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BRIEFLY

BFD to host Breakfast Oct. 9

It's Fire Prevention Week time, which means the Bellevue Fire Department will be hosting its annual breakfast on Sunday, Oct. 9 from 7 a.m. to noon at the fire station on 3rd Street. Folks can stop by to support the BFD and also enjoy smoked and fresh sausage, scrambled eggs, pancakes, biscuits and gravy and hash browns. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids ages 6-12. Tots under the age of 5 may eat for free.

Bellevue FFA opens Corn Maze

The Bellevue Chapter of the the Future Farmers of America (FFA) has built a Corn Maze near Bellevue High School by the entrance to the C.C. Hammann Football stadium. The maze will be open to the public from 7 to 10 p.m. on Oct. 8, Oct. 15 and Oct. 18; and on Oct. 22, it will turn into a 'Haunted Corn Maze' in celebration of Halloween.

Admission to the FFA Corn Maze is \$5 per person. Please contact FFA advisor Blair Gerlach at blairgerlach@bellevuek12.ia.us wuth any questions.

Garage sale fundraiser slated

Gail Michels is hosting a special fundraising garage sale, in St Joseph Church basement, Kieffer Hall, with all proceeds to go towards the painting of St Joseph's Church Statues.

The sale will take place the next two weekends on Saturday, Oct. 8 and 15 from 3 to 6 p.m.; and Sunday, Oct. 9 and 16 from 9 to 11 a.m.; as well as by appointment. For more information, call Michels at 563-543-4476

Halloween events set in Bellevue

The annual Bellevue Rotary Club 71st annual Halloween Parade will be conducted at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 30 at the Cole Park baseball diamond. The youngsters will parade around the plates while spectators and parents sit in the grandstands to watch.

Several cash prizes will be awarded during the annual contest for the winners in individual and group categories. Candy bags will be given to all participants.

General Trick or Treating will take place on the streets of Bellevue from 4 to 6 p.m. Those with candy are encouraged to turn on porch lights for the young goblins

They came from Luxembourg

Visitor conducting research for a new book about emigration from Luxembourg to the U.S.

By DAVID NAMANNY

Bellevue Herald-Leader

YEARS

The town of St. Donatus is well-known for its Luxembourg heritage, as was settled by immigrants from that area of Germany in the early 1840s.

But according to Renne Daubenfeld of Luxembourg, Germany, it should be noted that Bellevue and other areas of Jackson County are also rich with Luxembourg heritage. In fact, he said that familiar local names such as Kilburg, Steines, Medinger, Kieffer, Theisen, Ambrosy, Monner and Gonner all originate from that area of Germany.

Daubenfeld, who is currently staying in Bellevue while conducting research for a new book about emigration from Luxembourg to the United States since the

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Renne Daubenfeld

HOMECOMING FUN IN BELLEVUE



BELLEVUE ELEMENTARY STUDENTS riding on top a fire truck display their spirit during the 2022 Bellevue Homecoming Parade last Friday in Bellevue. The Comets took on East Buchanan Friday night. **SEE MORE PARADE PHOTOS ON PAGE 28**

County to realign well rules

New dump trucks approved despite escalated price tag

By KELLY GERLACH for the Bellevue Herald-Leader

The Jackson County Board of Supervisors approved a request for a public hearing regarding a proposed change to the private

well ordinance.

Jackson County Health Administrator
Elizabeth Townsend recommended that the
new Jackson County ordinance follow two
chapters of the Iowa Administrative Code
567 which refer to private water wells.
Townsend said this allows county procedures to change automatically when Iowa
law is changed.

Townsend said the proposed ordinance will allow the county to sign an updated sharing agreement with the Department of

Natural Resources which involves a new procedure for issuing well permits. Townsend said the DNR requires Jackson County to identify Leaking Underground Storage Sites (LUST). A LUST site typically is one in which a fuel product in an underground storage tank can contaminate surrounding soil, groundwater, or surface waters, or affect indoor air spaces, according to the Environmental Protection Agency.

If a newly proposed private well is near a LUST site, the permit request is sent to the DNR for review before a permit is granted.

The supervisors set the public hearing to change Ordinance No. 69 for Oct. 4 at 9 a.m. Supervisor Mike Steines and Townsend reminded residents that required inspections

and permits for wells and septic systems are in place to benefit the health and safety of all county residents and their neighbors.

In other county news:

Jackson County Engineer Todd Kinney appeared before the Board of Supervisors recently with a question about buying dump trucks for the county. Kinney asked the board how they felt about paying more than originally planned for two dump trucks.

In April 2021, the county accepted bids of \$134,253 after trade-ins for two dump trucks for delivery in fiscal year 2022. Peterbilt was awarded the bid.

Kinney reported that the price has gone up

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