

In the news . . .

Iowa Living

by Ryan Brown

Living in Iowa, I have learned many things. Those three things have stuck out. Watching animals has taught me the value of reproduction and the life cycle. I have also learned how valuable a bag of kitty litter really is. But the most valuable thing I have learned is how valuable money really is.

Earlier this year, our budgeting became tighter. We had to let go of some important things in our life. Our fun money became lacking; we had to begin to find other ways to have some fun with family. We began playing old board games such as Monopoly, Sorry, Phase 10, and Apples to Apples.

Doing this taught me that it doesn't matter what your family does, it matters that you're together with your family. I also began to read more books than I had before. I also noticed that became easier to learn and do homework since I had fewer distractions. In the end, it was a time of struggle, but my family and I learned some valuable lessons. Life is too short to worry about the big things. On the way, enjoy the small things, too.

Community Interviews

by Caleb Reiss

Mike Anderson is the assistant chief of police in Rockwell City, Iowa; he's been a police officer since the age of nineteen. Being an assistant chief of police, he has a lot of responsibilities. This job includes doing and filing paperwork, as well as patrolling Rockwell City. He also takes Larry's, the chief of police in Rockwell City, position whenever he is gone.

Mike also has many other jobs as well. He is a paramedic, realtor, and he used to teach at Iowa Central Community College. He taught health and science classes. He taught EMT and paramedic students. Doing all of these jobs, he has to have many certifications. He has his paramedic certification, enforcement certification, a teaching endorsement, and he is a licensed realtor in Iowa.

Out of all of his certifications, the hardest to achieve was the realtor's license. He took the shortened course of real estate. He also took his State and National exams the same day. After doing all these jobs, he has found the time to have a family. Overall, Mike is a very busy and interesting man.



Jenny Bonnell

by Caleb Reiss

Miss Bonnell has been teaching art for a year-and-a-half. She is a first-year teacher living in Carroll. Our favorite subject in art is drawing. Her year-and-a-half so far has been touchy, a lot of trial and error, and learning. What inspires her the most is the student's artwork, creativity, and the art in nature.

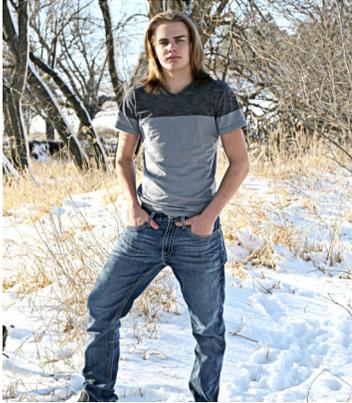
Her favorite memory so far in her teaching career is saving Spencer Moon's artwork project when it fell behind the whiteboard. If she wasn't an art teacher, she would be a photographer or a graphic designer. Her advice to new teachers would be "it's okay to change."

In her free time she gardens, does her own artwork, and she travels. Overall, Miss Bonnell a very interesting character.

Upcoming Events . . .

- 4-28 ROSS SAMUELSON RELAYS CANCELLED
- 4-28 COED GOLF @ IDA GROVE CANCELLED
- 4-29 COED GOLF @ IDA GROVE AND SPRING LAKE CANCELLED
- 5-1 HS BASEBALL PRACTICE BEGINS
- 5-2 TLC HS TRACK MEET @ SIOUX RAPIDS 4:00 PM
- 5-2 QUAD GOLF 4:00 PM GRAETTING-BOYS, SIOUX RAPIDS-GIRLS
- 5-3 TLC CONFERENCE GOLF RESCHEDULED GIRLS @ SL BOYS @ FORT DODGE
- 5-4 COED GOLF VS. ESC @ LAKE CITY 4:00 PM
- 5-4 JIM YUNEK COED RELAYS @ LAKE CITY 4:30 PM
- 5-6 LARGE GROUP MUSIC @ FORT DODGE
- 5-8 GOLF TRIANGULAR GIRLS-TWIN LAKES BOYS-SAC CITY
- 5-8 HS SOFTBALL PRACTICE BEGINS
- 5-8 HS COED TRACK @ SAC CITY 4:30 PM





Justin Dick

by Alex Campbell

Justin is a senior here at SCC; he was known to be the class clown kind of student. He always manages to put a smile on anyone's face. He plans on attending Iowa Central, majoring in Chiropractic.

Justin's favorite high school memory was during senior night during football and Coach put all 14 seniors on the field for one play. Justin was very active in school sports; his activities included football and basketball for 4 years, track for three years,

and baseball for 2 years; he was also an FSA for 3 years and gathering for 4 years. He will miss all of his friends and all the amazing people at SCC the most.

Justin is most looking forward to being successful. He sees himself being a chiropractor in 10 years. Justin is inspired by making his mother and grandmother proud. His favorite pastimes are playing basketball with friends and drawing. He says he wants to travel to Ireland when he's older. Justin's advice to underclassmen would be keep your nose to the grindstone.



Chase Mosbach

by Caleb Reiss

Chase Mosbach is a senior at South Central Calhoun. He wasn't always here, however. He started his high school career in Webster City. He also became involved in FFA when he was in Webster City.

Being here for two years, he has developed a liking for the people and classes here at SCC. One thing he will miss the most is going out to the

shop and debating certain interests with Mr. Lantz. His advice to underclassmen is to work hard your first three years so you don't have to work hard your senior year.

After he graduates, Chase plans on attending Iowa Lakes Community College. In ten years, he sees himself being a diesel mechanic, owning a house, and owning cattle. His role model through all of this is his grandpa because he taught him everything he knows about mechanics. Other than school, he enjoys trav-

eling, tractors, guns, loud Chevy trucks, and spending time with his grandpa. He also loves his German Shepherds. If he had to give up one thing, he said it have to be his pickup, but only in a life-or-death situation.

When asked where all he would like to travel too, he responded with, "I would like to go to Texas to see what it's like down there." Overall, Chase is a down-to-earth, yet interesting guy.

Banned Books

by Cade Carstens

In the year of 2017, many people are often getting offended, which leads to many changes; some of which can harm innocent children by trying to take their books away. One book that is banned in some schools in the American school system is *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain. This book was banned because of its frequent use of the word “nigger.” Many say it is racially insensitive, oppressive, and perpetuates racism.

Another book that is banned in some places is the autobiography of Malcolm X by Malcolm X and Alex Haley. This book was banned because some have called it a how-to manual for crime. It was also bad because it is on an “anti-white” statement.

The book *Moby Dick* by Herman Melville was banned by a Texas school because it conflicted with their community values. One of the best classical books, *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee, has been put on the list because many say it promotes white supremacy. Another great classical book was *Uncle Tom's Cabin* by Harriet Beecher Stowe. This book was banned because of the treatment of black slaves.

Finally, one of the last books banned was *A Streetcar Named Desire* by Tennessee Williams. This is banned because of all the sexual content in the play. These books all should not be banned because they are all great pieces of literature for people to read. They are very important books that should be read by whoever wants the opportunity.

Hobbies and Personalities

by Mariya Streck

You could find a lot out about someone if you know their hobbies. My hobbies

include listening to music, driving, and talking and hanging out with my friends.

Caleb Reiss' hobbies are shooting guns, sleeping, and playing Dark Souls on PS4. He likes to play with Trevor Dettman, whose hobbies include playing video games and collecting shot glasses. Trevor and Caleb like the team up on Austin Wiskus about how bad he is at Dark Souls, but Austin likes to play guitar more than video games.

Dezirae Blankenship likes driving and music. She and I share the same hobbies. By learning people's interest or likes, you could either make new friends or learn something new about your existing friends.

For the Love of music

by Makayla Patterson

Is music an important part of education? Should we have music play a bigger role in children's everyday education? Music is so important for so many people; it can bring sadness out of someone and help them get through a day.

Schools need to keep providing money to the music program. I feel at South Central Calhoun, music is a huge part in school. We have an amazingly large band and choir; we also have a jazz band and the jazz choir. The students at South Central Calhoun absolutely love the music programs and would like to see more people be involved.

It would be great to offer more musical programs to the students so they can be more involved with band and choir; like having an all-female choir or an all-male choir, or even different kinds of bands, and maybe even an orchestra would be pretty neat to offer. Music has a great impact on people's lives, and I hope to see more students be involved in the following years to come.

Thoughts on being a Secretary

by Anastasia Sackfield

Everyone at South Central Calhoun knows that the high school secretary, Becky Green, is a key team player of the whole establishment and keeps it from running into the ground. Every now and then, however, she has to take a break. Usually when she takes a break, Becky can transfer calls to Beth on the first floor office, but when Beth is also gone, that's when I come in.

As a student, I can cover for Becky whenever she asks. Usually, I just open the doors, take messages, and answer calls. I do get to see the fun side of her job, too. When I cover for Becky during lunch, some of the teachers will call and play jokes on me. I also get to talk with everyone who comes into the office. Becky has a lot going on, but she still manages to keep a smile on her face. Thanks, Becky

