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News Release: Donors Kick Off Fundraising for Star Spangled Spectacular

Storm Lake, Iowa (June 10, 2024) – Fundraising for the 2024 Star Spangled Spectacular, with a theme of “Light Up the Sky on the Fourth of July,” is off to a great start, according to Matt Brostad and Josh Newhouse, fundraising co-chairs.

“We are slightly behind where we were after the first week last year,” says Newhouse. “We still have a long way to go, and we need everyone’s help.”

Newhouse says that more than \$9,600 has been raised towards the goal of \$40,000. “If someone did not receive a letter or they have not donated in the past, please consider a donation.”

Newhouse and Brostad are working to contact past major donors asking for their help again this year, and letters have been sent to all past donors and prospects.

For those interested in making a donation, checks can be made out to Star Spangled Spectacular and sent to Josh Newhouse, Fundraising Chair, PO Box 457, Storm Lake, IA 50588.

Donors and categories through June 8, 2024 include:

- **Liberty Bell Ringers (\$350 and up):** Stickers and Posters, Redenbaugh and Mohr Law Office, Orren Knoffloch, Micki Godbersen, Jim Spooner and Judy Quick, and Dr. Sabrina Martinez and Ben Davis.
- **Patriots (\$150-\$349):** A & A Automotive, Aaron and Kelsey Clausen, Becky Stille, Craig and Nancy Fratzke, Ed and Barb Anderson, Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Homes, Gene and Gloria Lyster, Hamilton Law Firm, P.C., Holzhauser Ford - Storm Lake, Loren Movall, Mike and Andrea Frantz, Paxton Family Trust, Russ and Gladys Eddie, and United Bank of Iowa.
- **Skyrockets(\$100-\$149):** Howard Hatlelid, Frank and Nancy Alderton, Century 21 The Professional Group, Colburn & Elk, Kevin and Cindy Cone, Don and Lois Crouch, Tim and Di Daniels, Elements by K. Sorbe, Duane and Gwynn Gerlach, Paul and Nina Havens, Robert Knapton, Ali and Austin Langel, Kevin and Julie McKinney, Merrill Manufacturing Company, Al and Michelle Patten, Michael and Claudia Pertzborn, Gary and Cheryl Petersen, Drew and Katie Schwint, Sliefert Funeral Home, Smokin Hereford BBQ, Connie Stille, Stille, Pierce & Pertzborn, Storm Lake Times Pilot, Carl and Cyndi Turner, Barb Walters, and one anonymous donor.
- **Firecrackers (\$50 to \$99):** Gary and Karen Rosene, David and Kari Jansen, Aronson Plumbing & Heating, Brad and Darla Beukelman, Jeff and LaDonna Brummer, Citizens Community Credit Union, Dan Connell Law Office, Jeff and Tami Ebel, Stuart and Lori Gamber, LaVerne Grigsby, Keith and Debbie Hultgren, Jerry and Sandy Hurd, Jeff and Jane Kestel, Joan Kurtz,



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Steven Larsen, Lighthouse Inn, Roger and Kathy Pomrenke, Betty Richardson, Steve and Ann Roth, Ed and Joan Rude, Stifel, Clair Thompson, and one anonymous donor.

- **Sparklers (up to \$49):** Barb Jackson, Ben and Judy Malcom, Bob and Jean Bennett, Candy Clough, Dan and Cris Hegarty, Dan and Julie Sievers, Dennis Andersen, Don and Rosie Reiling, Ed and Mary Kay Larsen, John and Roxie Brostad, Larry and Terry Davenport, Mary Lanphere, Mike and Barb Wells, Patricia Davidson, Paul and Martha Murray, Phil and Pegg Havens, Steve and Jenna Campbell, Thomas Prchal, and Tony Pertzborn.

About the Star Spangled Spectacular

A favorite Northwest Iowa tradition, Storm Lake's annual Star Spangled Spectacular celebrates Independence Day along the City's beautiful shores. The family-friendly event is held July 3-4 and welcomes fresh entertainment and returning favorites such as The Big Parade, food and shopping vendors, a classic Car Cruise, the Ride-Run, fireworks, a Patriotic Ceremony, a Kiddie Parade, and more. Visit www.starspangledspectacular.net.

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