



Big 4 Unit, IRSPA meets in Charles City

The Big 4 Unit of the Iowa Retired School Personnel Association (IRSPA) met in May at the First Citizens National Bank in Charles City. Big 4 members worked in all professions within a public or non-public Iowa Educational Institution from Butler, Bremer, Chickasaw and Floyd counties. Our

next meeting will be September 16th at the bank when we hope to meet candidates running for local and state offices. New members are always welcome. Learn more at www.irspa.org

This month members enjoyed a very dynamic book talk by author Michelle Sprout Murray of Mason

City. Her book "Amazing Iowa" came alive as we learned about "Great tales and curiosities from 'The Hawkeye State'". Many members knew Michelle and her family, when her father Lyle Sprout was the Assistant & High School Principal at Charles City in the years 1969-1995.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Sheriff's Levy and Sale Case No. EQCV022244

Notice of Sheriff's Levy and Sale
IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR BUTLER COUNTY STATE OF IOWA BUTLER COUNTY

Iowa District Court
Butler County
Case #: EQCV022244
Civil #: 26-000174
Special Execution

CEDAR FALLS COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION

vs
BILLY J. ACKERSON;
TIA M. ACKERSON;
AND STATE OF IOWA

As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of defendant (s)

Real Estate
Described Below
To satisfy the judgment. The Property to be sold is

TRACT DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE CENTER OF MAIN STREET IN NEW HARTFORD, IOWA DIRECTLY NORTH

OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF BOURQUIN'S SECOND ADDITION TO NEW HARTFORD, IOWA, THENCE WEST NINETY (90) FEET, THENCE SOUTH ONE HUNDRED EIGHT AND ONE-HALF (108 1/2) FEET, THENCE EAST TWENTY-SEVEN (27) FEET, THENCE SOUTH ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN (118) FEET, THENCE EAST SIXTY-THREE FEET, THENCE NORTH TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX AND ONE-HALF (226 1/2) FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, SAID TRACT BEING LOCATED IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWESTQUARTER (SW1/4 OF NW1/4) AND THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4 OF NW1/4) ALL IN SECTION THIRTY-THREE (33), TOWNSHIP NINETY (90) NORTH, RANGE FIFTEEN (15) WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., BUTLER COUNTY, IOWA.

JUDGMENT IN REM
Property Address: 1229 MAIN ST., NEW HARTFORD, IA 50660

The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for

cash only as follows:

Sale Date: 07/23/2026
Sale Time: 10:00
Place of Sale: BUTLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, 428 6TH ST, ALLISON, IA 50602

This sale not subject to Redemption.

Property exemption: Certain money or property may be exempt. Contact your attorney promptly to review specific provisions of the law and file appropriate notice, if acceptable.

Judgment Amount: \$73,938.69
Costs: \$13,213.91
Accruing Costs: PLUS
Interest: \$1,474.72

Sheriff's Fees: Pending
Date: 05/26/2026
/S/ JASON S. JOHNSON
BUTLER COUNTY SHERIFF
Attorney

ADAM J. BABINAT
PO BOX 627
CEDAR FALLS, IA 50613

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ORIGINAL NOTICE

Equity No. EQCV022288

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR BUTLER COUNTY EQUITY NO: EQCV022288 ORIGINAL NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Veridian Credit Union Plaintiff,

vs.

Jason J. Widmann; Unknown Spouse, if any, of Jason H. Widmann; Parties in Possession; Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC, et al.

Defendants.
You are notified that a petition has been filed in the office of this court naming you as a defendant in this action. The petition was filed on March 9, 2026, and prays for foreclosure of Plaintiffs Mortgage in favor of the Plaintiff on the property described in this notice and judgment for the unpaid principal amount of \$121,262.27, with 6.5% per annum interest thereon from May 1, 2025, together with late charges, advances and the costs of the action including (but not limited to) title costs and reasonable attorney's fees, as well as a request that said sums be declared a lien upon the following described premises from May 26, 2023, located in Butler County, Iowa:

Lot 12 and the South 30 feet of Lot 11 in Block 12 in Howell, Campbell, and Sargents Addition to the Town of Parkersburg, Iowa Also Known As:

Lot Twelve (12) and the South Thirty feet (S 30 ft.) of Lot Eleven (11) in Block 12 in Howell, Campbell, and Sargents Addition to

the Town of Parkersburg, Iowa, commonly known as 410 4th St, Parkersburg, IA 50665 (the "Property")

The petition further prays that the Mortgage on the above described real estate be foreclosed, that a special execution issue for the sale of as much of the mortgaged premises as is necessary to satisfy the judgment and for other relief as the Court deems just and equitable. For further details, please review the petition on file in the clerk's office. The Plaintiffs attorney is Arlet Costilla, of SouthLaw, P.C.; whose address is 4601 Westown Pkwy, Suite 250, West Des Moines, IA 50266.

NOTICE

The plaintiff has elected foreclosure without redemption. This means that the sale of the mortgaged property will occur promptly after entry of judgment unless you file a written demand with the court to delay the sale. If you file a written demand, the sale will be delayed until six months (or three months if the petition includes a waiver of deficiency judgment) from the entry of judgment if the mortgaged property is your residence and is a one-family or two-family dwelling or until two months from entry of judgment if the mortgaged property is not your residence or is your residence but not a one-family or two-family dwelling. You will have no right of redemption after the sale. The purchaser at the sale will be en-

titled to immediate possession of the mortgaged property. You may purchase at the sale.

You must serve a motion or answer on or before July 2, 2026, and within a reasonable time thereafter, you must file your motion or answer with the Clerk of Court for Butler County, at the county courthouse in Allison, Iowa. If you fail to respond, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

If you require the assistance of auxiliary aids or services to participate in a court action because of a disability, immediately call your District ADA Coordinator at 641-494-3611. If you are hearing impaired, call Relay Iowa TTY at 1-800-735-2942.

This case has been filed in a county that utilizes electronic filing. You may find more information and general rules governing electronic filing in Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16. You may find information concerning protection of personal information in court filings in Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16, Division VI.

By:
CLERK OF THE ABOVE COURT
Butler County Courthouse
428 6th Street, P.O. Box 307
Allison, IA 50602-0307

IMPORTANT:
YOU ARE ADVISED TO SEEK LEGAL ADVICE AT ONCE TO PROTECT YOUR INTERESTS.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Butler County • Amend No. 9 Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 9 TO THE BUTLER COUNTY LOGISTICS PARK URBAN RENEWAL PLAN FOR AN URBAN RENEWAL AREA IN BUTLER COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA

The Board of Supervisors of Butler County, State of Iowa, will hold a public hearing before itself at its meeting which commences at 9:00 A.M. on June 23, 2026 in the Basement Meeting Room, Butler County Courthouse, 428 Sixth Street, Allison, Iowa, to consider adoption of a proposed Amendment No. 9 to the Butler County Logistics Park Urban Renewal Plan (the "Amendment") concerning an Urban Renewal Area in Butler County, State of Iowa.

The Amendment adds land to the Butler County Logistics Park Urban Renewal Area as follows:

1. The entire road right of way of Butler County Industrial Park Road within Section 34 of Butler Township, Butler County, Iowa and lying between Butler County 220th Street on the South and Iowa Highway 3 on the North.

2. The following parcels of land located in Section 34 Butler Township, Butler County, Iowa.

Tax ID Parcel No. 08-34-100-040 (As shown in Instrument No. 2024-1312, Office of the Recorder, Butler County, Iowa) "BMC Aggregates LC"

All that part of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of Section Thirty-four (34), Township Ninety-two (92) North, Range Fifteen (15) West of the 5th P.M. in Butler County, Iowa, lying southwesterly of Iowa Highway #3 and consisting of 73 acres, more or less

Tax ID Parcel No. 08-34-300-045 (As shown in Instrument No. 2026-0297, Office of the Recorder, Butler County, Iowa) "Lot 1 -

BLP East Addition"

Tax ID Parcel No. 08-34-300-043 (As shown in Instrument No. 2026-0297, Office of the Recorder, Butler County, Iowa) "Lot 2 - BLP East Addition"

Tax ID Parcel No. 08-34-400-046 (As shown in Instrument No. 2010-4404, Office of the Recorder, Butler County, Iowa) "Mulder"

The West One-half of the Southeast Quarter (W1/4 SE1/4) of Section Thirty-four (34), in Township Ninety-two (92) North, Range Fifteen (15) West of the Fifth P.M., except a strip Thirty-three (33) feet wide off the East side of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW1/4 SE1/4) and except a tract being described as: Parcel A in the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW1/4 SE1/4) of Section Thirty-four (34), Township Ninety-two (92) North, Range Fifteen (15) West of the Fifth P.M., as shown in Plat of Survey filed Dec. 11, 1998, in Book "J" page 263 of the Recorder's Office of Butler County, Iowa

A copy of the Amendment is on file for public inspection in the office of the County Auditor, Courthouse, Allison, Iowa.

Butler County, State of Iowa is the local public agency which, if such Amendment is approved, shall undertake the urban renewal activities described in such Amendment.

The general scope of the urban renewal activities under consideration in the Amendment is to promote the growth and retention of qualified industries and businesses in the Urban Renewal Area through various public purpose and special financing activities outlined in the Amendment. To accomplish the objectives of the Amendment, and to encourage the further economic development of the Urban Renewal Area, the Amendment provides that such special financing activi-

ties may include, but not be limited to, the making of loans or grants of public funds to private entities under Chapter 15A, Code of Iowa. The County also may reimburse or directly undertake the installation, construction and reconstruction of substantial public improvements, including, but not limited to, street, water, sanitary sewer, storm sewer or other public improvements. The County also may acquire and make land available for development or redevelopment by private enterprise as authorized by law. The Amendment provides that the County may issue bonds or use available funds for purposes allowed by the Plan and that tax increment reimbursement of the costs of urban renewal projects may be sought if and to the extent incurred by the County. The Amendment initially proposes no specific public infrastructure or site improvements to be undertaken by the County, and provides that the Amendment may be amended from time to time.

The proposed Amendment No. 9 would add land to the Urban Renewal Area and add and/or confirm the list of proposed projects to be undertaken within the Urban Renewal Area.

Other provisions of the Plan not affected by the Amendment would remain in full force and effect.

Any person or organization desiring to be heard shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard at such hearing.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, State of Iowa, as provided by Section 403.5, Code of Iowa.

Dated this 26th day of May, 2026.
Leslie Groen
County Auditor, Butler County, State of Iowa

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The school year has almost ended. Summer is nearly upon the kids. School and programs are ending as VBS's and camps; fall trips and vacations are beginning to be laid out. It was a wonderful year for our first year of Lifewise with grades K-2 and we are excited for what next year will bring when we also add grades 3-5. God is moving with these young ones and drawing them closely to Himself and they are our future - the future church and our future leaders. But we kept explaining to them that God doesn't want them to wait. He wants to use them for spreading His love and for bringing Him glory right now.

Kids have an excitement about their faiths that is sometimes lacking with us adults in His church. You should see them come running into the classroom for His training! They are pumped up (to use a phrase from when I was young)! When they received their first Bibles from the program, we could hardly

keep them from opening it and reading, and we didn't want to. They are so eager to see what God has to say to them. Not only were they reading God's Word with us, but they were bringing their Bibles home with them to read there and even review the lessons we just went over. They were also sharing Jesus with others. Each month we had more kids being invited by their classmates and signing up. Reading God's Word, being excited for how God was speaking to them, and then sharing the good news with people around them including their families. They were, and still are, living out their faiths.

"I have hidden your (God's) word in my heart, that I might not sin against you." This verse is found in Psalm 119:11. During the year's program, there were also verses that went along with groups of lessons, and we and the kids were taking these verses to memorize and to store away for the Spirit of God to use later when He speaks to us in

From the Cheap Seats

By John Jensen

Nelson Media Company

Today's column is one that I've been dreading over the past three and one-half weeks ... to the point where I wasn't sure I was going to write it. It's my final one as editor of The Grundy Register and Butler County Eclipse. By the time you read this, I'll have begun a new chapter and challenge in my life.

This is a change that I do not take lightly. I've worked for either The Grundy Register, Parkersburg Eclipse News-Review or Butler County Eclipse for most of the past 16 years. I've enjoyed a lot of it. I haven't enjoyed the past two years.

Those of us who began our newspaper reporting careers in the 90s have seen insurmountable change. Part of that has been the transition from the physical aspect of working with film cameras and cut-and-paste layouts to today's world of digital cameras and pagination. The other has been the shrinking of newspaper staffs as circulation numbers have dwindled. When I began at The Grundy Register in 2010, there were six of us working from that office. When Mid-America Publishing closed, there was one person.

I used to take pride in being one of the most versatile reporters around. To this day I am just as comfortable covering a city meeting or talking to a high school teacher about the special project they are working on as I am taking pictures at a

high school baseball game or wrestling meet. Yet that versatility bit me. It led to my trying to do all of the above, sometimes all at the same time. It became quantity over quality. The quantity of my work has suffered.

Over the past two years, I've missed the chance to build relationships and write the long-form stories the way I once was able to do. I've become fairly good at writing stories from brief notes and finding content to fill space. Yet the content often wasn't that good. I've seen the way people who once seemed to like me look at me with disappointment in their eyes. That hurt. And I understood why they felt the way they did.

I've worked harder over the past two years than at any other time in my career. Even veteran reporters do not get paid a lot of money (we get less than that of a first-year teacher) and that money didn't increase as I took on additional duties. Journalists' hours are irregular and come with a lot of personal sacrifices. I haven't had more than a few consecutive days away from work in several years. That includes the week my dad died ... I barely had time to grieve. I had to find content for the papers.

I used to do this because I loved it. But over the past couple of years the workload became nearly every weekend during the summer, a few nights during the week, an 18-hour day or two per week. And despite that I felt like I was missing more stories than I was getting. As that happened, I lost the love I once had for what I do. That's what I'm looking to recapture at my new position, which will be a news-only job in a part of the state I've never lived or

various situations. I can still remember some of the first verses I learned as a child and they are still applying to my life situations over and over again. I am praying that God will also use these verses they learned in the same manner. His Word is living and vital.

I am going to miss teaching at Lifewise next year as by then, I am hoping and planning to be in Houston serving other kids there through Prestige Learning Institute. The good news of Jesus Christ will still be going out though and God will still be at work, drawing more and more to Himself. I am praying for a revival to start with these young Muslim kids and then to see God using them to bring it to their families! I am excited to be helping them in adjusting to new life here in the States, and I am most excited to see God at work so that they will then be called a child of the King.

Prayer is vital! Prayer is necessary! We are speaking to the One who holds all of us in His hands and has all-power for His will to go forth. Please be praying for the Lifewise kids through the summer and for the next year ahead. And please be praying for Nelia and I as we work with the same mission purpose in Houston. May Jesus shine and shine brightly.

worked in before.

My mom asked me last week if I had any regrets about my decision to leave the Grundy Register and Butler County Eclipse. The only one I can think of is that I couldn't do more than I did. The past two years have burned me out. Part of me wonders if I'm making a mistake staying in this business.

I wish I were going to be around to see what Nelson Media Company is going to grow in both Butler and Grundy Counties. These papers have a lot of potential. I wish the people working here the best. Please give them grace as they learn the ropes.

I would like to thank the people who brought me to Grundy Center, Parkersburg and briefly the northern half of Butler County. That starts with Mid-America Publishing, Clint Poock, Brad Hicks, Ryan Harvey, Pam DeVries and Matt Grohe. There was a time when we put out some darn good newspapers together. More recently I would like to thank Chris Nelson and Nelson Media Company. When Mid-America closed, I feared my journalism career was over. Though I only worked with you for a few months, I'll have memories of this time.

I would also like to thank the city and county officials, teachers and coaches that I've worked with while working in Butler and Grundy Counties. You have been extremely helpful and have made my job easier.

Finally, I need to thank you, my readers. Though I know I haven't always delivered everything you have wanted, know that I have tried.

God bless.
John R. Jensen

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