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G'Day!

It's a great day to buy a pumpkin or two. Or three.

Hey parents, why not get a night "off" with Parent Cafe?

You love your little pumpkins and giggling goblins, but school, home, transitions and life, in general, come with a bit of "Monster Mayhem:" Life stressors, monstrous emotions or mood swings, and even challenging behaviors.

Creepin' it real with the support from other parents/caregivers can be a great support to help navigate them without feeling like an overwhelmed ogre or a frustrated Frankenstein.

Parents/caregivers with children 18 and under are invited to come and rejuvenate at monthly themed #ParentCafes on the first Thursday of each month.

That means that the October Cafe is this Thursday at Asbury United Methodist Church, 921 Des Moines St., Webster City.

This deal is not so frightening: Free family meal, free child care, and a free night out. Nothing to boo about there.

There are three RSVP options: For more information, call or email McKinley Bailey at 515-602-6371 or mbailey@wrightco.iowa.gov, or Tiffany Larson at tlarson@wrightco.iowa.gov.

'Arsenic and Old Lace' returns to Webster City

Webster City Community Theatre will open its 2022-2023 season this month with the classic comedy, "Arsenic and Old Lace."

The play opens at the Performing Arts Center, 1001 Willson Ave., Webster City, on Wednesday, Oct. 12, and runs through Saturday, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m., and Sunday, Oct. 16, at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$12 each and will go on sale Saturday, Oct. 8 at the box office. The box office is open from 10 a.m. to noon Saturdays, from 5 to 7 p.m. weeknights and one hour prior to curtain on performance days. Tickets may also be reserved by calling 515-832-4456 or via email, wcctboxoffice@gmail.com.

Who lives, who doesn't? You're going to want to learn the answer as Abby and Martha Brewster, two spinster sisters living in Brooklyn, known for generosity and charity, send lonely old men to their heavenly reward — and then some.

The play is directed by Anne Blankenship.

Locals pack the theater to see KINNICK



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Monday night's marquee announces "Kinnick," top.

Rosemary Walters, above, holding a red bag of popcorn, turns to greet the theatergoer behind her Monday evening at the single showing of the documentary "Kinnick."

Sherry Leksell, right, laughs when she learns she is the 125th person through the door Monday evening, and thus got the last free ticket. Her husband, Lynn Leksell, had to buy his ticket. Notice the Cyclone shirt.



By JANE CURTIS

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star of Iowa who fell to earth during World War II came to Webster City and charmed the audience.

Welcome back, Kinnick.

So many were looking forward to your return visit.

On Monday evening, 45 minutes before the show was to begin at the Webster Theatre, people crowded the doors, eager to

learn the story of a small guy who made a huge impression during his incredibly short lifetime.

With 125 free tickets available — thanks to Seneca Foundry, Kendall Young Library, and the Daily Freeman-Journal —

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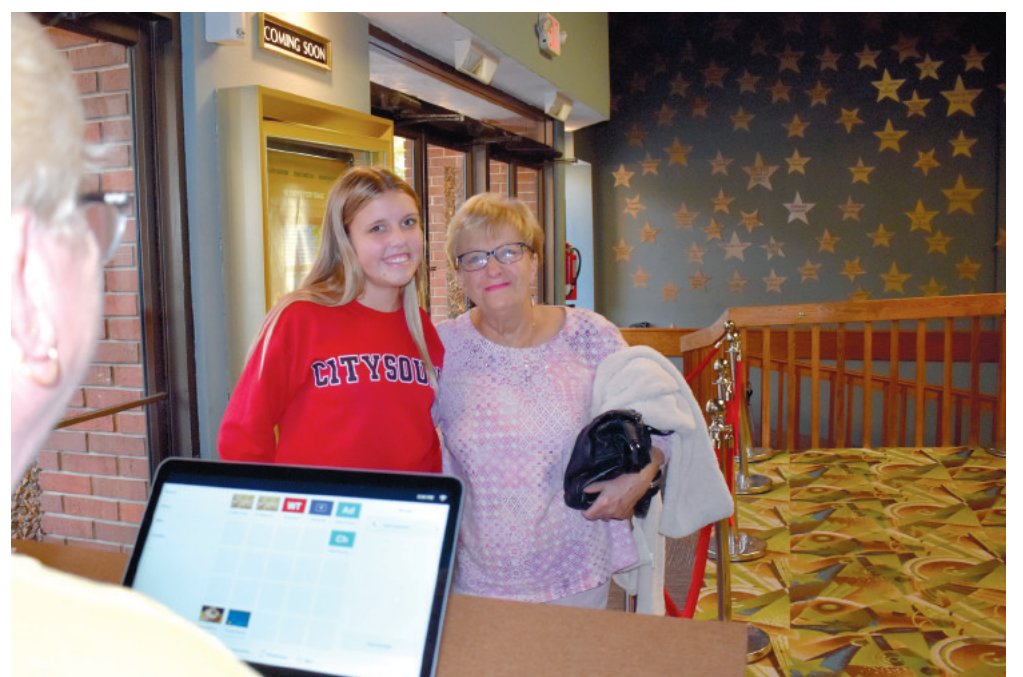
At 6:45 p.m., 15 minutes before the show was to begin, the last free ticket recipient walked through the doors.

It was Sherry Leksell.

She was followed by the first paying customer of the evening: her husband, Lynn Leksell, who, in perhaps the sweetest twist of a sweet, sweet evening, wore a Cyclone shirt.

— Submitted photo

A total of 168 people watched the documentary “Kinnick” Monday evening at the Webster Theater, according to Ann McLaughlin, theatre manager, who took the above photo.



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James Kepler, of Webster City, is surprised to get in free, center. A supervisor is supervised: Hamilton County Supervisor Jerry Kloberdanz get some directive from Ketta Lubberstedt-Arjes, Kendall Young Library's director, left.

Alleyna Dawson and Marilyn Henry, both of Webster City, pose, above. Tyler Abens serves up a drink to Jim Jansen, above.