



Funeral Mass for Edna Foth was celebrated at 10:30 A.M. on Wednesday, April 16, 2025 at Divine Mercy Parish - St. John's Catholic Church in Bancroft. Burial was at St. John's Catholic Cemetery. Visitation was held on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. at Oakcrest Funeral Services in Bancroft.

Edna Mae (Metz) Foth was born on March 27, 1929, to Richard and Johanna (Beck) Metz on a farm near Ringsted. She was the last of five children, attended country grade school and graduated from Ringsted High School in 1946. Edna was a country farm girl and was very proud of her Danish heritage.

In 1947, Edna met the love of her life Francis Foth during a dance at the Bancroft Ballroom. From that day forward, they knew they would be together forever and so they were joined in marriage on June 5, 1948 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Bancroft and to this beautiful union they were blessed with seven children. They lived their entire fifty-two years of marriage on the Foth family farm near Bancroft until Francis passed away in 2000. In 2001, Edna moved into the Bancroft Apartments until 2019 when she moved to Windsor Manor Assisted Living in Algona and then in 2023, she moved into Accura Healthcare of Bancroft.

Edna was a very loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and even a great-great-grandmother. She loved attending her children and grandchildren's school activities, especially watching her great-grandchildren play baseball. Edna served as the president of St. John's Atlas Society, the Catholic Daughters of America and the St. John's High School band organization. She was also a proud

Vincent Paul Rolling . . . 74



A funeral service for Vince Rolling, 74, of Swea City, was held Saturday, April 12, 2025, at 10:30 AM, at the Swea City Community Church with Pastor Todd Hartsock officiating. Burial followed in Harrison Township Cemetery in Swea City. Memorials may be directed to the care of the family in which they will distribute to the Swea City Community Church and the Swea City Improvement League, in Vince's memory.

Vincent Paul Rolling, son of Charles and Joan (Coleman) Rolling was born on May 21, 1950, and was called home by our Heavenly Father at the age of 74 on April 2, 2025 at the HCA Hospital in Ocala, Florida.

Vince was the first of nine siblings born to Chuck and Joan and was the first-born grandchild to Peter N. and Mary E. Rolling. He was baptized at Sacred Heart in Ledyard, IA. Vince graduated from Armstrong High School in 1968, and was an active FFA member throughout his school years.

Following graduation, he attended Iowa Lakes Community College in Estherville, IA and later transferred to Iowa State University (ISU) in Ames, IA where he graduated with a degree in agriculture.

On July 28, 1973, Vince married his beloved wife Beth (Mary Elizabeth) Phelps at the First United Methodist Church in Swea City, IA. He and Beth made their home north of Swea City

Iowa Lakes Community College Hosts Volleyball Clinic For 2nd-5th Graders

Young volleyball players eager to develop their volleyball skills are invited to bump, set, and spike their way into spring at Iowa Lakes Community College. A special Volleyball Clinic for 2nd-5th graders will take place on Saturday, April 26, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the Laker Gymnasium in Estherville.

Led by Lakers Head Volleyball Coach Taylor Menzies and members of the Iowa Lakes volleyball team, this fun-filled clinic will focus on the fundamentals of the game—while also building teamwork and confidence in a supportive environment. Whether your athlete is brand new to volleyball or looking to sharpen their skills, this clinic is a great way to learn, grow, and get in the game. The cost to attend is \$30 per athlete, and registration is now open! Spots are limited, so register today.

For questions, additional information, or to sign up, please contact Taylor Menzies at 417-299-0846 or tmenzies@iowalakes.edu.

Days Gone By

5 Years Ago April 15, 2020

Steve Shillington of Shillington Hardware is pictured accepting a check for gift certificates purchased through the Bancroft Chamber of Commerce promotion. Also pictured in the Register was Andrea Broedser of Andi's Floral who also was presented a check for the gift certificates sold. Presenting the checks was Bancroft Chamber of Commerce Director Carole Bernhard...Rosalie and Gwyn Vaske were excited to find a large Easter Egg that was hidden by a few bags of softener salt in front of Shillington Hardware. The nice weather allowed them and their mom, Cassie, to walk around town looking for eggs while wearing off a little energy. Eggs were hidden around the town of Bancroft as part of the social distancing Community Easter Egg Hunt.

10 Years Ago April 15, 2015

Grillmaster for 2015 for the 5th Annual Blue Balls, Brews and BBQ was Tim Goche with his brisket. Placing second in the grilling competition with his eye of round was Brad Arndorfer. Hager Foods came in third with their brat variety...The Bancroft Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting at Bunker's Bar and Grill. Owner Shelly Helmers was pictured cutting the ribbon. Also pictured were Jackie Rahe, Allison Delperdang and Mandi Goche...The Bancroft Library was the place to be as the children who were attending the preschool story and craft time were treated to seeing a chicken, aka JoAnn Hellman. JoAnn did the chicken dance and gave all the kids an egg filled with candy...The third annual Mr. Porkchop Thaw Ride began their 38 mile ride at the North Kossuth Golf Club. They traveled from Bancroft to Burt to Lone Rock to Swea City before heading back to Bancroft...Farmers are giving back to rural America through the Monsanto's Fund's America's Farmers Grow Communities. Daniel Nelsen from Ringsted chose the Lone Rock Community Club for the award of \$2,500. They were one of the 1,324 rural non profit community organizations, reaping the benefits of the program.

25 Years Ago April 12, 2000

On Monday and Wednesday evening, crews worked on constructing and insulating walls at the Bancroft Health Club. Pictured helping were Jan Deitering, Dave Fritzel, Gregg Elsbecker, Charlie and Stu Kennedy. Sheets of sheetrock were placed on a jack and with the help of Brandon Bauer they were hoisted into the air for the workers to move onto the scaffolding to finish the walls...Terry Schafer of Terry's Sign Co. of Humboldt was in town to do some much needed repair to the lighted sign located at the corner of Ramsey Street and Highway 169 near StateLine Coop. The sign is owned and maintained by the Bancroft Chamber of Commerce. The repairs included all new tracks that hold the letters and a complete new set of plexiglass letters...Emily Morse, a fifth grader at St. John's won first place in the Catholic Daughters of America contest 2000, Division I-Poetry. She read her poem aloud to

the group at the CDA meeting. Placing third with his winning essay was Derek Bollig.

50 Years Ago April 16, 1975

Ed Blocker, Bancroft farmer and seed salesman, was awarded the Honorary Farmer Award presented annually by the Future Farmers of America Bancroft Chapter. The presentation was made at the FFA Banquet held at Saint John School. Mr. Blocker received the honor for his cooperation with the FFA members' seed projects. The presentation was made by FFA president and Master of Ceremonies Jim Merron and newly elected 1975-76 Chapter president...Bancroft men were the recipients of Certificates of Recognition at the annual Future Farmers of America banquet. They were Ed Marlow, Farm Service Manager; Jim Summitt, Chamber of Commerce President; Charley Quinn, Auctioneer and Larry Nemmers, Bancroft Ballroom owner...Seventy two persons attended the Bancroft Chamber of Commerce supper and meeting held at the North Kossuth Golf Club. Miss Linda Welp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Welp, received recognition as Miss Shamrock, queen of St. Pat's Day celebration in Emmetsburg. Miss Welp was presented a travel alarm clock by Chamber president Jim Summitt and she presented her talent selection, a piano solo.

70 Years Ago April 14, 1955

Wayne Keith, who farms 693 acres near Burt in Kossuth County was one of a group of seven Iowa farmers to receive the Iowa Master Farmer Award...The Bancroft council of Knights of Columbus will be activated Sunday, April 24...Miss Annette Becker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Becker, who will complete a two year teaching course at Estherville Junior College has signed a contract to teach the first grade at the Ledyard School next year...Miss Virginia Bradley, daughter of Mrs. Francis Bradley, Bancroft, was recently chosen president of the pledges of Alpha Chi Omega, social sorority at the State University of Iowa. Miss Bradley is a junior in the College of Liberal Arts.

Iowa Lakes Music Department Celebrates 2024 and 2025 Hall of Fame Inductees

The Iowa Lakes Community College Music Department proudly honored the 2024 and 2025 Music Hall of Fame inductees during a heartfelt celebration on Friday, April 4, at the Janice K. Lund Performing Arts Center on the Estherville Campus.

The evening event featured musical performances, deserts, and a moving tribute to the inductees whose contributions have made a lasting impact on the Iowa Lakes Music Department.

"The Iowa Lakes Music Hall of Fame honors the alumni and friends who have gone above and beyond to promote and assist the Iowa Lakes Music Department," said Carol Ayres Stueven, Professor of Instrumental Music. "All these nominees are superheroes to us in the Music Department, and we are grateful for their time, talent, and commitment to



CHUCK GRASSLEY

Q: What was on the front burner during the first 100 days of the 119th Congress?

A: Congress hit the ground running on January 3 when it opened for business. After committee assignments were adopted, I resumed the helm of the Senate Judiciary Committee and leadership position as Senate President pro tempore. The to-do list on the Senate agenda was shaped by the mandate of the November presidential election. Americans voted for border security, safer streets, lower cost of living and a stronger economy. Processing the nominees to serve on the president's cabinet was among the top priorities of the first 100 days in Congress. The Senate has the constitutional authority of "advise and consent" in our system of checks and balances. Nominees for the federal judiciary and senior-level positions throughout the executive branch undergo a rigorous background check and vetting process to examine their credentials and qualifications to uphold the public trust. I chaired confirmation hearings for Attorney General Pam Bondi and FBI Director Kash Patel, as well as other top leaders for the Department of Justice. During the previous administration, I exposed the weaponization of our government that created a two-tiered system of justice. I'm committed to help restore public trust in our institutions of government and that includes robust oversight to hold government and wrongdoers accountable.

The pace by which the Senate processed cabinet nominations underscores the commitment to get the election mandate in motion. In 18 days, the Senate confirmed 13 cabinet officials, reflecting support to get the president's team in place to implement his agenda. At the top of the list was border security. Since day one of the 47th president's second term in office, the Trump

administration has kept its promise to enforce our nation's immigration laws and restore U.S. sovereignty at our borders. Compared to the Biden administration, nationwide border encounters dropped drastically. As the president said at his joint address to Congress in March, "all we really needed was a new president." What's more, the first piece of legislation Congress sent to the president's desk was the Laken Riley Act, a bipartisan bill that included Sarah's Law, named after an Iowa killed by an illegal immigrant driving drunk. I'm also pleased the Senate approved my bipartisan bill called the HALT Fentanyl Act that would permanently schedule deadly fentanyl-related substances created by the cartels to skirt U.S. law. This bill would give law enforcement the tools it needs to keep deadly fentanyl off our streets. Republicans have swiftly delivered on our promise to restore law and order and make America's streets safer.

Q: What else does Congress have to show for its work in the first 100 days?

A: For starters, I'm glad the Senate has resumed a five-day work schedule, after a long hiatus in recent years, and continued in legislative session for 10 consecutive weeks starting in January. That's what Iowans expect elected representatives to be doing. That's how the schedule operated when I first came to the Senate. Many times, I urged then-Senate Majority Leader Schumer to keep the Senate in session five days a week, instead of the sleepy schedule he led during the Biden administration. That light work schedule was a disservice to the American people and contributed to year-end, massive spending packages. Congress must return to regular order and legislate 12 annual appropriations bills in their

respective committees. This allows members of Congress to more closely scrutinize every line of spending and offer amendments. Americans deserve better than crisis-to-crisis legislating. As a taxpayer watchdog, I've continued to lead efforts to root out Pentagon mismanagement and wasteful spending across the federal government, such as tackling improper Supplemental Security Income payments, continuing my oversight of the EPA, and demanding answers about alleged fraudulent Medicare billing practices. I also published a committee report of my investigative findings shining light on the full scope of the Obama-Biden State Department's pervasive obstruction of FBI law enforcement efforts before, during and after the Iran Nuclear Deal negotiations.

In addition, the Senate Judiciary Committee has convened 15 hearings in the first 100 days. Among the policies we've examined include the Freedom of Information Act; children's safety in the digital era; legislative solutions to fix universal injunctions; and, the rise in antisemitism in America. I also steered six bipartisan bills through the committee to rein in anticompetitive practices in the pharmaceutical industry to help lower drug prices. When the Senate's not in session, I return home to Iowa every chance I get to keep in touch with my constituents. In March, I kicked off my 45th annual 99 county meetings, holding a dozen question-and-answer sessions with Iowans. Looking ahead, Congress has a full plate of unfinished business to digest in the coming months, including passing a five-year farm bill, extending rural hospital support programs and telehealth, preventing the largest tax hike in U.S. history and funding the government through a timely and transparent process.

2024 and 2025 Hall of Fame Inductees

Michael Gurciullo, Laura Garred, Doug Stueven, Emily Mikos, Michael Wilbur, Tom Musel, Cindy Mouw, Lincoln Larsen, and Logan Musel. Their annual dedication has helped inspire and educate generations of young jazz musicians.

2025 Inductees Bobbie Sue Marth - Innovation (Sforzando) The Innovation (Sforzando) Award is for a nominee who has broken new ground with originality or creativity, has established new standards, and has broken through boundaries to propel the Iowa Lakes Music Department.

Reggie Schive Jazz Camp Staff - Impact (Virtuoso) Longtime contributors to the Reggie Schive Jazz Camp were honored for their unwavering support of music education and mentorship. This year's inductees include: Donna Musel, Dan Cassidy, C.J. Kocher,

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Trish Morfitt - Commitment (Coda) The Commitment (Coda) Award is for a nominee who has committed endless time and energy to the Iowa Lakes Music Department. Trish Morfitt was recognized for her enduring dedication to promoting the music department through professional marketing and design. Her creative contributions include posters, logos, set design, and branding—many of which are still in use today. Reggie Schive Jazz Camp Staff - Impact (Virtuoso) Longtime contributors to the Reggie Schive Jazz Camp were honored for their unwavering support of music education and mentorship. This year's inductees include: Donna Musel, Dan Cassidy, C.J. Kocher,

(Cadenza)

Recognized for his influential work as a music educator and performer, Randy Yackle has provided private lessons, played keyboard for musicals, and recently assisted the Iowa Lakes Jazz Band—deeply enriching the department and community. The Iowa Lakes Music Department will also formally recognize the Reggie Schive Jazz Camp Staff during the upcoming Jazz Camp this summer, as some inductees were unable to attend the April ceremony. ## About the Iowa Lakes Music Hall of Fame The Iowa Lakes Music Hall of Fame recognizes a select group of music luminaries, visionaries, leaders, and entities that have made significant contributions to the growth and advancement of the Iowa Lakes Music Department.

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by the Code of Iowa for notifications, hearings, and bidding/letting; and WHEREAS, The Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Kossuth County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED BY Board to accept the bid from Mathy Construction Company in the amount of \$4,859,560.73 and awards the associated contract to the same; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of The Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its approval as provided by law; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Kossuth County, Iowa, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance, Douglas A. Miller, the County Engineer for Kossuth County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the above awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Garman to authorize and give its permission to Booge Properties, Amarillo, TX, to install 72 feet of 18" ø Class III reinforced concrete pipe through 110th Avenue, approximately 2,630 feet north of the southwest corner of Section 23, Greenwood Township, Kossuth County. Permit number 04-08-2025 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Haas to authorize and give its permission to Wright Tree Service, Des Moines, IA to spray Kossuth County Secondary Road Right of Way for the purposes of removing trees and brush under overhead power for ITC Midwest along: 460th Street beginning approximately 2,220 feet east of 180th Avenue on the north side of the road to 240th Avenue, section 36, Springfield Township and Sections 31-35 Hebron Township. The permit is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. Motion carried unanimously. A discussion was held with the Kossuth County Engineer. The Board of Supervisors discussed specifics to be listed in the Lease for the Emergency Response Complex. Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to set April 15, 2025 at 8:00 A.M. as the date and time for the Public Hearing and first reading of the Animal Control Ordinance and to direct the Kossuth County Auditor to publish the notice. Motion carried unanimously. The board discussed details that need to be included in a Solar Ordinance. Kossuth County Auditor Tammy Eden will convey that information along to the attorney appointed to work with us on the ordinance. Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to appoint Ahlers & Cooney to work with the county on a Solar Ordinance and send the information to Attorney Maria Brownell. Motion carried unanimously. Discussions were held with the Kossuth County Auditor and Kossuth County Board of Supervisors. Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to adjourn at 9:48 A.M. Motion carried unanimously. ATTEST: Tammy Eden Kossuth County Auditor Carter Nath, Chairperson Kossuth County Board of Supervisors ATTEST: Tammy Eden Kossuth County Auditor Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Waechter to authorize and give its permission to Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative, Estherville, IA to remove overhead electric and replace with underground electric on the south side of drive to 4103 110th Avenue. Work will be in Sections 27 and 26, Harrison Township. Permit number 04-09-2025 is on file in the Kossuth County Engineer's Office. Motion carried unanimously. (Published April 16, 2025)