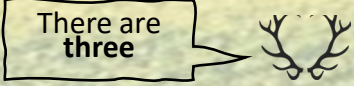


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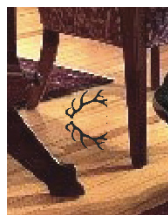
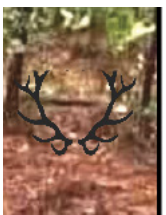
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**Robin and Jerry closed shop March 30.**

They and their team had a GREAT and VERY successful run. However, it was just time for Robin to retire and turn the business over to a new owner. The new quilt shop will soon start up in the old Prairie Star Quilt store on Main St (more about that in a future paper). Although I don't quilt, I will miss the happy times of barging in and harrasing Robin.



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Anybody remember ??



Outlook Study Club will be April 15th. Master Gardener, Connie Petersen, will be presenting on container gardens. If you aren't a member of Outlook Study Club, please join us to learn about this topic and see what Outlook is all about.

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## News From The Mill



We're almost there! Get ready for some Sunday fun and tour the windmill for a great cause! Every Sunday in April we're donating our tour admissions for the day to [Kids in the Village - Elk Horn](#) daycare here in Elk Horn. We'll have the windmill turning and have ensured food will be available!

Regular admission is \$5.00 per person ages 13+, all children under 12 are FREE. The tour consists of a 10-minute introductory video followed by a guided tour of the windmill which is getting NEW EXHIBITS inside. We've also extended our Sunday hours for the month and will be open 10 - 5 each Sunday.

Finally, thank you to our food sponsors for ensuring a place to eat each day. The first two Sundays will have [The Kringleman Pastries](#) serving aebleskiver and medisterpølse (April 7, 11am - 3pm), followed by [The Norse Horse Tavern](#) serving breakfast sandwiches and Danish hotdogs (April 14, 11am - 2pm). Both food options will be served at the restaurant locations on Main St.

And if the wind is there, we might be able to grind! We look forward to seeing you then!

Some exciting changes have been made at the windmill these last few days. Our first set of exhibition panels have been installed inside the mill, providing additional educational material and engagement opportunities for our visitors to learn about the mill and its history. These debuted last weekend, and we're especially excited about the archive exhibit. Visitors can now view a map showing the location of mills that affected the placement of our own windmill in 1848, documents related to the fires of 1865-66, and a curated section of pages scanned from the Vestergaard ledger with notes and

translation aids. The other subjects covered in these new displays are the millstones, the gear system, and the fantail. In addition to smaller signs being made to various smaller aspects of the windmill, we expect to complete a second set of panels coming soon that will cover the sack hoist, the science and nutrition behind cereal grains, Danish scientist Poul la Cour, and our own windmill's history as an electrical powerplant.

Most of these will be available for viewing during tours this month as we continue with our It Takes a Village fundraiser for Kids in the Village. Every Sunday in April, we're donating all revenue generated from tours to the local daycare. It's a great way to see all of the new things in the windmill for a wonderful cause. And don't forget we've secured food options, too. We want to thank Kringleman Pastries for sponsoring our event last Sunday, and look forward to next Sunday featuring breakfast sandwiches and Danish hotdogs at the Norse Horse from 11 - 2. Regular admission into the windmill is \$5.00 per person and members may contribute free-will donations for the daycare.

Lisa and Mike Riggs represented the Danish Villages at the U.S. Rebuild National Park Society's annual meeting last week. A gift basket donated by the windmill fetched \$180 at the auction with the top prize of \$3,000 going for a horse halter belonging to American Pharaoh, the Triple-Crown winner from 2015. Altogether the auction raised over \$80,000 which will go towards future programming for the United States Rebuild chapter.

In case you missed it. Iowa PBS is airing a new roadtrip series on the scenic byways. The first episode on the western scenic byway aired Wednesday April 3<sup>rd</sup> and features interviews with Shaun Sayres (Danish Windmill) and Tova Brandt (Museum of Danish America). The episode can be viewed online via our Facebook page or by looking on the Iowa PBS website. You may learn something new about all of the interesting attractions in western Iowa.

Finally, after some moisture tests in the video room, we've decided to finally put the Vestergaard logbook on full display. The book will be paired with an upcoming Danish Butter Cookie tin exhibit in the video room, and the mill artefacts currently displayed there will be relocated to the new display case inside the windmill. This case in the mill is also an update and features the display of both the US and Denmark flags presented by Senator Tom Harkin to the windmill board. We want to especially thank Gene Thomsen for building us a special box to display the retired Danish flag correctly. We're always grateful for the local community members who support us through their own knowledge and craft.

Shaun Sayres  
Manager  
Danish Windmill

## IT TAKES A VILLAGE

Kids  
in  
the  
Village



## DAYCARE FUNDRAISER EVERY SUNDAY IN APRIL

Every Sunday in April, the Danish Windmill will donate all tour admissions revenue to the Kids in the Village daycare center. Tours will feature brand new exhibits AND grinding (weather-permitting). Tours will run 12pm - 5pm.

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**April 7**

Kringleman  
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**April 14**

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**April 21**

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**April 28**

Spartan Pizza  
Food Truck

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My tolerance for idiots is extremely low these days. I used to have some immunity built up, but obviously there's a new strain out there.

GOOD NEWS!

## YES, THERE IS GOOD NEWS!

“For the word of God is living and active.” (Heb. 4:12)

In our previous article we looked at one aspect of how the Word of God is living and active. I would now like to consider another aspect of the Word of God and how it is living and active. Or should I say ‘How He is living and active’.

John 1:1-4 “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men.”

Many people read the above scripture and understand that this is John introducing us to the Son of God, whom we know as Jesus Christ. But it isn't until verse 14 that this idea becomes foundational. “The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the only Begotten, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.”

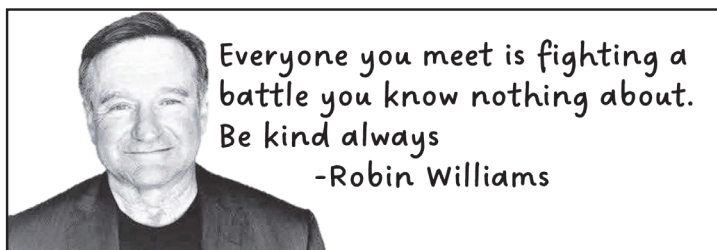
Truly, John is pointing us to the Savior, to the Messiah!! And it is at the end of his gospel (just before the epilog in chapter 21) that John tells us this, “Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.” (John 20:31)

Have you read the gospel of John? So then, if you have read it, did you come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God? Or are you one who has not read this gospel and yet state that you do believe? Let me emphasize here that it is quite dangerous to take the word of another human being for solid truth, especially when it comes to the understanding of one's eternal life.

Yes, you need to read this awesome piece of scripture. The Gospel of John is unlike the other 3 gospels. It is written in a way that is easier to understand. In this gospel we see the Messiah doing a great variety of tasks and, in a manner of speaking, ‘wearing many different hats’. He is the ACTIVE Word. In John's gospel He is shown to be: the Lamb of God, a wine maker, a house cleaner (the Temple), a teacher come from God, the Living Water, a prophet, the Savior of the world, a healer, a true Son of His Father, a provider, the Bread of Life, a messenger of God, a man of truth, the Light of the World, a Jewish Rabbi, a leader, the gate for the sheep, the Good Shepherd, a King, a house builder, the resurrection and the life, the Way the Life and the Truth .... And on and on and on it goes. And all of this found just in the book of John.

This Man of God, who called Himself ‘The Son of Man’, was all of these and more. This “active” Word of God, through the miracles and the signs and the wonders He performs, reveals Himself to be the “living” Word of God. Does He not fill your every need!! He is living and active.

Bill Rollins 4-4-24



Everyone you meet is fighting a battle you know nothing about.  
Be kind always  
-Robin Williams

## ITS ONLY SCIENCE

During my career with the railroad, I was introduced to the “Quality System of Management” This was developed as a replacement for some older management systems. However, the principles upon which this is based can be applied to many different situations.

It teaches that all work is a process. And every process has many steps or phases embodied within it. By breaking down each process into individual steps allow us to discover if there are problems in the process. Many times ,by doing this we discover that we did not get it right the first time. It allows us to find the root cause or causes that need improvement.

Unlike earlier management methods it does not blame the worker or operator involved in the process. It teaches that the better informed the person is in doing the work, the better the results will be. After all, who knows more about a step within a process than the person that is doing the work. They can point out if they are experiencing any difficulty in their part of the process.

The corrective actions are referred to as a “fix” for a short-term solution. Or as a “cure” for the ultimate action or actions taken for solving the problem. This work in a business is done by two groups. One group is referred to as a CAT (continuous action team) and the other group is referred to as a CIT (continuous improvement team). The CIT team is responsible for finding the root causes of any problems within a process. The CAT team takes their input and devises the necessary actions needed to correct the issue. They are responsible for creating the fixing or curative actions necessary.

While this may seem complicated, it allows for the broadest course of action to be considered. Does it require more training on a portion of the process? Or does it require a step to be broken into two parts to allow a smoother flow of the process? Is an equipment upgrade needed for the best results? And it allows the consideration of are the steps taken in the correct order?

This system can be applied to community planning and development. It can be used to consider the results of a new or existing ordinance. It can definitively point out if these actions will result in the desired manner. It can also allow the discovery of any actions needed for the favorable results to be obtained.

And even in a home or personal environment this system can result in your everyday life being more enjoyable and rewarding. By removing those little annoyances when things just do not work as intended allows you more time to just enjoy your life.

Bob Mortenson 3-21-2024.

“Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see.”  
— Mark Twain

Join us April 13th from 2-4 at the Kimballton Town Hall for our Mad Hatter Tea's. All ages are welcome



Cat in The Hat cookie decorating



Please welcome our newest library member. Count Olaf. He is an axolotl and was graciously donated to the library in memory of Ayzlee McCarthy, from Always Ayzlee. Come to the library to meet Count Olaf!!



Special thanks to Shelby County Community Chest for their generous donation to our library



One year clean, and then I ran into my dealer at Publix...





**Karolyn Ortgies, 83, of Massena**  
**January 11, 1941 — April 7, 2024**

**Karolyn Ortgies, 83, of Massena**  
**Celebration of Life Services:** Will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Fontanelle with a luncheon immediately following the service. Pastor Steven Broers will officiate the service. Private family burial will be in the Iowa Veterans Cemetery near Adel, Iowa. The Lamb Funeral Home in Massena is in charge of the professional arrangements. Online condolences

may be left to the family at [www.lambfuneralhomes.com](http://www.lambfuneralhomes.com).

**Family Visitation:** The family will greet friends on Wednesday, April 10 2024, at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Fontanelle from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

**Memorials:** Memorial contributions may be made to the family or be directed in Karolyn's name to the Alzheimer's Association.

**Karolyn Lo Ortgies** peacefully passed, Sunday, April 7, 2024, at Exira Care Center after a battle with Alzheimer's disease. Karolyn was born on January 11, 1941, in Atlantic, to Arnold and Erma (Petersen) Westphalen and grew up with her sister, Marilyn, on a farm west of Elk Horn. Following graduation from Elk Horn schools, she attended beauty school. Karolyn met Duane Ortgies while singing at a friend's wedding where he was a groomsman, and they were married on May 31, 1964. Together they raised their son, Tony, and lived in Atlantic where Karolyn was a beautician. In 1984, she and Duane moved to Elk Horn and established The Travelling Companion bed and breakfast and tea room in their beautiful home. She later opened The Tinder Box gift shop in downtown Elk Horn. Along with being a successful businesswoman, she enjoyed singing, traveling in the U.S. and abroad with her husband, friends, and many cousins, spending time with her granddaughter, Clara, and volunteering at the Danish Museum of America in Elk Horn.

Karolyn is survived by her husband, Duane Ortgies; son and daughter-in-law, Tony and Sally Ortgies of West Des Moines; granddaughter, Clara Ortgies, and her fiancé, Matthew Schmitz of Urbandale; brother-in-law, Charles Hansen of Atlantic; sister-in-law, Ardith Ortgies of Des Moines; and nephews, Derek Hansen and Tom Hansen. She was preceded in death by her parents, her sister, Marilyn Hansen, and nephew, Joel Hansen.

To order [memorial trees](#) or send flowers to the family in memory of Karolyn Ortgies, 83, of Massena, please visit our [flower store](#).

**Marne Elk Horn** to Host FGN Iowa Clash, a Statewide Virtual Rocket League Tournament



**Elk Horn, IA – Marne Elk Horn** is proud to announce its role as a Community Host for the upcoming FGN Iowa Clash, a statewide virtual esports tournament featuring Rocket League. The tournament will take place from April 26-28, 2024, and will be open to gamers in schools or communities with a participating Community Host.

The FGN Clash Series - Iowa Event will feature a 3 vs. 3 format and will be played in a single-elimination structure. Players will compete for a prize purse totaling \$7,500. The breakdown of the prize money is as follows:

- First Place: \$4,200
- Second Place: \$2,100
- Third Place: \$900
- Fourth Place: \$300

To be eligible to participate, players must not be current RLCS players, and at least one team member must live at an address serviceable by Marne Elk Horn or attend a school sponsored by Marne Elk Horn. Participants must also be 13 years of age or older.

"We are thrilled to host the FGN Iowa Clash and provide an exciting opportunity for local gamers to showcase their skills," said **Rachel Hamilton, CEO**. "Many local gamers play and compete on our fiber internet network, and we are excited to see them take on gamers across Iowa in this tournament."

Registration for the tournament is open now and closes on April 19, 2024. Gamers interested in participating can learn more and register at [fibergamingnetwork.com/iowaclash](http://fibergamingnetwork.com/iowaclash).

Marne Elk Horn, a local Internet, telephone and TV provider serves the communities of Avoca, Brayton, Elk Horn, Exira, Kimballton, Marne, McClelland, Minden, Neola, Persia, Shelby, Underwood, Walnut, and Rural Crescent/Honey Creek area, providing Fiber services in the vast majority of this area in southwest Iowa with future fiber builds planned for 100% Fiber coverage. We are excited to offer this opportunity to our local gamers and school districts.

About Fiber Gaming Network: The FGN Clash Series is hosted by Fiber Gaming Network, a platform that enables fiber providers to leverage esports to bring added value to gamers and build relationships with local schools. FGN is owned and operated by DxTEL, a broadband marketing company that serves over 200 internet providers across North America.

## Scratches From The Rusty Quill By Wava Petersen



You may think I am on a real family history kick as I often introduce some of our ancestors in this column. They just seem to come to mind when I am searching for a subject. As a result, this epistle is about my father-in-law's cousin Helen Petersen Andersen, a lovely, talented lady I was privileged to know.

Helen's parents were immigrants from Denmark who settled in the Redline community. Like so many other Danes newly arriving in America they spoke only the Danish language in their home. When Helen was enrolled in the local country school, she was informed that Danish children were forbidden to talk Dane, even on the school grounds. One day on the playground she forgot and spoke in her native language. "A classmate tattled on me and I had to spend the rest of the noon recess sitting at my desk in the schoolhouse." Helen paused a while, then added, "I always had that little 'pain in my heart' that if I ever saw him again, I would tell him just what I thought of him." Helen also recalled the disastrous tornado that demolished the Redline store and 'took' their place.

When Helen finished high school she began nurses training at a sanitarium in Nevada, Iowa, then transferred to Madison WI, graduating as an RN in 1922. She also took training in Chicago where she "pioneered" in the field of obstetrics. Most women didn't go to the hospital to have babies then. They were usually delivered by a midwife. According to Helen there hadn't been an OB doctor in Chicago previous to the one who hired her, and he was the laughing stock of Chicago's medical community when he opened an office in his apartment. But he got the last laugh as he later established an OB hospital and by the time Helen began working for him, he was delivering a hundred babies a month. In spite of the shortage of money during the depression he was being paid generously for each baby he delivered.

In 1926 Helen married Harley A. Andersen. Employment was difficult to find in the United States so the young couple accepted a church-sponsored challenge and became foreign missionaries, half-way around the world in China. Helen worked as a nurse and Harley was a typesetter at the church owned publishing company. Eventually, as the depression deepened the church was no longer able to support its missionaries. It was decided that Harley should go back to the U.S. and pursue his dream of becoming a doctor and Helen should remain in China where she was assured of a job. She would support Harley while he was in medical school. (There was no work available for nurses in America.) A British Hospital in Shanghai hired her as a nurse and it was while she was there that Helen met Madame Chiang Kai-shek. Madame Chiang had lived in the U.S. for 10 years between the ages of nine to nineteen and was quite well-versed in the American way of life.

"She really was so American herself and could speak better English than I," Helen explained. "It appealed to her to have me with her because I was American, so she offered me a job." Helen was hired to be "the companion-nurse-secretary for 'the Madame'" and traveled with the couple extensively. She accompanied them on 31 long airplane journeys covering a large area of China during the pioneer days of flying, an experience she admitted was a challenge because, "I just wasn't crazy about flying."

Helen told about one of the funnier, but at the time, most embarrassing experiences with the Kai-sheks. "We were getting ready to land and I was standing in the aisle putting my coat on," she related, "All of a sudden the plane

hit turbulence and I lost my balance. I fell and suddenly found myself sitting in the lap of the ruler of China!"

Helen was given many items her employer purchased in various places throughout China. An additional item given to Helen was a small ivory sculpture of a Buddhist monk with his Pekingese dog. According to Helen, Madame Chiang was a devout Christian. The General was a Buddhist but accepted the Christian religion after the couple was married. They apparently didn't want any symbols of Buddhism in their home and consequently gave the figure to Mrs. Andersen.

After two years working for Madame Chiang, Helen resigned her position and returned to America. When I questioned why she resigned, she replied, "I was exhausted. I was on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and completely worn out." And she missed nursing. "I had a good profession and wanted to get back to it."

Helen's husband passed away in 1973 and eventually she moved back to Harlan, Iowa. In the late 1970's she donated her Buddha statuette to the Shelby County Museum. The 400-year-old ivory sculpture was about 4 inches tall and was turning reddish in color, an indication of its old age. Sadly, the priceless artifact was stolen from the museum in 1997 and has never been recovered.

Helen Andersen was a remarkable woman. How many nurses can say their career included being the private nurse and personal companion of a world leader's wife? She was also very talented in many other ways. And therein I see fodder for another story at another time.

It was Lyle's and my privilege to hear Helen's stories in person while holding this interesting little figure of Buddha in our hands. Additional information was gleaned from clippings from the Harlan, IA News Advertiser.



### Immanuel/Bethany Worship Schedule for April

April 7 – Worship at Bethany with communion

Sunday School at Immanuel

April 14 – Worship at Immanuel with communion

Sunday School at Immanuel

April 21 – Worship at Bethany

Sunday School at Immanuel

April 28 – Worship at Immanuel

Sunday School at Immanuel

\*Worship time is 9:00

\*Sunday School time is 10:15





## **Historic Cabin Preservation Work Begins**

Harlan, Iowa – The Shelby County Historical Museum is excited to announce that preservation work has begun on the historic McIntosh and Leland log cabins.

The preservation process will include removing the crumbling chinking, replacing logs, making dutchman repairs, stabilizing the structures, cobb blasting to clean the logs, repairing door and window frames, reapplying chinking between the logs, reframing and re-roofing both cabins, and finally, replacing any damaged interior chinking. The work is estimated to take approximately 8 weeks, weather permitting.

“We are looking forward to documenting the preservation process and sharing updates with the community,” says Sarah McDonald, Executive Director of the Shelby County Historical Museum. “The project has been in development for several years, so we are excited to take this step in preserving the McIntosh and Leland log cabins for future generations.”

Tours of the cabins are currently unavailable and will resume after the completion of the preservation work. Museum representatives kindly ask that those who wish to watch the preservation work do so from a safe distance behind the fencing.

### About the Shelby County Historical Museum

The Shelby County Historical Museum was founded in 1964 by over 50 individuals who were passionate about preserving local history for future generations. The museum is home to two exhibit buildings and two historic log cabins built in Shelby County in 1856 and 1857. Each year, they welcome thousands of visitors who experience Shelby County history through free exhibits and programming.

The most expensive vehicle to operate in 2024



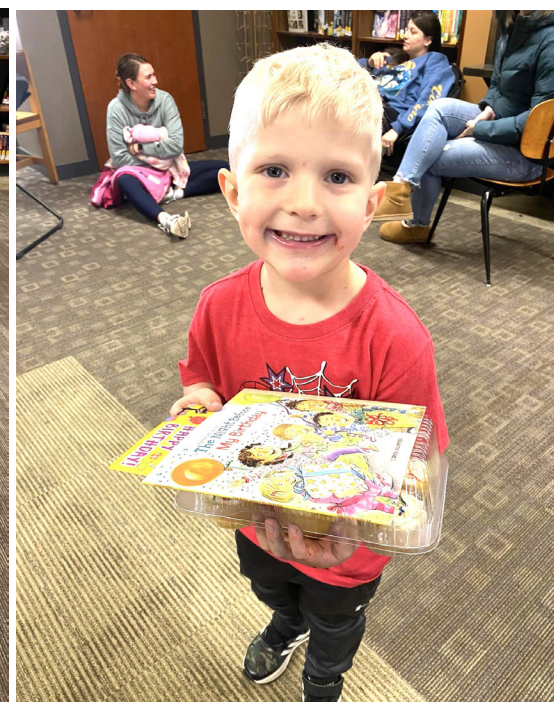
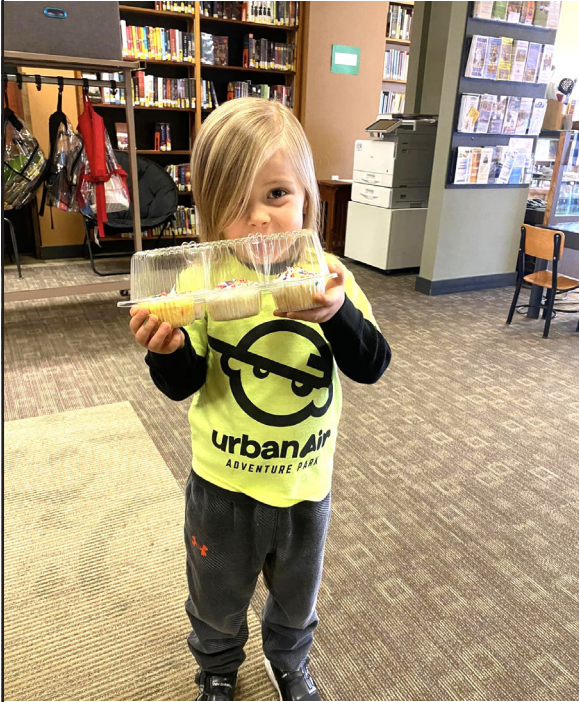
**When older people say,  
"Enjoy them while  
they are young."  
They are talking about  
your knees and hips  
not your kids.**

Coming soon to a street near you!

Street golf



🎂🎈🧡 We celebrated March birthdays at Story Time today! Happy Birthday Koe, Nancy and Linc! 🎂🎈🧡



It's the time of year for Spring cleaning! As you are doing this at home, please keep your eyes open for any books with our Exira Public Library barcodes on them, especially children's books!! We are going through our inventory and cleaning up ourselves and noticed several books are overdue! Remember we are a fine free library so no fines add up no matter how late the book is!



## OVERDUE BOOKS

OVERDUE BOOKS EVERYWHERE

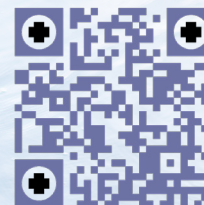
## FISHING FOR FUN!

ALL FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS OF AGE ARE INVITED FOR SOME FISHING FUN!

MONDAY, MAY 6, 2024  
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
NISHNA BEND RECREATION AREA  
(RAIN DATE MAY 13TH)  
MEAL PROVIDED FOR ALL  
REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS,  
PRIZES + BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

Each adult planning to fish must have a valid 2024 fishing license. Public Health's Learning for Life program will reimburse \$22.00 towards the cost of the fishing license (limit one per family until gone). Funding provided by the Community Chest.

FOR MORE INFORMATION,  
OR TO REGISTER, PLEASE  
SCAN THIS QR CODE AND  
CLICK ON 2024 FISHING FOR  
FUN DAY:



**MYRTUE**  
Medical Center



## Brown Bag Lunch Series Author - Anna Eckhoff Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at Noon

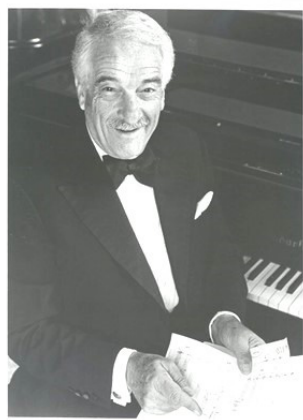
A New Beginning – Life on the Frontlines is Anna Eckhoff’s personal account of daring to go after your dreams despite those around you shaking their heads in disapproval, and about the inner development experienced living and working on the frontlines.

Anna Eckhoff is a mother of six and a grandmother of thirteen. At the age of fifty-six, she swapped her career as an IT project manager to work as the head of administration in the world’s hotspots, holding jobs at HGOs, the EU and the UN, where she worked in accounting, personnel, procurement, logistics and IT. She returned to Denmark at the age of seventy-one but dreams of again working internationally.



## Victor Borge Legacy Awards Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 2pm

The museum will host the annual Victor Borge Legacy Award Piano Competition and recital series in conjunction with the South West Iowa Music Teachers Association, the Omaha Music Teachers Association, and the Des Moines Piano Festival. This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be available after the performance.



## SPARK! programming Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 10am

Join us along with E-EHK’s preschoolers for an intergenerational morning of creative activities. SPARK! is cultural programming that fosters connection & encourages lifelong learning. Programs feature interactive exhibit experiences, and all programs begin with a coffee social and snacks.



## SPARK! Quilts & Storycloths

Our SPARK! program had a wonderful turnout in early April with 22 in attendance! Adam Bierstedt gave guests a brief introduction to our exhibition Fabric of a Nation: Art Quilts & Immigration Stories, and guests were also able to listen to Robin Hoffman and Heather Smith of the Log Cabin Quilt Shop as they shared the history of the quilt shop, how they fell in love with quilting, and quilts that are meaningful to them.

We would like to wish Robin and Jerry a happy retirement. We are grateful to have had such a wonderful quilt shop in town, and we are ever so happy to know that Heather will continue this tradition. Our next SPARK! program will be held on May 7 at 10 am.



A few thoughts:

It takes patience to listen.. It takes skill to pretend you are listening.

I don’t have an attitude problem.. You have a perception problem.

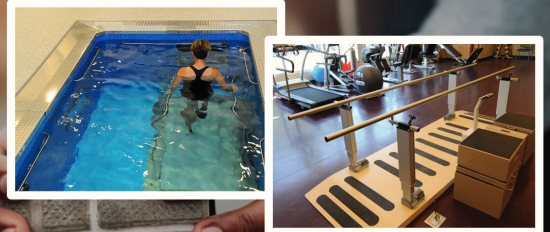
My mind is like lightning .. One brilliant flash, then it’s gone ..

I’m not shy... I’m just really good at figuring out who’s worth talking to.

“First you forget names,  
then you forget faces,  
then you forget to pull your zipper up,  
then you forget to pull your zipper down.”  
- Leo Rosenberg

### RECLAIM YOUR INDEPENDENCE WITH PHYSICAL THERAPY

- Aquatic Therapy
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### PEDIATRICS TO GERIATRICS SPEECH THERAPY

This service is offered to help with communication challenges, oral-motor concerns, and functional cognitive disorders. Some of these challenges include:

- Chewing and swallowing
- Auditory Processing
- Social Skills

And long-term diagnoses include:

- Autism
- Stroke
- Dementia and Alzheimer's

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- Tailbone Pain

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### Exira-EHK Schools 6m

See the attached document for the open positions in our dis... See more

Exira-Elk Horn-Kimballton Community School District has the following vacancies:

2023-2024 School Year:

Audubon-EEHK Assistant High School Softball Coach

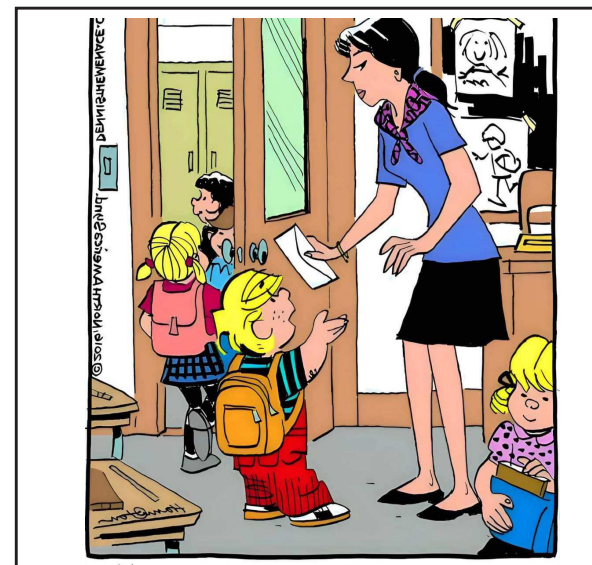
Substitute Bus Driver

2024-2025 School Year:

Secondary English Language Arts

6-8 Science Teacher

KIDS in the Village Very grateful for a \$1500 grant from Shelby County Community Chest



"YOU KNOW THIS NOTE WILL JUST MAKE MY POOR, HARD-WORKIN' OLD MOTHER CRY."



Duane Christofferson

1361 Little Field Dr, Elk Horn (712)249-1582

**The City Council of Elk Horn met in regular session Monday April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**, at 6:00 PM with the following members present: Mayor Jens, Councilmen Teegerstrom, D. Petersen, Hogberg, Creek and K. Petersen. City Employees: Chelsee Jacobsen, Jeff Nelson, Jerry Evans.

Mayor Jens called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

D. Petersen moved, seconded by Creek, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes 5, motion carried.

K. Petersen moved, seconded by Hogberg to approve March 4<sup>th</sup>, March 12<sup>th</sup> and March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meeting minutes. Ayes 5, motion carried.

Capital Projects:

D. Petersen moved, seconded by Teegerstrom to approve the engineering agreement with Snyder & Associates for Union Street Project for next year. Ayes 5, motion carried. (Washington St to Park St)

D. Petersen moved, seconded by Hogberg, to approve Park Street Pay App 1 to United Construction Services for \$22,898.80. Ayes 5, motion carried.

K. Petersen moved, seconded by Creek, to approve Pool House Pay App 4 to Viking Construction for \$14,449.50. Ayes 5, motion carried.

Creek moved, seconded by D. Petersen to approve Pool House change order for \$950.00 - ADA Chair Lift, and \$2,835 – Burying downspout drains. Ayes 5, motion carried.

Teegerstrom moved, seconded by K. Petersen to approve the development agreement for 4037 Main St. Ayes 5, motion carried.

Fichter discussed FY Budget 24-25. Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget hearing will be April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5PM at City Hall.

Clerk: Hogberg moved, seconded by Teegerstrom to approve Chelsee to attend IMFOA April 17<sup>th</sup> – April 19<sup>th</sup>. Ayes 5, motion carried.

Water/Sewer: The Council voted unanimously to approve Jeff to complete a wastewater course through Kirkwood Community College. Ayes All

Park/Pool: Mayor Jens received 7 donated trees for the park. Community clean up day for the Pool will be tentatively set for May 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM. Brandon Baggett provided his resignation from the park and rec board. Teegerstrom moved, seconded by K. Petersen to approve adding Allison Buckholdt to replace Brandon. Ayes 5, motion carried.

Library: The library board would like to put a story walk around the park trail. Paulette will come to the next council meeting to discuss it further.

Building Permit: K. Petersen moved, seconded by Creek to approve the building permit for 4218 Main Street. Ayes 5, motion carried.

D. Petersen moved, seconded by Hogberg, to approve the claims register as presented. Ayes 5, motion carried.

D. Petersen moved, seconded by Creek, to approve timesheets as presented. Ayes 5, motion carried.

Hogberg moved, seconded by D. Petersen, to approve the financial report as presented. Ayes 5, motion carried.

Creek moved, seconded by Teegerstrom to adjourn the meeting at 6:53PM. Ayes 5, motion carried.

<b>CITY NAME: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - CITY OF ELK HORN - PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY</b>				<b>CITY #: 83-789</b>
<b>ELK HORN</b>				<b>Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025</b>
<b>The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year City property tax levy as follows:</b>				
<b>Meeting Date: 3/25/2024 Meeting Time: 05:00 PM Meeting Location: 2027 Washington Street, Elk Horn, IA</b>				
<b>At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the City Council will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed city budget.</b>				
City Website (if available)			City Telephone Number	
None			(712) 764-5514	
Iowa Department of Management	Current Year Certified Property Tax 2023 - 2024	Budget Year Effective Property Tax 2024 - 2025	Budget Year Proposed Property Tax 2024 - 2025	
Taxable Valuations for Non-Debt Service	11,380,510	10,376,354	10,376,354	
Consolidated General Fund	95,255	95,255	86,850	
Operation & Maintenance of Public Transit	0	0	0	
Aviation Authority	0	0	0	
Liability, Property & Self Insurance	17,163	17,163	39,194	
Support of Local Emergency Mgmt. Comm.	0	0	0	
Unified Law Enforcement	0	0	0	
Police & Fire Retirement	0	0	0	
FICA & IPERS (If at General Fund Limit)	11,279	11,279	21,557	
Other Employee Benefits	13,731	13,731	13,629	
Capital Projects (Capital Improv. Reserve)	0	0	0	
Taxable Value for Debt Service	20,552,923	20,929,760	20,929,760	
Debt Service	77,448	77,448	77,499	
<b>CITY REGULAR TOTAL PROPERTY TAX</b>	<b>214,876</b>	<b>214,876</b>	<b>238,729</b>	
<b>CITY REGULAR TAX RATE</b>	<b>15.84388</b>	<b>16.94472</b>	<b>19.24093</b>	
Taxable Value for City Ag Land	378,890	300,402	300,402	
Ag Land	1,139	1,139	902	
<b>CITY AG LAND TAX RATE</b>	<b>3.00375</b>	<b>3.79159</b>	<b>3.00375</b>	
<b>Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed</b>				
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Value of \$100,000	<b>Current Year Certified 2023/2024</b>	<b>Budget Year Proposed 2024/2025</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>	
City Regular Residential	866	892	3.00	
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Value of \$100,000	<b>Current Year Certified 2023/2024</b>	<b>Budget Year Proposed 2024/2025</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>	
City Regular Commercial	866	892	3.00	
Note: Actual/Assessed Valuation is multiplied by a Rollback Percentage to get to the Taxable Valuation to calculate Property Taxes. Residential and Commercial properties have the same Rollback Percentage at \$100,000 Actual/Assessed Valuation.				
<b>Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:</b>				
Inflation in operating costs.				



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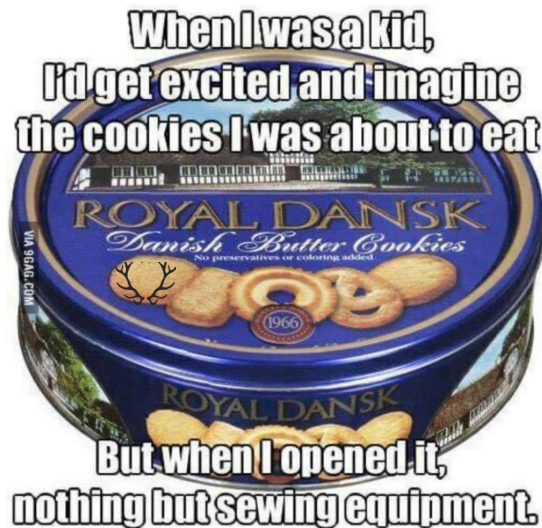
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### Polls are open for Tivoli Fest King and Queen!



# 2024



Cast your vote by April 19th at one of the following locations:

- SCSB
- Danish Windmill
- Elk Horn Post Office
- Elk Horn Library
- Marne Elk Horn
- Kringleman Bakery

## CORONATION DINNER SATURDAY APRIL 27TH 5-7PM

ELK HORN TOWN HALL  
A DANISH DINNER BY  
MASTER GRILLERS CATERING

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT  
MARNE ELK HORN AND SCSB  
\$20 PER PERSON - KIDS 10 AND UNDER \$10.00





## Podiatrist Dr. Michael Egertsen to Present at April Healthy U

Atlantic, IA – The April session of Healthy U will focus on common foot problems and diabetic foot care, presented by Dr. Michael Egertsen. The session will be on Thursday, April 18 at noon in Conference Room 2.

A native of Laurens, Iowa, Dr. Egertsen graduated from the University of Iowa and the Des Moines University College of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery. He completed his residency with the Department of Veterans Affairs — Maryland Health Care System. Before arriving at Cass Health Dr. Egertsen worked for the Washington DC VA Medical Center providing foot and ankle surgery, advanced wound care, limb salvage, sports medicine, and more.

Dr. Egertsen is a member of the American Podiatric Medical Association, a board-certified Diplomate of the American Board of Podiatric Medicine, an Associate of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons, and board-qualified by the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgeons.

Space is limited! A free boxed lunch is provided for all attendees, so reservations are required. Call 712-243-7479 to reserve your seat. For more information about Healthy U, visit [casshealth.org/healthyu](http://casshealth.org/healthyu).

## Della Woolsey First Recipient of Cass Health's ROSE Award

Atlantic, IA – Cass Health is proud to announce that Della Woolsey is the inaugural recipient of the Recognition of Service Excellence (ROSE) Award. Woolsey has worked as a housekeeper as part of the Environmental Services team since July 2017.

The award presentation was held on Wednesday, March 20 with staff and the Cass Health Board of Trustees gathered. Woolsey said she was stunned to hear her name announced.

"It was a shock! You don't expect people to pay attention to what you're doing, let alone appreciate it. It's nice to be recognized for doing what you love," she said.

Her nominator wrote: "Any and every interaction that anyone has had with her is met with a greeting and a bright smile. She stands out not only among her peers but also among every employee here at Cass Health. She does not need to be asked to take on tasks; she is a go-getter. She remains positive every day while at work. Her work performance surpasses all expectations. You'd never know if she has had a bad day with the smile she presents with every single day. Even though she has daily tasks to complete and is on a time crunch, she always stops what she is doing to help you, to ensure your work is done efficiently and our patients are cared for. Little does she know that we hear her out in the hallways while she is interacting with patients. The compassion that she shows patients while they are here is unmatched. She goes in to clean a room, and continuing to work, she has conversations and engages with the patients. They feel valued and present when they spend time with her. She will get them whatever they need when she asks what she can do for them while in the room. I have overheard a patient tell our winner once, 'You have made my day just talking to me.' She could not be more deserving of this award."

Woolsey said that working on the inpatient floor and talking to the patients is her favorite part of her job. "And it's never a special effort for me to talk to our patients and visitors—that comes naturally to me. I love it!" said Woolsey.

The ROSE Award was created to honor and celebrate non-nursing employees of Cass Health who exemplify dedication, compassion, and a commitment to service excellence in carrying out their duties and advancing the goals and mission of Cass Health. The criteria are being knowledgeable and efficient, being compassionate and respectful, working with the care team, and going above and beyond for others. Nominations can be made by anytime online at [casshealth.org/rose](http://casshealth.org/rose).





### Kimballton City Council FY 2024-2025 MAX TAX LEVY PUBLIC HEARING & SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES Thursday April 4th, 2024

7:00 PM  
PRESENT: Millette Shores, Mayor; Tony Petersen, Adam Larsen, James Mortensen, Terry Nelson, Scott Lange, Trisha Bell  
Mayor Millette Shores called the Public Hearing to order @ 7:00 pm  
There were no Public comments  
Motion to adjourn the Public Hearing @ 7:05 pm by Petersen, 2nd by Lange – Carried Unanimously

Mayor Millette Shores called the Special Meeting to order at 7:05 pm  
Motion to Approve the Special Meeting Agenda by Lange – 2nd by Larsen  
City Council and Mayor discussed the Property Tax, including Property Valuations and City of Kimballton Percentage of Property Tax. Property Valuation Increase is NOT set by the City of Kimballton. The City of Kimballton's Regular Tax Rate decreased by 2.46992 %. Mayor Millette Shores read Resolution 4-2024-2 – Approval of FY24-25 Maximum Property Tax Dollars – Motion to Approve by Lange, 2nd by Mortensen – Carried Unanimously  
Motion to Approve FNIC Insurance for the City of Kimballton and Kimballton Fire Department to be paid in full rather than Finance the Premium with Interest by Lange, 2nd by Petersen – Carried Unanimously  
Motion to Adjourn Special Meeting @ 7:14 pm by Nelson, 2nd by Mortensen – Carried Unanimously

When you gotta eat but can't afford to take a lunch break



**HAVE YOU EVER NOTICED**



**THE POLICE LEAVE YOU ALONE IF YOU AREN'T DOING ANYTHING ILLEGAL**

### THE CITY OF EXIRA WILL BE HOSTING A CITY WIDE CLEAN-UP DAY

**SATURDAY, APRIL 13<sup>th</sup>  
6 AM – 8 AM  
WEST SIDE OF CITY PARK ALONG  
JEFFERSON STREET**

HAPPY CLEANING ©

Appliances: \$15  
Computer Monitors, Laptops, TVs: small \$15 large \$20  
Tires: Car \$3, Truck \$5, Semi \$10, Tractor \$20



I want to go party tonight!

Sorry babe, car show season is less than 2 months away and my car is NOT ready!

People think I go out of my way to piss them off



But it's not out of my way at all



### Elk Horn Lutheran Church Food Pantry

*Everyone needs help with something at some point in their lives.*

The Food Pantry at EHLC is available to assist people in the Exira – Elk Horn – Kimballton school district who need a little help putting food on the table.

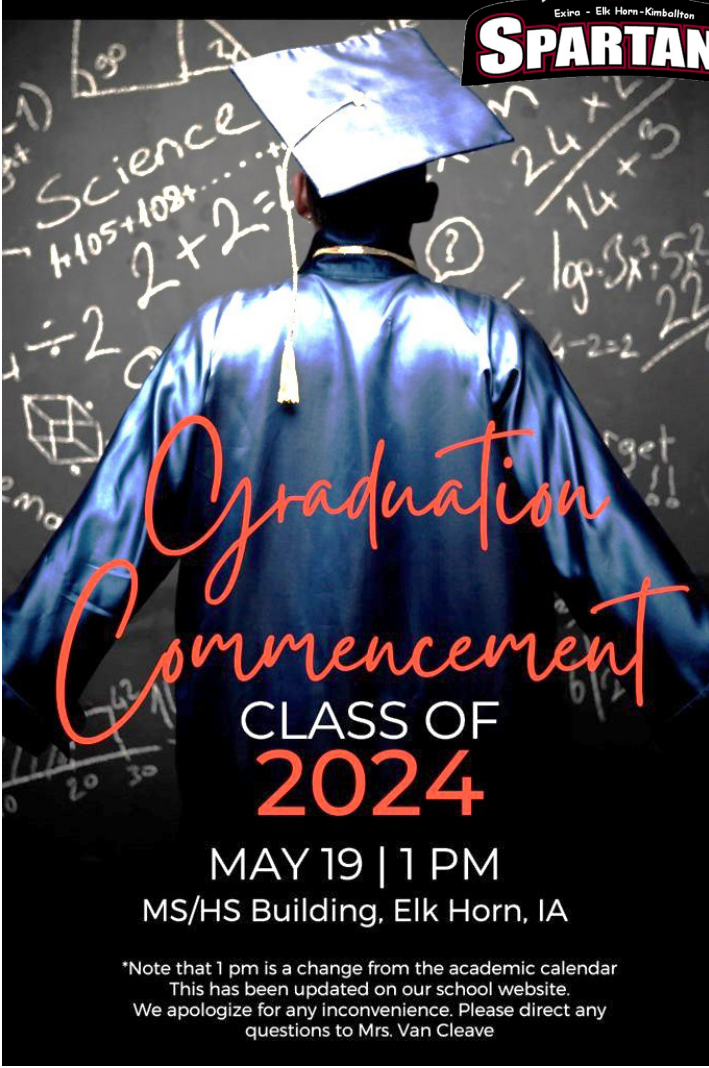
**Open Tuesdays from 4:30 to 6:30.**  
(Dates may be changed for scheduled church functions.)

To make an appointment please call  
**Juanita Erickson 712-249-6135**






"The Sun will Come Out Tomorrow"! We would like to invite you to our musical Annie Jr.! come see the hard work our students in the High School Choir has put in! I would bet my bottom dollar this is going to be full of great music and great dancing! General seating is available! Email: [cparmley@eehkspartans.org](mailto:cparmley@eehkspartans.org) with any questions.



\*Note that 1 pm is a change from the academic calendar This has been updated on our school website. We apologize for any inconvenience. Please direct any questions to Mrs. Van Cleave

**EXIRA-EHK CHOIR**

PROUDLY PRESENTS:



BOOK BY: THOMAS MEEHAN  
MUSIC BY: CHARLES STRAUSE  
LYRICS BY: MARTIN CHARNIN

ORIGINAL BROADWAY PRODUCTION  
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EXIRA-EHK HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA  
APRIL 13TH @ 7PM  
APRIL 14TH @ 2PM  
ADMISSION \$7

## ELK HORN PUBLIC LIBRARY TIVOLI FEST 2024

### LEGO CONTEST:

- Entries can be made into two categories - freestyle or kit.
- A person can have one entry in each class.
- Teams of no more than two can enter.

Entries can be brought to the library from Wednesday, May 22nd until Friday, May 24th. They will be on display on Saturday, May 25th from 12pm-3pm during Tivoli Fest.

### CONTEST AWARDS:

- **Theme Champion**  
Best lego build based on the Summer Library Theme "Read-Renew-Repeat!"
- **Danish Champion**  
Best lego build themed on anything Danish!
- **Top in Class**  
Best constructed lego build in it's category!
- **Library Award**  
Best lego build based on any book!"

### PRINCE AND PRINCESS CONTEST:

The newly-crowned royalty's presence will be requested at the banquet & coronation of the Tivoli Fest's King & Queen on April 27th. The Prince & Princess will also ride in the Tivoli Fest parade on Saturday, May 25th.

- Open to all Kindergarten thru 3rd graders
- Contestants' names will be entered into a drawing
- Winners will be drawn and announced on Friday, April 12th
- To enter please pick up the drawing form at the Elk Horn Public Library and return by Friday, April 11th

## Save the Date! Elementary Spring Concert is coming up!



**SAVE THE DATE**  
EEHK Elementary Spring Concert  
APRIL 18, 2024  
@7:00pm in the Exira School Gym

Who says the Best Man must be a person ??



Can I come with you on the HONEYMOON ??





**DON HUMMEL**

It's a dog's life! Now, hold on a minute. Maybe that's not the correct way to think of it. Just the same, many dogs benefited when Don Hummel enlisted in the Air Force.

In 1969 during Don's senior year at Iowa State University where he was majoring in Animal Science, he realized he would soon be drafted into the Army. Wanting to have a little control over his military life, he worked it out through a delayed enlistment with the Air Force to finish his semester and then begin his active duty enlistment.

Many of Don's plans had to be worked out in quick time. The most important was plans for marriage. Don and K. C. were informed that once he was inducted, he would have to work out wedding plans with his commanding officer. That didn't sound very appealing at all. When the pressure is on, it is amazing how quickly a



wedding can be planned. And planned it was!

Before the six weeks were up, Don and K. C. had completed their wedding arrangements and had a lovely ceremony. Don was sent to Lackland Air Force Base near San Antonio for basic training. After taking and passing a bypass test to become a Veterinary Specialist he was sent to Sheppard AFB for medic training. He would be providing health care for the dogs used in military service and the dogs owned as pets by military families. The sentry dogs were mainly very dark German Shepherds with no white spots on their fur to lessen visibility. These dogs were primarily used for flight line security. The dogs were a very important part of the military mission and needed top notch care. Not only did Don spend time and expertise checking on the health and care of the dogs, he also was responsible for inspecting all food and food facilities for the base.

Don wore many hats. He often was called upon to inspect the health and safety of the enlisted men's cafeteria. He remembers with a grin when the sewer clogged and was backing up into the kitchen area. The base commander, a Colonel, came to check things out. His decision was that the dining room would be okay to continue using. Don was shocked—just because the officer would be eating in the officers' cafeteria didn't make it right for the enlisted airmen to be put in such a situation. A short time later the NCOIC of Veterinary Services, a Chief Master Sergeant, came, looked the situation over and yelled "I know s---- when I see it and this is s—. No one is eating in this dining room."

An equally important part of Don's military training was as an emergency medic. Whether it was a dog or a human in need of medical assistance he was there, ready to help.

While he was stationed at McCoy Air Force Base, during a training flight a B-52 with seven airmen aboard crashed short of the runway. Not only were all the airmen killed, there were civilians who were injured and one lost his life. Don was called upon to assist in the recovery of the bodies. It was a heart wrenching job. The plane crash happened on Good Friday. Easter has been forever changed for him. He has never forgotten the price those individuals paid.





**OPTIMIST'S CLUB**  
*Bingo Night*

Prepare your rabbit ears and lucky charms for our Bingo Night Bring your family and friends for a fun-filled evening of Bingo, food, and exciting prizes.

05.00 - 7.00 PM

**SATURDAY APRIL 13TH**

ELK HORN TOWN HALL

All proceeds will go to fund our student scholarship program.

The poster features a purple background with a smiling sun, butterflies, a hot dog, and bingo cards. The Optimist International logo is in the top right corner.

## "Junk Journals"

This is us, taking a class from Laura Thraen on small Junk Journals. What a fun project. Thank you Laura



We are very fortunate to have Riley as a neighbor. She is so kind and thoughtful. Riley made us some valentine art. We liked it so much, we put it on our refrigerator. Riley and her Grandpa came by to see her beautiful art work. We were lucky enough to get this picture of her in front of her art work. Thank you Riley for the beautiful valentines.

