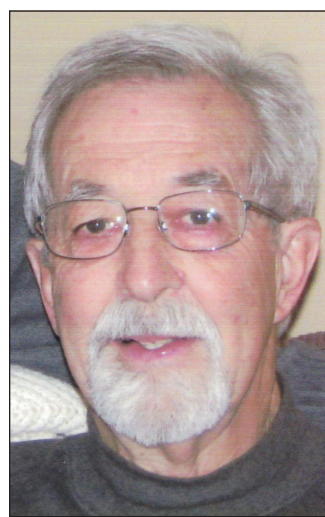


## BIRTHDAY ...

### Jim Lawrenz will celebrate his 91st birthday



Jim Lawrenz

Jim Lawrenz of Rockford will turn 91 on Wednesday, March 25, and his children invite friends and acquaintances to share in reminiscing about "the good old days" with him by sending cards, greetings and other well-wishes with "the rest of the story" to:

Jim Lawrenz  
110 5th St NW  
Rockford, IA 50469

## Floyd county farm bureau client member and US Army veteran surpasses 11 gallons in blood donations

### To The Press

Floyd County Farm Bureau client member Eugene "Gene" Nieman of Nashua has recently surpassed a milestone of 11 gallons of donated blood through the American Red Cross Blood Donor Program, reflecting a lifetime commitment to helping others and saving lives.

Nieman, a U.S. Army infantry veteran of the Vietnam War, witnessed firsthand the life-

and-death importance of blood donations while serving his country. Those experiences left a lasting impression and inspired him to continue serving others long after returning home.

Following his military service, Nieman made it a personal mission to attend as many local Blood Drives as possible over the past 55 years.

Over the decades, his commitment to donating blood has now surpassed the 11 Gallon milestone, a level achieved by only a small percentage of donors.

"The Red Cross is in constant, and at times, dire need of blood donations. So many lives are saved every day through the unwavering support and generosity of those people that donate blood." Nieman stated.

Nieman encourages anyone who is eligible to donate blood to make it a priority and attend a local blood drive or donation center whenever possible.

"If you're able to donate, please consider doing it," Nieman added. "You never know whose life you might help save."



Submitted photo

Gene Nieman of Nashua has been recognized by Floyd County Farm Bureau for donating 11 gallons of blood to the American Red Cross.

"Gene represents the very best of our community," said Jay Jung of Farm Bureau Financial Services. "His service as an infantry soldier in the Vietnam War and his decades-long commitment to donating

blood demonstrate the kind of quiet leadership and generosity that truly saves lives and is the backbone of our rural Iowa communities. We are proud to recognize Gene for this incredible milestone."

## Red Cross sees surge in volunteers as it marks annual awareness month

### To The Press

The American Red Cross is celebrating a significant increase in volunteerism this March as the nation marks Red Cross Month, with new data showing the organization's volunteer base has grown by nearly 25% over the past three years.

More than 325,000 people now volunteer with the Red Cross nationwide, spanning every generation from Gen Z to the Silent Generation.

Organization officials say the growth reflects a broader post-pandemic rebound in community service across the country.

Perhaps the most notable trend in the data is the rise of younger volunteers. Gen Z is now the fastest-growing segment of the Red Cross volunteer base, a shift driven largely by the expansion of student-led Red Cross clubs.

Volunteers make up 90% of the Red Cross workforce.

"Generation after generation, our community has shown that compassion is one of its greatest strengths," said Jill Orton, CEO of the American Red Cross Nebraska-Iowa Region. "Their commitment reflects a shared humanitarian spirit that connects us across time."

Red Cross Month dates to World War II, when it was established as a national call to action to address growing humanitarian needs.

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### Regular Board Meeting 03/16/2026 05:30 PM High School Library 1201 1st Avenue Charles City, IA

#### MEETING MINUTES

The Charles City Board of Education is holding a meeting open to the public. People who want to make comments are welcome to attend in person at the location specified. The community can watch the school board meeting by attending in person or watching live at <https://www.charlescityschools.org/article/live-stream/>

**Attendance**  
Voting Members  
Bruce Koebnick, School Board President  
Josh Mack, School Board Member  
Dr. David Schrodt, School Board Member  
Dara Jaeger, School Board Member  
Kathryn Fox, School Board Vice-President

**Non-Voting Members**  
Brian Burnight, Superintendent  
Danielle Bonnstetter, Board Secretary  
1. Call to Order, Board President  
President Koebnick called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

2. Roll Call, Board Secretary  
3. Reading of the District Mission/Vision Statement- Kathryn Fox  
4. Approval of Agenda  
It was resolved to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion made by: Dr. David Schrodt  
Motion seconded by: Kathryn Fox  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
5. Welcome Visitors: Public Comment  
6. Consent Agenda  
It was resolved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion made by: Dr. David Schrodt  
Motion seconded by: Kathryn Fox  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
7. Board Committee Reports  
A. New Business- Action Items  
A. Anderson, Larkin, & Co. P.C. Contract  
It was resolved to approve the Anderson, Larkin, & Co. P.C. Contract for FY26-28.  
Motion made by: Kathryn Fox  
Motion seconded by: Josh Mack  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
B. Set the Date, Time, and Place for the Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 26-27 Property Tax  
It was resolved to set the Date, Time, and Place for the Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 26-27 Property Tax for Monday, March 30, 2026 at 12:00 pm at Central Services, 1204 1st Ave Charles City IA 50616.

Motion made by: Kathryn Fox  
Motion seconded by: Dr. David Schrodt  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
C. Set the Date, Time, and Place for the Public Hearing on the Sale of Real Property  
It was resolved to set the Date, Time, and Place for the Public Hearing on the Sale of Real Property for April 13, 2026 at 5:30 pm at the High School Library, 1 Comet Dr Charles City IA 50616.

Motion made by: Dr. David Schrodt  
Motion seconded by: Josh Mack  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
D. Public Hearing on the Proposed School Calendar for 2026-27 & 2027-28  
President Koebnick announced that this is the time, place, and date to hold a public hearing on the matter of the Proposed 2026-27 & 2027-28 School Calendar. An inquiry was made as to whether any written comments or objections had been filed by any resident of the District. No written comments or objections were received prior to the hearing. Oral comments or objections were then called for and none made. No public comments or objections were presented at the hearing.  
E. eRate Internal Connections  
It was resolved to approve the eRate Internal Connections as presented.  
Motion made by: Kathryn Fox  
Motion seconded by: Josh Mack  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
F. eRate Internet Services  
It was resolved to table this item until the April 13, 2026 board meeting

Motion made by: Josh Mack  
Motion seconded by: Bruce Koebnick  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
G. Chromebooks  
It was resolved to approve the Chromebooks purchase as presented.  
Motion made by: Josh Mack  
Motion seconded by: Kathryn Fox  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
H. PPEL Renewal  
It was resolved to approve the resolution ordering an election on the question of continuing to levy and impose a voter approved physical plant and equipment property tax and income surtax. The election is called on Tuesday, September 8, 2026.  
Motion made by: Josh Mack  
Motion seconded by: Dr. David Schrodt  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
I. Lincoln Elementary Fire Panel  
It was resolved to approve the Lincoln Elementary Fire Panel purchase as presented.  
Motion made by: Josh Mack  
Motion seconded by: Dr. David Schrodt  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
J. Approve 65-passenger Bus Purchase  
It was resolved to approve the purchase of a 65-passenger bus as presented.  
Motion made by: Josh Mack  
Motion seconded by: Dr. David Schrodt  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
K. FEH Proposal for HS remodeling  
It was resolved to approve the FEH proposal for HS remodeling with option #2 under the Enhanced Front Entrance item and with an \$11 M SAVE bond concept.  
Motion made by: Dr. David Schrodt  
Motion seconded by: Dara Jaeger  
Voting:

Unanimously Approved  
L. Main Electrical Switch Gear- HS  
It was resolved to approve the main electrical switch gear purchase for the HS as presented.  
Motion made by: Dr. David Schrodt  
Motion seconded by: Josh Mack  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
10. Board Comments  
President Koebnick mentioned that the FFA banquet is this Thursday and the trapshooting kids are well underway.  
11. Adjournment  
It was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 pm.  
Motion made by: Kathryn Fox  
Motion seconded by: Josh Mack  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
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Vendor Name, Detail Description, Amount	Fund Number: 10 Operating Fund
Access Systems Leasing, Copiers/Printers	\$1,349.00
Access Systems, Fax Overages	\$59.99
Aces, Cloud Agreement Backup/Tech	\$150.00
AgVantage FS, Fuel/Bus Barn	\$6,636.28
Ahlers & Cooney, Legal Services	\$842.00
Aidex Corporation, Inst Supplies/HS	\$1,426.90
Airgas USA, Inst Supplies/HS	\$206.26
Amazon, Supplies	\$7,751.48
Arnold Motor Supply, Supplies/Bus Barn	\$569.65
BambuLab, Inst Supplies/TAG	\$163.90
Best Western, Lodging/TAG	\$186.40
Bill Doran, Supplies/HS	\$95.95
Bonnstetter, Danielle, Reimb Mileage/Meal/Budget Meeting	\$50.64
CAM Community School District, SpEd Billing	\$37,836.62
Caroline Biological, Inst Supp/HS	\$531.67
Carquest Auto Parts, Tools/Bus Barn	\$349.73
Casey's General Store, Pizza/HS	\$61.97
Cedar Falls Community Schools, SpEd Billing	\$7,272.18
Cedar Rapids Community Schools, Open Enrollment	\$887.60
Central Rivers AEA, Inst Supp/Flow-Through	\$78,436.60
Century Link, Elevator Lines	\$164.21
Charles City Press, Legal Notices	\$290.62
City Laundering, Towels/B & G	\$138.98
City of Charles City, Water	\$3,026.52
Claimaid Consulting Company, Medicaid Billing/Consulting	\$650.00
Clayton Ridge Community School, SpEd Billing	\$53,712.80
Compass PD, Curriculum	\$32,910.24
Des Moines Public Schools, Tuition/PMIC Services	\$3,963.17
Dick Blick Art Materials, Inst Supp/HS	\$310.59
ECA Educational Services, Inst Supp/HS	\$39.00
Everway, Subscriptions/Curriculum	\$1,265.97
Fairfield Inn & Suites, Lodging/CHAMPS	\$376.05
Fareway, Supplies	\$324.99
Floyd County Fair, Linen Rental/Comet Café	\$182.00
Forest City Community Schools, SpEd Contest	\$10.00
Four Oaks, Professional Learning	\$5,800.00
Gage Plumbing & Heating, Mick, Supplies/B & G	\$799.16
Granger, Supplies/B & G	\$1,370.38
HyVee, Inst Supplies	\$3,252.77
i3-MPN, School Pay Service Fee	\$692.46
IC School, 25-26 28E SpEd Agreement	\$11,457.45
Iowa High Schl Music Asn, Event Registration	\$625.00
Iowa School Finance, Budget Workshop/D Bonnstetter	\$300.00
Iowa Western Community College, Certification	\$395.00
Jendro Sanitation, January Services	\$2,431.28
John Deere Financial, Supplies/Bus Barn	\$171.88
Kwik Trip, Fuel/Bus Barn	\$503.18
L & J Industries, Supplies/B & G	\$150.45
Larson Co., Gustave A., Supplies/B & G	\$2,035.90
Lessin Supply, Supplies/B & G	\$136.53
Machine Tool Engineering, Supplies/B & G	\$120.00
Mathews, Clarissa, Reimb/Fuel	\$31.90
Meat, Cady, Reimb/Supplies	\$90.94
Mediacom, Internet/Innovative Campus	\$429.95
Mid American Energy Company, Electric	\$16,015.51
Midwest Bus Parts, Parts/Bus Barn	\$784.95
Mike Mostead Motors, Parts/Bus Barn	\$263.25
Nashua-Plainfield Schools, SpEd Billing/Open Enrollment	\$117,051.28
Nassco, Cleaning Supplies/B & G	\$4,740.85
North Central International, Parts/Bus Barn	\$347.67
Northeast Iowa Food Bank, Food Pantry/Project Rise	\$258.44
O'Reilly Auto Parts, Parts/Bus Barn	\$126.28
On Track Signs, Staff Signs	\$30.00
One Source, Background Checks	\$267.00
Opp, Gayle, Reimb/Supplies	\$78.00
Osage Community School, SpEd Billing/Open Enrollment	\$118,303.71
Paper Corporation, Paper Order	\$5,947.71
Parts Town, Parts/Bus Barn	\$47.48
Pepper of Minneapolis, Inst Supp	\$384.49
Performance Foodservice TPC, Supplies/FCS	\$142.44
Perma Bound, Inst Supp/HS	\$482.00
Pitney Bowes, Postage	\$426.84
Pollard, Pest Control/B & G	\$2,148.60
Progressive Agriculture Foundation, Ag Safety Training/HS	\$125.00
Rainbow Resource, Curriculum/HSAP	\$714.65
Renaissance, Subscriptions/Curriculum	\$500.00
Rieman Music, Inst Supp	\$350.00
RRMR School District, Concurrent Courses	\$44.73
Scholastic, Curriculum/ELL	\$626.75
Schuett Ace Hardware, Supplies/B & G	\$545.25
Servsafe, Course/HS	\$285.00
Soux City Community School District, SpEd Billing	\$6,479.68
Spurgin, Bret, Reimb/Supplies	\$88.85
Staples, Inst Supp/HS	\$85.43
Staudt, Lindsey, Reimb Meals/Conference	\$54.93
Superior Lumber, Inst Supp/HS	\$246.10
Supply House, Supplies/B & G	\$211.05
Synergy Physical Therapy and Sports, February Services	\$3,041.67
TeachTown, Curriculum	\$25,694.08
Vista Print, Postcards/MS	\$62.58
Webstaurant Store, Supplies/Comet Café	\$1,790.67
Winterset Community School District, SpEd Billing	\$3,329.58
Woodward-Granger Community School, SpEd Billing	\$10,523.69
Youth Frontiers, Retreat	\$750.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$597,474.55</b>

### Fund Number: 21 Student Activity Fund

Amazon, Supplies/Student Council	\$79.92
Anderson, Chloe, Pit Musician/HS	\$400.00
Andymark, Supplies/Robotics	\$1,238.39
Atlantic Coca-Cola, Concessions	\$833.59
Bill Doran, Supplies	\$145.15
Blankenbaker, Scott, Pit Musician/HS	\$160.00
Central Rivers AEA, Prom Coupon Books	\$364.42
Country Inn and Suites, Lodging/FFA Conference	\$191.54
Davis, Susan, Vocal Lessons/HS	\$465.00
Dept of Inspections and Appeals, Concessions	\$411.50
Drury Hotel, Lodging/Girls State Wrestling	\$1,786.97
Elk's Club, Rental Fee/Prom	\$312.28
FCCLA, Dues/FCCLA	\$242.00
Fareway, Supplies/Yearbook	\$29.95
First, Registration/Robotics	\$3,000.00
Florida Fruit Association, Fundraiser/FCCLA	\$1,290.00
Hewett Wholesale, Concessions	\$312.28
Iowa Association of SkillsUSA, Contest Fee	\$1,500.00
Iowa High School Speech Assn, Individual Registration	\$267.00
Jugs Sports, Supplies/Sofball	\$62.75
North Butler Community School, Entry Fee/Wrestling	\$100.00
Nyberg, Patrick, Reimb/Meal	\$105.88
Paulson, Christian, Pit Musician/HS	\$400.00
Ramirez, Angel, Pit Musician/HS	\$400.00
Rev Robotics, Supplies/Robotics	\$1,187.95
Roth, Elizabeth, Reimb/Student Council Supplies	\$29.00
SkillsUSA, Registration	\$332.00
Stroud, Scott, Pit Musician/HS	\$300.00
VRBO, Lodging/FFA Convention	\$1,005.06
Wapsie Valley CSD, Entry Fee/Basketball	\$16,702.35
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$16,702.35</b>

### Fund Number: 22 Management Fund SU Insurance Company/Policy Issuance

SU Insurance Company/Policy Issuance	\$47,092.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$47,092.50</b>

### Fund Number: 71 Health Insurance Fund

Midwest Group Benefits, February Billing	\$1,451.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,451.25</b>

### Fund Number: 33 Local Option Sales Tax Fund

FEH Design, HVAC Study	\$5,150.80
First Congregational Church, Carrie Lane Rent/March	\$2,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,150.80</b>

### Fund Number: 36 Physical Plant & Equipment

Hewlett-Packard Financial Services, Chromebook Lease	\$17,114.75
Marco, Lease Payment/March	\$16,743.07
TLC, Reimb/Shared Utility Billing	\$1,625.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$35,482.82</b>

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**THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FLOYD COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NORA MARIE HENNICK, Deceased**  
CASE NO. ESPR019220  
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Nora Marie Hennick, Deceased, who died on or about February 13, 2026:

You are hereby notified that on March 13, 2026, the Last Will and Testament of Nora Marie Hennick, deceased, bearing date of April 7, 2015, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Brenda Hennick was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above-named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated: March 18, 2026

Brenda Hennick, Executor of Estate  
807 Beck Street  
Charles City IA 50616

Judith O'Donohoe, ICIS#: AT0005849  
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