

Veterans Honored At SPS



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The annual Veterans Day tradition continues with the picture of the veterans taken by The Stapleton Enterprise. Pictured on left step, clockwise, Bob Deardoff, Bryan Higgins, Nathan Weems, Ash Ramirez, Keith Howell and Scott Bell. Middle, l-r: David Olson, Superintendent Brian Redinger, Tuck Farmer, Pastor Mark Rohrbach, and Luis Rivera. Right step, front row, l-r: Alfred Ewoldt, Morgan Hecox, Clarence Lanka, and Dan Kramer. Middle row, l-r: Gary Halstead and Richard Cook. Back row, l-r: Patrick Hynes and Conner Weekly. Thank you veterans and we salute you for your service to our country.

Marcia Hora

The 2023 Veterans Day program at Stapleton Public Schools was highlighted with a quilt of valor ceremony for two local veterans. This year's guest speaker was Scott Bell of North Platte, District V American Legion Commander. Bell is a 23-year veteran of the Coast Guard. He shared history on Veterans Day that began as Armistice Day or "Remembrance Day," as it came to be known. World War I, known at the time as "The Great War," officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919, in the Palace of Versailles in France.

Fighting had ceased seven months earlier when an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, between the Allied nations and Germany went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, November 11, 1918, is generally regarded as the end of "the war to end all wars."

Veterans Day continues to be observed on November 11, regardless of what day of the week on which it falls to preserve the historical significance of the date and helps focus attention on the important purpose to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve

and sacrifice for the common good. Bell also spoke on the U.S. Coast Guard and the importance it has played to protect our country and freedom.

Superintendent Brian Redinger welcomed those in attendance at the program held in the high school auditorium Friday morning, November 10. Students showed their appreciation to veterans through musical numbers including "Declaration," by the junior high choir; "My Country Tis of Thee," by the elementary band; "America the Beautiful," by the third and fourth graders, "Yankee Doodle," by the first and second graders," and

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Village Customers To See Increase

Village of Stapleton water, sewer and solid waste customers will see an increase in rates effective January 1, 2024. Sewer will go up from \$17.00 per month to \$20.00 per month, solid waste will increase from \$20.00 per month to \$24.00 per month, and water base rates will increase from \$20.00 to \$23.00 per month. This translates into a \$10.00 per month increase.

Village board members met for their regular meeting Wednesday, November 8, at which time they voted to increase the rates due to rising costs

and expenses in the way of a new well that was replaced at a cost of \$20,000.00 and repairs of \$20,000.00 to the lift station.

Lexington and North Platte landfills have increased their fees and there is rising fuel costs to factor in with the trash truck. The truck is almost 15 years old and is starting to need repairs.

The increase in rates was discussed at length and the board felt they had no choice but to vote to increase rates. Stapleton remains one of the lowest villages in the area in the way of utility rates.

It was reported that someone had taken steel from the recycling center located on the west edge of Stapleton. Items have been brought in from the area and these items were to be sold and the proceeds going to the Stapleton Splash Pad project. Signs will be posted at the recycling center that no items are to be taken from the site.

The street sweeper is in use and is a huge asset in helping clean the gutters around the village.

A letter was signed in support of the splash pad and location for grant funding.

Let's make a

SPLASH

for our kids!

\$158,000

GOAL

\$140,000
\$120,000
\$100,000
\$80,000
\$60,000
\$40,000
\$20,000

Total Raised
as of November 9, 2023

\$52,899.67

Thank you!

New donors include:

- Stapleton Area Chamber of Commerce
Donation: \$5,139.72
- Donation Jars: \$52.41
- Facebook Marketplace Sales: \$55.00
- Joyce Schaeffer Memorial: \$900.00

To donate to the SPLASH PAD PROJECT, please make your check out to the Village of Stapleton and write splash pad on the memo line.

Drop your check off at the Village Hall in the Stapleton Community Center or mail it to:
Village of Stapleton, P.O. Box 133
Stapleton, NE 69163

Community Thanksgiving Meal

The Hen House Café will be hosting a community Thanksgiving dinner, Tuesday, November 21, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Senior meals will be a suggested donation. The cost for those under 60 will be \$10.00 plus tax. The traditional Thanksgiving meal will include turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, green bean casserole, dressing, cranberry sauce, rolls, and pumpkin pie.

Please join us in this special community Thanksgiving meal.

Be Merry Saturday

Stapleton businesses will "Be Merry" Saturday, November 18. In addition to the craft show there will be open houses and discounts. Herbie's Speakeasy will host their annual wine and whiskey tasting.

Weather

DATE	HI	LO	MT
28	35	15	0
29	26	19	.17
30	34	11	0
31	46	11	0
Nov. 1	39	10	0
2	60	18	0
3	64	24	0
2.2" of snow was recorded on October 29. Wind chill of 5 degrees was observed at 4:00 a.m. on October 31 and 13 degrees at 7:21 a.m. on November 1.			
Total October moisture was 1.04" with a total of 2.2" of snowfall. Total moisture to date for 2023 is 24.17"			

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