

GILMORE GAZETTE

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IOWA'S LIMESTONE CAPITAL



OCTOBER 2022

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:

Cullen Coyle Nolan Ford	1
Jon Gilbert	2
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Dick & Kathy Carman	4
Putter Jergens Lacy Pisel	5
Dick Jergens	6
Tary Fredin Jean Bunz Kim Miller	7
Steve Stamper	8
Jenny Fields	9
Lizabette Matthews Deb Schnetter Happy Anniversary Blaine & Katie Telford	10
Tracy Schriber	13
Mike Vanderhoff	14
Angie Kritzer	15
Jim Saathoff Ryan Angell	16
Marv Almond Dave Thompson	17
Jordan Edwards Gerald Witham	18
Jay Lynch	19
Val Nafe	20
Jim Ripperger	21
Ryah Cirks	22
Russ Naeve Mark Cirks	23
Charlie Rakestraw Happy Anniversary Bill & Mary Jo Borland	24
Scarlett Breanan	26
Iyla Merritt	27
Esther Jergens	29
Tom Atwood Dixie Otto	31

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Dan Almond Mitchell Ohnemus	1
Marsha Habben Everly Dickey	2
Kay Hilton	3
Ron Dickey	4
Chester Brundige	6
Jagger Haas Oaklyn Smith	7

DONATION BOXES

The Lion's Club is still in need of glasses and hearing aids. If you have any that are un-used please donate them and drop off in the box inside the City Hall Lobby. We also have other recycling boxes in the lobby which include ink cartridges, cell phones and the Flag Box.
 ~Thank you!



Beggar's Night:

Trick-or-Treat Night aka Beggar's Night has been scheduled for Sunday, October 30th from 5—7 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!

Hometown Pride

October 2022

We can look forward to seeing more activity at Sunset Park again. Trees have been trimmed at the Quonset and plans are in place to finish pouring concrete for the walking path by October 10th. Landscape pavers have been ordered and once they're set into place, we can concentrate on pollinator plantings. Survey response for the Walking Trail has been informative and much appreciated since we're using Sunset Park as our Trailhead for a starting point. Farmers can designate a tax free Gift of Grain to your local coop for GC Hometown Pride and enjoy the tax advantage of not claiming the grain as income. Any and all donations are appreciated.

Thank you so much for your support and encouragement. If you'd like to make a donation, sit in on a meeting, or address the Hometown Pride committee at any time, please don't hesitate to contact a member or email the group: GCprojectsfund@gmail.com

Members: Angie Peters, Judy Marchant, Lavonne Hoover, Russ Naeve, Deb Lanus, Missy Ubben, Angie Kritzer

New City Ordinances in effect Oct. 1st

City Council has adopted 2 new ordinances. Full copies can be seen on our website, Facebook, City Hall or see the published version in the Humboldt Independent.

Ordinance 2022-01- Natural Gas Utility

-Due to the volatility of the gas market and the rising costs of Natural Gas, rates will be increased and a meter fee charged. Meter Charges will be \$10 for Residential meters and \$20 for Commercial meters. Local delivery gas charge will be .350 per 100 cf. Purchased Gas will be adjusted monthly at cost.

Ordinance 2022-02-Height of Grass

-Due to nuisances on mowing properties that do not belong to the city, mowing charges will be increased to \$75.00 per hour per agent and a surcharge of \$100 per mowing. If unpaid after 30 days there will be an administrative fee of \$45 for each charge and sent to the County Courthouse to be assessed like property tax.

Gilmore City Public Library Fall Activities 2022

- October 1 Craft Day 10:00—12:00**
- October 4th Children's Author in House Joan Enockson 7:00 p.m.**
- October 8th GCPL & Moffitt Animal Shelter Craft Day 10:00 - 12:00**
(This will go thru November 30th)
- October 11th Book Club 6:30 p.m. (Review—"It Ends With Us")**
- October 15th Paint & Take your Pumpkin 10:00—12:00**
- October 30th Beggar's Night 5:00 - 7:00**
- November 1st Book Club 6:30 (Review—"Star's Over Clear Lake")**
- November 5th Craft Day 10:00—12:00**

17th Annual Pumpkins & Ponies

Saturday, Oct. 8th from 10-4

Sunday, Oct. 9th from 11-4:30

Springvale Farm, 2603 Lone Tree Road,

Humboldt Questions: 515-368-3005

Vendors, Activities, Pony Rides, Face Painting, Wagon Rides to Pumpkin Patch! Free Admission/Parking!

ZOMBIE WALK

Thursday, October 27th
6:30 p.m.

Start at the GC-B front lawn to find route, deliver goods to the Community Closet at the GC Lutheran Church, and return to the school for refreshments, and bonfire!

Items **must** be placed outside of houses in order to be picked up. People will **not** be ringing doorbells or knocking on doors for collection.

Food Pantry Needs

- Breakfast cereal
- Canned fruit
- Peanut butter
- Pork & beans
- Pancake mix
- Dry pasta
- Fruit juice
- Instant cocoa
- Instant potatoes
- Pasta sauce
- Canned veggies
- Syrup
- Teabags
- Coffee
- Soups



2022-2023 IOWA HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

ATTENTION: RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS NEED HELP WITH YOUR HEATING BILL?

The 2022-2023 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) has been established to help qualifying low-income 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, 2022 to April 30, 2023
- **All other households:** November 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023

WHAT TO TAKE:

- **Proof of Income** (for all household members age 18 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, 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.

If you receive alimony or child support, it will also need to be verified. Additional income not listed here may be required.

INCOME MAXIMUMS	
Household Size	Annual Gross Income
1	\$27,180
2	\$36,620
3	\$46,060
4	\$55,500
5	\$64,940
6	\$74,380
7	\$83,820
8	\$93,260

For households with more than eight members, add \$9,440 for each additional member.

Humboldt County UDMO

515-604-5550 or 515-604-5551

Pocahontas County UDMO

(712)-335-3335

This walk will allow students to wear their Halloween costumes an additional time while collecting non-perishable goods to benefit community members

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 UD-MO. 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

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.

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DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER IS LAST DAY OF EACH MONTH