

## **Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources**

### **President of Seed Company (Myron Stine)**

*Stine Seed Company. I manage a company that retails soybean and corn seed to farmers for planting*

### **Conservation Officer (Dustin Eighmy)**

*Dustin works for the Iowa Department of Natural Resources. It is the mission of the Law Enforcement Bureau to protect the State's natural resources, to provide public safety and to educate and serve the public. We enhance, promote, and protect the natural resources of this state through public relations, education, and law enforcement, thus ensuring for future generations the rights, privileges and benefits we now enjoy.*

### **Environmental/Labor Specialists (Justyn Lewis)**

*Lewis Lawn and Labor Inc. Environmental Labor Specialists.*

## **Architecture and Construction**

### **Construction/Skilled Trades (Dean Robbins)**

*Dean works for Absolute Group. Our infrastructure division performs sanitary sewer, water main, and storm sewer installations. We offer a wide range of services and products for residential and commercial concrete alike. Erosion Control division completes storm water pollution prevention and landscaping services for a variety of commercial construction applications.*

### **Plumbers and Pipefitters/Trade (Rob Cross)**

*I am an advocate for our skilled trades people. I started in the trades and was given so many advancement opportunities over my 27 yr career. I love to talk to students about the trades and what it takes to succeed going through an apprenticeship program, and what future opportunities there may be.*

### **Architect (Shane Larson)**

*Principal Architect at Schemmer Associates, Inc. Architects are problem solvers focused on the built environment. Architects generally work in a collaborative work setting and never have the same workday.*

### **Concrete Finisher (Spencer Hall) Residential Wall Specialist (Jace Chumbley)**

*Absolute Group. Pouring commercial and Residential concrete. The company has Ag and infrastructure options as well.*

**Director of Field and Personnel (Orv Otten)**

*Human Resources at Wolf Construction Services. Our company is in the business of building and finishing large buildings for people to live in. We primarily build apartments, hotels, Senior Living centers out of wood. We also install the "finish" carpentry materials: cabinets, doors, base board, and other fancy woodwork. The career path starts with hands-on work on jobsites, goes through being the jobsite leader, and may even get into office jobs like management of operations, estimating, accounting, etc*

**Arts, Audio/Video, Technology, and Communications****Recording Engineer (Bob Fitch)**

*Waveform Music records and produces various musicians, bands and groups. I also record audiobooks and voice-overs for radio/TV commercials. Audio production involves a combination of technical experience applied to detailed listening and musicality, and serving others with their artistry.*

**Graphic Design/CEO (Pete Lashier)**

*Lashier Graphics. At Lashier Graphics & Signs, we design, print, & install custom graphics & signs all around the country.*

**Director of Marketing and Communications (Anne Wemhoff)**

*Iowa Egg Council. I work to tell stories and promote egg and egg products through social media, developing partnerships with businesses, and working with farmers. I also work in event planning, sales and project management through developing marketing strategies.*

**Director of Graphic Design (Dillon Minshall)**

*Produce artwork for the football team at Iowa State using the Adobe Creative Suite. I do everything from digital to print design for internal and external usage. Photography is a big part of what I do as well.*

**Business Management and Administration****Human Resources (Josh Swanson and Zach Walker)**

*Business Administration Holmes Murphy. In Growth and Development I work to support our enterprise programs to develop our employees to be their best self and to bring their whole selves to work. At Holmes Murphy we pride ourselves on having a best in class employee experience and I work to support those efforts whether it's through developing resources, supporting DEI initiatives, or creating opportunities for employee engagement and career advancement.*

**Inside Sales** (Reed Hillenga)

*Beisser Lumber. Managing the supply and return of various construction materials for multiple different projects. Estimating/figuring materials needed for projects derived from numerous blueprints styles. Most importantly build lasting relationships with our clients to ensure every party involved leaves satisfied and ready for the next project!*

**Education and Training****Associate Professor of Educational Leadership** (Trent Grundmeyer)

*Trent is an associate professor of Educational Leadership at Drake University. Teaching, research and service at the university is required for tenure.*

**Teacher** (Jeanne Peters)

*I taught for 40 years in a variety of regular and special education classrooms. I am now a substitute at North Ridge.*

**Coach** (Shelley Twigg)

*Shelley is the Head Swim Coach at Waukee High School. She sets the vision, goals, and standards for the swim/dive program and teaches life lessons through sport. Also creates an environment where student athletes can thrive and reach their full potential.*

**Special Education Teacher** (Lisa Hofman)

*In my role as a Special Education Teacher, I support students who have Individualized Education Programs in the area of reading, math, writing, adaptive behavior and behavior. These students may not be working on grade level and require a different style of teaching or supports not normally used in a general education setting. I also provide support for teachers in a co-taught setting in which there are a variety of students with different levels of need academically and behaviorally.*

**Early Childhood Director** (Tayler Sorensen)

*A Center director is in charge of running a center efficiently and effectively. Their responsibilities are to recruit and train new staff, establish policies and procedures, and manage programs for children under 5.*

**Finance, Banking and Insurance****Financial Advisor** (Paul Soener)

*Paul works for Clarity Wealth Advisors he is an Equity partner in this wealth management firm. He does financial planning for individual and small business clients and manages both insurance and investments for clients in 20+ states.*

**Finance Manager** (Anthony Fitzgerald)

*PNC Bank works with large equipment finance. I loan money to people for big yellow things. I work with equipment dealers and customers to find creative financing solutions.*

**Insurance Agent/Multiline Representative** (Andrea Sabus and Alison Schilling)

*(Andrea Sabus)*

*I am a small business owner and agent for State Farm Insurance. We focus on helping manage our policyholder's every day risks by offering home, auto, life, business, and disability insurance. We also focus on assisting our customers by helping with retirement and financial planning.*

*(Allison Schilling)*

*I work with new customers to create a personal price plan that ensures they have the correct coverage on their home, auto, life, and business.*

**Investment Officer** (Bryce Block)

*Bryce works for City State Bank with people to develop a financial plan to meet their individual goals.*

**Government and Public Administration**

**State Representative** (Kenan Judge)

*I worked for Hy-Vee for 38 years. Raised a family with my wife Kathi. Ran for the Iowa house in retirement to give back and make a difference in my community.*

**Health Science**

**Flight Paramedic/Firefighter** (Dustyn Dickhaut)

*UnityPoint/LifeFlight. On scene stabilization/treatment and transport of critically injured or ill patients.*

**Veterinarian** (Aaron Wilson)

*Works at Grimes Plaza Veterinary Clinic. I am a veterinarian that works mainly with dogs and cats. Along with my veterinary responsibilities, I also own my own business so I have to balance both of these.*

**Physician** (David Stilley)

*Iowa Department of Health. David has worked for 5 years in rural family medicine including delivering babies, 35 years of emergency medicine and urgent care. Last 2+ years with the health department responding to COVID and ambulance service certification.*

**Athletic Trainer (Jerod Torrey)**

*I work for Athletico. My job is to ensure the health and safety of student athletes. This occurs in many different forms but encompasses preventative, emergency, and rehabilitative care.*

**Nurse (Kari Ford)**

*Kari works for Broadlawns Hospital. Pediatric Intensive Care, ER Trauma, Education, Employee Health/COVID coordinator*

**Nurse (Molly Lewis)**

*Unity Point- I care for individuals, families, and communities by promoting health and well-being, providing health education, and preventing and treating illness. As an RN, I work under a provider, taking vitals, providing education, administering medications, and documenting. As an NP, I diagnose patients, prescribe medication, order tests, and perform procedures.*

**Director of Nursing @ Spurgeon Manor (Brenda Lynch)**

*I am in charge of the nursing department at Spurgeon Manor. We care for residents in the post acute and long term care setting. We also have assisted and independently living residents.*

**Dental Hygienist (Christina Dill)**

*Grove & Platt Dental Associates and DMACC. Dental hygienists examine patients for signs of oral diseases, such as gingivitis and periodontal disease, as well as provide oral cancer screening and look for signs and areas of concern in the tissues of the mouth. Dental Hygienists also provide routine preventive care by scaling and polishing the teeth and provide patient education to fit each patient's needs.*

**Hospitality and Tourism**

**Hospitality Management/Managing Partner (Carl Wertzberger)**

*Carl works for Gilroy's. Hospitality management is a career path that typically falls under the hotels, resorts, lodging & restaurant industry. Professionals in this field create and run many aspects of the guest experience. Hospitality management is a broad field that involves overseeing the day-to-day administrative, operational and commercial activities of these businesses. My experience consists primarily of restaurants within the hospitality management industry.*

**Event Experience Manager (Bailee Arnburg)**

*I work with sports planners from around the country and locally to bring sporting event to Greater Des Moines. I assist them with their planning process from the moment they choose to host in our city to the moment they leave.*

**Senior Catering Sales Manager (Taylor Sievers)**

*I sell and plan all SMERF market events that take place at the hotel! THE clients I work with are primarily from the wedding market, and also expands into corporate networking events, educational events, and political events.*

## **Human Services**

### **Pastor** (Murph Hutson)

*Murph is a Pastor at the Lutheran Church of Hope. A pastor is called by God to serve a community and to lead that community into shining light and love to all they encounter. Pastors wear many hats. We work in care, preaching, teaching, as well as the operational and executive realms.*

### **Director of Admissions Cosmetologist** (Dani Phillips)

*Iowa School of Beauty. Cosmetologist/Licensed Massage Therapist. Licensed in Iowa to perform cosmetology and massage services.*

### **Mental Health Counselor** (Mary Doherty)

*I work primarily with kids and adolescents on counseling and outpatient therapy. I also manage our intern program to help provide additional services in the community.*

### **Hospice Worker** (Brent Osborne)

*My job is to provide spiritual support to hospice patients and families.*

### **Physical Therapist/Occupational Therapist**

#### **Childserve.** (Ashley Jobe, Melissa McGinnis)

*Occupational Therapists help individuals to be as independent as possible with the skills required to be functional each day. This includes teaching and helping to maintain areas such as developmental skills, fine and gross motor skills, sensory processing, visual skills, life skills, play, cognitive rehabilitation, feeding, splinting, daily living skills such as self-cares, leisure activities, and work, and utilizing adaptive equipment, if possible, to help be the most independent an individual can be!*

## **Information Technology**

### **Coding Web Development** (Mike Clancey)

*We write code. I work with teams of developers to design and build software applications for a wide range of businesses. We work with everyone from new startups to large corporations. Our main job is to help our clients turn their ideas into web tools and products that can bring value to their business.*

### **Tech, Marketing / Product Marketing Manager** (Dan Mackenzie)

*I work in marketing for cybersecurity companies. A large part of my job includes writing and speaking about the technology my company offers, in addition to being knowledgeable about the latest advances in our field.*

## **Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security**

**Attorney** (Grace MacAndrew and Johnathan Molony)

*Iowa Court of Appeals. The law is about rules, rights, and wrongs. It is a service profession where you help people with their problems. The profession is varied and is not limited to only certain personality types.*

**Army Recruiter** (John Moellers)

*Assist individuals with meeting their personal and career goals with the Army. Guide interested individuals through the process of application for the Army. Discuss qualifications for potential interested parties.*

**Polk County Sheriff** (Angela Wong)

*Polk County Sheriff's Office offers employment as a Communications Specialist (age 18+), Detention Officer (age 18+) and Deputy (age 21+). We also offer a youth Public Safety Cadet program for young adults ages 14-21 to explore public safety positions with the Polk County Sheriff's Office.*

**Firefighter** (Craig VerHuel)

*Johnston-Grimes Fire Department. Respond to medical emergencies, rescue calls, and fires. Conduct inspections of buildings and review plans for fire protection systems. Investigate fires to determine how they started.*

## **Manufacturing**

**Welding** (Dwight Clapper)

*DMC Welding and Repair. At DMC we fix or repair most things metal. We also are involved in many and varied fabrication and design projects.*

**Professor of Engineering** (Ryan Helleso)

*DMACC. I teach in areas of principles of electricity, Motor Controls, hand and bench tools, and programmable logic controllers.*

**Electrical operations Manager** (Montey Halls)

*I manage 8 crews, and 24 linemen in the DM Area. I will talk about job duties and the education to obtain a position with MEC.*

## **Marketing**

### **Business Associate** (Josh Swanson)

*I help candidates find the right position within Holmes Murphy. I also work with interns and recent graduates throughout the year. We are an insurance brokerage.*

### **Realtor** (Julie Quandt)

*Julie works for RE/MAX Precision. My passion is listening to clients, understanding their needs, and then offering them the information & guidance to help them in buying or selling a property. This process can be one of the biggest financial decisions clients may make so I am here to guide, educate and provide the best service possible.*

## **STEM**

### **TV Meteorologist** (Zane Satre)

*Zane is a Meteorologist for KCCI he forecasts & explains the weather to people on TV and other forms of media. The wider field of meteorology spans everything from emergency managers, to military forecasters, to flooding experts.*

### **Senior Research Associate** (Ashley Burns)

*Seed production planning and logistics for global regulated corn field trials.*

## **Transportation, Distribution and Logistics**

### **Automotive** (Clint Dudley)

I started Shade Tree Auto after a number of years as an ASE Master Technician and transitioning into a Service Advisor position. My beginnings as a business owner required me to find people and organizations that helped me develop the skills I needed to succeed.

### **Staffing Coordinator** (Sherry Meyer)

*Process applicants for Tier 1 position at the local warehouses.*