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FOR A CAUSE

June 28th | 3-6 PM | Laurel, IOWA



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Main Street in Laurel, IA

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Car Show in Laurel for a cause

There will be a car show and carnival from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday on Main Street in Laurel. This event will feature music, a foam party, face painting and a live pie auction. Multiple awards will be given out at the car show. All proceeds will go to Jim Freeks who is fighting cancer and in support of LCC VBS and Youth Mission Trip.

40 Iowa students named 2025 Game Changer Scholars

TIMES-REPUBLICAN

WEST DES MOINES — Jolcey Santana, of Marshalltown, is one of 40 Iowa students receive college scholarships this year through Athene’s Game Changer Scholars Program. Santana is a Second-year recipient of the scholars program.

Funded by the Athene Charitable Foundation, the program reflects

Athene’s commitment to supporting education and the next generation of Iowa leaders. The Game Changer Scholars Program began in 2021, and since then, it has distributed more than \$475,000 in scholarships to students across the state.

The Game Changer Scholars Program awards scholarships to Iowa residents planning to attend

an accredited college or university in the state. Recipients are selected based on academic achievement, leadership, community involvement, work experience and financial need.

Today’s scholars are tomorrow’s game changers.

For more information about the Game Changer Scholars Program or Athene, visit www.athene.com.

Ham radio operators on the air for nationwide event June 28 – 29

TIMES-REPUBLICAN

Ham radio operators from the “Smoking Hot Radios” Amateur Radio Club at the Iowa Veterans Home in Marshalltown will be participating in a national amateur radio exercise from 1 p.m. on Saturday until 1 p.m. on Sunday. The event is ARRL Field Day (www.arrl.org/field-day), an annual amateur radio activity organized since 1933 by The National Association for Amateur Radio in the United States. Operations will occur from the Dack LRC and courtyard, as well as the club room in the basement of Sheeler.

Hams from across North America ordinarily participate in Field Day

by establishing temporary ham radio stations in public locations to demonstrate their skill and service. Their use of radio signals, which reach beyond borders, bring people together while providing essential communication in the service of communities. Field Day highlights ham radio’s ability to work reliably under almost any location and create an independent, wireless communications network.

Some hams from Marshall County will also use the radio stations set up in homes or backyards and other locations to operate individually or with their families.

This year’s event is also noteworthy given that a particularly active hurricane season is predicted. Hams have a long history of serving communities when storms or other disasters damage critical communication infrastructure, including cell towers. Ham radio functions completely independently of the internet and phone systems and a station can be set up almost anywhere in minutes. Hams can quickly raise a wire antenna in a tree or on a mast, connect it to a radio and power source, and communicate effectively with others.

Hams range in age from as young as 9 to older than 100.

Local students recognized at national history contest

TIMES-REPUBLICAN

DES MOINES — Seventy-three Iowa students participated in the National Contest of National History Day, hosted at the University of Maryland, College Park from June 8-12.

After advancing from the Iowa state-level competition, students showcased documentary, exhibit, paper, performance and website projects exploring topics related to the annual theme, “Rights and Responsibilities in History.” Iowa boasts five medalists, one additional top-ten finalist, seven honorable mentions and one special award.

The 73 students advanced from a total of 542 competitors at the state level competition, held on April 28 at Iowa State University.

This year’s Marshalltown awardees from the national competition include:

• 2025 MEDALISTS

1st Place in Senior Group Performance
Students: Isaac Benscoter and Isaac Se-

berger

Teacher and School: Susan Fritzell, Marshalltown High School

Title: Tinker v. Des Moines: Taking Responsibility to Ensure Students’ Rights

• 2025 HONORABLE MENTIONS

Honorable mentions are awarded to entries that ranked in the second place in the first round of judging.

Junior Individual Documentary
Student: Londyn Senethavysouk

Teacher and School: Ann Jackson, B. R. Miller Middle School (Marshalltown)

Title: Extermination or Civilization: The Cultural Genocide of Native Americans

Annually, more than a half million middle and high school students around the world research, develop and present papers, exhibits, documentaries, websites and performance about historical topics.

The National History Day in Iowa program has been coordinated by the State Historical Society of Iowa since 1994.

Marshalltown Area Chamber of Commerce joins Greater Des Moines Partnership

TIMES-REPUBLICAN

The Greater Des Moines Partnership has welcomed the Marshalltown Area Chamber of Commerce to its Regional Affiliate Chamber network. Members of the Marshalltown Area Chamber are now automatically Members of The Partnership and gain access to resources and tools such as small business programming, leadership training, marketing and storytelling support. The Partnership’s regional network has grown to more than 7,200 Members, making it the second-largest regional chamber in the country.

The Partnership serves 12 counties, including Marshall County. This model of regional collaboration helps Greater Des Moines

stand out when attracting economic development projects and provides options for prospective and current residents to choose between living and working in rural, urban and suburban areas.

The Affiliate Chamber network bolsters the spirit of regional collaboration by connecting public, private and nonprofit Members across the region.

“Strong partnerships are the foundation of regional success,” said Tiffany Tauscheck, president & CEO of The Partnership. “Working alongside the Marshalltown Area Chamber of Commerce and all the Affiliates in our region allows us to strategically and collaboratively serve and support businesses, workforce and quality of life. We

look forward to strengthening our connections with the Marshalltown business community as we continue to grow together.”

“The Marshalltown Area Chamber of Commerce is proud to join The Partnership as an affiliate member to bring our members more tools, resources and expertise to grow and be successful within the Greater Des Moines Region,” said John Hall, president & CEO of the Marshalltown Area Chamber of Commerce. “Relationships like these are absolutely necessary to build not only a surviving community, but a thriving one, and through this strengthened relationship will put us one step closer to that goal for Marshalltown and Marshall County.”



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