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Dated on June 20, 2025.
ALICIA ATKINSON,
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**DISTRICT COURT
IN THE IOWA
DISTRICT COURT FOR
JACKSON COUNTY
(JUVENILE DIVISION)
IN THE INTEREST OF
E.S.-R.
CHILD
STATE OF IOWA
JACKSON COUNTY
JUVENILE NO. JVJV003038
NOTICE OF ADJUDICATION
HEARING
TO SAID: MOTHER: MARIS-
SA SCOTT
FATHER: MICHAEL REED
any and all unknown and or
putative Fathers**

You are hereby notified that there is now on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Juvenile Court in the Jackson County Court-
house, Clinton, Iowa a Petition filed at the direction of the Iowa Attorney General's Office alleging that the children are Children in Need of Assistance. For further details, contact the clerk's office. The petitioner's attorney is DION D. TROWERS. See petition on file.
You are further hereby notified that the Court has set the hearing on said Petition for JULY 21, 2025 AT 10:00 AM which you are directed to be present.

You are further notified of your right to counsel. If you desire, but are unable to employ counsel, such counsel shall be appointed by the Court.
Dated this 13th day of JUNE, 2025.

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**PROBATE
IN THE IOWA
DISTRICT COURT FOR
JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
FRANK A. TOWNSEND,
Deceased.
Probate No. ESPR021537
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF
WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF
EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO
CREDITOR**

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of FRANK A. TOWNSEND, Deceased, who died on or about 16th day of December, 2024:
You are hereby notified that on the 13th day of June, 2025 the last will and testament of FRANK A. TOWNSEND, deceased, bearing date of the 14th day of December, 2007, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that ERNEST R. TOWNSEND 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 under-

signed, 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 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 this 13th day of June, 2025.

ERNEST R. TOWNSEND,
Executor of estate
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St. Charles, IL 60174
GLENN BARTELT,
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**PROBATE
IN THE IOWA
DISTRICT COURT
FOR JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
JANICE M. BARESEL,
Deceased
Probate ESPR021518
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF
WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF
EXECUTORS AND NOTICE
TO CREDITORS**

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of JANICE M. . BARESEL, Deceased, who died on or about April 3, 2025:
You are hereby notified that on April 25, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of JANICE M. BARESEL, deceased, bearing date of September 12, 2023, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that BRENDA S. TRANEL, GERALD W. BARESEL AND PAMELA M. BURCKART were appointed Executors 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 four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.
Dated June 4, 2025.

Brenda S. Tranel,
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Pamela M. Burckart,
Executors of Estate
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**PROBATE
IN THE IOWA
DISTRICT COURT FOR
JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
PATRICK W. FIER,
Deceased.
Probate No. ESPR021515
NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL
WITHOUT ADMINISTRATION
TO ALL PERSONS INTER-
ESTED IN THE ESTATE**

OF PATRICK W. FIER, DECEASED, who died on or about February 26, 2025:
You are hereby notified that on the 23rd day of April, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of PATRICK W. FIER, Deceased, bearing date of the 2nd day of February, 2001, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and there will be no present administration 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 (4) months from the date of the second publication of this Notice or one (1) 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.
Dated this 18th day of June, 2025.

s/ CHRISTIE FIER
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Maquoketa, IA 52060-1224
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**PROBATE
IN THE IOWA
DISTRICT COURT
FOR JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
LARRY JOHN BRAMER,
Deceased.
Probate No. ESPR021532
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF
WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF
EXECUTORS, AND NOTICE
TO CREDITOR**
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of LARRY JOHN BRAMER, Deceased, who died on or about 29th day of May, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on the 9th day of June, 2025 the last will and testament of LARRY JOHN BRAMER, deceased, bearing date of the 11th day of June, 2015, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that NANCY KAYE UPDEGRAFF and BRIAN LEE BRAMER were appointed executors 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 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 this 10th day of June, 2025.
NANCY KAYE UPDEGRAFF
Executor of estate
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BRIAN LEE BRAMER,
Executor of estate
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Jackson County Fair queen contestants sought

The Jackson County Fair Association is now accepting applications for the Jackson County Fair queen to represent this year's fair.

Contestants must be at least 16 years of age but not more than 21 years of age on Aug. 7 (the first day of the 2025 Iowa State Fair) and must be a resident of Jackson County.

Candidates must submit a resume, a 250- to 500-word description of whom they are and why they want to be the fair queen, as well as a recent picture to the fair board office by Friday, July 11.

Announcement and crowning of the Fair Queen will be held on Sunday, July 20.

For more information or to enter, please contact the fair board office at (563) 652-4282.

Senior insurance volunteers to serve Jackson County

SHIIP volunteer counselors will continue to see clients in person at Jackson County Regional Health Center (JCRHC) or call clients to discuss options during open enrollment.

To make an appointment call (563) 652-4000 and leave a message with your name and your phone number. A volunteer will return the call within 24 to 48 hours, Monday through Friday.

JCRHC will not schedule clients in Bellevue during the open enrollment, which runs Oct. 15-Dec. 7. Coordinators with the Senior Health Insurance Information Program and Senior Medicare Patrol (SHIIP-SMP) are continuing to seek a volunteer counselor to serve the area in the future.

JCRHC is an official sponsor of the SHIIP-SMP programs, a service of the State of Iowa. SHIIP-SMP volunteers provide local, in-depth, and unbiased one-to-one insurance counseling and assistance at no cost to Jackson County, Medicare-eligible individuals, their families, and caregivers. SHIIP-SMP also provides community outreach on Medicare and how to guard against Medicare fraud.

SHIIP-SMP helps consumers navigate the complexities of Medicare and saves them money by explaining Medicare benefits and rights; comparing Medicare supplements, Medicare Advantage, and other drug plans; understanding Medicare enrollment periods and preventative benefits; finding assistance programs that help with Medicare costs and Medicare drug plans; and learning how to protect themselves and their loved ones from Medicare scams.

Industrial Park gets grant funds from IEDA

Jackson County is among five recipients of the Iowa Rural Certified Site Initiative (IRCSI), a competitive grant program supporting the development of project-ready industrial locations in Iowa's smaller communities.

The program falls under the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA).

The Jackson County Economic Alliance received funding in the amount of \$27,050 for the Highway 61 Industrial Park in Maquoketa.

A total of \$133,528 in matching funds will be distributed to assist with due diligence activities required for site certification — a key step in attracting new business investment and quality jobs. The funding reimburses costs for required reports and studies such as environmental assessments, geotechnical investigations and cultural resources surveys.

More information about Iowa's Certified Sites program and the IRCSI can be found at opportunityiowa.gov/business/buildings-sites/certified-sites-program.

Crop and soil conditions remain stable despite weather

Iowa crops continue to rate well, though average rainfall across Iowa last week was less than seven-tenths of an inch and some regions suffered from damaging hail storms.

While the average soil moisture conditions rate 70% adequate for topsoil and 60% adequate for subsoil conditions, some regions of the state have much drier conditions, according to the crop progress and condition report prepared by U.S. Department of Agriculture.

In southeast Iowa, topsoil moisture rated 34% short and 10% very short, and subsoil moisture rated 48% short. Southwest Iowa

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had similar figures, topsoil moisture rated 33% short and 10% very short and subsoil rated 44% short and 11% very short. West central Iowa had topsoil moisture conditions fairly close to the average for the state, but 21% of subsoil in the region rated very short of moisture.

Despite the less than desirable soil moisture conditions, the regions were on par with the state averages for crop emergence for corn, 97% emerged, and soybeans, 93% emerged. Six percent of soybeans across the state were blooming.

Corn and soybean crops continue to rate well, with both at more than 80% good to excellent condition.

Hay condition was similarly rated across the state and 88% of hay acres have undergone a first cutting, and 16% have already had a second cutting.

Oats also rated well with an average of 19% coloring. Pasture condition dropped slightly from the week prior to 69% good or excellent and no major livestock concerns were reported.

Maquoketa native Knapp joins Cedar Rapids bank

Maquoketa native Kade Knapp has joined F&M Bank as assistant vice president ag and commercial banker. Knapp will work out of F&M Bank's First Avenue location in Cedar Rapids.



KADE KNAPP

Knapp graduated from Western Illinois University, majoring in Agricultural Business and minoring in Animal Science.

He and his wife, Mallory, are excited to return to Eastern Iowa and raise their daughter, Makenna, on their farm. In their spare time, they enjoy raising and selling show cattle, attending livestock shows, and working with junior livestock families across the country.

Fraudulent text messages scamming Iowans

The Iowa Department of Transportation is warning consumers of recent text scams that are occurring in Iowa and across the country.

Fraudulent text messages appearing to come from the Iowa DOT or "DMV" are targeting recipients with false claims of unpaid traffic violations. Individuals are also receiving fraudulent Iowa DOT-generated text messages stating that they have an unpaid toll or registration fee. Both types of texts ask recipients to click on a link to provide personal information as well as credit card numbers. Many times, the link will lead to a website that looks like the Iowa DOT's website.

The Iowa DOT does not send out fee collection reminders via text, and will never text customers asking for private or financial information. Payment requests from the Iowa DOT are made through personal transaction, via physical mail, or through an online transaction initiated by the customer. The Iowa DOT does not collect tolls on any of their roads or bridges.

Iowans are advised not to click on any links or paste links into a browser, nor to respond to unexpected texts. Scammers seek a quick reaction, but it's best to stop and check it out.

Report and delete unwanted text messages. A phone's "report junk" option should be used to report unwanted texts to your messaging app; they can also be forwarded to 7726 (SPAM).

While some government agencies use text messaging to contact customers, no government agency should direct individuals to share confidential or financial information through a text.

In Iowa, you might set up a Driver License appointment and receive a confirmation text, but you will always log into an Iowa DOT system with a username and password, not with a simple link.

Those who suspect they are victims of a text scam should consider filing a police report with the local law enforcement agency where you reside. They can speak to AARP's Fraud Watch Helpline and find Fraud Victim Support Groups (all ages accepted).

Reports can also be made to the Federal Trade Commission at <https://reportfraud.ftc.gov/#/?orgcode=IADOT> and/or the IC3 at www.ic3.gov.