

YOUR GOVERNMENT

ARRESTS

Arrest Report for 4/20-4/26

Thursday, April 20

• Richard Emery Branan (55) of Marshalltown was arrested on an out of county/state warrant by the Tama Police Department in Tama.

Friday, April 21

• Carl Sloan Welch (54) of Columbia, Mo., was arrested on a warrant for failure to appear by the Tama County Sheriff's Department in Toledo. He was released the following day on bond.

• Christina Mae Schmidt (40) of Williamsburg was arrested for a controlled substance violation and possession of drug paraphernalia by the Meskwaki Tribal Police in Montour. Schmidt was released the following day.

Saturday, April 22

• Anthony Lynn West (35) of Marshalltown was arrested for OWI first offense and child endangerment by the Meskwaki Tribal Police in Montour. He was granted pretrial release the same day.

• Brandon John Lauterwasser (31) of Newhall was arrested for OWI first offense and careless driving by the Tama County Sheriff's Department in Toledo. He was released the following day on a promise to appear.

• Brian Paul Regenold (49) of Mount Auburn was arrested for OWI second offense by the Tama County Sheriff's Department in Traer. He was released on his own recognizance the following day.

• Jesus Jimenez-Godinez (72) of Marshalltown was arrested for OWI first offense and improper use of

lanes by the Meskwaki Tribal Police in Tama. He was released on a promise to appear the following day.

• Justin Daniel Brekke (47) of Le Grand was arrested on a warrant for failure to appear and for possession of drug paraphernalia by the Tama County Sheriff's Department in Toledo. He was released the following day on bond.

• Say Wah (27) of Ottumwa was arrested on a warrant for failure to appear by the Tama County Sheriff's Department in Toledo.

Sunday, April 23

• Say Wah (27) of Ottumwa was also arrested for possession of contraband/weapon in a correctional facility and possession of a controlled substance — second by the Tama County Sheriff's Department in Toledo.

• James Anthony Oden (31) of Le Grand was arrested for OWI first offense, improper use of lanes, failure to obey stop sign/yield right-of-way and operation without registration/plate by the Meskwaki Tribal Police in Montour. He was released on a promise to appear the same day.

• Nicolas Bernabe (21) of Tama was arrested for OWI first offense and speeding by the Tama County Sheriff's Department in Traer. He was released the same day on a promise to appear.

• Percy J. Ackerman IV (50) of New Providence was arrested for OWI first offense and failure to provide proof of financial liability insurance. He was released the same day on a promise to appear.

• Lonnie Leroy Young (61) of Dysart was arrested on a warrant and for fifth degree theft of less than \$300 by the Dysart Police Department in Dysart. He was released the same day

after pleading guilty.

• Justin Michael Ray (46) of Cedar Rapids was arrested for OWI first offense, driving while barred, driving while license suspended, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance first, second, third, two counts of possession of marijuana first, distribution of ephedrine, failure to provide proof of financial liability insurance, open container — driver 21 years or older and driving under suspension by the Meskwaki Tribal Police in Toledo. He was released the following day on his own recognizance.

Monday, April 24

• Matthew Christopher Krotz (38) of Palo was arrested for violation of probation by the Tama County Sheriff's Department in Toledo. He was released the same day on bond.

• Two juveniles were arrested for possession of controlled substance first, second, third and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Tuesday, April 25

• Joseph Anthony Costello (37) of Chicago, Ill. was arrested for violation of probation by the Tama County Sheriff's Department in Toledo.

• Joseph Charles Kaloupek (27) of Elberon was arrested for simple assault and fifth degree criminal mischief by the Tama County Sheriff's Department in Elberon. He was released the following day.

Wednesday, April 26

• Victor Javier Chavez Pulido (24) of Brooklyn was arrested for driving while barred, speeding and failure to provide proof of financial liability insurance. He was released on his own recognizance the following day.

Court Park, where she then parked and sat. A coworker came and picked her up, and the two started back toward Tama. This is when a Tama police officer pulled them over.

Howe showed up on the scene a few minutes later. He asked the woman to get out of the vehicle then accused her of smoking weed. He asked her why her coworker's vehicle smelled of weed and when she had last had a urine test done.

The coworker was eventually let go, but the Tama woman was put in the back of Howe's cop car. Transported from one town to the other, the Tama woman was taken back to her car in the Toledo ArrowHead Trailer Court Park. Officers proceeded to search her car as she sat in the back of Howe's police cruiser.

After apparently finding nothing, the Tama woman was let go. She told officers how upsetting it all was, and one officer said, "Well, what do you expect with your background?" After the Tama woman shared this incident with the News-Chronicle, she said that Howe had tried his hardest to intimidate her.

Intimidated is also how a man from Chelsea felt around Howe during a traffic stop in June of 2022. The man blew a zero on the breathalyzer but failed the field sobriety tests, he says, due to his nystagmus caused by the condition vertigo. Finally agreeing to a urine test back at the police station, the man from Chelsea says he saw Howe use a "store kit" to test his urine because Howe said, "I am just curious," before sending it off for the official test.

The Chelsea man says he was charged with an OWI three, but his lawyer had it reduced to an OWI one. He said he took the deal because it's a small town and to avoid a felony.

"Looking back, I should have fought it," he said.

A local Puerto Rican gentleman had a similar experience. One night as he was out to get a jug of milk, the gentleman said he was pulling out of the Kwik Star when he realized his lights weren't on. After turning his lights on, he saw Howe in his cruiser, and he was subsequently pulled over.

Expecting to get in trouble for no insurance, the gentleman was taken off guard by Howe asking when he last smoked weed. Subjected to field sobriety testing, one part stood out above the rest, as Howe asked him to follow his finger, then made a figure eight.

Howe also asked why the gentleman's eyes were bloodshot, and the gentleman said he responded by saying it was simply because he was tired.

"I could see he was getting irritated," the gentleman said.

Charged with a litany of items, from failure to yield to failure to use headlamps, the gentleman said Howe, at one point in the paperwork, also referred to him as a woman.

One Toledo couple talked passionately about their run-ins with Howe. Several incidents were mentioned, but one in August of 2021 was the highlight.

The couple told how Howe, after suspecting a substance on the front porch was marijuana, proceeded to search their house without a warrant. The husband was charged with several felonies that night, including but not limited to a controlled substance violation and being a felon in possession of a gun.

Even though he was charged with four separate felonies that night, the husband was only sentenced to three years of supervised probation. The wife said that it was the most horrible night of her life, while the husband told how he thought Howe had it out for him.

A painted plywood sign was planted at the Tama County Courthouse last week saying, 'Steve Horri-gan assaulted, and it's not okay.' This is just one way that the community has reacted to the videos and stories revealing Howe's conduct as a Toledo police officer. Another citizen has taken to making shirts which state 'police the police #maketoleadosafe.'

Toledo City Attorney Mike Marquess said that officials are working hard so that nothing like this ever happens again.

"The behavior shown in the videos is not appropri-

ate and is not something in any way the city condones," Marquess said.

Howe resigned from the Toledo police department Sunday, April 23. According to Mr. Marquess, the city has severed all ties with him, and Howe's attorney currently has no comment on the subject.

It was reported at the April 24 Toledo City Council meeting that no complaints had been received through the city's complaint process. Allegations of Howe's misconduct were brought to the attention of the City of Toledo after Toledo Police Chief Dan Quigley received an email from KCRG informing him of the soon-to-be-aired story of Wolf's excessive force claims.

The Chief and the City Attorney encourage anyone who has a complaint against an officer to come and make an official complaint. No formal or informal inquiry can be conducted, according to the Iowa code, until a complaint has been notarized. Marquess has talked about looking for another location at which to file a complaint against a police officer other than the police station; two examples given were either his office or the office of the city clerk.

"I also think from what I've seen, there's been a substantial breakdown in the criminal justice process," Toledo City Attorney Mike Marquess said. "Where those who have been handling these cases in the courts, if they've been seeing problems, they've not been relaying that to the city."

These stories strongly suggest that this was not a one, two or three time incident: locals that have had so called "run-ins" with Howe go back to at least 2021.

As stories of Howe's behavior as an officer have become public, more citizens who have accused him of excessive force are looking to request body camera footage from their incidents.

"We take our obligation to the public very seriously, and our mission of our police department to protect and serve the public very seriously," Marquess said at the council meeting on April 24.

AMBULANCE LOG

4-24-2023

• 1100 blk of E. 5th st No transport Medical 0034 hrs
• 1700 blk of Harding st UPH Grinnell Medical 1153 hrs
• UPH Marshalltown Tama Return Transport 1606 hrs
• 100 blk of E. Quail rd UPH Marshalltown Medical 2236 hrs

4-25-2023

• 3300 blk of L Ave. UPH Marshalltown Trauma 1122 hrs
• 300 blk of Sac & Fox Rd No Transport Fire Standby 1704 hrs

4-26-2023

• 1100 blk of E. 5th St. No Transport Medical 0234 hrs
• Hwy 30 & N Ave UPH Grinnell Trauma 1836 hrs

4-27-2023

• 1500 blk of 305th st UPH Marshalltown Medical 1257 hrs

4-28-2023

• 800 blk of Harmon St. UPH Marshalltown Trauma 0319 hrs

• 300 blk of E. 3rd St. No Transport Trauma 1522 hrs

4-29-2023

• 700 blk of College Toledo UPH Grinnell Medical 0605 hrs

4-30-2023

• 1700 blk of 370th st No Transport Trauma 1105 hrs
• 800 blk of Beautiful No Transport Trauma 1432 hrs

Ambulance purchase, wastewater intern approved at Tama council meeting

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At the Tama City Council meeting on May 1, the contract to purchase a new ambulance for \$193,172 was approved. It was also approved to buy a new motherboard and keypad for Fire and EMS.

The new motherboard will automatically unlock the doors for fifteen minutes after a call goes out, so the first responders don't have to punch in their key code to get to the ambulance or fire trucks. It was made official as well to put a new wrap on ambulance 42.

The Tama Pump's liquor license was renewed. The council discussed the Fiber Optic Line that Alliant Energy will be putting through Tama.

The topic of moving the shed that sits behind King Tower to the Lincoln Highway Bridge Park was discussed, as the King Tower may be declared a Historical Building.

A resolution was passed to close Siegel Street for the carnival. A resolution was approved to set a public hearing to vacate the public alley. A resolution was passed to close the street in front of the Eagles after the parade on Lincoln Highway Days.

It was approved to hire high schooler Samantha Schneider as an intern for the Tama Water and wastewater departments.

The Council is still waiting on core sample testing on the Lincoln Highway Bridge.

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much more.

The next day Fire on Wheels Pizza out of Montezuma will set up shop. Like most humans, Drummer is a big fan of pizza.

"I'm excited because I like pizza, I could eat pizza all the time!" Drummer said.

On Saturday, Big Acai will make another appearance. "We love having them out here, they were out here last time, and excited to make them back," explained Drummer.

To cap off the first of two market weekends will be Mothers Day on May 14. Kate's Kitchen Creations, out of Toledo will be selling baked goods. Kate is known for her cinnamon rolls, scones and breads.

"So on Mothers Day, if you want to come and get a sweet treat for your mom, come on out and pick up something from Kate," she said.

During the next weekend, more shopping vendors will still be found.

This third go around the Tama County Market is partnering with more businesses and even people without businesses. One example is RS Welding of Victor, crafting many 3D metal works, which will be for sale. Products include antique textiles made into bags and pillows, hanging baskets and plenty for the garden.

Drummer and Koehler detailed filling a 16-foot truck in Texas and sending it back to Iowa for this event. The founding duo asks everyone to be mindful of road construction on Highway 30, and also thanks their friends and families for supporting them during this fun business venture.

Thursday, May 11: 5 - 8pm (Sip & Shop)

Friday, May 12: 10am - 6pm

Saturday, May 13: 10am - 4pm

Sunday, May 14: 10am - 4pm

Friday, May 19: 10am - 6pm

Saturday, May 20: 10am - 4pm

Sunday, May 21: 10am - 4pm

Tama County Market

2821 370th St.

Chelsea, IA 52215

Center Theatre

602 7th Street in Grundy Center
319-824-6571 or 800-682-6345
Adults \$3.00 • Seniors \$1.00

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GALAXY VOL 3

(Opening Nationwide!)

stars Chris Pratt

PG-13 (Violence)

2 1/2 hours

7:00 pm

IT'S ME MARGARET

starring Rachel McAdams &

Abby Ryder Fortson

PG-13 (Suggestive Material)

1 hour & 45 mins

7:00 pm

We encourage anyone not attending a movie to stop by for curbside food as we will continue offering that as well!

FRIDAYS ARE 50 CENT FRIDAYS AT THE CENTER THEATRE! RECEIVE YOUR CHOICE OF ANY DRINK FOR JUST 50 CENTS!