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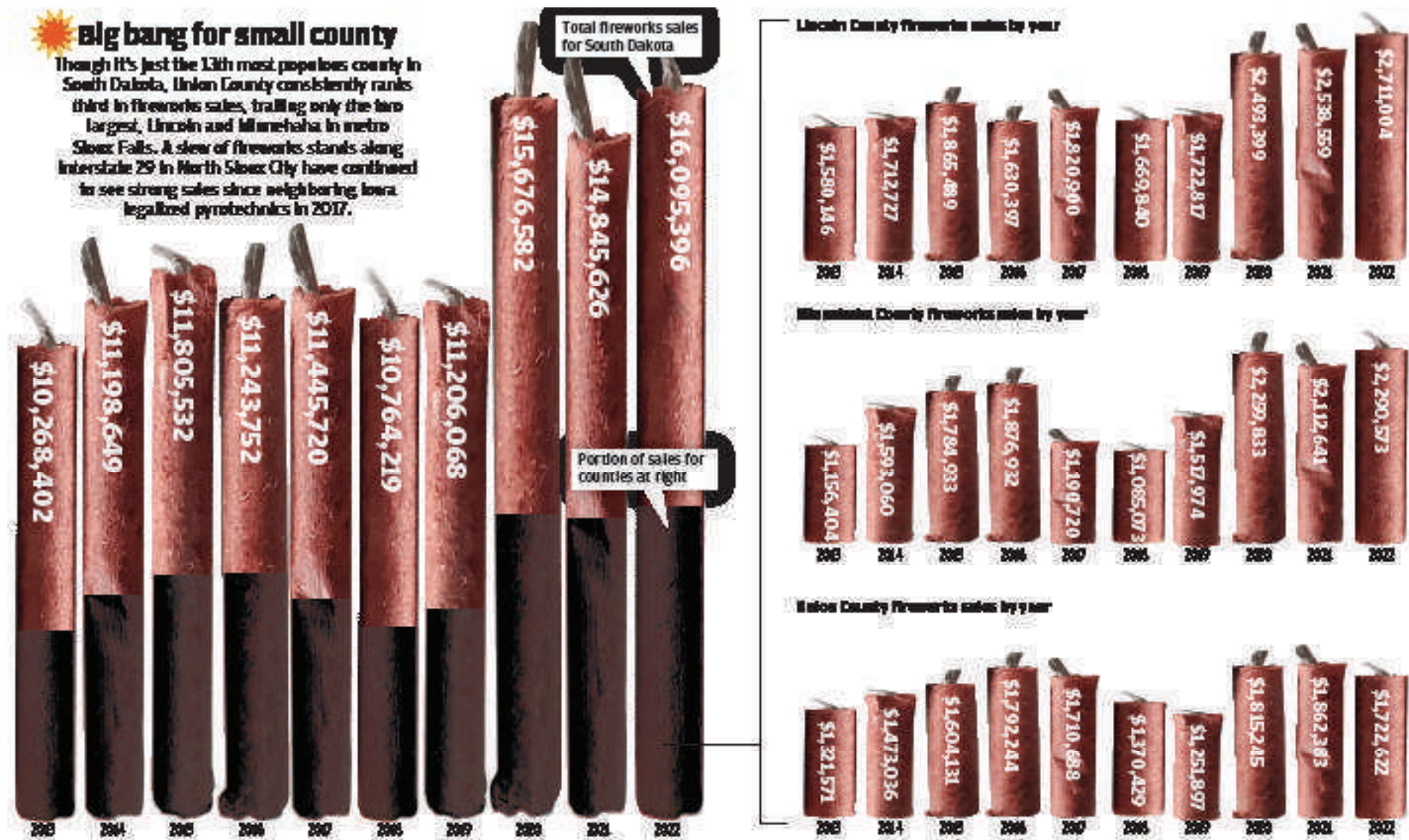
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## FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS

# SIZZLING SALES IN S.D.

### Big bang for small county

Though it's just the 13th most populous county in South Dakota, Union County consistently ranks third in fireworks sales, trailing only the two largest, Lincoln and Minnehaha in metro Sioux Falls. A slew of fireworks stands along Interstate 29 in North Sioux City have continued to see strong sales since neighboring Iowa legalized pyrotechnics in 2017.



## N. Sioux City revenues strong despite competition from Iowa

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**NORTH SIOUX CITY** — Fireworks sales in Union County have remained robust in the six years since neighboring Iowa legalized fireworks, a Journal analysis shows.

North Sioux City has been a pyrotechnics oasis for residents of Iowa and other states for decades, lured to a plethora of large brightly-colored stands perched along Interstate 29 in the city in the southeast tip of South Dakota, just across the border from Sioux City.

Iowa lawmakers in 2017 legalized the sale and use of most consumer fireworks, nearly 80 years after the state outlawed them following fires sparked by fireworks that destroyed large sections of the Northwest cities of Spencer and Remsen.

A Journal analysis of South Dakota Department of Revenue data shows fireworks sales in Union County each of the last three years nearly equaled or exceeded the year



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Damian Giraldo restocks shelves at Lantis Fireworks in North Sioux City, S.D., Tuesday, June 27.

# Many new Iowa laws go into effect

Relaxed child labor laws, school book bans among them

TOM BARTON  
Journal Des Moines Bureau

Starting Saturday, Iowa teens ages 14 to 17 can work more jobs at longer hours, low-income families will face new requirements for receiving public benefits such as food assistance, and more Iowa parents



Reynolds

Iowa Legislature to reshape education and

will qualify for child care assistance, but will have to work more hours to remain eligible.

Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds signed nearly 170 bills into law this year passed by the Iowa Legislature.

Iowa Republicans used expanded majorities in the Iowa Legislature to reshape education and

state government, place new restrictions on transgender youth, increase penalties for fentanyl distribution, limit the powers of the state's taxpayer watchdog — and more.

Here is a look at some of the major laws taking effect today, and what they mean for Iowans.

**Banning school books with sex acts**  
Iowa students may notice several changes when they return to school this fall. Lawmakers this year passed a slate of

education bills into law, including a bill limiting LGBTQ instruction topics through sixth grade and barring books with sexual content from school libraries.

Senate File 496 was a top priority of Reynolds and Republican lawmakers this session. They said the measure will give parents more input into their children's education.

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### The Mini

When ever anyone thinks that we do not have a strong economy, listen to the fireworks going off. That is all from expendable income that people have to waste. - RICHARD ROTH, SIOUX CITY

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## Sioux City man gets prison for abusing girl

SIoux CITY — A Sioux City man has been sentenced to 10 years in prison for having sexual contact with a minor female on numerous occasions.

Ronnie Reynolds, 44, pleaded guilty Wednesday in Woodbury County District Court to two counts of third-degree sexual abuse and one count of sexual exploitation of a minor.

Reynolds will be required to register with the Iowa Sex Offender Registry for life and also serve a lifetime special sex offender sentence after he completes his prison sentence. If he were to violate terms of the special sentence, he could be sent back to prison.

The Iowa Department of

Human Resources reported a possible sexual abuse case to Sioux City police on Jan. 14, 2022. A police investigation revealed that Reynolds had sexual contact with the minor in her bedroom in 2021 from June 27-July 6, and more than 20 encounters were discovered.

## July 4 holiday to delay trash, recycling pickup

SIoux CITY — Gill Hauling will delay garbage and recycling collection by one day due to the Independence Day holiday.

Tuesday's collection will take place Wednesday, Wednesday's collection will take place Thursday, and so on, for the remainder of the week through July 8, according to a press release from the city.

To help prevent fires or damage to trash cans, the city is advising residents to thoroughly soak all fireworks in water before disposing of them, and to not place char-

coals in trash containers. Fireworks are considered hazardous and are not recyclable.

The Citizen's Convenience Center, 5800 28th St., will be closed on July 4.

## 'Idol's Danielle to open for Poppe at Anthem

SIoux CITY — Soulful singer and 2023 "American Idol" runner-up Megan Danielle will be the opening act when 2018 "American Idol" winner and Clarksville, Iowa native Maddie Poppe gives a performance, July 21, at Hard Rock Hotel & Casino's Anthem, 111 Third St.

A native of Douglasville, Georgia, Danielle said music has always been a strong presence in her life. She cites Miranda Lambert, Chris Stapleton and Fleetwood Mac as influences.

Danielle's first post-"American Idol" single "Dream Girl" is out now.

Poppe also has a new single in "One That Got Away."

In addition, she has evolved from a folksy singer-songwriter into a multifaceted artist and musician.

Tickets are now on sale at [hardrockcasinosiouxcity.com](http://hardrockcasinosiouxcity.com) or at the hotel's Rock Shop.

All Anthem events are for audiences, 21 and older.

## Missing South Sioux City 14-year-old found safe

SOUTH SIOUX CITY — A 14-year-old South Sioux City girl who hadn't been seen since Sunday was found safe.

South Sioux City Police Lt. Jeanette McFee made the announcement about Jhezzika Sherman in an email sent Thursday evening.

Sherman was last seen at 10 p.m. Sunday at her home. She was reported missing Monday, according to the Nebraska Missing Persons Information Clearinghouse.

### FAQ

#### What was news in the first Sioux City Journal?

Published Aug. 20, 1864, the first edition talked about the Civil War ("War matters are about at a standstill. Nothing is being done by either army") but it also covered local news (mail in two days was an issue) and offered poetry and jokes. Among the more enterprising advertisements: "Down with the Rebs and with high prices."

### ONLINE POLL

**Today's Question:** Do you think the Supreme Court should've struck down Biden's plan to wipe away \$400 billion in student loan debt?

#### Yesterday's Poll

**Question:** Have you attended Saturday in the Park in the past?



### SPEAKOUT

**Today's Question:** What is your favorite part of Saturday in the Park?

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### ON IOWA POLITICS

On the podcast this week, Bidenomics is coming to a town near you, new laws and government reorganization take effect over the weekend, and one board to rule them all is convened.

On Iowa Politics is a weekly news and analysis podcast that aims to re-create the kinds of conversations that happen when you get political reporters from across Iowa together after the day's deadlines have been met.

This week's show is hosted by The Lee Des Moines Bureau Chief Caleb McCullough and features The Gazette's Deputy Bureau Chief Tom Barton, Jared McNett of the Sioux City Journal, Sarah Watson of the Quad City Times, and Gazette columnist Todd Dorman.

The show was produced by Stephen M. Colbert and the music heard on the podcast is courtesy of New Trick and Copperhead.

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### QUOTE

**"I had a dream that I was awake and woke up to find myself asleep."**

Stan Laurel (1890-1965)  
English-American actor

### LOTTERIES

WEDNESDAY  
**Lotto America**  
9-28-33-43-47 SB: 1

**Powerball**  
19-25-34-57-68 PB: 4  
**Dakota Cash**  
2-11-17-29-30

# Lunch group's self-appointed driver should be red-flagged

**DEAR ABBY:** My co-workers and I go out to lunch once a week. We used to take turns driving, but one co-worker is so genuinely thrilled to drive that over the last year we let her do all of it. Abby, she's NOT a good driver. She hits the curbs making turns, and one time she hit another car in the parking lot because she wasn't able to turn into the adjacent parking space correctly.

Until recently, these incidents have been more embarrassing than worrisome, but yesterday she pulled out into traffic without checking for oncoming cars and we were nearly T-boned by a van that had the right-of-way. Her response? "Well! He didn't brake for me at ALL!"

She's a nice lady; none of us wants to hurt her feelings, but we no longer feel safe with her behind the wheel. Her biggest problem seems to be that she wants to chat with ev-

eryone while she's driving. She gets distracted by the conversation and doesn't focus on the task at hand.

How can we nicely tell her that she needs to focus on driving or let someone else drive the team to lunch? — UNEASY IN CANADA

**DEAR UNEASY:** I am frankly shocked that you all are still riding with this person. Tell her that not only does she need to focus on driving while she is behind the wheel, which is something she should have realized by now, but also that from now on the rest of you will provide the transportation on these outings. Do not take no for an answer. Your lives could depend on it.

**DEAR ABBY:** While I work 12-hour night shifts at a hospital, my husband sometimes invites his co-workers and friends over. He likes to hang out with a crowd. (I prefer to keep my circle of friends tight.) I don't usually mind. It's a weekday, and my husband has to work the next day (six days a week usually), and he gets our three kids to bed on time.

Recently, my 10-year-

old daughter told me that while I was working, she saw them with a tube on the counter and they were sniffing things. She also said the wife of one of my husband's friends came over and that they were making out on the couch and then moved to her bedroom, where they made out. She said she was afraid to tell me sooner because she didn't want her dad to yell at her.

I am livid. Words cannot express how furious this makes me. I don't understand how he could put our kids in this situation. I can't help but wonder what else has transpired while I'm at work. How do I discuss this with him without losing it completely and throwing him out? — LIVID IN CALIFORNIA

**DEAR LIVID:** Your husband appears to have some growing up to do. His judgment was awful. You have every right to read him the riot act, but a speech like that is more effective served ice cold. Because you can't be sure if this was a one-time thing, consider installing security cameras in your home so you can check on your

children's safety while you're working. Depending on what the images reveal, it may be better for him to live elsewhere.

**DEAR ABBY:** Please remind your readers how important it is for people to make provisions for their beloved pets in the event that the owner dies first. It is not enough for a suitable home to be listed in the legal papers. Money for food and vet bills should also be included. It is so sad when seniors' pets are placed in shelters because no provisions had been left in their wills for the care of their beloved furry family members. — PLANNING AHEAD IN TEXAS

**DEAR PLANNING AHEAD:** That's excellent advice, and I know many devoted pet guardians will thank you for the reminder. I know I do. Thank you for an important letter.

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# The power of agriculture

Ernst presses importance of food at Global Leadership summit

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SIOUX CITY — In the early minutes of the U.S. Global Leadership Coalition's 2023 Heartland Summit, Liz Schroyer, the group's president and CEO, posed a question meant to organize the morning's proceedings.

"What's it worth? What's it worth to be engaged in the world?" Schroyer asked businesspeople and politicians gathered at the River Bend Conference Center in Sioux City, remotely in Detroit, Michigan, and watching online.

The third-annual, multi-state event is billed as a way of showcasing how advancements in the Midwest can shape international interests such as food stability, global development and security. Sponsored locally by Cargill, the Siouxland Chamber of Commerce, Western Iowa Tech Community College, Vermeer, Iowa League of Cities and Veterans in Agriculture, the event was kicked off in part by Sioux City Mayor Bob Scott and featured a Q&A with Sen. Joni Ernst, R-Iowa about her belief, "food security is national security."

When Schroyer asked attendees to vote on their phones about what American global leadership is worth to the heartland, the most common answers were: everything, prosperity, security and peace.

"To me, these are all about global stability. Global stability means American stability," Schroyer said. "You see it right now. Russian instability is literally spilling into the world. The war in Ukraine, last summer, I talked about how it's impacting our gas prices. The global food crisis is impacting the supply chain. The global challenges are daunting."

Further adding to the list of challenges, Schroyer said, was China ramping up its investments abroad including in African nations. According to analysis from Harvard University, Chinese firms comprise about an eighth of Africa's industrial output and China holds \$153 billion in African loans.



Liz Schroyer, President and CEO of USGLC, makes remarks at the U.S. Global Leadership Coalition's 2023 Heartland Summit Thursday, June 29, 2023, in Sioux City. The event, held concurrently in Detroit and Sioux City, was held to "showcase how strategic investments in agriculture and global development are creating jobs at home and abroad."



Dan Glickman, former U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, speaks during the U.S. Global Leadership Coalition's 2023 Heartland Summit Thursday, June 29, 2023, in Sioux City. The event, held concurrently in Detroit and Sioux City, was held to "showcase how strategic investments in agriculture and global development are creating jobs at home and abroad."

"We've got to step up our game," Schroyer said.

During the discussion with Ernst, Schroyer asked how a state such as Iowa handles a relationship with

China, which is its fourth-largest trading partner but also an agricultural competitor.

"This is a difficult relationship," Ernst said. "There is absolutely no

doubt about it and we shouldn't tiptoe around it folks. Everyone in this room probably knows and understands that I am a very harsh critic of China because they are our No. 1 pacing threat. They are our No. 1 adversary."

Ernst went on to suggest China taking on more of a leadership role in foreign trade and global security could give them more of a say in the lives of everyday Iowans.

"At some point, they start dictating to you how you will live your life, how you will run your business, how you will grow your crops, how you will raise your livestock," Ernst said. "I am not ready to have Russia or China or Iran tell us as Americans how we should engage."

With respect to Russia's war in Ukraine, and a recent short-lived mutiny of mercenaries from the country, Ernst said it's critical for Americans to understand why the United States is providing tens of billions of dollars to Ukraine. Tuesday, the Biden administration announced it would send more

than 50 heavily armored vehicles and missiles for air defense systems.

"We are providing the equipment for Ukrainian forces, as are many other nations," Ernst said. "We are not engaging in blood. We do not have American men and women who are fighting against the Russians. It's a good opportunity for us to be able to support a friend in Europe, understanding that if Ukraine falls, that advances Russia into Europe and advances Russia in opportunities of other nations in Europe."

Ernst then called Ukraine a "great exporter" and the "breadbasket of Europe" and said it plays a crucial role in feeding the Middle East as well.

The latter role, Ernst said, provides a measure of national security.

"When you have people who are hungry, they turn to violent extremist organizations for their avenue toward prosperity and when they gain in numbers and strength then we see those issues. We've seen it in the past. We wish to avoid it in the future," Ernst said.

In his opening remarks for the event, former U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman, who served from 1995 until 2001, said no industry is as dependent on global events and policies as agriculture.

"Whether it's in the trade area, investment, research and development, climate, nutrition, we're in the center of the world," Glickman said. "And so this conference is particularly important in recognizing the tie between the heartland and the rest of the world."

For his part, Sioux City Mayor Bob Scott said leading globally begins locally and that the kinds of issue the event covered reach across the political divide.

"These are issues worth talking about at the kitchen table with your family and at the local diners with friends," Scott said.

Other speakers at the event included Michael Wagner, a managing director for starch, sweeteners and texturizers at Cargill, U.S. Rep. Debbie Dingell, D-Ann Arbor, Michigan, U.S. Rep. Haley Stevens, D-Birmingham, Michigan and Marcus Jadotte, the vice president of government relations and public policy for Google.



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FROM THE ARCHIVES

# 100 Years Ago: Five moonshiners fined \$250 each

**125 Years Ago**

**Carnival Plans Progress:** The executive committee of the Sioux City Business Men's association will hold a meeting this afternoon at the Mondamin hotel to further consider the proposition to give another Carnival this fall. Since the meeting Tuesday afternoon at the office of E. D. Wigton, president of the association, there has been great canvassing of the situation to gauge the desires of the people to have another carnival, and the majority are in favor of it.

**Patriotic Sunday Service:** The regular Sabbath afternoon services at the Y.M.C.A. will special patriotic services in the nature of the Fourth of July celebration. Secretary Hall is making preparations for a large crowd and a big meeting. Rev. M. W. Darling, Leslie Greenwood, and Mayor J. H. Quick will give addresses, with each speaker covering a different period of the history of the nation.

**100 Years Ago**

**Legion Race Meet on Today:** Sioux City will take on a Derby day aspect this afternoon when the four-day race meet, under the auspices of the Monahan post, American Legion, opens at the Interstate fairgrounds. It will be the first time a program of running races has ever been offered in Sioux City, and nearly 10,000 people are expected to be on hand



COURTESY OF THE SIOUX CITY PUBLIC MUSEUM  
The Mondamin Hotel is shown circa 1898.

this afternoon when the races start. Seven races are on the card this afternoon, including a Stock Yards derby for cow ponies, a harness race, and five running races.

**Five Moonshiners Fined \$250 Each:** Five of six alleged moonshiners arrested near Jefferson, S.D., Thursday in a series of raids staged by state and prohibition officers pleaded guilty to violations of the Volstead act and were fined \$250 each. Three stills, 4500 gallons of mash and 50 gallons of the finished liquor were seized by the raiders. The five to enter guilty pleas gave the names Cyril Trudeau, F.C. Malloy, Arthur and Fred Bernard, and Ed

Flynn.

**50 Years Ago**

**They're Swiftest on River:** A. J. Herrold of Garland, Neb., and Todd Halle of Seward, Neb., won the third annual Missouri River Raft Regatta, sharing the prize of \$300. More than \$2,000 of prize money went to the teams who finished in the first 20 positions. The race was 70 miles from Yankton, S.D., to South Sioux City in unmodified, inflatable rafts and was sponsored by the Sioux City Jaycees.

**Iowa Ends 'Dry Sundays' Today:** Several establishments in the Iowa Great Lakes area will



COURTESY OF THE SIOUX CITY PUBLIC MUSEUM  
The Rev. Marc W. Darling is shown circa 1898.

be among the first in the state to serve liquor on Sunday under the new Iowa liquor law which goes into effect today. Darlow Olson of Okobojo flew the applications to Des Moines on Saturday so that the area establishments could take advantage of the new law. The city council of Okobojo has voted unanimously to permit the Sunday sale of liquor, and the city council of Arnolds Park voted three to two in favor of the measure. Club able to serve liquor today are the Mocombo Club, Marty's Lounge, Del Lounge, and the Outrigger in Arnolds Park; and

the New Inn, Holiday Inn, and Harold's Fisherman's Wharf in Okobojo.

**25 Years Ago**

**Russian Troupe Will Perform 'Romeo, Juliet':** Siouxlanders will have a rare opportunity tonight to see an unusual Russian theater production of "Romeo and Juliet" at the Sioux City Community Theater at 7 p.m. It came about when John Sullivan, the Community Theater executive director, befriended some members of the Russian company after their performance at the 1998 International Theater Festival last week in Benton Harbor, Mich. While the play maintains Shakespeare's themes of love and tragedy, it also takes place in two different time periods, one in Renaissance times and one contemporary in a war-torn city.

**Star-Spangled Spectacular Marks Storm Lake Birthday:** As the city's premier summer event, Storm Lake's 20th annual July 4 Star-Spangled Spectacular, and additional festivities are planned for Sunday when Storm Lake will celebrate its 125th birthday. The holiday weekend festivities will include an Ice Cream and Cake Social, a parade, and patriotic ceremony, fireworks, a craft fair, and an original one-act musical play titled "The Legend of Storm Lake."

# Moville landowners appeal pipeline lawsuit ruling

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SIoux CITY — A Moville couple has appealed a judge's ruling dismissing their challenge of the constitutionality of a state law allowing underground pipeline company surveyors to enter private property.

Vicki and William Hulse will hope the Iowa Supreme Court overturns District Judge Roger Sailer's May 30 order in which he found the law constitutional. Lawyers for the Hulses filed a notice of appeal Wednesday in Woodbury County District Court.

The Hulses had filed a counterclaim challenging the con-

stitutionality in September, a month after Navigator Heartland Greenway sued them to gain a temporary injunction allowing survey crews to enter their farm land north of Moville that was in the path of Navigator's proposed liquid carbon dioxide pipeline. Vicki Hulse had twice refused to allow surveyors to enter the land.

Sailer last fall denied Navigator's request for a temporary injunction, and a one-day trial on the matter was held in March.

In his May ruling, Sailer dismissed Navigator's petition for an injunction because, he ruled, the company had failed to notify William Hulse of its intent to survey the land. Navigator had

sent a single legal notice to the couple at their Moville mailing address, but did not notify William Hulse, who lives in the Iowa Veteran's Home in Marshalltown and has dementia and Parkinson's disease.

A Navigator spokesman said after the ruling the company had no current plan to send new notices to the Hulses or do any survey work on their property.

In that same ruling, Sailer dismissed the Hulses' constitutional challenge. It was in contrast to an earlier ruling in Clay County, where, in a similar lawsuit and counterclaim, District Judge John Sandy ruled the same statute was unconstitutional.

Navigator is appealing Sandy's ruling.

A judge in Hardin County in May ruled the statute was constitutional, and the landowner has filed a motion to have the judge reconsider the ruling.

Navigator has applied for a state permit to build a pipeline through five states, including Iowa, that would collect carbon dioxide from ethanol and fertilizer processors in Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota, Minnesota and Illinois, convert it to liquid form and transport it under high pressure to an Illinois site, where it would be pumped thousands of feet beneath the surface. Many Iowa landowners

have refused to grant surveyors access to their land or sign easements, and the company depends on Iowa's law allowing surveyors the right to complete surveys if landowners don't voluntarily agree to them.

The pipeline would run approximately 900 miles through 36 Iowa counties, including Woodbury, Clay and Butler counties. Other Siouxland counties include Plymouth, Lyon, Osceola, O'Brien, Cherokee, Dickinson and Buena Vista in Iowa and Dakota, Dixon and Wayne counties in Nebraska.

It's one of two carbon pipelines proposed to run through the region.

BRIEFS

## Sioux City police arrest suspect in shooting

SIoux CITY — Authorities have arrested a 20-year-old man in connection with a fatal shooting on Sioux City's north side Monday. The Sioux City Police De-



Abdi

partment said in a statement that Yasin Ahmed Abdi was arrested at 3:30 p.m. Friday for the death of Marlon White-Eyes, 36.

At 6:40 p.m. Monday, officers responded to a report of a shooting in the area of 14th Street and Ingleisle Avenue.

White-Eyes, who suffered multiple gunshot wounds, was taken by ambulance to MercyOne Siouxland Medical Center, where he later died.

An altercation between several people occurred before the shooting, according to police.

LOCAL NEWS RECAP

## Man pleads not guilty of murder in Dakota Dunes stabbing

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ELK POINT, S.D. — With a new judge presiding over his case, Alfredo Castellanos-Rosales on Thursday pleaded not guilty of fatally stabbing his girlfriend in her Dakota Dunes apartment.

Castellanos-Rosales, 39, of Sioux City, entered his plea to charges of first-degree murder, contributing to the neglect of a child and contributing to the abuse of a child. Circuit Judge David Knoff scheduled trial for May 28 in Union County Circuit Court.

First-degree murder is punishable by life in prison or the death penalty in South Dakota. The other two



Castellanos-Rosales

attorney Jerry Miller to file a notice of intent to seek the death penalty, if Miller chooses to seek that sentence.

Castellanos-Rosales had been scheduled for arraignment on Monday, but the hearing was delayed after Miller sought the removal of Judge Tami Bern from the case, saying he did not believe

she could be impartial toward the prosecution. He did not elaborate on his reasons for the request.

First Circuit Presiding Judge Cheryl Gering then appointed Knoff to the case.

Castellanos-Rosales is accused of stabbing 23-year-old Jordan Beardshear in her apartment at The Wellington at the Dunes apartment complex on April 25.

According to court documents, witnesses saw Beardshear at her apartment complex while she was waiting for Castellanos-Rosales, whom she had been dating, to pick up their 1-year-old son. Later that evening, Castellanos-Rosales called Beard-

shear's mother to come to his home to pick up the child.

Beardshear's body was discovered the following day. She had sustained stab wounds, defensive slashing wounds and trauma to her neck/throat area, court documents said.

After executing a search warrant at Castellanos-Rosales' home, investigators found clothing suspected of containing blood.

Castellanos-Rosales, who was born in Guatemala and is a U.S. citizen, fled to Mexico, where he was arrested May 12, and, after a stay in a Texas jail, waived extradition and was returned to Union County.

## South Sioux City man acquitted of murder to remain in treatment

Judge rules Bei Sheng Chen still a danger to himself, others

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DAKOTA CITY — A judge has ruled that a South Sioux City man acquitted by reason of insanity for the 2017 shooting death of his wife remains dangerous and must stay in a state mental health treatment facility.



Chen

viders, showed Bei Sheng Chen continues to be a danger to himself and others. Meismer ordered Chen to remain in treatment for his

mental illness at the Lincoln (Nebraska) Regional Center.

Chen, 45, was found not responsible by reason of insanity and acquitted in May 2018 of first-degree murder, first-degree domestic assault and use of a firearm to commit a felony for the Sept. 6, 2017, shooting death of Mei Huang.

Chen has been in treatment since then, and Nebraska law requires a judge to review his case annually. The defense and prosecution waived an in-person hearing in Dakota County District Court, and Meismer issued his ruling after reviewing doctors' reports on Chen's condition.

Meismer said Chen may continue his current on and off-ground privileges while under supervision for the purpose of community reintegration. The Regional Center also may begin exploring placement options in the community for Chen, but the discharge process

likely would be lengthy. Any changes in Chen's placement would need court approval.

Two psychiatrists who examined Chen separately prior to trial agreed he was insane when he shot and killed his wife. Chen was diagnosed with psychosis, delusional disorders and depressive disorders.

Chen had followed Huang to the Law Enforcement Center at 701 W. 29th St. in South Sioux City and shot her outside. Police officers found Huang lying on the ground with gunshot wounds. Chen was found near her and taken into custody, and a firearm was found nearby.

Evidence presented at trial showed that prior to the shooting, Chen was having delusions that his wife was the devil and was going to harm him. Chen's attorney did not dispute that Chen shot his wife, and a judge agreed that evidence showed Chen had pulled the trigger.

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# LIVING

## IT'S A BULLSEYE!

3D archery is a fun sport for Robin Hood wannabes of all ages

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**S**IOUX CITY — Tally Deitloff wanted to get in a few practice shots before she was photographed shooting an arrow into a 3D deer.

Thoomp, thoomp, thoomp. Piercing an arrow into the midsection of the plastic deer with impeccable accuracy, Deitloff clearly didn't require any additional prep.

Which made the Wayne State College elementary education student the perfect person to be in charge of a 3D Archery in the Park class, for 10- to 18-year-old kids, taking place from 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, at Snyder Bend Park, three miles southwest of Salix, Iowa.

Deitloff learned how to shoot a bow and arrow as a sixth grader at Sergeant Bluff-Luton Middle School.

"What I liked best about archery is that it didn't matter how strong you were because a bow could always be restrung," she said. "Plus a girl can be as good an archer as any boy."

Indeed, Deitloff continued with archery throughout her high school years, even achieving top honors at both Iowa's National Archery in Schools Program (NASP) tournament and its national equivalent.

Deitloff said learning to shoot a bow and arrow is one of the few sports a child can enjoy that will simultaneously improve hand-eye coordination, focus, confidence and patience.

"With the right tips, archery can be easier than you think," she said.

Bow & Arrows 101 really comes down to knowing the function and purpose of the equipment.

That includes talking safety.

"Never point your bow and arrow at another person, inspect your bow and arrow prior to loading and shoot only at the target," Deitloff explained.

Any Robin Hood wannabe must be able to establish a dominant eye.

Just like everyone has a dominant hand, everyone has a dominant — or master — eye that you'll use for the most accurate shooting.

"You can determine your dominant eye by forming a triangle with your thumb and forefingers," Deitloff said.

It may come as no surprise that archery can be a lot of fun.

"We stay safe but we also have a good time," Deitloff said, adding that she plans to



JESSE BROTHERS, SIOUX CITY JOURNAL

Tally Deitloff pulls back her bow in a demonstration at Dorothy Pecaute Nature Center. A summer intern with the Woodbury County Conservation Board, Deitloff will be teaching a 3D Archery in the Park class for kids, ages 10-18, at Salix, Iowa's Snyder Bend Park on Thursday.

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## Coffee complainant capitulates in Capitol

It is common knowledge that in the summer, Washington, D.C., is a brick oven, a solid mass of heat-reflecting concrete. You sizzle like a slab of beef slowly turning over an open flame.



LORI BORGMAN

We took a similar trip years ago when our kids were school age. We toured the White House, sat in the gallery of the House of Representatives, walked the National Mall and visited mon-

uments. Ask them what they remember, and they will say, "A man with a huge snake wrapped around his body standing outside the Smithsonian, and the heat. Mostly the heat!"

So much for educational vacations.

Our daughter's family logged as many as 30,000 steps a day in the blistering heat and humidity of D.C. They also played a game to see who could go the longest without complaining.

Perhaps they didn't know D.C. is a city built on complaining. It is a prerequisite that you complain about the heat. I think they even sell T-shirts in D.C. that say, "We came. We saw. We complained."

You don't go to Maine and not get lobster. You don't go to the beach and not get in the water.

You don't go to D.C. in the summer and not complain.

Complaining is the foundation of democracy. If we hadn't complained against the British, we wouldn't be a nation.

I asked the youngest if she had complained. She said not out loud, but she did in her mind — about the heat, her feet hurting, wanting to stop and wondering if there was a bench anywhere.

Another admitted that she complained out loud about the heat and the humidity. She also volunteered that her mother complained about their father not complaining.

For the most part nobody complained until late in the day, which was remarkably considering the heat index.

We joined them on the last two stops of their trip, Mount Vernon

and Monticello. They asked if we wanted to take the No Complaining challenge. We said sure.

We had this. We were "in it to win it." We were fresh off the bench, and they were worn slick. Wet noodles. The youngest even looked like she didn't feel well. At the very least we could outlast her.

We asked what the prize was. There was no prize. We both complained, but only to ourselves.

The first morning in a hotel together, I returned to our rooms after wandering through the hotel lobby.

Someone asked if I found any coffee.

"No," I said. "There was nothin'!"

Two minutes later I was informed I was out of the competition. One of the kids reported

that I had complained there was no coffee.

"I was merely stating a fact," I offered in my defense.

I was told that my tone was complaining.

What did they expect? There wasn't any coffee.

Barely after 7 a.m. and I was knocked out of the competition. I inquired about a do-over. No. A second chance? No.

Three strikes and you're out? No.

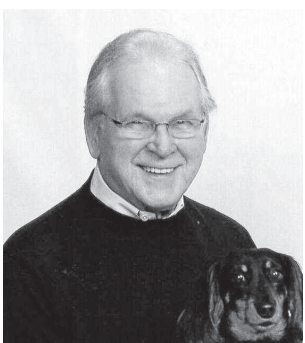
The first one awake and the first one busted.

Where does a woman go to complain?

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# CELEBRATIONS

## BIRTHDAYS



### Bernie Schreiber

Bernie Schreiber of Dakota Dunes will celebrate his 90th birthday on Sunday, July 2, with an open house from 2 to 5 p.m. at Holy Cross Church Fellowship Hall, Bison Trail, Dakota Dunes.

Cards may be sent to 810 E St. Andrews Cr., Dakota Dunes, SD 57049.



### Marguerite Kuhl

Marguerite Kuhl of Sioux City will celebrate her 100th birthday on Thursday with a family dinner.

Cards may be sent to 819 Glen Ellen Rd., Sioux City, IA 51106.

Marguerite was born on July 6, 1923, in Magnet, Neb. She married Homer Kuhl (deceased 2002) on Oct. 14, 1944. Marguerite had Kuhl's Fashion Shoppe for 35 years. She retired at age 95 as manager of Health Plus. Her children are Julie Ferris (Richard) of Sioux City; and Joni Kuhl (deceased 2009). Marguerite has two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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Births are for babies 6 months and younger.

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Black and white or color photos may be used.

In lieu of a height discrepancy, the most satisfactory photos are when the couple's heads and shoulders are close together.

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### Addresses

The Sioux City Journal, Attn: Celebrations, 515 Pavonia St., Sioux City, IA 51101.

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JESSE BROTHERS PHOTOS, SIOUX CITY JOURNAL

Tally Deitloff pulls back her bow in a demonstration at Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center. Deitloff, a summer intern with the Woodbury County Conservation Board, said archery can be a fun activity for children.



Tally Deitloff talks about how many points the different places are worth on a 3D target like this deer during an archery demonstration at Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center.

## Archery

From A5

incorporate balloon-popping and a get-the-best-shot-on-a-playing-card contest during her one-day archery seminar. "I'm just happy to share one of my passions with kids."

The 3D Archery in the Park class is just one of the several kid-friendly courses that Deitloff, a summer intern with the Woodbury County Conservation Board, will be teaching.

"Before this summer, I didn't know much about the Woodbury County Conservation Board," she admitted. "Now, I'm a fan."

While she is a proponent of bow-and-arrow archery when it comes to plastic deer, coyotes and bears, Deitloff said she wouldn't shoot at a real animal.

"I wouldn't kill a real deer," she said. "The only animal that I could picture myself shooting is a turkey. When I was a little girl, a turkey chased me. That left a bad impression with me."

## If you go

**WHAT:** 3D Archery in the Park, for kids ages 10–18, taught by summer naturalist Tally Deitloff

**WHEN:** 6–7:30 p.m. Thursday

**WHERE:** Snyder Bend Park, Salix, Iowa

**PREREGISTER:** 712-258-0838 or [camps@woodburyparks.org](mailto:camps@woodburyparks.org)

# The early years — when the GPS was Rand-McNally maps

Remember when Rand-McNally maps served as our trusted GPS for road trips?

I used a yellow highlighter to mark my entire route on a paper map, with written footnotes and a big X to mark my destination as if it was a buried treasure. This was long before Global Positioning System technology began navigating our roads and our lives.

While driving, I tucked these maps under my leg for quick access. This of course made them even more impossible to properly fold back into their original shape. It was all part of the trip.

I recalled this routine experience while searching online for a column I wrote in 1998 about Paul Girsdansky, a journalist from New York who traveled through Northwest Indiana as part of his 3,200-mile odyssey across the country. Girsdansky drove a 1997 Geo Prizm littered with cassette tapes, junk food wrappers, a huge cooler of Dr. Pepper and several opened maps, I wrote.

Map holders in the doors of my cars were jammed with wrinkled maps of cities and towns in our area of Indiana and Illinois, and of the country. I used them to get pretty much everywhere if it was new to me, from a rural address in south Porter County, Indiana, to an intersection in north Lake County to a concert venue in Chicago. Without a map, I felt like a blind mouse in a maze.

Years later I would print out mapping directions from a desktop computer before leaving my home, keeping the stapled paperwork under my car's sun visor to check it along the way. It seemed so trendy, high-tech and customized. My mother used similar directions on her cross-country treks in an RV camper.

I haven't used any kind of paper map in many years except once a couple of years ago on a long road trip to Texas. It wasn't for navigation purposes. It was for a silly video I was making to show how ridiculous it used to be when paper maps were needed. Somewhere in rural Illinois, I tried opening up an old Rand-McNally map while driving 70 mph with the windows down. Remember doing that? How stupid. How fun.

Years ago, I owned a portable GPS device that made me feel like an astronaut on a space mission. I jettisoned it into my basement bin along with my eight-track and cassette tapes collection. Someday it will be a nostalgic time capsule.

My days of using paper maps and trendy GPS gadgets ended with my first iPhone, which came with GPS apps and dozens of other tools that revolutionized how we use our phones. My iPhone seemed like Batman's bat belt, equipped with something for every task. Clock, calculator, music, camera, internet connection, voice recorder and video creator, among other uses.

It's like holding a magical device in my hand. "Beam me up, Scotty, into the digital cloud," hundreds of millions of earthlings now say every day.

These days I use my iPhones for countless purposes including GPS apps. (My 2004 Chevy Monte Carlo has no GPS.) I'm addicted to GPS, using it too often for destinations I've been to dozens or hundreds of times. Mostly to get there faster or more efficiently. I have little patience and even less time to waste on unexpected detours, construction zones, vehicle crashes or stalled trains.

I enjoy getting from point A to point B as quickly as possible. My GPS apps offer me multiple routes to choose from, even if it saves me only one minute. I'll take it. I value my time more than my money.



JERRY DAVICH PHOTOS, THE TIMES

Two years ago on a long road trip to Texas, Jerry Davich and his wife tried using an old map instead of GPS. Somewhere in rural Illinois, they opened an old Rand-McNally map while driving 70 mph with the windows down. Remember doing that? How stupid. How fun.



"These days I use my iPhones for countless purposes including GPS apps. Mostly to get somewhere faster. I have little patience and even less time to waste on unexpected detours," Jerry Davich writes.

For example, my occasional commute from my Valparaiso home to The Times office in Munster. I usually have three or four routes to choose from, depending on traffic congestion and other factors, ranging in travel time from 47 minutes to an hour and 20 minutes, one way. I've learned more back-road routes than I ever knew existed, thanks to GPS.

Trouble is, I now depend on it too much, even for routine trips that I don't need it for. Because of this daily dependence on the marvels of modern technology, my cognitive skills are suffering, I believe. Instead of trusting my instincts and relying on my memory, I trust my GPS to navigate my world.

I used to figure it out on my own, which obviously cost me

more time but it didn't cost me any brain cells.

Getting "lost" on my way to a certain destination taught me how to not get lost again to get there the next time. Getting to a destination through guidance of a GPS is teaching me how to rely on GPS to do it again and again. I trust it so much I neglect my own skills and knowledge, cultivated from 45 years of driving.

Maybe you are experiencing something similar with your driving habits?

Also, there's a broader picture developing at the intersection of trust and technology with darker overtones. Our overuse of GPS to navigate our driving is illustrative of our overuse of technology to navigate our world. We depend on it more every day with no end in sight. Our phones. Our iPads. Our cars. Our televisions. Our devices. Our lives.

What is our destination with all this dependence? And how much do we still value our journey to get there? At some point on this trip through the technological landscape, we should mark a big X on a map and reroute our plans how to arrive there with our mental faculties intact.

Living in the digital age is a remarkable experience. The world is literally at our fingertips. But it only matters if we know where we are going.

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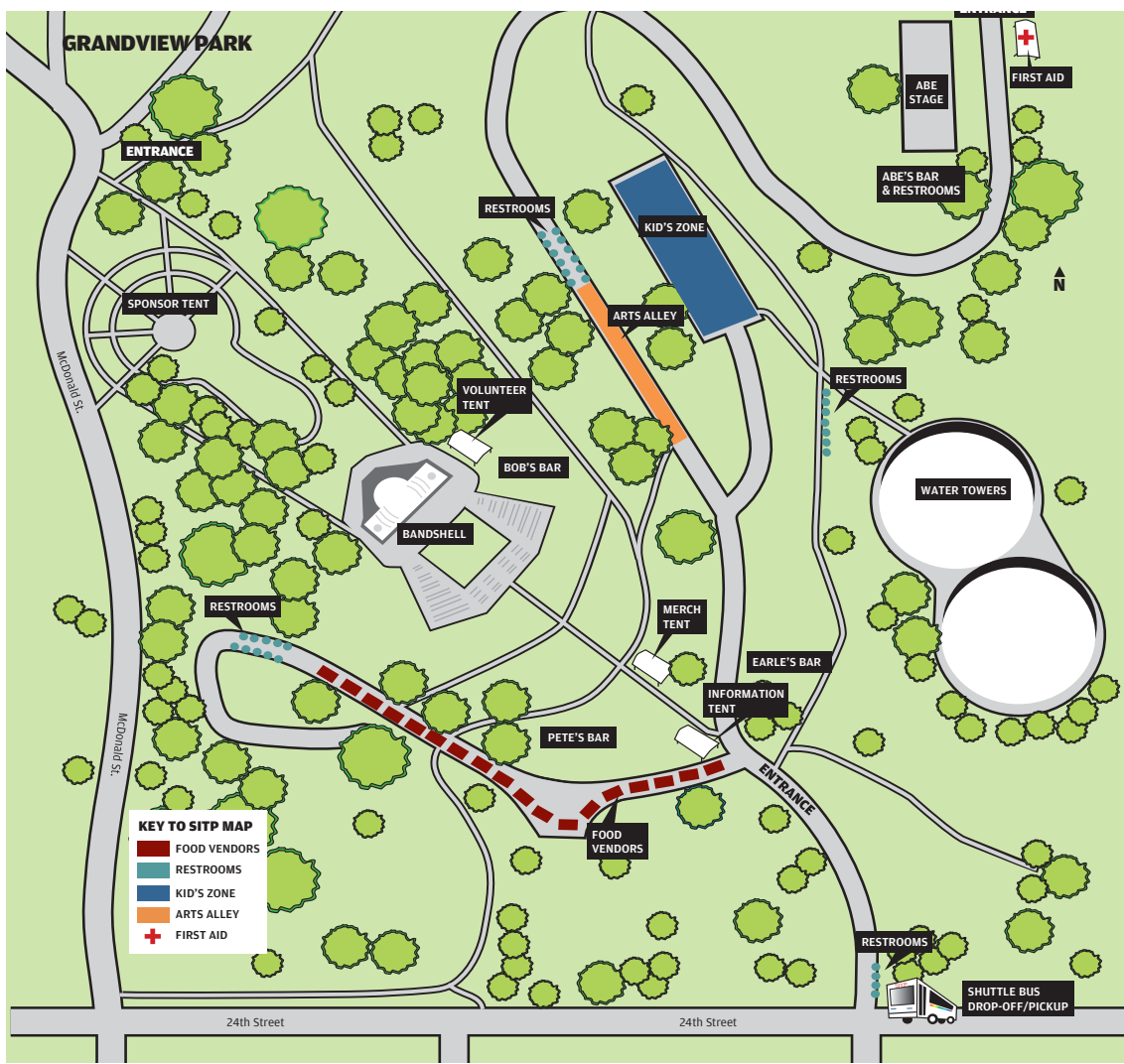
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## SATURDAY IN THE PARK MAP



The map above shows the layout of Grandview Park for the Saturday in the Park music festival.

## Fireworks

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before tents and stands started popping up in Sioux City and other western Iowa cities.

Though just the 13th populous county in South Dakota, Union County's fireworks sales have long rivaled or exceeded those in the two largest, Lincoln and Minnehaha, metro Sioux Falls counties with four and 11 times more people, respectively. In 2022, Union's \$1.72 million in taxable fireworks sales — nearly all from North Sioux City — ranked third most in the state, behind only Lincoln's \$2.53 million and Minnehaha's \$2.29 million.

## Rich history

The Lantis family has had a lot to do with building the fireworks industry in North Sioux City to such lofty heights.

Merle Lantis began selling fireworks in North Sioux in the 1940s, when Iowa's fireworks ban was only a few years old. His son Don, now 82, began working there when he was very young.

"They've been shooting fireworks in Sioux City ever since I was a baby," said Don Lantis, proprietor of Lantis Fireworks. By his estimates, a majority of the city's population was shooting fireworks even when it wasn't legal.

Buyers at one time came from all across Iowa, and points beyond, to buy fireworks at Lantis' stands, regardless of the legality of fireworks in their home state or other destination. Some still do.

"Like this lady, she was just here, just a little bit ago, she was going to Canada. And I said, 'You can't take fireworks to Canada.' And she says, 'Oh I don't get in trouble,'" Lantis said. "And see, that's the way Sioux City was."

In 2016, the last season North Sioux City stands operated without competition from across the Big Sioux River, taxable firework sales totaled \$1.79 million. That was an increase from the \$1.32 million recorded in 2013, the oldest year of data the state revenue department provided.

## Traffic patterns

After Iowa legalized fireworks, Lantis said, he saw fewer shoppers coming from the very far-away reaches of Iowa, probably due to the inconvenience of driving so far to buy something that could be purchased locally.

"People would come from Des Moines, come and buy fireworks — we lost those people," Lantis said.

But Sioux City-area shoppers continued buying fireworks from him, just as they had before Iowa had legal fireworks vendors.

"It cut the pie — the pie is only so big," Lantis said, referring to the total number of fireworks consumers in Sioux City. "But it was kind of offset, because there were people in Sioux City that didn't shoot fireworks (before legalization). Very few people."

John Barber, owner of Zort's Fireworks in North Sioux City,



JESSE BROTHERS, SIOUX CITY JOURNAL

Morgan Jensen, center, helps Ari-el Earth, right, at the checkout counter at Lantis Fireworks in North Sioux City on Tuesday.

said the legalization in Iowa was a boon for his business.

"It seemed to be, that more people were shooting fireworks, than there were before, because it was now legal," he said. "What happened is — it was actually good, because then I was able to open some satellite locations. We put one in Carroll, Iowa, and we put one on Singing Hills, down there by Walmart. So, yeah, we expanded our retail footprint. So it was good."

Union County held its own in the first year after Iowa legalized fireworks, posting \$1.71 million in sales in 2017.

Overall, South Dakota's taxable fireworks sales rose from \$11.24 million in 2016 to \$11.45 million in 2017. Statewide sales totaled \$16.1 million in 2022.

Based on the statistical reports the South Dakota Department of Revenue publishes, "there are no defined trends that have been established" since Iowa established fireworks, said Kendra Baucom, a spokeswoman for the South Dakota Department of Revenue.

Comparable sales figures for Iowa are not available because retailers aren't required to report their share of sales attributable to fireworks, said John Fuller, a spokesman for the Iowa Department of Revenue.

## Slight sales dip

In 2018 and 2019, sales volume in Union County slumped, with vendors reporting \$1.37 million and \$1.25 million, respectively. Lantis points to the Fourth of July holiday falling in the middle of the week in both years — on a Wednesday in 2018 and on a Thursday in 2019.

When Independence Day falls on a Friday or on a weekend, fireworks sales have been historically stronger than when the holiday is on a weekday, Lantis said. That's because because fewer people want to have Fourth of July parties that can stretch late into the night when they have to get up for work the next morning.

"If a boss is nice, he'll give you a day off (for the holiday) — but not all bosses are going to give you five days off, with pay," Lantis said. "So, Monday, they usually have to go to work. Tuesday, that's the Fourth of July."

John Barber, owner of Zort's Fireworks in North Sioux City, said he's not as sure about the correlation between the Fourth

falling on a weekday and weaker sales.

"There's different schools of thought in our industry about that," Barber said. "Our thought is — as you know, it's Tuesday this year — so, what'll happen is, historically, starting about Thursday, people will be taking off for their long weekends, and they're going to start buying their fireworks Thursday. And so, we have strong fireworks sales throughout that Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday period. Tuesday, the actual Fourth, it'll probably go down a little bit, because people have to go to work on Wednesday. But it'll be a nice, steady business for this weekend."

## COVID surge

Union County fireworks sales came roaring back in from their two-year lull. In 2020 and 2021, the county posted \$1.81 million and \$1.86 million in taxable sales, respectively. Sales dipped slightly in 2022, when the Fourth of July fell on a Monday, but the county still recorded \$1.72 million in sales.

Two factors were at play in 2020 and 2021: In both years, the holiday fell on the weekend. And, perhaps more importantly, consumers were flush with cash, with stimulus payments and generous unemployment benefits padding checking accounts. Moreover, people were encouraged to stay home in 2020, when the COVID-19 pandemic was unchecked, and fireworks were something to do that didn't necessarily involve exposure to pathogens.

"All across the United States, everybody in the business had great years, those years," Barber said of 2020 and 2021.

"They were the best years we've ever had," Lantis said.

Lantis and Barber both said that inflation, on its own, probably won't much dampen demand this year, as consumers generally tend to find the money for fireworks even in less-than-ideal economic conditions.

"People, generally speaking, they love the holiday, and they come in here, and even if they have to stretch their budget a little bit to get some fireworks, they do," Barber said. He added that his shop has reduced its prices, as freight rates are only about half of what they were last year.

The Journal's Dave Dreeszen contributed to this story.

## Saturday in the Park entries to have 'enhanced' security protocols

JOURNAL STAFF

SIOUX CITY — The Saturday in the Park Festival announced Thursday that "enhanced procedures" will be implemented at entry points to the park for attendees. The festival is Saturday at Grandview Park.

All attendees' bags will be searched at the entry gates; attendees are asked to bring only small bags to the festival containing only essential items, festival organizers said in a press release.

"This protocol has become the standard and music and sporting events nationwide and its time for us to imple-

ment these enhanced procedures at SITP as well," said David Bernstein, festival co-producer said in a statement. "The fest is free so we ask people not to bring any food or beverages or any other unsafe items and instead support the vendors at the festival who greatly help to keep it free."

The two main entrances, at 24th Street and Grandview Boulevard, and at Stone Park Boulevard, will have "bag free express lanes," according to the press release. Attendees with bags may experience "minimal delays" in entering the festival, especially late afternoon and early evening.

## Laws

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The new law requires schools to remove library materials depicting or describing a specific set of sex acts or sexual activities defined by Iowa law. Religious texts are exempted.

While the law takes effect July 1, the book restrictions aren't enforceable until January. After that, teachers or school superintendents will face discipline from the Board of Educational Examiners.

The new law also requires schools to notify parents if a student requests changing their name or pronouns.

LGBTQ advocates have said that could lead to schools forcibly "outing" students even if they might be put in danger at home. Supporters contend it codifies parents' rights.

## Teens can work new jobs, longer hours

Iowa teens as young as 16 can now serve alcohol with parental permission. Fourteen- and 15-year-olds can work more hours later into the night. And 16- and 17-year-olds can work in more jobs, such as manufacturing and construction, as long as they are part of a state-approved educational or apprenticeship program with proper supervision and safety precautions. A parent must also grant permission for the work.

Senate File 542 allows 16- and 17-year-olds, with parental permission, to serve alcohol in restaurants — but not in bars or strip clubs. Teens under 16 can work up to six hours on a school day, two more than previously allowed, and can work until 9 p.m. during the school year and until 11 p.m. during the summer. Workers age 16 and older can work the same number of hours as adults.

Supporters have said the bill provides more opportunities for young Iowans who want to work and could help address the state's shortage of workers.

Democrats, labor unions and others criticized the bill for potential conflicts with federal youth labor regulations.

## More families eligible for child care assistance

More Iowa families will qualify for child care assistance payments from the state, but will have to work four more hours per week to stay in the program.

House File 707 increases the income limit for child care assistance to 160 percent of the federal poverty level. That equates to a household income of \$48,000 for a family of four.

The state's nonpartisan fiscal analysis agency estimates the increase will apply to more than 2,600 children.

The new law also increases how much the state reimburses child care providers. The current average cost per child is \$413 per month. The law increases that to \$464.

A child's parent or guardian also will have to work or attend school or vocational training for an average of 32 hours a week, four hours more than the previous law required.

Families of kids with special needs will have a higher income threshold, and be required to work an average of 28 hours per week.

## New requirements for food, other assistance

New requirements for Iowans receiving public assistance benefits, including an asset test and regular checks to determine their eligibility for programs, take effect July 1. However, implementing Senate File 494 will take some time, according to a state official.

Alex Carfrae, a spokesperson for Iowa Department of Health and Human Services, said the changes require federal approval and internally, the department has "begun IT system and process updates to

ensure we meet legislative implementation deadlines."

As a result, Iowans who rely on public assistance won't see any immediate changes to their eligibility.

The new requirements apply to the SNAP food assistance program, the low-income health care program Medicaid, the children's health care program known as CHIP and the Family Investment Program, or FIP, which provides cash assistance to needy families.

An analysis by the state's nonpartisan Legislative Services Agency projected thousands of Iowans eligible for assistance will have their benefits canceled due to discrepancies in enrollment. Critics say the measure raise unnecessary barriers for low-income Iowans to receive food and health care assistance.

Supporters have said the changes will prevent fraud and abuse and ensure only those Iowans who are truly in need of government assistance are the ones benefiting.

## State agencies, workers get shuffled

Gov. Reynolds' massive government reorganization bill officially takes effect July 1.

Senate File 514 reduces the number of cabinet-level state agencies from 37 to 16, and eliminates hundreds of vacant state government positions.

Reynolds and supporters have said the proposal will make state government more efficient in its operations and services to Iowans.

Critics have asserted that it places too much authority with the governor.

More state agency leaders now will be appointed by the governor and subject to Iowa Senate confirmation, rather than being elected by colleagues on state boards or commissions.

The reorganization will result in a reduction of 202 full-time equivalent positions, and will reduce state spending by \$6.5 million, according to an LSA analysis.

## Limiting state taxpayer watchdog

Iowa's taxpayer watchdog will face new restrictions on his office's ability to access certain records when auditing government programs for waste, fraud and abuse.

The law also blocks the state auditor's office from taking state agencies to court to force them to turn over documents.

Rather, disputes will be directed to a three-member arbitration panel, with one person appointed by the auditor, one by the agency being audited and one by the governor. The panel's ruling will be final.

The lone Democrat elected to statewide office, Sand has said the bill — Senate File 478 — is about politics and protecting insiders.

Republicans have denied claims the bill is a personal attack meant specifically to target Sand, and say the bill protects Iowans' personal information and puts into state law general accounting standards.

## Increased penalties for distributing fentanyl

Individuals will face stiffer penalties for manufacturing, delivering or possessing fentanyl in an effort to combat rising rates of drug-related overdoses.

Fentanyl, a potent opioid, is often mixed into illicit pills, pressed to look like other prescription medications, and other drugs as a cost-cutting measure.

House File 595 also increases penalties for providing a drug that results in bodily injury or death, and it increases the penalty for manufacturing the drug in the presence of a minor or selling to a minor.

In addition, the law expands who can dispense naloxone, a medication that reverses the effects of an overdose.



# A&E

## DVD REVIEW



PHILIPPE BOSSÉ, PARAMOUNT PICTURES VIA AP

From left, Mason Gooding, Jenna Ortega, Jasmin Savoy Brown, Devyn Nekoda and Melissa Barrera in a scene from "Scream VI."

## 'Scream VI' gets a fresh start, tips hat to legacy characters

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There's a duality to "Scream VI," the latest in the "Scream" series.

If you're a hardcore fan, you get to see people and objects that figured into previous outings. If you're a newcomer, there's a fresh set of victims to see you through.

In "Scream VI," sisters Sam (Melissa Barrera) and Tara (Jenna Ortega) are students at New York's Blackmore University, a school that leans into film studies (and slasher movies). Before they even get to the midterm, a student offs his teacher and makes plans to do in the sisters and their friends. Unfortunately, someone else has a similar idea.

The cat-and-mouse chase takes the action out of claustrophobic apartments and into the streets and subway. It also conveniently takes place at Halloween when multiple Ghostfaces can appear randomly. A killer among us? Good luck.

Directed by Matt Bettinelli-Olpin and

Tyler Gillett, "Scream VI" brings back Hayden Panettiere and Courtney Cox who give credibility to some of that museum stuff. They're hot on the killer's trail, too, and have their own close encounters. Cox gets a great race around an apartment (with more glass walls than you'd want) and Panettiere has to work the theater/museum. They bring a bit of the Wes Craven magic and keep the audience guessing.

Unfortunately, "Scream VI" goes on too long for its own good. By the time everyone gathers at a theater, we're just ready for someone to get ghosted.

The directors were right to take this out of Woodsboro and give it a new setting. They were also right to introduce new rules of the game and hold fast to legacy characters. Neve Campbell isn't in this edition, but that doesn't matter. She's part of that Ghostface exhibit and doesn't need to trade quips with Cox.

Cox, in fact, gets to represent those

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- "Walker: Independence," complete series
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"legacy" characters and make good on the school's teachings.

Because there are so many students lurking, it's hard to winnow the suspects. Some get the hook early on. But it's still a crapshoot to figure out who might be failing film studies.

Ortega and Barrera run through the usual paces and – get this – teach us a lesson about letting go.

Bettinelli-Olpin and Gillett take too much time to get to the finish line. They lose their way somewhere between the refrigerator and the concession stand.

The meta approach to horror films, however, gives "Scream VI" an edge over other franchises that have been running more than two decades. It still falls into usual traps (the phone concept has to go) but it doesn't require a thesis on recurring tropes to understand.

## Scorsese, Spielberg, Paul Thomas Anderson to help curate TCM films

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Steven Spielberg, Martin Scorsese and Paul Thomas Anderson are stepping up to help curate programming for Turner Classic Movies, amid a tumultuous week of layoffs and leadership changes that had fans worried about the future of the channel.

Last week Warner Bros. Discovery laid off some top TCM people including General Manager Pola Changnon and programming head Charles Tabesh, prompting public outcries from the film community who tweeted with the hashtag #SaveTCM and wrote passionate op-eds about its cultural value.

By Wednesday, under the leadership of WBD CEO David Zaslav, the company had stabilized plans for TCM's future, enlisting Warner Bros. Motion Picture Group co-chairs and CEOs Michael De Luca and Pam Abdy to oversee TCM, bringing on Spielberg, Scorsese and Anderson as official curators and reversing course on Tabesh's layoff.

"TCM is a cultural treasure, and we are honored to help steer the future direction of this beloved brand with the partnership of three of the most iconic filmmakers of our time, Steven, Marty, and Paul," De Luca and Abdy said in a statement.

The strategy, all noted, was led by Zaslav. And Spielberg, Scorsese and Anderson are already working on ideas with De Luca and Abdy.

"We are thrilled that longtime programmer Charlie Tabesh will be staying with TCM and gratified to know that the team is focused on preserving TCM's mission of celebrating our rich movie history while at the same time ensuring that future generations of filmmakers and film lovers have TCM as a valuable resource," the filmmakers said in a statement.

TCM's on-air hosts, like Ben Mankiewicz, Dave Karger and Alicia Malone are expected to stay on too and plans are still in motion for the annual film festival in Los Angeles to continue as well.

Mankiewicz earlier this year spoke to The AP about the channel's passionate fanbase, from civilians to celebrities like Tom Hanks, who mentioned TCM frequently in his recent memoir. Scorsese also famously keeps it on in his editing suite.

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NEBRASKA GAMING



JUSTIN WAN, LINCOLN JOURNAL STAR

Warhorse Casino Lincoln sportsbook manager Jason Johnston organizes the counter Monday. The casino, operated by Ho-Chunk Inc., the economic development arm of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, started taking its first sports bets this month.

# Gaming integrity a priority for WarHorse

Ho-Chunk-run Lincoln casino takes first sports bets in Nebraska

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Justin Johnston gets it. He understands that the perception of integrity is just as important as its reality.

After all, he's lived it. Warhorse Casino's new sportsbook manager has blazed that trail once before by managing the launch of an Arizona sportsbook located 500 yards from a National Football League stadium.

Putting a sportsbook so near a professional sports venue — and it was done with the blessing and

oversight of the Arizona Department of Gaming — is becoming more and more common.

Just about every big stadium in every state that has legalized sports betting — from Wrigley Field in Chicago to FedEx Field in Washington, D.C. — has a nearby sportsbook.

The Warhorse Casino sportsbook is 8 miles from Memorial Stadium, if anyone is wondering.

And as Nebraska sets sail into what some might perceive to be the murky waters of sports gambling, Johnston understands the parameters — at least for now — like no betting on the Huskers when they're playing in Lincoln or the inability for gamblers to place bets through mobile devices, that are currently in place.

He's confident those issues will be sorted out with time and legislation, which many believe is inevitable — and necessary.

"Mobile gaming is probably where it's really going to take off," said Lance Morgan, CEO of Ho-Chunk Inc., the economic development arm of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, which is running the Warhorse Casino. "You can do mobile lottery now and you can do mobile keno so I don't know why we can't do mobile sports betting, but that's something to talk about next year."

For right now, the perception of integrity — making sure everyone knows the games in play are legitimate — matters far more than the convenience of easily placing a bet.

Mobile betting apps create their own set of problems, Johnston said — one that has hit too close to home with the NFL.

Last year, it suspended Jacksonville Jaguars wide receiver Calvin Ridley, then with the Atlanta Falcons, for the entire 2022 season for betting on NFL games — "an isolated lapse in judgment," he wrote in an apology letter to the league.

In April, three players were suspended indefinitely for betting on NFL games and two more, including wide receiver Jameson Williams, the Detroit Lions' first-round pick last year, were suspended six games each for placing wagers on non-league games.

"It's kind of like a dirty little secret now that mobile (betting)

is so prevalent in other states," Johnston said. "I think operators, including the mobile operators, have to step up and do a better job of knowing (the) customers."

"In some aspects, they've really succeeded in that, and (in) other aspects, there have been some challenges."

Johnston cited the way BetMGM, his former employer, handled Alabama baseball coach Brad Bohannon, who was fired in early May amid a widespread investigation into suspicious betting activity on his team's game against LSU in late April.

ESPN reported that sportsbook surveillance video at the Great American Ballpark in Cincinnati

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# Dell technologies recognizes Sterling

North Sioux firm receives 'Excellence in Services' award

JOURNAL STAFF

NORTH SIOUX CITY — Dell Technologies has named North Sioux City-based Sterling as its 2023 "Excellence in Services" Federal Partner of the Year.

The annual honors a Dell partner for outstanding services performance. Sterling was lauded for both its professional services and total services, with the solutions provider generating more services revenue than any other partner — in fact, more than double the nearest Dell partner.

"To do services well, it takes all of Sterling," company CEO Brad Moore said in a statement. "Building trust on the services side can prove difficult because



Moore

it is such an intimate engagement with the customer and their environment. Through their tenacity, agility, and proven expertise, our team has earned that trust.

"Looking ahead, we will continue to evolve our services capabilities to meet the demands of AI/ML, XaaS, consumption-based models, and more, allowing us to truly address our customers' present and future needs. We are just getting started."

The Excellences in Services award was first announced late last month at Dell Technologies World (DTW) in Las Vegas as part of the manufacturer's 2023 Partner of the Year Awards program.



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Sterling Computers' headquarters in North Sioux City is shown above.

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Lincoln sportsbook manager Jason Johnston (left) explains the sports betting process to a patron as the first sports wagers are placed Thursday.

## WarHorse

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it created was there as a traffic situation," he said. "You've got hundreds — tens of thousands — of fans navigating the tailgating space and our sportsbook. Our max occupancy was roughly around 500, give or take, so you were trying to keep fans in who wanted to place a bet on Sunday. "My job was just keeping the assembly line coming in and out." The WarHorse operation won't be nearly as chaotic, he said. But that doesn't mean there won't be gameday excitement. "There's nothing more excit-

ing than watching and betting on college football," he said. "The atmosphere is electric. Anybody that's ever been to a game knows that type of excitement."

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WarHorse Casino sportsbook manager Jason Johnston (left) explains the sports betting process to a customer as the first sports wagers are placed Thursday.



## TRANSITIONS

### Dordt names vice president

SIoux CENTER, Iowa — Fred Verwoerd has been appointed vice president for University Operations at Dordt University.

Verwoerd previously served as vice president for operations and finance at Covenant College in

Lookout Mountain, Georgia, since July 2018. Prior to that role, he worked as vice president for administration and finance for Redeemer University in Hamilton, Ontario, briefly serving as interim president in 2018.

A 1985 graduate of Dordt, Verwoerd earned a bachelor of arts degree in business administration before going on to receive his certified public accountant (CPA) and certified management account (CMA) certifications.

With extensive experience in financial planning, analysis, and budgeting, Verwoerd has led departments of financial services, information technology, human resources and marketing and communication. He has also provided leadership for colleges' physical plants and has previously worked to revamp student employment programs to improve student labor force outcomes and student learning.

Verwoerd and his wife, Amy have four children, three of whom are Dordt graduates.



## MONEY & MARKETS

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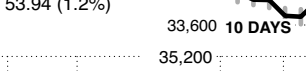
### Chicago Mercantile

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Chg.
<b>CATTLE</b>					
40,000 lbs.- cents per lb.					
Jun 23	179.90	181.50	179.15	181.50	+1.75
Aug 23	174.50	177.25	173.75	177.17	+2.67
Oct 23	177.67	179.65	176.80	179.55	+1.88
Dec 23	181.67	183.60	180.80	183.52	+1.85
Feb 24	185.12	187.00	184.27	186.95	+1.80
Apr 24	186.82	188.42	186.05	188.37	+1.55
Jun 24	181.25	182.17	180.55	182.02	+7.7
Est. sales 71,537 Thu's open int 346,837, up 6462					
<b>FEEDER CATTLE</b>					
50,000 lbs.- cents per lb.					
Jul 23	241.85	248.07	240.40	247.57	+5.20
Sep 23	245.40	251.27	244.07	250.82	+5.02
Oct 23	247.50	253.07	246.45	252.52	+4.70
Nov 23	248.17	253.22	247.15	252.65	+4.30
Jan 24	246.40	251.30	246.05	250.75	+3.48
Mar 24	247.37	250.97	246.50	250.75	+3.15
Apr 24	250.00	253.22	249.35	253.22	+2.97
Est. sales 25,548 Thu's open int 58,435, up 344					
<b>HOGS-Lean</b>					
40,000 lbs.- cents per lb.					
Jul 23	94.75	96.12	94.50	95.65	+2.0
Aug 23	91.20	93.15	91.20	92.60	+2.8
Oct 23	78.47	79.20	77.57	78.37	-9.8
Dec 23	75.40	75.85	74.02	75.15	-7.7
Feb 24	80.65	81.00	79.47	80.77	-2.8
Apr 24	85.95	86.30	85.05	86.20	-1.5
May 24	89.17	89.72	89.12	89.72	-1.8
Est. sales 44,682 Thu's open int 195,954, up 2428					

### S&P 500



### Dow Jones Industrials



### StocksRecap

	NYSE	NASD
Vol. (in mil.)	3,665	4,363
Pvs. Volume	3,374	4,092
Advanced	1659	1958
Declined	701	1413
New Highs	202	134
New Lows	11	59

	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	CHG.	%CHG.	YTD
DOW Trans.	15,581.13	15,386.66	15,529.77	+10.95	+0.07%	+15.96%
DOW Util.	907.54	897.44	906.66	+9.74	+1.09%	+6.28%
NYSE Comp.	15,908.71	15,737.38	15,875.91	+138.54	+0.88%	+4.55%
NASDAQ	13,816.67	13,716.16	13,787.92	+196.59	+1.45%	+31.73%
S&P 500	4,458.48	4,328.08	4,450.38	+53.94	+1.23%	+15.91%
S&P 400	2,632.54	2,605.36	2,622.34	+16.98	+0.65%	+7.90%
Wilshire 5000	44,965.59	44,379.36	44,883.61	+504.26	+1.14%	+17.89%
Russell 2000	1,898.40	1,887.55	1,888.73	+7.14	+0.38%	+7.24%

### Chicago Board of Trade

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Chg.
<b>CORN</b>					
5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel					
Jul 23	585	595	552	554.50	-26.50
Sep 23	525.25	532.25	486.50	488.50	-35
Nov 23	532	537.50	493	494.75	-33.75
Jan 24	541.50	547.75	504.75	506.50	-32.25
Mar 24	547	552	511.75	513.50	-30.25
May 24	547.50	553.25	514.25	516.25	-29.25
Jul 24	514.75	523	496.50	498	-14.25
Dec 24	507	518	494.75	496.75	-10.25
Mar 25	518.25	522.75	505.50	506	-8.75
May 25	517	517	510	510	-7.75
Est. sales 717,839 Thu's open int 1,210,278, of 5092					
<b>SOYBEANS</b>					
5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel					
Jul 23	1482	1568	1480.25	1557.25	+74.25
Sep 23	1367.25	1453.25	1366.25	1442	+74.25
Nov 23	1281.75	1368	1281	1355.50	+73.75
Jan 24	1351.75	1266	1343.25	1275.50	-76.50
Mar 24	1278	1357.50	1275.50	1346.75	+72.50
May 24	1271	1341.50	1271	1326	+56
Jul 24	1270.50	1334	1270.50	1314.50	+45.75
Oct 24	1280	1333.75	1278	1307.75	+37.50
Est. sales 421,794 Thu's open int 601,685, of 6728					
<b>SOYBEAN MEAL</b>					
100 tons- dollars per ton					
Jul 23	404.20	424.00	403.80	419.20	+16.20
Sep 23	396.00	419.20	396.00	413.90	+17.00
Nov 23	389.20	411.10	388.40	406.10	+17.30
Jan 24	380.20	402.90	380.00	397.30	+16.80
Mar 24	378.00	399.90	377.50	394.50	+16.50
May 24	372.50	391.10	371.50	385.50	+13.90
Jul 24	369.40	386.30	368.00	380.20	+12.30
Oct 24	370.00	384.20	368.80	379.40	+10.90
Jan 25	369.90	378.30	367.30	376.30	+9.50
Est. sales 207,360 Thu's open int 478,217, of 6876					
<b>OATS</b>					
5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel					
Jul 23	378	380	374.50	377.25	+9.50
Sep 23	387.25	401.25	387.25	389.50	+6
Nov 23	405.25	420	403.75	408	+6.25
Jan 24	418	425	418	421.50	+6
Mar 24				418	+6
May 24				418	+6
Jul 24				413.25	+6
Sep 24				413.25	+6
Nov 24				414.75	+6
Jan 25				420.75	+6
Est. sales 961 Thu's open int 4,277, up 55					
<b>WHEAT</b>					
5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel					
Jul 23	654	663.75	634.25	636.25	-16.75
Sep 23	669.25	680.75	646	651	-16.50
Nov 23	686.25	697.75	664.50	669.25	-15.25
Jan 24	701.75	711.50	680.50	685.25	-13.75
Mar 24	711.25	717.75	688.75	693.75	-12.50
May 24	715.25	720	694	697.75	-10.75
Jul 24	718.75	723.75	701.75	705.25	-9
Sep 24	730.50	733.25	711.25	714.75	-7.75
Nov 24	719	722	719	722	-6.75
Jan 25	722	723	722	723	-3.50
Est. sales 114,936 Thu's open int 289,938, of 5416					

### Interest rates



The yield on the 10-year Treasury note was unchanged Friday. Yields affect rates on mortgages and other consumer loans.

	PRIME RATE	FED FUNDS
LAST	8.25	5.13
6 MO AGO	7.50	4.38
1 YR AGO	4.75	1.63

### TREASURIES

	LAST	PVS	CHG	WK MO QTR	NET	1YR
3-month T-bill	5.32	5.36	-0.04	▲ ▼ ▲	▲	1.69
6-month T-bill	5.47	5.50	-0.03	▲ ▼ ▲	▲	2.50
52-wk T-bill	5.42	5.43	-0.01	▲ ▲ ▲	▲	2.79
2-year T-note	4.90	4.86	+0.04	▲ ▼ ▲	▲	2.92
5-year T-note	4.13	4.14	-0.01	▲ ▲ ▲	▲	3.01
7-year T-note	3.97	3.99	-0.02	▲ ▲ ▲	▲	3.04
10-year T-note	3.84	3.84	...	▲ ▲ ▲	▲	2.97
30-year T-bond	3.86	3.90	-0.04	▲ ▼ ▲	▲	3.12

### CONSUMER RATES

	NAT'L AVG	WK AGO	6MO AGO	1YR AGO
48 month new car loan	7.57 ▲	7.27	7.02	6.53
Money market account	0.54	0.54	0.53	0.34
1 year CD	2.56 ▲	2.53	2.49	2.32
\$30K Home equity loan	9.16	9.16	9.14	8.61
30 year fixed mortgage	7.17 ▲	7.08	6.98	6.61
15 year fixed mortgage	6.50 ▲	6.48	6.37	5.97

### Commodities

Natural gas jumped 3.6% Friday while U.S. crude oil prices closed up over 1%. Wholesale gasoline and heating oil also rose. Gold and silver closed higher.

### FUELS

	CLOSE	PVS.	%CHG	%YTD
Crude Oil (bbl)	70.64	69.86	+1.12	-12.0
Heating Oil (gal)	2.45	2.42	+1.35	-27.2
Natural Gas (mm btu)	2.80	2.70	+3.59	-37.5
Unleaded Gas (gal)	2.63	2.62	+0.62	+7.1

### METALS

	CLOSE	PVS.	%CHG	%YTD
Gold (oz)	1,921.10	1,909.20	+0.62	+5.6
Silver (oz)	22.81	22.59	+0.97	-4.4
Platinum (oz)	904.50	897.80	+0.75	-15.8
Copper (lb)	3.74	3.68	+1.73	-1.7
Aluminum (ton)	2,114.75	2,126.00	-0.53	-12.3

### AGRICULTURE

	CLOSE	PVS.	%CHG	%YTD
Cattle (lb)	1.82	1.80	+0.97	+17.2
Coffee (lb)	1.59	1.62	-1.61	-5.0
Target	5.55	5.81	-4.56	-18.3
Corn (bu)	0.83	0.81	+1.96	-0.6
Lumber (1,000 bd ft)	531.00	535.00	-0.56	+53.4
Orange Juice (lb)	2.72	2.74	-0.91	

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# OPINION

**Today's Bible Verse**  
Correct me, Lord, but only with justice — not in your anger, lest you reduce me to nothing. **Jeremiah 10:24**

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### OUR OPINION

## Thumbs up school board; Thumbs down, Pierce St. repairs

#### JOURNAL EDITORIAL BOARD

#### THUMBS UP

We applaud the Sioux City school board opted for a short-term appointment to fill Perla Alarcon-Flory's seat on the board, rather than scheduling a costly and unneeded special election.

The appointee will serve only until the November school board election, when voters will select a candidate to fill the remaining two years of Alarcon-Flory's term. A special election would have cost taxpayers about \$40,000 and could not have taken place until August or September.

We're optimistic that a number of quality candidates will ask to be appointed to the seat by the July 20 deadline. The remaining six board members will hold a July 24 meeting to hear the applicants explain why they would be the best person for the job.

#### THUMBS UP

Thanks to all the volunteers who got Grandview Park ready for this year's Saturday in the Park ready for thousands of spectators and all they do to ensure the festival runs smoothly.

When you're there, enjoying the music, the fun and the food, remember to say thanks. They provided a lot of sweat equity so you could have a great start to the July 4th holiday.

#### THUMBS UP

Hats off to the many current and former residents who have

been volunteering their time and donating funds toward the restoration of the historic Hubbard Park. In the 1980s and 1990s, the neighborhood park showed some of the best players and teams in the world, but later fell on hard times after the teams moved to the former Penn Corp. Park.

Many of the players, coaches and umpires from that era returned to Hubbard Park this weekend for a Legends game for fans to honor them for their contributions and celebrate the return of the park to its past glory.

#### THUMBS DOWN

We're excited about the water main replacement on Pierce Street but we do wish there was more warning about Sixth Street narrowing. Even turning from Jackson Street can be a real surprise.

How about telegraphing the punch before traffic becomes unbearable? A sign on Jackson, for example, could prompt motorists to go to Third Street to avoid congestion.

#### THUMBS DOWN

If you're excited about summer, don't be. We're in that nebulous — will it be killer hot today? — period.

Be prepared for anything in July and always make sure to hydrate. The illness you avoid could be your own.

### MY VIEW | GARY VARVEL



### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Stray fireworks can maim, kill the innocent

As the Fourth of July fast approaches, I hope that the people of Sioux City will develop a little consideration for their neighbors.

Not everyone enjoys the fireworks and the resultant explosions. To many of our veterans with PTSD, those explosions force them to relive the horrors that lurk in their past.

Thousands of people are hurt each year from fireworks. Some maimed for life, and some killed.

It isn't just those that are using fireworks that are hurt. Some are innocent bystanders who have never set off fireworks in their life, but just wanted to watch the displays. I would remind you of a small child in Ankeny Iowa that was just sitting in their driveway when an errant bomb from across the street landed in their lap.

Matiss Kivlenieks, a former player for the Sioux City Musketeers, was sitting in a hot tub when a mortar tilted and hit him in the chest with a shell, killing him.

Millions of dollars in property damage are lost due to fires caused by fireworks.

Don't forget all of the pets that are terrified by the noise of war, that they simply cannot understand. More pets run away during the first week of July than at any other time of

the year because of fireworks.

If one child can be saved from being burned, maimed or even killed by banning fireworks in Sioux City, isn't it worth it? —

**Mark Solheim**  
Sioux City

#### Pay attention to issues in Iowa nursing homes

Every single Iowan regardless of race, income, or ability deserves the right to age with dignity. However, we are tragically under-serving Iowa's aging population.

The pandemic exacerbated an already-festering problem in Iowa — lack of oversight and regulation in nursing homes. Before the pandemic, the state Department of Inspections and Appeals was responding to only 35% of serious complaints in 10 days or fewer. This department was woefully understaffed and underfunded then. COVID made it worse.

According to ProPublica, of Iowa's approximately 420 nursing homes, about 32% have been cited, many of them repeatedly, for violations serious enough to jeopardize health or safety.

This month, Iowa Capital Dispatch reported that death-related violations were cited in nursing facilities in Coralville, Pleasantville and Sioux City. The Sioux City facility's violations resulted in four resident deaths.

Legislators from both parties at the state and federal levels have called for more transparency and regulation. Yet, most Republican legislators who hold the majority in the House and Senate ignore the issue and continue to distract and divide constituents on bathroom use, book banning and "wokeness."

Wake up. Pay attention. Check out this website for information and ratings for nursing homes in all states: [Nursinghome411.org](http://Nursinghome411.org). Your life or that of your loved ones depends on it. Reach out to your state legislators and ask them to hold hearings and pass legislation about this crisis. —

**Karen Heidman**  
Sioux City

#### No parental discipline contribute to unruly teens

A mob of out of control teenagers terrorizing a local swimming pool — 15 teenagers in California beating two Marines to a pulp — a mob of teenaged thugs looting and vandalizing a McDonald's in L.A. — all products of mediocre parenting.

This is what happens when there is no discipline and the kids are allowed to call the shots from the time they are two years old. —

**Jerry J. Kobs**  
Sergeant Bluff

## Iowans can stop this educational storm on Nov. 7

There's only silence. Waves of heat cause the blacktop to steam. Outdoor dogs slouch with snouts on sweaty paws, without raising hooded eyes. They offer no usual chase, only a feeble growl as kids peddle slowly by. The stillness envelopes newly planted corn, so if your heads cocked just right, you hear it moan growing. Thermometers glow 98, but it's hotter.



**BRUCE LEAR**

Old men, rubbing aching knees and nod knowingly. 30 miles north, thunder begins its roar, wind buckle shingles on roofs long overdue as lightning begins a fireworks show not seen since two 4ths ago.

On one channel, a baby forecaster shouts dire predictions warning folks to head for the basement, an interior room, or maybe put a pot from Mom's kitchen on your head.

A storm is coming.

It's time to prepare.

The ingredients for summer storms are simple. It's one part heat, two parts humidity causing moisture to rapidly rise colling with cooler air until it



**CALEB MCCULLOUGH, JOURNAL DES MOINES BUREAU**

Hundreds gather at the Iowa State Capitol to protest LGBTQ-focused bills in state Legislature on March 5.

explodes into a storm. It's not preventable.

But the coming Nov. 7th political storm can be stopped if we recognize the ingredients and act. Most pundits call this an off-year election. But if you care about your public school, they're wrong.

For thunderstorms, we look for lost flashlights, find the candles, listen to the forecasts, and take cover. There's a need to protect what matters.

A political storm is ignited

when one party dominates with messaging fueled by wedge issues which divides and sews distrust in respected institutions like public schools.

It began during the winter when Gov. Kim Reynolds and her legislative lemmings alternated between attacking LGBTQ people and writing vague legislation to ban books in public schools while siphoning money from public schools to private using vouchers.

The final ingredient is 11

political candidates vying for the Republican nomination for president nightly flooding the airwaves with rhetoric short on facts and long on grievance.

Those are ingredients for a perfect political storm.

We need to prepare now. Here are three suggestions for preventing the coming storm. First, ask hard questions that might help your community avoid candidates who create chaos instead of consensus.

■ Why do you want to be on the school board?

■ When was your last visit to a public school?

■ How would you handle losing an election?

■ Are you affiliated with any group? If you are, what is the name of the group, and how do you as a candidate differ from the agenda of that group?

■ What are your priorities for the district?

■ How do you feel about private school vouchers?

■ Who should determine curriculum content?

■ How would you get parents involved in the school?

■ What should the procedure be if a parent has a complaint about curriculum?

■ Do you believe parents are

the school district's customers? Why?

■ How will you work as a team with the other school board members?

■ Define "woke."

Second, watch the candidate's campaign. If he/she attacks existing board members from the start and never really goes beyond attacking, you have a candidate who is more negative than interested in protecting the future for our students. These are what my dad called, "Axe to grind candidates."

Third, follow the money. It's surprising how much money is spent in a school board race. Watch to see what individuals or groups contribute. Look to see who volunteers for the candidate. If it's not clear, ask the candidate directly.

For this storm, it will take more than covering in a basement. It takes critical thinking and caring about the future for Iowa's students.

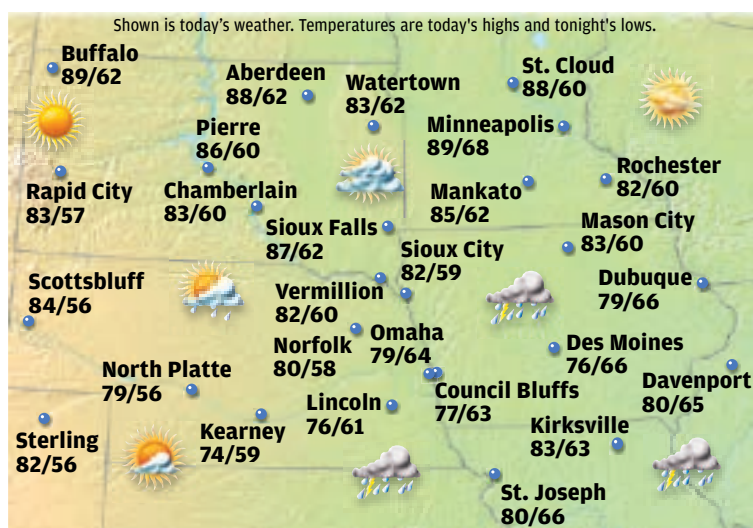
*Bruce Lear, who lives in Sioux City, has been connected to public schools for 38 years. He taught for 11 years and represented educators as an Iowa State Education Association regional director for 27 years until retiring.*

# SIouxLAND'S FIVE-DAY FORECAST

TODAY	TONIGHT	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Variable cloudiness	A moonlit sky	Hazy sun	Partly sunny	A thunderstorm around	A stray afternoon t-storm
<b>WIND</b> NNE 6-12 mph	<b>WIND</b> NW 4-8 mph	<b>WIND</b> NW 4-8 mph	<b>WIND</b> SSW 8-16 mph	<b>WIND</b> S 7-14 mph	<b>WIND</b> NNW 8-16 mph
<b>82°</b>	<b>59°</b>	<b>88° 64°</b>	<b>90° 66°</b>	<b>90° 65°</b>	<b>78° 55°</b>

## REGIONAL FORECAST

Variable cloudiness today. A couple of thunderstorms in northeastern Nebraska; partly sunny and pleasant in southeastern South Dakota. Pleasant in southwestern Minnesota. A moonlit sky tonight, except partly cloudy in western Iowa.



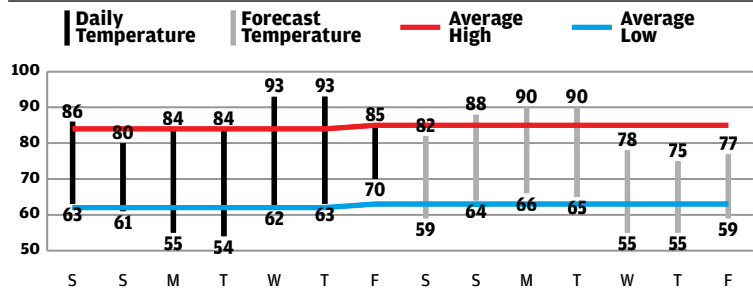
## REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sunday Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sunday Hi/Lo/W
Ames	78/64/c	87/65/pc	Ottumwa	79/63/t	87/63/pc
Broken Bow	76/57/t	89/59/s	Pierre	86/60/s	93/63/c
Cedar Rapids	78/65/c	85/62/pc	Rapid City	83/57/s	88/58/c
Chamberlain	83/60/s	92/64/c	Rochester	82/60/pc	84/64/pc
Columbus	78/59/t	89/63/s	St. Joseph	80/66/t	89/63/s
Council Bluffs	77/63/t	88/67/s	Sioux Falls	87/62/c	90/70/s
Denison	80/60/c	87/65/pc	Spencer	84/60/pc	89/64/pc
Des Moines	76/66/c	87/67/s	Vermillion	82/60/pc	90/68/pc
Fargo	87/64/pc	91/66/pc	Waterloo	81/64/pc	86/64/s
Fort Dodge	80/60/c	87/65/s	Watertown	83/62/s	89/67/s
Fremont	78/61/t	89/66/s	Worthington	81/60/pc	85/65/pc
Kearney	74/59/t	86/64/s			
Lincoln	76/61/t	89/66/s			
Mankato	85/62/pc	89/66/pc			
Marshall	84/62/s	88/68/s			
Mason City	83/60/pc	86/64/s			
Minneapolis	89/68/pc	90/71/pc			
Norfolk	80/58/t	91/65/s			
Omaha	79/64/t	90/68/s			

## MISSOURI RIVER

River	Flood Stage (ft.)	Stage Fri.	24-hour Change
Yankton	20	10.46	-0.30
Ponca	20	10.59	+0.64
Sioux City	30	11.41	+0.65

## TEMPERATURE TRENDS



## ALMANAC

Sioux City through 2 pm Friday

Temperature	85°/70°
High/low	85°/63°
Normal high/low	104° (1961)
Record high	49° (1892)
Record low	

Precipitation	0.00"
24-hour total	1.79" (4.35")
Normal (normal)	11.43" (14.68")
Year to date (normal)	1.81" (2014)
Record for the date	

### Pollen Today

Grasses	Low
Trees	Low
Weeds	Moderate
Molds	Low

Source: AccuWeather

### Cooling Degree Days

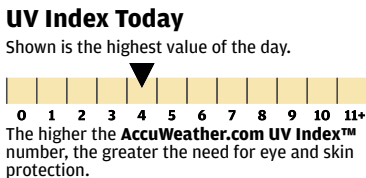
Degree days are an indicator of energy needs. The more the total degree days, the more energy is necessary to cool.

Friday	13
Month to date	251
Normal month to date	197
Since January 1	361
Normal since January 1	258

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6 a.m.	82°	83°	78°
	noon	4 p.m.	8 p.m.



### Today's Air Quality

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Good	Moderate	Unhealthy (sensitive)	Unhealthy	Very Unhealthy	Hazardous
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### Skywatch

Object	Rise	Set
Sun	5:52 am	9:06 pm
Moon	7:52 pm	3:39 am

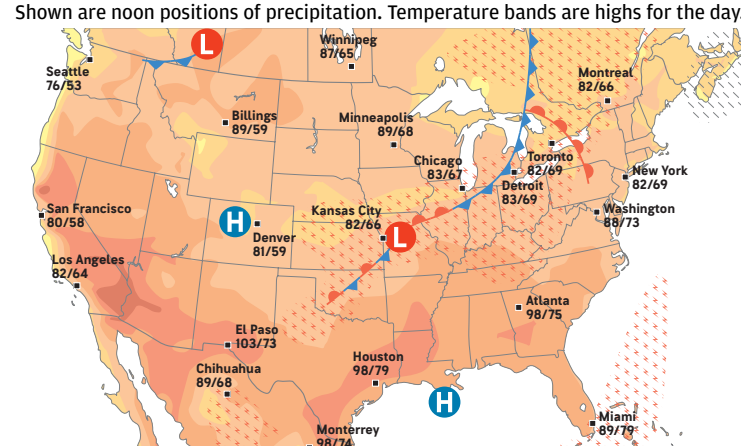
Full Moon	July 3
Last Quarter	July 9
New Moon	July 17
First Quarter	July 25

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Shown are noon positions of precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.



-10s	-0s	0s	10s	20s	30s	40s	50s	60s	70s	80s	90s	100s	110s
Cold front	Warm front	Stationary front	Shows	T-storms	Rain	Flurries	Snow	Ice					

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sunday Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sunday Hi/Lo/W
Albany	86/67/c	77/68/t	Little Rock	99/76/pc	97/75/t
Albuquerque	94/68/s	94/68/s	Los Angeles	82/64/s	83/64/s
Anchorage	59/51/s	63/50/sh	Louisville	87/76/t	88/71/t
Atlanta	98/75/t	94/73/t	Memphis	97/79/t	95/75/t
Atlantic City	77/69/pc	79/73/t	Miami	89/79/t	91/79/t
Austin	96/75/pc	96/75/pc	Milwaukee	81/66/c	75/65/c
Baltimore	86/71/t	90/74/t	Mobile	98/78/pc	96/76/t
Billings	89/59/s	91/59/s	Nashville	96/73/t	94/69/t
Birmingham	97/74/t	97/73/t	New Orleans	97/80/s	96/79/t
Boise	97/63/s	97/64/s	New York City	82/69/pc	78/70/t
Boston	76/66/pc	77/67/t	Norfolk	85/74/t	91/76/t
Buffalo	82/68/t	76/65/t	Oklahoma City	86/68/t	90/69/s
Burlington, VT	84/67/t	75/66/t	Orlando	95/73/s	96/75/t
Casper	82/50/s	86/51/pc	Philadelphia	86/69/c	85/73/t
Charleston, SC	90/78/pc	93/77/t	Phoenix	112/84/s	114/86/s
Charleston, WV	87/68/t	88/66/t	Pittsburgh	85/67/t	81/67/t
Charlotte	93/73/t	97/73/t	Portland, ME	73/62/c	70/64/t
Cheyenne	78/53/s	83/54/pc	Portland, OR	85/57/s	87/56/s
Chicago	83/67/t	78/65/t	Providence	82/62/pc	79/68/t
Cincinnati	84/70/t	84/68/t	Raleigh	91/74/t	97/75/t
Cleveland	84/71/t	77/69/t	Rapid City	83/57/s	88/58/c
Columbus, OH	85/70/t	82/67/t	Reno	99/67/c	98/66/s
Concord, NH	82/60/pc	76/66/t	Sacramento	107/63/s	105/63/s
Dallas	97/78/pc	97/76/t	St. Louis	94/72/t	83/71/c
Davenport	80/65/t	83/64/t	St. Paul	89/65/pc	89/68/pc
Denver	81/59/t	83/59/t	Salt Lake City	93/69/s	96/74/s
Detroit	83/69/pc	78/65/t	San Antonio	98/78/pc	98/78/pc
Duluth	82/58/pc	82/60/pc	San Diego	74/63/s	76/63/s
El Paso	103/73/pc	98/74/pc	San Francisco	80/58/s	78/58/s
Fairbanks	73/53/pc	82/55/pc	San Juan, PR	88/79/pc	87/79/t
Flagstaff	87/46/s	89/49/s	Santa Fe	87/55/t	89/56/pc
Grand Rapids	82/67/pc	77/64/t	Sault Ste. Marie	79/54/c	76/56/pc
Green Bay	87/63/s	83/61/pc	Seattle	76/53/c	77/55/s
Hartford	87/65/pc	78/68/t	Spokane	88/56/s	85/57/s
Honolulu	84/70/sh	85/74/r	Springfield, IL	87/67/t	80/66/c
Houston	98/79/pc	97/79/c	Syracuse	86/68/t	77/66/t
Indianapolis	87/69/t	79/66/t	Tampa	98/81/t	95/80/t
Jackson, MS	98/76/pc	97/76/t	Topeka	85/70/t	90/67/s
Jacksonville	92/73/pc	96/73/t	Trenton	85/66/pc	80/71/t
Jefferson City	93/72/t	88/68/pc	Tucson	107/75/s	109/80/s
Juneau	55/47/c	58/50/c	Washington, DC	88/73/t	88/76/t
Kansas City	82/66/t	87/66/s	Wichita	86/67/t	91/70/s
Knoxville	94/71/t	89/71/t	Wilkes-Barre	86/68/c	81/68/t
Las Vegas	108/83/s	112/87/s	Wilmington, DE	85/69/c	85/71/t

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# World War II-era boat found in Calif. lake is on its way to Nebraska

**DMITRY MARTIROSOV**  
Lincoln Journal Star

This holiday weekend, a piece of history returns to the Cornhusker State.

Just in time for the Fourth of July, an artifact more than 80 years old is making its way to Nebraska: a Landing Craft, Vehicle, Personnel (LCVP) boat, or the "Higgins Boat," — a 36-foot-long, military craft used during World War II.

The historic relic, arriving in Seward, Nebraska, on Sunday, will be parked in front of the Nebraska National Guard Museum on July 4 and dedicated in a ceremony at 9 a.m.

On July 5, it will travel to Columbus, Nebraska, the birthplace of American businessman and boatbuilder Andrew Jackson Higgins — the designer and namesake of the boat — and be parked in front of his national memorial before returning to the museum.

The boat, one of only 16 left in the world, was discovered 18 months ago at the bottom of Lake Shasta, a reservoir in Northern

California.

How it ended up there, remains a mystery.

"There's many stories about how it got there," said Gerald Meyer, historian at the Nebraska National Guard Museum.

With the marking PA31-17 on its stern, the boat was assigned to the USS Monrovia, a flagship used during the invasion of Sicily, which also was Gen. George S. Patton's flagship during the war.

At its highest, production of the boats peaked at more than 20,000

during the 1940s and 1950s — a record, according to the Andrew Jackson Higgins National Memorial.

They became so popular that Dwight Eisenhower, then supreme commander of the Allies, praised Higgins, calling him "the man who won the war for us."

With a speed of up to 12 knots, the wooden-made boats were used in landings at Normandy, Guadalcanal, Iwo Jima and many other World War II battles, and were able to land a platoon of 36 men.

But they were not supposed to survive the war, Meyer said, and when it ended, they were sold for surplus.

"Our ships that came from the Pacific (Ocean) were built in Oregon, California and Washington," he said. "They would take off all the Higgins Boats and all the stuff they could sell for surplus, and they sold them to people for \$400, \$500."

Subsequently, they were used for all sorts of purposes.

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