

The View From Here

By State Senator Dennis Guth

May 2 is our scheduled last day of session. We will be headed into overtime this week as we pass some final bills and settle on budgets.

The Senate debated on Monday and Tuesday this week to either send bills already passed by the House to the Governor for her signature or send bills to the House for their consideration.

One of the bills we passed this week was House File 835, which would help students who face the risk of seizures in school. This bill will require at least one employee at each school be trained to administer or assist self-administration of rescue medication should a seizure occur during school.

We also passed Senate File 639, establishing a business court for the purpose of resolving complex commercial and business litigation. Many states al-

ready have such courts and adding one in Iowa, along with many other pro-business policies, will help us attract more businesses to Iowa.

A bill I mentioned in previous newsletters deals with pharmacy benefit manager reform. PBMs establish how much a pharmacy gets paid for the drugs they dispense under insurance. Senate File 383 implements protections for Iowa patients, cost savings measures, and reforms to help rural pharmacies. This is similar to measures passed in many other states and supports transparency of reimbursements and actual costs of drugs. SF 383 was sent to the House for their consideration.

The controversy over eminent domain's use continues with 12 senators pledging not to vote for budget bills until HF 639 is given a chance on the Senate floor.

We believe addressing eminent domain must be done this session. The 12 senators signing this public statement are: Senator Alons, Senator Campbell, Senator De Witt, Senator Evans, Senator Guth, Senator Lofgren, Senator Pike, Senator Rowley, Senator Salmon, Senator Sires, Senator Taylor and Senator Westrich.

I find that the vast majority of my constituents, the County Board of Supervisors in my district, most Republican Central Committees in my district, and the Republican Platform all support limiting eminent domain to projects of public use. This is a question of Constitutional rights and should not be influenced by possible profit.

On Tuesday night most of the Senate gathered for a dinner to honor our pages. Pages are high school students that serve the Senate by running online conferences for committee meetings, help in the well when we are in debate, make cop-

ies of bills and run a hundred different errands. It's always interesting getting to know these students and I find the session never provides enough time to really get to know them. The page dinner gave us a little more time to see them as individuals.

It was obvious they have been paying attention while they sit at the back of the Senate chambers. At the dinner they acted out a Senate debate over a bill to increase pay for pages and include hazardous duty pay when committees get contentious. They not only had the process well learned, but they represented the personalities of several prominent senators very well. We all laughed when they announced that "Democrats will caucus in room 24 for 24 hours." This gathering is something we try to do every year and it blesses me to get together as legislators with no agendas for a night of fun.

Shaping Jewell's tomorrow: Share your vision at community input session

Jewell, IA – Jewell Area Development Enterprises (JADE), in partnership with Main Street Iowa, invites all residents, business owners, and stakeholders to a crucial public input session. This meeting will focus on the findings of recent community surveys. It will be pivotal in shaping the strategic plan for the JADE program and our community.

Your voice matters! Join us at the Jewell Fire Station on Monday, May 12th at 5:00 pm to review the survey results and contribute your valuable insights. This

is your chance to influence the future direction of our community directly.

"We deeply value the perspectives of our community members," stated Allyson Walter, Executive Director of JADE. "This input session provides a vital platform for everyone to actively participate in shaping JADE & Jewell's vision and strategic priorities, informed by the recent survey data."

For more information, please get in touch with Allyson Walter at director@JADEjewell.org or 515.207.5060

Glimpses of the Past

May 12, 1905

I am going to establish a milk delivery in Jewell. All those desiring to get milk of me may do so by making the fact known. Milk will be delivered every morning. Phone No. 1001. D. Munson.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hansen this morning.

It does one good to see our streets crowded as they were last Saturday. All the available hitching posts were occupied and we noticed a number of teams tied out on private lots.

A ten pound baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Streuber, Thursday, May 4, 1905.

May 13, 1915

Stanhope Record: Several new houses are in process of building in Stanhope, several changes and improvements have been made on residences and are in contemplation. There seems to be a general spirit of improvement and general hustle over town. Yet we need several residences to rent. Families would locate in Stanhope if they could find suitable buildings in which to move their families.

The Seniors of the High School entertained the Seniors of the College Wednesday at a picnic at Lakin's Grove, going out in three car loads. Miss Rieke of the High School and Emma Knudson of the College went with the crowd as chaperones.

Randall Record: Miss Effie Kalseim is central girl at Randall now. Miss Joise Tjernagle having resigned the position.

Earl Egland, Peter Sexe and Morris Johnson joined Terry's Show Company when it was in Jewell Monday, and expect to travel with that company during the summer months.

May 14, 1925

F. H. Ferbitz announces a demonstration month to show the new One Minute Model 52 washer. A special representative from the One Minute factory at Newton, Iowa will be here to show and explain the many advanced features embodied in this new One Minute.

The Brinton estate 160 acre farm just west of Ellsworth on the north side of the road was sold at referee's auction sale last Saturday to close the estate. Some of the heirs, "Sam" Brinton and his sisters bought the farm.

Mrs. Jennie Borchering will again soon open up a photograph studio in Jewell, occupying the old photograph studio building that is not located on the rear half of the lot occupied by the Manhattan oil station.

Just as soon as the building and premises can be put in good repair, she will occupy the building and open up for business.

Ellsworth & Vicinity: The E. H. S. track team won the triangular track meet held on the Ellsworth athletic field Friday afternoon. Ellsworth scored 82 pints, Jewell 21, and Randall 15. Mansager of Ellsworth won highest individual honors. Ellsworth received the cup given by Mr. Johnson of the State Bank for winning the meet.

Randall & Vicinity: "The Colonel's Maid," the class play which was chosen by the seniors, is a sprightly comedy. The story goes that Bob Rudd, played by Howard Nelson, has fallen in love with Marjorie Byrd, Mary Templar, who is the daughter of his father's old rival.

A monument firm started work last week erecting a

stone at Evergreen cemetery purchased by Ole Hanson for the lot where his wife and one of his sons are buried. The stone is of red St. Cloud granite and, in all, weighs about seven tons.

Two more railroad families have secured houses in Jewell the past week. They are the families of J. N. Zeigler, fireman, and W. L. Benhert, brakeman, both running on the passenger train between Sioux City and Jewell.

The formal opening was held last Saturday of the new Manhattan Gasoline service station. Each customer buying gas that day was given a free quart of lubricating oil, and souvenirs were given to all callers.

May 9, 1935

Announcement was made that the state primary highway No. 15 through Jewell has been designated as the route of the cross-state federal highway No. 69. That the report was correct was evidenced this week, federal highway No. 69 markers having been put up on No. 15 through town.

A rumor was current all day Monday to the effect that Mr. and Mrs. Russell Nielsen have sold their R. & E. cafe. Inquiry revealed that the rumor was entirely unfounded; they have not sold and have no intention of doing so.

May 10, 1945

REMNANTS OF GERMAN NAZI GOVERNMENT SURRENDERED MONDAY, MAY 7TH. It is not news to anybody, but it's the news for which the world has been looking and longing for a long time.

E. W. Montgomery's Will Gives Free Public Library To Jewell. A lifelong resident generously remembers his home town.

May 12, 1955

At the Hamilton County Road-e-o on Sunday, Richard Mortenson, a senior in Jewell high school, was named as the safest driver in the county. The winners were determined by a variety of tests in the handling of a car.

May 13, 1965

South Hamilton's girls' track team won the district title Saturday at Churdan after walking away with top honors in their own Hawketts relays earlier in the week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Oppedal and Stan, Barbara Brown, and Mrs. Inez Nuese of Marshalltown, were Mother's Day dinner guests at the Leo Oppedal home at Story City.

May 15, 1975

This year's Hawk golf team is one of the finest ever to represent South Hamilton, turning in average scores that are the best on record, and this season posted eighty wins with no losses in dual meet competition.

May 13, 1975

Eight happy members of the track team and their manager, George Barr, were awarded the trophy May 6 at the Westwick Relays for placing first in a field of 16 schools.

May 9, 1985

Noted children's author, Lynn Hall had a chance to meet her fans in grades 1-6 on April 23 at South Hamilton.

May 11, 1995

Tracey King, Jewell, has been chosen as a recipient of a \$2,500 Christina Hixson Opportunity Award from Iowa State University.

May 11, 2005

Photo: Lori Backoff, food manager at the new Kum & Go in Ellsworth, is pictured at the food counter in the store which opened this week.

The Stratford Public Library

is hiring for the position of Library Assistant.

The library will be accepting applications until Noon on Sat, May 10, 2025.

Applications can be picked up at the library along with a job description for the position.

The library assistant works 10-15 hours per week, most weekends (Fri/Sat), and fills in when the library director is gone.

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SH Area Happenings

Thursday, May 8
4:00pm V B G vs. Ogden (H)
4:30pm V B/G T @ HOIAC-West Marshall

Friday, May 9
2:00pm V G G SH Invitational (H)
4:30pm 7/8 B/G T @ HOIAC-Saydel

Saturday, May 10
8:00am IHMSA Large Group Contest @ R-S
TBD High School Trap Shooting Meet

Monday, May 12
6:00pm High School Band & Choir Awards
6:00pm South Hamilton School Board meeting
7:00pm Ellsworth & Jewell City Councils meet
7:30pm HS Band and Vocal Spring Concert

Tuesday, May 13
Seniors Last Day of School
4:00pm V G G @ Ames G&CC
6:00pm Stanhope City Council meeting
7:00pm 7/8 Band & Choir Spring Concert

Wednesday, May 14
All State Jazz Band
10:00am V B G @ Belle Plaine-1A Sectional
5:30pm Senior Awards Banquet
7:30pm Baccalaureate-Jewell UCC

Any event charging a fee will be asked to purchase a separate ad. If you would like to have an event listed on this calendar, call 515-290-7907 or email shrecnew@globalccs.net

Dear Jane Lane

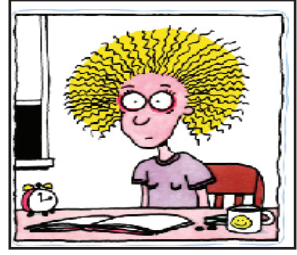
By Jane Baldus

Dear Jane Lane:
How many May baskets did you get this year? As you're getting on in years, were you able to catch the givers for a big smooch, as is the custom?

Queenie

Dear Queenie:
Not that it's any of your beeswax (and it isn't), but I'll tell you anyway...
There were so many May baskets piled up at my door that I lost count! And yes, I made sure that not one of them managed to outrun me! Good thing I had plenty of Chapstick on hand...!
If I gave a rat's patoot, I'd ask you how many May baskets you received... But I'm guessing not as many as I did!

Jane Lane



If you have a problem you need help with, write to Jane Lane, PO Box 130, Jewell IA 50130, email shrecnew2@globalccs.net or use our drop box, but don't expect miracles. If you're desperate, stop me on the street and pour your heart out, as if I give a rat's patoot. Sometimes I care, but usually I don't. If you don't like my advice, up your nose with a rubber hose... Makes no difference to me!