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Search to replace Evans begins

School board reviews plan that could have new person hired by end of June.

By JERMAINE PIGEE
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If all goes according to schedule, the new superintendent of the Burlington School District could be hired by the end of June.

The school board spent about 90 minutes Wednesday meeting with search consultants from Ray and Associates to set the calendar for the search.

The firm was chosen last week from among four prospects considered to assist with the process of recruit-



Evans

ing and hiring a successor to four-year Burlington Superintendent Jane Evans, who is retiring.

"We have a preliminary timeline that we put together," said Linda Brock, a representative of Ray and Associates. "Some of this is going to happen in a real hurry."

On June 4, the school board will meet to finalize the superintendent profile for the promotional flyer and the online application form.

The information for the profile will be based on an online survey. So far, the survey has been taken by 388 people, which include board members, students, teachers, administrators and community members.

The online survey will help develop the characteristics and strengths the district desires in the new superintendent.

Those who take the survey can select up to 10 qualities they want in

the chief administrator. There are 33 options to choose from, which include "possesses an earned Ed.D. or Ph.D. degree"; "possesses excellent people skills and can present a positive image of the district"; and "possesses ability to enhance student performance, especially in identifying and closing or narrowing the gaps in student achievement."

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2 seek county board seat

Broeker running for re-election as supervisor; Distelhorst challenges.

By KATHLEEN SLOAN
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The June 3 primary election will not narrow the candidates for a seat on the Des Moines County Board of Supervisors.

The two candidates — incumbent Tom Broeker and challenger Ann Distelhorst — are seeking backing from separate political parties.

Distelhorst, a Democrat, declined to be interviewed by The Hawk Eye prior to Tuesday's primary election and offered no reason for her decision. She may be counting on the area's strong Democratic leanings and her recent endorsement by the Des Moines Henry County Labor Council for the primary election.

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Angelou leaves legacy of inspiration

Poet, author dies at 86.

By HILLEL ITALIE
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Maya Angelou, a modern Renaissance woman who survived the harshest of childhoods to become a force on stage, screen, the printed page and the inaugural dais, died Wednesday, her son said. She was 86.

Angelou's son, Guy B. Johnson, said the writer died at her home in Winston-Salem, N.C., where she had been a professor of American studies at Wake Forest University since 1982.

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Angelou

Taking a break



John Gaines/The Hawk Eye

"Work a little bit and go sit and rest a little bit," Gary Pickett of Burlington says as he receives a glass of water from his wife of 40 years, Deborah, on Wednesday at his home. He was turning dirt and weeding his garden before planting zinnias.

Primary voters will select treasurer

Two Democrats seek to take lead spot in Des Moines County office.

By KATHLEEN SLOAN
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Tuesday's primary election will determine who becomes the next Des Moines County treasurer since only two people are running and both are Democrats.

Whoever wins has a clear and unopposed field come Election Day, and on top of that, the two candidates are similar in more ways than they are different.

Both are women, both have worked about 20 years in the Des Moines County treasurer's office and both have worked for the motor vehicle side and the tax side of the office. Both agree the current staff of 11 people is the right number.

Both refuse to speak ill of the other or claim superiority over the other for the office.

That is understandable, because, as one of the candidates said, they will be working together for years to come.

Janelle Nalley-Londquist may have an edge because the Des Moines-Henry County Labor Council announced it is endorsing her for Tuesday's primary.

The council's website states she's a member of Communications Workers of America Local 7176 and has served on its negotiating committee for three contracts.



Nalley-Londquist



Moore

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Obama seeks ground between intervention, isolation

President outlines foreign policy efforts in West Point commencement speech.

By JULIE PACE
and JIM KUHNHENN
Associated Press

WEST POINT, N.Y. — Seeking to redefine America's foreign policy for a post-war era, President Barack Obama on Wednesday declared the United States remains the only nation with the capacity to lead on the world stage but argued it would be a mistake to channel that power into unrestrained military

adventures.

Obama's approach, outlined in a commencement address at the U.S. Military Academy, underscored his efforts to straddle the line between global isolation and intervention. Neither view, he said, "fully speaks to the demands of this moment."

"It is absolutely true that in the 21st century, American isolation is not an option," Obama said in remarks to more than 1,000 of the military's newest officers. "But to say that we have an interest in pursuing peace and freedom beyond our borders is not to say that every problem has a military solution."

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President Barack Obama arrives Wednesday to a graduation and commissioning ceremony at the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, N.Y.

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