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#### The Leader Listing

Thursday, Dec. 22: No school winter break. Friday, Dec. 23: No school winter break. Tripoli Leader office in Sumner closed.

Saturday, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve. Sunday, Dec. 25: Christmas Day. Monday, Dec. 26: Tripoli Community Club meets. No school winter break.

Sumner closed. Tuesday, Dec. 27: No school winter break. 5:30 p.m., Sportsmen's Club monthly meeting at Tot's Lake.

Tripoli Leader office in

Wednesday, Dec. 28: No school winter break. Thursday, Dec. 29: No school winter break. Friday, Dec. 30: No school winter break. Monday, Jan. 2: No school winter break.

Tripoli Leader office in Sumner closed. Tuesday, Jan. 3: No school - professional

7:00 p.m., Tripoli City Council meeting at Tripoli Town Hall.

Wednesday, Jan. 4: School resumes. Thursday, Jan. 5:

4:00 p.m., Varsity wrestling conference meet at Postville.

1:15/5:15 p.m., JH girls/ bovs basketball vs. North Butler, here. 4:15/6:15 p.m., JV/varsity

girls basketball at Rock-

4:30 p.m., JH wrestling meet at Clarksville. 5:00/7:30 p.m., JV/varsity boys basketball at

Rockford. Friday, Jan. 6: 4:00 p.m., Varsity bowling

vs. North Iowa at Buffalo Lanes, Buffalo Center. :00 p.m., Varsity girls wrestling tournament at

Central Elkader. Saturday, Jan. 7: 8:30 a.m., Tripoli Panther

wrestling invitational, Monday, Jan. 9:

4:15 p.m., JH girls basketball vs. Clarksville, here. 5:15 p.m., JH boys basketball vs. Turkey Valley,

Tuesday, Jan. 10: 10:30 a.m., VFW Brandenburg Krueger Auxiliary meeting.

:00/6:30 p.m., JV/varsity girls basketball vs. Riceville, here.

4:15 p.m., JH boys basketball at Wapsie Valley. :00/7:45 p.m., JV/varsity boys basketball vs. Riceville, here.

Thursday, Jan. 12: 10:00 a.m., Varsity wrestling at MFL-MarMac.

> Schedules subject to change.

#### **GOT NEWS?**

An engagement, wedding, anniversary, birth announcement, birthday, local news or a photo can be sent by e-mail to: sftnewspapers@gmail.com

or mailed to P.O. Box 208, Sumner, IA 50674.

Deadline for news items and ads is noon on Monday.



Kylee Jordan (center, left) was set to ride Tyler's Tribe, named after Tyler Juhl (center, right) who was diagnosed with leukemia two years ago, at the Breeder's Cup where she would become the youngest female jockey to ride in the cup. They are pictured with Jordan's mother Christa (left) and Juhl's mother Kari. (Photo submitted)

# 'It's Just a Ride: 'Kylee Jordan finds success as a jockey at 20 years old

love, and the true joy of the season is the love shared with family and friends. This Christmas season, the Tripoli Leader is focusing on highlighting the impact of community members and those around Tripoli who make a difference in lives in a variety of ways. In the final week, Kylee Jordan shares her story of growing up in rural Bremer County and following her passion for horses, which led to her the racetrack and becoming one of the best professional jockeys in the country. We hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas holiday and a happy New Year.

Being a horse jockey wasn't something Kylee Jordan ever thought would be in her future. She was only a few days old when her parents Todd and Christa introduced her to her first horse and took a ride, and her life would never be the same. Now the 20-year-old is on the national level in the horse racing field and one of the top jockeys in the country with over 130 wins this year alone.

Jordan grew up south of Fredericksburg on her parents' farm where they owned a few horses, but eventually her father entered into the horse training business and would take the family on trips to different tracks throughout the Midwest. Jordan remembers traveling to Nebraska with her family many times as a child, along was able to experience what it was with Arkansas and Oklahoma.

Editor's note: The Christmas As Jordan and her sister Taelyn grew eason is one of hope, happiness and older, their parents took them to Prairie Meadows, a one-mile race track in Altoona, because it was closer to home. They were able to make the trip almost every weekend and the girls grew up on the racetrack and on horseback.

Home base in rural Bremer County required work as a child. Growing up on a farm made for a lot of chores, but Jordan remembered always loving working with horses. She loved riding the trails and spending her summers at the county fairs in chuck wagon races.

"Chores were constant, we always had horses growing up, so they needed to be taken care of daily, whether it was cleaning stalls, feeding or putting up hay. On the weekends we would go trail riding or to county fairs. I was always around or on a horse," she recalled.

As she grew up, Jordan spent as much time as she could traveling with her family for races, breaking in ponies and galloping horses, but it never occurred to her it could be her future.

"I started galloping horses on the track when I was 16 years old, and I did that for the next three years. I was in basketball, cross country and wrestling in high school, and I was in track but I didn't stick to it because I would rather be riding horses in the spring than running around a track," she expressed.

During the summer while she was in high school, Jordan started galloping horses at Prairie Meadows where she (Continued on page 4B)

## 'A Night at the Movies' Fine Arts Boosters' variety show practice begins Jan. 8

The annual Tripoli Fine Arts Boosters variety show is set for Friday and Saturday, March 17-18, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Tripoli Middle School gymnasium.

The theme this year is "A Night at the Movies," which will provide some of the greatest songs from favorite movies for the audience to enjoy. Organizers hope the songs take everyone back in time and bring back some great memories.

If anyone would like to join the cast of the variety show, practice begins Sunday, Jan. 8, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. in the Tripoli High School music room. Anyone who likes to sing, dance, tell jokes or just have a great time hamming it up on stage is welcome to join the

For questions about this year's production, call Roger Goudschaal at (319) 882-4735 or (319) 415-4735.

#### Tripoli City Council approves to vacation, sale of city alley

The Tripoli City Council met Monday, Dec. 19, with members Jordan Ladage, Rollie Ott, Marv Christensen, Ray Carlson and Katie Boldt present. Mayor Brendt Bernard presided over the meeting and city clerk Ellie Kalkbrenner was also in attendance.

A public hearing was held on the proposal of vacation and disposal of a portion of the alley between lots three, four, five and six in block 81 and lots one, two, four, five six, seven and eight in block 82 and vacated Sixth Avenue SE between the east line of Third Street SE and the west line of Fourth Street SE. An easement of utilities will be retained. No written or verbal comments were heard from the community

Kalkbrenner commented she heard there is an indication a duplex similar to one in the area will be built. The council reviewed minutes from the planning and zoning committee, which voted unanimously to approve the vacation and disposal of the property. Currently the areas are all grass alleys

which are mowed.

Following the public hearing, the council approved the first reading of ordinance 8-2022 vacating described alleys and approved to waive the second and third readings. The council also approved resolution 2022-47 for the sale of a city alley to Nathan Borrett

for \$1 plus all expenses.

Discussion was held about the potential sale of the city lot south of the pool. The council was informed Kesler Schulmeister talked with Dave Mayo about the size of the lot and Mayo stated he would take as much property on the (Continued on page 8B)

## Police department releases information about snow parking

recently released information about snow parking. With the upcoming snowstorm and wind to follow, no parking will be allowed on city streets or alleys for snow removal operations from Wednesday, Dec. 21, at 5:00 p.m. through Friday, Dec. 23, at noon.

Enforcement will begin Wednesday,

The Tripoli Police Department Dec. 21, at 5:00 p.m. with citations starting at \$50 for first offenders, \$75 for second offenders and \$100 for third offenders.

Vehicles can be parked in the city parking lots which include the gravel lot north of city hall and the Welcome Center parking lot north of the post



Sixth-grade choir members delight the audience with their rendition of "Ugly Christmas Sweater."

#### Tripoli Middle/High School winter concert spreads holiday cheer

and vocal students showed off their talents and helped spread holiday cheer with their annual winter concert Monday, Dec. 12.

The middle school band kicked off the night of holiday music with three selections, including "Christmas Swings," "I'll Be Home for Christmas" and "Polar Express." Next to perform was the sixth-grade choir with two songs titled "Ugly Christmas Sweater" and "Rockin' with Santa," followed by

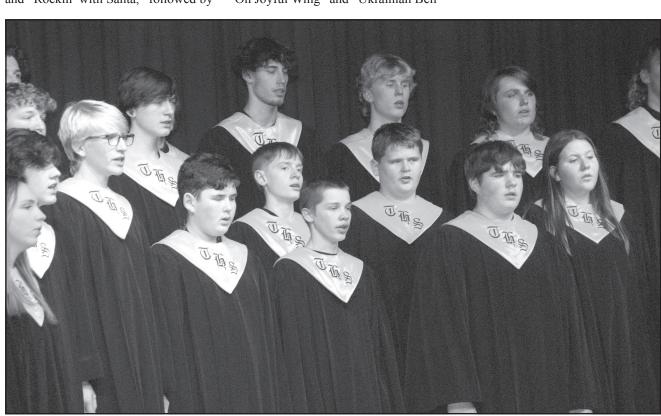
Tripoli Middle/High School band "Run, Rudolph, Run" and "A Holiday Road of Carols" by the seventh-grade

> The eighth-grade choir performed 'Carol of the Bells" and "Christmas Medley," before the high school students took to the stage. The high school jazz band performed "Sleigh Ride" and "You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch." The high school band played four selections, including "Christmas Classics," "A Christmas Holiday," "On Joyful Wing" and "Ukrainian Bell

The high school choir was the final group to perform and sang three songs, "It Feels New," "These Bells Will Ring" with a solo by Ashlynn Boldt and "Winter Wonderland."

The middle and high school choirs are under the direction of Chris McIntyre and the middle school, jazz and high school bands are under the direction of Abigail Ingwersen.

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Tripoli High School choir members sing their parts of the song "These Bells Will Ring" during the winter program Monday, Dec. 12.