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Aaron Thomas Speaks at Keota High School



Aaron Thomas

Article courtesy of the Keota Eagle, Tomisha Sprouse Editor

Aaron Thomas' father Ed was a beloved high school football coach who not only trained generations of players on the importance of hard work, dedication, excellence and commitment, but personally put these values into action when he was the community leader who inspired his town to rebuild in the wake of a deadly EF 5 tornado. Not long after the community withstood the disaster of the storm, the small town of Parkersburg, endured a far worse tragedy: the fatal shooting of Ed Thomas by a former player who has some mental issues.

Following his father's murder Aaron was approached to return home to take over his father's responsibilities as athletic director and to continue the legacy his father had built in being not only a school leader but an example for the town to follow.

Rather than shun the family of their father's murderer and perpetuate the tragedy that Parkersburg faced, Aaron and his family called for understanding and forgiveness - because that's what Ed Thomas would have

wanted them to do.

In this incredible story of ordinary people thrust into an extraordinary situation, Aaron Thomas shares his family's journey of showing uncommon strength during the darkest of times. Aaron will discuss how to deal with adversity and making the most of all opportunities. He will challenge you to look at your life, your family, your company to see if you are being a difference maker. He and his family are the recipients of the Arthur Ashe Award for Courage, presented at the 2010 ESPY Awards. Aaron also received the Missouri Valley Conference 2010 Most Courageous Award.

Aaron and his wife along with their three boys live in Parkersburg. He is currently the Director of Student Services, Athletic Director, Head Boys Basketball Coach, and Assistant Football Coach at Aplington-Parkersburg. Before coming to A-P he was the Assistant Principal and Athletic Director at Union High School where he was the head basketball coach as well.

Aaron has spoken to students of Colleges, high schools, and middle schools. At faculty in-services, all different types of businesses and all level of employees. Also at churches, and many other organizations.

Farmers Savings Bank, in Keota, is sponsoring Aaron Thomas to come speak to the 7-12 students at Keota High School on Thurs., Jan. 12. There will also be a community presentation on Wed., Jan. 11 at the Keota Schools. All are welcome to attend the community presentation.

"The greatest gift we have is the power to choose, to live each day with Passion for what you do, and how each of us truly can make a difference." --Aaron Thomas.



Bingo Begins Again at KC Expo

The Keokuk County Expo is sponsoring Bingo at the Expo Hall in Sigourney beginning Wednesday, Jan. 11 from 6-8:30 p.m.

The dates for bingo are: January 11 and 25; February 8 and 22; and March 7 and 21. There is a progressive Black Out Jackpot starting with a \$300 prize on 54 balls.

Mark your calendar for Bingo at the Expo. Any questions call Janis Collins at 641-634-2160.

Sigourney News-Review Deadlines Are Always Friday @ 5 p.m.

Okones' Realoscope Series Continues

'Bumper Cars in the Kuiper Belt'

Local author, Lance Justin Peter Okones of Sigourney and illustrator, Christopher Trefz, are self published through CreateSpace.

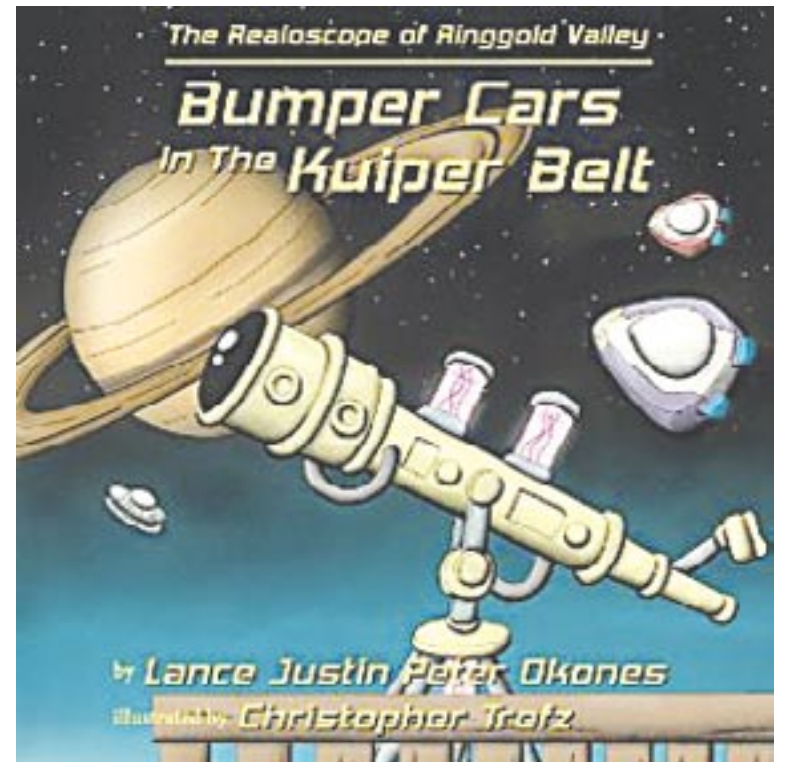
The two Realoscope books with full page illustrations and imagination inspiring story lines feature just the right blend of fantasy and fact these books are treasures kids will want to look at and read again and again.

Come and explore 'The Realoscope of Ringgold Valley' online at: <http://realoscope.christtrefz.com/index.html>. Find more details about the series, the artist and the publisher on this user-friendly website.

Lance Justin Peter Okones lives and writes in Sigourney, with his wife, Tracy.

At an early age, Christopher Trefz knew he wanted to make art a central part of his life. Chris works in Graphic Design and pursues writing and illustrating in his spare time.

Okones and Trefz came together through Windstorm Creative/Orchard House Press, the company that first published the Realoscope Series. After the publisher fell on hard economic times,



Okones and Trefz regained the rights to their creations and joined forces to bring kids more fun and adventures through the Realoscope Series!

Bumper Cars in the Kuiper Belt is book two in the Realoscope series!

A misplaced gift from another planet sends Lisa, Brian and Deedle on a breath taking ride to edge of our solar system. One by one, the three friends get up close views of Mars, Jupiter, Saturn,

Uranus, Neptune and little Pluto. Then they're off on a wild bumper car ride through space that ends in wonder. Join Lisa, Brian and Deedle as they journey to the place where comets are born. With a Realoscope, the sky is no longer the limit.

For more information please contact Lance Okones at 641-622-2303, 641-799-8015 or by email at lanceokones@yahoo.com.

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EV History Center Seminar - Quilt Block Art Popping Up

Quilt block art is popping up all over Iowa, from large displays on barns to smaller blocks in gardens and lawns. Travelers through the state even sometime go out of their way to look at these works of local art.

On Sunday, Jan. 29 at 2 p.m. the EV History Center is proud to introduce Lynn Moffit as he tells the brief history of barn quilts and their origins and explains how they are made.

Lynn discusses designs and color schemes, examples and sources people in the community can use to create their own. He is also explore the mechan-

ics of quilt block design as he shows the materials and tools, basic preparation, layout, taping and painting of quilt blocks of any size. He plans to discuss installation and location of these works of art for public display.

Lynn is also sharing his thoughts on an English Valleys Quilt Block Tour, an idea that is discussed amongst some in the community. Travelers in the area have all sung the praises of the restored Hinkletown Barn with the beautiful quilt blocks that show the care and craftsmanship of Lynn and his wife, Sherry Moffit.

Keokuk County Farm Bureau Recognized As A Top Performer



Keokuk County Farm Bureau President Debbie Hinnah accepts the "Outstanding Award" from IFBF Past President Craig Lang (left) and newly-elected President Craig Hill (right) made the presentation to Hinnah. Photo submitted.

Each year county Farm Bureaus set goals and reports activities performed and accomplished throughout the year. The Iowa Farm Bureau Federation scores each county on their activities. Keokuk County

The EV History Center, at 108 N. Main St. is pleased to host Lynn Moffit as he acquaints the community with the fine art of quilt block making, and the public may attend. No admission is charged.

Farm Bureau was awarded the "Outstanding County Farm Bureau" for its 2011 programs related to policy development, policy, implementation, communication, agriculture education, strengthening the organization and promoting the benefits of membership.

Debbie Hinnah, Keokuk County Farm Bureau president, received this recognition award at the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation (IFBF) annual meeting in Des Moines on Dec. 7.

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~ Hadley ~



Mary Eloise Hadley, 87, of Richland, died Friday morning, December 30, 2011, at Parkview Care Center in Fairfield.

She was born October 8, 1924, in Packwood, to Aubrey L. "Orb" and Leona J. Hodson Barnett. She grew up in Packwood and graduated from Packwood High School in 1942. Eloise married John Hadley in Memphis, Mo. on February 14, 1942. He died September 24, 2009. She and John farmed near Richland, and after raising their family, she worked as a nurse's aide at Manor House in Sigourney and Jefferson County Long Term Care in Fairfield. Eloise was an active member of Trinity Friends Church, was involved in a jail ministry, Gideons, gardened and

loved to help raise her grandchildren. A crochet hook, yarn or a book was never far from her hands.

She is survived by four daughters: Susan (Howard) Hunt of Peoria, Ariz., Sandra Jo (Dennis) Wolfe of Washington, Kan.; five sons: J.D. (Charlotte) Hadley of Salem, Ore., Michael (Pam) Hadley, James (Silvia) Hadley, Daniel (Brenda) Hadley and Joseph (Kerry) Hadley, all of Richland; 23 grandchildren; 31 great grandchildren; five step-grandchildren and one brother: Fred Barnett of Alexandria, Va.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, great-grandson, Skyler Frankhauser; two sisters: Maxine Spitznogle and Irmalee Maring and two brothers: Robert and Delbert Barnett.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, January 2, 2012, at Trinity Friends Church in Richland with Rev. Tim Hadley officiating. Burial will be in Richland Friends Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Richland Friends Cemetery and may be left at the parish hall, church or mailed to the family at P.O. Box 292, Richland, IA 52585.

Arrangements were in the care of Gould Funeral Home in Richland.

~ Schroeder ~



Eunice Schroeder, age 93, of Sigourney, died Thursday, December 29, 2011 at the Sigourney Care Center.

Eunice was born January 14, 1918, in Williamsburg, to Herman and Minnie Schuman Arr. She attended Maple Grove school in Pilot Township and graduated from Williamsburg High School in 1935. Eunice married Martin Schroeder on January 24, 1938, in the Methodist Parsonage in Troy, Mo. She worked at the Henry Witte Store and the Peterson Drug Company in Williamsburg and later helped her husband with the Little Chicago Bakery and Cafe in Williamsburg. Eunice and Martin moved to Sigourney after his return from the South pacific serving in the Navy. Martin and Art Prall formed a partnership when they purchased the S&S Shoe Store. Upon the retirement of Mr. Prall, Martin and Eunice continued the business until their retirement in 1978. The Schroeder's later moved to Bentonville, Ark. until April 1994,

when they became residents of North Elm Condos in Ottumwa.

Eunice was a member of the Methodist Church of Williamsburg and Sigourney. She served as President of Women Society of Christian Service, T.T.T. and the American Legion Auxiliary. She was also a member of the Federated Women's Club in Williamsburg and Sigourney. Eunice and her husband enjoyed traveling and gardening, especially flowers, which she enjoyed sharing with the church, friends and family. She also enjoyed quilting, crewel embroidery, stamping and making cards to send to friends and relatives.

She is survived by two children: Jan Crissman of Ottumwa and Larry (Marilyn) Schroeder of Sigourney; three grandsons: Randy (Jody) Schroeder of Keswick, Terry (Missy) Schroeder of Sigourney and Mark (Tammy) Crissman of Houston, Texas; eight great grandchildren: Ashley, Andrew, Brooke and Allison Schroeder and Kathleen, Mirinda, Laura and Grace Crissman; two great-great granddaughters, Reagan and Ryann White. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband; a brother John Arr and a grandson Bruce Allen Schroeder.

A graveside service was held on Saturday, Dec. 31, at Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Sigourney. A memorial fund has been established for the Sigourney United Methodist Church.

Powell Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Sigourney, was in charge of arrangements. Messages and tributes may be left at www.powellfuneralhomes.com under obituaries.

WEATHER REVIEW

The following report is compiled by Doug Flanders, Sigourney's official weather observer and includes the date, high, low and precipitation readings.

Table with 2 columns: HI, LO. Rows for Tues., Dec. 27; Wed., Dec. 28; Thurs., Dec. 29; Fri., Dec. 30; Sat., Dec. 31; Sun., Jan. 1; Mon., Jan. 2.

POLICE LOG

The Police Log is a brief summary of the activities/arrest/tickets from previous week as submitted by Sigourney Police Chief, Allan Glandon.

Criminal charges are mere accusations and the accused is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

7:16 p.m.: Assisted Sheriff's Department in executing arrest warrant in Sigourney.

12-27-2011 10:45 p.m.: Issued warning for no license plate light.

12-29-2011 12:15 a.m.: Assisted motorist.

1:25 a.m.: Issued citation to Ruthann E. Cooley of Packwood for speeding.

1:25 a.m.: Issued warning for violation of intermediate driver's license.

1:50 a.m.: Issued warning for equipment violation.

9:00 a.m.: Assisted ambulance service with medical call in the 100 block of North Main Street.

3:50 p.m.: Assisted motorist. 4:00 p.m.: Received report of trespassing in the 500 block of North Jefferson Street. Incident under investigation.

8:00 p.m.: Welfare check in the 100 block of North Main Street.

12-30-2011 2:11 a.m.: Checked welfare of pedestrian near elementary school.

1:00 p.m.: Received complaint of unauthorized parking on private property in the 100 block of North Main Street. Discussed options with complainant.

7:55 p.m.: Issued citation to Rhiannon B. Merchant of Sigourney for speeding.

10:00 p.m.: Received complaint of noise in a business. Assisted owners with checking the building, everything was ok.

10:46 p.m.: Issued warning for failure to dim headlights.

11:20 pm.: Issued citation to Elizabeth C. Ward of What Cheer for failure to prove security against liability.

11:20 p.m.: Issued warning for brake light out.

12-31-2011 8:50 a.m.: Talked to a parent concerning a child custody issue advised them to contact their attorney.

11:00 a.m.: Funeral traffic control.

12:10 p.m.: Alarm call in the 1400 block of East SADC Avenue, everything ok.

8:43 p.m.: Issued citation to Samantha L. Barker of Ottumwa for speeding.

9:49 p.m.: Issued warning for improper registration.

10:08 p.m.: Issued warning for taillight, brake light and turn signal out.

1-1-2012 12:40 a.m.: Issued citation to Ashley N. Timmins of Washington for violations of conditions of restricted license.

12:40 a.m.: Issued warning for license plate light out.

1:00 a.m.: Issued warning for driving without headlights on.

2:10 a.m.: Issued warning for speeding.

2:50 a.m.: Called to incident in the 100 block of West South

Street. Arrested Robert L. Rogers II of Sigourney for domestic abuse assault. Rogers was taken to the Keokuk County Jail.

9:50 a.m.: Received complaint of two loose dogs in the 100 block of May Street, unable to locate.

12:50 a.m.: Received complaint of two loose dogs in the 100 block of May Street, returned dogs to the owner.

1:45 p.m.: Investigated drugs found in a vacant apartment on North Main Street. Incident under investigation.

9:28 p.m.: Alarm call in the 1400 block of East SADC Avenue, everything ok.

SHERIFF'S NEWS The Sheriff's news is a brief summary of the activities/arrests/tickets from previous weeks as submitted by Keokuk County Sheriff, Jeff Shipley.

Criminal charges are mere accusations and the accused is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

On Mon Dec. 26th, the Keokuk County Sheriff's Dept. arrested Randy Allen Tucker, 30, Oskaloosa on a warrant for Failure to Appear.

On Sun. Jan. 1, the Mahaska County Sheriff's Dept. arrested Craig Allen Dalbey, 62, Fremont, on a Keokuk County Warrant and is being held on detainer.

On Mon. Jan 2, the Keokuk County Sheriff's Dept. arrested Druyour Allen Knight, 67, Fairfield, on a Keokuk County Warrant for Failure to Appear.

Here are the answers to the crossword puzzle from December 28, 2011

Grid for crossword puzzle with answers filled in. Includes 'Silly States' and a list of answers.

This Week's Crossword Puzzle Sponsored By: Atwood Electric, Inc. 641-622-3626

Grid for crossword puzzle with clues and answers. Includes 'Across' and 'Down' sections.

FISH FRY at Knights of Columbus Hall, Harper Friday, Jan. 13 Serving 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. \$9.00 Per Person Children 1/2 Price Serving Whole Catfish, Baked Potato, Cole Slaw, Green Beans, Roll and Drink PUBLIC INVITED Our Hall Is Now Handicapped Accessible

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2011 SNR A Year In Review

Just Thinking Again



Isn't it uncanny how smart grandmothers are... My grandma used to tell me to savor each day (stop and smell the roses) because when I'm older time would fly by and I didn't really believe her at the time, but here I am once again sharing my favorite headlines from another year - Gone.

2011 flew by like it's tail was on fire, but before we get caught up in the comings and goings of 2012, let's stop and savor a few headlines which stand out in my mind.

This past year marked a couple significant headlines in my personal life.

~ First, my older daughter, Tricia Mann, accepted a position which allowed her to move back into the community to live and work.

~ Secondly, my younger daughter, Jessie (Mann) Dobbins added a new branch to our family tree when she married Jesse Dobbins this past fall.

I'm so blessed to have both of my daughters close to home and am really excited about becoming a (step) Grandma. Travis and I celebrated our second wedding anniversary in November and together with Liz (11) and Lydia (8), we all enjoyed a warm fruitful Christmas season to close out 2011.

With so many awe-inspiring moments to consider in 2011, selecting just a few 'favorite headlines' was even more difficult this year. Following on the next four pages, each 'favorite headline' is large and bold with my personal reasons for taking the time to point it out once again in regular text and a sample of the article as it was printed in the Sigourney News-Review in bold quotes. Each month is separated by a dotted line.

Your personal thoughts and opinions are always encouraged and welcome, please don't hesitate to share them either with me or our readers. I may be reached at:

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January

Utterback Sinks 1,000th Career Point

This is one of my favorite moments because I am a crazy sports fan (in case you didn't know) and what an accomplishment for both Andrew and the Sigourney Savages boy's basketball program. Great Job, Drew!

"Sigourney Savages senior Andrew Utterback has proven to be an all-around outstanding athlete with his success on the baseball field, on the football field and on the basketball court - not to mention his successes in other sports as well as his achievements in the classroom. He has worked hard over the years and performs with determination, dedication and heart.

His latest mile-marker wasn't necessarily something he specifically set-out to do, but is an achievement he would attribute to his teammates and coaching staff over the years. **"This is a great honor for Andrew (Utterback)," said Sigourney Savages Head Coach Dave Tremmel. "He is a tremendous kid and everybody's dream."**

Utterback's high school basketball career shooting stats added up to his 1,000th point scored against North Mahaska on Fri., Jan. 7 [2011] on his home court."



Chief Glandon Honored as Innovative Drug-Fighter



Mark Scouten, Director for the Office of Drug Control Policy (left), Allan Glandon, Sigourney Chief of Police and the Lieutenant Governor, Kim Reynolds (right), stop for a photo with Glandon's IDEA award. Photo submitted.

The next two headlines (above and top of next column) are wonderful examples of ordinary people living passionately and abiding by their personal convictions, which is more than often the norm in a small community, but is always an honor when recognized at the state and national levels. Congratulations Chief Allan Glandon and STI's Bob Sinclair!

"The IDEA [Innovation, Determination and Excellence in Action] award was created by ODCP [Office of Drug Control Policy] to recognize individuals and organizations for exemplary service and leadership that demonstrably improves the health and safety of Iowans through innovative prevention, enforcement or other drug control initiatives.

Sigourney Police Chief Allan Glandon is being honored for innovative leadership that included adoption of the State's first local keg registration ordinance that subsequently led to a reduction in underage binge drinking in the Sigourney area."

STI Receives National Attention for a 'Job Well Done'

"Sigourney Tractor and Implement (STI) was recently recognized as the feature dealer in the November issue of the North American Equipment Dealers Association (NAEDA) "Equipment Dealer" magazine.



"Happy, but never satisfied" is core value that serves as a strong foundation for STI. The southeast Iowa dealership has used that philosophy to move from a cautious start 12 years ago to smooth sailing today.

"Today, we maintain success by keeping the profits in the business and by investing in our employees, customers and community," says [Bob] Sinclair. "We look at our relationships with customers and employees as partnerships. For the business to do well, customers and employees have to do well also. There are no winners on a losing team."

February



Not to toot my own horn, but this was one of my favorite headlines because of the recognition we received, both personally and professionally, as well as the state-wide recognition our community received as these entries were reviewed and presented at the 2011 Iowa Newspapers Association's Convention in Des Moines with news professionals in attendance from across Iowa.

Sharing the accomplishments of our young people and the significant moments among our neighbors is a privilege, the Sigourney News-Review is proud to boast about for all to read. Congratulations to the Entire Community!

Historical Changes to the Sigourney Skyline



Hammes Bulldozing of Sigourney began the demolition of the former K&L Foods store a couple of weeks ago, but the truly visible excitement started on Fri., Feb. 18 [2011] as crews began removing the roof and front awning from the building.

For all of you history buffs out there, it just doesn't get any better than this... You are now a witness to history on the Sigourney square and this is one of my favorite headlines due to this fact - I was here!

Some may not like change nor progress and there are some who wouldn't consider this progress, but I don't even want to consider the horror of living here without a grocery store. Congratulations, Keith and Laurie and the entire community!

"The section of town from 110-120 South Main Street, which has altered the Sigourney skyline once again has seen a multitude of businesses over the years. A few of the notable ones include: carriage factory, Ford garage, pool hall, ice cream bar, grocery store, hardware store and a cafe.

The following is just a tidbit of history on this section of the Sigourney square. It was entertaining and informative to dig through some of Sigourney's past; what diversity this community has enjoyed over the years. For more details, please visit the Keokuk County Historical Society, 402 E. Elm St., Sigourney. They are open for visitors every Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. or call for an appointment at 641-622-3005.

~ Keith and Laurie Luettjohann purchased the properties in 2003 from the Harris family. They knew then they wanted to change the skyline of Sigourney and build a new grocery store, but waited until the timing was right and broke ground in 2010 on the new store. They opened their doors in the new location on Mon., Jan. 17, 2011."

March

What Would the Price of a Seat Belt Ticket Buy?



I just really enjoyed writing this article and was shocked at how much you can actually buy right here in Sigourney for the same price or less as a seat belt fine.

"The total seat belt fine, including court costs, is \$127.50. Oh the things a person could buy in Sigourney with a simple click of their seat belt..."

...@ \$3.54 per gallon, you could buy nearly 36 gallons of gas at any of the three Sigourney stations (Kum & Go, Casey's and/or Sigourney BP). Most cars hold 15-18 gallons per tank, so click your belt and fill up twice! [Note: gas prices are down!]

...@ an average \$3.75-4.00 per pound, you could buy nearly 34 pounds of quality beef at K&L Foods in Sigourney - Spark up the grill!

...You could buy nearly 3 dozen Roses in a rainbow of colors, beautifully arranged at The Garden Gate in Sigourney - Imagine the look on her face!"

...Treat the whole family or neighborhood to supper at Pizza Ranch in Sigourney, you can buy 13 adult buffets or 12 large pizzas for the same click!

...@ Jack Walker CDJ in Sigourney, you could have your car serviced 4 times, tires rotated 6 times or have the transmission flushed for less than the cost of a seat belt fine.

Sharing Sigourney Streets Poll

This isn't a particularly clever headline, but oh - the conversations it started. It took nearly a month, but the ideas shared during that time were great! Keep the communication going!

"Sigourney Police Chief Allan Glandon, Sigourney City Council and Mayor Pat Miletich are interested in obtaining the general consensus of Sigourney residents with regards to sharing the city streets with registered golf carts and/or utility vehicles.

"High fuel prices are prompting this conversation," said Chief Glandon, who has not always been in favor of this idea but is interested in how Sigourney residents feel about it. "If this is what the majority would like and it is a way to save money, then we will take a look at it."

Haines Family Dairy



The Haines Family - Mark and Trisha with their daughter, Ella (3) and Eli (1); Mike and Heather with their sons Denny (12) and Dustin (10) and the youngest Haines brother, Charlie (right, back). Photo by Robin Handy, SNR Editor.

As a 'big-city' girl from Burlington, this particular article was so enlightening and enjoyable to share it with you. Headlines like this one are the absolute best part of my job, not only do I get to learn more about the world around me, I am able to share this moment with the readers of the Sigourney News-Review.

A hometown newspaper like the SNR is so fortunate to be able to share these types of neighborly stories; we aren't bogged down with all of the state and national negativity like the larger dailies, but with the continued support of our generous advertisers and readers, we are able to sit down, take a step back and share a few more of the meaningful moments in our lives. Only together as a strong unified 'family unit' can we surpass the global economy and remain solid.

"After just a few months into a new location, the Haines Family Dairy is in full swing of calving and milking an expanded herd of Holsteins a few miles west of the Sigourney city limits at 18278 Highway 92.

"This (the dairy business) is something we have talked about doing together since we were in high school," said Mark. The Haines family is no stranger to the dairy business. The boys grew up on the family dairy farm near North Liberty before their parents, Lynn and Teri Haines, moved the entire operation to Wisconsin.

The two families recently added another Haines brother, Charlie to the dairy mix; he just moved from Wisconsin to Sigourney to help work the family dairy. Together they are shipping out 14,600 pounds of milk a day on average from 180 milkers with a total herd head count of approximately 340.

Combining herds can be difficult and even detrimental for an emerging dairy business, but the Haines family has not experienced any negative challenges thus far. "Usually, you hear about them (cows) dropping way off in milk for a while or they (dairies) lose cows after a relocation," said Heather. "But we really just haven't had any problems."

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April

Deputy, Suspect Slain

Keokuk County Deputy Eric Stein fatally injured by lone gunman, Jeff Krier Monday afternoon

There were some moments in 2011 which broke my heart and it tears me up to have to share this one again. Eric was a true friend, wonderful father and a hero; he is remembered and lives on in the hearts of all those who were blessed to know him.

"After a short exchange of gunfire at 18327 249th St., Sigourney [on Monday, April 4], 38 year old, Keokuk County Sheriff's Deputy Eric Stein was shot and killed.

Iowa State Patrol Officer Jason Marlow along with Mahaska County Sheriff Paul R. DeGeest addressed a packed garage at the Keokuk County Sheriff's office during a press conference. Giving only small details to the tragedy which occurred that day. Finally, late in the evening, the Iowa Department of Public Safety was able to complete the story."



Savages Jump Head First into the Outdoor Track Season



The Sigourney Savages boy's Track team competed well at its' first outdoor meet of the season. Senior Logan Klein lunged into first place in the Long Jump with 21'10" at the Pekin Ruritan Relays. Photos by Robin Handy, SNR Editor.

Track is often an unsung hero of high school athletics; student athletes push themselves to perform at their highest peak of physical perfection in the broadest spectrum of weather conditions.

This headline counts among my favorites because...well - it's sports for one, but high school athletics provides me an unique opportunity to boast about all of the outstanding young people we have in our community. Larger newspapers often focus on the negative and feature the unlawful 'achievements' of young people, but the SNR strives to share both the positive as well as keep readers informed of statistical details as well.

"The Sigourney Savages boy's varsity track team endured the first outdoor track meet of the 2011 season. As the team traveled to Pekin on Monday, March 28 for the Pekin Ruritan Relays, the temperatures hovered around the mid to upper 30's and winds had picked up to include gusts roughly 10 miles per hour.

"The first track meet is always so cold," said a SHS parent. "I'm even wearing my long underwear!" It is true! Deciding what to wear often includes several layers, blankets and a thermos of hot chocolate or coffee. The Savage parents are no slackers when it comes to gutting out the unpredictable Iowa weather to support their children. "We just do what we do," said another SHS parent.

The Savages' coaches were very pleased with the teams' performance at the Pekin Ruritan Relays."

A Slice of Pie: KCCEF Awards \$93,440 for County Projects

As a county without a casino, the State of Iowa created KCCEF and through this organization awards grants to other community organizations for projects they may not ordinarily be able to complete without these extra funds.

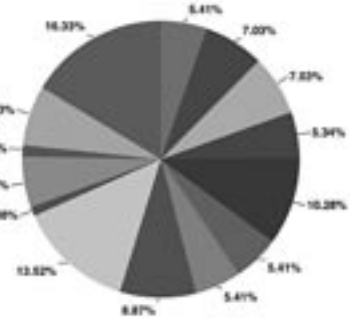
For this reason, this is always a favorite headline of mine. Building or refurbishing any part of our community (yes, I consider the entire county a community - if we don't stick together and support one another, we will fall) just pulls at my heart strings and provides me an opportunity to shout our accomplishments from the tips of these pages.

"The annual Keokuk County Community Endowment Foundation (KCCEF) Awards Banquet was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Harper on Wednesday, April 13 and included delicious refreshments prepared by the Harper Knights of Columbus.

Due to the recent [December 2010] fires in downtown Keota, the KCCEF board decided to present the Keota Mayor, Tony Cansler with a check for \$1,000; these funds are over and above any grant request from the community. Bond said the funds are for the City of Keota to use as they see fit - from cleaning the streets, keeping the lights on to a new fire truck.

Sigourney Police Chief, Allan Glandon accepted the \$4,500 grant on behalf of the Keokuk County Law Enforcement Critical Response Team for safety and training equipment. "Those of us in law enforcement have lost a friend and fellow officer this week. Deputy Eric Stein was an excellent officer and on Monday, April 4, he lost his life while doing his job. Eric was a true hero that day, even though he was in a terrible gun battle, he did remain focused on doing his job. If you haven't heard, he probably saved at least three other officers lives that day including my own."

Glandon continued, sharing a bit of history behind the selection of the safety and training equipment, "Last fall, various officers in Keokuk County met and decided to apply for some equipment from the Endowment fund. The Sigourney Police Department spearheaded the project, but Stein was the one who provided the guidance in selecting the equipment." One piece of the equipment is a bullet proof shield. "Although, Stein didn't have a shield last Monday (4/4/11), this selection may save a life in the future," Glandon said. "All of the equipment purchased will be dedicated in memory of Sgt. Eric Stein."



May

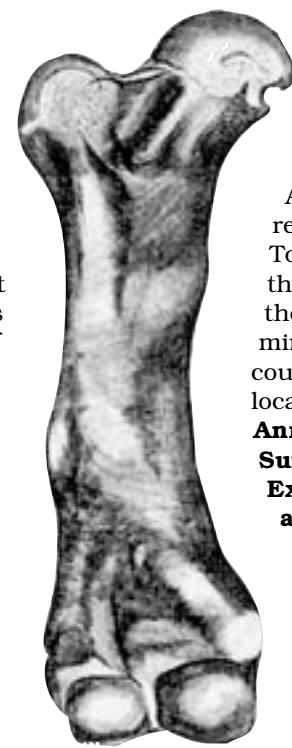
Artifact Show Features Recent Discovery

What an opportunity for Keokuk County and the Expo! With such Indian heritage County as well as in southeast Iowa, the Skunk River one of a select few

Local enthusiast, diligently to help put of collectors across favorite headline of the potential this munity and the "The First Artifact Show is Keokuk County Show doors open at 3 p.m.

The show features some of the Midwest's finest American Indian artifacts. A major attraction is a femur mammoth. This extremely large, found washed out the floods of 2010

this find occurred in a county adjoining Keokuk County and was within 30 miles of the show itself!"



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13th Annual KC Relay for Life

'Imagine a World With More Birthdays'



The honors of kissing Bacon came down to a nickel difference, but late Keokuk County Deputy Sgt. Eric Stein's container received the most votes. Shelby Stein toiled over her selection, but ultimately it was KC Jailer, Dick Coffman receiving the nod. Bacon squealed in protest, but Coffman was determined and secured her in a loving embrace before giving her a big smooch. Photos by SNR Editor Robin Handy.

This annual event is always a favorite 'headline' of mine because it gives our entire community an opportunity to honor inspiring women and men who just happen to be friends and neighbors.

This year was extra special, as we all hope next year will be too, because the survivor lap grew to include more Keokuk County survivors!

"Honoring those who survive, those who continue the fight and those who will never be forgotten was the order of the day on Saturday, June 4 during the 13th Annual American Cancer Society Keokuk County Relay for Life at the Keokuk County Expo. Survivors in purple began the event with the Survivor's Lap, team members wore white and two National Guardsmen from Sigourney hit the track.

The Keokuk County Sheriff's Department agreed to do a 'Kiss the Pig' contest as a fundraiser for the 2011 Relay for Life.

Team Flockers and the entire Bird family honored Hazel Bird for her 40th anniversary as a cancer survivor at the 2011 Keokuk County Relay for Life on Saturday afternoon. Each year KC Relay for Life organizers recognize the registered cancer survivor with the most years of survivorship and Hazel Bird was named as the 2011 honoree.

Several donations were made Saturday afternoon to Locks of Love for cancer patient's wigs; Amy Walker of Amy's Salon House & Spa conducted the honors. Meredith Wheeldon was among those to donate her long locks on Saturday afternoon.

As the names of those who will never be forgotten was read by Sigourney Mayor Pat Miletech and Rev. Jim Bringman, the track was somber as walkers honored loved ones."

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June

Diapers for Haiti



Sigourney First Presbyterian Church volunteers include (left to right): Linda James, Colleen Deitrich, Shirley Steinhart, Holly Martin, Phyllis Clingan, Hazel Wheeldon, Ethan Williams, Delaney Williams (Holy Martin's grandchildren and active volunteers from West Burlington) and Anna May Reber. Seated at the sewing machines are LuAnn Berger and Kim Meier and behind the camera was Barb Smith. Photo submitted.

June can be such a crazy month, between high school baseball and softball to preparations for the huge Sigourney Independence Day Celebration, it's difficult to narrow down the headlines into the space allowed this year. But - this one stood out!

As life attempts to blow by, these volunteers stopped to notice the needs of others and included them in their hectic schedules. Volunteerism and empathy are two vital tools in the 'stopping to smell the roses' theme my Grandma always tried to get through my thick skull. Thank you, Sigourney First Presbyterian Church!

"The volunteer spirit is alive and strong at the Sigourney First Presbyterian Church!

The Presbyterian Women recently gathered twelve volunteers together for a sewing day project - "Diapers for Haiti". The diapers are made from used T-shirts donated to the group.

This mission project started in the Brethren churches. The Presbyterian Women are using the patterns and instructions from the Church of the Brethren, South English."

Memorial Tribute Stirs Questions



Members of the Sigourney Jr/Sr High School YEL/JEL chapters conducted a memorial demonstration for the 1200 people lost everyday to tobacco related deaths in the United States. Participating in the demonstration were (not in photograph-

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Memorial Stirs.....Continued from Page 4

ic order): Danielle Cariker, Grant Schmidt, Sydney Woods, Mateer Strong, Olivia Wallerich and Shay Mohr. KC STAAR Director, Lynne Zoulek was the adviser on the project.

It's not just athletic students which gives the community a reason to boast, but all of our young people have characteristics and qualities which cause them to stand out amongst their peers. These students spent a good portion of their week trying to educate the entire community on the dangers of tobacco use; the finale was the shoe display on the courthouse lawn. Great Job, JEL/YEL!

"It was a beautiful spring day and as walkers rounded the Sigourney square, questions were heard through open doorways and windows..."

... "What's going on?"
 ... "Why are all those shoes out there?"
 ... "Why did all those people have to die?"

The great news is these people do not have to die! According to the Sigourney Jr./Sr. High School YEL/JEL chapters, all of the 1,200 people who die everyday in the United States due to a tobacco related disease - are completely preventable. "We are doing this demonstration to bring the message out to the general public rather than hide in the school," said Sigourney YEL/JEL chapter president, Grant Schmidt.

The Sigourney YEL/JEL chapters demonstrated 1200 pairs of shoes on the Keokuk County courthouse lawn on Wednesday, May 4. JEL's goal is to spread the truth about tobacco companies that produce the deadliest used substances in Iowa."

SPL Introduces WILBOR

As a Sigourney Public Library Board member, this headline was an obvious favorite. I'm always excited about the opportunities our local library opens for our patrons. By partnering with WILBOR, SPL cardholders are launched into the world of technology and adventures by accessing books through their cell phones and other mobile units.



"The Sigourney Public Library (SPL) recently added a free service for its' electronic patrons - WILBOR (West/Central Iowa Libraries Building Online Resources). "We are so excited to have added WILBOR to our list of services," said SPL Director, Andi Wallerich. "We are able to offer this free service to our patrons through a combination of financial support by the Sigourney Kiwanis and a portion of our Direct State Aid dollars from the State Library Association."

WILBOR is a website which allows patrons to check-out and download audio-books and e-books for free to their electronic and mobile devices (detailed listing available online). The ever increasing costs of audio books and constraining budgets has forced smaller public libraries across the country to pursue more cost-effective avenues of providing these services to their patrons. "We joined WILBOR not only for the reduced cost for audio books, but to take advantage of the opportunity to offer our patrons the e-book feature as well," said Wallerich."

Construction Continues but Deer View Manor Open for Tours

Despite recent rains, the steady progress of Deer View Manor has the entire community excited. The construction site is pictured above as it looked in early April [2011] from the corner of South Stuart Street and Kelly Street.

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Below, it's the middle of June and construction crews have the steel girders in place to begin moulding the entrance to the main lobby area of Deer View Manor.



This is a favorite headline of mine because of the impending growth to our community. Thank you, ABCM for this ongoing commitment to our community!

"Deer View Manor Independent & Assisted Living is part of a \$3.5 million ABCM Corporation expansion project. The 25-unit living complex features several distinct one and two bedroom unit types, three levels of care based on individual need, generous amenities and services, as well as additional options to accommodate lifestyle choices. Professional nursing staff is available on-site 24-hours a day, with a state-of-the-art hospital only minutes away. Enjoy the privacy of an individual apartment or mingle with family, friends and neighbors in our distinctive common areas."

July

Community Welcomes Gonzales As New SCSD Superintendent



As the largest taxing entity in Keokuk County, new leadership at the Sigourney Community School District is a major headline to reflect upon and this one is a favorite of mine because of the genuine warmth of our new superintendent, Benita Gonzales.

It is also rewarding to see how well two parts of the whole (Sigourney and Tri-County school districts) are able to work together to find a solution. Keep up the good work, Sigourney and Tri-County School Boards!

"It was our communities' warmth and friendliness which pulled this Iowa-raised lady from the banks of the great Mississippi. Benita Gonzales began her duties as the 60/40 shared superintendent of Sigourney and Tri-County school districts on Friday, July 1 and both boards along with four community advisory groups wish her the best as well as encourage residents to call-on her for a visit.

Sigourney School Board President Bill Rees said, "Benita is really excited about her new position and I am looking forward to working with her."

"I'm excited about the start of the new school year with our new Superintendent Benita Gonzales," said Tri-County School Board President Kelly Tish. "The hiring process went very well. I would like to give the TC and Sigourney school boards a pat on the back as well as everyone who was involved in the hiring process. Our schools are a very important part of our communities."

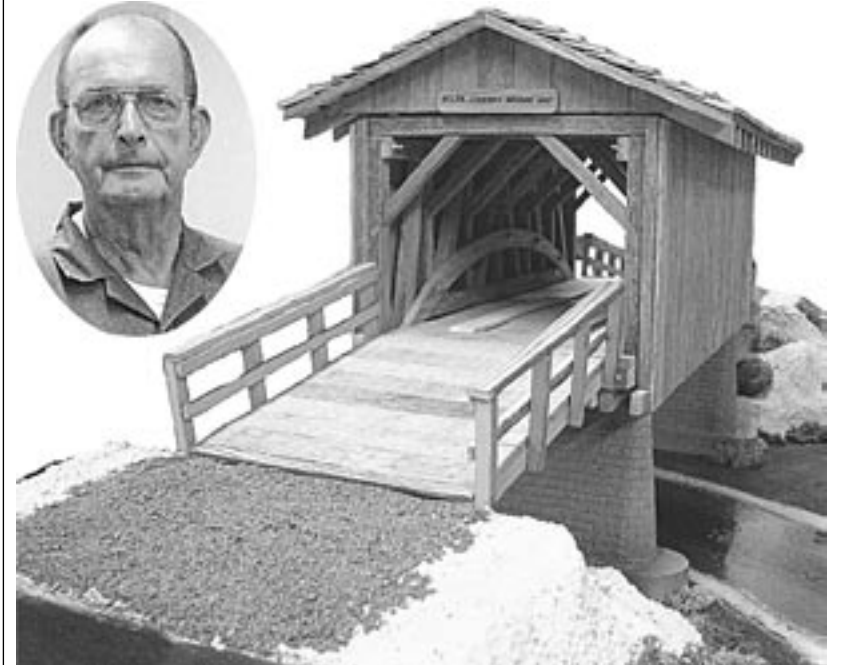
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New Replica of the Historic Delta Covered Bridge



Robert Bowman of South English constructed a Delta Covered Bridge replica. The photo is a close look at the detailed inside.

Our community is so full of extremely talented people and it's an honor to share those talents with Sigourney News-Review readers. If you know of a special talent in Keokuk County, please don't hesitate to give me a call - Robin Handy at 641-622-3110 - I'd love to share their personal story as well.

"Robert Bowman of South English built this 64th scale replica of the Delta Covered Bridge. The project took a year and a half to complete; some of the time was spent trying to locate the original blueprints, but ultimately he was unable to locate them and reviewed several photos and drawings to create his own blueprint.

The replica was constructed using pieces of barn board. Bowman enjoys building picture frames from old barn boards. "I had collected so many pieces of barn board and needed a new project," said Bowman. "I decided to build a Delta Covered Bridge and Jim Reynolds of Sigourney cut the shingles." The sand along the creek isn't native to Iowa, in fact it comes from the Gulf of Mexico."

Waechter Competes at National Shooting Invitational



As the field of high school aged athletics broadens, I am afforded countless more opportunities to honor and recognize our young people. Timing, precision and patience are keys to being a successful archer. Congratulations, Daniel!

"Daniel Waechter of Sigourney was one of 470 participants from 30 states at the 4-H National Shooting Sports Invitational held June 19 through 24 in San Antonio, Texas. Dan, along with Jacob Schafback of Victor and Austin Henchal of Gilman, made up the Iowa Archery Team. They qualified to participate in the national invitational at the 2010 Iowa 4-H State Shoot."

Savages Baseball Take Second in SICL Conference

2nd Place SICL Conference
 2011 Season Record
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Savages Baseball Thanks The Following For Their Support This Season

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It was an awesome season of high school baseball, which didn't end quite the way coaches, players and fans would have preferred but what a joy to watch. When the team was firing on all cylinders, the 2011 baseball season was a thing of beauty (yes, I know beauty is in the eye of the beholder).

"SICL (Southeast Iowa Cedar League) Conference coaches gathered to select the 2011 All-Conference teams and seven Sigourney Savages were among those awarded. The Sigourney Savages are under the direction of veteran head coach Lee Crawford and finished the 2011 season with a 2nd Place finish in the SICL Conference and a record of 15-5, 19-11 overall."

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August

English Valleys Silences Critics at State



The English Valleys Bears were captured above (left to right, top to bottom): 1) The team waits for its participation trophy after falling to Martensdale-St. Mary's 2-1 in the first round of the state tournament. 2) Seniors Carsten Parmenter and Kendall Gent hold the Bears state participation trophy. 3) Kendall Gent hurls a pitch in the first inning at the state tournament. Gent pitched the entire game for English Valley's and finished with nine strikeouts, one walk, and allowed just one earned run against the top hitting team in the state. 4) Carsten Parmenter makes a diving catch in foul territory in the second inning of their state tournament appearance. Photos by Michael Zogg.

This is one of my favorite headlines because it represents a two-fold success:

~ First, Mid-America Publishing Corp., the parent company of the Sigourney News-Review decided to foster county-wide high school sports in their Keokuk County newspapers (Sigourney, Keota and What Cheer). With this in mind, they hired Michael Zogg, a sports writer for the job. I am so excited about where Michael will take high school sports coverage in Keokuk County! Welcome, Michael!

~ Secondly, Wowsers! Great job, English Valleys Bears Baseball! "The Bears of English Valley can hold their heads high."

After winning four straight post-season games and earning the school's first ever trip to the state baseball tournament, English Valley was still written off by much of the state as a fluke, but the eighth seeded Bears proved otherwise as they pushed top seeded Martensdale-St. Mary's to the brink, before falling 2-1 on a walk-off hit on July 25th in the first round of the state tournament in Des Moines.

"I have seen comments all the time on the internet saying, 'EV shouldn't be here,' but we proved today, we showed everybody in the state that we are for real, we are not a team to just walk all over, and Martensdale knows that now," said senior starting pitcher Kendall Gent.

Frank's Steer Raises \$4,000 at 2011 Governor's Charity Auction



Patrick Frank and Powerhouse are pictured with celebrity showperson, Lt. Governor Kim Reynolds and owners of the Des Moines and Grimes McDonalds, they purchased Powerhouse at the auction for \$4,000. Photo submitted.

This headline and subsequent story content is simply a proud moment for our entire community. There are so many glowing characteristics and community dedication statements I could make based upon this one story: I'll just let the first few paragraphs of the story make the statement. Thank you to each person involved with this story for allowing me to tell your story!

"The steer, Powerhouse, raised and shown at the 2011 Keokuk County Expo Fair by Patrick Frank of Keota, helped to contribute \$4,000 towards the 29th annual Governor's Charity Steer Show's overall success this year. Powerhouse was sponsored for the Show by Case IH Dealers of Iowa including Jim and Peg Eversmeyer, owners of Keokuk County Implement in Sigourney.

Iowa's Lieutenant Governor Kim Reynolds had the pleasure of showing Powerhouse during the Show and the \$4,000 was due to the purchase of Powerhouse by McDonald's of Des Moines and Grimes.

Patrick Frank is a 2011 graduate of Keota High School, the son of Rob and Tina Frank of Keota and the grandson of Wayne and Judy Frank of Sigourney, Elmer and Toni Greiner of Keota.

The Show raised \$106,700 this year, fifth highest selling

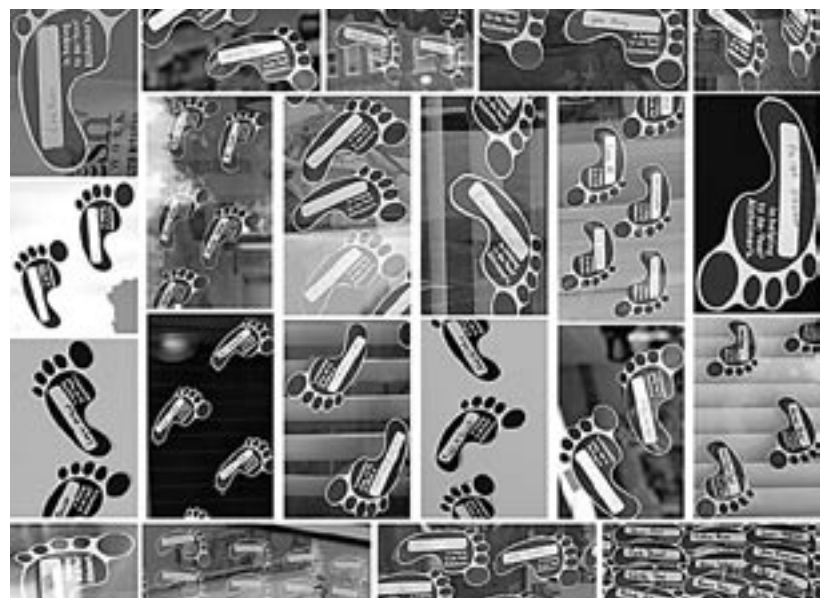
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auction to date, for the Ronald McDonald Houses of Iowa. The money raised through the auction benefits the Ronald McDonald Houses of Des Moines, Iowa City and Sioux City. All of the houses are located near hospitals and provide a "home away from home" for families of seriously ill children. The Iowa Beef Industry Council and the Iowa Cattlemen's Association sponsor the annual steer show and auction. Governor Terry Branstad hosted the 2011 event held on Saturday, August 13 in the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion at the Iowa State Fair."

September

As the end of 2011 approaches in our reflection and the space available doesn't appear to equal my praise for headline or moment, I'll leave the remainder of 2011 to speak for itself. Thank you for the opportunity to share just a bit of myself with you and I'm looking forward to another year working with you.

United We Walk to De"Feet" Alzheimer's



"The 3rd Annual Keokuk County Alzheimer's Walk is planned for this Sunday evening, September 18 beginning at 4 p.m.

Please join Keokuk County area businesses: Sigourney Manor House, Walk'er Drive Thru, Jack Walker CDJ, K&L Foods, Jody's Togs & Tan, First Resources Corp., Sigourney City Offices, Sigourney News-Review, John Wehr Law Offices, The Garden Gate, Jackie's Beauty Salon, Curves, Keokuk County State Bank (Sigourney and Keswick), Country & More, Horak Insurance, Wolfe Family Vision, Keokuk County Rural Health Study, True Value, Sigourney TV, Carol Schmidt Family Practice, Kum & Go, The Strand, Deb's Permanent Solution, Tammy's Headquarters, Casey's General Store-Sigourney, H&M Farm & Home Store, Home Town Market, Farmers Savings Bank, The Roost and County Line Mart, in de"feet"ing Alzheimer's. The display of feet stomping out Alzheimer's around the county will line the route for the walk on Sunday evening."

USBC Inducts Wallerich into Bowling Hall of Fame



"Members, directors and officers of the Sigourney U.S.B.C. (United State Bowling Conference) Association recognized Colleen Wallerich of Sigourney as the 2011 inductee to the Sigourney USBC Association Hall of Fame on the 25th day of September 2011.

This year's Hall of Fame recipient, Colleen Wallerich was so honored and surprised by the induction. Colleen has been a member of the Sigourney WBA and USBC for 20 years, but has bowled on various other teams for a total of 26 years. Currently she is bowling on the Lady Strikers league."

Guys & Gals and Pin Busters leagues and has bowled on the Lady Strikers league."

October

The 'Savage Eye' Returns



"Making its' rebirth debut in this week's Sigourney News-Review is the 'Savage Eye'!

The 'Savage Eye' is a student, of the Sigourney Community School District, generated newspaper published the second Wednesday of each month in the SNR. All of the stories are written by the students and the photos are original work of the Editorial Staff as overseen by Advisor Joleen Louwsma and assisted by Mindy Jensen.

It's truly an exciting day as ten students: Aaron Eckles, junior; Grant Schmidt, sophomore; Karah Appleget, sophomore; Alana Fisher, junior and Halee Herr, senior; Vaclav Bujnoch, senior [exchange student]; Isaac Utterback, junior; Steven Clubb, senior; Seth Swearingen, senior and Jeremiah Alspach, sophomore, have committed to bring you a 'Savage Eye' newspaper once a month for the duration of their Communications class. To see their debut, turn to Pages 6 and 7 of this week's SNR."

November

Christner Inductee into WPU Athletic Hall of Fame



"The four William Penn University Athletic Hall of Fame inductees of 2011 feature a softball pitcher who hurled the Lady Statesmen to their first national tournament..."

Those four athletes are softball pitcher Steph Christner, football player Frank Martucci, golfer Wayne "Sky" King and basketball player Ken Spielbauer.

About Steph Christner

The softball accomplishments of Steph Christner are long enough to fill a record book by themselves, but the accomplishment that stands out is she pitched the Lady Statesmen to their first national NAIA tournament. In addition to her pitching, she batted exceptionally.

In two years, Christner compiled a 49-19 record for Penn while the team racked up records of 41-25 in 2004 and 51-22 in 2005. Not only did she pitch her way to school records, but look at what she did on the regional and national scene."

Embrace the Madness

"Madness' is sweeping Sigourney... Boot Camp Madness (BCM) to be specific.

What is this 'Madness'?

It is an elite thirty-minute workout designed by owner, Carlos Frias of Williamsburg and taught six days a week, three times a day [5:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. Monday-Friday and at 8 a.m. on Saturday] by Kimi (Sheetz) Wood of North English in Sigourney at the Memorial Hall. Call Wood to reserve a spot (try it for the first time - free) at 641-660-5023 or check them out on Facebook at Boot Camp Madness.

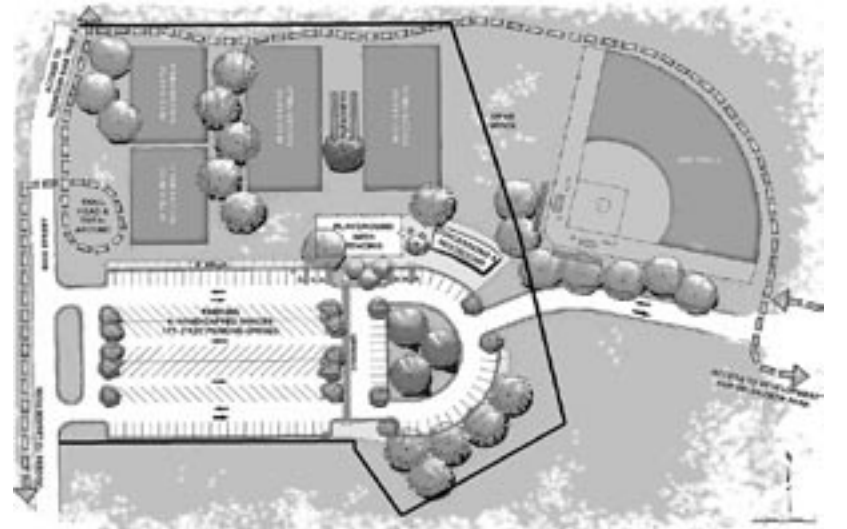
The 'Madness' appears to stem from not only the great physical successes, but also the addictive nature of the family-friendly workouts."

A collage of news items from the SNR Salute to Veterans. It includes a large '11/11/11' graphic, photos of veterans at assemblies, a man receiving a medal, and a group of people in uniform. Text includes 'The SNR Salute to Veterans', 'Area Veterans Honored During Assemblies', 'Keswick Legion Attends TC Veterans Assembly', 'Ram Receives Tour Medal', and 'God Bless America'.

December

Youth Athletic Sports Complex

Should the City of Sigourney move forward with the proposed idea and purchase land for a youth athletic sports complex?



"No decision has been made.

The proposed drawing above is not set in stone.

Sigourney city leaders are seeking the thoughts and opinions of her residents regarding the possible purchase of the land formerly known as the Golfview or Bruns Trailer Court on North Main Street in Sigourney for the expressed purpose of constructing a youth athletic sports complex similar to what is pictured above.

"We have to start some where," agreed Sigourney Mayor Pat Miletich and Public Works Director Jim Dickinson."

Calendar

KNITTING WITH KAREN

The Sigourney Public Library is offering a free knitting class, led by Karen Dickinson, in the large meeting room on Tuesdays from 2-5 p.m. Beginner through advanced knitters are welcome. Learn how to do basic knitting or bring an already-started project or just come enjoy each other's company. For more information or questions, please call SPL at 641-622-2890.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Keswick-Thornburg-Webster United Methodist churches are hosting a "Community Breakfast" on Saturdays during January. The breakfasts are Jan. 7, 14, 21 and 28 at Keswick Legion Hall from 7-9 p.m. The breakfasts are a mission outreach of the three churches. The free will offering is taken to help with expenses.

LION'S PAPER PICK UP

Sigourney Lion's Club paper pick is Saturday, Jan. 7. Newspaper bundles are to be at the curb no later than 9 a.m. No magazines or periodicals are accepted.

Senior Citizen Menu Jan. 5 through Jan. 12

All meals are served with fortified bread, margarine and two percent milk. There is a suggested donation for persons 60 years of age or older and their spouses of any age.

Thursday, Jan. 5: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes, LS sage bread, SL gravy, broccoli and pumpkin whip.

Friday, Jan. 6: Barbecue pork, wheat bun, scalloped potatoes, peas and tropical fruit.

Monday, Jan. 9: Pork Cutlet, sweet potatoes, brussel sprouts/cheese and blushing pears.

Tuesday, Jan. 10: Chili with beans, creamy coleslaw, corn bread and peaches.

Wednesday, Jan. 11: Beef patty, wheat bun, baked potato, sour cream, sliced carrots, fruit cocktail and orange juice.

Thursday, Jan. 12: Liver and onions, parsley butter potatoes, green bean casserole, homemade wheat dinner roll and plums.

Sigourney Schools Sports and Activities

Thursday, Jan. 5: Jv BB vs Belle Plaine at 6 p.m. FFA Meeting at 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 6: BB @ North Mahaska at 6 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 7: WR @ Van Buren Trn.

Monday, Jan. 9: No School. BB vs. HLV at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 10: BB vs. BGM.

Thursday, Jan. 12: JH Boys vs Tri-County.

BINGO AT KC FAIRGROUNDS

Keokuk County Fairgrounds in What Cheer is hosting Bingo every Sunday, beginning Sunday, Jan. 8 from 1 to 4 p.m. The event is held in Thomas Hall on the fairgrounds through Sunday, March 25.

K.C. EXPO BINGO

Keokuk County Expo in Sigourney is sponsoring Bingo at Expo Hall on Wednesday, Jan. 11 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. A weekly progressive black out jackpot is planned.

BOOK CHAT

Sigourney Public Library's book to chat about for the month of January is *90 Minutes in Heaven* by Don Piper. The book chat is on Saturday, Jan. 21 at 10 a.m.

2012 RELAY FOR LIFE

Anyone interested in helping with committees for Relay for Life 2012 please contact Danette at 641-622-2287. Also anyone struggling with cancer or cancer survivors please contact Carol at 641-622-2783, please leave a message.

Keep Iowa Beautiful Scholarships Available

Keep Iowa Beautiful is offering up to four, \$500 scholarships to Iowa high school seniors in 2012. Students across Iowa enrolling in an Iowa college or university to major in community enhancement or environmental area of study are eligible. Paid internships may also be available to scholarship recipients.

Through the leadership of Bob Byers, long-time educator, KIB's Litter-Free School Campus program was initiated in northwest Iowa in 2003. In memory of Bob and his dedication, KIB and the Byers family established the Robert E. Byers Scholarship Fund to celebrate Bob's unselfish dedication to youth, environmental concerns and the well-being of the State.

"Keeping Iowa Beautiful" programs are focused on improving the beauty and attractiveness of Iowa's communities and neighborhoods through technical assistance and collaboration," said Gerry Schnepf, Executive Director of KIB. "We seek to improve behavior patterns in our younger generations and reinforce values in older generations that encourage respect for home, neighborhood, community and state," he said. "KIB serves as a key resource for educating youth on the importance of respect for the community and our environment and in building pride in where we live and work."

Students can download the application at www.keepiowa-beautiful.com and return it postmarked by February 7, 2012. Contact the KIB office at 515-323-6507 with any questions.

Iowa Corn Future Scholarships Available

The Iowa Corn Growers Association (ICGA) and Iowa Corn Promotion Board (ICPB) are again offering the Iowa Corn Future of Agriculture scholarships to aid in the development of future talent for the Iowa agriculture industry. This year Iowa Corn will award 10 scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students who are pursuing a degree in the 2012-13 school years.

"Iowa Corn understands that to remain successful as an industry, we must develop a strong group of agricultural experts who are entering the industry - both producers and agribusiness professionals," said Bob Hemesath, a farmer from Calmar and chair program is an important component of developing youth in agriculture and to the future of the agriculture industry in Iowa."

The Iowa Corn Future of Agriculture Scholarship program will award five \$500 first-year scholarships and five \$500 upperclassman scholarships for individuals who are pursuing a degree in agriculture or an agriculture related field. Applicants also must either be a member of ICGA or a dependent of a member.

First-year scholarship applicants must be entering their first undergraduate year at an accredited junior college, college or university. Upperclassman scholarship applicants must be entering at least their second year at an accredited junior college or university.

Scholarship applications are available online at www.iowacorn.org/scholarship or by requesting one via email at corninfo@iowacorn.org. Applications must be postmarked by Friday, Feb. 3, 2012.

Sigourney School Menu Jan. 5 through Jan. 11

Following is the breakfast and lunch menu served at the Sigourney Schools for the week of Thursday, Jan. 5 to Wednesday, Jan. 11.

Cereal is a breakfast alternative. Milk choices are offered with breakfast and lunch. 100% juice or fruit is offered with breakfast.

Thursday, Jan. 5: Long John.

Friday, Jan. 6: Yogurt, Donut Holes.

Monday, Jan. 9: No School.

Tuesday, Jan. 10: Sausage Biscuit.

Wednesday, Jan. 11: Egg Combo Bar, Whole Wheat Toast.

Thursday, Jan. 5: Chicken Noodle soup, (Alt. Tomato Soup) celery and carrots with dip, toasted cheese sandwich and pears.

Friday, Jan. 6: Deli sub, tossed salad, pickle spear, fresh orange and dessert.

Monday, Jan. 9: No School.

Tuesday, Jan. 10: Fish sandwich, whole grain bun, cheese stix, corn pears and chocolate mousse.

Wednesday, Jan. 11: Barbecue pork, whole grain bun, green beans, rosy applesauce and rice crispy bar.

New Adventures at Every Turn at SPL



**SIGOURNEY
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Technology, tradition and fun are in ample supply at the Sigourney Public Library, 720 E. Jackson St. Along with several public computers, a study room, comfortable arm chairs and a festive children's area, SPL has added some new titles.

New Fiction Books

Devil's Gate by Clive Cussler, *Explosive 18* by Janet Evanovich, *Longing* by Karen Kingsbury, *Kill Alex Cross* by James Patterson, *Micro* by Michael Crichton, *Out of Oz* by Gregory Maguire, *V is for Vengeance* by Sue Grafton, *The Drop* by Michael Connelly, *Prince of Revenscar* by Catherine Coulter and *Devil's Elixir* by Raymond Khoury.

New Non-fiction Books

Unmeasured Strength by Lauren Manning, *How I Got This Way* by Regis Philbin, *Is Everyone Hanging Out Without Me?* by Mindy Kaling, *Sybil Exposed* by Debbie Nathan, *Holy Ghost Girl* by Donna Johnson, *My Life Deleted* by Scott Bolzan and *Shockaholic* by Carrie Fisher.

SPL is a warm retreat during the brisk day of winter and is open Monday-Wednesday from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m., Thursday and Friday from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Saturday from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. They are open twenty-four/seven online at www.sigourney.lib.ia.us/ or check them out on Facebook.

Sign-Up for SHARE Food at Courthouse

The regular sign-up day for Sigourney Share Food is held at the courthouse lobby in Sigourney on Wednesday, Jan. 11 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Sign-up for the next month may be done distribution day at St. Mary's hall.

Two hours of community service is required for each unit of food bought.

The distribution day is on Saturday, Jan. 28 from 9:30 to 10 a.m. in Sigourney at St. Mary's Gym. Since the food is perishable, failure to pick up units of food on time will cause it to be distributed to others. No refund or credit can be given. Volunteer help is always needed on distribution day.

Online orders are accepted beginning on the dates listed above at www.shareiowa.org.

If there are any questions contact Marcella Redlinger at 641-635-2060.

Fore more information call 1-800-344-1107.



**Bethel
United Methodist Church
Rev. Dennis Hopes
641-636-3825**

6 mi. E. of Sigourney on Hwy. 92
Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.;
Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Alive at Five every 2nd and 4th Sunday evening at 5 p.m.

**Delta Christian Church
Henry Goetz, lay minister
641-799-4800**

Worship: Sunday at 9 a.m.
CWF: Quarterly first Thursday.

Catacomb Thrift Shop: 2nd Saturday, 9-12.

Tuesday Bible study: 7 p.m. weekly at Henry Goetz's home (404 N. Valley).

Friday Fellowship and Study: weekly at 1:30 p.m. in Delta Housing meeting room.

**Delta
United Methodist Church
Vince Homan, Pastor
Worship: 9 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.**

**English River
Church of the Brethren
Diana Lovett, Pastor
29252 137th Street
South English, IA 52335
(2 mi. E. of S.E. on Hwy. 22)
Church: 319-667-5235
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Services: 10:30 a.m.**

**Farson Baptist Church
Pastor: Jerry Newman
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.**

**First Presbyterian Church
215 N. Jefferson St.
Sigourney
641-622-3029**
Sunday Worship at 10 a.m.
Lord's Pantry Sunday is the first Sunday of each month.

**Hedrick-Martinsburg
United Methodist Church
203 N. Spring St., Hedrick
Kim Gates, Pastor
Phone: 641-653-4477
www.gbmg-umc.org/hedrick-martinsburgumc**
Sunday Worship: 8:45 a.m.;
Sunday School, 10 a.m.

**Hilltop Chapel of What Cheer
John & Pat DeBoef, Pastors
4 blocks East of Opera House
641-634-2829
john@hilltopchapel.com**
Sunday, Jan. 8: Worship service 10 a.m.; Children's Church on lower level.
Monday, Jan. 9: Ladies Bible Study, "Slaying the Giant of Temptation", 7 p.m.

**Holy Trinity Catholic Parish
Rev. Charles Fladung
Rectory: 641-636-3883
Saturday Vigil Mass: 6 p.m.
Sunday Mass: 8 a.m.**

**Hope Lutheran Church, LCMS
Rev. Dick Meyer
315 W. Kelly Street
Church: 641-622-3777
Office: 319-668-2999**
Worship Saturday at 5 p.m.
Communion on the first and third Saturday of the month.

**Keswick, Webster, Thornburg
Methodist Church Circuit
Pastor: John Tunnick
WEBSTER: Worship at 8:30 a.m.**

KESWICK: Worship at 9:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
THORNBURG: Worship at 11 a.m.

Communion at all churches on the first Sunday of the month.

Wednesday, Jan. 4: Planning meeting for Parish Breakfasts at Keswick, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 7: Parish Breakfast at Keswick Legion, 7 to 9 a.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 11: Keswick Board meeting, 9 a.m.

**Lancaster Christian Church
Pastors:
Rev. Mark Doll;
Dave Matteson, 641-632-8304**
Sunday School: 9 a.m.;
Worship Service: 10 a.m.; Youth Meeting: 5-7 p.m.

Youth Group held Sunday evenings from 5 to 6:30 p.m.
Church is handicapped accessible.

**New Life Fellowship
Hwy. 22 South, Keswick
Pastor, Chester Rander
319-738-3851**

Website: wearenewlife.com
Sunday Worship and Children's Church at 10 a.m.

Wednesday Evening Teaching at 7 p.m.; Youth Group at 7 p.m.

**Ollie Baptist Church
Rev. Carla Nelson
Church Phone: 641-667-2841**
Worship: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.

**Prairie View
United Methodist Church
27131 Highway 78, Ollie
Pastor, Dave Peterson
Phone: 641-667-2502**

Contact Person: Joanie Tedrow
Wednesday, Jan. 4: Worship Committee at 7 p.m. Patriotic Panthers 4-H at 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 7: F.O.F. to prep for Fundraiser Brunch at 10 a.m.

Sunday, Jan. 8: Sunday Worship followed by fellowship at 9 a.m. F.O.F. Fundraiser Brunch immediately following Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday School at 10:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 10: Bible Study at 9 a.m.

**Richland
United Methodist Church
106 W. South St., Richland
Pastor Kim Gates
www.riaumc.org
Phone: 319-456-2251**
Worship Times: Adult Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Service, 10:30 a.m.

**St. Mary's Catholic Church
Sigourney
Rev. Charles Fladung
Rectory: 641-622-3426
Deacon: James Striegel
Home: 634-2896
Prayer Line: 622-3999**
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4 p.m.
Sunday Mass: 10 a.m.

**Sigourney Christian Church
Pastor: Jim Bringman
308 South Jefferson
Church: 641-622-2151**
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.;
Adult Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.;
Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.
Bible Study Sundays at 6 p.m.; Tuesday at 6 p.m. Elder gathering; 2nd Wednesday board meeting at 7 p.m.

**Sigourney Church of Christ
Pastor: Billy Claywell
615 South Jefferson
641-622-3708 641-622-3582**
Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.;
Worship with Communion Service at 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service at 6:30 p.m.

**Sigourney
First Baptist Church
308 North Jefferson St.
Sigourney
Pastor, Dirk Alspach
S.S. Supt. Dorothy Jacobs
Phone: 641-622-2786
Handicapped Accessible!**
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.

**Sigourney
United Methodist Church
Pastor: John Hemby
Website: sigourneyumc.com**
Sunday Worship Service:
8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

**What Cheer Baptist Church
Pastor: Dick and Jane Larson
641-433-0013, 641-790-1934**
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Kid's Club and Adult Bible Study at 6:30 p.m.

**What Cheer Christian Church
Pastor: Frances Baumert
Home Phone: 622-2340**
Sunday, Jan. 8: Psalm 148.
Topic Gods First Words. O.T. Genesis 1:1-15 N.T. Mark 1:1-4-11 Acts 19:1-7.

a moment for
Thought and
Inspiration

Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth not iniquity and in whose spirit, there is no guile. When I kept silence, my bones became, old through my roaring all the day long. For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me; my moisture is turned into the drought of summer. Acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hidden. I said, I will confess my transgression unto the Lord, and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Psalm 32: 1

Milestone



Kirby and Tiffany Thiessen (Fox) of Toledo would like to announce the birth of their daughter, **Kimber Suzanne**, born November 30th at Marshalltown Medical and Surgical Center. Kimber weighed 5 lbs., 2 oz and was 18 1/2 inches.

She was welcomed home by her brothers Khain and Karter and sister Kennedy. Grandparents are Jerry and Sandra Fox of Keswick, Becky and Joe Thiessen of Toledo and Wesley Krumm and Janice Henning of Oskaloosa.

MILESTONES SUBMISSIONS

Sigourney News-Review accepts "Milestones" announcements to share with the community, including surprises. Send all engagement, birth, wedding and anniversary announcements to Sigourney, News-Review, Attn: Robin Handy, P.O. Box 285, Sigourney, IA 52591, drop by the office at 114 East Washington, or e-mail to signred@lisco.com.

A \$10 photo fee is assessed per photo, per newspaper. The SNR is also able to submit the 'Milestone' to all Keokuk County newspapers.



Delta

by Hilda Souer

Results have been revealed of the 'Christmas Lighting Contest' sponsored by the 'Delta Ruritans'. The contest included lighting displays in both town and rural areas. First place was won by Greg and Kimberly Moore, 2nd place, Ron and Mary Price, 3rd, Joe and Sherry Ladely. There were two 'Honorable Mention' winners: Mike and N.K. Leathers and Kenneth and Beverly Heisdorffer.

Incidentally, when you travel through town and nearby rural areas to enjoy the different 'lighting scenes' you must take time to notice two 'sights' that were not part of the contest. On 'Center Street' you will enjoy seeing the special lighting of the replica of the historic covered bridge located in the lot just East of City Hall or adjacent to the water tower. The other is the presently lighted 'quilt painting' located on the north end of the white barn across from Junction Bar and

Grill, which is at the junction of highways 92 and 21. This barn is on the farm located on the south side of Highway 21 and owned by Calvin Knowler. Also as you travel south after dark, on highway 21 and stop at the junction of 21 and 92, just look straight ahead and in the distance you can see the top of the special lighting by the Greg Moore's. If you travel in town to view the special lighting of places in town, just go west on North 1th Street and you will have opportunity to see some of the contest winners.

On Tuesday, Dec. 20 from 3-7 p.m. a Blood Drive was held at City Hall, sponsored by the Delta Christian Church's 'One-on-One' special ministry and conducted by staff from the Mississippi Valley's Regional Blood Center in Ottumwa. Although the number of donors was less than the quota, all were very appreciative of those donating. The next Blood Drive is scheduled for May 16, 2012.

CLASSIFIED RATES

Classified ads, \$8.50 minimum for up to 25 words and 35¢ additional for each word over 25. (Published in the Sigourney News-Review and the Keota Eagle). Service charge of \$5.00 for blind ads.

Cards of Thanks and Memorials, \$7.50 minimum per newspaper for up to 50 words and 35¢ additional for each word over 50.

Ads need to be paid for at time of submission. All want ads and cards of thanks copy must be in the News-Review and the Keota Eagle offices by 5 p.m. on Friday.

Mail want ads to: News-Review, P.O. Box 285, Sigourney, IA 52591; or The Keota Eagle, 310 East Broadway, Box 18, Keota, IA 52248. Mail remittance to: Mid-America Billing, PO Box 29, Hampton, IA 50441.

All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act called Title VIII and the State of Iowa Civil Rights Act. These laws make it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, creed, religion, sex, handicap/disability, familial status/presence of children or national origin, or the intention to make any such preferences, limitations or discrimination. This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of these laws. All persons are hereby informed all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

FOR SALE

For Sale: Corn stove, used, clean and works well. \$1,000 OBO. Please call 641-660-4703. SK1-2*

For Sale: Schwinn Airdryer, several models starting at \$399.99. Free delivery. Other exercise equipment available. Get in shape with Rider Sales, Washington, 319-653-5808. SK1-4

For Sale: Oregon chainsaw chain and bars. Most models. Stahl chainsaws. Strobel, Inc., 641-622-2159. SW39fhn

For Sale: Green Mountain wood pellet grills; Ammunition, hand loading, muzzle loader supplies, firearms by order at Myles Miller Refrigeration, 641-622-2643. S25fhn

FOR RENT

For rent: 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. 641-224-9018. SK29fhn

Keota Lawn and Power Equipment Sales and Service
105 South Green, Keota
641-636-3107
Dean Redlinger

VMC Management is seeking a Breeding Technician at a 2,600 head breed to wean sow farm near Webster. Responsibilities include working with the Breeding Manager to oversee all aspects of care in the breeding area and gestation barns. Rotational weekend work is required. Previous swine experience is preferred. Please call Yuri at 319-461-4668 for more details or send resume to VMC Management, P.O. Box 342, Williamsburg, IA 52361.

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2010 Chevrolet Impala LT, 19k, White	\$18,996
2009 Ford Fusion SE, 36k, Red	\$16,296
2008 Ford Edge SEL, 39k, Red Fire	\$22,496
2008 Ford Explorer, 89k, Dk. Brown	\$18,996
2007 Dodge Ram 1600, 60k, Silver	\$20,496
2007 Chevrolet Aveo/LS, 68k, Red	\$9,496
2007 Dodge Ram 1600, 66k, Red	\$18,996
2007 Buick Lucerne, 46k, White	\$14,996
2006 Dodge Durango SX, 49k, Gray	\$13,996
2006 Buick Lucerne, 44k, White	\$16,996
2006 Ford Focus ZXW, 36k, Silver	\$9,996
2004 Pontiac Montana, Maroon	\$2,996
2003 Ford F150, Red	\$8,996
2002 Chevrolet K1500 Suburban, Tan	\$12,996
2002 GMC Envoy, Silver	\$9,996
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FOR RENT

For Rent in Delta: 3 bedroom mobile home, 1 bath, AC, \$350/month rent, \$350 deposit. Must have current references. Call after 3 p.m., 641-673-5353. SW51-2*

For Rent: 1 or 2 bedroom apartments in North English. All utilities paid, on-site laundry. No pets. This institution is an Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer. 515-681-4533, 866-502-4068. SK1-4

HELP WANTED

Kalonal Transport is looking for OTR CDL-A drivers to join our team. Home most weekends, competitive pay and benefits. HazMat and clean MVR required. Contact Nancy at 319-656-2000. SK1-2

Help Wanted: The City of Keota is now accepting applications for pool manager and life guard positions at the Keota Pool for summer 2012. If interested, stop by Keota City Hall and fill out an application. Applications are due by January 13. SK50-4

WANTED

Wanted: Land to deer hunt on. Will pay \$25 per deer harvested. 319-530-4093 any time. SKWN52-2

NOTICE

Moore's Gun Shop, 641-660-3369. Black Hills 223 Ammo in stock. Smith and Wesson 44 magnum model 629. Good price. Mossburg Maverick 12 gauge shotgun. Deer barrel and deer sights. Call for pricing. SKWN1*

Call All American Pest Control to control rodents, birds, roaches, box elder bugs, flies, termites and fleas. 641-622-3565. SK8fhn

True Value, Sigourney can cut glass to fit your window frame and replace window screens. Call 641-622-3261. SKW40fhn

McDonald's Bone Yard. Now buying junk or unwanted cars, trucks, vans, also scrap iron. Call Heath for prices. 641-636-3892, 319-461-5217. S48fhn

Business cards starting at \$19.99 - your design or ours! Design House, 220 East Jackson/Highway 92 in Sigourney. Open Monday-Friday. Call 641-622-9013. SKW1

CARDS OF THANKS

"Thank you" for the many beautiful 60th Anniversary cards, each coming from the heart. To our son and daughters and families for your time and gifts, making our 60th anniversary a very special day. Carl and Maxine Martin. SW1*

Thank you to my wonderful family, neighbors and friends for their good wishes for my speedy recovery after surgery. Also, thanks to Dr. Scott, Dr. Steele and the staff at the Keokuk County Health Center for their care. A special thanks to "the guy" who watered my plant and to "the cookie gal" who brought me the yummy treats! I'm getting stronger every day. Velma Waechter. S1*

Statewide Ads

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POOL MANAGER

The City of Sigourney is now accepting applications for Pool Manager at the Municipal Swimming Pool for the 2012 season. All Pool Manager applicants must have evidence of WSI (Water Safety Instructor) certification, attain CPO (Certified Pool Operator) status, have a valid certificate of completion of Red Cross Lifeguard Training and CPR training prior to the pool opening. Applications may be picked up at the City Clerk's Office, 100 North Main Street and must be returned no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, January 9, 2012.

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Keokuk County Board Proceedings

DECEMBER 19, 2011

The Keokuk County Board of Supervisors met in regular session, Monday, December 19, 2011 in the Board Room of the Courthouse. All members were present.

Hadley moved, Wood seconded to approve the tentative agenda. All eyes and motion carried.

Wood moved, Hadley seconded to approve the minutes of December 12, 2011. All eyes and motion carried.

Met with Engineer and Assistant Engineer regarding the Keokuk County Highway Department.

The Highway Department 2012 system needs plan was held and reviewed. No decisions were made at this time.

Project Number BRS-CO54 (85)-60-54 County Road V67 North Skunk River Bridge final plan set review was held.

Ted Lobello discussed the ongoing issue of a broken drain tile that leaks wastewater into his field and was directed to make arrangements with the current Sanitarian.

Wood moved, Hadley seconded to approve the claim listing dated December 19, 2011 as submitted. All eyes and motion carried.

Hadley moved, Wood seconded to appoint Brent Gilliland, Sigourney Public Works Director, to the Technical Advisory Committee for Regional Planning Affiliation 15. All eyes and motion carried.

Wood moved, Hadley seconded to acknowledge the Personnel Reports for Patrick Waters, R.U.S.S. Project Coordinator and Kathy Dye, R.U.S.S. Finance Manager as submitted. All eyes and motion carried.

Meeting with CPC/General Assistance regarding monthly Community Services Update was not held.

Various board and committee reports were held. Wood attended a Crime Commission meeting. Hadley attended a Regional Services meeting. Berg attended a Criminal Justice meeting last week.

Discussion of old/new business and public comment was held. Board consensus was to allow purchase of a new vacuum for the Courthouse. IT concerns were discussed regarding backup staff.

On vote and motion the meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

The above and foregoing information is a summary of the minutes taken at the above indicated meeting. The full and complete set of minutes are recorded and available at the office of the Keokuk County Auditor.

ALL AM PEST CONTROL	65.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	1,057.81
ALTFORER MACHINERY	741.64
AM HOME FIND ASSOC	606.45
AM JOURNAL OF NURSING	33.90
ANSWER PLUS	76.48
AREA XV MCHA	681.00
B & L CONCRETE	32,439.02
B&B PROPANE	2,851.74
BAKER ELECTRIC	9,338.50
BALDWIN WHITE ARCH	172.50
BANCARD SERVICES	535.18
BARRON MOTOR	812.49
BATES, CHRISTY	31.50
BERG, MICHAEL	393.30
BERGER, LUANN	25.00
BIRD, ROGER	400.00
BLAIR, KEITH	14.25
BOND, RICHARD	19.95
BROWNELLS INC	79.59
BUSCHMANN, PHIL	35.00
C J COOPER & ASSOC	64.00
CASSENS' MILL CORP	65.50
CDW GOVERNMENT	504.01
CLOUDBURST9 LLC	439.45
CLUBB, SHEILA	13.41
COATES MANUFACTURING	396.53
COBB OIL CO	25,477.34
COUNTRY AND MORE	90.68
COX SANITATION & RECY	20.00
DENNY CONSTRUCTION	1,837.89
DES MOINES STAMP MFG	30.70
DIAMOND MOWERS	93.58
DON'S TRUCK SALES	982.17
DOUDS STONE	7,107.51
FARMERS COOP	3,528.00
FERRELL, JAMES	17.10
FRANK DUNN CO	699.00
FRANKLIN COVEY	67.04
GAUMER EMANUEL LAW	160.00
GILBERT SEPTIC SERV	2,000.00
H & M FARM & HOME	342.05
HADLEY, MICHAEL C	218.29
HANSELMAN, BETH	85.36
HICKRICK LIBRARY	1,885.15
HICKENBOTTOM INC	2,484.20
HOUSE, GEORGE	5.70
I M W C A	6,925.00
IACBCE	255.00
IDEAL READY MIX CO	14,928.70
IKON FINANCIAL SERV	146.77
IOWA COMM NETWORK	23.91
JACK WALKER CDJ	685.35
K AND L FOODS	359.05
KEMPF, MARGARET	178.97
KEOKUK CO AUDITOR	48.83
KEOKUK CO HEALTH CTR	305.47
KEOKUK CO IMPLEMENT	12.19
KEOKUK CO RECORDER	310.80
KEOKUK WILSON MEM LIBRARY	2,389.81
KLEINMEYER, CHRISTINE	29.35

LISCOLTDS	145.01
LONG, DAVID	63.30
LUMBER COMPANY	356.26
M & M SALES CO	60.78
MCQUIRE, ANDREW	100.00
MCLAURIN TRUE VALUE	104.80
MENARDS	36.25
MESSERSCHMITT, LAVADA	69.84
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING	58.02
MIKE'S PARTS & SERVICE	1,620.00
MILLER, PAT SNAKENBERG-	8.45
MULTI-COUNTY OIL CO	5,900.10
NURSING 2011	33.90
OFFICE CENTER	12.97
OFFICE DEPOT	22.77
PITNEY BOWES	268.65
POSTMASTER	5,965.00
PRINTERS WORKSHOP	149.80
QUILL CORP	423.10
RICHLAND LIBRARY	2,269.05
RICHMOND, RON	633.94
RIVER PRODUCTS	18,575.88
RJ PERFORMANCE	34.99
SADLER POWER TRAIN	62.94
SCHNEIDER CORP	2,040.00
SCHROEDER, JOHN	68.69
SEMCO LANDFILL	28.00
SIGOURNEY CLEANERS	45.70
SIGOURNEY COMM SCH DIST	408.00
SIGOURNEY LIBRARY	5,297.69
SIGOURNEY TRACTOR & IMP	613.83
SINES, TRAVIS	182.36
SMITH, LARRY G	113.64
SOUTH ENGLISH LIBRARY	1,247.27
STI	-3,343.20
STROBELS INC	47.00
T I P REC	820.12
THOMAS, MARCHITA	30.07
THRELKELD-LARSON, VIRGINIA	65.48
TREMEL BACKHOE SERV	360.00
TRUE VALUE	130.74
ULIN, BRIAN	101.98
UNITED CAPITAL FUNDING	1,627.00
US CELLULAR	656.37
VERIZON WIRELESS	43.01
WAECHTER, MARILYN	19.46
WAGLER MOTOR CO	71.84
WALKERS OFFICE SUPP	226.04
WALLERICHS PLUMBING	33.57
WAPPELO RURAL WATER	216.60
WASTE MANAGEMENT	7,081.72
WELLINGTON TOOL SALES	250.36
WEST	226.52
WHAT CHEER LIBRARY	1,211.04
WHITE CAP CONST SUPPLY	209.85
WILLIAMS, DIANE	42.68
WINDSTREAM	516.69
TOTAL	\$191,089.25

Notice of Probate

Probate No. ESPR037602
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The Iowa District Court
Keokuk County
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MAXINE M. LEE, Deceased.

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Maxine M. Lee, Deceased, who died on or about December 10, 2011:

You are hereby notified that on the 21st day of December, 2011, the last will and testament of Maxine M. Lee, deceased, bearing date of the 16th day of September, 2003, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Kenneth E. Lee and Ricky F. Lee was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated this 17th day of December, 2011.
Kenneth E. Lee
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Vinton, IA 52349
Ricky F. Lee
1217 N. Main
Sigourney, IA 52591
Executor of estate
Leslie D. Lamping, ICIS PIN No.: AT0004590
Attorney for executor
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FOR KEOKUK COUNTY
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR
BY MERGER TO WELLS FARGO HOME
MORTGAGE, INC.,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ESTATE OF BETTY G. CAVE, ET AL.
Defendants.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S):
All Known and Unknown Claimants and All Persons Known and Unknown Claiming Any Right, Title or Interest and All of Their Heirs, Spouses, Assigns, Grantees, Legatees, Devisees and All Beneficiaries of Each and All of the Above-Named Defendants and Parties in Possession
You are notified that a FORECLOSURE PETITION was filed in the office of the clerk of this court on September 24, 2010, naming you as the defendant in this action, which petition prays for foreclosure of a mortgage in favor of Plaintiff on the property described herein and judgment in rem in the amount of \$12,803.01 plus interest at a rate of 4.875% from April 1, 2010, such amount equaling \$1.71 per day; title costs, escrow advances, corporate advances, and late charges, to all of which sums the Plaintiff is entitled to a judgment against the property with interest at the rate of 4.875% per annum, costs and accruing costs including but not limited to any and all advances made by the Plaintiff for taxes, insurance, property preservation and other costs between the time of the Foreclosure Decree and the time of Sheriff's Sale, including reasonable attorney's fees, and that said sums be declared a lien upon the following described premises:

Division One of Lot Seven of the Irregular Survey of the Southeast Quarter of the South-west Quarter of Section Two, Township Seventy-five North, Range Thirteen West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, in Keokuk County, Iowa, as shown by plat recorded in Plat Book 2, at page 124 in the Office of the Recorder



House of the Rising Sundell

Saddle bronc rider Wade Sundell of Boxholm, rides Risky Business during the short round at the 2011 California Rodeo Salinas in Salinas, Calif. Photo by Matt Cohen of www.mattcohenphoto.com.

By Michael Zogg, Regional Sports Editor

Wade Sundell was born to ride in the rodeo. The Ogden graduate is the fourth ranked rider in the saddle bronc competition according to the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association after making almost \$224,000 in winnings in 2011.

"I always tell everyone that it is kind of bred into me," he said. "My old man was a pretty great bronc rider, so I figure it is just bred into me."

Sundell has been riding animals for as long as he can remember, and he has been going to rodeos since he was just a kid, starting with the Diamond D Rodeo in Pilot Mound, a ten-minute drive from his hometown of Boxholm.

"When I was about five years old I started getting on sheep and then went on to calves, steers and junior bulls," Sundell said. "My mom and dad followed my brother and me all around. I rode bulls for a long time then I started to ride broncos a little bit."

He will be doing a little bit of bronco riding in Des Moines at the Wells Fargo Center when the Worlds Toughest Rodeo comes to town. Sundell has been riding Worlds Toughest Rodeo events for eight years now, since his first in Cedar Rapids when he was just 18 years old.

"They put on a really good rodeo, it is a lot of fun, I love going to those deals," Sundell said. "I am pretty excited but a little bit nervous too. I am entering into the bull riding there too and I know there will be a lot of people there that I know, so I had better bear down and do well."

Sundell already has a victory in the Worlds Toughest Rodeo's first show of the season in Indianapolis back in October. This will be the second rodeo for WTR this season.

The Rodeo in Des Moines will be the first one for Sundell since the National Final Rodeo in Las Vegas back in mid December. He performed well there, following up his second place 2010 finish with a third place finish this season.

"It is the biggest rodeo we have got all year and under the big lights, it is pretty awesome," Sundell said. "There are about 18,000 people sitting in there watching you, hooting and hollering and screaming for you. You can't get that anywhere else."

After nearly a month off, Sundell is excited to ride again.

"I am excited to get back to the rodeo again," He said. "It was nice to have a little break being home and relaxing but it's time to go back to work now."

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Charlie Pauken in Grave Digger tearing up the course at a recent event. Photos supplied by Feld Motor Sports. Tickets available for the January event at the Iowa Events Center; see ad below.

Pauken Thrills Fans With Grave Digger



Charlie Pauken

By Michael Zogg, Regional Sports Editor

The average monster truck uses a 1,500 horsepower engine to hurl 11,000 pounds of truck through the air. The pure spectacle of these monstrous automobiles drew Charlie Pauken into the sport immediately.

Pauken is making an appearance at the Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines on Jan. 6 and 7 in Monster Jam as one of the drivers on the famous Grave Digger trucks. Freestyle is his specialty. He won the 2010 Monster Jam World Finals Freestyle Championship.

"I am a perfectionist," Pauken said. "I am not that great of a racer I would say, but I do like to go out and do freestyle. Freestyle is more of a showman sort of thing and that is more me. I am a showman, a show off. I like to take the truck to the ragged edge and then bring it back."

Pauken has been driving monster trucks since about 1987 but his love on

monster trucks stretches all the way back to his childhood.

"I just got sucked into it. As a kid growing up I was into motor sports; go-karts, mini-bikes, motorcycles, four wheel drive trucks. I was doing that stuff already. This was just a bigger deal, it was the next step."

Pauken was first introduced to monster trucks in his home town of Maumee, Ohio when Mike Nichol and Dave Marquart, friends of his older brother Jim Pauken, decided they wanted to combine their two street trucks into a monster truck.

"They sold one truck off and took the other one and tore it apart," Pauken said. "The neighbors and people around town would come driving down their street just to see what they were doing."

"I would go over to my brothers welding shop to help him out and they would come over and need stuff done so I would check it out. One thing led to another and they needed help going on the road one time. After I had seen one show, I was like, 'This is too cool, I have to be a part of this.'"

He started out doing mechanical work on the truck, Excalibur and eventually we began to drive for them. Although today, he is one of the top drivers in Monster Jam, his first go at it wasn't all that great.

"The first time I drove, I was horrible," Pauken said. "I went out and I thought I was doing all this great stuff because it feels like you are doing so much when you are inside the thing, then I went back and watched the video and I thought, 'Wow, that was horrible.'"

But he kept watching the video and kept working at it and quickly improved. Today, he is one of the top performers in the sports. As a freestyle driver, a run lasts less than two minutes, but Pauken puts in a lot more time than that into each run.

"I will go out and walk the course," Pauken said. "I will walk it over and over and try to figure out what would be cool, and what I can do. I try to get visual points like certain stands or the ceiling. I want to know where I am at in that building at every second possible."

Pauken has also recently gotten into the pit for his son Charlie who races quarter midgets. Charlie is hoping to drive monster trucks one day himself and he already has the trucks picked out; Brutus, Monster Mutt and Grave Digger.

Although Charlie may be on the way to driving monster trucks, for now, Pauken is happy working on more diminutive vehicles.

"It is so much smaller so it is so much easier to work on," Pauken said. "You aren't breaking your back trying to change the tires and you can switch the motor out in about five minutes as opposed to about four hours."

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