

OCTOBER 2020

IOWA'S LIMESTONE CAPITAL

GILMORE GAZETTE

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OCTOBER/NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

- 1) Cullen Coyle, Nolan Ford
- 2) Jon Gilbert
- 5) Putter Jergens, Lacy Pisel
- 6) Dick Jergens
- 7) Tary Fredin, Jean Bunz, Kim Miller
- 8) Steve Stamper
- 9) Jenny Fields
- 10) Liz Matthews, Deb Schnetter
- 13) Tracy Schriber
- 14) Mike Vanderhoff
- 15) Angie Kritzer
- 16) Jim Saathoff, Ryan Angell
- 17) Marv Almond, Dave Thompson
- 18) Jordan Edwards
- 19) Jay Lynch
- 20) Val Nafe
- 21) Jim Ripperger
- 22) Ryah Cirks
- 23) Russ Naeve, Mark Cirks
- 24) Charlie Rakestraw
- 26) Scarlett Breanan
- 27) Don Weydert
- 29) Esther Jergens
- 31) Tom Atwood, Dixie Otto

31) HAPPY HALLOWEEN

BEGGAR'S NIGHT 5-7

November:

- 1) Dan Almond, Mitchell Ohnemus
- 2) Marsha Habben, Everly Dickey
- 3) Jane Blanchard, Kay Hilton
- 4) Ron Dickey
- 7) Jagger Hass, Oaklyn Smith
- 8) Don Cirks
- 9) Judy Marchant, Butch Behrendsen

ANNIVERSARIES:

- Oct 4- Dick & Kathy Carman
- Oct 10- Blaine & Katie Telford
- Oct 23- Steve & Kathy Stamper
- Oct 24- Bill & Mary Jo Borland

FLU SHOT CLINICS

There will be 2 flu shot clinics during October. Public Health will be at the Methodist Church on Oct. 8th from 10 a.m.-11 a.m. Ages 6 months and older, please bring insurance card or Medicare card (No Medicaid). Hy-Vee will be at the Fire Station on Oct. 20th from 4p.m.-6 p.m. Ages 6 yrs. on up, bring insurance card or Medicare card (No Medicaid). Forms for Hy-Vee will be available at City Hall to fill out before you attend but not required. Hy-Vee will be giving 20 cents on your fuel saver for anyone getting a flu shot.

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KEEP CALM AND GET YOUR FLU SHOT

Beggar's Night:

Trick-or-Treat Night aka Beggar's Night has been scheduled for Saturday, October 31st from 5:00-7:00 pm. Please remember to be safe and watch for the children crossing the road. Houses willing to participate by giving out candy should turn on their porch lights to let the kids know they can stop. Have a fun time and stay safe!

Gilmore City Farmer's Market is still going on through Oct 27th at the GC-B School South Lot from 4pm-5:30pm.

Interested in having your property or properties surveyed?

We have a engineer willing to come to Gilmore City to do multiple residences with a cheaper rate. If you are interested please contact city hall to get your name on the list. When we get a list of people interested we will set a date for them to come to Gilmore and update those that are on the list.



GC SPOTLIGHT RESIDENT

Donna Hodgell is our resident of the month . She is a native of Gilmore City and resides in rural Gilmore with her husband Fred. Donna is retired but volunteers for many things! She has held many positions on many boards in our community, helps with after school program, is a member of VFW auxiliary. She also represents the southern ambulance territory as a liaison between the ambulance crew and the city council. If anyone needs a hand or any type of help Donna is the first one there! Thank you Donna for all you do for our community! **Make sure to nominate someone you know for upcoming issues!**

THANK YOU

Thank you for the lovely 'spotlight' written about me in the Gilmore Gazette. I am humbled to say the least. Through illness, surgery's, unplanned trips that landed me flat on my duff to rounding up escaped bison you have all been behind me. So many to thank...I will thank God and ask Him to bless all of you. I retired and said goodbye to a job that I loved. It's not often driving home that a person can say "I love my job!" Thanks Lorna and Missy and Cindy, you made hanging out in the trenches fun. Welcome Michelle Bisell! READREADREAD! *Mary Jo*

PROJECT SHARE

Project Share is a plan, created by your municipal utility, to assist needy households in paying their wintertime energy bills.

You can help by adding a regular PS contribution to your monthly utility payment, or by making a direct donation to Project Share. These funds will then be distributed to neighbors in need for wintertime energy costs.

Those qualifying for help will be carefully identified by UDMO. A local Committee will oversee Project Share to guarantee all contributions will be handled equitably and efficiently.

So please add a PS to your utility payment each month. It's a simple way to share some warmth with those who need it.

Contact City Hall in writing @ PROJECT SHARE, PO Box 276, Gilmore City, IA 50541 OR call your county UDMO office today! Contributions are tax deductible!

Iowa Utilities Board & You!

The Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) is the state agency that regulates certain electric, natural gas, and telephone utilities in Iowa. The IUB staff assists customers by providing information and investigating utility complaints. Many complaints to the IUB involve disconnection of utility services and/or billing disputes. In order to address each specific customer situation, the IUB has detailed rules on disconnection of natural gas, electric, and telephone service. These rules protect you, the consumer, from arbitrary and potentially dangerous disconnection. They also give utilities the right to timely payment for services they provide. For more info about disconnection of utility service, contact IUB Customer Service at 877-565-4450.

GAS & ELECTRIC SERVICE

Disconnection rules require that the utility give a customer 20 days from the day a bill is issued to pay the bill. Before disconnection for non-payment, a gas or electric utility must:

- > Provide the customer written notice at least 12 days before a pending disconnection. This must include a summary of the customer's rights and responsibilities to avoid disconnection.
- > Attempt to contact the customer by phone or in person prior to disconnection. If contact fails during the winter months (Nov 1-Apr 1), the utility must place a notice on the customer's door at least one day before disconnection.
- > Delay disconnection when the National Weather Service forecasts temps of 20°F or below during the next 24 hours for the customer's service area.
- > Offer the customer a reasonable payment agreement, with the option of spreading payments over at least 12 month in addition to current monthly service billings. A reasonable payment agreement takes into account the customer's income, expenses, and extraordinary financial circumstances that may affect a customer's ability to pay. If a customer and the utility cannot agree upon a payment agreement, the customer can contact the IUB for

assistance. It is vital that the customer abide by the terms of an accepted agreement. Missing a payment by even one day may void the agreement and allow the utility to disconnect service with one day's notice. If it is a customer's first payment agreement, the utility may allow one late payment if the customer makes the payment within four days of the due date to avoid disconnection. Under certain circumstances, the utility may offer the customer a second payment agreement, but in many cases it is not required to do so.

IOWA UTILITIES BOARD

1375 E COURT AVE, ROOM 69

DES MOINES, IA 50319-0069

515-725-7321

TOLL FREE: 877-565-4450

EMAIL: customer@iub.iowa.gov

WEBSITE: iub.iowa.gov

GC Celebrations aka Fun Days Committee is looking for more volunteers to join our team. Meeting 1x a month and need to bring great ideas and activities for the upcoming Fun Days Celebration. You will be volunteering during Fun Days Activities and making sure everyone is having a good time! We are already ramping up for the next year so come join in the preparation and have fun! We meet the 1st Tuesday of the month, Next meeting is Oct 6th at 5:30 p.m.

ATTN: RESIDENTS WITH YARD METERS

We would like everyone that has a yard meter for watering lawns, gardens, etc. to return them to city hall so that they can be put away for the winter. The winter weather is hard on them and they are an expensive piece of equipment that cannot be repaired just replaced at minimum of \$150 each. If not returned and come Spring the meter doesn't work you will be charged the price of a new replacement.

Thank you!

MEMORIAL TREE RIBBONS

White= Honesty, Purity, Strength

Purple= Bravery

Red= Awareness

Green= Ecco Awareness

Yellow= Not Forgotten

Pink= Cancer

Black= POW/MIA

Mother Teresa Blue= Compassion

Metallic white= Remember those who have passed

9-11 brought us to our knees, it also gave way to the Memorial Tree, a small oak encircled with wrought iron in the park by the Gazebo. This tree was planted to provide a way for people to remember loved ones, past, present, and future. Ribbon is available for you to remember your loved ones by tying one to the wrought iron around the tree. Please feel free to do so any time day or night.

2020-2021 IOWA HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**ATTENTION: RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS
NEED HELP WITH YOUR HEATING BILL?**

The 2020-2021 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) has been established to help qualifying low-income Iowa Homeowners and renters pay for a portion of their primary heating costs for the winter heating season.

The assistance is based on household income, household size, type of fuel, and type of housing. If you are not sure where to apply, **DIAL 2-1-1**, or visit <https://humanrights.iowa.gov/dcaa/where-apply> to contact your local community action agency, or write to:

**LIHEAP
Iowa Department of Human Rights**

Capitol Complex

Des Moines, IA 50319

WHEN TO APPLY:

- **Elderly (60 & Over) and/or disabled:** October 1, 2020 to April 20, 2021
- **All other households:** November 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021

WHAT TO TAKE:

- **Proof of income** (for all household members age 19 and over) Depending upon your household income type, income documentation from the past 30 days, the last 12 months, or last calendar year, whichever is easier or more beneficial for you.
- **Proof of Social Security Numbers for all household members** (documentation required)
- **Most recent heat bill**
- **Most recent electric bill**

WAGE EARNERS:

Please bring copies of your check stubs for the 30-day period preceding the date of application, or a copy of your most recent federal income tax return.

FIXED INCOME:

This income may include: Social Security Benefits, Supplemental Security Income, Family Investment Program, Veteran’s Assistance, Unemployment Insurance, and pensions. Please bring copies of your check stubs from the previous 30 days.

SELF-EMPLOYED/FARMERS:

Please bring a copy of your most recent federal income tax return.

FIP RECIPIENTS:

Please bring your current DHS Notice of Decision or contact your local office for acceptable documentation information.

INCOME MAXIMUS

<u>Household Size</u>	<u>Annual Gross Income</u>	
1	\$21,245	\$22,330
2	\$28,805	\$30,170
3	\$36,365	\$38,010
4	\$43,925	\$45,850
5	\$51,485	\$53,690
6	\$59,045	\$61,530
7	\$66,605	\$69,370
8	\$74,165	\$77,210

For households with more than 8 members, add \$7,560 for each additional member. If you receive alimony or child support, it will also need to be verified. Additional income not listed here may be required.

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

Library Tales

New Books for September, 2020

- Spring fever (No Series) - Andrews, Mary Kay
- Width of the world, The (Vega Jane ;) - Baldacci, David
- Royal pain, A (Royal Spyness mysteries) - Bowen, Rhys
- Camino winds (Camino Island ;) - Grisham, John
- Walk along the beach, A - Macomber, Debbie
- Trouble with Christmas, The (Book 1) (Christmas, Colorado novel Series) - Mason, Debbie
- It happened at Christmas (Book 3) (Christmas, Colorado novel Series) - Mason, Debbie
- Wedding bells in Christmas (Book 4) (Christmas, Colorado novel Series) - Mason, Debbie
- Snowbound at Christmas (Book 5) (Christmas, Colorado novel Series) - Mason, Debbie
- Kiss me in Christmas (Book 6) (Christmas, Colorado novel Series) - Mason, Debbie
- Korean dream : a vision for a unified Korea - Moon, Hyun Jin Preston
- Rural diaries, The : love, livestock, and big life lessons down on Mischief Farm - Morgan, Hilarie Burton
- Moonlight over Manhattan (Book 7) (Manhattan with Love Series) - Morgan, Sarah
- Holiday in the Hamptons (Book 6) (Manhattan with Love Series) - Morgan, Sarah
- Will of steel - Palmer, Diana
- 1st case - Patterson, James
- Perfect fit (Book 1) (Serendipity's finest Series) – Phillips, Carly
- Perfect together (Book 3) (Serendipity's finest Series) - Phillips, Carly
- Hideaway - Roberts, Nora
- Cottage on Juniper Ridge, The (Book 4) (Life in Icicle Falls ;) - Roberts, Sheila
- Tea shop on Lavender Lane, The (Book 5) (Life in Icicle Falls) - Roberts, Sheila
- Lodge on Holly Road, The (Book 6) (Life in Icicle Falls) - Roberts, Sheila
- Wedding on Primrose Street, A (Book 7) (Life in Icicle Falls) - Roberts, Sheila
- Home on Apple Blossom Road (Book 9) (Life in Icicle Falls) - Roberts, Sheila
- Heron's landing (Honeymoon Harbor Series) - Ross, JoAnn
- Waiting on a Cowboy - Ryan, Jennifer
- Return from Siberia - Shallman, John
- Royal - Steel, Danielle
- Lost and Found Bookshop, The (Bella Vista Chronicles) - Wiggs, Susan

Large Print Books

In the enemy's house : the secret saga of the FBI agent and the code breaker who caught the Russian spies -

- Composed : a memoir - Cash, Rosanne
- Beach Season - Jackson, Lisa
- Drop dead healthy : one man's humble quest for bodily perfection - Jacobs, A. J.
- Preacher's bride claim, The - Kingery, Laurie
- Out of the ashes (The heart of Alaska) - Peterson, Tracie
- River knows, The - Quick, Amanda
- How to make your money last : the indispensable retirement guide - Quinn, Jane Bryant
- City of Jasmine - Raybourn, Deanna
- Blood Magick (Cousins O'Dwyer trilogy) - Roberts, Nora
- Etta Mae's worst bad-luck day - Ross, Ann B
- Jimmy Carter (The American presidents) - Zelizer, Julian E
- But I trusted you : and other true cases (crime files ;) - Rule, Ann
- Command and control : nuclear weapons, the Damascus accident, and the illusion of safety - Schlosser, Eric

**Gilmore City Public Library
Would like to thank the Humboldt
Community Foundation for giving us a grant.**

We have been working on digitizing 106 yearbooks & 3 other books under the name of www.gilmorecityalumni.org. We have 55 Gilmore City yearbooks from 1939 to 1993. 9 of the Bradgate Hawk yearbooks, 1951 to 1959. Several of the Humboldt Nokomis & TRV yearbooks. The other books we have are:
Bradgate Centennial book 1882—1982,
G.C. Centennial 1883-1983,
and the Bradgate Tornado, May 21st, 2004.
We have also purchased a Cricut to make our technology for programming an easier task.

