

FRASCHT

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outstanding agricultural skills and competencies by completing a supervised agricultural experience (SAE) program.

“A required activity in FFA, an SAE allows members to learn by doing. Members can own and operate an agricultural business, intern at an agricultural business, or conduct an agriculture-based scientific experiment and report the results,” the national FFA said.

Frascht’s SAE included owning and operating his own cow/calf herd, marketing hogs, and buying and renting land for corn and soybean production, as well as working on his parents’ farm and cattle feeding operation.

He also started a drone custom spraying business.

Other requirements to achieve the award include demonstrating top management skills; completing key agricultural education, scholastic and leadership requirements; and earning



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In 2022, Rod and Amy Frascht, shown with son Blake Frascht and Marissa Daniels, received their Honorary FFA American Degree at the National FFA Convention, where son Blake was a finalist for the FFA American Star Farmer Award. This year Rod and Amy will be back at the convention, this time cheering on younger son Brady, who is one of four finalists for the same national award.

an American FFA Degree, the organization’s highest level of student accomplishment.

Thousands of FFA members will earn their American FFA Degrees this year, but only four

finalists are chosen in each of the four Star Award categories – American Star Farmer, American Star in Agribusiness, American Star in Agricultural Placement and American Star in

AgriScience.

Frascht is the only Iowan

Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FLOYD COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JERRY NAVRATIL, Deceased No. CASE NO. 019145 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Jerry Navratil, Deceased, who died on or about May 10, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on July 14, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Jerry Navratil, deceased, bearing date of September 30, 2020, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Joyce Navratil 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 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 date of 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 15th day of July, 2025.

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among the 16 finalists in the four American Star categories.

A panel of judges will interview the finalists and select one winner from each award category to be announced at the 98th National FFA Convention & Expo, scheduled for Oct. 29 to Nov. 1 in Indianapolis in.

Frascht has built an impressive record of FFA honors over the years. He was named the 2023 Iowa FFA Star in Agricultural Production and received the 2023 Iowa FFA Degree. In 2022, he earned the state title in the Beef Production Entrepreneurship Proficiency Award area.

He said being part of the FFA has helped him develop “people skills,” such as communication and public speaking, as well as the classroom lessons on agronomy, technology and other ag-related topics.

“This is my last year I can be in FFA, since I’m 21 now,” Fras-

scht said. “I’ll be showing pigs at this year’s State Fair for FFA, and still helping out with the FFA a little bit as things come up. I’m still involved, for sure.”

Likely also attending the convention in Indianapolis will be the Charles City FFA advisors, Bret Spurgin and Michelle Dohman; Frascht’s parents, Rod and Amy Frascht (who received Honorary American FFA Degrees in 2022); and some members of the Charles City FFA chapter.

His older brother, Blake, who in 2022 was also an FFA American finalist, will likely be staying home because they will still be combining, Brady said.

Legal Notice

Public Notice
IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FLOYD COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY J. HOEFT, DECEASED PROBATE NO. ESPR019144
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Mary J. Hoeft, Deceased, who died on or about June 16, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on July 11, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Mary J. Hoeft, deceased, bearing date of September 18, 2014, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Amy Jo Shannon and Matthew C. Hoeft were appointed Co-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 July 11, 2025.
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Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FLOYD COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DONALD L. BUSEMAN, Deceased CASE NO. ESPR019148 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Donald L. Buseman, Deceased, who died on or about April 26, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on July 16, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Donald L. Buseman, deceased, bearing date of April 18, 2025, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Jean R. Buseman 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.

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Dated July 23, 2025.
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ELECTION

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Bob Carey, representing a group of what he said were six or seven people who had collected 320 signatures. On Friday Montagne announced that she had accepted the petition as valid, meeting the 257-signature requirement.

Because supervisors are considered partisan offices, the county Democratic and Republican parties will likely call nominating conventions to each choose the candidate that will represent the party on the special election ballot.

Other people who want to run will be required to turn in nominating petitions signed by residents of Supervisor District 2, which is all of Charles City

north of the Cedar River, and the northern part of St. Charles Township.

Montagne, who is in her first year as county auditor, said she is also scheduled to receive a week of election training during that time period.

“That training only comes around once every two years. So I essentially have to take it now, and I can’t just not do that,” she said.

HER OFFICE WILL ALSO HAVE TO
start getting ready for the November city council and school district elections that will be held this year.

Supervisor Gloria Carr, who had been county auditor and commissioner of elections for 20 years before being elected as a supervisor, said she had never had a special election, but she

agreed with Montagne on the time required to prepare for this one at this time of year.

The supervisors agreed to set the special election for Tuesday, Sept. 23, on a 2-0-1 vote, with Neupert abstaining to avoid any appearance of conflict since the decision affects his position on the board.

The nominating petition deadline to be on the special election ballot is 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 29, Montagne told the Press Thursday.

Potential non-political party candidates will be required to get at least 50 signatures from eligible electors who live in District 2.

All candidates will also have to file affidavits of candidacy, verifying that they are eligible to hold the office and that they will take the oath of office if elected.

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