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Local News

Old School Bell Dedicated Recently

On July 9, 2021 the citizens of Laurens, with the Laurens High School Classes of 1970 and 1971, dedicated the old school bell in its new location at the city park near the Pocahontas County Museum. Chris Hodges hosted the ceremony with a brief story about the bell. Originally, the bell was the city fire bell and sounded the alarm for the big fire in 1898. In 1939, it was moved to the school entrance as the school bell had broken and the city of Laurens had other alarm systems in place.

We thank the Laurens City Council for their financial and staff support for this project. Hilary Reed procured a grant from the Pocahontas County Foundation which was used to fund the labor and cement for the base and top of the structure. Julian Johnsen helped determine the location and provide services as needed. The grant money was used to pay John Runneberg, who was responsible for all the cement work and coordinating the project, and

Matt Tate for fabricating the missing metal piece. The class donations paid Mike Dornsbach for his block work, which replicates the original structure perfectly. The bronze plaque was designed and procured by Janet Roewe Piller with class funds. All in all, we worked together to bring our bell out of storage and into the city park.

Our sincere thank you goes to those from the Classes of 1970 and 1971, who were celebrating their class reunions, for their generous donations of both

time and money. We remember with fondness ringing out our football victories with a hammer, beginning and ending homecoming snake dances, waiting for our friends, and playing Halloween pranks, all at our old school bell.

The excess funds of \$1,000 that were raised, will be given to the Hometown Pride projects for improvements in the Laurens community.



Class of '63 Thinking Big: Super Reunion of LHS Grads

Earlier this month, the ad hoc reunion committee of the Laurens High School graduating class of 1963 launched a trial balloon encased in a layer of nostalgia and old-school tradition -- specifically, the possibility of staging a multi-class reunion for the LHS classes of '62, '63 and '64, as early as next summer.

Each of the three classes potentially soon could be marking its 60th anniversary since walking the hallowed halls of Laurens High for the last time. A celebratory reunion to mark the occasion would seem to hold considerable appeal.

"So, why not combine the three separate reunions into one big one?" said Rick Davis, a member of the class of '63 committee along with Ed Ray Workman and Luverne Runneberg. "There seems to me to be considerable built-in up-side to taking this approach. But right now, we're querying a few members of each of the three classes for their reactions, their questions, their stance on this. We won't pursue it if there's a degree of opposition. It has to be an event with win-win-win potential."

"And, hopefully, it will deliver significant impact and benefit for the town of Laurens itself -- a place still

beloved by so many who have lived there, who grew up in Laurens."

Such a so-called "super-reunion," Davis noted, could be staged ideally at the Laurens Country Club the same weekend as the town's annual Summer Celebration (typically the weekend following the Fourth of July). Initial feedback from those being polled has been favorable, according to Davis, noting the sample-size though is small so far.

"Attendance for any individual class' 60th reunion typically drops off for a few reasons," Davis said. "So, why not combine some classes to boost attendance and juice the overall atmosphere? My class had great rapport and bonding with the classes one year ahead of us and one year behind. During my junior year, all three classes were in the high school building together. The classes blended in many ways, including in sports, music, socially, whatever else. There's something to be said for that."

The class of '63 committee has done some spade work for its 60th, Davis added, sufficiently so to have settled on a reunion format "centering on an informal gathering with ample open-microphone time, heavy emphasis on melancholy reminiscing, set against oldies music undertones and offering only enough structure to avoid chaos. A banquet that would offer an endless string of toasts, much to laugh about and many, many

stories, not all of them necessarily based on 100 percent facts."

"Blending two or three classes together should enhance such an approach," Davis said. "We not only want to be revered fondly among ourselves ... we also hope the town of Laurens collectively would look back and be grateful that we showed up for such a weekend."

(Questions and comments can be emailed to rickdavis31945@gmail.com or to Ed Ray Workman at 1963elks.com)



Remembering the 1960s -- a Laurens High "L" award

At the Library
with Glenda Mulder
August 11, 2021

It was so fun to hear the sound of Legos in the Library again! It has been much too long. All day (11 a.m.-8 p.m.) every Wednesday in August we will be having LegoMania at the library. Each week will feature a Lego challenge for a small prize, and also free play with our giant tub of Legos. Come join the fun – Legos are fun for all ages!

New fiction selections this week include: *Vortex* by Catehrine Coulter, *Mrs. March* by Virginia Feito, *Cul De Sac* by Joy Fielding, *It Ends With Us* by Colleen Hoover, *Bloodless* by Douglas Preston, *Dark Roads* by Chevy Stevens, *Blind Tiger* by Sandra Brown, *Getaway* by Joje Stage and *Beware the Mermaids* by Carrie Talick. Just one nonfiction, it's *Maiden Voyages: Magnificent Ocean Liners and the Women Who Traveled and Worked Aboard Them* by Sian Evans.

Deb always finds interesting books for our Book Club to discuss. This month it is *The Baseball Whisperer: A Small-Town Coach Who Shaped Big League Dreams* by Michael Tackett. This nonfiction book is set in Clarinda Iowa, following the coach through five decades putting character and dedication first, as he transformed them from a town team to a collegiate summer league powerhouse. Wear your favorite baseball shirt when we meet on Monday, August 23 at 7 p.m. to discuss this book, as well as the other books we've been reading. Please don't get confused, it's always the 4th Monday, even in months like this when there are five Mondays!

Coming Events

LegoMania all day each Wednesday in August!

August 23 @ 7 p.m. - Book Club *The Baseball Whisperer* by Michael Tackett

September 7 @ 6 p.m. - Wooden Pumpkins at Take it Tuesday

September 14 @ 5:30-8 p.m. - Open Cardmaking with Deb & Laura

September 28 @ 6:30 p.m. - Cardmaking Class with Brenda & Milissa

Laurens Women's Club to Meet

The Laurens Women's Club will meet on Friday, August 13 at 1:30 p.m. at the Laurens Public Library. Jackie Stelter will present the program "Alaska in June". Members of the serving committee will be Elaine Harriman and Sue Wenell. Dorothy Runneberg will give the book report for the month. Betty VanHorsen will give the Auditing Report.

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Bridal Shower

A come and go Bridal Shower will be held Saturday, August 28th in honor of Kacie Cox at the Marathon Public Library from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m.

Bridal Shower

90th Birthday

Shirley Lackman of Albert City will be celebrating her 90th birthday on Sunday, August 15th. Her family will be hosting an open house birthday party on Saturday, August 14 at the Ag Partners meeting room in Albert City from 1-5 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Cards may be sent to Shirley at 630 Hwy N14, Apt. 107, Albert City, IA 50510.



Our Town Our Paper!

Powerful Tools for Caregivers Series Being Offered Virtually

Do you help take care of a child or adult with one or more chronic conditions? If so, you are not alone. Over 43.5 million family caregivers in America provide a vast array of emotional, financial, nursing, social, homemaking and other services on a daily or an intermittent basis. Caregiving can be a stressful responsibility leading to poor health, mental distress and less life satisfaction for the caregiver. It can be challenging for caregivers to find the support that they need, says Malisa Rader, a human sciences specialist with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

ISU Extension and Outreach offers educational resources for family caregivers. Powerful Tools for Caregivers is an educational series designed to provide tools you need to take care of yourself. If you take good care of yourself, you will be better prepared to take good care of your care receiver. As a participant, you will learn how to: reduce stress, improve self-confidence, better communicate your feelings, balance your life, increase ability to make tough decisions and locate helpful resources. The virtual course will provide you with the tools you need to take care of yourself from the convenience of home.

Six-week telehealth classes for caregivers of adults with chronic conditions

- Thursdays starting August 5 from 1:00-2:30 pm
- Tuesdays starting October 12 from 7:00-8:30 pm
- Tuesdays starting January 11 from 6:30-8:00 pm
- Tuesdays starting February 8 from 10:00-11:30 am
- Thursdays starting May 5 from 6:30-8:00 pm

Six-week telehealth class for caregivers of children with special health and behavioral needs

- Tuesdays starting January 11 from 1:00-3:00 pm

The educational series costs \$40 per person. The Caregiver Helpbook and necessary materials will be shared by postal mail. Registration can be found online at <https://bit.ly/2L8o5Gp> Classes fill quickly, so register early.

“Caregivers who thrive, rather than just survive, understand that by taking care of themselves they are better able to provide meaningful care,” said Rader, who specializes in family life issues.

To learn more, visit www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/ptc.

First Christian Church Opens The Clothes Closet

The First Christian Church has opened The Clothes Closet at our church.

This is a free ministry to our community. We have free, gently used clothes which have been donated. These clothes are free for anyone who needs them. All clothes are clean and in good condition. We have shoes, jeans, tops, dresses, shirts, coats, and sweaters. Anyone needing these items may come and get them free of charge.

Our August hours of operation are each Thursday from 1-4 p.m. Please use the east entry on the alley and wear a mask when visiting The Clothes Closet.

***Kansas City
Chiefs' Tight End
and Super Bowl
Champion Travis
Kelce Teams Up
with Midwestern
Retailer Hy-Vee
Hy-Vee to support the work
of Kelce's foundation 87 &
Running***

Super Bowl champion Travis Kelce has joined forces with Midwestern grocery retailer Hy-Vee for the upcoming football season through 2025 for promotional and charitable campaigns supporting Kelce's foundation, 87 & Running. Beginning this season, Hy-Vee will donate \$1,000 to 87 & Running for every touchdown scored by the Pro Bowl tight end. Hy-Vee will also carry Kelce-branded product with part of the proceeds benefitting 87 & Running, and support other events incorporating Kelce's newly built Ignition Lab at Operation Breakthrough.

"I'm excited to be partnering with Hy-Vee because from the start they were interested in how they could support my foundation and the work we do in the community," Kelce said. "I also know how impactful the Hy-Vee brand is. By working together, we'll be able to connect with a lot of

Chiefs' Kingdom across the Midwest, which is important to me."

In addition to the charitable components, Kelce will appear in Hy-Vee's promotional materials including commercials, store appearances and social campaigns.

"When we saw the outreach that Travis was doing in his local community, we knew we wanted to support his efforts," said Randy Edeker, Hy-Vee's chairman, CEO and president. "Not only is Travis talented on the field, he also serves as a true role model and sports icon for the families who visit our stores, making him a great partner for us at Hy-Vee."

Kelce's foundation, 87 & Running, was established in 2015 with the mission of empowering underserved youth to achieve success by providing resources and support to their communities and cultivating

their talent and interest in the areas of education, business, athletics, STEM and the arts. Partnering with Kansas City cornerstone Operation Breakthrough, Kelce and his foundation's newest project is the Ignition Lab - a co-working space where teens will have the support, resources, and opportunity to explore careers in STEM, launch their own entrepreneurial ventures, and gain real-world experience.

Hy-Vee has more than 280 grocery stores throughout eight Midwestern states. The retailer is also a sponsor of the Kansas City Chiefs.



Touch of Broadway at Fonda Arts Center

Touch of Broadway will be performing at the Fonda Arts Center on Sunday, August 22nd, at 3:00 p.m.! This group is the traveling part of the Buena Vista Community Theater, and has been on the road for two decades, sharing its impressive talent in an uplifting, family-oriented show.

This year, "Aspects of Love: She Loves Me, She Loves Me Not" will bring to mind a field of daisies or dandelions, a best friend, and plucking the petals one by one. This promises to be an afternoon of delightful entertainment, friends and refreshments, sure to send you away with a smile on your face and a bounce in your step!

All this happening at the Fonda Arts Center, on the Northwest corner of Fourth and Main Streets in Fonda. Freewill donations are gratefully accepted. Everyone welcome!



Easy, Peasy, Lemon Squeezy Stand

LEMONADE - BAKED GOODS - FRESH CUT SUNFLOWERS
SCENTED SENSORY RICE - HOMEMADE PLAY DOUGH

AUGUST 14TH, 7 AM-3 PM
209 SO 5TH STREET, LAURENS

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE LAURENS POOL
PROJECT



Fairfield Township Cemetery Tour

Albert City, Iowa

August 29, 2021

2:00-4:30

"History Brought To Life"



Tickets can be purchased at Straw Horse, Community State Bank, or Ag Partners in Albert City for \$5.00. You can purchase tickets at the cemetery 1 mile west of Albert City on August 29th. Park east of the cemetery and load onto the trolley. There will be a golf cart to pick you up and take you to the trolley.

Sponsored by Sesquicentennial Committee of Our Saviors Lutheran Church.

Summer Celebration

Pocahontas, Iowa

August 21, 2021



The Pocahontas Hospital Auxiliary and the Pocahontas Area Rotary Club are partnering to provide a meal (\$7) and dance (\$10) following the Annual Car Show in Pocahontas. A full meal will be served, featuring hamburgers grilled by the Beef Producers. Fireworks will be furnished by the Pocahontas Area Rotary Club and the PAC Interact Club.

Schedule:

3:00 - 5:00pm	Classic Car Show	Downtown Pocahontas
5:00 - 7:00pm	Classic Cook-out	Fair Grounds
7:00 - 10pm	Dance, "The Senders"	Expo
9:30pm	Fireworks	Swimming Pool

Notes:

- Funds raised at this event will be used for hospital and community betterment projects. Thanks in advance for your support!
- The Senders were inducted into the Iowa Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and have been playing together for 59 years. You'll love to dance to the music of their classic Rock & Roll music!

LAURENS-MARATHON ELEMENTARY PARENTS:

School supply lists are available at the school, library, drug store and three churches for anyone to pick up. Registration packets will be mailed to each family the first week of August. Please check your mailboxes, fill out at home and return to the school lobby on Registration Day, Monday, August 16 from 4-7 PM. First day of school is August 23, 2021!

Pressure Canner Gauge Testing

Did you know that pressure canner lids with a dial gauge should be tested each year for accuracy? The Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County office will be testing lids/gauges for \$5 each on August 12th. Bring in your lids/gauges anytime between 9 a.m.-3 p.m. If you are unable to make that time work, call the office at 712-335-3103 and a time will be set up that works for you

THANK YOU!

Cheri & I would like to express our heartfelt thanks for the very generous donations that we have received from our community of friends and family. We are truly grateful and humbled by the outpouring of love and support that we have received since my diagnosis of stage 4 pancreatic cancer. Special thanks to my co-workers at Positech who organized a company lunch and a gun raffle fund raiser for us, and to the Snow Bar Gang who organized and worked the public fundraiser lunch for us. Our cup overflows with gratitude and love for all of our family, friends, and community members who have supported us with their donations, hugs, calls, visits, food, help, & prayers. We want to thank each and every one of you! We still have a long journey ahead of us, but our hearts are full, and our spirits are strong.

We'll get by with a little help from our friends!
Scott & Cheri Frye



DON'T MONKEY AROUND!
GO BANANAS AT THE
CITY WIDE GARAGE SALES

AUGUST 14TH, 2021

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Sponsored by Laurens Chamber and Community Boosters

Maps available at Laurens City Hall, Laurens Public Library, Food Pride, and Casey's

LAURENS CITYWIDE GARAGE SALES

AUGUST 14th, 2021

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

1. 422 N. Harrison St. (Tendal) – Name brand women's (M-L) and boy's clothing (6-8), toys, household items, yard decorations, purses, jewelry, bedding, lots of misc.
2. 534 W. Garfield St. (Richardson) – Women's clothes, home décor, toddler boy clothes, dishes, boutique tees, bike trailer for children, and much misc.
3. 318 W. Arthur (Barton/Steward) – Kid's toys, books, and clothes, plus size clothes, hand made doll clothes, baked goods, men's clothes, Disney memorabilia, power wheel, housewares, and antiques.
4. 410 W. Section Line Road (Bodenberger) – Badminton set, carpet, shampooer, wicker furniture, drone, albums, ice cream maker, clarinet, Easter Decorations, shake maker, juicer, room divider, tools, yard tools, and lots more.
5. 116 W. Section Line Road (Jackson) – Automotive, clothes, books, magazines, Christmas nick-nacks, kitchen utensils, garden tools, German Beer Steins, etc.
6. 123 E. Section Line Road (Armstrong) – Backyard sale! 2001 Buick LeSabre (Sold AS IS), Children's clothes size 10 – adult, lots misc., bar table, 2 stools and cart, tile squares never used, craft books, jars and dishes.
7. 124 N. 3rd St. (Ahlers) – Around back in Alley – Let's make a deal! Something for everyone! Come check it out! Glassware, picture frames, doll, toys, furniture, clothing, décor! Too much to list!
8. 106 N. 3rd St. (Lizziedoodle Gifts & Home Decor) – Downtown! Clearance items are an additional 50% off lowest ticket price! (Cash only on clearance items!) Wall prints, décor, signs, essential oils, beach, coasters, kitchen, etc.! (Inside if raining!)
9. 204 S. 3rd (Svuba) – Boutique clothing; women's, men's, kid's clothing, toys, shoes, purses, decorations, sports items, retail shelving/displays! Open Friday 4 pm – 7 pm!
10. 407 E. Main (Williams) – New clothes, used, t-shirts, shorts, pants, kid's shoes, dishes, new toddler beds still in boxes, whatnots.
11. 520 E. Olive St. (Sandvig/Japenga) – Shark steam mop, mini trampoline with DVDs, toddler and women's clothes, 2 recliners, pack 'n play, DVDs, books purses, pictures, home décor, toys, lost of misc.! Open Friday 5 pm – 7 pm!
12. 210 Sadie St. (Schmidt) – Juicer Parini, wineglasses, canisters, books, misc. household, books, wine rack, picture frames, jackets, Budweiser mugs, TV wall bracket new, Scentsy warmer, purses.
13. 514 Allen St. (Moore) – House supplies, tools, Artwork by Jenci Moore, sun catchers, watercolor abstract, picture frames. Handmade Wooden Spoons, orders only by T. Spoons.
14. 527 E. Veterans Rd (Johnsen – Reach for the Stars) – Homemade eggrolls, fried rice, noodles, pepper steak, books, highchairs, stuffed toys, some clothes, miscellaneous. Proceeds go to feeing program in the Philippines.
15. 505 E. Veterans Rd. (Johnsen / Multi Family) – Boys Newborn – 18 months, girls 2t – 4t, women's small to plus size, toys, baby items, household, misc.
16. 308 S. 1st (Hardt) – Home décor, bedspreads, curtains, many hoodies and uniforms, lawn chairs, small tiller, tools, toolbox, Budweiser, collectibles, and much more!
17. 204 S. 1st St. (Hovinga/Hudson) – Lots of clothes, home décor, Scentsy, and much more! Entertainment stand, snow blower, any many miscellaneous items!
18. 315 S. 4th St. (Kovaleva) – Baby clothes, small boy clothes, toys, storage containers, baked goods, garden veggies.
19. 209 S. 5th St. (Jones Grandchildren) – Children's lemonade stand with baked goods, play dough, sensory toys. All proceeds go toward Laurens Pool Project!
20. 209 S. 5th St. (Jones, Baker, Painter) – Multi-family, clothing children's sizes 3t-8 boys & girls, women's and men's clothing, including plus size, home décor, furniture, toys. Something for everyone!
21. 4737 210th Ave. Marathon (Meyer) – Worth the drive!! Huge multi-family sale, located south of Marathon on Highway M54. Men's women's teen, and children's name brand clothing/shoes, home décor, household items, toys, books, and more!



***This Week at
Laurens United
Methodist Church***

Pastor Deb Parkison

Wed., Aug. 11:

Joint SPRC Expectations meeting with District Supt. @ 7 p.m. here at LUMC

Fri., Aug. 13:

AA meeting from 7 p.m.-8 p.m. in the Wesley Room

Sun., Aug. 15:

Fellowship Coffee @ 9:30 a.m.

Worship @ 10:30 a.m.

Youth Group Board meeting @ 5 p.m. here at LUMC

Wed., Aug. 18:

Administrative Council meeting @ 7 p.m.



***This Week at
Bethany Lutheran***

Pastor David E. Klappenbach

Sunday: August 15, 2021

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

9 AM ~ Worship w/Communion

10 AM ~ Coffee Fellowship

Christian Ed. Mtg. following church

4 PM ~ Youth Board Mtg. at UMC

Tuesday: August 17, 2021

8:30 AM ~ Prayer Group

9:30 AM ~ Tuesday coffee at Bethany

Thursday: August 19, 2021

2 PM ~ Circle Group at Bethany

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



***This Week at First
Christian***

Pastor Rev. Rita Cordell

Thursday, August 12

1:00 - 4:00 p.m. - Clothes Closet

Sunday, August 15

9:30 a.m. - Worship

10:30 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship



***New Hope Baptist
Church***

202 Byron St, Laurens

New Hope Baptist Church invites you to join us for Sunday School at 10 a.m. and our Worship Service at 11 a.m. Additionally all are welcome to attend our weekly Bible Study held each Wednesday evening at 6:30 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 and Sunday at 10:30 AM

Confessions: Saturday 4:15 pm at Resurrection

Services Held for Phyllis T. Anderson

Phyllis T. Anderson - age 81, of Laurens, passed away on Monday, July 26, 2021, at her home in Laurens, Iowa. Cancer won the war but she won the first three battles.

Phyllis Theresa Hanish was born on June 4, 1940, at home south of Laurens, Iowa. She was the daughter of Leo and Edna (Grethen) Hanish. She graduated from Laurens High School and went on to the LaJames School of Cosmetology in Fort Dodge. On April 4, 1959, Phyllis was united in marriage to Dennis William Anderson in Laurens. The couple settled in Laurens where they raised their four children. As a young mother, Phyllis worked for Hoppie and then Hank Carey as a beautician in Laurens.



Phyllis worked at the Good Samaritan Center in Laurens for over 40 years. She worked in almost all capacities, including as a beautician for over 25 years, a CNA, then in the laundry and kitchen departments. She lived across the street from work so was always the first one called when they needed help. She also served breakfast to the Laurens Kiwanis members for many years. Phyllis cut hair in her home and made house calls. For someone who abhorred loose hair, it's hilarious that she became a beautician! She was married to the love of her life, Dennis Anderson, for 44 years. Several years after he passed away, Phyllis and Ed Benz became good friends, a friendship which blossomed into love. Ed said Mom was a cheap date because when they went out to eat, she always ordered chicken fingers and fries! Phyllis was so happy to have been blessed with two true loves in her life.

Phyllis was a longtime member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and the Rosary Society. She served as an officer with Parents of Deaf Children at Iowa School for the Deaf, was a member of Compassionate Friends, and served as a Girl Scout leader. She was a sun lover and often sported a beautiful tan. She enjoyed crafts, gardening, crocheting, knitting and embroidering. She also enjoyed bowling and playing cards. She was a collector and a saver as anyone who has ever been in her home can attest! After Theresa passed, she started her special collection of angels. Most of her time went to her family, though. She supported her children and everything they did. She was quiet and unassuming until it came to her kids. She and Dennis instigated many positive changes during their children's

time at Iowa School for the Deaf. She deeply loved the Lord.

Some of the nice things people have said about Phyllis include her beauty "both inside and out," how sweet she was, her smile, and much more. She was brave and strong and smart and had a huge heart. Her mother Edna was heard to say "the world needs more Phyllises." One of her dearest friends said, "She was so SPECIAL."

Survivors include Phyllis' children, Joanne Boggeln, Sandra Anderson and Heath Anderson; grandchildren, Brian (Dottie), Tom (Jamie), Amy (Keith), Hannah (Patrick), Luke (Caitlin), Matthew (Christina), Theresa, Mark, Noel, Amber, Christopher (Katie), Zachary (Maddie), Jacob and Justin; great-grandchildren, Zachary, Owen, McKenzie, Carson, CJ, Landri, KJ, Jameson, Rosalie, Samuel, Liam, Cora, Logan, Emma, Andee, Andrew, Sophia, JB, and Ruby; son-in-law, John (Becky) Bonnstetter; sisters, Evelyn Snavely, Lois (Larry) White, Margaret (Fred) McKim, Jeanne Cowan and Kathy (Jerry) Ball; brother, Dean (Daneze) Hanish; sister-in-law, Peggy Netsch and brother-in-law, Ken (Doris) Anderson.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Dennis; daughter, Theresa; brothers, Wayne Hanish and Roger Hanish; brothers-in-law Bob Snavely, Ron Cowan, Lee Anderson, Duane Netsch, and special friend, Ed Benz.

Thank you to those who drove her to treatments. Thank you to those who visited her when she most needed company. Thank you to her dearest friends and all who knew her. Thank you to this beautiful little community who held her up and loved her.

Services Held for William Lee Edmonds



William Lee Edmonds – age 90, passed away on Sunday, January 31, 2021 at Pleasant View Care Center in Whiting, Iowa.

Memorial Services will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, August 14, 2021, at Bethany Lutheran Church in Laurens, Iowa.

Bill was born November 16, 1930 in Storm Lake, Iowa. He was the son of Lowell and Ardis (Oleson) Edmonds. At the death of his mother, Bill (age 9) and his sister

Colleen went to live with their aunts Esther and Helen Edmonds. Bill excelled as both a student and an athlete at Laurens High School, where he graduated in 1948. On May 9, 1948 he married Laura Lee Edmundson. They were married for over 68 years and lived and raised their family in Laurens. Bill loved math and spent his life working in accounting and finance. He was employed at M & J.R. Hakes, Iowa Industrial, Mefferd Industries/Positech and Citizens State Bank. He was a life long member of Bethany Lutheran Church and served in many capacities there. He served on town council and was involved in several service organizations.

Bill enjoyed spending time with family, visiting the mountains, watching sports, playing cards, reading and most recently watching his grandson Jack's sports activities. He was an avid Yankees and Raiders fan.

Bill was preceded in death by his wife, Laura Lee in 2017. Left to cherish his memory are: children - Laura (Robert) Walker, Ramona (Craig) Stewart and William Joel (Heather) Edmonds; grandchildren - Christopher (Katie) Walker, Laura Elizabeth (Ryan) Walker, Katie (Jon) Stewart, Paige Stewart, William Jack Edmonds and LeAnn Edmonds; great-grandchildren - Genevieve Walker, Lillian Walker and Levi Bond. Also surviving are sisters Colleen Phillips and Janet (David) Convy, sister-in-law Nancy Edmundson and their extended families.

Services Held for Bruce Stone



Bruce Stone, age 63, of Marathon, Iowa died August 5, 2021, at the Pleasant View Home in Albert City, Iowa.

Funeral services will take place on Saturday, August 14, 2021 at 10 a.m. at the Marathon Community Center in Marathon. Burial will be in the Poland Township Cemetery. Visitation will take place Friday,

August 13, 2021 from 5-8:00 p.m. at the Sliefert Funeral Home in Sioux Rapids. The Sliefert Funeral Home in Sioux Rapids is in charge of the arrangements.

Bruce L. Stone was born February 21, 1958, in Marathon, Iowa to Gordon and Betty (Wittrock) Stone. Bruce went to school in Marathon, Iowa and graduated from high school in 1976. He went on to Iowa State University where he graduated with a degree in Agricultural Engineering in 1980.

Bruce married Laurie Dornsbach on March 4, 1989, at the Methodist Church in Marathon, Iowa. They were blessed with two children: Brian and Heather Jo.

He was a part of the Township Trustee in the Poland Township, Library Board Member, and Marathon to Marathon Treasurer. Bruce enjoyed traveling, playing games with his grandkids, watching movies, and spending time and farming with his father, Gordon.

Those left to cherish his memories are his wife, Laurie Stone of Marathon Iowa; children: Brian (Amanda) Dornsbach of Grimes, Iowa; Heather Jo (Broox) Czarnecki of Virginia Beach, Virginia; father, Gordon Stone of Marathon, Iowa; sisters: Deb (Dave) Howdle of Altoona, Iowa; Sandra Stone of Pleasant Hill, Iowa; grandchildren: Sawyer, Alacrity, and Finnigan Czarnecki; Montana, Jackson, Aspen, and Autumn Dornsbach. Bruce is preceded in death by his mother, Betty Stone.

LAURENS-MARATHON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ~ 2021-2022 ~ SCHOOL SUPPLIES

L-M PRESCHOOL

- (1) Pair of Tennis Shoes for gym**
- (1) Full-sized Book Bag**
- (1) Extra set of clothing (shirt, pants, underwear, & socks)**
- Clean face mask daily if required (plus an extra one to be kept at school)**
- PLEASE MARK EACH INDIVIDUAL ITEM WITH CHILD'S NAME (CLOTHING ALSO)**

KINDERGARTEN

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

- (1) Supply Box - LABEL W/NAME**
- (1) Box of Sandwich Bags - LABEL W/NAME**
- (1) Set of headphones - LABEL W/NAME**
- (1) Package of #2 Pencils (NO mechanical pencils) - LABEL W/NAME**
- (3) Boxes of Kleenex (200 count) - LABEL W/NAME**
- (1) Tub of Clorox Wipes - LABEL W/NAME**
- (1) Container of Hand Sanitizer - LABEL W/NAME**
- (2) White Board markers - LABEL W/NAME**
- (1) Scissors - LABEL W/NAME**
- (8) Glue sticks - LABEL W/NAME**
- (1) Box of Crayons (24 count) - LABEL W/NAME**
- (2) Sets of Classic colored markers - LABEL W/NAME**
- (1) Pair of P.E. Tennis Shoes - LABEL W/NAME**
- Water bottle for snack - LABEL W/NAME**
- Extra set of clothes - LABEL W/NAME**
- Book Bag - LABEL W/NAME**
- Notebooks & Folders are NOT needed, please.**

FIRST GRADE

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

- (1) set of headphones - LABEL W/NAME**
- Pencil Box (No bigger than about 6"x 9")**
- (3) Double-Pocket Folders (with NO fasteners and NO plastic folders)**
- (20) #2 Pencils (NO mechanical pencils)**
- (6) Large Erasers**
- (2) Large Boxes of Kleenex**
- (2) Large containers of Clorox disinfectant wipes**
- (3) Glue Sticks**
- (1) 8 oz. Bottle of School White Glue**
- (1) 7.5" x 10" Canvass Zipper Bag with Clear Front**
- (1) Pair of Tennis Shoes for P.E.**
- (4) Dry erase markers**
- (1) Box of quart or gallon size Ziploc bags**
- (3) Wide-lined (1 subject) Spiral Notebooks**
- (1) Box of Crayons**
- (1) box of CLASSIC colored markers**
- (1) pair of scissors**
- (1) Small flashlight**
- (1) Book bag**

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SECOND GRADE

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

- (1-2) set of headphones - LABEL W/NAME**
- (20) #2 Pencils**
- (1) Scissors**
- (4) Glue Sticks**
- (4) Dry Erase markers & 1 SOCK (To use as an eraser and store the markers)**
- (4) Double Pocket Folders**
- (2) Large Boxes Kleenex**
- (1) Container of Clorox Wipes**
- (1) pair of tennis shoes for P.E.**
- (1) Box of quart-sized Ziploc bags**
- (3) Wide-Lined spiral notebooks**
- Supply Box (No bigger than about 6"x9")**
- (2-3) Pack of Crayons (24 Count) Basic Colors**
- (2-3) Pack of Markers Basic Colors**
- Book Bag (Bring Daily)**

THIRD GRADE

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

- (1) Backpack**
- (1) Ruler**
- (2) Glue Sticks**
- (1) Bottle of liquid glue**
- (2) Boxes of 12 count #2 pencils**
- (3) Wide-lined spiral notebooks**
- (1) Scissors**
- (3) Double pocket folders**
- (2) Large boxes of tissues (200 count)**
- (1) Pencil case or box**
- (1) Box of 24 count crayons**
- (1) Box of colored pencils**
- (1) Pair of tennis shoes for PE**
- (1) Box of markers**
- (1) Four pack of dry-erase markers**
- (2) Canisters 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)**

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5th Grade:

- (1) pair of earbuds or headphones
 - (2) Spiral Notebooks - wide lined (colors: red & blue)
 - (2) Composition notebooks
 - (2) Highlighters (2 different colors)
 - (4) Dry erase markers
 - (1) box of gallon-sized Freezer Zip-loc baggies
 - (2) Double-Pocket folders w/brads (colors: red & blue)
 - (1) bottle of white glue or (2) glue sticks
 - (2) correcting pens (any color except black)
 - (1) set of markers
 - (20) #2 Ticonderoga Pencils
 - (12-24) Pencil Cap Erasers
 - (1) pair of tennis shoes for PE
 - (3) large boxes of Kleenex
 - (1) container of disinfecting wipes
 - (2) container of hand sanitizer
- Assignment Notebook (\$2.00 purchased at Registration) Students must have one!
- **Please No Trapper Keepers**

6th Grade:

- Pair of earbuds or headphones
- (2) Composition notebooks
- Folders (3) red, blue, green
- (2) 1 1/2 inch Binders
- 2 packs of loose leaf paper
- Assignment Notebook/Planner (\$2.00 purchased at registration) Students must have one!
- #2 Pencils - No mechanical
- Pens - 3 red, 3 blue
- (2) Highlighters
- (2) Glue sticks
- Colored pencils
- PE Clothes and Shoes
- Magnet or Lanyard for Lunch Ticket
- Pencil Case
- 1 box of Kleenex (200 Count)
- Container of Hand Sanitizer
- Container of disinfecting wipes

City Council Minutes

August 2nd, 2021

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal Building at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 2nd, 2021. Mayor Rod Johnson called the meeting to order. Present were Mayor Rod Johnson, Council members Jean Swanson, Aaron Christenson, Loren Booth, John Jamison, Julie Potter, City Administrator Hilary Reed, City Clerk Joan Hoben, Public Works Director Julian Johnsen, Chief of Police Dan Wegg, and City Attorney Ann Beneke.

Jamison moved to approve the consent agenda, minutes from the July 19th, 2021, meeting, the list of claims, and a Class LC Liquor License for Laurens Lounge and Lanes. Christenson seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

CLAIMS 08/02/2021

ACCO	CHEMICALS	2,220.10
ALLIANT ENERGY	MONTHLY GAS BILL	1,909.61
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS	PAINT	296.28
BEN ASCHENBRENNER	MILEAGE FOR TRIP	42.32
BOLTON & MENK	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	460.00
BOMGAARS	SHOP SUPPLIES	570.96
CORE & MAIN LP	BENZ ADDITION	22.53
HILARY REED	MEALS AT CLERK SCHOOL	68.79
IACMA	RETRIEMENT 457	500.00
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	6,052.16
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	130.60
IPERS	IPERS	6,131.86
IPERS/PD	PROTECTED IPERS	1,985.21
JACK'S UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	1,146.37
JCL SOLUTIONS	CLEANING SUPPLIES	120.92
JOHN RUNNEBERG	BELL INSTALLATION	1,960.13
LMPC	MONTHLY PHONE & INTERNET	430.00
LMU	MONTHLY UTILITIES	5,725.52
PAINT THE TOWN	PAINTING THE PERGOLA	4,936.93
PCC AMBULANCE BILLING SERVICE	AMBULANCE BILLING	272.99
PRIME BENEFITS	MONTHLY GROUP INSURANCE	87.50
SANTANDER LEASING	PAYMENT FOR PUMPER	1,461.34
SNYDER & ASSOCIATES, INC.	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	7,101.00
STAPLES	OFFICE SUPPLIES	256.80
TREASURER STATE OF IA	JULY SALES TAX	5,346.00
US BANK	OFFICE EXPENSE	1,431.02
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONE	156.80
WAYNE PEASLEE	NUISANCE MOWING	350.00
	TOTAL	<u>51,173.74</u>

PAYROLL

001	GENERAL	7/26/2021	11,319.73
210	ROAD USE TAX		1,585.74
600	WATER		2,452.25
610	SEWER		2,101.60
670	GARBAGE		2,451.49

TOTAL 19,910.81

PAYROLL TOTAL 19,910.81

PAID TOTAL 71,084.55

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001	GENERAL	29,226.14
110	ROAD USE TAX	4,959.34
200	DEBT SERVICE	48.11
175	POCKET PARK	4,936.93
176	HOMETOWN PRIDE COMMITTEE	1,960.13
316	WEST MAIN AND BISSELL ST.	7,561.00
318	BENZ ADDITION	22.53
600	WATER	11,850.36
610	SEWER	5,545.16
670	GARBAGE	4,974.85
	TOTAL BY FUND	<u>71,084.55</u>

REVENUES	GENERAL	20,075.15
	POLICE SPECIAL	250.00
	ROAD USE TAX	19,678.66
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	4,748.63
	EMERGENCY LEVY	151.41
	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	10,018.45
	POOL RESTRICTED	2,915.50
	POCKET PARK	250.00
	HOMETOWN PRIDE	1,000.00
	DEBT SERVICE	4,247.81
	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT FUND	504.77
	PERPETUAL CARE	160.00
	WATER	46,655.16
	SEWER	30,750.28
	GARBAGE	22,009.75
	STORM WATER	2,961.89
		<u>166,377.46</u>

James Roetman, Tom Grau, and Emily Williams, on behalf of the Pocahontas County Visioning Committee, gave the council an update on the goals and actions for the committee, county, and each community.

Discussion was held on Ordinance 07-19. The city will keep the ordinance in place but look for spaces to have available for storage.

Discussion was held on the lot sales of the Benz Addition. After much discussion, Swanson moved to sell the lots at \$35,000 an acre. Booth seconded. Ayes: Jamison, Booth, Christenson, Swanson. Nays: Potter. Motion carried 4-1.

Potter moved to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. Jamison seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Rod Johnson, Mayor

Hilary Reed, City Clerk