

Ag Pest Control Course Feb. 11

Preregister before Feb. 4 for Course

Sigourney — Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Keokuk County will host an Ag Pest Control Continuing Instruction Course (CIC) for commercial pesticide applicators Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2026. The program, provided by the ISU Extension and Outreach Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP), is available at office locations across Iowa. The local attendance

site is Keokuk County Extension Office, 400 220th Ave. Suite A. Sigourney, IA 52591. Preregistration may be required. Walk-ins are not guaranteed admission. The course runs from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. The registration fee is \$45 on or before Feb. 4 and \$60 after February 4. To register or to obtain additional information about the CIC, contact Emily Belvel at the ISU Extension

and Outreach Keokuk County office at 641-622-2680. The course will provide continuing instruction credit for commercial pesticide applicators certified in categories 1A, 1B, and 1C. Topics covered will include personal protective equipment and safe handling; professionalism, storage of pesticides, including chemical security and pests, pest manage-

ment, and pesticides. Certified Crop Adviser (CCA) Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be offered at this program. Interested participants should bring their CCA number. Additional information and registration forms for this and other courses offered by the PSEP program can be accessed at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/PSEP>.

Fairfield teenager dies in collision

FAIRFIELD - A Fairfield teenager died in a collision west of Fairfield on Saturday, Jan. 24.

A report from the Iowa State Patrol indicated that 18-year-old Emmelia Miller from Fairfield was driving a 2009 Lexus north on Hemlock Avenue at approximately 10:18 p.m. that evening when she lost control of the vehicle due to weather conditions, and was side struck by a 2025 Dodge driven by 20-year-old Morgan Anderson also from Fairfield.

The 18-year-old was not wearing a seat belt, and was pronounced dead at the scene. Two passengers in the Dodge suffered inju-

ries, 26-year-old James Lyman, who was not transported and who was wearing a seat belt, and 24-year-old Ashlyn Hotchkiss, who was not wearing a seat belt and was taken by ambulance to the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City. Both Lyman and Hotchkiss are teachers at Peekin High School.

The report indicates that the crash remains under investigation. Assisting the Iowa State Patrol at the scene were the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, Jefferson County Ambulance, Fairfield Police Department, Fairfield Fire Department and Libertyville Fire and Rescue.

Seed Treatment and Ag Pest Control Course set for Feb. 18 in Sigourney

Preregister before Feb. 11 for Seed Treatment and Ag Pest Control Course

Sigourney — Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Keokuk County will host a Seed Treatment and Ag Pest Control Continuing Instruction Course (CIC) for commercial pesticide applicators Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2026. The program, provided by the ISU Extension and Outreach Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP), is available at office locations across Iowa.

The local attendance site is Keokuk County Extension Office, 400 220th Ave. Suite A. Sigourney, IA 52591. Preregistration may be required. Walk-ins are not guaranteed admission. The course runs from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. The registration fee is \$45 on or before Feb. 11 and \$60 after February 11. To register or to obtain additional information about the CIC, contact Emily Belvel at

the ISU Extension and Outreach Keokuk County office at 641-622-2680. The course will provide continuing instruction credit for commercial pesticide applicators certified in categories 4, 1A, 1B, and 1C. Topics covered will include personal protective equipment and safe handling; professionalism, storage of pesticides, including chemical security; and pests, pest management,

and pesticides. Certified Crop Adviser (CCA) Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be offered at this program. Interested participants should bring their CCA number. Additional information and registration forms for this and other courses offered by the PSEP program can be accessed at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/PSEP>.

Reneker named to President's List at Washburn University

TOPEKA, KS - Washburn University is pleased to announce its President's List honorees for the fall 2025 semester. To qualify for the President's List, a student must complete at least 12 hours of graded credits and earn a semester grade point average of 4.0.

Sabrina Reneker from Fairfield
For fall 2025, 872 students qualified for the President's List. "These students have excelled in the classroom through hard work and dedication," said Dr. JuliAnn Mazachek, president, Washburn University.

Ornamental and Turfgrass Pest Control Course March 4 in Sigourney

Preregister before Feb. 25 for Ornamental and Turfgrass Pests Control Course

Sigourney — Iowa State University and Outreach Keokuk County office will host an Ornamental and Turfgrass Pest Control Continuing Instruction Course (CIC) for commercial pesticide applicators Wednesday, March 4, 2026. The program provided by the ISU Extension and Outreach Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP) can be

seen at office locations across Iowa. The local attendance site is Keokuk County Extension Office, 400 220th Ave. Suite A. Sigourney, IA 52591. Preregistration may be required. Walk-ins are not guaranteed admission. The course runs from 9 to 11:30 a.m. The registration fee is \$45 on or before Feb. 25 and \$60 after February 25.

To register or to obtain additional information about the CIC, contact Emily Belvel at the ISU Extension and Outreach Keokuk County office at 641-622-2680. The course will provide continuing instructional credit for commercial pesticide applicators certified in categories 30, 3T, and 3OT. The IDALS-required topics to be

covered are personal protective equipment and safe handling; professionalism, storage of pesticides, including chemical security; and pests, pest management; and pesticides. Additional information and registration forms for this and other courses being offered by the PSEP team can be accessed at www.extension.iastate.edu/psep.

Patriotic Panthers 4-H Club holds Jan. meeting

The Patriotic Panthers 4-H Club met on Jan. 14, 2026, at Prairie View Church. The meeting was called to order by President Colt Reed. Leading the Pledge of Allegiance were Sawyer Cawson and Colt Reed. Roll call was answered by 26 members. There were no minutes to be read for the previous meeting. The Treasurer's report was given by Maci Crow. Business: We discussed Market Beef Weigh In, entries are due by Jan. 31; 4-H Scholarships; 4-H Senior Scholarships; the State 4-H Dues fundraiser; County 4-H Lock-In, which is set to be on Feb. 27; 2026 Club Meeting Book; YQCA Codes

and Testing. The County Council report was given by Teagan Swearingen, Madison Fry, and Carly Clarahan. We also discussed CPR training and are hoping to have it in March. The meeting was adjourned by Cole Millikin and seconded by Colt Reed. Maci Crow, Kopolan Lowenberg, and Teagan Swearingen led the 4-H Creed. The next meeting will be held on February 11. The activities were bingo, white elephant gift exchange, and a gift exchange. Refreshments were served by Cole Millikin and Sharon Fritchen. Reported by: Samuel Loper, Club Reporter

Certified Handlers Course March 11

Preregister before March 5 for spring Certified Handlers Continuing Instruction Course

Sigourney — Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Keokuk County will host a Certified Handlers Continuing Instruction Course (CIC) for Wednesday, March 11, 2026. The program, provided by the ISU Extension and Outreach Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP),

is available at office locations across Iowa. The local attendance site is Keokuk County Extension Office, 400 220th Ave. Suite A. Sigourney, IA 52591. Walk-ins on the day of the program are not guaranteed admission. The course runs from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. The registration fee is \$45

on or before March 4 and \$60 after March 4. To register or to obtain additional information about the CIC, contact Emily Belvel at the ISU Extension and Outreach Keokuk County office at 641-622-2680. The course will provide continuing instruction credit for certified handlers. Topics cov-

ered will include personal protective equipment; professionalism, storage of pesticides, including chemical security; and secondary containment requirements. Registration forms for this and other courses offered by the PSEP program can be accessed at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/PSEP>.

Attend the Church of Your Choice

Sunday, February 1 — Saturday, February 7

ANTIOCH INDEPENDENT CHURCH

South of Brighton, Rev. John Benedict
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Bible Study

BRIGHTON UNITED CHURCH

Brighton, Rick Zickefoose, Pastor
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship
10 a.m. Sunday school

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Abingdon, Pastor Reginald Marlin
Sunday: 10 a.m. Sunday school
11:05 a.m. Worship
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Bible Study

CHURCH OF LIVING WATER

Hedrick, Pastor Gary D. Smith
Sunday: 10 a.m. Sunday school
10:30 a.m. Fellowship
11 a.m. Worship

6 p.m. Evening Service
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Evening Service

FIRST CHRISTIAN (DOC) CHURCH

Packwood, Trevor Northup
Sunday: 8:55 a.m. Worship

FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

Brighton, Pastor Richard Hughes
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday school

10 a.m. Worship Service
5 p.m. Bible Study
Wednesday: 6 p.m. Youth Group
7 p.m. Bible Study

GRACE FAMILY CHURCH

24536 Hwy 78, Ollie, Rev. Dar Eckley
Sunday: 10:15 a.m. Worship
10:15 a.m. Children's Church

HEDRICK CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Hedrick
Sunday: 10:45 a.m. Worship

HEDRICK COMMUNITY CHURCH/A GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH

Hedrick, Pastor Michael Elrod
Sunday: 9 a.m. 9 a.m. Worship
www.hedrickcc.org
hedrickcc@mail.com 641-653-4477

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Germanville (rural Brighton), Pastor Ryan Dexter
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday school
10:15 a.m. Worship
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group

JESUS NAME APOSTOLIC CHURCH

Brighton, Jeff Ide, Pastor
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship

OLLIE BAPTIST CHURCH

Ollie, Pastor Tom Grove
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship
Thursday: 9 a.m. Women sewing

PLEASANT PLAIN FRIENDS CHURCH

Pleasant Plain
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship

PRAIRIE VIEW/A GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH

Hwy 78 N of Packwood, Pastor Steven Lamb
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday Worship with Communion, followed by Fellowship
10:30 a.m. Sunday School
5 p.m. Book Study at the Parsonage
Monday: 8 a.m. Prayer Group at Parsonage
Tuesday: 10 a.m. Bible Study
10 a.m. PVW Sewing Day
Wednesday: 6 p.m. Youth Group

RICHLAND METHODIST/A GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH

Richland, Pastor Michael Elrod
Sunday: 11 a.m. Worship
richlandumc.com or Richland UMC on Facebook

SS JOSEPH & CABRINI CATHOLIC PARISH

Richland, East Pleasant Plain
Rev. Fr. Robert Lathrop, Pastor
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church
Tuesday: 8 a.m. Prayer Service at Mother Cabrini Church
Thursday: 8 a.m. Prayer Service at St. Joseph Church

TRINITY FRIENDS CHURCH

Richland, Pastors Jerry Hoover & Steve Pfeifer
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship

VICTORY FELLOWSHIP

Brighton
Sunday: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Evening Service

WOOLSON FRIENDS CHURCH

Jasmine Ave. south of Richland, Pastor Jerry Hoover
Sunday: 11 a.m. Worship