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Historical marker placed at Fridolph General Store

Tess Nelson

The Red Oak Express

On Wednesday, July 27, in Nyman, a historic marker commemorating the location where the Fridolph General Store was erected.

In attendance were the great-grandchildren of Joshua and Anna Fridolph, who owned and operated the store for nearly five decades.

Dennis Wolfe of Red Oak, and his second cousins, Greg Malhoit of Raleigh, N.C.; and Tim Malhoit of Tulsa, Okla.; were the ones responsible for the historical signage.

"Our mother, Clare Fridolph, was born and raised in Nyman. As kids, Tim and I spent quite a bit of time out there," recalled Greg. "Joshua and Anna's general store was the only commercial establishment in the area to carry goods for the Swedish communities in this area."

Greg said the marker not only recognizes the family's general store, but the community of Nyman and the Fremont Lutheran Church.

Joshua Fridolph came from Swedesburg, Iowa, and settled in the Nyman area around 1880. He started digging basements to make enough money to start the Nyman General Store, said Wolfe.

"He opened the store in 1886. The store was in operation from 1886 until 1936," said Wolfe.

Wolfe explained Joshua's uncle, John Erickson, lived in Biggsville, Ill., and served in the Civil War. After the war, he moved to the area, which would eventually become Nyman.

"There was a Swedish community starting, and Joshua was told to come down," Wolfe said.

According to findagrave.com, Joshua Fridolph

was born Aug. 1, 1863, in Biggsville, Ill. He married Johanna "Anna" Sophia Olson Oct. 10, 1869, in Page County. His mother, Christina Erickson and father, Gustaf Fridolph, were born in Sweden.

Joshua and Anna would have three children, Dora, Carl and Bernard.

Montgomery County Historian Dave McFarland said Nyman, in Page County, is located on the "old post road coming up from Essex to Coburg."

McFarland said Nyman was right on the county line of Montgomery and Page County, but then gradually moved a little more south into Page County.

"Highway 48 originally came straight north out of Essex to Franklin Grove, then over to Coburg, and north to Red Oak. Later the highway turned east and then came north bypassing Coburg and not quite far enough east for Nyman. That spelled their future, but Coburg had a rail line that made a big difference, at least for a while."

Wikipedia said Nyman had a population of 22 in 1902 and 50 by 1925, with a blacksmith shop and a parochial school. The Fremont Lutheran Church, which is still in operation, was started in 1870, with church services conducted entirely in Swedish until the 1930s.

Joshua not only operated the general store, but also served as the postmaster.

"Back then the general store was a necessity. Red Oak was 10 miles away and area residents didn't have access to Clarinda or Red Oak," Wolfe said.

Additionally Joshua had his own coffee brand, "Fridolph's Delight Coffee" which he sold in Iowa, Missouri and Kansas.

"It was a very popular brand," Wolfe

said. The store closed not long after Joshua died in 1934. In 1936, his eldest son, Carl passed away



The historical marker recently placed in Nyman recognizing the Fridolph General Store. From left to right: Tim Malhoit, Greg Malhoit, Debroah Wolfe and Dennis Wolfe; all great-grandchildren of Joshua and Anna Fridolph. (Photo provided)

and Bernard moved to Red Oak, where he got involved in real estate.

Once closed, the store was dismantled and the lumber used to build a barn on one of the Fridolph family's farms. As the years went by, the Fridolph land was sold and only memories remained.

"Our purposes in placing the historic marker were to honor and preserve the memory of our family ancestors and the Nyman community, to

recognize the historic landmarks in Nyman, and to pay tribute to the pioneer Swedes who settled this beautiful and bountiful countryside. In the process of researching the history of our family and other pioneers, we were continually amazed and inspired by their courage, determination, faith, tireless efforts and commitment to community," said Greg Malhoit.

Council considers comprehensive plan update

Nick Johansen

The Red Oak Express

The Red Oak City Council is looking to proceed with an update to the city's comprehensive plan.

The plan is a legal document that serves as a basis for zoning, and is a requirement. The plans also help determine eligibility for outside funding for projects. The Southwest Iowa Planning Council offered a proposal to the council to update the plan at a cost of \$20,000. The City of Villisca has already agreed to the proposal, and the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors also accepted SWIPCO's proposal in July.

Red Oak Mayor Shawna Silvius suggested the use of American Rescue Plan act funding to pay the \$20,000 to enter into the proposal, and said she had been in contact with the Iowa State Auditor's office on whether the funding would be a viable source. City administrator Brad Wright said no.

"It would only be available to redeem lost revenue

from COVID-19, which we didn't, and haven't, so from everything I've seen, ARPA is not an option for this," Wright said.

Council Member Brian Bills said even if ARPA wasn't an option, the city could defer payment until next year and pay the cost from the general fund.

Council Member Tim Fridolph was in agreement with the idea to defer the payment until next year.

"My suggestion would be to do the resolution, get the process started with them, and then we can put it into next year's budget. That seems to make the most sense, and they're willing to defer that," commented Fridolph.

Fridolph added with the City of Villisca and the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors agreeing to proceed with their own upgrades, now was the time for Red Oak to proceed.

Wright said the next step would be to review a contract from SWIPCO to perform the services.

COUNCIL, Page 7A



Red Oak City Council Members Pete Wemhoff, Scott Keith, and Tim Fridolph, pictured from left, listen to discussion during a recent meeting of the city council. (Nick Johansen/The Red Oak Express)

Childcare center coming to Griswold

Tess Nelson

The Red Oak Express

Funding for a Griswold Childcare Development Center has really taken off. According to Noble Initiative Foundation Board President Jared Wyman, nearly 70-percent of the funding for the project has been raised through private donations and grant funding.

According to Wyman, 2.3 million dollars needs to be raised to cover campaign costs, building construction and some initial operating expenses. So far, 1.6 million dollars has been raised; that leaves 684,000 dollars to reach their campaign goal.

Volunteer teams continue to seek private donations, write grants, and hold fundraising events. Donations can be sent directly to the Noble Initiative Foundation, P.O. Box 103, Griswold, 51535.

Wyman explained the Noble Initiative Foundation was formed in 2018 after the Noble Center United Methodist Church closed its doors and donated the remaining funds to develop a local childcare center serving Griswold families and the surrounding communities.

The new Childcare Development Center will be located south of the Griswold School football field and bus barn on east side of Harrison Street – well within walking distance.

Construction will begin this fall, with the facility set to open in the summer of 2024.

Wyman said the 8,800 square foot



facility will have four classrooms and a half gymnasium. It will be capable of serving up to 100 children from 6 weeks old to 12 years old, including a separate area for before and after school care for elementary age kids. The childcare center will provide year-round childcare, including full-time, drop-in, and before/after school care. Hours of operation are anticipated to be 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

He added the facility will include a secure entrance system with a doorbell entry camera system and check-in reception area to arrange the drop-off and pick-up of children. Emergency floodlights, a fire safety system, and a tornado shelter will be included, said Wyman.

He added the development center is a small part of a larger plan to spur economic growth in Griswold.

"We hope to (1) increase student retention in the Griswold School district by providing quality childcare, (2) strengthen our local economy, and (3) support the local workforce by allowing parents to pursue employment and profes-

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Paradise addresses board on pipeline services

Nick Johansen

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The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors received a second proposal for pipeline inspection services at its meeting July 26.

The supervisors met with two representatives from Snyder & Associates Engineering: Kristina Paradise, construction technician with the Fort Dodge office, and Dave Sturm, business unit leader with the Atlantic office.

Paradise said they have spoken with seven counties so far about inspection services, and five counties have entered into a contract for services. While Paradise said she is the main point of contact, all of the services to Montgomery County would be provided by the Atlantic office. Paradise also said she had a lot of empathy for the landowners.

"I will be the person the pipeline will call for inspections, and then I will direct Dave Sturm to dispatch his people to the location," Paradise said. "As for the project, I'm aware there is a lot of controversy, and we intend to inspect this project like it was being done to our own property."

Paradise said the first step would be to have a community meeting with the landowners to exchange contact information. Paradise said they could contact her day or night with concerns.

Paradise said if the supervisors did not have a resolution in place regarding certain aspects of the pipeline project, she encouraged them to do so.

"The resolution should specify the depth of cover over this pipeline, what's going to happen with your drainage tiles. I encourage you to spell all of that out, and I have some examples I can send to you to use as a model. Pocahontas County has a good one that they just put into place," said Paradise.

Supervisor Mark Peterson advised they didn't have a specific tiling engineer for the county, so Paradise confirmed if they were selected as the inspector, that was another aspect of the project they could oversee. Also, Snyder & Associates had the ability to



Kristina Paradise discusses inspection services with the county supervisors on July 26. (Nick Johansen/The Red Oak Express)

issue stop work orders if needed.

"If the work is not proceeding according to specification, we will stop them, we will correct them, and they will have to re-do the work that was not done according to spec," Paradise advised. "If we have a violation, we write it up, turn it over to the supervisors, and then you take it to the Iowa Utilities Board."

Supervisor Mike Olson asked if Snyder would be engaging in stockpiling the topsoil, so it could be moved off to the side, redressed, and replaced. Paradise confirmed that was the standard process for Snyder.

Supervisors Randy Cooper asked what fees were required to be paid for by the county. Paradise said all costs should be covered by the pipeline company.

"The pipeline pays for the county inspector 100%. We will bill you. You will take the

bill to the pipeline company, and once the pipeline pays you, you pay us. There may be some engineering fees prior to the start of the project, and the pipeline company would be billed for them eventually. However, if the pipeline doesn't pay it, the county is not on the hook for any of it," explained Paradise.

While the county will have a contract with Snyder, Paradise made it clear that all fees would be collected from the pipeline company, and if there were fees, they would be paid if the pipeline was constructed or not. Paradise reiterated that if the pipeline didn't go forward and fees were generated, the county would not have to pay any of them.

The supervisors took no further action, and discussion and a selection of the engineering firm is expected at a future meeting of the supervisors.

County's solar ordinance effective upon publication

Nick Johansen

The Red Oak Express

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors has made its solar ordinance official.

The supervisors held a second public hearing on the proposed ordinance changes. Nick Summers, policy assistant for the Center For Rural Affairs shared thoughts on the ordinance changes, and felt they were for the better.

"These projects have demonstrated significant potential to generate new tax revenue, additional income for landowners, and temporary and long-term jobs in rural areas," Summers said. "It's important that counties create a balanced solar ordinance in advance of proposed development. The time and effort that Montgomery County has put into crafting an ordinance that balances the interests of community members and developers is prescient, and the recent proposed changes show a commitment to developing an ordinance that works well for all affected parties."



Maggie McQuown comments during the supervisors meeting on the positive changes to the solar ordinance. (Nick Johansen/Red Oak Express)

Summers also issued praise for the inclusion of a provision for periodic updates to the decommissioning plan.

"This allows for a more effective and responsive plan that can adapt to any changes that could occur over the lifespan of the project. The requirement

of a road use agreement helps to protect important infrastructure that local residents rely on."

Summers felt setbacks were a key part of any solar siting ordinance, and 100-200 foot setbacks from occupied residences for utility-scale solar installations are ideal for balancing the interests of landowners and developers.

"The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors have been diligent in responding to the concerns of their constituents and other stakeholders. At the end of this deliberative process, I'm confident that the result will be a balanced and effective ordinance that allows the county and its residents to take advantage of the benefits of solar development," stated Summers.

Maggie McQuown, who was present at the meeting, offered her own praise for the efforts on the ordinance.

"As a member of the board of adjustment, I commend the zoning board and the supervisors for revisiting the ordinance. I don't feel the ordinance was written as strongly as it could have been initially, but now I feel that we've gotten things put in place and the comments from the Center for Rural Affairs are very valid," commented McQuown.

No other public comments were made. The supervisors approved the second reading of the proposed solar ordinance, and waived the third reading, making the ordinance effective upon publication.

The supervisors also approved the request for the use of American Rescue Plan funding for the new lighting at the Montgomery County Law Enforcement Center, at a cost of \$25,851. The lighting project was proposed to pay for itself in cost savings in roughly three and a half years.

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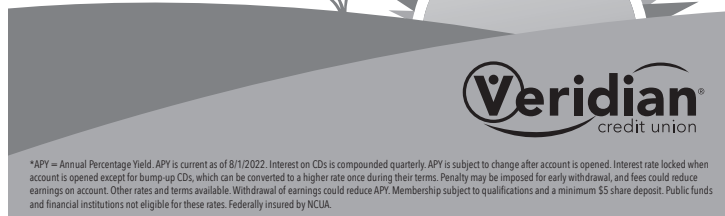
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BEVERLY O'ROURKE, 88

Beverly Jeanne O'Rourke, 88, died July 26, 2022, at the Good Samaritan Center in Fontanelle. Beverly O'Rourke was born May 10, 1934, in Cedar Rapids, the daughter of Arthur and Blossom (Cherry) Tufts. Beverly graduated from Frederika High School in 1951.

She was married to Wallace Aegerter in 1951. Four children were born to this union, and they later divorced. Beverly married Terrance "Irish" O'Rourke in 1963, in Villisca. The couple made their home in southwest Iowa where Beverly worked at Coming Nursing and Rehab Center. She was also a farm wife and bookkeeper at an implement store.



Beverly enjoyed music, crafts, genealogy, animals, taking care of her grandkids, going to garage sales, driving, and reading.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; two sons, Ricki Jae O'Rourke and Michael Shane O'Rourke; a grandson, Shawn O'Rourke; a great-grandson, Kylan O'Rourke; a brother, Jack Tufts; and a brother-in-law, Gary Hughes.

Beverly is survived by five children, Kim (Teresa) O'Rourke of Greenfield; Tamara Tufts of Corsicana, Texas; Jina (Edd) Roberson of Corsicana, Texas; Teri Shannon (Michael) Atherley of Oelwein; and Sharon (Richard) Boykin of Trenton, S.C.; a sister, Judy Hughes; a brother, Terry (Carole) Tufts; a sister-in-law, Carol Tufts; 16 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

The funeral was Monday, Aug. 1, 2022, at Central Christian Church in Waterloo, followed by the burial in Garden of Memories Cemetery.

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

- Lester Klyn, President and Klyn Investments Inc. to Northglenn IV #504 MO Trust, Red Oak Original Plat Blk 46 Lt 5.
- Peter Forsman, CFO and Forsman Farms Inc. to Darrel Schipansky, 29-71-36.
- Martin and Cathryn Jones to Cooplin LLC, Red Oak Original Plat Blk 72 Lt 10-11.
- Christina Wessel to Michel and Judith Cuypers, 27-72-38.
- Max and Gweneth Hossle to Max and Gweneth Hossle, 34-71-38, 33-71-37, 33-71-38, 7-71-38, 18-71-38.

TRUSTEE'S DEED

- Marion Burnside Revocable Trust and Marion Burnside, Trustee to Mary Kort, Red Oak Oak Hill SD Lt 13.

COURT OFFICER'S DEED

- James Miller Estate and Michael Miller to Cade Pelzer, Red Oak Petersons Addition Lt 5.
- Delores Gillespie Estate and Monica Fine, Executor to Jeremiah and Diana Foote, Red Oak Frederickson 1st Addition Lt 4.

QUIT CLAIM DEED

- Patricia Long to Paula Forward, Red Oak Original Plat Blk 57 Lt 10.
- Kristine Martin to Daniel Martin, 3-71-37 Lt 19 Valhall Hills SD, Stanton Valhalla Hills SD Lt 19.

MORTGAGE

- Kevin and Charlene Newberg to Cornerstone Bank, Villisca

- Redmon's Addition Lt 22-24.
- Mary and Willie Kort to Houghton State Bank, Red Oak Oak Hill SD Lt 13.
 - Cade Pelzer to Houghton State Bank, Red Oak Petersons Addition Lt 5.
 - Bradley Shain, President, Scorpion 4 Inc. and Fit 4 Life to Glenwood State Bank, Red Oak Quinby Addition Blk 8 Lt 8.
 - Jeremiah and Diana Foote to Bank Iowa, Red Oak Frederickson 1st Addition Lt 4.
 - LaDonna and Harold Ros-sander to Houghton State Bank, 32-72-36 Lt 1.
 - Paul Mertz, Chairman President, Paul Mertz, Moderator, and First Baptist Church of Red Oak to Houghton State Bank, 27-72-38.
 - Lathan and Cheryl Gray to First Interstate Bank, 17-72-36.
 - Michel and Judith Cuypers to Bank Iowa, 27-72-38.

MOD/AMENDMENT OF MORTGAGE

- Brandon and Nicole Bruning to First National Bank in Creston, 30-72-36.
- Brandon and Nicole Bruning to First National Bank in Creston 30-72-36.
- Kevin and Stephanie Hale to Bank Iowa, 28-72-38.

SMALL CLAIMS

- Junction Rental vs. Alice and PJ Bradway, Red Oak, judgment in favor of the plaintiff, \$732 plus costs. Defendant shall pay \$61 per month beginning Aug. 1, 2022.
- General Collection Co. vs. Brooke Adams, Stanton, dismissed without prejudice.
- OneMain Financial Group, LLC vs. Kiel Franzen, Stanton, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, \$3,929.80 plus costs.
- Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC vs. Arlin Top, Villisca, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, \$628.60 plus costs.
- MM Finance LLC DBA EZ Money Check Cashing vs. Chas-ity Anyway, Council Bluffs, \$315, with 4.82% interest from July 21 plus costs.
- Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC vs. Michelle Ludewig, Villisca, judgment in favor of the plaintiff, \$991.94 plus costs.
- Montgomery County Sheriff vs. Cory Smith, Elliott, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, \$450, with 4.82% interest from

- July 21.
- IowaRents.com vs. Damian Barr and Destynie Saldana, Red Oak, judgment in favor of the plaintiff, costs of action and costs accrued on writ of possession.

ARRESTS

- Filed July 27, Brook Moon, 23, Red Oak, breach of peace, \$300 bond.
- Filed July 27, Ali Muham-mad, 25, Des Moines, possession of controlled substance – mari-juana first offense, person ineli-gible to carry dangerous weapons, \$1,000 bond.

CRIMINAL

- Aggravated, State of Iowa vs. Dylan Taylor, 26, Clarinda, driv-ing while barred, \$855 fine.
- Felony, State of Iowa vs. Jesse Schleip, 30, Red Oak, con-trolled substance violation, pled guilty, 10 years prison, suspend-ed, time served, \$1,370 fine, two years probation.
- Felony, State of Iowa vs. Troy Dangler, 51, Emerson, unau-thorized possession of offensive weapons, possession of con-trolled substance – marijuana first offense.
- Simple misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Phoebe Johnson, 19, possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Simple misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Jesse Luft, 31, Vil-lisca, violation of no contact/pro-protective order – contempt.
- Simple misdemeanor, City of Red Oak vs. Brook Moon, 23, Red Oak, breach of peace.

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- State of Iowa vs. Brendon Froisland, Clatonia, Neb., viola-tion of probation, dismissed.

TRAFFIC

- Megan Manzer, Red Oak, operation without registration card or plate.
- Richard Jenkins, Red Oak, no valid driver's license.
- Markus Johnson, Red Oak, operating non-registered vehicle.
- Noah Comer, New Market, operating non-registered vehicle
- Deng Bulis, Osceola, speed-ing.
- John Dahlke, Red Oak, regis-tration violation, no valid driver's license.
- Lisa Linden, Red Oak, regis-

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- Jonathan Comstock, Omaha, speed.
 - Janteice Holston, Holly Grove, Ark., speeding.
 - Chad Hill, Red Oak, no valid driver's license.
 - Jamal Ballew, Grimes, speed-ing.
 - Michael LaFollette, Red Oak, failure to maintain or use safety belts.
 - Jackson Kelly, Villisca, speeding.
 - Megan Manzer, Red Oak, operation of motor vehicle with expired license.
 - Martin Frazier, Des Moines, driving while license denied, sus-pended, cancelled or revoked.
 - Savanna Schenck, Shenando-ah, driving while license denied, suspended, cancelled or revoked.

ACCIDENTS

- On July 26, at 5 p.m., Red Oak Police officers investigated a two-vehicle accident on North Broadway. Cheyenne Meek, 31, Red Oak, driving a 2018 Ford Fusion owned by Randy and Patty Meek, was traveling north on Broadway. Michelle Shuffler, 40, Red Oak, driving a 2006 Ford Escape XLT owned by Aaliyah Lemus, was also traveling north on Broadway. The Shuffler vehi-cle stopped at the red light at the intersection with Corning Street. The Meek vehicle, which was behind the Shuffler vehicle, did not stop and struck the Shuffler vehicle, causing \$7,000 damage to the Meek vehicle and \$4,000 dam-age to the Shuffler vehicle. There were no injuries and both vehicles were towed from the scene. No citations were issued.
- On July 27, at 3:57 p.m., Red Oak Police officers investi-gated a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of North 1st and Reed streets. Karl Bormann, 63, Red Oak, driving a 2015 Jeep Wrangler Sport, was traveling north on 1st Street and failed to yield at the intersection with Reed Street while making a left-hand turn, striking a 2003 Buick Cen-tury driven by Dawn Palmer, 40, Shenandoah, which was traveling south on 1st Street. Damage to the Bormann vehicle was about \$500, while damage to the Palmer vehi-cle was about \$4,500 and it was considered a total loss. Bormann was issued a warning for failure to yield upon left hand turn.

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News tip? Call Nick at 712-623-2566 or email news@redoakexpress.com.

SWV ECEC hosts summer BBQ event for families



Southwest Valley Early Childhood Education Center West closed out the month of July with a summer family BBQ. The event was a huge hit with face painting, cotton candy, food, bounce houses, and games. (Photo submitted)

Drake spring 2022 graduates

The following local students graduated from Drake University at the end of the spring 2022 semester.

Juhianna Boeye, of Red Oak, received a Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology/Sociology and Art History; Leonardine Mueller Utecht, Master of Jurisprudence, Compliance & Risk Management

East Mills students awarded more than \$20,000 in scholarships

The Malvern Community Student Loan Fund awarded \$22,000 in scholarships and \$10,000 in low-interest loans in 2022 to graduates of East Mills High School.

- Ann Barrett received the annual Allen Scheel Memorial Scholarship of \$2,500.

- The annual Richard G. Chaney Scholarship of \$2,500 was awarded to Ashlyn Curts.

- Lilly Proctor received the Ruth Heskett & Keith Henderson Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,500, the Jo Anna Perkins Character & Kindness Scholarship for \$1,000, and a scholarship in honor of the Lakin family for \$2,500.

- Madilynn Marburger received the Marjorie P. Lyman scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 as well as a scholarship in the amount of \$1,500.

- Kaylee Vandenberg received a scholarship in honor of the Lakin family for \$2,500.

Other scholarship recipients include:

- Tyler Prokop, \$1,500.
- Emma Williams, \$1,500.
- Andrew Jackson, \$1,000.
- Daniel McMullen, \$1,000.
- Shade Pickard - \$1,000.

In addition to this year's five loans totaling \$10,000, there are currently outstanding low interest loans to 27 former high school graduates in the amount of \$70,595.

From July 2021 to June 2022, borrowers repaid \$9,990. The Malvern Community Student Loan Fund depends on those continuous repayments to keep the revolving fund solvent.

Since its beginning in 1959, students have received loans totaling approximately \$639,700.

Twenty-three individuals were honored with memorial gifts this year. Memorial gifts and donations are particularly appreciated because they and the repayments enable the organization to fulfill the new loan applications as well as provide scholarships.

In the past year, memorials were established or added to a number of names, including:

Dixie Benton, Wava Bowley, Don Davis, Bill Hays, Lavina Johnson, LaVerne Obrecht, Richard Primrose, Julie Rohlfs, Cleta Salyers, Marjean Sargent, Bobby Stille, Betty Stortenbecker, Betty Wolfe, Bill and Claire Zanders, and Ralph and Florence Zanders.

RO FFA wins at Page County Fair



Red Oak FFA members Tyler Beeson, Cloie Bruce, Lainey DeVries, and Kennedy DeVries, pictured from left, took first place in livestock judging at the Page County Fair July 28. (Photo submitted)

RO District offering preschool jump start program

Red Oak Community Schools is excited to offer Jump Start Preschool camp for those students entering preschool.

Preschool camp gives students an opportunity to participate in morning at preschool. The camp will be one day and will run from 9-10:30. A snack will be provided.

Preschool Jump Start is Aug. 10 or 11. Parents can call Inman Elementary at 623-6635 if they have questions or need help registering.

VIEWPOINTS

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From squash to flight training

Recent columns about gardening and guineas prompted a phone call and a couple of letters.

The caller was interested in acquiring enough of Spero's open-pollinated sweet corn to try next year.

I'm glad to give it to her, and anyone else as long as it lasts.

One letter was from a reader who grows zucchini in cat-litter buckets.

He said the plants are yielding well and asked if I wanted a few.

The offer, I suspect, was a half-joking gesture from one grower to another, extended with little hope of acceptance. Coincidentally, the letter arrived a day after relatives from out-of-state were here for the weekend.

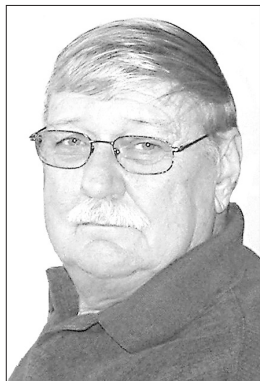
Before they left I was able to slip a few oversize zooks into their back seat, hoping they wouldn't notice until well on their way.

Zucchini brings out our generosity. By mid-summer those who garden become zucchini philanthropists.

We'll even give you recipes, of which we have plenty because we never stop looking for ways to get rid of it.

The letter writer also had experience with guinea fowl, which he remembers as tree-top watch dogs and unruly disruptors of farming activities.

I'll not delve into the other gardening letter, but wonder if some subscribers would welcome their



type on the editorial page; if only occasionally.

Of late the typical published letter is a political essay from the left.

Notes sent in response to this column are more like short posts from home; hand-written, usually positive and often nostalgic.

Although not intended for publication they bring a smile, sometimes a different perspective, and both are refreshing.

In mid-July wife and I were enjoying sunrise and coffee on the deck when a cluster of 8-10 birds flew directly at us, chattering harshly.

All but one veered away at the last moment. The little kamikaze shot between her and I, buzzing the tabletop, then thumped squarely into a sliding glass door.

I picked up a stunned little guy. He looked at us with wide-set eyes as dark as his feathers; feathers so black and glossy they had a purple sheen. He trembled, probably terrified, but seemed unharmed.

We debated. This has happened before and we left the trainee to recover, waiting for parents to persuade the fledgling to make a course correction

and try again.

This one, though, seemed fragile and quite small and Kat lurked below.

I gave the bird to wife and she followed me down the stairs, through the walk-out basement door and 50 feet to the nearest bird-pole.

We have three and no idea which he came from, or which of the gourds that hang from each, but a purple martin colony is a social group understanding of children not their own.

I lowered the rack, wife set the youngster on a porch and he scurried inside. Parents followed when the rack was raised, and as far as we know this episode ended well.

Such is not always the case.

July is the best month for people to watch martins. For martins it is, I suspect, their most hectic period, and a very risky time for babies.

We see little ones peer out in late June and early July, crowding the entry to be first to meet incoming parents bringing bugs.

As days pass one will venture onto the porch. Others soon follow. The outside perch is small.

Fifteen feet to the ground must look like a long drop, and I suspect they know that down there is danger. They've had opportunities to see Kat, who watches them and waits.

Adults swarm around Kat when he comes near. He's a veteran, though, knows they can't harm him

and pays no attention. He sits, licking his paws and looking up at them.

Youngsters, one by one, take the plunge. Some do better than others, but even the best need time to hone their technique.

By early August they're taking longer flights, sometimes gone all day, flying higher, hunting, gaining experience and building strength for a journey some of them will not survive.

Usually they remain until September, but last year a horned owl drove them away in late August.

Owl swooped from our rooftop to take at least two, the cat got two babies that I know of, and two adults died of no apparent external reason (perhaps from consuming insects laced with chemicals, or maybe just old age).

I'd find a home for the cat and pop the owl, but wife is attached to Kat as much as game wardens are to owls.

There's nothing I can do about chemicals and old age, but we can give the birds a place to nest. They raised 15-18 youngsters last year, about the same this year, and soon they'll depart for Brazil.

Summer, too hot and dry, is winding down.

Roy Marshall is a local historian and columnist for the Red Oak Express. He can be contacted at news@redoakexpress.com.

Wearin comments on State Auditor Sands' visit to the Red Oak community

To the Editor:

Rob Sand, State Auditor of Iowa, was in Red Oak last Thursday, July 21, morning as part of his Townhall Tour of Iowa. About a dozen people were present to speak in person to our state official.

Mr. Sand emphasized the bipartisan make up of his office as well as the ability to live and work outside of Des Moines.

Mr. Sand noted that abuse of power makes him mad and his office is more aggressive than it used to be. He believes in truth, integrity, and account-

ability in the use of public funds.

Mr. Sand talked about the PIE program, Public Innovation and Efficiency. Public agencies can submit an entry reporting on what they have done to become more efficient and to save money. Entry forms can be found at auditor.iowa.gov/pie. Selected agencies may be awarded an actual pie delivered by Mr. Sand. "Recipes" for efficiency are also available through the website. This program has been copied and implemented by the state auditor of Mississippi.

Mr. Sand also talked about the Clean School

Bus Program which offers funding for public schools to replace old school buses with zero or low emission models. This is part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and is a federal program, not managed by the states. Information is available if you search Clean School Bus.

Mr. Sand also warned about a scam which tries to get your personal information regarding direct deposits. This happened to him but the office which writes his paycheck called him to check on whether he really wanted to make that change, which he did not.

When asked about the privatized Medicaid program, Mr. Sand noted that there has been an 89% increase in illegal denials of care in Iowa. They were found to be illegal when people appealed the denial. In a survey of Medicaid recipients, less than 10% said access or quality had improved under the new program.

Mr. Sand also spoke with individuals about their concerns. And then Mr. Sand went on to the next stop on his state wide tour.

*Elizabeth Wearin
Red Oak*

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Community Calendar

4 August

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Red Oak area career fair at the RO Southwestern Community College campus, 2300 N. 4th St.
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.

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

4-7 p.m., Red Oak Farmers Market, Fountain Square Park.
5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Parent and tot swim lessons at the Montgomery County Family YMCA, infants six to 18 months from 5:30 to 6 p.m., toddlers from 19 months to three years from 6 to 6:30 p.m.

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

5 August

9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Bella Notte Pampered Artist retreat and open studio, 504 E. Reed St.

1 p.m., First Friday Friends featuring Kylen Hunt, Corning Opera House, 800 Davis Ave., Corning.

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

6- to 9 p.m., B Side 3 performance at the Five One 8, 518 N. 4th St.

7 p.m., “Lightyear,” theatre #1; “Jurassic World Dominion,” theatre #2; Red Oak Grand Theatre.

7:30 p.m. “Matilda,” presented by Mills Masquers, 56543 221st Street, Glenwood.

6 August

9 a.m. to noon, Red Oak Farmers Market, Fountain Square Park.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Bella Notte Pampered Artist retreat and open studio, 504 E. Reed St.

6:30 to 9:30 p.m., Kustom Sweets & Eats at Fika Coffee Bar, ribbon cutting and grand opening event, 313 Broad Ave., Stanton.

7 p.m., “Lightyear,” theatre #1; “Jurassic World Dominion” the-

atre #2; Red Oak Grand Theatre.
7:30 p.m. “Matilda,” presented by Mills Masquers, 56543 221st Street, Glenwood.

7 August

2 and 7 p.m., “Lightyear,” theatre #1; “Jurassic World Dominion,” theatre #2; Red Oak Grand Theatre.

2 p.m. “Matilda,” presented by Mills Masquers, 56543 221st Street, Glenwood.

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

8 August

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 p.m., Red Oak School Board meeting, Red Oak Junior/Senior High School, or via Zoom.

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

9 August

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.

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Parent and tot swim lessons at the Montgomery County Family YMCA, infants six to 18 months from 5:30 to 6 p.m., toddlers from 19 months to three years from 6 to 6:30 p.m.

10 August

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.



RO Elks adds new members

Red Oak Elks Lodge #1304 recently added two new members to the organization, Bryce Harrison, left, and Tender Lehman, center. The pair was joined for the photo by the lodge’s Exalted Ruler, Brad Baker. (Photo submitted)

SWCC hosting career fair Aug. 4

Area job seekers are encouraged to attend the Red Oak Area Career Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Southwestern Community College campus at 2300 N. 4th St. in Red Oak.

Applicants will get the chance to meet and potentially interview with the hiring individuals from local area businesses, and see what career opportunities are available in Southwest



Iowa. The event is being coordinated through IowaWORKS.

No registration is required. Southwest Iowa Transit Authority will be offering free rides to individuals in the Red Oak area. Anyone needing a bus ride can call 800-842-8065 to schedule a ride.

Anyone with questions or needing further information or assistance is encouraged to call IowaWORKS at 641-782-2119.

Grace Baptist Church hosting VBS

Grace Baptist Church of Red Oak, 1510 N. 6th St. will have Vacation Bible School from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Aug. 7 through 10 for children completing kindergarten through the 6th grade. Registration begins at 6:15 p.m.

This year’s theme is “Kookaburra Coast, God’s

Eternal Glory.” There will be competition between the Blue and Red teams. Each night will include singing, Bible time, prizes, refreshments, a missionary story and much more

For more information, call Grace Baptist Church at 623-9615, or leave a message.

RO Lanes league meetings this week

Red Oak Lanes has scheduled multiple league meetings and signups for youth bowling.

A women’s league meeting is scheduled at 12:30 p.m. Aug. 4 at the lanes at 1663 200th St.

Mixed league meetings are also scheduled at the lanes at 1663 200th St. The Friday Night Mixed League meeting is at 7 p.m. Aug 5, and the Dick and Pat Myers League meeting is at 6 p.m. Aug. 7.

Youth signup and registration is also underway from now until Sept. 8. There are individual



groups for 2nd and 3rd grades, 4th and 5th grades, 6th through 8th grades, and 9th through 12 grades. Cost to sign up is \$8.

Everyone is invited to attend. Call 623-9877 with any questions.

Senior Menu

Thursday, Aug. 4: BBQ rib patty on a hot dog bun, hamburger dill slices, sweet potato puffs, baked beans, cookie, milk/coffee.

Friday, Aug. 5: Salisbury steak with brown gravy, parslid potatoes, peas, bread slice, fresh seasonal

fruit, milk/coffee.

Monday, Aug. 8: Sloppy joe sandwich on a hamburger bun, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, pudding, milk/coffee.

Tuesday, Aug. 9: Chicken salad sandwich on white bread, pasta

salad, cucumber tomato salad with dressing, cookie, milk/coffee.

Wednesday, Aug. 10: Ham and beans, savory cooked carrots, green beans, corn bread slice, sliced peaches, 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.

Farmers market vouchers for seniors

Connections Area Agency on Aging still has Senior Farmer’s Market vouchers available for this program, seniors meeting income requirements can obtain vouchers that they can use at participating area farmers markets to buy \$30 worth of fresh, locally grown produce.

To request an application call 800-432-9209 extension 8888 and leave a message with a name and phone number.

Applications will be mailed out every Thursday with an addressed return envelope. Once they receive completed applications, vouchers will be

mailed out to applicant.

- Program Criteria:
- Must be at least 60 years of age or older
 - Annual income must be less than \$25,142, single; \$33,874, married
 - When a staff member returns your call, please indicate whether you are applying as an individual or a married couple.

Those interested in the program are expressly urged to leave only one message per individual or couple. Multiple calls will only delay the application process.

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 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, Rev. David MacDonald, Worship, 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday School for kindergarten-adults, 10:45 a.m. Wednesday activities: JUMP, Pre-K grade 4, 4-5:20 p.m. or 6-7:20 p.m. SHOUT, grades 5-6, 4-5:30 p.m. EXIT, grades 7-12, 7-8:30 p.m. **Online:** 9 a.m. on KCSI, 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Facebook, also Youtube/Red Oak Faith Community Church.

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, Minister David Haynes, 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., evening service 4 p.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, Rev. Eric Kutzi, Worship, 9:30 a.m. with no Sunday School. **Online:** 9:30 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. 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; 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, Rev. Jenn 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.

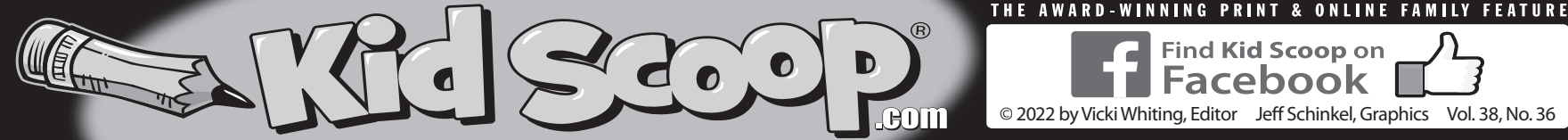
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Jacques Cousteau



Jacques Cousteau introduced people to the beauty of the undersea world.

When he was four years old, Jacques Cousteau learned to swim. Little did his family know that swimming would lead him to a life of adventure, discovery and joy.



Find a cup, pencil, glove and hat hidden here!

One day, while swimming at a beach, a friend gave Jacques a pair of goggles with rubber rims to keep out water. With these, Jacques was able to see fish, shells, plants—a whole new world under the sea.

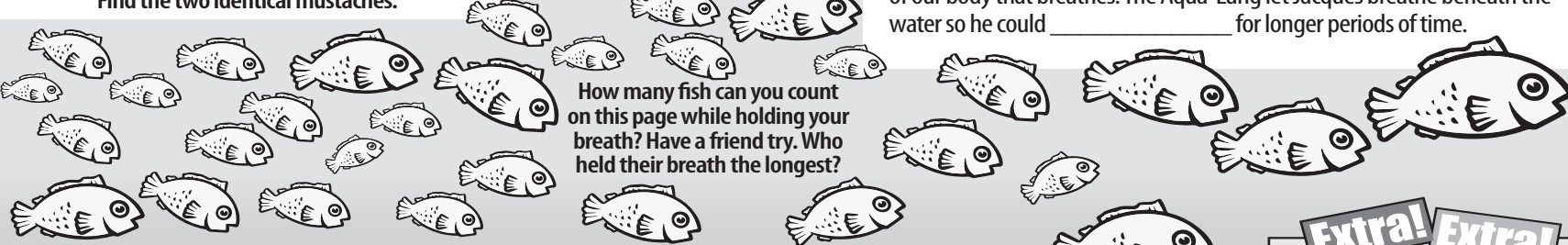
Movie Kid

Jacques loved movies. But not just to watch them. He wanted to make them. At 13 years old, Jacques saved his allowance, penny by penny, until he could buy a small home-movie camera.



Find the two identical mustaches.

Then he made as many movies as he could. He liked to dress up as a villain with a painted-on mustache.



How many fish can you count on this page while holding your breath? Have a friend try. Who held their breath the longest?

Explorer, Moviemaker, Environmentalist

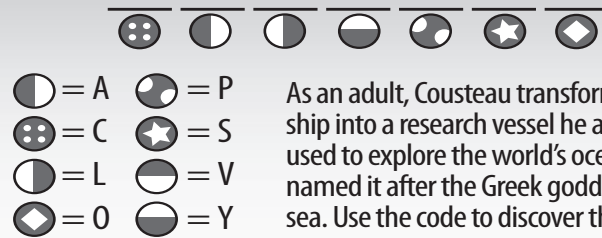
As Jacques Cousteau spent longer periods of time underwater, he could make longer, more informative movies. Soon, his movies were getting attention and awards around the world. People wanted more.

He needed a boat to travel and explore bodies of water around the world. He found a used naval ship and turned it into an explorer's ship.

For the rest of his life, Jacques traveled the world, explored, studied and made films about the wonders of the underwater world.

Sadly, as time went on, Jacques saw underwater plants and animals dying. He saw that when people dumped garbage and chemicals into the ocean, it poisoned the animals and plants he loved so much.

He started to make movies to warn people of the dangers of pollution. His movies have raised money and helped people understand the importance of saving our oceans.



As an adult, Cousteau transformed a navy ship into a research vessel he and his crew used to explore the world's oceans. He named it after the Greek goddess of the sea. Use the code to discover the name.

In the Navy

Replace the missing words.

CATCHING JAR HOLDING UNDERWATER

After high school, Jacques _____ the Navy. With his movie camera, he filmed pearl divers and men _____ fish with their bare hands. Soon he put his movie camera inside a waterproof _____ and filmed movies of the wonders under the sea.

The more time Jacques spent _____, the longer he wanted to stay. He and his friends practiced _____ their breath for longer and longer times.

But Jacques wanted more _____ underwater. To be able to do that, he invented something that would let him _____ underwater. He called it the Aqua-Lung. **Aqua** means water, and our **lungs** are the part of our body that breathes. The Aqua-Lung let Jacques breathe beneath the water so he could _____ for longer periods of time.

Extra! Extra! Explore the News

Look through your newspaper to find:

- ☐ Something that needs water.
- ☐ A place you'd like to visit someday.
- ☐ Five numbers that add up to 100.
- ☐ A picture of an animal.
- ☐ A headline that is three inches wide.

Standards Link: Use a variety of media including newspapers.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Jacques Cousteau's invention of the Aqua-Lung allowed more and more people to explore and enjoy the wonders of the underwater world. The Aqua-Lung would eventually be called SCUBA gear. Today, millions of people worldwide enjoy SCUBA diving.

CROSS OUT THE LETTERS Z AND Y TO REVEAL WHAT SCUBA MEANS:

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Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

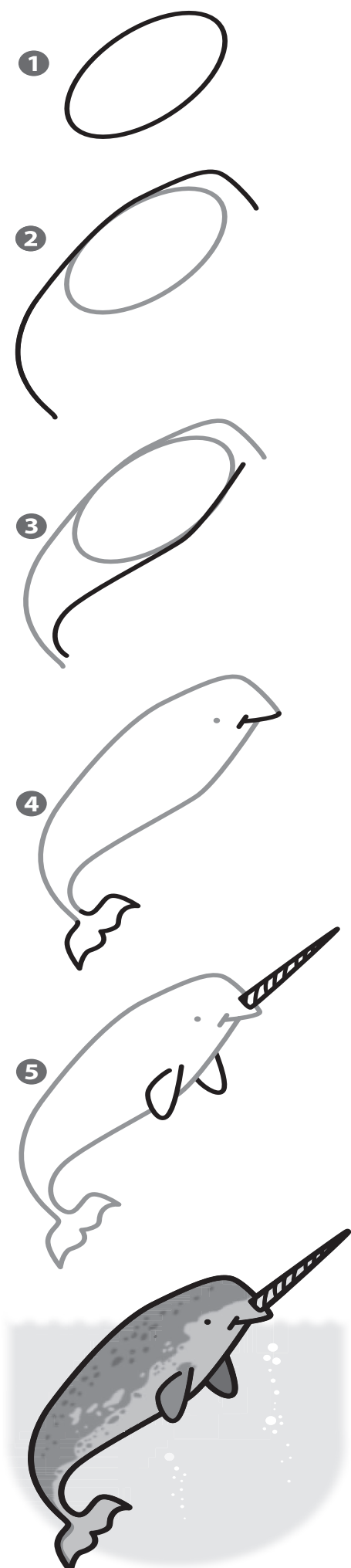
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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop Together

How to Draw a Narwhal

Cousteau and his crew saw many unusual creatures on their voyages around the world. Follow the steps to draw a narwhal.



Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **WATERPROOF**

The adjective **waterproof** describes something that prevents water from contacting an object.

Once dried, the **waterproof** ink did not smear when the drawing was painted.

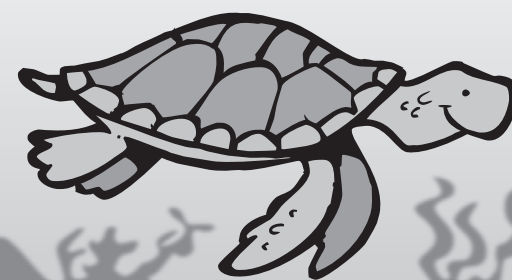
Try to use the word **waterproof** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Science in the News

Look through the newspaper for an article about scientific developments or research. Find the answers: Who are the scientists conducting the research? What kind of science is involved? How will this help humans?

Standards Link: Cite evidence in text to respond to questions.



Why do sea turtles like to swim in salt water?

ANSWER: Because pepper water makes them sneeze!

Write On! Explorer's Journal

Pretend you are exploring a country you have never visited. Where would you go? Write a journal entry.

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Deep discussions

Mark Jackson, middle, and Audie Rainey, right, members of the Downtown Urban Renewal Board, listen to Randall Wilson about the updating being done to the city's website. (Nick Johansen/Red Oak Express)



Swearing in

Montgomery County Supervisors Chair Mark Peterson, left, swears in newly-appointed Montgomery County Auditor Jill Ozuna during the supervisors meeting July 26. Ozuna began her duties Aug. 1. (Nick Johansen/The Red Oak Express)

GRISWOLD

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professional opportunities," Wyman explained. "According to a survey distributed to the greater Griswold area in 2018," said Wyman, "84 children in our area under the age of 4 need child care. Thirty-five percent of families don't have adequate child care, and 75% of households miss work due to disruptions in child care services. Forty-three percent of households turn down a promotion, or expanded unemployment due to a lack of child care. We currently only have a few in-home child care providers in the area, leaving several families to seek child care out of town." Volunteers are also needed. Anyone interested in volunteering can email griswoldtiger-childcare@gmail.com.

Blays praised by Rainey at meeting

Nick Johansen
The Red Oak Express

The Red Oak Downtown Urban Renewal Board met for its regular monthly meeting July 27. DUR Chairman Roger Vial said two projects were under consideration for first round grant approval, the first being a new request from the Red Oak Elks Lodge #1304, in the amount of \$872. "They replaced the sewer line under their building and out of their building. My guess is that they had some sort of sewer line collapse. The total cost of the project was \$3,490, and the work was completed by Jones Mechanical. I have all of the documentation," Vial said. The DUR Board approved the grant request for the Red Oak Elks Lodge. The other request was from the Red Oak Chamber and Industry Association for work to the second story apartment. "I've got a bid from The Carpet Store for flooring the entire second level, at a cost of \$8,890, with a grant request for \$2,222. I would say that flooring is permanent in nature," commented Vial. Moving on to projects under consideration for final approval was 201 E. Reed St., owned by Bryant and John Blay. Vial said it was another project that had all documentation turned in. "The initial project estimate was \$17,500, and it was actually \$18,194. A grant of 25% of that is \$4,548. I have cancelled checks from Smith Electric, Dave's Total Concrete, and Justin Miner. The project is complete as of today," explained Vial. Board Member Audie Rainey praised the efforts of the Blays on the completion of the project. "This project is a great example of how this money is used. The project turned out very nice, and

it really transitioned from a simple shop to a nice building. I'm impressed with what it looks like and what they've done," commented Rainey. The DUR Board approved final round approval for the project at 201 E. Reed St., as well as the projects at the Elks Lodge and the Red Oak Chamber and Industry Association. The board took no action on 317 E. Reed St., Mark Jackson's Red Oak Hardware Hank and Hallmark Gold Crown, to replace windows. Board Member Ann Carder said they were still waiting on materials. "It is a supply chain issue. We can't get the windows, and until they get the windows in they can't give us a firm price on them, so that's where we are at the moment," advised Carder. The DUR Board also took no action on 204 E. Reed St., Davis-Taylor Insurance, to replace the roof. No new information was received. The DUR Board then approved the requests for funding for the Blay's project at 201 E. Reed Street and the Elks Lodge. No action was taken on the ROCIA project as they had not yet submitted a cancelled check to show the work had been completed. The DUR board also held a discussion with Randall Wilson, who is assisting in efforts to update the City of Red Oak's website, and approved updated information to include on the DUR page when the website is updated.

COUNCIL

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"Right now, we've only seen SWIPCO's proposal to perform the services. We haven't seen a contract yet, so if the council wishes to proceed, we'll need a contract for approval on the next agenda," Wright explained. Wright advised the council he would request a contract from SWIPCO for the council to review and act on at its Aug. 15 meeting. Wright also informed the council that due to staffing shortages, the municipal pool will close for the season Friday, Aug. 5 at the close of the day.



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Please send your questions or resumes to: montgomerygop@gmail.com; resumes must be received not later than August 10, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

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Iowans urged to be on the lookout for Spotted Lanternflies

Spotted Lanternfly Life Stages

Egg mass
(seen October-June)

1st instar nymph
(seen May-July)

4th instar nymph
(seen July-September)

Adult
(seen August-November)

The Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship asks Iowans to be on the lookout for spotted lanternfly insects. The colorful but invasive and destructive insect is native to China, India, and Vietnam, and was accidentally introduced into Pennsylvania in 2014. It has since been confirmed in 11 states and often spreads by the movement of infested material or items containing spotted lanternfly egg masses. If allowed to spread further in the United States, this pest could seriously impact the country's grape, orchard, nursery, and logging industries.

A community member notified the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship of the presence of two immature spotted lanternflies in Dallas County earlier this month. Federal identification confirmed the sample as a spotted lanternfly.

Surveys of the immediate area have not resulted in signs of an ongoing infestation, and entomologists hope the insects recently hitchhiked into the area. "Spotted lanternfly nymphs and adults are colorful, and if you spot one, please report it to the

Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship right away. We appreciate this community member letting us know about its presence in our state and we hope other Iowans will keep an eye out as we want to contain the spread of this destructive pest," said State Entomologist Robin Pruisner. "At this time of year, we expect to find the eye-catching nymphs, which can be black and white, or red, black, and white. It is ironic that this invasive insect prefers to feed on the tree-of-heaven, another invasive species."

Spotted lanternfly adults and nymphs frequently gather in large numbers on host plants. They are easiest to spot at dusk or at night as they migrate up and down the trunk of the plant.

During the day, they tend to cluster near the base of the plant if there is adequate cover or in the canopy, making them more difficult to see.

It feeds on a wide range of fruit, ornamental, and woody trees, with tree-of-heaven being one of the preferred hosts. Plants preferred include grapes and hops, and the following trees: almond, apple, apricot, cherry, maple, nectarine, oak, peach, pine, plum, poplar, sycamore,

tree-of-heaven, walnut, and willow. Infested plants may ooze or weep and have a fermented odor.

A buildup of sticky honeydew on plants or the ground

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underneath the plants may be present.

A sooty mold may also occur on infested plants and fruit. The sucking of sap from plants can reduce the products of photosynthesis, thereby weakening the plant and eventually contributing to the plant's death.

If you think you have found a spotted lanternfly, please call the Entomology and Plant Science Bureau at 515-725-1470 or e-mail Entomology@IowaAgriculture.gov. You may also contact your local county Iowa State University Extension Office.

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