

2022 Adair County Fair Queen Erin Ford (center) with the rest of the royalty.

Ford looks back on past year as fair queen

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She might be the first Adair County Fair Queen to compete in the fair's demolition derby, and she loved it.

Erin Ford called that experience an "adrenaline rush," however she looks back on the expe-

"I think [spending time with them] shows them how important it is to have agriculture in the community, to show at the fair, and do all the things we do at the fair," Ford said. "Our Little Miss rides a horse, and she can't wait until she can join 4-H. I know our Little Mister's uncle has driven demolition derby cars, so maybe that's a possibility for his future as well." In addition to grandstand events advertised in last week's edition, 4-H and FFA livestock shows and events primarily commence Thursday, July 13, on the second day of the fair, with the dog show and rabbit/cavy show Wednesday. On Thursday are the 4-H/FFA horse show, the supreme showman show, swine and poultry show. On Friday are the sheep show, dog agility show, meat goat show, bucket/bottle calf and bottle lamb show and Show Stock Buddies Livestock Show. Saturday includes the dairy/dairy goat show, cat show, beef show and livestock judging contest. Sunday is the livestock sale. Grandstand events include truck, tractor and garden tractor pulls Thrusday, Nashville recording artist Eric Chesser Friday, the demolition derby Saturday and the rodeo Sunday.

ACFP photos by CALEB NELSON Tyler Richton and the High Bank Boys (above) was one of two bands to play at the first Greenfield Lake Fest Saturday, July 8 at Lake Greenfield. Face painting and soccer pickup games were just some of the family-friendly activities that were at the event that Greenfield Chamber Main Street officials report drew an estimated 500-700. According to GCMS organizers, 10 sponsors, 43 volunteers and eight businesses providing volunteers made the event a success. Organizers thanked the community for the many ways they came out and supported the event. Event organizer Nate Maiers said, "I was very happy to see the community come together to enjoy a night of great music and great fun!" The plan is to have Lake Fest an annual event. See more photos on the back page.





Texas duo arrested in attempted burglary of pharmacy

James D. Hood, 31, of College Station, Texas, and Daron B. Livingston, 31, of Houston, Texas, were each taken into custody for the attempted burgulary of NuCara Pharmacy in Greenfield and are being held in the Adair County Jail on at least \$100,000 cash only bond.

Hood was taken into custody 4:21 a.m. July 7 in the 200 block of South 1st Street in Greenfield on a Morrill County, Nebraska, warrant for the charge of burglary, and Adair County charges of fugitive from justice, ongoing criminal conduct-unlawful activity, possession of burglar tools and burglary third degree. A c -

cording to Iowa State Patrol reports, at approximately 2:40 a.m.

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forcement officers were conducting physical surveillance of a 2023 Dodge Charger in the Greenfield area. During this time, an unknown male passenger was observed getting dropped off by the Charger in the area of the NuCara

Pharmacy. The driver, later identified as Hood, then parked the car in



As one group Livingston

of officers approached the pharmacy, another group approached the Charger, which Hood remained in. Officers made contact with Hood who was found to have a valid and extraditable warrant through the state of Nebraska. The outstanding warrant was for burglary of a pharmacy June 3. During the Nebraska burglary, a hole was cut into the wall to gain access to a safe inside. A large amount of narcotics and money were taken.

During earlier surveillance, in the early morning hours of July 6 Hood was observed in Red Oak casing the Medicap Pharmacy. The Charger drove around the Red Oak area for approximately one hour and parked within a half block of the pharmacy

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Princess Party: Tatum Geidel and Lily Zelleweger work on a craft during a Princess Party hosted by the Orient Community Library Saturday morning, July 8. Event organizer Frederick Julia said 73 people registered for the event. A myriad of activities were available to enjoy and numerous volunteers made the event possible.

ACFP photo by CALEB NELSON riences she's had as royalty and also smiles.

Ford, the daughter of Craig and Audra Ford of Fontanelle and a 2022 graduate of Nodaway Valley High School, was set to relinquish her crown Wednesday night, crowning a new Adair County Fair Queen for 2023.

To start off her reign, Ford enjoyed handing out ribbons and talking with fair-goers at last year's event.

Moving on to the Iowa State Fair, Ford had the opportunity for more fun, including rooming there with eventual 2022 State Fair Queen Mary Ann Fox of the Mitchell County town of Osage.

"I thought it was really cool to get to know her," Ford told the newspaper in a phone interview last week. "It's really hard to get to know 100 girls in a few days."

Throughout the year, Ford enjoyed going through various parades, culminating this month with the Fourth of July Parade in Massena. That float included her demolition derby car. Demolition derby is a family tradition for Ford, as many of the males in her family have driven in them. She is the first female.

Overall, Ford says getting to spend time during her reign with her "littles," as she calls them, has been a true joy. The 2022 Little Mister was Ace Pickrell and the Little Miss was Emery Thompson.

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	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Tues.	86	49	-
Wed.	89	48	.02
Thurs.	77	47	
Fri.	74	56	
Sat.	63	54	.38
Sun.	75	44	
Mon.	78	65	





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