Walk raises awareness of world’s climate change

For millions of Americans, climate change is the most important issue facing the country and planet Earth. Just as Jeffrey Curricel, a Des Moines-area resident who is part of the Great March for Climate Change, an action group that is in the midst of a 3,000-mile walk from Los Angeles to Washington, D.C., and back. The group made two over- night Iowa County stops in La- dora and Homestead early in the week, and also had events in Clif- ford, Cordova and Iowa City on Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 19-20, before heading east to- ward the Quad Cities. The group will reach the end point this fall, with events planned in New York and Wash- ington, D.C. The stated mission of the group, says Curricel, is to take action on climate change, to un- cover people to make whole- sale changes in lifestyles and to encourage the nation's leaders to address what activists say is a crisis affecting the planet.

He points to extreme weather events – such as storms in June that left up to 6½ inches of rain and major damage in Iowa.

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Iowa Valley football players show off their new uniforms during a practice session last week. Left: Ian Kristander, Austin Carney, Austin Schlabach and Lucas Krakow. The Tigers open the 2014-15 schedule against the Mt. Union. The home season opener is Sept. 5 against Highland.

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HOSPITAL NEWS

MMH Board hears report on roles, responsibilities

By JANE BICHER

Memorial Hospital's Board heard a presentation on behalf of the real estate company represented by Emily Renes, J.D., an attorney.

During a meeting earlier this summer, Renes told the board that the law firm has been doing strictly health care-law for the last four years and works half-time with UnityPoint Health with senior affiliates and half-time with 16 critical access hospitals affiliated with UPH as a resource for legal issues for rural hospitals.

She gave background on responsibilities of boards, some of which come from corporate law, but also nonprofit corporate act in state law.

MMH is established by Code of Iowa and is under City Ordinances, is licensed as a hospital under chapter 135B Iowa Code and certified as a Medicare Access Hospital under federal regulations. All govern the hospital. Authority for regulations comes under Iowa Code chapter 37, the Veterans’ Memorial Mental, and under county hospital regulation, and Code chapter 341 and the bylaws of MMH Board of Trustees.

Code chapter 341 says the board has a duty to manage, control and govern the hospital. It also states the board has a duty to employ, or contract with, an administrative (chief executive officer) who has authority to reverse day-to-day operations of the hospital and its employees.

Board members, she continued, say governance powers of the hospital are vested in the board with powers and duties necessary to manage, control and employ.

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IOWA VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

Revenue purpose statement election Sept. 7

By BRIAN RATHJEN

Iowa Valley School Dist- rict residents will be polled to the polls Sept. 7 on the renewal of the district’s revenue pur- pose statement.

Polls will be open from noon to 8 p.m. at the Manning Public Library.

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NEW LOOK ‘Tigers’ to debut at Friday at Winfield-Mt. Union

By BRIAN RATHJEN

No doubt, no fears, no regrets!” That’s the man- tral that second-year Iowa Valley football coach Dan Bower wants to feed his program upon.

The first one – death, and real- ized it to a lack of confidence – is one that has lingered in the program in recent years, and one Severs is trying to erase.

So last February, when he talked to the Iowa Valley School Board about his program and his plans for the upcoming football season, he fell back on a little bit of University of Iowa philosophy.

“When I said (former Iowa football coach Hayden Fry) had a right, the first thing he did was change the uniforms,” Severs told the school board during the Feb. 24 meeting. “Why? Because we (Iowa) were terrible. We were awful. They changed them to look like the Pittsburgh Steelers because they had won three Su- per Bowls in a row. You create success, and you become successful.

Indeed, the appearance of suc- cess and the confidence in the program are what are returning the Tigers’ program to the big league.

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Contemporary worship to be added at First United Church

Contemporary worship will be added at First United Church.

The first service will be Sunday, Sept. 7.

What is the difference between our current worship service and a contemporary worship service? ’You ask?' Well, there are several things that will be different in this new service. Instead of an орган leading our traditional hymns, you can expect to see a worship band, drums, guitars, and keyboard. The praise team will lead us in songs you hear on Christian radio stations. Instead of printed lyrics and prayers, you can expect the service to be a bit more spontaneous or extemporaneous.

We are excited about this new service because we recognize a missed need in our community to reach out to youth and young adults with families. We hope that by doing church in a fresh, new, and approachable way, we can reach out to those who may not resonate with what they know church to be traditionally. “We're asking them to come check us out. Visit our website at climatemarch.org or like us on Facebook at First UMC Marengo. We are located at 655 Court Avenue, Marengo; the phone number is (319) 642-5164. We pray that you will see us come through."...