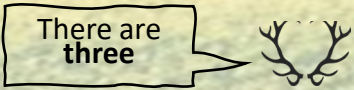




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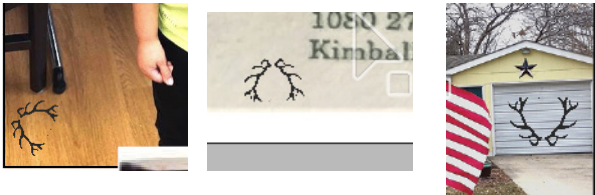
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ELK HORN:

• 4318 Union St.....**SALE PENDING**

• 4205 Madison.....**SOLD**

• 2007 Washington St.....**SOLD**

• 3 Lots-So. Sjaeland St.....**\$49,000**

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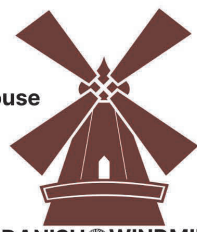
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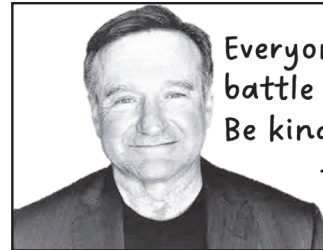
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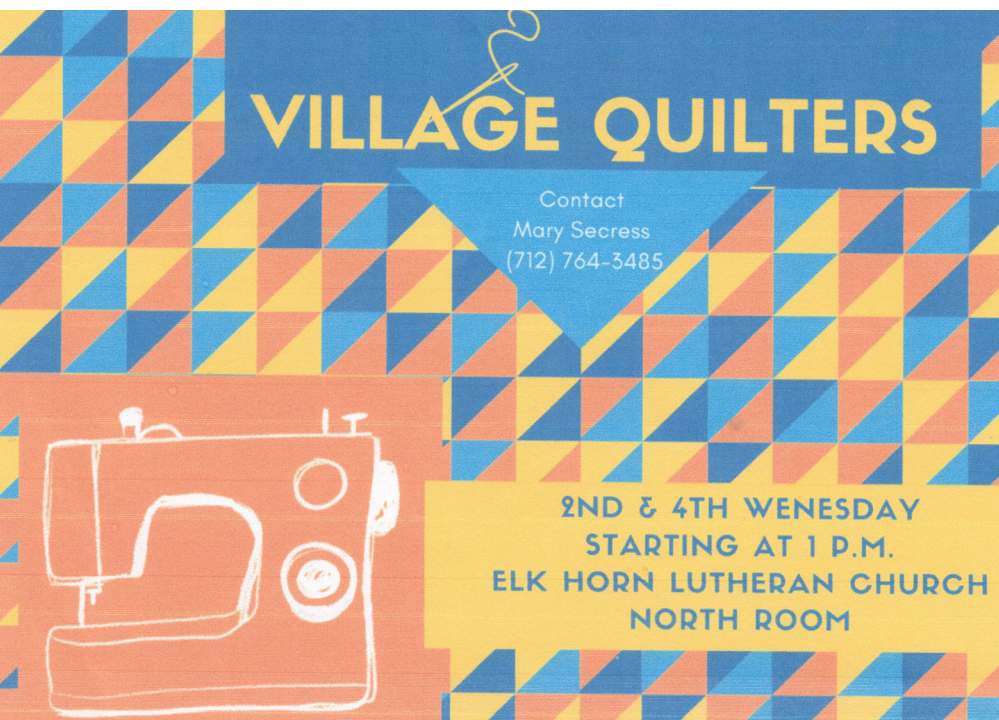
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GOOD NEWS!

YES, THERE IS GOOD NEWS!

In our previous article I ended with the statement that we live in a troublesome society – let me add that we live in a society that is getting darker by the day. Many have said that they no longer watch the news because it is always troublesome.

I know that the title of this article speaks of good news and I have striven to write about the things that God has promised for His children at a future time. The emphasis in that statement is upon the words, “His children”. Are you one of His?? Do you walk with Him on a daily basis?

The Apostle John wrote, in his first letter, “Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone has love for the world, the love for the Father is not in him.” (1 John 2:15) Remember this was this same John who wrote the book of Revelation and was privy to a vision of a very devastating future world. We may believe that our civilization is spinning out of control and we wonder how it is that we could somehow rejoice. We may also desire to comprehend our own love for the Father.

Let us take solace in reading a few uplifting scriptures from God’s word: “Blessed are those who ... walk in the light of your presence, O LORD.” (Psalm 89:15) In the presence of our Heavenly Father there is a light of hope for us to see with; as we walk in Him.

“The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death – a light has dawned.” (Isaiah 9:2) This is talking about that light that was to come into the world, specifically the land of Judea – Jesus Christ. He still carries that great light and He will illuminate our pathways.

“I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” (John 8:12) What an awesome statement this is from Jesus. First of all, please note that He did not say He would somehow light up our way, but that He is the light for our way and later in this book He will tell us that “He is the way”. And what is this light that He is? It is the light of life. We can have that light.

“For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light.” (Eph. 5:8) Do you see yourself as a child of the light? Are you one of God’s children? There are so many promises in the scriptures of good things for those who will accept the true light of the world; who will accept the Son of God as their Savior and their guide.

We can look at the world and see only the darkness or we may take the word of God and see the joy that is set before us. This doesn’t mean we will not get discouraged from time to time but the Savior is always there to pick us up and gently brush away the dimness from before our eyes so that we can see the reality of the future that He has for us.

There is no way for us to turn this society around but we do have the ability to see our lives from the perspective of our God. And that my friends, is good news!! Bill Rollins 5-17-24

Our Silver Years

My doctor asked if anyone in my family suffered from mental illness and I said, “No, we all seem to enjoy it.”

Just once, I want a username and password prompt to say, Close enough.”

I’m a multitasker. I can listen, ignore and forget all at the same time!

Retirement to do list: Wake up.

People who wonder if the glass is half empty or half full miss the point. The glass is refillable.

I don’t have grey hair. I have wisdom highlights.

Sometimes it takes me all day to get nothing done.

I don’t trip, I do random gravity checks.

One minute you’re young and fun. Next, you’re turning down the car stereo to see better.

Common sense is not a gift. It’s a punishment because you must deal with everyone who doesn’t have it.

I came. I saw. I forgot what I was doing. Retraced my steps. Got lost on the way back.

If you can’t think of a word, say “I forgot the English word for it.” That way people will think you’re bilingual instead of an idiot.

I’m at a place in my life where errands are starting to count as going out.

I don’t always go the extra mile, but when I do it’s because I missed my exit.

I may not be that funny or athletic or good looking or smart or talented..... I forgot where I was going with this.

Having plans sounds like a good idea until you have to put on clothes and leave the house.

It’s weird being the same age as old people.

When I was a kid, I wanted to be older. This is not what I expected.

Life is like a helicopter. I don’t know how to operate a helicopter either.

It’s probably my age that tricks people into thinking I’m an adult.

Never sing in the shower! Singing leads to dancing, dancing leads to slipping, and slipping leads to paramedics seeing you naked.

I see people my age mountain climbing.

I feel good just getting my leg through my underwear without losing my balance.

We all get heavier as we get older, because there’s a lot more information in our heads.

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



It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to an icon in our town. Our local pharmacy will be closing on the 30th of May - exactly 33 years from the day that it opened. The individuals that owned the pharmacy for 33 years, Tim and Mary Waymire and a dedicated employee of 30 years Shirley Weber, will all be greatly missed.

Tim grew up farming an acreage in Hastings, Iowa. 1988 Was a busy year for the Waymire's. After graduating from Creighton University with a Pharmacist degree in 1988 he moved to Elk Horn and worked for Pat Travis who owned the pharmacy at that time. In May of 1988, Mary received a degree in teaching from Midland College and moved to Elk Horn. Tim and Mary dated through high school, they

decided to make their commitment to each other permanent and married in July 1988.

On their free time, Mary is an avid scrapbooker and has filled their shelves with all kinds of trip and family pictures. Tim likes sports. He coached when his kids were in elementary. Tim is also "The Fireworks Guy". For many years he put on firework shows for several towns. Of course, his favorite town is Elk Horn. He has been doing the fireworks for Tivoli Fest in Elk Horn since 2001. He said he will continue to do the fireworks, depending on the amount of money Tivoli Fest collects for it. Tim and Mary have three children who all attended Elk Horn School.

Shirley Weber then became an important part of the staff of 3. What a gem she turned out to be. She has been employed with them for 30 years, since 1994. Shirley and Mary have both received a Registered Certified Pharmacy Technician certification, which is an asset to the pharmacy. Shirley and her husband have three children, who also attended Elk Horn School. Shirley loves to go antiquing with her sister and she likes to garden.

All three will be working at the Medicap Pharmacy in Audubon. It's tough to do - leaving your company of 35 years but they believe they will learn a lot from the new company. And, as Mary says, "you gotta do what you gotta do" We wish them luck in their new endeavor.

Their 35 year dedication to the community is best shared by one of MANY examples from a community customer:

"I wanted to share one of Tim's many acts of kindness to us, the public. I went to see my Doctor in Harlan at the beginning of the week. He told me he would write a prescription for me to continue the course of treatment. The prescription never arrived, and the doctor left town for a few days. On Sunday, the doctor returned and said he forgot to send it. To make a long story short, although the pharmacy was closed, Tim went in after church, filled the prescription and delivered it to my home." - Delores Nordby

A huge THANK YOU from the people of Elk Horn. You will be sorely missed.

Rumor has it that Tim and his daughter (Lexus) will be going on a world tour singing and dancing to old-time country songs.





Calling for volunteers to install **THE AVENUE of FLAGS**

**Friday, May 24, 5pm
at the Elk Horn
Cemetery**

Contact: Gene Mardesen



MAY 13, 2024

Mortensen receives Community Leader Award from Missouri River Energy Services

SIoux FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA — **Peggy Mortensen, of Kimballton, Iowa**, was honored with the Community Leader Award during the 59th Annual Meeting of Missouri River Energy Services (MRES).

The awards presentation was held May 8 as part of the Annual Meeting's program at the Sioux Falls Convention Center in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The Community Leader Award was established in 2003 to honor local officials from MRES member communities who have provided many years of service to their communities and public power systems.

Since 1999, Mortensen has served on Kimballton's City Council in various roles, including as mayor pro tem and as mayor. She was nominated by Carol Hartvigsen, who is also a former mayor of Kimballton.

During the awards presentation, MRES Board Chair Vernell Roberts said Mortensen has been a driving force in advancing Kimballton's electrical system to modern standards. "She's also written articles for the local paper about the past, present and future of the Kimballton electric system and has attended multiple MRES events, including the Municipal Power Leadership Academy, annual meetings, area meetings and policymaker dinners," Roberts continued. "It's very important to recognize that many people like Peggy serve in community leadership positions throughout the MRES membership. They each do it for the benefit of the communities in which they live, and their selfless contributions are very deserving of this award."

MRES is an organization of 61 member municipalities in Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota. Each member owns and operates a municipal electric utility. MRES provides its members with wholesale electricity and a wide range of energy-related services.

Scratches From The Rusty Quill By Wava Petersen



May, along with all those special occasions mentioned in the last Quill article, also brings graduations. I well-remember mine when eleven guys and eleven girls comprised the Elk Horn High School Class of 1950. The bittersweet mixture of feelings as pride in our accomplishments was counter-balanced by an equal amount of concern about what the cold, cruel world might have in store for us. Now, seventy-four years later, only five members of our class remain. I choose to describe us as four old hens ready for the stew pot and one long-spurred rooster. And I wonder why those turkey vultures keep circling ominously over my house. They seem to be waiting, waiting, just waiting. And they can just keep waiting because I for one am not ready to throw in the towel yet!

We may have gained a lot of book-learning during our early years of education, but I think most of us would agree that the greatest lessons of life came from living it. One lesson I gradually came to understand is that life is a great equalizer. And no matter how exciting or fulfilling classmates' lives appeared, we all had our share of mountain tops and deep valleys, our disappointments, and our victories. In other words, life teaches some great lessons.

As my mind travels back over the years to the high school graduations of our daughters, I wonder how we crammed commencement activities into our schedules during the busy month of May. As all school secretaries are well aware, the last couple weeks of the school year rank right up near the top as the busiest. Compound that with being a farmer's wife during spring planting season when in your after-work hours you also become the official gopher. (The gopher runs hither and yon to go-fer whatever hubby may need.) And you become the cattle looker-upper who wears many other hats as well.

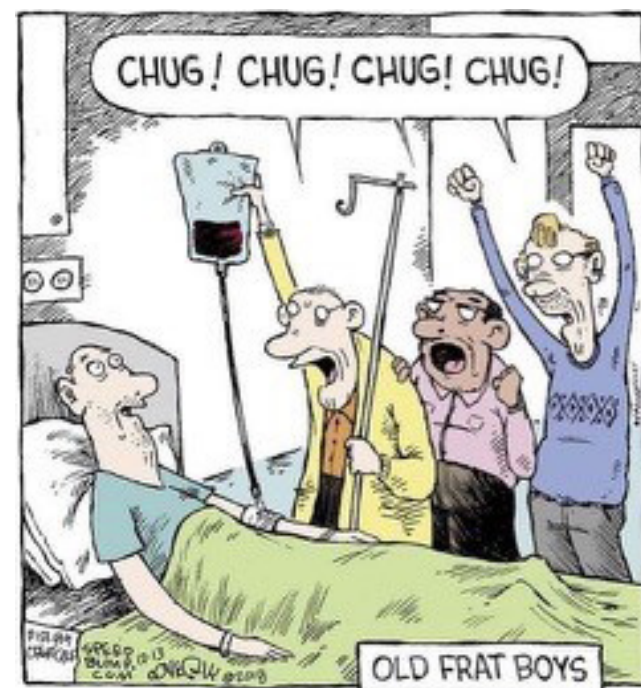
Somehow, we three ladies of the family got things spruced up a bit before the big evening of Jeri's graduation. The girls apparently decided the faded yellow glider that graced the lawn needed some attention and gave it a fresh coat of shiny black paint a week or so before graduation. That evening when Julie and her current boyfriend arrived home from a date, they decided to sit for a while in the glider. All was well until he got up to escort Julie to the door. The stark, black paint was not quite dry and the open-work grid design on the swing was boldly imprinted in black on the seat of his brand-new white denim jeans.

For Mother's Day that year the girls gifted me with a hard plastic birdbath. It really looked quite authentic but had to be filled with sand for stability. It was given a place of honor by the house and several chairs were located near-by for the men who preferred to sit outside during the reception party. After much ado the lady of the house looked things over, inside and out and pronounced it good.

The only chore left was the milking and that had to be done a little bit earlier than the usual schedule. The cows waited for the gate to open. There was no fence between the pasture gate and the barn. Ring, the cattle dog had stationed himself in his usual spot to make sure no cow went beyond the barn door. What Ring didn't see was the half dozen cows that made a detour around the house. Rounding up wayward cows can be almost as difficult as herding cats. But we got them in and the milking done, cleaned ourselves up and were ready to go. With a quick final inspection of the

house and yard I discovered to my disgust that one wayward cow had left her little round calling card right in front of that half-circle of lawn chairs. In one mighty, desperate swing, I hoisted that heavy sand-filled bird-bath and plopped it down over that soupy cow pie. And we made it to the graduation ceremony with a few minutes to spare.

Congratulations to all the 2024 graduates of the area schools. May each one of you enjoy a healthy, successful future. And a heart-felt Thank You to all of our Service members and Veterans. Your service is truly appreciated.



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EXIRA Book Club
Wednesday, May 29 6PM



Exira Residents Invited to Share Ideas at Design Workshop

Contacts:

Meg Andersen, 712-268-2187

Karen Johlas-Szalkowski, Trees Forever, 515-380-3966

EXIRA, IA – Residents will have the opportunity to share their ideas for improving Exira at an interactive design workshop hosted by the Exira community visioning committee at the City Park on Friday June 7th. This workshop is the culmination of an input-gathering process to identify transportation needs and opportunities for enhancements in Exira. Information collected at public input gathering events conducted earlier this spring will be incorporated into a conceptual transportation and landscape enhancement plan.

A design team will be working at Exira City Park throughout the workshop to develop a conceptual plan that meets the goals and needs of Exira. The public is invited and encouraged to stop in between 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM to provide input on the designs. Results from focus-group workshops and the random-sample transportation survey will also be available. The workshop will conclude with a review of the preliminary designs created during the workshop. The review is from 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM at the City Park and is open to the public.

To learn more about participating in the design workshop, please call Meg Andersen at 712-268-2187 or Karen Johlas-Szalkowski, Trees Forever field coordinator, at 515-380-3966.

The Iowa's Living Roadways Community Visioning Program is sponsored by the Iowa Department of Transportation in partnership with Iowa State University Extension Landscape Architecture and Trees Forever.

An Invitation to Participate

...in Designing Your Community



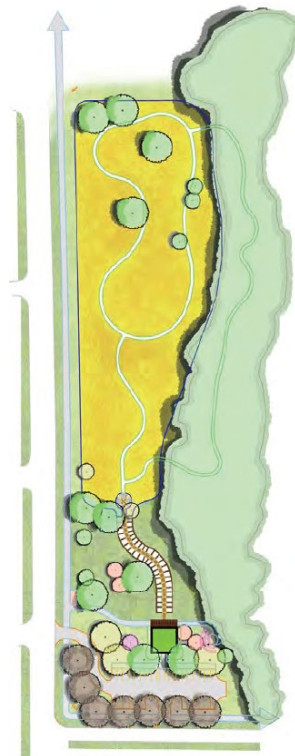
Exira is participating in this year's Community Visioning Program. The goal of this project is to develop a landscape plan that illustrates the vision of The City of Exira. Your input is an important part of this process and your ideas about community design and enhancement are valuable to the COMMUNITY visioning committee.

Join us for a design workshop...

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This is your chance to make an impact on the future of Exira!



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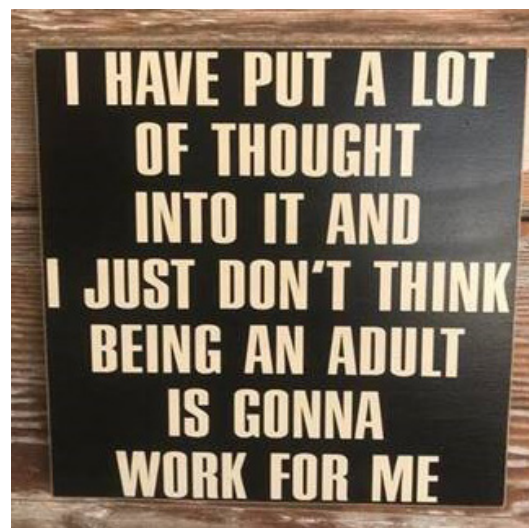
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Daryle Moeller
77, of Elk Horn, IA,

Daryle Moeller, 77, of Elk Horn, IA, died Sunday, May 19, 2024, in Omaha, NE.

Visitation will be this Thursday, May 23, 5 to 7pm at Elk Horn Lutheran Church.

Military Honors Service will be Friday morning, May 24 at 10am Elk Horn Lutheran Church.

Roland Funeral Service is caring for Daryle's family and the arrangements. Condolences may be left at www.rolandfuneralservice.com.

To order memorial trees or send flowers to the family in memory of Daryle Moeller, please visit our flower store.

Dorothy Hansen December 6, 1931 — January 26, 2024 Altoona, formerly of Kimballton



Dorothy (Lange) Marchellino Hansen, formerly of Kimballton, passed away Friday, January 26, 2024, at Altoona Nursing and Rehab, surrounded by her family. She was 92 years old. Her interment and graveside service will be Saturday, May 25th at 1:00 p.m. at Bethany Lutheran Church Cemetery near Kimballton, Iowa. Ohde Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Financial memorials may be directed to the Bethany Lutheran Church cemetery fund.

Dorothy was born to Dagmar (Mortensen) and L. Peter Lange on December 6, 1931. In addition to being a wife and mother, Dorothy held several positions during her working life. She worked as a homemaker health aide, a meat packer, an office manager, and after retirement, as a senior aid at Iowa Workforce Development. Dorothy loved to dance and attended dances as long as she was physically able to do so. She also loved to embroider, and many of her family and friends have received embroidered tablecloths and pillowcases over the years.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents; her 10 siblings; her husband F. J. Marchellino; her sons James Marchellino and Tony Marchellino; and her grandchildren: Raym, Cathryn, and Jami. She is survived by daughter-in-law, Dale Marchellino; daughter, Keri Holmes Rojas (Efrain); grandsons: Austin Stone (Nikki), Noah Allison (Kerri); granddaughter Megan Bruneau (Daniel); and several great grandchildren.

Memorials may be directed to the Bethany Lutheran Church Cemetery Fund, Kimballton, Iowa 51543.

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



Spring 2024 Recipient:
MICHELLE WAGEMAN, RN, BSN
Inpatient Nurse

**AN EXTRAORDINARY NURSE IS
RECOGNIZED AT
Myrtue Medical Center**

MAY 8, 2024 (HARLAN, IA) – Nurses at Myrtue Medical Center are being honored with **The DAISY Award® For Extraordinary Nurses**. The award is part of the DAISY Foundation’s programs to recognize the super-human efforts nurses perform every day.

The not-for-profit DAISY Foundation was established by family members in memory of J. Patrick Barnes. Barnes died at the age of 33, in late 1999, from complications of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP), a little-known autoimmune disease. The care he and his family received from nurses while he was ill inspired this unique means of thanking nurses for making a profound difference in the lives of their patients and patient families. Shortly after Patrick’s death, the nonprofit DAISY Foundation was formed with DAISY standing for **D**iseases **A**ttacking the Immune **S**ystem.

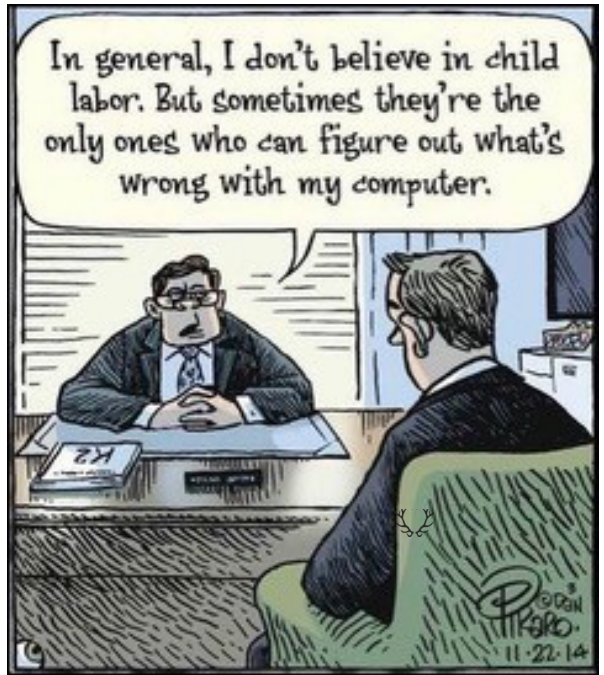
Myrtue Medical Center implemented The DAISY Award nomination in 2019 and an honoree is recognized twice per year in a special ceremony. In May 2024, during National Nurses Week, the DAISY award recipient at Myrtue Medical Center was Michelle Wageman, RN, BSN, who is a nurse in Myrtue’s Inpatient Department. Michelle’s winning nomination expressed the exceptional care she provided to the writer’s elderly mother, while also addressing all health issues efficiently and with kindness. The writer also wrote how Michelle’s care was instrumental in the mother’s recovery and return

to her original living situation.

The DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses is recognized by healthcare facilities globally as a way to honor nurses. Patients, visitors, families, and colleagues can nominate nurses for this award. A multidisciplinary team selects the recipients. Nomination forms and collection boxes can be found in waiting areas across the facility or on Myrtue’s website. “This award truly highlights the incredible work our nurses do every single day for patients, families, and staff. We are proud to be among the healthcare organizations participating in the DAISY Award program,” stated Karen Buman, Chief Nursing Officer. Congratulations to Michelle on receiving this honor and being a healthcare hero right here at Myrtue Medical Center!



"I replace forgotten memories with stuff I make up."





Thank You!

We would like to thank the Elk Horn and Kimballton Fire Departments for their quick response in putting out our field fire and also for Exira and Brayton Fire Departments for responding to. It was very much appreciated.
Allan Petersen

CITY OF EXIRA

DONATIONS FOR GREENFIELD

On May 21st, the City of Greenfield was struck by a devastating tornado. The City of Exira is asking for your help to collect disaster relief items and supplies to donate to the citizens of Greenfield.

SUPPLIES THEY ARE ASKING FOR:

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- WORK GLOVES
- SHOVELS
- RAKES
- TOILET PAPER
- PAPER TOWELS
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EXIRA, IA 50076

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EXIRA, IA 50076

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FOR QUESTIONS, CALL OR TEXT MEG ANDERSON, CITY CLERK, AT (610) 390-0370

Elk Horn is a city in Shelby County, Iowa, United States. The population was 601 at the time of the 2020 census. Elk Horn is known as an enclave of Danish ethnicity and is home to the Museum of Danish America.

Elk Horn was platted in 1901, and incorporated as a town in 1910. The city took its name from Elk Horn Creek. Newspaper articles from the Atlantic, Iowa newspaper published in 1919 on the death of Mrs. Winters and 1939 on the history of Clay Township In 1864 a colony of Wisconsin people with 3 or 4 covered wagons came to Iowa to establish a town and settled on a knoll two miles southwest of what is now Elk Horn. With the establishment of the post office, Mrs. Caroline Whitney Winters, wife of Theron W. Winters suggested the name of Elk Horn as so many elk shed their horns in the timber there. Mrs. Winters was the first post mistress as the post office was kept in the Winters cabin for a number of years. Her husband traversed the stage route along the ridge country between Grove City and Harlan, carrying the mail prior to the advent of the railroad. The site of the cabin was later occupied by Chris and Stena Jensen, and the Lawrence Nelson and Mrs. Peter M Petersen farms.

Velkommen to the Danish Villages



Elk Horn & Kimballton, Iowa



ELK HORN & KIMBALLTON, IOWA
EST 1868



DANISH WINDMILL

Originally built in Norre Snede, Denmark in 1848, this authentic windmill was dismantled, shipped across the Atlantic, and rebuilt by community volunteers in Elk Horn in 1976. Tour the working windmill, see its sails turn in the wind, and even witness the stones grind grain into flour. Browse the millhouse gift shop filled with Danish imports and unique gift items. Explore our seasonal outdoor exhibits including the Vikinghjem, Morning Star Tiny Chapel, and Ebeltoft Village. Open daily. 712-764-7472 | danishwindmill.org

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BEDSTEMOR'S HOUSE

This charming historic home is completely furnished in the style of the period between 1910 and 1920 when Danish immigrants lived there. Open between Memorial Day and Labor Day. Call ahead: 712-764-7001.



THE LITTLE MERMAID (KIMBALLTON)

This Little Mermaid fountain, a replica of the original sculpture in Copenhagen, was installed in Kimballton in 1978. It sits in the center of Sculpture Park with 8 bronze sculptures that depict the most famous fairytales of Hans Christian Andersen. Just a short walk away sits Audubon County's Freedom Rock.



DANISH FESTIVALS

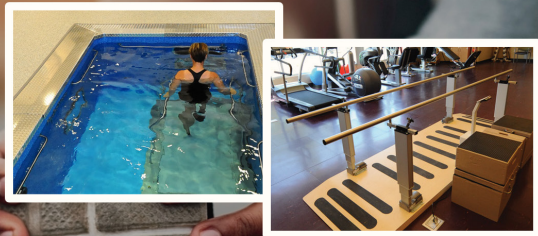
TIVOLI FEST - Memorial Day weekend
Our largest Danish festival of the year. Visit TivoliFest.com for more information.

JULEFEST - Thanksgiving weekend
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Thinking back to when "a new hip joint" meant someplace I wanted to go on Friday night.

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- Social Skills

And long-term diagnoses include:

- Autism
- Stroke
- Dementia and Alzheimer's

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EXIRA'S 4TH OF JULY Carnival Ticket Sales

Tickets available at
Exira Public Library
City Clerk's Office &
Community Club Members

April 28 - May 13 **BEST DEAL**
Buy 2 sheets of tickets, get 1 FREE...\$15
Buy 2 wristband vouchers, get one 1/2 off...\$50

May 14 - July 2 **July 3, 4, 5**
Sheet of 10 tickets...\$7.50 Sheet of 10 tickets...\$10
Wristband voucher...\$20 Wristband voucher...\$25

Tickets purchased before the carnival begins directly contribute to lowering the Exira Community Club's cost of hosting the carnival. All tickets bought during the carnival benefit Scott's Amusements. Help us and save a few bucks by purchasing advance sale tickets, so we can continue to put community club funds back into our community events.

We appreciate your continued support!
The Exira Community Club

CARNIVAL JULY 3, 4, 5
Wristband Hours
July 3: 6-9 PM
July 4: 2-5 PM & 6-9 PM
July 5: 6-9 PM
RIDES FOR ALL AGES



Elk Horn American Legion
Tribute to Veterans of All Wars
Monday May 27th
Military Service

Clay Township 9:30am
Monroe Church 10:00am
Elk Horn Church 11:00am

Followed by Military Service at the Elk Horn Cemetery

Followed by Lunch in Fellowship Hall
Everyone Welcome * Free Will Donation

MEMORIAL DAY is ONLY ONCE A YEAR
but our gratitude is endless.....

Summer Food Assistance Program

Program to provide additional food resources to qualifying students who will be entering into grades K-12 in August, 2024 and who reside in the Exira-Elk Horn-Kimballton school district.

For students who receive free or reduced priced school meals or SNAP benefits
Kid Friendly & Easy to Prepare Foods

June, July, and August, 2024

Food to be distributed by the food pantries located at Exira Christian Church and Elk Horn Lutheran Church.
Please call to register by May 31, 2024.
Exira – 712-268-5498, Elk Horn – 712-764-5678
Registrations received after June 1st will be subject to availability of resources.

This program has been made possible due to a generous donation from Apex Clean Energy.

Exira Lions Club



Memorial Day Breakfast

Monday, May 30th

Serving from 8am – 1:00pm
Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Biscuits & Gravy,
Juice and Coffee



Free Will Offering

Please join us for breakfast at the Exira Lions Center!

Proceeds to Lions Projects



EXIRA'S 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION
THEME: REFLECTIONS
GRAND MARSHAL: GREG & CHAR BINTNER

~* JULY 3RD *~
BBQ
PARK ENTERTAINMENT- RADIO RANGERS
CARNIVAL- OPENS @ 5:00 PM
BEER GARDEN
STREET DANCE- HOSTED BY TJ'S POURHOUSE

~* JULY 4TH *~
PARADE- STARTS @ 10:30 AM
CARNIVAL- OPENS @ 11:00 AM
PARK ENTERTAINMENT- VILLA DANCE COMPANY FOLLOWED BY
DARLA HANSEN & DOUG HAMMER
BEER GARDEN
RODEO
FIREWORKS

~* JULY 5TH *~
FARMER'S MARKET
ROAD RUN PACKET PICK UP
CARNIVAL- OPENS @ 5:00 PM

~* JULY 6TH *~
ROAD RUN
SLOW PITCH SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT
BOUNTIFUL BASKETS

~* JULY 7TH *~
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Thoughts to Ponder. How Green is Green Energy?

Coyote Willow Wind is proposing a project of 66-100 wind turbines in the southwest corner of Audubon County. The area consists of land west of Hwy 71 to the Shelby County line and from Hwy 44 south to the Cass County line.

Are you curious as to what it takes to construct a single wind turbine? According to the American Wind Energy Association, "it takes somewhere in the range of 200-230 tons of steel to make a single wind turbine" requiring 170 tons of coking coal and 300 tons of iron, all mined, transported and produced by hydrocarbons. Also used in the construction of wind generators are fiberglass, resin or plastic, copper and rare earth minerals, the last of which is primarily sourced in China. Each wind turbine requires 850-900 yards of concrete and a service road. A five megawatt turbine can require 700 gallons of lubricant and costly synthetic fuels. Oil change intervals are scheduled for from 9-16 months. Presently, wind farm operators "repower" the turbines about once a decade. New blades, for example.

Normally, a wind turbine lasts for 20-30 years, according to information on Coyote Willow Winds website. When no longer in use they eventually will be taken down.

So, what happens to the old blades, concrete foundations, service roads, and underground cables that are below four feet? In the building of wind generators, could this ever be accomplished without using hydrocarbons to mine, transports, produce and lubricate them?

Resources: Reuters, Savant Labs, USGS and American Wind Energy.

Just wondering,—— Connie Johnson

This is an ariel photograph of the "recycling" process of one of our world leaders in Wind Energy - Denmark.. Not as Green as one is lead to believe.

resource: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kpQG89oxEVo>

large bulldozer burying dismantled wind turbines.



Five Deadly Terms Used by a Woman

- Fine:** This is the word women use to end an argument when she knows she is right and you need to shut-up.
- Nothing:** Means something & you need to be worried.
- Go Ahead:** This is a dare, not permission, do not do it.
- Whatever:** A woman's way of saying screw you.
- That's Okay:** She is thinking long & hard on how and when you will pay for your mistake.

BONUS WORD: Wow!
This is not a compliment, she's amazed that one person could be so stupid.



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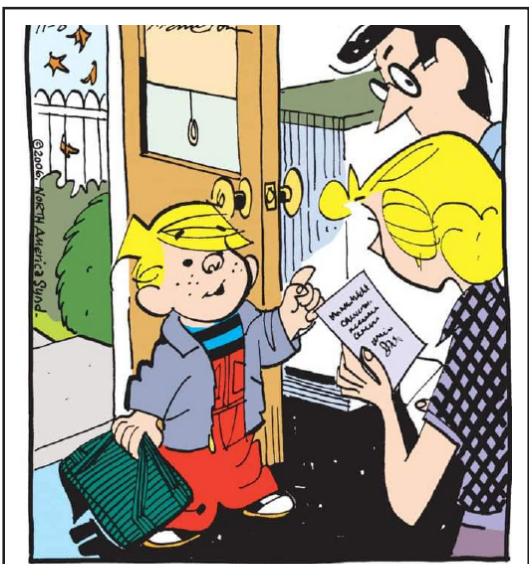


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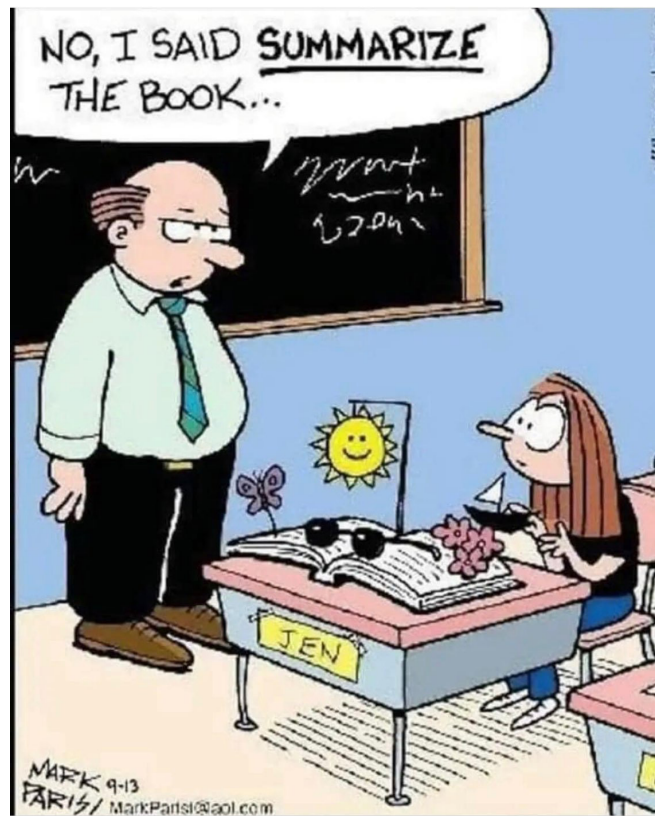
"IT'S LIKE A SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE, EXCEPT IT'LL JUST BE MY TEACHER, THE PRINCIPAL, YOU GUYS AN' ME."



A FLUSH BEATS A FULL HOUSE!

Duane Christofferson

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NO, I SAID SUMMARIZE THE BOOK...

MARK FARIS 9-13
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Look how instinctively, the mother croc carries the baby in its mouth. Nature is beautiful.



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June 23, 2024

Agri Hall



Linda Edelman, RN, BSN Receives The DAISY Award

Atlantic, IA – Cass Health is happy to announce Linda Edelman, RN, BSN is the newest recipient of The DAISY Award, which celebrates excellence in nursing.

Edelman has been a nurse for 37 years, and she has worked primarily in public health, with several years of home health experience also.

“While I was working on my BSN, I was doing my community health rotation in Council Bluffs and that’s when I first found my interest in public health. I loved being able to go into the community and being able to take care of people of all ages from young, pregnant women to my patients who were well into their 90s,” said Edelman.

Nominated by Cass County Public Health Director Beth Olsen, her nomination letter states, “My nomination is based specifically on the care she provides to our Pacific Island community members. Linda has taken the time to learn about their culture and wants to deeply understand the issues that this community faces each day. She meets them where they are and understands the deep and complex layers of working with an entire community whose culture and approach to healthcare is quite different than what an American nurse is trained for. Linda adjusts her works hours to accommodate their long and varying shift work, going above and beyond to meet their needs. It is not uncommon for Linda to work an evening, weekend or on her day off- if that is when the patient has time to meet with her. This community trusts Linda deeply with their healthcare needs. She is known as a resource for the entire community, helping with many things beyond her original intentions of connecting with these individuals. It’s not uncommon to see them greet her in the grocery store or for children to run up and give her a hug when they recognize her on the street. Linda listens attentively to each concern she is presented with and seamlessly connects each individual and family

to the care and services they need to have a better life and experience in Atlantic.”

Edelman said, “I love what I do, and I am passionate about helping this community. There’s so much work to be done, and I really want these new residents to feel like this is their home, and we care about them. I really care about them, and I get back so much gratification from helping them.”

As for the DAISY Award, Edelman said it was a huge surprise and shock. “Never in my wildest dreams did I think this would happen. It is a complete honor, and I want to make sure to say that I am so blessed to work with such wonderful people. I’ve worked with a lot of terrific people, a lot of departments, a lot of people in the community – and I’m just so lucky be part of an amazing team,” she said.

Nurses at Cass Health are honored twice annually with The DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses.® The award is part of the DAISY Foundation’s mission to recognize the extraordinary, compassionate care nurses provide to patients and families every day. The DAISY Award committee at Cass Health thanks all nominators for their submissions. Each nurse who was nominated will be presented with a special pin and a copy of the nomination.

The DAISY Foundation is a not-for-profit organization, established in memory of J. Patrick Barnes, by members of his family. Patrick died at the age of 33 in late 1999 from complications of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP), a little known but not uncommon auto-immune disease. (DAISY is an acronym for Diseases Attacking the Immune System.) The care Patrick and his family received from nurses while he was ill inspired this unique means of thanking nurses for making a profound difference in the lives of their patients and patient families.

This is one initiative of The DAISY Foundation to express gratitude to the nursing profession. Additionally, DAISY offers J. Patrick Barnes Grants for Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice Projects, The DAISY Faculty Award to honor inspiring faculty members in schools and colleges of nursing, and The DAISY in Training Award for nursing students. More information is available at <http://DAISYfoundation.org>. An online nomination form is available at <https://www.casshealth.org/daisy>.

Roberts to Serve as New Cass County Public Health Director

Atlantic, IA – **Cass Health is excited to announce that Megan Roberts** is now serving as the new Director of Cass County Public Health.

“The past ten years allowed me to help a lot of families, and it was a beautiful chapter in my life. The experience I gained managing a larger team and working within a larger organization really prepared me for my new role at Cass County Public Health. I look forward to contributing to the Cass Health team and continuing to make an impact in the region,” she said.

Roberts is well known in the community from her previous work at the Atlantic Area Chamber of Commerce and State Farm; both career experiences that helped her develop talents that will enhance the mission of public health.

“I have felt called to make a shift back to a role that supports rural Iowa. We are good people, and we take care of each other. I feel that this position will allow me to partner with others who believe that as well. The values at Cass Health, and the people who work here, align with mine,” said Roberts.

“We are thrilled to have Megan leading the public health efforts for Cass County. Her community connections, civic-minded vision, and enthusiasm for Cass County all make her well suited to partner with our community partners and lead the important work that our public health team carries out each day,” stated Cass Health Chief Financial and HR Officer Kolton Hewlett.

Cass County Public Health manages a number of initiatives including programs for adults like A Matter of Balance, Care for Yourself, CPR and First Aid classes, and Stop the Bleed training. For children and families, they provide car seat installations and checks, Parents as Teachers, and more. Cass County Public Health also provides leadership and guidance on the Community Health Assessment, Community Health Improvement Planning, emergency preparedness, and other community-wide health projects. For more information, visit casshealth.org/publichealth.



Kimballton City Council Minutes May 9, 2024 - 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Millette Shores, Mayor; Adam Larsen, James Mortensen, Terry Nelson, Scott Lange, Trisha Bell

Absent: Tony Petersen

Motion to Approve Amended Agenda to include Josh Nelson, Part-time City Maintenance – Motion to Approve Amended Agenda – Larsen – 2nd Mortensen – Carried Unanimously

Amended Agenda to include the Internship Program that will pay up to \$5,000 for Josh Nelson to work up to 20 hours per week for an estimated 12-week Internship until the \$5,000 Internship Reimbursement funds are used – Motion – Lange – 2nd Larsen - Carried Unanimously

Meeting Called to Order – 7:00pm by Mayor Millette Shores

Motion to Approve the Agenda – Motion – Larsen – 2nd Lange - Carried Unanimously

Motion to Approve the Minutes for the April 11, 2024 Regular Council Meeting, April 25, 2024 FY24-25 Public Budget and April 25, 2024 Special Council Meeting – Will be added to next meeting

Motion to Approve Change Order 7 to add time for delivery and installation of the alarm dialer for the Water Treatment Plant. Jeff Godwin was unable to attend due to family – Shipment of the dialer is scheduled for May 10, 2024 with a tentative installation date of May 17, 2024 – Motion – Lange – 2nd Nelson - Carried Unanimously

Motion to Approve Financial Reports, Treasurers Financial Report, Claims Register, and Cash Report – Motion Larsen – 2nd Mortensen - Carried Unanimously

Motion to Approve a Building Permit for 408 N Main – 30x40 Garage with connecting breezeway Motion – Larsen – 2nd Lange - Carried Unanimously

Motion to Reinstall Electric Meter at 408 N Main. Was tabled at April 11, 2024 Council Meeting– City of Kimballton has a Utility Lien on the location – Refer to Resolution 03-2024-01 – Motion – Nelson – 2nd Larsen - Carried Unanimously

Motion to designate a Council Member to be Kimballton's Ambassador for MRES – Tabled until June 13, 2024 City Council Meeting

DVIO delivered the Banners and Brackets – these need to be hung prior to Tivoli – Council Member Adam Larsen is working on getting the equipment and help to complete this project

Council designated Tony Petersen to get a Plan and Estimates put together for the Little Mermaid repairs and beautification Grant – Motion – Larsen – 2nd Mortensen – Carried Unanimously

Motion to Approve Wellmark SimplyBlue 6000 HMO Network Health Insurance, Blue Dental 1500, and Avesis/Amplifon Vision/Hearing Insurance plan with a total cost of \$1,735.45 per month premium that the City of Kimballton will pay, with the option given to the City Maintenance Employee to purchase up at the Employee's cost. Employee purchase option needs to be submitted to the City Clerk prior to May 15, 2024 in order for the Policy to take effect on June 1, 2024. Motion – Lange – 2nd – Nelson – Carried Unanimously

Motion to approve a printer within \$50 cost for the Water Treatment Plant – Motion Larsen – 2nd Lange – Carried Unanimously

Re-Evaluate the cost/savings of the Printer Lease at the Clerk's Office vs. Purchasing – tabled until June 13, 2024 Council Meeting

Discussed the cost/savings of using Shelby County vs Audubon County for landfill – More information needs to be gathered together prior to approval
Old business

New Business – New street and highway lights were installed on April 29, 2024. Street lights that were installed are compliant with regulations.

Department Reports

Streets – Rock was purchased for alleys, still have cold patch to continue to work on filling the potholes. There are a couple gutters that are still needing cleaned out

Parks – Faucets need replaced in the ball diamonds restroom. We are waiting on the estimates to fix these. Drinking fountains need to be operable. Discussion of security cameras to be installed due to vandalism.

Water – Completion items were discussed.

Electric

Sewer

City Clerk

Fire Dept

Public Comment – None

Motion to Adjourn meeting at 8:25 PM – Motion – Lange – 2nd Mortensen - Carried Unanimously

Approved:



Shelby County Emergency Management

Shelby County State Bank is working with the Shelby County Community Foundation and has gotten an account set up. If you would like to make a donation you can do that at any one of the SCSB branches. There will be a QR code available tomorrow and other electronic options. Thank you to everyone that has helped get this set up and to those that are willing to donate to it!

SHELBY COUNTY TORNADO RELIEF FUND

Donations can be made
at any SCSB location.

**News From The Mill**

It might be hard to believe, but Tivoli is already here! We've done everything we can to get the windmill ready for what will hopefully be another spectacular event. Most of our concrete pathways, in addition to the entertainment stage and our HC Andersen bust have been deep cleaned. The mill's catwalk has been re-stained, and we've repainted both mill doorways. More exhibit panels have been added to the mill's hoist floor (third floor) and even the Vikinghem. We're expecting at least 50 vikings this year, and the line of tents along Main St. should be quite the sight.

As these words are being written, the forecast for this coming weekend is not too promising. The whole week shows scattered chances of storms and Friday and Saturday are not projected to have a lot of wind. We hope to see the skies clear, and that the wind may pick up so we can drive our millstones. We intend to hold grinding demonstrations throughout Friday and Saturday in the wind is there. Optimal wind speeds for grinding start at about 18 – 20 mph. We can grind with less for show, but it's not the same. In the mean time we're hoping for the best and either way, people will get to see the sails turn all weekend. It's free admission all weekend, and the mill will be open to walk through. Our tour video will be playing every 15 minutes on the hour for those looking to get the full experience with a guided tour.

The rest of the mill's regular programming will go on. We'll have our local Danish dancers and the Omaha Scandinavian folk dancers on the stage Saturday afternoon. The Vikings will be around Friday and Saturday with demonstrations and tours, plus live battles next to the former hotel at 1:30 and 4:00 on Saturday. We've stocked up on Viking gear, so don't miss the opportunity to get your own swords, helmets, and shields in the gift shop. Tivoli t-shirts will be sold at the windmill with the exception of Friday evening. They're available now, and we encourage people to get them early to guarantee size selection. They will be sold at the fire station Friday night. On Saturday, we will have a booth setup outside selling t-shirts and soft drinks to help keep the lines shorter inside the gift shop.

We're also ready to announce that the mill's boneyard has finally been cleared. We would like to thank Andy Anderson, Chris Fredericksen, and Kodie Haas for their help in clearing the old timbers. A few good pieces have been salvaged for various projects, but the rotten wings and cap frame are finally gone. We will begin working on the construction of our new entertainment building once Tivoli has passed, and we hope to hold some special events this Summer on our grounds to inaugurate it.

Finally, we want to wish everyone a very happy Tivoli Fest. We encourage everyone to take pictures and videos that we can use to help market the festival in the future. We believe this is going to be a very strong year if the weather holds, and we are looking forward to seeing lots of familiar faces in and about the mill. Flyers have been distributed about town and everything is also available for viewing online at tivolidfest.com. We've got more exciting news coming when the dust finally clears.



Shaun Sayres
Manager
Danish Windmill



compliments of hawkeyesports.com:

Longtime Iowa women's basketball coach Lisa Bluder announced her retirement Monday, May 13. Taking over to lead the Hawkeyes will be her longtime assistant coach, Kimballton native Jan Jensen. Both have been instrumental in the Hawkeyes' rise to one of the nation's most successful programs.

Iowa athletics director Beth Goetz, in announcing Jensen's hire, said the program has "always been about family," and she has made many positive contributions to its incredible culture that are shared by many.

"(Jensen is) one of those contributors has been in the team circle for 24 years as a tireless recruiter, skilled teacher of the game, and charismatic personality that has endeared her to the Hawkeye community," said Goetz. "Coach Jensen has been an instrumental part of our success, assisting in all aspects of the program. After several conversations with Coach Bluder and president Wilson over the last few days, it is clear that everything that we are seeking in a head coach, we have found right here."

On Bluder's retirement, Goetz said, "It is bittersweet news for all of us who love the University of Iowa and who have incredible admiration and respect for what Coach Bluder has accomplished and for how she did it. Lisa has left an indelible mark on this program, touched countless lives, and brought joy to all who know and love the Hawkeyes. Words can't appropriately express the gratitude I share with so many for the impact she has made on the game of women's basketball and the University of Iowa.

"While we are saddened that she will no longer lead our young women on the court, we are thankful for what she has given to all of us and are comforted knowing she will continue to be our biggest champion and fan," she continued.

Jensen, who helped guide Iowa to 22 postseason appearances, including 18 NCAA Tournaments, will enter her 25th year as a Hawkeye coach in 2024-25. Jensen was instrumental in mentoring the Hawkeyes to five Big Ten Tournament titles, including three straight, and sharing two regular season conference championships. Jensen and the Hawkeyes advanced to back-to-back national championships games this past spring and in 2023, and also reached the Elite Eight in 2019, and Sweet 16 in 2015.

Jensen began her coaching career at her alma mater, Drake University, in 1993 as an assistant to Coach Bluder, winning four Missouri Valley Conference tournaments and three regular season championships (1997, 1998, 2000) on the Drake coaching staff.

Jensen quickly gained attention for her recruiting prowess and development of post players. Jensen and the Hawkeye recruiting classes consistently rank among the nation's elite. Since arriving in Iowa City, she has been integral in attracting top recruits to the University of Iowa, including McDonald's All-Americans Samantha Logic, Lindsay Richards, Johanna Solverson and Caitlin Clark, and consensus all-Americans Clark, Logic, Kathleen Doyle and Megan Gustafson. Gustafson and Clark were each named the Naismith Player Of the Year.

Jensen was named first-team all-state her senior year of high school by both the Iowa Newspaper Association and the Des Moines Register. Elk Horn-Kimballton reached the quarterfinals of the state six-on-six tournament her senior year.

Jensen's grandmother, Dorcas Randolph, was part of the Audubon girls' basketball teams that reached the state tournaments in 1920 and 1921.

Bluder was named head coach at the University of Iowa in 2000 and retires as the all-time winningest coach in Big Ten history with an overall record of 528-254 and a Big Ten record of 262-145. Under her leadership, the Hawkeyes advanced to 22 post-season appearances including 14 of the last 16 NCAA tournaments and four Women's National Invitational Tournaments. The Hawkeyes won five Big Ten Tournament championships and shared two Big Ten regular-season titles.

compliments of Brian Rathjen, Sports Editor, Atlantic News-Telegraph.

Information in this article was published from hawkeyesports.com



IOWA CITY – With the retirement Monday of Iowa women's basketball coach Lisa Bluder, the Hawkeye athletic department didn't have to look too far to find her successor.

She is from southwest Iowa, and her name is Jan Jensen, the Kimballton native who led the team to multiple state tournaments in six-on-six basketball, and led the country with 66 ppg during her senior year in 1987.

The past 24 years have seen Jensen serve as an assistant coach at Iowa under Bluder, and eight before that at Drake University. Jensen has been associate head coach for 20 years, and with Bluder's retirement announcement Monday was promoted to become the sixth head coach in program history.

In a statement issued on hawkeyesports.com, Jensen said she was blessed to be part of Bluder's program, both as a player and then as an assistant coach. She is now looking forward to her new role in continuing the success of one of college women's basketball's most successful programs the past several years.

"I can't thank Lisa enough for her mentorship, leadership, and most of all her friendship," Jensen said. "I am so proud of all we accomplished and grateful for all the memories we created. I am now beyond elated to begin my new role and want to thank (University of Iowa President Barbara J.) Wilson and Beth for the opportunity to lead this program.

"I truly love The University of Iowa and I am profoundly honored and excited to continue building on our success. The support we have in every realm from our administration, donors, alumni and fans is unmatched and I am so proud to be a part of this special university," she continued.



UPCOMING EVENTS

SPARK! PROGRAM featuring the museum's Ford Model A Tuesday, June 4th at 10am

Join us to hear more about this iconic car purchased new by John P. Jensen at the Audubon Motor Company in 1929.

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.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT MODA

JUN 12 LEGOS & BOTS 9AM-3PM GRADES K-3
FOR LEGO AND ROBOT LOVERS WHO WANT TO BRING THEIR CREATIONS TO LIFE WITH AGE-APPROPRIATE AND FUN STEM CHALLENGES IN COLLABORATION WITH ISU EXTENSION & OUTREACH. \$25 OR \$20/MEMBERS.

JUN 13 STORYTIME IN THE PRAIRIE
CELEBRATE LITTLE HOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE'S TV SERIES 50TH ANNIVERSARY WITH STORIES READ BY THE EH LIBRARY AND SNACKS AND ACTIVITIES TO MATCH. FREE FOR GRADES K-3 AND THEIR FAMILIES BEGINNING AT 10AM.

JUN 15 YOGA IN THE PRAIRIE
GRAB YOUR YOGA MAT AND JOIN INSTRUCTOR KATIE SANDQUIST FOR COMMUNITY WELLNESS SURROUNDED BY THE BEAUTY OF NATURE. ALL LEVELS WELCOME. \$8/SESSION OR \$6/MEMBERS. STARTS AT 10AM.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT ALISSA LACANNE AT 712-764-7008
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Please include a sheet of paper with the following information:
 Your Name
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Deadline to register is June 15th
 Call/Text Debbie McClain at 712-249-7257 or email at dmcclain6674@gmail.com with any questions!

"It Takes a Village"

A huge thank you to the [Danish Windmill](#) for your donation to help support our daycare! Every Sunday in April The Windmill donated all Sunday tour admissions to us and lined up food trucks for families to enjoy food and see the mill.

Be sure to stop by and See the windmill in action and even grinding! They will have some of their viking demonstrators onsite from The Skjaldborg to give tours of their vikinghjem! 🇩🇰

Pictured L-R

Shaun Sayres- Windmill Manager: KITV Board Member - Derick Hogberg : KITV Director
 Melanie Cox : KITV Board Members - Chelsee Jacobsen, Jacqui Christensen and Kristin Olsen. Also pictured Grevson Hogberg



90th birthday shower for Rosie Petersen. Help us wish her a happy birthday on June 10th. Send cards to:
 Rosie Petersen
 2108 12th St room #161
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 Thank you for helping to make this a special milestone birthday. Blessings to all,
 The family of Rosie Petersen

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**LARRY WHEELER
MEMORIES SHARED
BY WIDOW SANDY WHEELER**

A common expression that is often heard is “military family.” A person probably envisions a family where one of the spouses is currently serving in the military and the family may be moving from place to place, depending on where deployments took them. Maybe there can be a broader definition of military family. That broader definition would include the mothers, fathers, spouses, siblings, and grandparents who eagerly watch, worry, and wait for information concerning their loved one.

Larry’s family had a “double dose”

when the two older boys joined military service at the same time. Both Larry and his brother, Charlie, knew the draft was hot on their trail. The year was 1966, Larry was 21 years old, and many young men were heading to Vietnam. The Wheeler brothers preferred the Marines to the Army. Together they said goodbye and headed to Camp Pendleton in California. The Marines were more than happy for recruits; however, they had concern with two brothers entering into basic training at the same time. The military remembered the Sullivan family, also from Iowa, who lost five sons when the Navy ship they were all assigned on was torpedoed and sank.

During training Larry’s instructors noticed that he held his gun in a position that was not in compliance with his USMC range training. Larry shot left-eyed. The trainers would not allow him to shoot that way. They kept making him change to a right-eyed shooting position, which he found to be unnatural and uncomfortable. He had grown up on a farm and loved to hunt, trap, and fish at a very young age. He knew his way around a rifle. The instructors said the empty bullet cartridge would come back and hit him in the face. He finally convinced one of his instructors to let him shoot left-eyed—the way he had shoot all his life. Not only did it work well, but he also turned out to be an excellent left-eyed shooter. They told him they were putting together a sniper school and wondered if he would be interested in sniper training. He jumped at the chance. He turned out to be one of their best shooters.

At the completion of training, Larry headed to Vietnam. He was stationed for his entire year’s assignment near the demilitarized zone. In Vietnam, snipers always worked in twos. Larry’s partner was an Aleut Indian from Alaska. The two developed a very trusting relationship. It was a life and death matter, and they always had each other’s back. They both realized a sniper could never let emotion rule.

When Larry returned from the service, he didn’t talk much about Vietnam. One thing that soon became apparent was the increased respect

he had for his father. Both men shared the experience of serving in a war. Although service in WW2 and Vietnam were very different in many respects, they also shared many things in common.

Now a veteran, Larry began working in Des Moines for several local companies while he attended Drake University. At this point, Sandy came into his life. She lived in the same apartment complex and worked for Blue Cross/Blue Shield. They were friends for two and a half years before they began to date. When they initially met, she did not know he was a Vietnam veteran, but as their friendship developed, she learned that he was a Vietnam veteran. She always called him John. He was a big man and she said “you’re a one-syllable name.” From the early 70s on, he was always John to her.

Sandy had grown up in Kentucky Virginia with a very proper southern mother who expected her daughter to marry a man with money. When Sandy announced that she was planning to marry an Iowa farmer, her mother just about came unglued. If she was going to marry a farmer, it should at least be one who raised thoroughbred horses! After marriage when Sandy was back on the farm, she realized how extra special her Iowa farm boy was. Over the years as they drove back and forth to work in Des Moines (and at many other times), Sandy made it a high priority to ask questions about his war experiences. She wanted him to feel that she was a safe space for him to share thoughts, even painful and ugly ones. After all, they had shared all their secrets before and he was very comfortable talking to her about his experiences in Vietnam. She never judged him.

In 2017 Sandy began to notice changes in Larry’s health and behavior that she knew must surely be related to his Vietnam experiences. He did not have outward visible wounds, his scars were hidden, but very real. As he aged, he talked about how much it bothered him that he had been responsible for taking life. He developed many of the physical conditions that are associated with Agent Orange exposure. Sandy worked tirelessly to get medical attention through specialists and disability assistance from the VA. It was after his death that she received a letter from the VA that his death was declared 100 percent military related. As she stands at his grave in the Exira Cemetery, with tears streaming down her face, she whispers, “John, you were the perfect partner, and I will always love and miss you.”

Sandy would like to leave us with this message: “always honor our veterans and remember, just because the veteran does not display physical wounds, I can assure you, the wounds are there. Our veterans deserve our honor, respect, and love.”





**Myrtue Medical Center Welcomes Nicole Topliff,
Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner to the Earling Clinic**

Myrtue Medical Center welcomes Nicole Topliff, FNP-C, ARNP, PMHNP-C, to the Earling Clinic effective July 1, 2024. She will work full-time in Earling and continue to see patients on the weekends at the Quick Care Clinic in Harlan.

Topliff has over 12 years of experience as a nurse practitioner. Topliff’s healthcare journey began in 1988 as a USAF medic during Operation Desert Storm, and it has expanded to over three decades with more than 25 years of total nursing experience. Her professional advanced nursing career experience includes family practice/ primary care, emergency medicine, inpatient hospital care, and diagnosis/management of mental health disorders.

“I am pleased to join the Earling Clinic community and look forward to providing comprehensive care to our patients. My diverse background in both family practice and mental health will enable me to address a wide range of healthcare needs. I am committed to offering accessible, high-quality care and enhancing the well-being of the community,” said Topliff.

Jenifer Bruck, ARNP, who is currently working full-time at the Earling clinic is reducing her hours and will focus on specific patient care areas after her transition date while continuing to support the ongoing healthcare services and needs of the communities. She will continue full-time at the Earling clinic up to July 1, 2024.

“I have greatly appreciated the support and kindness shown to me during my time at the Earling clinic. This community and the surrounding communities have been wonderful to work with,” said Bruck. “I anticipate Nicole and Myrtue Medical Center will continue to provide the excellent patient care they have always provided.”

Dr. David Erlbacher, MD, remains the supervising physician in Earling, and he will continue to see patients at the Earling Clinic every other Tuesday of the month. Patients are encouraged to schedule their appointments with Nicole starting July 1, 2024, by calling 712.747.5700 to experience the dedicated and compassionate care the Earling Clinic is known for. We are open four days a week with the operating hours as follows: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 7:30 AM – 3:30 PM, Wednesday from 7:30 AM – 12:00 PM and closed on Friday.

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**Mini Health Fair with booths,
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10:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Common Foot Problems
Hannah Johnk, DPM
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11:00 AM - 11:30 AM
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CHICKENS

The only animal you eat before they are born and after they are dead.

COMMITTEE

A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.

DUST

Mud with the juice squeezed out.

EGOTIST

Someone who is usually me-deep in conversation.

HANDKERCHIEF

Cold Storage.

INFLATION

Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

MOSQUITO

An insect that makes you like flies better.

POLITICAL CORRECTNESS

A doctrine fostered by a delusional, illogical minority.

RAISIN

A grape with a sunburn.

SECRET

A story you tell to one person at a time.

TOOTHACHE

The pain that drives you to extraction.

TOMORROW

One of the greatest labor saving devices of today.

YAWN

An honest opinion - openly expressed.

WRINKLES

Something other people have... similar to my character lines.

OLD

I very quietly confided to my friend that I was having an Affair
She turned to me and asked, "Are you having it catered?"
. . . and that, my friend, is the definition of 'OLD'!!!

In youth, the days are short and the years are long.
In old age, the years are short and days are long.

The Exira library is a drop off site for donations to go to Greenfield. It is the least we can do for such tragedy so close to home. As taken from another post, here are some items they are in need of. Please use this list: Ziploc bags, sharpies, large plastic totes, packing tape, scissors, Clorox wipes, ponchos, large trash bags, work gloves, first aid kits, batteries of all sizes, toilet paper, paper towels, shovels, and rakes.

We also need baby items: diapers (all sizes), baby wipes, baby formula, nonperishable baby food.

We are also looking for spare chargers for all phones and laptops.

CITY OF EXIRA

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On May 21st, the City of Greenfield was struck by a devastating tornado. The City of Exira is asking for your help to collect disaster relief items and supplies to donate to the citizens of Greenfield.

SUPPLIES THEY ARE ASKING FOR:

- BABY ITEMS (DIAPERS, WIPES, FORMULA, BABY FOOD)
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Exira-EHK may well have its first top-three state track medalist ever in school history since the former Exira and Elk Horn-Kimballton schools came together in 2010.

“I don’t think anyone’s ever gotten to the podium until this year, so that was a big goal of mine,” said Cash Emgarten, who may well have made school history with his third-place finish in the finals of Iowa Class 1A 100-meter dash Saturday, May 18 at Drake Stadium, Des Moines. “It feels great to be the first one to do it.”

He finished in 11.19, and the bronze was his best finish of the two sprint finals he was in. Later Saturday, he came in fourth in the 200-meter dash, in 22.49, one place better than a year ago in the same event.

He qualified for the finals in both events earlier in the week, finishing fourth in the 100-meter preliminaries with a time of 10.89, and fourth in the 200 at 22.49. The top eight times out of 24 in the preliminary heat advance to the finals.

On Friday, May 17, Emgarten – a four-event qualifier for the Spartans – finished ninth in the high jump with a best jump of 6’1”. Later in the day, he joined Exira-EHK to run a time of 1:34.47 for 21st place; with him were Alex Hansen, Bryce Brabham and Jonas LaCanne.

LaCanne, another senior for the Spartans, also competed at state for the Spartans, finishing 23rd in the boys’ 400-meter hurdles in 58.55 on Friday afternoon.

Emgarten is now done with his high school athletic career, off to play football at Midland University in Fremont, Neb.

For now, it’s reflecting on his performances.

“I felt I got out of the blocks real well,” he said. “I was even with the first two guys but they (the Lisbon duo of Baylor Speidel and Tiernan Boots) were really fast.”

Progression was really good for Emgarten. The beginning he wasn’t where he wanted to be, but slowly he got up to where he wanted to be.

“It’s the quickest race. Less work,” he said. “This year is really special, all my classes and all my classmates I got to run with. I think the future (of Exira-EHK track) is bright. We’ve got great coaches and we have kids that want to put in the work and succeed.”

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Sports Editor, Atlantic News-Telegraph

Boys’ 4x200-meter relay final – Jonas LaCanne to Cash Emgarten (with baton) on the third and final handoff.



Jonas LaCanne in the boys’ 400-meter hurdles, just after going over the final hurdle.

Boys’ 4x200-meter relay final – The first handoff, Alex Hansen to Bryce Brabham.





Cash Emgarten runs a school record of 22.02 in the 200m dash.

Senior Cash Emgarten finished third in the 100-meter dash and fourth in the 200-meter dash finals, both on Saturday.

provided by Caroline Pellett of the Atlantic News-Telegraph



Congratulations to our State Qualifying Spartan Track & Field Athletes

A big congratulations to our April Students of the Month: Thomas (elem), Teagan (ms), & Irelynd (hs)!





Exira-EHK boys' golf team

Exira-EHK saw its season come to an end earlier this month after finishing seventh at an Iowa Class 1A sectional meet Wednesday at Lakeside Golf Course.

Jameson Kilworth led the Spartans with a 98, while Josh Nelson (99), Alex Hansen (103) and Jackson Radcliff (104) rounded out the scorecard. Cole Brabham and Chase Schwab each fired a 105. West Fork of Sheffield and Coon Rapids-Bayard advanced as teams to the CAM-hosted district at Crestwood Hills Golf Course in Anita. At the Rolling Valley Conference meet, the Spartans finished fifth of six teams at the meet, conducted at Carroll Country Club. Alex Hansey had the best round with a 97, while Josh Nelson fired a 98, Jameson Kilworth a 99 and Cole Brabham a 107. Also competing were Jackson Radcliff at 108 and Quintinn White a 149. For the season, Nelson had the best course-adjusted average – the factor used in golf handicaps for nine holes of play – of 52.2, while Brabham had a 55.2, Radcliff at 56.1 and Schwab at 56.2.

GOLF – Members of the Exira-EHK boys' golf team are, front row (l-r): Chase Schwab, Gus Greving and Preston White. Back row: Quintinn White, Jaiden Pettepier, Josh Nelson, Jackson Radcliff, Jameson Kilworth, Alex Hansen, Cole Brabham. Coach is Tom Petesen.

BOYS TRACK – Members of the Exira-EHK boys' track team are, front row (l-r): Ben Baggett, Jathen Devereaux-Carlile, Austin Rasmussen and John Ty. Middle row: Alex Hansen, Eric Wilson, Levi Jessen, Owen Juhl, Bryce Brabham and Anthony Young. Back row: Head coach Kevin Brown, Josten Kilworth, Cash Emgarten, Jonas LaCanne, Philip Reinhardt and coach Tony Santisteban.



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