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Local News

2019 Albert City Threshermen & Collectors Show Results

The total attendance for the 49th Annual Threshermen & Collectors Show held west of Albert City on August 9, 10, and 11 was 9,416 people.

EXHIBITS

We had great exhibitor turnout, with a total of 715 exhibits coming from all over the United States during the show.

We had 124 total feature Massey tractors and implements, plus 237 tractors of all makes and models, 26 implements, 80 antique autos, 37 trucks, 17 horses and mules, 5 large gas engines, 70 stationery engines, 39 miscellaneous exhibits, 24 military exhibits, 31 garden & yard tractors, plus a wide variety of toy and doll show displays, and many vendors selling toys and farm related items.

CAMPGROUND

There are primitive campground sites available across from the Threshermen Site, which are enjoyed by many families each year. Registered at the campground this year were 51 camping units.

TOY & DOLL SHOW

Both the Toy Show and Doll Show were held at the Albert City

Threshermen & Collectors Site during the 49th annual show.

In the Doll Show, there were 103 dolls displayed by: Joe & Karen Wadsley of Odebolt, Barb Halligan of Laurens and Colleen & David White of Laurens.

RAFFLE TRACTOR

The winner of the raffle for the Massey 44 Tractor was Marvin Trojahn of Hartley, IA

The winner of the raffle for the 1/16 replica of the Massey Ferguson 1150 was Mike Jensen

The winner for the wooden replica Massey 44 was Terry Lampe of Sac City, IA

The winner of the raffle for the pedal tractor was Mike Nilles

Two handmade leather belts were donated for raffle, and the winners of those were Wayne Haimgartner and Steve Olson

FLOWER POWER CONTEST

Adult bucket, 1st: Denise Huskamp

2nd: Jean Carlson

Adult planter, 1st: Kathy Sangwin

2nd: Jean Carlson

3rd: Kris Ehlers

4th: Denise Huskamp

Teen planter, 1st: Jenna Saunders

2nd: Keelee Leitzen

3rd: Wyatt Erickson

Youth bucket, 1st: Wyatt Huskamp

2nd: Zoey Peterson

3rd: Barrett Peterson

Youth planter, 1st: Natalie Leitzen

2nd: Annie Huskamp

3rd: Joshua Huskamp

PIE CONTEST

Our 4th Annual Bring Your Pie to Church contest results were:

1st Place – Denise Huskamp, Newell, IA

2nd Place – Roger Bjork, Albert City, IA

3rd Place – Heidi Small, Newell, IA

2019 TRACTOR PULL RESULTS

3000 Stock-Skip Anderson, Marathon

3500 Stock-Jerry Hansen, Estherville

4000 Stock-Tony Zabka, Whittemore

4000 Open-David Petty, Cylinder

4500 Stock-JJ McKenna, Storm Lake

4500 Open-Cole Franzmeier, Rembrandt

5000 Stock-Mike Franzmeier, Rembrandt

5000 Open-Cole Franzmeier, Rembrandt

5500 Stock-Jerry Crotty, Humboldt

5500 Open-Cole Franzmeier, Rembrandt

6000 Stock-Grant Smith, Webb

6500 Stock-Kevin Wuebker, Lovilia

7500 Stock-Bob Freidrich, Humboldt

8500 Stock-Kevin McKenna, Storm Lake

9500 Stock-Wayne Wuebker, Ayrshire

10500 Stock-Wayne Wuebker, Ayrshire

Biggest Little Paper In Town!



Don Aschenbrenner and Becky Braesch as Dr. Harry Pitluck and his wife, Evie.



Thaine Hopkins as his dad, Roy "Hoppy" Hopkins, Jr, Laurens barber.



Clarence Siepker as Edward "Lucky" Luchsinger, owner of Lucky's Drive In restaurant.



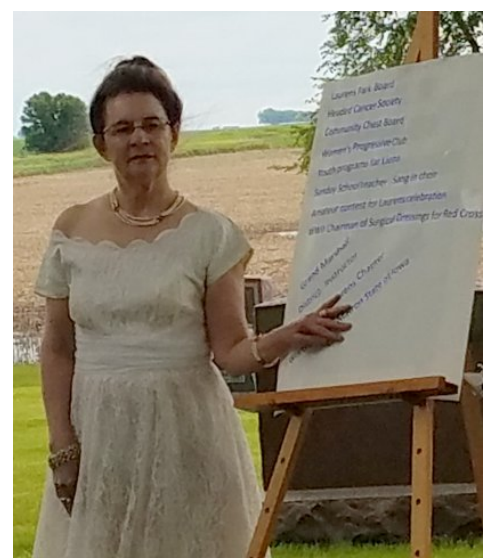
Marilyn Ehlers as Rudy Eaton.



Jerry Korrekt portraying his dad, Darrell "Huey" Korrekt.



Dr. Alfred Sundberg, veterinarian, portrayed by Rich Newgard.



Bernice "Biddie" Sundberg, his wife, portrayed by Connie Dallenbach.



Rich Ehlers as Fred Eaton.



Thaine Hopkins as his dad, Roy "Hoppy" Hopkins, Jr. speaking to guests on the trolley.



Tom Shaw in uniform of Union soldier.



Civil War military recognition.



***Thank you to
everyone who
made our Annual
Cemetery Tour a
success!!! See you
next year!***



Dale Frantz and Greg Hertzog drive the tractors pulling the trolleys of visitors.



LAURENS-MARATHON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ~ 2019-2020 ~ SCHOOL SUPPLIES

THIRD GRADE

(1) Pair of headphones or earbuds for iPads*
must have - LABEL W/NAME

- (1) Backpack
- (1) Box Snack-Sized Baggies
- (1) Ruler
- (4) Glue Sticks-No Liquid Glue
- (2) Boxes of 12 count #2 pencils
- (5) Wide-lined spiral notebooks
- (1) Scissors
- (5) Double pocket folders
- (1) Large box of tissues (200 count)
- (1) Pencil case or box
- (2) Boxes of 24 count crayons
- (1) Pair of tennis shoes for PE
- (1) Box of markers
- (1) Four pack of dry-erase markers
- (1) Canister of Sanitizing Wipes
(50 count or more)

****PLEASE MARK EACH INDIVIDUAL ITEM WITH CHILD'S
NAME (CLOTHING ALSO)**

FOURTH GRADE

- (1) pair of earbuds or headphones
- (20) #2 pencils (not mechanical)
- (1) Large eraser
- (3-4) Dry erase markers
- Zipper Case for Pencils
- Box of colors (24 count)
- (4) Spiral notebooks (wide-lined)
- (4) Double-pocket folders (no fasteners)
- (1) Bottle glue or (2) Glue sticks
- (2-3) Large boxes of Kleenex
- (1) container of disinfecting wipes OR (1) box
gallon baggies
- (1) Pair of Tennis Shoes for P.E.
- Scissors (optional)
- Markers (optional)
- Assignment Notebook (\$2.00 Purchased at
Registration) Students must have this one!
- **NO Trapper Keepers Please!**

****PLEASE MARK ALL ITEMS WITH CHILD'S NAME
(CLOTHING ALSO)**

FIFTH GRADE

- (1) pair of earbuds or headphones
- (1) Composition Notebook
- (3) Spiral Notebooks - wide-lined
(colors: red, blue, yellow)
- (3) packages of wide-lined looseleaf paper
- (2) Highlighters (2 different colors)
- (4) Dry erase markers
- (1) box of gallon-sized Freezer Zip-loc baggies
- (3) Double-Pocket folders w/brads
(colors: red, blue, yellow)
- (1) Bottle of white glue or (2) glue stick
- (2) Correcting pens (any color except black)
- (1) Set of markers
- (1) Package of Post-it-Notes (6 pads)
- (20) #2 Pencils
- (1) Large Eraser
- (1) Pair of tennis shoes for P.E.
- (3) Large boxes of Kleenex
- (1) container of disinfecting wipes
- (1) container of hand sanitizer
- Assignment Notebook (\$2.00 Purchased at
Registration) Students must have this one!
- **No Trapper Keepers**

****PLEASE MARK ALL ITEMS WITH CHILD'S NAME
(CLOTHING ALSO)**

Laurens-Marathon Middle School 2019-2020 Supply List

Must Have:

- Notebooks (5) - One for Each Class!
- Folders (5) or Binder
- Assignment Notebook/Planner
- Pencils
- Pens
- PE Clothes and Shoes

Please bring one of the 3 items below:

- 1 box of Kleenex (200 Count)
- Hand Sanitizer
- Container of disinfecting wipes

Nice to Have:

- Highlighters
- Calculator
- Magnet or Lanyard for Lunch Ticket
- Pencil Case or Magnet Case for locker

At the Library
with Glenda Mulder
August 14, 2019

Do you ever wish you could remember when a Laurens event occurred? Or a little more information about it? Well, the Library has the resource for you! The past issues of the Laurens Sun, as far back as 1885, have been digitized, they are online and searchable by date or search term. We've had this for some time, but it was a Laurens Library Foundation project to update this to include issues as new as December 2018! I have to warn you, however, that reading old newspapers can be addicting! To use this resource, which also includes our centennial book, Laurens 100, as well as the Pocahontas County History book, go to <http://laurens.advantage-preservation.com> or just go to our Library's website and click on the link.

New novels this week include: *Old Bones* by Douglas Preston, *The Last Widow* by Karin Slaughter, *Nickel Boys* by Colson Whitehead, *The Russia Account* by Stephen Coonts, *Goodnight Stranger* by Miciah Gault, *The Book Charmer* by Karen Hawkins, *One Little Secret* by Cate Holahan, *The Swallows* by Lisa Lutz, *Last Good Guy* by T. Jefferson Parker, *New Girl* by Daniel Silva, *Lager Queen of Minnesota* by J. Ryan Stradal and *Contraband* by Stuart Woods.

Book Club choice for August is *Don't Tell Me You're Afraid* by Giuseppe Catozzella. This novel is based on a remarkable true story, an unforgettable Somali girl risks her life on the migrant journey to Europe to run in the Olympic Games. Grab a copy and join our discussion on Monday night, August 26 at 7 p.m.

COMING EVENTS

- LegoMania – Friday, August 16
- Take it Tuesday 6:30 p.m. the 1st Tuesday of the month
 - Book Club 7 p.m., 4th Monday of the month
- Card Making 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. 4th Tuesday monthly
 - Historian Kathy Wilson - 1:30 p.m. October 15
 - Library Foundation Supper - 5-7 p.m. October 24
 - Story Teller Darrin Crow – 7:00 p.m. November 6

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**Meet with Elizabeth Warren's
Representative, Callie**

Round Table Discussion

Pizza Ranch
Pocahontas
August 20th, 2019
5:00- 7:00 pm



Your concerns & issues are welcome!

**Let the Fun Begin...
Laurens Golf & Country Club
Fundraiser**

Saturday, August 24th

**9:00 AM Shotgun Start
2 Person 18 Holes Best Shot
\$30 Per Person**

Includes Golf, Smoked Ribs, Cheesy
Potatoes, Variety of Salads, and Dessert



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follow



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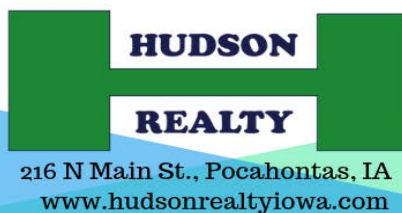
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Announcements

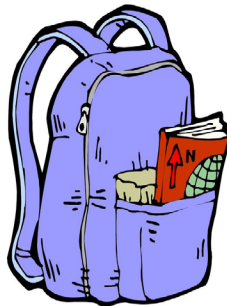


DRIVE THRU DINER

Thursday, August 15
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Drive by the First Christian Church
324 W. Section Line Road

And take out a
“Full Meal Deal”
(burger, chips, drink and frozen malt)
for only \$7.00!



Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday, August 18th

during the worship hour

@ 10:30 a.m.

at Laurens United Methodist Church
201 W. Main St.

All children & youth are invited to bring their
school backpack for a blessing before the
new school year begins!

You do NOT need to be a member
of our church to participate.



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CARS,
TRUCKS,
TRACTORS
AND BIKES
WELCOME!
-NOT JUST
VETTES-

Fundraiser Cruise In
Sponsored by Kemna Auto Center, Algona

All proceeds to support
Honor Flights in the local area.

Saturday, August 31st
10:00am - 2:00pm

BBQ Lunch 11-1:30 (Free will offering)

*Cruise in to Kemna's for this special event,
show cars for display, and to honor our Veterans!
Call for more information if needed 515-295-2406*



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you are not alone. We are a group who lives with or cares
for someone who lives with brain injury! We exist to support,
encourage, understand, inform and provide fellowship for brain
injury survivors and those involved in their lives.*

Northwest Iowa TBI Support Group

A monthly support group held 2nd Thursday of the month
Location: United Methodist Church, 201 W. Main St., Laurens
(Park and enter on the south side of the church off of Olive St)

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Contact: Rob Schramm by calling: (515) 570-9816
or e-mail: NWIowaTBIGroup@gmail.com

This Week at Laurens United Methodist Church

Pastor Ed Frank

Fri., Aug. 16:

Men's Bible Study @ 7 a.m.

Sun., Aug. 18:

Fellowship Coffee @ 9:30 a.m.

Worship @ 10:30 a.m. w/ blessing of the
Backpacks



This Week at Bethany Lutheran

Pastor David E. Klappenbach

Wednesday: August 14, 2019

7:00 PM ~ Council Mtg.

Thursday: August 15, 2019

9:00 AM ~ Morning Circle

Sunday: August 18, 2019

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 AM ~ Worship w/ Communion

10:00 AM ~ Coffee Fellowship

10:15 AM ~ Adult SS

Tuesday: August 20, 2019

7:30 AM ~ Prayer Group

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



This Week at First Christian

Pastor Rev. Rita Cordell

712-845-6164

Wednesday, Aug. 14

11:30 a.m. - Ladies Lunch at Teapot Café

Thursday, Aug. 15

5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Drive-thru Diner

Friday, Aug. 16

7:00 p.m. - AA

Sunday, Aug. 18

9:30 a.m. - Worship followed by coffee



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Saturday at 5:00 PM

Sunday at 10:30 AM

Confessions: Saturday 4:15 pm at Resurrection

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Ten Tips for Easing into a New School Setting

The first day of school is fast approaching and many families may be facing a transition to a new school. Careful preparation for beginning at a new building or a new district can help minimize effects on children – academically, socially and emotionally, says Cheryl Clark, a human sciences specialist with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

Clark specializes in family life issues and offers these tips to help children get used to their new setting.

- Attend school orientations or open houses. These events are planned to ease children into the new environment. Sometimes just seeing what the new school looks like relieves stress. This is a good opportunity to meet teachers and see classmates.

- Make friends early. Before school starts, if possible, sign up for sports teams or attend events where students can meet others who go to their school. “Once the school year begins, encourage your child to join clubs

or extracurricular activities,” Clark said.

- Model the behavior you want to see in your children. Introduce yourself to the new teacher or principal. Get involved in parent organizations and meet other parents. You can be a strong role model for how to venture into new spaces.

- Get school supplies based on lists furnished by the school. Selecting their own backpacks, lunchboxes or other supplies gives children a sense of control on the first day. Having the supplies specified by the school can ease jitters that might otherwise happen by not having the appropriate materials.

- Talk about it. “Ask questions such as ‘What are you most excited about for the new school year?’ and ‘What are you most worried about?’ Reassure your child that other students have the same feelings,” Clark said. Keep in mind that how you frame the experience will impact your child, so emphasize the transition as a chance to learn new things and meet new people.

- Do a trial run. Take your child to the bus stop, drive to the building or practice the walking route ahead of the first day of school. Set your departure time and plan backwards, allowing

plenty of time for a healthy breakfast.

- Rest up! In the days leading up to this transition, set routines so your child gets enough sleep. “Not getting enough sleep can increase stress, make concentration difficult and just simply leave your child grumpy,” Clark said.

- Prepare the night before. Set out clothes. Pack lunches and backpacks. Any prep done the night before can reduce the chances for last-minute emergencies.

- Be patient. Children may be quieter, more challenging or just not themselves during this transition. Give them a little time and space to adjust to the new setting and let them know that home is a safe space for sharing their feelings.

- Keep tabs. “If your child shows signs that the transition isn’t going well, talk to school personnel,” Clark said. Guidance counselors and school psychologists can give advice for difficult situations. Signs to watch for might include changes in eating and sleeping patterns, separation anxiety or refusing to go to school.

Webinar Examines 15 Years of Iowa Learning Farms

A webinar on Wednesday, Aug. 21 at 12 p.m. will examine how Iowa Learning Farms has evolved over the past 15 years and discuss what new goals and challenges the future holds.

“ILF started with a simple idea: Building a Culture of Conservation in Iowa through helping farmers talk to other farmers about protecting Iowa’s soil and water,” said Jacqueline Comito, Iowa Learning Farms program director. “Through the years our tactics and tools have evolved, but the fundamental strategy of applying a multidisciplinary approach to increase adoption of conservation practices has led to increased practices and greater natural resource protection.”

Comito will discuss ILF’s approach to outreach and education, and will also reference the “Building a Culture of Conservation – 2004-2019” 15-year report, which was published in March 2019.

The 15-year report highlights the program’s successes, growth and impacts, as well as some of the challenges faced and goals for the future. “The report contains a lot of good news, but also highlights some challenges we face in Iowa,” stated Comito. “We’ve made a good start — we’ve built the foundation of this Culture of Conservation — but that is only the beginning. We’ve established difficult but attainable goals for the next five to 10 years for us to continue to be successful.”

Some key findings from the report include that ILF farmer partners have expanded to include 88 farmers located in 51 Iowa counties, field days have grown from five to 32 annually and have engaged over 32,500 attendees, and cover crops were planted on more than 880,000 acres in 2018. These findings and more will be discussed during the webinar.

To watch, go to www.iowalearningfarms.org/page/webinars and click the link to join the webinar shortly before 12 p.m. on Aug. 21, to download the Zoom software and log in option. The webinar will be recorded and archived on the ILF website for watching at any time at <https://www.iowalearningfarms.org/page/webinars>.

Established in 2004, Iowa Learning Farms is building a Culture of Conservation by encouraging adoption of conservation practices. Farmers, researchers and ILF team members are working together to identify and implement the best management practices that improve water quality and soil health while remaining profitable. Partners of Iowa Learning Farms include the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture, Iowa Natural Resources Conservation Service, Iowa Department of Natural Resources (USEPA section 319) and GROWMARK Inc.

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Yard and Garden: Harvesting Melons

Few fruits are more refreshing on a warm summer day than melon. Melon quality — flavor, aroma, texture and sweetness — is best when the sugar content of the fruit is high. Sweet melons need lots of sunlight, warm temperatures, enough water and freedom from diseases and insects. Horticulturists with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach tell how to know when melons are ready for harvest. To have additional plant and garden questions answered, contact the ISU Hortline at 515-294-3108 or hortline@iastate.edu.

When should I harvest watermelons? Harvest watermelons when the underside or “belly” of the melon turns from a greenish white to buttery yellow or cream. This color change is especially pronounced on the dark green-skinned cultivars. In addition, the fruit tends to lose its glossy appearance on top and becomes dull when ripe.

For most individuals, thumping or tapping the melon is generally not a good indicator of ripeness. Rapping an immature melon with your knuckles produces a metallic ring. A ripe melon gives off a hollow or dull ring. While experienced growers may be able to determine the maturity of watermelons using the thump test, most individuals will have difficulty differentiating between the two sounds.

When harvesting watermelons, leave 2 inches of the stem on the fruit. Watermelons can be stored at room temperature for about one week and for two to three weeks at 50 to 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

When should I harvest muskmelons? The fruit of muskmelon or cantaloupe are mature when the stem pulls (slips) easily from the melon. The melon is not ripe if the stem has to be forcibly separated from the fruit. Other indicators of maturity are based on touch, appearance and aroma. The flower end (the end opposite the stem) of the melon should be slightly soft. The skin between the netting turns from green to yellow at maturity. Finally, a ripe melon produces a strong “muskmelon” aroma.

Muskmelons can be stored in the refrigerator for up to two weeks. The optimum storage temperature is 36 to 45 F. Before refrigerating, place melons in plastic bags to prevent the muskmelon aroma from flavoring other stored foods.

When should I harvest honeydews? Unlike muskmelons, the fruit of honeydews do not slip off the vine when mature. Indicators of ripeness are a change in color of the honeydew from pale green to yellowish white, a slight softening of the blossom end of the fruit, and the development of a light, pleasant aroma. Honeydews can be stored for two to three weeks at a temperature of 50 F.

Workshop to Obtain Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) Certification

Beef producers and agri-business professionals have an opportunity to obtain their Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) certification in northwest Iowa, according to Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Beef Specialist Beth Doran.

The Iowa Beef Center, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach and the Iowa Beef Industry Council are offering a training on August 22 at ISU Extension and Outreach – Pocahontas County, 305 N. Main, in Pocahontas. The session, set for 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., will feature eight best management practices and new emerging trends in the beef industry.

“At least four packers require beef producers to be BQA certified,” Doran said. “Our goal is to help them achieve certification to maintain their market access and to continue to produce safe, wholesome and high quality beef.”

There is no cost to attend this BQA certification training, but participants are encouraged to preregister by August 20 by calling the Pocahontas County Office at 712-335-3103.

For more information, visit https://www.extension.iastate.edu/pocahontas/sites/www.extension.iastate.edu/files/pocahontas/BQA%20Flyer%20Poc%20Co_%202019.pdf or contact Doran by phone at 712-737-4230 or email doranb@iastate.edu.

4-H Record Book Work Day

There will be a come & go record book work day Thursday, August 15 from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at the ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County Office. If you are unable to attend that day but need assistance with your records, please call or email and we make arrangements with you. Call: 712-335-3103 or email lzeman@iastate.edu

4-H and FFA 2019 Pocahontas County Fair Beef Carcass Awards

Beth Doran, ISU Extension and Outreach Beef Program Specialist, will present the beef carcass information at a supper meeting Thursday, August 22, 6:00 p.m. at the ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County Office. This is a free event, but we do ask that you register no later than August 20 so we have adequate food and materials. Register by calling: 712-335-3103 or email: lzeman@iastate.edu.



Beef Quality Assurance Training

Thursday, August 22 | 10 a.m. to Noon

ISU Extension and Outreach—Pocahontas County

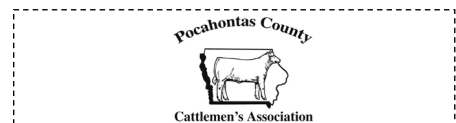
305 N. Main | Pocahontas, IA



No cost to attend and light refreshments provided.

Please pre-register by August 20 by calling the Pocahontas County Extension Office at (712) 335-3103.

For more information, contact: Beth Doran, ISU Beef Program Specialist, (712) 737-4230 or Chris Freland, Executive Director, Iowa Beef Industry Council, (515) 296-2305.



The Iowa BQA Program is funded by the Iowa Beef Industry Council and the Beef Checkoff, and the education is delivered as a joint effort in conjunction with the Iowa Beef Center, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

Updated Financial Toolkit Helps Frontline Workers Serve Clients

Talking about money and goals may be difficult for frontline workers who are focused on helping clients address other issues. However, their clients often face complex financial situations. That is why Iowa State University Extension and Outreach and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau are collaborating to offer “Your Money, Your Goals,” a financial empowerment toolkit for frontline workers.

“You may be talking with someone about parenting, housing, health care, food assistance, employment or another issue when the topic shifts to finances. You could use some tools with information and resources to integrate into the conversation,” said Phyllis Zalenski, a human sciences specialist in family finances with ISU Extension and Outreach.

Updated toolkit. Developed by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, “Your Money, Your Goals” is a suite of financial empowerment tools that provides

unbiased information and links to resources, which frontline workers can use to help others build skills in managing money, credit, debt, financial products and related topics. The materials are designed for nonprofit groups, social service providers, volunteers, clergy members or anyone interested in helping others take steps toward financial stability and self-sufficiency.

“Having all these resources in one place can make it easier to bring financial information into conversations you already are having with your clients,” Zalenski said.

A new version of the toolkit, released earlier this year, features an updated design with 43 tools and information pieces. Each tool in the toolkit is now available as a separate, downloadable PDF document that can be completed electronically and saved as a PDF file. Add information directly into the tools and automatic calculations occur for tracking spending, income, cash flow and more. The Bureau plans to release a Spanish version of the toolkit later this year.

Workshop available. ISU Extension and Outreach offers a workshop on “Your Money, Your Goals.” The interactive workshop includes a copy of the 243-page toolkit, supplemental materials and opportunities for community networking. Zalenski and human sciences specialists in family

finance across the state facilitate the six-hour workshop.

“The workshop equips you to effectively use the toolkit and other resources to increase the financial stability of your clients,” Zalenski said. “If you are a social work professional seeking continuing education credit, the course qualifies for credit.”

A primary goal of “Your Money, Your Goals” is to increase knowledge and confidence in financial concepts and tools so that professionals and volunteers can help others. Three months after participating in the workshop, 83% of participants had used tools and resources from the toolkit and about 90% had discussed financial information with an average of seven clients. The training positively affected their helping relationship on financial empowerment issues, Zalenski said.

To schedule a workshop for your organization or in your community, contact your local ISU Extension and Outreach human sciences specialist at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/staff-family-finance>.

For more information about “Your Money, Your Goals,” visit <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/your-money-goals>.

City Council Minutes

August 5th, 2019

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 5th, 2019. 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, City Attorney Ann Beneke, and Police Chief Tom Shaw.

Jamison moved to approve the consent agenda, with the minutes from the July 15th, 2019 meeting, the list of claims, and a Class C Liquor License for Laurens Lounge and Lanes. Christenson seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

CLAIMS 08/05/2019

A&M SERVICES	MOPS, RAGS RUGS	90.74
ACCO	CHEMICALS	2,928.70
AFLAC	GROUP INSURANCE	493.14
ALLIANT ENERGY	POOL GAS FEES	874.49
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS	PAINT STRIPING WHITE	502.31
BOMGAARS	LAGOON SUPPLIES	315.31
BROWN SUPPLY CO	CRUB BOX SUPPLIES	412.24
CAHOY PUMP SERVICE, INC.	EQUIPMENT REPAIRS	27,148.00
CONNECTIONS, INC.	GROUP INSURANCE	38.76
EMERGENCY MED PRODUCTS	AMBULANCE SUPPLIES	294.61
GALL'S INC	SUPPLIES	119.54
HILARY REED	MILES/MEALS FOR CLERK SCHOOL	172.51
I&S GROUP INC	SECTION LINE ROAD STORM SEWER	962.50
IACMA	RETIREMENT 457	675.00
IDNR	2020 WASTEWATER PERMIT	210.00
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	11,916.14
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	CLERK SCHOOL	150.00
IOWA PHYSICIANS CLINIC MEDICAL	WORKERS COMP.	485.00
IPERS	IPERS	7,442.41
IPERS/PD	PROTECTED IPERS	3,042.52
LAURENS HOUSE OF PRINT	TRUCK ROUTE/CITY MAP	142.50
LMPC	MONTHLY PHONE FEES	485.26
LMU	MONTHLY UTILITIES	6,222.90
LAURENS PLUMBING	SUPPLIES	2,535.50
METERING & TECHNOLOGY SOLUTION	WASTEWATER TESTING	162.00
MARTIN PETS CONTROL	JULY MOSQUITO CONTROL	770.00
NEWGIES SERVICE CENTER	OIL, FILTERS	34.91
NORTHERN LIGHTS FOOD SERVICE	POOL CONCESSION	165.38
PETTY CASH	WASHING VEHICLE	186.88
PRIME BENEFITS SYSTEM	GROUP INSURANCE	7,392.50
SANTANDER LEASING	AUG MONTHLY PUMPER PAYMENT	1,461.34
SIEPKER AUTO REPAIR	REPAIRS ON PD CHARGER	44.52
SOBOTKA FARMS	HAULED ROCK	497.12
SPENCER DALE	POLICE CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	98.99
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	JULY SALES TAX	5,689.00
TRUCK EQUIPMENT	SWEEPER REPAIRS	218.42
US BANK	OFFICE SUPPLIES	2,071.55
VECTOR	MEMBERSHIP	3,987.07
WELLMARK	AUG HEALTH INSURANCE	9,470.21
	TOTAL	<u>99,909.97</u>

PAYROLL

001	GENERAL	9,560.47
210	ROAD USE TAX	1,788.06
600	WATER	2,202.36
610	SEWER	2,154.17

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670	GARBAGE	2,084.63
	TOTAL	17,789.69
PAYROLL	7/29/2019	
001	GENERAL	7,829.37
210	ROAD USE TAX	1,426.85
600	WATER	2,221.60
610	SEWER	2,265.01
670	GARBAGE	2,297.48
	TOTAL	16,040.31
PAYROLL	8/1/2019	
001	GENERAL	5,743.58
	PAID TOTAL	139,483.55
BY FUND		
001	GENERAL	47,474.00
110	ROAD USE TAX	8,169.74
112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	10,934.71
171	SISTER CITY	142.10
600	WATER	47,861.19
610	SEWER	12,942.28
670	GARBAGE	10,997.03
745	STORM WATER	962.50
	TOTAL BY FUND	139,483.55
REVENUES	GENERAL	24,403.09
	ROAD USE TAX	12,986.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	4,488.85
	EMERGENCY LEVY	273.43
	LOCAL OPTION	8,532.17
	TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	559.91
	SISTER CITY	526.05
	POOL RESTRICTED	2,140.10
	POCKET PART	125.00
	DEBT SERVICE	4,648.30
	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	498.67
	WATER	44,602.49
	SEWER	29,447.04
	GARBAGE	21,546.43
	STORM WATER	3,055.14
		157,832.67

Discussion was held on possible amendments to Chapters 74 – Golf Carts and Chapter 75 – ATVS/UTVS. After much discussion, Newgard motioned, seconded by Potter to instruct Reed to amend the wording in Chapter 74 – Golf Carts to state must be at least 16 to operate with valid driver's license and at least 18 with valid driver's license to permit; and to amend the ordinances to state that the first registration of each individual atv/utv/golf cart will be \$50 The second fee for registration of the same recreational vehicle will be \$25, and the third and any after shall be \$10. There will be no change to permitted roads in either chapter, and in Chapter 75 the age will remain the same of at least 18 to operate and permit. All ayes; motion carried.

During staff and city council reports, tree heights were discussed. Also, it was mentioned to look into other city ordinances regarding RV, camper, boat, etc. parking on city streets.

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

Rod Johnson, Mayor

Hilary Reed, City Clerk