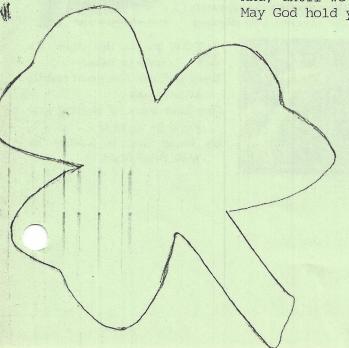
Fertile Reminder

MARCH 1987



IRISH BLESSING

May the road rise to meet you
May the wind be always at your back
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
May the rain fall soft upon your fields
And, until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.





As the month of February will soon be over, our thoughts turn to March. Such an unpredictable month and everyone has spring on his nind - one wonders if we'll have that big olizzard that so often comes in March; will we see patches of green grass; will the early flowers dare to emerge from their winter's rest; could we dare to think the first robin might make his appearance early; we have thoughts of a garden as we leaf through those seed catalogs with their beautiful pictures of various fruits and vegetables; the Irish remember St.Patrick's Day, and the young have thoughts of playing marbles, playing Hop Scotch and flying that kite; Thoughts of going without boots, wearing a light jacket, no mittens nor scarves. These are some of our thoughts as we enter the unpredictable month of March. Wouldn't it be nice if it would come

For each word listed here, there is an antonym (a word of opposite meaning) which begins with the letter "C". For example, an antonym beginning with "C" for "dirty" is "clean". Can you supply antonyms in the key of C for each of these? The correct answers are found on another page.

in like a lamb and exit like a lamb as well?

- 1. Doubtful
- 2. Cowardly
- 3. Inept
- 4. Selfish
- 5. Unrefined
- 6. Insincere
- 7. Mature
- 8. Adroit
- 9. Obscure
- 10. Indifferent

SPRING

March comes in
on roller skates.
It brings skinned knees,
wind tossed trees,
Puddles, giggles,
and Spring.

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OR SALE: Are you interested in a very nice home for a reasonable price? Call 797-2785

LIBRARY NEWS

WEDNESDAY 11 AM -0160 PM at T FRIDAY 1 PM 4-951 PM

SATURDAY 9 AM -SNOON'S

NEW BOOKS:
Oh, to be fifty again - Eda LeShan
Fit or fat - Covert Bailey
Prince of tides - Pat Conroy
Eyes of the dragon - Stephen King
The rake - Karen Lynn
Rachel's hope - Carole Gift Page
Prince & the Quakeress - Jean Plaidy
Windmills of the gods Sidney Sheldon
El Dorodo - Hank Mitchum

The library received four books ordered by the Robertelle Center of Forest City, made possible through the 3M Foundation. These books are on drugs and alcohol. These books are on drugs are alcohol. The books are: I'll quit tomorrow; 800-Cocaine; Adult children of alcoholics and Getting tough on Gateway drugs.

The family of Reva Nelson donated two scrapbooks which she had made up the history of the Fertile Library from the beginning. These books may be seen at the library. We wish to thank the family for the books.

Also paperback westerns and magazines have been donated. All are appreciated.

PLEASE RETURN OVERDUE BOOKS!

SENIOR CITEZENS MEALS

March 3 - Pork chops a baked potatoes, cauliflower, three bean salad, bread pudding, bread, butter, scoffee, and milk.

March 17 - Minute steak, boiled potatoes, corn, cucumber, salad, lime sherbet, bread, butter, coffee, and milk:

For reservation call Edna Pederson by Monday noon. 797-2669da Reald

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Thanks to everyone who remembered me with prayers, cards, telephone calls, and visits while I was in Mercy Hospital. It was all appreciated.

Geneva Haugen

STORK NEWS

Mark & Mary Egesdal of Forest City, are parents of a Baby girl born Jan. 29. She weighed 8 lbs. 10 oz. and has been named Ashley Ileane. Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Steve Keifer, Fertile, Mr. & Mrs. Arlyn Rauk, Leland, Great Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Howard & Mary McGinly, Holiday, Florida, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Keifer of Clear Lake, Mr. & Mrs. Ingvald Askeland, Buffalo Center, Mr. & Mrs. Allan Rauk, Forest City, Zella Egesdal, Arizona, and Great Great Grandmother, Francis Maher of Lake Mills.

Lori Weaver and Blake Slater of Fertile, are parents of a Baby boy born Feb. 4. He weighed 8 lbs. 9 oz. and has been named Blake Edward Slater II. Grandparents are Pat Weaver, Fertile, Darrell Weaver, Mason City, Emil Slater, DesMoines. Great Grandparents are Cliff McCloud, Mason City, and Darline Weaver, Mason City.

Terry and Dixie Ouverson of Fairfax, Virginia are the parents of a son born February 13th. He has been named James Harold Ouverson and weighed 7 lbs.5 oz. He joins a sister, Jennifer, age 7. Grandparents are Harold and Ruth Ouverson of Fertile, and Grandmother une Harrison of Gowrie, Iowa.

Next distribution of Government commodities will be March 12th, at the Fertile Community Center from 1-5. Cheese & Milk will be distributed.

Annual Sweetheart dance will be held March 27th at the Surf Ballroom, to raise money for the Community Center. All money for tickets sold in advance will go to the Center. Even if you do not plan to attend, send your contribution to Ray & Lorraine Bakke, Fertile, Iowa.

Our most heartfelt Thanks to friends, neighbors and family for prayers, concern and cards. To Paston Walters for visits while Kenneth was in Mason City and Rochester and since returning home.

Kenneth & Myrtle Gudmonson

Thank you seems inadequate for all the love and concern shown to us these past months. We thank you for the prayers, visits, telephone calls, food brought in, with given Reva, beautiful flowers, letters, cards and memorials. Every kindness was much appreciated. Small town people are special.

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The Fertile City Council met in regular session on Feb. 3, 1987, with Mayor Hoffman presiding & Council members Nye, Hare, Petersen, & Sandifer present.

*Minutes of the previous meeting were read &

Renewal of the employees bond will be with Manly Insurance Agency, as in the past.

Lance Burtness was appointed to fill the unexpired term as council member, for Tom Kirschbaum.

Council set Feb. 17, as a special meeting to work on the city's budget.

Letters to be sent to delinquent water & sewer users.

Clerk will check on program for the computer to do the utility billing of

Motion to pay montly bills. Carried. Meeting adjourned.

Janice Hare

Next regular council meeting will be March 3, 1987 at 7 p.m. at the Library.

JANUARY BALANCE SHEET

Expendi	itures_Han	
Peoples Natural Gas	od com k	309.73
Janice Hare	ry, the	240.71
David Low	bayens or	303.11
Dick Sheimo	customer	439.95
Evelyn Knudsen	ry, the E	271.01
Waste Systems Corp.	to lack of	695.20
Ipers	rry, there	155.76
Ipers - FOAB	ce. Thank!	235.70
TreasState of Iowa	ecause of the	60.88
Interstate Power Co.		607.57
Winn. RTA	rry, there	26.33
City of Fertile	our call	51.00
TreasState of Iowa	sed because	12.12
Ouverson's Repair		44.50
Fertile Lbr. & Hdwe.		11.34
Thomas Macine		18.50

The girl that sent this card is Selma Sagen (Mrs. Ben Rholl), cousin of the other Sagen girls on the picture & is standing between $\mathtt{Amy} \cdot \mathtt{Nye}$ (Mc-Enelly) & Ruby Nissen (Carr).

Starting with the girl on the left in the back, with white blouse, Gladys Rye, Alva Wold (her dad was preacher of Free Church), Esther Shields (beside Gladys), Jenny Jorgenson & Helen Sagen. In the back row, Ada Elthon, I don't know next one, Effie VanNote, Anna Rholl (Field), Anna Ouverson (Kimble), in front of those two & Jim Rhodes in front of Anna, next

to Jim an Ebaugh boy.

The two girls in back row behind Ruby Nissen, I can't figure out. In front of them Florence Rye (ribbons on her hair) & Lucille Brown (Mrs. Paul Humphrey). In front of Lucille, Sophia Hjelmeland, I don't know next one, then Syneva, Ora Ouverson, Ruth Ure (Carr) she has her arms around Esther Elthon. There are 5 girls in a row with light dresses, 1 & 5. They are Ruth Hjelmeland, Selma Rholl, Ruth Johnson (Muth), Dora Ebaugh (Mrs. Virgil Ouversons mother) & Ruth Elthon. In front of Selma R is Lois Westcott. Sort of in front of Gladys Rye is Vera Humphrey (not Mrs. Roger), I dont know next one, Lottie Yokum, Albion Stokke & Melvin Rholl. Leo Stokke stands there wearing a long overcoat with his hands in the pockets. Gladys Peterson (Doctors daughter) sitting on a sled & Norma Ouverson on the sled too, on the other side. Leonard Hjelmeland (scarf around his head) standing behind her, and you saw Norman Jorgenson, I could name many boys that would surely be on this picture, John Rholl stands in front, but with those caps and hats on I can't. On the end the teachers are Bess Brose & Hilda Sagen (Mrs. Carl Sheimo) and Gail White stands by them. I think the girl in front of Gail is Alta Jones (Mrs. Ed Rodberg). Anyway its funny that most of the girls stand there without coats & the boys all have hats & caps on, sweaters & coats. Now I can see Melvin Rholl next to Ruth Hjelmeland. I hope you can figure out now some of those kids. I you can't I don't know who you would ask. So many I have named are dead. Can you see any one that looks like Leo Elthon?

I've done the best I can & good luck.

Fondly, Eva Faulken

