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From left, Essex elementary students Tristan Arnold, Aaliyah Reed, Viola Thornton, and Payson Mutschler pose outside the goat shelter. (Photo submitted)

## Hands-on learning at farm school in Essex

Care of the chickens and goats is the responsibility of the students

**Nick Johansen**  
The Red Oak Express

The Essex Community School District's farm school has expanded to include farm animals for students to take care of and interact with.

Essex Ag instructor Rebekah Sampers said the concept of a farm school was the brainchild of Essex and Hamburg superintendent Dr. Mike Wells, who also established a program in Hamburg.

"Dr. Wells had seen the success of the farm school in Hamburg, and he knew that it would be a good program to start here, because a lot of the kids in the district don't have any farm experience, and it would be a good opportunity and another program that looked good for Essex," Sampers explained.

Farm school differs from a normal FFA program, Sampers said, because in FFA students don't have the opportunities to have hands-on experience with farm animals during school hours.

"A lot of FFA activities take place outside of school, on your own time, and with your own farm animals. With this program, the students can have the oppor-



David Green plays with one of the goats at Essex School. (Photo provided)

tunities during school hours, and take what they've learned in the classroom and apply it to the animals we have outside," said Sampers.

The program is available to all students in kindergarten through 12th grade, and she sees each class once per week. Sampers said the idea for the program has always included bringing in live animals, and they wanted to bring in animals that would be easy for kids to enjoy.

"Chickens are a very kid-friendly animal, compared to say a horse or a cow. We have four hens outside, and they are laying eggs, so it's a fun experience for the kids to be able to collect the eggs. We also have goats outside, but we can't do as much with them as we can with the hens," commented Sampers. "Last year, we incubated chicken eggs and hatched them, and the kids loved that. Doing that last year, I feel, helped cement the idea to bring out chickens and goats for the farm school this year."

Getting the chickens, Sampers said, was a bit difficult due to supply chain issues that continue to plague the state. The chickens at the school were donated to the program.

"We built the coop, and then we wanted to order and incubate chicken eggs to put into the coop, but with the supply issues, that plan didn't come to pass. We thankfully had a staff member, Chris Barber, who generously donated the chickens that we have outside. We were very fortunate that she did that," Sampers said.

Sampers added that they are looking to expand and add more chickens to the farm school coop later on.

"Dr. Wells has ordered chicken eggs for us to incubate at a later

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## Jekyll & Hyde brings good versus evil to WPAC stage

**Nick Johansen**  
The Red Oak Express

Just in time to ring in Halloween, audiences at the Wilson Performing Arts Center will be able to see a new twist on the classic horror tale of good vs. evil.

Oct. 27-30, the WPAC will debut "Jekyll & Hyde: The Musical," based off of Robert Louis Stevenson's 1886 novella. The musical is directed by Becca Jackson York. York said that while she's done some projects with the WPAC in the past, this is the first time she's directing a full show. York said she's always loved the show and music, as well as one of its more famous filmed productions, which starred David Hasselhoff in the title role.

"Who doesn't love David Hasselhoff? I fell asleep watching "Baywatch" back in the day," commented York. "The music by Frank Wildhorn is just awesome, and he's revised the show over and over, which makes it somewhat challenging to find the listening tracks that match the score. If you've seen the David Hasselhoff production, it's not identical to what we're offering. It's very similar of course, but there are things that don't exist in that show that do in ours, and vice-versa."

Another draw for York was the core battle of good and evil that is at the heart of the main character.



Don Torbett (Dr. Jekyll) and Kaitlyn Widger (Emma Carew) rehearse a song for the upcoming production of "Jekyll & Hyde: The Musical." (Nick Johansen/Red Oak Express)



Members of the cast and crew of "Jekyll & Hyde: The Musical" are, from left: Kaitlyn Widger (Emma Carew), Don Torbett (Jekyll/Hyde) director Becca Jackson York, Blair DeBolt (Lucy Harris), and Ciara Schierkolk (Lady Beconsfield). (Nick Johansen/The Red Oak Express)

"It isn't that Hyde wasn't in Jekyll all along, it's that in his effort to contain good vs. evil, what happens to the evil? We all have a dark and light side in us, and our ability to navigate and balance those things is what makes us human. I think we try to very honestly tell the struggle of who will win, and what wins out, and I think the audience will have to decide. I don't think it's clear what wins in the end," explained York.

York cast many of the roles at the end of August and said she has been working to fill the rest of the roles and is working on a condensed schedule.

"We're doing the rehearsals to production in eight weeks, and the cast has been working their tails off and rehearsing four or five times a week. I'm working with a lot of old friends and a lot of new friends," York said. "Also, the set is somewhat minimalistic, and the costuming will help accentuate all the characters. There's a steampunk edge to it, because it's in addition to it being naturally Victorian. I like the heaviness and the leather that comes from steampunk, and it accentuates the edginess and heaviness to this internal struggle we all have with good and evil."

York also said she's never worked with

a better group of people simultaneously as she has with the cast of "Jekyll & Hyde."

Don Torbett is playing the role of Dr. Henry Jekyll/Edward Hyde. Torbett said he's been doing theatre since he was in middle school and was best friends with Jared Sherman. Torbett was introduced to the score by Tim Marsden and fell in love with it. He was given a CD of the songs, and has been listening to the show since around 2014.

"It's a part I've always wanted to do, just because I loved the songs so much. It's a fulfilling part to play, and you can do everything you could want as an actor in this part. It was a show I'd suggested that the Wilson do, because I felt we had the cast for it, and when it was announced, I was here for auditions the first day," Torbett commented.

The unique format of the show also gives Torbett a rare acting opportunity: the chance to play both the hero and the villain of the show. Torbett said it's a bit of an actor's dream.

"I've always played the romantic lead, and being a villain is new to me. I've never played the villain before, and I'm having to do both in the same show, and it's one

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## Residential fiber not coming any time soon

**Tess Nelson**  
The Red Oak Express

While fiber optics will eventually be in Red Oak homes, it certainly won't be anytime soon.

At Monday night's regular council meeting, members of the Red Oak City Council heard an update on broadband capabilities from Jason Orme, representing the Montgomery County Development Corporation's Broadband Committee, followed by Richard Conger, director of area operations for MediaCom and Kevin Cabbage, general

manager, CEO, of Farmers Mutual Telephone.

Orme said getting broadband into Red Oak homes has been discussed since 2003. He added families and businesses don't want to settle in Red Oak if there isn't access to wired Internet.

"Nineteen years later we still haven't finished this project," said Orme. "It's time we start holding service providers accountable."

He added it is irritating to see other communities similar in size, like Shenandoah, receive fiber services to residential areas without very sig-



Jason Orme addresses the council at the Oct. 17 council meeting. (Tess Nelson/Red Oak Express)

nificant cost.

"I'm not trying to knock on the two individuals who are here, they have limitations, and business needs, but I do want to make the council aware that there are other providers that are doing this in other towns without material participation from the city, taxpayers or the federal government," Orme said.

Director of Area Operations in Iowa for Mediacom, Richard Conger, said Mediacom currently offers services to 99% of homes in Red Oak with up to one-gigabyte download

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Board approves bid from ITsavvy for upgrades

Nick Johansen  
The Red Oak Express

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors has approved more changes to the county's IT infrastructure.

IT director Sonia Morrison spoke to the supervisors at the meeting Oct. 11. Morrison presented one quote to migrate the county from its current email tenant, a commercial Microsoft exchange, to a governmental IT tenant.

"My recommendation is to approve the quote from ITsavvy out of Illinois. We currently have our subscription licensing through them. They came in the lowest for the yearly licensing fee, and they were cheaper than the others with services and what is provided with that service," Morrison said.

Cost to migrate the county to the new tenant is \$29,181, including one year of licensing for all of the offices for Microsoft Office 365. Morrison included a second quote from

ITsavvy for assistance in the conversion, for \$8,050.

"It isn't required; I would be doing a good portion of the work, but for the price that they quoted, I do think it would be worth it having their help reconfiguring the email profiles, and \$8,050 is a lot less than what the other companies were projecting for the same service. I would ask the county approve that additional \$8,050 quote as well," commented Morrison.

Morrison said she would also be contacting the county offices to have employees do some clean up ahead of the IT migration.

"I'm hoping that I can get them [the employees] information about cleaning up their emails, and make sure that they've gone through all of them and deleted the messages that they don't need. Even my email, the one that is used for a lot of vendor communication has 2,000 emails in it, so I need to clean up my email as well. The figures are based on what was in the email at the time I sought the quote. If we do some clean-up ahead of

time, that would definitely be in our favor," Morrison advised.

Morrison said she had asked for quotes from several other vendors, and they were considerably higher than the total of \$37,231 quoted by ITsavvy.

The supervisors approved the two recommended quotes as presented by Morrison.

In other business, the supervisors:

- Approved rescheduling the Nov. 8 meeting to Nov. 9 due to the general election.
- Approved setting the general election canvass for Nov. 15 at 8:30 a.m.
- Approved the recorder's report of fees for September 2022, in the amount of \$20,792.
- Approved the sheriff's report of fees for September 2022, in the amount of \$13,265.
- Approved a tax transfer from rural services basic to secondary roads, in the amount of \$452,950.
- Approved a tax transfer from general basic to secondary roads, in the amount of \$34,910.

Supervisors to serve as co-applicant on trail grant

Nick Johansen  
The Red Oak Express

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors has agreed to serve as a co-applicant on a Destination Iowa Application, in partnership with the City of Stanton.

Stanton Community Development director Jenna Ramsey spoke before the supervisors at the Oct. 11 meeting. The Destination Iowa Application would assist in phases one and three of a proposed trail plan, out to Viking Lake State Park.

"I've been involved with the plan for about three years now, and the goal has always been to construct a trail from Stanton to Viking Lake, as well as improve trails in Montgomery County, which will allow trails to be improved throughout Southwest Iowa," said Ramsey.

Besides phase three of the project from Stanton to Viking Lake, the first phase of the trails project is on the east side of Stanton, in the technology park area, and the second phase is at Anderson Park. Ramsey said the second phase was nearing completion.

"We have awarded a bid for phase two of the trails project, and it should be done sometime this fall. We're still looking for funding for phases one and three, and we are looking for ways to finish out these remaining two phases," commented Ramsey.

Destination Iowa is a \$100 million dollar program that is given to projects that create tourism throughout Iowa. Ramsey said they've spent the past five months working on creating an appropriate draft application to submit for funding.

"After doing a few different drafts of applications and receiving feedback, we



Stanton Community Development director Jenna Ramsey speaks during a prior meeting of the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors. (Nick Johansen/The Red Oak Express)

were told that since phase one of the project is owned by the City of Stanton, and phase three is with Montgomery County, if you and the City of Stanton are co-applicants with us, it will greatly strengthen the appeal of the application," advised Ramsey.

While there is a required funding match to be considered for the Destination Iowa grant, Ramsey said that match was taken care of.

"We are able to use the funds we've raised so far on phases one and two of the project for the matching funds on the application, so I am not asking for additional money. I'm only requesting the support of the county

to be a co-applicant, and the money from Destination Iowa will allow us to finish phases one and three of the trail project," Ramsey said.

The Stanton City Council has already approved being a co-applicant, so if approved by the supervisors, the county would join the city of Stanton and the Stanton Community Foundation as co-applicants.

Ramsey added if the Destination Iowa funds were awarded, she was hopeful the supervisors would direct the county engineer or another entity to assist in figuring out the best plan for phase three.

"We have the quotes and the costs, but we'd like to have a partnership and work together to make sure everybody is happy. Also, we've reached out to other Destination Iowa funds, and some are choosing to manage to the grant on their own, and some are having them managed," said Ramsey. "I've approached the Southwest Iowa Planning Council what it would cost for them to manage this, and they told me it would be \$10,000. I am envisioning another partnership on establishing SWIPCO to manage this. I think the best course of action we can take to make sure this is successfully done is to have someone manage it."

The entire cost of the trails project is roughly \$2.5 million. Ramsey said they are requesting \$1 million in funds from Destination Iowa. Ramsey said if the funds are awarded, she may seek some funding to cover the costs of having SWIPCO manage the funding.

The supervisors unanimously approved the request from Ramsey to be a co-applicant on the Destination Iowa application.

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time. When those come in, the elementary will have the opportunity to incubate the eggs, and some of those chickens will be put in our coop outside, and the other chickens will go to the Hamburg farm school," stated Sampers.

The initial plan was to start the program with the chickens, but due to the delay, they got three goats for the program at the beginning of the school year.

"One of the goats currently belongs to an Essex resident, and she brought that in to start the program while we waited for the other two goats the school purchased. We probably won't add too many more goats, as the shelter that we have for them is a good size for three goats," explained Sampers. "Once the first goat returns to her original home, and we're down to two goats, I think the plan is to breed the two remaining goats to have babies, which would be a cool thing for the kids to experience. They are a smaller breed of goat as well, so adding a couple more and bringing our total to four would be manageable. I would say that we would have no more than four goats in total in the program."

Also, Sampers said they anticipate adding some more manageable animals to the farm school program in the future.

"We've talked about getting some sheep, and some ducks, and we want to keep the program to the smaller species, since the big animals like cows and horses could be dangerous to the kids and are much more expensive to maintain. We have an extra pen currently getting

ready for either sheep or ducks," advised Sampers.

One of Sampers' ag classes constructed the goat house last year. A maker space group constructed the sheep house the year before, and the chicken coop was also built two years ago. Fencing was made by Dr. Wells.

A majority of the care of the animals is provided by the students in the farm school classes.

"My morning classes are responsible for doing the morning chores, and later in the day, when I have the elementary classes, they also get the opportunity to do some chores. They also get the chance to collect fresh eggs or replace the water for the animals when we have a hot day.

Since the majority of the students in the class don't live on a farm, being able to care for chickens and goats has been wonderful for the kids to experience.

"Every time I take those kids out, their faces light up, and I can tell it's been one of the highlights of their day. Being able to have the opportunity to interact with the animals and take on those responsibilities they don't have the chance to have at home," Sampers said.

On a personal level, Sampers said it's a good feeling to be able to lead the farm school program, as it's somewhat unique to the area.

"Essex has never had a farm school before, so it's definitely a very cool feeling knowing I'm part of one of the Essex District's first programs."

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KELLY WEIL, 40

Kelly Weil, 40, Atlantic, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2022, at Cass County Memorial Hospital in Atlantic.

Kelly Lynn was born on Oct. 14, 1981, in Monmouth, Ill., to James and Sheila (Shelton) McDonald. She lived most of her upbringing in the La Crosse, Wis. area and enjoyed attending school. She graduated from Central High School in 1999. Shortly after graduating, her mother and father moved to Atlantic, and being a family person, Kelly wanted to remain close by them and soon followed. While in Atlantic she was employed at Sitel.

One night while out on the town, she met Robert Weil. The two determined that it was “love at first sight.” From that evening on, the two were inseparable until her final day and were married May 13, 2005. During the many years together, they were never apart.

Kelly was fond of her daily calls to her brother Kris, who she always looked up to. She and Kris loved to tease each other throughout the years and would frequently recount their many sneaky excursions from their home in the middle of the night when living in La Crosse. She loved decorating for both Halloween and Christmas in a macabre style. Kelly was also an exceptional cook and dedicated Facebook enthusiast, spending many hours with friends on the Chihuahua Mama Facebook page.

Ultimately, Kelly was most concerned about serving others before herself. She loved her family, near or far, and was often found helping others in need. She loved listening to many genres of music and especially the song “Time Is On My Side.” Kelly celebrated the time she had on this earth by focusing and serving others.

Kelly is survived by her loving husband, Robert Weil of Atlantic; child, Quinn Weil of Atlantic; father, James (Ann Roth) McDonald of Emerson; daughters, Rochelle Alire and Ambrosia Holt; brother, Kris (Jamie Ahrens) McDonald; aunts and uncles, Beth and Scott Tarr of Atlantic and Bill and Linda Shelton of Monmouth, Ill.; half-sister, Amy Delissa of Meade, Kan.; many nieces and nephews; and her beloved dog, Izzy.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Sheila McDonald; and her grandparents.

A Celebration of Life Visitation with family present will be held from 5 to 6 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2022, at Roland Funeral Service. Prior to the end of the visitation there will be a time of sharing.

Memorials may be made to the family for later designation.

Roland Funeral Service is caring for Kelly’s family and her arrangements. Condolences may be left at rolandfuneralservice.com.



MICHELLE “MIKEY” HENRICH, 41

Michelle McKenzie Henrich (Mikey), 41, Omaha, Neb., formerly of Red Oak, passed away Friday Oct. 7, 2022, at Nebraska Methodist Hospital in Omaha, Neb.

Michelle (Mikey) was born July 18, 1981, in Red Oak, the daughter of David Henrich and Kay Brennan. Her siblings are Melissa Byers, Matt Henrich and Melanie Henrich.

While some know her as Michelle she was always lovingly referred to as Mikey by her family and close friends from Red Oak. Her family fondly remembers the story how this nickname began. They thought mom was pregnant with a boy and had picked the name Michael but decided to call him Mikey for short. Until July 18, 1981, rolled around and the doctors informed Kay and Dave that Mikey was a girl. So, the scramble to come up with a girl’s name began and Mikey was officially named Michelle. But after calling her Mikey for 9 months it felt weird calling her Michelle, and it never stuck for her family. Once she got older, she decided she wanted to be called Michelle as she began her nursing career but none of her family or close friends could call her Michelle. However, they discovered it was just too strange to call her Michelle after all the years. She was and will always be Mikey.

Mikey graduated from Red Oak Community High School in 1999, received her RN from Southwestern Community College, and her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Clarkson School of Nursing, graduating with honors. She started her career working at Montgomery County Memorial Hospital and was currently working at University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha as an infectious disease nurse.

Mikey loved hanging out with her chickens in the backyard and taking care of stray cats that found their way to her house. She loved riding in her Jeep with the doors and top off and getting some sun with the wind in her face. She also enjoyed fishing and camping at her dad’s pond and spending time with family and friends. She loved watching football and cheering on the Steelers win or lose. She was also very passionate about volunteering, especially during the pandemic, to help people get vaccinations and blood drives.

Mikey is survived by her parents; David Henrich (Red Oak) and Kay Brennan (Red Oak), siblings, Melissa Byers and husband Wade (Stanton); Matt Henrich and wife Gio (Longmont, Colo.); and Melanie Henrich (Lavista, Neb.); nieces and nephew, Kassidy Henrich, Ashlyn Saliny and Dawson Culver. Friend and former husband, Trevor Hegwald (Hamburg) and his children Ann Hegwald, Austin Hegwald, Alyssa Hegwald and Alex Hegwald.

A celebration of life service will be held at a date and time to be announced. Nelson-Boylan-LeRette Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.



BELVA “DEE” KELLER, 91

Belva D. “Dee” Keller, 91, Missouri Valley, formerly of Elliott, passed away Friday, Oct. 14, 2022, at CHI Missouri Valley Hospital.

Memorial services are pending at the Nelson-Boylan-LeRette Funeral Chapel in Red Oak.

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.

REAL ESTATE

WARRANTY DEED

- Audie Rainey and Jeffrey McCoy to Ronald Montes, Jr., Red Oak Northeastern Addition Blk 94 Lts 6-7.
- Tanner and Breanna Allensworth to Steven Henderson, 29-72-38.
- Dewey and Joyce Carpenter to Russell and Shirley Lane, 32-72-38 SLT 6 SD Lts 11-14.

COURT OFFICER’S DEED

- Anna Malkhasian, Executor, and Gary Malkhasian Estate to Anna Malkhasian, 13-72-36.

MORTGAGE

- Ronald Montes, Jr., to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc, MERS, Mortgage Research Center LLC, and Veterans United Home Loans, Red Oak Northeastern Addition Blk 94 Lts 6-7.
- Steven Henderson to Flana-

gan State Bank, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc, and MERS, 29-72-38.

- Jennifer and Michael Graham to Rocket Mortgage, LLC, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc, and MERS, Villisca Original Plat Lt 14.
- Shirley Reynolds to City of Stanton, Stanton Original Plat Lt 178.

- Jebb and Desiree Jones, and Desiree Noel to Houghton State Bank, Red Oak Original Plat Blk 26 Lt 4.
- Michael and Kimberly Nelson to Bank Iowa, Red Oak Irene Crest SD Lt 26.

MOD/AMENDMENT OF MORTGAGE

- Kristina Fulton to Cornerstone Bank, Villisca N. Villisca Lt 38.

SMALL CLAIMS

- Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Matthew Hansen, Red Oak, judgment in favor of the plaintiff, \$1,308.96 with 5.61% interest from Oct. 13, plus costs.
- Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC vs. Lora Top, Villisca, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, \$2,530.10 with 0% interest from Oct. 11, plus costs.

ARRESTS

- Filed Oct. 11, Chantal Sperling, 29, Red Oak, abandon/neglect dependent person, child endangerment, \$10,000 bond.
- Filed Oct. 12, Chad Armbrust, 48, Red Oak, warrant for theft fifth degree, \$300 bond.
- Filed Oct. 13, Shelby Nelson,

23, Villisca, OWI first offense, \$1,000 bond.

- Filed Oct. 13, Michael Josephson, domestic abuse assault first offense, held on no bond.
- Filed Oct. 15, Brian Yochum, 52, Red Oak, OWI first offense, \$1,000 cash bond.

- Filed Oct. 15, Randal Barr, 67, Red Oak, public intoxication, \$300 bond.
- Filed Oct. 16, Alex Flores Romero, 25, Cedar Rapids, OWI first offense, possession of marijuana first offense, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$1,000 bond.

- Filed Oct. 17, Lisa Elliott, 46, no valid driver’s license, \$503.50 bond.
- Filed Oct. 17, Nicholas Foster, 22, Red Oak, criminal mischief fourth degree, \$1,000 bond.

DISMISSED

- Felony, State of Iowa vs. Bruce Fitzwater, 60, Villisca, controlled substance violation, three counts, dismissed.
- Simple Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Jesse Luft, 31, Villisca, contempt - resist order or process of magistrate court, dismissed.

CRIMINAL

- Aggravated, State of Iowa vs. Michael Longcor, 58, Hannibal, Mo., possession of a controlled substance, second offense.
- Felony, State of Iowa vs. Bruce Fitzwater, 60, Villisca, controlled substance violation, pled guilty, 10 years prison, suspended, \$1,370 fine, three years probation, DNA requirement; controlled substance violation, pled guilty, 10 years prison, suspended, \$1,370 fine, three years probation, DNA

requirement, consecutively with count one.

- Felony, State of Iowa vs. Alan DeSantiago, 48, Council Bluffs, possession of a controlled substance - methamphetamine, first offense, pled guilty, time served, \$430 fine, suspended; operating under the influence first offense, 30 days jail, 28 days suspended, time served, \$1,250 fine, half waived if produces valid driver’s license within four months, one year informal probation, concurrent with count one.

- Felony, State of Iowa vs. Calvin Watt, 66, Red Oak, drug distribution violation to person under 18, gathering where controlled substances are used, child endangerment, possession of a controlled substance - methamphetamine, first offense, possession of a controlled substance - marijuana, first offense.
- Felony, State of Iowa vs. Chantal Sperling, 29, Red Oak, neglect or abandonment of dependent person, child endangerment.

- Felony, State of Iowa vs. Tracy Turner, 63, Elliott, possession of a controlled substance, third or subsequent offense.
- Simple Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Michael Noel, 21, Red Oak, theft fifth degree, \$105 fine.

- Simple Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Chad Armbrust, 48, Red Oak, theft fifth degree, two days jail, time served.
- Serious Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Laura Foster, 31, Kansas City, Kan., possession of drug paraphernalia, pled guilty, \$105 fine.
- Serious Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Austin Nguyen Schormeier, 22, Omaha, Neb., possession of a controlled substance

- marijuana, first offense.

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- State of Iowa vs. Brian Hale, 52, Red Oak, first offense, 30 days jail, 28 days suspended, Urban Dreams to satisfy two days, \$1,250 fine, nine months informal probation.
- State of Iowa vs. Shelby Nelson, 23, Villisca, first offense.

TRAFFIC

- Kaylee Tucker, Red Oak, failure to provide proof of financial liability insurance.
- Peter Phagan, Libertyville, Ill., speeding.
- Ceji Rodriguez, Council Bluffs, registration violation.
- Kesia Williams, Des Moines, operation without registration card or plate.
- Jeffery Arnold, Creston, no valid driver’s license.
- Steven Greenfield, Villisca,

operation without registration card or plate.

- Daniel Sorensen, Villisca, operation without registration card or plate.
- Heath Robinson, Holdrege, Neb., speeding.
- Kristian Schooling, Red Oak, speeding.
- Dalton Thomas, Watseka, Ill., speeding.
- Kira Oberschulte, Grand Island, Neb., speeding.
- Scott Porter, Omaha, Neb., speeding.
- Nicholas Hickman, Ringgold, Ga., speeding.
- Bernard Abbuhl, Red Oak, speeding.
- Christian Meek, Red Oak, operator’s license.
- Dustin Huneke, Red Oak, state speed code limits.
- Tyler Buckner, Emerson, driving while license denied, suspended, cancelled, or revoked.

SUDOKU

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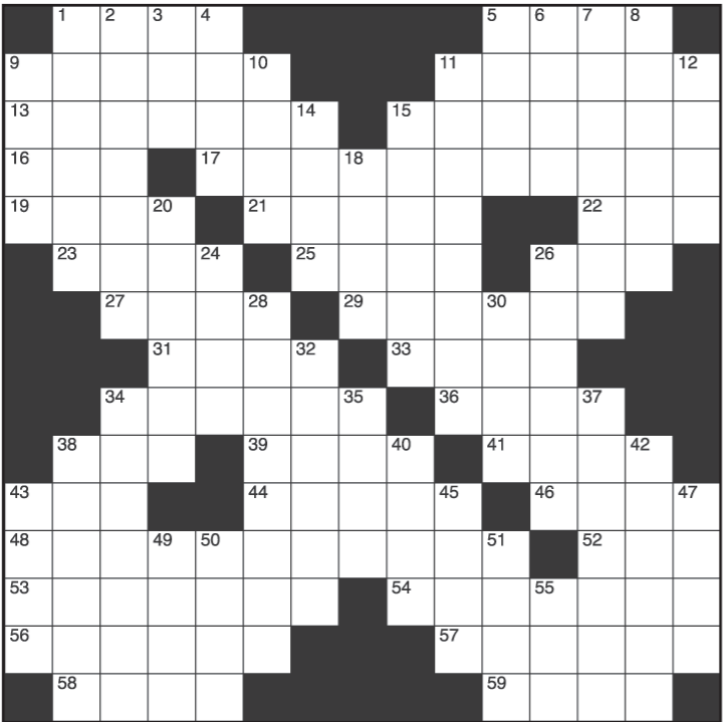
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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

3	8	9	1	7	6	5	2	4
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1	6	5	7	3	2	9	4	8
8	7	2	6	5	9	1	3	4
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5	6	3	4	8	2	9	7	1
2	1	4	5	3	9	6	8	7

ANSWER:

CROSSWORD - ANSWER ON PAGE 6B



CLUES ACROSS

1. A way to communicate
5. Historic city
9. Not the same
11. Hitting a horse to clear a jump
13. One hurt the Titanic
15. Fine dense cloth
16. Architectural structure
17. Where Serena works
19. Stringed instrument
21. Estimate
22. Where sailors work
23. Popular Terry Pratchett novel
25. Popular slow cooked dish
26. Twisted Sister’s Snider
27. “Office Space” actor Stephen
29. Put the ball in the net
31. Ancient Greek city in Thrace

33. High school math subject
34. Looked into
36. Rhode Island rebellion
38. A pea is one type
39. You can put it on something
41. Where golfers begin
43. Make a mistake
44. Semitic Sun god
46. Ancient Greek City
48. Beheaded
52. A place to stay
53. Inanely foolish
54. Most unnatural
56. “Dennis” is one
57. Soothes
58. Exam
59. Leaked blood

CLUES DOWN

1. Triangular bone in lower back

2. Building toy
3. Pointed end of a pen
4. Insect repellent
5. College army
6. Highly spiced stew
7. Exploited
8. Main course
9. A bottle that contains a drug
10. The most worthless part
11. Everyone needs one nowadays
12. Japanese wooden shoe
14. Antelopes
15. A way to cut
18. Brooklyn hoopsters
20. Gradually receded
24. Ripped open
26. College grads get one
28. Amino acid
30. Unruly gathering

32. Legislative body
34. Resembling pigs
35. Russian assembly
37. Take over for
38. Put in advance
40. Satisfy
42. Felt
43. Mild yellow Dutch cheese
45. Witnesses
47. Some build hills
49. de Armas and Gasteyer are two
50. Ancient people of Scotland
51. Cheerless
55. Unwell



## Tiger marching band season ends

The Tiger Marching Band completed their 2022 competitive season this past Saturday.

The band performed in the Loess Hills Field Fest in Glenwood Oct. 8, placing fourth in the 2A Division.

Instrumental music instructor Taylor Wood said the students were praised for their musicality and overall music general effect. The colorguard placed fifth out of the 10 bands that performed.

Judges advised the band to continue working on general marching technique and being confident with the beginning and endings of each move.

The band also performed the morning of Oct. 15 in the Iowa High School Music Association's State Marching Band contest in Glenwood. It was the ensemble's most important contest of

the entire season, as bands receive a division rating based on the State's standards of high school marching ensembles.

As far back as the first day of band camp Aug. 1, the Tiger Marching Band's main priority and goal was to receive a Division 1 rating at this contest. The band did receive a Division 1, Superior Rating on Saturday, with praise from the judges on music execution, marching and maneuvering execution, colorguard performance, and overall excitement and energy from the band.

The evening of Oct. 15, the band performed for the first time in the Mid-Iowa Band Championships in Ankeny. Placing fifth in the 2A division, the band was praised for the shaping of their musical phrases, marching technique, and tone quality of their playing.

## VIEWPOINTS

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### The Agent's Choice

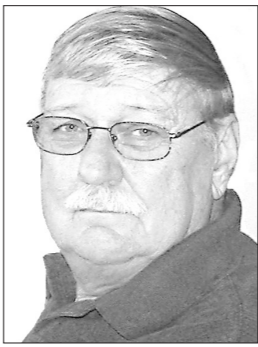
Page eight of last week's paper included a photo of two of the new exhibits at the Montgomery County Historical Museum. One is a Thomas D. Murphy area; the other a Johnson Hotel exhibit.

Both are worthy, well done, and a good place for parents to take children who too often know very little about local history.

The hotel display is a guest room. I expect the appearance is much the same as that encountered by the plethora of private detectives, lawyers, witnesses, state agents, jury members, spectators and out-of-town newspaper reporters during the series of lawsuits, grand jury sessions, hearings and criminal trials that took place in the years following Villisca's ax murders.

In the spring of 1930, a decade after activity related to that crime had largely wound down, a team of undercover agents checked into the Johnson. They concealed their identity because of the job they were there to do.

The Johnson was the traveling salesman's choice. Clean, modern, well-managed and having a reputation dining room, it was close to the town's business center yet a reasonable distance from the



depot.

Agents working undercover often represented themselves as salesmen when they slipped into depot towns to troll for prostitutes, gamblers and bootleggers. They liked the Johnson, and the location across from the courthouse was convenient.

Agents had their methods—cultivating informants and checking grocery stores for customers who purchased malt extract by the case and/or sugar in unusually large quantities were daytime activities—but much of their work was done after normal business hours. A tried and true tactic was to frequent cigar stores and billiard parlors posing as traveling men looking for a drink and some recreation. Agents were secretive, often couldn't trust local authorities, and informed them of their presence only when ready to make arrests and execute search warrants.

We don't know what involvement Sheriff J.A. Baker and Deputy Max Poston had in the investigative stage, but they took the lead in conducting a mid-April raid on the home of Marshy Ratliff, who lived in the southeast part of Villisca. Seized were 44 quarts and 141 pints of a beverage alleged to contain alcohol, plus incriminating equipment. There were also supplies that included 10 3-lb cans of malt extract. This was enough malt syrup, Baker told reporters, to make 50 gallons of beer.

Ratliff was bound over to the Grand Jury and, at the time of the initial news report, was still in jail on \$1,500 bond. (Ratliff later entered a plea and received 90 days plus a \$300 fine. While 90 days is still 90 days, the \$300 then is equal to \$5,322 today.)

Two other men, W.Q. Darnolds and Ora Yarrington, were also arrested and charged with bootlegging due to statements and evidence showing that both had sold alcohol to unnamed undercover agents.

Anyone willing to spend time with Prohibition-era newspapers printed in depot towns, then pursue those articles with court records and old investiga-

tive files, will find fascinating stories of Iowa's "Untouchables."

They spent extended periods on the road, often traveling by train and usually working at night. They went under assumed names, hanging around depots, hotels and night spots along Iowa's multiple railroad corridors.

They probably could have kept busy with homicides, robberies and other crimes. Their chief, though, who set priorities, was appointed and subject to political pressure. A good many occupants of the state capital were elected on their promise to enforce laws prohibiting alcohol, gambling and prostitution and if locals didn't do it, the state would.

Anyone who spent as many nights away from home as those agents appreciated a good hotel, and when in this area they chose the Johnson.

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LETTERS TO | THE EDITOR

### Shipley comments on rural schools, Kelly on humanism, Weartin supports Cindy Axne

**To the Editor:**

Not long ago there was a letter that challenged a position I took on SF 2369. That letter left a lot of relevant information out. This needs to be challenged.

SF 2369 received considerable attention because of the portion that would have offered parents a choice in their children's education and the argument against it is that it uses public money for private schools. What it also did was extend the operational sharing program that provides state funding for school districts, your school district, for another 10 years.

Operational sharing is a system that provides extra funding for those schools involved in sharing staff with another district. Only 75% of the schools in Iowa receive this funding, all rural school districts. It amounts to \$25-27 million per year. However, it has a sunset, which means it will stop. In this case, it will stop in 2-3 years.

So what does that mean for your school? For Red Oak, Villisca, Corning, Stanton, Essex, Griswold, and East Mills, it would bring \$1.5 million each year over 10 years. When this is explained to people who ask about my position, almost without exception, they get it. They understand that without that money their school district will suffer. An area superintendent told me that three districts in Southwest Iowa probably would be done without operational sharing. He himself was a shared superintendent, as are most in the area, and one of the districts was one that he was serving. This money matters.

Unfortunately, the letter also made a blatantly misleading, false, inaccurate (whatever you

choose) statement about my voting record on the issue. It was stated that I had voted on it in committee to advance it. This is absolutely untrue. It went through two committees, education and appropriations. I do not serve on either, so it would be impossible for me to vote on the bill. It is very easy to determine who is on a committee. So, given that, what else my not have been accurate in the letter?

No one has supported funding for rural schools more vigorously than I have. Whether it be transportation equity, which helps offset transportation costs, or operational sharing funding, I will vote to support your schools, every single time.

*Tom Shipley  
Nodaway*

**To the Editor:**

Humanism: What it is and is not.

First, humanism is not an "ungodly" evil philosophy. Humanism is a worldview that appeals to reason in contrast to religious authority as a means of knowledge and ethics, in that sense it is "godless." But not godless in the sense that humanists are evil and guilty of all sorts of crimes. There is no data that shows humanists are any worse than any other demographic sub-group, like Christians.

Secondly, humanism does not seek to destroy all religions. I will admit, there are some humanists who are actively anti-religious, but this is not the aim of humanism, in general. The truth is humanists oppose sexism, racism, homophobia, misogyny, slavery, oppression, and anything that denies personal freedom and responsibility as sadly found in many of the sacred books of religions. One of the core principles of humanism is pluralism and

the inherent worth of every human being.

Thirdly, humanism is not a closed dogmatic belief. Humanism imposes no creed. It might surprise many to discover that humanism is not monolithic, meaning we do not all believe the same. There are various kinds of humanists. The two major kinds are secular humanists and religious humanists.

Fourthly, humanists are not ignorant about religious sacred books. Like myself, many humanists are former believers. I was a Pentecostal preacher for over 30 years and chose to leave the faith because I began to ask questions.

Finally, humanists do not worship man. Humanists recognize not only the potential in man to perform great acts of good, but also the potential for evil. In this sense, humanists are realists knowing we are imperfect and willing to work together to solve problems.

Final thought: isn't it a good idea to evaluate a philosophy by talking to people directly involved in the philosophy instead of those opposing it?

We hold a humanist discussion group meeting in Red Oak monthly. The next meeting: will be Nov. 13 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. For more information, call 623-6852

*Edward Kelly, Jr.  
Red Oak*

**To the Editor:**

Prices are high and inflation is impacting us all. But those on a fixed income are being hit hardest. Corporations are raising prices and price gouging Americans so they can buy back stocks and raise CEO pay. When it comes to raising prices,

pharmaceutical companies are the worst.

Rep. Cindy Axne helped pass legislation that allows Medicare to negotiate lower drug prices and that brings the manufacturing of supply chains back to the U.S. Some politicians aren't being honest about The Inflation Reduction Act. The bill is more than fully paid for – in fact, it will reduce the deficit by \$300 billion. It does this by making billion-dollar corporations pay a fairer share of taxes, by cracking down on wealthy and corporate tax cheats, and by preventing price gouging by drug corporations.

Republicans in Congress are talking about sunset Social Security and Medicare after five years. These are earned benefits that people have paid for through a lifetime of work, and now some politicians are talking about taking them away. This isn't right.

Congress can still do more. But we need lawmakers like Cindy Axne to pass legislation to hold corporations accountable for price gouging. We shouldn't be taking away the earned benefits of working Americans while the wealthiest get off without paying anything. Cindy has worked in a bipartisan way for the last four years to help Iowa get its fair share. She listens to her constituents and works to help solve local and individual problems.

Cindy Axne has a proven record of getting results for Iowans like us. This election, remember who is protecting your right to access health care and who is delivering on lowering prescription drugs.

*Elizabeth Wearin  
Red Oak*

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Community Calendar

20 October

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.

4:30-6:30 p.m., Pork Chop Dinner, First Christian Church, 1909 E. Summit St.

5:30-7 p.m., Veg Out class. \$10 for the session, Montgomery County Extension Office, call 641-782-8426 for more details.

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

21 October

5-6 p.m., Artist Brenda Scott meet and greet at the Wilson Performing Arts Center, 300 Commerce Dr.

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

6-9 p.m., Trivia Night, Five One 8, 518 N. 4th St..

7 p.m., "The Addams Family 2," theatre #1; "Gigi & Nate," theatre #2; Red Oak Grand Theatre.

22 October

7 p.m., "The Addams Family 2," theatre #1; "Gigi & Nate," theatre #2; Red Oak Grand Theatre.

23 October

2 and 7 p.m., "The Addams Family 2," theatre #1; "Gigi & Nate," theatre #2; Red Oak Grand Theatre.

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

6 p.m., Pumpkin carving contest at the Red Oak Country Club 2038 200th St., everyone welcome to participate,

24 October

7:45 a.m. -3:45 p.m., Book Fair, Enarson Elementary

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.

5:30 pm., Red Oak School Board meeting, Jr./Sr. High-School, or via Zoom.

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

25 October

7:45 a.m. -3:45 p.m., Book Fair, Enarson Elementary

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

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

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.

26 October

10 a.m. -6 p.m., Book Fair, Enarson Elementary

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.

Elks make donation to community orchard



Red Oak Elks Lodge #1304 recently donated 17 fruit trees and 10 berry bushes to the Live Well Montgomery County community garden. The donation was made with funds from a gratitude grant from the Elks National Foundation. Pictured are, from left: Elks Past Exalted Ruler Bruce Swanson, Ron Tilton of Evergreen Cemetery, Elks Exalted Ruler Brad Baker, and Laura Kloewer and Jamie Werges with Montgomery County Memorial Hospital. (Photo submitted)



Rotary Club President Candy Garey, left, presents the Paul Harris Fellow Award to Wayne Gildseth. (Photo submitted)

Gildseth is Harris Fellow recipient

Wayne Gildseth is the Red Oak Rotary Club's most recent Paul Harris Fellow recipient.

The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation.

The Rotary established the recognition in 1957 to encourage and show appreciation for substantial contributions to what was then the Foundation's only program, Rotary Foundation Fellowships for Advanced Study, the precursor to Ambassadorial Scholarships.

The Rotary Foundation is a vital source for grants, many of which have been used for the projects that the Red Oak Rotary Club has used within the community.

Winter coat swap program underway

A special program is being offered this month to make sure area kids have warm coats this upcoming winter.

From now until Oct. 28, a children's winter coat swap program is underway, supported by the Thrivent Financial Group.

Parents are encouraged to check that their child's winter coat from last year still fits. If not, parents are being asked to consider donating the coat to the closet or contact the group about swapping. There are currently 15 coats available in the closet and they are looking for more to offer to those in need.

Volunteers may participate by donating gently used coats or new coats. Look for donation boxes at the Montgomery County Family YMCA in Red Oak, 101 E. Cherry St., or at the Red Oak Public Library, 400 N. 2nd St.

Participants may participate by donating one coat in exchange for another coat in the closet. They will record information for coats that they cannot fulfill immediately and get back with those families when coats become available.

The program is being held throughout most of the month of October, which will hopefully help families prepare for the expected harsh winter ahead. To participate text or call 712-789-0354 or email babyitscoldouthere2022@gmail.com.

Enarson Elementary Book Fair next week

The Enarson Elementary in Villisca is hosting a Book Fair during conference week Oct. 24 -27. Parents, students, and the public are invited to shop at the fair. Early Christmas shoppers will find books, bookmarks, pencils, pens and other items for sale. Cash or checks will be the only accepted type of payment. Hours are:

- Oct. 24: 7:45 a.m to 3:45 p.m.
- Oct. 25: 7:45 a.m to 3:45 p.m.
- Oct. 26: 10 a.m to 6 p.m.
- Oct. 27: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Happy Birthday!

Celebrating birthdays are:

- Cynthia Sankey – Oct. 20
- Jim Uhlmann, Jr. – Oct. 20
- Kara Yeager – Oct. 21
- Ron Schooling – Oct. 23
- Tammy Bruce – Oct. 23
- Tammy Schmitz – Oct. 23
- Rita Bienhoff – Oct. 23
- Anna Peterson – Oct. 23
- Betty Smith – Oct. 26
- Bill Billings – Oct. 26
- Carolyn Vanderhoof – Oct. 26

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

Card Shower

VANDERHOOF 90TH BIRTHDAY

Carolyn Vanderhoof will celebrate her 90th birthday on Oct. 26.

In honor of this occasion, his family is hosting a card shower.

Cards may be sent to Carolyn at 107 3rd Ave., Red Oak, IA 51566.



Senior Menu

Thursday, Oct. 20: Sloppy joe sandwich on a bun, baby red potatoes, baked beans, fluffy fruit salad, milk/coffee.

Friday, Oct. 21: Turkey breast with turkey gravy, whipped potatoes, mixed vegetables, bread slice,

raspberry cheesecake pudding, milk/coffee.

Monday, Oct. 24: Tuna tetrazzini, corn, roasted Brussels sprouts, dinner roll, cookie, milk/coffee.

Tuesday, Oct. 25: Chicken with supreme sauce, scalloped potatoes,

broccoli florets, cornbread, fresh seasonal fruit, milk/coffee.

Wednesday, Oct. 26: Beef and noodle casserole, tossed salad with dressing, peas, 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](http://crossroadsredoak.com). **Online:** 9:45 a.m. approx. live on Facebook.

Catholic

St. Joseph's, 131 W. High, Villisca, Father Eze Venantius Umunnakwe,

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, Interim 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](http://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](http://www.swiacrec.com), [contact@swiacrec.com](mailto:contact@swiacrec.com).

United Methodist

First United Methodist, 600 E. Hammond, Red Oak, Rev. Dr. Eric Sayonkon, Worship, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Youth group Wednesday 6:30-8 p.m., grades 6-12, snack is served. **Online:** 10:30 a.m. [fumcro.org](http://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, Rev. Jenn Van Nostrand, Worship services, 9 a.m. **Online:** 9 a.m. live on Facebook

United Methodist, 203 S. 3rd Ave., Villisca, Pastor Jennifer Van Nostrand, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m. **Online:** 10:30 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	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 (N)	So Help Me Todd (N)	CSI: Vegas "Koala" (N)	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)	Station 19 (N) (In Stereo)	Grey's Anatomy (N)	Alaska Daily (N)	News	J. Kimmel		
8			8	KCCI (8)	Sheldon Ghosts (N)	So Help Me Todd (N)	CSI: Vegas "Koala" (N)	News	Late-Colbert		
15	5	15	9	KXVO (15)	Wipeout (In Stereo)	Fear Factor	Fear Factor	Dumbest	Dumbest		
10	11	10	11	IPTV	Father Brown	Death in Paradise	Midsomer Murders	Shakespeare			
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. (In Stereo)	Chicago P.D. "Burnside"	Chicago P.D. "Trust Me"	Chicago P.D. "Closure"			
			28	21	CSPAN	(4:00) Public Affairs Events (In Stereo)					
25			5	WOI (5)	Station 19 (N) (In Stereo)	Grey's Anatomy (N)	Alaska Daily (N)	5 News	J. Kimmel		
12	2	12	24	ESPN	(6:30) College Football: Virginia at Georgia Tech. (N) (Live)			SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N)			
11	28	13	25	ESPN2	High School Football		UFC 229 Bad	UFC Unleashed			
36			26	FX	(6:30) Movie: *** "Ant-Man and The Wasp" (2015) (V)		Atlanta (N)	Atlanta "Snipe Hunt"	Atlanta		
	10	16	27	PARMT	Movie: "Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy" (1993) (V)		Movie: ** "Tommy Boy" (1995) Chris Farley. (V)				
40	36	28	LIFE	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles			
29	20	19	29	FREE	"Hotel Transylvania" (2012) (V)	Movie: *** "Hotel Transylvania 2" (2015) (V)	7 The 700 Club (N)				
18	13	11	30	USA	(6:05) Movie: *** "X-Men: First Class" (2011) (V)	Race for Championship	Law & Order: SVU				
8	8	31	TBS	(6:30) MLB Baseball: TBA at Houston Astros. American	League Championship Series, Game 2.	MLB: Closer					
23	14	18	32	TNT	NBA Basketball: Bucks at 76ers	NBA Basketball: Clippers at Lakers	NBA Basketball: Clippers at Lakers				
25	22	33	AMC	Movie: ** "Thirteen Ghosts" (2001, Horror) (V)	Movie: *** "Poltergeist" (1982, Horror) (V)						
29	25	34	HGTV	Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Renovation Impossible	Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Hunters		
33	24	30	36	HIST	Mountain Men "Winter Kill" (N)	Mountain Men "Winter Kill" (In Stereo)	Mountain Men (In Stereo)				
19	15	26	37	A&E	The First 48	60 Days In (N)	Inmate to Roommate	The First 48			
34	18		38	DISC	Mysteries of	Mysteries of	Mysteries of	Mysteries of			
35	31	31	39	TLC	90 Day: The Single Life	90 Day: The Single Life	90 Day: The Single Life	90 Day: The Single Life			
39	27	40	A/P	Alaska: The Last Frontier	Alaska: The Last Frontier	Alaska: The Last Frontier	Alaska: The Last Frontier	Alaska: The Last Frontier			
30	26	23	41	NICK	Slimetime	SpongeBob	Movie: ** "Dollie" (2020)	Robert Downey Jr. (V)	Friends	Friends	
31	21	24	43	DISN	Big City	Big City	Big City	Shortstober	Ladybug	Ladybug	
21	16	20	45	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	CNN Tonight (N)	CNN Tonight (N)	CNN Tonight (N)			
37	34	35	65	HALL	Movie: "Autumn in the City" (2022) Aimee Teegarden.	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls		
			21	72	SYFY	(5:05) "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" (V)	Movie: "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban"				
39	36		73	TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	
			74	WE	(6:00) Love After Lockup	Love After Lockup	Love After Lockup	Love After Lockup	Partners in Rhyme		

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Cable Companies				SATURDAY EVENING OCTOBER 22, 2022							
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 Real Love Boat	48 Hours	48 Hours	3 News Now Live at 10			
4	4	4	4	KPTM (42)	(6:30) MLB Baseball: San Diego Padres at Philadelphia Phillies. (N)	Hollywood	Beat Shazam (In Stereo)				
6	6	6	6	WOWT (6)	Quantum Leap "Atlantis"	Dateline NBC	Saturday Night Live (N)	News	SNL		
7	7	7	7	KETV (7)	(6:30) College Football: Minnesota at Penn State. (N) (In Stereo Live)			News	The Rookie		
8			8	KCCI (8)	The Real Love Boat	48 Hours	48 Hours	News	Matter		
15	5	15	9	KXVO (15)	Wipeout (In Stereo)	Fear Factor	Fear Factor	Dumbest	Dumbest		
10	11	10	11	IPTV	As Time ...	Keep Up	Shakespeare	Broadchurch			
17			12	KDSM (17)	(6:30) MLB Baseball: San Diego Padres at Philadelphia Phillies. (N)	News	Chiefs	Shazam			
9	9	9	16	NWSN	NewsNation Prime (N)	NewsNation Prime (N)	NewsNation Prime (N)	NewsNation Prime (N)			
			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)	(6:30) College Football: Minnesota at Penn State. (N) (In Stereo Live)			5 News	9-1-1		
12	2	12	24	ESPN	(6:00) College Football: Mississippi State at Alabama.	Scoreboard	College Football				
11	28	13	25	ESPN2	(6:00) College Football: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)	Football Scoreboard	College Football				
36			26	FX	Movie: ** "National Treasure: Book of Secrets" (2007) Nicolas Cage. (V)	Movie: "American Horror Story"					
	10	16	27	PARMT	Movie: *** "John Wick: Chapter 3 -- Parabellum" (2019) (V)	Movie: "John Wick: Chapter 3 -- Parabellum"					
40	36	28	LIFE	Movie: "Swindler Seduction" (2022) Colton Haynes.	Movie: "Swindler Seduction" (2022) Colton Haynes.						
29	20	19	29	FREE	(6:15) Movie: *** "Beetlejuice" (1988) (V)	Movie: ** "Hocus Pocus" (1993) Bette Midler. (V)	House				
18	13	11	30	USA	Figure Skating: ISU Grand Prix: Skate America. (N) (Live)			Dr. Death "Dock Ellis"			
8	8	31	TBS	MLB: Closer	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Step Bro			
23	14	18	32	TNT	Movie: *** "Wonder Woman 1984" (2020, Action) Gal Gadot. Premiere. (V)	Movie: "Shazam!" (2019)					
25	22	33	AMC	(6:00) "Friday the 13th"	Movie: ** "Friday the 13th" (1980) Betsy Palmer. (V)	"Friday the 13th, Part 2"					
29	25	34	HGTV	Help-Wrecked My House	Help-Wrecked My House	Help-Wrecked My House					
33	24	30	36	HIST	Ancient Aliens: Declassified	"Aliens & Superhumans" (In Stereo)					
19	15	26	37	A&E	The First 48	First 48: Mind	Killer Cases (N)	The First 48 "Truly Lost"			
34	18		38	DISC	Expedition Unknown	Expedition Unknown	Expedition Unknown	Expedition Unknown			
35	31	31	39	TLC	90 Day: The Single Life	90 Day: The Single Life	90 Day: The Single Life	90 Day: The Single Life			
39	27	40	A/P	Pit Bulls and Parolees	Pit Bulls and Parolees (N)	Pit Bulls and Parolees	Pit Bulls and Parolees	Pit Bulls and Parolees			
30	26	23	41	NICK	Movie: ** "Fun Size" (2012) Victoria Justice. (V)			Friends	Friends		
31	21	24	43	DISN	Toy-Terror! Muppets Haunted	Hamster & Big City	Big City	Big City	Ladybug		
21	16	20	45	CNN	CNN Newsroom	Stanley Tucci: Searching	Stanley Tucci: Searching	CNN Special Program			
37	34	35	65	HALL	Movie: "We Wish You a Married Christmas" (2022)	Movie: "If I Only Had Christmas" (2020) (DVS)					
			21	72	SYFY	"Olympus Has Fallen" (V)	Movie: ** "Angel Has Fallen" (2019, Action) Gerard Butler. (V) (DVS)				
39	36		73	TVL	Mom	Mom	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	
			74	WE	NCIS "Shalom" (V)	NCIS "Escaped" (V)	NCIS "Singed Out" (V)	NCIS "Faking It" (V)			

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Cable Companies				MONDAY EVENING OCTOBER 24, 2022							
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 "The Good Fighter"	NCIS: Hawaii! (N)	3 News Now	Late-Colbert	
4	4	4	4	KPTM (42)	9-1-1 "Tomorrow" (N)	The Cleaning Lady (N)		News at Nine	iCRIME	iCRIME	
6	6	6	6	WOWT (6)	The Voice "The Battles Part 4" (N)			Quantum Leap (N)	WOWT 6	J. Fallon	
7	7	7	7	KETV (7)	Bachelor in Paradise (N) (In Stereo) (DVS)			The Good Doctor (N)	News	J. Kimmel	
8			8	KCCI (8)	Neighbor	Bob Heart	NCIS "The Good Fighter"	NCIS: Hawaii! (N)	News	Late-Colbert	
15	5	15	9	KXVO (15)	Wipeout (In Stereo)	Fear Factor "Ex Factor"	Fear Factor	Dumbest	Dumbest		
10	11	10	11	IPTV	Antiques Roadshow (N)			Brigitte Path Johnny Bright	Independent Lens (N)		
17			12	KDSM (17)	9-1-1 "Tomorrow" (N)	The Cleaning Lady (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	Criminal Minds "100"	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds			
			28	21	CSPAN	Public Affairs Events	Campaign 2022 (N)	Public Affairs Events (In Stereo)			
25			5	WOI (5)	Bachelor in Paradise (N) (In Stereo) (DVS)			The Good Doctor (N)	5 News	J. Kimmel	
12	2	12	24	ESPN	NFL Football: Chicago Bears at New England Patriots. (N) (Live)			Postgame	SportsC.		
11	28	13	25	ESPN2	NFL Football: Bears at Patriots				Loma - A		
36			26	FX	Movie: ** "The Waterboy" (1998) Adam Sandler.	Movie: ** "The Waterboy" (1998) Adam Sandler.					
	10	16	27	PARMT	Movie: *** "Freddy vs. Jason" (2003) (In Stereo) (V)	Movie: *** "A Nightmare on Elm Street" (V)					
40	36	28	LIFE	Movie: *** "The Holiday" (2006) Cameron Diaz, Kate Winslet. (V)				"Blending Christmas"			
29	20	19	29	FREE	"The Haunted Mansion" (2014) Angelina Jolie. (V)			The 700 Club			
18	13	11	30	USA	WWE Monday Night RAW (N) (In Stereo Live)			Race for Championship			
8	8	31	TBS	MLB: Closer	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Sheldon	Sheldon	
23	14	18	32	TNT	(6:00) Movie: *** "Aquaman" (2018) (DVS)			Million Dollar Wheels	"Ready Player One" (V)		
25	22	33	AMC	Movie: *** "Trick 'r Treat" (2007) Anna Paquin.	Movie: *** "The Conjuring" (2013) Vera Farmiga.						
29	25	34	HGTV	Love It or List It	Love It or List It (N)	Love It or List It	Love It or List It	Love It or List It			
33	24	30	36	HIST	Ancient Aliens (In Stereo)	Ancient Aliens Special Presentation (N) (In Stereo)			Ancient Aliens (In Stereo)		
19	15	26	37	A&E	Movie: ** "White House Down" (2013) Channing Tatum. (In Stereo) (V)			Neighbor.	Neighbor.		
34	18		38	DISC	Street Outlaws "New Racer on the Block" (N) (In Stereo) (DVS)						
35	31	31	39	TLC	90 Day: The Single Life	sMothered (N) (In Stereo)	90 Day: The Single Life	Sister Wives (In Stereo)			
39	27	40	A/P	Alaskan Bush People	Alaskan Bush People	Alaskan Bush People	Alaskan Bush People	Alaskan Bush People			
30	26	23	41	NICK	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	
31	21	24	43	DISN	Big City	Big City	The Villains	Ultra Violet	Big City	Ladybug	
21	16	20	45	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	CNN Tonight (N)	CNN Tonight (N)	CNN Tonight (N)	CNN Tonight (N)		
37	34	35	65	HALL	Movie: "A Christmas Together With You" (2021)	Movie: "Christmas Made to Order" (2018) (DVS)					
			21	72	SYFY	Movie: *** "X-Men: First Class" (2011) James McAvoy.	Movie: *** "Zombieland" (2012) (V)				
39	36		73	TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	
			74	WE	Criminal Minds (In Stereo)	Criminal Minds (In Stereo)	Criminal Minds (In Stereo)	Criminal Minds (In Stereo)			

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Cable Companies				WEDNESDAY EVENING OCTOBER 26, 2022							
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)	Survivor (N) Ⓢ	The Real Love Boat (N)	The Amazing Race (N)	3 News Now	Late-Colbert		
4	4	4	4	KPTM (42)	The Masked Singer (N)	LEGO Masters (N)	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 Home Econ.	Big Sky (N) (DVS)	News	J. Kimmel	
8			8	KCCI (8)	Survivor (N) Ⓢ	The Real Love Boat (N)	The Amazing Race (N)	News	Late-Colbert		
15	5	15	9	KXVO (15)	Wipeout (In Stereo)	Fear Factor	Fear Factor	World's Dumbest ...			
10	11	10	11	IPTV	Nature (N) Ⓢ (DVS)	NOVA "Ocean Invaders"	Secrets of the Dead (N)	Secrets of the Dead			
17			12	KDSM (17)	The Masked Singer (N)	LEGO Masters (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	Blue Bloods (In Stereo)	Blue Bloods (In Stereo)	Blue Bloods "Cursed"	Blue Bloods (In Stereo)			
			28	21 CSPAN	(4:00) Public Affairs Events (In Stereo) Ⓢ						
25			5	WOI (5)	Conners	Goldbergs	Abbott Elem Home Econ.	Big Sky (N) Ⓢ (DVS)	5 News	J. Kimmel	
12	2	12	24	ESPN	NBA Basketball: Brooklyn Nets at Milwaukee Bucks.			NBA Basketball: Lakers at Nuggets			
11	28	13	25	ESPN2	NFL Live Ⓢ	ESPN Films Ⓢ				SportsCenter (N) Ⓢ	
36			26	FX	(6:30) Movie: ★★ "Halloween" (2018) (In Stereo)			American Horror Story		American Horror Story	
	10	16	27	PARMT	Movie: ★★ "Shooter" (2007) Mark Wahlberg, Michael Peña. (In Stereo) Ⓢ					Movie: "American Sniper"	
	40	36	28	LIFE	Married at First Sight (Season Finale) (N) Ⓢ			Married at First Sight Ⓢ			
29	20	19	29	FREE	Simpsons		Simpsons	Simpsons	Simpsons	The 700 Club Ⓢ	
18	13	11	30	USA	Law & Order: SVU			"Chucky" Death on Denial!		Joe vs Carol (N)	
	8	8	31	TBS	(6:30) MLB Baseball: TBA at Houston Astros. (N) (Live) Ⓢ					MLB: Closer	
23	14	18	32	TNT	NHL Hockey: Rangers at Islanders			NHL Hockey: Lightning at Ducks			
	25	22	33	AMC	(6:30) Movie: ★★ "Friday the 13th" (N)			Movie: ★★ "A Nightmare on Elm Street" (2010) (V)		Horror	
	29	25	34	HGTV	Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Hunters	Hunters	Hunters
33	24	30	36	HIST	Pawn Stars "Daring and Dodging: Sweet Deals" (N)			Forged in Fire (N)		Pawn Stars (In Stereo)	
	15	26	37	A&E	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam
34	18	38	DISC	Moonskinners	Moonskinners			Moonskinners			
35	31	31	39	TLC	My 600-Lb. Life: Where Are They Now? (N)			My 600-Lb. Life		Too Large Ⓢ (DVS)	
	39	27	40	A/P	The Zoo (In Stereo)			The Zoo (In Stereo)		The Zoo (In Stereo)	
30	26	23	41	NICK	Dylan	SpongeBob	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
31	21	24	43	DISN	Big City	Big City	The Villains	Ultra Violet	Big City	Big City	Ladybug
21	16	20	45	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		CNN Tonight (N) Ⓢ		CNN Tonight (N) Ⓢ		
37	34	35	65	HALL	Movie: "A Royal Queens Christmas" (2021)			Movie: "The Nine Lives of Christmas" (2014)			
			21	SYFY	"Jeepers Creepers 3"			Chucky "Death on Denial!"		Reginald the Vampire (N)	
39	36	73	TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
			74	WE	NCIS (In Stereo) Ⓢ			NCIS "Skeletons" Ⓢ		NCIS "Iceman" Ⓢ	
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# Boeye updates park and tree board on trail near Inman Elementary

Nick Johansen  
The Red Oak Express

The Red Oak Park and Tree Board held its regular monthly meeting Oct. 13.

The board heard an update from Friends of the Red Oak Trails representative Beau Boeye, who said negotiations remain ongoing between the trails group, the City of Red Oak, and the Red Oak Community School District on a potential trail in the area of Inman Elementary.

“We have gotten a cost estimate from Snyder & Associates Engineering, strictly for a trail segment. It does not include the parking lot we originally envisioned. City administrator Brad Wright brought it to our attention that there is a city right of way between Irene Court and Chautauqua Drive, so it could potentially be a dedicated route from the cemetery, through Inman, and then through

Chautauqua park. The cost estimate from Snyder was roughly \$250,000,” said Boeye.

Boeye said they plan to have further discussions on the topic. The main financing for the project would be through the Transportation Alternative Program.

“We’ve used this program in the past, I believe through the program, the Iowa Department of Transportation will pay for 80% of the project. The application for that is to be determined, but we’re thinking we can apply in February and see if we can get things going for 2023,” commented Boeye.

Based on the route, Boeye said the trail would come in at the low end of Chautauqua Park, near the old basketball court. Boeye said it would be up to the Park and Tree Board to determine how the trail would connect with the street that runs through Chautauqua Park.

Park and Tree Board Chairman Bill Drey also shared an update on the work being done to the fountain square park stage. Drey said they have shut off water and electricity to the stage and replaced

the existing hardware. The work was expected to be completed by Thanksgiving.

The board also heard comments from Randall Wilson, who advised there were three water fountains, one each in Dutton Park, Kelly Park, and Chautauqua Park sports field, that were not working. The board advised Wilson the Dutton Park water fountain was not high priority for repairs, while the Kelly Park and Chautauqua Park fountains would be checked. Wilson also urged the Park and Tree Board to update its website with information about the board and its financial status.

In other business, the board:

- Approved requests from the Red Oak Chamber and Industry Association for the use of Fountain Square Park, and the stage, for Nov. 25 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., for the holiday celebration kick-off and tree lighting; Nov. 26 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for Small Business Saturday; and Dec. 17 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for the holiday giveaway.

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speeds and 50-megabyte upload, well above the USDA’s served community threshold of 100 megabytes down and 20 megabytes up.

He added upgrading to a fiber-to-the-home network with the existing infrastructure would cost \$3 to 5 million.

Additionally, Conger said roughly eight nodes are located in Red Oak, taking in a fiber optic line and transferring it into cable that runs to the homes. He says a more timely advancement would likely be upgrading the upload speeds to reach one gigabyte down and one gigabyte up.

Cabbage said they plan to bring fiber to Red Oak residents, but added it will likely be a much slower process as they work back through the transport lines they’ve already installed.

“Our plan in 2023 is to go back along the fiber routes that are already constructed, there’s spare inner ducts in there, we’ll pull in distribution fibers, and then we’ll start hooking those homes up in 2023, and then look at other areas where we can expand our fiber construction, but it would have to be in phases, because we have to do it as we’re able to afford it.”

The cost to bring fiber to residential homes in Red Oak is roughly \$15 million, with those prices increasing almost daily. He added to find contractors to come in and do the work is extremely difficult and also mega expensive.

Lastly, neither Conger or Cabbage could provide a hard date on when a fiber-to-home project would begin. However, Cabbage said without federal funding, it would be at least another five years before they could likely serve the entire community.

Other members of the MCDC Broadband Committee are Joey Norris and Steve Adams.

In other business, the council:

- Approved a Red Oak Chamber and Industry

Association request for a live reindeer display on Nov. 26 in the empty lot on the square.

- Held a public hearing and passed a resolution on proposed sale of property at 818 E. Nuckols. The property will be sold to David Wilson, who placed the higher of two bids.
- Heard from Larry Barnett about his disappointment in not being allowed fiber services at the Woodland Hills subdivision. He said it is difficult to sell a new home in Red Oak when he can’t offer fiber to it.
- Approved a request from a new faith-based youth group, EXIT Community Youth Group, to hold a trunk or treat event from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31 on 4th and Reed Street.
- Heard an end of the year recap on the Red Oak Farmer’s Market from Maggie McQuown. A more indepth recap from McQuown will be in the Oct. 26 edition of The Red Oak Express.
- Heard from Brian Bills, council member, that ARPA funds can be used for council chamber upgrades, such as microphones and a speaker. More discussion on the usage of the city’s ARPA funds will take place at the next regular meeting.
- Heard from Tim Fridolph, council member, about the evaluation forms he and fellow councilman Pete Wemhoff have been working on. Wemhoff and Fridolph disagreed on several aspects of the evalation form, such as who all needs to fill out the form. There will be more discussion on the forms at the next council meeting.
- Heard from Mayor Shawwna Silvius on who she proposes serves on the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee. The committee members will be announced in the Oct. 26 edition, as she is awaiting confirmations from two individuals to serve on the boards.



## Field fire

Firefighters from Red Oak were dispatched to a field fire on A Ave. just off of Highway 34 at around 2:50 p.m. Thursday afternoon. Multiple area fire departments, including Stanton and Emerson, were also called to assist in tackling the blaze. Further details on the fire have not yet been released. (Nick Johansen/Red Oak Express)

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## JEKYLL

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part as two characters. There’s a whole song where Jekyll and Hyde are talking to each other, so in one moment I’m Jekyll, and in the next moment, I’m Hyde. It’s exhausting, but it’s also challenging and fulfilling as an actor,” Torbett stated. “I’m having to go to dark places to get into character and do things that I wouldn’t do myself, but portray it as the character well enough that it’s believable for the audience.”

Kaitlyn Widger is in the cast as the fiancée of Jekyll, Emma Carew. Widger said after she finishes her senior year of high school, she plans to pursue performance and music as a career. Widger was drawn to the show, in part, because York was the show’s director, and she had done some master classes with her.

“I really liked her teaching style, and I just wanted the opportunity to learn more from her,” said Widger. “I initially wasn’t planning to audition, but the night of the auditions, something told me to come. I was just expecting a chorus part, but she asked me to sing for Emma, which is challenging because she’s a soprano, and in the past I’ve been an alto. This is my first experience singing as a soprano.”

While she’s singing in a different range, Widger said the most challenging aspect of the part has been the romantic aspect of it, as she’s not used to that type of part.

“It’s been interesting getting comfortable playing the love interest of someone I didn’t really know before this show, but it’s been a great learning experience,” Widger explained.

As for the most rewarding part of the experience, Widger said it’s been opening up and

discovering her higher vocal range, as she never believed she could sing that high before.

Blair DeBolt, who plays Lucy Harris, Hyde’s love interest, is also singing in a new vocal range for the show. While she regularly sings soprano and is a trained opera singer, DeBolt said she’s enjoying the challenge of the part, despite the fact she was initially intending to audition for Emma Carew.

“Don talked to me about it during the summer and said I should audition. I didn’t think I was right for the show, but I went ahead and auditioned, and Becca asked if I was interested in doing the Lucy role. The role is completely out of my comfort zone, but the more uncomfortable I am, the better I’ll be as a person,” DeBolt commented.


Like Widger, DeBolt said singing in an entirely different range for the first time was also quite a challenge.

“I’m very comfortable in acting and finding a backstory and subtext to my character, but my voice is my identity. Switching that has made me feel super vulnerable in this role,” Widger said.

Also in the cast is Ciara Schierkolk, who plays Lady Beconsfield. Scheirkolk said she’s been enjoying playing a different type of role than she’s used to.

“I love the snootiness of the role. My character is also three times older than I am, and has a husband who’s been dead longer than I have been alive, so that’s been really fun. It’s fun to be so different from myself,” Schierkolk stated.

Also in the cast are Tommy Hanna, Steve Hydeen, Andrew Soden, Dan Crouse, Jessica Bell, Megan Smith, Kristi Hardwick, John Murren, Wendy Hardwick, Jack Murren, Julie Murren, Leann Annette Nelson, Lauryn Scott, Kay Soden, Danie Sodden, and Ethan Strunk.



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# 15 years for Glenwood's Medicap Pharmacy

**Tess Nelson**  
The Red Oak Express

Medicap Pharmacy, at 1206 S. Locust St., is celebrating 15 years in the Glenwood community. In honor of this occasion, an open house will be held throughout the day on Friday, Oct. 21, which is during National Pharmacy Week.

Medicap is owned by Masode "Mo" and the late Martha Nikseresht. Mo, who was born and raised in Iran, has been a pharmacist since 1984 and is a graduate of Creighton University.

He worked at the Medicine Chest as a pharmacist in Red Oak for 13 years before he and Martha opened the Red Oak Medicap Pharmacy in 2000. The Glenwood location followed in 2007.

"It was Martha's idea to have the second location in Glenwood," recalled Mo. "There was open land by McDonalds where she wanted to build."

While Mo kept busy at the Red Oak location, it was Martha

who managed the Glenwood location.

Not only was Martha executive operations manager, she was a diabetic shoe specialist and a certified pharmacy technician. Mo said Martha shared his passion about caring for their customers.

"It's not about the money. I take care of the patients, and they take care of me," said Mo. "My father was a pharmacist, and I worked with him when I was young. Everyone in the community loved my father as a caregiver and a pharmacist. I learned from him how to love the people, how to give care to people."

The passion to care for others through pharmacy has also been passed down to Mo and Martha's daughter, Monica, who is a pharmacist at the Glenwood location.

Mo said it is a joy to work with Monica and her husband, Matt, a pharmacist at the Red Oak location.

"Monica would come to work with me every Saturday when she was 6 or 7. She would run



Medicap Pharmacy is celebrating 15 years in the Glenwood community. Pictured are pharmacists Mo and Monica Nikseresht. (Photo Provided)

the cash register."

Her payment back then, chuckled Mo, was \$5 and lunch at Dairy Queen.

"I am a tough guy, but she has learned everything I have learned. I hope she will stay and continue. She has my help and support. She has a natural talent for business and for caring for people."

Services offered at Medicap Pharmacy in Red Oak and Glenwood include immuniza-

tions, medication therapy management, multi-dose packaging, medication synchronization, safe medication disposal, a children's vitamin program and in Glenwood, a special "Brown Bag session" with Monica where she will go over medications and supplements with you.

"I love my profession. The only thing on my mind is caring for my patients and taking care of them," said Mo.

## EM still hoping to break ground on facilities upgrade project in 2022



East Mills Community School District voters passed a \$22 million bond issue in September 2021 to fund facility upgrades in the district, including renovation of the current middle school / high school into a Pre-K to 12 building.

**Joel Stevens**  
The Opinion-Tribune

The East Mills School District still hopes to break ground on its new \$22 million facilities project this year despite initial bids coming in higher than expected.

Since narrowly passing its bond referendum in September 2021 to renovate the current high school-middle school into a consolidated pre-kindergarten through 12th grade building in Malvern, East Mills has been busy designing and developing the substantial project. Omaha-based firm Alley Poyner Macchietto is the project architect, while Boyd Jones will serve as the construction manager and Piper Sandler will handle the bond financing.

The district opened its bidding window on the project Aug. 22. When that window closed on Sept. 13, the initial bids on the project came in \$2.5 million more than the district's \$22 million bond amount, according to East Mills Superintendent Tim Hood.

While those figures are not cause for panic, Hood said the district would take 60 days to either accept or deny the submitted bids.

"We're in the process of figuring out which bid packages we're going to approve and which ones we may have to re-bid," Hood said, adding the hope is to have contracts in hand by mid-November.

"It's multiple bid packages so there will be multiple different entities that we'll deal with, but we'll have 60 days whether to approve them or re-bid," he said. "We're trying to figure out how to move forward and give the project the best coverage we can."

Hood said the district "had coverage on all of its packages," so interest in the project was high, he added.

When asked if there will be

time to break ground still this year, Hood replied, "That's our hope."

The planned \$22 million renovation to the existing junior-senior high building includes a new addition consisting of classrooms, a gymnasium, a weight room, a common space, and secure entrances that would double the size of the current building. Upgrades to the building's ADA accessibility and campus athletic fields, parking lots and site access would also be included.

The district also plans to convert its current elementary school campus (former Nishna Valley School), located along Highway 34 into a career and technical education center. The East Mills Regional Center for Career Technical Education will be a public and private partnership between the school district and multiple industry, business, education, corporate and non-profit entities.

Funding for the project will not be paid for with bond funds. Construction is expected to be completed by fall 2024.

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