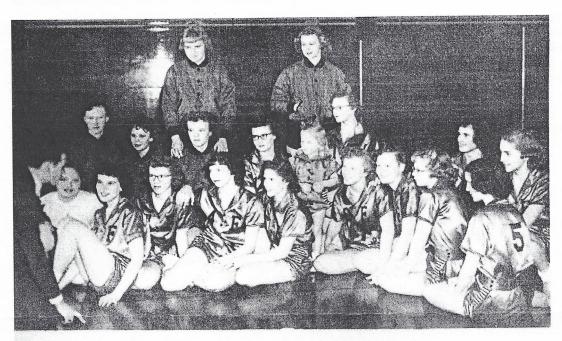
FERTILE REMINDER

September 2015



Here it is, by request, the 1950 girl's basketball team. This was taken 65 years ago!!! A few are no longer with us but the majority is still around.

Ist Row; Jerald Reece, Coach, A. Elthon, V. Myhre, B. Bjelland, J. Ouverson D. Low, Mascot Betty Elthon, M. Elthon, N. Juhl, M. Bjelland, M. Furcell and Row; M. Bjelland, F. Burke, F. Amundson, B. Fjeld, J. Burtness, M. Johnson

ird Row; D. Lovick, E. Suby

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FERTILE GARDEN CLUB



Fertile Garden Club met at Central Gardens, Clear Lake, on August 11th with 9 members present. Kayla Myers from the Red Geranium and a volunteer at Central Gardens gave a demonstration on "Flower

Arranging" which was very informative. Two of the bouquets were given to Penny Miller and Naomi Pederson. Penny Miller and Deena Biretz were hostesses and the evening ended by serving a sack lunch.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

3, 17 Recycle

8 Garden Club

11 Reminder deadline

14 Firemen meet

14 Library Board meets

15 Fertile Girls Meet

15 Council meets

22 Reminder mailed

City Council Meeting Minutes August 18, 2015 - 7:00 PM, City Hall Call to Order & Roll Call

Present were: Mayor Joyce Russell; Council Members: Tad Miller, Jeff Berg, Nick Bailey, Julie Jessen and Holly Lovik-Hanna; City Clerk, Wendy Lunning & Maintenance Manager Steve Roberts.

Tad motioned, Nick 2nd to approve the minutes of the July meeting. Unanimous

 Julie motioned, Tad 2nd to accept agenda with the addition of Heartland Asphalt. Unanimous.

Agendas are posted at City Hall, at the Library, and at the Post Office, 24 hours in advance of each Council Meeting. If you wish to be on the Agenda, please contact City Hall two days before the meeting.

Library Report

Tad motioned, Jeff 2nd to appoint Lisa May as city candidate and Amanda Hennigar as rural candidate for Library Board. Unanimous

Ordinance Amendment

The city council review update to ordinances. A public hearing will be held September 15th at 7:00pm.

City Maintenance Report

- Steve has leveled the dirt by the ball diamonds.
- Steve has done some repairs on W Main Street.
- There was sewage backup at 401 W Main. Steve help to locate drainage pipes and assisted with clean up.
- There were a couple water main breaks on N 1st Street that were repaired prior to draining the water tower. Residences were asked to conserve water while tower replenished.

Holly motioned, Nick 2nd to approve the maintenance report. Unanimous

Mayor's Report

Jeff motioned, Tad 2nd to accept the estimate from Heartland Asphult to pave East Main Street from 1st to 3nd Street, River Street the approach to Main Street and filling crack for remainder of town. Unanimous

 The new billing rates will be effective 08/01/2015. The new rates are: Water - \$23.64 + 21 per unit

Sewer - \$23.64 | .21 per unit

Garbage - \$12.93 Recycling - \$2.54 Fertile Days was very successful. Thanks so much to the l'ertilé Days Committee. Pronto for the excellent meal served and the Borderline Band for music.

The new storm siren will begin installation on August 19th.

- There has been a series criminal activity in town. Citizens are
 asked to have your buildings properly number and conspicuously
 displayed on the portion of the building or premise which faces the
 street. All numbers shall be of durable substance, clearly legible.
 This is crucial to working with county E911.
- Curfew for any person under age 17 years of age is 10:01 pm to 5:00 am.
- There is 1 Mayor and 2 council seats that will be on the November 3rd election ballot. Nomination Petition forms is available at City Hall if you are interested in running for office and choose to be on the ballot.
- Operation LZ, Welcome Home Vietnam Veteran Event will be coming down Hwy 9 on Wednesday, August 26th at 10:30 am to 11:00 am. We would like to ask the citizens of Fertile to be up at the Community Center, lawn, along Hwy 9 to greet them as they go by. Bring your lawn chairs and American Flags to wave. There will be a motorcycle escort and a Hucy helicopter escorting the Traveling wall.

Nick motioned, and Julie 2nd to approve the mayor's report. Unanimous.

City Clerk's Report

 Wendy presented July Financials to the council subject to change due to year end. A complete set of financials are available at City Hall upon request.

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Fund Dalance	-10764.68	36,006,00	55,343.00	-747.93	116,515.24	197,345.63

Nick motioned, Tail 2^{nl} to approve Financial Report. Unanimous Julie motioned, Nick 2^{nl} to approve July Bills Unanimous

The liens presented to the council were as follows:

605 W Washington	\$157.26
201 STirst Street	\$ 41.14
203 E Main Street	\$211.52
201 W Main Street	\$206.48
103 W Washington	\$206.48

Tad moved, Holly Z[™] to proceed with the liens. Unanimous Upcoming Meetings

- The Fertile City Council will meet for regular session at 7:00 PM, Tuesday, September 15th, 2015 at Fertile City Hall
- Nick moved and Jeff 2nd to adjourn the meeting. Unanimous

I don't want to
brag or make
anybody jealous,
but...
I can still fit into
the earrings I wore
in high school.



City of Fertile Deposits

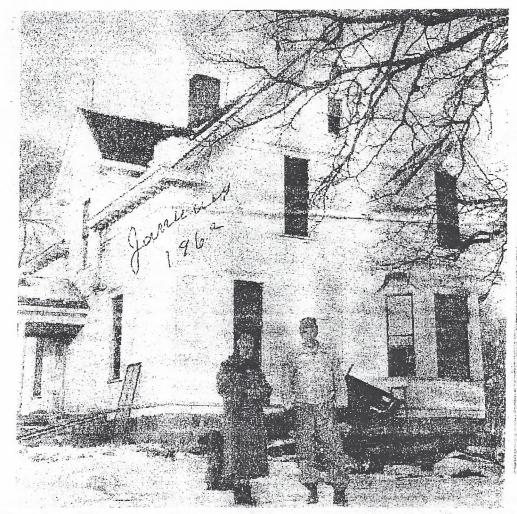
As of July 31, 2015

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Operating Account	ts			
Checking				
	Deposit	07/01/2015	Utility Deposit	2,235.06
	Deposit	07/01/2015	Farm to Market Deposit	786.21
	Deposit	07/01/2015	Utility Deposit	2,952.56
	Deposit	U7/01/2015	Local Option Sales Tax	3,141.61
	Deposit	07/03/2015	Casino Funds Deposit	3,312.35
	Deposit	07/03/2015	Property Taxes	1,053.77
	Deposit	07/08/2015	Fine Deposit	59.63
	Deposit	07/08/2015	Utility Deposit	2,046.44
	Deposit	07/09/2015	Utility Deposit	135.34
	Deposit	07/14/2015	Insurance Deposit	186.00
	Deposit	07/14/2015	Utility Deposit	3,212.50
	Deposit	07/14/2015	Incubator Deposit	617.50
	Deposit	07/14/2015	Utility Deposit	262.41
	Deposit	07/18/2015	Road Use Tax	2,015.29
	Deposit	07/22/2015	Fertile Days Deposit	290.00
	Deposit	07/22/2015	Deposit	0.00
	Deposit	07/22/2015	Facility Rental Deposit	2/5.00
	Deposit	07/27/2015	Utility Deposit	2,571.55
	Deposit	07/29/2015	Utility Deposit	543.06
	Deposit	07/31/2015	Local Option Sales Tax	3,141.61
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Savings				
	Deposit	07/31/2015	Interest	2.50
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Total Sewer Rever	nue Accounts			2.50
				28,852.54
TOTAL				

City of Fertile Bills Paid

As of July 31, 2015

Type Operating Accounts	Date	Nun	n Name	Memo	Amount
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Check	07044004				
Check	07/01/2016	0.0000	o opendituit y	Quarterly Allocation	-3,500.0
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Paycheck	07/01/2015		Russell, Grant		
Paycheck	07/01/2015	7370	Russell, Joyce		-302.2
Bill Pmt -Check		7373	Lonnie Knudson	Community Center Cleaning	-1,274.5
Bill Pmt -Check		7374	Alliant Energy	Electric Bill	-10.0
Bill Pmt -Check	07/01/2015	7375	NIACOG	Association Dues for 2016	-1,358.2
Check	07/02/2015	Debit	USPS	postage	-273.8
Bill Pmt -Check	07/08/2015	7376	AgSource Laboratories	Water Testing	-194.6
Bill Pmt -Check	07/08/2015	7377	Clear Lake Sanitary District		-12.5
Bill Pmt -Check	07/08/2015	7378	Fertile Pronto	water sample lab testing	-155.00
Bill Pmt-Check	07/08/2015	7379	Hawkins, Inc.	Gas for truck, mower and golf cart	-227.2
			Iowa Department of Natural	Chlorine Cylinder	-10.00
Bill Pmt - Check	07/08/2015	7380	Resources	Annual Water Use Fee	
Bill Pmt -Check	07/08/2015	7381	Larser Plumbing & Heating		-43.19
Bill Pmt -Check	07/08/2015	7382	UP\$	Water Testing	-107.13
Bill Pmt -Check	07/08/2015	7383	Waste Management		-10.75
Bill Pmt -Check	07/08/2015	7384	WCTA	Telephone/Internet	-2.130.93
Liability Check	07/08/2015	ACH	Iowa Department of Revenue	& Finance	-196.40
Liability Check	07/08/2015	ACH	IPERS	o a mance	-485.00
Liability Check	07/08/2015	EFT	United States Treasury		-717.22
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Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2015	7393	Menards	Copier, Printer, Fax	-42.75
Bill Pmt - Check	07/15/2015		Verizon Wireless	Power Washer	-273.40
		. 0.5	Barco Municipal Products,	Cell Phone	-246.02
Bill Pmt -Check	07/22/2015	7395	Inc.	Engine Brake signs	
Bill Pmt -Check	07/22/2015	7396	UPS	Water Testing	-88.61
Bill Pmt -Check	07/22/2015	7397	Worth County Auditor	City Infrastructure maps	-10.75
Bill Pmt -Check	07/22/2015		AgSource Laboratories	Water & Sewer Testing	-120.00
Paycheck	07/29/2015		Roberts, Stephen J	vvater a Sewer resting	-57.50
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FIRE LAST THURSDAY EVENING destroyed the Interior of this house owned and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Bert Lee southwest of Fertile, The Lees stand in front of their house in which they and their seven children lost all of their possessions except the clothing they were wearing when they escaped from the burning house.

Tragedy Hits Bert Lees Again

Tragedy struck again last Thursday evening at the Bert Lee family who live a mile southwest of Fertile.

About 9:30 Thursday evening—after the family had retired for the might—the Lees' daughters, Comfe, 12, and Gall, 18, smelled smoke and heard a strange noise in the basement of their house. They went to the basement and found the house on fire.

While Gail called the fire department in Ferdle, Connic awakened her parents and other members of her family. By the time the family could put on clothes to go out into the 15 below zero temperature, flames had burst up the stairway.

All of the family's clothing and possessions were burned up in the fire which gutted the house except for a stove, refigerator and washing machine.

Members of the Fertile fire department fought the fire under extreme cold conditions. James Haugen had to get a gas torch to thaw out the firemen's hose

nozzles periodically as the 15 below temperature troze them up in short order. Firemen from lianlontown and Clear Lake aided by bringing tanker trucks.

Fire Chief Glenn Purcell of the Fertile volunteer department said that an overheated coal furnace apparently started the fire.

The flames went up through the center of the house and left only the outside walls standing.

Fertile area residents have been quick to respond to this latest tragedy of the Lee family.

Although they worked late Thursday night fighting the fire, the Fertile volunteer firemengot together. Friday morning and organized a community drive for the Lee family. Within a few days a cash fund of more than \$1,100 had been donated to help the family.

A clothing drive was conducted by the students attending the Fertile school to outfit the seven children and their parents who lost everything but the clothes they were wearing. One unidentIfied resident of the Fertile community loaded all of the children in his car, brought them to Forest City and bought every member of the family new shoes and overshoes.

The women's group of the Fertile Lutheran church is conducting a clothing drive for the family. The Church of Christ women are making quilts and doing other sewing for the Lees. The young people's group of the Church of Christ empided their treasury to buy nine pillows—one for each of the Lee family. Many groups have joined to send in meals for the family.

Temporarily most of the family have been housed with a neighboring farm family, the Clark Halversons. The oldest daughter at home, Gail, is staying with a married sister. Mrs. Duane Asche, in Mason City. La Verne, the oldest son, is staying with a friend in Mason City, while Romie is at the Davd Haugeus.

Donna, Darwin, Comic and Dennis and their parents are with the Halversons.

Arrangements have been made for the family to utilize the Haugen house at Fertile until their house can be rebuilt. Now the firemen are concentrating their efforts to obtain furniture dishes, bedding and other household items to help the Lectamily furnish this temporary house.

Persons interestedinassisting the Lee landly should contact Fire Chief Purcell at Fertile, Principal A. A. Luther at the Fertile school or the ladies of the two church groups.

Tragedy parade for the Lees began II years ago when a Mother's day tornado demolished the barn on the Lee farm. The barn was rebuilt the next year.

May 22, 1962, a windstrom again blew down the barn killing three calves and two sneep. The barn was raised up during the summer. During a rainstrom in July the bog house near the barn was struck by lighting which caused a fire in the hoghouse killing one hog.

August 23 another windstorm struck the farm, this time completely demolishing the barn and lilling 23 head of hogs. The barn has since been rebuilt—this time just to the west of the previous location.



My grandma dated this article Jan. 1962. Bert Lee's place was located west of Fertile on the blacktop road going south. Larry Gergen lives there now.

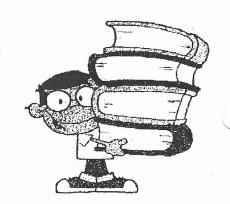
This did not defeat the Lee family it defined the strength they possessed.

Do you have a plan for dealing with a house fire if it happens to you?

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New Books

Silent Creed—Alex Kava Silver Lining—Debbie Macomber The Kerrigans-Lawless-William Johnstone People of the Book-Geraldine Brooks Alert-James Patterson Kids in the Kitchen Cookbook-Sandra Kilpatrick Jordan The Rule of Thoughts-James Dashner Little Wolves—Thomas Maltman Not Dead Yet-Peter James Rage Against Dying—Becky Masterson The Other Story—Tatiana De Rosany Thesilent Sister—Diane Chamberlain The Wolf in Winter-John Connolly The Secrets of the Midwives-Sally Hepworth Phantom Instinct—Meg Gardiner



The Hanson Family perform their H.E.R.O. juggling & unicycle show! We all had a great time!!

New Books on CD

A Paris Affair—Tatiana De Rosany
Those Girls—Chevy Stevens
The Magician's Lie—Greer Macallister
Hitler's Last Days—Bill O'Reilly
Paper Towns—John Green
Full Force & Effect—Tom Clancy
Grave Descent—Michael Chrichton
FBI Collection/Knockout/Whiplash-Catherine
Coulter

New DVDs

Chappie—Hugh Jackman
American Girl-Grace Stirs Up Success
Spongebob Movie—Sponge Out of Water
The Duff—Mae Whitman
The Cobbler—Adam Sandler
San Andreas Quake—Jhey Castles
Blackhat—Chris Hemsworth
Seventh Son—Jeff Bridges
Strange Magic—animated
Jupiter Ascending—Channing Tatum
Accidental Love—Jessica Biel
Cut Bank—Liam Hemsworth
Run All Night—Liam Neeson

Library News

Our book & bake sale was a great success, thanks to all of you we raised \$1000. As always Fertile, you are awesome! We sold cookies, bars, pies, preserves & puppy chow. All were yummy. We had lots of fun at our end of summer reading program. The kids got to juggle & spin plates with the Hanson family after the show. We are already making plans for the Halloween party. We are always looking for good ideas and Volunteers!!

THANK YOU

Ruth Rhodes, our Grand Marshall for Fertile days wishes to thank everyone for the wonderful day. As her convertible ride was unable to show up due to a family illness, she was taken by Dan Miller in his golf car.

Letters to the editor:

Thank you so much for all you do! We love getting the Fertile news! Roger & Susan Ouverson



Thank you ladies for the good reporting. I appreciate the memories so much., Mary Homerding

Thanks, you do a good job. Donna Nelson

FAILI CRAFT

Lutheran Retirement Home Auxiliary

Fall Fair

Saturday, Sept. 26

9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Lutheran Retirement Home Chapel

701 9th St. North, Northwood

Produce, Baked Goods, Crafts,

Drawing for quilt and other prizes

There is only one way to avoid criticism: do nothing, say nothing, and be nothing.

Aristotle

Two more names for the Viet Nam list

Robert Roy (Bobby) Davis

(died 2-11-70)

Rick Oswald



THANK YOU

The Fertile Fire Department wants to

thank all who attended the Fireman's breakfast on Sunday, August 9th. It was very well attended! Thanks to Pronto, Louis's Meats and Keith Brcka for their donations.

The amount of \$1326.00 was the proceeds after expenses. This will be put toward new equipment.

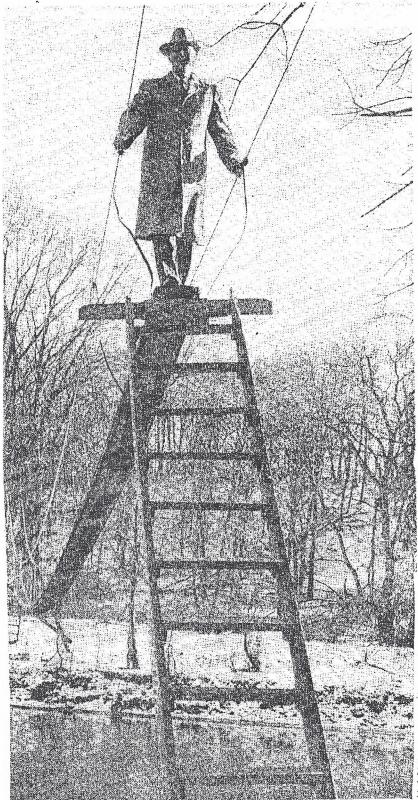
Thank you to the person who turned in my lost cell phone at the Firemen's breakfast. It was greatly appreciated! Pat Tuttle

FERTILE FACTS

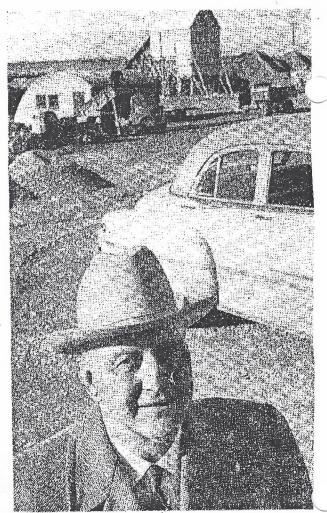
Compared to the rest of the country, Fertile's cost of living is 21.40% Lower than the U.S. average.

The unemployment rate in Fertile is <u>4.50</u> percent(U.S. avg. is 6.30%). Recent job growth is Positive. Fertile jobs have Increased by 0.36 percent.

As of 2014, Fertile's population is <u>330 people</u>. Since 2000, it has had a population growth of 3.45 percent.



Gov. Lee Eithon stands on the 120-foot-long suspension bridge he and his sons built across the Winnebago river on their farm near Fertile. This wooded spot is where the governor goes "when things aren't going quite right and I want to be alone."



Governor Elthon started a quarry in 1938 near his home town after he saw the beneficial effects of agricultural limestone used in Iowa farming operations. Quarry boildings are in the background.

Learns of Limestone.

In the middle 1930's, Elthon was appointed to a state emermittee. The appoinment came from Nelson G. Kraschel, one time Democratic governor and licutenant governor of Iowa, In that job, Eithon learned in southern Iowa that agricultural limestone could work wonders in rejuvenating soil.

"Why not start an agricultural limestone quarry around Fertile?" he asked himself.

He remembered a rocky ledge along the Winnebago river where he used to fish as a boy. He went home, bought the ledge. In 1938, aided by two and sometimes three men, he went into the quarry business on a "pickand-shovel" basis.

Meanwhile, he searched for a better rock deposit. He located a farm with 100 acres whose bedrock is just a few feet below the surface. He bought the 280acre farm. That is where his quarry is now. There is enough rock there for several lifetimes of quarrying.

A Humble Man.

He has been successful both gency conservation works com- in politics and in a business way. But he is honestly humble. Also, religion is not a faroff activity to which to pay only lip service. He knows the Bible well. He should, after teaching a Bible class of 40 adults for 10 years or more in the Fertile Gospel Mission.

> The mission is an interdenominational organization. It has no fulltime minister. Sunday school classes are held in the Mission each Sunday.

Asked what he would have to say to his Bible class today, the governor said:

"They are a very devout oup. They don't take their group. religion lightly in this community. I will ask them to support me in prayer in this new responsibility."

He said that he likes to teach Sunday school "because I think the teacher learns more than do those who are listening."

Fertile Day's 2015

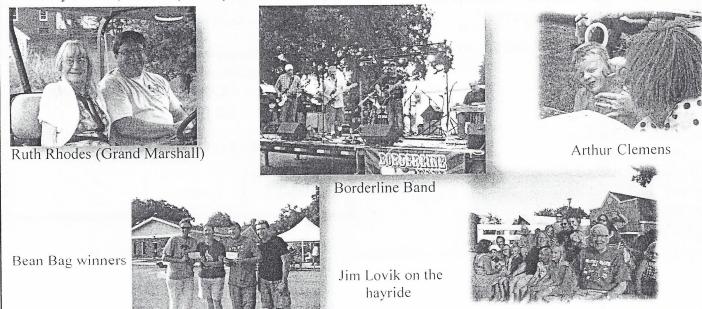
Another successful year! The weather cooperated and we had a great weekend! We had approximately 400 people thru out the day. Our day started off with the "Do the Putsy" and around 30 walkers/runners. Grand Marshall "Ruth Rhodes" stole the hearts of many as Dan escorted her on his golf car. Pedal tractor pull had parents hollering for their children to keep pedaling! The inflatables are always a hit with the children as they gathered to take their turns on the huge slide and the bouncy barn. You could hear the cry "BINGO" as numbers were called and many enjoyed the afternoon. It's always entertaining to watch the bean bag tournaments as both men and women try to beat the other! Pronto served 325 people at our community meal and did a fantastic job! Our donation bucket had \$629.61 in it! Thank you! And the highlight of the day is the Borderline Band and hayrides. There is just something about taking that moon light hayride around town!

Sunday morning kicked off the day with a wonderful breakfast by our super volunteer fire fighters! To end Fertile Day's 2015, we gathered in the park for a community church service. Around 165 people enjoyed worshiping in the William Rhodes Park.

There were many volunteers who helped! Just to give you an idea of all the work involved on Saturday - setting up and tearing down the inflatables, 5 different couples taking shifts running the inflatables, setting up and taking down tables and chairs, selling t-shirts, registration for the 5K walk/run, coloring contest judges, setting up for face painting/balloon animal clown, bingo set up and caller, kick ball organizers, bean bag registration and organizer, setting up and monitoring our magic show, lining up buses for BMC, tractor, hay rack, driver and rider for the hayrides, setting up and taking down the sound system, setting up and taking down the cones, signs, garbage cans and I'm sure we have forgotten something. As you can see, it's a lot of work and this is just on the day of our celebration. So when we call and ask for help - THANK YOU! It helps make our day more enjoyable! Many hands make light work!!

If you would like to join our Fertile Day's committee, please contact Cindy Peters or Penny Miller.

Again we would like to thank everyone for a great weekend! Cindy Peters (chairman), Penny Miller (co-chairman), Ron Rachut, Kevin and Cindy Bidne, Holly Hanna





STUFFED PEPPER SOUP

1 lb. ground beef

1 small onion, diced

1 large bell pepper, diced

1 can (29 oz.) diced tomatoes

1 (10 oz) can tomato soup (or tomato sauce)

1 (14 0z) can chicken broth (or beef broth)

2 cups cooked rice (white or brown)

1 tbsp. sugar

1 tsp. garlic powder, salt & pepper, to taste shredded cheddar cheese, for topping

Directions: In a large pot, brown and crumble ground beef along with diced green peppers and onion over medium-high heat.

When cooked, drain excess grease from beef mixture.

Put beef back into pot, add in diced tomatoes. Add broth then add in can of tomato soup or tomato sauce (whichever you are using). Give it all a good stir.

Add seasonings; sugar, garlic powder, salt & pepper Cover and let soup simmer on low-medium heat for about 30 minutes to let all the flavors blend. Just before serving add cooked rice.

CUCUMBER, ONION & TOMATO SALAD

3 tomatoes

3 cucumbers

1 onion

½ c. apple cider vinegar

1 t. cracked pepper

2 T. sugar

2 t. salt

1 c. water

¼ cup olive oil

Mix all together and chill 1-2 hours

A tablespoon of apple cider vinegar in the morning can help with arthritis pain.

The most effective cough syrup exists is HONEY.

Running bacon under cold water before cooking will reduce shrinkage to 50%.

Also, always cook bacon in the oven for 10 minutes at 365 degrees for maximum flavoring.

Food tastes better when you eat it with your family.

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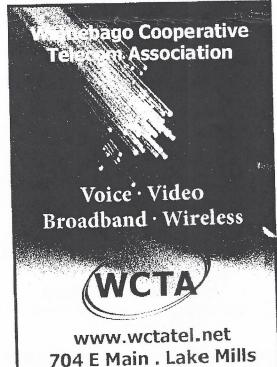
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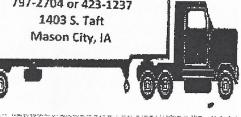
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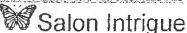
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After writing the letter, he put it on the table in the bedroom and then climbed under the bed to hide until his wife got home. He hoped to hear her outraged response, or to see her get upset. When the wife eventually came back home, she saw the letter on the table and read it. After a few moments of silence, she picked up the pen and added something to the letter. Then she started to get changed, whistling happy tunes and

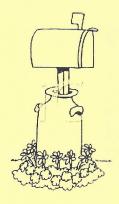
singing and dancing while she did so. She seemed overjoyed, rather than crushed and heartbroken. The man was shocked and incredibly hurt. But things only got worse.

The wife grabbed her phone and dialed a number. Her husband listened from under the bed as she started chatting to someone.

"Hey babe," said the wife into the phone. "I'm just getting changed now, I'll join you in a bit. As for the other fool, it finally dawned on him that I was cheating on him and he left. I was really wrong to have married him; I wish you and me had met earlier. See you soon, honey!" Then she hung up and walked out of the room.

After some time, the husband heard the front door open and close – his wife was gone. In tears and very upset, he climbed out from under the bed and stumbled over to read what his unfaithful wife had written on the end of his letter.

Through teary eyes, he read: "I could see your feet under the bed, you idiot. I'm going out to buy bread."



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