Community News



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 $\mbox{\bf Trevor Kimble},\mbox{\bf Jr.},$ served in the Army 1967-1973 and was recently honored with a Quilt of Valor.

Kimble awarded Quilt of Valor for Army service

WAPELLO — Family members met on a beautiful, sunny afternoon Sunday, April 6 to honor Vietnam veteran Trevor Kimble, Jr. He was awarded a Quilt of Valor for his service in the Army, 1967-1973.

His quilt held extra-special family meaning, as the fabric used to make it came from the fabric stash of his first cousin, Shirley Smith. Smith's family nominated and arranged the award for Kimble.

Pictured with him are his family and ladies of the Patriotic Quilters of SE Iowa. The quilt was quilted by Deb Ahlf Quilting and pieced by Dorothy Morrison.

Columbus Junction Speedway announces news for 2025 season

COLUMBUS JUNCTION — The Louisa County Fair Board hosted the Larry Richardson Memorial Fundraiser on Saturday, April 12 at the youth center on the fairgrounds. Richardson was the track manager at the CJ Speedway for eight and a half years and was instrumental in bringing the track to its current level.

Richardson passed away in late February and leaves behind a daughter, Nicole Houghton, and granddaughter Zoie.

The fair board hosted a free-will donation lunch to help raise money to help Nicole defray funeral expenses.

The 2025 racing season at the CJ Speedway will get underway as Sinclair Tractor of Muscatine will host the opening night race program on Friday, April 18. The weekly race program at the CJ Speedway will include four classes of IMCA-sanctioned racing divisions. Modifieds, Stock Cars, Sport Mods and Hobby Stocks will all be in full action weekly.

Friday night racing gets underway with hot laps taking to the track at 7 p.m., with racing to follow.

The 2025 season will include several special events on the four-tenths-mile dirt track. The first special will feature a long-awaited return of the sprint cars, as the CJ Speedway will host the Sprint Invaders on Friday, May 2.

The annual Tony Stewart Tribute Race featuring the high-powered SLMR Late Models will be held on Friday, May 30, and the Larry Richardson Memorial Race will be held during the Louisa County Fair on Thursday, July 24.



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Wapello has finally received its new fire truck, which will be ready for service after some training to familiarize firefighters with the new equipment.

Barnyard Day at Hills Bank will be April 26

WASHINGTON — The Hills Bank is hosting a "barnyard day" April 26 from 9-11 a.m. Many different types of animals will be shown, with the ability to possibly pet a few.

It is a perfect morning activity for any and all families who love animals or just want to get out as a family. "Barnyard day" will be at the Hills Bank in Washington at 2481 Highway 92.

Wapello Fire Department receives new truck

WAPELLO — This past week, Wapello Fire and Rescue, in partnership with the Township Firefighting Association, completed final inspection and took delivery of its new Toyne fire engine.

This process took a little over two years from start to finish. Last week, at its business meeting, department members started placing fire equipment, such as the fire hose, on the truck.

The new truck will be placed into service within the next couple of weeks, after some familiarization training.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Wapello will be flushing hydrants

THE WEEK OF APRIL 21, 2025.

When the city is flushing hydrants follow these simple steps

During the flushing, you may experience rust in your water, even when crews are not working in your neighborhood

- 1. To avoid drawing rust into the hot water heater, turn on your cold water tap first to check for rust.
- 2. If the water looks rusty, run the tap water for one of two minutes until it clears.

THANK YOU

CITY OF WAPELLO - WATER DEPARTMENT

Public Works Laborer HIRING ANNOUNCEMENT:

The City of Wapello is now accepting resumes and applications through 4:30 pm on April 29, 2025 for the position of full time Public Works Laborer.

Labor works a 40-hour work week Monday through Friday with some OT on weekend. Benefits include IPERS retirement, 100% paid single or family health insurance, 2 weeks of vacation with increases with years of service, accrued sick time, and (3) personal days per year. If hired, laborer must reside within an 8 air miles of Wapello City limits.

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