

PLYMOUTH COUNTY

Plymouth County, the fourth largest county in the state of Iowa, was established on January 15, 1851 and formally organized on October 12, 1858. It is named after the landing place of the Pilgrims on the Mayflower. The county was attached to Woodbury County for judicial and other reasons prior 1858. Plymouth County began with two civil townships. The county now has 24 townships and covers 865 square miles.

The site of the first courthouse was in Melbourne. It was built in October of 1859 at a cost of \$2,000. In 1861 the building was insured, desks were purchased and an outhouse and steps were added. The courthouse in Melbourne had many uses, including winter quarters for soldiers for the federal government, as well as a grocery. The first public school was taught in Melbourne in December 1859. Records show that school fund was \$470 and the number of students registered was 32.

In 1872, by a close vote, the county seat was moved to Le Mars. The town of Le Mars had been platted in 1869, and was named by using the initials of letters of the names of ladies who visited the town with a group of realtors, a state legislator and a state registrar of deeds.

In 1874, residents voted to build a new courthouse and jail in Le Mars on Block 35. Three thousand dollars was approved by the voters and appropriated from the swamp land fund of Sioux City and Iowa Falls Town Lot and Land Company donated the land.

In 1900, at the general election on November 6, a bond issue was passed to build a new courthouse, at a cost of no more than \$70,000. The building was designed by Kinney and Detweiler of Austin, MN and constructed by Emil Miller from 1901-1902. The fireproof building was built of Portage-entry red sandstone and was of the Renaissance style. It contained a tall portico, Corinthian columns and a central tower capped by a large dome. In 1913, the large tower was removed due to the strain it caused.

During the Depression of 1929, many Plymouth County farmers joined an organization calling itself the "Farmers Holiday Group". Their goal was to keep farm products off the market until the desired price was met.

Both the courthouse and the county seat gained national attention in the spring of 1933, when Judge C.C. Bradley was kidnapped by an angry mob of Farm Holiday men and was threatened with a hanging unless he stopped signing farm foreclosure notices. The judge refused to comply and although he was not hung, he was taken out into the country, smeared with oil and dirt and was left to find his own way home. The governor of Iowa ordered out the National Guard and Plymouth County was placed under martial law.

In 1997, a three-story addition was added to the south side of the original Courthouse, giving the county and additional 8,175 sq ft. It was constructed using materials to blend with the original structure at a cost of approximately \$850,000. In August 2003, a new 5.4 million dollar Law Enforcement Center / Communication Center complex opened. The old Law Enforcement Center / Jail was demolished in 2004.

Plymouth County is chiefly an agricultural county. Its highest point in the county is in Sioux Township and has an elevation of 1501 feet. The average rainfall over a period of forty years has been between 26 and 28 inches, while the average temperature of the area is 52 degrees.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

Board of Supervisors

The Board of Supervisors hold regular meetings on the second secular day in January, the first Tuesday in April and the second Tuesday in June, September and November and adjourned meetings every Tuesday.

County Offices

The County offices are open from 8 AM to 5 PM, including the noon hour, Monday through Friday.

Aid for the Poor

All applications for the relief of poor must be made to the Department of Human Services of Plymouth County. Bills or claims for such relief must be presented to the director for approval before the payment of same will be made.

Motor Vehicle Licenses

All motor vehicle licenses fees are due and payable during the month preceding the owner's birth month, the owner's birth month, and the month after the owner's birth month. The fees become delinquent on the first day of the second month after the owner's birth month, unless the last calendar day of a month falls on a Saturday, Sunday or a holiday. Then, the payment deadline is extended to include the first business day of the following month. A penalty of 5% is charged each month thereafter with a \$5.00 minimum.

Driver's License

The driver's license department is open on Wednesday and Thursday each week from 8:30 a.m to 4:30 p.m. Driver's license and non-operator identification cards are issued 30 days prior to the driver's birth-date and 60 days after. Handicap parking permits are also obtained from this department.

Claims

All claims against the county must be itemized and sworn to and filed with the County Auditor no later than Friday, preceding the said board meetings. All claims are allowed in the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month.

Taxes

The tax year begins on the first day of July and taxes are payable in two installments. The first installment becomes delinquent October 1st and the second installment becomes delinquent April 1st. However, if the last calendar day of a month falls on a Saturday, Sunday or a holiday, that amount becomes delinquent on the second business day of the following month. Delinquent interest of 1 1/2 % each month is added.

Tax Sales

The tax sale is held on the third Monday in June at 10 am.

Redemption

For the redemption of lands sold under the tax sale, interest is 2% per month and \$10 for redemption certificate. The tax sale runs three years before the purchaser is entitled to a tax deed, unless sold at scavenger sale after having previously advertised as delinquent for the two preceding years, in which case the time is one year only. State law requires that all property offered at scavenger sale must be bid in by the county if not sold for full amount of general taxes due. Persons redeeming from the tax sale must show interest in the property.

Exemptions

Soldiers, sailors, marines or nurses who served full time active duty (other than active duty for training purposes) during one of the periods of war or conflict enumerated in Iowa law may file for a military tax exemption with the county assessor. The claimant must have an honorable discharge or be separated from the military service. No further filing is required as long as the property is owned by the claimant or claimant's unmarried surviving spouse on July 1st of succeeding years.

DUTIES OF COUNTY OFFICERS

Board of Supervisors



Term is four years; bond no less than \$100,000.

The board of supervisors consists of five members, serving four years each.

The board of supervisors is the legislative body of the county.

The following are some of their more important duties and powers:

- Approve bonds of county officials.

- Establish and vacate public highways.

- Levy taxes to raise revenue for county purposes.

- Allow claims against the county and order same to be paid.

- Fill vacancies in county offices, except of it's own body.

- Constitute a drainage board to the various districts of the county.

- Make official canvass of the votes of the county at the primary and general election.

Vacancies in the board of supervisors are filled by appointment made by the county auditor, county treasurer and county recorder.

County Auditor



Term is four years; bond is \$100,000.

The county auditor is clerk of the board of supervisors and the following are some of the duties:

- Custodian of the courthouse.

- Keep a record of real estate transferred.

- Custodian of bonds of all county officials, except the auditor and board of supervisors.

- Keep a record of highway established and vacated.

- Approve official bonds when the supervisors are not in session.

- Clerk for agenda preparation for Board of Supervisors.

- Keep minutes of the proceedings of the board of supervisors.

- Keep a drainage record of all drainage districts of the county.

- Clerk of the official canvass of elections made by the board of supervisors.

- Issue all payroll warrants for county employees, issue W2's and other human resource duties.

- Send out all school and county budgets. Submit county budget to the board of supervisors for approval.

- Receives and files all school, city, area school county budgets.

- Issue warrants on the county treasurer for claims allowed by the board of supervisors. Issue 1099's.

- Keep a ledger account of revenues derived from all sources and disbursements made from various funds.

- Complete the cash and accrual financial reporting.

- Supervise printing and delivering to election board of all official election ballots and custodian of ballots and poll books returned from voting precincts.

- Compute taxes on all taxable property in the county from levies made by the board of supervisors, certified by town and township officials, school districts, state executive council, county conference board and agricultural extension council.

- Certify and apply all homestead credit applications, military exemption applications, ag-land credit and family farm credit.

- Holds all elections in county – school, city, general, primary and specials.

County Assessor



Term is six years; bond is \$100,000.

Powers and duties of the assessor:

- To assess and appraise all real estate and personal property except such as is exempt from taxation, or the assessment of which is otherwise provided by law.
- To have access to all public records of the county for the purpose of securing information pertaining to accurate listings of taxable property.
- To make up all assessor's books & records as prescribed by Director of Revenue.
- To submit on or before May 1st of each year the completed assessment rolls to the Plymouth County Board of Review for its examination.
- To furnish the Director of Revenue with information relative to the ownership of any property that may be assessable within the state, but not assessable or subject to being listed for taxation in the county.
- To turn over to the county auditor the completed assessor's books & records for preparation of the tax lists.
- To receive applications for homestead tax credits, military exemption, and other property tax credits. These are screened by the assessor for allowance or disallowance.
- Annually submit to the Iowa Dept of Revenue an abstract of assessment of statistics compiled in the office.
- Keep and compile a record of all sales of property in the county and record in the office all changes in ownership of any kind of property where a transaction has taken place and has been recorded.

County Treasurer



Term is four years; bond is \$100,000.

Powers and duties of the county treasurer:

- To act as custodian of all county funds.
- To collect all taxes certified by the county auditor and 1½% per month interest on any delinquent real estate taxes.
- To give receipt for all money collected by the office, or deposited with the office, and keep a record of such funds separately.
- To report monthly to the auditor of state all taxes due for the general state revenue and pay same to the State Treasurer each month.
- To make semi-annual statement with the board of supervisors and report all fees collected.
- To pay all county warrants drawn on the treasurer by the auditor and to cancel and register same in a book provided for that purpose.
- To assess omitted real property, which has not been assessed by the assessor, board of review or the Auditor.
- To offer for public sale, at the treasurer's office, annually on the 3rd Monday in June, all real estate taxes have not been fully paid, which sale shall include unpaid taxes, interest and costs.
- To issue redemption certificates of real estate sold for taxes.
- To issue, renew & replace lost or damaged non-operator identification cards and driver's licenses including commercial driver's license and collect associated fees.
- To issue parking permits to persons with disabilities.
- To collect registration fees and use tax on vehicles, issue number plates and receipts for same.

County Recorder



Term is four years; bond is \$100,000.

Powers and duties of the county recorder:

To record all legal documents presented, consisting primarily of deeds, mortgages, contracts, affidavits and releases.

To record newly platted additions, surveys, corner certificates and horizontal property regimes.

To record state and federal tax liens, discharge papers of military personnel, fence partitions and articles of incorporation.

To maintain an index of all recorded documents so that they may be located with ease and provide certified copies as requested.

To collect the proper recording fees and auditor's fees on transfer of property; report such fees to the supervisor's quarterly and pay all fees to the treasurer of Plymouth County.

To collect real estate transfer tax on conveyances of property, report and remit the state's share to State of Iowa Treasurer and remit the county's share to the Plymouth County Treasurer monthly.

To perform federal and state tax lien searches.

To make records available for genealogy research.

To file financing statements and terminations and perform UCC searches.

To register and title boats, snowmobiles and ATV's and submit monthly reports and remittance to the Department of Natural Resources.

To collect state use tax on new boats, snowmobiles and ATV's purchased out-of-state and submit a monthly report and remittance to the State of Iowa Treasurer.

To serve as the county's passport agent.

To serve as the county's registrar of vital records (birth, death and marriage).

County Attorney



Term is four years; bond is \$100,000.

Powers and duties of the county attorney:

To prosecute all crimes committed in the county.

To defend the county in all action brought against it.

To act as legal advisor for the board of supervisors and for all other county official matters.

To collect money due on forfeited bonds and school fund bonds.

No one is eligible to this office who has not been admitted to the bar.

This office is different from other county offices in that it is created by the Constitution of the State whereas the others are created by the legislature.

County Sheriff



Term is four years; bond is \$100,000.

The sheriff is the principal peace officer of the county.

Powers and duties of the county sheriff:

- Summon grand and petit jurors.

- Execute and return all writs and other legal processes issued to him by lawful authority.

- Act as custodian of the county jail & is responsible for all prisoners committed until discharged by law.

- Transport convicts to the penitentiary and patients to the state hospitals, upon commitment from the Clerk of District Court

County Engineer



Required to be a licensed civil engineer in the State of Iowa.

Term of employment is set by the Board of Supervisors, not to exceed three years.

Bond is set a minimum for \$3,000.

Powers and duties of the County Engineer:

- Direct all construction and maintenance work of the Secondary Road Department

- Develop a Secondary Road Construction Program

- Inspect all contracts to confirm they are executed according to specifications of the Iowa

- Submit an annual report to the county and state of all road fund expenditures.

Clerk of District Court

(State office)



Powers and duties of the clerk of district court:

- Act as custodian of all court records in civil, criminal and probate proceedings.

- Act as custodian of the Seal of the District Court.

- Draw grand and petit juries, and talesmen.

- Act as custodian of grand jury indictments, exhibits and reports.

- Appoint when not contested, resident administrators and executors of estate and decedents and guardians of minors.

- Approve the reports of administrators, executors and guardians except final reports.

- Receive on deposit money due minors or heirs whose whereabouts are unknown.

- Keep an index of all judgements and liens.

- Issue executions on judgements of record in the office.

- Approve appearance bonds of criminals.

- Issue commitments for persons to be delivered to state institutions.

- Keep a record of surety companies.

- Other duties per code 602.8102.



OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

President of the United States
Vice-President
U.S. Senators from Iowa

Congressman from the Fifth District
State Senators

Second District
Twenty-seventh District

State Representatives

Third District
Fifty Third District

George W. Bush
Richard Cheney
Charles E. Grassley
Tom Harkin
Steve King

Dave Mulder
Ron Wieck

Chuck Soderberg
Dan A. Huseman

State Officials



Governor
Lt. Governor
Secretary of State
Auditor of State
Treasurer of State
Secretary of Agriculture
Attorney General
Dept of Education Director
Dept of Management

Chester Culver
Patty Judge
Michael Mauro
David A. Vaudt
Michael Fitzgerald
Bill Northey
Tom Miller
Judy Jeffrey
Michael L. Tramontina

County Offices

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| County Auditor | Stacey Feldman |
| Deputies | Cheri Nitzschke |
| | Jan Beck |
| County Treasurer | Linda Dobson |
| Deputies | Priscilla Strathman |
| | Beverly Hultquist |
| | Bobbi Kellen |
| | Terri Campbell |
| | David Nielsen |
| Driver's License Deputy | Keri Borchers |
| Driver's License Examiner | Steve Beeck |
| Driver's License Issuers | Linda Hayworth |
| | Sue Masuen |
| County Recorder | Jolynn Goodchild |
| Deputy | Geralyn Langel |
| Clerk | Shonden Frederes |
| County Sheriff | Michael Van Otterloo |
| Chief Deputy | Craig Bartolozzi |
| Sergeants | J. Lynn Steckelberg |
| | Jeffrey TeBrink |
| | James Lubben |
| | Scott Dorhout |
| | Paul Betsworth |
| | Jerold Vermeys |
| | Rick Singer |
| | Aaron Leusink |
| Administrative Assistant | Elizabeth Brent |
| Civil Service Personnel Director | Stacey Feldman |
| County Attorney | Darin Raymond |
| Ass't County Attorney | Amy Oetken |
| Paralegal | Kay Bohnenkamp |
| Paralegal | Kara Harpenau |
| Victim Witness Coordinator | Heidi Tritz |
| Office Manager | Jessica Simoni |
| County Assessor | Robert Heyderhoff |
| Deputies | Linda Smith |
| | Jill Renken |
| | Erica Pepper |
| | Jerry Groenhagen |
| County Engineer | Thomas Rohe |
| Assistant County Engineer | Terry Marienau |
| Administrative Assistant | Trudy Hall |
| Information Technology / GIS & E911 Coordinator | Shawn Olson |
| Information Technology Assistant | Melissa Nelson |
| Economic Development Director | Gary Tucker |
| Veteran Affairs Director | Martin Balmer |
| Local Emergency Management Coordinator | Gary Junge |
| Conservation Director | Dennis Sohl |
| Conservation Ranger | Nick Beeck |
| Weed Commissioner | Dennis Binneboese |
| Zoning Administrator | Alan Lucken |
| Sanitarian | Noel Ahmann |
| Central Point of Coordination & General Relief & DHS Director | Sharon Nieman |
| Courthouse Custodian | Larry Hoffman |
| Medical Examiner | Medical Associates |



BOARDS and COMMISSIONS

Board of Supervisors

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|------------------|---------|----------|-----------------|---------|-------|
| C. Gordon Greene | Dist. 1 | 546-6532 | 50 12th St. SW | Le Mars | 51031 |
| Mark Loutsch | Dist. 2 | 786-1439 | 39629 150th St. | Le Mars | 51031 |
| Don Kass | Dist. 3 | 786-2191 | 48138 190th St. | Remsen | 51050 |
| Craig Anderson | Dist. 4 | 938-2493 | 24999 Jade Ave. | Merrill | 51038 |
| Jim Henrich | Dist. 5 | 568-2902 | 440 Reed St. | Akron | 51001 |

Board of Review

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| Darvin Hartman | Merrill |
| Kenneth Alesch | Remsen |
| Raymond J. Andresen | Akron |
| Linda Mayrose | Le Mars |
| William P. Collins | Kingsley |

Local Emergency Management Commission/Citizen Corp. Council

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| Mike Van Otterloo - Chairman | Le Mars |
| Richard Husman | Merrill |
| Wayne Schipper | Le Mars |
| Mike Hagen | Kingsley |
| C. Gordon Greene - Plymouth County Board Supervisor | Le Mars |
| Jon Coyle | Akron |
| Wayne Schlotfeldt | Brunsville |
| Barry Cornish | Craig |
| Gary Fischer | Hinton |
| Cheryl Christman - Vice Chairman | Oyens |
| Marcia Dewey | Westfield |
| Joe Vollmecke | Struble |
| Kevin Rollins | Remsen |
| Gary Junge - Coordinator | Le Mars |

Veteran Affairs Commission

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| Cecil Lang | Le Mars |
| Don Neunabor | Akron |
| Don Kolker | Remsen |
| Martin Balmer, Director | Merrill |

County Conservation Board

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|-------------------|------------|
| Phyllis Bates | Le Mars |
| Troy Hemmerlick | Akron |
| Chris Beeck | Sioux City |
| Dave Klingensmith | Kingsley |
| Wayne Kruse | Le Mars |

Deputy Sheriff Civil Service Commission

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| Doug McDougal - Chairman | Le Mars |
| Amy Oetken | Le Mars |
| Gene Collins | Kingsley |
| Stacey Feldman, Personnel Director | Le Mars |

E-911 Board

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|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Chad Beck - Chairman | Hinton |
| Stu Dekkenga - Vice Chairman | Le Mars |
| Kevin Rollins | Remsen |
| De Wayne Juelfs | Merrill |
| Kirk Hatting | Plymouth County |
| Steve Bolton | Oyens |
| Joette Hiemstra | Kingsley |
| Kim Nielson | Akron |

County Compensation Commission

Real Estate Brokers or Salesmen

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|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Jim A. Klein Jr. | 418 Madison St., Remsen |
| Darrell Lancaster | 35052 137th St., Le Mars |
| Connie Blake | 820 County Club Dr., Akron |
| Daniel Pick | 215 Jefferson St., Remsen |
| Bruce Brock | 407 Greenwood Dr., Le Mars |
| Randy Stabe | 32379 280th St, Merrill |
| Lee Harding | 200 N. 7th St., Akron |
| Marilyn Hirsch | 16 N. Hidden Acres Dr., Sioux City |
| Phyllis Van Evera | 850 Springbrook Dr., Hinton |

Finance Officers

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|------------------|---------------------------|
| Kevin Eekhoff | 20 Circle Dr., Akron |
| Roger Schmid | 41135 310th St., Kingsley |
| Don Hooegeveen | 34513 C44, Le Mars |
| Ross Harden | 1555 2nd Ave. SE, Le Mars |
| Clark Schmitz | 201 Main St., Merrill |
| Richard Magnuson | 416 2nd St. SW, Le Mars |
| Jack Guenthner | 11 16th St. SE, Le Mars |

Agricultural Land Owners

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|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Kent Brown | 21251 C-38, Merrill |
| Darvin J. Hartman | 943 Starview Dr., Merrill |
| Richard Roder | 602 Ash Cove, Remsen |
| Dennis Schmid | 41354 C-70, Kingsley |
| James Rohlfen | 34 Prospect St., Akron |
| Gaylen Tapper | 20727 160th St., Akron |
| Stanley Anderson | 17394 Concord Ave., Akron |

City Land Owners

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|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Dave Wingert | 509 Cleveland St., Remsen |
| Blaine Donaldson | 424 Barre St. Kingsley |
| Ron Schroeder | 551 South St., Akron |
| Jerry Scholton | 25 6th St. NE, Le Mars |
| Gary Hunwardson | 423 E. 3rd St., Kingsley |
| Steve Saunders | 854 Springbrook Dr., Hinton |
| Monte Hartman | 412 Ply. St. SE, Le Mars |

Planning and Zoning Commission

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|------------------|-----------|
| Melvin Brown | Westfield |
| Stuart Harris | Akron |
| Richard Harpenau | Remsen |
| Darrel Schroeder | Le Mars |
| Ralph Klemme | Le Mars |
| James Binneboese | Hinton |
| Gregg Roepke | Kingsley |
| Peg Becker | Hinton |
| Bill Koopman | Le Mars |

Board of Adjustment

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| Kenneth Alesch | Remsen |
| Dennis Anstine | Kingsley |
| James Dennison | Akron |
| Nancy Anderson | Merrill |
| Barry Knapp | Westfield |

Board of Health

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| Dr. Steven Meis | Le Mars |
| Jan Harris | Akron |
| Dr. R.E. Severson | Le Mars |
| Dr. Paul Schroeder | Le Mars |
| Kathy Frus | Le Mars |
| Deb Steffen - Secretary | Le Mars |

Plymouth County Parks and Conservation Areas

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| Southeast Wildwood Park | Kingsley |
| Big Sioux Park - River Corridor | Akron |
| Hillview Park | Hinton |
| Meadow Wildlife Area | Remsen |
| Millsite Access | Westfield |
| Five Ridge Prairie | Southwestern Plymouth County |
| O'Brien Prairie | Southwestern Plymouth County |
| Silver Maple Primitive Area | Akron |
| Loess Hills Scenic Byway | Western Plymouth County |

Official County Newspapers

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|------------------------|------------|-------------------|----------|
| Le Mars Daily Sentinel | PO Box 930 | Le Mars, IA 51031 | 546-7031 |
| Remsen Bell Enterprise | PO Box 10 | Remsen, IA 51050 | 786-1196 |
| Akron Hometown | PO Box 797 | Akron, IA 51001 | 568-2208 |

Third Judicial District Information



County Judicial Magistrate Appointing Committee

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|----------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Honorable Jeffrey A. Neary | | Merrill |
| Patrick Murphy | | Le Mars |
| Craig Bauerly | | Le Mars |
| James Kestner | | Le Mars |
| Don Page | | Kingsley |
| Juvenile Court Officer | Gerald Germann | Le Mars |
| Associate Juvenile Judges | Brian L. Michaelson | Le Mars |
| | Mary L. Timko | Storm Lake |

Third Judicial Court Administration

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|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Court Administrator | Leesa A. McNeil | Sioux City |
| Assistant Court Administrator | Pam Calhoun | Bronson |
| Fiscal Officer | Phyllis M. Woll | Le Mars |

Senior Judges

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|----------------------|-------------|
| Charles H. Barlow | Spirit Lake |
| Patrick C. McCormick | Sioux City |
| Joseph J. Straub | Whittemore |
| Robert C. Clem | Sioux City |
| Richard J. Vipond | Denison |
| Frank Nelson | Spencer |
| Michael S. Walsh | Sioux City |

District Judges

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|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Duane E. Hoffmeyer, Chief Judge | Sioux City |
| Patrick M. Carr, Ass't Chief Judge | Spencer |
| John D. Ackerman | Sioux City |
| Gary E. Wenell | Sioux City |
| Mary Jane Sokolovske | Sioux City |
| James D. Scott | Orange City |
| John P. Duffy | Storm Lake |
| Steven J. Andreasen | Sioux City |
| David A. Lester | Estherville |
| Edward A. Jacobson | Ida Grove |
| Don E. Courtney | Algona |
| Jeffrey A. Neary | Merrill |
| Nancy L. Whittenburg | Spencer |

District Associate Judges

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|-------------------|-------------|
| Timothy Jarman | Sioux City |
| David C. Larson | Spirit Lake |
| Robert J. Dull | Le Mars |
| Donald J. Bormann | Ruthven |
| John C. Nelson | Sioux City |
| Donavon Schaefer | Aurelia |

TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS



America Township

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|--------------|-------------------|---------|-------|---------|
| Dennis Britt | 18257 Nature Ave. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Roye Beene | 18 Birch St. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Doug Langel | 35713 C30 | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Dick Milne | 1034 Central Ave. | Clerk | 51031 | Le Mars |

Elgin Township

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|---------------|-----------------------|---------|-------|-------------|
| Terry Olson | 35201 2nd St. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Robert Becker | 14287 Meadowlark Ave. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Lee Konz | 14285 Meadowlark Ave. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| David Hawkins | 10313 Nature Ave. | Clerk | 51041 | Orange City |

Elkhorn Township

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|----------------|-----------------|---------|-------|----------|
| Lamont Schmidt | 40504 C-60 | Trustee | 51028 | Kingsley |
| Francis Uhl | 42755 C-60 | Trustee | 51028 | Kingsley |
| Dennis Anstine | 42303 300th St. | Trustee | 51028 | Kingsley |
| Stan Krosch | 39172 310th St. | Clerk | 51028 | Kingsley |

Fredonia Township

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|---------------|--------------------|---------|-------|---------|
| Mike Detloff | 38293 C16 | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Lyle Frederes | 41715 110th St. | Trustee | 51050 | Remsen |
| Mike Schnepf | 39618 140th St. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Tom W. Pick | 12404 Pioneer Ave. | Clerk | 51031 | Le Mars |

Garfield Township

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|--------------------|------------------|---------|-------|----------|
| James Lindgren | 30648 Quest Ave. | Trustee | 51028 | Kingsley |
| Floyd Pfaffle | 308 Kurtz Dr. | Trustee | 51028 | Kingsley |
| Harley Hiemstra | 44087 300th St. | Trustee | 51028 | Kingsley |
| Bryon W. Blackburn | 46605 340th St. | Clerk | 51048 | Pierson |

Grant Township

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|-----------------|---------------------|---------|-------|---------|
| Gerald Westhoff | 11275 Jaguar Ave. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Earl W. Lubben | 27553 150th St. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Robert Plueger | 13907 Keystone Ave. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Devin Kruse | 14153 Impala Ave. | Clerk | 51031 | Le Mars |

Hancock Township

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|----------------------|--------------|---------|-------|------------|
| Harold Burcham | 31234 K18 | Trustee | 51109 | Sioux City |
| Herbert Langley, Jr. | 17378 C60 | Trustee | 51109 | Sioux City |
| Warren Mitchell | 29772 Hwy 12 | Trustee | 51109 | Sioux City |

Henry Township

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|----------------|-------------------|---------|-------|----------|
| Vernon Letsche | 23171 Almond Ave. | Trustee | 51028 | Kingsley |
| Kenneth Maass | 48495 230th St. | Trustee | 51050 | Remsen |
| Ron Erickson | 48332 220th St. | Trustee | 51050 | Remsen |
| Roger Irwin | 48031 C44 | Clerk | 51050 | Remsen |

Hungerford Township

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|-----------------|-----------------|---------|-------|--------|
| Darrell Hageman | 30606 C60 | Trustee | 51024 | Hinton |
| Byron Jauer | 214 Pine Ave. | Trustee | 51024 | Hinton |
| John Stoltze | 29408 320th St. | Trustee | 51024 | Hinton |
| Larry Hardersen | Box 67 | Clerk | 51024 | Hinton |

Johnson Township

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|---------------|--------------------|---------|-------|---------|
| Fred Schiefen | 24221 190th St. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Jerry Wendt | 24912 Hwy 3 | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Clark Tindall | 21935 Hwy 3 | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Jerome Haage | 18452 Granite Ave. | Clerk | 51031 | Le Mars |

Liberty Township

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|----------------|-----------------|---------|-------|---------|
| Tim Vondrak | Box 147 | Trustee | 51038 | Merrill |
| Ralph Hecht | 24095 Fir Ave. | Trustee | 51038 | Merrill |
| Dennis Baldwin | 20911 C43 | Trustee | 51038 | Merrill |
| Twila DeRocher | 19805 270th St. | Clerk | 51038 | Merrill |

Lincoln Township

| | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|---------|-------|--------|
| Randy Riediger | 35601 320th St. | Trustee | 51024 | Hinton |
| Lanny Casper | 32692 300th St. | Trustee | 51024 | Hinton |
| Ernest Wiener | 32502 Marble Ave. | Trustee | 51024 | Hinton |
| Harold Binneboese | 35205 300th St. | Clerk | 51024 | Hinton |

Marion Township

| | | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|---------|-------|---------|
| William J. Tentinger | 38724 C30 | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Alan Loutsch | 38724 205th St. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Terry Reuter | 39029 190th St. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Roger Schroeder | 19114 Pioneer Ave. | Clerk | 51031 | Le Mars |

Meadow Township

| | | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|---------|-------|--------|
| Randy (Pete) Galles | 44787 110th St. | Trustee | 51050 | Remsen |
| Magnus Treinen | 14091 Sunset Ave. | Trustee | 51050 | Remsen |
| Steve Plathe | 15378 L14 | Trustee | 51050 | Remsen |
| Jim Krogman | 45762 C16 | Clerk | 51050 | Remsen |

Perry Township

| | | | | |
|----------------|--------------------|---------|-------|--------|
| Tom Flannery | 22396 C60 | Trustee | 51024 | Hinton |
| Charles Pridie | 29091 S. Ridge Rd. | Trustee | 51024 | Hinton |
| Larry Vondrak | 21475 320th St. | Trustee | 51024 | Hinton |
| Ella M. Pridie | 29091 S. Ridge Rd. | Clerk | 51024 | Hinton |

Plymouth Township

| | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|---------|-------|---------|
| James Bogenrief | 29041 270th St. | Trustee | 51038 | Merrill |
| Alan Smith | 26204 K42 | Trustee | 51038 | Merrill |
| Andrea Johnson | 26401 Wren Rd | Trustee | 51024 | Hinton |
| Gerald Johnson | 27665 260th St. | Clerk | 51038 | Merrill |

Portland Township

| | | | | |
|----------------|-----------------|---------|-------|-------|
| Gene Waag | 861 Hardy | Trustee | 51001 | Akron |
| James Dennison | 15536 120th St. | Trustee | 51001 | Akron |
| Ken Hillrichs | 15079 160th St. | Trustee | 51001 | Akron |
| Dan Rexwinkel | 200 Main | Clerk | 51001 | Akron |

Preston Township

| | | | | |
|----------------|-----------------|---------|-------|----------|
| Mark Borchers | 14421 K22 | Trustee | 51001 | Akron |
| Terry Muth | 20593 C12 | Trustee | 51023 | Hawarden |
| Lorvan Hawkins | 23024 100th St. | Trustee | 51027 | Ireton |
| Jeff Klemme | 20103 130th St. | Clerk | 51001 | Akron |

Remsen Township

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|---------------------|-----------------|---------|-------|--------|
| Bob Loutsch | 18382 L22 | Trustee | 51050 | Remsen |
| Ronald Harnack, Sr. | 19936 Hwy 140 | Trustee | 51050 | Remsen |
| Dean Mohning | 45525 C38 | Trustee | 51050 | Remsen |
| Shelly Kass | 48138 190th St. | Clerk | 51050 | Remsen |

Sioux Township

| | | | | |
|-----------------|--------------|---------|-------|-----------|
| Ed Schoenfelder | 24592 Hwy 12 | Trustee | 51062 | Westfield |
| Pat Dennison | 26314 Hwy 12 | Trustee | 51062 | Westfield |
| Scott Moats | 24764 Hwy 12 | Trustee | 51062 | Westfield |
| Carolyn Knapp | 26259 K18 | Clerk | 51062 | Westfield |

Stanton Township

| | | | | |
|----------------|-----------------|---------|-------|---------|
| Paul Fischer | 24587 Lake Ave. | Trustee | 51038 | Merrill |
| John Ahlers | 22558 K49 | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Rodney Hodgson | 24068 K49 | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Leland Schultz | 32272 250th St. | Clerk | 51038 | Merrill |

Union Township

| | | | | |
|----------------|--------------------|---------|-------|----------|
| Gary Grage | 40874 260th St. | Trustee | 51028 | Kingsley |
| Rick Felts | 25053 Pioneer Ave. | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Robert Bleil | 38979 270th St. | Trustee | 51028 | Kingsley |
| Shirley Benson | 25391 Polk Ave. | Clerk | 51050 | Remsen |

Washington Township

| | | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|---------|-------|---------|
| Mark Herzberg | RR 2 | Trustee | 51038 | Merrill |
| Tom Lehner | 29778 C38 | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| William R. Renken, Jr. | 28086 Jet Rd | Trustee | 51031 | Le Mars |
| Bruce Hanno | 17674 Kestrel Ave. | Clerk | 51031 | Le Mars |

Westfield Township

| | | | | |
|----------------|--------------------|---------|-------|-------|
| Kevin DeRocher | 15169 Hwy 3 | Trustee | 51001 | Akron |
| Larry Moffatt | 16262 180th St. | Trustee | 51001 | Akron |
| Stuart Harris | 10785 Diamond Ave. | Trustee | 51001 | Akron |
| John Ziniel | PO Box 49 | Clerk | 51001 | Akron |

CITY HALLS



TOWN

MAYOR

CLERK

Kingsley City Hall
222 Main St.
Box 309
Kingsley, IA 51028

Wayne Plendl

Vicki Sitzmann

Le Mars City Hall
40 Central Ave. SW
PO Box 1130
Le Mars, IA 51031

Dick Kirchoff

Bev Langel

Remsen City Hall
205 Fulton St.
Remsen, IA 51050

Craig Bartolozzi

Paige List

Akron City Hall
PO Box 318
Akron, IA 51001

Harold Higman, Jr.

Mindee Weinschenk

Merrill City Hall
205 Fulton St.
Remsen, IA 51050

Richard Husman

Margaret Marienau

Hinton City Hall
205 W. Main
Hinton, IA 51024

Gary Fischer

Gerry Judd

Struble City Hall
Struble, IA 51057

Joseph Vollmecke

Marilyn Vollmecke

Westfield
223 Untion St.
Westfield, IA 51062

William Hummel

Barbette Grimm

Craig City Hall
725 Main St.
Craig, IA 51017

Barry Cornish

Connie DeBoom

Brunsville City Hall
310 Oak Street
Brunsville, IA 51008

Wayne Schlotfeldt

Bev Hultquist

Oyens City Hall
230 Main St.
Oyens, IA 51045

Cheryl Christman

Stacey Schroeder

SCHOOL OFFICIALS



Akron-Westfield Community Schools

| | | |
|---------------|---------------------|-------|
| James Black | President | Akron |
| Kirk Banks | Vice-President | Akron |
| Jodi Thompson | Secretary/Treasurer | Akron |

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| Ron Flynn | Superintendent | Akron |
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Directors

| | | |
|----------------|------------|-----------|
| Kevin DeRocher | District 1 | Akron |
| Phil Parks | District 2 | Akron |
| Josh Martensen | District 3 | Akron |
| James Black | District 4 | Akron |
| Janet Willer | District 5 | Westfield |
| Kirk Banks | District 6 | Westfield |
| Roger Oetken | At Large | Akron |

Hinton Community Schools

| | | |
|------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Robert Held | President | Sioux City |
| Kenneth Hoefling | Vice-President | Hinton |
| Melissa Sanders | Secretary/Treasurer | Hinton |

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|-------------|----------------|--------|
| Allen Steen | Superintendent | Hinton |
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Directors

| | | |
|-------------------|----------|------------|
| Linette Blanchard | At Large | Hinton |
| Robert Held | At Large | Sioux City |
| Steve Eddy | At Large | Hinton |
| Ed Vondrak | At Large | Hinton |
| Kenneth Hoefling | At Large | Merill |

Kingsley - Pierson Community Schools

| | | |
|--------------|---------------------|----------|
| Tim Sudbeck | President | Kingsley |
| Scott Bohle | Vice-President | Kingsley |
| Audry Bollin | Secretary/Treasurer | Kingsley |

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| Scott Bailey | Superintendent | Kingsley |
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Directors

| | | |
|--------------------|------------|----------|
| Shari Seuntjens | District 1 | Kingsley |
| Clayton Powell | District 2 | Kingsley |
| Scott Bohle | District 3 | Kingsley |
| Cindy Powell Inman | District 4 | Kingsley |
| Tim Sudbeck | District 5 | Kingsley |

Le Mars Community Schools

| | | |
|------------------|----------------|---------|
| Dr. Leon Scott | President | Merill |
| Dr. Mark Stelzer | Vice-President | Le Mars |
| Lisa Boehm | Secretary | Le Mars |
| Kim Clarey | Treasurer | Le Mars |
| | | |
| Todd Wendt | Superintendent | Le Mars |
| | | |
| Directors | | |
| Dr. Leon Scott | District 1 | Le Mars |
| Cris Collins | District 2 | Le Mars |
| Marjorie Franke | District 3 | Le Mars |
| Brenda Phelan | District 4 | Le Mars |
| Dan Smith | District 5 | Merill |
| Patrick Murphy | At Large | Le Mars |
| Dr. Mark Stelzer | At Large | Le Mars |

Remsen Union Community Schools

| | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------|
| Mark Wurth | President | Remsen |
| Shirley Schroeder | Vice-President | Remsen |
| Clint Leonard | Secretary/Treasurer | Remsen |
| | | |
| Ken Howard | Superintendent | Remsen |
| | | |
| Directors | | |
| Travis J. Tentinger | District 1 | Remsen |
| Arlie Pick | District 2 | Remsen |
| Rich Van Dam | District 3 | Remsen |
| Shirley Schroeder | District 4 | Remsen |
| Mark Wurth | District 5 | Remsen |

CENSUS FIGURES

| | 1990 | 2000 |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| America Township | 512 | 462 |
| Elgin Township | 385 | 410 |
| Elkhorn Township | 282 | 277 |
| Fredonia Township | 332 | 311 |
| Garfield Township | 189 | 181 |
| Grant Township | 412 | 403 |
| Hancock Township | 301 | 313 |
| Henry Township | 257 | 228 |
| Hungerford Township | 612 | 821 |
| Johnson Township | 291 | 271 |
| Liberty Township | 338 | 354 |
| Lincoln Township | 322 | 327 |
| Marion Township | 383 | 324 |
| Meadow Township | 335 | 315 |
| Perry Township | 818 | 1105 |
| Plymouth Township | 298 | 284 |
| Portland Township | 291 | 262 |
| Preston Township | 327 | 335 |
| Remsen Township | 406 | 338 |
| Sioux Township | 348 | 333 |
| Stanton Township | 441 | 401 |
| Union Township | 281 | 245 |
| Washington Township | 376 | 317 |
| Westfield Township | <u>288</u> | <u>283</u> |
| TOTAL | 8825 | 8900 |

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| Akron | 1450 | 1489 |
| Brunsville | 137 | 146 |
| Craig | 116 | 102 |
| Hinton | 697 | 808 |
| Kingsley | 1129 | 1245 |
| Le Mars | 8452 | 9237 |
| Merrill | 729 | 754 |
| Oyens | 113 | 132 |
| Remsen | 1513 | 1762 |
| Struble | 67 | 85 |
| Westfield | <u>160</u> | <u>189</u> |
| | 14563 | 15949 |

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| Total Population in Plymouth County | 23388 | 24849 |
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| Square Miles | 863 | |
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