Not only do contestants get prizes

and bragging rights, but they also get the opportunity to help support the park's participation in the 2022 Barlow

Challenge to raise funds for the con-

struction of a new 50-foot by 70-foot

Contact Jess Schipper at 319-239-

Want to assist in choosing the

winners? Plan to attend the meal on

Ash Tree Removal

Saturday, Oct. 22 at the Prairie Bridges Park stage. Bottomless bowls of chili

The Ackley Recreation Club is ask-

ing for donations to aid in the removal

of several dead and dying ash trees.

Donations may be dropped off at the

Club or mailed to: Ackley Recreation

Club, 902 8th Ave., Ackley, IA, 50601.

Organizers of the fund drive will also

seek matching grants through the De-

Author and speaker, Linda McCann,

partment of Natural Resources.

Program at Ackley

will be on hand at the Ackley Public

Library on Saturday, Nov. 2 at 5 p.m.

genealogy, providing tips and tricks to

begin a journey into genealogy. Over

the years, she has collected resources

which will be shared with attendees.

McCann will present a program on

shelter house in the Back Forty.

5815 to take part.

are just \$8.

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AREA BRIEFS

Collecting Candy
The Wellsburg Fire Department
and Ambulance Service is collecting candy for Trick or Treat Night at the fire station. If you would like to make a donation, contact Fire Chief Greg Winger at 641-751-3790.

Steamboat Library Emily Mallory of Papercraft will

present a program on Oct. 15 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Steamboat Rock Library. Register by calling the library at 641-868-2300.

Hamburger Fry
The Ackley Sons of the American Legion will host their monthly burger fry this Saturday, Oct. 15 at the Legion. Serving takes place from 4:30 to 8 p.m. or until gone.

Take advantage of the meal and support the Sons and Prairie Bridges' shelter project in the process.

Chili Cookoff

Think your chili is the best out

Take the opportunity to prove it by being a contestant in the Prairie Bridges Park Chili Cook Off. A maximum of 25 individuals will have the opportunity to take home prizes in four categories - Most Unusual Chili, Veggie Chili, White Chili, and Chili with a Kick.

Community Calendar

Hardin County Board of Supervi-

house Basement Conference Room in

Seniors in Motion, Ackley Civic Cen-

ter Building, 8:15 to 9 a.m. Age 55 and

GriefShare, 4 to 6 p.m. at the Iowa

Steamboat Rock book club, Steam-

Burger Fry at the Ackley American

Legion, 4:30 to 8 p.m. or until gone.

Falls Evangelical Free Church, 19939

County Highway D20, in Iowa Falls.

boat Rock Public Library, 2 p.m.

Ackley curbside recycling.

sors, 9 a.m., Hardin County Court-

Wednesday, Oct. 12

Thursday, Oct. 13

over exercise group.

Friday, Oct. 14

Saturday, Oct. 15

Monday, Oct. 17

Library

Franklin County Board of Supervisors, 8:30 a.m. in the basement level of Franklin County Court House,

Grundy County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m., Board of Supervisors room on the main floor of the Grundy County Court House.

Seniors in Motion, Ackley Civic Center Building, 8:15 to 9 a.m. Age 55 and over exercise group.

Tuesday, Oct. 16

Butler County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m. in the boardroom at the Butler County Courthouse in Allison.

If you would like your groups' events included in the calendar, please contact the Ackley World Journal at 641-847-2592, or email ackleywj@iafalls.com.

The Joys of Fall

all brings out the strangest creatures, or so it seems, and this fall I've seen some strange things. Insects that I've not noticed before and/or those which seem to be doing 'odd' things.

Did you know that you can have insects (and plants) identified by the Iowa State University Plant and Insect Diagnostic Clinic staff? They can diagnose plant health problems caused by diseases, insects and the environment. They can also identify insects, plants, weeds and fungi, and advise you on the best course of action to take.

To take advantage of the services, visit https:// www.extension.iastate. edu/ag/home-horticulture-resources and scroll down to Plant and Insect Diagnostic Clinic. While there is a fee, it isn't much and is well worth the cost.

Information on how to preserve and mail insects is provided along with the proper forms required to receive and answer.

This time of year my flower bed is full of aster blooms. They are one of my favorites due to their deep purple color and the sounds of the bumble bee wings as they feed on the blooms. The bush is simply full of them.

The flowers also attract the passing monarch butterflies as they search for food and provide a great place to release those emerging from their chrysalises this late in the season. With Thursday and Friday nights being so cold, I brought in my enclosure so the remaining



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These are the bees which are feeding on the aster blooms in the garden. Such fun to watch.



chrysalises didn't freeze.

Friday morning, I awoke to five new monarchs hoping to fly away. I did hold them until Saturday, when the weather warmed enough for them to successfully find food and shelter (and hopefully get further south before the evening's chilly weather).

Many suggest that these late caterpillars should be left to nature and their fate too. Still, I find that difficult to do. I'm not sure I'm doing the right thing, but it does feel right, if that makes sense.

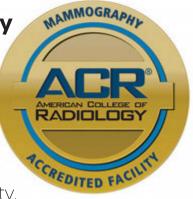
I've been enjoying the changing colors of the maple trees in recent days. It seems like it's happening very quickly this year. If you really want to get out and enjoy the colors, try taking a walk under a few of the trees you see. What an amazing view!

Until next week, I'm out watching leaves - and NOT raking! ●



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