

Grand jury may be called in to investigate Ireton shooting

A seven-person county grand jury might be called in early next week to look into the shooting death of a young rural Ireton woman.

County attorney Harold Postma declined to comment on what the pending grand jury session might consider during its term. The new term is slated to begin next week.

"I cannot devulge the nature or content of any possible pending grand jury probes," Postma stated.

Postma declined to comment if the grand jury might be looking into the rural Ireton incident saying "it is only speculation" what might ultimately be considered.

Authorities have called the mid-

September shooting an accident.

Lisa Vander Esch, 19, was killed in the early evening hours of Sept. 14 by her husband Darwin. Vander Esch told authorities that his rifle had accidentally discharged. The bullet struck her in the head while she was playing with the couple's 18-month-old son.

Authorities were notified by Vander Esch shortly after the incident happened, according to county officials. Authorities have not released what caliber rifle or bullet killed Vander Esch.

State Division of Criminal Investigation and the county sheriff's office have not officially closed their investigation of the Ireton shooting incident.

Crime in Hawarden follows state-wide trend

"I think that the economy has played a big role in crime reduction," says Hawarden police sergeant Jim Landau. "I think people are staying home more, less frivolous driving around and so on."

Statewide, the crime rate in Iowa decreased by about 15 percent in the first nine months of this year, and Hawarden seems to follow the lead.

According to a report from the Hawarden Police Department, although the dollar amount on the value of property stolen and destroyed is about the same as it was last year at this time, it is half of the 1980 figure.

So far this year, there have been four burglaries, 21 counts of larceny and one stolen vehicle.

Last year, by the same time, 16 burglaries, 21 acts of larceny and four car thefts had been reported; in 1980, 11 burglaries, 25 acts of larceny and five car thefts had been reported in the first nine months.

Violent crimes in Iowa are down by about 20 percent, says the Iowa Department of Public Safety. Murder is down 45 percent and robbery, 36 percent. Hawarden has had no murders, rapes, robberies or aggravated assaults reported in the last three years.

Landau commented that it was pretty hard to see trends in crime in a town this size—one less robbery or one more robbery could affect our robbery rate 100 percent since there have been no robberies reported in the last three years.



Party for the pre-schoolers

Children who have been attending the storytelling sessions for preschoolers at the library were treated to a Halloween party last week. After finger plays and a movie, the children made a spook parade through the library. This was their last afternoon for storytelling.

Christian Women's Club to hold luncheon November 18

The Sioux Center Christian Women's Club invites all women to their brunch Nov. 18 at 9:30 a.m. at the Dordt Dining Hall. The theme for the morning will be "Homespun Holidays". A trio comprised of Nola Van Driessen, Nora Haverhals, and Evie Gulker, accompanied by Colleen Breneman will provide music. For the special feature, bring your favorite homemade Christmas decoration for a display. Mrs. Debbie Sharp, a mother and wife of a teacher and coach from Ft. Dodge will be speaking. Come and share your talent and learn from others. Bring a friend along. Tickets are \$3.00. For reservations call Sue Noteboom, 722-2378 or Mrs. Bill Kooi, 278-2487 in Ireton. Cancellations are

essential. There is a free nursery at the First Reformed Church. An offering at the brunch covers this expense.

An Ireton prayer coffee will be held in the home of Helen Smidt, 105 5th St., Ireton (278-2124) on Nov. 11 at 9:30 a.m. We encourage all Ireton, Maurice and Hawarden area women to come together for prayer and fellowship.

Many Hawarden, Ireton students at ISU

Three-fourths of the undergraduate students attending Iowa State University this fall are Iowa residents including from Hawarden: Kathleen Akin, Timmer Anderson, Robert Bartels, Michael Dorhout, Clifford Doty, Steven Gaul, Maralee Johnson, Suzanne Johnson, Annie Lienhart, Patty McCarthy, Deborah Miller, Deborah Schiefen, Peggy Scroggs, Stephanie Streit, Rachel Ver Hoef and Molly Youngkin and from Ireton: Kristine Baker, Bruce Cornish, Bruce Hawkins, Jeffrey Hawkins, Pamela Johnson, Matthew Rostermundt, Scott Schmidt, Jeff Vlotho and Scott Vreeman.

ISU's total enrollment is 24,906, the highest in the institution's history. Undergraduate enrollment is 21,342, of which 16,007 are Iowa residents. About one-half of the students enrolled in the graduate college—1,668 of 3-564—are from Iowa, so the total university enrollment is 71 percent Iowan.



Installation at Associated Church

Rev. Fritz Mellberg, above, is congratulated after his installation as pastor of the Associated Church. The installation was held October 24, and about 140 came to see the official beginning of Mellberg's work for the local congregation. Besides representatives from the United Church of Christ and the United

Presbyterian Church, many local friends and church members attended the installation. Dr. Robert Morse, chaplain at Glenwood State Hospital and School, was main speaker. Also attending from Glenwood were 20 members of Mellberg's last assignment. After the installation, a luncheon was held.

photo by Rex Truesdell

CUB SCOUT NEWS

The Webelos opened the meeting by reciting the 12 points of the Scout law.

The cubs and their brothers and sisters put paper bags over their heads and drew faces on the bags. They also attempted to bit donuts hanging on a string.

Celebrating Oct. birthdays are Cubscout Jay Flynn, Den Chief Robbie Johnson, and Den leaders, Barb Haage, Beth Finch and Madonna Pulscher.

Den 5 received the traveling trophy in Oct. for having the best

percentage of parents in attendance.

Cubs earning Bobcat badges are: Chris Haage, Ben Case, Jason McInnis, Jody Anderson, Travis Karr, Todd Kruid, Shawn Strubbe, Matt Hawley, Dennis Pulscher, Terry De Zeeuw and Mitch De Boer.

Chad Dimmick earned the Wolf Badge.

Lyle Kaskie earned the Bear Badge.

Denny Halligan earned 1 gold and 2 silver arrow points.

Webelos earning awards were:

Outdoorsman pin - Randy Matz, Jeff Lerdal, Denny Halligan, Lyle Kaskie, Jason Klemme, Jay Flynn, Brian Van Muyden, Chad Brown, Jim Zoeller and Nathan Harry.

Athlete pin - Brian Van Muyden, Chad Brown, Denny Halligan, Jim Zoeller, Jay Flynn, Lyle Kaskie, Jason Klemme.

Citizens pin - Randy Matz.

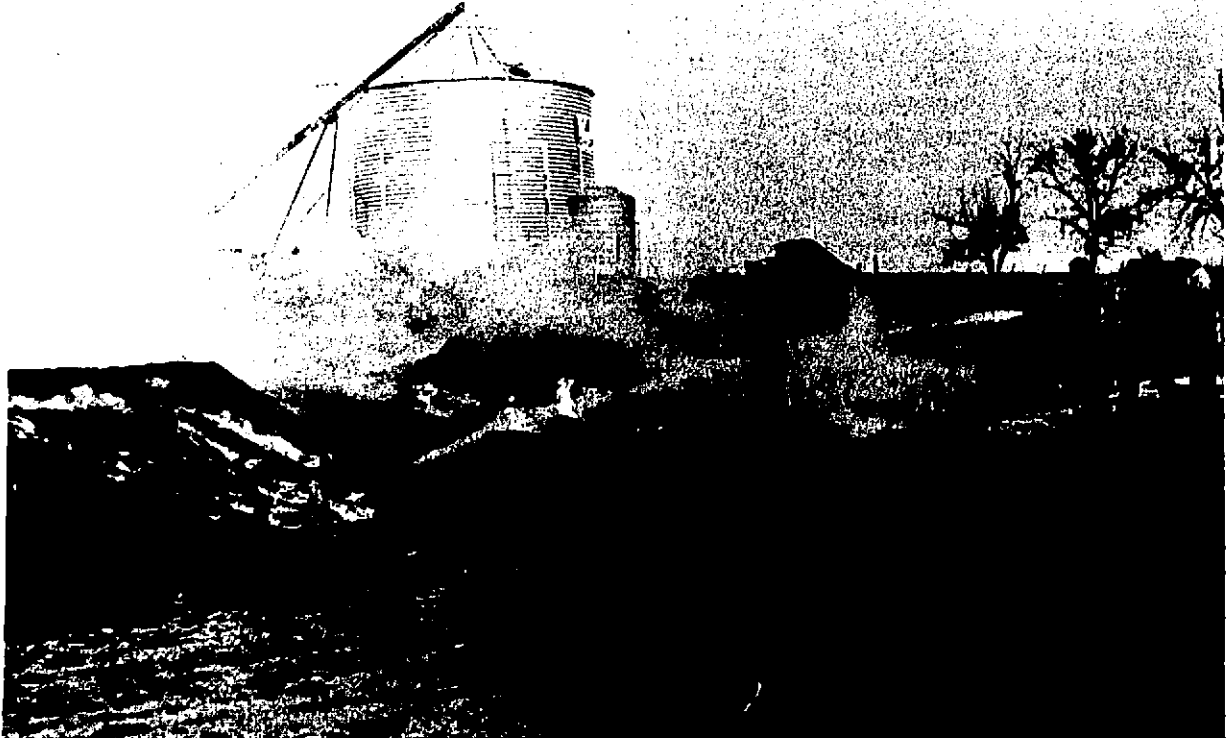
Aquanaut pin - Chad Brown. Webelos badge - Randy Matz. The Cubscout prayer was read for our closing.

MAGISTRATE'S REPORT

Richard Gibbs, Ireton, speeding, \$28.00.
John W. Obink, Hawarden, speeding, \$28.00.
Angeline Larson, Hudson, SD, speeding, \$50.00.
Heidi Hughes, Alcester, SD, speeding, \$28.00.
Louis Borchers, Ireton, speeding, \$39.00.
David Daale, Hawarden, speeding, \$39.00.
Bradley Kraayenbrink, Ireton, speeding, \$39.00.

Wilbur Finch, Hawarden, speeding, \$50.00.
Gary Gregg, Hawarden, speeding, \$28.00.
Walter Westergard, Hawarden, speeding, \$28.00.
David Vonk, Ireton, operating w/o valid license (2 Counts), \$45.00.
Thomas McKee, Hawarden, speeding, \$28.00.
Eric Daale, Hawarden, no m-c license, \$22.50.
Dennis Bronkhorst, Hawarden,

speeding, \$28.00.
Michael De Bruin, Hawarden, speeding, \$39.00.
Edith Dekkers, Hawarden, speeding, \$28.00.
Gerhard Koch, Ireton, failure to yield, \$28.00.
Jane Buryanek, Hawarden, failure to maintain control, \$28.00.
Dennis Kaskie, Hawarden, disturbing peace, \$20.50.
Rob Scroggs, Hawarden, trespass, \$20.50.



Rural Hawarden blaze

On Tuesday, Oct. 26 Hawarden firefighters responded to a call at the Bob Trageser farm southeast of Hawarden. Trageser was shelling corn when a spark from the machinery apparently started the corn residue on fire. No injuries were reported as a result of the blaze.

Golden Agers to meet Nov. 9

The Golden Agers will meet at the Sr. Center, Tuesday, Nov. 9, at 2 p.m. Please note: the time is 2 p.m. instead of 1:30, due to the Christian Women's Luncheon. There will be a free Blood Pressure Clinic, for the public from 10-12 and 1-2. There will also be a film shown.

Epsilon Eta makes plans for annual tour of homes

The Epsilon Eta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met October 20 at the home of Susan Gregg. A Christmas Tour of Homes is being planned for Saturday, December 11. The tour will include three homes, plus one home where Christmas crafts and baked goods

will be sold. Also included in the Tour of Homes will be a drawing for a three minute shopping spree at Wally's Jack and Jill. Raffle tickets will be available November 1 for \$1.00 from any Epsilon Eta member.

Party for retired teachers

Mildred Holmes and Bernice Janssen entertained a group of West Sioux retired teachers at the Janssen home last Friday afternoon.

The following attended: From Hudson, Gertie Wood; From Alcester: Irene Doty; From Ireton: Erlene Kading and Amy Becker. The following were from Hawarden: Mary Willemsen, Pauline Doohen, Dorothy

Johnson, Margaret Ristow, Loretto Lynott, Muriel Esser, Burnadette Lundberg, Dorothy Busch and Ellen Halle.

Lois Taggart of Hawarden and Bernice Johnson of Sioux Falls were unable to attend.

A very enjoyable afternoon was spent socially and concluded with a very delicious lunch that was served by the two hostesses.

Birthday party

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bruget entertained at a family dinner in their home Monday evening honoring Tom Burke, who was observing a birthday. Besides the honored one the others on the guest list included Mrs. Tom Burke, their daughter, Mrs. Judy Tourtillot, of Great Falls, Va., who is here visiting her parents, Lena Ashmore and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Bruget and family.

Hawarden Church Women United to hold fall luncheon

The Hawarden Church Women United Luncheon for the fall quarter will be held Tuesday, November 9, 1982 at 12:00 Noon at the Christian Reformed Church. The salad luncheon will be hosted by the ladies of St. Mary's Church.

A very special musical program entitled "Precious Moments" will be sung by Diana Waldstein accompanied by Beth Evans. Both Diana and Beth are from the Early, Iowa area. They entertained for the Hawarden Church Women United Luncheon when St. Mary's Church hosted the event two years ago.

Tickets may be purchased from the church representatives or by calling Julie Halligan, 552-1660. The cost is \$2.00. Door prizes will be given.

Hawarden Church Women United Luncheons are held four times yearly with each church in participation taking their turn at hosting the event. Very enjoyable and informative programs are given. The churches involved are the American Lutheran Church, Associated Church, Christian Reformed Church, First Baptist Church, Methodist Church, Reformed Church, St. Mary's Church and Trinity Lutheran Church.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients Admitted
Hawarden: Richard Frerichs, Kay Rummel.
Hudson: Katherine Mills, Esther Shaff.
Alcester: Doris Oaks.

Patients Dismissed
Hawarden: Louis Millage, Dave De Jong, Richard Frerichs, Becky Brunsting, Hazel Gerdes.

Births
Hawarden: Mr. and Mrs. Dick Liston are the parents of a boy weighing 7 lbs. 12 1/2 ozs.; Mr. and Mrs. Randy Witt are the parents of a girl weighing 6 lbs. 9 1/2 ozs.

New pastor for Immanuel Lutheran, Union Creek

The Rev. Benard A. Nelson of Des Moines has announced that he has accepted the position of pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Akron and Union Creek Lutheran Church, Union County, S.D. Pastor Nelson and his wife Evelyn will move to Akron on Nov. 15.

Nelson's arrival will end the vice-pastorate of Myron Herzberg, St. Paul Lutheran, Remsen. Pastor Herzberg has been serving the congregations since May 23. "Pastor Nelson is an exciting addition to Northwest Iowa," Pastor Herzberg said. "With a recent doctoral degree, broad experiences in a variety of congregations, and excellent service to many church and community organizations during the 25 years of his ministry, I know he will build a successful ministry in Akron. He has fine resources in the leaders and members at both parishes," Herzberg continued, "it has been a blessing to work with them."

Former Ireton resident injured in one-car crash

Troy Van Skike, Fort Dodge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Van Skike, rural Ireton, has been taken to a Sioux City hospital after being injured in a 1-car accident near Carroll Oct. 16. Van Skike is a West Sioux graduate. Van Skike apparently missed a curve in the road and was thrown from his car which then rolled on top of him. A passenger, who is now in stable condition, was able to go for help. Van Skike had his spleen removed as was portions of one kidney and his pancreas. His liver was crushed, a lung punctured and several ribs were broken. He lost nearly three-fourths of his blood supply after the crash.

Van Skike has been moved to a Sioux City hospital from St. Anthony's Regional Medical Center because of improved condition.

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