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President Chris Detje

Hello Flying Farmers,

It's been awhile since I've had to write a newsletter article. Summer has been very busy around here with Grandkids and ball games. We've camped once this summer in Clear Lake and hope to go again Labor Day weekend.

August 15th was my 52nd first day of school for driving school bus. The kids have changed very much over the years and so has the school registration, things have gotten very expensive; I don't know how the parents do it these days.

Carol, Alexis and I made it to Indianapolis for IFF Convention. My car was filled with royalty as I proudly brought home the IFF Duchess and Farmerette. Alexis slept most of the way home with her crown on her head, I believe it was proof she had a good time at Convention, that's what all my daughters would do on the ride home when they attended.

After Convention we had the Winding Stairs Festival, the Traer town festival. We kept busy working the Lions Club Booth and I also had my 55th class reunion. By Sunday we were ready for a day of rest. Monday night, Chad, Laura grilled steaks and corn while Carol helped serve for my QB Meeting. Carol promoted IFF that night; I think she may have someone interested. August 26th we'll have our Lions Steak Fry.

See you all at the Officers Meeting! We'll have the food and ice cream. I hope to see everyone!

Queen Carol Detje

Convention was quite the trip! I am honored to come home as the IFF Duchess as well as proud to say our Granddaughter Alexis is the IFF Farmerette. Alexis is our third Granddaughter and is the first to hold the Farmerette position. She is a very busy teen.

On the way home from convention, I thought, What does a Duchess do? Thanks to past Queen Tina, I have a summary of duties. My biggest job is to talk about IFF, that, I can do!

There isn't a lot I can tell you that Chris hasn't already! See you at Officers Day.

Farmerette Alexis Taylor

WOW! What a summer! IFF Convention was a lot of fun and bringing home the tiara of IFF Farmerette was an experience I'll never forget. I look forward to the year ahead.

I'm back in school, only, unlike the Grandparents, I actually attend the full day, not go home and nap between bus routes. I'm kidding, I know they're very busy! I have a very full load for my Junior year of high school. Classes this semester consist of Pre-Calculus, Spanish III, American History, English 11, Chemistry and Parenting. I also play trumpet, am in chorus, on the dance team and new this year Football Cheerleading. I look forward to my favorite Spring sport, soccer!

I'm excited for Officers Day!

Meetings Ahead

October 12th

American Pickers – LeClaire, IA

November 9th

Lara Rock Museum – Morning Sun, MO

December 7th

Pizza Ranch – Pella, IA

Next Meeting

Officer's Day

Saturday, September 14th
North Tama Activity Center
212 North Main Street, Traer



\$8.5 billion: The amount of money spent at family clothing stores in August 2012. Sales at bookstores in August 2012 totaled \$2.0 billion. For back-to-school shopping, choices of retail establishments abound: In 2011, there were 28,128 family clothing stores, 7,093 children and infants clothing stores, 25,448 shoe stores, 8,144 office supply and stationery stores, 21,227 sporting goods stores, 8,407 bookstores and 8,625 department stores.

79 million: The number of children and adults enrolled in school throughout the country in October 2011 — from nursery school to college. They comprised 26.9 percent of the entire population age 3 and older.

77: Percentage of children 3 to 6 enrolled in kindergarten who attended all day, as of October 2011.

73: Percentage of children 3 to 6 years old who are enrolled in school.

25: Percentage of elementary through high school students who had at least one foreign-born parent in October 2011.

11.8 million: Number of school-age children (5 to 17) who spoke a language other than English at home in 2011; 8.5 million of these children spoke Spanish at home.

15: Percentage of all college students 35 and older in October 2011. They made up 32 percent of those attending school part time.

42: Percentage of 18- to 24-year-olds enrolled in college in 2011.

52: Percentage of students enrolled in college, who worked less than full time, year-round in 2011; 20 percent worked full time, year-round.

3,068,911: Number of enrolled high school students who work less than full time, year-round; 145,740 students in high school worked full time, year-round.