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President's Message

Welcome to the first edition of The Constructor in electronic form. As technology continues to evolve it is important that AGC change as well. Please enjoy and forward around your offices.

The construction season is in full swing, and I know everyone is busy getting the crews organized and projects moving forward. As we get into the summer months. I know the weather will stabilize and we will have fewer delays and longer working days.

AGC has had a busy start to the construction season. I enjoyed seeing everyone at Spring Days in March and watching another AGC Leadership Class graduate. Additionally, we all learned something from attorney Kay Oskvig's presentation on employment issues especially the compliance components for Davis-Bacon wages, Family and Medical Leave Act, and the Americans with Disability Act. I also appreciated Iowa DOT presenters Wes Musgrove and Nikita Rainey for presenting on the DBE program along with Mitch Dillavou. The annual Lunch with the DOT was informative as always and several senior DOT staff members stayed around for additional conversations.

I was also able to attend the AGC of America National Convention in Columbus, Ohio this year. A handful of lowans joined me, and great information was presented including insights on federal funding levels for the next highway bill along with an added session with railroads where cooperation with highway contractors and public owners was discussed.

Coming home from AGC of America's National Convention, I was reminded of the connections, conversations, and time spent with other contractors. Like others in the industry, I was thrown into the old in-person DOT Lettings in Des Moines and not only learned a lot but met other contractors I ended up working with for decades. I have enjoyed the efficiency of the on-line bidding procedures and do not want to revert to the old way. However, I have missed personal interaction, and I wanted to encourage everyone to participate in the upcoming AGC events. The year is filled with many events from golf to Fall Days, Regional Meetings, the leadership class, and of course the convention in January and these are always tremendous events and provide the opportunity to build relationships.

Workforce Development continued to be a major focus of AGC this year and for the immediate future. The popular Build My Future Events held in both Des Moines and Cedar Rapids provide thousands of students with the opportunity to learn about various construction industries with hands-on experience. Contractors who participated in the past enjoyed interaction with many undecided high school students thinking about a future outside of a four-year college education.

Immediately following her year as President of AGC lowa in 1995, Kris Young started the conversation about creating a charitable foundation for the highway industry. This entity would become the AGC Iowa Foundation. The Foundation annual report has been included in the July newsletter, and I would encourage all to take a few minutes and see the individuals and businesses who have supported the foundation as well as the scholarships distributed by the foundation over the past year. Last year, Kris stepped down as the leader of the foundation and turned the reins over to Sonny Hall. I would like to publicly thank both Kris Young and Sonny Hall for the creation and continuation of this much-needed entity.

Once again, I am continually humbled and honored to follow so many incredible people as President of AGC. I completely understand I serve the membership and want to make myself available. Please do not hesitate to contact me via email at mfreier@gs-const.com or at the office at (712) 364-3388.

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From Vice President for Public Affairs By Scott Newhard



Legislature Wraps at 6:30 am Thursday May 15, 2025

The legislature ended in the early morning hours of May 15. This brings to a close a session marked by a very contentious eminent domain pipeline issue that was vetoed by the Governor.

Unemployment Taxes Cut Saves Employers \$1 Billion Over 5 Years

A major victory for lowa employers in general and AGC members in particular was finalized on the last day. The bill S.F. 607 reduces the wage base used to calculate the tax liability by 50% and reduces the top tax rate from 7% to 5.4%.

Of concern to AGC was language placed in the bill earlier this session that would have placed a 10% surcharge on employers whose employees take out an average of 1.25% times more in benefits over a three-year period than the employer paid into the fund. AGC is pleased to say that the provision was removed from the bill before its final passage. The poison pill provision was opposed by AGC and Governor Reynolds, but it took till the final day to remove it.

AGC wants to thank Governor Reynolds for proposing the measure, her staff for working with AGC to promote the Governor's version, Senate Leaders Mike Klimesh (Rep. – Spillville), and Jack Whitver (Rep. – Grimes) for assisting the final Senate product to match the Governor's proposal, Speaker Pat Grassley (Rep. – New Hartford), and House Floor Manager Rep. David Young (Rep. – Van Meter) for preserving the Governor's version. Finally, thank you to the Association of Business and Industry for their support of the Governor's version of the bill.

Depending on the size of an AGC member company, member firms could save up to hundreds of thousands of dollars a year on unemployment taxes.

Pharmacy Benefit Manager Reform May Cost Iowa Employers \$340 Million Annually

The business community worked very hard to improve this bill to no avail. The legislature in addition to modifying Pharmacy Benefit Manager Practices added a \$10.68 dispensing fee to all prescriptions lowans currently receive. This is the most expensive health care mandate in lowa's history. This provision will not only affect higher rates on insurance packages for employers it will increase at the counter costs for the consumer.

Status Of Other Bills

Highway 30 – The House passed a bill instructing the DOT to four lane Highway 30 across the entire state. The Senate did not report the bill out of committee.

Status: Died in the 2nd Funnel.

Passenger Rail – The House passed a bill requiring lowa to join the Midwest Passenger Rail Compact.

Status: Died in the 2nd Funnel.

Veterans Plates – A bill authorizing 3 free license plates to veterans was passed out of the House Veterans Committee. Estimated loss to the road fund is \$90 million.

Status: Died in the 1st Funnel.

Private Consultants as County Engineers – A bill to allow a county to hire a private consulting engineer firm to serve as the county engineer was reported out of a House Committee. *Status:* Died in the 1st Funnel.

Mining Regulations – H.F. 1029 regulates underground mines. This bill was opposed by AGC. AGC and the lowa Limestone Producers were asked to and did develop an alternative regulatory proposal. Final agreement with interested parties was not reached

Status: H.F. 1029 died.

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Fall AGC Days & BBQ

September 11 - 12

BBQ, BEVERAGES and YOUR FAVORITE TUNES! Fall AGC Days and BBQ/Open House will be here before we know it so mark your calendars for Thursday, September 11 and Friday, September 12. Embassy Suites in Des Moines will be the site of AGC Day Meetings on Thursday and Friday, which will be committee meetings, breakfast with the DOT, and speakers. Sponsored by **Jim Hawk Truck Trailers**

From 4:30 to 7:00 pm on Thursday, September 11, **Martin Marietta, Merchants Bonding Company**, and **Hale Trailer Brake & Wheel** will once again be hosting our Annual BBQ/Open House.



Engineer Close Out Payments – H.F. 903 allows a County Engineer to sign off on final payment to a contractor without the need for Board of Supervisor action. AGC supports this bill.

Status: The House passed the bill, and Senate Local Government Chair Scott Webster moved the bill out of the Senate Local Government Committee. The bill was considered by the full Senate this past week and is on its way to the Governor.

All Systems Permits – This bill authorizes the All Systems Permit to be used on approved gravel roads in addition to the currently allowed local paved roads.

Status: H.F. 974 passed and is on its way to the Governor.

 $\label{lem:project Labor Agreements} \textbf{-} \textbf{A} \ \text{bill to authorize project labor} \\ \text{agreements on public projects was introduced.}$

Status: Bill did not survive the 1st Funnel.

Local Government Contractor Training – S.F. 603 had language that prohibits local governments from requiring private developers and contractors on private developments from mandating certain training requirements.

Status: Bill has been sent to the Governor for signature.

Retention - S.F. 574 passed the Senate which reduced retainage from not more than 5% to not more than 3%. In the case of a contractor and subcontractor it reduces it to the lesser of 3% or the amount specified in the contractor/subcontractor contract.

Status: Passed both bodies and signed by the Governor.

DOT Appropriation – S.F. 628 which appropriates the administrative funds to the Iowa Department of Transportation passed last week in the Senate.

Status: Approved and sent to the Governor.

Interstate Weights – The House passed HCR6 calling on the Congress to increase truck weights on the interstate system.

AGC Wishes To Thank

Special thanks this session goes to Senate Republican Floor Leader Jack Whitver, Senate Republican Whip Mike Klimesh, Senator Kerry Gruenhagen, Senator Dan Dawson, Senator Dan Zumbach, Senator Scott Webster, Senator Mike Bousselot, Speaker of the House Pat Grassley, House Majority Leader Matt Windschitl, Rep. Brooke Boden, Rep. Tom Determann, Rep. David Young, Rep. Chad Behn, and Rep. Bobby Kaufmann.

Also, thanks to Governor Reynolds and her staffer, Laura Book as well as Iowa Workforce Development Legislative Liaison Tim Goodwin, DOT Director Scott Marler and DOT Legislative Liaison Susan Fenton, Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship Legislative Liaison Haley Hook, ABI lobbyists J.D. Davis and Brad Hartkopf, Randy Olson and Members of the Iowa Limestone Producers.

And finally, the biggest thanks of all goes to PAC Chair Kurt Rasmussen, members of the PAC Committee, and Gina Swackhammer for her work on the weekly Blueprint.

Dan Graves to Serve on AGC of America's Board of Directors



Dan Graves of Graves Construction in Spencer was selected in April to serve on the AGC of America's Board of Directors for 2025. This board serves as the executive committee of the national organization providing guidance to AGC of America staff on an almost daily basis.

The 2025 National President is Todd Roberts of ERS, Inc. from Jackson, Mississippi. He is a grading contractor providing a wide range of services in Mississippi and Louisiana. Each national president gets to make special appointments to join them on the board during their year as President. Todd Roberts asked Dan Graves to serve with him as the two have known each other for over 20 years after initially meeting at the National Chapter and Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C. when Dan was President of AGC Iowa.

AGC Ballpark Events Enjoy Great Weather

AGC members enjoyed great weather, friends and family at the annual baseball games. The start of construction season is also the beginning of professional baseball. AGC hosted the annual games for both the Cedar Rapids Kernels and the lowa Cubs. These games were able to dodge the rainfall and enjoy a cool and dry evening of baseball.











ASPRO, INC.

Fifty-two years seems like a long time to do anything, but especially to navigate the ever-changing world of construction and specifically asphalt paving. Aspro, Inc based in Waterloo has done just that since starting in July of 1973. Brad Blough, Vice President/General Manager, Aspro, Inc. has been with the company for 33 of those years. Aspro, Inc. was first featured in an AGC of lowa newsletter in 1998 and has traversed many changes in the industry, but has maintained its integrity and values through the years.



One key factor that has helped Aspro, Inc. maintain their high quality of work is the group of 65 dedicated employees. "Our employees are the backbone of the company as anybody can buy equipment, but our employees make our company complete. We have very little turnover and have quite a bit of longevity for our employees. Several of our employees have 30+ years of experience and all these key employees are what make Aspro great," noted Blough.

Today, Aspro, Inc. runs two paving crews, plus a prep/grading crew and have two stationary plants in Waterloo/Cedar Falls area. They have 22 tandem truck drivers so they can do all their hauling in-house and work within a 30-mile radius of Waterloo/Cedar Falls. Blough said, "Whatever work comes around the area determines our season, so it fluctuates from year to year based on IDOT, city or county work. We are fortunate to have a local option sales tax that goes mainly to road construction, which has provided great year to year work for the Waterloo/Cedar Falls area."

When asked about memorable jobs or challenges over the years Blough had a few that come to mind. "We did some interstate work a few years ago and had not done that before. It was exciting to see the amount of mix we could put down and we tried some new mixes that are still holding up well today," says Blough.

Aspro, Inc. is also very proud of several projects they completed on I-380 through the years. Furthermore, Blough talked about some projects the company has completed at night. Blough noted, "We have done our fair amount of night work which can be challenging going from the night shift to the day shift and back and forth. However, I understand why the IDOT, city and county want these jobs completed at night, so they don't interrupt the traveling public. It is often difficult for the companies to find employees willing to do that shift and I am very proud of our workers for their efforts."

One of the challenges the company has faced over the years involves employees and unemployment. "When unemployment was reduced to 16 weeks, we lost some employees. We have since tried to lengthen our season to deal with loss of work for our employees and that seems to have helped with retention," stated Blough.



Aspro, Inc. has been dedicated members of AGC of Iowa for 50 years. Blough was quick to mention that Milt Dakovich, his late business partner who sadly passed away in 2022 was very involved in AGC of Iowa and an interictal part of Aspro, Inc. "Milt was deeply involved in AGC of Iowa where he served as President, was inducted into the Hall of Fame and represented countless committees over the years. Milt encouraged me to get involved in AGC of Iowa and was very proud as I served on the board from 2020-2023," said Blough.

Aspro, Inc. comes annually to the convention, fall days and utilizes the training program as much as possible for their employees. Blough noted, "We rely on AGC of Iowa for many things as it is a wonderful organization to be involved in and build relationships. It is great for outside firms to understand our longtime involvement and affiliation that Aspro has with AGC of Iowa. We also greatly appreciate the work that AGC of Iowa and Scott Newhard does to work with all the legislative issues to represent the members."

"Supporting local charities, churches and being involved in the local community is important to Aspro, Inc. "We are big supporters of the local food bank and look forward to helping set up the large nativity at a local church each fall," says Blough.

The future of Aspro, Inc. is status quo with hopes to maintain a steady amount of work. Blough said, "In the next 3-5 years we will probably have some turnover as many of our employees will reach retirement age and that may pose a challenge to fill positions, but we will climb that mountain when we get there. Our workload has been fairly stable, and we will continue to upgrade equipment and keep moving forward to success in the future."

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Article written by Mindy Carmichael





From The Director of Education By Mindy Carmichael



AGC of lowa members should be commended for another successful training season. We had a number of new members participate in training this year. In-house training continued to be the most utilized form of training although some of our specialized classes such Plan Reading, Staking & Surveying, Bridge & Culvert Carpentry and Stepping Up to Supervisor were also popular public classes. One of our most attended classes for both in-house and public courses is our Traffic Control Technician class. Trainees who complete the class get a certificate that is good for 5 years. As always, we encourage contractors to plan their training in advance so we can do our best to request funding from the IDOT and reserve the best instructors for your training needs. We encourage you to continue training during the construction season.

Please reach out to Mindy Carmichael, Director of Education at mcarmichael@agcia.org or 515-283-2424 if have questions or would like to set up training.

Build My Future

AGC lowa once again sponsored both Build My Future (BMF) Events this spring in Des Moines and Cedar Rapids. These events provided a great opportunity for high school students to preview various careers in all construction fields. Companies that purchased a booth are able to speak one-on-one with students and even perform limited demonstrations about the company's daily activity.



AGC lowa has supported these events almost since inception as workforce development has been a continuing issue for contractors. These BMF events have drawn record attendance each year as high schools are recognizing the great careers available and needed in construction and other trades.

AGC would encourage contractors to participate in these events as they are expanding in both Des Moines and Cedar Rapids.









Spring Days 2025 and Leadership Academy Graduation

The annual Spring Days event in West Des Moines has served as the unofficial kick-off to the construction season. The meeting has focused on providing members with solid information, lunch with senior members of the lowa DOT and finally we congratulated the 15th Leadership Class in as many years.

First, the group heard from Kay Oskvig, an employment and workforce attorney with the Whitfield & Eddy Law firm in Des Moines. She discussed several components of complying with Davis Bacon Laws, Family and Medical Leave Act, as well as employee hiring, firing, termination, and other workforce issues. She gave a fast-paced presentation and covered a lot of information.

Next, DOT employees Wes Musgrove, Nikita Rainey, and AGC's Mitch Dillavou held a panel discussion on the general rules concerning the federally mandates Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program (DBE). With some recent discussion about the program, it was necessary for a quick refresher on the history of the DBE and how it has operated in Iowa.

The annual Lunch with the DOT has been a mainstay of this meeting. This year Director Scott Marler and his senior staff joined the luncheon. Director Marler and Senior staff shared information with the membership concerning the upcoming season, concerns about federal funding, and program priorities.

Finally, AGC was proud to graduate the 15the Leadership Class. With Class President Karl Rasmussen out of town for work, the members heard from Brent Thier of Taylor Construction as he shared insights from the experience.



Sixteenth Year of the AGC of Iowa Leadership Academy Begins

On May 22nd another edition of the AGC of Iowa Leadership Academy kicked off and began the 16th year of the program.

At the first session, AGC Executive Vice-President Andy Warren presented the century-old history of the organization. Then AGC Sr. Vice-President for Public Affairs Scott Newhard detailed the long history and importance of AGC's involvement at the Statehouse and in the political arena. Over 100 years of legislators have come and gone from the State Capitol, and AGC has been a consistent and powerful force for the highway construction industry during that time.



The Texas-based leadership facilitator Ken Bradford has been part of the curriculum since the inception of the class. Ken has provided AGC members with tactics to improve their leadership skills which includes remembering names, public speaking, introductions, and running meetings.

The class President and Vice-President for this year's class are Tyler Sandquist, United Contractors, and Sean Callaghan, RP Constructors.

On Friday morning, the class met at the DOT Headquarters in Ames. The class met with Wes Musgrove Director of Construction and Materials Division and Mitch Dillavou, Technical Director, AGC and formerly at the DOT. After several questions and a great discussion, the class took a tour of the materials lab.

The next class meeting will be in Coralville in late August for their second session.

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TOM MANATT

MEMORIAL

SPORTING CLAYS TOURNAMENT

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140 shooters were eager to dust off their guns and hit the course at this year's 23rd AGC of lowa Foundation Tom Manatt Memorial Sporting Clays Tournament held at Highland Hideaway Hunting, Riverside. Each year the tournament honors the memory of Tom

Manatt. Tom was an avid outdoorsman and devoted participant in the sporting clays tournament. Members & guests were glad that the rain held off which made for a day of camaraderie and fun. A big thank you to Ryan Giannini and the crew for another outstanding job setting up and running the course.

The overall winner for the day was the AGC of lowa Foundation with the net proceeds of nearly \$21,000 helping to support scholarship programs, as well as coordinating workforce development and educational initiatives in partnership with AGC of lowa. Many, many thanks go to the sponsors and shooters who, through their participation, came out in support of the Foundation. Since 2003 this event alone has helped to raise over \$250,000 for the Foundation.

This year's team champions had a score of 432. The team members, shown right, were from I to r: Troy Mertens, Streb Construction; Jeff White, Road Machinery & Supplies Co.; Justin Neuzil, Stevens Erosion Control; Mike Little, Douds Stone (Retired); and Seth Rooker, Holmes Murphy.



Second place with a team score of 320 went to Kyle Rasmussen, Generational Wealth Partners; Ken Frost; Nick Blasberg, Generational Wealth Partners; Matt Runge, On Track Construction, and Mike Schick, Generational Wealth Partners.



Rounding out the top three with a score of 310 went to Ryan Uitermarkt, Iowa Bridge & Culvert; Jim Hotchkiss, Iowa Bridge & Culvert; Jake Hotchkiss, Henry Co. Secondary Roads; Jeff Sinn, Iowa Bridge & Culvert; and Greg Jones, Iowa Bridge & Culvert.

Individual high score honors went to Jordan Miller, Truck Center Companies, with an amazing 98 out of 100 clays.



The AGC of Iowa Foundation also wants to thank all the tournament sponsors.
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Company Profile: Acrow designs and supplies modular steel bridging solutions for temporary, permanent and emergency applications. With a focus on safety efficiency and cost-effectiveness, Acrow Bridges are used to enhance infrastructure, streamline construction and provide reliable transportation solutions. Their proven expertise deliver durable, innovative structures tailored to meet diverse project needs.

Matthias Landscaping Company (Contractor Member)

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Company Profile: Matthias Landscaping is a design/build landscaping contractor involved in commercial, municipal, and residential construction.

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Company Profile: Diamond Blade Systems provides diamond blades for PCC paving, patching, joint widening, and rehabilitation. DBS also has concrete cutting equipment and saws.

R.W. Engineering & Surveying (Associate Member)

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Company Profile: R.W. Engineering & Surveying provides land surveying and provides highway construction staking services. They also provide 3D machine control modeling services for grading and string-less pavers.

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Company Profile: GTI Consulting LLC partners with construction companies to improve profitability and streamline operations. They evaluate and fix backend business functions like: financials, marketing, workflows and staffing so that owners can better focus on their trade. Their veteranled team provides hands-on support, not just advice, to drive results.

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Company Profile: Concrete Supply delivers high-quality ready-mix concrete on time, safely, and with exceptional service in Western & Central Iowa, and Omaha, Nebraska.

FOUNDATION NEWS





The measure of a life is not its duration, but its donation.

— Unknown

President's Message

What a year for the foundation! I would like to personally thank the membership for stepping up and ensuring the future of this institution. The golf and sporting clays events were once again sold out. In addition, we have expanded the golf event to a 27 hole course allowing all members to participate if they would like.

Scholarships, of course, are a huge focus of the foundation and these are needed now more than ever. Our industry must support these young people seeking careers in highway construction. We distributed more money in 2024 than ever.

Please consider a donation to the foundation. We compete against many other industries for the best and brightest.

Thank you,

Sonny Hall
President, AGC Iowa Foundation
CEO/President, Rasmussen Group

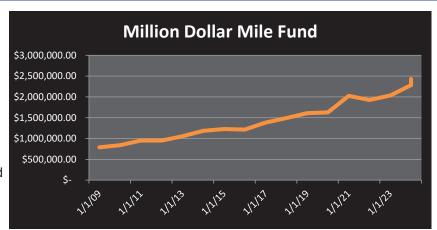
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FOUNDATION NEWS

Foundation Projects

The AGC of Iowa Foundation provides scholarships, sponsors programs, and builds partnerships to:

- Attract quality employees into the industry.
- Inform lowans about public infrastructure investment benefits.
- Recognize outstanding lowans for leadership and innovation related to the industry.



Road Scholar Heritage Society

Established to give special recognition to those who give \$1000 or more to the AGC of Iowa Foundation. These awards can simply be your company's name or made in honor of an employee accomplishment or other recognition. Your name will be in the annual Foundation Report.



# Scholarships by School each Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
lowa State University	7	10	9	10	8	5	10	11	5
Northwest Iowa Community College	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	5	2
Hawkeye Community College	3	3	2	7	8	8	9	9	11
Marshalltown Community College	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
University of Northern Iowa	7	7	6	8	8	6	8	12	10
Kirkwood Community College	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
University of Iowa	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Indian Hills Community College	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Des Moines Area Community College	1	1	3	3	0	3	3	2	1
Dordt University	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Northeast Iowa Community College			1	1	1	1	1	1	1
North Iowa Area Community College							1	2	2
High School Seniors: Diesel Tech and Construction Programs				3	10	7	7	5	10
Total \$ by Year	\$32,300	\$37,050	\$43,050	\$41,600	\$54,000	\$53,050	\$59,550	\$59,550	\$65,471





OUR MISSION

The Associated General Contractors of Iowa Foundation was established in 1997 and determined by the Internal Revenue Service to be a publicly supported charitable foundation. It is organized to foster education, support research and disseminate information to the general public concerning the construction industry. The Foundation provides scholarships to construction education students enrolled in accredited programs.

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This Year's Event will be even BIGGER.
Play 18 holes on a 27-hole course.
No more waiting list!

Help raise funds for the AGC of Iowa Foundation by attending our 29th annual "Dick Sojka Memorial" four-person best shot golf tournament. This year's tournament will be held at Beaver Creek Golf Club, Grimes on Thursday, August 7th.

Registration information was sent out in June so sign up now. Sponsorship opportunities may also be available. If you would like a copy of the registration information, or wish to help sponsor the event, please contact Ricke or Gina at the AGC of lowa at (515)283-2424.



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August 7	Dick Sojka Memorial Golf Tournament	Beaver Creek Golf Course, Grimes
August 21-22	Leadership Academy, Session 2	Hyatt Regency, Coralville
September 11	AGC BBQ	AGC Office, Des Moines
September 12	Fall AGC Day, Board Meeting	Embassy Suites, Des Moines
September 26	Leadership Academy Golf Outing	Jester Park Golf Course, Granger
November 12	Regional Meeting (Lunch)	The Rewind Hotel, Des Moines
November 12	Regional Meeting (Dinner)	Toppling Goliath Brewery, Decorah
November 13	Regional Meeting (Lunch)	Isle Casino Hotel, Waterloo
November 13	Regional Meeting (Dinner)	Radisson Hotel, Iowa City
November 20-21	Leadership Academy, Session 3	Hilton Garden Inn, Ames
December 3	County Engineer's Lunch	Veterans Memorial Community Choice Credit Union Convention Center, Des Moines

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