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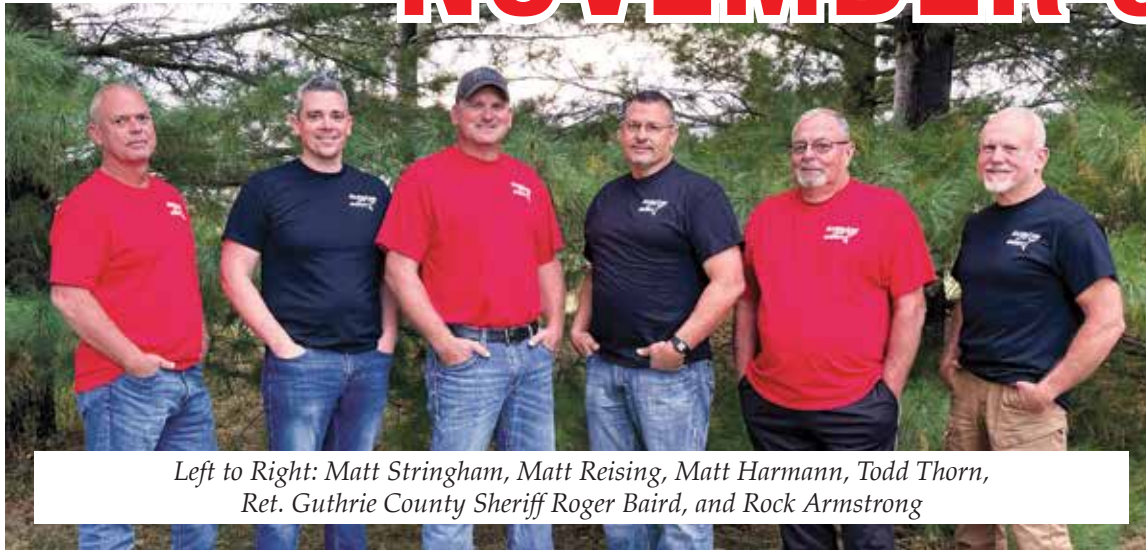
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ON THE COVER: Moffitt Grove Cemetery sexton Katie Akers and her daughters, Nora and Sara, next to the headstone of Katie's grandparents. Photo by Rich Wicks



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JOIN US FOR OUR OPEN HOUSE ON NOV. 13

My, how one's plans and perceptions can change in a short amount of time.

Not too long ago, I was contemplating whether or not we needed a physical office for our publishing company in Guthrie County. When I purchased the Guthrie County Times Vedette weekly newspaper, we continued renting the space at 111 E. Main St. in Panora where the newspaper had been for years. We had a small staff that mostly worked from home. Customers rarely came through the door. And the COVID-19 pandemic proved that many companies could do just fine with employees working remotely (or at least we thought so).

After talking with many people, I decided to keep renting the building for the time being. As I spent more time in the office, I had a growing desire to make improvements to it, but I didn't want to do so as a renter. So, I bought the building and started making updates including a new awning on the front and new windows inside, as well

as much-needed painting and cleaning. I had drawn up greater plans to build out the back storage area, add another bathroom and create a few private offices. It all seemed like a good idea, but it was certainly a stretch from my prior view of not needing an office at all.

In the meantime, we redesigned this publication, launched two new publications, and converted the Times Vedette to a twice-weekly digital edition. As such, we added staff.

While in the midst of this, I learned of a building in Guthrie Center at 104 Industrial Road that might be for sale that could accommodate our office space needs and provide warehouse space for production use down the road. And, in the meantime, I could rent the space for boat and RV storage and put some of my own stuff in there,



Shane Goodman

too. So, I made an offer. And, ultimately, I bought the building, which many of you know as the prior home of the DICA plant that manufactured outrigger and crane pads.

So, a guy who wasn't going to own any properties now has two commercial buildings in the county.

We moved our publishing offices to Guthrie Center a few months ago and have made many improvements to the nearly 14,000-square-foot building. New paint inside and out. Some doors and windows replaced. Overhead furnaces repaired. New signage installed. Dead trees removed. Gutters and downspouts repaired. The list goes on, but the end result has been wonderful. We now have office space even better than what we were working on in Panora with room to grow. We have a home base for our staff to work out of that they can be proud of. And we are pleased to be part of the greater Guthrie County community. We still have some work to do, but it is coming

along.

If you are curious, I am exploring options on what to do with our Panora building. I am open to leasing it or selling it. And if that doesn't work, I have some ideas for a new business that we may run out of that office, too.

I share all this with you because we are having an open house at our facility at 104 Industrial Road in Guthrie Center on Wednesday, Nov. 13 from 4-6:30 p.m., and I am hoping you can stop by and see our facility and operations. You can enjoy refreshments, take a tour and meet our staff. There is no need to RSVP. Just stop by and say hello. I look forward to seeing you. ■

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THE CEMETERIES OF GUTHRIE COUNTY

Guthrie County has 38 graveyards with 10 identified as “pioneer cemeteries.”

BY RICH WICKS

Guthrie Center Times

A wealth of history can be found in the cemeteries of Guthrie County. Although this article is being published in October, it is not meant to promote a “Halloween-ish” perspective on the county’s cemeteries and/or gravesites. Certainly, Halloween is a favorite and fun holiday in America, but regardless of the season, it’s best to behave respectfully when dealing with the actual final resting places of our friends, relatives and neighbors.

Cemetery etiquette includes several general rules. Cemetery signage (such as visiting hours, speed limits, parking, etc.) should be heeded. Pets, loud activities and horseplay are generally discouraged. Visitors should avoid walking over the top of gravesites, as this can be seen as disrespectful. Cemetery etiquette can be summed up as: be solemn and respectful, especially when other visitors may see or overhear.

CEMETERIES IN AMERICA

In America, we take for granted that we can go visit gravestones of our dearly departed, even decades after the person’s death. It can be comforting to return to the same plot year after year to pay respects. It’s also a way to connect younger generations with their ancestors.

But this isn’t true around the globe. Because America is a relatively young country, and a very large country, we have the luxury of lots of space in which to bury our loved ones. But in Europe and some other parts of the world, things are done much differently.

For example, Europe has been heavily populated for thousands of years, so there simply isn’t enough space for all those burial plots. Therefore, in many European countries, a burial plot isn’t bought but is rented, usually for 10 to 50 years. Some families may pay for longer durations, but those are exceptions rather than the rule. When a rental term ex-



A chair monument is placed in Union Cemetery, Guthrie Center.

pires, the deceased is exhumed so a new corpse can be buried in that spot.

In America, cemeteries are much more recent, especially west of the Appalachian Mountains. But even in Guthrie County, the number of burial sites/gravesites is staggering. Throughout the cemeteries in the county, more than 26,500 people are buried. To put that in perspective, if you decided to decorate one gravesite per day, year-round, it would take almost 73 years to see them all.

Gravestones can be made from many different materials, including granite, marble, sandstone, slate and limestone. Historically, wealthy families would choose more expensive options like marble or granite, while middle- to lower-class families would opt for limestone, sandstone and even wood. But this is no longer the case because gravestone materials have become more affordable.

FIRST BURIALS IN GUTHRIE COUNTY

The first non-native person to die in what would later become Guthrie County was Mr. McCullough (no first name listed) in August of 1850. He was buried near what would later become Morrisburg. A child, identified only as Infant Osander, was buried near McCullough’s grave in 1851. The Morrisburg cemetery was created at a different spot in 1855, but those previous graves were not moved.

THE CEMETERIES

When determining how many cemeteries are in Guthrie County, the answer is not immediately clear. Some cemeteries may have had a new cemetery added nearby, and, in some cases, both are generally considered to be one. Some cemeteries are no longer active or maintained and may not be publicly accessible. So, an exact count depends on ex-

actly what you are counting.

For purposes of this article, Guthrie County has 38 cemeteries, of which 10 are considered “pioneer cemeteries.” That term refers to a cemetery that has seen 12 or fewer burials in the preceding 50 years. Some small or pioneer cemeteries have been neglected and have succumbed to the forces of nature. In a few cases, the headstones have been stacked together, and there may be little to no record of the specific burial location or other information about those buried therein.

In some cases, a cemetery sits at the location of a former town, but the cemetery may be the only remnant of the former community. One such example is the Moffitt Grove Cemetery, which is located on Pecan Road at the southeast edge of Springbrook State Park. In 1856, a stage road was built, running from Des Moines to Sioux City. Along the route, a stage station and post office



Moffitt Grove Cemetery is located near Springbrook State Park.

opened in Moffitt Grove, operating until 1883. These were just south of the cemetery, which is the only remaining onsite evidence of Moffitt Grove.

Katie Akers serves as the sexton for Moffitt Grove Cemetery, which means she manages the affairs and duties of the cemetery. She explained that a portion of that cemetery will never be sold for plots. Credible reports state that a portion of the property may have once been a burial site for Native Americans, so the cemetery's trustees have chosen to leave the area untouched.

Morrisburg, noted earlier as having the first burial in the county, was a town located a few miles south of Panora. It served as a stop on the Newton stage-coach line. It was also used as part of the Underground Railroad, a network of secret routes and safe houses used by those seeking freedom from slavery in southern states. The Morrisburg cemetery holds many gravesites from the Civil War era.

In the early years of Guthrie County, a significant population of members of the Society of Friends religion (sometimes referred to as "Quakers") resided here. One Society of Friends settlement, near what is now Stuart, created the cemetery that later became known as North Oak Grove Cemetery.

It is natural to wonder who the most famous or notable person buried in the county may be. The "Find a Grave" website (www.findagrave.com), which claims to be the world's largest gravesite collection with more than 250 million gravesites, delivers zero results when searching for



Lieutenant Governor John Herriott is buried in Stuart.

"famous" individuals buried in Guthrie County, but North Oak Grove Cemetery offers a possible answer to that question in the name of John Herriott. Herriott was a Civil War veteran who lived from 1844 to 1918 and served as the Guthrie County Treasurer (1878-1882), Iowa State Treasurer (1894-1900) and Lieutenant Governor of Iowa (1902-1907). Despite this, his headstone simply shows the word "Father," his name, and his birth/death years.

The Stanfield Cemetery, located north of Casey and founded in 1857, was noted in 1938 to have become overgrown with brush and poison ivy. The Guthrie County Genealogical Society has records of the burials in the cemetery. One notable gravesite is that of John Stanfield, a Civil War veteran who died in 1868.

Union Cemetery in Guthrie Center is one of the largest in the county, with more than 4,000 gravesites. Some burial sites in Union Cemetery were grouped in a circular pattern. Another notable



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Union Cemetery is located in Guthrie Center.

feature is a memorial chair, which some (including a viral YouTube video) refer to as "the devil's chair." According to Kristine Jorgensen, curator and historian at the Guthrie County Historical Village and Museum, there's nothing paranormal about such a memorial.

"It's just a mourning chair," she said.

Unfortunately, monuments such as this often become the focus of urban legends and fabricated stories. However, most anyone walking through a cemetery will note the wide variety of markers and gravesites that have been selected by the loved ones of those dearly departed, and it is best to treat all monuments with appropriate respect.

A notable person buried in Guthrie Center's Union Cemetery is Earl W. Vincent (1886-1953). He served in the U.S. House of Representatives for two terms and was later a judge.

The Vanocker Cemetery is more accurately identified as the Vanocker grave, since it consists of just a single burial, which occurred in 1879. Located a few miles south of Bayard, the gravesite is the final resting place of the unnamed infant child of Henry Vanocker and Mary M. Armstrong Vanocker.

West Cemetery in Panora is notable for its location, on a hillside overlooking Panorama High School. It's also the site of a historical story that may have some truth or simply be another urban legend. West Cemetery is home to an 1878 grave marker that is made of zinc, which was a more affordable option marketed at the time as "white bronze." Because

the marker is hollow, it is reported that it may have been used during Prohibition as a hiding spot for bootleg liquor. As the story goes, a bootlegger would leave the bottle in the hollow marker, and the customer would later take the bottle and leave cash.

HEADSTONE RESTORATION

One local resident, Rod Stanley, told of his hobby/passion for restoring and repairing headstones at some of the cemeteries in the county. He explained how he first became interested in doing this.

"I grew up in Dexter, and I have a lot of relatives buried there," Stanley said. "About 10 years ago, I was visiting markers, and there were so many markers that were broken, unlevel or needed to be set back up, and I decided that I would start doing grave restoration."

Stanley said he has restored around 60 or 70 grave markers, and he told of one notable headstone he successfully restored.

"That marker is in West Cemetery. I've done quite a bit of work up there. This particular marker was missing," Stanley said. "The base was there, but the marker was gone, so I used a probe and I hit something. It was probably 12 inches underground."

Stanley dug the marker up, cleaned it, and reattached it to the base.

"A lot of the markers I've repaired were in two or three pieces. It was lucky this one was still in one piece. This is the oldest one I've found in West Cemetery.



This headstone in Moffitt Grove Cemetery shows how weather can impact the material.

Panora was established in 1851, and this marker is from 1851," Stanley said.

Stanley explained that many of the older grave markers were made from very porous materials, which made it easy for water to seep in and cause cracks over the years because of the seasonal expansions and contractions caused by freezing and temperature changes. He also said grave markers are sometimes accidentally tipped or damaged by mowers.

Occasionally, local workshops are offered by Stanley or others to teach about the processes and materials involved in headstone cleaning and restoration.

Through his time spent restoring headstones, Stanley learned that, during the 1800s, many children died in their first few years of life.

"It was dysentery, cholera, measles, mumps and things that came from unsanitary conditions," Stanley said.

COSTS AND OPTIONS

The cost of an individual burial plot varies by cemetery. Cemeteries generally have a person designated as the sexton, who handles the selling and recording of plots. Akers, who serves as sexton for Moffitt Grove Cemetery and for Union Cemetery in Victory Township, described the type of conversation she usually has with an individual or family when planning to purchase a cemetery plot.

"They call me and describe what they're needing, and if they have any preference in terms of location, and I help them identify available spots, and I mark those spots for the monument company and for the service that will be digging the grave. I'm kind of a go-between for families, monument companies and the funeral home," Akers said.

Akers said the cost of a plot at Moffitt Grove Cemetery is \$100 for residents of the township and \$200 for others. Darin Sloss, sexton of Union Cemetery in Guthrie Center, said that individual plots (5 feet by 10 feet) cost \$160.

For any veteran of U.S. military service, or a family member of a veteran, the U.S. government may provide assistance with buying a plot and/or other burial expenses. Current details can be obtained by contacting the Veterans Administration.

THE LIST

Below is the list of 38 recognized cemeteries within Guthrie County, along with the approximate location, year each was created, and the number of gravesites, if available. The symbol of * denotes those identified as a pioneer cemetery:

- Bear Grove, southwest part of the county, created in 1875 (508 gravesites)
- Brethren, Panora, 1875 (2,056 gravesites)
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- 1855 (712 gravesites)
- Dodge Center, Bagley, 1879 (1,047 gravesites)
- Glendon, 1871 (373 gravesites)
- Greenwood, unknown (255 gravesites)
- Highland, Bayard, 1879 (1,973 gravesites)
- Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran, Adair, 1890 (548 gravesites)
- Maplewood, Guthrie Center, 1855*
- Menlo, 1880 (860 gravesites)
- Messinger, 1855*
- Moffitt Grove, north of Guthrie Center, 1858 (372 gravesites)
- Monteith, 1882 (487 gravesites)
- Monteith Gravesite, 1961
- Morrisburg, south of Panora, 1855 (1,353 gravesites)
- North Branch, 1886 (54 gravesites)
- North Oak Grove, Stuart, 1856 (3,841 gravesites)
- Orange Township, northwest corner of county, 1888 (922 gravesites)
- Pleasant Hill, North Branch, 1887 (740 gravesites)
- Resurrection, Guthrie Center, 1865 (476 gravesites)
- Richland Memorial, north of Yale, 1876 (1,493 gravesites)
- Rose Hill, Menlo, 1914 (812 gravesites)
- South Oak Grove, Stuart, 1900 (2,725 gravesites)
- Spring Valley, 1864 (121 gravesites)*
- St. John's Lutheran, 1876
- Stanfield, north of Casey, 1857*
- Sutton, 1874*
- Tuttle's Grove, northwest corner



This is one of many successful headstone restorations completed by Rod Stanley.

- of county, 1857 (23 gravesites)
- Union, Guthrie Center, 1885 (4,088 gravesites)
- Union, Victory Township, 1,880 (158 gravesites)*
- Valley Township, Guthrie Center, 1857 (723 gravesites)
- Vandevanter, 1853*
- Victory Union Township, north of Guthrie Center, 1892*
- Vanocker, south of Bayard, 1879 (1 gravesite)*
- Van Order, 1860*
- West, Panora, 1851 (1,858 gravesites)
- Wichita, 1880
- Yale, 1887 (485 gravesites) ■

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LOCAL FILM REVIEWS

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BY MICHAEL C. WOODY
Guthrie Center Times

“BEETLEJUICE BEETLEJUICE” (still in theaters)

With director Tim Burton back in the director's chair, we get a sequel to his 1988 hit about people moving into a new home that happens to also currently be hosting some ghosts from previous residents. The sequel takes us back to the house with returning characters played by Winona Ryder and, of course, Michael Keaton. While not as good as the first film, this sequel has enough heart and laughs to make it worth a visit. The addition of Jenna Ortega, who played Wednesday Addams in the Netflix series continuing the Addams Family saga, was a great choice. Be warned



that when you give Tim Burton too much money, you get total craziness... in a good way. **Grade: C+**

“AFRAID” (quickly heading to streaming)

This is an above-average horror film about a family that is asked to put a new state-of-the-art AI device in their home for a test drive. What seems like a helpful device suddenly begins to delve into areas of their lives that should have been off limits. It is a well-done scary movie with a great message of caution. **Grade: B+**



“SPEAK NO EVIL” (still in theaters)

James McAvoy gives another outstanding performance in this film about two



“Beetlejuice Beetlejuice”

families that meet on vacation and then decide to continue that vacation for a weekend at one of their homes. To say that everything is not what it seems is a huge understatement, as this film takes you on a crazy and wild ride into



“Afraid”

one of the better horror films of the year. **Grade: B+**

“THE KILLER’S GAME” (still in theaters)

Dave Bautista plays a hired assassin who is struggling with health issues that threaten to cripple his career. When he

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her former beauty and revitalize her career. I'm not going to tell you more than that, other than to caution you that even though it is a well-made and interesting film, it is about as violent and bloody as you will ever see. It is kind of like the end of the movie "Carrie" back in the day but with 10 times more blood. **Grade: B**



Transformer expert to help me get through the difficult storyline. It is something about two underground mining "bots" wanting to become Transformers. If you are a 10-year-old child, this might be the best movie you see all year. Being 50-plus years past that age, I was bored to tears but understand it wasn't made for me.

Grade: C+



around 2:30 p.m. Or you can find the segments on the site, and they can be accessed anytime. Kind of a fun hobby!

That's all I got today, but we are heading into the "good" movie season when we will see films like "Gladiator 2," "Joker Folie a Deux" and the final (hopefully) Venom film, "Venom: The Last Dance."

That's it for this month. Enjoy the cool fall weather that is heading our way. ■

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GUTHRIE COUNTY SUPERVISORS DISCUSS JAIL COSTS

BY RICH WICKS

Guthrie Center Times

SEPT. 17 — CITIZENS VOICE CONCERNS RELATED TO CO2 PIPELINE

During the “Public Comments” portion of the Sept. 17 regular meeting of the Guthrie County Board of Supervisors, several citizens voiced concerns regarding the supervisors’ actions related to the planned CO2 pipeline. Citizens spoke about feeling misled regarding the filing of the county’s letter objecting to the use of eminent domain. Brian Johnson explained that he hand-delivered the resolution, and it was verified as received on Monday, Sept. 9.

Citizens also complained about their perceptions that the public has not been promptly and thoroughly informed about the planned pipeline.

The supervisors discussed the possibility of absorbing the work that has previously been done by the Guthrie County Compensation Board. The supervisors will look further into what work this would entail. No formal decision was made at this time.

County Auditor Dani Fink asked the supervisors to consider setting a date for an election regarding the Lake Panorama and Diamondhead Lake Rural Improvement Zone.

“I’d like to schedule that for Dec. 10,” Fink said.

The supervisors unanimously approved the plan for a special election on

Dec. 10.

The supervisors discussed plans and scheduling of communication efforts related to the proposal for countywide EMS services.

Supervisor Brian Johnson shared his recent efforts.

“I was able to attend both the Jamaica and Yale city council meetings to talk about EMS, and it went very well,” he said.

Supervisor Maggie Armstrong told of an event she has scheduled.

“I scheduled a Panora community meeting for Oct. 16 at 7 p.m. at Panorama School in the auditorium,” Armstrong said.

SEPT. 24 — EMS SERVICE INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS SET

During the regular Sept. 24 meeting, the supervisors discussed the communication plan relating to the upcoming vote on a countywide EMS service.

Supervisor Maggie Armstrong gave a “practice run” of the script that is suggested for the various small-group informational meetings the supervisors plan to hold prior to the Nov. 5 election. Her practice run lasted roughly 10 minutes. Afterward, supervisors provided feedback on possible tweaks to the content.

The schedule of informational meetings (all meetings shown are set for 7 p.m.) on the proposed countywide EMS plan includes:

- Oct. 1 (Bayard)
- Oct. 3 (Casey)
- Oct. 7 (Jackson Township)
- Oct. 8 (Bear Grove)
- Oct. 9 (WCV School, Stuart)
- Oct. 10 (Guthrie Center High School)
- Oct. 14 (Yale Community Center)
- Oct. 16 (Panorama Schools auditorium).
- An Adair meeting is also in the works.

Regarding the publicizing of these scheduled meetings, Armstrong said the meetings will be posted in area newspapers.

“I am also going to create a Facebook page,” Armstrong said.

County Health Services Director Jotham Arber provided an update on services in that department. He told of efforts to add a social worker to enhance mental health services. He added that, because the area is recognized as a “mental health desert,” he anticipates the usage will be high, especially as advertising increases.

Arber also updated the supervisors on the status of the county’s efforts to create a “vicious dog ordinance.” He said the process is ongoing, and he stressed that the proposed ordinance will not be breed-specific.

“The dog bite ordinance that we drafted with the coalition...in effect, it says that, if your dog bites someone, and it’s a vicious dog, because of that, it can’t be in the county,” Arber said.

OCT. 1 — BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR SHERIFF DEPARTMENT Tabled

During the Oct. 1 regular weekly meeting, Supervisor Maggie Armstrong updated the other members on the planned EMS presentation.

“I sent this to everybody for review last Thursday,” Armstrong said.

She explained that she made minor changes based on feedback from the other supervisors, such as including a sample ballot to show the wording that voters will see.

“So, if we’re good with it as it is, then we’ll move forward with it tonight at our first public go,” Armstrong said.

No other changes were suggested.

Because of Supervisor Mike Dickson being absent from this meeting, Board Chair JD Kuster suggested tabling agenda item No. 6 (Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget Appropriation for Sheriff Department). Kuster said Dickson had several questions he wished to ask. The supervisors tabled the issue and will return to it at the Oct. 8 meeting.

The supervisors also tabled agenda item No. 5 (Chip Schultz: Northland Public Finance, update on current bonds held by Guthrie County) since Mr. Schultz was unable to attend.

Becky Benton from State Street Insurance talked with the supervisors about the effective date of the Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (ICAP) coverage. She explained that some communities have chosen to amend

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the effective date to Feb. 1 instead of Jan. 1, to allow more time for all necessary tasks to be completed before renewal. The supervisors approved this.

OCT. 8 — QUESTIONS ABOUT REVENUES, EXPENSES RELATED TO HOUSING JAIL INMATES FROM OTHER COUNTIES

During the Oct. 8 regular weekly meeting, the supervisors talked with Sheriff Marty Arganbright and Deputy Jesse Swensen regarding the revenues and expenses related to housing inmates from other counties.

"I have a great staff. The jailers do a great job. The jail administrator, Jesse, does a great job. The whole department works hard," Arganbright said. "We're taking outside inmates to offset the costs and make revenue. That was my plan all along when we built the new facility. We have very little problems."

Supervisor Mike Dickson asked for more detailed data to clearly show the costs and revenues specifically resulting from housing and serving outside inmates.

"We just need to know that Guthrie County tax money isn't going to pay

to house Polk County inmates or any other county's inmates," Dickson said. "I just need to see those numbers."

Arganbright said he will work to provide the data requested.

The supervisors voted unanimously to approve the appropriation of the next 25% of funding for the Sheriff's department in the 2024-2025 budget.

"It's hard to run a department at 25% of your budget, but we're doing our darndest to make it happen," Arganbright said.

Regarding the ongoing schedule of informational meetings about the upcoming ballot measure on a county-wide EMS service, Supervisor Steve Smith reported the meetings were going well, but he added that attendance at some of the meetings has been lower than was hoped.

Health Service Director Jotham Arber provided a quarterly report on his department. Arber said the transfer station is on pace to set an all-time record for total annual tonnage of materials received.

The supervisors hold a regular meeting each Tuesday at 9 a.m. The public is welcome to attend in person or via remote technology. To join remotely, call 323-792-6123, then use meeting code 547029216#. ■

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EDUCATION

GUTHRIE CENTER SCHOOL BOARD DISCUSSES SAFETY

BY RICH WICKS
Guthrie Center Times

Safety was one of the main topics at the regular meeting of the Guthrie Center School Board on Sept. 18. Superintendent Josh Rasmussen talked about a meeting with local law enforcement about possible safety enhancements that can be made based on what has been learned from incidents such as the shooting earlier this year at the school in Perry. Discussion has been made about providing law enforcement access to the school's live cameras in times of a potential crisis.

"It seems like a really good idea for county dispatch to be able to log in (to the school's live camera feed)... and see what's going on in our buildings," Rasmussen said.

Brian Sauser, principal for grades 9-12, talked about changes made to enhance safety in the high school. He told of the change to only use one entrance and one exit to better control and monitor the building. He said he has spoken with a few students to explain that if students wish to retain some of their privileges, it's important to follow these rules.

"There was a little bit of grumbling, but it took care of itself," Sauser said. "We're doing about as much as we can right now, overall, as far as building safety. We know who's in the building. We know when you come in. We know who's leaving."

Sauser also informed the board that around 3 p.m. on Sept. 18, school officials found out that the Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) did not approve the planned parade route for ACGC's Home-

coming parade.

"The DOT denied the request to have Highways 44 and 25 closed at the same time," Sauser said.

Sauser said there has been discussion about making a few changes to the usual parade route to comply with the DOT decision.

Rasmussen said there is a need to hire at least one additional substitute bus driver.

"We're kind of in dire need," Rasmussen said.

Board member Kris Langgaard said he has been approached by several parents of students asking about the new law to control absenteeism. Staff discussed that some members of the public seem unaware that the school is able to designate certain absences as "exempt" from the count stipulated in the new law. The two types of exemptions most likely to be used are "medical exempt" (for illnesses and other medical reasons) and "religious exempt" (for events such as funerals).

The board approved the purchase and installation of two 500-gallon fuel tanks, which will be installed near the corner of the "shop" building. The tanks are being purchased from, and serviced by, New Century FS. Rasmussen explained that the tanks will be locked and monitored by cameras. He said the tanks will eliminate much of the time and paperwork related to staff refueling vehicles.

The next regular meeting of the school board will be a joint meeting with the Adair-Casey board at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 16 at the Adair-Casey Junior High School media center. The public is welcome. ■

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HEALTH

GCH PICKS GRAHAM CONSTRUCTION AS CONSTRUCTION MANAGER FOR EXPANSION PROJECT

BY RICH WICKS
Guthrie Center Times

During the Sept. 26 meeting of the Guthrie County Hospital Board of Trustees, the agenda item generating the most discussion was the hospital's proposed expansion project.

CEO Chris Stipe updated the trustees on the progress.

"This is a very regulated process when you're looking at doing a project that USDA will be involved with. There are lots of i's that need to be dotted and t's that need to be crossed," Stipe said.

He explained the process of trying to pick a company to be the construction manager.

"We sought RFPs from qualified construction management companies," Stipe said. "Once we got the RFP's back, we narrowed it down from six to three, and then we interviewed those three."

Stipe explained that, after scoring each of the three on a variety of factors, the recommendation was to select Graham Construction (Des Moines) to be the Construction Manager At Risk. Stipe explained that the "at risk" terminology refers to the contractual agreement that, once a project cost is agreed upon, the hospital would not be liable for higher costs unless the hospital chose to make adjustments to the project's scope. Therefore, if costs unexpectedly exceed the contracted

amount, those costs are absorbed by the construction management firm.

The trustees approved Graham Construction as Project Construction Manager At Risk.

Chief Nursing Officer Sandy Atkinson updated the trustees on immunizations.

"We are gearing up for influenza season. I found out today the vaccines did come in, so I'll be arranging for employees to get their vaccination," Atkinson said.

She explained that employees who choose not to be vaccinated against influenza will be required to follow masking protocol based on the number of influenza cases identified.

Foundation Director Dennis Flanery told of the upcoming employee campaign, which will kick off Dec. 2.

The next regular meeting of the trustees is set for Oct. 24 at 4 p.m. The public is welcome to join in person or via remote technology. Details can be found at www.guthriecountyhospital.org. ■



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GUTHRIE CENTER CITY COUNCIL TO HIRE OFFICE STAFF PERSON

BY RICH WICKS

Guthrie Center Times

The Guthrie Center City Council held a brief regular meeting on Sept. 23. Regarding the city's search for someone to hire as a part-time office worker, City Clerk Kris Arrasmith said there were three applicants, and the position will ideally be 30-35 hours per week, which will qualify for benefits.

Councilmember Garold Thomas asked how this potential new hire will impact the city's two "fill-in" office staff.

"They're phasing out. They're going to help me with training and some other things, but they are going to simply be on an 'on-call' basis, for if somebody goes on vacation," Arrasmith said.

Councilmember Ian Steensen commented on the hours report regarding the city's law enforcement coverage by the Sheriff's Department staff.

"A lot of reserve hours over the last two weeks," he said.

As part of the consent agenda items, the council approved four building/fence permits. Those approved included Little Charger ELC (fence), 806 North St. (garage, Thompson), 907 Main St. (house, Tri-Co Lumber), and 108 N. 12th St. (shed, Martinez).

The Guthrie Center City Council meets regularly on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. The next regular meeting will be Monday, Oct. 28 at 6:30 p.m. The public is welcome. ■

EDUCATION

ADAIR-CASEY SCHOOL BOARD DISCUSSES NEW ABSENCE LAW

BY RICH WICKS

Guthrie Center Times

On Sept. 16, during the regular meeting of the Adair-Casey School Board, Principal Ed Den Beste provided an update on changes due to legislative items.

"We've got two new laws... the first one is the attendance law," Den Beste said. "We have a letter that we're going to be sending out. It says that, at eight days (of absence), a letter will be handed out... we will send out letters at 12 days and have a conference with the parents. Then, at 20 days, we turn it over to the county attorney."

Board member Blair Carney asked how many parent conferences might be expected under this new law in an average year.

"Twelve absences in a semester, last year probably about 15 or 20," Den Beste said.

Den Beste also spoke about the new ELI (Early Literacy Intervention) law and said he had met with staff about it earlier in the day.

Superintendent Josh Rasmussen dis-

cussed a possible security enhancement.

"We met with our local law enforcement and heard what they learned from Perry," Rasmussen said.

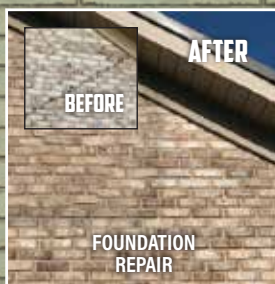
He said some schools have partnered with law enforcement so that officers would have the ability to log onto a school's live cameras in the event of a crisis. Rasmussen said the school will continue looking into this possibility. He pointed out that, if there were ever a crisis at the school, this could help law enforcement know specifically where to go.

"If it can save just a matter of minutes, sometimes that can be very important," Rasmussen said.

Rasmussen brought up the school's aging HVAC units in classrooms and suggested making a plan for gradual replacement so the school doesn't need to replace them all at once. Randy Carney advocated for gathering prices so the school can begin the process soon.

As part of the consent agenda items, the board approved the hiring of Triston Barnett as a night custodian. ■

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VOTE NOV. 5 ON EMS BALLOT MEASURE

BY RICH WICKS
Guthrie Center Times

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors held several informational meetings to inform citizens about the proposed countywide Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and the related levy measure that voters will decide upon during the Nov. 5 election.

Guthrie County is proposing the establishment of a coordinated, countywide EMS framework, which would be funded through a levy of \$0.75 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation for properties. The revenue generated from this new levy would be used to contract with existing EMS service providers and enhance their capabilities, ensuring that emergency medical care is accessible throughout the entire county. A key part of this would be the addition of a

fully staffed ambulance based in Guthrie Center, which will help improve response times to all parts of the county. This new structure will be overseen by an appointed Advisory Council, as required by law.

Emergency Medical Services are currently provided to residents of Guthrie County via three primary entities: Panorama EMS, Stuart Rescue and Adair Fire and Rescue. Each of these organizations deliver medical care to residents and visitors countywide. According to proponents of the levy, the existing structure presents challenges in terms of coordination, resource allocation, and comprehensive coverage. In particular, significant gaps in coverage exist when it comes to serving the western and northwestern portions of the county.

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MONAGHAN INDUCTED INTO MOUNT AYR COMMUNITY SCHOOLS HALL OF FAME

Special to the Times Vedette

Barry Monaghan was recently inducted into the Mount Ayr Community Schools Hall of Fame, the highest honor bestowed by Mount Ayr Community Schools.

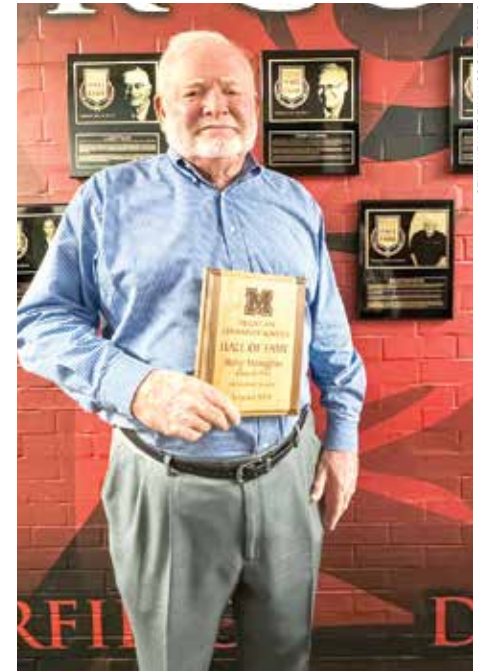
Monaghan is a 1965 graduate of Mount Ayr Community Schools. He was a standout athlete in football, basketball, track and baseball and continued on as a three-year starter and letter winner in football at Northwest Missouri State University. He earned a double major in English and physical education and started his teaching and coaching career at Adair-Casey before being drafted into the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged in 1971 and given the meritorious Service Award.

Monaghan returned to Adair-Casey from 1972-75 before moving on to Jesup Community Schools, serving as the vice principal before landing at Guthrie Center as the high school principal and athletic director. During his time in education, he served on the executive board of the Iowa High School Speech Association, including serving as president.

In 1984, Monaghan was lured out of education by the banking industry. He worked his way up the ranks of Guthrie County State Bank, eventually serving as president and CEO. He continues to serve as chairman of the board and president of Guthrie County Bancshares, Inc.

During his leadership at the bank, the organization grew from \$25 million to \$250 million today, expanded to a second location in Panora, purchased Lake Panorama Realty, Guthrie County Abstract and added GCSB Investments to the portfolio.

Monaghan is well known for giving back to his community, serving on the Guthrie Center Development Board as president for 19 years and the Guthrie County Development Board (Midwest Partners) for 10 years. He started volunteering as the announcer for high



Barry Monaghan stands by a Hall of Fame plaque on the wall of Mount Ayr High School.

school baseball in Guthrie Center in 1986 and expanded to announce for football, wrestling and track. Today he remains as the track announcer for ACGC Schools, Panorama Schools and several others including Mt. Ayr for special events. He is most proud of creating an entity called Ten Squared Plus Men for Guthrie County in 2016. Since its inception, more than 200 members have donated more than \$400,000 directly to Guthrie County nonprofits and community organizations.

Three others were also inducted into the Hall of Fame, including Curt Braby, Tamy Fahnlander and Faye Stull.

Local residents who attended the induction ceremony included Barry Monaghan, Nancy Peters, Tristan Monaghan, Brandon Monaghan, Kane and Dee Powell, Mark and Sandy Juhl, Gary Geopfert, Scott Gonzales and Annie Smith, Steve and Nancy Smith, Jim Terwilliger, John and Tricia Rutledge, Roger Underwood and Donna Millholin. ■

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EMS Volunteers: Levi Johnson, Jotham Arber, Roberta Baldus and Logan Wolf accept a donation from 10 Squared Women members and nominators Maggie Armstrong and LuAnn Waldo.

10 SQUARED WOMEN PRESENT \$14,600 TO GUTHRIE COUNTY FIRST RESPONDERS

Special to Guthrie Center Times

The 10 Squared Women of Guthrie County held its third-quarter meeting of 2024 on Tuesday, Sept. 3 at Twin Vines in Panora. Forty women attended in person, and six members attended via Zoom.

After hearing presentations from Friends of the Mary J Barnett Library (Guthrie Center), Guthrie County First Responders and Guthrie Center Farmer’s Market, the group announced a lump sum of \$14,600 would be presented to Guthrie County First Responders. This consists of member donations and several employer matches.

The funds from the 10 Squared Women will be used toward training and equipping first responders in Guthrie County.

“Thank you so much to the 10 Squared Women of Guthrie County for helping us begin to fulfill our mission of doing good and being G.R.E.A.T. (Guthrie Respond-

ers Equipped and Trained). We are forever grateful for the impact we know your contribution will have on the first responders in Guthrie County,” Jotham Arber said.

To learn more about the Guthrie County First Responders Association, training programs, discuss volunteer opportunities, or how to donate to the 501(c)3 organization, contact Jotham Arber, j.arber@guthriecounty.gov or 660-234-5067.

10 Squared Women’s focus is on donating funds to local organizations that vow to put those funds to work, right in our backyards. The funds are used in various projects to benefit Guthrie County communities’ projects and residents. The group has donated \$357,750 since its inception in 2017.

To learn how to get involved with 10 Squared Women, visit their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/10squaredwomengc or email them at 10squaredgc@gmail.com. ■



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BY KAREN KELLY

Special to Guthrie Center Times

“The Wild Robot” movie is out and filling up theaters, but did you know that, before it was a movie, it was a book? The Mary J. Barnett Library has a three-book series written by Peter Brown that follows Roz, a robot who finds herself on a remote island with no idea of how she got there. After surviving a storm and a bear attack, she realizes she must adapt if she is to survive. Before long, the island begins to feel like home, until one day, she begins to recall her past.

This No. 1 New York Times bestselling illustrated middle-grade novel from a Caldecott Honor winner tells an extraordinary story full of action and thought-provoking questions as a robot learns to survive — and live — in the wilderness. Not only do we have the series in print,



Our toddler corner is becoming a popular place for little people and their caregivers.

but we also have it on Playaway audiobooks. Come in and check the books out because you know the book is always better than the movie.

We have other new books that will appeal to upper elementary and middle school students including the 12th “Spy School” book and “The New Girl” graphic novel by Cassandra Calin.

For young patrons who love non-fiction, we have a new book from National Geographic Kids entitled “Weird But True, World 2024.” Discover Earth’s strangest natural wonders, animals, festivals, ancient architecture, news and more in this annual compendium of everything “Weird But True!” fans love... and then some. Readers will journey across the seven continents, dive into the ocean, and even blast off into space to discover a whole wide world of weird. From volcano-surfing in Nicaragua to a beach in Japan where the “sand” is shaped like stars to extreme ironing competitions in the United Kingdom, “Weird But True! World” offers an unparalleled adventure-filled exploration of our world’s amazing uniqueness.

And speaking of kids, we are working to update our children’s section of the library. Look for a plan for the donor tree in the juvenile section of MJB Library. If you would like to support this project, you can pay for a square foot of the mural for \$18. The old donor tree leaves will be repurposed to create the beautiful butterflies in the new design. Make checks payable to the Guthrie Center Friends of the Library to contribute. Donations of a foot or more are great-



ABOVE: The 14 participants in the Needle Felting class proudly display their completed projects. **RIGHT:** In this fun Needle Felting class, participants got to craft their very own adorable pumpkin and acorn.



ly appreciated. Checks or cash may be dropped off at the library during library hours.

STORY HOUR

Our preschool Story Hour is every Friday at 10 a.m. On Oct. 18, story hour will feature spooky books and crafts. Halloween will be the focus of Oct. 25.

PROGRAMS

On Saturday, Nov. 9, Michelle Cowan, an Iowa author, will present a book talk at 10 a.m. Cowan will discuss her book “Better, Not Bitter.”

COOKBOOK CLUB

Thursday, Oct. 17 at 6:30 p.m. will be the regular Cookbook Club meeting. This month’s featured cookbook is “Good Lookin’ Cookin’ ” by Dolly Parton and Rachel Parton George. Stop by the library to choose a recipe.

BOO BASH

The fifth annual Li-BOO-ary Bash, a not-so-scary Halloween celebration at the MJB Library, will be on Thursday, Oct. 31 from 5-7:15 p.m. Stop by our family-friendly event featuring games, a photo booth, a “spooky walk,” and a treat at the end. ■

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VETERANS TAKE BRUSHY CREEK HONOR FLIGHT

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Several Guthrie County veterans and volunteers participated in the Brushy Creek Honor Flight on Sept. 18. Those involved said it was a great experience with good crowds in Washington, D.C., and in Fort Dodge to greet them. About 120 veterans were aboard the plane to Washington, D.C., to see the nation's war memorials. The trip was the 26th conducted by the Brushy Creek Area Honor Flight with the first taking place in 2010. Since then, about 3,600 veterans from 228 Iowa communities have made the journey. Pictured in Washington, D.C., are, front row: Tom Clayton, Lawrence Kunce, Patrick Moylan, Duane Wasson and Richard Groom. Back row: Thomas Moore, Steve Powell, TJ Powell, Barry Monaghan, Dwight Hawley, Paul Wendl, Pat Lutz and nurse Kennedy Rolfes. ■

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No. 7 Stella Largent jumps to serve in a game against East Sac County Sept. 24.



No. 2 Rylee Robson prepares to make the serve against East Sac County Sept. 24.



CHARGERS MARCHING BAND PLACES FIFTH AT SOUTH IOWA BAND JAMBOREE in Clarinda on Saturday, Oct. 5. Forty schools alone. The Chargers Marching Band came in fifth.



No. 18 Nora Langgard and No. 16 Addison Laughery attempt the block against East Sac County Sept. 24.



The Chargers take the field against South Central Calhoun on Sept. 24.



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WEST IOWA BAND JAMBOREE: The ACGC Chargers Marching Band competed in class 1A at the 2024 Southwest y-five schools from Iowa, Missouri and Nebraska competed in classes 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A. Of those 45, class 1A had 21 out of 21 and was the top Iowa marching band with first through fourth places being from Missouri.



The 2024 ACGC Homecoming Queen Shyann Young and King Michael Fuller.

PHOTOS BY MARK PENN | SPECIAL TO GUTHRIE CENTER TIMES



POWDERPUFF FOOTBALL: The Charger girls put on an impressive display on the football field as part of homecoming. Hannah Muller, an ACGC senior, runs with the football as Megan Underwood, a freshman, attempts to grab her flag.



IRON MAN VOLLEYBALL: The Charger boys took part in a volleyball game as part of the homecoming celebration. Colin Stringham, a junior, shows his spiking skills as Cole Van Meter, a sophomore, attempts a block.



No. 4 Joe Crawford gets tackled from behind during one of his 11 carries on 105 yards and one touchdown performance against IKM-Manning Oct. 4. ■

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ORCHARD FAMILY RESTAURANT OPENS IN GUTHRIE CENTER

Owner Luis Huerta says the restaurant's menu features Mexican and American cuisine.

BY RICH WICKS
Guthrie Center Times

A new restaurant recently opened in Guthrie Center, and it is attracting attention for its extensive menu. The Orchard Family Restaurant, located at 104 Third St., is owned by Luis Huerta, who recently sat down to share information about the business. The location had previously been La Villa Mexican Restaurant and Teo's Mexican Grill.

Huerta explained that he has worked in the restaurant business since 2013, running restaurants in Greenfield, Stuart and Coon Rapids, along with several Los Altos locations, as well as operating food trucks. Huerta explained that he sold his interest in the Los Altos locations in Story City, Greenfield and Bondurant.

The Orchard Family Restaurant opened Sept. 2, and a ribbon cutting event was set for Oct. 12.

Orchard's menu features Mexican and American cuisine. The Mexican offerings include tacos, burritos, quesadillas, enchiladas and nachos. American and other offerings include burgers, sandwiches, pasta, bone-in wings, steak, ribs, pizzas, seafood, salads and soups. The menu



Owner Luis Huerta and Hilario Ramos Garcia welcome all to come experience Orchard Family Restaurant.

also includes a variety of sides, a kids menu, jalapeno poppers and other appetizers, sundaes and other desserts.

Most meals are priced in the \$10 to \$13 range. Nothing costs more than \$20, with the most expensive meals being the

12-ounce ribeye and the full slab of ribs, each listed at \$19.99.

Orchard's serving hours are Sundays through Thursdays 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. (with a break from 2-4 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays), and Fridays/Saturdays 11

a.m. to 10 p.m.

Currently, seven staff members work at Orchard, including Huerta and his wife, Beatrice. He is still in the process of hiring additional staff to fill the schedule.

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kitchen from what we use in Los Altos, even the beans and rice. We don't use red rice here; we use white rice," Huerta said. "It's still authentic, because there are many different regions of Mexican food."

Looking ahead, Huerta said he plans to add bar seating and TVs for that area. He also hopes to eventually hold various events at the restaurant.

One core belief that Huerta has learned throughout his restaurant career is to listen to his customers, so he encourages the public to make recommendations for changes or additions to the offerings.

"We want to make it a nice place for the community and to provide good service," Huerta said. ■

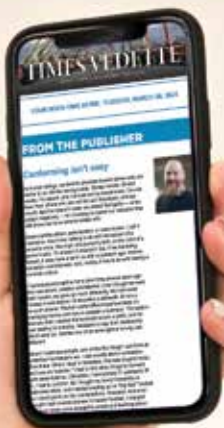


ABOVE: Orchard Family Restaurant offers a colorful and pleasant atmosphere. **LEFT:** A wide variety of liquors is available at Orchard Family Restaurant.



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SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORTS SEPTEMBER REVENUES OF \$33,180 FOR PROCESSING OF OUT-OF-COUNTY INMATES

Special to Guthrie Center Times

The Guthrie County Sheriff's Office reported incoming revenue of \$33,180 from the processing of out-of-county inmates at the jail during September. A total of 76 inmates were processed through the facility during the month including 40 from out of the county. This includes \$600 in jail fees for a male serv-

ing time for Palo Alto County. Stated revenues are billed amounts not collected amounts.

- Greene County had seven inmates for 113 days with charges of \$6,780
- Polk County had 32 inmates for 427 days with \$25,620
- Webster County had one inmate for 3 days with \$180 ■

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Oct. 6.....	Lake Robbins Ballroom, Woodward
Oct. 17.....	Spurgeon Manor, Dallas Center (trio)
Oct. 19.....	Castle Club, Des Moines
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NEGATIVE PAINTING AT ART ON STATE

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Art on State held the last of three water color classes on Oct. 6. This class involved negative painting, and Mary Johnson was the instructor. On Nov. 10, they will be painting Christmas ornaments with glitter. Art on State is an art gallery created by the Guthrie County Arts Council as an opportunity to bring together the artists of the county, encouraging them in their talents by providing means to display and sell their work and to bring awareness of artistic endeavors to the community at large by presenting performing and visual arts programs. Art on State is located at 320 State St. in Guthrie Center. Learn more at www.guthriecountyartsCouncil.org or call 641-332-2267. Pictured are Valerie McCool, Kay Thomas, Kate Brown and Cathy Ballard. ■

TEN SQUARED PLUS MEN'S GROUP DONATES \$20,500 TO PANORA CHAMBER

SPECIAL TO GUTHRIE CENTER TIMES



The Ten Squared Plus Men's Group presented a check for \$20,500 to the Panorama Chamber of Commerce. The chamber will use the funds to install an outdoor speaker system in the downtown area. Total donations from the Ten Squared Plus Men's Group to local groups and organizations now totals \$399,150. The next meeting for the Ten Squared Plus Men's group will be Nov. 19. For more information on Ten Squared Plus Men's group, contact Barry Monaghan at b.monaghan@gcsbank.com. ■

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1958 CHEVY HAS BEEN A DREAM FOR KLEVER

Guthrie Center man has spent many days enjoying the car on the open road rather than keeping it in his garage.

BY RICH WICKS

Guthrie Center Times

Robert Klever of Guthrie Center has a car he has enjoyed for more than 20 years, and he has a good story to go along with it. He told of discovering the car for sale and said he was immediately interested.

"I bought it in 2003, after seeing it advertised in the Des Moines paper. It was in north central Missouri, so I went down and got it," Klever said. "I bought it from a sheriff down there. It was pretty plain, but I've added a few extras to it. I had power steering put on it, and that made it a much better driving car."

Because the car drives so well, Klever has spent many days enjoying it on the



Robert Klever enjoys showing off his 1958 Chevy.

open road rather than keeping it in a garage.

"I guess there were about 10,000 miles on it when I got it, and I've got 89,000 miles on it now. It's not a fancy car, just a fun

car," Klever said.

When asked what attracted him to the 1958, Klever said it was similar to a car he had owned many years ago.

"When I first got out of the service, I

bought a 1958 Bel Air two-door hard-top, and I drove that for 100,000 miles," Klever said. "It was a good car; I wish I had it today."

Since buying his car in 2003, Klever

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The 1958 Chevy is a popular attraction at car shows.

has participated in many car shows and cruises with it. He has taken it as far as Illinois for car events, and he enjoys chatting with other car enthusiasts, which has led to many friendships along the way. Although Klever has definitely enjoyed his car for the past 20 years, he is ready to pass it along to someone else.

"It's time for me to sell it," Klever said.

Klever told of an unexpected passenger who was with him the first time he drove

the car. Although Klever had brought a trailer to transport his 1958 back home in 2003, he decided to drive it home and was fortunate that his guardian angel was apparently riding in the passenger seat.

"It's a wonder I'm here today, because when I first bought it down there in Missouri and was driving it home, I was daydreaming, and I went right across a main highway. If there had been a truck coming, I wouldn't be here now." ■



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1934-2024

Dorothy Maxine Kuper was born on March 21, 1934, in her family's home near Ackley to John and Marie (Kannegieter) Kuper. Dorothy attended country school through the eighth grade. She then went to high school in town, graduating from Ackley High School in 1952.

During the summers after high school, she worked in the Marshalltown Hospital as a nurse's aide. Following

high school, Dorothy enrolled in Ellsworth Junior College in Iowa Falls and graduated with a teaching degree in 1954. She taught her first year in a country school while living at home with her parents. She then moved to Sheffield where she taught third grade for two years.

During college, Dorothy was encouraged by a girlfriend to write letters to a young man, Clifford Leib, from Guthrie Center, who was encouraged by an Army buddy to write to her. They corresponded and met in person in Des Moines when Clifford was on leave before going to Germany to finish his stint in the Army. After Clifford came home in 1955, they continued to date, and, on Feb. 10, 1957, Clifford proposed to Dorothy, and she accepted. They went to a movie that night, and she spent a great deal of time admiring her engagement ring instead of watching the movie.

On the very warm evening of Sunday, Aug. 11, 1957, Miss Dorothy

Kuper became the bride of Mr. Clifford Leib in Ackley at St. John's United Church of Christ.

After the wedding, they made their home on a farm north of Guthrie Center. Dorothy taught third grade in the Guthrie Center Community School District for one year after which she focused her attention on their growing family. In June 1958, they welcomed their first daughter, Mary Ellen, and in June 1959, Ann Marie joined their family. Beth June followed in June 1962. In December of 1962, they moved up the road to the house that became their home for the next 46 years. In February 1967, Sara Jo arrived and completed their family. Clifford and Dorothy bought their current home on Oak Street in August 2007 on the very day their 50th Anniversary was celebrated. They moved to town in January 2008.

Dorothy was a stay-at-home mother for many years gardening, canning, sewing the girls

many outfits and doing some substitute teaching along the way. She raised and sold broilers and eggs for many years also. That money helped pay for piano lessons for the girls. In the 1960s, she taught a preschool class during the summer for children with learning challenges. During the 1972-73 school year, she had a long-term substituting job. The following year, she began teaching at Tiger Tykes Preschool, which she did for 24 years followed by two years at Jack and Jill Preschool in Panora. She also taught basic life skills at Country View Estates for several years. She helped cook the evening meal at Guthrie Grove several summers and at the Bar-L Ranch one summer through the years.

As a devoted member and elder of the First United Presbyterian Church in Guthrie Center, Dorothy helped provide the family a faith foundation that is important to this day. She was involved with other organizations including the Seeley Creek Club, the Association for Retarded Children/Citizens, United Presbyterian Women (UPW), GCHS Band Parents, Valley Dreamers 4-H Club, Association of Churches, Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS), Guthrie County Hospital Auxiliary and the local food pantry to name a few. She was honored to receive an Honorary 4-H Membership award at the 1989 Iowa 4-H State

Conference in Ames. And in 1997, she was honored to receive a Hardee's Hometown Hero award at the Iowa State Capitol after being selected by WHO Radio. Both Clifford and Dorothy were awarded a "Faithful Through the Years" award by the Presbytery of Des Moines in 2016. In 2018, Dorothy received the PW Purpose Award from the Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of Des Moines.

In retirement, Dorothy and Clifford found joy in traveling to see family and friends across the United States. Being present for special events of grandchildren and supporting family and community continued to be important to Dorothy until recent health issues hindered her involvement.

A treasured family custom that began with the Kannegieter family, passed down to the Kuper family and Dorothy passed along to her own family is enjoying a cone or bowl of ice cream. Even when life gets challenging, it is always better with ice cream.

After a life very well lived and health challenges faced over the last six years, Dorothy passed away peacefully into the arms of her Heavenly Father on Sept. 16, 2024, at The New Homestead in Guthrie Center. She has been restored in the presence of her Lord and Savior.

Dorothy is survived by her husband, Clifford; four daughters, Mary

(Steve) Fogleman, Douglas, Arizona, Ann (Lewis) Polito, Hartford; Beth Leib (Lori Requist), Urbandale, and Sara (David) Hughes, New Virginia; six grandchildren, Jennifer (Isaac) Chavez, Stockton, California, Trevor Polito, Hartford, Brandon Polito, West Des Moines, Rebekah Fogleman, El Paso, Texas, Joshua Hughes (Jack Ave), Des Moines, and Jacob Hughes, New Virginia; and four great-grandchildren, Neva Rose, Kaylee Elise, Olivia Joy and Nathaniel John Chavez, Stockton, California, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by parents, John and Marie Kuper; siblings, Mildred (Lawrence) DeWalt, Kenneth (Annie) Kuper and Ruth (Bud) Murphy; niece, Debra (DeWalt) Peyton; nephews-in-law, Alois Vitasek and Craig Jensen; in-laws, Ottis and Ruth (Moreland) Leib, Roger and Rosemary Leib, Beverly and Max Uhlman, Joy and William Scarbrough; and nephew-in-law, Alvin Sheeder.

Family members were present for a visitation Monday, Sept. 23, 2024, at the First Presbyterian Church, 701 State St., Guthrie Center. A memorial service was held on Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2024, also at the church with a luncheon following.

Memorials will be distributed at the discretion of the family. ■

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GARY CLIFFORD RUSSELL

1941-2024

Gary Clifford Russell, 82, was born at the Boone County Hospital on Nov. 6, 1941, to Clifford and Majorie Russell.

Gary was the oldest

of four children. He attended and graduated from Panora High School in 1959.

Gary joined the National Guard in 1963. After his service, he married the love of his life, Agnes Kelsey, on June 10, 1966.

Gary worked for Lawson Grocery Store in Boone. After Lawson's was sold, he went to work for Fareway in Boone for the next 22 years. Gary then found his passion as the supervisor of inventory at Iowa State University where he retired in 2010.

Gary had a huge passion for stamp and coin collecting. He had a vast collection that he was proud of. He enjoyed working in the yard, reading, collecting books and Indian artifacts.

He cherished his time

with his wife, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Gary is survived by his wife of 58 years, Agnes (Kelsey) Russell of Guthrie Center; children, Gordon (Cathy) Russell of Cedar Rapids, Dean (Emily) Russell of Seattle, Washington, and Brenda (Jim) Wickland of Guthrie Center; seven grandchildren; two great grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; eight step-great-grandchildren; brother, David (Lori) Russell of Boone; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his parents, one brother, one sister, one son-in-law, and an infant daughter.

Memorials may be directed toward the family to be used at their discretion. ■

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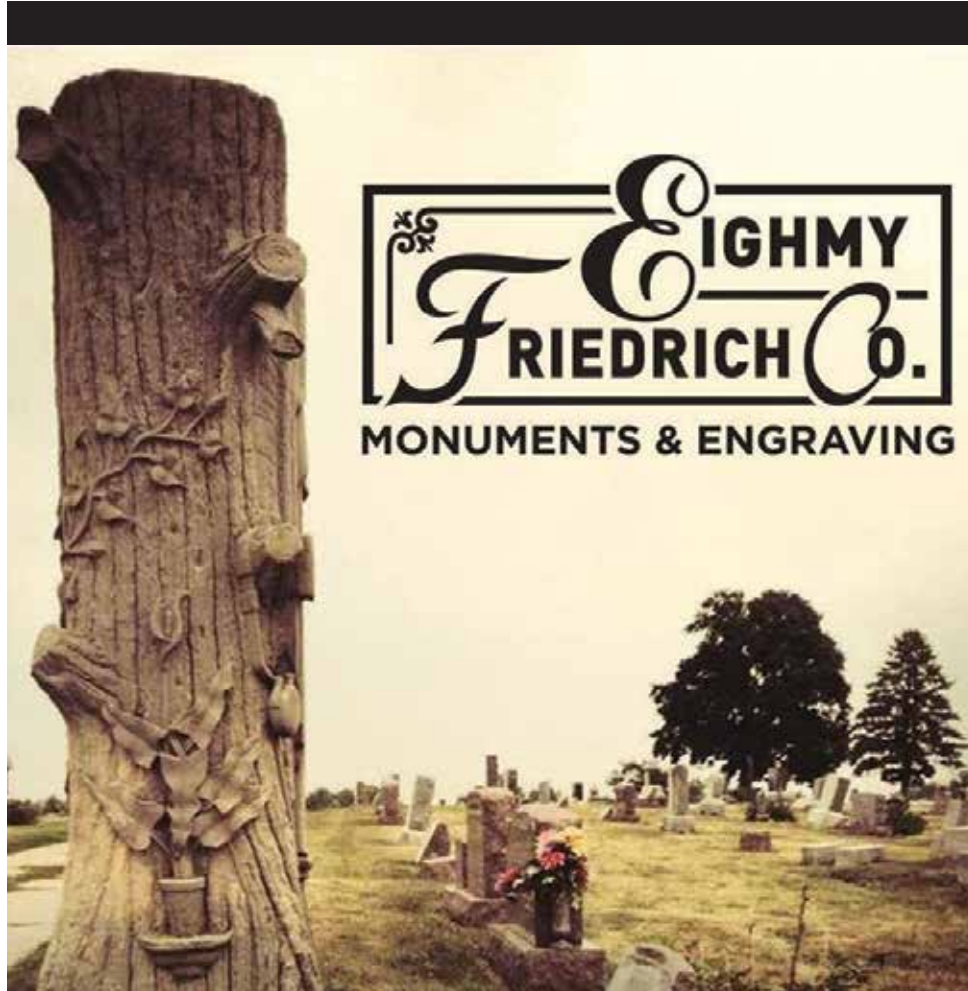
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From the Guthrie Center Times, Oct. 9, 1974

HE IS HEAVY, HE'S MY BROTHER: It's a good bet the Kenneth Calvert family of Guthrie Center is toting more plaster than any other family in Guthrie County. Jim Calvert, a senior, broke his ankle in the third football game of the year, and Randy, a seventh grader, has been confined to a wheelchair since July with casts on both legs. Randy had corrective surgery for a bone disorder. One of his casts was to be removed this week.

40 YEARS AGO



From the Guthrie Center Times, Oct. 10, 1984

HIGH SCHOOL MAJESTY: By a vote of the student body, Pat Flanery and Nancy Sloss were elected homecoming king and queen at Guthrie Center High School. The royal couple was crowned at a pep rally Thursday evening.

30 YEARS AGO



From the Guthrie Center Times, Oct. 12, 1994

BUMPER PUMPKIN: It's been a great year for pumpkins, soybeans and corn, but the pumpkin crop is the favorite for Ethan, 5, and Jesse, 3, sons of the Keith Wilsons. The boys had other large pumpkins but selected this as the largest. Also, their mother reported a great year for gourds and apples.

20 YEARS AGO



From the Guthrie Center Times, Oct. 6, 2004

ONE OF A FEW: Junior Breann Black, a member of the high school marching band, is featured on the xylophone. It's as hard to spell as to play.

10 YEARS AGO



From the Guthrie Center Times, Oct. 1, 2014

COURTHOUSE PAINTING: This Vera Ford oil painting of the old Guthrie County courthouse was purchased Thursday by Janet F. Hayes, far right, for \$2,000 in silent auction from the Guthrie County Arts Council at their annual fall art festival. Hayes intends to hang it in the Guthrie County courthouse. Shown with Hayes are her sister, Sandy Rumelhart, and original owner, Charlie Owen.

5 YEARS AGO



Guthrie County Times Vedette, Sept. 5, 2019

GC LIONS THANK ACGC LEOS: The Guthrie Center Lions Club rewarded ACGC's Leo Club at Friday's Homecoming game. Lions Club President Shannon Neff-Muell and other members of the Club present this check, for \$2,000, to the ACGC Leo Club to use toward their community service projects this school year. LEO stands for LEADERSHIP, EXPERIENCE, OPPORTUNITY. Among other projects, Leo Club members worked the Lion's Den food booth at this year's Guthrie County Fair. ■

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Q: WHEN IS THE BEST TIME TO PRUNE MY OAK TREES?

A: According to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, oak trees should not be pruned during the growing season to prevent the spread of oak wilt. "It's best to wait until after Oct. 15 to start pruning oak trees," Tivon Feeley with the Iowa DNR's forest health program, says. "Then you can prune your oaks all winter long with the goal to stop pruning by March 1."

Oak wilt, caused by a fungus, has been present in Iowa for many years. Iowa's red, black and pin oak are more susceptible to oak wilt, but it can also infect white and bur oak. Black, pin or red oak usually die within the same summer they are infected. White oak and bur oak can often take a number of years before they succumb to this disease.

Oak wilt can spread from infected trees to healthy trees in two ways: a small beetle that carries spores of the fungus from a diseased tree to a healthy tree with an open wound during the growing season, and through root grafts connecting nearby oaks. If a tree is wounded from storm damage or pruning is required during the growing season, treat the wounds immediately with a wound dressing such as acrylic paint. Do not purchase pruning paints/sealants. Those products slow the tree's ability to seal over the wound.

Q: IF THE EMS BALLOT MEASURE PASSES, HOW MUCH WILL IT COST ME PERSONALLY?

A: Guthrie County is proposing the establishment of a coordinated, countywide EMS framework, which would be funded through a levy of \$0.75 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation for properties. The revenue generated from this new levy would be used to contract with existing EMS service providers and enhance

their capabilities, ensuring that emergency medical care is accessible throughout the entire county. A key part of this would be the addition of a fully staffed ambulance based in Guthrie Center, which will help improve response times to all parts of the county. This new structure will be overseen by an appointed Advisory Council, as required by law.

Q: I HEARD A MEMORIAL IS BEING PLANNED TO HONOR RON BAIER AT THE ACGC STADIUM? HOW CAN I CONTRIBUTE?

A: ACGC Football Coach Cody Matthewson is leading an effort to create a memorial within ACGC stadium to honor Ron Baier. "On the west side of the stadium, inside the track, the project will entail a raised three-tiered flag bed with the top of the Jarmin Field stone on one side and a memorial for Ron Baier on the other," Matthewson shared. "This will be privately funded with no expenses being paid from our schools. The goal is to raise \$10,000 for the project. We will be hosting a Military Appreciation Night and reveal of the memorial during a football game this fall if all goes as planned." Anyone interested in pitching in toward the project, an account has been opened at Guthrie County State Bank, titled "Ron Baier Memorial Fund."

"Ron had a huge impact on me when I was first hired and showed me the right way to do things around the school," Matthewson said. "He set the expectation of pride. He cared for the field, and I hope I can make him proud with how it looks on Friday nights."

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Jolene Goodman

While the temperatures fall and the days grow shorter, I start planning for warm, hearty meals that can simmer all day. Arriving home to the smell of a delicious meal waiting for us is a special treat. Crockpot recipes are perfect for this time of year. They offer convenience with a set-it-and-forget-about-it method to cooking that I love. I steered clear of the crockpot for years due to the once-a-week pot roast with potatoes and carrots meal I had as a child. Now, the crockpot is my friend. Make it your friend, too. Get out and enjoy all that fall has to offer. Then, come home to the comforting flavors of lots of tender beef and mushrooms in a delicious creamy sauce. If you have a fall favorite, I would love to see it. Share your recipes with me at jolene@IowaLivingmagazines.com.

Happy cooking! ■

Jolene Goodman is the advertising director for Guthrie Center Times and vice president of Big Green Umbrella Media.

EASY SLOW COOKER BEEF STROGANOFF

Ingredients

- 1-1/2 lbs. top round steak, cut into 1/2 inch strips
- Salt
- Pepper
- 1/2 onion, chopped
- 1 - 10.75 oz. cream of mushroom or celery soup
- 1 - 8 oz. can mushrooms
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 tbsp dried chives
- 1 cube beef bouillon
- 1 tsp Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 cup white wine
- 1 tbsp flour
- 1 - 16 oz. sour cream
- 1/4 cup fresh parsley

Directions

Pat steak dry and season with salt and pepper and place in slow cooker.



Put onion on top of beef, add soup, mushrooms and water. Add garlic, chives, Worcestershire and bouillon. Mix wine and flour together then pour

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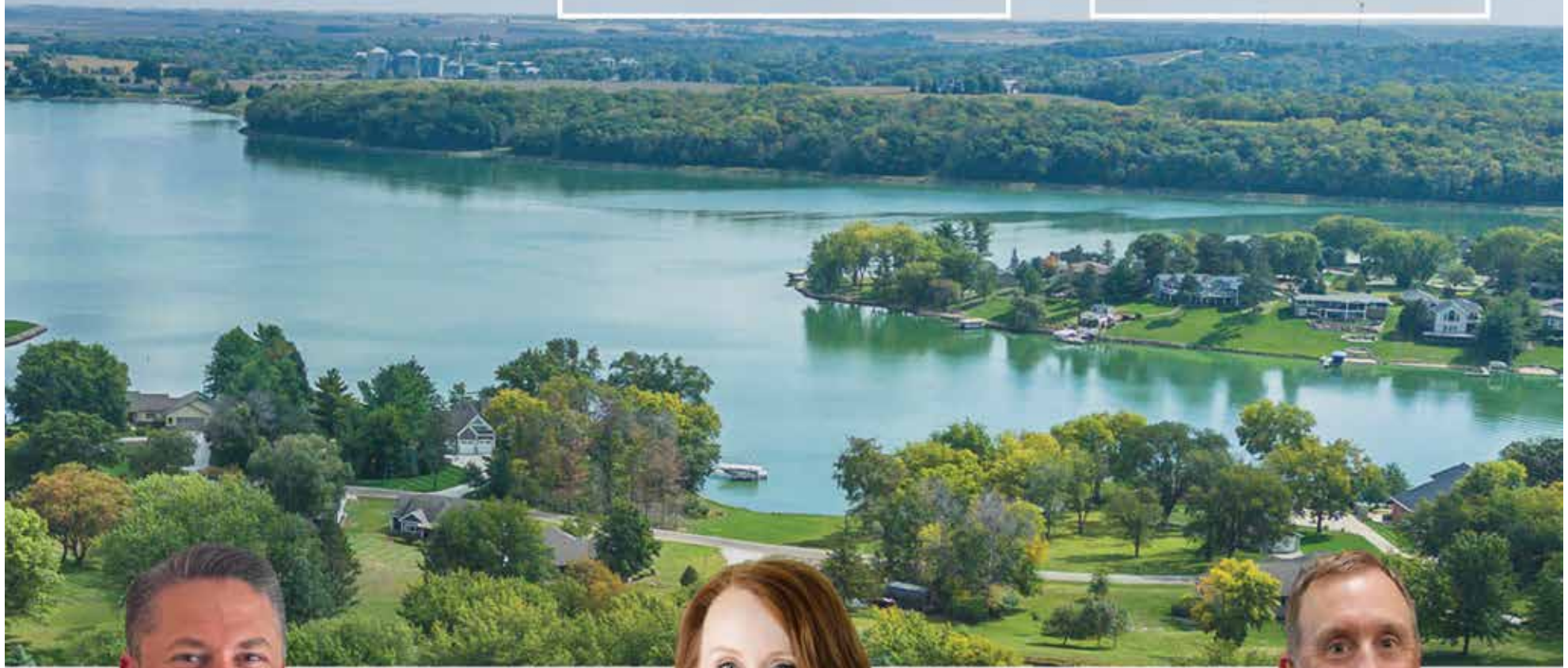
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