4-H annual awards matinee. 4-H'ers applied for awards based on their project areas they were involved in during the 2015-2016 4-H year as well as involvement awards. Candace and Kyle Brinkman were recognized for each of them serving 5 years as a 4-H leader. Donna Seehusen was honored for her 20 years of service to the Pocahontas County 4-H program. If you have children in 4th-12th grade that would like to be involved in 4-H, please contact the ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County office at 712-335-3103.



Terry Janssen, ISU Extension and Outreach Region 6 Education Director is presenting Donna Seehusen a 20 years of 4-H volunteer service award.

City Council Minutes

November 7th, 2016

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal Building at 5:00 p.m. on November 7th, 2016. Mayor Pro Tem Rich Newgard called the meeting to order. Present were Council members Jean Swanson, Pat Sullivan, Sid Enockson, Julie Potter, City Attorney Ann Beneke, City Manager Hilary Reed, City Clerk Joan Hoben, Public Works Director Julian Johnsen, and Police Chief Chris Toner.

Potter motioned to approve the amended consent agenda consisting of the agenda, minutes from the October 3rd meeting, and the original list of claims plus the additional claim for Vaughn DeLoss Construction ; seconded by Swanson. Ayes all; motion carried.

Swanson moved to approve Vaughn Deloss Pay Request #14 subject to the city receiving the signed copy of the amended contract. Potter seconded.

CLAIMS	10-17-16		
AFLAC		SEPT. AFLAC	1,267.40
AIRGAS NORTH CENTRAL		MEDICAL SUPPLIES	29.20
ALLIANT ENERGY		UTILITIES	28.05
AMAZON		BOOKS AND DVDS	251.87
ARAMARK		MOPS/RUGS/RAGS	385.93
ASHER MOTOR CO		POLICE REPAIRS	442.45
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE		EYE CARE INSURANCE	156.21
BAKER & TAYLER		BOOKS AND DVDS	944.96
BARB SMITH		MILEAGE	18.25
BROWN SUPPLY CO		WATER SUPPLIES	164.87
CAPSTONE PRESS, INC.		KID'S NONFICTION BOOKS	1,310.33
CONNECTIONS, INC		GROUP INSURANCE	38.76
COUNSEL		COPIES	51.77
DELTA DENTAL		NOV. DENTAL GROUP INS.	716.48
DEMCO		BOOKS AND DVDS	104.24
DENNIS FITCHETT		AMBULANCE TRAINING	310.00
FIRE PROOF PLUS		ANNUAL INSPECTION	649.86
FIRST COOP		MISC SUPPLIES	53.00
HALLETT MATERIALS		COLD PATCH	478.50
HANCOCK CONCRETE			
PRODUCTS		W MAIN & BISSELL ST.	3,717.59
HD SUPPLY WATERWORKS		DRAIN SUPPLIES	195.29
HILARY REED		MILEAGE	18.25
IMFOA		RENEWAL FEE	50.00
IRS		FED/FICA	5,126.74
IOWA ONE CALL		LOCATES	20.70
JCL SOLUTIONS		CLEANING SUPPLIES	109.27
JERRY DEAN		NUISANCE MOWING	250.00
		WRIGHT RELOCATION	
JIRGENS HOUSING LLC		ARRANGEMENT	420.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL		LAWN MOWER SUPPLIES	34.69
K&J CURB GRINDING		N 5TH ST. CURB GRINDING	150.00
LAURENS FOOD PRIDE		CLEANING SUPPLIES	3.38
LAURENS HOUSE OF PRINT		COPY PAPER	45.00
LMPC		PHONE AND INTERNET	113.40
LMU		MONTHLY UTILITIES	377.60
LAURENS STATE BANK		OCT. GARBAGE TRUCK PAYMENT	1,647.90
LAURENS SUN		LEGALS	526.86
MET		WASTEWATER TESTING	158.00
MARTIN MARIETTA			
MATERIALS		STREET REPAIRS	402.28
MARTIN PEST CONTROL		MOSQUITO CONTROL	1,095.00
MENDARDS		SUPPLIES	49.98
MW FIRE EQUIP & REPAIR		SERVICE ON TRUCKS 360/361	945.00
NAPA		SUPPLIES	287.54
NW IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES		2016-2017 DUES	25.00
OFFICE ELEMENTS		OFFICE SUPPLIES	36.90
POC. CO SECONDARY ROAD		CONTRACTOR EXPENSE	3,036.16
POC COUNTY RECORDER		WARRANTY DEED	71.00
POCAHONTAS FORD		AMBULANCE REPAIRS	584.33
POCAHONTAS SOLID WASTE			5,485.62
POCAHONTAS EQUIPMENT		SUPPLIES	569.84
PRIME BENEFITS SYSTEM		GROUP INSURANCE	2,096.25
PRINCIPAL LIFE GROUP		GROUP INSURANCE	837.15
PRO COOP		SEPT. FUEL	1,572.82
RB LUMBER COMPANY		CATCH BASIN	96.89
SANTANDER LEASING LCC		STREET SWEEPER LEASE	3,390.81
SECURE SHRED SOLUTIONS		SHREDDING PAPERS	24.00

City Council Minutes

SERVICEMASTER	SERVICE CALL	185.87
SHAMROCK RECYCLE INC.	SEPT CURB SIDE RECYCLING	1,606.61
SIMMERING-CORY INC	2015 HOUSING PROJECT	3,700.00
SPENCER HOSPITAL	AMBULANCE BILLING	107.70
STEVE FALES	NUSIANCE TREE REMOVAL	1,100.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	226.10
WELLMARK	MONTHLY HEALTH INS.	7,451.53
WEX BANKS	POLICE SEPT. FUEL	382.54
	TOTAL	<u>55,733.72</u>
PAYROLL	10/10/2016	
001	GENERAL	6,003.41
210	ROAD USE TAX	1,344.55
600	WATER	2,215.81
610	SEWER	1,959.69
670	GARBAGE	2,221.17
PAYROLL	10/14/2016	
001	GENERAL	498.11
600	WATER	498.11
610	SEWER	498.11
670	GARBAGE	498.12
PAYROLL	10/17/2016	
600	WATER	857.00
	TOTAL	<u>16,594.08</u>
	PAID TOTAL	<u>72,327.80</u>
BY FUND		
001	GENERAL	20,588.91
110	ROAD USE TAX	3,639.44
112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	6,172.64
200	DEBT SERVICE	3,390.81
317	PRAIRIE PARK TRAIL	3,036.16
321	OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING	4,120.00
600	WATER	7,125.09
610	SEWER	5,757.93
670	GARBAGE	12,972.62
765	STORM WATER	3,998.78
	TOTAL BY FUND	<u>70,802.38</u>
REVENUES BY FUND		
001	GENERAL	122,295.82
112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	54,618.04
113	EMERGENCY LEVY	3,579.66
121	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	7,418.82
125	TIF	40,244.25
200	DEBT SERVICE	63,231.97
300	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	7,012.20
670	GARBAGE	580.00
		<u>298,980.76</u>

Chad Cleveland and Glenda Mulder, on behalf of Let's Make a Splash Together-New Pool Committee, presented the Council with the newest pool concept and design.

Kevin Dubbert, on behalf of the Masonic Lodge asked the council for sewer charge forgiveness for a water leak. Based on past precedence of water being treated at the lagoon, Sullivan made a motion to deny the sewer charge forgiveness. Swanson seconded. Newgard abstained. All ayes; motioned carried.

Geoffrey Hallcock asked the council for a sewer charge forgiveness due to a busted pipe under his house. Sullivan motioned, since the water was not treated at the lagoon, past precedence has been to forgive sewer charges. Potter seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

A citizen commented on her concerns regarding the street repairs on south second street.

Potter motion to adjourn at 6:00 pm. Second by Enockson. All ayes. Motion carried

Rod Johnson, Mayor

Hilary Reed, City Manager