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PUBLIC NOTICE City of Clarion February 15, 2022 Minutes and Claims

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

Meeting
The Clarion City Council met in regular session Tuesday February 15th, 2022, at 4:30pm in the Council chambers with Mayor Rod Heiden presiding. Present were Council members Andy Young, Dan Hennigar, Shayne Hennigar, Dave Flurer, and Nick McOllough. Also in attendance City Administrator Clint Middleton, DPW Jon DeVries, and Police Chief Steve TerHark.

Mayor Heiden called the meeting to order and polled the council for any conflicts of interest with the agenda D. Hennigar stated conflict with item B. Resolution (22-14) approving and confirming plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost of the Kid's Corner Daycare Center Project and item C. Consideration of bids for the Kid's Corner Daycare Center Project. Mayor Heiden asked if there were any citizens present to address the council 3 representatives of Sweetwater Spirits addressed the council about the possible new business they would like to bring into town. Dick Ofstercamp spoke about the Iowa Honeybee Day Proclamation, Alex Rothman asked if there were any new home incentives offered by the city.

Motioned by D. Henni-gar seconded by Flurer to approve consent agenda consisting of Minutes-2022.02.01, 2022.02.01-Budget; Financial Report- approve checks; Licenses/ Permits-(Building, Liquor, Tobacco, Sign, Peddler, Street Closure) Liquor-Casa Del Taco; Purple Ribbon General Store. Roll call vote taken McOllough, Aye; Young, Aye; S. Hennigar, Aye; Flurer, Aye; D. Hennigar, Aye. Motion passed.

Motioned by Young seconded by S. Hennigar to open public hearing on proposed plans, specitimate of cost for the Kid's Corner Daycare Center Project. All Ayes.

Motioned by D. Hennigar seconded by McOllough to close public hearing on proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the Kid's Corner Daycare Center Project. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Motioned by Young seconded by S. Hennigar to approve Resolution (22-14) approving and confirming plans, specifications form the Kid's Corner Daycare Center Project. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Motioned by Young seconded by McOllough to approve consid-

eration of bids for the Kid's Corner Daycare Center Project. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Motion by Flurer seconded by S. Hennigar to approve Proclamation-lowa Honeybee Day. All Ayes.

Motioned by Flurer seconded by Young to adjourn. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, Clint Middleton City Administrator Clint Middleton, City Administrator Rod Heiden, Mayor

February 2022 Claims Airgas North CentralAmb Supplies Athene Annuity & Life CoAviva Life Annu \$9.00 Caseys Fuel \$748.03 Central Iowa Distributing Cleaning Supplies\$138.00 City Of Clarion Hsa Health Acct\$513.77

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Sheryl D Larson	7,896.78
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PUBLIC NOTICE IOWA DISTRICT COURT Case No. LACV025016

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WRIGHT COUNTY DANIEL KEMNITZ AND, SUSAN KEMNITZ. Plaintiffs, vs. Case No. LACV025016 JONATHAN ODEFEY. FARM BUREAU FINANCIAL SERVICES, **FARM BUREAU MUTUAL** HOLDING COMPANY, FBL ORIGINAL NOTICE FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., FARM BUREAU LIFE INSURANCE **COMPANY, AND WESTERN** AGRI-CULTURAL I NSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendants. ABOVE-NAMED THE DEFENDANTS(S):

You are notified that a Petition

has been filed in the office of the clerk of this court naming you as

a Defendants in this action, which Petition prays for a judgment against Defendants in a reasonable amount, plus court costs and interest.. The name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff(s) is Barry S. Kaplan. The attorney's phone number is 641-753-5549; facsimile number: 641-753-0962.

You must serve a motion or answer on or before the 31st day of March, 2022, and within a reasonable time thereafter, file your motion or answer with the Clerk of Court for Wright County, at the courthouse in Clarion, Iowa. If you do not, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief

demanded in the petition. You are further notified that the above case has been filed in a county that utilizes electronic filing. Please see Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16 for information on electronic filing and Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16, division VI regarding the protection of personal informa-

tion in court filings.

If you require the assistance of auxiliary aids or services to participate in court because of disability, immediately call your district ADA coordinator at (563) 589-4433. (If you are hearing impaired, call Relay Iowa TTY at 1-800-735-2942.) Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice. /s/Tina Ganzeveld

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Courthouse news

Madelyn Sue Mercado, born on February to Miguel and Jesica Mercado, Belmond.

Wilder Maverick Deaton, born on February 10 to Callie Gorder, Garner. Emmanuel Udiel Lopez Lopez, born on February

11 to Glendy Lopez

Hernandez, Clarion. Bernice Elowyn Kuechenberg, born on February 9 to Jonathan and Jenna Kuechenberg, Iowa

Levi Matthew Johnson, born on born on February 13 to Aaron and Tanya Johnson, Clear Lake.

Everly Sue Riser, born on February 11 to Tanner and Ashlyn Riser, Clear

Ambrosio Santiago Carvallo, born on February 14 to Amaya Gamache, Eagle Grove.

David Logan Grandgeorge, born on February 15 to Paige Grandgeorge, Clarion.

Elijah Daniel Lau, born on February 15 to Camden and Stephenie Lau, Clear

Caleb Glenn Wigans, born on February 16 to Lucas and Kelsey Wigans,

Colt Ryan Gossweiler, born on February 15 to Ryan and Katie Gossweiler, Rockwell. Owen James Reimers,

born on February 15 to Keaton and Carly Reimers, Humboldt. Barrett Rue Shelton,

born on February 14 to Brandon and Nicole Shelton, Woolstock. Ainsley Kay Abbas,

born on February 13 to Aaron and Alyssa Abbas, Avril Kay Fischer, born

on February 14 to Tyler and Kylee Fischer, Dakota City Asher Leo Fischer, born on February 14 to Tyler and Kylee Fischer, Dakota City.

Marek Gray Meyers, born on February 17 to Shelby Matthew and Meyers, Clear Lake. Tykaia Rose Jordan,

born on February 19 to Clarence and Candice Jordan, Iowa Falls. Jak Lloyd Thompson,

born on February 17 to Jessdenda Weets, Eagle Grove.

Jema Leigh Michelle Schachtner, born on February 19 to Kyle and Destiny Schachtner, Humboldt.

Deaths

Dennis McNulty, 75, Belmond, died on February

Sebby, Steven Clarion, died on February

Russell Wendel, 69, Clarion, died on January

Sharon Voss, 83, Eagle Grove, died on February Theodore Decoursey,

78, Woolstock, died on February 15.

District Court The court handled 1 probation revocations Benjamin Foster,

February 21 to Theft-4th Degree. Foster was sentenced to 30 days in prison and fined \$430 plus surcharge and \$100 in

costs. Ismael Torres Jr, 39,

Dows, pled guilty on February 18 to Driving While Barred. Torres was sentenced to 6 days in jail and fined \$855 plus surcharge and \$100 in costs.

Brittany Strub, Goldfield, received deferred judgment on February 17 to Theft-5th Degree. Strub was fined \$105 plus \$60 in costs.

Heron Ramos, Clarion, pled guilty on February 18 to Driving While License Denied Or Revoked. Ramos was fined \$1000 plus surcharge and \$100 in costs.

Jorge Alvarez-Covarrubias, 50, Eagle Grove, pled guilty on February 17 to OWI-1st Offense. He was sentenced to 2 days in jail and fined \$625 plus surcharge and \$100 in costs.

Pedro Cosme Tlechuactle, 37, Eagle Grove, pled guilty on February 18 to OWI-1st Offense. Cosme was sentenced to 2 days in jail and fined \$1250 plus surcharge and \$100 in costs. An additional charge of Driving While License Revoked was dismissed.

Fabion Ramos Melendez, 21, Goldfield, pled guilty on February 18 to OWI-1st Offense. Ramos was sentenced to 2 days in jail and fined \$1250 plus surcharge and \$100 in

Herber Merlo Morales, 30, Eagle Grove, pled guilty on February 18 to OWI-1st Offense. Merlo was sentenced to 1 year probation and fined \$1250 plus surcharge and \$100 in

Allen McGuire, 39, Clarion, pled guilty on February 18 to OWI-2nd Offense. McGuire was sentenced to 7 days in jail and fined \$1875 plus surcharge and \$100 in

Traffic Court

Speeding 55 or under zone (1 thru 5 over): Shea Foss, Clarion; Cathy Dattoli, Elmhurst, IL.

Speeding 55 or under zone (6 thru 10 over): Amy Lindstrom, Webster City: Kyle Smith, Pocahontas; Kenneth Haglund, Fort Dodge; Kathy Jerome, Forest City; Mary Yung, Fort Dodge.

Speeding 55 or under zone (11 thru 15 over): Nash Lienemann, Dows; Bryan McKnight, Carbondale, KS; Yotsi Nunez, Naples, FL; Todd Carver, Fort Dodge.

Speeding 55 or under zone (16 thru 20 over): Rebekah Vink, Belmond; Margo Keller, Blairsburg;

Speeding 55 or under zone (21 or over): Courtney Haack, Clarion; Debra Banwart, West Bend.

Speeding over 55 zone (1 thru 5 over): Bruce

Clarion, pled guilty on Jahnke, Eagan, MN.

Speeding over 55 zone (6 thru 10 over): Anu Raj Jain, Edina, MN.

Speeding over 55 zone (21 or over): Sarah Schmidt, Lavista, NE; Jackqueline Bower, Champlin, MN.

Excessive Speed 11 thru 15: Humberto Rodriguez, Webster City.

Speeding: Harrison Heppelmann, Kasson, MN. No Valid Drivers License: Ivan Rodriguez, Clarion; Adan

Belmond; Lazaro Mejia, Santos. Hampton; Jeckson Marinero, Eagle Grove; Juan Ochoa, Clarion; Juis Roberto, Marshalltown; Oscar Vargas, Webster City; Luis Mauricio, Eagle Grove; Humberto Rodriguez, Webster City.

Driving While License Denied, Suspended or Cancelled: Magdaleno Tevalan, Belmond; Hector Sosa, Eagle Grove.

Failure To Provide **Proof of Financial Liability** Coverage: Oscar Reyes, Des Moines; Jonathan Facio, Des Moines.

Violation Of Conditions Of Restricted License:

Without Operation Registration Card or Plate: Adilene Aguilar, Hampton.

Failure to Obey Stop Sign: Shan Jaeschke, Moorland, IA.

Careless Driving: Tristan Halfpop, Alexander. Failure to Maintain Seat Belt: Drake Weland, Eagle Grove.

Property Transfers

Quit Claim Deed: David Stansbury, Timothy and Mary Swalin to Triple S Farming LLC; 30-91-26 NE S 1/2 Except Tract; 30-91-26 NE NW ¼; 19-91-26 NE SW 1/4 Except N 165'; Stansbury, David W. 000013261003358590; 22-276.

Warranty Lindstrom Trust to Grant and Nicole Woodley; Clar Denison's Addn Blk 1 Lot 6; Clar Denison's Addn Blk 1 Lot 7; Clar Denison's Addn Blk 1 Lot 8; Lindstrom Woodley Trust To 000012305003361545; 22-281.

Warranty Deed: Ronny Francine Canfield to Ronny and Francine Canfield Revocable Trusts; 19-92-24 SE; 17-92-24 NW N 1/2 E 1/4; 22-283.

Warranty Deed: Angela Oestreich and Aimee and Christopher Lunde to Larry Stock Family Trust, Bonita Stock Family Trust; 2-92-24 SE Parcel G In S ½; 11-92-24 NE Parcel E; Oestreich/ Lunde/Stock Family 000012305003363904; 22-

294. Warranty Deed: Michael Packard and Melissa Walrod; Belm Orig Addn Blk 12 Lot 7; 22-297.

Contracts- Town Lot: Cahalan Investments LLC to Jesus Clemente; EG Cadwell's Second Addn Blk 46 Lot 7 N ½; EG Cadwell's Second Addn Blk 46 Lot 8 N ½; EG Cadwell's Second Addn Blk 46 Lot 9 W 15' Of N 1/2; 22-299.

Clarion Police Department Activity

In addition to regular patrols and activities, the Clarion Police Department responded to 28 total calls between February 17 to February 23.

February 17 Officers logged 2 calls 4:51 pm – Assistance needed at ER for person that has been sitting there all day

5:13 pm – Call about stolen mail at the 200 block of 5th Ave NW February 18 Officers logged 5 calls

including 3 traffic stops 2:35 pm – Driving complaint on Hwy 3 9:45 pm - Accidental dial February 19

Officers logged 5 calls including 2 traffic stops 1:23 am – Suspicious vehicle at Caseys 7:19 am – Theft reported

at the 300 block of Central Ave W 9:18 pm – Civil disturbance reported at 4th and Central Ave E February 20 Officers logged 9 calls

including 4 traffic stops 1:21 pm – Burglary reported at the 400 block of 8th Ave SW 2:45 pm - Public intox, person on road almost hit by car by co-op

5:52 pm – Accidental dial 9:21 pm – Question about assault at the 600 block of 2nd St SE 10:50 pm – Caller with

question at the 600 block of 2nd St SW February 21

Officers logged 3 calls including 8:12 am – Driving complaint about car

driving eastbound on Hwy 9:23 am – Need officer to

take theft report at the 400 block of 8th Ave SW 9:56 am - Truancy reported at the 200 block of 5th Ave NE

February 23

daughter

Officers logged 4 calls 10:27 am – Person from WC Extension office saying they are working at

home 11:14 am – Claims adjuster calling about accident

2:40 pm – Caller saying they can't take care of grandmother anymore at the 300 block of 7th Ave NE 5:20 pm – Caller with question in reference to



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The View From Here

By Senator Dennis Guth

Last week was the deadline to get bills out of committee. Consequently, we shifted to more floor debate his week. We debated a number of issues, around 90% of those being passed without dissent. Some of those bills covered deer hunting licenses, fees for public records, and attracting people to the workforce. Schools should appreciate raising the limitation for IPERS retirees under 65, allowing teachers, bus drivers and others to come back to work without affecting IPERS retirement funds.

The big news for week seven of the 2022 legislative session is the passage of comprehensive tax relief. Iowa's economy has done very well prior to and through the Covid-19 challenge due to great leadership from our governor and her team. Cautious budgeting and keeping our economy open has given us a large surplus of taxpayer money on hand. Rather than sending taxpayers a onetime check, the legislature has opted to take this opportunity to reduce taxes and help make your tax bill smaller every year.

Individual income tax will be reduced to one rate of 3.9% for everyone in 2026. On average, the Iowa

taxpayer will receive about \$1326 in tax relief or around a 36% reduction. This will move Iowa's income tax from one of the highest among the states to the fourth lowest. This reform will also eliminate all taxes on retirement income and on retired farmers' rent income. Our goal is to make Iowa competitive among the states as a place to work and retire.

Governor Reynolds's hard work for Iowans earned her the opportunity to deliver the official Republican response to President Biden's state of the union address on March 1. This honor is given to a strong Republican whose actions and policies embody true conservative leadership. Her commonpolicies conservative ideals have helped keep Iowa open, successful, and thriving. I look forward to watching Governor Revnolds deliver her speech and show the country how Iowans think.

On Wednesday morning, I had the opportunity to witness the oral arguments for Planned Parenthood vs. Governor Reynolds at the Iowa Supreme Court. This case is over the constitutionality of requiring a 24 hour waiting period before getting an abortion. The make-up of



the Supreme Court has dramatically changed over the past 10 years. We can never predict an outcome, but I have high hopes for a decision supporting the 24-hour wait before obtaining an abortion.

enjoy I having constituents visit me at the Capitol. iJag students came on Monday from Algona to inform me about their program to interest students in what happens after graduation. It was encouraging to hear from a student who went from under-performing to totally getting engaged and using school to prepare him for the future. Connecting education with real life is always transformational. Farm Bureau members arrived on Wednesday from Hancock and Wright counties to visit with me about taxes, government land purchasing, and E-15.

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Lawmakers propose additional funding for Glenwood issues, plan for tax cuts

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By Katie Akin Iowa Capital Dispatch

Iowa Republican lawmakers have kicked off the state budgeting process, setting spending targets as negotiations continue on significant tax cut proposals.

Gov. Kim Reynolds and GOP leaders in the House and Senate proposed budgets that would spend about 90 percent of the money that the state brings in – about \$8.2 billion of the \$9 billion available for spending.

House Republicans proposed a 1.83 percent overall increase in spending, which amounts to \$149 million over the previous fiscal year. The state would spend a total of \$8.27 billion from its general fund in fiscal year 2023, which begins July 1.

"We feel at this particular time, this is the plan that the House needs to proceed with: (one) that we can afford, that is sustainable over the long run and gets the job done," said Rep. Gary Mohr, chair of the House Appropriations Committee.

The Senate proposed a budget of \$8.2 million, the same top-line number as Gov. Kim Reynolds. The Senate plan would include a net increase in spending of \$76.8 million, which would be 0.9% more than the current year.

"I think it's a budget that does what I've said for a long time, which is allow us enough room to continue to invest in priorities while continuing to work on the tax reforms that we've been doing," said Senate Majority Leader Jack Whitver, R-Ankeny.

Democratic Senate
Minority Leader Zach
Wahls was critical.

"There's a lot of talk about wanting to return tax dollars to Iowans," Wahls, D-Coralville said. "I think the best way to do that is to invest in the essential services that our state needs."

The actual 2023 budget is still a work in progress, as lawmakers will decide in the coming months exactly how to appropriate funds to various state agencies and programs. Lawmakers must reach an agreement on the budget before ending the 2022 legislative session.

"It will go like it does every year," Mohr, R-Bettendorf, said. "The

House will pass its bill, the Senate will pass its bill, and at some point, we will come to an agreement."

House proposes additional funding to rectify Glenwood issues

The House budget would increase the Health and Human Services budget by \$53 million, Mohr said, including about \$25 million in response to issues at the Glenwood Resource Center.

Glenwood, a facility for people with intellectual disabilities located in southwest Iowa, was the subject of a Department of Justice investigation in 2020 after years of alleged abuse. Federal inspectors found residents were the subjects of unethical experiments and received inadequate medical care.

Mohr said the new appropriation would go toward "rectifying those situations."

"Roughly half of that increase is going to that (Department of Justice) investigation, to solve those problems," he said, though he did not provide details about what exactly the money would be used for.

A spokesperson for the Department of Human Services (DHS) said the \$25 million would go toward initiatives across the state to care for individuals within their communities, rather than in a facility like Glenwood.

"Although we do not yet have a draft consent decree from DOJ on the second part of the investigation, we know it will also require a large investment in community integration," DHS spokesperson Alex Carfrae said in a statement. "Director (Kelly) Garcia has had multiple discussions with legislators regarding their specific target of \$25M investment in community capacity."

Sen. Tim Kraayenbrink, chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee, did not respond to questions about the Senate budget targets for Health and Human Services.

Board of Regents sees uncertainty

It's been a rocky few years for lawmakers and the Board of Regents, the governing body for Iowa's public universities, the Iowa School for the Deaf and the Iowa Educational Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

In 2020, the Legislature

passed a Board of Regents budget cut, decreasing funding by \$8 million. Lawmakers declined in 2021 to restore that budget cut or increase Board of Regents funding.

The Board of Regents raised tuition for the three state universities.

This year, the House proposed an additional \$31 million for higher education. Mohr said it's up to lawmakers to decide how to divide that money among community colleges and Regents' institutions.

"We're asking our budget subcommittees to decide exactly how much would go to community colleges, how much would go to the Board of Regents, how much would go to the Iowa State School for the Deaf and so forth," Mohr said. "We're leaving that to

them."
Reynolds proposed a \$14.8 million increase to the Board of Regents for fiscal year 2023. The Board of Regents requested \$22 million for Iowa's public universities.

Spokesperson Josh Lehman said the Board of Regents is "actively engaged in regular conversations" with

lawmakers.

"The Regent universities are economic engines for the entire state of Iowa, and investment in our institutions benefits everyone," Lehman said in a statement.

What comes next?

Lawmakers in the House and Senate will need to agree on a budget before ending the 2022 legislative session. But leaders in both parties said things are moving quickly so far.

Whitver credited the state's strong financial position as the reason lawmakers are moving fast.

"We know where we want to be with the budget, and we are not going to come anywhere close to the statutory limit of how much we can spend," Whitver said. "That's a positive thing, that we can start the budget conversation earlier."

In 2021, lawmakers released their budget targets in late March. Mohr said they were "ahead of the game" this year.

"I'm always hesitant to say this: There's every reason we ought to be able to be on schedule or ahead of schedule," Mohr said.

House Happenings _

By Terry Baxter

The debate floor of the Iowa House has been very busy this week. Yesterday, Wednesday, February 23rd, we passed 32 bipartisan bills off the floor of the Iowa House of Representatives.

Overall, we have healthy and positive relationships between Republican and Democrat Representatives in the Iowa House. Washington could learn some lessons from "Iowa Nice." Politicians can both agree and disagree with honor, respect and dignity.

But it was also a sad day for me personally as I was texting friends in Odessa, Ukraine. I have been there numerous times. shadow of war with Russia was looming and military trucks were rolling. By early this morning Russia was invading the Ukraine. It screams that elections in the United States have far reaching consequences. When our President is weak in foreign policy, people suffer around the world.

My next concern relates to China. It will be monitoring the US response to Russia invading the Ukraine as it calculates timing for a possible move on Taiwan. When the United States has no comprehensive foreign policy, the whole world is destabilized.

You might wonder

what policy in Washington has to do with Iowa? would encourage you to tune in next Tuesday to the State of the Union Address, followed by Governor Kim Reynolds Republican rebuttal. So much historic legislation and leadership has come from Iowa the past two years that the ears and eyes of the world are focused on us. I am an avid fan and supporter of Governor Reynolds.

As we have been working on our landmark income tax cuts, as predicted, Iowa is quickly being looked at as a destination state. Real Estate Agents and Residential Contractors alike are reporting a surge of interest in out of state people making plans to move to Iowa because of these tax cuts.

Currently, much of this interest is focused on urban areas, but I expect the whole state will benefit. Soon, the work force will be moving to Iowa to seek their field of dreams. I am looking forward to voting this historic legislation over the finish line today and sending it to the Governor. Protecting Girls Sports:

This week, House Republicans passed a bill to protect girls' sports in Iowa. Under this bill, only athletes assigned as female

on their birth certificate are allowed to participate in school-sponsored girls athletics. Every athlete has an equal opportunity to play sports. It does not tell any child that they can't participate in sports. It simply says they must participate in the sport under the gender on their birth certificate. Women fought hard to secure their own level playing field because males quite simply have a biological advantage. Girls deserve equal opportunity in athletics and the chance to gain all of the important life skills that come with playing sports. This is an issue that members in every district are hearing from Iowans about. Iowans have been asking for action to protect girls' athletics, and sports organizations and school districts have been asking for guidance on the issue of transgender girls

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Eating Animals

By Fritz Kroszkruger

We sold the calves Tuesday at the Waverly Sale Barn. When we got home and opened the gate to the feeding area the cows didn't file in like usual. They just stood there and looked at me. They knew their babies were gone.

It's an odd sort of thing, raising livestock. They come and go pretty fast. Some of them have names, the ones who stand out as different: Wobbly, The Lone Ranger, Nudge, ... We love them, then we eat them. It's a weird way to honor their lives. What a disgrace it would be to bury them in the ground.

We've had a rash of humans passing on lately too. One said he was gonna vote for Jesse Jackson. I immediately loved the guy even though the vote was wrong. He spoke. It's funny how we value these people on such an intimate level when, with a little thought, we realize their uniqueness was common all over the world. No matter how hard we try, when they are gone we find them to be better people than our appreciation would indicate as we went through life together.

As we drove to Waverly on the icy road, we were grateful for the state. The highway was not slippery. It could have been pretty scary but the main danger was oncoming traffic with distracted drivers. I presume that it might be presumptuous of me but I appreciate the highways more than most people. To think that this vast expanse of garden soil that turns bottomless when wet can be traversed at 78 miles per hour, we can hear the radio, and there's no

chance of getting stuck. It's truly a miraculous feat of cooperation.

I'm a simple man. I get a big thrill out of flashing my lights as a signal that a passing truck has room to return to the right lane. That's punctuated by the truck's tail lights doing the same as a howdy and thanks for the help, like a handshake. To me the interstate is a community. I wave when I pass. When no one glances back I feel like I'm back in the city. I'd rather someone else eat our animals. Is that mean?

When our son moved to California and we went to visit, we found he had transformed his street. People who didn't speak English looked up from their flowerbed and smiled broadly. Maybe like they were back home in their neighborhood in Laos.

Our block in Santa Monica was like that when I was a kid. We played football on Charlie Langmuir's lawn and got tackled onto the little hedge. It always seemed to come back. Mike White threw a bullet pass to me. I was a dork and trying to beat that image, I caught it. It knocked the wind out of me for, forever. But I'm fine now.

playing girls' sports.

I bet if I was in Santa Monica today I'd look around in wonder, like Jed Clampett. Just arrived in an old truck piled high with a rocking chair on top, I'd ask, "Where's a good latte?" And some stranger would say, "Come over to our house. Charlie Musselwhite and Eric Clapner are coming over to jam and Charlie's wife, Henri makes a great latte."

I'd sure like it if these people would eat our animals.

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