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DIKE NEWS

Library News

Upcoming Events This Week:

Tuesday, May 21 at 11 AM Senior Life Solutions, Mental Health Awareness Month with Shelly Schafer, LMHC

Wednesday, May 22, at 6 PM Cooper Dall, World War II Collection Exhibit.

Cashton Dall is a 6th grader at DNH. In addition to the types of things most kids are interested in, he is enthusiastic about military history and World War II. He is an avid collector of WWII artifacts. Cashton's great-great uncle, longtime Dike resident Peter Badje, was awarded a Purple Heart and some of the items in Cashton's collection belonged to him. Cashton is the son of Doug Dall and Kimberly Dall.

Recently, his teacher had him give a presentation to all the 6th graders with his collection. Cashton and many other DNH students his age share an interest in military history and enjoy discussing it. At the library, we have increased our orders of military history books for youth over the last 2 years as a result.

On Wednesday, May 22, at 6 PM, Cashton will be giving a presentation at the Dike Public Library, sharing his collection and information about the different items.

This event is a great opportunity to bridge the generations with common interests. Old, young, veterans and civilians – we look forward to the opportunity for our community members to share information, make connections and enjoy their common interest. Please join us for the presentation, coffee, light snacks and conversation!



Council News

City council meeting on May 8th started at 7:00pm with Mayor Sadie Six calling meeting to order. Nathan Schmitz was first on the agenda with a report from the Dike Fire Department. He acknowledged a 50 year fire department member David Stage. EMS calls are now received from 5 departments. Following City regulations, the minutes of all department meetings will be emailed to the City office. City council and fire department working together for the betterment of the City and Fire Department.

A resolution for approving Deahonne Weissenfluh for cleaning position for the Dike Library.

Council received some pool updates and they received repair quotes but the council is requesting an itemized breakdown of the prices on gutters, filters, concert and other items.

Stop signs will appear at two locations Church and North and Church and Elder. Repair work will start on the north trail.

Marty reported on the work done during the month and requested approval to hire a parttime summer mowing person. Marty Camarata informed the Mayor and Council of his decision to take a new position and resign for his current position with the city sometime in June.

Graduation

It is the time of year for parties. Graduation time is here, the invitation have been mailed and reception halls reserved and Moms and Dads can't believe their little baby is ready to graduate. During Sunday services many students were honored in their local churches. Mark your calendar for Wednesday May 15 for Baccalaureate service at 7:00pm at the United Methodist Church in Dike. Everyone welcome.



Elementary; l to r; Jill VanCleave, Krista Silver, JoAnn Klein, Kristen Garber and Trish Zoske



High School; JoAnn Klein and Brennan Acton

BCLUW Teacher Appreciation

Conrad American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 681, appreciates our BCLUW teachers. In appreciation, Auxiliary took bundt sticky cinnamon buns and cinnamon rolls Tuesday, May 7, 2024 to three buildings in observance of Teacher Appreciation Week.



Middle School; l to r; Darci Steckelberg, Kim Geelhart, JoAnn Klein, Lora Bachman, Tony Pieper, Curt Paugh, Danielle Shadlow and Jody Wiegand

Birthdays

Thursday May 16
Donna Joslin
Deb Lizer

Monday May 20
Luke Paige
Marcia Michaelsen
Nicholas Cordes
Holly Jones

Friday May 17
Tate Schrock
Brenda Petersen

Tuesday May 21
Mary Metz

Saturday May 18
Karen Ehmen
Camie Gunderson
Brandon Petersen
Colin Meester

Wednesday May 22
Isaac Jorgensen
Greg Becker
Pan Stansbery
Chelsea Clark

Sunday May 19
Kyle Camarata
Dustin Dodd

Thursday May 23
Mike Bengen
Brent Weber

Dates for Dike

Thursday May 16
State Track Meet Des Moines
Regional Girls Soccer

Monday May 20
7th-8th Band and Vocal
Spring Concert 7 pm

Friday May 17
State Track Meet Des Moines

Tuesday May 21
HS BSB
HS SB
8th Grade Promotion

Saturday May 18
State Track Meet Team State Tennis

Wednesday May 22
Regional Girls Soccer
HS BSB

Sunday May 19
Graduation
Commencement

Gavaventa honored upon retirement

The Grundy Center City Council recognized Jean Gavaventa for her retirement from the Police Department after 26 1/2 years during its May 6 meeting. She is pictured with Mayor Paul Eberline. (Contributed photo)



Schmitt honored as 'Best of the Class'

CEDAR FALLS – Blane Schmitt from Dike/New Hartford High School was honored as a member of the 2024 Best of the Class. KWWL and the University of Northern Iowa recognized valedictorians or top graduating seniors from across eastern Iowa at a celebration on Saturday, April 27th at the McLeod Center on the UNI campus.

KWWL Vice President and General Manager John Huff noted "KWWL is proud to be associated with an event that shines a light on these outstanding students, their families, and schools." Best of the Class students had the opportunity to be photographed with KWWL news anchors Ron Steele and Elizabeth Klinge, Luke Burdall, Chief Meteorologist Mark Schnackenberg, and Sports Director Rick Coleman. Additionally, the students were recorded for a series of promotional



announcements that will air on KWWL, and will also be available for viewing at KWWL.com.

In its 40 years of recog-

nizing academic excellence, KWWL's Best of the Class has honored over 4800 hundred top graduating seniors. Best of the Class is a joint public service/ community

relations effort that encourages academic excellence among high school students by recognizing students who serve as role models in their communities.

Loveless to speak at Grundy Center Memorial Day program

By John Jensen
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER – Yolando Loveless, the executive director and county veteran service officer for Black Hawk County, will be the keynote speaker for the Grundy Center Memorial Day Program Monday, May 27 at 9 a.m. at Rosehill Cemetery.

In case of rain, the program will be held at Grundy Center High School.

STARTING NOW PLAYING
May 17

Adults: \$3 | Kids & Seniors \$1

Showing Friday, May 17 thru Tuesday, May 21 at 7 p.m.

"KINGDOM OF THE PLANET OF THE APES" PG-13 (violence)
• 2 Hours 20 Minutes

Ryan Gosling's "THE FALLING GUY" PG-13 (language & violence)
• 2 Hours

Starting Fri, May 24 will be **"IF"** & **"GARFIELD"**

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Comedy magician to perform at Beaman Library

Comedy Magician Jonathan May will perform at the Beaman Library on Saturday, May 25 at noon.

This is a special program for Beaman's annual Memorial Day weekend activities and observances. A professional magician, May provides family friendly entertainment for audi-

ences of all ages and sizes! He performs more than 300 shows a year and is a favorite at hundreds of school assemblies, day-care centers, libraries, community events and private parties. This will be his second performance in Beaman.