We would like to recommend the Creston News Advertiser (CNA) for the Iowa Newspaper Association's Community Leadership Award. Their recent support of the Friends of the Library during a challenging time demonstrates their deep commitment to community service. When our storage space for the annual book sale was sold, CNA stepped in, not only offering space for our books but also providing a permanent location for the sale. This allowed us to operate year-round, rather than limiting access to just a few days each year. As a newspaper rooted in a rural community, CNA understands the critical role that access to information and books plays in keeping residents informed and educated. By generously donating their former printing press space, they gave our community more than just storage—they expanded access to books for those who might not otherwise have the means or opportunity to regularly attend sales or visit libraries. This contribution has had a lasting impact, fostering literacy and a love for reading in Creston and the surrounding area. For these reasons, I believe the Creston News Advertiser is truly deserving of the Community Leadership Award.

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