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Sports: WALK-OFFS WIN FOR RAIDER SOFTBALL AND **BASEBALL**

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Coach will take Knight volleyball helm

By DOUG CALSBEEK **Co-Editor**

ORANGE CITY Beginning with the fall 2023 volleyball season, Lindsey Van Schepen of Orange City will take the reins of the Unity Christian varsity volleyball program.

Van Schepen grew up in central Iowa near Grinnell and graduated from Pella Christian High, went on to Dordt University and played volleyball and basketball



LINDSEY VAN SCHEPEN

and earned a bachelor of arts degree in exercise science. Lindsey and husband Matt lived in the Chicagoland area for five years, where Lindsey coached the varsity volleyball team at Timothy Christian and earned a master of arts in teaching.

"While living in Orange City, I have managed to continue coaching each year, whether it was Orange City Christian School middle school, Unity Christian's junior varsity or varsity assistant position, and most recently the assistant coach at Dordt University this past fall.

"Outside of coaching, I've primarily stayed home with our four kids but have worked part time at the Orange City Library, Covenant Kids Preschool and now at Dordt University [as an administrative assistant and assistant women's volleyball coach]."

"Coaching is a unique opportunity for me to walk alongside young women to help them know and live out their identity in Christ as a child of God," Lindsey said. "I want to create an environment where they are able to compete joyfully, learning what it means to give relentless effort and show humble excellence. I want them to have the opportunity to invest intentionally into their teammates, younger athletes, and the greater community. This also means learning how to work in unity with others and knowing how to constructively challenge and encourage each other. And we want to have fun while we do it!"

Lindsey said the Unity Christian volleyball program has had "a long history of success, and I hope to honor and build on that in the way we compete both in practice and games.

"I'm grateful and excited to be a part of the competitive Siouxland conference this year, and it's our goal to compete well with that new competition," said Lindsey. "With a lot of graduating seniors last season, we will also have a lot of new faces on the varsity team this year. I want to instill confidence in these girls for these challenges and make them better each day so we are playing our best volleyball at the end of the season.

"And as I mentioned before, I want them to grow in their faith and relationships with others while they do it!"

Easter Cantata April 2

HOSPERS — The choir of the Hospers PCA church will present the Easter Cantata "Because He Lives," arranged by Russell Mauldin, on Sunday, April 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary (200 Elm Street). Lunch and fellowship will follow. All are welcome to this annual Easter week tradition. For more information, call the church at 712.752.8648

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nd ushers in the Tulip Festival

By SARAH WEBER Co-Editor

ORANGE CITY — On Wednesday, March 22, the Orange City community saw some of the highlights of the upcoming 82nd annual Tulip Festival at the Tulip Festival Extravaganza. The event took place at the Prairie Winds Event Center and featured a luncheon served by the Orange City Ambassadors.

The highlight of the event is the revealing of the Tulip Court Costumes. Amanda Hulstein serves as the Queen of the 82nd festival, and her court consists of Katelyn Huizenga, Neveah Sampson, Kinzie Van Kekerix, and Elizabeth King. The court will wear the costume from the Friesland region known as Leeuwaarden. It is the first time this costume has ever appeared in the festival and was patterned after photos from the museum exhibit "Chintz in Bloom" at the Fries Museum. The Queen's costume is based on a wedding gown worn by the wealthy class in Friesland in 1781.

The members of the Dutch costume committee worked her court and took on the extra step of creating a brand new together, along with the under cap, to give this hat its showpattern for the 82nd festival.

The head of the costume committee is Amanda Haverdink. and Amanda Lemke and Alison Kamp assisted her. Many

others helped source fabric, design patterns, sew costume pieces, intricate pieces, even including knit arm cuffs this year. Denise De Vries, Marlys Hop, Shirley Van Wechel, and Henrietta Van Maanen aided in many ways. Scott Amsberry of Windmill Park Jewelers also assisted in creating the metalwork needed to complete the hats.

The Court costume is colorful— the jacket is made of a Dutch Chintz replica print. Chintz is a type of pattern that was made using woodblock that was painted, stained, or glazed to create a type of calico print. It typically includes flowers and different colors on top of a lighter background. Dutch designers specifically made this print to replicate those popular ones from the late 1700s.

The hats are another unique part of this costume. Everyone wears a white under cap, a metal oorijizer, and hat pins to keep things in place. The court's bonnet-style outer cap hat is believed to be an everyday hat, and it is made of a white cotton eyelet. The brim is heavily starched, then pressed into a square shape. The Queen's hat is made of lace, haberdashery tirelessly to create authentic costumes for the Queen and $\,$ wire, white voile, and cord— the four elements working stopping shape! It was originally a bridal cap, known as a 'German Hat.'

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RESIDENT SHARES ABOUT HIS MILITARY EXPERIENCE

By SHARON VERMEER Correspondent

ORANGE CITY — Bill Van Zanten

PEOPLE Sioux OF County was 21 and already farming with his dad in Lyon County when he decided to volunteer for the

Army. It was January 20, 1954. "I felt I should serve my country," he explained. "The Korean war was just over, but we were still occupying it, so I'm called a Korean veteran. But I never went there."

Van Zanten did his basic training in Fort Bliss, Texas, and remained there for heavy artillery training. "I was in a four-man hut with Peter Leo Vander Zwaag, and that's how I got to know all these Sioux County boys," he laughed. From there, he was sent to Fort Sheridan, N.J., where he got on a boat for Germany. "It took seven days to go over, and it was a rough trip," he recalled. "No storms, but high seas. We had to hold on to our meal trays to keep week more after we got to land."

them from sliding off the table. I kept food in my stomach and stayed on the deck in the fresh air to avoid getting sick. It worked for me, but I had a friend that was sick the whole trip plus another They put Van Zanten in the back of a truck with canvas on the sides for the trip to the base. He admits he never could figure out **CONTINUED ON PAGE FIVE**



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