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## Cerro Gordo begins process for Safe Route to Schools Sidewalk program

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The Cerro Gordo Village Board is applying for a federal program to receive funds for sidewalk work. This grant is the same one that Bement has used to implement around \$200,000 worth of sidewalk work in their village.

Village President Brad Williams opened up the meeting with, "We talked about it before but missed deadlines," adding that the water project further complicated things. "I think it's a good program and it's supposed to be one of the best years they have had the program."

Phoenix Consulting Engineer, Tom Overmyer, was present to discuss the details of the application process and what to expect. The program has made some slight changes. It used to be an 80/20 program, now it is 100% coverage of based improvements up to \$200,000. The village will have to cover the costs for the preliminary engineering work. Overmyer stated, "It is a local project and like any local project...kinda like Mft project on steroids." Adding, "What you have to authorize tonight and then when that project re-

port gets approved you do a what's called preliminary engineering which is basically the final design and bidding gets put together.. and then you bid the project."

The project only covers sidewalks to Prek-8th grade, so it would only cover the Elementary building. The sidewalk work has to be within two miles of the school and within the municipality. Overmyer added it will be a local effort, "There is a lot of coordination required with the school district. Looking forward on this I suggested to the mayor that some kind of committee be set up with members of the board, school, and PTA." There will be lots of surveys to fill out for the project between the district, parents, staff, and the village.

The board unanimously agreed to apply for the grant. The motion was to spend up to \$18,000 for the project and apply for the Safe Route to School Project.

### Water and Sewer News

The village approved Ethan Pryor's request for village water. He currently uses a shallow well, and lives about a mile outside (Continued to Page 2)

## Atwood Halloween Parade Set for Saturday, October 27

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The annual Atwood Halloween Parade, sponsored by the Atwood Chamber of Commerce, will be held downtown Atwood on Saturday, Oct. 27. The costume parade will begin at 4 p.m. Mike Drake will serve as the Master of Ceremonies.

Parade categories will be: 3 years and younger; 4-8 years old; 9 to 14 years; 15 years to adult and group, group with pet, group with vehicle. Prizes will be

awarded in each category.

Featured again this year will be the popular Fall Dessert Auction. Those attending are asked to bring a fall dessert (pumpkin, apple, etc.) to be auctioned after the parade. This is a fun auction...bring a dessert and bid on one to take home with you. Proceeds will go to the Atwood Chamber for community activities.

The festivities will be held in the A-H Grade School in case of inclement weather.



The Arthur Lovington Atwood Hammond Marching Knights had a great day on Saturday, October 6 at the Newton Marching Eagles Band Classic. The band placed first in Class AA. The band also brought home trophies for Best Auxiliary, Best Percussion and the Miss D Crowd Appeal Award for the second year in a row. The crowd appeal award covers all four classes in competition who performed that day. Pictured with all four trophies are Drum Majors Nisa Asghar, Gabe Hallford and Taylor Nichols. Also pictured is Marching Band and Instrumental Music Instructor Ryan Wood. Photo submitted.



CGB Bronco football players were participating in High-Five Friday on October 5 with the students at the Cerro Gordo Elementary School. They do this every Friday as a way to show some positivity and connection between grade school and high school students. CGB players pictured are, Brady Greenwood (46), Gage Taylor-Barker (24), LJ Allen (20) and Braden Wright (6). Photo by Christy Jankowski



CERRO GORDO HOMECOMING COURT. Cerro Gordo High School held the traditional Homecoming Coronation and dance on Saturday, October 6. Pictured is the 2018 Homecoming Court for CGHS. On the left, Freshmen attendants Drea Dunn and Jimmy Sheets, Sophomore attendants Shianne Lange and JD Benson, Junior attendants Allena Vest and Thaddious Roberts. Middle are 2018 Queen Paige Barnes and 2018 King Brady Greenwood; 2017 Queen Faythe Read and 2017 King Jared Mann. On the right, Senior attendants Gage Taylor-Barker and Baylie Zientara and LJ Allen and Erin Reed. Flower girl Sylvie Shackelford and Crown Bearer Reed Curran. Photo by Christy Jankowski



### Hammond Halloween Costume Parade

The Hammond Halloween Costume Parade will be held on Sunday, October 28 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Hammond Community Building on 1st Street.

All ages are welcome and there will be prizes for all categories.

### Village of Atwood Trick or Treat

Trick or Treat for the Village of Atwood has been set for Halloween night, October 31, from 6-8 p.m. Parents please stay with your children in order to keep them safe. Motorists are asked to please use extra caution during that time.

### Lovington Fall Festival

The Lovington Revitalization Coalition will be holding the 4th Annual Lovington Fall Festival Weenie Roast on Sunday, October 14, 2018. This free event will be held at the Lovington park, from 4 PM-7 PM.

There will be activities for all ages including a pumpkin carving/decorating contest and bobbing for apples. Gail Wolfe will be offering free rides in his horse-drawn wagon from 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM.

Youth activities include sack races, pumpkin races and games. Races will start at 5:00 PM. Games will include candy corn bowling, pumpkin putt-putt golf, corn cob ring toss and more.

Free food and beverages for the public will include hot dogs, chips, sides, hot chocolate, water and s'mores.

For more information about the festival and for pumpkin carving contest entry forms, please see the "Putting Back the Love in Lovington" Facebook page.

### Families Anonymous meetings

Families Anonymous (FA) is a twelve-step support group for those concerned about their loved ones use of alcohol, drugs, or related behavior problems, whether current, suspected, or past abuse.

Meetings will be held on the first and third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the United Church of Atwood, 210 N Main St, Atwood. Enter through the door on the east side of the building.

### Narcotics Anonymous meetings

Open Narcotics Anonymous meetings will be held every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at 521 North Illinois Street, Atwood. Pull down the alley and the building will be on the North side of the road.

