

MENUS

SCHOOLS, SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Center
June 23—Roast turkey, gravy, dressing, green beans with onions, lemon pudding, wheat roll. Activities: Exercise class at 9 a.m.
June 24—Beef patty with cooked onions, mashed potatoes, baked spinach casserole, cinnamon baked apples, garlic wheat roll. Activities: Exercise class at 9 a.m. Bingo at noon.

June 25—Chicken pasta salad, corn salad, peaches, salad crackers. Activities: Exercise class at 9 a.m. DC Hospital Health Program at 11:30 a.m.
June 26—(Birthday Dinner) Tuna loaf, steamed rice, broccoli with cheese sauce, Mandarin cake, ice cream, whole wheat bread. Activities: Exercise class at 9 a.m. Bingo at noon.

June 27—Center closed.
Optimae—Bloomfield Recovery Center
June 23—Street tacos, chips, salsa.
June 24—Pancakes, sausage patties.
June 25—Burgers, French fries.
June 26—Pizza party.
June 27—Leftovers.

Library Events

The following are the upcoming week of events at the Bloomfield Public Library.
Wednesday, June 18: *Virtual Author Visit*, Christina Wyman; Jaw Breaker—1-2 p.m. All Iowa Reads Selections authors share their process and answer questions.
Poolside Pages—Every Wednesday at 1:45 p.m. there will be a story time at the Bloomfield City Pool.
TAB Works—4-6 p.m. The TAB members volunteer at the library (Silver Cord Hours). Ages 14+.
Thursday, June 19: *Tween D&D* —1-3 p.m.: A one-shot adventure to dip your toes into D&D. *Intro to Game Design*: 3:00-5:00

Robby I. teaches game programming through Scratch. (Limited space-registration required.)
Friday, June 20: *Puppy Story Time at the library*—10:30-11 a.m. Join them for a half hour of stories and songs. A four-legged friend will be the guest of honor
Teen Book Club—2-3 p.m. June is “The Hate U Give” by Angie Thomas.
Stuffy Sleepover—4-5 p.m. Read a bedtime story to your animal and put them to bed in the library. Bring one stuffy and a blanket/pillow.
Saturday, June 21: *Stuffy Breakfast*—9-9:30 a.m. The library will provide breakfast and a quick craft.
Wasteland—7-10 p.m. Welcome to the Wasteland, Traveler. You

still smell...clean. Come get your hands dirty in this adult survival game. Team challenges, assassination attempts, and a post-apocalypse dress code Ages 16+. (Limited Space-Registration Required.)
Tuesday, June 24: *Chalk the Walk*—10:30-11:30 a.m. Put on some sunscreen and your creativity hat and decorate the library’s sidewalk.
Adult Coloring—5:30-6:30 p.m. Adults only coloring and relaxation time.
3D Design and Printing—5:30-7:30 p.m. Learn how to design items for a 3D printer with Britt S. using TinkerCad and Bambu Studio. (Limited space-registration required.)

Sierra Club: EPA plan to repeal emission standards would ‘put Americans at risk’

By Cami Koons, Iowa Capital Dispatch
Estimates from the Sierra Club found Iowa utilities would be allowed to release 26 million tons of carbon emissions annually, if the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency finalized a proposal to repeal carbon pollution standards.
In its explanation for the proposal, EPA claims greenhouse gas emissions from fossil fuel-fired plants “do not contribute significantly” to dangerous air pollution and that removing pollution standards set by the agency under previous administrations would save \$19 billion in regulatory costs over two decades.
The Sierra Club, which is an environmental organization with chapters across the country, said the power sector is the largest stationary source of greenhouse gas emissions in the U.S. and that exposure to these air pollutants are linked to a higher risk of heart disease, respiratory diseases, pregnancy complications and cancer.
“The Trump Administration continues to put the American people at risk by stripping away environmental safeguards proven to clean up the air we breathe and improve public health,” Pam Mackey Taylor, director of the Iowa Chapter of the Sierra Club, said in a statement.
The proposal would repeal regulations put in place in 2015 and in 2024 that put emission guidelines and standards on

coal-fired power plants, via Section 111 of the Clean Air Act.
EPA Administrator Lee Zeldin’s proposal argues the Clean Air Act requires the agency to determine, before it issues regulations, that pollutants emitted by fossil fuel-fired power plants “causes, or contributes significantly to, air pollution” that is “anticipated to endanger public health or welfare.”
The current administration argues EPA in the past created regulation standards without this determination.
EPA data shows that 25% of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions in 2022 came from the power sector, which was just slightly less than the transportation sector which accounted for 28% of domestic greenhouse gas emissions.
In an EPA presentation explaining the rules which were finalized in July 2024, the agency estimated the additional carbon pollution standards would have cut 617 million metric tons of carbon dioxide and other “harmful air pollutants that are known to endanger public health.”
Sierra Club charted the impacts these regulations would have had, state-by-state based on operating coal-powered plants and their estimated closure dates.
EPA regulations around carbon pollution standards for the power sector have been challenged in the past, most recently with a 2022 U.S. Supreme Court case that repealed

part of the 2015 Clean Power Plan emission guidelines.
The proposal to repeal the most recent rules alleges Biden-era EPA leadership did not change course following the Supreme Court ruling, but created similar, rules with expanded regulations.
Acting under a handful of executive orders from President Donald Trump, and Zeldin’s “Powering the Great American Comeback” initiative, the agency seeks to repeal “all” greenhouse gas emission standards on the power sector, or alternatively, just the “most burdensome set of requirements.”
The notice said this will “ensure affordable and reliable energy supplies and drive down the costs of transportation, heating, utilities, farming, and manufacturing while boosting our national security.”
The proposal will have a public hearing 15 days after it is published in the Federal Register, where EPA will also accept public comments on the proposed rules 45 days after it is published. Those interested can search for the docket in the federal register with Docket ID number: EPA-HQ-OAR-2025-0124.
“During the public comment period, we will continue to fight for clean air and protect our communities being harmed by Trump’s shortsighted actions,” Mackey Taylor said.

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AREA NEWS

CORRESPONDENTS’ REPORTS

Floriss
By David Birdsall
Saturday morning, June 7, the Floris Baptist Church held our annual Firemen’s Breakfast for the Floris Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department. Turnout was good that morning, and we enjoyed the visiting with many area residents who came to partake of pancakes, sausage, biscuits and gravy. This fundraiser is one opportunity we have to do something for these men and women who do so much for us.
They have also committed to us personally, to burn down our old barn for us, which right now lies in a heap

after pulling it down.

Pulaski
By Deb Baughman
It has been a very busy week for many in the county, with yardwork and fieldwork, sad visitations, funerals and celebrations of life, class reunions, Flag Day celebrations, and Caitlin Clark playing and winning again (yay).
The Class of 1965 held their 60th reunion Thursday and Friday. Alumni came from California, (50 hours by train), Montana, Virginia, Ohio, Colorado, Missouri, and many from Iowa.
It was a good visit, although it seems like the

golden years might not be so golden, as several have lots of health issues. It is part of life! Most have retired but keep busy involved in various activities. We have lost 70 class members and we had 59 in attendance. We sure missed seeing some locals who opted out.
Tomatoes are on the vines, can’t wait! Many have beautiful flowers now. Some of us have lots of weeds too.
Don’t forget the Cemetery Scavenger Hunt; it is interesting and not that difficult.
Remember to pray for all those who are ailing and undergoing medical treatments.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, June 19
Alcoholics Anonymous: 6 p.m., Bloomfield United Methodist Church
Bloomfield City Council: 6 p.m., Bloomfield Public Library

Friday, June 20
Lord’s Cupboard: 9:30-11:30 a.m., Food pantry; Donations of non-perishable items can be left anytime during business hours, Bloomfield Christian Church, 107 N. Davis St., basement

Saturday, June 21
DC Genealogy Society: 9:30 a.m., 200 W. Locust, old elementary. Contact: Pat Howk at 208-3161 or Vicki Houk at 641-777-4606

Sunday, June 22
Davis County Pioneer Cemetery Commission: 5 p.m., Bloomfield Christian Church

Monday, June 23
Lord’s Cupboard: 9:30-11:30 a.m., Bloomfield Christian Church, 107 N. Davis St., basement

Tuesday, June 24
Rotary Club: noon, Southfork
TOPS: Weigh-in at 3 p.m. Meeting at 3:30 p.m., Weight loss program, Bloomfield Public Library

DCDC: 5:15 p.m., DCDC office

Wednesday, June 25
Lord’s Cupboard: 9:30-11:30 a.m., Bloomfield Christian Church, 107 N. Davis St., basement

Reynolds makes ‘difficult decision’ to sign bill on pharmacy benefit managers

By Clark Kauffman, Iowa Capital Dispatch
Calling it a “difficult decision,” Gov. Kim Reynolds signed legislation Wednesday, June 11 that’s intended to help keep rural pharmacies in business but could also lead to higher drug costs for Iowans.
At the urging of the state’s pharmacists, the Iowa Legislature approved the measure earlier this year. Senate File 383 imposes restrictions and regulations on pharmacy benefit managers, or PBMs, that negotiate prescription drug prices between manufacturers, health insurance companies and pharmacies.
The law limits PBMs’ use of strategies that favor a specific pharmacy to fill a prescription — such as cost-sharing rates, fees, and other financial penalties or incentives. The legislation would also require pharmacies to be reimbursed at the average state or national price for a drug.
Supporters have claimed the law is needed to combat “anti-competitive” practices by PBMs

that they say give an advantage to mail-order prescription refills and larger pharmacy chains that have greater purchasing power.
In signing the bill, Reynolds said that while PBMs have helped negotiate drug prices and access for millions of Americans, consolidation has led to only three major PBMs controlling 80% of the market, giving them “outsized power” in determining what patients pay for their medications.
“But this bill does not signify an end,” she said. “The complexity and lack of verifiable data made signing this bill a difficult decision and my administration will closely monitor implementation to mitigate and ensure that any unintended consequences for private employers are addressed.”
A Legislative Services Agency analysis found the bill could result in higher costs and co-pays for the state’s health insurance program. The Iowa Association of Business and Industry warned it could result in an additional \$340 million in costs

for private-sector health insurance plans and add \$169 annually to the average insured Iowan’s pharmaceutical expenses.
Earlier this year, Rep. Jeff Cooling, D-Cedar Rapids, warned that while the bill may initially increase revenue for smaller pharmacies, the added cost for consumers and their employers will give Iowans even more incentive to fill their prescriptions at a lower cost through larger pharmacies.
The Iowa Pharmacy Association said the new law “marks a major victory for Iowa patients, independent and community pharmacies, and health-care providers across the state” by ensuring greater oversight of PBMs.
“For too long, PBMs have put profits over patients, contributing to the closure of more than 200 pharmacies in Iowa since 2014,” said Kate Gainer, CEO of the Iowa Pharmacy Association. “This law gives us the tools to level the playing field and protect access to care, especially in rural areas.”

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