

Way back when

10 Years Ago
Tribune Files of
April 29, 2015

The Lakota Ambulance crew will host an open house on May 2 in celebration of 25 years of service to the Lakota area. Members of the crew include: Bernie Becker, Ginger Goldtrap, Kristina Siemasko, Debra Steven, Robert Hansen, Craig Steven, Jon Kitzinger, Marcus Valvick, Doris Blocker and William Smidt.

The Buffalo Center Fire Department had a busy day on Thursday as crews responded to two fires in the area. All units responded to a structure fire on North Main Street where they put out a small fire on the exterior and in the basement of a home. That same day, the crew was called out to a vehicle fire in Kossuth County. The concern was that the fire could spread to a nearby field.

North Iowa Students of the Month are: Junior: Brooke Hovland; Sophomore: Natalie Dirksen; Senior,

Chloe Enright; Freshman: Rebekah Jensvold.

20 Years Ago
Tribune Files of
April 28, 2005

Two North Iowa High School seniors have been named State of Iowa Scholars. They are Kelly Smith and Micah Johnson.

The society event of the year is about to occur at North Iowa High School on Saturday night as it is prom night. The theme of the night is “Wish Upon a Star.”

Chris and Teresa Heesch are proud to announce the birth of a daughter, Jadyn Sha, born April 11.

30 Years Ago
Tribune Files of
April 27, 1995

The Iowa Farmers degree was presented to Ryan Welhousen, Shane Beenken, Matt Garst, Chris Wessels, Jennifer Gerzema and Mark Garst.

Jim Meyering’s talent with chainsaw carving is not only on display at the Riley Lewis farm west of Forest City, but is also on display

half a continent away at the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Dan and Marsha Saybolt in Miami, Florida.

Darrin and Julie Jensen are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Derek Gene, born April 21.

40 Years Ago
Tribune Files of
May 2, 1985

Dean Gerzema, Advisor for the Bison FFA Chapter, was one of three advisors honored at the State FFA Leadership Conference held in Des Moines for their work and dedication to the chapters under their respective care as vocational agriculture instructors in Iowa.

The Murra Trucking team won the Tuesday Nite Strikers League title at Buffalo Lanes. Team members are: Bill French. Eldon Johnson, Jay Dudding and Paul Kollasch.

Steve Kiewiet and Teresa Roth’s co-reporters scrapbook received a “Gold” award during judging in Des Moines at the State Leadership Conference. The two co-reporters were also honored by receiving Des Moines

“Register” Reporter’s Certificates which they were given for their efforts in keeping the public informed of Vo Ag-FFA activities.

50 Years Ago
Tribune Files of
May 1, 1975

“Gold” bookkeepers Cory Doden and Craig Johnson prepared the Bison FFA Chapter scrapbook this year, and their efforts were rewarded with a top rating at the state contest.

Three Bison FFA members earned State Proficiency Awards: Mike Kettwick, Agricultural Mechanics; David Milbrandt, Swine Production; Lyle Risius, Livestock Proficiency.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Kiewiet are happy to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kay, to George Silber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Silber. A June wedding is being planned.

60 Years Ago
Tribune Files of
April 29, 1965

Ground-breaking exercises for the local Methodist church’s new education-

al unit were held Sunday morning after the regular church service. Turning the first shovels of dirt were Rev. Wayne Wasta, Orville Kickok, little Billy Johnson, Randy Patterson and Dr. Art Kindred.

Ike Garst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Garst, received a Gold Emblem

Award in the State FFA Creed Speaking Contest held in connection with the State Leadership Conference held at Davenport.

The theme of the Junior-Senior prom was “Singing in the Rain.” The prom was held on April 24.



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Vendor Report 04.18.2025 • North Iowa Community School District

Vendor Name	Board Report -Newspaper Vendor Description	04/18/2025 1:19 PM Amount
Checking 1	Fund: 10 OPERATING FUND	
Alliant Energy	Utilities	8,627.96
Amazon.com	Supplies	829.16
BC Hardware LLC	Supplies	610.97
BMO Mastercard	Supplies	180.50
Brown, Taylor	Reimbursement	60.00
Bugs N' Stuff	Service	162.00
Central Rivers AEA	Services	264.32
City of Buffalo Center	Utilities	749.84
City of Thompson	Utilities	54.11
Column Software, PBC	Service	192.84
Costco		251.80
EDK Consulting		750.00
Epiphany Community Services	Services	2,125.00
Forest City High School	School	5.00
Good and The Beautiful, The	Supplies	157.38
Harbog Freight		537.06
Hewlett	Supplies	66.64
Holiday Inn Downtown	Lodging	189.28
Home Depot	Supplies	199.45
Iowa Association of School Boards		2,133.00
Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals & Licensing		175.00
Isolved Benefits (Kabel) auto deduct	Employee Pd Flex Fee	
		879.25
Jensen, Rachel		1,500.00
K. C. Neilsen LTD John Deere	Equipment	49.25
KBEW	ad	125.00
Little Bison Childcare Center	rent	472.85
Main Street market	Supplies	89.16
Martinson Repair and Parts		1,463.24
Mason City Community School		174.72
Medical Enterprise	Supplies	21.00
Midwest Bus Parts Inc.	Supplies	116.81
Miller, Cindy	reimbursement	439.01
NASSCO	Supplies	495.96
Next Generation Technologies	services/supplies	2,952.55
Nuway Coop	Fuel	2,030.60
School Bus Sales	Supplies	1,353.56
Schumacher Elevator Co.	Service contract	500.83
Teachers pay Teachers	Supplies	204.37
Timberline Billing Services LLC	Service	2,582.20
United States Postal Service		24.82
University of North Iowa		190.00
VitalSource		53.49
WEX Bank	Services	2,264.53
Winn. Coop Telephone	Telephone	1,155.25
Winter, Molly	reimbursement	921.04
Fund Total:		38,380.80
Checking 3	Fund:21 STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND	
Amazon.com	Supplies	1,823.50
Iowa Association of Track Coaches		200.00
Potbelly Sandwich Shop		185.26
Fund Total:		2,208.76
Checking1Fund: 33 Local Option sales/service tax	
JMC Computer Service	Supplies/service	5,594.80
Next Generation Technologies	Supplies/service	8,910.00
Time Management Systems	Service	303.40
Fund Total:		14,807.48
Checking1Fund: 36 PHYSICAL PLANT & EQUIPMENT	
Access Systems Leasing	service	1,465.00
Kelli Jo Hill	service	4,794.56
Little Bison Childcare Center	rent	1,850.00
Sloter Scholarship trust, Ben		320.08
Winn. Coop Telephone	Telephone	60.00
Fund Total:		8,489.64
Checking 2	Fund:61 School Nutrition Fund	
Anderson Erickson Dairy Co.	Supplies	1,433.91
Central Rivers AEA	services	34.00
Martin Brothers	supplies	8,987.43
Pan-O-Gold Baking Co.	program food	641.00
Performance FoodService	program food	954.50
Fund Total:		12,050.84
Checking 1	Fund: 65 Wellness Center	
Alliant Energy	Utilities	541.53
Kelli Jo Hill	service	963.84
Fund Total:		1,505.37
Checking 4	Fund: 68 FFA	
Cobblestone Inn	Accomodations	807.96
Fund Total:		807.96
Checking 1	Fund:71 Self Insurance Fund	
AUXIANT	Service	531.00
Checking 1	Fund:81 Expendable Trust Account	
Northwestern University		1,812.50
Fund Total:		1,812.50

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Naig invites horticulture producers to join Choose Iowa

Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig has announced that the Choose Iowa program is expanding to promote a vibrant array of Iowa grown horticultural products, such as Christmas trees, cut flowers, bedding plants, and ornamental trees and shrubs. Secretary Naig made the expansion announcement in conjunction with Iowa Horticulture Week (April 20-26) during a visit to Red Granite Farm near Boone.

Red Granite Farm is a Choose Iowa member whose diverse operation includes over 300 varieties of hardy perennials, vines, shrubs, annuals and succulents from their garden center, plus more than five acres of vegetables and pumpkins.

Choose Iowa’s initial focus has been on promoting Iowa grown, raised, and made food and beverages. This expansion into horticulture, which the Legislature authorized during the 2024

session, strengthens Iowa’s commitment to promoting and spotlighting the state’s diverse growers, including greenhouses, flower farms, nurseries and landscape businesses.

“Iowa’s rich and diverse horticulture industry is a cornerstone of our agricultural heritage, enriching neighborhoods and communities around our state. By expanding Choose Iowa from primarily Iowa food and beverage promotion to now include ornamental and non-edible horticulture, we’re further connecting consumers with great Iowa farmers and small businesses,” said Secretary Naig. “Whether you are looking for cut flowers or a Christmas tree, Choose Iowa can help you support local businesses and communities. With spring’s arrival and Mother’s Day right around the corner, we invite consumers to explore the beauty and freshness of Iowa’s horticulture and join

us in supporting these farmers and small businesses through Choose Iowa.”

Choose Iowa membership has been growing rapidly in 2025. The program started the year at 147 members, and now its ranks include more than 250 members, adding nearly a member a day. Choose Iowa membership offers a full suite of benefits. For an annual fee, members can showcase their Iowa grown, Iowa raised, and Iowa made food, beverages, and ag products, including horticulture, with the official logo on their packaging and labels.

Through customized profiles in the Find Local directory, customers can easily locate and support these Choose Iowa member farms and businesses. Choose Iowa members can opt into cooperative advertising opportunities to amplify their reach, attract more customers, and leverage Choose Iowa digital platforms to increase their online presence and engage

with a statewide audience. They receive valuable updates about grant opportunities, program enhancements, industry news, and more with the member newsletter.

Learn more about the benefits of becoming a Choose Iowa member, or find local products, by visiting ChooseIowa.com. Questions about Choose Iowa and its member benefits, grants and programs can be emailed to ChooseIowa@IowaAgriculture.gov.

Notice of Public Hearing 04.21.25
Proposed Budget FY25/26 - City of Lakota

City of Lakota Public Hearing Minutes Lakota Community Center April 21, 2025, 7:00 p.m. Mayor Pro-tem Janssen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Hagedorn, Janssen, Meyer, Price, and Steven. Mayor Heidecker was absent. City Staff present was Pam Ahlstrom. Price moved; Steven seconded to approve the agenda. All approved, motion carried. Price moved; Hagedorn seconded to open the public hearing on the Proposed Budget for fiscal year July 1, 2025-2026 Proposed Budget. No written or oral objections were received. Steven moved; Price seconded to close the Public Hearing. All approved, motion carried. Hagedorn moved; Price seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. All approved, motion carried. Pamela Ahlstrom, City Clerk/Treasurer ATTEST:Mayor Pro-tem, Royce Janssen
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WINNEBAGO COUNTY RECORDS

LAND TRANSFERS
Gertrude A. Meinders
to Gertrude A. Meinders

Trust, Lots 19-21, Block 85, Buffalo Center.

Wilbert Meinders Trust to Gertrude A. Meinders, Lots 19-21, Block 85, Buffalo Center.

Shirley A. Woelfel Estate to Cory Hanna, Lot

12, Helgesons 2nd Addition, Lake Mills.

Dennis A. and Edna J. Yegge Revocable Trust to Derek Yegge, a tract of land in section 32, Lincoln Township.

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Ordinance NO. #6-2025 - City of Thompson

ORDINANCE NO. #6-2025
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF THOMPSON, IOWA BY AMENDING SECTIONS 50.02 TO ADD A RUISANCE REGARDING EXCESSIVE STORAGE OF DIRT AND RUBBLE AND CEMENT OR CONCRETE CRUSHING

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Thompson, Iowa: SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 50.02 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Thompson, Iowa, is amended to add the following subsection: 50.02 NUISANCES ENUMERATED. The following or parts of ordinances in conflict with the conditions that are deemed to be nuisances in the City: 13. Excessive Storage of Dirt and Rubble: Concrete and Cement Crushing. The storage of excessive dirt, rubble, and crushed cement or concrete. The crushing of cement or concrete.

SECTION 2. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. SECTION 4. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law. Passed by the Council the 15th day of April 2025 and approved this 15th day of April 2025. Second Reading: _ Waived Third Reading: _ Waived I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. #6-2025 on the 30th day of April 2025. Published in the Buffalo Center Tribune on April 30, 2025