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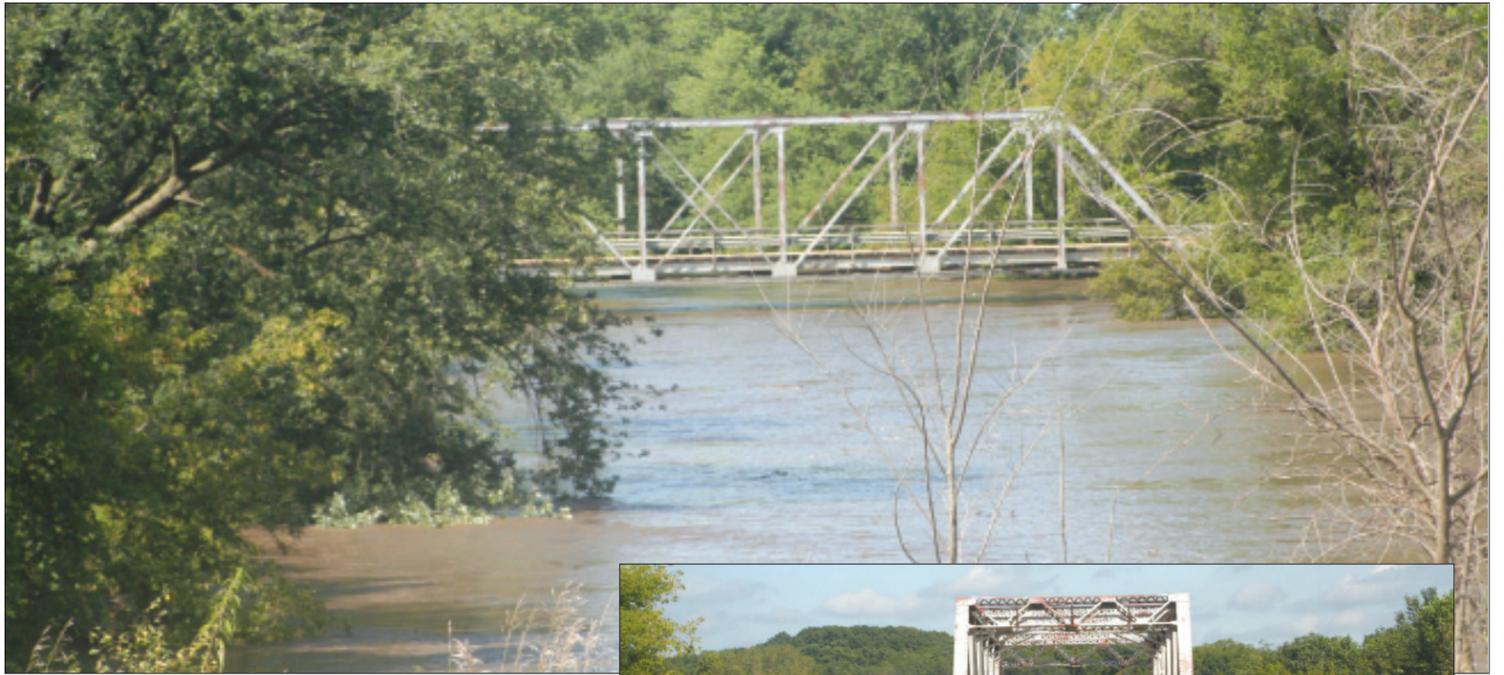


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## Rising water closes bridge for short time

Rainfall on saturated soil led to flood water around some rural Jackson County roads late last week. Water rising to the base of the Morehead bridge led to its temporary closing to traffic.



# Candidates vie for school board seat

By KELLY GERLACH



**MIKE NICKESON**

**Name:** Mike Nickeson  
**Age:** 50  
**Education:** Civil engineering degree from the University of Wisconsin-Platteville  
**Family:** Wife Teresa; children Alex, Alesha and Colin  
**Employment:** Hiring manager for Alliant Energy  
**Activities/Clubs:** Youth baseball and basketball coach, member of Sacred Heart Church, member of MCHS Project Lead The Way advisory group and career day speaker

Rural Maquoketa resident Mike Nickeson wasn't born and raised in Maquoketa, but he's become quite active since he and his wife moved to Jackson County 23 years ago. He hopes to continue his community involvement by serving on the Maquoketa Community

School Board.

This is Nickeson's first run for school board. He faces incumbent Marty Hudrlik for the district's lone at-large seat.

What he might lack in school board experience, Nickeson makes up for in professional expertise. As part of his job as hiring manager at Alliant Energy, Nickeson gives career presentations to middle school, high school and college students. Many of the people he interviews are fresh out of college.

"So I kind of see education from the front end to the back end of the process," Nickeson explained. "I see some kids lack some of the technical skills they need. I see some of the core skills they should learn in middle school and high school sorely lacking, and I want to make sure Maquoketa isn't like that."

Sharing his expertise, Nickeson joined the Project Lead The Way business advisory group at MCHS. The group oversees the engineering curriculum the district implemented a few years ago.

"PLTW exploded since (the district) offered the first engineering class," he said. He praised the district's other programs that offer students job and life skills, such as the On-the-Job Training program. He said he'd like to see the district and community offer job-shadowing experiences that

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By KELLY GERLACH



**MARTY HUDRLIK**

**Name:** Marty Hudrlik  
**Age:** 50  
**Education:** 1977 MCHS graduate  
**Family:** Wife Mary; children Mindy, Maggie, Mason and Macabe  
**Employment:** Maintenance supervisor at the Jackson County Courthouse  
**Activities/Clubs:** Member of United Methodist Church

School board incumbent Marty Hudrlik wants to provide the best possible education for Maquoketa Community School District students at the lowest possible cost to district taxpayers.

Hudrlik is running to retain his at-large school board seat. He faces Mike Nickeson in the Tuesday, Sept. 8 election.

Hudrlik has two years of expe-

rience on the school board. He was elected to the board in 2007 after defeating opponent Doug Knickrehm for the seat.

Since then, he said he's found the board meetings to be "very interesting. I enjoy the meetings. I want to make sure the students get a good education and I feel I can help that."

In the 2007 election, Hudrlik vowed to improve communication between the school district and its constituents. He said he's proud of the inroads he's made in that direction.

"One of the reasons I ran the first time is that when people would call the school, call a school board member with a question... they'd sometimes never get an answer. I wanted to change that. If someone calls me and I don't know the answer myself, I find out what it is and call them back," Hudrlik said.

"I think I have good common sense. I think I make good decisions and I live comfortably with the decisions I make. I think things through before I make decisions and I don't let people talk me into things," the incumbent continued.

He said he has friends who serve on other school boards and together they sometimes discuss general board issues that face all districts. Hudrlik said this open dialogue offers him additional insight when making decisions

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