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## News Release: Spectacular Reaches \$10,000 of \$40,000 Goal in Week One

**Storm Lake, Iowa** (June 8, 2023) – Fundraising for the 2023 Star Spangled Spectacular, with a theme of “Three Cheers for 150 Years,” is off to a great start, according to Matt Brostad and Josh Newhouse, fundraising co-chairs.

Newhouse says that as of June 7, more than \$10,000 had been raised toward the goal of \$40,000.

“We know we have a lot of work to do to reach our goal, and we hope we are successful,” he says. “We still have a long way to go, and we need everyone’s help.”

The fundraising duo is working to contact past major donors asking for their support again this year. Letters have been sent to all past donors and prospects.

“If someone did not receive a letter, or they have not donated in the past, please consider a donation.”

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. Donations can also be made online at [starspangledspectacular.net/donations](https://starspangledspectacular.net/donations).

Donors and categories through June 7, 2023 include:

- **Liberty Bell Ringers (\$350 and up):** Simmering-Cory | Iowa Codification, Russ and Gladys Eddie, Dr. Sabrina Martinez and Ben Davis, and Jim Spooner and Judy Quick.
- **Patriots(\$150-\$349):** A & A Automotive, Al and Kathi Buckingham, Becky Stille, Craig and Nancy Fratzke, Dan and Ronda Bacon, David and Marla Nees, Dennis and Diane Julius, Gene and Gloria Lyster, Jane Meyer, Larry and Linda Hecht, Margaret Martinez, Mike and Andrea Frantz, Paxton Family Trust c/o Citizens 1st National Bank, RAD Charitable Trust- Ron and Jewell Dierwechter, Rich Merten, in Memory of Liz Merten, Rick and Carol Peterson, State Farm- Stacey Eddie, and Steve and Diane Hamilton.
- **Skyrockets(\$100-\$149):** Bill and Terry Mason, Brian and Betsy Lenzmeier, Carl and Cyndi Turner, Dave and Connie Skibsted, Dr. A. A. and Norma Stepan, Duane and Gwynn Gerlach, Frank and Cynthia Demers, Gary and Cheryl Petersen, Gilbert and Sally Wilkens, Jim and Terry Foell, John and Joan Canty, Michael and Roxanna Pertzborn, Mike and Megan Sullivan, Mike and Pam Rust, Mike Wilson, Paul and Nina Havens, Randy and Donna Sennert, Robert Knapton, Storm Lake Times Pilot, and Tom and Sharon Daniels.
- **Firecrackers (\$50 to \$99):** Betty Richardson, Charlene Quirin, Dan Connell Law Office, Jeff and LaDonna Brummer, Keith Hultgren, Kevin and Cindy Cone, Kevin and Julie McKinney,



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LaVerne Grigsby, Lighthouse Inn, Murray & Murray P.L.C., Patrick and Julia Mooney, Roger and Kathy Pomrenke, and Tim and Di Daniels.

- **Sparklers (up to \$49):** Al and Dianne White, Anthony and Erin Pertzborn, Bryan and Leann Baumhover, Dan and Cris Hegarty, Dan and Julie Sievers, Delores Sievers, Dianna Mason, Donald and Carol Northrup, Dr. James Eliason, Duane and Donna Queen, John and Roxie Brostad, Jon and Patti McKenna, Mike and Barb Wells, Paul and Martha Murray, Steve and Jenna Campbell, and Susan and Troy Briggs.

#### **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](http://www.starspangledspectacular.net).

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