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### Kelsey Stupfell, TS Bank

Kelsey Stupfell, Director of Public Relations at TS



Banking Group (TSBG), spoke about her role at the bank. TS Bank has eight locations in SW Iowa. TSBG also owns charter banks: The Bank of Tioga with two branches in ND and First National Bank & Trust in Clinton, IL.

The sole purpose is to ignite lasting client and community prosperity, stating that we believe in helping people do more. "Giving" is one of the company's nine core

principles, whether it's helping people accomplish personal or professional goals, teaching financial literacy, or living generously.

Since 2007, TSBG has reinvested over \$5 million into communities they serve. This year alone, the company was able to offer 145 individual community grants. Stupfell stated grant requests for organizations are open now until Oct. 31.

TS Institute receive 50% of giving funds to teach financial literacy to students in area schools and needs based programs. TSBG also has focused on economic development and community revitalization including small business gap financing AND Covid-19 relief funds. Many small businesses were helped through TSBG with the SBA PPP program. TSBG was also able to assist 24 nonprofits which protected over 345 paychecks program through the PPP program. The company also reinvests in health and human services as well as youth and faith based giving.

REV is a live pitch event for startup small businesses to earn more capital and is sponsored at all three charters. The total given since its inception in 2015 is now \$100,000. Applications are due Sept. 10 and can be found at [tsbank.com/rev](http://tsbank.com/rev). The event will be held Oct 19 at PACE.

"AMP!" Is a new program for TS Bank in partnership with two other organizations to help local neighborhoods in Atlantic and CB (this first year) by providing funding for direct homeowner projects, neighborhood block initiatives and down payments. 14 homes were selected in CB and 3 in Atlantic. Home projects will begin in late Sept. with more news

coming. Just as exciting is that employees, community members and high school students will be participating in helping with the physical work for the final recipients.

September 13-17 TS Bank sponsors "TS Promise", a special school assembly program, at ten schools in the area.

October 12 TS Bank is sponsoring the "Impacting Nonprofit" workshop at PACE featuring two great panels.

November 30 is "Giving Tuesday" led by TSBG. Last year over 4000 items were donated by employees and clients, over \$2500 gifted in funds. Hundreds of lives were impacted through area nonprofits.

In 2020, collectively, TSBG employees contributed nearly 6000 volunteer service hours!

Kelsey concluded that working harder helps TSBG to be able to give more. "To live generously and pay it forward is truly an honor and blessing."

Next week's speaker will be Jane Leick, Treynor teacher, who received the 2021 Lakin Outstanding Teacher award.

**"God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; The courage to change the things I can; And the wisdom to know the difference." Reinhold Niebuhr**

### Meeting Minutes

Jordan Campbell, club Vice President, called the meeting to order at Zion Congregational Church on Sept. 4. Present were 12 members and one guest, Kelsey Stupfell. Jordan led the Pledge of Allegiance and Dee Gutttau gave the opening prayer. Chad Gutttau, Gary Gutttau and Ken Graham provided humor.

John Klein won the 50/50 drawing. Shelly Bailey won the attendance drawing, but did not collect.

**Birthdays/Anniversaries:** Josh Gutttau's birthday was recognized. Nathan Zimmerman and Bailey White's anniversary was recognized.

**Bragging Rights: (\$ are used for youth activities)**

- Jordan Campbell stated that the can kennel had 53 bags at each sorting!
- Chad Gutttau announced that Tom Cotton is the speaker on Sept. 17 at the Lincoln/Reagan Dinner at the Treynor Community Building.
- Bill Vorthmann thanked the Impact Group for providing pizza after sorting.

**BUSINESS:**

**Can Kennel Sorting:** Silver Creek 4-H Club has the can kennel for the next sorting period.

Flags will be put up after the meeting today. Flags will remain up for Homecoming.

Bill Vorthmann is working on the Optimist float.

**Community:**

Homecoming is September 10. The theme of the parade is Hollywood.

Zion Congregational Church will serve lunch before the parade in their parking lot.

Cardinal Core will sponsor a Punt, Pass, Kick contest at 3:00

**HUMOR**

**And this is where we ate lunch (truly) on my birthday, located in Elberta, AL....Judy Gutttau**



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**Calendar**

**Events**

- Sept 10 Homecoming
- Sept 13 Take down flags
- Oct 4 Pot Luck sponsored by Riverside Club  
Program: Child Safety

**Birthdays**

- Sept 16 John Klein
- Sept 22 Dee Gutttau

**Anniversaries**

- Sept 24 Phil & Jan Waggoner
- Sept 26 Bill & Ann Vorthmann

**Programs**

- Sept Shelly Bailey  
Josh Gutttau
- Oct John Klein
- Nov Jerry Hempel

**Speakers**

- Sept 11 Jane Leick, Treynor teacher received the Lakin Outstanding Teacher Award
- Sept 18 Steve Owens, new Regional Director of Fellowship of Christian Athlete
- Sept 25 Bryce Warner, Spec. Ed Teacher, Started Fishing Club for kids
- Oct 2 Tim Hamilton, CB Schools, E Sports
- Oct 9 Candace Gregory, CEO, Open Door Mission
- Oct 16 Casey Baragary, Treynor Waste Water Treatment Mgr – On-Site SEWER TOUR
- Oct 23 Brenda Mainwaring, CEO, Iowa West Foundation
- Oct 30 Bob Keysor, Army Veteran of Treynor Missile Base

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