

Early deadlines

Due to the July 4 holiday, the Ackley World Journal will have early deadlines for our July 5 issue. The deadline for advertising and news is 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 29. Please have your items in by this time for publication. ●



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Jackie Dohlman (right), Franklin County Extension and Outreach Youth Coordinator, and Laela Ragsdale (middle), upcoming Franklin County Extension and Outreach Youth Coordinator, accept the NEW Cooperative Foundation's contribution to decrease the cost of 4-H dues from NEW Cooperative Communications Intern Riley Hiscocks (left).

NEW Cooperative Foundation donates to local 4-H clubs

The NEW Cooperative Foundation has continued a commitment to support local 4-H youth, donating funds to 22 county extension and outreach offices which support nearly 3,500 individual 4-H members.

The contribution from the Foundation will pay half of each 4-H member's dues in NEW Cooperative's trade territory counties, which includes Franklin County.

NEW Cooperative,

Inc. is a farmer-owned grain, agronomy, energy and feed cooperative headquartered in Fort Dodge.

The NEW Cooperative Foundation is the charitable giving entity of NEW Cooperative, Inc. and is committed to investing in organizations that are dedicated to youth and education, human services, and civic purposes that further enhance the quality of life in member communities. ●



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The trio of Ackley veterans took part in this "class" photo at the Air Force Memorial in D.C. The day allowed them to visit many of the memorials including the Lincoln Memorial where they took in views of the Reflecting Pool, the Vietnam Memorial, as well as passing by many federal buildings.

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For Jim, a photo of the three men's reflection on the Vietnam Memorial, is one of his favorite photos taken during the trip.

"We didn't have a name to search for on the wall, but watched as others looked for, and found a name, thanks to help from the guides at the site," Jim said.

Both brothers – Joe and Jim – noted that the trip will long remain in their memory. And while they were able to take it together, the flight had both of them missing their other brother, Jack, who was also a veteran of the U.S. Navy. Jack passed in August of 2022. His brothers would have en-

joyed nothing more than having him with them on the Honor Flight.

At each memorial, the men collected post marks, part of the memories the Honor Flight created for the veterans taking the trip.

It wasn't only the memorials that the men enjoyed, throughout their journey, they were able to be driven down Pennsylvania Avenue past the White House, and also got glimpses of the FBI Building, the Department of Justice, the Federal Reserve, the Smithsonian and countless more.

At the end of a very long and very memorable day, the trio climbed aboard their flight home. As is tradition, veterans

are provided with 'mail call' on the return flight, receiving letters from family members.

"We each got an envelope of letters from people we knew," said Dwight. The letters from family members had each man reflecting on his service, the love of his family and the respect which included a simple 'Welcome home!' that some had not experienced upon their return all those years ago. The packets also included cards created by children and those from service organizations in the Waterloo area.

Still, the trip was not over. Upon landing back home at the Waterloo airport, the flight was met by their families and

friends, along with hundreds of individuals who wanted only to welcome a veteran home.

"I've never seen so many people ... I've never been thanked for my service so many times. It was all very moving," Joe said.

All three highly recommend local veterans to take the trip if they are eligible.

"Just go! You will not regret it," added Dwight. "It's a lot of walking, but you don't get tired, you're so busy taking it all in."

The Honor Flight Network is a national non-profit which celebrates American's veterans by inviting them to share in a day of honor at the nation's memorials. ●

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to keep prices comparable to those which can be ordered online and reminds

customers and potential customers that if the store doesn't carry what they need, they'll get it in for you.

Fistler said that the business will begin venturing out to serve some shops outside of Ackley in addition to those within

the area. The store is located at 505 Sherman Ave. The phone number remains the same – 641-847-3511. ●

Vandals turn selves in

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EDITOR

Two teens have turned themselves in after being chased by an Ackley resident following damage done to a vehicle in the community. Damages included spray painting the vehicle and leaving messages to minors who lived in the home, as well as placing screws in and behind the tires of the vehicle.

Chief Gerry Frick says a male resident chased the teens down and provided them with the option to turn themselves in at approximately 3 a.m. on June 20. According to Frick, the teens were in possession of backpacks filled with dark clothing and burglary tools. During the search, Frick discovered eight street signs in their possession.

Charges are pending on the pair with Frick noting that the charges



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Ackley residents have been waking up to various kinds of vandalism in recent weeks. Two teens turned themselves in last week after being chased down by another resident following an incident last Tuesday.

could include Criminal Mischief, Curfew Violation, Possession of Burglary Tools, and Possession of Stolen Goods.

A rash of vandalism across Ackley over the past month has kept res-

idents carefully watching security cameras and keeping a close eye on their properties. The outbreak of vandalism has included graffiti painted on buildings, sidewalks, along with damage to oth-

er personal property. Frick states that it should not be assumed that the pair are responsible for other damages across the community and that both should be considered innocent until proven guilty. ●

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Happy
90TH BIRTHDAY
Patricia Ibeling of Ackley will be celebrating her 90th birthday on Saturday, July 8th, 2023, from 2-4pm with an open house. Come and wish her a happy birthday in person at Washington Reformed Church, 28182 Birch Ave. rural Ackley. No gifts please. Your presence is my present. All are welcome.

Hey, hey, hey
this lady is turning
EIGHTY!
Sharon Harken is celebrating her 80th birthday on June 30. Her family is honoring her with a card shower and an open house on Saturday, July 1st at the American Legion in Ackley from 5pm-7pm. Cards may be sent to her at: 416 Mitchell St. Apt. 2, Ackley, Iowa 50601