

DANCE

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of Iowa Dance Team, with her sister also being a member.

The girls in Kuemper Kix weren't only recognized for their talent in dancing. The team won the Lois Turnage Community Service Award for volunteering in community service projects throughout the community.

They also earned Distinguished in Academic Achievement, with the team GPA average being between 3.5 to 4.0.

"Kuemper is very good about making sure academics come first," Boes said. "I've never had any issues with grades with these girls. They are always very involved, keeping up with their studies and they're just all around good kids, so that makes my job coaching a little easier too."

Out of the 70 solos performed in their division, only 26 earned a Division 1 rating. All seven of the girls from Kuemper Kix made the rank. "We thought that was a big deal as a team," Boes said.

Senior Macy Blum, who

placed 2nd in the solo competition, said she performed a contemporary piece called Anchor. Leaning towards contemporary dance, Blum said the intention of her solo was to showcase her anchoring to someone as she prepares to leave for college next year.

"It really hit close to home and how I danced, I was happy with it," Blum said.

Senior Alexis Dierksen performed a jazz piece at the competition titled "Rainingur," saying she felt the style of dance suited her personality.

"Being seniors and putting all that work in throughout the years, it's a good feeling and it just lets you know that the work you're doing is finally paying off," Dierksen said.

Senior Haley Lux, who placed 7th in the solo competition, performed a contemporary style of dance this year. Her piece was titled "Got it in You," which showcased her getting through hard times.

"It's validating knowing that the hard work actually meant something," Lux said.

Senior Jady Nkerl, Boes' daughter who placed 4th, also

performed a contemporary piece entitled "Indifferent." "It's about people saying, 'I don't matter, I'm indifferent,'" Knerl said.

Tori Ellis, Lauren Boell and Meredith Friedrichsen also earned 3rd, 5th and 6th place respectively for their solos.

Senior Lillian Ortner said it was nice to see her team perform so well during her last year of high school.

"We wanted to do good and we worked hard for it," Ortner said. "We achieving that placement, it was a really good accomplishment for us."

With the championships now behind them, Boes said Kuemper Kix is focusing on their performances for the school's basketball games. They're also anticipating their annual show in February alongside the Carroll PAWS Dance Team.

"I feel like this is like one of our biggest years and I feel like it only gets bigger and better," Boes said. "These girls are like family. ... I know them pretty well, and it's just been so much fun, being able to experience their dance passion and competing and doing well."

CAB

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people of Carroll safe rides and to keep people out of trouble. Quandt himself said he quit drinking alcohol in March of this year, which gave him a lot of time to think.

"I might as well do something for the town of Carroll," he said.

Quandt is currently the sole driver for Tiller's Cab, and with a van holding up to six passengers, he offers rides from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

His hours are the prime time for when people are coming and going from Carroll's bars. Quandt said he doesn't want to see anyone hurt or anyone hurting innocent lives by driving under the influence.

Some nights Quandt will

sit at Kerp's Tavern, sipping a Shirley Temple and watching football while he waits for calls and riders.

"They come up to me, shake my hand and say, 'Thanks for doing this for Carroll.' That means a lot," Quandt said. "I've seen people walk out of the bar before and they just don't look like they're capable of driving. I'll go up to them and say, 'This one is on the house. Let me get you home safe. We can get your car in the morning.'"

Beyond keeping people safe, Quandt also enjoys showing newcomers the local spots in Carroll, like when he picks up riders from the Carrollton Inn and other hotels.

Quandt's fiancée, Amanda Augustus, works at Quandt's dispatcher, taking calls and letting riders know where Quandt is at on the road and how long it will be until he

can come pick them up.

Quandt said tips for rides are appreciated, but he also says he uses all the tip money he receives to grow his cab service. In the future, he hopes to add two to three more vans and more drivers, which would allow him to take riders to and from airports. He also wants one of his new vans to be handicap accessible.

"I can pick up loved ones at the nursing home so they can go out to eat or go to church or go to their house because there's nothing like that on Sundays. I think that would be a really good thing for Carroll," Quandt said.

Starting next year, Quandt plans to open up Wednesdays and Thursdays for rides from the hours of 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., switching to Tuesdays and Wednesdays in the summertime.

HEALTH

RSV - Knowing when to call the doctor

McFarland Clinic

RSV, or Respiratory Syncytial Virus, is a respiratory virus that leads to symptoms similar to a bad cold and is especially common among children, affecting the eyes, lungs, throat, and nose. RSV is also extremely contagious – most children will have it at least once by their second birthday.

What are the symptoms of RSV?

"RSV often causes common cold-like symptoms such as fever, runny nose, nasal congestion, and a productive cough," says Ericka Muhlbauer, MD, McFarland Clinic Carroll Family Medicine. "It often causes decreased appetite and increased fussiness in babies."

In babies, RSV is a common cause of bronchiolitis. Bronchiolitis is inflammation of the small airways in the lungs," adds Dr. Muhlbauer. "RSV causes a lot of inflammation and mucous production of the bronchioles, which can make it difficult for babies to breathe."

How is RSV diagnosed?

"RSV can be diagnosed by a nasal swab test," says Dr. Muhlbauer. The nasal swab test can be performed during an office visit with a provider.

How long does RSV last?

An RSV infection typically runs its course within 10 days and usually isn't something for parents to be worried about; however, complications from RSV can be more severe, especially in very young children, and can lead to pneumonia and bronchiolitis – sometimes the illness can even require hospitalization.

If your child is exhibiting regular cold-like symptoms, the best thing to do is keep

him or her home from school or daycare throughout the progression of the illness to keep it from spreading to others.

What is the treatment for RSV?

At-home treatment would include controlling the fever with acetaminophen or ibuprofen, maintaining adequate hydration, and taking measures to improve your child's ability to breathe.

For infants, this includes frequent nasal saline drops and nasal suctioning. It is important to do this before they eat, sleep, and as needed if they sound congested. A humidifier in the home or steaming in the bathroom can also help.

With the potential for the illness to lead to hospitalization in young patients, however, it's important to know when to take your child to the doctor if the illness progresses.

When should I seek medical attention for RSV?

McFarland Clinic Pediatricians recommend the following criteria for seeking medical attention when your child exhibits cold-like symptoms:

- Under two months: a fever greater than 100.4 degrees, poor feeding, decreased wet diapers, vomiting, a respiratory rate greater than 60 breaths per minute (BPM), labored breathing, lethargic or inconsolable

- Two to six months: a fever greater than 100.4 degrees for more than 72 hours, poor feeding, decreased wet diapers, vomiting, a respiratory rate greater than 50 BPM, labored breathing, lethargic or inconsolable

- Six months to two years: a fever greater than 100.4 degrees for more than 72 hours, poor oral intake causing no

urine in at least eight hours, persistent vomiting that lasts longer than eight hours, a respiratory rate greater than 40 BPM when the fever is down to normal, the child remains very fussy/in pain with no improvement in the symptom(s) after taking Tylenol

- Older than two years: a fever greater than 100.4 degrees for more than 72 hours, poor oral intake causing no urine in at least 12 hours, persistent vomiting that lasts longer than 12 hours or with coughing, chest pain, ear pain, or a respiratory rate greater than 40 when the fever is down.

Parents hoping to keep their children healthy can practice the basic disease prevention tactics: getting enough sleep, eating healthy, getting an adequate amount of Vitamin D3, and washing hands.

Since it's easy for adults to contract RSV and pass the virus on to infants and children – who are likely to get a more serious version of the illness – it's best for parents to avoid having their children in contact with any adult or child who is ill.

OBITUARIES

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AUBURN
KIM LAW
1956-2022

Kim Law, 66, of Auburn, Iowa, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2022, at St. Anthony Regional Hospital, in Carroll, Iowa.

Kim Allen Law was born on Feb. 9, 1956, in Fort Dodge, Iowa, the son of Wilber and Elizabeth (Spencer) Law. He grew up with his family in Humboldt, Iowa, before they moved to Lake View, Iowa, when he was a teenager. Kim graduated from Lake View-Auburn High School in 1974. After that he attended Iowa Central Community College in Fort Dodge where he earned his business degree.

Kim owned and operated Kim's Place, a bar in Auburn, which would start his entrepreneurial endeavors. He then worked at Haley Equipment in Carroll. He would later own and operate The Country Store in Breda, Iowa, and then Outlaws drive-in restaurant in Lake View. Before working at APQS in Carroll, Kim worked at Wittrock Motors as an automotive detailer.

On May 23, 2014, Kim married Shawn Boeger in Lake View. He gained two stepchildren, Jason and Lacey. He and Shawn enjoyed working together both at Outlaws and detailing cars for people over the years. The money they made detailing cars went toward purchasing Kim's 1987 Monte Carlo SS, his pride and joy!

Kim loved racing and drove a stock car in Alta on Wednesdays and in Denison on Fridays. He was a huge Dale Earnhardt fan who rarely missed watching a race on TV and made a few trips to watch in person as well. He also cheered for the Iowa Hawkeyes and was sure to never miss their games either. Kim liked to tinker. He enjoyed taking things apart to fix

and then putting them back together. He could be found on his golf cart driving around Auburn during the non-winter months striking up conversations all over town. He had a knack for talking to people, and everyone really enjoyed his conversations and company. His daily cruise to Grant Park on the golf cart with a cold beer in his hand was a must.

Kim played in a band called Trinity back in the day. He was the lead drummer and did some singing. He loved music, especially rock 'n' roll. He also was a diehard "Dallas" fan. When the show had its 40th anniversary, he and Shawn made the trip to Dallas, Texas, to take part in the celebration. The two of them got their picture taken with the cast of the show, which made his day!

Kim had a great sense of humor and was a very kind man. He was always up to helping anyone who needed it. He enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. He most recently worked at APQS in Carroll and thought of everyone that he worked with there as family.

Kim is survived by his wife: Shawn Law, of Fort Dodge, Iowa; stepchildren Lacey (Max) Crimmins of Fort Dodge and Jason Liska of Fort Dodge; grandchildren: Grant Liska, Garrett Steburg, Paisley Liska and Raymond Crimmins; brothers-in-law: Chris Boeger of Tumwater Washington, and Jim (Gaby) Boeger of Germany; aunts Mavis Bowden and Dolores Law; cousins Julie (Law) Millang and husband Gary, Debra (Law) Moore, Sally Bowden, Bill (Nancy) Bowden, Tom (Diane) Law and Michelle Bowden; and many other extended family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Wilber and Elizabeth Law; sister Becky Law; aunt Dorothy McNeer; and cousins David Law and Kimberly (Law) Kennedy.

Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, at Farber & Otteman Funeral Home in Sac City, Iowa, with the Rev. Mark MacWhorter officiating. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Union Cemetery in Humboldt.

Farber & Otteman Funeral Home of Sac City has been entrusted to care for Kim and his family.

CARROLL CAROL HELLER

Carol Heller, 81, of Carroll, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family, at her home, on Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2022.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Dahn and Woodhouse Funeral Home in Carroll.

DINNER

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"Everything went well, and the bigger items went a lot higher," Johnson said.

The Masonic Lodge uses funds from the auction not only for the Christmas dinner but also for many other community needs. Johnson said funds have been dispersed to Lil' Wildcat Education Center, Glidden Aquatic Center, the American Legion to purchase flags, food vouchers to help people in need, Glidden-Ralston School projects, Winter Wonderland and FFA Fun Day celebrations, Scouts program and more.

Linde said the Masonic Lodge took over sponsorship of the dinner about 15 years ago from the former First Bank and Trust.

It's nice and social, just come and eat, and enjoy some fellowship, Johnson and Linde said of the atmosphere.

PASSPORT

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a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Environmental Health Office located in the basement of the Carroll County Courthouse with other days scheduled by appointment only.

Hausman said the board also had a discussion in closed session about Haberl also taking on planning and zoning, but that appointment comes up after Jan. 1. The supervisors said their intention is to make that appointment in January.

CHORUS

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munity Chorus will return the favor when All Strings presents its "An Old World Christmas" concerts at 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, and 1 and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, at the Carroll Recreation Center theater. A group from Community Chorus will accompany Carroll Area Symphony in those concerts.

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larly from kids' perspectives during the holidays, he said.

Partridge is CEO of The Movelt Companies in Breda. He is a long-time musician.

Partridge is on vocals and guitar for the popular band King Of The Tramps, which has performed across the United States and in Europe.



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