

LEGAL PUBLICATION THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WEBSTER COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN P. CRONIN, Deceased. CASE NO. ESPR310877

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTORS, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of John P. Cronin, Deceased, who died on or about March 5, 2026:

You are hereby notified that on March 20, 2026, the Last Will and Testament of John P. Cronin, deceased, bearing date of November 23, 2020, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Mary A. Dowd, Joan Sylvester and Robert Cronin were appointed Executors 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 23, 2026.

Mary A. Dowd, Executor of Estate 105 - 42nd Street Des Moines, IA 50312

Joan Sylvester, Executor of Estate 1728 23rd Street SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

Robert Cronin, Executor of Estate 2635 N. 160th Street Omaha, NE 68116

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RICHARD D. GRASSO, Deceased. ESPR310878

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF ROBERT D. GRASSO, DECEASED, who died on or about March 6, 2026:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on March 24, 2026, the undersigned was appointed Administrator of the Estate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY 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 the mailing of this Notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated: March 25, 2026

VERA L. GRASSO 1784 Scenic Drive Fort Dodge, IA 50501 Administrator of the Estate

Jerry L. Schnurr III, ICIS PIN No: AT#0006994 Schnurr Law Firm, P.C. 822 Central Ave., Ste. 405 Fort Dodge, IA 50501 Attorney for Co-Administrators

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Ohio man in jail in Fort Dodge sex abuse case

A man accused of sexually assaulting a woman in Fort Dodge last fall has been jailed, according to court records.

Christopher J. Carpenter, 21, of Perrysburg, Ohio, was arrested by Fort Dodge police and charged with third degree sexual abuse. In the criminal complaint filed against him, police wrote that between 11 p.m. Oct. 9, 2025, and 1 a.m. Oct. 10, 2025, Carpenter performed a sex act against the victim's will.

Carpenter was arrested Wednesday and made his initial appearance in Webster County Magistrate Court Thursday morning.

Magistrate Brandy R. Lundy scheduled an April 10 preliminary hearing. She ordered that Carpenter be held in jail on a \$10,000 cash only bond. She also issued an order barring him from having any contact with the woman he is accused of assaulting.

Fort Dodge man arrested for thefts

A Fort Dodge man is facing multiple felony charges after investigators linked him to a series of fraudulent purchases at Bomgaars stores across Iowa.

Duke Davis, 40, is accused of charging merchandise to a former employer's account at five different

Bomgaars stores as early as December 2025. According to court documents, Davis forged another employee's signature during each transaction, allowing him to walk away with more than \$7,300 in merchandise without authorization.

Storm Lake police identified Davis and arrested him on March 23. He was then transferred from the Webster County Jail to the Buena Vista County Jail. Davis was booked on felony charges of ongoing criminal conduct, forgery, and second-degree theft. He is being held on a \$32,000 bond.

Police Log

FORT DODGE Wednesday

A civil dispute was reported in the 1300 block of Ninth Avenue South.

A fight was reported in the 1700 block of Third Avenue South.

A disabled vehicle was reported at East Riverside Drive and Hawkeye Avenue.

A parking complaint was reported in the 100 block of North First Street.

A parking complaint was reported in the 300 block of South Sixth Street.

An open door or window was reported in the 900 block of Central Avenue.

Harassment was reported in the 1200 block of Fourth Avenue North.

A shoplifter was reported in the 1800 block of First Avenue South.

A welfare check was conducted in

the 700 block of First Avenue South.

A violation of a no contact order was reported in the 700 block of First Avenue South.

Soliciting was reported at Ninth Avenue South and 17th Street.

A theft was reported in the 3300 block of Fifth Avenue South.

A missing person was reported in the 1200 block of South 25th Street.

A violation of a no contact order was reported in the 600 block of Central Avenue.

A vehicle accident was reported in the 100 block of South 29th Street.

Harassment was reported in the 1300 block of Third Avenue South.

Harassment was reported in the 2000 block of 10th Avenue North.

A welfare check was conducted in the 1000 block of Williams Drive.

A noise violation was reported in the 1700 block of Second Avenue North.

Magistrate Court

WEBSTER COUNTY Thursday

Failure to appear for arraignment - Estrella A. Mendez, 25, 2456 170th St., further proceedings to be scheduled.

Third degree sexual abuse - Christopher J. Carpenter, 21, Perrysburg, Ohio, preliminary hearing set for April 10, no contact order issued.

Fifth degree theft - Christina M. Welch, 48, 1915 Third Ave. N., continued 180 days.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BUDGET ESTIMATE Fiscal Year July 1,2026 - June 30,2027 Webster County 911 Service Board

The 911 Service Board of the above named jurisdiction will conduct a public hearing on the proposed fiscal year budget as follows: Meeting Date: 4/16/2026 Meeting Time: 06:30 PM Meeting Location: Webster County Heath Department (723 1st Ave S, Fort Dodge, IA) Basement conference room.

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 budgeted receipts and expenditures on file with the 911 Service Board Secretary. Copies of the Supplemental Budget Detail will be furnished upon request.

Table with columns: FYE June 30, 2025 Actual Expenditures, FYE June 30, 2025 Re-Estimated Expenditures, FYE June 30, 2025 Proposed Expenditures, Transfers Out, Estimated Ending Fund Balance June 30 2027, Estimated Beginning Fund Balance July 1, 2026, Estimated Other Receipts, Transfers In, Estimated Amount To Be Raised By Surcharge. Rows include 1. Surcharge Fund, 2. Operating Fund, 3. TOTAL.

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