

AUTHOR EDUCATES ON THE WORLD OF HIDDEN POLITICS

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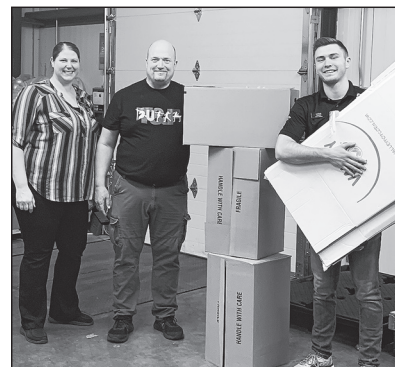
their battle with the state of Nebraska. Her book, **Better Not Bitter**, tells the story of her journey from heartache to healing. Nebraska, unlike Iowa, does not have a Dram Shop bill. The Dram Shop Act is a statute that ensures that businesses serving alcohol to customers who are already drunk are responsible for that person's behavior if that person injures someone else because of that intoxication. Nebraska is one of only a handful of states that do not have the bill, thanks in part to very strong liquor industry lobbyists. Cowan, accidentally given the other driver's autopsy results when she went to pick up her husband's, discovered that not only had the other driver been drinking all day but was openly taking pain medication for an injury. The

story also details Cowan's daughter AJ's fight to pass such a bill because of her Talented and Gifted classwork, with the support of US Congressman and Huskers Football coach Tom Osborne and Senator Tom Carlson, and her dream to have something good come out of her dad's death.

Better Not Bitter was published in March of 2023. It was a Best Seller on Amazon by the second week it was released and is available in hard copy, paperback, or e-book. It is also available at the Orange City Library or for sale at Craft Central in Orange City. Cowan is passionate about her book. "I want to give grieving people hope while also educating people about the world of hidden politics. I want people to know that if something doesn't feel right, they should lock onto it and dig in to find answers."

MOVING PROCESS BEGINS FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS

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An assembly was held on Friday, and students all linked hands and gave the entire school a hug around the building.

The city of Hospers purchased Hospers Elementary and will take possession of the elementary school building on Friday, June 2. According to a city representative, the

building will be used for a variety of community needs. The City is currently in communication with MidSioux Opportunity about the potential for a daycare to occupy some of the classroom and meet the growing need in the community. Other classrooms will be available for business rentals and the City intends to use the space well.

Organizational efforts are happening to assist teachers with the move from the old elementary building to the new one. High school students are signing up to help teachers with boxes and large items moving on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 30 and 31.

Teachers across the district are also stepping up. A press release from the MOC-FV Education Association recently shared:

"Gearing up for the big move, MOC-FV's elementary teachers in both Orange City and Hospers pack up entire classrooms, some established decades ago. Teachers needed moving materials and boxes, lots of boxes. The MOC-FV Education Association teamed up with our three local grocery stores, Fareway, Don's, and Dollar Fresh, to supply those needs by delivering hundreds of boxes to our elementary buildings in the last days of the school year.

Joel Stauffer, a member of the MOC-FV Education Association, headed the effort by coordinating box collection and delivery from the grocery stores to the teachers. "It was amazing the association was able to partner with the local grocery stores to support the teachers in their move. The boxes were graciously welcomed and eased a lot of stress" shared fifth-grade teacher Sarah Krull.

In total, nearly 125 boxes were delivered to aide the MOC-FV teachers. "By reaching out to local businesses to donate boxes, both groups were able to show support for our school, which is much appreciated!" shared second-grade teacher Jen Van Wyk. The Association wants to extend their thanks to the grocery stores for helping us to help our teachers."

SPRING CROP UPDATE

By GENTRY SORENSON,
Field Agronomist

REGION — I have observed corn at the V1-V3 growth stage and soybeans ranging from just planted to V1 growth stage. Some soil crusting has been observed in recent scouting trips in soybean fields that were planted before the recent rainfall. In a few fields, I have noted replants of areas due to ponding or severe crusting. Grass and broadleaf weeds have been noted in recent scouting trips and I have noticed some early applications of corn pre herbicides in those cases. With the adverse weather conditions, scouting is important to identify field by field conditions.

Insects to scout for this spring include black cutworm in corn, and alfalfa weevil in alfalfa.

Black cutworm migrates into northwest Iowa via moth flights and with spring storms. The moths lay their eggs near the crop field and the larvae can cut corn seedlings when they reach the 4th instar stage. At the 4th instar, the black cutworm is large enough to cut corn plants and feed on leaves up until the V5 growth stage.

Moths are trapped in Iowa using pheromone traps to help understand when to start scouting for black cutworm. When a significant flight is trapped over a two-night period, calculating

300 GDD past that flight will give an indication of when black cutworm should start to be scouted in that area. This year in northwest Iowa the date of first possible cutting is after May 16th. Black cutworm moths are still migrating and being caught in pheromone traps thus scouting until V5 will be important as the flights are spread out and ongoing. Preventive insecticide treatments are not recommended for treatment of black cutworm but scouting and rescue treatments may be warranted if damage above thresholds have been discovered. Some Bt hybrids provide black cutworm suppression.

Alfalfa weevil is another pest that has been found in Iowa this spring. Reports are coming out of east central and south-central Iowa of heavy pressure in alfalfa fields. Larvae of alfalfa weevil are yellow-green in color with a white stripe along the middle of the back. Pinholes observed in alfalfa leaves can be an indication of first instar larvae feeding. Third and fourth instar larvae cause the most feeding injury. A heavily infested alfalfa field will appear frosted or silver due to dying leaf material. Typically, the first cutting suffers the greatest injury.

Additional information on black cutworm and alfalfa weevil can be found on the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Integrated Pest Management website (<https://www.ipm.iastate.edu/>) or by contacting your local field agronomist.

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Gospel music festival planned

SIOUX CENTER – Hope Haven is sponsoring its Annual Gospel Music Festival on Friday, June 16 and Saturday, June 17 at Central Park in Sioux Center. On Friday, the festival will begin at 1 p.m., and run continuously until 9 p.m. Bring a lawn chair to this two-day gospel music festival where nine groups from five different states will be performing! Shari's Kitchen Food Truck from Rock Rapids will be there to purchase food both nights. To view the schedule, visit hopehaven.org/events.

Update on 65 plus homestead exemption

STATE — Paul Pate, Iowa Secretary of State, has granted Iowa Assessors access to the voter registration list to assist in administering the 65 plus Homestead Exemption. The information available is limited to name, address and date of birth. The Sioux County Assessor's office will be using this information to determine who is eligible for the 65 plus Homestead Exemption, no further action is required if you are on the voting list. Any homeowner who is 65 plus and not registered to vote, will need to contact the Sioux County Assessor's Office in order to apply for the exemption. If you are not a resident of Sioux County, you may want to check with your local assessor's office as to the status of the exemption. The 65 plus Homestead Exemption is for the 2023 assessment year, with those taxes being payable in 2024/25.

Lack of seat belt use, deadly on Iowa roads

STATE — The Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau is urging Iowans to buckle up during the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Click It or Ticket high-visibility enforcement effort. The national seat belt campaign, which coincides with the Memorial Day holiday, is May 22-June 4, 2023.

In 2022, 55 percent of traffic fatalities in Iowa were unbelted or unknown. So far, in 2023 that number is about 60 percent. It is perceived everyone wears a seat belt, yet over half of our fatalities are unrestrained. This translates to 100's of lives lost over the last few years.

"No matter the type of vehicle you're traveling in, where you're seated, or what type of road you're driving on, the best way to protect yourself in a crash is to buckle up," says Brett Tjepkes, Iowa GTSB Bureau Chief. "Unfortunately, many families are suffering because their loved ones do not follow this simple step. If this enforcement effort alerts people to the dangers of unrestrained driving, we'll consider the mission a success."

If you know a friend or a family member who does not buckle up, please talk to them about changing their habits. Help GTSB and our law enforcement partners spread this lifesaving message before one more friend or family member is killed. Seat belts save lives, and everyone — front seat and back, child and adult — needs to buckle up.

LEGALS

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR SIOUX COUNTY
ALBA MARINA RAMIREZ DE LEON, Petitioner vs. LAZARO LUCH, Respondent
DRCV030310 Original Notice by Publication
Information for Respondent, LAZARO LUCH: You are notified that ALBA MARINA RAMIREZ DE LEON, the Petitioner, has filed a custody lawsuit concerning your child W.Y.R.L., naming you as Respondent. The contact information of the attorney for the Petitioner in this case is: Cameron H. Call, Kasaby Schmoke Law Office, 308 S. 19th Street, Omaha, NE 68102. That attorney's e-mail is: cameron@kasaby.com. His telephone number is: (402) 884-0700 and facsimile number is: (402) 614-5926.
Instructions to LAZARO LUCH: You must file an Answer or a Motion with the Clerk of Court for Sioux County, Sioux County Courthouse, 210

Central Ave SW, Orange City, IA, within 20 days of the final publication of this notice. If you do not respond, the court may enter a judgment against you giving Petitioner what she asked for in the Petition. You must register to eFile through the Iowa Judicial Branch website at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/Efile/> and obtain a log in and password to file and view documents in your case and to receive service and notices from the court. For general rules and information on electronic filing, refer to the Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16, Iowa Rules of Electronic Procedure, available on the Iowa Judicial Branch website. For court rules on the Personal Privacy Protection in court filings, refer to Division VI of the Iowa Court Rules, Chapter 16.
Important Notice to LAZARO LUCH: You should talk to an attorney at once to protect your interests. If you choose not to have an attorney

represent you in this matter, go to the Iowa Judicial Branch website for self-represented litigant information and family law forms. If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator at 712-279-6035. Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.

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TRUST NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE D & S BELTMAN REVOCABLE TRUST DATED JULY 30, 2008
To all persons regarding Shirley R. Beltman, deceased, who died on or about January 13, 2023: You are hereby notified that the trustee listed below is the trustee of the D & S Beltman Revocable Trust dated July 30, 2008, as amended. Any action to contest the validity of the trust must be brought in the District Court of Sioux County, Iowa, within the later to occur of four (4) months from the date of second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent settlor and the spouse of the decedent settlor whose identities are reasonably ascertainable. Any suit not filed within this period shall be forever barred.
Notice is further given that any person or entity possessing a claim against the trust must mail proof of the claim to the trustee at the address listed below via certified mail, return receipt requested, by the later to occur of four (4) months from the second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice, if required, or the claim shall be forever barred unless paid or otherwise satisfied.

Dated on May 16, 2023.
Daryl J. Beltman, Trustee
615 Second Street SW
Orange City, IA 51041
Bradley K. De Jong #AT0001898, Attorney for Trustee
Klay, Veldhuizen, Bindner, De Jong & Halverson, PLLC
121 Albany Avenue NE, PO Box 405, Orange City, IA 51041
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ZONE PERMITS

Zone Permit 4999. Zoning District R-1. Vollink Enterprises. Build/New House. Lot 3. Puddle Jumper Trail 10th Addition. Orange City.
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TRUST NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BEVERLY JOAN HEEMSTRA, Deceased
CASE NO. ESPR 020686
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Beverly Joan Heemstra, Deceased, who died on or about March 27, 2023.
You are hereby notified that on May 8, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of Beverly Joan Heemstra, deceased, bearing date of February 25, 2003, and Codicil, dated January 20, 2016, were admitted to probate in the above named court and that Scott A. Heemstra has been appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.
Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.
Dated May 2, 2023.
/s/ Scott A. Heemstra, Executor
1631 Tanglewood Lane

Salina, KS 67401
/s/ Kevin J. Huyser, ICIS# AT0003810
Attorney for Executor
Rensink, Plum, Vogel and Huyser
103 3rd St NE
Orange City, IA 51041
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO FILL VACANCY BY APPOINTMENT CITY OF ORANGE CITY, IOWA

NOTICE is hereby given that the City Council of Orange City, Iowa, passed a Motion in regular session on May 1, 2023, which provides that the Council member position vacated by reason of the May 31, 2023 resignation of Council member Aaron Beadner shall be filled by appointment for a temporary term of service until the November, 2023, regular election. The appointment will serve out the existing term through the end of December 2023. The appointment will be considered at the June 19, 2023 Council Meeting at 4:30 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers at 125 Central Ave. SE in Orange City. Anyone who is eligible for office, and interested in the appointment, can submit their name to Mayor Deb De Haan, City Clerk Janet Brown or City Administrator Earl Woudstra, or attend the Council Meeting on June 19.

NOTICE is further given that, if, within fourteen days after this notice or the scheduled appointment, whichever last occurs, a petition is filed with the City Clerk requesting a special election to fill the vacancy, any appointment already made would be temporary and the Council shall then call a special election to fill the vacancy for the remaining balance of the unexpired term, said petition being subject to signature requirements as set out in Iowa Code Section 372.13(2) (a) (1).

The Motion to fill by appointment was approved by the Council in order to avoid the delay and expense of a special election and recognizing that, by waiting until November, 2023, the electors may choose three Council Member persons for regular full terms and one Council Member to fill a two year term.

Please take notice hereof and govern yourselves accordingly.
/s/ Janet Brown, City Clerk

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ORANGE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

May 15, 2023
The City Council of Orange City met in regular session pursuant to adjournment at 4:30 o'clock P.M. with Mayor Deb De Haan presiding. Members present were Aaron Beadner, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, and Tony Vande Brake. All members voted aye on the following unless otherwise noted.

Held a public hearing on the authorization to issue not to exceed \$10,000,000 Hospital Revenue Bonds. Adopted a resolution approving and authorizing the issuance.

Approved the minutes of the May 1, 2023 council meeting.
Approved the monthly financial report.
Approved the monthly bills, subject to audit.

Held a public hearing to consider the fiscal year 2022-2023 budget amendment. Adopted a resolution approving the amendment.

Approved giving directive to the fire department to create specs for a new aerial ladder truck to purchase in the 2026-2027 budget year.
The meeting adjourned at 5:03 o'clock P.M.
Janet Brown, City Clerk

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Civil Service Commission 2023 Civil Service Testing Agenda May 31, 2023 Northwestern College - Rowenhurst Student Center

Time	Event	Notes
8:00 AM	Registration	Lobby of Northwestern College - Rowenhurst Student Center (RSC)
8:20 AM	Walk/Warmup	Walk to Outdoor Track at De Valois Stadium and Warmup (inclement weather location - Indoor Track in the RSC)
8:45 AM	Physical Agility Test	De Valois Stadium Track (or RSC Indoor Track)
9:30 AM	Break	Walk back to RSC. This is applicants' opportunity to shower and change. Those who do not pass the agility test will be dismissed. Refreshments available in RSC Lobby. Showers in RSC Locker Rooms.
10:15 AM	Written Exam	Written POST Exam - RSC Classroom 130
11:45 AM	Lunch Break	During this time the written exams will be scored. Those who do not pass the written exam will be contacted and will not continue on to the interview.
12:30 PM	Interviews	RSC Conference Room 117. Each interview will be 20 minutes. After the applicant has interviewed, he/she is done for the day.
		12:30 PM Jacob Harmelink
		12:50 PM Jordan Kerr
		1:10 PM Ryan Laroco
		1:30 PM Samuel Van Ginkel
		1:50 PM Amber Dekker
		2:10 PM Ernan Garcia-Topete
		2:30 PM Gage Klein
		2:50 PM Michael Fluit
		3:10 PM Zachary McKee
		3:30 PM Jason Sudtelgte
		3:50 PM James Van Veldhuizen
4:10 PM	Certify List	

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