

Going Out On A Limb



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Glenwood Lake Park was the site of the Iowa Arborist Association's annual state tree climbing competition Saturday. Two dozen tree climbers from Iowa, Nebraska and Illinois took part in the competition. From left: Kiet Kiev of Davenport rescues a dummy and Cyrus Malmberg-Andrews of Washington climbs in the speed competition.

WIN proposes fiber internet for Glenwood

By JOE FOREMAN
EDITOR

A proposed partnership between the city and county could provide Glenwood residents and businesses with a new high-speed fiber optic internet option.

Western Iowa Networks (WIN), the Breda, Iowa based company that has been installing fiber optic lines for its broadband service in rural areas of Mills County for the past two years, is now interested in coming to Glenwood.

"We have a desire to be in the town of Glenwood and provide fiber services," WIN CEO Jeff Roiland told members of the Glenwood City Council last week.

Roiland said the start-up cost to bring their service to Glenwood is estimated at \$500,000. WIN has utilized funds available from the Empower Rural Iowa Broadband Grant Program to bring fiber optics to several areas in western, central and eastern Mills County.

Rural broadband was a major component of federal COVID-19 relief funding, including the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. However, state dollars would not be available to bring the service to Glenwood because high-speed internet service is already available through other providers, most notably Mediacom and CenturyLink.

"There's typically no funding from the state or federal (governments) because the city is considered a served location,"



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Fiber optic lines are installed north of Glenwood in 2021.

Roiland said.

The proposal discussed at last week's council meeting would have the city and county each contributing \$250,000 to help cover the start-up costs. Roiland said the county has contributed \$1.5 million to help bring the service to other areas of Mills County and is interested in partnering with the city to bring the service to Glenwood.

Mills County Auditor Carol Robertson and County Supervisor Richard Crouch were in attendance at the meeting and confirmed the county's interest.

"We would love to see all of Mills County on the map, including the city of Glenwood," Robertson said.

"We didn't really want to do the \$500,000 on our own for the city of Glenwood. We wanted to have a partnership."

Crouch said the supervisors don't want Glenwood to feel "snubbed" because the county provided

funding to bring the service to other areas of the county.

"We thought it would be a good idea to offer this because we're also pushing this into the other cities around the county," he said. "We thought, 'Wait a minute, we have citizens in Mills County that live in Glenwood. Let's come and see what we can do and what we can work out.'"

Robertson and Crouch both stated that the service has been well received in Mills County.

Members of the city council expressed interest in discussing the partnership. The possibility of using some of the city's unused American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) dollars as its contribution was mentioned. The city still has nearly \$780,000 of its approximately \$800,000 in allocated ARPA funds.

"I would like to continue exploring this," council member Holly Jackson said.

Council member Jeremy Rodman said he believes the service would be well received in Glenwood.

"We have a lot of citizens that would like to have home fiber because they have home businesses," he said.

Monthly cost for the service would range from around \$50 a month to \$100, depending on the level of service, Roiland said.

Roiland broached the idea of WIN and the city signing an agreement that would refund a percentage of the city's contribution over a designated period of years, similar to the arrangement the company has with the county.

Roiland said WIN is paying back the county 25% of its \$1.5 million investment over five years.

GCSD addressing study on high school 'leadership, culture'

By JOEL STEVENS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

A new principal isn't the only change coming to Glenwood Community High School.

Following Principal Cole Albright's sudden resignation earlier this month, the Glenwood Board of Education met with its outside consulting group to publicly unveil the results of a comprehensive study of the high school at a special meeting last Monday. Along with the findings of the report by the Lori Stohs Consulting Group, district administration revealed its early efforts to develop an "action plan" designed to address the issues identified in the survey.

The report, dubbed the "High School Leadership and Culture Study," was compiled with the help of a Gallup Poll survey of the teaching staff – of which 76 percent responded – and a series of 30-minute, one-on-one "qualitative" surveys of randomly selected staff.

Administrators and at least two instructional coaches were also included in the interviews.

The survey questions focused on methodologies, communication and accountability with those surveyed asked to rate their agreement on a 1 to 5 scale, with 1 being strongly disagree and 5 being strongly agree. The survey was conducted between April 18-28.

Stohs, who appeared via Zoom at the meeting, presented a PowerPoint broadly identifying highlighted findings in the surveys and subsequent interviews.

"Teachers and administrators were asked about their feelings about the climate, the culture and the leadership," Stohs said in Monday's meeting.

Stohs said qualitative and quantitative analysis revealed three categories of "focus" they directed the board and administration toward: creating clarity with direction, roles and responsibilities and relationships.

The findings did also highlight areas of "strength" and "opportunity" the study showed, pointing to high scores in staff integrity, collaboration, cooperation, open communication, job expectation and high levels of extracurricular participation as just a few of those areas.

The report did not refer to any staff member by name nor any specific incidents of comments made by staff, but it did present a picture that was concerning, said Superintendent Dr. Devin Embray.

"I think there were some takeaways that I was a little bit taken back from in terms of not realizing the depths of the concerns," Embray said, but declined to go into specifics.

When asked if Albright was at the center of his concerns, the superintendent said the issues were "bigger than one person." In a previous interview, Embray said Albright's departure was a "mutual parting of the ways" but would not discuss the specifics of his departure.

"The big takeaway for me was that we trusted the leadership at the high school was doing their job, we were working with them from a district perspective, and we didn't realize that there were concerns to the level there were," Embray said. "The audit brought it to light and exposed that and based on that we're developing plans to address that and having a better teacher experience for our staff moving forward."

When asked if he felt district administration wasn't getting a complete or accurate picture from leadership at the high school, namely Albright, Embray referenced his comments about not fully grasping the level of concern among the teaching staff at the high school.

"I'll just say we trusted that things we're moving forward and all



Interim GCHS Principal Lorraine Duitsman

indications from the outside looking in was that things were moving forward. We're very grateful that obviously someone pumped the brakes, and we now have information that will help us have a better experience at the high school for both our students and our staff."

That brake pumping, as it were, is a result, it appears, of an email sent to the school board from a high school teacher requesting a meeting between the teachers and the board to discuss "teacher attrition at the high school."

In all, nearly a dozen teachers at the high school, or about one-quarter of the teaching staff, has resigned this year. That number is three times higher than the previous year.

The district has declined to name who sent the original email but within days of receiving it, the school board contracted with Stohs consulting to conduct its climate and culture study at a cost of \$10,000, according to school board president Matt Portrey.

Portrey said the letter contained a "general feeling of concern and a desire to work together with the board for solutions to improve our district."

Monday's special meeting was not the first time the board heard Stohs' findings.

On May 3, Stohs and her team met in a closed-door session with the board of education to discuss the preliminary findings of the audit. Also present at that meeting were Superintendent Dr. Devin Embray, Director of School Improvement and Human Relations Chad Lang, Director of Student Services Cindy Menendez and Albright.

Following that meeting, Embray and his staff were tasked with creating a draft "Culture and Leadership Action Plan" to address the issues of the report. That plan was then presented to the board of education and teachers.

On May 4, Albright submitted his resignation, effective immediately. Albright was on the job less than a year. He is the school's fifth principal in the last 12 years.

Assistant principal Lorraine Duitsman, who herself was also hired last year, was named the interim principal for the 2023-2024 school year. Cory Faust, the school's head football coach and physical education teacher at West Elementary, will assume the new position of Dean of Students for the 2023-2024 school year.

The action plan, based on Stohs' input, is in its infancy but Embray did say it would be developed collaboratively with the intention of growing teacher experiences and creating a better environment for students and staff moving forward.

After the high school staff reviews the proposed steps, a "collaborative team" comprised of teachers and administrators will be tasked with refining that plan over the summer to implement this fall. That plan will revolve around Stohs' three areas of concern.

"We came up with action steps to start the conversation, to start the dialogue," Embray said. "Things aren't going to get better unless the teachers are involved and clued in. We're trying to help grow teacher experience and make it better. They have to be 100 percent involved in it to make it better."

Sieck questions 'low' assessment on home

By JOE FOREMAN
EDITOR

It isn't every day that the the Mills County Board of Review hears from a property owner who's concerned his house may have been assessed too low. But, that's what happened last Wednesday.

The property owner, State Representative David Sieck, came to the board to question why the house he and his wife purchased last year in Glenwood's Hickory Ridge subdivision for \$489,000 has been assessed at \$444,862, approximately 10 percent lower than the purchase price.

Sieck received his assessment notice at the same time last month that hundreds of Mills County residents learned the valuation on their homes had been raised by a substantial margin. When word got out that Sieck's home was assessed about 10 percent lower than what he had paid for it, emails to the state legislator and comments on social media surfaced.

"I had a lot of constituents reach out to me with questions," Sieck said. "These were questions I couldn't answer."

"I doubt that you have very many people coming in and saying, 'I'm

willing to pay it – just to make it fair.' I'm asking for an answer. Why was that done? Because I've been questioned by my constituents and I've questioned it myself."

Sieck told the board his assessment brings attention to problems with the way property taxes are assessed in Iowa. He said he expects the issue to be addressed in next year's session of the legislature.

The Iowa Code requires property to be assessed at 100 percent of market value, applied to the median sales ratio in a particular taxing district. Sieck said "the assessor's norm" is to try to get an assessment to fall within 5 percent (high or low) of the market value.

Theoretically, every property in Iowa should be assessed between 95-105% of its market value but that isn't happening.

According to the Iowans For Tax Relief Foundation, the most recent sales ratio study (2020) showed 70% of assessing jurisdictions in Iowa maintain property assessments outside the established industry standards for assessment equity or fairness. The inequity means some taxpayers pay more than they otherwise would, while others pay less than they should.

The foundation notes that the Department of Revenue reviews

assessment data from each jurisdiction to determine if the statutory requirement of 5% above or below actual value has been met. However, this is based on the median (middle-most value) of the sales ratio for each property class and jurisdiction, not the individual property values. Therefore, when assessments are averaged out as a whole, a county may meet the 5% percent threshold, but some individual properties will be assessed substantially higher or lower than market value.

As for Sieck's protest of his assessment, the Mills County Board Of Review wasn't able to provide him with an answer regarding the reasoning for the assessment on his house.

"I can't give you an answer to your question because that's not something we do," board chair Mike Stewart said. "What we do is we hear you tell us why you think it's wrong and then we decide whether or not we agree with you, agree with the assessor or come to some conclusion in between that we think is fair."

When asked what he thinks the assessment on his house should be, Sieck indicated he thought it should be at or close to the purchase price.

Sieck is expected to learn the board's decision on his assessment in the coming weeks.

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John C. Dean, 97

Aug. 30, 1925 – May 26, 2023

John Chadwick Dean, 97, of Glenwood, passed away May 26, 2023. Services will be Thursday, June 1 at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 24116 Marian Avenue, Glenwood, Iowa. Private interment will be at Glenwood Cemetery.

John was born August 30, 1925 at home, in Glenwood, Iowa to Leonard C. and Marguerite (Savage) Dean. He was raised in Glenwood, attending Glenwood Public Schools and working summers at Glenwood State Bank. In addition, he was active in 4-H and the Boy Scouts. This was also the time that John developed his love for dogs, horses, cattle, farming, hunting...anything outdoors.

During his high school years, being too young to enlist in the "regular" army, he joined the "State Guard", which had been organized by the State of Iowa for those patriots that were not of draftable age. He joined the State Guard at age 16 and served until he graduated from high school in 1943, and then enlisted in the United States Army at the age of seventeen. John was not called to serve his country until he turned 18, which then took him to Camp Roberts in California; Ft. Benning in Georgia (for OCS where he was commissioned a Lieutenant in the Infantry); Ft. Hood in Texas (teaching infantry basic training); Ft. Robinson in Nebraska (where he trained war dogs and was first introduced to Nebraska cattle ranches); back to Ft. Hood; and finally to Germany with the Temporary Occupational Force to coordinate the deployment of war dogs back to the States.

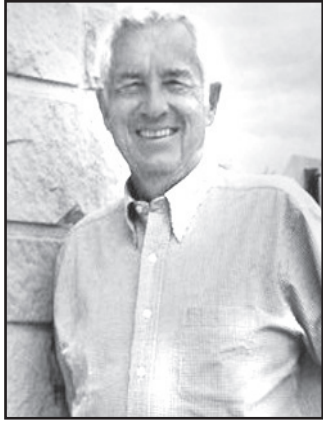
John was discharged from service in 1946, started college at the University of Nebraska in the fall, ultimately graduating in three years, and then enrolling at Nebraska Law School in 1949. After one year of law school, he was recalled for the Korean Conflict and stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas as Commanding Officer of the Scout Dog Training Center. In 1952 he was released from the army, went back to finish law school, graduated in 1953, was admitted to the Iowa and Nebraska Bar, and ultimately returned home to work alongside his father at Glenwood State Bank in 1954.

John was united in marriage to Carol Copland, of Los Angeles, California in 1954, and to this union three children were born: Jeff, Martha and Grant. John worked full-time at Glenwood State Bank into his 90's, and then went part-time up until his passing. He was active in numerous clubs and organizations (local, state and national), a charter member of Glenwood Industrial Foundation, member of Glenwood Water Board for nearly sixty years, Farmer Mac Board of Directors, Iowa Horseman Hall of Fame, testified before Congress on banking issues, was invited to Russia to discuss agriculture law in an attempt to modernize their farming practices, made annual pheasant hunting trips to South Dakota with college friends in to his 80's, and reluctantly gave up horse-training at age ninety.

John had an insatiable desire to learn and never stopped asking questions, he never met a stranger, always "knew someone" from your hometown, was never stationed any place that he "didn't have fun", could tell you an interesting or unusual spot to visit no matter where you were, had travelled the world, and yet, his two favorite places to be were Halsey, Nebraska and Glenwood, Iowa. "We have the greatest country in the world and we live in the garden spot of it."

Preceding John in death were his parents, and his daughter, Martha Winum, in 2008. He is survived by Carol Dean; children Jeff and wife Joan Dean of Pacific Junction; Grant and wife Kate Dean of Glenwood; son-in-law Larry and wife Terri Winum of Glenwood; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and a host of friends.

Memorial donations may be directed to: Glenwood Golf Course or Bloom Senior Center in Glenwood.

By JOE FOREMAN
EDITOR

EDITOR'S NOTE - Information and quotes in this article were taken from a story published during Glenwood's Sesquicentennial Celebration in 2002.

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The Dean family name has been synonymous with banking in Glenwood for nearly 125 years.

From the day Glenwood State Bank (GSB) opened its doors at the very end of the 19th Century, a member of the Dean family has been actively involved in the management of the financial institution that's served as a staple of the Glenwood community.

The Dean family's banking bloodline at GSB started with C.E. Dean, one of the institution's original stockholders in 1899. Leonard Dean, C.E.'s son, came aboard as cashier in 1923 after working for the Livestock National Bank in South Omaha.

John Dean was still a youngster when the Great Depression forced the closure of several banks across the nation, but it was during those financially-challenging times that he inherited a banking philosophy from Leonard Dean, his father.

"My father ran the bank all through the depression, and I suppose I got from him the idea that the depositor's money has to be absolutely safe," John Dean said. "If we have five droughts in a row, we still have to make sure the depositors have their money."



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John Dean loved horses and spending time on his ranch in the Nebraska Sandhills.

At the beginning of the 20th Century, Glenwood had four banks. After the "bank holiday" in 1931, Glenwood State Bank was the lone survivor.

"In the 30s, they had what they called the bank holiday. The government had every bank in the country closed for a week," John Dean noted. "The bank examiners came in and did one of three things - they left you closed, they restricted you or they left you unrestricted. If they didn't let a bank reopen, then all of the depositors lost their money."

"Glenwood State was maybe five or six in all of southwest Iowa that they let open unrestricted. None of the other banks in Glenwood reopened. They stayed close."

It was after the 1931 bank closings that Glenwood State Bank moved its offices to its current location at 32 N. Walnut St.

John Dean worked at GSB during his high school days in the early 1940s but didn't become a full-time employee until he had completed two tours of active duty in the U.S. Army and law school at the University of Nebraska.

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John Dean enlisted in the service at the age of 17 at the height of World War II. He served from 1943 to 1946 and was called back four years later for the Korean War. In between his two tours of duty, he earned a bachelor's degree in business and economics at the University of Nebraska and completed one year of law school. He finished his law degree in January 1954 and returned immediately to Glenwood to join his father at the bank.

Leonard Dean worked at the bank until his death in 1961. John Dean became president of the bank following the retirement of Clyde Rhoads in the mid '60s.

Despite seeing many changes in the banking industry, John Dean adhered to many of the same principles and work ethic he started out with in 1954. His philosophy on banking - and life - is that you do the things you believe are right, even if others question your motives or sincerity; always give your best effort; always think big; and be honest and frank with people.

One belief C.E., Leonard and John Dean all shared is that the bank should be involved in promoting the betterment of the Glenwood

community. John Dean noted that the bank has been involved in everything from the old Glenwood Apple Carnival at the beginning of the 20th Century to the economic development work that brought industries like Swift and Co., Peter Kiewit Construction and the Bunge Corp. to the Glenwood area. The bank lobbied in Des Moines and Washington to push for the Glenwood interchange on Interstate 29, the re-routing of Highway 34 (closer to Glenwood) and construction of the Highway 34 Missouri River bridge that opened nearly a decade ago.

Those who knew John Dean will remember his sense of humor, as demonstrated in 1989 when he presented former Governor Terry Branstad with a live rabbit at a public dedication ceremony for the Adopt A Highway program.

John Dean was not a person to stand in the spotlight. He preferred to live the simple life, tending to banking business at hand, thinking of ways to make his community a better place to live, sharing a funny story with customers or relaxing at his ranch in the Nebraska Sandhills. His absence and legacy in Glenwood will be felt for years to come.

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Wilbur gets a buttermilk sponge bath in the Mills Masquers' upcoming production of Charlotte's Web. Lonnie Waller and Andrea Morrison with Jason Morrison, Ken Whitacre, Mallory Lincoln and Nikki Lincoln in the back row.

Charlotte's Web will be an emotional show for Mills Masquers cast, crew

The Mills Masquers will bring a classic children's tale to the stage when the musical version of *Charlotte's Web* hits the Barton-Rowe stage on Friday, June 2. Written by E.B. White and adapted for the stage by Joseph Robinette, it's the story of Wilbur the pig and Charlotte the spider and their unlikely friendship with a little girl named Fern.

It will be an emotional show for the cast and crew. The show was originally set to hit the stage in mid March, but was postponed because of the sudden death of cast member Cameron Wells just four days before opening night.

After much discussion it was decided to continue on with the production, but the problem became when to schedule the show. The next two Masquers shows were already set, but to wait for a later date would mean starting from scratch with a new cast and hundreds of hours of rehearsal time down the drain.

It was decided to squeeze the show between Masquers productions of *The Good Lord Willing and the Creek Don't Rise* and *The Addams Family* musical. At one point, three different Mills Masquers productions were going on at the same time.

Another issue was the set. Master set designer Susan Delevan had created a wonderful set for Wilbur and no one wanted to see all of that work go to waste. The solution was to build a 2x4 frame a few inches in front of the Charlotte set, and build the next show's set in front of that. Set builder Scott Hite worked on that, and less than a couple hours after *The Good Lord Willing* finished up, the Charlotte set was back on stage and ready to go.

The next problem was finding a replacement for Wilbur. Up stepped Lonnie Waller. Lonnie made a splash last summer as Bruce in the Masquers production of *Matilda*. He immediately started working on lines and music for the show and was almost up to speed when rehearsals resumed in early May.

Most of the original cast remains. A few had to drop out because of earlier commitments, and others rearranged vacations to be in the show. The title role of Charlotte is played by Masquers newcomer Claire Mahoney, who also had to do some juggling to be in the show. She just finished up with a production at the Bellevue Little Theater and rejoined the Charlotte cast last week.

The story begins on the Arable farm, where Wilbur is born the runt of the litter. John Arable, played by Masquers veteran Ken Whitacre, is about to do away with Wilbur when Fern intervenes and begs that Wilbur be spared. Fern is played by Mallory Lincoln, who is making her Masquers debut. Fern's mom, played by Nikki Lincoln (and also Mallory's real life mom who is also making her Masquers stage debut), convinces John that Wilbur should go to the Zuckerman farm to fatten up. The fourth member of the Arable family, Avery, is played by Creighton Durfey.

It is at the Zuckerman farm where Wilbur meets a barnyard full of animals including Charlotte the spider, who comes up with a plan to spare Wilbur by spinning messages in her web.

Homer and Edith Zuckerman are played by real life husband and wife Jason and Andrea Morrison. The rest of the Morrison family is well

represented in the production as well. Isaac Morrison is Templeton the rat, Anna Morrison is Sheep, and Elijah Morrison is Lurvy the farmhand. Other farm animals include Peyton McCann as Goose, RJ Smith as Gander, Calley Durfey as Lamb, and Wyatt Borchert as Owl. Libby Waller, Jessa Gaunt and Aaron Smith are baby spiders. Townspeople and fair goers include Savannah McCann, Denny Neff, Phyllis Schwaninger and Carol Mitts. Many have multiple roles.

Charlotte's messages attract great attention to Wilbur and he is entered in the county fair, where the messages continue. While not the biggest pig, Wilbur is awarded a special prize that assures that he will avoid becoming bacon. But all of Charlotte's efforts are too much for her and she pays the ultimate price to save her friend.

Although Charlotte dies, but her spirit lives on with the birth of 514 baby spiders. In a special tribute to their fallen cast members, one of the spiders is named Cameron.

Charlotte's Web is directed by Nancy Wright. Music director is Becky Neff, choreographer is Heather Neff. Susan Delevan created the set, Beth Smith is in charge of the stage crew, costumes are by Kerri Drake, lights are by Scott Hite and CJ Horton and sound Tanner Williams.

Tickets are available at www.millsmasquers.com. Show dates are June 2, 4, 9, 10 and 11 (There is no Saturday, June 3 show).

Show times are 7:30 p.m. for evening performances and 2 p.m. for Sunday matinees. Performances are at the Barton-Rowe Theater just north of Glenwood.

'Those Guys' bringing familiar faces, music to amphitheater

The first weekend of summer kicks off the regular Davies Amphitheater season Saturday with some familiar faces. "Those Guys" featuring Kelly Evans on guitar, Tim Langholz on bass and Fritz Dahlheimer on drums will take the stage at 7:00 PM.

Evans has appeared on the Davies stage in several bands. The trio has known each other for years, but got together in 1998 to play "the most fun, danceable rock and roll we could."

After five years of rockin' the Midwest the group went their separate ways but have always kept in touch. They have decided to get together to relive the fun and excitement from 20 years ago with music from the 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s.

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Jim Hughes Real Estate hosted its annual Plant Sale on Saturday, May 6, with all proceeds to benefit Mills County Relay for Life, a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. Agents donated plants, Allan Christiansen brought starter heirloom tomato plants and in total \$1,263 was raised and donated to Relay for Life.

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A journey around the world in seven days

You might recall the famous book, "Around the world in 80 days" by Jules Verne, written in 1872 and later made into the first of several movies, in 1952.

As we have quite recently learned, an excellent way to "see" the world, is by balloon, and back in the 1870's, it was still a novel concept. In modern comic book adventures, Superman could circle the Earth so quickly, he could reverse time. Seeking neither of these extremes, I had another idea and was able to carry it out.

I was the aircrew scheduler for my C-141A Starlifter squadron at Travis AFB in the spring of 1974 and I saw a chance to do a 'grand tour' of the Earth in a mission designed to deliver some satellite tracking gear from our base all the way to Ethiopia, in NE Africa, and then return. Along the way, we would do our regular deliveries of other cargo, special mail and perhaps a passenger or two and my appointed goal was to get this all done within one full week.

Could it be done? Knowing this would take about 57 hours of flying time and knowing we needed six nights of rest along the way, with at least a 12-hour rest break each time to meet flying regulations, I got to work on the itinerary, and selected a crew of squadron friends to accompany me. Unlike a normal mission, we needed an extra (3rd) pilot along for the longer days, and an extra navigator so I could get a bit of rest also on the longer legs, and also a spare flight engineer and an extra loadmaster for the special cargo handling.

So, we left Travis AFB on April 5, 1974, with a crew of nine, our special cargo, and our bags with appropriate gear for some special stops during our crew rest time. Heading SW, we took the five-hour leg over to Honolulu, Hawaii, and then had a nice evening on Waikiki as we were staying at the Outrigger East Hotel, our normal haunt. The next day we headed again toward the WSW for an 8-hour jump to Anderson AFB Guam. In Guam, as usual, our crew stayed on Tumon Bay at the very nice Okura Hilton Hotel (there, you could swim up from the reef to underwater stools alongside the bar). Refreshed, we next headed out to Clark AB in the Philippines – at that time, the largest operational base anywhere in the world.

The fourth day was a bit long, as we stopped in Bangkok, Thailand, to refuel (just a 4 hour hop over the conflict in Vietnam), then another 5 hour jaunt to Diego Garcia – in the southern Indian Ocean – the most remote military base anywhere in the world. This small, beautiful atoll is overrun with Brits in pith helmets and very large coconut crabs. The quarters there were certainly not as nice as what you've seen on MASH – the very worst I've ever stayed in, but hey, we needed to sleep and refuel before a very busy day to come.

On the fifth day, we headed WNW toward Asmara, Eritrea (at that time, a warring province of Ethiopia). This turned out to be a very sad time for all of us as tens of thousands of starving people swarmed our plane, thinking we had food onboard. It is the only place on Earth I've ever seen people die right in front of me from starvation and that sight has never left me. Naval personnel helped unload the plane of its valuable tracking device and again, sadly, we heard this multi-million-dollar piece of equipment was destroyed by rebel troops only a few months later.

From this extreme of poverty and deprivation, we headed NE for 4 hours to Iran's capital, Teheran. Recall, this was 1974, five years before our Embassy there fell, and the Shah abdicated his throne. But back in 1974, the Iranians were close friends and allies of the USA – how things change! We stayed at the Intercontinental Hotel downtown and had time for some great food, and I even bought a silk Persian carpet, which is still beautifying our bedroom floor.

The sixth day brought our longest single hop – 9 hours mostly due west to Lajes AB in the Azores. What a beautiful group of islands – its one place I'd like to see again someday.

To make it home by the night of the seventh day, we were facing two long flights – 6 hours to Dover AFB, Del., and then another 6 back across the USA nonstop to our home at Travis. Since this day would be a bit over our normal crew limits – in fact several days ended up that way, it was not a problem as we had those extra crewmembers along with us. So, we accomplished our mission to deliver the goods to Ethiopia, did the diplomatic shuttle to Iran and got to stay at a few places I had not visited yet.

Ten stops, 6 overnights around the world (and one more at the end in my own bed) . Unlike a later trip where some of the crew fell seriously ill from food poisoning in Jakarta, Indonesia, this round-the-world journey was mostly uneventful, save the totally unnerving stop at a small airport in the high mountains of Ethiopia. Four of our stops were in places no-one on the crew had ever experienced and we had a few tense moments along the way.

After admiring the new area rug, Willi asked me how the trip went. I said "some interesting days, but I had some great guys to share the trip with (after all, I picked them)."

YOU HAD TO BE THERE

Dennis Kelly

Guest Columnist



The riveting history of blue jeans

I still mourn the loss of two pairs of my favorite jeans. There was the one I tore, along with the legs in them, while I was climbing over a barbed wire fence. And there was the one that someone spilled bleach on. I'm not saying who but it was someone I'm married to.

You might think both pairs had fashion potential as distressed jeans, but these had gone way beyond distressed to distraught. So had I.

There are few things more gratifying than finding a pair of jeans that fit and few things sadder than having to part with a pair you love. I doubt I'm alone in that sentiment either. I read that a whopping 96 percent of Americans own blue jeans. And I thought we couldn't agree on anything.

This fashion staple recently turned 150 years old. And if anything calls for celebration, it's jeans. On May 20, 1873, businessman Levi Strauss and tailor Jacob Davis were granted a patent to create work pants reinforced with metal rivets on blue denim "waist overalls." The rivet idea was Davis's. The cash was Strauss's and the pat-

ROSBY'S WORLD

Dorothy Rosby

Guest Columnist



ent for "Improvement in Fastening Pocket-Openings," the innovation that gave birth to blue jeans as we know them, was granted to both men. Had Davis been a richer man we'd be wearing Jacob's instead of Levi's.

Technically the story of blue jeans began long before 1873. Heavy pants dyed with indigo were worn as far back as 17th century India. Talk about vintage clothing. And in America, enslaved people were making and wearing them before goldminers and gunslingers did. It was the rivets that did it for Strauss and Davis—that and clever marketing. It makes me wonder what goldminers and gunslingers wore before they had blue jeans. Khakis?

Anyway, while this is all...uh...riveting, as far as I'm concerned the most important development

in jeans history came in 1934. That's when Levi Strauss & Co. introduced Lady Levi's, the world's first jeans made exclusively for women. The second most important was when manufacturers started making jeans with stretch denim.

The creation of women's jeans was a big deal considering that as late as the 1950s there were laws in some parts of the country making it illegal for women to wear pants at all, let alone jeans. Our foremothers had to choose between being arrested and getting their dresses caught in their bicycle spokes.

Defiant women still did it though and until 1934 they had to borrow jeans from the men in their lives when they wanted to risk arrest. Women could actually vote before they could legally wear pants, and you could say they voted for

jeans. Today the average woman owns seven pairs, though apparently we only wear four of them—not all at once.

We do love our jeans and for good reason. They're comfortable and versatile. You can wear them to roller skate or to work—depending on where you work. I doubt they have jeans day at Buckingham Palace or the White House. But I think they should.

They're durable. We could wear the same pair for decades if styles didn't change - and bodies. Also if we stayed away from barbed wire fences.

And they're low maintenance. Barring a mishap with a plate of spaghetti, you can wear them many times before washing them. Some experts say as many as ten times or when they start to smell, which ever comes first. Then just turn them inside out and wash them in cold water. Don't use bleach.

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■ JULY 2003 - RAGBRAI Begins in Glenwood



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RAGBRAI XXXI Opening Ceremonies on Glenwood's Town Square. The bicycle ride across the state of Iowa returned to Glenwood for the first time in 11 years. Glenwood had been cool to hosting the ride after some alcohol-related incidents in 1992 left a bad taste in the mouth of the community but the 2003 ride was a success. The ride passed through Silver City and Henderson on Sunday.

■ JUNE 2003 - Governor Walks Across County, State



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Gov. Tom Vilsack is escorted through Glenwood Town Square by bankers Pat Ross (left), Larry Winum and Glenwood Mayor Greg Schultz (right) Monday morning.

Vilsack begins tour of state in P.J., Glenwood, Silver City

Excerpt From The Opinion-Tribune June 11, 2003

Mills County had the complete attention of Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack for two days this week.

Accompanied by his wife, Christy, and a team of staff members, the governor spent Sunday evening and a good portion of Monday chatting with Mills County residents during the start of his fourth annual "Walk Across Iowa." The cross-state trek, which ends Friday, included appearances in Pacific Junction, Glenwood and Silver City. By the end of his "Listening, Learning and Moving Forward Together" tour, Vilsack will have stopped in 18 Iowa counties.

Vilsack said the walking tour allows him to talk to fellow Iowans in an informal setting about important issues and concerns. He said Mills County was chosen as the starting point for the walk for various reasons.

"Certainly, Glenwood is a pretty important area for state government in southwest Iowa because of the resource center and some of the economic activities that are taking place," Vilsack said. "There's a lot going on in southwest Iowa and we wanted to make sure people understood that. Then, there's some great small towns in this area with some very interesting and scenic roads to travel."

The governor stressed at each stop Iowans shouldn't be reluctant to talk about the quality of life they enjoy.

"You should be proud to be from Iowa," Vilsack said. "I know I am. Most indexes on quality of life rate us No. 1, but we're kind of shy talking about it."

Vilsack, a Democrat, said he was pleased by the warm welcome he received in Mills County, one of the most-predominately Republican counties in the state.

"I think people are receptive to this idea that there are values that are important - responsibility, opportunity and community - and this is a tough time, but the state of Iowa has some opportunities to grow the economy. I think people are a little cautious about reducing revenue to the point where we can't fund our schools, we can't



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Flanked by his wife Christy (left), Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack enjoys the scenery during his walk from Glenwood to Silver City Monday.



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Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack allows Jacob Saddler (with shovel) and his brother, Jon, to help plant a tree at Glenwood Lake Park.

fund our health care system and we can't fund environmental protection and public safety. They want me to find the delicate balance."

Vilsack planted a tree in each community he visited.

Iowa State Rep. Gerald Jones graciously thanked Vilsack for coming to Mills County, and Silver City in particular. Vilsack's appearance in Silver City is believed to be the first ever by an active governor.

National Guard Armory closed while unit was on deployment

Part 8 Of A Series

In the winter of 2004, around 20 members of the Glenwood unit of the Iowa Army National Guard left their families and community for a 12-month deployment to Afghanistan as part of Operation Enduring Freedom.

When the unit returned, they no longer had an armory to call their own. While they were away, the State of Iowa closed the armory and deeded the building to the City of Glenwood for use as a community center / YMCA. Glenwood guard personnel were reassigned to a unit in Shenandoah.

The last major National Guard event at the armory took place shortly before the Glenwood and Shenandoah units were mobilized. It was a community appreciation dinner, attended by nearly 500 people. The event included a formal introduction of each soldier in attendance, speeches from National Guard brass and patriotic music from Glenwood Community High School students. The dinner was a chance for the soldiers and their families to enjoy

a night out together with other families who were also dealing with the pre-deployment stress.

"I've talked to my kids," Staff Sgt. Rick Stegall said. "The older ones understand the mission - America's fight on terrorism. The little ones are unhappy, but supportive. It's going to be tough on my wife because she'll have to do everything for me."

Sadly, 22-year-old James Kearney III, an Iowa Army National Guard Specialist from Emerson, died on Nov. 1, 2004, while on duty in Afghanistan. Spc. Kearney, a graduate of Nishna Valley High School and assigned to the Shenandoah unit, was the first Iowa Army National Guardsman killed while serving in Afghanistan as part of Operation Enduring Freedom. His death brought the reality of war home to not only Mills County, but the entire state of Iowa.

Joe

■ FEBRUARY 2004 - Guard Unit Gets a Grand Sendoff



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Approximately 500 people attended the community appreciation dinner and potluck in the Iowa National Guard Armory in February 2004 to recognize the 70 Glenwood and Shenandoah guardsmen from the 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry unit, Company B. The soldiers were about to be deployed to federal active duty as part of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Glenwood National Guard unit mobilized

Excerpt From The Opinion-Tribune February 11, 2004

Soldiers from the Glenwood unit of the Iowa Army National Guard have been mobilized for federal active duty.

About 20 soldiers from the Glenwood unit will be among 650 members of the 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry unit included in the mobilization announced Friday by the Department of Defense (DOD) and National Guard Bureau.

The soldiers are scheduled to begin their tour of active duty in March as part of Operation Enduring Freedom and the nation's war on terrorism, Maj. Greg Hapgood of the Iowa National Guard Public Affairs Office said.

"These soldiers are ordered to active duty for 12

months," Hapgood said. "The new DOD mobilization policy will allow mobilized National Guard and Reserve members to remain in the Central Command theater of operations for 12 months. DOD anticipates they will only serve on active duty for 15 months, which will include mobilization and demobilization processing in addition to 12 months in the theater."

The location of the unit's deployment is unknown, Hapgood said.

National Guard units in Glenwood, Council Bluffs, Carroll, Corning, Shenandoah, Denison and Iowa City make up the 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry. The battalion's mission is to conduct close combat with enemy forces and provide security to key terrain, facilities and installations.

The battalion hasn't been employed as an entire unit since World War II.

■ SEPTEMBER 2004 - City Assumes Ownership Of Armory Armory keys given to city; marks new era for 45-year-old building

Excerpt From The Opinion-Tribune October 6, 2004

A short ceremony last Tuesday evening at the Iowa Army National Guard Armory in Glenwood marked the end of a military era in Glenwood and new beginning for the 45-year-old building.

With the presentation of the deed to the armory property and set of keys to the front door, Col. Vince Reefer officially turned the building over to the city for use as a proposed YMCA / Community Center. Mayor Greg Schultz accepted the deed and keys on the city's behalf.

"On behalf of the city, I'd like to personally thank the National Guard for this opportunity," Schultz said.

Noting Glenwood's history with the Iowa National Guard dates back to the Civil War, Reefer said the Glenwood armory was one of six armories designated for closure as a result of a statewide consolidation and reorganization initiative. He said new federal guidelines require all functioning guard units to have a minimum of 50 "drilling guardsmen." In recent years, the strength of the Glenwood unit had slipped to less than 25 soldiers, many of whom were not



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Glenwood Mayor Greg Schultz (left) accepts the deed for the National Guard Armory from Col Vince Reefer, quartermaster for the Iowa National Guard.

residents of the community.

Soldiers in the 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry Company B transferred to a sister unit in Shenandoah.

Reefer said he's excited about the community's plan for the armory.

"Those plans they have for the community center are terrific," he said. "I want to be here for the ribbon cutting."

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City of Silver City

Silver City Council Meeting Minutes 5/9/23
Meeting started by Mayor Sharon McNutt at 630p
Opened with Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call for attendance: Council Tom Boehm, Ron Damewood, Terrell Ramsey, Sue McPeck & Brett Christensen. Mayor Sharon McNutt present; Clerk, Cassandra Wilson, present.
Motion to approve 4/11/23 council meeting minutes by Damewood, 2nd Boehm. 4 ayes, Ramsey abstained.
Motion to approve 4/25/23 special call minutes by Ramsey, 2nd Christensen. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to approve 5/9/23 agenda, amending visitors to beginning by Christensen, 2nd Boehm. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to approve final April payables by Damewood, 2nd McPeck. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to approve treasurer & budget reports by Christensen, 2nd McPeck. All ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports: Library – report given; Joe George with Malvern spoke about budget; President Lynda Thomas turned in her resignation; all board members ok to sign, starting from President down; Motion to approve additional funds of \$2,982.81 given to Library from Culture & Rec by Ramsey, 2nd McPeck. Council approved all ayes, motion carried.
Historical Society – report given by Dorothy Techau. Fire/Rescue report reviewed; will look over collection company contract. Water/Sewer – report reviewed; hydrants to be flushed week of May 22nd. Motion to approve Department reports by Ramsey, 2nd Boehm. All ayes, motion carried.
Council Department Reports: coming in for road work.
Motion to approve turning off greenspace light by Damewood, 2nd Ramsey. All ayes, motion carried.
Parks – A-1 is running behind on flag repair; bathrooms to be updated when needed; Motion to Travis Turf bid to spray the weeds in parks and greenspace (Fall only) by Christensen, 2nd Ramsey. All ayes, motion carried; Motion to approve pea gravel bid by Ramsey, 2nd McPeck. Council voted all ayes and will address at a later date. Motion to approve to unlock bathroom doors amended to only open doors for special, reserved occasions & in town events, by Boehm, 2nd McPeck. All ayes, motion carried.
Nuisances – Council will follow up on junk vehicles week of May 17th. Motion to approve Council department reports by Damewood, 2nd Boehm. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to approve depositing of Surety bond payment by Christensen, 2nd McPeck. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to approve 2nd reading of Ordinance 17.06 for Council Compensation by Christensen, 2nd Damewood. Roll Call vote was 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.
Council discussed ways for the Boy Scouts to volunteer; parking signs at corners; and all complaints to be in writing or no action will be taken; and MAPA surveys due 5/15.
Motion to approve liquor license for Silver Spokes, located at 405 Main, amended to be contingent on paperwork being correct with the State by Christensen, 2nd Damewood. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to approve table/chairs set up for outdoor seating at Silver Spokes by Ramsey, 2nd Boehm. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to approve temporary fencing at Silver Spokes, if opening is delayed, amended to contingent on per state approval by Christensen, 2nd Boehm. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to approve building permit for 405 Main by Christensen, 2nd Ramsey. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to approve building permit for 405 Maple by Ramsey, 2nd Damewood. Amended to contingent on both parcels to be transferred into Jake & Erin Jones names. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to approve building permit for 607 Main by Christensen, 2nd Ramsey. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to approve building permit for 204 Oak by Ramsey, 2nd McPeck. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to approve 3 chickens for Brian Voigt by Ramsey, 2nd Boehm. Roll call vote: Boehm/Damewood/Ramsey – aye, McPeck/Christensen – nay. Motion passed.
Motion to approve Resolution 05-23-01: transferring of \$18,222.84 from General Fund back into LOST fund by Boehm, 2nd McPeck. Roll call vote: Council approved with 5 ayes.
Motion to approve Resolution 05-23-02: approval of medical expense reimbursement for City Clerk, up to \$2,000, by check w/ receipt by Ramsey, 2nd Christensen. Roll call vote: Council approved with 5 ayes.
Motion to approve Resolution 05-23-03: approval of wage resolution for Librarian to increase wage to \$12 per hour, including retroactive pay from 9/1/22 to 3/4/23, per approval of Library Board on 4/26/23 by Ramsey, 2nd Damewood. Roll call vote: Council approved with 5 ayes.
Motion to approve Resolution 05-23-04: approval of city charges to the Mills County Treasurer for past due water/sewer bills for 403 Main by McPeck, 2nd Boehm. Roll call vote: Council approved with 5 ayes.
Motion to approve Resolution 05-23-05: approval of city charges to the Mills County Treasurer for past due water/sewer bills for 311 Maple by Ramsey, 2nd Boehm. Roll call vote: Council approved with 5 ayes.
Clerk Comments: Clerk/Treasurer/Sheriff's reports given; council approved training in Oakland on 5/11/23; Cassandra was awarded the Clerk School scholarship from IMFOA for \$450.
Motion to adjourn meeting made by Damewood, 2nd Christensen. All ayes, motion carried. Meeting closed 9:17 pm.
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Stormwater Discharge

Public Notice of Storm Water Discharge
James Hughes plans to submit a Notice of Intent to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to be covered under an NPDES General Permit General Permit No. 2 – Storm Water Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity for Construction Activities.
The storm water discharge will be from Site Grading located in NE ¼ Section, Section 18, Township 74, Range 43N. Storm water will be discharged from one point source(s) and will be discharged to Eaton Ditch to Keg Creek to Missouri River.
Comments may be submitted to the Storm Water Coordinator, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, 502 E 9th St, Des Moines, IA 50319. The public may review the Notice of Intent from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the above address after it has been received by the department.
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Sheriff's Sale

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S LEVY AND SALE IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR MILLS COUNTY STATE OF IOWA MILLS COUNTY)
Iowa District Court
Mills County
Case #: **EQCV027435**
CIVIL #: **23-000247**
PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES LLC V
LAWRENCE R SIMBRO AND PARTIES IN POSSESSION
XSpecial Execution
XGeneral Execution
XOther
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) X REAL ESTATE
PERSONAL PROPERTY
to satisfy the judgment. The Property to be sold is
X described below:
on attached sheet:
LOT 3, HILLSIDE ACRES SECOND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF GLENWOOD, MILLS COUNTY, IOWA
Property Address: **206 EBAUGH STREET GLENWOOD IA 51534**
The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows:
Sale Date : **07/11/2023**
Sale Time: **09:00**
Place of Sale: **MILLS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, 600 INDUSTRIAL ROAD, GLENWOOD, IA**
Homestead: Defendant is advised that if the described real estate includes the homestead (which must not exceed 1/2 Acre if within a city or town plat, or, if rural, must not exceed 40 Acres), defendant must file a homestead plat with the Sheriff within ten (10) days after service of this notice, or the Sheriff will have it platted and charge the costs to this case.
Redemption: After the sale of real estate, the defendant may redeem the property,
X 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 applicable.
Judgment Amount \$198,050.05
Costs \$8,050.85
Accruing Costs 0.00
Interest \$2,812.72
Sheriff's Fees: Pending
Attorney
MATTHEW LAUGHLIN
215 10TH ST, STE 1300
DES MOINES, IA 503009
(515)288-2500
Date 05/23/2023
TRAVIS OETTER
MILLS COUNTY SHERIFF
(Published in The Opinion-Tribune Wednesday, May 31, 2023, and Wednesday, June 7, 2023.)

Board of Supervisors

The Office of Mills County Auditor Carol Robertson Mills County Courthouse Glenwood, IA
The Board of Supervisors met this 16th day of May 2023, at the Mills County Courthouse in Glenwood with Supervisors Lonnie Mayberry were Carol Vinton present. Supervisor Richard Crouch was out of town for NACO Meetings. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.
Motion by Vinton, seconded by Mayberry to approve the Consent Agenda and Minutes as presented from May 9, 2023 and a 12-month Class C Retail Alcohol License for FDM, LLC dba Bella Terre, 23375 Barrus Road, Glenwood, IA. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 2, Nays: 0
Visitors Troy & Katina Granger, Renee Davis, Mike & Deb McDermott, and Mike & Trudy Hoyt were present for the meeting.
Jacob Ferro, Mills County Engineer, was present for his scheduled meeting. Ferro updated the Board on Gaston Rd. that the construction revealed some severe subgrade problems. Most of the areas have been repaired and a couple more will be completed soon. This unforeseen circumstance will draw out the project slightly longer than anticipated. The project is expected to be fully complete the first or second week of June. While the contractor is working on the roadway, a pilot car and flaggers will be utilized.
Troy & Katina Granger, Mills County Constituents, were present for their scheduled meeting. Joining Grangers were their neighbors: Renee Davis, Mike & Deb McDermott, and Mike & Trudy Hoyt. They brought many concerns to the Board of a Group Home which had opened in their neighborhood. They are seeing a lack of proper (if any) supervision of the clients who are residing in the home. The residents of the house recently moved in and there have already been two incidents where police have been called. Grangers, along with their neighbors, are asking if there are policies in place for Mills County to step in address the issues. The Board informed them of the State Laws which take precedence over the County. Supervisors also requested people to reach out to our State Representatives and Governor. They are aware this is going to be a growing problem throughout the county and state.
Elizabeth Richardson, Veteran's Affairs Director, joined the meeting at this time. Motion by Vinton, seconded by Mayberry to have a contract drawn up and approved by the County Attorney to purchase the Veteran's Affairs Building. Motion carried on vote: Ayes: 2, Nays: 0
Jill Ford, Treasurer, was present for her scheduled meeting. Motion by Vinton, seconded by Mayberry to approve Resolution 23-26 Mobile Home Tax Sale and abate taxes, interest and penalties totaling \$7,916.00. Motion carried on Roll call vote: Mayberry – Aye, Vinton – Aye
Resolution 23-26
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Two recently-read books provide adventure and enlightenment

Book Reviews:

The Collector by Nora Roberts

Roberts is one of my favorite authors and she has published 225 books, according to Google. Each story is different, in diverse countries, among family clans. I've been back-tracking to read the ones I've missed and selected *The Collector*.

A woman, Lila, who housesits for people is in New York City is located in a high rise apartment, and she's also

NOTES FROM A BOOKWORM

Barbara Taenzler

Glenwood Library Book Reviewer



a writer of young adult novels and an observer of people. She has binoculars and she watches different windows in the high rise across the street and one night observes a murder.

She reports it to the police, gives testimony as to what she saw. There, at the police station, she meets the brother, Aston, of the man killed in the apartment. He insists his brother wouldn't commit

suicide as the police state. Aston is an artist and is attracted to Lila, and they find mutual interest and together hunt for the killer.

A stolen Faberge egg is the lure for the killer and leads the couple on dangerous snooping. Compelling and intriguing. If you like adventure, this would be for you.

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Never Caught by Erica Armstrong Dunbar - Historical - (large print)

This story was enlightening. It is widely researched and

proven by copious footnotes showing historical sources. Ona Judge, was a slave in the home of George and Martha Washington, and had been with them since a young age. She was a personal servant to Martha, dressing, bathing, and doing errands for her.

George was pressured to run for the first presidency though tired and in poor health, so when the Washingtons relocated to Philadelphia, the capitol at that time, complicated measures were taken by them. Philadelphia law stated

after six months of residence, slaves could be freed, so the Washingtons circumvented that law by moving their slaves back to Mount Vernon before the six months expiration, then back to Philadelphia.

When Ona finally walked away from her slave status, abolitionists helped her relocate and stay free.

She continued to work hard, marry, raise a family, but she held the belief til her death that freedom was worth all the hardships that followed.

An eyeopener.

Summer Reading program heating up at Glenwood Public Library

During the last early out of the year, one of our regular teens came in with a friend and was giving her a tour of the library.

As they meandered from room to room, she announced, "And this is my favorite part!"

She walks over and points at a sign, "All the plants have names!"

We pride ourselves on being a safe and welcoming space for everyone in the community. Sometimes even if you're a plant.

You should come in and meet them all! And while you're here, sign up for Summer Reading!

We offer fun activities and prizes for all ages throughout June and July.

We also have two contests going on during Summer Reading.

For kids, we are hosting a Lego Contest. These should be original designs on a base no bigger than 12" x 12". Submissions are due by June 30 at 6 p.m. Show us what you

LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

Tara Painter

Glenwood Public Library Director



can do and win a prize!

For teens, we will be having a Teeny Art Show. Create and submit a piece of art smaller than 3" x 3" x 3" Submissions are also due on June 30.

Items from both contests will be displayed throughout July and prizes awarded Aug. 1.

* We are so excited to have our Summer Reading back home in the Children's Department for the first time in four years! We're still rebuilding from last spring's flooding, but come see the progress we've made.

* Story times continue all summer. Every Tuesday at 10 a.m. and Thursday at 4 p.m. we read stories and make crafts.

Starting at 2 p.m. on Thursday and ending at story time, we will be also having Sensory Stations. Tactile play and fun for little ones. They can play in kinetic sand, colored rice and more in a nice cool place. The stations will also be set up on Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon. Drop in and try them out.

* At our June 6 story time, we will be having a special guest from the Omaha Symphony read, "My Voice Is My Trumpet".

* The Insect Zoo is back! Your chance to pet cockroaches! There will also be tarantulas and other interesting insects on display. They will be at the Museum

Machine Hall at Glenwood Lake Park on Wednesday, June 28 at 1 p.m.

* We're inviting teens to the Library to Make Bad Art. Snacks and materials will be provided on June 9 from 3-6 p.m. They will have one hour to make the worst art the can, if it's bad enough they will win a prize!

* Our Dungeons and Dragons group for teens will be meeting June 14 and 28 at 1:30 p.m. We will be continuing the campaign, "Call of the Netherdeep". New members are always welcome!

On June 21, at 1:30 p.m., we will help you "Level Up!" your CosPlay. If you are looking to enhance your current gear or are just beginning and looking for tips, join us! Supplies will be on hand for pop tab chain mail and cardboard horns.

* Teens also might want to "Create Your Own Candy Sushi" on Monday, June 19th at 4 p.m. We'll be making sushi-style rolls out of candy and sweets!

* Our regular programs for adults continue all month, starting with Shelf Indulgence at Pareia in downtown Glenwood. Join librarian John Butler on June 1st at 6pm, as he brings our best new books to look through. You can then sign up to be first in line to read them!

* The Mills County Public Health's "Memory Mates" with Valerie Ramsey continues on June 13 and 27 at 2 p.m. Play games designed to get you to engage your brain!

* The History Book Club will be meeting at 1pm on Thursday, June 15. The timely book selection this month is On Juneteenth, by Annette Gordon-Reed. Part history, part family chronicle, part memoir, it shows what led up to Juneteenth and what came after.

* Join our Spinecrackers as they discuss the book Disappearing Earth, by Julia Phillips. Set in a remote part of Siberia, this mystery revolves around the abduction of two

sisters. As their disappearance goes unsolved for weeks and months, the impact on the tightly woven community grows. You can pick up a copy at the Adult Circulation Desk, then meet here at the library at noon on June 21 for the book discussion.

* This month we will also be hosting Sheila Craig and her program, "Remembering the Apron". She will show and explain the various fabrics, styles and uses of aprons. Come see a hundred of the aprons from her collection! She will be here at the library on Wednesday, June 28 at 6 p.m.

* Resource review: If you're looking for something fun to do this summer, come check out our board game collection! Try one of the new games like King of Tokyo or Villainous, or take home an old classic like Battleship or Apples to Apples. We have puzzles, too!

We hope to see you at the library!

Legal Notices

City of Henderson

NOTICE OF HEARING, NOTICE TO BIDDERS & ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CITY OF HENDERSON, IOWA 2023 WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS, DIVISION 2 – WATER METERS
General Notice
City of Henderson (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:
2023 Water Distribution System Improvements, Division 2 – Water Meters - Henderson, IA 123.0343.09B

Sealed bids for the construction of the Project will be received by the City of Henderson at the City of Henderson City Hall located at 310 Maple Street, Henderson, IA 51541, until Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 2:00 PM local time. At that time and place the Bids received will be publicly opened and read by the City Clerk with assistance from the Engineer.

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Council of the City of Henderson on the proposed contract documents (plans, specifications, and form of contract) and estimated cost for the project at its meeting at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at Henderson City Hall, 310 Maple Street, Henderson, IA 51541 for the 2023 Water Distribution System Improvements, Division 2 – Water Meters - Henderson, IA project. Said Council will also receive and consider any comments/objections to said plans, specifications, and

form of contract or to the estimated cost of said improvements made by any interested party.

Notice is hereby given that at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at the Henderson City Hall, Henderson, Iowa, the City Council of the City of Henderson will consider the construction bids received and will either award a contract, reject all bids, or adjourn thereon to a subsequent meeting of the City Council. The Agency (UDSA-RD) has to concur in the award before the Owner can issue the Notice of Award for the project.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities and irregularities in the form of the bid, and to enter into such contract, or contracts, as it shall deem to be in the best interest of the Owner.

The Project is located throughout the City of Henderson and includes the following Work: installation of a complete to radio read water meter system on every meter to an accessible location on the interior of each residence and business basements and other miscellaneous and associated work.

Bids are requested for the following Contract: 2023 Water Distribution Improvements, Division 2 – Water Meters - Henderson, IA

Owner anticipates that the Project's total bid price will be approximately \$65,000.00. The Project has an expected duration of 150 days. Work on the Project shall commence on the date specified in the written Notice to

Proceed.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found at the following designated website:

Electronic contract documents are available at no cost by clicking on the "Bids" link at www.snyder-associates.com and selecting the name of the project. Project information, engineer's cost opinion, and plan holder information is also available at no cost at this website. Downloads require the user to register for a free membership of QuestCDN at www.questcdn.com

Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the designated website. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is Snyder & Associates, Inc., 1800 West 22nd Street, Suite 200, Atlantic, IA 50022, Engineer: Dave Sturm, PE, PLS 712.243.6505,

davesturm@snyder-associates.com

Prospective Bidders may obtain or examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Printed copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office by paying a deposit of \$0.00 for each set.

A Bid must be accompanied by Bid security as required by Iowa Code section 26.8, as security that the successful bidder will enter into a contract for the work bid upon and will furnish after the award of contract a corporate surety bond, acceptable to the Owner, for the faithful performance of the contract, in an amount equal to one hundred percent of the amount of the contract. The bid security shall be made payable to Owner in an amount of five (5) percent of Bidder's maximum Bid price (determined by adding the base bid and all alternates) and shall be in the form of a cashier's check or certified check drawn on a state-chartered or federally chartered bank, or a certified share draft drawn on a state-chartered or federally chartered credit union, or a Bid bond (on the form included in the Bidding

Documents) issued by a surety meeting the requirements of Paragraphs 6.01 of the General Conditions.

Instructions to Bidders

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

To the extent required by Iowa law, to the extent allowed by Federal law, a resident bidder shall be allowed a preference as against a nonresident bidder from a state or foreign country if that state or foreign country gives or requires any preference to bidders from that state or foreign country, including but not limited to any preference to bidders, the imposition of any type of labor force preference or any other form of preferential treatment to bidders or laborers from that state or foreign country. The preference allowed shall be equal to the preference given or required by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident. In the instance of a resident labor force preference, a nonresident bidder shall apply the same resident labor force preference to a public improvement in this state as would be required in the construction of a public improvement by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident. Failure to submit a fully completed Bidder Status Form with the Proposal may result in the Proposal being deemed nonresponsive and rejected.

To the extent allowed by Federal law and regulation, by virtue of statutory

authority, a preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the state of Iowa.

American Iron and Steel
Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference applies an American Iron and Steel requirement to this project. All iron and steel products used in this project must be produced in the United States. The term "iron and steel products" means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and Construction Materials.

The following waivers apply to this Contract: De Minimis, Minor Components, Pig iron, and direct reduced iron.

This Advertisement is issued by: Owner: City of Henderson
By: Candace Knop
Title: City Clerk
Date: May 9, 2023
(Published in The Opinion-Tribune Wednesday, May 31, 2023.)

We can stop HIV, Iowa.
One key step? Get tested.

National HIV Testing Day is June 27. Did you know that the CDC recommends everyone get tested for HIV at least once in their lifetime, and more often when needed?

This year's National HIV Testing Day theme is "Take the Test & Take the Next Step." Knowing your HIV status helps you choose options to stay healthy! And testing is the only way to know your status.

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EMS WEEK CELEBRATION IN GLENWOOD



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Glenwood Fire & Rescue hosted an EMS fundraiser and open house Saturday on the parking lot at Glenwood Community High School. The event included equipment displays, demonstrations, activities for children and food. Neighboring fire and rescue units also participated along with Life Net helicopter from Omaha.



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Children cool off by playing in the GFD sprinkler set up on the high school parking lot.



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Saturday's EMS fundraiser and open house was hosted by Glenwood Fire & Rescue.

Residents attending Saturday's EMS Week Open House and fundraiser for Glenwood Fire & Rescue could purchase a lunch catered by El Porton restaurant.

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The Glenwood Fire Department had its ladder truck on display at the EMS Week Open House.



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Children play in a bounce house at Saturday's EMS Week event in Glenwood.

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