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Mental health calls, drought keep fire and EMS busy

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The Red Oak Fire Department has closed out another successful year of providing emergency services to the community.

Chief John Bruce said mental health issues were a large majority of calls in 2022, which is very similar to what Red Oak Police Chief Justin Rhamy said about 2022 calls for the department.

"Not only have the calls increased, but it's taking us further and further to get the treatment," explained Bruce. "We're transporting to Council Bluffs, and we're doing a lot of transports to Des Moines, so instead of that treatment being available 50-60 miles away, now it's 115 miles away, and that's one way."

Not only are local transports adding miles to the department's vehicles, Bruce said that while the Red Oak Fire Department's fire district is 181 square miles, they are covering 477 square miles, based on the reality of where they're going for responses.

"The medical responses are taking us farther and farther away. Some of that's due to a decrease in volunteerism, or agencies unable to answer the calls because of their own particular staffing. A lot of these folks are in bedroom communities, and it takes their folks out of the community during the day, as a lot of people have to work outside of town," Bruce said. "We're seeing more and more assistance needed in other communities. We're starting to get into Griswold a little bit, and we've had to go into Grant, because Cass County doesn't have squads available at the time."

Bruce said that because of that increase in coverage, staffing has become a hot topic for the department.

"It's leading to the point where we need people to cover the transfers and cover the 911 calls and have adequate coverage because so much responsibility is being thrust upon the department to respond to these other communities to assist. It's been pulling us very thin," Bruce advised.

The department has made great strides to get four rescue squads and getting staff to critical paramedic levels, and the next step is to get part time wages appropriate for the first responders who hold the certifications. Bruce said they're the pool they use for full time career first responders, and the pool is very thin. His hope is to add two new people to the department in 2023, citing it as the last piece of the puzzle.

"Everybody agrees so far that we should be there, because it's not just about the transfers, it's about the ease of getting things covered. Shenandoah and Clarinda are having a hard time finding people to cover, and they were our go-tos. I don't see the staffing with these agencies getting any better as we go forward. The world has changed a lot from when we grew up, and you have to adapt to it, or you're going to fall down and fail. Thankfully, we have a great crew here, with an age and a professionalism that works."

Red Oak Fire Chief John Bruce said a large number of 2022 calls for the department were mental health related. (Nick Johansen/Red Oak Express)

While the department's fourth ambulance was ordered in 2022, final preparations are being made to the vehicle before it's delivered. One of the biggest new features the department is looking forward to is the ambulance's power load system.

"It takes a lot of manual lifting out of the equation, which improves safety and ease of transport. You can wheel the patient right up to it, lock them in and go. It will be great for our transfers, because you're almost always on hard surface making transfers from hospital to hospital. Now we don't have to worry about our crews getting any back injuries," Bruce said. "It'll keep the inventory up, and there are no zero call days anymore. We're out on the road every day for some thing, or sometimes multiple things."

One additional firefighter was added to the roster in 2022. Bruce said he's pleased that the ROFD turnover is very low.

"It's always worrisome because Council Bluffs is near. I think part of it is because we do our best to have a work and life balance, so you keep the burnout low. They get their time away, and do rotation on calls, just little things to make things easier," Bruce said.

Bruce said the most interesting call of 2022

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One of the larger undertakings for the Red Oak Fire Department in 2022 was a large wildland fire near Highway 34 and A Avenue in October. (Brian Hamman/Montgomery County Emergency Management)

Wastewater treatment plant engineering report approved

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The Red Oak City Council has approved the hiring of Snyder & Associates Inc., of Atlantic, to produce a preliminary engineering report (PER) for Red Oak's wastewater treatment plant.

During council discussion Jan. 16, Red Oak Mayor Shawnna Silvius said the report would be a comprehensive study of the plant and system.

"The report would review the existing sewer system, including recommendations for system improvements, associated opinions of probable costs, an anticipated project implementation schedule, and potential project funding sources," Silvius said. "They will also do a rate comparison study of our current rates, and whether or not they are where they should be."

Silvius added Snyder & Associates has been made aware that there were several things in the facility that needed improved, and the PER was necessary for those improvements.

"The only way we can apply for large dollar construction funding through the state is if we have this report completed. This is the next step to do major things that may be necessary," commented Silvius.

City Councilperson Jeanice Lester confirmed that the City could not go any further at this point if they wanted to secure funding for the high ticket items, and the city had no choice but to proceed with the report.

Silvius said the council needed to show it was hiring the firm to do the report, which would then allow the city to apply for a USDA Rural Development grant to finance the plan.

"We can apply for up to $30,000. Most of these plans are around $40,000, so this would cover around 75% of the cost," Silvius explained.

City administrator Al Vacanti said the plan would also provide a scope of the city's plant and sewer system and then identify what needed to be done, if anything, to make the recommended

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Vial to step down from DUR board

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Red Oak Downtown Urban Renewal Board Chairman Roger Vial recently declined to renew his board term.

At the DUR meeting Jan. 4, the board discussed Vial's decision, and the board's potential future. Vial cited that part of the decision was due to the fact that a lot has been put on him as an individual.

"I've asked for help and haven't got any response, so maybe this will help push it along. This is one of the best boards in town, but nothing seems to change. That's all I'm going to say," Vial said. "I'll buck along the trail with the board, but it's going to be a couple more months and then I'm out. There are going to have to be record transfers; I'm going to have to go through boxes of papers to get it properly secured in the right area; and it's too bad that it took this for it to happen."

DUR Board Member Mark Jackson echoed Vial's statements, and said several other members of the board have expressed the same feelings to the City of Red Oak, and all their comments seem to have been ignored.

DUR Board Member Ann Carder said there had been conversations about a number of issues, such as storage space at City Hall for storage of records, and that was the extent of the help provided. Vial said he had been forced to keep information stored in other areas as well.

"I've had information on my personal laptop for the last seven years. I have all the files in my garage, from 2016 to now. I've said for years that's not right, and it should be somewhere else. If it takes this to make a change, then this is what it takes. I also feel that the community has to be careful with how hard it pushes its volunteers, because that's why they go away," Vial commented.

Carder praised Vial's efforts as chair for the past many years, and said she wasn't sure who can do a better job than Vial, and that Vial would be hard to replace. Vial suggested the DUR Chairman move to a paid position in the future.

Roger Vial plans to step down from the Downtown Urban Renewal Board. (Nick Johansen/Red Oak Express)

"To me, this position needs to be put on someone that has a wage from it, and it is in their job description.Then the board steps in and helps that person with the tough conversations with business owners, or the decision making, and then we stand behind the wage earner. For the last seven or eight years, that's just been me," Vial advised.

Carder felt the records needed to be scanned and secured in an electronic way to make them accessible, and searchable, with the original paperwork maintained as well. It was felt that the records should be stored with the city, as the board was a city-funded entity, and no other committee under the city's umbrella had as much responsibility and accountability as the DUR Board.

It was also cited that the outdated information on the city's website, which included the name of prior chairperson Jan Norris rather than Vial, needed to be updated, and it still had not happened.

"The information was accepted, with the understanding of what we were asking. It

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DUR approves new gutters for theatre, Hardware Hank building paint

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The Red Oak Downtown Urban Renewal Board approved multiple grant requests at its regular meeting Jan. 4.

Under projects seeking first round approval, DUR chairman Roger Vial shared a request from the Red Oak Grand Theatre at 410 E. Coolbaugh St. for the installation of new gutters on the rear of the building and repairs to the substructure to firmly attach the gutter.

"The new gutters will better divert water away from the theatre building. There were some comments in the initial estimate that they may find additional damage, which they did, which involved additional framing under the rubber roof and some spray foam to add more structure," Vial said.

The total cost of the project was $6,591 with a grant request from the DUR Board for $1,647. Vial said he was simply seeking approval of eligibility.

The DUR Board granted first round approval for the Red Oak Grand Theatre's new gutter project as presented.

Also under first round approval was 316 E. Coolbaugh St., a building owned by Ann Carder and Mark Jackson, for the cost of power washing and treating the upper level deck on the south side of the building.

"We waited until the new wood had seasoned for at least a year. They're going to power wash the solid colored acrylic stain and scrape off the rest and apply a standard oil-based stain. That will help protect it better in the long run as well," Jackson explained.

Cost of the project was $1,800, and the grant request was for $450. The board granted first round approval for the grant. Carder and Jackson abstained from voting.

A third grant request was another building owned by Carder and Jackson, 315 E. Reed St, to partially reimburse the cost of power washing and painting the front of the building. Cost of the project was $5,000 and the grant request was for $1,250.

"We'll be completing that project in the spring. We were trying to get the project done before winter set in, but we didn't make it," Jackson commented.

First round approval was granted, with Carder and Jackson again abstaining from the voting.

The final grant request was from a Carder-Jackson owned building at 405 N. 3rd St., the Southwest Iowa Appliance building. An extensive project was planned, at a cost of $9,627, and a grant request of $2,406.

"We had a couple of inspections done, and we have an upstairs apartment that hasn't been rented in many years," Jackson said. "There was plaster falling down from a leak in the roof that has since been replaced, but there are missing places in the ceiling, so we had to put in a drop ceiling in the entire upstairs. We replaced the HVAC unit downstairs, replaced a window upstairs, and did some electrical work downstairs to replace the fuse boxes with breaker boxes."

The DUR board gave first round approval for the project, with Jackson and Carder abstaining.

Lastly, final approval was granted for a project at 401 E. Reed St. owned by Bill Horner.

"The project is done, and I'm waiting for proof of payment, and I have included that information in an email to him requesting that documentation, but nothing had been received as of the Jan. 4 meeting," Vial said.

No other action was taken at the meeting.

Legislation to create uniform election recount procedures proposed

Iowa Secretary of State Paul Pate is proposing a bill to the Iowa Legislature that streamlines the recount process for elections.

The bill standardizes the recount timeline in all 99 counties, provides additional flexibility for the makeup of recount boards, and requires uniform methods for how ballots are recounted, reconciled, and reported.

"The integrity of Iowa's elections is my top priority, and this bill would help ensure we have clean, secure elections and a recount process that is uniform across the state," Secretary Pate said. "We've had the opportunity to identify these areas of improvement while observing several large-scale recounts in recent years."

Secretary Pate recommends in his proposed bill that all counties conduct their official canvass of elections on Tuesdays. That would ensure the recount timeline is uniform for every county.

The proposed legislation would also increase the size of recount boards, depending on a county's population. Currently, recount boards are comprised of three members. Under the proposed legislation, recount boards for counties with a population of 15,000-49,000 would increase to five members.

Counties with population over 50,000 would have seven members. Additionally, the members of the recount boards, aside from one designee from each candidate, would be comprised of precinct election officials selected by the chief judge of the judicial district.

"Recounts in large counties are difficult for just three people to conduct," Secretary Pate said. "I'd like to give the recount boards more members, so the tallying of votes is more manageable and more efficient."

Finally, the legislation proposes recounts be conducted in a uniform manner. If a candidate requests a hand recount of ballots, all ballots involved in the recount must be tallied by hand and machine. In recent years, candidates have requested a hand recount in some precincts and a machine count in others. The proposed bill seeks to end that practice.

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improvements.

Following approval of Snyder & Associates as the firm to produce the preliminary engineering report, the council moved to discussion of a resolution to authorize the city to apply for the $30,000 USDA Rural Development Grant.

"It is highly competitive, but my understanding is that they have more funding than they have had in the past. That's why we want to do it first thing this year," advised Silvius.

Vacanti said the USDA was basically fast-tracking the application for the city so it could be brought before the council's Jan. 16 meeting.

The council approved the resolution to apply for the USDA funding grant, then approved a project plan related to the preliminary report.

The council also discussed submittal of the Community Catalyst Grant application for Beau and Anna Boeye's property at 414 E. Coolbaugh St.

Silvius said the council had already approved the application on the recommendation of the Downtown Urban Renewal Board.

"They were originally planning to do 412 and 414 E. Coolbaugh, but after further conversations, they are looking to work on 414 E. Coolbaugh St. for now. The plan is to generate revenue from 414 E. Coolbaugh to help with the other one. The 414 E. Coolbaugh building is paid off as well," Silvius said.

The reason the application was being brought back before the council, Silvius said, was to discuss a potential in-kind contribution for the project.

"The more the City of Red Oak can contribute, the better is scores. Also, it has upper-story residential space which will improve the score on the application," Silvius stated.

The council was given the draft of a letter to send with the application that would explain what the in-kind contribution could be.

"Right behind the building there is a flat surface that can be used for parking. If we had the opportunity to pave that into a nice parking space, that would be considered a nice contribution to the project," said Silvius. "Any improvements to the alleyway for tenants that would be using it would additionall be accepted. I also threw in possible signage for up to three dedicated parking spots for the tenants. Any additional contributions that the council would like to explore can be included."

The current plan for the 414 building was for a golf business in the lower half, with the upper story being residential. Later on, The lower half of 412 would be Beau Boeye's technology business.

Councilperson Tim Fridolph questioned that the improvements were merely suggestions of in-kind contributions, and the city was not committed to them. Silvius confirmed that was the case, but made it clear that the applications that had a city contribution scored higher and had a better chance for approval.

"I would like to see us do a cash contribution. The signage for dedicated parking would also be a simple thing," Silvius stated.

The council was in favor of the suggestions, provided verbiage be added that stated the in kind contribution would possibly, or may improve the parking lot and the alleyway, so there was some leeway for the council on a decision for in kind contributions. The council approved the letter with the stated edits included.

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LULA CARLSON, 84

Lula M. Carlson, 84, Nebraska City, Neb., formerly of Red Oak, was born July 19, 1938, at rural Red Oak, the daughter of Frederick William "Fred" and Beulah Elizabeth (Smith) Knittel.

She graduated from Stennett Consolidated High School, Class of 1956.

She was married to Paul E. Carlson on Sept. 20, 1956, and was a longtime employee American Meter Co., Nebraska City.

She is survived by children, Russell Carlson of Nebraska City; William Carlson (Jennifer Talbert Carlson) of Olathe, Colo.; Kenneth Carlson of Nebraska City; Pamela Carlson of Nebraska City; and Valerie Witte (Allen) of Johnson, Neb.; 13 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren; other family and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband; granddaughter LuvStarr Adkins; siblings, Margaret Simpson, Doris Morris and Darwin "Bud" Knittel as well as her parents.

Funeral services were Saturday, Jan. 14, at Gude Mortuary in Nebraska City, with burial in the Wyuka Cemetery, Nebraska City.

The family will greet friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13, at Gude Mortuary.

Memorials to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Gude Mortuary, Nebraska City, Neb., in charge of the arrangements.

ANNA FEKETE, 93

Anna Fekete, 93, Emerson, passed away Sunday, Jan. 15, 2023, at the Accura Healthcare of Stanton.

Anna Elisabeth Fekete, the daughter of Josef and Anna (Herold) Gandorfer was born May 26, 1929, at Munich, Germany. Anna was raised in Munich, Germany. On July 1, 1954, Anna was united in marriage to Nicholas Fekete in Munich. Following Nicholas' honorable discharge from the Army, they moved to Pennsylvania. They later moved to southwest Iowa, living in several towns, before they moved to Nevada, where they lived 20 years. Anna and Nicholas made Red Oak their home in 2008. After the death of her husband in 2017, Anna moved to Emerson, to live with her daughter. Over the years, Anna had worked at Earl May Seed and Nursery and Red Oak Rehab. She enjoyed her trips to casinos, so much so, that she also worked at one in Council Bluffs. Anna especially loved spending time with USA and Germany families.

Anna was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Nicholas on Dec. 2, 2017; two brothers, Erwin and Josef; son-in-law, Bob Houtchens; and great-granddaughter, Ashley Fekete.

Anna is survived by her daughter, Elisabeth Houtchens of Emerson, and son, Steven (Linda) Fekete of Indianapolis, Ind.; seven grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, nine great-great-grandchildren, and sister, Inge Schmidhuber of Munich, Germany; other relatives and many friends.

May God bless her memory and give strength to those who mourn.

A private family service will be held.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at sldfuneralhome.com.

Sellergren-Lindell-DeMarce Funeral Home is in charge of Anna's arrangements and serving her family.

WILLIAM "BILL" EGGERT, 75

William "Bill" Eggert, 75, Red Oak, passed away Thursday, Dec. 1, 2022, at the Red Oak Rehab and Care Center, Red Oak.

William "Bill" Lee Eggert, the son of Raymond and Glenna (Frame) Eggert, was born Oct.13, 1947, at Lincoln, Neb.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents.

Bill is survived by his three children, Kevin Eggert of Clearfield, Darwin Eggert of Lenox, and Kristine Jackson of Des Moines; 11 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

May God bless his memory and give strength to those who mourn.

Celebration of Life Gathering will be held Saturday, Jan. 21, 2023, at 2 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge, Red Oak.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Red Oak Eagles Lodge.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at sldfuneralhome.com.

Sellergren-Lindell-DeMarce Funeral Home is in charge of Bill's arrangements and serving his family.

TIMOTHY HELM, 63

Timothy Leroy Helm, 63, Red Oak, passed away Jan. 12, 2023, at Montgomery County Memorial Hospital.

Tim was born May 24, 1959, in Red Oak, the son of Leroy and Marcia (Ross) Helm.

Tim is survived by his two daughters, Melissa Mills of Red Oak, and Rachel Gebhardt of Pleasant Hill; and three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Marcia and Leroy.

Graveside services were held Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2023, at the Evergreen Cemetery in Red Oak.

Nelson-Boylan-LeRette Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

MARILYN GENTRY, 88

Marilyn Jean Gentry, 88, Red Oak, passed away Monday, Jan. 9, 2023, at Bergan Mercy Hospital in Omaha, Neb.

Marilyn was born June 1, 1934, in Winterset, the daughter of Emil and Velma (Breese) Stevens.

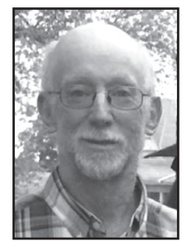
Preceding her in death were her parents; and daughter, Jo Ellen Gentry.

Survivors include her children, Bruce Gentry of Thurman; Lynn Reynolds of Stanton; and Brian Gentry of Emerson; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 14, 2023, at the Winterset Cemetery in Winterset. Memorials are suggested to the American Heart Association.

Nelson-Boylan-LeRette Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

MARK LINDGREN, 67



Mark Lindgren, 67, Stanton, passed away after a battle with leukemia on Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2023, at his home in rural Stanton.

Mark Victor Lindgren, the son of Elmer and Dorothy S. (Johnson) Lindgren, was born June 28, 1955, at Red Oak. Mark lived his entire life on the same farm southwest of Stanton. He graduated from Stanton High School in 1973 and worked two years for the Stanton Coop before farming full-time. In his early years of farming, Mark custom applied anhydrous for many farmers with his John Deere 4020.

On Nov. 26 1994, Mark was united in marriage to Nancy Wirtz in Stanton. To this union, they were blessed with two sons, Jacob and Samuel, of whom he was so proud.

Mark enjoyed volunteering in the Stanton community. He helped coach the little kids during football, basketball and baseball seasons. He served on the Stanton School board for 15 years, was a Scott Township trustee, and a member of the Friends of Stanton committee and Mamrelund Lutheran Church. Mark enjoyed fishing and hunting, which he said he learned from Teddy Peterson. He always looked forward to deer hunting with the whole gang. He loved having coffee with all his friends, which was a daily commitment. Mark was a loyal Kansas City Chief and Royals fan, even when they had bad seasons.

Mark was preceded in death by his parents; and brother, Gary.

Mark is survived by his wife, Nancy Lindgren of Stanton; two sons, Jacob Lindgren and his fiancée, Sadie Graham of Red Oak, and Samuel Lindgren of Stanton; father- and mother-in-law, James and Donna Wirtz of Emmetsburg; brother-in-law, Scott (Heather) Wirtz of Emmetsburg; sisters-in-law, Jill (BJ) Schany of Emmetsburg and Linda Lindgren of Oskaloosa; nieces, nephews, other relative and many friends.

May God bless his memory and give strength to those who mourn.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2023, at 11 a.m. at Mamrelund Lutheran Church, Stanton.

Memorials may be made in Mark's name for future designation by his family.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at sldfuneralhome.com.

Sellergren-Lindell-DeMarce Funeral Home is in charge of Mark's arrangements and serving his family.

LARRY STUDEY, 77

Larry Lee Studey, 77, Red Oak, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2023, at the Red Oak Rehab and Care Center.

Survivors include his wife, Darlene Studey of Red Oak; children, Debbie Stalnaker and husband Kenny of Florida; Mark Blackburn and wife Linda of Red Oak; Tammy Skokan of Mineola; and Terry Studey and wife Jeane of Papillion, Neb.; two grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and other relatives and many friends.

There will be a private family service at a later date.

Nelson-Boylan-LeRette Funeral Chapel is assisting the family with cremation services.

Law and Order

The following events were filed with the Red Oak, Montgomery County, State of Iowa, or other government offices. In regard to law enforcement and judicial activities, all parties are presumed innocent until proven guilty, and other details may be available at iowacourts.state.ia.us.

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WARRANTY DEED

• Mark Johnston to Kevin and Tina Anderson, Villisca Lightbody Addition Lts 2-3.

• Linda Askey to Michael and Molly Carlson, 28-71-38.

• Bret and Danis Hultman to Bret and Danis Hultman, 9-71-38.

• Kevin and Jane Toews to Michael and Jane Vega, 28-72-38 SLT 1 Lt 5.

• La Vern and Lyle Strickland to Keegun and Jaclyn Hoyt, 33-72-37 Lt 3.

• Jonette Otte, CFO, and Davidson Farms LLC to Margaret Thomas, Trustee, William Thomas, Trustee, and Margaret Thomas Revocable Trust, 18-73-39.

• Jonette Otte, CFO, and Davidson Farms LLC to Karen Mellott, 15-73-39 Parcel A.

• Randall Bloom, Secretary Treasurer and B Bar B LTD to Nicholas and Susan Gray, 28-72-36 Lt 2.

• Karen Mellott to Davidson Farms LLC, 15-73-39 Parcel A.

• Jaclyn Strickland and Jaclyn and Keegun Hoyt to Ashley Crouse, Red Oak Fredrickson 1st Addition Lt 5.

• Jennifer Gettler to Owen McCunn, Stanton Highland Oaks Lt 3.

• Lisa Maley to Fred Welch and Shelly Shuffler, Red Oak Original Plat Blk 11 Lts 11-12.

• Mark Johnson to Kevin and Tina Anderson, Villisca Lightbody Addition Lts 2-3.

COURT OFFICER'S DEED

• Rhonda Oakleaf Estate, and Mary Wax, Executor, to Jean Webb, Red Oak Quinby Addition Blk 1 Lts 1-2.

• Robert Lewis Estate and Dianne Fritz, Administrator, to Dianne Fritz, Red Oak Original Plat Blk 22 Lt 5.

QUIT CLAIM DEED

• Michael Webb, Michael K. Webb, and Alison Ruggio to World Domination Real Estate LLC, Red Oak Original Plat Blk 56 Lt 3, Red Oak Northeastern Addition Blk 4 Lts 4-6, Bishop SD.

MORTGAGE

• Michael and Molly Carlson to Houghton State Bank, 28-71-38.

• Michael and Jane Vega to Charter West Bank, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., and MERS, 28-72-38 SLT 1 Lt 5.

• Jaclyn and Keegun Hoyt to Farm Credit Mid America FCLA, 33-72-37 Lt 3.

• William and Kristie Konz to First Interstate Bank, 9-71-38.

• Justin and Tonya Wedel to Houghton State Bank, 12-71-38.

• Ashley Crouse to US Bank National Association, Red Oak Fredrickson 1st Addition Lt 5.

• Nicholas and Susan Gray to Bank Iowa, 28-72-36 Lt 2.

• Owen McCunn to Iowa Bankers Mortgage Corporation, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., and MERS, Stanton Highland Oaks Lt 3.

MOD/AMENDMENT OF MORTGAGE

• James and Lorinda Johnson to Bank Iowa, 26-71-37 Parcel A.

SMALL CLAIMS

• Iowarents.com vs. Joshua Bedsworth and Kathy Fitzgerald, Red Oak, judgment in favor of the plaintiff, $244.50 with 6.78% interest from Nov. 15, plus costs.

• Midland Credit Management, Inc.. vs. Christopher Philpott, Villisca, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, $1,348.41 with 6.73% interest from Jan. 10, plus costs.

• Iowa Student Loan Liquidity Corp. vs. Mark Wetterlind, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, $4,413.14 with 6.73% interest from Jan. 10, plus costs.

• Credit Bureau Services of IA Inc. vs. Allan Hummell, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, $2,154.88 with 6.73% interest from Jan. 10, plus costs.

• Credit Bureau Services of IA Inc. vs. Jorge Jaraz, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, $849.51 with 6.73% interest from Jan. 10, plus costs.

• Credit Bureau Services of IA Inc. vs. James McCauley, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, $649.62 with 6.73% interest from Jan. 10, plus costs.

• Credit Bureau Services of IA Inc. vs. Ryan Meier, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, $6,072.54 with 6.73% interest from Jan. 10, plus costs.

• Montgomery County Sheriff vs. Jacob Cashatt, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, $45 with 6.73% interest from Jan. 10, plus costs.

• Montgomery County Sheriff vs. Misty Currin, Griswold, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, $315 with 6.73% interest from Jan. 10, plus costs.

• Clear Recovery Inc. vs. Younts Contracting LLP, dismissed without prejudice.

• Credit Bureau Services of IA Inc. vs. Erin Bowden, Villisca, dismissed with prejudice.

ARRESTS

• Filed Jan. 9, Mathew Garcia, Creston, warrant for failure to appear, $1,000 bond.

• Filed Jan. 10, Kenneth Rhamy, 57, Red Oak, possession of methamphetamine first offense, $1,000 bond.

• Filed Jan. 10, Nikolus Schooling, 27, Red Oak, possession of controlled substance – methamphetamine, public intoxication, $1,000 bond.

• Filed Jan. 11, Jessie Fitzwater, 35, Council Bluffs, possession of methamphetamine with intent to deliver over 5 grams, held on no bond.

• Filed Jan. 11, Summer French, 26, Red Oak, possession of methamphetamine with intent to deliver over 5 grams, held on no bond.

• Filed Jan. 11, Richard Pierce III, 35, Council Bluffs, driving while license suspended, $491.25 bond.

• Filed Jan. 11, Kevin Ward, 50, Urbandale, warrant for violation of probation, $10,000 bond.

• Filed Jan. 13, Summer French, Mills County warrant for failure to appear, held on no bond.

• Filed Jan. 13, Jessie Fitzwater, Mills County warrant for failure to appear, held on no bond.

• Filed Jan. 14, Dennis Vanderhoof, 75, Red Oak, operation without owner's consent, criminal mischief second degree, driving while barred, held on full cash bond.

CRIMINAL

• Aggravated, State of Iowa vs. Kim Trost, 43, Red Oak, harassment second degree, pled guilty, seven days jail, time served, $430 fine, suspended.

• Felony, State of Iowa vs. Floyd Henry II, 50, Red Oak, probation violation.

• Felony, State of Iowa vs. Summer French, 26, Red Oak, controlled substance violation.

• Simple Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Skyler Nagunst, 23, Red Oak, violation of no contact/protective order - contempt, seven days jail, time served.

• Simple Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Howard Ward, 61, Red Oak, possession of drug paraphernalia, $150 fine.

• Simple Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Alina Gonzalez, 18, Red Oak, possession of drug paraphernalia.

• Simple Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Carrie Ross, 43, Red Oak, possession of drug paraphernalia.

• Simple Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Richard Linfor, 54, Shenandoah, interference with official acts.

• Simple Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Michael Sinnott, 30, Red Oak, violation of no contact/protective order - contempt.

• Simple Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Nikolus Schooling, 27, Red Oak, public intoxication.

• Serious Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Carrie Ross, 43, Red Oak, possession of a controlled substance - marijuana, first offense, possession of a controlled substance - methamphetamine, first offense.

• Serious Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Kenneth Rhamy, 57, Red Oak, possession of a controlled substance - methamphetamine, first offense.

• Serious Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Nikolus Schooling, 27, Red Oak, possession of a controlled substance - methamphetamine, first offense.

OWI

• State of Iowa vs. Floyd Henry II, 50, Red Oak, probation violation, probation extended two years, Veterans Treatment Court.

TRAFFIC

• Michael Nordeen, Story City, speeding.

• Annette Archer, Red Oak, operation without registration card or plate.

• Austin Woods, Shenandoah, failure to maintain or use safety belts.

• Stephen Windust, Des Moines, operating non-registered vehicle.

• Kyle Pack, Villisca, failure to reduce speed to a reasonable and proper rate.

• Craig Lane, Elliott, failure to maintain or use safety belts.

• Timothy Cloyd, Omaha, Neb., speeding.

• Nicholas Pogranichniy, Denver, Colo., speeding.

• Vernon Warf, Red Oak, speeding.

• Ronald Parrish, St. Joseph, Mo., speeding.

• Nicole McClure, Ida Grove, speeding.

• Michelle Solt, Nodaway, operation of motor vehicle with expired license.

• Jillian Kratz, Glenwood, registration violation.

• Neil Stewart, Overland Park, Kan., speeding.

• Jacke Ebane, Red Oak, no valid driver's license.

• Amy Depenning, Urbandale, speeding.

• Olivia Beam, Red Oak, speeding.

• Lily Crom, Tabor, speeding.

• Dennis Carlson, Red Oak, failure to maintain or use safety belts.

ACCIDENTS

• On Jan. 10, at 10:01 a.m., Montgomery County Sheriff's deputies investigated a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Highway 34 and Nature Avenue. John Posten, 78, Villisca, driving a 1998 Chevrolet K2500 pick up that was pulling an AFI Rem grain vac owned by Keast Enterprises of Henderson, was traveling west on Highway 34 and slowed down to make a lefthand turn onto Nature Avenue. The car immediately behind the Posten vehicle also slowed down. William Assarsson, 62, Bassett, driving a 2022 Kenworth W900 semi-tractor and hopper bottom trailer owned by Kaiser Trucking Inc.. of Winning, S.D., was also traveling west on Highway 34 behind the car. Assarsson tried to avoid striking the vehicles by entering the eastbound lane, but his semi struck the Posten vehicle and grain vac, causing the grain vac to overturn. Damage to the Assarsson vehicle was about $2,500, damage to the pick up was about $5,000, and damage to the grain vac was about $7,000. There were no injuries and no citations were issued.

• On Jan. 11, at 3:31 p.m., Red Oak Police officers investigated a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Broadway and Cherry streets. Tammy Glasgo, 58, Elliott, driving a 1997 Honda Accord, was stopped at the stoplight on Broadway facing south. Brent Davis, 31, Villisca, driving a 2018 Chevrolet Silverado, was stopped at the stoplight behind the Glasgo vehicle. The Davis vehicle began to move when he saw the vehicles in the turn lane begin to move, and struck the Glasgo vehicle. Damage to the Glasgo vehicle was about $2,000, and damage to the Davis vehicle was about $1,500. No citations were issued, and Glasgo was transported by Red Oak Rescue to Montgomery County Memorial Hospital for neck pain.

• On Jan. 13, at 8:28 a.m., Montgomery County Sheriff's deputies investigated a one-vehicle accident in the 300 block of Broad Avenue in Stanton. City personnel had been using a 1995 Dodge Ram 3500 bucket truck owned by the City of Stanton to remove Christmas lights from fixtures along Broad Avenue. The truck was legally parked and Bret Sheppard was in the bucket when the truck began traveling backwards. The bucket and boom struck the light pole fixture, shearing it off, and the truck then traveled over the curb and to the south, where it made contact with a building owned by Eric Anderson. The boom and bucket then swung to the north, striking the bricks on the southeast side of the building, causing $2,500 in damage to the building. Damage to the light fixture owned by the City of Stanton was about $3,500, and damage to the truck, also owned by the City of Stanton, was about $20,000. Sheppard was not injured, no citations were issued, and the investigation is complete at this time.

• On Jan. 14, at 1:40 p.m., Red Oak Police officers investigated a two-vehicle accident on Broadway. Maddex McCunn, 16, driving a 2006 Pontiac Grand Prix owned by Jennifer Westover, was stopped at a stop sign and facing west. He failed to see a 2006 Dodge R15 pick up, driven by Steven Johnson, 60, Red Oak, that was traveling south on Broadway and going past the intersection. The McCunn vehicle struck the Johnson vehicle broadside, causing $6,000 in damage to the Johnson vehicle and $4,500 damage to the McCunn vehicle. There were no injuries, and the Johnson vehicle was towed from the scene. McCunn was cited for failure to yield from a stop sign.

RO Weather

Monday, Jan. 9:
High 43, Low 12,
Precip: None
Tuesday, Jan. 10:
High 49, Low 21,
Precip: None
Wednesday, Jan. 11:
High 47, Low 21,
Precip: None
Thursday, Jan. 12:
High 39, Low 25,
Precip: None
Friday, Jan. 13:
High 28, Low 17,
Precip: None
Saturday, Jan. 14:
High 29, Low 16,
Precip: None
Sunday, Jan. 15:
High 43, Low 25,
Precip: None
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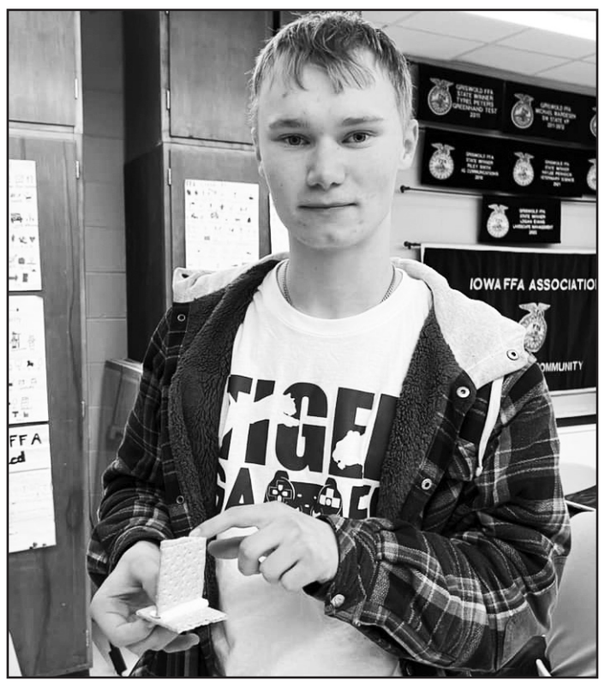
Welders learn new tricks



Griswold students in Mrs. Brokaw's welding and fabrications class practiced making different welds using different techniques. (Photos submitted)

College savings funds available

Registration is open for a special drawing of a $1,000 college savings deposit that 10 Iowa parents and guardians of students in eighth through 12th grades will be randomly selected to receive after Feb. 28. The drawing is sponsored by ISL Education Lending.

Current registrants and any parent or guardian registered for the information service SP3, or Student Planning Pointers for Parents, by February 28 will be entered into the special drawing.

Additionally, registrants who read each month's articles and answer brief survey questions are entered into quarterly drawings for 529 college savings plan deposits.

Each quarter, 40 random winners are chosen for the $250 deposits. The next quarterly drawing will take place April 1.

The free information service is delivered via twice-monthly emails to parents and guardians who sign up at IowaStudentLoan.org/SP3 and is provided in partnership with College Savings Iowa, ICAN, the Iowa School Counselor Association and Strada Education Network.

"I have found all of the emails very helpful," said 2022 quarterly winner Kelly Loeffler of Keosauqua. "They have answered questions that I didn't even know I had, as well as many that I did have."

She continued, "I would recommend this wonderful service to any parent."

Articles are carefully researched and informed by 40 years of experience in the higher education industry. Additionally, parents and guardians are provided with multiple resources to further explore topics of particular interest.

The information is targeted to specific grade levels to correspond with students' current stages. The consistent format explains why the topic is important, what students can do now, additional steps they should take later and what parents can do. In addition, talking points are provided as a guideline for approaching the topic with students.

More information and simple signup is available at IowaStudentLoan.org/SP3.

Four graduate from ISU

Nearly 1,800 graduates received degrees from Iowa State University in December. Graduate and undergraduate commencement ceremonies were held Dec. 16-17 at Hilton Coliseum in Ames.

Area graduates included:

• Cynthia Best, Clarinda, Bachelor of Science, Management.

• Caleb Nordyke, Clarinda, Bachelor of Science, Agronomy.

• Hannah Vial, Red Oak, Bachelor of Science, Elementary Education, Magna Cum Laude.

• Zoey Welter, Red Oak, Bachelor of Science, Biology (AGLS), Cum Laude.

RO FFA lock in Saturday

Red Oak's FFA Chapter is holding a lock in event this weekend.

The event is scheduled from 8 to 11 p.m. Jan. 21. Participants will play dodgeball, enjoy movies, and play games. Snacks will also be provided.

This is the first ever lock in for the Red Oak FFA Chapter. State officers will be attending, as well as the Southwest Valley FFA Chapter.

Mediacom offers scholarships

Mediacom Communications is offering $60,000 in scholarship support for high school seniors who plan to obtain further education.

The scholarship program is in its 22nd consecutive year, and Mediacom's investment will award $1,000 World Class Scholarships to 60 high school seniors.

Scholarship recipients are given the flexibility to use the financial awards to support post-secondary college costs or vocational training from an accredited institution starting in the fall of 2023.

Award selection is based on academic achievement and leadership accomplishments.

Applications for Mediacom's World Class Scholarships are available online at mediacomworldclass.com.

Information is being sent to all high schools in areas where Mediacom delivers its high-speed internet services.

School officials are asked to encourage seniors to submit applications on or before the Jan. 30 deadline.

"Our company makes it a priority to give back to communities in which we do business, and we believe one of the best ways is to invest in promising young students who will be our future leaders," said Mediacom Regional Vice President Steve Purcell.

Applicants do not have to be Mediacom customers but must live in areas where Mediacom's fiber-rich broadband network delivers Gigabit-speed internet service.

Recipients will be selected from the 22 states where Mediacom's residential customers reside.

A complete list of communities in Mediacom service areas is included with the online application. Inquiries may be sent to scholarship@mediacomcc.com.

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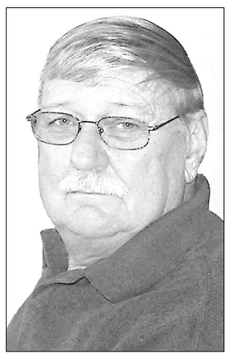
Capone's Caddy



Where there's money there's fraud, and has been since the invention of money.

While scams of today have the benefit of technology, scammers are probably no more clever than flim-flammers of the past.

The following were typical at the time, and area residents taken in by the first should have known better on the second.

The St. Valentine's Day Massacre occurred on Feb. 14, 1929.

At shortly after 10 o'clock on that Thursday morning, seven high-ranking members of the Moran gang met at an automotive repair garage on Chicago's north side.

They were accosted by heavily armed men, two of them wearing police uniforms and carrying Thompson submachine guns.

The seven were lined up against a brick wall and executed with weapons often referred to as "Chicago typewriters."

Although no one was ever charged, authorities then and historians now suspect Al Capone was behind the murders.

Capone allegedly spent time in Iowa.

Rumors say he enjoyed Sioux City, where Prohibition was not taken seriously.

Some believe he visited the Julien Hotel in Dubuque when things were hot in Chicago. Linda McCann, author of a book called "Prohibition in Eastern Iowa," claims Capone had no less than 28 "safe houses" in Iowa, never staying in the same one more than two days.

Montgomery County residents knew all about Capone by 1929. They were soon to learn of a bank robber and hit man named Fred "Killer" Burke.

Burke murdered a police officer in Michigan, after which investigators found "Tommy" guns used in the Valentine's Day Massacre hidden in his house.

Burke fled, then in 1931 he was captured at the home of his wife's parents on a farm near Green River in north-central Missouri, not far from the Iowa line.

Burke's arrest made news at a time when the Depression was settling in.

Dillinger was soon to be released from prison, Bonnie and Clyde were beginning their crime spree, True Detective magazine was a big seller and a lot of gangster movies were being made.

One of these movies, a so-called documentary produced by the Lowry Film Company, was titled "The Capture of Fred Burke."

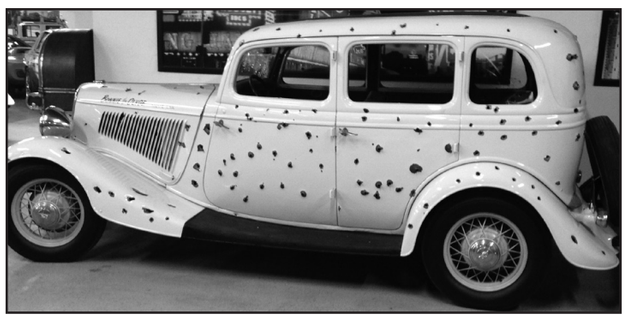
Using amateur actors and newsreel footage, the film was made and shown by, according to our paper, "people actually involved in the arrest."

As a special attraction, parked outside the theater during each showing was Al Capone's 1929 Cadillac.

The car, reputed to have cost $50,000 (over $1 million in today's money), was said to have one-inch thick, bullet-proof glass and a roof and body lined with battleship steel armor.

The movie, with the big Cadillac out front, played at Red Oak's Iowana Theater on consecutive nights in mid-February, 1932.

A month later, the same film was showing at a Des Moines theater when a police officer had the "Capone Cadillac" towed for being illegally parked.



An example of a Bonne and Clyde death car

A news item tells us the owner appeared in court, admitted the car had never been Capone's, then reclaimed it by paying a fine and costs.

We assume patrons and management of the Iowana realized they'd been had.

Three years later Red Oak celebrated July 4th with parades, a carnival in Legion Park, concerts, dances and a gruesome attraction—Bonnie and Clyde's "Death Car."

This time the sucker was the American Legion, which paid to have the car brought to Red Oak.

Spectators could gawk at a 1934 Ford riddled by bullet holes, the seats stained with what was assumed to be blood.

Indications this was a scam can be found in newspaper articles reporting these cars, some not even the right color, displayed at carnivals in Midwest states.

The "Roadside America," a computer-age travel blog advertised as being "an online guide to offbeat tourist attractions" lists seven Bonnie and Clyde "Death Cars" still in existence, and acknowledges there were others that may be rusting away in a forgotten garage.

It also appears the actual car was, at the time of the Red Oak display, still impounded in Louisiana.

Locals taken in by Capone's "bullet-proof" Cadillac or Bonnie and Clyde's "Death Car" were at least entertained, and they didn't spend a lot of money.

A few years later Dr. Irving P. Krirck, a highly-educated scientist from California, brought his "weather modification" apparatus to Montgomery County, and the price went up.

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Community Calendar

19 January

Noon, SCORE webinar, "Should You Get Certified as a Woman-owned, Veteran-owned or Minority-owned Business?" Go to omaha.score.org/content/take-workshop-242.

12:30 p.m., Bingo, Red Oak Senior Center, 2700 N. 4th St. Call 712-623-3497 or Carolyn at 402-926-8683 for more information.

4 p.m., Community Prayer Time, Fountain Square Park. Call Bonnie at 623-4759.

4-9 p.m., Bella Notte Pampered Artist Retreat Winter Crop, 504 E. Reed St.

7 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1101 Summit St.

7 p.m., Thursday night trivia at the Keg Creek Brewing Company, 22381 221st St., Glenwood.

20 January

4-9 p.m., Bella Notte Pampered Artist Retreat Winter Crop, 504 E. Reed St.

Red Oak Public Library, Popcorn Friday, all day.

10:15 a.m., Story time at the Red Oak Public Library, 400 N. 2nd St., theme: "Ice Cream."

3:30 p.m., Movie matinee, Essex Lied Public Library, 508 Iowa Ave., Essex.

5:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1101 Summit St.

7 p.m., "Avatar: The Way of Water," theatre #1; "Angry Neighbors," theatre #2; Red Oak Grand Theatre.

21 January

10 a.m., "Theater of the Mind" meditation and movement class at the Wilson Performing Arts Center, 300 Commerce Dr. Call 623-3183 to register.

10 a.m. Cartoons, Movie matinee, Essex Lied Public Library, 508 Iowa Ave., Essex.

10:30 a.m., Painting party at the Griswold Golf Course, 67777 550th St. Griswold. 1:30 session also available. See the story on this page for further details.

4-9 p.m., Bella Notte Pampered Artist Retreat Winter Crop, 504 E. Reed St.

7 p.m., "Avatar: The Way of Water," theatre #1; "Angry Neighbors," theatre #2; Red Oak Grand Theatre.

22 January

8 a.m.-5 p.m., Lifeguard recertification class at the Montgomery County Family YMCA, 101 E. Cherry St. See the article on this page for further details.

2 p.m. and 7 p.m., "Avatar: The Way of Water," theatre #1; "Angry Neighbors," theatre #2; Red Oak Grand Theatre.

4-9 p.m., Bella Notte Pampered Artist Retreat Winter Crop, 504 E. Reed St.

5:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1101 Summit St.

23 January

12:30 p.m. Bingo, Red Oak Senior Center, 2700 N. 4th St. Call 712-623-3497 or Carolyn 402-926-8683 for more information.

7 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1101 Summit St.

24 January

8:30 a.m., Montgomery County Supervisors, North Meeting Room in courthouse basement, open to public.

Noon, Rotary Club meeting. For location, go to rotarydistrict5650.org/clubinfo/red-oak.

Noon, SCORE webinar, "SEO Marketing For Small Business Websites." Go to omaha.score.org/content/take-workshop-242.

1 p.m., Card games (pitch and/or cribbage) Red Oak Senior Center, 2700 N. 4th St. Call 712-623-3497 or Carolyn 402-926-8683 for more information.

5-5:45 p.m., Sports academy at the Montgomery County Family YMCA, 101 E. Cherry St., for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten.

6-9 p.m., Winter Session I Singles Tennis League, Montgomery County Family YMCA, 101 E. Cherry St. Register at: https://montgomeryco.recliquecore.com/programs/110014/high-school-adult-tennis-leagues/?locations=13&fbclid=IwAR3kvAaAaBRHmw7_0ffBP2VG7Uykjy9TnHbuOah5cAL3-0lW6HC-6QZvmAUk

25 January

1:30-5 p.m., Christ's Cupboard Food Pantry and Clothing Cupboard, 206 E. Coolbaugh St. Donations accepted 1-5 p.m. at back door.

2 p.m., Mobile food pantry, Montgomery County Fairgrounds, 1798 N. 1st St. Line up begins at 2 p.m,, food distribution begins at 3:30 p.m.

3:30 p.m., Story time, Essex Lied Public Library, 508 Iowa Ave., Essex.

Storytime at RO Library

The Red Oak Public Library held its weekly Storytime event Jan. 13. The theme was "Tea for Two or More." Pictured left, attendees of the event enjoy a drink and a snack. (Photo submitted)

Rotary hears from Martin

Members of the Red Oak Rotary Club caught up with $500 Red Oak Rotary Scholarship winner Levi Martin, pictured above right. Martin shared an update on how he spent his first semester at college . (Photo submitted)

Happy Birthday!

Celebrating birthdays are:

Malissa Bissell – Jan. 20
Stacey VonDielingen – Jan 20
Carol Sparr – Jan. 21
Diana Hietbrink – Jan. 21
Bonnie Viner – Jan. 22

To be included on the free "Happy Birthday" list, e-mail your birthday (and those of your friends and family) to news@redoakexpress.com, mail to P.O. Box 377, Red Oak, IA 51566, or drop by our office at 2012 Commerce Dr.

Lifeguard recertification at YMCA

The Montgomery County Family YMCA at 101 E. Cherry St. is hosting a lifeguard recertification class Jan. 22 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This is a blended learning class and involves online and in-person training,. An email address is required.

The online portion must be completed before the in-person portion, and successful prerequisite swim test is required at the beginning of class. Participants must attend the entire class, no exceptions. Limit 10 to a class.

Lifeguards hired by Y will be reimbursed after four months of employment with the YMCA, with an average of 15 hours per month worked Applications are available a the front desk.

Cost to attend the class is $100. Register at montgomeryco.recliquecore.com/programs/104702/lifeguard-certification/?locations=13&fbclid=IwAR30k2gypDHdO7BF_fcv-6L7EWiuolaS7Ox7W3zDEvK-ktd5aPETz-m__-iyM.

Card Shower

WHEELER 100TH BIRTHDAY

Velma Wheeler will celebrate her 100th birthday on Saturday, Jan. 21.

In honor of the occasion, her family is hosting an open house/card shower. The open house will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Jan. 21 at the Villisca Community Building, 207 S. 3rd Ave.

Cards may be sent to Velma at 800 E. Ratliff Rd., #202, Red Oak, IA 51566.

Painting party at Griswold Golf Course

A painting party is scheduled at the Griswold Golf course at 67777 550th St., with a morning session at 10:30 a.m. and an evening session at 1:30p.m. Jan. 21.

Cost is $30 to paint on wood, and $20 to paint on canvas. Only 20 spots are available per session. Sign up by calling the Griswold Golf Course at (712) 778-4104.

Senior Menu

Thursday, Jan. 19: Salisbury beef steak, brown gravy, whipped potatoes, corn, dinner roll, pineapple tidbits, milk/coffee.

Friday, Jan. 20: Country fried steak with country gravy, whipped potatoes, mixed vegetables, multigrain bread, cookie, milk/coffee.

Monday, Jan. 23: Spaghetti casserole, green beans, tossed salad with ranch dressing, garlic bread, hot sliced peaches, milk/coffee.

Tuesday, Jan. 24: Chicken with gravy, whipped potatoes, lima beans, bread slice, gelatin, milk/coffee.

Wednesday, Jan. 25: Meatballs with gravy, whipped potatoes, broccoli florets, bread slice, mixed fruit, milk/coffee.

For more information, call the Senior Center at 623-3497 or Carolyn at 402-926-8683.

Please call for reservations by 9:30 a.m. the day before you plan to eat lunch.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Advent Christian

300 S. 2nd Ave., Villisca, Rev. Jeff Eason, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m., Celebrate Recovery, Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

Assembly Of God

1005 Senate, Red Oak, 623-2174, Services, 10:30 a.m.

Baptist

The Bridge (First Baptist Church), 406 N. 3rd St., Red Oak, Rev. Len Taylor, Worship, 11 a.m.

Grace Baptist, 1510 N. 6th St., Red Oak, Gary D. Walters, Bible class, 10 a.m., Worship, 11 a.m., Worship, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, Prayer, 7 p.m.

Grace Baptist, 525 Main St., Griswold, Victor Maxson, Bible study, 10 a.m., Worship, 11 a.m. **Online:** 11 a.m. livestream.

Southern Baptist

Crossroads Community Church, 303 E. Oak St., use the alley entrance, Rev. Ricky Rohrig, Sr., Celebration Services with Kids' Church, 9:23 a.m.,Wednesdays in the Word, live on Facebook, 6:30 p.m. 712-357-1060, crossroadsredoak.com. **Online:** 9:45 a.m. approx. live on Facebook.

Catholic

St. Joseph's, 131 W. High, Villisca, Father Sylvester Okoh, Sunday Mass, 8:30 a.m.

St. Mary's, 1510 Highland Ave., Red Oak, Father Lazarus Kirigia, Saturdays, 5 p.m. (1st, 3rd, 5th Saturday); Sunday, 10:30 a.m., in Spanish, 1 p.m.

Christian

First Christian, 1909 Summit St., Red Oak, Pastor AJ Baratta, PreKindergarten - Sunday School, 9:30-10:15 a.m., Fellowship, 10 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m. **Online:** 10:30 a.m. live on Facebook.

Christian & Missionary Alliance

Citylight Southwest Iowa, 705 Bradford, Emerson. Co-lead pastors Matt Keller, Tyler Mass. Worship with children's church, 10 a.m. in-person gathering. **Online:** 10 a.m. live on Facebook.

Faith Community, 2701 N. 8th St., Red Oak, Pastor Dan Wetzel, Associate Pastor Stephen Beaulier, Worship, 9:30 a.m. Connection Classes for pre-kindergarten-adults, 11 a.m..Wednesday activities: Faith Kids, Pre-K grade 4, 6-7:30 p.m. Faith Midpoint, grades 5-6, 6-7:30 p.m. Faith Youth, grades 7-12, 7-8:30 p.m. **Online:** 9:30 a.m. on KCSI, 9:30 a.m. on. Facebook.

Church Of Christ

Church Of Christ, Elliott, Sunday Bible School, 9 a.m., Worship, 10 a.m., Men's and Women's Bible study and breakfast, first Sunday of the month at 7:30 a.m.

River of Life Church, Hwy. 48 North, Red Oak, Interin Minister Kevin Berry, Sunday School 9 a.m., Worship, 10 a.m.

Church Of the Nazarene

Red Oak, 401 E. Prospect St., Rev. Lori Lathrop. Radio ministry, 8:30 a.m., worship with children's church at 10:30 a.m.

Covenant

Evangelical, Rev. Matt King, 308 Eastern, Stanton, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:45 a.m. **Online:** 10:45 a.m. live on Facebook and later on Youtube.

Faith Covenant Church, 212 Alice St., Essex, Pastor Gordon Scott, Pastor Staci Shearer, Worship, 8:30 a.m.

First Covenant, Rev. Alan Dean, pastor, 3rd & Hammond, Red Oak, Worship, 9:30 a.m.

Jehovah's Witness

210 Argus Road, Shenandoah, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m., public Bible discourse.

Lutheran

Bethesda Lutheran, Rural Clarinda. Worship 9:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Bethlehem Lutheran, 1101 Summit St., Red Oak, Rev. Jennifer Yeske-Drown, Sunday worship, 11 a.m.

Strand Evangelical, Rural Villisca, Rev. Marietta Nelson-Bittle, Worship, 9:45 a.m.

Fremont Lutheran (Nyman), 1147 Ironwood Ave, Red Oak, Pastor Ann Albert, Worship, 9:30 a.m., Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.

Mamrelund Lutheran, 410 Eastern Ave., Stanton. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Sunday School, 9:15 a.m. **Online:** 10:30 a.m. FMTC Cable Channel 1, also live on Facebook.

Mt. Calvary, 107 S. 5th, Villisca, Jerome Wagoner, Worship, 9:00 a.m.

Tabor Lutheran, 1711 Q Ave., Stanton, Worship, 8:15 a.m., Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.

Peace Lutheran, (A WELS Congregation), 411 Church St., Shenandoah, Saturday Worship, 5:30 p.m.; Bible and Sunday School, 6:30 p.m.

Non-Denominational

Oaks Community Church, 41310 Ellington Rd., Emerson, Rev. Ron Perry, 712-824-7218, Sunday School, 10 a.m., Worship, 11 a.m.

Presbyterian

Center Ridge, 1546 N. 110th St., Red Oak, Caryn Pedersen, Worship 1 p.m., two times a month. Call 623-9023 for more information.

First Presbyterian, 109 S. 3rd Ave., Villisca, Rev. Sandra Wainwright, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Red Oak Presbyterian, 511 E. Coolbaugh, PO Box 402, Red Oak, Caryn Pedersen, redoakpresbyterianchurch.com, Service, 10:30 a.m. **Online:** 10:30 a.m. live on Facebook/Red Oak Presbyterian Church

Reformed Evangelical

Heartland Sovereign Grace Church, new church plant. Bible study Sunday, 5 p.m., www.swiacrec.com, contact@swiacrec.com.

United Methodist

First United Methodist, 600 E. Hammond, Red Oak, Rev. Jennifer Van Nostrand, Worship, Sunday, 9 a.m.; Youth group Wednesday 6:30-8 p.m., grades 6-12, snack is served. **Online:** 9 a.m. fumcro.org; click on the media tab to see previously recorded services.

Wesley Chapel UMC, Rev. Carl Phillips, Worship, 8:45 a.m., Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

Red Oak Circuit, Linda Westerhold; Hawthorne, 1248 210th St., Red Oak, Worship, 10 a.m.; Stratton, 1695 150th St., Red Oak, Worship, 11:15 a.m. **Online:** 11:15 a.m. live on Facebook.

Elliott United Methodist, Rev. Terry McClain, Sunday School, 9 a.m., Worship, 10 a.m. **Online:** 10 a.m. live on Facebook.

Emerson United Methodist Church, Rev. Denise Stevens, 801 Bradford Ave., Emerson, (712) 824-7368, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Grant United Methodist, Pastor Casey Pelzer, Worship services, 8:30 a.m. **Online:** 8:30 a.m. live on Facebook

United Methodist, 203 S. 3rd Ave., Villisca, Pastor Jennifer Van Nostrand, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:45 a.m. **Online:** 10:45 a.m. live on Facebook.

Strahan United Methodist, Hastings, Rev. David Kwangki Kim, Worship, 9:30 a.m., Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.

United Church Of Christ

First Congregational, 608 Reed St., Red Oak, Sunday Worship, 11:30 a.m. in the sanctuary with fellowship prior to the service at 10:30 a.m.. Rev. Holly Scherff, interim pastor.

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"A Changing of the (Life)Guard"

As of Jan. 27, Lorna Blackburn will be retiring from her position as aquatics director. Blackburn will still continue part-time as a lifeguard and swimming instructor at the Y.

"The last two years have been very stressful with family members and my mom passing. I have loved my job at the Y, the people I work with and will miss my job," Blackburn said. "However, it is time for me to relax, travel, and have fun with friends and family. I want to go to all of my grandkids' sports, as this granny doesn't miss their ball games. I am looking forward to the next chapter. I might even have time to swim for myself."

Blackburn has taught swimming for almost 52 years; 36 of those years were in a rock quarry where she gets called back every year to teach the next generation.

Teaching swimming is her passion and has been very rewarding.

Macy Reeves will be replacing Blackburn and has started training with her as of the week of Jan. 9.

Reeves recently renewed her lifeguard certification under Michelle Grismore-Anderson during the last lifeguard class at the end of December.

Reeves originally hails from Shenandoah and lives there now with her baby son, Oliver, and dog, Loki. She has spent her life dedicated to service as a police officer, volunteer firefighter, and a medic in the United States Army in Fort Carson, Colo.

"I come to the YMCA with experience as a lifeguard and a passion for swimming. I hope to help promote healthy, active lifestyles in the community and surrounding areas," commented Reeves.

Macy Reeves is currently training with Lorna Blackburn to replace her as the YMCA's aquatics director.

As a child, Reeves visited the Montgomery County Family YMCA where she enjoyed swimming, running, and playing tennis.

Reeves returns to Iowa with an associates degree in criminal justice and a bachelors degree in emergency management & homeland security.

Reeves enjoys having fun with her son, weight lifting, working out, hiking, swimming, rock climbing, and creating with her Cricut machine.

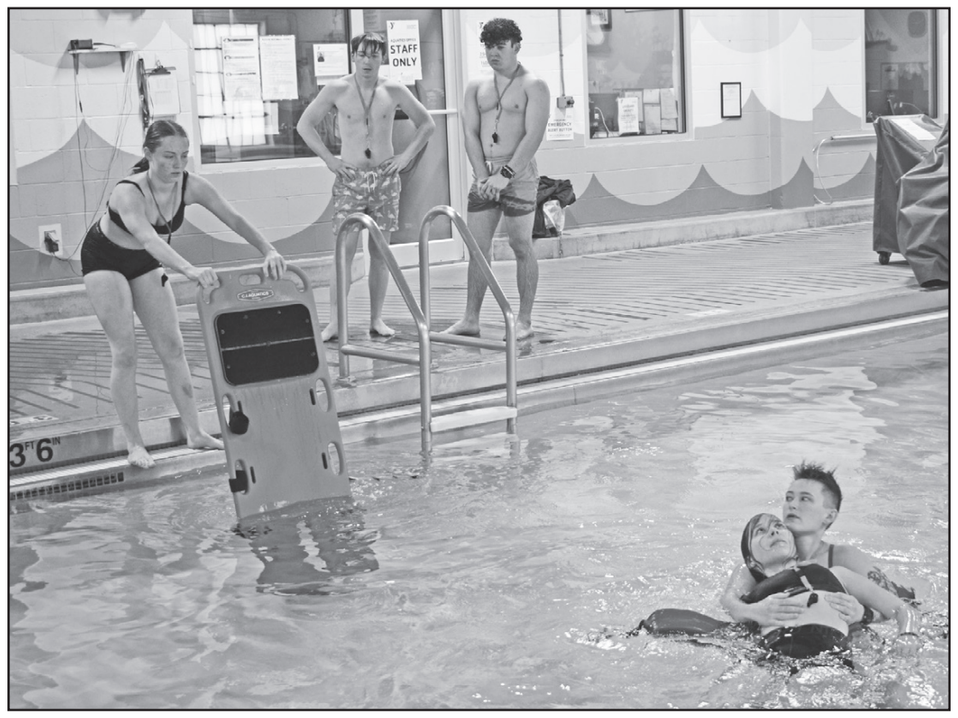
Now is the perfect time to learn, or relearn. how to be a lifeguard before the summer rush.

The lifeguard recertification class will be Sunday, Jan. 22. The registration deadline is Thursday, Jan. 19.

The lifeguard certification class will be held Friday, Feb. 3 through Sunday, Feb. 5. Registration deadline is Tuesday, Jan. 31. Registration is available online at mcymca.com or at the front desk at the Y.

For more information about the Montgomery County Family YMCA, its programs, memberships, and volunteer/donor opportunities, call us at 623-2161, stop by the Y located at 101 E. Cherry St., or visit us on Facebook.

Lorna Blackburn will retire as the YMCA's aquatics director on Jan. 27. (Photos submitted)



Pictured above: The backboard is utilized in a demonstration by the lifeguard trainees. Pictured below: Trainees learn that a quick response is key to saving lives. Training in all sorts of situations helps prepare trainees to act effectively. (Photos submitted)

YMCA DONATES TO TOYS FOR TOTS

Lowell Burnison, Jan Burnison, Carrie Shalters, and Christopher Allison, pictured from left, pose with some of the toys collected through Toys for Tots. (Photo submitted)

The YMCA's Togetherhood committee, in cooperation with the Red Oak Police Department, held a toy drive for the Toys for Tots program. Boxes were set out for collecting toys at the YMCA, Mark Jackson's Red Oak Hardware Hank & Hallmark Crown Store, Hy-Vee, Orscheln's, and the Red Oak Express.

Toys were collected on Dec. 16 and were wrapped and distributed to families.

The committee also collected unused Christmas cards and paired up with the School Beyond School Program to deliver Christmas Cards to the local nursing homes. The kids from the program wrote messages and hand delivered the cards.

For more information on the committee, or become a member, volunteer, and/or a donor, call 623-2161, stop in at the YMCA located at 101 E. Cherry St., or email cshalters@mcymca.com.

BUSINESSES OF THE QUARTER

The Montgomery County Family YMCA would like to honor the businesses of Bank Iowa, Houghton State Bank, First Interstate Bank, and US Bank as Businesses of the Quarter for the next quarter from January through March.

All employees of the above-mentioned companies and their immediate families will receive a free membership to the Y* until March 31st. So, stop by if this means you! *Does not apply to current members.

For more information on how to become a member, volunteer, and/or a donor call Carrie Shalters, YMCA Executive Director, at 623-2161, stop in at the Montgomery County Family YMCA located at 101 E. Cherry St., or email Carrie at cshalters@mcymca.com.

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A	B	C	D		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30
3	3	3	3	KMTV 3	Sheldon	Ghosts	So Help Me Todd		CSI: Vegas		3 News Now	Late-Colbert
4	4	4	4	KPTM 42	Hell's Kitchen (N)		Welcome to	Call Me Kat	News at Nine		iCRIME	iCRIME
6	6	6	6	WOWT 6	Law & Order (In Stereo)		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: Organized		WOWT 6	J. Fallon
7	7	7	7	KETV 7	Celebrity Jeopardy! (N)		The Parent Test (N)		The Chase (N) (In Stereo)		News	J. Kimmel
8			8	KCCI 8	Sheldon	Ghosts	So Help Me Todd		CSI: Vegas		News	Late-Colbert
15	5	15	9	KXVO 15	Fear Factor "Four Stunt Show"			Fear Factor "Las Vegas Show"			World's Dumbest ...	
10	11	10	11	IPTV	Father Brown		Hamish Macbeth		Midsomer Murders		Sister Boniface Mysteries	
17			12	KDSM 17	Hell's Kitchen (N)		Welcome to	Call Me Kat	13 News at 9 on Fox 17		National	National
9	9	9	16	NWSN	Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams Live (N)		Banfield (N)		Cuomo	
			19	ION	Chicago P.D.		Chicago P.D.		Chicago P.D.		Chicago P.D.	
		28	21	CSPAN	(4:00) Public Affairs Events (In Stereo)							
25			5	WOI 5	Celebrity Jeopardy! (N)		The Parent Test (N)		The Chase (N) (In Stereo)		5 News	J. Kimmel
12	2	12	24	ESPN	College Basketball		NHL Hockey: Tampa Bay Lightning at Edmonton Oilers. (N)					SportsC.
11	28	13	25	ESPN2	College Basketball		2023 Australian Open Tennis: Third Round. (N) (Live)					
36			26	FX	Movie: ★★★ *"Zombieland"* (2009) (In Stereo)				Movie: ★★★ *"Zombieland"* (2009) (In Stereo)			
	10	16	27	PARMT	Movie: ★★★ *"The Town"* (2010) Ben Affleck, Rebecca Hall. (In Stereo) (V)						Movie: *"American Sniper"*	
	40	36	28	LIFE	Movie: ★★ *"Madea's Big Happy Family"* (2011) Tyler Perry.					*"Abducted: The Carlina White Story"*		
29	20	19	29	FREE	(6:00) *"Dr. Dolittle 2"*	Movie: ★★½ *"Maleficent"* (2014) Angelina Jolie. (V)					The 700 Club	
18	13	11	30	USA	Movie: ★★½ *"Olympus Has Fallen"* (2013, Action) Gerard Butler.					Movie: ★★ *"Angel Has Fallen"* (2019)		
	8	8	31	TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	NFL Tailgate Takedown	
23	14	18	32	TNT	NBA Basketball: Warriors at Celtics				NBA Basketball: Brooklyn Nets at Phoenix Suns. (N)			
	25	22	33	AMC	Movie: ★★★ *"John Wick: Chapter 2"* (2017) Keanu Reeves.					*"John Wick: Chapter 3 -- Parabellum"*		
	29	25	34	HGTV	Christina in the Country		Married to Real Estate (N)		Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Married to Real Estate (N)	
33	24	30	36	HIST	Swamp People "Pig Head" (N)			Swamp People: Serpent		Swamp People "Gator War" (In Stereo)		
19	15	26	37	A&E	The First 48		Accused: Guilty		Taking the Stand (N)		The First 48	
34	18		38	DISC	BattleBots "Strike While the Bot's Hot" (N)				BattleBots "Champions: The Slugfest Part 4"			
35	31	31	39	TLC	My 600-Lb. Life: Where Are They Now? (N)				1000-Lb. Best Friends (N)		Too Large (DVS)	
	39	27	40	A/P	Homestead Rescue		Homestead Rescue		Homestead Rescue		Homestead Rescue	
30	26	23	41	NICK	Slimetime	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
31	21	24	43	DISN	Movie: ★★½ *"Gnomeo & Juliet"*			Hamster &	Big City	Hamster &	Ladybug	Ladybug
21	16	20	45	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		CNN Tonight (N)	
37	34	35	65	HALL	Movie: *"Hearts of Winter"* (2020) Jill Wagner.				Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
		21	72	SYFY	Charmed "Witch Trial"		Charmed "Morality Bites"		Charmed		Charmed	
39	36		73	TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
			74	WE	Growing Up Hip Hop		Growing Up Hip Hop (N)		Kold x Windy (N)		Partners in	Gr.- Hip Hop

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A	B	C	D		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30
3	3	3	3	KMTV 3	S.W.A.T. "Atonement" (N)		Fire Country (N)		Blue Bloods "Lost Ones"		3 News Now	Late-Colbert
4	4	4	4	KPTM 42	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) (In Stereo Live)				News at Nine		iCRIME	iCRIME
6	6	6	6	WOWT 6	Lopez vs	Young Rock	Dateline NBC (N) (In Stereo)				WOWT 6	J. Fallon
7	7	7	7	KETV 7	Shark Tank (N) (In Stereo)		20/20 (In Stereo)				News	J. Kimmel
8			8	KCCI 8	S.W.A.T. "Atonement" (N)		Fire Country (N)		Blue Bloods "Lost Ones"		News	Late-Colbert
15	5	15	9	KXVO 15	Best of the	Best of the	Best of the	Best of the	Best of the	Best of the	Dumbest	Dumbest
10	11	10	11	IPTV	Wash	Iowa Press	Market	The U.S. and the Holocaust (In Stereo)				
17			12	KDSM 17	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) (In Stereo Live)				13 News at 9 on Fox 17		Hawkeyed	National
9	9	9	16	NWSN	Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams Live (N)		Banfield (N)		Cuomo	
			19	ION	Hawaii Five-0 "Ua'aihue"		Hawaii Five-0 "Poina 'ole"		Hawaii Five-0 "La Po'ino"		Hawaii Five-0	
		28	21	CSPAN	After Words		Public Affairs Events (In Stereo)					
25			5	WOI 5	Shark Tank (N) (In Stereo)		20/20 (In Stereo)				5 News	J. Kimmel
12	2	12	24	ESPN	NBA Basketball: Miami Heat at Dallas Mavericks. (N)				NBA Basketball: Grizzlies at Lakers			
11	28	13	25	ESPN2	College Basketball		2023 Australian Open Tennis: Third Round. (N) (Live)					
36			26	FX	(6:00) Movie: ★★★½ *"Bohemian Rhapsody"* (2018)				Movie: ★★★½ *"Bohemian Rhapsody"* (2018)			
	10	16	27	PARMT	Movie: ★★ *"Fifty Shades of Grey"* (2015) Dakota Johnson.					Movie: ★★ *"Fifty Shades Darker"* (V)		
	40	36	28	LIFE	Movie: ★★ *"How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days"* (2003) Kate Hudson.					Movie: *"No One Would Tell"* (1996) (V)		
29	20	19	29	FREE	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	The 700 Club	
18	13	11	30	USA	9-1-1 "Trapped"		9-1-1 "A Whole New You"		9-1-1 "Under Pressure"		9-1-1 "7.1" (DVS)	
	8	8	31	TBS	Movie: ★★★ *"Creed II"* (2018) Michael B. Jordan. (DVS) (V)					Movie: ★★½ *"The Karate Kid"* (2010)		
23	14	18	32	TNT	(6:30) Movie: ★★½ *"Terminator: Dark Fate"* (2019)				All Elite Wrestling		*"Ready Player One"* (V)	
	25	22	33	AMC	*"The Godfather, Part II"*		Movie: ★★★ *"Tombstone"* (1993, Western) Kurt Russell, Val Kilmer. (V)					
	29	25	34	HGTV	Dream	Dream	Dream	Dream	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l	Dream	Dream
33	24	30	36	HIST	Ancient Aliens (In Stereo)		Ancient Aliens (N)		The Proof Is Out There		Ancient Aliens (In Stereo)	
19	15	26	37	A&E	The First 48		The First 48 "Old Habits"		The First 48		The First 48	
34	18		38	DISC	Gold Rush "Gremlins" (N)		Gold, Lies & Videotape		Gold Rush: Freddy Dodge		Gold Rush: Freddy Dodge	
35	31	31	39	TLC	90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After? (N) (In Stereo)				90 Day	90 Days	Darcey & Stacey	
	39	27	40	A/P	Dr. Jeff: RMV		Dr. Jeff: RMV		Dr. Jeff: RMV		Dr. Jeff: RMV	
30	26	23	41	NICK	Movie: ★★½ *"Minions"* (2015) (In Stereo) (V)				Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
31	21	24	43	DISN	Bunk'd	Movie: ★★★½ *"Bolt"* (2008) (V)			Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Jessie	Jessie
21	16	20	45	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		CNN Tonight (N)	
37	34	35	65	HALL	Movie: *"A Magical Christmas Village"* (2022)				Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
		21	72	SYFY	*"Miss Peregrine's Home"*		Movie: ★★ *"Transformers: The Last Knight"* (2017) Mark Wahlberg. (DVS)					
39	36		73	TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
			74	WE	(6:30) Love After Lockup		Love After Lockup (N)			Love After Lockup		

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3	3	3	3	KMTV 3	To Be Announced						3 News Now Live at 10	
4	4	4	4	KPTM 42	NFL Football: New York Giants at Philadelphia Eagles. (N) (In Stereo Live)						Postgame	Name-Tune
6	6	6	6	WOWT 6	Night Court	Night Court	Dateline NBC		Saturday Night Live		News	SNL
7	7	7	7	KETV 7	UFC 283: Teixeira vs. Hill - Prelims (N)				Shark Tank (In Stereo)		News	The Rookie
8			8	KCCI 8	To Be Announced						News	Matter
15	5	15	9	KXVO 15	Fear Factor (In Stereo)			Fear Factor "Four Stunt Show"			Dumbest	Dumbest
10	11	10	11	IPTV	As Time ...	Keep Up	Sister Boniface Mysteries		Hope Street		Traces (In Stereo)	
17			12	KDSM 17	NFL Football: New York Giants at Philadelphia Eagles. (N) (In Stereo Live)						Postgame	Name-Tune
9	9	9	16	NWSN	NewsNation Prime (N)		NewsNation Prime (N)		NewsNation Prime		NewsNation Prime	
			19	ION	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	
		28	21	CSPAN	Washington This Week		Public Affairs Events (In Stereo)					
25			5	WOI 5	UFC 283: Teixeira vs. Hill - Prelims (N)				Shark Tank (In Stereo)		5 News	9-1-1
12	2	12	24	ESPN	UFC 283: Teixeira vs. Hill - Prelims (N) (Live)				SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
11	28	13	25	ESPN2	2023 Australian Open Tennis: Round of 16. (N) (Live)							
36			26	FX	Movie: ★★½ *"Bad Boys for Life"* (2020) Will Smith. (In Stereo)					Movie: ★★½ *"S.W.A.T."* (2003)		
	10	16	27	PARMT	(6:30) Movie: ★★★★ *"Raiders of the Lost Ark"* (V)				Movie: *"Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade"* (1989)			
	40	36	28	LIFE	Movie: *"Bad Behind Bars: Jodi Arias"* (2023)				Cellmate Secrets: Jodi		*"Bad Behind Bars: Arias"*	
29	20	19	29	FREE	*National*	Movie: ★★ *"National Treasure: Book of Secrets"* (2007) Nicolas Cage. (V)						*Alita: Battle*
18	13	11	30	USA	Chicago	Chicago P.D. (In Stereo)		Chicago P.D. (In Stereo)		Chicago P.D. (In Stereo)		Chicago
	8	8	31	TBS	Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	Movie: ★★★ *"The Blind Side"* (2009) (DVS) (V)			
23	14	18	32	TNT	(6:30) Movie: ★★★ *"Ready Player One"* (2018) Tye Sheridan. (V)					Movie: ★★★ *"Transformers"* (2007)		
	25	22	33	AMC	Movie: ★★★ *"The Goonies"* (1985) Sean Astin, Josh Brolin.					Movie: ★★½ *"Uncle Buck"* (1989) (V)		
	29	25	34	HGTV	Holmes Family Rescue		Rico to the Rescue (N)		Love It or List It		Love It or List It	
33	24	30	36	HIST	Ancient Aliens: Declassified "Aliens & Giants" (In Stereo)							
19	15	26	37	A&E	Movie: ★★½ *"The Magnificent Seven"* (2016) Denzel Washington. (In Stereo)						Road Wars	Road Wars
34	18		38	DISC	Naked and Afraid "The Death Ledge"				Naked and Afraid "The Devil's Woods"			
35	31	31	39	TLC	90 Day Fiancé		90 Day Fiancé		90 Day Fiancé		MILF Manor (In Stereo)	
	39	27	40	A/P	Insane Pools: Deep End		Insane Pools: Deep End		Insane Pools: Deep End		Insane Pools: Deep End	
30	26	23	41	NICK	*"Dr. Seuss' the Lorax"* (V)		Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
31	21	24	43	DISN	The Proud	The Proud	The Owl House (N)		Miraculous World		The Proud	The Proud
21	16	20	45	CNN	CNN Newsroom		Movie: *"Dionne Warwick: Don't Make Me Over"*				History of the Sitcom	
37	34	35	65	HALL	Movie: *"The Wedding Veil Journey"* (2023) Premiere.				The Way Home		Golden Girls	Golden Girls
		21	72	SYFY	(5:00) Movie: *"Battleship"*		Movie: ★★★ *"Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2"* (2017) Chris Pratt. (DVS)					
39	36		73	TVL	Mom	Mom	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men
			74	WE	NCIS "Canary" (In Stereo)		NCIS "Hereafter"		NCIS "Detour" (In Stereo)		NCIS "Prime Suspect"	

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A	B	C	D		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30
3	3	3	3	KMTV 3	The Equalizer "D.W.B."		East New York		NCIS: Los Angeles		3 News Now Live at 10	
4	4	4	4	KPTM 42	NFL Football: Cowboys at 49ers			Postgame	News at Nine		Attkisson	National
6	6	6	6	WOWT 6	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		WOWT 6 News Ten at 10	
7	7	7	7	KETV 7	Movie: ★★★ *"Iron Man"* (2008) Robert Downey Jr. (In Stereo) (V)					Conners	Newswatch 7 at 10 (N)	
8			8	KCCI 8	The Equalizer "D.W.B."		East New York		NCIS: Los Angeles		KCCI 8 News at Ten (N)	
15	5	15	9	KXVO 15	Fear Factor		Fear Factor		Fear Factor		Dumbest	Dumbest
10	11	10	11	IPTV	Miss Scarlet		All Creatures Great		Vienna Blood (N)		Astrid (In Stereo)	
17			12	KDSM 17	NFL Football: Cowboys at 49ers			Postgame	News	Attkisson	Big Bang	Two Men
9	9	9	16	NWSN	NewsNation Prime (N)		NewsNation Prime (N)		NewsNation Prime		NewsNation Prime	
			19	ION	NCIS "Crescent City"		NCIS (DVS)		NCIS "Page Not Found"		NCIS "Alleged" (In Stereo)	
		28	21	CSPAN	Q & A		Prime Min.	Public Affairs Events (In Stereo)			Q & A	
25			5	WOI 5	Movie: ★★★ *"Iron Man"* (2008) Robert Downey Jr. (In Stereo) (V)					Conners	Local 5 News at Ten (N)	
12	2	12	24	ESPN	Women's College Gymnastics			SportCtr	NFL Rewind (N)		SportsCenter W/Van Pelt	
11	28	13	25	ESPN2	(6:00) 2023 Australian Open Tennis: Round of 16. (N) (Live)							
36			26	FX	Movie: ★★½ *"Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw"* (2019) (In Stereo) (V)						*"Hobbs & Shaw"*	
	10	16	27	PARMT	*Men Black*	Movie: ★★ *"Men in Black II"* (2002) (In Stereo)				Movie: ★★½ *"Men in Black 3"* (2012)		
	40	36	28	LIFE	Movie: *"The Plot to Kill My Mother"* (2023) Premiere.				Movie: *"Catfish Killer"* (2022) Alicia Leigh Willis.			
29	20	19	29	FREE	The 700 Club		The 700 Club		The 700 Club		The 700 Club	
18	13	11	30	USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	
	8	8	31	TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Movie: ★★★★ *"Star Wars: A New Hope"* (1977) (V)			
23	14	18	32	TNT	Movie: ★★½ *"Godzilla vs. Kong"* (2021) Alexander Skarsgard.					Movie: ★★½ *"Jurassic World"* (2015)		
	25	22	33	AMC	(6:00) Movie: *"Christine"*		Mayfair Witches (N)		Mayfair Witches		Movie: ★★ *"Christine"*	
	29	25	34	HGTV	Home Town (N)		Home Town (N)		Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Hunters	Hunters Int'l
33	24	30	36	HIST	Pawn Stars Do America "Southern Charms"				Pawn Stars Do America "Denver Gold Rush"			
19	15	26	37	A&E	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48	
34	18		38	DISC	Dirty Jobs (N) (In Stereo)		Sewer Divers (N)		Dirty Jobs (DVS)		Dirty Jobs	
35	31	31	39	TLC	90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After? (N) (In Stereo)				MILF Manor (N)		90 Day Fiancé	
	39	27	40	A/P	Yellowstone Wardens		Yellowstone Wardens (N)		Lone Star Law "Wild Call"		Lone Star Law (In Stereo)	
30	26	23	41	NICK	(6:30) *"The Croods: A New Age"* (2020)			SpongeBob	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
31	21	24	43	DISN	*Arctic Dogs*	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Jessie	Jessie	Jessie	Big City	Big City
21	16	20	45	CNN	CNN Newsroom		The Eighties		The Eighties "Raised on Television"			
37	34	35	65	HALL	*"Wedding Veil"*		The Way Home (N)		Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
		21	72	SYFY	*"Guardians 2"*		Movie: ★★ *"Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials"* (2015) Dylan O'Brien. (DVS)					
39	36		73	TVL	Mom	Mom	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men
			74	WE	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds	

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A	B	C	D		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30
3	3	3	3	KMTV 3	Neighbor	Bob Heart	NCIS "Big Rig" (N)		NCIS: Hawai'i (N)		3 News Now	Late-Colbert
4	4	4	4	KPTM 42	Fantasy Island (N)		Alert: Missing		News at Nine		iCRIME	iCRIME
6	6	6	6	WOWT 6	America's Got Talent: All-Stars "Auditions 4" (N)				Quantum Leap (In Stereo)		WOWT 6	J. Fallon
7	7	7	7	KETV 7	The Bachelor Zach meets 30 women looking for love.				The Good Doctor (N)		News	J. Kimmel
8			8	KCCI 8	Neighbor	Bob Heart	NCIS "Big Rig" (N)		NCIS: Hawai'i (N)		News	Late-Colbert
15	5	15	9	KXVO 15	Fear Factor		Fear Factor		Fear Factor		World's Dumbest ...	
10	11	10	11	IPTV	Antiques Roadshow (N)		Antiques Roadshow		Scouting for Toys		Independent Lens (N)	
17			12	KDSM 17	Fantasy Island (N)		Alert: Missing		13 News at 9 on Fox 17		National	National
9	9	9	16	NWSN	Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams Live (N)		Banfield (N)		Cuomo	
			19	ION	FBI "Green Birds"		FBI "Prey"		FBI "Crossfire"		FBI "Doomsday"	
		28	21	CSPAN	(4:00) Public Affairs Events (In Stereo)							
25			5	WOI 5	The Bachelor Zach meets 30 women looking for love.				The Good Doctor (N)		5 News	J. Kimmel
12	2	12	24	ESPN	College Basketball		College Basketball: Kansas at Baylor. (N)				SportsCenter W/Van Pelt	
11	28	13	25	ESPN2	Wm. Basketball		2023 Australian Open Tennis: Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)					
36			26	FX	Movie: ★½ *"The Empty Man"* (2020) James Badge Dale. Premiere. (In Stereo)						Movie: *"The Empty Man"*	
	10	16	27	PARMT	Movie: ★★½ *"The Day After Tomorrow"* (2004) Dennis Quaid. (In Stereo)						Movie: ★★★ *"Top Gun"*	
	40	36	28	LIFE	Castle "One Life to Lose"		Castle "Law & Murder"		Castle "Slice of Death"		Castle "The Dead Pool"	
29	20	19	29	FREE	(6:00) ★ *"Grown Ups 2"*		Movie: ★★ *"Vacation"* (2015) Ed Helms. (V)				The 700 Club	
18	13	11	30	USA	WWE Monday Night RAW (N) (In Stereo Live)						Barmageddon (N)	
	8	8	31	TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	American	American	American	American
23	14	18	32	TNT	(6:00) Movie: *"Godzilla vs. Kong"*			Ghost Adventures		Movie: ★★★ *"Kong: Skull Island"* (V)		
	25	22	33	AMC	*"John Wick: Chapter 2"*		Movie: ★★★½ *"John Wick: Chapter 3 -- Parabellum"* (2019) Keanu Reeves.					
	29	25	34	HGTV	Fixer Upper: Welcome		Down Home Fab (N)		House Hunters (N)		Hunters	Hunters Int'l
33	24	30	36	HIST	History's Greatest Mysteries (In Stereo)				History's Greatest Mysteries (In Stereo)			
19	15	26	37	A&E	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48	
34	18		38	DISC	Street Outlaws "Blacktop Blues" (N) (In Stereo)						Street Outlaws: Red Line	
35	31	31	39	TLC	Darcey & Stacey (DVS)		Extreme Sisters (N)		90 Days	90 Days	MILF Manor (In Stereo)	
	39	27	40	A/P	Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid	
30	26	23	41	NICK	(6:00) PAW Patrol		SpongeBob	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
31	21	24	43	DISN	Hamster &	Big City	Jessie	Jessie	Big City	Hamster &	Ladybug	Ladybug
21	16	20	45	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		CNN Tonight (N)	
37	34	35	65	HALL	Movie: *"It Was Always You"* (2021) Erin Krakow.				Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
		21	72	SYFY	Movie: ★★★ *"Kingsman: The Secret Service"* (2014) Colin Firth. (DVS) (V)						★★ *"The Green Hornet"*	
39	36		73	TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
			74	WE	Bones (In Stereo)		Bones (In Stereo)		Bones (In Stereo)		Bones (In Stereo)	

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Cable Companies — TUESDAY EVENING JANUARY 24, 2023

A	B	C	D		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30
3	3	3	3	KMTV 3	FBI "Breakdown" (N)		FBI: International (N)		FBI: Most Wanted (N)		3 News Now	Late-Colbert
4	4	4	4	KPTM 42	9-1-1: Lone Star		Accused (N)		News at Nine		iCRIME	iCRIME
6	6	6	6	WOWT 6	Night Court	American	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		WOWT 6	J. Fallon
7	7	7	7	KETV 7	The Rookie "Daddy Cop"		The Rookie: Feds (N)		Will Trent (N) (In Stereo)		News	J. Kimmel
8			8	KCCI 8	FBI "Breakdown" (N)		FBI: International (N)		FBI: Most Wanted (N)		News	Late-Colbert
15	5	15	9	KXVO 15	Fear Factor		Fear Factor "Snake Bite"		Fear Factor		Dumbest	Dumbest
10	11	10	11	IPTV	Finding Your Roots		American Masters "Roberta Flack" (N)			POV Shorts	Rick Steves	Samantha
17			12	KDSM 17	9-1-1: Lone Star		Accused (N)		13 News at 9 on Fox 17		National	National
9	9	9	16	NWSN	Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams Live (N)		Banfield (N)		Cuomo	
			19	ION	Chicago Fire		Chicago Fire		Chicago Fire		Chicago Fire	
		28	21	CSPAN	U.S. House		Public Affairs Events (In Stereo)					
25			5	WOI 5	The Rookie "Daddy Cop"		The Rookie: Feds (N)		Will Trent (N) (In Stereo)		5 News	J. Kimmel
12	2	12	24	ESPN	College Basketball		College Basketball: North Carolina at Syracuse. (N)				SportsCenter W/Van Pelt	
11	28	13	25	ESPN2	College Basketball		2023 Australian Open Tennis: Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)					
36			26	FX	(6:00) Movie: ★★½ *"The Fate of the Furious"*				Movie: ★★½ *"The Fate of the Furious"* (2017)			
	10	16	27	PARMT	Movie: ★★★ *"Top Gun"* (1986) Tom Cruise. (In Stereo) (V)					Movie: ★★★ *"Dirty Dancing"* (1987)		
	40	36	28	LIFE	Castle "Rise"		Castle "Heroes & Villains"		Castle "Head Case"		Castle (In Stereo)	
29	20	19	29	FREE	*Vacation* (V)	Movie: ★★½ *"Central Intelligence"* (2016) Dwayne Johnson.					The 700 Club	
18	13	11	30	USA	WWE NXT (N) (In Stereo Live)				Chicago P.D. "Lies" (N)		Chicago P.D. (N)	
	8	8	31	TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Sheldon	Sheldon
23	14	18	32	TNT	(6:30) NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Miami Heat.				NBA Basketball: Clippers at Lakers			
	25	22	33	AMC	Movie: ★★★ *"Tombstone"* (1993, Western) Kurt Russell, Val Kilmer. (V)						That Dirty Black Bag (N)	
	29	25	34	HGTV	Fixer to Fabulous (N)		Fixer to Fabulous (N)		Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Hunters	Hunters Int'l
33	24	30	36	HIST	Digging Deeper		The Curse of Oak Island		Beyond Oak Island (N)		The Curse of Oak Island	
19	15	26	37	A&E	Neighbor.	Neighbor.	Neighborhood Wars (N)		Customer	Customer	Neighbor.	Neighbor.
34	18		38	DISC	Bering Sea Gold "The Miner's Code" (N)				Ice Cold Catch (N)		Sewer Divers	
35	31	31	39	TLC	1000-Lb. Sisters (N)		1000-Lb. Sisters (N)		I Am Jazz (In Stereo)		Extreme Sisters	
	39	27	40	A/P	Lone Star Law (In Stereo)		Lone Star Law (In Stereo)		Lone Star Law (In Stereo)		Lone Star Law (In Stereo)	
30	26	23	41	NICK	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
31	21	24	43	DISN	Big City	Big City	The Villains	The Villains	Big City	Hamster &	Ladybug	Ladybug
21	16	20	45	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		CNN Tonight (N)	
37	34	35	65	HALL	Movie: *"Dating the Delaneys"* (2022) Rachel Boston.				Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
		21	72	SYFY	Movie: ★★ *"The Green Hornet"* (2011, Action) Seth Rogen.					Movie: ★★½ *"Fast Five"* (2011) (V)		
39	36		73	TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
			74	WE	Law & Order "Encore"		Law & Order "Savior"		Law & Order "Deceit"		Law & Order "Atonement"	

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Cable Companies — WEDNESDAY EVENING JANUARY 25, 2023

A	B	C	D		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30
3	3	3	3	KMTV 3	Price Is Right		Lingo "Episode 3" (N)		Tough as Nails (N)		3 News Now	Late-Colbert
4	4	4	4	KPTM 42	Name That Tune (N)		Special Forces-Toughest		News at Nine		iCRIME	iCRIME
6	6	6	6	WOWT 6	Chicago Med (In Stereo)		Chicago Fire (In Stereo)		Chicago P.D. (In Stereo)		WOWT 6	J. Fallon
7	7	7	7	KETV 7	Conners	Goldbergs	Abbott Elem	Abbott Elem	Will Trent (DVS)		News	J. Kimmel
8			8	KCCI 8	Price Is Right		Lingo "Episode 3" (N)		Tough as Nails (N)		News	Late-Colbert
15	5	15	9	KXVO 15	Fear Factor		Fear Factor		Fear Factor		Dumbest	Dumbest
10	11	10	11	IPTV	Nature (N) (DVS)		NOVA (DVS)		Secrets of the Dead		Animals With Cameras	
17			12	KDSM 17	Name That Tune (N)		Special Forces-Toughest		13 News at 9 on Fox 17		National	National
9	9	9	16	NWSN	Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams Live (N)		Banfield (N)		Cuomo	
			19	ION	Blue Bloods (In Stereo)		Blue Bloods (In Stereo)		Blue Bloods (In Stereo)		Blue Bloods (In Stereo)	
		28	21	CSPAN	U.S. House		Public Affairs Events (In Stereo)					
25			5	WOI 5	Conners	Goldbergs	Abbott Elem	Abbott Elem	Will Trent (DVS)		5 News	J. Kimmel
12	2	12	24	ESPN	NBA Basketball: Brooklyn Nets at Philadelphia 76ers.				NBA Basketball: Grizzlies at Warriors			
11	28	13	25	ESPN2	College Basketball		College Basketball: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)				SportsCenter (N)	
36			26	FX	(6:00) Movie: ★★★ *"Iron Man"* (2008) (In Stereo) (V)				Movie: ★★★ *"Iron Man"* (2008) Robert Downey Jr.			
	10	16	27	PARMT	Movie: ★★★ *"Dirty Dancing"* (1987) Jennifer Grey. (In Stereo) (V)					Movie: ★★★½ *"Ghost"* (1990)		
	40	36	28	LIFE	Married at First Sight (N)			Married	Married at First Sight		Married at First Sight	
29	20	19	29	FREE	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	grown-ish	The 700 Club	
18	13	11	30	USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	
	8	8	31	TBS	All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (N) (Live)				Power Slap: Road to Title		Sheldon	Sheldon
23	14	18	32	TNT	NHL Hockey: Rangers at Maple Leafs			NHL Hockey: Columbus Blue Jackets at Edmonton Oilers. (N)				
	25	22	33	AMC	Movie: ★★ *"U.S. Marshals"* (1998) Tommy Lee Jones, Wesley Snipes. (V)						Movie: *"Point Break"*	
	29	25	34	HGTV	Brother vs. Brother		Brother vs. Brother (N)		Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters
33	24	30	36	HIST	American Pickers (N)		American Pickers (N)		Dirty Old	Dirty Old	American Pickers	
19	15	26	37	A&E	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48	
34	18		38	DISC	Moonshiners "An Outlaw Abroad" (N)				Moonshiners		Master Distiller	
35	31	31	39	TLC	My 600-Lb. Life: Where Are They Now? (N) (DVS)				1000-Lb. Best Friends (N)		1000-Lb. Sisters	
	39	27	40	A/P	River Monsters (In Stereo)		River Monsters (In Stereo)		River Monsters (In Stereo)		River Monsters (In Stereo)	
30	26	23	41	NICK	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
31	21	24	43	DISN	Big City	Big City	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Big City	Hamster &	Ladybug	Ladybug
21	16	20	45	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		CNN Tonight (N)	
37	34	35	65	HALL	Movie: *"A Tail of Love"* (2022) Brittany Bristow.				Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
		21	72	SYFY	(5:00) Movie: *"Furious 7"*		The Twilight Zone		Twilight	Movie: ★★★ *"Furious 7"* (2015) (V)		
39	36		73	TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
			74	WE	NCIS "Eye Spy"		NCIS (In Stereo)		NCIS (In Stereo)		NCIS (In Stereo)	

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Board of Supervisors approve annual funding request for WCCA

Nick Johansen
The Red Oak Express

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors has agreed to the annual funding request from West Central Community Action.

At the regular supervisors meeting Jan. 10, the supervisors met with WCCA executive director Wendy Mueller, who outlined some of the important things that WCCA does to help those in need in Montgomery County.

"West Central Community Action provided $1,749 million worth of services to Montgomery County. We served 528 households, consisting of 1,167 individuals. Of the households, 46% were single households, 62% had an income below the 100% federal poverty guideline, A total of 59% were on a fixed income, 46% were people between the ages of 18 and 59, and 52% of the households owned, or were buying, their homes," Mueller explained.

Mueller said WCCA also provided head start services, which promoted school readiness for children ages 3-5 in low income families by offering a variety of services, including educational, nutritional, health, and social services.

Supervisors Randy Cooper and Charla Schmid at the Jan. 10 meeting. (Nick Johansen/Red Oak Express)

"We operate two head start classrooms in Montgomery County. One is located at Sunshine and Rainbows in Red Oak which serves 16 children, and one through the Red Oak Community School District, which serves a total of 20 children," commented Mueller.

WCCA, Mueller said, also offered early head start, providing support for low income infants, toddlers, pregnant women, and their families, and a home-based program in Montgomery County that served a total of 12 children.

Another service benefiting children in Montgomery County was West Central's Child Care Resource and Referral.

"This program really assists families in selecting childcare providers that best meet their needs. It also assists home providers that are registered, or those that want to be registered, as well as child care centers to participate in a quality rating system to really improve their overall care. They also provide trainings and work with communities and businesses to find childcare solutions," Mueller said.

Mueller added 75 children enrolled in childcare at six home providers took part in the child and adult care food program through WCCA.

West Central also assists families beyond childcare. The weatherization program offered distributed $123,531 in weatherization services to four homes in Montgomery County. Beyond weatherization, the organization's Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, or LIHEAP, helped households pay a portion of their residential heating costs.

"We assisted 466 Montgomery County households in 2022, and they received utility assistance of $248,649. LIHEAP approved households also received supplemental payments of $176,538. Emergency Crisis Intervention Payments, for weather related and supply shortage emergencies, assisted 65 Montgomery County households for $55,765, and American Rescue Plan Act ECIP paid $64,672 to 92 Montgomery County Households," advised Mueller.

WCCA also debuted a Low Income Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) which provided $3,511 to five Montgomery County households needing water assistance.

Another feature available to Montgomery County residents is an emergency food pantry, which allowed access to families six times per year.

"It's available to households and individuals residing in Montgomery County. There are no income eligibility requirements. We assisted 112 households and 271 Montgomery County individuals in 2022," Mueller commented.

The final two programs offered by WCCA are Family Development and Self Sufficiency, and Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

"The specialists in the FaDSS program really provide intense case management to help participants meet their goals. A total of 10 families benefited from the program. WIC had 177 participants in Montgomery County, and $61,137 of WIC food vouchers were distributed. Most of those are spent at your local grocery stores," Mueller explained.

WCCA was seeking $3,500 in funding, an increase of $500 from last year's total. Mueller said they have not asked for an increase in funding since 2016.

"The funding helps our outreach services, any local match requirements, and any additional funds that we need to administer West Central programs in Montgomery County. Charla Schmid also does a great job on our board of directors," Mueller commented. "On behalf of all of our employees and the board of directors, we express our appreciation for your support."

Board Chairman Mike Olson said the agenda indicated potential action on the request, and asked if the supervisors supported approving the request or waiting until the county was further along in the budgeting process.

Schmid confirmed that the county had already confirmed the funding request from Golden Hills RC&D. She also cited that WCCA was only requesting an increase of $500, and motioned to proceed with approving the $3,500 total annual funding request, and it was approved.

VIAL

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just never happened, and I'm not sure if that was because of a lack of accountability in making it happen," Carder stated.

Red Oak Mayor Shawnna Silvius was in attendance and apologized for the perceived lack of support from the city and a lack of a city representative on the DUR board.

"I feel that Roger may have been taken advantage of, since he's trusted and has done a good job," Silvius commented.

Jackson said he had the conversation with prior mayor Bill Billings as well as Silvius, and also stated that when he first came on the board, it wasn't an issue for City Hall because the Chamber had been saddled with storage responsibilities. Vial made it clear that was simply the setup at the time.

"Things were set up that way in 1990, right, wrong, or indifferent, that's the way it was. We moved forward for years, and while I don't disagree with the change, it seems it was never taken seriously after that," Vial said.

Silvius said there were things taking place within the city that she hoped would increase the lack of cooperation with the DUR Board.

"The city clerk job description included that they would take notes for the airport commission and the park and tree board, and I made the correction that they also need to take notes from here. It was just that the original job description did not include the DUR Board minutes in the prior description."

"We're going to need a little patience, because we've got to get the positions filled, and we're trying to update things as we can," Silvius said.

Board member Audie Rainey suggested action items on the Red Oak City Council Agenda regarding the changes, such as recreating the files that had been with Vial.

"There's been a lot of conversation about what hasn't been taken care of, so let's focus on moving forward, and get something from your office of some action items, and then the patience will be a little bit better because we'll have a better feel for how things are going to transpire," Rainey stated.

Jackson felt that the surge in DUR funding applications was due to the leadership of Vial, and his ability to look at the things that were holding the board back.

"People told us a lot of reasons for why they weren't submitting DUR grants. We would discuss it, and work through it, and that's why our downtown is in much better shape. This is a vital board to the community, and it hasn't been fair for a long time. We're not talking about blame, we're talking about moving forward, and fixing things, so the board can continue to be successful," Jackson advised.

Silvius said that moving forward was going to be her focus, and asked if the council took up the action items that would be more accommodating to the DUR Board, if Vial would wish to reconsider his decision to not extend his board term. Vial did not confirm either way, and said they'd resume the conversation after the action items were taken up.

BRUCE

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happened in October: the wildland fire north of Red Oak in the vicinity of Highway 34 and A Avenue. Bruce said it was a fire that would be archived career-wise, because it was so hard to tackle.

"We dealt with 50 mph winds, and the thing burned for over four miles. It was strategy between EMA coordinator Brian Hamman and myself to split operations and get it tackled. We didn't lose any structures and had no serious injuries to firefighters and no loss of equipment," Bruce said. "Those are the types of fires where you see trucks burned up or firefighters being killed, because it's a rural setting and they get cornered in a fenced area where the fire advances on them."

Also, Bruce attributed their success in battling the fire to a lot of civilian support from people who brought tractors to the scene.

"The farmers don't send us bills. Not a single one sent us a bill for bringing tractors and discs and running them. That's diesel, and wear and tear on their stuff. Without them, we would have lost control. With the 50 mph winds, it was just a blowtorch out there. Thankfully, we've had years and years of networking, and everyone has cell phones. Most of the time, they reach out to us and ask if they can help. The bonds just get stronger and stronger. There's a lot of support out there that isn't on paper. People will come out when the situation is bad," Bruce advised.

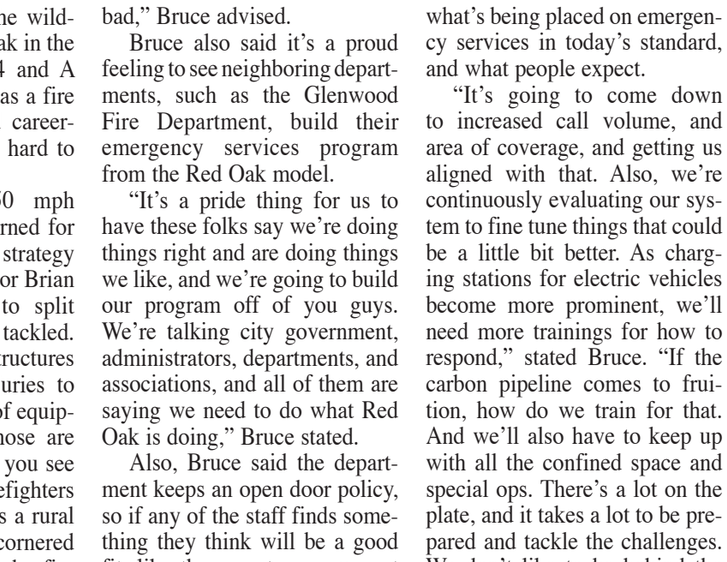
Bruce also said it's a proud feeling to see neighboring departments, such as the Glenwood Fire Department, build their emergency services program from the Red Oak model.

"It's a pride thing for us to have these folks say we're doing things right and are doing things we like, and we're going to build our program off of you guys. We're talking city government, administrators, departments, and associations, and all of them are saying we need to do what Red Oak is doing," Bruce stated.

Also, Bruce said the department keeps an open door policy, so if any of the staff finds something they think will be a good fit, like the recent peer support program, they can bring the idea in and make it work for the department.

"It becomes their program, and then they're that much more invested in the department," Bruce said.

As we move further into 2023, Bruce said the department's biggest challenge will be tackling what's being placed on emergency services in today's standard, and what people expect.

"It's going to come down to increased call volume, and area of coverage, and getting us aligned with that. Also, we're continuously evaluating our system to fine tune things that could be a little bit better. As charging stations for electric vehicles become more prominent, we'll need more trainings for how to respond," stated Bruce. "If the carbon pipeline comes to fruition, how do we train for that. And we'll also have to keep up with all the confined space and special ops. There's a lot on the plate, and it takes a lot to be prepared and tackle the challenges. We don't like to be behind the eight ball; we want to be ahead of it if we can."

Lastly, Bruce expected the continued relationships with other departments will continue to get better, as the network is getting more and more open, and various departments are backing each other up as the need arises.