

Iowa Central Community College offering comprehensive Pharmacy Technician Program

The Business and Community Department at Iowa Central Community College is excited to offer a comprehensive Pharmacy Technician Program. This innovative program is designed to equip students with the knowledge and hands-on experience necessary to excel in the dynamic field of pharmacy services.

“This program is an incredible opportunity for individuals looking to enter the healthcare field with a strong foundation in pharmacy services,” said Shelly Blunk, Dean of Economic Development and Continuing Education at Iowa Central Community College. “We are committed to providing high-quality education that meets the demands of today’s workforce and helps our stu-

dents succeed.”

Combining lecture-based instruction, hands-on practice, and interactive online learning modules, this program provides a well-rounded education that prepares students for a successful career. Participants will explore key topics such as prescription processing, medication dispensing, drug interactions, patient care, and both non-sterile and sterile product compounding. Additionally, students will gain valuable skills in pharmacy calculations, infection control, over-the-counter medications, and emergency preparedness.

With a strong emphasis on pharmacology, medical terminology, and anatomy, the curriculum is designed to develop students’ communication, teamwork, and professional skills. By blend-

ing theoretical knowledge with practical application, Iowa Central’s Pharmacy Technician Program ensures graduates are well-prepared to work in various pharmacy settings, contributing to safe and effective medication management.

The program could be free for qualified applicants. “We know financial barriers can get in the way of some people being able to enroll in this class. For that reason, we worked hard to get the program approved for GAP Tuition Assistance. This means that eligible individuals who reach out to our team may have the full cost of the course covered, allowing them to complete the course without any debt,” said

Melissa Vorrie, Workforce Programs Director. Students who qualify for GAP assistance also receive one-on-one career & education guidance, mentoring, soft skills development, and other support services to help students be successful in their chosen career field.

Classes will be held virtually via zoom, with the exception of three required in-person sessions in Fort Dodge. “Access to training can be difficult for our smaller communities so we are hoping that a hybrid format removes the barriers due to geographical locations,” said Julaine Bidleman, Iowa Central’s Director of Economic and Community Education.

Classes for the Pharmacy

Tech program run April 7 – June 30, on Mondays and Thursdays from 6 – 8:30 p.m. and enrollment is currently open. For more information or to enroll, interested individuals can visit iowacentral.edu or contact Michelle Filmer at filmer@iowacentral.edu or 515-574-1292.

About Iowa Central Community College: Iowa Central Community College is a comprehensive community college located in Fort Dodge, Iowa. With a mission to provide quality educational opportunities in a supportive learning environment, Iowa Central offers a wide range of programs and services to meet the needs of students and the community.



The Humboldt Lions Club installed four new members at their March 18 meeting. Front row (l-r): new members Rebecca Jeffers and Rachel Laubenthal. Back row: Mike Stegemann (new member sponsor), new member Rod Peterson, new member Julie Meyers-Peterson and new member sponsor Karolee Wilson. Submitted photo.

Supervisors

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covered they could go as close as 50 feet away from the existing tile.

Wright County has the most possible land mass that will be tested so the other counties involved have been allowing them to take the lead in what they want the new boundaries to be.

The 250 feet limit will be kept for bridges but will be reduced for surrounding tile. The testing will only be done on gravel roads and will not be in fields.

“I am comfortable with the 50 feet. We had the plate set up over the top of a tile that was only buried 18 inches deep and we didn’t see any immediate damage from the tile,” Loots said.

Vacation of county road

Secondary Road Assistant Engineer, Dave Powell presented Resolution No. 2025-3-24 to vacate “That portion of a road known as “Viana and Dakota Road”, originally established in 1874

(See Road Index Book, Page 27), and described as follows; Commencing at the Center Section of said Section 3-T92N-R27W, thence south approximately 2640’ along said center section line to the South¼ of said section 3-T92N-R27W.”

The land has been a dead end road that the county has done the minimum of mainte-

nance on.

The road is not on the IDOT map, E911 map or the Auditors maps.

The vacation was approved by the supervisors.

River Development Group

Rutland Mayor and River Development Group (RDG) Board Member, Susie Tille, spoke during the open forum to ask if the Supervisors had considered the RDG’s request to help manage the Reasoner Dam and Lake Nokomis.

“Again, I wanted to ask the Board if they have had the opportunity to review our proposal for the river development group to take into consideration of letting us take over the care of Reasoner Dam,” Tille said.

“We aren’t asking for money. We are just asking for the opportunity to try to make Lake Nokomis recreational again,” Tille finished.

Supervisor Chair Rick Pedersen told Tille he had talked to the County’s insurance agent about the proposal but did not elaborate on what was said.

Budget hearing rescheduled

The hearing regarding the approval of the Humboldt County Budget has been reset to April 21, 2025 at 8:36 a.m.

The “Truth in Taxation” hearing will remain on March 31 at 9:30 at the courthouse.

LifeWorks earns 3-year accreditation

CARF International announced that LifeWorks Community Services has been accredited for a period of three years for its Community Employment Services (employment supports), Community Employment Services (job development), Community Integration and Employment Planning Services programs.

Governance standards were applied. The latest accreditation is the 13th consecutive three-year accreditation that the accrediting body, CARF International, has awarded to Life Works Community Services.

This accreditation decision represents the highest level of accreditation that can be given to an organization and shows the organization’s substantial conformance to the CARF standards. An organization receiving a three-year accreditation has gone through a rigorous peer-review process.

It has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit its commitment to offering programs and services that are measurable, accountable and of the highest

quality.

LifeWorks Community Services is a not-for-profit organization with offices in Fort Dodge and Humboldt. It has been providing services in Fort Dodge since 1966 and Humboldt since 2017.

CARF International is an independent, nonprofit accreditor of health and human services whose mission is to promote the quality and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process and continuous improvement services that center on enhancing the lives of persons served. Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, and now known as CARF International, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services.

For more information, contact Teresa Naughton, Executive Director, LifeWorks Community Services, 1303 A Street, Fort Dodge, IA 50501. Phone: 515-570-7462 or email: tnaughton@lifeworkscommunityservices.org





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