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Iowans of the Day Selected for 2025 Iowa State Fair

Des Moines, IA – The Iowa State Fair Blue Ribbon Foundation and Cookies Food Products are pleased to announce the recipients of the *Iowan of the Day* Award for the 2025 Iowa State Fair.

The *Iowan of the Day* program was founded by the Blue Ribbon Foundation in 1997 to honor outstanding Iowans who have made a difference in their communities. From nearly one hundred nominations, the *Iowan of the Day* committee selected ten Iowans who demonstrate exceptional integrity, hard work and dedication to their communities.

Each winner will be awarded one day of recognition August 7 through 16 with a presentation on the Anne & Bill Riley Stage at 12:00 PM. Along with accommodations at the Des Moines Marriott Downtown, winners will receive Iowa State Fair admission tickets, Grandstand Concert tickets, use of the *Iowan of the Day* golf cart, VIP parking and a cash prize.

The 2025 *Iowan of the Day* recipients are:

Brenda DeVore of Promise City – Thursday, August 7
Emily Grell of Danbury – Friday, August 8
Barb Runneberg of Algona – Saturday, August 9
Donna Koch of Cedar Rapids – Sunday, August 10
Roger & Mary Sue Chatfield of Keokuk – Monday, August 11
Ruby Thomas of Coin – Tuesday, August 12
Donna Brown of Cedar Falls – Wednesday, August 13
Peggy Smith of Baxter – Thursday, August 14
Jean Saveraid of Huxley – Friday, August 15
Lou Sipolt Jr. of Altoona – Saturday, August 16

The Iowa State Fair Blue Ribbon Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. Since its inception in 1993, the Foundation has generated more than \$210 million for the renovation and preservation of the historic Iowa State Fairgrounds. For more information, please contact the Blue Ribbon Foundation at 1-800-450-3732 or Info@BlueRibbonFoundation.org.