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Area briefs

Upcoming LMCS events

The Lake Mills Middle School chorus will present their annual musical, Friday evening, May 23, at 7 p.m. This year's musical is "Suessical." The public is encouraged to attend.

D.A.R.E. graduation will be held Tuesday, May 27, at 2 p.m. in the auditorium.

Bulldog Pantry available to LMCS families

The Bulldog Pantry is a school-based food bank that serves families in the LMCS district. They distribute food weekly Thursday afternoons based on orders sent in via an online link. If you would like to participate and receive food items, please use the link provided on the Lake Mills Community School website (www.lake-mills.k12.ia.us) to select the items you would like to receive.

Weather

THURSDAY			
Sunny	71°	43°	
FRIDAY			
Mostly Sunny	80°	52°	
SATURDAY			
Mostly Sunny	82°	53°	
SUNDAY			
Sunny	84°	56°	
MONDAY			
Sunny	83°	56°	
TUESDAY			
Mostly Sunny	84°	60°	
WEDNESDAY			
Partly Cloudy	85°	60°	

Official temperatures and precipitation as recorded by the Lake Mills Power Plant are as follows:

Date	Hi	Low	Prec.
April 29	55°	34°	.85"
April 30	68°	32°	—
May 1	61°	46°	.38"
May 2	52°	43°	.10"
May 3	61°	36°	—
May 4	72°	36°	—
May 5	73°	44°	—

Markets

Prices reported as of Tuesday morning. Prices subject to change.

Five Star	2024	2025
Corn	\$ 4.58	\$4.32
Soybeans	\$11.87	\$9.93

Viterra		
Corn	\$ 4.64	\$4.32
Soybeans	\$11.76	\$9.81

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Kaylee Taft recognized by Governor Reynolds for academic excellence

Kaylee Taft, a senior at LMCS, was recognized by Gov. Kim Reynolds and Lt. Governor Chris Cournoyer for outstanding academic achievement at the 23rd Annual Governor's Scholar Recognition Ceremony, April 27, at the Iowa Events Center, Des Moines.

The statewide program, sponsored by the Iowa Governor's Office, Iowa High School Athletic Association (IHSAA) and its title sponsor the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation (IFBF), honored 424 high school seniors from across Iowa.

"Iowa Farm Bureau has a long history of supporting students in their educational journey knowing they represent the leaders of tomorrow," said IFBF President Brent Johnson. "From providing more than a half-million dollars in college scholarships annually to our long-time title sponsorship of the Annual Governor's Scholar Recognition Ceremony, we're honored to support and celebrate Iowa's outstanding students."

Each high school was invited to select a senior student with the highest academic ranking for their first seven semesters. Students selected for the award also had the opportunity to recognize their favorite/most influential teacher and will receive a photo plaque of their meeting with Governor Reynolds.

"The principles learned through academic success, like those learned from participation in education-based activities, help develop outstanding leaders and citizens," said IHSAA Executive Director Tom Keating. "The partnership between the IHSAA and the Iowa Farm Bureau, along with the great cooperation of the Governor's Office has made this event possible for many years."

Ninety-eight percent of those recognized participate in extra-curricular school activities, with more than 82 percent participating in at least one interscholastic sport. More than 63 percent of the group plan to continue their education in Iowa.



2025 River City Honor Band musicians

Six outstanding young musicians from LMCS recently participated in the annual Fifth and Sixth Grade River City Honor band. Almost 200 students from 30 North Iowa school districts converged upon Lincoln Intermediate School in Mason City for a fantastic day of playing their instruments under the direction of this year's directors: Mr. Ross Schumaker, First Year Band Guest Conductor and Mr. Conner Tipping, Second Year Band Guest Conductor. Lake Mills band students are under the direction of Molly Holtan and Bethany Dieken. Pictured above (L-R): Evelyn Rye (fifth grade), Anna Budach (fifth grade), Elizabeth Gaetzke (sixth grade), Brynna Reese (sixth grade), Gracelynn Francis (sixth grade), and Jenna Solomonson (sixth grade).



Pictured: WCTA Board of Directors, front row (L-R): Nancy Moglestad, Larry Foley, and Shanan Redinger. Back row: Mark R. Johnson, Curt Helland, Dale Meinders, and Jim Scholbrock.

WCTA pays out over \$2 million in dividends

Winnebago Cooperative Telecom Association (WCTA) will disburse nearly 10,000 dividend checks totaling \$2,100,000 in late May. The payments represent the remaining deferred dividends for members who had service with WCTA in 2001 and 2010. In addition, WCTA will pay out patronage dividends for part of the year of 2006.

"WCTA's growth is driven by the support of our members and communities. We are thankful for the opportunity to share our success with them," stated WCTA Board President, Mark R. Johnson.

The WCTA Board of Directors voted earlier this year

to approve the payment distribution. Board members include Larry Foley, Curt Helland, Mark R. Johnson, Dale Meinders, Nancy Moglestad, Shanan Redinger, and Jim Scholbrock.

WCTA, the preferred 100 percent fiber optic Internet provider of Southern Minnesota and Northern Iowa, is a member-owned cooperative offering a full range of quality, reliable telecommunication services and products.

For more information about WCTA, visit www.wctatel.net.

LMCS BACCAULAUREATE & GRADUATION

Lake Mills will hold baccalaureate
WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, AT 7 P.M.
at Word of Faith Dominion Church
Graduation will be held
SUNDAY, MAY 18, AT 2 P.M.
in the high school gymnasium

*The Lake Mills Graphic special graduation issue
will be published next Wednesday, May 14*