GILMORE GAZETTE

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IOWAS LIMESTONE CAPITAL

NOVEMBER 2020

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Dan Almond, Mitchell Ohnemus	1
Marsha Habben, Everly Dickey	2
Jane Blanchard	3
Ron Dickey	4
Jagger Hass, Oaklyn Smith	7
Don Cirks	8
Judy Marchant, Butch Behrendsen	9
Sharon Miller, Jimmy Landoldt	12
Linda Ross, Melissa Ubben	14
Sandy Fredin, Sophia John- son	15
Angie Vanderhoff	18
Roger Benjamin, Kaleb Brown	21
Amanda Hugerich-Janssen	22
Brandon Edwards	26
Kirk Pisel	27
Mary (Peterson) Ries	28
Dan Tool	29
December Birthdays	
Elle & Kinnick Schriber	2
Bob Lynch, Aiva Brooks	3
Mary Hanson, Denny	4
Frederiksen, Kurt Brink- man, Marsha Vanderhoff	
Kenny Ricklefs	5
Kali Wiese	7
Ron Miller, Jamie Dirks, Robbie Hanlin	8
Mary Torkelson, Stacy Arnold, Vance Brooks Jr., Dirk Miller	11
Jerry Fowler	12
Don Tool	13
Marlys Wiemers, Terry Arnold, Tiffany Ohnemus	14
Holly Matthews, Taytem Cirks, Kaitlynn Brown, Kahne Ubben	15

ANNIVERSARIES:

MIKE & LORI PEDERSON



DECEMBER 12TH

The Fall colors sure are pretty right now and some of the trees have already lost their leaves. But, just a week ago, Mother Nature decided she would grace us with SNOW! Seems a little early but she's in control so it's time to think about winter prep! Cleaning up leaves and things that could get damaged with wet heavy snow. Remember to keep the area around garbage carts and mailboxes clear so those people can do their jobs. I have included City Code excerpts about burning leaves and snow and if you have any questions please call City Hall. ~Thank you

Burning of Leaves

As a friendly reminder to the citizens of Gilmore City, in accordance to City Ordnance Chapter 135.08 it is prohibited to burn trash, leaves, rub-bish, or other combustible materials in any curb and gutter or on any paved or surfaced street or alley. So we have read the rule, so now lets understand why this is the case. When burning leaves on the paved streets, the heat produced damages the streets by removing the oils in the asphalt and burning them off. The oils in asphalt is there to seal the road and help prevent water infiltration down into the road base. Potholes and cracks are produced when water gets into the base layer and starts

to deteriorate this layer resulting in a crack forming and eventually overtime potholes form.

So why not the gutters? Well the ashes from the burned leaves will actually collect in the storm sewers attaching to any obstruction and slowly building into a pile that will result over time into a plug backing up the storm drain. Where as ashes turn into a paste that likes to stick to just about anything.

So what do I do with my leaves? Believe it or not leaves from trees make a great fertilizer for your grass. You could blow the ashes back onto your lawn for a good boost come spring, or you could skip the burning and shred or mulch the leaves with a mower speeding the decomposing cycle to feed your grass as spring eventually comes around the corner. Or come grab a key for the city dump to unload them into the pile. Remember no dumping of construction materials at the City Dump only natural items such as sticks, leaves and grass clippings

SNOW ORDINANCES

DUMPING OF SNOW 135.12

It is unlawful for any person to throw, push, or place or cause to be thrown, pushed or placed, any ice or snow from private property, sidewalks, or driveways onto the traveled way of a street or alley so as to obstruct gutters, or impede the passage of vehicles upon the street or alley or to create a hazardous condition therein; except where, in the cleaning of large commercial drives in the business district it is absolutely necessary to move the snow onto the street or alley temporarily, such accumulation shall be removed promptly by the property owner or agent. Arrangements for the prompt removal of such accumulations shall be made prior to moving the snow.

REMOVAL OF SNOW, ICE, AND ACCUMULATIONS 136.03

The abutting property owner shall remove snow, ice, and accumulations promptly from sidewalks. If a property owner does not remove snow, ice, or accumulations within a reasonable time, the City may do so and assess the costs against the property owner for collection in the same manner as a property tax. The abutting property owner may be liable for damages caused by failure to remove snow, ice, and accumulations promptly from the sidewalk.

***All residents of Gilmore City both city and rural customers must have their mailboxes easily accessible during winter or they cannot deliver your mail.

CITY HALL & LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF VETERANS DAY NOVEMBER 11TH AND ALSO NOVEMBER 26TH & 27TH FOR THANKSGIVING. THE LIBRARY WILL REOPEN ON NOVEMBER 28TH AT 9 A.M.

The Lion's club is in need of used glasses and hearing aid's. If you have any of these items that are no longer being used, please drop them off at City Hall in the box in the lobby. Thank you!!

GC SPOTLIGHT RESIDENT- The resident of the month is Ell Fredin. Mr. Fredin was a high school principal in Gilmore City for 28 years! He graduated from Iowa State University in 1952 and pursued his career in northwest Iowa. In 1963 he begin his life in Gilmore City and he and Gladyce raised their 4 children in our community. During his years of teaching and being an administrator, Ell coached and officiated high school basketball. Mr. Fredin officiated 29 seasons about 1,400 games! Mr. Fredin retired in 1991 and has remained a Gilmore City resident ever since! Thank you for all your commitment to education and support of our school and community!

2020-2021 IOWA HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Remember to sign up this month for heating assistance. If you are not sure if you qualify, call the number below for the county you live in and they will help you. Just a few documents can help save your household money with your heat or electricity bill. There will be no face-to-face appointments this year. You will need to call the office for an application and steps needed to take to apply.

712-335-3335-Pocahontas County UDMO

515-332-3631- Humboldt County UDMO

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Above Pictured left to right are: Melissa Ubben City Clerk, Lavonne Hoover Hometown Pride and Guy Dewey, Manager of Martin Marietta in Gilmore City



To the left pictured are: Melissa Ubben City Clerk, Gilmore Cemstone Representatives Tammy Strauss & Jared Vote, Hometown Pride members Judy Marchant. Angie Peters and Lavonne Hoover

Hometown Pride Update

We are delighted to share our progress with you on the Sunset Park project. Trees were trimmed, soil was brought in and distributed to the areas that needed building up, culvert pipes were installed for proper drainage and the grounds were reseeded. The first two sections of the sidewalk were poured. Each section is 6' wide to allow for better, safer access to all community members and in all, the total anticipated linear footage is to be approximately 350'

None of this would be possible without help from our corporate neighbors and community friends. Cemstone, Martin Marietta, Casey's General Stores, Chantland MHS, the former Chantland plant now known as Precision, Inc. and Calcium Products have all contributed greatly with their donations and we can't thank them enough! We've had community members donate their time and equipment. There is no way that a handful of volunteers would be able to accomplish what we have without their help.

You can't imagine our surprise at how far reaching our park project has been. We've been blessed with monetary gifts that have been coming in from all over, particularly from our friends in California: Crockett, Seal Beach, Los Angeles, and West Hollywood, as well as Dallas, Texas and Boston, Massachusetts. You can never, ever underestimate the impact of the impressions ou leave on people's hearts. Just goes to show that Gilmore City might be small, but we're mighty and the loyalty of those far away proves it. We appreciate your support more than you will ever know!

If anyone is interested in joining our efforts, please reach out to a Hometown Pride team member at: gcprojectsfund@gmail.com.

Submitted by Angie Kritzer

Library Tales

SATURDAY MORNING COFFEE AND CAPPUCHINO FROM 9-11

CHILDREN STORY/CRAFT HOUR EVERY WEEK ON TUESDAYS AT 3:30, AGES 2-5

NEW Books Added to our Collection for October 2020

Always the Last to Know (No Series) - Higgins, Kristan

Agate: Iowa Author (Iowa Gem Series) - Hintz, Rev. Larry L

One perfect summer- Novak, Brenda

Snowfall on Lighthouse Lane (Honeymoon Harbor Series) - Book 2 - Ross, JoAnn

Summer on Mirror Lake (Honeymoon Harbor Series) - Book 3 - Ross, Joann

Tough talking cowboy (Wild Rose Ranch series) Book 3 - Rvan, Jennifer

Return. The - Sparks. Nicholas

Summer at Lake Haven (A Haven Point Series) Book 2 - Thayne, RaeAnne

New Large Print that has been added to our library

The Good Son JFK- Andersen, Chris

I Knos Where I am Going - Chandler, Charlotte

Smokin' Seventeen (A Stephanie Plum Novel ;) Evanovich. Janet

First Cases : New and Classic Tales of Detection - Evanovich, Janet

The Walk -Evans, Richard Paul

Haven. The - Fisher. Suzanne Woods

Reason For My Hope, The : salvation- Graham, Billy

Dawn of Desire- Gray, Juliet

Black Cat, The : a Richard Jury mystery- Grimes, Martha

Cast of Shadows - Guilfoile, Kevin

Sundown lim- Havcox, Ernest

Christmas Cake - Hinton, Lynne

Simple Vow, A (Simple Gifts) - Hubbard, Charlotte

Hummingbird Ridge - Hunt, David/Lebowitz, Brian

Stranger's Bride : the town of Cedar Springs is home to four marriage conflicts - Hunter, Denise

Any Place I Hang My Hat - Isaacs, Susan

Time of Their Lives. The (Tales from Grace Chapel Inn) - Jones, Annie

Madman's Tale, The - Katzenbach

High Tide In Tucson : essays from now or never Kingsolver, Barbara

Laughter In The Rain - Macomber, Debbie

Under Magnolia : a southern memoir - Mayes. Frances

Long lost - Morell, David

Angel Train - Morris, Gilbert

At Wick's End - Myers, Tim

Hummingbird Ridge- Nava, Margaret

Patient, The - Palmer, Michael

Patient, The - Palmer, Michael North

Lyndon B. Johnson- Peters, Charles

Scarlet Cord, A - Raney, Deborah

No Regrets (Ann Rules crime files - Rule, Ann

Once an Heiress (A Gilded Promises Novel)-Ryan, Renee

Guilty Pleasures- Small, Beatrice

By The Book : a novel- Sonneborn, Julia

Amazing Grace- Steel, Danielle

Answered Prayers - Steel, Danielle

Accident - Steel. Danielle

Ruthless : The House of Rohan- Stuart, Anne

God In Ruins, A : a novel - Uris, Leon

NEW to the William Johnstone Books, We have been able to fill a lot of the Johnstone Series out. by this generous donation of 3 boxes of his books. We now have 148 Johnstone Books at our library!!

Jensen brand, The (Jensen Brand Series) Rimfire (Those Jensen Boys Series) Those Jensen boys! (Those Jensen Boys Series) Twelve dead men (Those Jensen Boys Series) Ride the Savage Land (Those Jensen Boys Series) Right between the eyes (Rattlesnake Wells Series) Rattlesnake Wells, Wyoming (Rattlesnake Wells Series) Kill Or Die (Flintlock Series) Preacher, The Legendary Mountain Man : How it all began (The First Mountain Man / Preacher Series) Will Tanner, U.S. deputy marshal (Will Tanner, U.S. Deputy Marshal Series) Evil never sleeps (A Will Tanner, U.S. Deputy Marshal western Monahan's Massacre (The Trail West Series) Day of Reckoning (MacCallister The Eagles Legacy series) Seven days to hell (Savage Texas Western Series) Sixkiller, U.S. Marshal (Sixkiller U.S. Marshal Series) Stalking death, The (MacCallister The Eagles Legacy series) Nathan Stark, Army Scout (Nathan Stark Series) Stranglehold (MacCallister The Eagles Legacy series) River of Blood (Frontiersman Series) Torture of the mountain man (The mountain man series) Brutal night of the mountain man (The mountain man series) Black Hills, The (Hunter Buchanon Series) Venom of the mountain man (Last Mountain Man Series) Lawless, The (The Kerrigan's, Texas Dynasty Series) Hate thy neighbor (The Kerrigan's, Texas Dynasty Series) Rampage of the Mountain Man (The mountain man series) Frontiersman, The (Frontiersman Series) Bloody Sunday (Luke Jensen, Bounty hunter) Dead shot (Luke Jensen, Bounty hunter Series) High Sierra Christmas, A (Christmas Series) Die by the gun (A Chuckwagon Trail Series) Preacher's Rage (The First Mountain Man / Preacher Series) Preacher's Kill (The First Mountain Man / Preacher Series) Preacher's Slaughter (The First Mountain Man / Preacher Series)

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Take a tag from the giving tree located at Limestone Lounge during regular business hours. Each tag lists gender and ages to buy for.

Return **unwrapped gifts** with the coded tag attached to Gilmore City-Bradgate Elementary or City Hall no later than 4:00 p.m. on Dec. 11th.

Gifts will picked up by grateful families on December 21st.

Don't like to shop? We'll gladly shop for you. Turn in monetary donations by Dec 10th to GC-B school. Checks may be made payable to: **Gilmore City Wolverines 4-H Club**.

GC-B SCHOOL

The GC-B Little Chefs Club is putting together Thanksgiving Dessert Kits for either Pumpkin Pie Bars with Pecan Crumble or Caramel Apple Streusel Bars for \$15.00 each. Reserve your complete kits with ALL of the pre-measured ingredients you need to make these delicious treats (except eggs and butter) between October 29-November 16. Pick up your pre-ordered kits Nov 23 or 24th between 2-6 p.m. in the GC-B daycare entrance.

Also, the Little Chefs Club will be putting together cutout Holiday sugar cookie kits with frosting for families to decorate together during the month of December. More details to come!

Talented GC-B staff will be taking Holiday Mini Session Photos with greenery and props courtesy of Gilmore Garden Center. Mini Sessions will be Saturday, December 5th between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. We will be set up inside of GC-B, and we are hoping to set up a couple of options outside, if the weather cooperates!

Each of the sessions are 20 minutes long, and will include 10-20 digital photos for \$50.00. Call (515) 373-6124 and pay a \$30 deposit to reserve your spot.

Giving Tree

November 2nd -- Papers for giving tree will go home with students

November 20th -- Giving tree requests are due

December 21st - Gifts must be picked up

Donation request forms can be found at the GCB school, city hall or on <u>gcbschools.org</u>



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WINTERFEST 2020

LIGHTING CONTEST

RULES:

REGISTER AT CITY HALL AND HAVE YOUR HOUSE DECORATED BY DEC 5TH. ONLY GILMORE CITY RESIDENTS (IN CITY LIMITS) ARE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE.

JUDGES WILL BE GOING AROUND TOWN TO THOSE HOUSES THAT REGISTERED AND

PICKING THE TOP CHOICES.

WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY IN GAZEBO PARK ON DECEMBER 5TH @ GPM. WINNERS NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN.

PRIZES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE TOP 3 WINNERS!



WINTERFEST

GILMORE CITY WINTER FUN DAYS WILL BE DECEMBER 5TH, 2020, FROM 10 A.M. – 2 P.M. AT THE GILMORE CITY FIRE STATION (111 SE C AVE). VENDORS OF ALL KINDS WILL BE THERE DISPLAYING THINGS THEY SELL OR MAKE! VENDORS INCLUDE: AVON, FARMASI, NORWEX, PAMPERED CHEF, SCENTSY, TNR (EARRINGS, HATS, ETC), YOLI, CUPS, HOMEMADE CARDS & SIGNS, GC-B HONEY, GC-B/WBM APPAREL AND MUCH MORE! IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A VENDOR IT'S \$5 PER TABLE (ONE VENDOR PER ITEM) PLEASE CALL CITY HALL

20 515-373-6326 OR EMAIL:

CITYHALL DGILMORECITYIOWA.COM.

GC FIRE DEPT WILL BE SERVING LUNCH FROM 12-1PM. SPECIAL GUEST~ SANTA CLAUS

EVENING ACTIVITIES:

LIGHTING OF THE TREE IN GAZEBO PARK- 6 PM WINNERS OF LIGHTING CONTEST WILL BE ANNOUNCED AND PRIZES AWARDED TO THE TOP 3 PLACES. CHECK FACEBOOK AND THE CITY WEBSITE FOR RULES AND DETAILS.