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## A monumental loss

*D-NH mourns death of beloved special education teacher*

By ROBERT MAHARRY

*The Grundy Register*

DIKE- Even as he spent his final days lying on a hospital bed in Iowa City, Court Koch could only think of his students.

The 31-year-old Dike-New Hartford high school special education teacher passed away early Sunday due to pneumonia and complications with a rare blood disease known as thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura (TTP), and since then, tributes have poured in. Koch will be remembered by co-workers, family members and friends as a dedicated educator, husband and new father—his daughter, Emery, is just 13 months old.

"He cared about his students and what was in their best interests more than anything else," D-NH High School Principal Irv Laube said. "He found a way to connect to his kids. He would push them, even to the point where they might get upset with him, but in the end, they came to understand that Court only wanted what was best for them."

Court, who grew up in the West Marshall district, previously taught at Marshalltown before moving northeast in 2014 when his wife Lynette took a new job in Waverly. He quickly became a member of the Wolverine family and wanted to spend the rest of his career at D-NH.

"Once he landed here, it just became home. It was just a natural fit for him and his personality, and who was," Laube said. "Just that fun-loving spirit, not afraid to have fun with his students."

Ashtyn Dietiker, a Dike native and current fellow teacher, was one of Koch's colleagues in the special education department, and during an interview Monday, she recalled the way he took her under his wing when she joined the staff 2 1/2 years ago.

"Even though I was familiar with the school and teachers, (Koch) still helped me out tremendously, just kind of (with) learning new strategies and how he did things in his room,"



Court Koch

Dietiker said. "He gave really good advice, and he always was willing to answer any question I had at any time during the school day."

Laube spent a good chunk of his day with Koch last Friday at

the University of Iowa Hospital, and although he couldn't speak, he smiled and used headshakes to ask about his kids and how they were doing.

The district is dealing with its second tragic loss of the

school year after the passing of 11-year-old Hudson Hayes in December, and grief counseling will be offered. Students and staff are also coming together to share pictures and memories of Koch. As Laube explained, there's no single way to deal with a situation like this, but communication is key.

"You have to find somebody you can talk to. You have to be open about your feelings and not be ashamed of how you're feeling—or being sad, being angry or going through that grief process," Laube said on Monday afternoon.

And even in the darkest of times, the principal still finds glimmers of hope.

"We've got some great students. I had a young man who came up and give me a big hug today and said 'I'm here for you,'" he said. "So we also have students who are reaching and helping us as staff to get through this. That's what family is. We're all in this together, and we're going to help each other get through this."

## GC woman charged with assault, felony burglary

By ROBERT MAHARRY

*The Grundy Register*

GRUNDY CENTER- A Grundy Center woman is facing felony charges over allegations that she broke into a residence in town and assaulted the occupant.

According to a criminal complaint, 34-year-old Theresa Stearns kicked down the door at a residence in Grundy Center on Tuesday, April 30, and delivered "several blows causing injuries to the hand, neck and face" of a female victim. The filing does not indicate, however, that Stearns stole any items after entering the house.

Grundy Center Police Officer Alissa Loew arrested Stearns on May 1, and an initial hearing is scheduled for May 10. First Degree Burglary is a Class B Felony, and Assault Causing Bodily Injury or Mental Illness is a serious misdemeanor. A no-contact order has been issued between Stearns and the alleged victim.

## Supervisors approve two new hospital board members

By ROBERT MAHARRY

*The Grundy Register*

GRUNDY CENTER- Rick Smith and Melody Hoy officially became the two newest members of the Grundy County Memorial Hospital on Monday morning after the board of supervisors voted to approve their confirmations.

Smith, a Grundy Center native who is now back in his hometown, is the vice president of Grundy Center Chamber-Main Street and a member of GCMH's foundation board. Because he is the son of Grundy County Supervisor Barb Smith, she abstained from voting, and his appointment was approved by a 4-0 measure.

Hoy grew up in Grundy County and is now the semi-retired former owner of the Eldora Pharmacy. Her confirmation received unanimous approval.

Sheriff Rick Penning reported that he has interviewed a handful of deputy candidates to replace Nathan Stahl and Chief Deputy Tim Wolthoff, and the

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## Stolzman opens photography, custom apparel business in downtown GC

By MICHAELA KENDALL

*The Grundy Register*

GRUNDY CENTER - Business is booming in downtown Grundy Center, as more and more business owners flock to the area. Most recently, Conrad resident Steph Stolzman opened up her photography and custom apparel business on Main Street at the beginning of the month.

Located at 609 G Avenue, Stolzman Photography and Steph's Boutique offers photography services, as well as custom printed apparel.

No stranger to being a business owner, Stolzman has been running her own photography business for over 10 years. In 2013, she opened her first storefront in downtown Conrad, adding custom apparel printing to her list of services a few years later.

Since then, Stolzman says her business has blossomed, and she's ready to move into a bigger space here in downtown Grundy Center.

"Grundy Center is a great community, and I'm so excited to be a part of it," Stolzman said. "My daughter dances here,



Steph Stolzman, above, is Grundy Center's newest business owner. At the start of the month, she opened up her photography and custom printed apparel business "Stephs Boutique" in downtown Grundy Center. (Michaela Kendall/The Grundy Register photo)

so I already spend a lot of time here and have a lot of clients from Grundy, so when an open storefront became available in downtown, I jumped in and it

all just happened. I think it's a perfect fit. There's a lot of great stuff going on in the community and I'm excited to get involved in different events and work to-

gether with the other local business owners here."

Stolzman will be offering photography services by appointment, and will also have

printed apparel such as t-shirts for adults and children available for sale at her shop, with the option to have custom printed apparel specially designed and ordered.

Since she opened her shop on May 1, Stolzman says she's already received a very warm welcome from fellow business owners and community members.

"Everyone has been so supportive and the community has been great," she said. "I'm excited about this new opportunity; it's a great space in a great community and I'm looking forward to seeing some familiar faces, meeting some new ones and getting more involved in the community."

Stolzman's shop will be open on Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday from noon to 7 p.m., Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon. For more information visit the Steph's Boutique Facebook page or find her on Grundy Center's online mall, "Grundy Center Shop Where I Live."



A three-car crash just outside of Grundy Center on Saturday afternoon sent one person to the hospital. (Photo courtesy of the Grundy County Sheriff's Office)

## One person hospitalized after three-car crash north of Grundy Center

By MICHAELA KENDALL

*The Grundy Register*

GRUNDY CENTER - One person was injured in a three-car crash just outside of Grundy Center on Saturday afternoon.

The crash occurred around

4 p.m. on Saturday, May 4, on Highway 14 approximately two miles north of Grundy Center.

According to the Grundy County Sheriff's Office, a Toyota Prius driven by 45-year-old Daniel Spooner of Sibley was

headed northbound on Highway 14 and made a left turn in front of a southbound Toyota Camry driven by 20-year-old Diamond Jones of Cedar Falls.

After Spooner turned in front

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Little Scholars Learning Center celebrates grand opening  
The Little Scholars Learning Center in Conrad held a grand opening ceremony on Friday afternoon including refreshments and a ribbon cutting. According to Director Lisa Hines, there are already over 30 kids signed up. (Robert Maharry/The Grundy Register photo)

## Remembering Brock

*Niebuhr reflects on the life of her late husband and the pain of his absence*

By ROBERT MAHARRY

*The Grundy Register*

DIKE- There are no easy days for Lauren Niebuhr. She can fight it for a minute, two, maybe even five, but before long, he's back on her mind.

"I'm constantly thinking about it. I constantly replay what happened in my head with the information I have. It's difficult," she said last week. "I think about if there was anything I would've said

Lauren's husband Brock died under bizarre circumstances on March 22, and his father Daniel is awaiting a trial on charges that he murdered his son while he was sitting on a couch at Daniel's residence in Fairbank. She had her doubts about whether he should visit his father amidst concerns about his mental state, but Brock—selfless to the end—wanted to help.

In the immediate aftermath of the tragedy and the chaos of the legal proceedings, Lauren, who still lives in the Dike home where she and Brock were raising their daughter Amella, never got a chance to talk about the kind of man he was.

"Brock was a family man. He loved his family more than anything, and his friends. His friends were like his family," Lauren said.

Before parenthood, Lauren and Brock were self-described "party animals": they loved concerts, traveling, golfing and having a good time. The day she was born, however, everything



From left to right, Brock, Lauren and Amella Niebuhr of Dike share a candid moment together. Brock died from a gunshot wound in March, and his father has been charged in his death. (Photo courtesy of Lauren Niebuhr)

changed.

"Once we had Amella, it was totally different. She was his everything," she said. "It was just a complete change."

He worked as a business analyst for Ocwen in Waterloo, and she worked from home for Principal Financial Group. About three years ago, they moved to Dike, where his mother already lived. They had settled in and grown up when the unthinkable happened five days after Amella's third birthday.

Lauren has received an outpouring of support—both locally and from around the country through a GoFundMe that's raised over \$15,000—and every little bit has helped. But it doesn't make the day-to-day or the difficulty of explaining why Amella won't see her father again any easier.

"Every single day, it's a chal-

lenge. She asks about him, and I try to explain that he's in heaven," Lauren said. "And she says 'What's he doing up there?'"

Parenting without him is difficult, she added, because of how much he did and how much he loved Amella. Lauren is still waiting for him to walk in the door one of these days, arms open wide, with a smile on his face and a big hug for his wife and his daughter.

"I still sometimes catch myself thinking 'I should text Brock about this' or 'He's going to be home in a few hours.' Or if I go to the grocery store, I think about 'What does he need for his lunches?'" she asked. "It (takes) everything to get by day to day, but at the same time I have my daughter, who has Brock's eyes. Every time I look at her eyes, I see him. So that helps."

## DOT agrees to lower speed limit in downtown GC

By MICHAELA KENDALL

*The Grundy Register*

GRUNDY CENTER - With the recent discussions of a DOT-proposed three lane conversion in Grundy Center - and many community members voicing opposition to a conversion - the Grundy Center City Council sent a letter to the DOT to inquire about other options to slow down speed through town, including lowering the speed limit and installing flashing, pedestrian activated beacons at key crosswalks in town.

During the council meeting on Monday night, City Clerk Kristy Sawyer read a letter of response from the DOT, which stated that the DOT would approve lowering the speed limit to 25 mph through downtown Grundy Center, and they would approve the installation of flashing crosswalk beacons at 8th, 10th and/or 12th Street - but that the city would be responsible for paying for the beacons.

In addition, the letter once again reiterated the benefits of a three lane conversion, and encouraged the council to reach out to other Iowa communities to learn about the conversion firsthand.

"Based on the high accident rates in the uptown area, the department has proposed lowering the speed limit to 25 mph instead of the 30 mph recommended in the report," the letter read. "[The DOT] will put up the new speed limit signs as soon as the City passes an ordinance. The City will have the lead with the Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons at 8th, 10th, and 12th Streets. The crash rates in the uptown area are higher than we would expect for Grundy Center. While the reduced speed limit should help, we do not anticipate the reduction by itself will significantly reduce crash rates in the uptown area. We encourage the city council to consider the four-lane to three-lane conversion for all its safety benefits, both for the pedestrians and the vehicle traffic. Based on previous experiences

across the state, we believe the conversion will reduce the accident rates in Grundy Center."

Sawyer said from a previous discussion with the DOT, the estimated cost of one flashing beacon was about \$15,000 plus wiring. For three different beacons at three different locations, the cost would be \$45,000 plus wiring.

She added that the DOT had said that if the city did the three lane conversion, the flashing beacons could be included in the project (which would be paid for by the DOT through a grant), but if the city chooses not to do the conversion, there are other grants available the city could apply for to help cover the costs.

Council member Chad Hahn said he believed the beacons were a good idea, and that the city could even wait to install one or two of them until later, with priority being given to the 12th Street cross walk.

The council members agreed that the lower speed limit and flashing beacons at the crosswalks should help slow down traffic and make G Ave. safer, and that they would like to pursue those options and find out more information on the beacons.

In an effort to get the opinion of emergency responders in town, Mayor Al Kiewiet invited representatives from the Grundy Center Fire and Ambulance departments to give their thoughts on how a conversion would affect emergency responders, and whether they think flashing beacons and a lower speed limit would help.

Both GC Ambulance Chief Dwight Gliem and GC Fire Chief Nathan Kappel voiced strong opposition to a three lane conversion, and said that they believed a lower speed limit and flashing beacons would be a better option for slowing down traffic.

"I've been in EMS for 19 years, in small towns and big cities, and I'm going to be honest - if you go from four lanes to

three lanes it's going to be detrimental to downtown when it comes to emergency services," Gliem said. "People won't pull over; they'll either stop in their lane or in the middle turning lane, and it'll create a bottleneck in traffic. Going to a three lane is probably the worst thing for an ambulance. If you slow the speed down I think that will help, and I think the flashing lights will help too. It would be a lot better than going to three lanes."

Fire Chief Nathan Kappel agreed with Gliem that a three lane would not be good for his crew at the fire department.

"Personally, I have to agree with Dwight," Kappel said. "The three lane will create too much congestion. You can't expect a normal driver to know the right move, and how to pull over the right way, and they may just stop right in the lanes."

Kappel said he made an observation the other day, at the stoplight intersection of G Ave. and 6th Street.

"There were 11 cars stopped at the light; seven vehicles in one lane and four in the second one," he said. "If you've got 11 vehicles lined up in one lane or even a semi, it may block where we need to turn into with the fire truck. Granted there are different high traffic times, but it's still a concern."

GC Police Chief Doug Frost also expressed that he didn't believe a three lane conversion would be the best option for town.

"I'm not a huge fan of the three lane, I'd rather see the speed limit changed," he said. "I'd also like to see a beacon at 12th Street for sure, and at 8th and 10th Street, too; it'd be great to get all three."

The council agreed to find out more information on the flashing beacons, and they voted to hold a public hearing for an ordinance to lower the speed limit on G Ave. during their next meeting on May 20.



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ANSWER



**Accident**

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of Jones, the two vehicles side-swiped, causing Jones' vehicle to strike a third vehicle - a Honda Accord driven by Sheridan Farley, 66, of Reinbeck. Sheridan's passenger, Leann Farley, was transported to Grundy County Memorial Hospital for upper torso injuries as a result of the collision.

The accident remains under investigation by the Grundy County Sheriff's Office. Assisting agencies included Grundy Center Ambulance and Fire Department and Grundy Center Police.

**Supervisors**

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process of hiring replacements is ongoing.

He added that the department had a busy weekend with a handful of major accidents over the weekend and a pair of OWI arrests on Friday night. Due to a change in production at Ford Motors, the sheriff's department will now move forward with a plan to buy a pickup truck instead of a squad car.

Roger Carr of Holland, a retired Waterloo firefighter, was unanimously approved as the county's new emergency management coordinator at 20 hours a week, and Smith expressed excitement about the move.

"That's amazing," she said. "He's great."

The board approved an update to the county's safety manual with the implementation of a new self-audit policy.

**IN OTHER BUSINESS**

the board:  
• Heard a presentation from Louis Nixt of Washington National on a health care supplement insurance.

• Approved the 2019 noxious weed notice.

• Approved the group renewal information.

**Corrections**

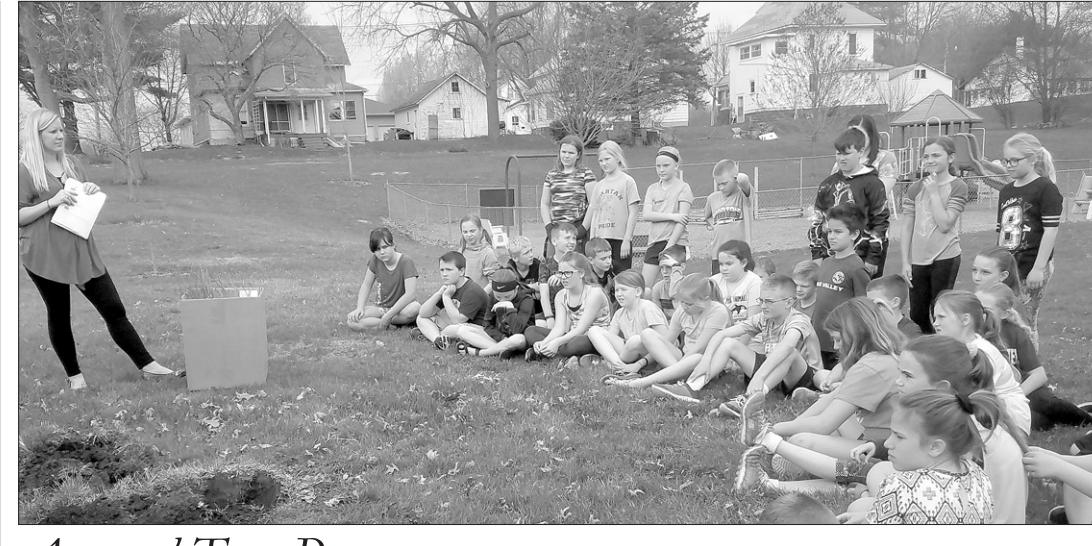
A story in last week's *Grundy Register* inaccurately characterized the nature of Andy Kopsa's trip back to Iowa. She returned before her father's death and was by his side at the time of his passing. We sincerely apologize for the error. Additionally, the Marshalltown tornado was an EF-3, not an EF-5.

A letter to the editor written by Wayne Schiebel indicated that 3 million babies are killed by abortion every year, and he wishes to revise the figure to 300,000.

**GRUNDY COUNTY Sheriff's Department**

EVAN ENGELKES, age 42, Dike, was arrested April 2 at 12:35 AM at 160th and V Ave and charged with OWI 2nd. Posted bond and released. Arrested by GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

A one vehicle accident occurred April 15 at 10:26 AM on Hwy 14 north of 110th Street. SHAYLYN BROUWER, age 21, Parkersburg, was northbound and stated she fell asleep. The vehicle went off the road and came to rest upside down in the creek. Brouwer's 2014 Nissan received an estimated \$10,000 damage. Driver was transported to Sartori by New Hartford ambulance. No summons. Investigated by GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

*Annual Tree Program*

Green Belt Bank & Trust partnered with Grundy County Soil & Water Conservation to plant a Bur Oak tree on the grounds of the Grundy Center Elementary School. In celebration of Earth and Arbor Day, over 50 students were given a presentation on how to plant a tree and why we need trees on earth. Each student was given a Bur Oak seedling to take home and plant as well. Pictured are the 4th grade classes and Brittany Liekweg with Green Belt Bank & Trust presenting.



German-Iowan author Karl Schaper visited Westview Estates in Reinbeck on Friday for an author talk on his new book "Three Towers of Home." Schaper is shown above with students from G-R High School, who attended the author talk. (Michaela Kendall/The Grundy Register photo)

**German-Iowan author visits Reinbeck**

By MICHAELA KENDALL  
*The Grundy Register*

REINBECK - Growing up in Nazi Germany, author Karl Schaper experienced firsthand the terrors of Adolf Hitler's reign and the tragedies of war. It's these experiences that he shares in his new book "Three Towers of Home."

Schaper reflected on these experiences - and his journey to becoming a U.S. citizen and moving to Iowa - during an author talk and book discussion at Westview Estates in Reinbeck on Friday afternoon.

At just 10 years old, Schaper was ordered into Hitler's Nazi Youth program in 1942.

"Every young boy who was not Jewish was ordered to be in it, and they said it was like Boy Scouts," Schaper said. "We were sworn in and had to recite an oath to Hitler sort of like [Americans would say the Pledge of Allegiance]."

Schaper - who hails from a small village in northern Germany - says he was chosen as a group leader for the local boys in his Nazi Youth program because he was physically strong, smart enough to follow orders but not smart enough to question things, and because he was one of the few boys left in town that hadn't already gone off to join the war.

During his time in the Nazi Youth, Schaper's job was to be a lookout for enemy bomber planes. If he saw a plane, he was ordered to alert the town by riding a bike up and down through the streets while sounding the

alarm. If a plane were to crash, he was ordered to report it immediately, and write down how many survivors he saw leave the plane.

Schaper recounted what a powerful grip Hitler had on his people.

"They had brainwashed us, and it was especially easy to do with the young boys because their brains could be easily molded and shaped into what you wanted it to be," Schaper said. "The propaganda was terrible. The whole time they were telling us the war was going great and we were winning. We weren't allowed to listen to any foreign radio stations; if they found out you had, you would be shot."

One night, Schaper remembers listening to an English radio station that gave a true account of the war - and the fact that it was not going well for Germany - and he realized then the extent of the lies and propaganda."

Schaper said neither he nor his family, nor anyone in town really knew what was happening to the Jewish people in their community. They had been taken off by train, never to be seen again. They were not told where the Jewish people and families had been taken to, but some people said Hitler was setting up their own communities for them, away from the German people.

It wasn't until later that he learned the truth about the concentration camps and the full details of the worst genocide the

world has ever seen.

Schaper says during his time in the Nazi Youth, he was being primed to attend the Adolf Hitler School, where he would have been trained and drafted into Hitler's army - but that he was very lucky that the war ended before he was old enough to have to attend the school, and to join the army.

"I was so glad when it was over," he said. "So many lives were lost and horrible things were done."

After the war, Schaper's journey took him away from his homeland and over to America.

Through a friend of a friend, he was invited to stay in Iowa with an America family in the 1950s, where he enjoyed life on the farm milking cows and helping with chores in exchange for room and board.

Eventually, he met an Iowa woman and married her, becoming a U.S. citizen. He's been in Iowa ever since, and currently lives in Nora Springs, near Mason City.

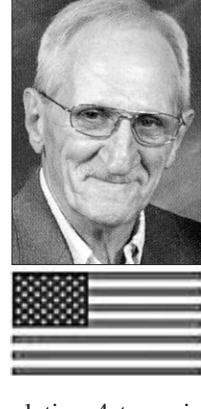
Though he left his homeland far away, Schaper - ever the storyteller - brings readers there to experience it for themselves through his book "Three Towers of Home." His book is loosely based on his life growing up in Nazi Germany, and the struggles that came with it. Schaper's book is available at the Reinbeck Public Library. For more information, visit the library website at [www.reinbeck.lib.ia.us/](http://www.reinbeck.lib.ia.us/) or by calling 319-788-2652.

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**Obituaries****Raymond Freeman**

Raymond James Freeman, 72, of Grundy Center passed away on May 3, 2019, at Mercy One Hospital in Waterloo while under the care of Cedar Valley Hospice. A private inurnment service will be held at Rose Hill Cemetery in Grundy Center with military honors. Memorials may be directed to the family to be donated to a cause of their choosing at a later date. Abels Funeral And Cremation Service is taking care of Raymond and his family. Online messages of condolence may be made at [www.abelsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.abelsfuneralhomes.com).



Raymond James Freeman was born on July 6, 1946, in Detroit, Michigan, to his parents Isley D. and Melvina Freeman. He attended school in Port Huron, MI, graduating with the class of 1964. After graduation, Raymond answered the call of his country and enlisted in the U.S. Navy, serving 4 honorable years, completing 4 tours in Vietnam. He was unit in marriage to Shirley Oltman on August 19, 1993, at Bethany Presbyterian Church in Grundy Center. Raymond worked for the Spokesman Press for 28 years as a pressman.

Raymond was a member of Bethany Presbyterian Church and served on the board of trustees and helped with the janitorial work for a time. He enjoyed sports, cheering on the many teams of Michigan. Raymond also liked watching NASCAR and was a fan of Dale Earnhardt. He cherished the time that he could spend with his family, including his daughters and grandchildren.

Raymond is survived by his wife Shirley Freeman of Grundy Center; daughters Renee (Chris) Hesse of Waterloo, Krystal (Curt) Hanley of Evansdale, and Cari Freeman of Waterloo; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister Ann (Duaine) Midgley of Port Huron, MI.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and sister Cathy (Gaylord) Anglebrandt.

**Larry Wescott**

Larry Wescott, 79, of Beaman passed away May 5, 2019, at the Grundy County Memorial Hospital in Grundy Center, under the care of Cedar Valley Hospice. Per Larry's request, there will be no funeral services or visitation. Private burial will be held at a later date. Memorials may be directed to Larry's family. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Gladbrook Chapel of Anderson Funeral Homes. Online condolences may be sent to [www.andersonfh.com](http://www.andersonfh.com).

**Grundy Register Bulletin Board****Grundy Center****Master Gardeners to host annual plant sale**

The Grundy Center FFA and local Master Gardener's program through the ISU Extension and Outreach of Grundy County will host their annual plant sale on Saturday, May 11.

Great selection of annuals, perennials, hanging baskets, herbs, and fruit and veggie starts for your garden and home.

All proceeds from the sale go back to Grundy County youth interested in agriculture and horticulture.

The sale will be held at the Grundy County Fairgrounds in Grundy Center from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 11.

**Wine and Shine community clean up event**

The Grundy Center Chamber-Main Street organization will be hosting a Wine and Shine Community Clean Up event on Thursday, May 9 from 3 to 6 p.m.

Volunteers are invited to help make the streets shine and earn a little wine with half-price drinks and appetizers for volunteers at The Landmark after clean up.

Please bring work gloves, brooms, and gardening tools. The group will be weeding, arranging planters, picking up trash, and cleaning sidewalks.

For more information, please contact Director@GrundyCenter-CMS.org or call 319-825-6742.

**Beaman****Final Beaman High School reunion**

The Alumni Officers are making plans for the 2019 FINAL Beaman High School Reunion to be held on Sunday, May 26 at the Beaman Memorial Hall.

The group would like to extend an invitation to attend the reunion of friends and classmates from Beaman High School. The last Class graduated 61 years again in 1958.

A catered meal will be served at 12:30 pm in the Beaman Memorial Hall, followed by a business meeting and a short program. School pictures and memorabilia will be on display at the Beaman Library and Heritage Center for you to enjoy after the meeting.

You are invited to attend services on Sunday, May 26, 2019 at 11:00 am at the Beaman United Methodist Church with Pastor Gene Kubli.

The first class to graduate was 1889 and the last class was 1958 from Beaman High School.

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**Conrad City Council**  
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**7:00 PM**

Opening / Pledge of Allegiance  
 Roll Call  
 Business  
 1. Approval of Agenda  
 2. Approval of Consent Agenda -All items listed under the consent agenda will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made prior to the time Council votes on the motion  
 a. Minutes from April 12, 2019  
 b. Clerk's Reports – April 2019  
 c. Claims for payment  
 d. Approve transferring liquor license from RJ's Lounge from back to front for Black Dirt Days  
 3. Citizens Forum – Citizens who would like to address the council should contact the Mayor prior to the meeting  
 Presentations & Motions  
 4. Presentation on kiddie parade route for Black Dirt Days. Motion to approve.

5. Motion to set June 13, 2019 for budget amendment for fiscal year ending June 30, 2019
- Resolutions
6. Resolution #2109-08 approving Contract with Grundy County Sheriff's Office for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020.
7. Resolution #2109-09 approving plans and specifications for 2019 Southside Watermain Improvements
8. Resolution #2109-10 approving legal services from Dorsey & Whitney LLP in regards to capital projects.
9. Resolution #2109-10 setting the date for public hearing on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Corporate Purpose Loan Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$350,000
- Ordinance
10. Ordinance modifying Water & Sewer Ordinance pertaining to rates, first reading
- Motion to Adjourn



**Little Scholars Learning Center Director Lisa Hines (standing, left) serves a big plate of cookies to the kids who stopped by for the grand opening of the Little Scholars Learning Center on North Wilhelm Street in Conrad on Friday night. Hines and her husband Mike spent the last few months preparing the center for its opening, and Jaycin Cross now owns the building. (Photo by Robert Maharry/The Grundy Register)**

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**Renowned journalist and Beaman native writes her most personal piece yet**

**By ROBERT MAHARRY**

*The Grundy Register  
 (Editor's note: Due to a major error in the premise of this story that ran last week, we are re-running it—corrected—in its entirety.)*

NEW YORK CITY- Andy Kopsa knew it was coming for five months, but that didn't make the reality that her father Leo had passed last September as she sat by his side any easier to swallow.

Kopsa, a rural Beaman native and BCLUW alum who has made a name for herself as a freelance journalist reporting from places like Uganda, Cameroon and Cambodia, did what writers do in the aftermath: she wrote about it.

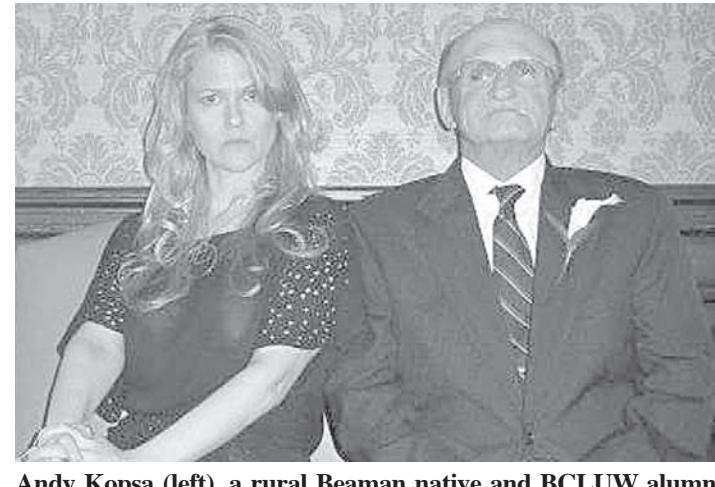
In painstaking detail, she recounted doing everything in her power to make Leo comfortable in his final days, meeting with the priest one last time and receiving a text from "dad's" cell phone months later that turned out to be one of her nephews.

The resulting essay, titled "There Are No Five Stages of Grief," was published in *The New York Times* on February 28, and it challenges conventional notions of the grieving process while chronicling Kopsa's journey back to Iowa for her father's final days and the wreckage she witnessed in Marshalltown just a few months after the infamous EF-3 tornado ripped through the downtown area. Even today, she concedes that she hasn't fully accepted his passing or made peace with it.

"I'm not far enough out from my dad's death. I'm not, so I can't really speak to any sort of catharsis or coping mechanism," she said. "There's no one thing that's ever going to be cathartic. There's no one thing that's ever going to be therapeutic. There's no one thing that's ever going to be a coping mechanism. There just isn't."

Leo, a stoic and reserved Grundy County farmer to his core, was a beloved figure in the area: a devoted father, grandfather, husband, veteran and a man of God, and his wife Helen, owned the *Conrad Record* and served on the county board of supervisors—in Andy's words, she's "a very strange combination" of her parents.

And she makes one thing clear: of his four children, only one (LJ, a farmer who owns a construction company and serves on the BCLUW school board) has



**Andy Kopsa (left), a rural Beaman native and BCLUW alumna, is pictured with her late father Leo (right), who passed away last September at the age of 81, at her sister Jolene's wedding in Scotland. Andy, a freelance journalist, wrote a piece about the grieving process both before and after his death, and it was published in *The New York Times* on February 28. (Photo courtesy of Andy Kopsa)**

stayed in the area, but Leo always supported all of them wholeheartedly.

"He's proud of all of us even though his three girls scattered to the wind," she said, noting that one sister lives in London and another is in Minneapolis. "He was a quietly proud guy, and he would brag on you at the (Beaman) Tap."

During her career, which has included bylines in magazines like *The Atlantic*, *Playboy* and *Time* and others in addition to the *Times*, Kopsa has become a leading American voice on modern Cambodia in the aftermath of the clandestine U.S. bombing campaign during the Vietnam War, the murderous Khmer Rouge regime, and the modern government's repressive efforts to shut down the free press as the country teeters on the edge of dictatorship. She's also interviewed Ugandan leader Simon Lokodo, one of the most vehemently anti-gay politicians in the world, about his efforts to criminalize homosexuality and even condone the killings of LGBT people in the African nation.

Nonetheless, she's always kept a close eye on her home state, and her dad would point her to stories of women in agriculture in the farming magazines he subscribed to. Some of the first investigative stories she dug into sprung out of the famous Iowa caucuses circa 2006 and federal funding for a group here, and she later returned to interview a convicted child molester named Stewart Smith—whom she'd known when they were both kids—in a Tama jail.

"Iowa is exactly who I am. I just happen to live here (in New York). I didn't take a little piece. I took all of it," she said. "That's where I would be in a heartbeat if I could be... It's what made me who I am. It's like my mom always says: you can take the girl out of the farm, but you can't take the farm out of the girl."

Kopsa doesn't have any concrete plans or assignments in Iowa in the near future, but it's a safe bet that she'll be paying close attention to the upcoming caucus—and more particularly, how it's covered.

"The national news media is interested in the horse race. Iowans are interested in the actual policies that impact farmers or health care. They're actually interested and educated in policy and can ask those questions," she said. "But people just don't, and the national media tends not to."

As the 2020 election cycle unfolds and important stories emerge at a breakneck pace around the globe, Kopsa will continue to seek them out with inspiration from her heroes, both journalistic (Joan Didion, specifically her essay *Salvador*, and Rekha Basu) and real-life (her parents). And she'll always carry the lessons of work ethic she picked up on the farm, even if she doesn't have her dad around to talk her up back home.

"It's a job. Honestly, farming is more dangerous than what I do," she said. "My brother is as passionate about farming as I am about doing what I do. LJ would probably get a finger lopped off and go back out the next day."

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## Memory Lane

A look back through The Grundy Register  
Compiled by Michaela Kendall

## 10 Years Ago This Week - 2009

A major construction project will soon be in full swing at the Grundy County Industrial Park. A ground-breaking ceremony was held for Hawkeye Community College's "Western Outreach Center" Thursday, April 23 at the industrial site a half mile south of Highway 20 on Highway 14. The 6,100 square-foot, six-classroom facility is scheduled for completion Aug. 1 - just in time for fall classes. On Tuesday Cardinal Construction Inc. began leveling land in preparation for construction. Construction should begin by the end of the week.

A sewer system can now be constructed in the City of Stout. A special election was held in Stout on Tuesday, and voters overwhelmingly approved the sewer system with a vote of 71 for and five against. A simple majority was needed. Stout officials can now approve a 40-year sewer franchise with Central Iowa Water Association. Construction and operation of the system, and billing to Stout residents would be handled by Central Iowa Water. On April 22, representatives with the United States Department of Agriculture presented Stout city clerk Celene Hauser with a check for \$1.3 million - which included a \$552,000 grant and a \$535,000 loan. Stout also received a \$217,000 grant from the Iowa Department of Economic Development. "I'm pleased," Hauser said. "It's pretty exciting we got it passed and we can finally move forward."

## 25 Years Ago This Week - 1994

"Grundy Center must plan now for the improvement in the community water quality," according to a water study recently completed for the Grundy Center City Council. Fox Engineering of Ames was contracted last February to do an engineering evaluation of water supply and treatment alternatives available to the city to comply with existing and proposed Iowa DNR and national EPA regulations and standards. The firm found there was a sufficient supply of water for the city, but sulfates and hardness levels were very high. "The quality of water is both good and bad. It is good from the standpoint that it is bacterially safe and contains no unnatural contaminants that are thought to be dangerous. On the other hand, the water is very hard and has very high total dissolved solids and sulfates. This factor has forced many residents to invest in installation and operation of home treatment systems. The expense has been significant and the resulting water quality is still not good because the home-treatment systems exchange sodium for the hardness. Improved water quality would be better for the health of the citizens and would reduce home water system operation and maintenance cost."

On Thursday, April 19, the fourth and fifth graders at the Grundy Center Elementary School were fingerprinted by the Boy Scouts. As part of Jeb Paige's Eagle Scout Project, 59 children were fingerprinted from 2 to 3 p.m. by members of Boy Scout Troop #38 of Grundy Center. Jeb is the son of Jamie Paige of Grundy Center. The Boy Scouts who did the fingerprinting were Ryan Adams, Nathan Harris, Jody Gibbs, Tony Gibbs, Adam Osterhaus, Jacob Towley, Mark Fisher, Jeff Melloy and Jeb Paige. Grundy County Deputy Ron Tordoff was there to assist and supervise.

## 50 Years Ago This Week - 1969

The defendants in a \$796,575 civil suit — largest ever filed in the office of Grundy County Clerk of Court — have moved to have the suit dismissed. Attorneys for the two defendants, Grundy County and Grundy County Sheriff Dick Kern, filed a motion Friday asking the court to dismiss the suit filed here April 18 by Louis Murphy of Dike. Murphy is seeking judgment of \$496,575 against Sheriff Kern and the county for alleged actual damages, plus another \$300,000 in punitive damages arising from the sale of a herd of cattle on the Murphy farm near Dike last January. Representing the county and sheriff are County Attorney Don Kliebenstein and Assistant County Attorney T. J. Heronimus, and Mosier, Thomas, Beatty, Dutton & Braun of Waterloo. The two law firms filed preliminary appearance notices last Wednesday and Thursday, then followed up with the dismissal motion Friday. Tenth Judicial District Judge Peter Van Metre has taken the matter under advisement.

## 75 Years Ago This Week - 1944

When Eugene Huisman from Wellsburg leaves next Tuesday to be inducted into the Navy, his mother, Mrs. Ellen Huisman of Wellsburg, will have five sons in the armed service. The four sons who are now in the service are in all parts of the world. Herbert is in the Aleutian Islands, Eldon is in the South Pacific, Lester is at the front in Italy, and Ralph is in a training camp at Fort Ord, Cal.

There has been much interest of late in Grundy Center in bowling, as a sport and many of the bowling fans are urging that bowling alleys be established here to meet the demand. The matter has been referred to the Grundy Community club and the club has appointed a committee to feel out public sentiment. This committee is calling a meeting to be held at the courthouse Friday evening where the proposal will be up for consideration. All are urged to come to this meeting, whether they favor the plan or not. The committee wants to hear both sides of the case.

Sheriff John A. Meyer received a message from the War Department Saturday evening to be on the lookout for Clarence D. Pence, a soldier who was listed as AWOL. The sheriff found the man at the home of his brother-in-law, Leige Thompson, who operates a farm in Felix township near Whitten. The soldier is married and he has a wife and four children. He is 27 years old. The wife and children have been making their home with the Thompson family on the farm. The sheriff took the soldier to Des Moines on Sunday and turned him over to military police at the Municipal Building in Des Moines.



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## My Three Cents Worth

## Read it and sleep

One of my favorite pastimes when any big news story breaks is gauging the way people react to it, especially when it involves the release of a publicly available document they couldn't be bothered to read themselves. In this regard, the Mueller Report is the granddaddy of 'em all — a 400-page summary of two years and \$30 million worth of work — and yet, I feel like I could've hired a group of high school kids to investigate the 2016 election and arrived at roughly the same conclusion.

Because I'm a glutton for punishment and I may be teetering on the brink of insanity, I decided to read the whole thing over three weeks. My take? The report is shocking in its banality. The entire second half mulls over the question of whether tweets constitute obstruction of justice and then punts on answering it — all while summarizing pretty much every story the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post* published about the Trump-Russia ordeal.

It exonerates Trump on the issue of collusion but documents his myriad attempts to fire Mueller, steer the investigation in his own direction and ensure that his friends would stay off the hook. It explains that Julian Assange and WikiLeaks preferred the president as a candidate due to concerns that a hawkish Hillary Clinton would push for more wars with bipartisan support and that a divided Congress might temper Trump's worst impulses — while noting that the hacking organization shamelessly exploited conspiracy theories about the death of Seth Rich to shift blame for the release of Clinton's emails.

It lays out clearly that Trump and Michael Cohen were still pursuing a skyscraper in Moscow well into 2016 but adds that conversations surrounding it were limited and unproductive. It makes an incriminating case against Michael Flynn for communicating with a Russian official about sanctions while Obama was still in office and documents the way Trump tried time and again to stop James Comey from investigating Flynn further.

It reveals, as I've hypothesized before, that Don Jr. attempted to collude and failed when he was duped into a meeting aimed at persuading the campaign into a commitment to lift Magnitsky Act sanctions that mostly affect rich Russian oligarchs who have assets in other countries.

In a farcical twist that perhaps best sums up the irony of the entire report, it includes a line from Putin about how the Russian government was struggling to get a hold of the higher ups in the Trump campaign after the election and did not know who to contact. The report states that while several individuals associated with Trump participated in hijinks and shenanigans and made overtures toward the Russians, any overarching Manchurian candidate conspiracies were fever dream fantasies from the get-go.

It's hard to parse Trump's motivations beyond enriching himself and promoting himself, and maybe he does just want to get along with Russia. A new Cold War mindset won't do any of us any good, and the asset theory rings hollow as the U.S. and Russia sit on opposite sides of the conflicts in Venezuela, Syria, Iran and Ukraine.

In short, the Mueller Report is whatever you want it to be. If you're ready to argue that it's a complete vindication of Trump, you'll find passages to make that case for you. If you still believe he's a shady sleazeball who's incapable of telling the truth and must've cheated somehow, there's a section for you. And if you think that the redactions are hiding some grander misdeeds from the public, you've got fever dream fantasies to choose from.

By the nature of its inconclusiveness, it welcomes the endless circus we're now set to endure, with contempt votes (I still can't figure out why Barr is the new boogeyman in all of this), more subpoenas and an undying zeal to turn this into Watergate, somehow, some way.

It doesn't cast the Democrats in a particularly favorable light, but then again, the GOP did the same on Lewinsky, Benghazi and Clinton's e-mails. Everything is partisan, and we're foolish to pretend otherwise.

And it leaves us to wonder why we spent two years waiting for a report that largely functioned as a recitation of things we already knew in painfully insipid language.

Was it worth reading all the way through? Not really. Next time, I'll go with the Starr Report and the Warren Report: maybe they'll actually have some interesting information in there somewhere.

## Taking a Stand: Letters to the Editor from local sixth graders

## Dear Editor,

My name is Emmy Forbes I would like to change how many activities we have for young children, kids, teenagers, all in between. Yes, we have a few parks, and they are quiet nice but at times after all the years us as sixth graders have been to them they are now boring. I would like to persuade you to help get more things for us to do. I and others have a few ideas.

I as a sixth grader would like to have a building with internet, food, drinks and just things to do all year around. I would help with the design and try for fundraising. But it needs to be free to come in. This would be a safe place for children to interact with their friends. Us as Grundy Center Spartans I believe could handle the fact of no adult supervision. I believe we could keep each other accountable as we do at schools and other hangout areas. This could help our community come together more.

Making a few more places for all ages to hangout is my idea. In my opinion it is a good one. I would need help making this happen. Doing fundraisers is a good way to make money. Also advertising is helpful.

My overall idea to improve our community, and also our social skills at a young age not just with school. Thank you for your time. I truly hope you will put some thought into it. Please email me for more info happy to answer. Have a nice day.

Sincerely, Emmy Forbes

## Dear Editor,

I am Kennedy Scott, and I want to talk to you about more volunteer opportunities for children in middle school. I feel that we need these opportunities to be helpful and to feel as if we are important to the community.

I believe this change needs to happen otherwise kids are just not doing anything productive. I think that this is a crucial event that needs to take place because otherwise people aren't proud of themselves. They are just disappointed in themselves.

So if you would please help me out and support starting more volunteer opportunities for children in middle school. I think it would be amazing if all the middle schoolers could get together and volunteer at the care center or just simply picking up trash around town.

I hope to be able to put this plan into action one day and have all middle schoolers willing to volunteer help. Thank you for taking your time and reading my opinion.

Sincerely, Kennedy Scott

## Dear Editor,

My name is Preston Martens, and I think that there should be a sports facility building in Grundy Center.

I think there should be a sports facility building in Grundy Center because there isn't a place in Grundy Center to practice outdoor sports indoor when the weather isn't good. Another reason why I think this should happen is because say if the golf course is crowded, and you can't get in 18 holes or practice putting or driving, you could just go to the sports facility building and practice putting on the putting green there or practice driving on the golf simulator.

For the sports facility building I obviously can't buy everything myself so my thought is if you think that this is a good idea, maybe you can help me buy some of the small things for this facility.

I believe that Grundy Center should have a sports facility building. Thank You for taking the time to hear my opinion.

Sincerely, Preston Martens

## Dear Editor,

My name is Aubree Mundt and I believe that kid's living in Grundy Center need more spots to hangout.

There are many kids who live in or around Grundy Center. We don't have a lot of spots to hangout or do homework with our friends. A lot of kids can't go on the highway, so I feel we should add something close to the schools that kids could do on weekends or weekdays.

The community could help with a hangout spot by giving donations such as time, money, and supplies. We could use all of the supplies to build a hangout spot and give a spot for kids to have fun.

Thank you for listening to my letter. Please consider building this spot.

Sincerely, Aubree Mundt

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## Palermo Clovers 4-H Club May meeting

The May meeting of the Palermo Clovers 4-H club was held at the home of Eileen Flater on Sunday May 5 at 3 PM.

Vice-pres. Ella Hommel called the meeting to order. Madison Traeger led the Pledge to the Flag. Thirty-seven members answered roll call with a choice of a fun run or a bike ride. The fun run won. During the meeting Madison reported on the horticulture workshop she attended on Saturday. She showed a mosquito house that she had made and told us we could put banana peels in with our plants to provide nutrients as they are planted. We were pleased to acknowledge Ella Hommel's selection to the State 4-H council for 2019-20. She will be installed at the state conference on June 27. We were reminded of the deadlines approaching for animal ID's and reminded to watch for notes on 4-H online. Skylar Reding led the 4-H pledge.

Bailey Reding shared about her interest in pediatric oncology and needing 13 years of schooling for it. Skylar Reding showed how to make "cake mix" cookies. Blessing Edittu showed her favorite way to do her nails with nail polish strips. Kenna Steinmeyer had toured a quarry and brought some large geodes that she had hammered out and found. Bria Steinmeyer share about her new puppy and his care. Westin Steinmeyer's Clover share was about his interest in the 5 Sullivan brothers and the information and pictures he had located to share about their military experiences.

The activities were making some things to do outside to get more exercise this summer. They made pipe cleaner bead bubble wands, pool noodle "grasshoppers", sponge bombs to replace water balloons, and of course an outside scavenger hunt for flowers and farm things. Co-leader Brandi Gearhart, Laura Hommel, Rachel Edittu, and Mary



Westin Steinmeyer sharing his presentation on the Five Sullivan Brothers



Skylar Reding giving her presentation on Cake mix cookies.

Schmidt assisted the members with the activities. We finished with a little bit of plan time and how they wanted to learn more about photography and animals, big and small.

Hosts today were the Clarks,

Redings, and Butler girls.

Next month's meeting will be a hot dog and s'mores on Wednesday, June 5 at 5 pm. We will be honoring our senior Haley Anderson. The Barkley family will be helping host.

## FROM THE ARCHIVES ...



OK, here is the next mystery picture. Can anyone tell us anything about this photo? Maybe when and where it was taken? What was the occasion?

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to share with you.

Keep the memories! Photos from the Register's 'From the Archives' series are now available for purchase! The cost is \$5, and the photos are available on a first-come, first-serve basis.



Timothy Christian holds Fine Arts Fair

Timothy Christian School held their annual Fine Arts Fair in conjunction with Grandparents Day on Friday, April 26. The day started at 10:30 a.m. as the grandparents were invited to the school to attend chapel with their grandchildren or special friend. Administrator Rebecca Johnson led the chapel and students shared a special song. The evening Fine Arts Fair started at 6 p.m. with skits, poetry, and vocal & instrumental performances given by the 6th-8th graders. At 7:30 pm the Spring program began which highlighted the talents of all our Kindergarten through 8th-grade students. Also on display were creative writing pieces, science/stem projects, relief maps, and artwork that the students have created this year. It was a very special evening that was enjoyed by all.



### News from Ivester

#### MAY 15

Women and Girls Salad Supper will be held on May 15 at 6 pm. Bring a salad and a friend or neighbor. All are welcome!

#### DIAPERS FOR HAITI

Join us at 9:30 am on May 14 at the Ivester Church to assemble diapers from t shirts for Haiti orphans.

#### FREE CONCERT AT CAMP

Manchester University will present A Capella and Chamber Singers at Camp Pine Lake at 7 pm on May 21.



LaVonne Ramsey wishes to thank everyone who joined in celebrating her 100th birthday on April 21st. All the cards, flowers, visits, calls and well wishes were most appreciated.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS GRUNDY COMMUNITY CENTER

Friday • Grundy Comm. Center – Walking, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.,  
May 10 Wilts Room  
Exercise, 9:00 a.m., Legion Room  
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room

Saturday • Grundy Comm. Center – Delfs, Wilts Room  
May 11

Sunday • Grundy Comm. Center – Burroughs, Wilts Room  
May 12

Monday • Grundy Comm. Center – Walking, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.,  
May 13 Wilts Room  
Exercise, 9:00 a.m., Legion Room  
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room

Tuesday • Grundy Comm. Center – Walking, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.,  
May 14 Wilts Room  
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room

Wednesday • Grundy Comm. Center – No Walking  
May 15 GCMH, Wilts Room  
Exercise, 9:00 a.m., Legion Room  
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room

Thursday • Grundy Comm. Center – GNB, 6 - 9 a.m., Wilts Room  
May 16 Room  
Walking, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Wilts Room  
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m., Legion Room

Put your event in the Grundy Center Community Calendar!  
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### Notice

The Grundy County Treasurer's office will be closed on May 23 in order for the staff to attend a training. This includes the tax, motor vehicle, and driver's license offices.



ADULTS: \$3 – KIDS & SENIORS: \$1

7:00 P.M. - HELD OVER

UGLYDOLLS

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### DMACC graduate

Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) Ankeny Campus Liberal Arts student Mellina Wrage of Grundy Center poses in her cap and gown with her parents, Stacie and Lance Wrage, prior to the DMACC Ankeny/Newton/Urban and West Campus Commencement ceremony recently held at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines.

Attend a movie on Friday evening & receive your choice of any drink for just 50 Cents.

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**Letters**

From page 5

**Dear Editor,**

My name is Caleb, and I want Grundy Center to have less trash in the ditches. The ditches have a lot of trash like plastic bottles, tin cans, glass bottles, etc. Grundy Center should have no more trash in the ditches.

The reasons why we should have no more trash in the ditches is because we have way too much in ditches that could hurt animals and the community. On my street, there is a lot of trash in the ditches and near the corn fields. The trash makes our town look dirty very clean.

I think what needs to be done is for the community is to put up anti-littering signs to help stop so much trash ending up in ditches. Also, the town could organize a trash clean-up day where dumpsters are located in many places.

Thank you for taking your time to hear about what I think our community should change.

Sincerely, Caleb Knutson

**Dear Editor,**

Hi, my name is Lyndee Moore, and I am from Grundy Center, IA. I am writing to you to say that I think that we could make a change in Grundy Center, IA.

We could do this by fixing the roads and intersections by adding more stop and yield signs. That would be so much safer.

By making this happen I need your help! By helping the Grundy Center community make our drives safer. It would help the community be safer and help not be so many crashes. By helping the community and I, we could make more controlled instruction to help make sure there is less crashes.

In conclusion, I would like you to think about adding more controlled intersections. It's a very important thing that could save more people from injury. Also, it could prevent cars from hitting each other or people. More parents would have a peaceful mind letting their children ride bikes and walk places.

Thank you for listening to me and hearing what I have to say about what I think we could change about Grundy Center, IA.

Sincerely, Lyndee Moore

**Dear Editor,**

My name is Alyssa Oetker, and I want to discuss volunteer opportunities and better places for dogs like maybe having a dog park somewhere or having places for dogs to be babysat during the day. I think this would be very good for both the dogs and their owners because we all love our furry little friends!

I believe that this change should happen because a dog park would let the dogs make friends with other ones, and the owners of the dogs would be able to chat and mingle as well. Also, if we did things like dog parks or doggy daycares the community could look and seem more welcoming and friendly when you see a bunch of dogs when you come into town.

In conclusion, our community would benefit immensely if we added more volunteering opportunities that involve dogs. I am asking if we could possibly add something that involves our pets.

Thank you for taking the time to hear me out! I really appreciate it.

Sincerely, Alyssa Oetker

**Dear Editor,**

My name is Tiernan Vokes. I want to make a stand by organizing more youth activities for kids around the school district.

My plan is to put together more activities for the youth. I will show you my plans in this letter. The ways to get to the kids will be with getting to know the kids and what they like. I will get to know them through relationships.

This change needs to happen because a lot of kids are sitting inside with nothing to do. I want to change this by organizing sports activities for kids to come to and have fun doing it as well. The activities I will put on will be things like 3on3 basketball tournament track and field days and volleyball tournament etc... My goal is for kids to enjoy themselves outside getting physical activity and making friends as these activities go on during the day.

All these activities going on

for the kids will tell them being outside can be fun. I would like for the community of Grundy Center to help me. The ways they could help me is by sending out emails to parents to tell them what is going on that week and helping me get supplies to set everything up for all the activities we would have. Through these activities the kids will learn to make friends and get a good exercise in as well.

Thank all of you for listening to my letter. I hope that my suggestion could help make a difference in the community of Grundy Center. I hope all of you enjoyed my thoughts and opinions about my suggestion. Thank you

Sincerely, Tiernan Vokes

**Dear Editor,**

My name is Skylar Reding, and I want to fix the roads in the town of Grundy Center, Iowa. I want to fix this problem because there is a lot of potholes on the roads and when people go on the roads their tires get stuck and sometimes their tires get popped.

The first reason why we need to fix the roads is because there are potholes in the road that need to be fixed. The second reason is that when people go on the roads that have the potholes they don't want to drive in the potholes, so they have to swerve and if there is someone coming, and they are not looking then it can resolve in a car crash. The third reason is that if people do not see the potholes, and they drive right in them then it might pop their tires. Finally if people keep driving through the potholes then it will make the pothole bigger and it will make it even worse.

Those are the reasons why I want us as a community to fix the potholes in the road because it would be much easier to drive on, so let's take a stand to fix the roads of Grundy Center, Iowa.

Thank you for taking the time to hear my opinion on what needs to be changed in Grundy Center, Iowa.

Sincerely, Skylar Reding

**Dear Editor,**

My name is Ryker Thoren, and I believe that there should be more activities for young people. My plan is to talk to younger kids grades 5-8 and see what they want to do because in the summer and then I will get an idea of what they want to do. I will get an idea of what kids want to do and where I could put the hangout where all kids could go from ages K-12 to have fun and make friends!

I would do this idea because it will help parents when they are not home to watch their kids and they can stay out of trouble at this hangout. Their parents could also relax if their kids are at this hangout. We could go to the movies, go to the park, go to the pool in the summer and sometimes go to the library and read. In the summer we could also go to the summer reading program.

I want to do this idea because I think it would be good for kids and their parents and I can build good relationships with kids and their parents. And I need help from you guys to tell kids and a lot of kids to help me with this hangout.

I think this would be a good idea because you can relax if your the parents, and have fun if you are the kids that go to this hangout!

Thank you for taking the time to hear my opinion. I hope you are able to bring these thoughts to your peers.

Sincerely, Ryker Thoren

**Dear Editor,**

I believe that our town is lacking a safe place for stray animals like a humane society. In our town, there are many stray animals, and they can't survive out in the wild. In America, there are many issues with not having these places for stray pets, so I think we should fix this problem.

Our town should think more about the lives of innocent animals that have been abandoned by their owners. So if a female cat that has been left astray she will have more kittens and make more of this cycle making more strays dying in the wild. We could fix this with a volunteer-run place to put them to find a new home. This program will also help our town come together with volunteer programs to help these animals in need.

So to conclude, our community should come together to make a place to help strays. I believe that this will help the ecosystem and the community. This volunteer-run operation would be a place you could go to calm down and pet the animals while we help them get homes, so it would be a wonderful addition to the town and community.

Thank you for taking time and learning my opinion on strays animals in the town.

Sincerely, Ellynna Johnson

**Dear Editor,**

I am Paige Venenga and I am writing all of the trash in the ditches because that is a very important matter that has been brought up by members of the community. It is important that we keep our ditches clean so visitors are able to see the beauty of our town. Also it makes it so when there are people in the community are trying to take care of the ditches they can do it easily and not have to take a long time. When we clean up our ditches it can make our community look cleaner and feel proud of how well we are able to keep it that way.

I believe that this needs to happen because you are able to see it in a lot of different places which makes our town look messy. Also a lot of community members think this is a problem for our town when you drive by and see all of the trash, and want a way to solve the trash everywhere. We want to be a welcoming town and that is one start to making more people feel welcome and want to come again. Lastly, I think this should happen because it would be a good way for people to volunteer in our community when they are able to.

In conclusion, trash around our town is a problem and I would like to solve it. I am asking for a better way for people to get rid of their trash instead of just throwing their trash out of their window or out of their way. We all have to be careful of what we do with trash so it does not harm our environment.

I hope you take my thoughts into considerations. Thank you for taking the time to hear my opinion.

Sincerely, Paige Venenga

**Dear Editor,**

Hello, my name is Evan Bingman, and I have a idea for our town Grundy Center. My idea is a mini golf course in the old Pamida building by Norbys and Pancho Villa.

I would like a mini golf course because then we would bring in new people to the community and give families something else to do in town. My other belief why we should have it is so young people can have an area to relax with their family.

I'm hoping that the whole community can help donate and make this vision of a miniature golf course a reality. Thank you for considering and reading my idea for people to know.

Sincerely, Evan Bingman

**Dear Editor,**

My name is Remington Tack, and I believe that there should be more controlled intersections and more stop signs.

The reason I think that there should be more stop signs is because it can be hazardous to be at a intersection without stop signs. On average an estimation of 165,000 accidents occur at these types of intersections in the United States.

People should just be more aware, and the community should put up more stop signs so that the uncontrolled intersection are controlled. Thank for taking time to consider my opinion.

Sincerely, Remington Tack

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Thank you for taking time and learning my opinion on strays animals in the town.

Sincerely, Ellynna Johnson

Diane Paige, Correspondent — 319-989-2163

**Dike News****Nursing school reunion held**

Shirley Meester attended the reunion of the Evangelical Nursing School of Marshalltown class of 1959. On Saturday, May 4, these attendees represented 60 years of wonderful nursing care. Shirley Meester of Dike spent her nursing career at Hawkeye Community College as an instructor, and nurse at Eldora and Grundy Center. Shirley is pictured left back row. Others are from West Point, Newton, Frederika, Toledo and Union. They enjoyed a wonderful day sharing their past years of work and retirement fun.

**Dates for Dike**

Thursday, May 9

4:00 Tennis

4 Girls track

4 Boys track

Friday, May 10

Boys golf sectionals

Saturday, May 11

Girls tennis team regionals

Sunday, May 12

Mother's Day

Local church services

Monday, May 13

Girls golf regionals

9 am Tennis

6:00 pm Kgd concert

8th grad to Lanesboro

Tuesday, May 14

7:00 pm DFS Awards Night

8th Lanesboro

Wednesday, May 15

8:20 am Senior awards day

7:00 pm Baccalaureate

Tennis ind regional

8 Lanesboro

**Durnin signs with Minnesota State**

Congratulations to Nick Durnin. Nick will be pursuing his Manufacturing Engineering degree and continue his track career at Minnesota State, Mankato starting this fall. Nick is a 2017 D-NH graduate and has been attending Hawkeye Community College. His signing day was Friday, May 3 and in attendance were his parents, Wendy and Marty Camarata, sister Haleigh and brother Jake and grandparents Paul and Marti Bargman and cousin Austin Rekward. Good luck Nick Durnin. Seated left to right, Nick Durnin, Wendy Camarata. Standing left to right, Haleigh Durnin, Marty Camarata, Jake Durnin.

**100 Great Iowa Nurses**

Stacie Hoban of Dike was

nominated as one of the 100

Outstanding Nurses of Iowa.

The Recognition Ceremony for

the State of Iowa was held in

Des Moines this past weekend.

Stacie and honorees celebrated

with family, friends and col-

leagues.

From Stacie: "I have been a

Registered Nurse for 22 years. I

graduated from Hawkeye Com-

munity College with an Associa-

tes Degree in Nursing in 1977

and in 2015 went to Upper Iowa

University to obtain a Bach-

elors Degree in Nursing. I'm

a certified EMT and currently

employed as Patient Service

Manager at UPH-Allen Hospi-

tal and an Adjunct instructor for

Hawkeye Community College.

I

volunteer on the Dike Fire and

Rescue Department. I reside in

Dike with my husband Tim and

we have two children Emily and

Alli."

The 2019 honorees were cho-

sen from over 500 nominations

across the state. All nomination

must meet selection criteria of

having a current RN license, 3

years experience in nursing and

# AREA CHURCH SERVICES

## Please join us in worship!

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| ALBION   | 6 p.m. Evening Praise Service   | WOW: 5:30 p.m., Family Meal<br>6 p.m., Classes pre-school thru adults<br>6:30-7 p.m., Children's Worship  | 9:10 a.m. Sunday School<br>10:30 a.m. Worship Service   | 10:30 a.m. Sunday School / Adult Bible Class  | Cornerstone Presbyterian Church<br>641-847-3188<br>Sundays<br>9:30 a.m. Morning Worship<br>11:00 a.m. Sunday School<br>www.cornerstone-pca-church.com  |
| <b>Albion United Methodist Church</b><br>Cheryl Ridenour, Pastor<br>Sundays<br>8:30 a.m. Worship Service   | <b>Untied Methodist Church</b><br>Dan Ridouer, Pastor<br>319-989-2535<br>Sundays<br>9 a.m. Sunday School<br>10:15 a.m. Worship Service  | <b>HOLLAND</b><br><b>Colfax Center Presbyterian</b><br>Robbie Grames, Pastor<br>319-824-5231<br>Sundays<br>9:30 a.m. Morning Worship (includes children's sermon, nursery available ages 0-3)<br>10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship<br>10:55 a.m. Sunday School for all ages<br>6 p.m. Come-as-you-are Prayer Service | <b>LISCOMB</b><br><b>Bethel Grove Church</b><br>Scott Hand, Pastor<br>Sundays<br>9 a.m. Worship   | <b>St. Henry Catholic Church</b><br>Father Don Czapla<br>Saturdays<br>5 p.m. Vigil<br>Sundays<br>8 and 10:30 a.m. Mass<br>Tuesdays<br>7:30 a.m. Mass<br>Wednesdays<br>7:30 a.m. Mass<br>Thursdays<br>8:45 a.m. School Mass<br>Fridays               | <b>First Christian Reformed</b><br>641-869-3305<br>Steve Mulder, Pastor<br>Sundays<br>9:30 a.m. Morning Worship<br>10:45 a.m. Sunday School  |
| <b>APLINGTON</b><br><b>Bethel Reformed Church</b><br>319-347-6219<br>Sundays<br>9 a.m. Worship Service<br>10 a.m. Sunday School  | <b>Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church</b><br>Mark Decker, Pastor<br>319-988-3967<br>Sundays<br>9 a.m. Worship<br>10:15 a.m. Sunday School   | <b>GRUNDY CENTER</b><br><b>American Lutheran Church</b><br>Luther Thoresen, Pastor<br>319-824-3557<br>www.alcg.org<br>Sundays<br>8:45 a.m. Worship service<br>10:30 a.m. Worship service  | <b>Pleasant Valley Reformed Church</b><br>Rev. Rick Vollema<br>319-346-1090<br>Sundays<br>9:00 a.m. Worship Service (Children's worship available)  | <b>ELIM LUTHERAN CHURCH - ECLA</b><br>Sundays<br>8 a.m. Choir Rehearsal<br>9 a.m. Worship Service<br>10 a.m. Fellowship<br>10:15 a.m. Sunday School /Adult Forum  | <b>St. Mary Catholic Church</b><br>Father Greg Bahl<br>Saturday Masses<br>4:30 p.m. in English<br>6:30 p.m. in Spanish<br>Sunday Masses<br>9 a.m. in English<br>11:30 a.m. in Spanish<br>5:00 p.m., Mass |
| <b>BANGOR</b><br><b>Bangor Liberty Friends Church</b><br>Matt Bishop, Pastor<br>office@blfchurch.org<br>Sundays<br>8:30 a.m. Prayer Group<br>9:30 a.m. Sunday School<br>10:30 a.m. Morning worship | <b>Bethany Presbyterian Church</b><br>Al Polito, Pastor<br>319-824-5471<br>Sundays<br>10 a.m. Worship Service<br>11 a.m. Fellowship Time<br>Wednesdays<br>4:45 p.m., J.A.M. Youth program with meal   | <b>IWESTER</b><br><b>Ivester Church of the Brethren</b><br>Paul Shaver, Pastor<br>641-858-3879<br>Sundays<br>9:30 a.m. Adult Christian Education<br>10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Children's Church<br>Noon Potluck   | <b>EVANGELICAL FREE church</b><br>Bob Kosbau, Pastor<br>Sundays<br>9 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)<br>10:15 a.m. Worship  | <b>PARKERSBURG</b><br><b>Holy Family Catholic Parish</b><br>The Rev. David Kucera<br>319-345-2006<br>Saturdays<br>5:30 p.m. Mass  | <b>Reformed Church of Stout</b><br>319-346-1487<br>Sundays<br>9:30 a.m. Morning Worship<br>10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time<br>10:45 a.m. Sunday School  |
| <b>BEAMAN</b><br><b>United Methodist Church</b><br>641-366-2142<br>11 a.m. Worship   | <b>First Baptist Church (GARBC)</b><br>Nathan Barkley, Pastor<br>319-824-3324<br>www.fbctrndy.com<br>Sundays<br>9:15 a.m. Adult Small Group<br>10:20 a.m. Harvest Kids<br>10:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service<br>6:30 p.m. Sunday Evening Service<br>Wednesdays<br>6:30 p.m., AWANA<br>7 p.m., Youth Group | <b>LINCOLN</b><br><b>Salem Church of Lincoln</b><br>The Rev. Barb Muhs, Pastor<br>641-473-2450<br>Sundays<br>9 a.m. Divine Service<br>10 a.m. Visitation  | <b>REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH</b><br>Sundays<br>9 a.m. Divine Service<br>10 a.m. Visitation   | <b>St. John Lutheran Church</b><br>Bruce Zimmerman, Pastor<br>Sundays<br>9 a.m. Morning Worship<br>9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Class  | <b>St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran</b><br>Victoria Shepherd, Pastor<br>641-869-3992<br>Sundays<br>8:15 a.m. Sunday School<br>9:30 a.m. Worship Service   |
| <b>CONRAD</b><br><b>United Methodist Church</b><br>The Rev. Gene Kubli<br>641-366-2325<br>8:30 a.m. Sunday School<br>9:30 a.m. Worship   | <b>Alice Church of God</b><br>Jim Hartman, Pastor<br>641-849-7473<br>Sundays<br>9:15 a.m. Sunday School<br>10:30 a.m. Worship Service<br>Wednesdays<br>7 p.m. Bible Study   | <b>Orchard Hill Church</b><br>Brian Steenhoek, Campus Pastor<br>1800 G Avenue, Grundy Center<br>319-266-9411<br>www.orchardhillchurch.org<br>9:15 a.m. services<br>10:45 a.m. services<br>Nursery (0-3 yrs old) available during both services  | <b>T</b> he freedom that comes from voluntary poverty is related to the fact that having few material possessions allows us to give more of ourselves and to be free of the worries and hassles that come with cars, houses, and other material things that require upkeep. Be happy with what you have and happy with what you don't have. Mother Teresa exhorted her followers to give until it hurts, to relish their poverty, and to understand how voluntary poverty freed one for more important pursuits. The Bible has several important messages about poverty. First, it is clear throughout the Bible that someone who exploits the poor is committing a serious sin for which the Lord will exact punishment: "Do not exploit the poor because they are poor and do not crush the needy in court, for the Lord will take up their case and will exact life for life." (Proverbs 22:22-23 NIV) Secondly, and perhaps more important, we are told that our charity and generosity must be done willingly and with an eye to helping our fellow man: "Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,' but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?" (James 2:15-16 NIV) And finally, remember that love is an action, and not simply an emotion. We are commanded to love, and we do this through our everyday actions with the people we meet.<br>-Christopher Simon | <b>REINBECK</b><br><b>Holy Family Catholic Parish</b><br>The Rev. David Kucera<br>319-345-2006<br>Sundays<br>9:30 a.m. Mass   | <b>St. Peter's Country Church</b><br>The Rev. Michael McLane, Pastor<br>563-581-2866<br>Sundays<br>8 a.m. Morning Worship  |
| <b>DIKE</b><br><b>Fredsville Lutheran Church</b><br>The Rev. Lisa Dietrich, Pastor<br>319-989-2065<br>Sundays<br>9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship<br>10:30 a.m. Sunday School                         | <b>LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH (GARBC)</b><br>Jerry R. Miller, Pastor<br>319-825-5408<br>Follow us on Facebook at: Grundy Center United Methodist Church<br>Sundays<br>9 a.m. Worship Celebration<br>Wednesdays  | <b>United Methodist Church</b><br>Jerry R. Miller, Pastor<br>319-825-5408<br>Follow us on Facebook at: Grundy Center United Methodist Church<br>Sundays<br>9 a.m. Worship Celebration<br>Wednesdays   | <b>WELLSBURG</b><br><b>East Friesland Presbyterian</b><br>Lynn Arends, Supply Pastor<br>641-847-2896<br>Sundays<br>9:15 a.m. Sunday School<br>10:30 a.m. Morning Worship  | <b>Steamboat Rock Baptist Church</b><br>107 2nd St.<br>Harrison Lippert, Pastor<br>Bryce Roskens, Associate Pastor<br>641-868-2456<br>Sundays<br>8:45 a.m. Traditional Service<br>10 a.m. Fellowship Hour - No S.S.<br>11 a.m. Contemporary Service | <b>WHITTEN</b><br><b>Whitten Community Church</b><br>Jim Hartman, Pastor<br>Sundays<br>9 a.m. Worship, Children Church<br>10:30 a.m. Sunday School   |

### The Less We Have, the More We Can Give

"Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality." Romans 12:13 NIV



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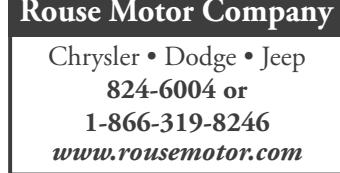
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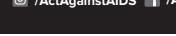
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## EARLY DEADLINE

There is an early deadline for the **May 27** issue of The *Grundy Register*.

Items to be considered for this issue, including **ads** and **stories**, must be in by noon on

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## GARAGE SALES

Gladbrook City Wide Garage Sales!! Saturday, June 1, 2019 from 8:00-2:00. Site Maps/ Listings will be available at the Gladbrook Casey's and online at [gladbrook.org](http://gladbrook.org) G-20

May 11, 8:00-2, Fairgrounds, Grundy Center. Multi family: vintage, crock, collectibles, jewelry, sewing machine, kerosene lamp, household, children-adult clothing, games, toys, indoor/outdoor décor, pingpong tabletop, sleeping bags, underbed drawers, new tackle box, more. G-19

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
CITY OF GRUNDY CENTERNOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
AMENDMENT OF FY2018-2019 CITY BUDGET

Form 653.C1

The City Council of GRUNDY CENTER in GRUNDY County, Iowa  
will meet at City Hall - Council Chambers, 703 F Avenue, Suite 2  
at 6:30 pm on 5/20/2019  
(hour) (Date)

, for the purpose of amending the current budget of the city for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019  
(year)

by changing estimates of revenue and expenditure appropriations in the following programs for the reasons given. Additional detail is available at the city clerk's office showing revenues and expenditures by fund type and by activity.

|  | Total Budget as certified or last amended | Current Amendment | Total Budget after Current Amendment |
|--|---|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Revenues &amp; Other Financing Sources</b>  |   |                   |                                      |
| Taxes Levied on Property   | 1 1,306,556                               | 0                 | 1,306,556                            |
| Less: Uncollected Property Taxes-Levy Year   | 2 0                                       | 0                 | 0                                    |
| Net Current Property Taxes   | 3 1,306,556                               | 0                 | 1,306,556                            |
| Delinquent Property Taxes  | 4 0                                       | 0                 | 0                                    |
| TIF Revenues   | 5 273,500                                 | 0                 | 273,500                              |
| Other City Taxes   | 6 221,196                                 | 0                 | 221,196                              |
| Licenses & Permits   | 7 25,300                                  | 0                 | 25,300                               |
| Use of Money and Property  | 8 99,940                                  | 0                 | 99,940                               |
| Intergovernmental  | 9 1,947,435                               | 0                 | 1,947,435                            |
| Charges for Services   | 10 1,612,400                              | 0                 | 1,612,400                            |
| Special Assessments  | 11 0                                      | 0                 | 0                                    |
| Miscellaneous  | 12 221,500                                | 0                 | 221,500                              |
| Other Financing Sources  | 13 0                                      | 0                 | 0                                    |
| Transfers In   | 14 595,254                                | 0                 | 595,254                              |
| Total Revenues and Other Sources   | 15 6,303,081                              | 0                 | 6,303,081                            |
| <b>Expenditures &amp; Other Financing Uses</b>   |   |                   |                                      |
| Public Safety  | 16 516,816                                | 0                 | 516,816                              |
| Public Works   | 17 657,091                                | 24,000            | 681,091                              |
| Health and Social Services   | 18 1,000                                  | 0                 | 1,000                                |
| Culture and Recreation   | 19 485,006                                | 0                 | 485,006                              |
| Community and Economic Development   | 20 237,700                                | 0                 | 237,700                              |
| General Government   | 21 291,705                                | 0                 | 291,705                              |
| Debt Service   | 22 413,868                                | 0                 | 413,868                              |
| Capital Projects   | 23 520,000                                | 0                 | 520,000                              |
| Total Government Activities Expenditures   | 24 3,123,186                              | 24,000            | 3,147,186                            |
| Business Type / Enterprises  | 25 1,692,727                              | 28,000            | 1,720,727                            |
| Total Gov Activities & Business Expenditures   | 26 4,815,913                              | 52,000            | 4,867,913                            |
| Transfers Out  | 27 455,254                                | 0                 | 455,254                              |
| Total Expenditures/Transfers Out   | 28 5,271,167                              | 52,000            | 5,323,167                            |
| Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over<br>(Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out for Fiscal Year | 29 1,031,914                              | -52,000           | 979,914                              |
| Beginning Fund Balance July 1  | 30 3,848,999                              | 0                 | 3,848,999                            |
| Ending Fund Balance June 30  | 31 4,880,913                              | -52,000           | 4,828,913                            |

Explanation of increases or decreases in revenue estimates, appropriations, or available cash:

Expenses: Snow Removal wages and Community Foundation Grant funds spent by Ambulance Department

There will be no increase in tax levies to be paid in the current fiscal year named above. Any increase in expenditures set out above will be met from the increased non-property tax revenues and cash balances not budgeted or considered in this current budget. This will provide for a balanced budget.

Kristy Sawyer  
City Clerk/Finance Officer

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
BCLUW SCHOOL

## Department of Management

Form S-A Publication

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
BCLUW School District  
AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET  
FISCAL YEAR 2018/2019

Date of Public Hearing: May 20, 2019

Time of Public Hearing: 7:30 a.m.

Location of Public Hearing: BCLUW HS Media Center

The Board of Directors will conduct a public hearing at the above-noted time and place for the purpose of amending the current school budget by changing estimates of expenditures in the following areas by the following amounts:

| Area                     | From      | To        | Reasons                   |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Instruction              | 2,500,100 | 2,530,000 | Addl. Special Ed Expenses |
| Total Support Services   | 339,500   | 355,000   | Food & Salary Expense     |
| Total Other Expenditures |           |           |                           |

This change in estimates of expenditures will be financed from increased receipts and balances not budgeted or considered in the current budget. There will be no increase in taxes to be paid in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. At the hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed amendment. A detailed statement of additional receipts other than taxes, balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed expenditures, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing.

**BOARD PROCEEDINGS**  
GRUNDY COUNTY

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

hoff, Ross, and Schildroth. Nays – none. Resolution adopted.

Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Nederhoff to accept and order filed the Quarterly Report of the County Recorder. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Nederhoff to approve payment of the following bills: (Carried unanimously.)

ACES, maintenance ..... 685.00

Advanced Environ, supplies ..... 4,985.00

Advanced Systems, supplies ..... 46.99

Avantage FS, fuel ..... 73.05

Alient Energy, service ..... 885.50

Beyer, William, mileage ..... 12.90

Bill Colwell Ford, repairs ..... 1,092.96

Black Hawk Co Sheriff, services ..... 76.56

BMC Aggregates, rock ..... 27,282.94

Business Forms, supplies ..... 23.36

Canon Financial, maintenance ..... 139.37

Carosh Compliance, services ..... 9,996.00

Cartegraph Systems, maint ..... 1,606.50

Cedar Falls Utilities, service ..... 47.13

Central Iowa Distrib, supplies ..... 205.00

Century Link, service ..... 293.78

Convergint/SPC, maintenance ..... 375.00

Grundy County Engineer, fuel ..... 2,142.24

Grundy County REC, service ..... 725.93

Huber, Carl, mileage ..... 12.00

Iowa State Treasurers, mtg exp ..... 140.00

Jamar Technologies, parts ..... 506.04

James, Gary, mileage ..... 15.20

John Deere Financial, parts ..... 246.37

Lang, Katie, mileage ..... 22.40

Lattimer, Christopher, supplies ..... 37.99

Linn County Sheriff, services ..... 75.26

Mid American Energy, service ..... 31.22

Miller-Buck, Janetta, mileage ..... 178.25

Murphy Management, rent ..... 462.00

Nutri-Ject Systems, grant ..... 170.00

Postmaster, postage ..... 110.00

Racom, equipment ..... 1,528.55

Reliance Telephone, equip ..... 7,132.00

Sam's Club, supplies ..... 70.86

Seller Instrument, equipment ..... 993.00

Steinmeyer, Michael, mileage ..... 126.40

Storey Kenworth, supplies ..... 431.26

Tama/Grundy Pub, publication ..... 395.73

TIAA Bank, maintenance ..... 111.81

Tyler Technologies, maint ..... 8,628.64

U S Cellular, service ..... 204.81

Vanguard Appraisals, services ..... 120.00

Verizon Wireless, service ..... 869.26

Visa, mtg exp ..... 952.29

Windstream, service ..... 1,462.22

Windstream, service ..... 434.48

Motion was made by Nederhoff and seconded by Smith to adjourn. Carried unanimously.

Mark Schildroth, Chairperson

Rhonda R. Deters, County Auditor

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**BOARD PROCEEDINGS**  
GRUNDY COUNTY

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

The Grundy County Board of Supervisors met in regular session in the Supervisors' room at the Grundy County Courthouse on April 22, 2019, at 9:00 A.M. Vice Chairperson Smith called the meeting to order with the following members present: Bakker, Nederhoff, and Ross; Schildroth.

The Board opened the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Ross and seconded by Nederhoff to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Nederhoff to approve retaining funds in Flex Spending account and to authorize the vice chairperson to sign letter to Employee Benefit Systems regarding said election. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Nederhoff to submit a Letter to the Editor to the Grundy Register and the Reinbeck Courier regarding opposition to House File 773 and Senate File 634. Carried unanimously.

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Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Nederhoff to submit a Letter to the Editor to the Grundy Register and the Reinbeck Courier regarding opposition to House File 77

**GC/G-R win at V-S tourney****By JAKE RYDER***The Grundy Register*  
VINTON – The Grundy Center/Gladbrook-Reinbeck girls soccer team won twice and the boys picked up one victory at a Saturday tournament.

The 1A No. 12 GC/G-R girls defeated Anamosa 11-1 and Vinton-Shellsburg 6-2. The boys defeated Anamosa 7-0 but lost a 1-0 decision against the V-S Vikings, currently ranked 14th in Class 1A.

Maddie McMurtin scored four goals against Anamosa and Jacque Kuester, Reece Gordon and Belen Ellenberger scored two goals each. Taylor Gienger added another goal as the match ended five minutes into the second half due to the 10-goal mercy rule. McMurtin added three assists and Kuester had two assists. Ellenberger, Gienger, Rachael Scarf and Lauren Wegmann contributed an assist each.

In the win over Vinton-Shellsburg, McMurtin and Kuester added two more goals and Gor-

don and Ellenberger tallied an extra goal apiece. McMurtin had three assists and Rachel Cooley added another. Carsten Hamann made three stops in net.

The GC/G-R girls play next at a Waverly-Shell Rock tournament on Saturday.

Seven different goal scorers contributed to GC/G-R's romp over Anamosa. Cullen Eiffler, Ethan Gienger, Brady Jacobson, Jackson Kiburis, Diogo Otoch, Eli Thede and Aiden Wyatt all scored. Gienger added two assists and Adam Hoy, Kiburis and Thede chipped in one assist each. Kale Hasselman made two saves in 65 minutes of work in net and Danny Gleissner finished the day with 15 minutes at keeper.

The deciding goal in the game with Vinton-Shellsburg was scored on a penalty kick by the Vikings' David Lapan-Islas.

The GC/G-R boys (5-4) travel to Waterloo Columbus on Tuesday and end the week against Hudson United on Friday.

**Pirates shutout Lightning****By JAKE RYDER***Mid-America Publishing*  
HUDSON – Five different players scored a goal each in Hudson/Dike-New Hartford's 5-0 victory over Iowa City Liberty last Thursday.

The Class 1A No. 15 Pirates improved to 4-2 on the season and will host Denver on Tuesday before traveling to Cedar Valley Christian on Thursday and a Waverly-Shell Rock tournament on Saturday.

Emily Boote, Jessica Carolan, Faith Hoffman, Sophia Hoffman and Caitlyn O'Malley all scored goals for the Pirates. Hudson/D-NH put a total of 21 shots on net on Thursday.

Faith Hoffman added two assists and Lydia Huntington and Calli Heinzerling contributed one assist each. Myah Nystel made five stops in net for Hudson/D-NH and securing back-to-back shutout wins for the Pirates.

**Spartan girls win 6th in a row****By JAKE RYDER***The Grundy Register*

The Grundy Center girls tennis team defeated South Hardin 7-2 last Friday for the Spartans' sixth consecutive dual victory this season.

GC's Leslie Homeister won a tiebreaker at No. 1 singles against Meghan Van De Pol. Homeister and Reegan Zinkula also won at No. 1 doubles against Van De Pol and Spieker, 8-3.

Singles Spartan winners also included Zinkula, Emerson Kracht, Whitney Laube and Alivia Brandhorst. Kracht and Erika Johnson won at No. 2 doubles.

The Spartans haven't lost since a 9-0 loss to Waverly-Shell Rock on April 4.

Grundy Center 7, South Hardin 2

Singles  
No. 1: Leslie Homeister (GC) def. Meghan Van De Pol 9-8. No. 2: Reegan Zinkula (GC) def. Emma Spieker 8-0. No. 3: Emerson Kracht (GC) def. Sarah England 8-1. No. 4: Alexiss Bradshaw (SH) def. Erika Johnson 8-4. No. 5: Whitney Laube (GC) def. Isabelle Sisson 8-5. No. 6: Alivia Brandhorst (GC) def. Katelyn Mathis 8-0.Doubles  
No. 1: Homeister/Zinkula (GC) def. Van De Pol/Spieker 8-3. No. 2: Kracht/Johnson (GC) def. England/Bradshaw 8-2. No. 3: Sisson/Mathis (SH) def. Laube/Brandhorst 9-8.**D-NH tennis narrowly defeated****By JAKE RYDER***Mid-America Publishing*

DIKE – Dike-New Hartford girls tennis started the final week of the regular season with a 9-0 win over Oelwein on Monday.

The Cadets wrap up the week on Friday at Webster City and return to Cadet Field in Iowa Falls next Monday against Grundy Center/Gladbrook-Reinbeck.

**Rohler invited to Saints minicamp****By JAKE RYDER***The Grundy Register*  
Brock Rohler, an alum of Grundy Center and Truman State's football programs, was invited by the NFL's New Orleans Saints to the pro football team's rookie minicamp.

Rohler is a two-time All-Great Lakes Valley Conference honorable mention punter after four years punting with the Bulldogs. Rohler averaged 40.8 yards per punt in his senior season.

As a Spartan, Rohler was the team's quarterback and kicker. He was second-team all-state as a kicker and first team all-district as a quarterback in 2014. Rohler threw for 2,570 career yards and 27 touchdowns for the Spartans.

The Saints' minicamp is scheduled for May 10-12.

**NICL West****From page 14****NICL West Meet****Girls****At Eldora****Team scores:** 1. Grundy Center 402; 2. BCLUW 436; 3. East Marshall 462; 4. AGWSR 479; 5. West Marshall 485; 6. South Hardin 488; 7. Gladbrook-Reinbeck 509.**All-conference (top 9 individuals):** 1. Lauren Dirks, GC, 92; 2. Jaelyn Allen, BCLUW 99; 3. Lauren Krausman, GC, 99; 4. Frannie Brown, GC, 105; 5. Josie Holke-Farnam, GC, 106; 6. Jazzy Leavy, EM, 106; 7. Claire Brinkmeyer, SH, 109; 8. Madison Maifeld, SH, 109; 9. Ella Murphy, G-R, 112.**GC (402)**–Dirks 92, Krausman 99, Brown 105, Holke-Farnam 106, Lauren Buhrow 114, Claire Verly 115.**BCLUW (436)**–Allen 99, Lili Wilson 112, Bailey Ashton 112, Skyte Teckenburg 113, Kennedy Williams 124.**AGWSR (479)**–Hannah Homeyer 115, Alayna Hunt 119, Morgan Roelfs 122, Kenzie Kiely 123, Ryleigh Schipper 168, Natalie Gerstein 168.**G-R (509)**–Murphy 112, Taylor Frischmeyer 129, Reagan Skovgard

131, Paige Creswell 137, Maia McLean 140, Shayla Rufnecht 208.

**Boys****At State Center****Team scores:** 1. Grundy Center 325; 2. AGWSR 357; 3. West Marshall 363; 4. BCLUW 385; 5. East Marshall 387; 6. South Hardin 450.**All-conference (top 9 individuals):** 1. Ashton Martens, GC, 78; 2. Tanner Appel, GC, 81; 3. Alex Hames, AGWSR, 82; 4. Dexter Whitehill, GC, 83; 5. Andy Cox, GC, 83; 6. Matthew Sternhagen, GC, 85; 7. Ben Macy, AGWSR, 85; 8. Conley Petermeier, WM, 86; 9. Daniel Stahl, AGWSR, 87.**GC (325)**–Martens 78, Appel 81, Whitehill 83, Cox 83, Sternhagen 85, Travis Kuester 89.**AGWSR (357)**–Hames 82, Macy 85, Stahl 87, Riley Sicard 103, Trey Lashbrook 105, Tanner Weichers 105.**BCLUW (385)**–Lane Stanley 87, Isaac Kopsa 95, Ray Callaway 98, Kade Pekarek 105, Tristen Gallentine 108, Tucker Wall 115.**G-R (NTS)**–Tyson Creswell 106, Trey Eggers 122.**Grundy boys busy on the links****By JAKE RYDER***The Grundy Register*

The Grundy Center boys golf team competed in five meets in the final week of the regular season last week.

They hit the course in State Center on Monday for the NICL West golf meet and host a post-season sectional golf meet at Town and Country Golf Club on Friday.

**FOUR STROKES SHY OF CADETS:** Iowa Falls-Alden won a triangular in Grundy Center last Monday that also included Aplington-Parkersburg.

The Cadets scored a 170, followed by the Spartans shooting 174 and A-P finishing with a 193.

IF-A's Jackson French was the meet medalist with a 38. Grundy Center's Dexter Whitehill earned runner-up medalist honors with a 41.

Rounding out Grundy's top four last Monday were Ashton Martens with a 43, Matthew Sternhagen shooting a 44 and Tanner Appel at 46. Andy Cox contributed a 48 and Travis Kuester shot a 54.

**S P A R T A N S   N I P   G O - H A W K S ,   S A I L O R S :**

Grundy Center won by a three-stroke edge against Waverly-Shell Rock in a Tuesday triangular at Gates Park in Waterloo that also included the Sailors of Columbus. Dexter Whitehill continued his strong play with a 41 to earn medalist after winning a card-back tiebreaker with Waterloo Columbus' Charlie Lorenz.

Ashton Martens added a 42, Tanner Appel and Andy Cox added 44s to round out the Grundy Center scoring. Matthew Sternhagen (46) and Travis Kuester (52) were the fifth and sixth golfers on Tuesday.

**GC 5TH AT SOUTH TAMA TOURNEY:** The Spartans shot 341 as a team to earn fifth place at a South Tama Invite at Tama-Toledo Country Club on Saturday, one stroke behind Vinton-Shellsburg in fourth place.

Benton Community won the team title with a 313 and Grinnell shot 331 as the runners-up.

Matthew Sternhagen, Andy Cox and Ashton Martens all entered the clubhouse after 18 holes with matching 85 scores and Tanner Appel and Dexter Whitehill were right behind with 86s on their scorecards. Travis Kuester contributed a 96.

**Cox medals against Mustangs****By JAKE RYDER***The Grundy Register*

Andy Cox and Ashton Martens snatched both of the individual medals in Grundy Center boys golf's 176-214 victory against East Marshall at Aplington-Parkersburg last Monday.

The Spartans scored a 208, beating out IF-A at 218 and A-P shooting 249.

Lauren Dirks contributed a 52 and Josie Holke-Farnam and Claire Verly each shot 54s for the Spartans. Jessica Ayers contributed a 59 and Lauren Krausman added a 61.

IF-A's Elise Osman was the runner-up medalist, winning a tiebreaker with a final score of 52.

**A-P defeats Grundy boys tennis****By JAKE RYDER***The Grundy Register*

APLINGTON – Aplington-Parkersburg claimed five of six singles matches en route to a 7-2 victory over Grundy Center boys tennis at the Aplington Recreation Complex last Thursday.

Cox shot 43 and Martens shot 44, winning a three-hole playoff with teammate Matthew Sternhagen. Tanner Appel and Dexter Whitehill each shot 45 and Travis Kuester chipped in a 49. Brayden Fahrni had the low score for the Mustangs with a 49.

The Spartans went 0-3 in last week's action after dropping a pair of close duals by 5-4 margins against Iowa Falls-Alden and Hampton-Dumont.

The Spartans turned around what was a tough week that ended with an 8-1 loss to Independence in Dike last Friday.

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Madison Mrzlak logged the only victory for D-NH against the Mustangs last Friday with an 8-6 victory at No. 6 singles. Abby Davis defeated D-NH's Emily Church 8-4 at No. 1 singles and Davis and Megan Brock won 8-4 at No. 1 singles against Church and Alli Fabian.

Church, Sydney Latwesen and Audrey Rickert won singles matches against Hampton-Dumont, with Church and Victoria Fernandez adding a win at No. 2 doubles. H-D's Triston Rew and Erin Plagge defeated Latwesen and Rickert at No. 1 doubles, 9-8.

D-NH will put two more meets under their belts before beginning postseason team tennis play at the end of the week: The Wolverines played Grinnell on Tuesday and went to Charles City on Thursday, weather permitting. Dike-New Hartford will play Union in Waterloo at 9 a.m. Saturday, May 11 in a first-round regional team tennis match.

As a Spartan, Rohler was the team's quarterback and kicker. He was second-team all-state as a kicker and first team all-district as a quarterback in 2014. Rohler threw for 2,570 career yards and 27 touchdowns for the Spartans.

The Saints' minicamp is scheduled for May 10-12.

**Spartan Girls Basketball Camp to be held June 24-27****By JAKE RYDER***The Grundy Register*

The Spartan Girls Basketball Camp will be held from June 24-27. The cost is \$25 per camper and open to campers that will be entering fourth through sixth grade.

Sessions will be held from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and the cost of registration covers a camp T-shirt.

**Buhrow medals for Grundy girls****By JAKE RYDER***The Grundy Register*

IOWA FALLS – Lauren Buhrow shot a 48 as the Grundy Center girls won a triangular with Iowa Falls-Alden and Aplington-Parkersburg last Monday.

The Spartans scored a 208, beating out IF-A at 218 and A-P shooting 249.

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IF-A's Elise Osman was the runner-up medalist, winning a tiebreaker with a final score of 52.

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Columbus and Owen Thomas from A-P at No. 5 singles and teamed with Bryce Greiner for a No. 3 doubles win against Thomas and Aaron Bartels.

The Spartans ended the season with three dual losses but will have a chance to redeem themselves against two of those opponents at the district tennis meet in Waverly on Wednesday. Aplington-Parkersburg and Waterloo Columbus are part of the field, along with Decorah, Hampton-Dumont, Independence, Oelwein and Waverly-Shell Rock.

**Grundy Center also dropped a weather-shortened dual against Waterloo Columbus, 5-1, on Monday, May 6.**

Brayden Sawyer had a hand in all three of Grundy Center's victories against tough competition. He beat Alex Buser of

Decorah, Hampton-Dumont, Independence, Oelwein and Waverly-Shell Rock.

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in addition to work on fundamentals, 3-on-3 games, guest speakers, daily contests and more.

Former Spartan girls basketball players and Grundy Center high school staff will provide instruction.

The registration form is available at [bit.ly/spartangirlscamp](http://bit.ly/spartangirlscamp) (all lowercase) and registration is due June 7.The registration form is available at [bit.ly/spartangirlscamp](http://bit.ly/spartangirlscamp) (all lowercase) and registration is due June 7.

# D-NH boys claim East crown

**Wolverine girls take second**

By JAKE RYDER

The Grundy Register

DENVER — This is the time of year when the grind nears the peak for area track and field athletes.

Dike-New Hartford's boys are reaping the benefits, picking up four relay wins toward six total gold medals and an easy NICL East title victory at the Denver Athletic Complex last Thursday.

The Wolverines scored 168 team points, well ahead of Denver's 97.5 points in the runner-up position. Aplington-Parkersburg scored a third-place finish with 96.5 points.

After winning the Drake Relays long jump last week, Parker Kiewiet took the long jump title in Denver with a top leap of 21 feet, 2.5 inches. Seth Eden added a win in the 110 high hurdles in 15.23 seconds.

The winning D-NH relays were the 4x200 team of Cade Fuller, Grant Bixby, Brady Huff and Dane Fuller; the 4x400 team of Bixby, Derek Kinney, Drew Sonnenberg and Ryan Moore; the shuttle hurdle team of Cade Fuller, Bixby, Ely Sohn and Eden and the sprint medley quartet of Cade Bennett, Cade Fuller, Ryan Moore and Kiewiet.

In winning the 110 high hurdles, Eden wanted to make sure that he could beat out Jesup's Zach Mead, who has been neck-and-neck with Eden in past meetings. Eden achieved his personal best in the high hurdles as a result.

"I was just out there running my race and wanted to beat [Mead]," Eden said. "Felt pretty good. We're working our hardest and right now it's paying off for us."

Eden is part of a sizable D-NH senior group looking to lead a group of talented, experienced, sophomores and juniors back to the state track and field meet later this week at a state-qualifying meet in State Center.

"We do our best to set an example for the younger kids," Eden said, "to show them the ropes and show them what being a good teammate is."

**D-NH GIRLS 2ND AT EAST MEET:** Dike-New Hartford girls track and field got a nice confidence boost at last Thursday's NICL East meet, finishing as the runners-up at the Denver Athletic Complex.

The top two in the team standings remained unchanged from last season — Sumner-Fred-



D-NH's Seth Eden (left) clears the final hurdle a step ahead of Jesup's Zach Mead before Eden sprinted to win the 110-meter high hurdles at the NICL East meet in Denver last Thursday. (Jake Ryder photo)



D-NH's Rylee Wessely won the shot put at the NICL East meet in Denver last Thursday. (Jake Ryder photo)

## NICL East Boys Meet At Denver

Team scores: 1. Dike-New Hartford 168; 2. Denver 97.5; 3. Aplington-Parkersburg 96.5; 4. Jesup 96; 5. Hudson 82; 6. Waterloo Columbus 66; 7. Sumner-Fredricksburg 54; 8. Wapsie Valley 53; 9. Union 22.

Event-by-event (Champions and D-NH team scorers)

Discus-1. Brock Farley (Den) 143.9; 5. Nathan Graves (D-NH) 117.5. Shot put-1. Brock Farley (Den) 49.8; 8. Noah Epley (D-NH) 40.1. High jump-1. Junior Bodden (A-P) 6-2; 3. Dan Fuller (D-NH) 6-0; 6. Carter Sherwood (D-NH) 5-8. Long jump-1. Parker Kiewiet (D-NH) 21-2.5; 4. Nathan Moore (D-NH) 18-10.

100-meter dash-1. Trevor Sauerbrei (WV) 11.39; 5. Cade Bennett (D-NH) 11.82. 200-1. Derek Weitzenkamp (Jesup) 22.85; 3. Parker Kiewiet (D-NH) 23.52; 6. Drew Sonnenberg (D-NH) 24.07. 400-1. Weitzenkamp (Jesup) 51.26; 2. Ryan Moore (D-NH) 52.05; 3. Parker Kiewiet (D-NH) 52.66. 800-1. Alex Gebel (Den) 2:03.53; 2. Ryan Moore (D-NH) 2:04.69; 5. Nathan Moore (D-NH) 2:11.44. 1,600-1. Lake LeBahn (Union) 4:38.31; 4. Tim Koop (D-NH) 4:58.26; 5. Conlee Lyons (D-NH) 5:03.69. 3,200-1. Lake LeBahn (Union) 9:59.13; 3. Conlee Lyons

(D-NH) 11:03.48; 4. Seth Wibben (D-NH) 11:07.24. 110 hurdles-1. Seth Eden (D-NH) 15.23; 4. Isaiah Woodley (D-NH) 16.18. 400 hurdles-1. Nathan Eggena (Den) 57.03; 3. Grant Bixby (D-NH) 57.44; 7. Ely Sohn (D-NH) 1:00.99. 4x100-1. WC 45.12; 5. D-NH (Bennett, Huff, Harrenstein, Cleveland) 46.04. 4x200-1. D-NH (C. Fuller, Bixby, Huff, D. Fuller) 1:33.08. 4x400-1. D-NH (Bixby, Kinney, Sonnenberg, R. Moore) 3:29.68. 4x800-1. Hudson; 2. D-NH (Kinney, Moore, Loger, Koop) 8:35.41.

Shuttle hurdle-1. D-NH (C. Fuller, Bixby, Sohn, Eden) 1:01.11. Sprint medley-1. D-NH (Bennett, C. Fuller, R. Moore, Kiewiet) 1:37.11. Distance medley-1. Denver 3:42.76; 3. D-NH (D. Fuller, Sonnenberg, Kinney, Lyons) 3:52.87.

Girls

Team scores: 1. Sumner-Fredricksburg 138; 2. Dike-New Hartford 126.5; 3. Jesup 124; 4. Hudson 119; 5. Denver 66.5; 6. Union 57; 7. Aplington-Parkersburg 48; 8. Wapsie Valley 36; 9. Waterloo Columbus 13.

Event-by-event (Champions and D-NH team scorers)

Discus-1. Megan Niewoehner (S-F) 130-3; 7. Rylee Wessely (D-NH) 91-9; 8. Abby Sohn (D-NH) 90-1. High jump-1. Kylene Sallee (Hud) 5-0; 7. Taylor Hoehns (D-NH) 4-6. Long jump-1. Kylene Sallee (Hud) 16-10;

that finished in 4:16.38 and was upgraded to a gold medal after the disqualification of the winning A-P 4x400 team — Kvale received the baton after going from Addy Sohn to Alexis Jensen and to Jadyn Bennett.

"This definitely pushes us to become better," Jensen said of the competition at the championship meet. "It takes a lot of hard work to be able to compete with

the great teams here."

D-NH added four second-place finishes to its team total — Eden Barrett in the 100, Jadyn Bennett in the 400 and the sprint medley and distance medley relay teams.

Dike-New Hartford travels to State Center on Thursday for a chance at a Class 2A state berth.

"It always takes mental strength to get there, but

I think we've got it," Jensen said. "We're feeling confident and we're well-rounded enough that we can get there in as many events as possible."

## EAST GIRLS MVP JUNGLING DQ'ED:

Aplington-Parkersburg junior Sophia Jungling was disqualified after a rule infraction was brought to the attention of the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union following the conclusion of Thursday's meet.

Jungling initially was the winner of the 800-, 1,500- and 3,000-meter running events and was the anchor leg of the winning 4x400 relay. She was voted the girls MVP of the NICL East meet as a result.

A-P girls head coach Alex Pollock explained that there was no indication from the two starters running the meet in Denver that Jungling had been disqualified, based on a track and field rule that states when a competitor is checked in for an event, that event is considered to count toward a runner's maximum of four, regardless of whether or not they go on to participate.

"After talking with the Girls Union several times throughout the day, despite the fact that we were all told Sophia's eligibility was fine by the two starters at the meet, the conclusion was made that we would indeed be disqualified," Pollock said in a written statement.

The penalty for the rule infraction is disqualification of the runner and forfeiture of all team points for events they participated in, docking A-P a total of 40 team points. Jesup's Amanda Treptow was upgraded to a gold in the 800 and the J-Hawks' Natalie O'Connor became the winner of the 1,500 and 3,000-meter runs. D-NH's 4x400 team also moved up to first.

## Last stop

Monday meets final prep for state-qualifying track meets

By JAKE RYDER

The Grundy Register

Local track and field teams used Monday as a chance to get one last competition in before Thursday's state-qualifying meets.

While the lineups will likely change dramatically from Monday to Thursday,

### D-NH boys 2nd at Falcon Invitational

The Wolverines scored 101 team points as runners-up behind Aplington-Parkersburg at A-P High School.

Grundy Center placed fourth with 82 points, BCLUW was eighth with 38 points, AGWSR scored 35 points in ninth and Gladbrook-Reinbeck placed 13th with 27.5 points.

D-NH winning marks included Dane Fuller in the high jump at 6-0, Grant Bixby in the 400 hurdles in 55.00, the 4x800 relay team in 8:29.36 (Conlee Lyons, Nathan Moore, Sawyer Loger, Tim Koop), the sprint medley team in 1:36.09 (Cade Bennett, Cade Fuller, Ryan Moore, Parker Kiewiet) and the distance medley in 3:43.70 (Dane Fuller, Drew Sonnenberg, Derek Kinney, Ryan Moore).

D-NH's sprint medley time is currently the fastest in 2A. Bixby's 400 hurdles time is second in 2A.

Will Grames claimed 100-meter dash gold for the Spartans in 11.06. Caleb Kuiper, Kenna Paxson and Lizzie Garber won in 1:10.44.

Matt Jansen, Logan Knaack and Will Grames won the 4x400 relay at the end of the night in 3:35.29.

BCLUW's Caleb Silver won the 1,600-meter run in 4:42.98 and Gladbrook-Reinbeck's Sam Schildroth crossed the line first in the 400-meter dash in 55.35.

### Wolverine girls win Denver Invitational

D-NH scored 89 points, 10 points better than runner-up Aplington-Parkersburg. AGWSR placed ninth with 36 points, Grundy Center was 12th with 19 points and G-R scored one point in 13th place.

Alexis Jensen finished first for the Wolverines in the 400-meter dash in 1:01.85. Crystal Kennett, Jensen, Eden Barrett and Jadyn Bennett joined forces for a sprint medley win in 1:55.72.

Aubrie Fisher was second in the 1,500-meter run for the Cougars for the team's best finish of the day.

Grundy Center's 4x800 relay quartet of Sarah Lindeman, Bella Dole, Paityn Wallis and Taylor Stahl ran 10:41.25 for second place in the event.

Gladbrook-Reinbeck's Lily Ehlers ran sixth in the 1,500-meter run in 5:48.39.

### Comet girls 6th in Nevada

BCLUW scored 77 points at the Nevada Girls Invitational. Boone topped the eight-team field with 145 points, followed by the host Cubs with 135.5.

Katie Thompson won the 400-meter dash in 1:07.03, Lizzie Garber won the 100-meter hurdles in 16.38 and BCLUW's shuttle hurdle squad of Olivia Hughes, Payton Pekarek, Kenna Paxson and Lizzie Garber won in 1:10.44.

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# Spartan boys win NICL West

**BCLUW girls win close team race**

By JAKE RYDER

The Grundy Register

ELDORA – The trophy case for Grundy Center boys track and field got a lot bigger this season.

The Spartans added a big one last Thursday, earning the NICL West team title at Eldora.

Grundy Center scored 170 points and the BCLUW boys were the runners-up with 136 points in a meet dominated by the Spartans and Comets, two 1A teams expected to score considerable points at the state meet later this month. AGWSR scored 49 points in sixth place and the Gladbrook-Reinbeck boys got 13 points for seventh place.

The day belonged to the Spartans this time around, though, a victory that GC head coach Chris Conger has had in his sights in each of the four seasons he's been head coach.

"We've had teams that can win track meets but just hadn't gotten [the league title] done," Conger said, "mostly at the hands of pretty good teams in our conference. The stars aligned and we had some good events, some kids stepped up in spots and we came together at the right time."

Leading the way was Will Grames, the NICL West boys meet MVP after winning four individual golds for the Spartans. He won the long jump with a leap of 20 feet, 9.5 inches, won the 100-meter dash in 11.12 seconds, the 200 in 22.65 and the 400 in 52.01.

Conger, named NICL West boys Coach of the Year at the end of the meet, likened Grames putting up 40 points to the team total to similar star-making performances in other team sports.

"You have to have your stars show up," Conger said. "We were fortunate enough this year to have some stars that can win races. We wanted to come together and win a conference championship, the guys have bought into that – we had guys fighting for fourth and fifth on Thursday, knowing there were points on the line. That's huge for your team."

The Spartans added gold in the shot put as Payton McMartin launched a best mark of 45 feet, 2.25 inches. Derek Ciddio won the high jump after clearing the bar at 5-8, and Ciddio was also the anchor of the winning 4x800 relay team, following Jensen Clapp, Soren Cleveland and Mitchell Munson in 8:36.67. The Spartans also closed the night with a 4x400 relay win in 3:33.29, team of Logan Knaack, Matt Jansen, Clapp and Caleb Kuiper.

Conger credited the field events with taking such a large step forward to contribute to an already strong group of Spartan runners. He singled out Wes Willis' growth in field events as an example. Willis contributed a pair of fourth-place finishes behind discuss runner-up Matthew Sternhagen and shot put champ McMartin.

"We were going to win this conference because our field events show up big," Conger said. "These guys aren't typical track guys – Wes Willis never threw anything in junior high, last year only threw maybe 80 feet. ... That's what we emphasize – we may not need you this year, but if you take the time to learn something, develop that skill, you can step in and not lose a beat. ... McMartin was behind two throwers last year in Josh Kuiper and Jordan Hook and now he's a top-10 thrower. ... Your turn is coming, you just have to continue to develop and when that time comes, you'll be ready."

The Comet boys won seven events: Jack Garber helped BCLUW to a sweep of the hurdle events with wins in the 110 and 400 hurdles as well as the anchor leg of the winning shuttle hurdle quartet, joining Coby Ralston, Koty Kruse and Neifer Ralston. Caleb Silver got the distance double of the 1,600 and 3,200 and Ruben Montoya locked down gold in the 800. BCLUW also scored first in the 4x100 relay, with Ben Paper, Carson Hoffman, Joe Mason



AGWSR's Aubrie Fisher leads the pack in the 3,000-meter run, with Grundy Center's Taylor Stahl close behind. (Scott Bierle/Mid-America Publishing photos)



Grundy Center's Kyah Luhring lands in the long jump pit in Eldora.

and Jesse Moore clocking in at 46.75 as NICL West champs.

AGWSR's Gabe McGrath was the other NICL West champion from the area, winning the discus with a best throw of 120 feet, 4 inches.

The lineup will change for Grundy Center at the state-qualifying meet at home on Thursday, as it likely will for most of the NICL West teams, as the goal becomes more about getting kids to state than winning a district title. The Spartans would still love that district title, of course.

"We may not score as many points as we did Thursday, but the events we are gonna emphasize should be good," Conger said. "We do have to think of that Des Moines opportunity and where we want to sit in that. ... It was a feel good story last year sending 11 events down there, but we left last year saying that next year we have to score down there."

**COMETS EKE PAST GRUNDY CENTER, WEST MARSHALL:** The BCLUW girls track and field team had just enough depth in the right places to finish a nose ahead of two other strong girls teams in the NICL West race.

The Comets scored 119 points, three ahead of Grundy Center and only 3.5 ahead of West Marshall in third. AGWSR finished fifth with 71 points and G-R took seventh with four points.

"After the first couple of meets this season, we realized we could put something together," BCLUW girls coach Dustin Grothoff said. "It helped us out to double up in a lot of individual events. ... With very little kids out this year, it took every-

body. We even ran a 4x8 that we never ran before just to get points."

Grothoff was named NICL West girls Coach of the Year in his first season at the helm. The Comets won the shuttle hurdle relay, with Kiersten Kruse, Payton Pekarek, Lizzie Garber and Olivia Hughes running 1:09.34 for gold. Kaylee Grant, Kruse, Pekarek and Hughes won the 4x100 in 54.42.

The Comets scored double team points in six events and finished no worse than fifth in the relay races on Thursday.

"We're pumped for districts," Grothoff said. "We'll see a very different lineup for a different cause, but they're excited."

AGWSR's Aubrie Fisher shared NICL West girls MVP honors with East Marshall's Melinda Puumala. Fisher won the 800, 1,500 and 3,000-meter running events and was the anchor on the winning distance medley relay team. Fisher finishes her high school career with 12 gold medals at the league meet.

The Spartans got to the runner-up spot in part due to four gold medals: Kyah Luhring in the long jump, Hailey Wallis in the 200 and 400-meter running events and Payton McMartin, Brooke Flater, Sarah Lindeman and Hailey Wallis teaming up for a win in the 4x400 to close out the night.

**NEXT UP:** Class 1A state-qualifying meets are scheduled for Thursday with a rain date of Friday. AGWSR heads to Northwood-Kensett, while BCLUW, Grundy Center and Gladbrook-Reinbeck will all go to Grundy Center with a spot at the 1A state meet on the line.



Grundy Center's Caleb Kuiper takes the baton from Austin Knaack during the distance medley relay in Eldora.



BCLUW's Payton Pekarek clears the hurdle during her leg of the Comets' winning shuttle hurdle relay.

## NICL West Meet At Eldora

**Girls**  
Team scores: 1. BCLUW 119; 2. Grundy Center 116; 3. West Marshall 115.5; 4. East Marshall 101.5; 5. AGWSR 71; 6. South Hardin 59; 7. Gladbrook-Reinbeck 4.

**Event-by-event**  
(Champions and local team scorers)

**Discus-1.** Brylie Zeisneiss (SH) 129-3; 3. Kerrigan Hatch (BCLUW) 101-1; 4. Brittany Burroughs (GC) 96-10.

**Shot put-1.** Brylie Zeisneiss (SH) 45-11.5; 4. Erin Asche (BCLUW) 35-3; 5. Kylie Willis (GC) 35-3; 6. Dahlia Gardiner (BCLUW) 33-4.75.

**High jump-1.** Kayla Cripps (WM) 4-10; 2. Kiersten Kruse (BCLUW) 4-8; 4. Lizzie Garber (BCLUW) 4-6; 5. Bethany Roe (AGWSR) 4-2.

**Long jump-1.** Kyah Luhring (GC) 16-8.75; 3. Dahlia Gardiner (BCLUW) 14-10.5; 4. Kiersten Kruse (BCLUW) 14-2.5.

**100-meter dash-1.** Melinda Puumala (EM) 12.85; 2. Hailey Wallis (GC) 13.04; 3. Kyah Luhring (GC) 13.39; 4. Katie Thompson (BCLUW) 13.62; 6. MaKenna Kuper (AGWSR) 13.87.

**200-1.** Hailey Wallis (GC) 26.88; 3. Fiona Speicher (BCLUW) 28.47; 4. Olivia Hughes (BCLUW) 28.86; 5. Ali Gerbracht (AGWSR) 30.15.

**400-1.** Hailey Wallis (GC) 1:01.40; 3. Katie Thompson (BCLUW) 1:05.45; 5. Brooke Flater (GC) 1:05.89; 6. Kate Pfaltzgraff (AGWSR) 1:06.49.

**800-1.** Aubrie Fisher (AGWSR) 2:29.81; 5. Lily Ehlers (G-R) 2:40.98; 6. Jade Hammers (BCLUW) 2:41.62.

**1,500-1.** Aubrie Fisher (AGWSR) 5:06.18; 2. Taylor Stahl (GC) 5:27.10; 4. Katie Thompson (BCLUW) 5:38.57; 5. Shaylie Lippert (AGWSR) 5:42.83.

**3,000-1.** Aubrie Fisher (AGWSR) 11:00.42; 2. Taylor Stahl (GC) 11:22.95; 5. Lily Ehlers (G-R) 12:33.07.

**100 hurdles-1.** Melinda Puumala (EM) 1:05.82; 3. Kate Pfaltzgraff (AGWSR) 1:10.38; 4. Kyah Luhring (GC) 1:11.06; 5. Lizzie Garber (BCLUW) 1:16.38; 6. Olivia Hughes (BCLUW) 17.27; 4. Alyssa Hames (AGWSR) 18.55.

**400 hurdles-1.** Melinda Puumala (EM) 1:05.82; 3. Kate Pfaltzgraff (AGWSR) 1:10.38; 4. Kyah Luhring (GC) 1:11.06; 5. Lizzie Garber (BCLUW) 1:16.38; 6. Olivia Hughes (BCLUW) 17.27; 4. Alyssa Hames (AGWSR) 18.55.

**4x100-1.** BCLUW (Grant, Kruse, Pekarek, Hughes) 54.42; 3. GC (Dole, Newton, Flater, Willis) 57.28; 6. AGWSR (Sperflage, Finger, Hof-

meister, Schueneman) 1:03.65.

**4x200-1.** EM 1:57.67; 2. BCLUW (Grant, Paxson, Speicher, Pekarek) 1:58.68; 5. GC (Thompson, Kanagy, Beck, Thoren) 2:07.04; 6. AGWSR (Sperflage, Dodd, Schueneman, Finger) 2:11.28.

**4x400-1.** GC (P. Wallis, Flater, Lindeman, H. Wallis) 4:20.15; 3. BCLUW (Engle, Messerly, Swanson, Hammers) 4:28.39; 4. AGWSR (Pfaltzgraff, Gerbracht, Hames, Kuper) 4:37.58.

**4x800-1.** WM 11:11.06; 2. GC (P. Wallis, Dole, Beck, Lindeman) 11:14.73; 4. AGWSR (Lippert, Schueneman, Dodd, Finger) 12:05.34; 5. BCLUW (Swanson, Busch, Wilson, Hoover) 13:07.87.

**Shuttle hurdle-1.** BCLUW (Kruse, Pekarek, Garber, Hughes) 1:09.34; 4. GC (Barragy, P. Wallis, Rivera, Ross) 1:24.07; 5. AGWSR (Pfaltzgraff, Kuper, Roe, Lippert) 1:28.66.

**Sprint medley-1.** WM 1:57.43; 2. GC (Dole, Newton, Flater, Luhring) 1:58.19; 3. BCLUW (Gardiner, Grant, Speicher, Thompson) 1:58.26; 6. AGWSR (Sperflage, Hames, Kuper, Gerbracht) 2:09.61.

**Distance medley-1.** AGWSR (Hames, Kuper, Gerbracht, Fisher) 4:32.66; 3. GC (Dole, Willis, Lindeman, Stahl) 4:43.09; 5. BCLUW (Grant, Paxson, Messerly, Hammers) 4:55.63.

**Boys**  
Team scores: 1. Grundy Center 170; 2. BCLUW 136; 3. South Hardin 82; 4. East Marshall 73; 5. West Marshall 64; 6. AGWSR 49; 7. Gladbrook-Reinbeck 13.

**Event-by-event**  
(Champions and local team scorers)

**Discus-1.** Gabe McGrath (AGWSR) 120-4; 2. Matthew Sternhagen (GC) 120-4; 3. Cameron Critchfield (BCLUW) 111-6; 4. Wes Willis (GC) 109-7.

**Shot put-1.** Payton McMartin (GC) 1:05.25; 2. Zach Crain (AGWSR) 43-8; 4. Wes Willis (GC) 41-5.24; 5. Luke Starr (AGWSR) 41-2.5.

**High jump-1.** Derek Ciddio (GC) 5-8; 2. Josh Bartling (AGWSR) 5-8; 4. Noah Gallentine (BCLUW) 5-6; 6. Jesse Moore (BCLUW) 5-4.

**Long jump-1.** Will Grames (GC) 20-9.5; 4. Keagan Giesking (G-R) 18-6.75; 5. Nick Ascher (GC) 18-4.75; 6. Koty Kruse (BCLUW) 17-10.

**100-meter dash-1.** Will Grames (GC) 11.12; 2. Jack Garber (BCLUW) 11.24; 4. Logan Knaack (GC) 11.73;

6. Ben Paper (BCLUW) 11.88.

**200-1.** Will Grames (GC) 22.65;

4. Matt Jansen (GC) 23.86; 5. Ben Paper (BCLUW) 24.60; 6. Jesse Moore (BCLUW) 24.87.

**400-1.** Will Grames (GC) 52.01;

2. Jensen Clapp (BCLUW) 52.85; 3. Neifer Ralston (BCLUW) 53.27; 6. Sam Schildroth (G-R) 55.94.

**800-1.** Ruben Montoya (BCLUW) 2:06.34; 2. Jensen Clapp (GC) 2:06.83.

**1,600-1.** Caleb Silver (BCLUW) 4:53.26; 3. Ruben Montoya (BCLUW) 4:55.12; 4. Derek Ciddio (GC) 4:55.63.

**3,200-1.** Caleb Silver (BCLUW) 10:13.50; 3. Derek Ciddio (GC) 10:31.57; 4. Kenny Day (GC) 10:46.54; 5. Paul Brockett (G-R) 10:53.02.

**110 hurdles-1.** Jack Garber (BCLUW) 14.58; 3. Nick Ascher (GC) 15.90; 4. Coby Willett (BCLUW) 17.18.

**400 hurdles-1.** Jack Garber (BCLUW) 56.97; 2. Neifer Ralston (BCLUW) 58.32; 3. Chase Harms (AGWSR) 1:03.16.

**4x100-1.** BCLUW (Paper, Hoffman, Mason, Moore) 46.75; 2. AGWSR (Culver, Opperman, Starr, Harms) 47.47; 4. GC (King, A. Knaack, Feliciano, Strickler) 48.20; 6. G-R (Wyatt, Pergande, Smith, Rohrer) 51.31.

**4x200-1.** WM 1:33.77; 2. GC (Jansen, L. Knaack, A. Knaack, Kuijer) 1:37.01; 3. BCLUW (Hoffman, Kruse, Crompton, Mason) 1:41.79;

4. G-R (Wyatt, Pergande, Riffey, Giesking) 1:44.32; 6. AGWSR (Crain, McGrath, Blackburn, Mazoway)

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## GC golf sweeps NICL West titles

By JAKE RYDER

The Grundy Register  
Grundy Center golf ended Monday with two NICL West titles and nine all-conference golfers after the girls won the team title in Eldora and the boys won in State Center.

The Spartan girls shot a 402 to win the team title by 34 strokes over runner-up BCLUW. AGWSR placed fourth with 479 strokes and Gladbrook-Reinbeck was seventh, shooting a 509.

Lauren Dirks earned meet medalist honors at Pine Lake, the Spartan junior finished her 18 holes with a 92. BCLUW's Jaelyn Allen was the runner-up medalist with a 99. Dirks, Lauren Krausman (99), Frannie Brown (105) and Josie Holke-Farnam (106) all earned NICL West girls all-conference recognition finishing in the top nine on the individual scoreboard.

Rounding out team scoring for the Comets were Lili Wilson and Bailey Ashton each shooting 112 and Skye Teckenburg carding a 113.

Hannah Homeyer led the Cougars with a 115 and Alayna Hunt added a 119. G-R's Ella Murphy was the other all-con-



The Grundy Center girls and boys golf teams claimed both NICL West team titles. Five Spartan boys and four Spartan girls also walked away with individual All-NICL West medals. (Boys photo contributed by Ronda Sternhagen/Girls photo from Scott Bierle, Mid-America Publishing)

ference golfer on Monday, shooting a 112 for ninth place. Taylor Frischmeyer contributed

a 129. Ashton Martens led the Spartan boys as meet medal-

ist with a 78 and Tanner Appel claimed the runner-up medal with an 81. Dexter Whitehill and Andy Cox shot 83 and Matthew Sternhagen turned in an 85 as the five lowest-scoring Spartans all earned NICL West all-conference honors. Travis Kuester was only two strokes back from the all-conference team with an 89.

"Having Travis only missing the medal competition by a couple of strokes speaks volumes about the depth of this team," Grundy Center boys head coach Dennis Dirks said. "It was a special day on the golf course for the entire team, but I was particularly pleased with the play of Ashton and Tanner. ... This group knows how important playing well as a team becomes now as the tournaments begin."

AGWSR's Alex Hames, Ben Macy and Daniel Stahl snagged three all-conference spots for the Cougars. Hames was third overall with an 82, Ben Macy shot an 85 and Daniel Stahl was the last all-conference recipient in ninth place shooting an 87. Riley Sicard added a 103 to AGWSR's team total.

Lane Stanley missed out on a tiebreaker for ninth-place, leading the Comets with an 87. Isaac Kopsa shot a 95 and Ray Callaway shot 98.

Gladbrook-Reinbeck's boys did not field a full team: Tyson Creswell holed out at 106 and Trey Eggers shot 122.

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