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News Release: Spectacular Surpasses Fundraising Goal, Breaks Previous Record

Storm Lake, Iowa (July 1, 2022) – Fundraising for the 2022 Star Spangled Spectacular, with a theme of “Red White and Blue in 2022” is nearing completion after surpassing its previous record from 2021.

Fundraising co-chairs Josh Newhouse and Matt Brostad set a goal of \$38,000, and they received just more than \$38,000 in cash and in-kind donations as of June 30. “We are extremely grateful to all donors for their generous donations again this year,” says Newhouse.

Storm Lake’s time-honored tradition is planned annually by volunteers who look toward community members and businesses to provide funding for fireworks, entertainment, insurance, golf cart rentals, shirts, postage, and other supplies and day-of needs.

There is still time to donate, as bills from various vendors continue to come in after the celebration culminates. Donations may be made at starspangledspectacular.net/donations. Checks can also 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 30, 2022 include:

- **Liberty Bell Ringers (\$350 and up):** Zone Entertainment/Brandon Frank and Jeff Bowles, Storm Lake United, Fareway Stores-Round Up For Fireworks, Dairy Queen, Storm Lake Honda, Tyson Foods, Security Trust & Savings Bank, Orren Knoffloch, Citizens 1st National Bank, and Redenbaugh and Mohr Law Office.
- **Patriots (\$150-\$349):** Vision Care Associates, Mark and Ellen Smith, Loew's Carpet One Floor & Home, Josh and Laura Newhouse, Jim and Dorothy Lane, Holzhauer Ford Lincoln, Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Homes, Dr. Jason and Brooke Huisenga, Buena Vista University, Buena Vista Regional Medical Center, and Alliant Energy.
- **Skyrockets (\$100-\$149):** Jason and Lisa Shepherd, Gary and Patricia Armstrong, Roger and Julie Eglund, Nick and Tanya Landgraf, John and Joan Canty, Ben and Sarah Dvergsten, Beverly Glienke, Paul and Stef Merten, Al and Michelle Patten, Paxton's Jewelry, Matt and Ana Phillips, Eloise Prichard, SunChaser Elite-Bill and Pat Fitzpatrick, Jay and Sharon Butterfield, Mike Wilson, and three anonymous donors.
- **Firecrackers (\$50 to \$99):** Brandon and Sarah Johnson, Bruce and Helen Vander Kooi, Citizens Community Credit Union, Clair and Carol Thompson, Dale and Kim Carver, Family 1st Dental - Dr. Eric Jones, Harry and Lynn Schaller, Jeff and Jane Kestel, Jeff Stark, Leo's Kitchens, Marcus Lumber, Pat Cowan, Paul and Eileen Howie, Rick and Donna Phillips, Roy and Michelle Grant, Ryan and Leslie Mohr, Steve and Jane Culbertson, Steven Larsen, and Vista Paint.



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- **Sparklers (up to \$49):** Rod and Linda Dierking, Shannon and Michele Kelly, Rod and Charlene Plagman, Evan and Karianne Franzmeier, Todd and Barb Lange, Al and Rhonda Slight, Shirley Strait, Storm Lake I.O.O.F. Lodge #221, Roger and Myrna Lorenzen, and one anonymous donor.

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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