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JOHNSTON WEATHER FORECAST

TUES. HIGH 83 | LOW 59
Plenty of sunshine



WED. HIGH 82 | LOW 55
Mostly cloudy



THURS. HIGH 74 | LOW 50
Partly sunny and nice



FRI. HIGH 78 | LOW 53
Nice with plenty of sun



SAT. HIGH 80 | LOW 57
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FROM THE PUBLISHER

PARENTS' RULES

Like most teenage kids, I liked posters — and I had some classics. The Farrah Fawcett red swimsuit poster. The Evel Knievel wheelie and cape poster. And more KISS posters than I could count.

The problems were where — and how — I could hang them.

Of course, my bedroom was the only room in the house where my posters would be allowed. Mom didn't think the Fonz should be hung up in the kitchen. I understood.

Mom's rules on how posters could be applied to the wall were the real trick. Pushing thumbtacks into the sheetrock was out of the question, as that left holes in the walls. Using tape to adhere them to the walls might work, if it was the right tape that didn't take off paint or leave residue behind. And that chewing-gum-like stuff

that was supposed to stick to the poster and the wall sounded great, except it left an oil-like stain on the posters.

The last option was the only option, at least from Mom's perspective. She didn't really care what happened to my posters, but the walls were not to be marked up in any way. Period.

Do you ever notice how some of your parents' rules stick with you throughout your lifetime? Mom's instructions on not using thumbtacks and tape were based on her being the one having to patch and paint the walls in our home. When my kids were wanting to hang posters in their rooms, I had the same rules — and I wasn't even the one who painted.



Mom's rules also apply at our workplace today. I cringe when I see items that employees have taped or thumbtacked into walls or woodwork, as I know how much I paid to have those walls painted or woodwork repaired. I gladly supply bulletin boards to anyone who needs them, but some folks just can't resist the temptation to tape, staple or push tacks into sheetrock.

How about you? Which of your parents' rules stuck with you for a lifetime? Shoot me a note and let me know.

Have a great week, and thanks for reading. ■



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FARMERS MARKET OPENS JUNE 6

The Farmers Market will be held Tuesdays, 5-8 p.m. from June 6 through Sept. 26 on the north side of Johnston City Hall, 6245 Merle Hay Road. Shop for fresh produce and homemade products while being entertained by live music. For more information, visit www.cityofjohnston.com/farmersmarket. ■

ALUMNI NIGHT AT JOHNSTON GREEN DAYS

Johnston Green Days, the annual community celebration held each June, will be hosting an All-Alumni Reunion on Saturday, June 17, and all Johnston High School alumni and families are welcome. Organizers will have a table from 5-9 p.m. inside the beer garden for alumni to check-in and grab a name tag before mingling with fellow alums. The party continues until midnight at Terra Park with live music, cold drinks and fireworks. Organizers will also have old JHS yearbooks, a selfie station, and Alumni apparel available for purchase. ■

MONTHLY MOVIES AFTER THE FARMERS MARKET

A movie will be shown once a month following the Farmers Market on the north side of Johnston City Hall, 6245 Merle Hay Road. Movies begin at dusk, around 8:30 p.m. Bring your lawn chair and blanket and enjoy the free show. Dates and movies are:

- Tuesday, June 27 – “Encanto”
- Tuesday, July 25 – “Top Gun Maverick”
- Tuesday, Aug. 15 – “The Mario Bros.”
- Tuesday, Sept. 26 – “American Underdog” ■

MONTHLY MUSIC AFTER THE FARMERS MARKET

Live music will be featured once a month following the Farmers Market on the north side of Johnston City Hall, 6245 Merle Hay Road. Concerts start at 7:30 p.m. on the stage just west of Johnston City Hall. Bring your lawn chair and blanket and enjoy the free music. Dates and entertainment are:

- Tuesday, June 6 – Bruce Day
- Tuesday, July 11 – Orphan Annie
- Tuesday, Aug. 1 – The Savage Feds
- Tuesday, Sept. 12 – The Sons of Gladys Kravitz ■

SMOKIN' HEROES

Join the heroes of police, fire and military to enjoy smoked meats at Smokin' Heroes, June 17, during Green Days at 6400 Pioneer Parkway. The money raised will help send Johnston students to Kosovo as part of their camp in Peja. The heroes will be smoking the meats from 5 a.m. to 1 p.m. From 1-4 p.m., the public can taste the meat and vote on their favorite. The winner will receive a coveted Smokin' Heroes belt. ■

THE YARD SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

The Yard Summer Concert Series, presented by The Cork 50131, brings musical acts from across the United States, including Nashville and Los Angeles, to the Yard, 6245 Merle Hay Road, Johnston. All three concerts will begin at 7 p.m. Mark your calendars and enjoy the free show. Concerts are:

- Friday, June 23 – 90s Rock Show
- Saturday, July 22 – Jay Allen
- Saturday, Aug. 26 – TBA ■

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VIETNAM LIVING HISTORY EVENT

The Iowa Gold Star Military Museum will host a Vietnam Living History event featuring displays of Vietnam gear and equipment, a CH-47 helicopter flyover, Vietnam War-era military vehicles, military police patrol boat, and museum tours. The event is June 3, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and June 4, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the museum, located at 7015 N.W. 70th Ave., Johnston. ■

JOHNSTON PARTNERSHIP'S CURRENT NEEDS

The Johnston Partnership provides food and personal hygiene products to those in need. Currently, the organization is in most need of frozen foods, shampoo, dish soap and laundry detergent. Donations can be dropped off at 5870 Merle Hay Road, Suite C, Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4-6 p.m., and on Thursdays and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. ■



2023 MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE
MONDAY, MAY 29th
 MUSEUM LOCATED AT CAMP DODGE
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 Free military style breakfast 6-9AM or until gone!
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 Photo identification is required for adults (age 16 and older) to gain admittance to Camp Dodge (State Issued I.D.)

FUNERAL NOTICES

Funeral notices can be emailed to tammy@iowalivingmagazines.com

ROBERT 'BOB' JACKSON

Robert "Bob" Jackson, 95, died Nov. 28, 2022, at Bishop Drumm Retirement Center in Johnston. Born Oct. 27, 1927, in Marshalltown to Don and Mary Jackson, he graduated with honors from Loras College in 1947. He met Thelma "Mooch" Nankival while in Dubuque, and they married on March 29, 1948.



Bob and Thelma began their married life in Marshalltown as the owners of Ideal Pastry Shop and began raising their four children. In 1965, they moved to Des Moines where Bob began a new career in the insurance business. In 1976, Bob's career returned them to Dubuque, and, in 1982, to Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where he became nationally known for his expertise in state insurance compliance law. He retired in 1995 to Platte City, Missouri, to be near his daughter, and they all returned to Des Moines in 1997.

Bob is survived by three of his children, Jim (Melinda), Dave (Candace), and Sue Eppenauer (Tom); 11 grandchildren; 24 great grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Dick; his sister, Mary Kay Hudspeth; his wife, Thelma; and his oldest son, Bob Jr.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated June 17 at 2 p.m. at the Bishop Drumm Chapel followed by a reception at McAuley Terrace. Memorials are suggested to Bishop Drumm for charity care, 5837 Winwood Drive, Johnston, IA 50131 ■

GOLF OUTING FUNDRAISER

The Dragon Scholarship Fund Golf Outing Fundraiser four-person best shot will be Monday, June 19 with a 9 a.m. shotgun start at Jester Park Golf Course. Proceeds support Johnston seniors in their post high school education. Cost, which includes 18 hole green fees and cart, are \$400 per foursome and \$200 per twosome. Register and pay by June 5 at bit.ly/DSFgolfouting2023. ■

COLLECTING WORN OUT AMERICAN FLAGS

The Knights of Columbus want to collect your worn out American flags for proper disposition. Worn out flags will be given to the VFW and/or American Legion for their flag retirement ceremonies. Flags will be collected at church May 27-28 at St. Mary of Nazareth, 4600 Meredith Drive. ■

SPLASH PAD OPENS

The Splash Pad, 6245 Merle Hay Road, directly west of Johnston City Hall, opens Saturday, May 27 and will be open until Monday, Sept. 3. Hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. ■

SEEN IN JOHNSTON



LIONS CLUB SHELTER HOUSE: A ribbon cutting was held May 15 to celebrate the completion of the Lions Club Shelter House at Johnston Commons Park.



Dennis Meyer, owner of Created in Johnston and Lions Club member, with Roary MacLeo. The aluminum lion was purchased through his store and brought to life by long time employee and artist Kevin Potratz. You can find Roary MacLeo just to the south of the new Lions shelter house.

JOHNSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY EVENTS

For more information or to register for events, call 515-278-5233 or visit us online at www.johnstonlibrary.com.

Summer Reading for everyone

Join JPL from May 30 to July 31 for a summer filled with fun. The Summer Discovery Library Program is for everyone: there is no age limit, no cost and no sign-up. Participants can win prizes by reading or listening to books and participating in activities and events. Reading and activity logs for all ages will be available for pick up beginning May 30 or can be downloaded and printed from our website. For more information about the Summer Discovery Library Program visit johnstonlibrary.com.

Programs for kids

JPL has excellent weekly library programs for kids of all different age groups. Preschoolers can enjoy Story Time Together on Mondays at 9:30 a.m. or 10 a.m. and a host of outdoor programs this summer including Wacky Water Play every Wednesday beginning June 7 through July 12 from 10-11 a.m. and Bubble Party! on Tuesday, June 20, from 10:30-11:15 a.m. Outdoor programs will happen on the JPL outdoor patio, weather permitting.

Bring the littlest kiddies to baby programming on Thursdays. Play, Baby, Play happens every Thursday beginning June 8 through July 13 from 10-11 a.m. June 9, the Blank Park Zoo will be at JPL for a Zoo to You program, and, on Tuesday, June 27, Tippi Toes Dance Program will be at JPL for two sessions of a high-energy dance class. Registration is required for Tippi Toes classes. And, this is just the tip of the iceberg for kids' programs in June. Visit johnstonlibrary.com/kids for more info about the Summer Reading Program for kids. ■

EVENTS IN THE AREA

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CARLISLE BIKE NIGHTS

Third Saturdays through September, 5-10 p.m.

School Street, downtown Carlisle

Bike Nights will be hosted by the Carlisle Chamber of Commerce along with music, raffles, beverages and food from Carlisle restaurants. June 17 features Richard Arndt; July 15 features Joe Inman; Aug. 19 features Luke Farland; and Sept. 16 features Adam Whitehead. Activities include Best Bike Contest and Best Audio Contest Sept. 16. Prize is a free oil change donated by Smart Sound and Cycling. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy the evening, even if you don't have a bike!

CELEBRASIAN

May 26-27

Western Gateway Park,
1205 Locust St., Des Moines

Celebrate the largest Asian American event in Iowa as this festival will bring a wealth of Asian history, food, performances and other activities to Downtown that will allow all to experience everything that Asian culture has to offer.

MADISON COUNTY AIRING OF THE QUILTS

May 31-June 3

The Iowa Quilt Museum's community-wide quilt festival will be held June 1-4. It celebrates the history,

tradition and artistry of quilting in Iowa. Hundreds of quilts are displayed in dozens of historical and cultural landmarks across the county. This unique event is one that you don't want to miss. The festival now also includes classes, a comprehensive quilt symposium and a retreat, so make sure to check out the activities online at www.iowaquiltmuseum.org/events/2023-madison-county-airing-of-the-quilts-festival.

**DES MOINES CONCERT HANDBELLS
"HERE COMES THE SUN"**

Friday, June 2, 7 p.m.

Plymouth United Church of Christ,
4126 Ingersoll Ave., Des Moines

Saturday, June 3, 7 p.m.

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church,
8301 N.W. Aurora Ave., Urbandale

The Des Moines Concert Handbells will present two spring concerts. They are free and open to all. A freewill offering will be accepted.

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RECIPE

UNFORGETTABLE FRUITY FLAVOR

(Family Features) Summertime often brings cravings for fresh fruits that add a hint of sweetness to warm-weather gatherings. Serving up a delicious dessert for family and guests starts with favorite produce in this Lemon Cheesecake with Fruit.

The touch of tangy tartness is enough to bring loved ones to the dessert table even after a filling meal as fresh lemon juice in the cheesecake base is complemented perfectly when topped with orange slices and raspberries. Garnished with mint leaves, this brightly colored treat is even sweeter when shared with loved ones. ■

LEMON CHEESECAKE WITH FRUIT

Servings: 6-8

- 1 1/4 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup butter, melted
- 2 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese, softened
- 1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk
- 3 eggs
- 1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 orange, peeled and separated
- 8 raspberries
- 3 mint leaves, for garnish

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 F.

In medium bowl, combine graham cracker crumbs, sugar and melted butter. Press firmly into 9-inch springform pan.

In large bowl, beat cream cheese until fluffy.



Gradually beat in sweetened condensed milk until smooth. Add eggs, fresh lemon juice and vanilla extract; mix until combined.

Pour into pan. Bake 50-55 minutes, or until center springs back when lightly pressed.

Chill in refrigerator until completely cooled. Arrange orange slices around border of cake and place raspberries in middle. Top with mint leaves.



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FAMILY FEST IS JUNE 3

Family Fest will be held at the Johnston Town Center, 6245 Merle Hay Road, on Saturday, June 3, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Activities include splash pad, bingo, shuffleboard, face painting, balloon artist, three inflatable obstacle courses, spin art station and more. A magic show will be on the stage west of City Hall from 1:30-2 p.m. Food trucks will be present at the event for you to enjoy the afternoon. This event is free to attendees. More information and schedule for activities is available at www.johnstontowncenter.com/events. ■

YOUTH VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT TO PLACE FLAGS

This year, Johnston Legion Post 728 will again be given the privilege of placing American flags at the graves of military veterans in honor of their service to our country. They will again gather at Ridgedale Cemetery across from Hyperion Field Club on Beaver Drive on Thursday, May 25 at 6 p.m. They are seeking youth to volunteer their time and would like to enlist the help of as many youngsters as possible so they can gain the experience of learning why flags are placed in cemeteries. Anyone who has contacts with Girl Scouts, Brownies, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts or other youth groups, are asked to invite as much participation by the youth as possible — the younger the better. Rain date is May 27 at 10 a.m. ■

GREEN DAYS QUILT AUCTION

The Crown Point Senior Center Sewcial group will be raffling off this beautiful, handmade quilt (84-inches by 76-inches) to benefit the Johnston Partnership food pantry. View the quilt and purchase a raffle ticket June 1-16 at 6300 Pioneer Parkway from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday-Friday. Tickets are \$5 each or \$20 for five. Help the group raise funds to fight hunger by purchasing tickets for this one-of-a-kind piece. ■

FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY

Boy Scout Troop 44 will hold a flag retirement ceremony on Flag Day, June 14, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Grimes Public Works facility, 1700 S.E. Destination Drive, in Grimes. A record number of worn flags will be appropriately destroyed. The public is invited to attend this event and need to bring a folding chair, as there is no seating available. Tired flags may be brought to the box at the rear of the Johnston Fire Station building on Merle Hay Road at any time. ■

CLASSIFIED ADS

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FOR SALE: Nice TV stand cabinet for sale. Lots of space above and below the TV area. \$75. Call or text 515-238-3198 and I can send photos.

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FOR SALE: Older China Cabinet for sale. Antique and in great usable shape. \$50.00. Call or text 515-238-3198 and I can send photos.

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