

members in more than 200 countries and territories around the world. In any language, Rotarians live up to their motto of "Service Above Self."

There are more than 46,000 Rotary Clubs worldwide. Chartered in 1923, the Sanford-Springvale Club was part of the first great wave of expansion that took the Rotary movement from major American cities to smaller communities, to Canada and Europe, and then on to Asia and Africa.

Rotary International is a powerful force for good around the world. The global effort to eradicate polio is considered to be the most successful public health campaign in human history, one that would not have been possible without Rotary's commitment. When Rotary launched its PolioPlus program back in 1985, it was described as a "gift from the 20th century to the 21st." It has been just that.

In addition to its strong and ongoing support for PolioPlus, the Sanford-Springvale Club is part of a Rotary International effort to make affordable and safe water more widely available in developing countries. On one mission to a small village in India, club members combined the two initiatives by helping with a childhood immunization effort and carrying out a safe drinking water project.

The Sanford-Springvale Club is a powerful force for good at home. From its "January Thaw" fundraiser to a summertime golf tournament, the club generously supports a wide range of charitable endeavors, including scholarships, literacy programs, food pantries, and nutrition programs for schoolchildren. Members collect winter clothes for those in need, participate in beach cleanups, and join together to complete community projects, like building a healing garden at the Cancer Care Center in Sanford.

When Paul Harris led the way in founding Rotary International 118 years ago, he said this: "Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves." The results are inspiring, and the world is grateful. The Rotary Club of Sanford and Springvale, ME, is part of that effort, and I congratulate its members for their accomplishments and contributions.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING AMERICAN FARM COMPANY

• Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week it is my privilege to recognize American Farm Company of Hospers, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Founded by 29-year-old Rachel Granstra in 2021, American Farm Com-

pany is a clothing line specially designed to represent farmers, ranchers, farm wives, and farm families. As part of a multigenerational farm family, Rachel takes pride in her agricultural roots and strives to use her direct-to-consumer online apparel business to promote farming and agriculture in a way that reaches the next generation. American Farm Company first grew out of a blog that Rachel started in 2018 called "Little House on the Feedlot." She would share recipes and anecdotes about her life on a family farm as she and her husband Brennan raise cattle and grow corn and soybeans. After developing a large following, Rachel began to sell original farmer-themed t-shirt designs. Her business soon took off as many people sought out her creative and authentic designs.

In 2021, Rachel rebranded her business as American Farm Company and expanded into a large warehouse in Hospers. American Farm Company sells a variety of products such as crewneck sweaters, t-shirts, headwear, backpacks, and flags. She even sells a flagship light beer in collaboration with West O'Beer in Milford, which she brands as "Farmer's Water." Rachel now employs 20 women who help her fulfill orders for her growing online retail business. Rachel is proud to use her business to advocate for the American farming industry, and she recently launched a new product, the Co-Op Box, which directly connects consumers with high-quality products from small American farms.

The American Farm Company's commitment to providing quality apparel products in Hospers, IA, is clear. I want to congratulate Rachel Granstra and the entire team at American Farm Company for their continued dedication to our ag communities. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa.●

RECOGNIZING BLUE-9 PET PRODUCTS

• Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week it is my privilege to recognize Blue-9 Pet Products of Maquoketa, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Blue-9 Pet Products was founded by David Blake in 2014, specializing in creating high-quality dog training accessories for canines and their owners. David and the Blue-9 Pet Products team gathered input from respected trainers, veterinarians, and animal behaviorists before designing The KLIMB, Blue-9 Pet Products' flagship product for training. To develop his first product, The KLIMB, David collaborated with Iowa State University, the University of Iowa, and the Iowa Economic Development Authority. The KLIMB is a training platform used to

give dogs an elevated surface to learn commands faster, exercise, and gain obedience skills. Since it hit the market, The KLIMB has quickly become one of the most popular tools for dog trainers around the country, being named the 2015 Editor's Choice by Pet Product News. Another one of Blue-9 Pet Products' best-selling products is the Balance Harness, which is an adjustable harness that is flexible for dogs that ease their use for both canines and their owners. These premium solution-based features were important in the Balance Harness receiving a top-rated feature by Whole Dog Journal in 2017.

Blue-9 Pet Products proudly manufactures all of its dog training accessories in the United States. Additionally, David passionately advocates to make Iowa a more dog-friendly place. He hosts an annual canine athlete competition at the Jackson County Fairgrounds to fundraise for the Jackson County Humane Society. He also supports the Association of Professional Dog Trainers Foundation. David is active in his local business community through the Jackson County Economic Alliance, volunteering to share his experience in entrepreneurship and building a new business.

Blue-9 Pet Products' commitment to providing quality pet-training products in Maquoketa, IA, is clear. I want to congratulate David Blake and the entire team at Blue-9 Pet Products for their continued dedication to providing dog training products to Iowans. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa.●

RECOGNIZING BLURRY BIGFOOT COFFEE COMPANY

• Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week it is my privilege to recognize Blurry Bigfoot Coffee Company of Lake Park, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Founded by Shelley and Paige Morris in 2021, Blurry Bigfoot Coffee Company is a specialty coffeehouse serving espresso drinks, non-coffee drinks, breakfast, and lunch to the Dickinson County community in northwestern Iowa. Blurry Bigfoot Coffee Company maintains a wide-ranging menu from house specials like the cinnamon roll latte, coffee classics like a cappuccino, and non-caffinated options such as a lemonade or milkshake. For food options, Blurry Bigfoot Coffee Company offers sandwiches, paninis, and all-day breakfast items. The business operates the area's only wood-fired bread oven, embracing old world artisan style cooking with present day dining options.

Unlike most artisanal coffee shops, Blurry Bigfoot Coffee Company operates both a dine-in service as well as a drive-thru for customers on the go. In

addition to food and drinks, Blurry Bigfoot Coffee Company also sells merchandise such as t-shirts and sweatshirts featuring their brand logo. Inspired by their trip to France in 2016, Shelley and Paige opened a European-style bistro and bakery called Blurry Bigfoot Bakery and Bistro in 2022, adjacent to Blurry Bigfoot Coffee Company. Due to the overwhelming success of their first location, Shelley and Paige Morris are also planning to franchise Blurry Bigfoot Coffeehouse to other locations. Shelley and Paige Morris are involved in the Iowa Lakes Development Corridor Association and have sponsored the Spirit Lakes Fireworks Committee for local events. Further, they have demonstrated their charitable commitment to the community by donating to the Lake Park Municipal Utilities, which provides heating needs for people during the winter.

Blurry Bigfoot Coffee Company's commitment to providing high-quality coffee, drinks, and food in Lake Park, IA, is clear. I want to congratulate Paige and Shelley Morris and the entire team at Blurry Bigfoot Coffee Company for their continued dedication to the Lake Park community. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa.●

RECOGNIZING DELZELL BROTHERS

● Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week it is my privilege to recognize Delzell Brothers of Wapello, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Founded in 1931 by Lawrence "Tut" Delzell, Delzell Brothers is a family-owned car dealership and auto service-repair shop in operation for more than 90 years, spanning four generations. Tut ran the business until 1965 when his sons Craig and Phil took over the family business. In 1970, Craig went on to establish Delzell Motor in Burlington, while his brother Phil continued to run Delzell Brothers. By the 1980s, Phil's sons Kent and Kirk took over the operations, with Kent serving as president and Kirk as vice president. On Christmas Eve 2004, the Morning Sun location was destroyed by a fire, forcing the company to use a rental house to continue operating. Through resiliency and hard work, the family was able to move the shop into a new building in 2005. The business now employs the fourth generation of the Delzell family, with Jessica Stickling and Joe Delzell working at the dealership. Delzell Brothers is a licensed dealer for Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, and Ram vehicles, and they offer both new and used cars. Delzell Brothers sell parts and operate a car service center for customers from the broader Southeastern Iowa region.

Delzell Brothers prides itself on its commitment to Iowa's farm economy,

which has been integral to its success as a car dealership in a rural community. By focusing on developing personal relationships and maintaining a laid-back environment with customers, Delzell Brothers has been able to establish its success in Wapello and employ more than 20 Iowans. In 2009, the local Morning Sun newspaper recognized Kirk Delzell as the Citizen of the Year. The Delzell Brothers team is active in the Louisa County community, a proud supporter of local Little League teams, and a sponsor for the Morning Sun Fourth of July celebration. Delzell Brothers is also a member of the National Automobile Dealers Association and the Iowa Automobile Dealers Association.

Delzell Brothers' commitment to providing customers with quality cars and auto repair services in Wapello is clear. I want to congratulate the Delzell family and the entire team at Delzell Brothers for their continued dedication to the community. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa.●

RECOGNIZING HANDS ON EXCAVATING

● Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize Hands On Excavating of Radcliffe, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Hands On Excavating was founded by brothers Brett, Brian, and Jacob Handsaker in 2010. Farming is in the blood of the Handsaker family. The brothers are fourth-generation Iowa farmers who grew up on their family farm. Following Jacob and Brian's graduation from Iowa State University, they saw a need for agriculture excavation services and tile repair with their brother Brett. Family friend Bob Lepper advised the brothers on the excavating business, and shortly after, Hands On Excavating was born.

Over the past 13 years, Hands On Excavating has evolved to include other services to help farmers. They have worked with local farms to improve their drainage systems to ensure that Iowa's farmland remains the best in the United States. They have expanded their efforts to include conservation work by helping to build bioreactors to help filter nitrates out of waterways using natural methods.

The Handsaker brothers are also actively involved in the Radcliffe community and have been recognized for their contributions to the Iowa agricultural industry. Jacob is a member of the Radcliffe Fire Department as a volunteer and is involved with the EMS and serves as an EMT. Jacob was recognized by the Iowa State University College of Agriculture and Life Sciences as the 2020 Emerging Iowa

Leader. The award was presented by Senior Associate Dean Joe Colletti at center court of an Iowa State Cyclone women's basketball game. In 2022, Hands On Excavating was awarded the Leader in Conservation Award by Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig. Recently, Jacob was featured in Drainage Contractor magazine's GroundBreakers class of 2023.

Hands On Excavating's commitment to providing quality excavation and demolition services in Radcliffe is clear. I want to congratulate the Handsaker family and the entire team at Hands On Excavating for their continued dedication to the Radcliffe community. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa.●

RECOGNIZING PIVO BREWERY AND BLEPTA STUDIOS

● Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize PIVO Brewery and Blepta Studios of Calmar, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

PIVO Brewery and Blepta Studios was founded by husband and wife Craig and Sara Neuzil in 2017. The couple grew up as childhood friends near Spillville and married following their graduation from Iowa State University. Craig's first career was in the U.S. Air Force as a communications officer, which allowed them to live across the United States and Europe. During his time serving our country, he began brewing beer at home as a hobby. With Sara being interested in art, they began outlining a business plan that would create an incredible community space that combines a brewery and an art studio. Following Craig's retirement after 21 years in the Air Force, they turned their hobbies into a small business in northeastern Iowa.

To honor Craig's family heritage, they chose the Czech word for beer, "pivo," as the name of the brewery. The logo of the brewery is a star in a pentagon, which represents Craig's time in the Armed Services. PIVO Brewery and Blepta Studios currently operate in a building that has used repurposed items from the community in the design and decoration of the space. Over the past 6 years, the brewery has made over 70 beverages that circulate in their taproom, with the beers and ciders sharing the namesakes of Iowa towns. They also offer non-alcoholic drinks, wine, and a dining menu for customers.

The other side of their business is Blepta Studios. Sara, also having Czech roots, used the name "blepta," which is slang for "chatterbox," a fond nickname bestowed on her by her grandmother. Blepta Studios has hand-crafted paint-pour jewelry, decorative eggs, ceramics, and pottery for sale while