

# Sydnee Partridge, RT(R)(M)(CT) Honored with the ACMH ROSE Award

**AUDUBON** — Sydnee Partridge, RT(R)(M)(CT), employee at Audubon County Memorial Hospital and Clinics was honored with the first ever 2025 ROSE Award. Sydnee Partridge has worked as an ACMH radiology technician in the Radiology Department since 2021.

The ROSE Award is an acronym for **Recognition Of Service Excellence**. The ROSE program shines a light on non-nursing employees that go beyond the expectations of their job descriptions. These service champions leave lasting impressions that bring true meaning to the phrase “Excellence with quality and compassion to those we serve.”

In order to be considered for this award, the employee must meet the criteria of the ROSE award: **Rapport** (Develops close and harmonious relationships with the intention to understand and communicate with others effectively), **Optimistic** (Displays the qualities of hope and positivity throughout the organization), **Sincere** (Offers genuine, heartfelt sincerity and earnest devotion without reservation) and **Empathy** (Has the ability to understand various perspectives within others and respond to their experience in a compassionate and caring manner). To determine the award honoree, the nominations were reviewed and voted on by five ACMH nursing staff. Nominations could be made by patients, family, friends, co-workers or volunteers.

Sydnee is the first recipient of the ACMH ROSE Award and we are excited to bring this annual Award to ACMH. Sydnee was nominated by Sarah Asmus, OPC/ Surgery Manager. Sarah wrote the following about Sydnee in her nomination form:

“I am honored to nominate Sydnee Partridge, radiology tech, for the ROSE Award in recognition of her outstanding service, dedication, and the lasting impact she makes on both patients and colleagues. Sydnee consistently exemplifies the core values of Rapport, Optimism, Sincerity, and Empathy, truly embodying “excellence with quality and compassion.”



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Sydnee has the ability to build meaningful relationships with patients, ensuring they feel comfortable, heard and respected. She explains procedures in a reassuring manner and takes the time to ease patient’s anxiety and enhance the overall patient experience. Co-workers also appreciate her willingness to collaborate and communicate effectively, fostering a positive work environment.

Sydnee brings a positive attitude to every situation. Even on the busiest day, her enthusiasm never wavers, demonstrating a strong commitment to patient care and teamwork. She inspires patients and staff with her upbeat spirit, ensuring an atmosphere of encouragement and support.

One of Sydnee’s most remarkable qualities is her genuine approach to patient care. She consistently goes above and beyond to offer comfort and reassurance to patients. Through a warm smile, kind words, or a simple gesture, her sincerity is evident.

Sydnee demonstrates a deep understanding of patients’ needs, responding with compassion and care. She takes the time to listen to concerns, treating them with dignity and respect. Her ability to connect with patients makes a profound difference in their care.

Through her dedication, professionalism, and compassionate spirit, Sydnee truly exemplifies what it means to provide excellence in service. Her contributions go beyond technical expertise—they reflect a deep commitment to making a difference in the lives of those we serve. It is with great pride that I nominate Sydnee for the ROSE award, as she is undoubtedly deserving of this recognition.

Words our pain management specialist, Brian Jacobs, sent regarding Sydnee:

“I’m writing to complement our radiology technician, Sydney. I was having a miserable week last week, but was quickly cheered up during my first procedure as Sydney anticipated (and even reminded me of) my needs during the case. To this extent, she consistently takes initiative in preparing for our cases and double checking our clinic orders and these efficiencies contribute greatly to the flow in our pain clinic.”

Beyond her meticulous attention to detail, she is loved by our patients. This is the only facility I’ve ever gone to where patients comment they are happy to see the radiology technologist upon entering the procedure room. This

undoubtedly puts patients at ease before procedures and positively influences the patient experience. Her close ties with our community, expertise, and excellent attitude make her a tremendous asset to our facility.

I look forward to working with her for years to come.”-Brian Jacobs, CRNA

Congratulations to Sydnee for the dedication and commitment displayed with a friendly smile and the willingness to help co-workers and patients at Audubon County Memorial Hospital and Clinics.

ACMH looks forward to sharing these special award honorees with the community.

## Deaths

# Reverend Michael B. Berner

Jan. 9, 1960 — April 11, 2025

Reverend Michael B. Berner, age 65, of Council Bluffs, passed away April 11, 2025, in Council Bluffs.

Fr. Mike was born Jan. 9, 1960, in Council Bluffs to Charles R. and P. Joan (Edwards) Berner. Fr. Mike was ordained into the priesthood Diocese of Des Moines, in 1986. He served many parishes including Audubon and Exira.

Fr. Mike is survived by his mother, Joan Berner of Council Bluffs; and five siblings, two nieces, four nephews, and many friends.

Wake service will be Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at 6 p.m. followed by visitation until 8 p.m. at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 4 Valley View Drive in Council Bluffs. Mass of Christian Burial, Wednesday, April 23, 2025, at 11 a.m. at the church. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery.

## Legal Notice

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING -- PROPOSED BUDGET Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026 County Name: AUDUBON COUNTY    County Number: 05

The County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year County budget as follows:  
Meeting Date: 4/29/2025    Meeting Time: 10:00 AM    Meeting Location: Supervisor Room-Courthouse 318 Leroy St Audubon, IA 50025

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the County Auditor. A copy of the supporting detail will be furnished upon request. County budgets are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult dom.iowa.gov/local-budget-appeals

Average annual percentage changes between "Actual" and "Budget" amounts for "Taxes Levied on Property", "Other County Taxes/ TIF Tax Revenues", and for each of the ten "Expenditure Classes" must be published. Expenditure classes proposing "Budget" amounts, but having no "Actual" amounts, are designated "NEW".

County Website (if available)  
auduboncountyiia.gov

County Telephone Number  
(712) 563-2584

|  |           | Budget 2025/2026                                  | Re-Est 2024/2025 | Actual 2023/2024 | AVG Annual % CHG |
|--|-----------|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>REVENUES &amp; OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>    |           |   |                  |                  |                  |
| Taxes Levied on Property                         | 1         | 6,873,389   | 6,121,099        | 6,121,252        | 5.97             |
| Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year   | 2         | 0   | 0                | 0                |                  |
| Less: Credits to Taxpayers                       | 3         | 209,310   | 178,500          | 289,104          |                  |
| Net Current Property Taxes                       | 4         | 6,664,079   | 5,942,599        | 5,832,148        |                  |
| Delinquent Property Tax Revenue                  | 5         | 0   | 0                | 17               |                  |
| Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes             | 6         | 0   | 0                | 20,046           |                  |
| Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues              | 7         | 2,089,393   | 1,654,816        | 1,310,363        | 26.27            |
| Intergovernmental                                | 8         | 3,831,629   | 3,795,069        | 3,803,392        |                  |
| Licenses & Permits                               | 9         | 37,000  | 20,000           | 29,426           |                  |
| Charges for Service                              | 10        | 353,485   | 406,690          | 261,707          |                  |
| Use of Money & Property                          | 11        | 307,081   | 398,381          | 494,223          |                  |
| Miscellaneous                                    | 12        | 17,850  | 33,000           | 232,389          |                  |
| Subtotal Revenues                                | 13        | 13,300,517  | 12,250,555       | 11,983,711       |                  |
| Other Financing Sources:                         |           |   |                  |                  |                  |
| General Long-Term Debt Proceeds                  | 14        | 0   | 1,458,198        | 541,803          |                  |
| Operating Transfers In                           | 15        | 2,010,000   | 2,314,492        | 3,434,270        |                  |
| Proceeds of Fixed Asset Sales                    | 16        | 30,000  | 30,000           | 0                |                  |
| Total Revenues & Other Sources                   | 17        | 15,340,517  | 16,053,245       | 15,959,784       |                  |
| <b>EXPENDITURES &amp; OTHER FINANCING USES</b>   |           |   |                  |                  |                  |
| Operating:                                       |           |   |                  |                  |                  |
| Public Safety and Legal Services                 | 18        | 2,348,733   | 2,220,309        | 2,028,308        | 7.61             |
| Physical Health and Social Services              | 19        | 514,448   | 602,810          | 433,973          | 8.88             |
| County Environment and Education                 | 21        | 929,050   | 815,047          | 833,683          | 5.56             |
| Roads & Transportation                           | 22        | 5,736,411   | 5,859,445        | 5,515,368        | 1.98             |
| Government Services to Residents                 | 23        | 694,195   | 611,699          | 549,099          | 12.44            |
| Administration                                   | 24        | 1,344,139   | 2,839,811        | 2,638,419        | -28.62           |
| Nonprogram Current                               | 25        | 0   | 0                | 0                |                  |
| Debt Service                                     | 26        | 1,852,655   | 1,766,509        | 1,326,619        | 18.17            |
| Capital Projects                                 | 27        | 1,317,629   | 2,012,316        | 2,855,132        | -32.07           |
| Subtotal Expenditures                            | 28        | 14,737,260  | 16,727,946       | 16,180,601       |                  |
| Other Financing Uses:                            |           |   |                  |                  |                  |
| Operating Transfers Out                          | 29        | 2,010,000   | 2,314,492        | 3,434,270        |                  |
| Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow                 | 30        | 0   | 0                | 0                |                  |
| Total Expenditures & Other Uses                  | 31        | 16,747,260  | 19,042,438       | 19,614,871       |                  |
| <b>Excess of Revenues &amp; Other Sources</b>    |           |   |                  |                  |                  |
| over (under) Expenditures & Other Uses           | 32        | -1,406,743  | -2,989,193       | -3,655,087       |                  |
| Beginning Fund Balance - July 1,                 | 33        | 7,293,223   | 10,282,416       | 13,937,503       |                  |
| Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budgeting) | 34        | 0   | 0                | 0                |                  |
| Fund Balance - Nonspendable                      | 35        | 0   | 0                | 0                |                  |
| Fund Balance - Restricted                        | 36        | 0   | 0                | 8,462,210        |                  |
| Fund Balance - Committed                         | 37        | 0   | 0                | 0                |                  |
| Fund Balance - Assigned                          | 38        | 92,500  | 93,405           | 84,528           |                  |
| Fund Balance - Unassigned                        | 39        | 5,793,980   | 7,199,818        | 1,735,678        |                  |
| Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30,             | 40        | 5,886,480   | 7,293,223        | 10,282,416       |                  |
| Proposed property taxation by type:              |           | Proposed tax rates per \$1,000 taxable valuation: |                  |                  |                  |
| Countywide Levies*:                              | 3,955,460 |   |                  |                  |                  |
| Rural Only Levies*:                              | 2,917,929 | Urban Areas:                                      |                  |                  |                  |
| Special District Levies*:                        | 0         | Rural Areas:                                      |                  |                  |                  |
| TIF Tax Revenues:                                | 1,450,025 | Any special district tax rates not included.      |                  |                  |                  |
| Utility Replacement Excise Tax:                  | 239,368   |   |                  |                  |                  |

Explanation of any significant items in the budget or additional virtual meeting information: