

Obituaries

Dale Sventanoff  
1947-2025

Dale G. Svetanoff, resident of rural Monticello, IA, passed away on June 4, 2025, due to Sepsis. He was 78 years old and had been living in the area since 2000. Mr. Svetanoff was a Senior Electronic Engineer at Rockwell Collins in Cedar Rapids.

Dale Svetanoff was born in March 1947, to George and Olga (nee Skarlose) Svetanoff in Oak Park, IL. He attended District 25 and 214 Schools, graduating from Arlington High School 29 years after his parents had graduated from the same school. Dale did attend the University of Illinois at Champaign and served 6 years in the US Air Force Reserves. He married Susan R. Gaskins in 1975 and moved soon afterward to Crystal Lake, IL. They had one son, Michael, and were later divorced. He married Susan J Pike in 1992, and they were divorced in 2007.

Mr. Svetanoff worked in a variety of electronic industries over his career, including telecommunications, medical electronics, industrial x-ray systems, electromagnetic shielding, and aerospace electronics. He was awarded three patents and was involved in the writing of 5 industry or military standards documents. He was an avid amateur radio operator since the age of 15. Building a substantial station at his rural Iowa location.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his son Michael; grandchildren Michael L. Svetanoff, Alek D. Grolinski-Svetanoff, Mya Svetanoff, and Mickayla Svetanoff that all live in McHenry County, IL.

Wake and funeral service's to be held at Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church in Palatine, IL on June 24, 2025. Wake from 9:00 am until time of service 10:30 am. Followed by the burial at Memory Gardens Cemetery, Arlington Heights.

Irene Nickels  
1938-2025

Irene Nickels 87, died Friday, June 20, 2025, at Pinicon Senior Living following an extended illness.

Irene Leona Miller was born January 5, 1938, at Springfield, Iowa, the daughter of Fred and Rose Balk, Miller. She graduated from the Martelle High School. On February 11, 1961, Irene married Richard Nickels in Sabula, IA. The couple made their home in Anamosa where Irene was employed at Farm Service, the Iowa Men's Reformatory and the Anamosa Middle School as a secretary.

Irene was very active socially being involved in the Friend's of the Library, the Hospital Auxiliary, the Red Hat Society, playing Bridge, volunteering at the Prison Museum. She also volunteered as a poll worker at elections and always enjoyed coffee with friends.

Surviving are her children Zach (Kim), Monticello, Alan, Anamosa, Angela (Oyvind) Holtan, North Port, FL, and Amy Walters, Anamosa, eight grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, her sister, Lucille Swanson, Frankfurt, KS, a brother-in-law Clifford Payne, Monticello, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded by her parents, her husband, a brother and 3 sisters. Funeral services will be held 11:00 Friday morning, June 27, 2025, at the Goettsch Funeral Home, Anamosa where friends may call after 9:30 until 11:00. Thoughts, Memories and Condolences may be left at www.goettschonline.com.

MAGISTRATE COURT

Chad Douglas Paulsen, Monticello, pleaded guilty to charges of driving while license under suspension, no proof of insurance and operating non-registered vehicle. Paulsen was fined a total of \$645 plus court costs.

Robert John Cowan, Anamosa, was found guilty to a charge of no proof of insurance. Cowan was fined a total of \$615.63.

Zachary Allen Matheny, Cedar Rapids, pleaded guilty to a charge of no proof of insurance. Matheny was fined \$325 plus court costs.

Gregory Zalan Boul, Onslow,

pleaded guilty to a charge of no valid driver's license. Boul was fined \$260 plus court costs.

Kaylee Marie DeSotel, Monticello, pleaded guilty to a charge of allowing cat to run at large. DeSotel was assessed a \$750 civil penalty.

Tracy Lynn Jenks, Anamosa, was found guilty to a charge of fifth-degree theft. Jenks was fined \$105 plus court costs.

Samajay Q. Nelson, Monticello, was found guilty to a charge of fifth-degree theft. Nelson was fined \$105 plus court costs.

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cause I ran out of lead—and I really did,” joked Folkerts, holding up his worn-down pencil stub.

School Board President Carl Chalstrom praised Folkerts’ commitment and efficiency, noting his behind-the-scenes efforts: “He gets the work done and he’s a taskmaster. Let me tell you, he chased me down more than once to sign things the day after a meeting.”

School Board Member Brian Hurt reflected on Folkerts’ consistency and warmth over the decades.

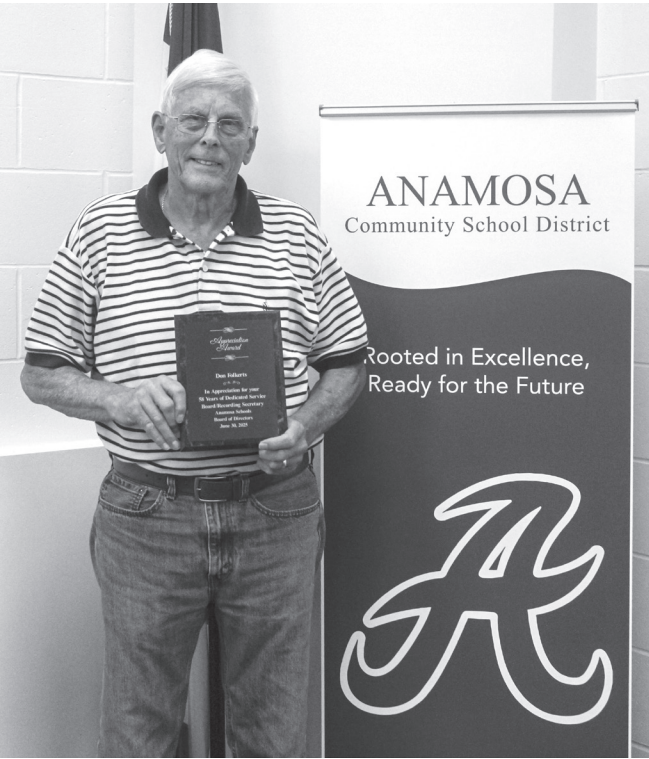
“I remember Don exactly the way he is now. Always pleasant. I enjoyed being around him even as a kid,” said Hurt.

His name is engraved on plaques throughout the district, including Strawberry Hill, the middle school, and the high school.

“I twisted their arms,” Folkerts said. “I wanted my name on those plaques.”

Board members presented Folkerts with a commemorative plaque in recognition of his 58 years of service to the district.

As the meeting adjourned, the board invited attendees to enjoy cake and share memories, offering one last thank-you to a man whose steady hand and quiet commitment had helped document the story of the Anamosa School District for nearly six decades.



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Don Folkerts retired after 58 years as the recording secretary for the Anamosa School Board, where he diligently documented over 1,000 meetings.



Retiring Recording Secretary Don Folkerts receives a commemorative plaque from School Board President Carl Chalstrom during the June 16 board meeting.

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since she started her career.

“I have been learning new technology and ways to teach with it each year,” said Hulett.

Hulett says her favorite subject to teach has been science.

“I love when I can intertwine subjects together, so they help to make better connections. If I had to have one favorite subject, it would be science. I love the hands-on part and seeing kids enjoying themselves while learning,” said Hulett.

Hulett notes that balancing where to put time and energy on any given day was a time management challenge. Hulett encourages new teachers to build relationships with students, colleagues and parents. She says that it is sim-

ply not possible to do it all, and they must find a balance.

“Each and every student I had the pleasure of having in class is emboldened in my heart as ‘Forever Young,’ said Hulett, “They taught me that we are all human.”

Hulett plans to spend her retirement caring for her elderly mother, enjoying her three grandchildren, Nora, Blaire and Colt, and volunteering at Miracles in Motion.

“To my colleagues, you have been a joy to work with throughout the years,” said Hulett, “And to the Springville community, thank you for supporting me, my family and the students of the district. It is greatly appreciated.”

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are going to continue to see these problems at a greater frequency.”

Jones said although the federal limit for nitrates is 10 mg/l, even as much as 3 mg/l may lead to certain cancers.

“If you live in Des Moines, you could go years without drinking water below 3 mil-

ligrams per liter,” he told the Register. “So, the fact that we are just meeting the standard at 10 and to do that we have to sacrifice lawn watering, well, that’s just a small part of the story.”

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PROBATE

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT  
FOR JONES COUNTY  
IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
HAROLD G. ROHWEDDER,  
DECEASED.  
CASE NO. ESPR004406  
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL,  
OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR  
AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Harold G. Rohwedder, Deceased, who died on or about May 25, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on 6-16-25 the Last Will and Testament of Harold G. Rohwedder, deceased, bearing date of 9/5/23, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Jessica Nicely, was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably

ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated: 6-17-25  
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MINUTES

ANAMOSA COMMUNITY SCHOOL  
DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 16, 2025

The Anamosa Board of Education met in regular session on June 16, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., in the Anamosa Schools Administrative Offices with President Chalstrom presiding. Members present: Hurt, Gombert, Miller and McQuillen. Directors Holland and Wickham were absent.  
Motion by Hurt, seconded by Gombert to adopt the agenda, as printed. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by Miller, seconded by Gombert to approve the consent agenda (minutes dated 5/19 & 6/2, claims and financial reports), as submitted. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by Gombert, seconded by Hurt to approve employee resignations and effective dates, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.  
Eric Ries, 5-12 Assistant Principal..... June 30, 2025  
Don Folkerts, Board of Education Recording Secretary..... June 30, 2025  
Clayton Visek, Ass't. Varsity Girls Wrestling Coach..... Immediately

John Fayram, Bus Driver..... June 12, 2025  
Motion by Hurt, seconded by Miller to approve personnel appointments, adjustments and effective dates, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.  
Maya Ludwig, Ass't. Middle School Softball Coach..... June 17, 2025  
Mary Nosbisch, Family Consumer Science Sponsor..... August 25, 2025  
Stephanie Wendt Prom Sponsor..... August 25, 2025  
Nicole Claussen, Volunteer Ass't. Volleyball Coach..... August 4, 2025  
Motion by Miller, seconded by McQuillen to approve change orders in the amount of \$20,874.58 for the high school gym addition, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.  
COR #85 - Security Camera Revisions  
COR #89 - Additional Concrete Sadie Street Entrance  
COR #90 - Concessions Cord Reels  
Motion by Hurt, seconded by Miller to approve the contract with GWAEA for SubCentral Teacher Substitute program for the 2025-26 school year. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by McQuillen, seconded by

Gombert to approve the non-union staff wages/salaries for the 2025-2026 school year and other miscellaneous salary revisions, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by McQuillen, seconded by Miller to approve participation in the Storm Protection Fund, an Iowa Code Chapter 28E Entity and Chapter 670 Risk Pool Agreement, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by McQuillen, seconded by Gombert to approve the Iowa Local Government Risk Pool Participation Agreement Amendment for the 2024/2025 year, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by Hurt, seconded by Miller to approve the contract for Transfer of State Funding with Grant Wood Area Education Agency effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2028, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by McQuillen, seconded by Gombert to approve Agreement for Infinite Campus Administrative Services between Grant Wood AEA and Anamosa Schools for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by Miller, seconded by Mc-

Quillen to approve the Agreement for Rise Counseling & Consulting, PLLC and Anamosa Schools for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by Hurt, seconded by Miller to approve the first reading of the attached board policies, as corrected and waive the second reading of those policies. Motion carried 4-1; Nay: Chalstrom.  
Motion by Gombert, seconded by Miller to approve building/program and Kids Club handbooks for the 2025-2026 school year, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by Gombert, seconded by McQuillen to approve the purchase of Social Studies Curriculum/Resources, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by Hurt, seconded by Gombert to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.  
President  
Recording Secretary

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