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Local News

Fire Destroys Red Oak Funeral Home Friday

By Laura Bacon
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RED OAK — A fire caused by faulty wiring destroyed a Red Oak funeral home early on the early morning of Friday, Sept. 1. According to Red Oak Fire Department officials, the fire department was called out to 410 North Sixth Street in Red Oak, to the Nelson-Boylan-LeRette Funeral Home at about 4:30 a.m. on the report of smoke coming from a building.

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A fire at the Nelson-Boylan-LeRette Funeral Home in Red Oak resulted in the building being called a total loss.



(photo contributed)

Five departments battle ditch, field fires along Interstate 80 Sunday night

By Laura Bacon
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ATLANTIC — Firefighters with Marne, Atlantic, Anita, Brayton and Exira were called out to

fight ditch fires along Interstate 80 around 5 p.m. Sunday that, with southerly winds over 15 miles per hour, had spread into corn and bean fields.

The fires were located

between the 57 and 61 mile markers on westbound Interstate 80, starting as ditch fires and spreading into the corn and bean fields.

The firefighters from the five departments were

able to contain the fire about 90 minutes later.

No cause was reported at the time, and no injuries were reported.

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Sports Spotlight



Football: ISU Vs Northern Iowa

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Today's Weather

Tuesday A slight chance of showers after 1pm. Mostly sunny, with a high near 92. South wind around 17 mph, with gusts as high as 26 mph.

Tuesday Night A chance of showers, with thunderstorms also possible after 1am. Mostly clear, with a low around 63. West wind 14 to 17 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Wednesday Sunny, with a high near 84. North northwest wind 11 to 14 mph, with gusts as high as 21 mph.

Wednesday Night a slight chance of showers. Mostly clear, with a low around 59. North wind around 10 mph.

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State News

Daycare bake sale raises \$4,000 for splash pad

ATLANTIC — A bake sale by Jinger Nelson and children at Tender Hearts Daycare raised \$4,000 for the splash pad project.

Nelson explained the children wanted to hold a bake sale, and she said they needed to come up with a cause to donate the funds from it.

“One other time we did it, and we gave it to the food pantry,” she said.

They decided to donate the funds to the splash pad fundraising committee, and were thrilled that so many people came to purchase items as well as that two anonymous donors and Armour Insurance made donations to get them to \$4,000.

“We were overwhelmed,” she said. “The kids were just thrilled with all the people who showed up and supported us — all the residents of Cass County, the parents and grandparents that have made the items for our bake sale. We just loved helping out the community, and I know these children will enjoy (the splash pad). And my grandchildren come to town quite often, and I’m sure we will enjoy going there and using the splash pad too. It was a fun fund-raiser for a good cause.”

There are lots of ways to donate, and splash pad fundraising committee members stress that checks need to be made to either the City of Atlantic or Shift ATL.

Checks-made payable to the City of Atlantic with Splash Pad in the memo line-



(photo contributed)

Presenting and accepting a \$4,000 donation from Tender Hearts Daycare, which included funds from two anonymous donors and Armour Insurance, are Jinger Nelson and some of her children from daycare, (middle) along with Splash Pad Fund-raiser Committee member Bailey Smith, and Lucas Mosier, owner and agent with Armour Insurance.

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can be dropped off at city hall from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday or checks — made payable to Shift ATL with Splash Pad in the memo line-can be dropped off at the Atlantic Chamber 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday or placed in the chamber’s drop box. People can also donate online at atlanticowasplash-

pad.com by using a credit card or PayPal account. Paying by Venmo is also an option at @shiftatl -putting Splash pad in the comments with the mailing address.

For more information or to set up a presentation about the project, email atlanticowasplashpad.com or speak to any of the committee members.

Area News

Clarinda Man Arrested on Child Sex Abuse Charges

By Laura Bacon
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CLARINDA — A rural Clarinda man was arrested on Aug. 29 on a Page County warrant for sex abuse and indecent contact with a child.

According to a report by Page County Sheriff Lyle Palmer, Jesse Josiah Stimson, 40, of rural Clarinda, was arrested on a Page County warrant for sexual abuse — second Degree (a Class B Felony), lascivious acts with a child —fondle or touch (a Class C Felony), and indecent contact with a child (an aggravated misdemeanor). He was arrested on Tuesday, Aug.29, at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Stimson had turned himself in and was arrested at the Page County Jail. Bond was set at \$70,000 cash only and Stimson was unable to pay it. He is currently being held in the Page County Jail pending further court appearances.

Stimson’s charges stem from an investigation conducted by the Page County Sheriff’s Office with consultation from the Page County Attorney’s Office.

A charge is merely an accusation and that the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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