

FERTILE REMINDER

APRIL 2020



GOOD COACHING I always claimed that my high school teacher Glen Wiste was a very good basketball coach. He drilled us on the fundamentals and when college or even professionals do them wrong I notice it. This photo from the 1950 Worth County tournament illustrates what I mean. The ball is still in the net and Kenny Midtgaard and Larry Purcell have already turned and begun running to play defense on the other end of the court. I like the crowded gym and the appearance of the building. Several other

towns' gyms were cracker boxes. This was one of the best in the county. Too bad it is gone.
Neil Kuns

APRIL CALENDAR

2 Firemen meet

9 & 23 Recycle

15 Deadline for Reminder

20 Library Board

21 Fertile Girls meet

21 City Council

22 Reminder e-mailed

28 Reminder Mailed



City of Fertile

City Council Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2020 - 7:00 PM, City Hall

Call to Order & Roll Call:

- Mayor Nick Bailey called the council meeting to order. Present were: Mayor Nick Bailey; Council Members: Cindy Peters, Ron Rachut, Tad Miller, Holly Lovik-Hanna and Penny Miller. City Clerk Wendy Lunning and Maintenance Manager Steve Roberts.
- Ron motioned, Cindy 2nd to approve the minutes of the February meeting.** Unanimous
- Cindy motioned, Ron 2nd to accept agenda.** 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.

Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag

Library Board Member:

- Angie Thompson proposed Nancy Suby to be the second rural library board member. **Ron motioned, Tad 2nd to accept Nancy Suby as library board member.** Unanimous.
- Fertile Public Library will be closed to the public until further notice. Please see their website for bridges, eBook offerings, and follow their Facebook page for ideas on home learning.
- Library Fiesta has been postponed until further notice.

Code of Conduct:

- Ron proposed that this be postponed until the April meeting.

City Maintenance Report:

- Steve has been working on painting the Water Plant.
- Hydraulic Fluid leaked on the plow truck.
- Steve has been trimming trees at the Ball Diamonds.
- Steve met with Shawn Wells at Overhead Doors. Thank you, Nick and Allison, for donating a garage door opener. Nick, Steve & Dan Miller are planning to install garage door opener, fix garage door and add a key pad.
- Steve has been replacing the fence at the park.
- Corey with North Iowa Septic Solution quoted \$28 per ton for black dirt. This will be needed for street project and landscaping. Cindy is planning on submitting a POET grant for this.
- Ron motioned, Holly 2nd to approve the City Maintenance report.** Unanimous

Mayor's Report:

- Nick has been trying to contact Waste Management in regards to Clean Up Days. Tentative date is May 9th.
- Nick met with Jay to review insurance policy.
- Street Light out at the corner of First and Main Street.

- Nick is working with Worth County EMA in regards to the Coronavirus. Keep hands washed and maintain social distancing. Rick Kofron from Forest City has toilet paper available for the elderly that may be in need. If you have a need relating to the Coronavirus, you can also contact Nick Bailey.
- The Fire Department reported 2 Fire calls and 2 Medical calls during the month of February.

- Penny motioned, Tad 2nd to approve the mayor's report.** Unanimous.

City Clerk's Report:

- Holly motioned, Cindy 2nd to approve resolution 20-03-17-1 authorizing the internal transfer of funds.** Unanimous.
- Ron motioned, Penny 2nd to approve Financial Reports.** Unanimous
- Holly motioned, Cindy 2nd to approve February Bills.** Unanimous

- Liens presented to the Council were as follows:

506 W Washington Street \$389.54

Ron motioned, Tad 2nd to process liens with Worth County Treasurer. Unanimous

- Nick opened the budget public hearing at 8:30pm.

No Comments

Public Hearing was closed at 8:33pm

Penny motioned, Ron 2nd to accept the resolution to adopt the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021 for the City of Fertile.

Roll Call Vote: Cindy--yes; Ron--yes; Tad--yes; Penny--yes; Holly--yes. Unanimous

Committee Reports:

- Ron got new flags for the Community Center. There is currently a new POW/MIA Flag that is available. Council agreed to get a 3 X 5 for special occasions.
- Holly and Penny will be on a Community Center committee to determine rates and usage of the building.

Upcoming Meetings:

- The Fertile City Council will meet for regular session on April 21st at 7:00 pm at Fertile City Hall.
- Holly motioned, Penny 2nd to adjourn the meeting.** Unanimous

Summary:

- Library Board Member.
- Budget Public Hearing.

Wendy Lunning, City Clerk

7/1/2019 to 02/29/2020	General	Roads	Emergency	EE Benefits	LOST Pre 01/01/2020	LOST Post 01/01/2020	WCDA	Capital Projects	Utilities	Total
Income	441,880.44	22,880.11	1,212.96	7,283.61	22,148.19	5,956.02	0	2,916.64	105,807.78	610,085.75
Expense	466,858.18	22,705.63	962.13	4,670.40	0	0	3,000.00	0	53,053.41	551,249.75
Total	-24,977.74	174.48	250.83	2,613.21	22,148.19	5,956.02	-3,000.00	2,916.64	52,754.37	58,836.00
Fund Balance	-20,652.52	82,772.11	250.83	5,317.76	58,057.14	5,956.02	21.32	2,916.64	94,198.77	408,795.27

City of Fertile Deposits

As of February 29, 2020

Accrual Basis

Type	Date	Memo	Amount
Operating Accounts			
Checking			
Deposit	02/01/2020	Property Taxes	1,543.48
Deposit	02/03/2020	Casino Funds Deposit	2,216.66
Deposit	02/05/2020	Facility Rental Deposit	50.00
Deposit	02/05/2020	Lien Payment Deposit	734.54
Deposit	02/05/2020	Utility Deposit	545.36
Deposit	02/05/2020	Paypal Utility Deposit	186.80
Deposit	02/10/2020	Utility Deposit	311.82
Deposit	02/12/2020	Utility Deposit	1,954.26
Deposit	02/12/2020	Lien Payment Deposit	385.34
Deposit	02/19/2020	Clerkbooks Deposit	0.00
Deposit	02/19/2020	Utility Deposit	3,807.60
Deposit	02/19/2020	Paypal Utility Deposit	77.32
Deposit	02/19/2020	Facility Rental Deposit	200.00
Deposit	02/19/2020	Library County Deposit	9,125.00
Deposit	02/19/2020	Road Use Tax	2,418.01
Deposit	02/24/2020	Paypal Utility Deposit	444.42
Deposit	02/26/2020	Utility Deposit	3,734.88
Deposit	02/26/2020	Paypal Deposit	87.09
Deposit	02/27/2020	Local Option Sales Tax	2,728.16
Deposit	02/29/2020	Interest	29.42
Total Checking			30,580.16
Petty Cash			
Total Petty Cash			30,580.16
Total Operating Accounts			30,580.16
Roads Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	02/29/2020	Interest	0.55
Total Savings			0.55
Total Roads Revenue Accounts			0.55
Water Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	02/29/2020	Interest	2.68
Total Savings			2.68
Total Water Revenue Accounts			2.68
Sewer Revenue Accounts			
Savings			
Deposit	02/29/2020	Interest	2.34
Total Savings			2.34
CD			
Total CD			2.34
Total Sewer Revenue Accounts			2.34
TOTAL			30,585.73

City of Fertile Bills Paid

As of February 29, 2020

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Accrual Basis Amount
Operating Accounts					
Checking					
Paycheck	02/01/2020	9436	Bruns, Warren	Water & Sewer Supervisor	-300.21
Paycheck	02/01/2020	9437	Lunning, Wendy S	City Clerk	-611.07
Bill Pmt -Check	02/01/2020	9438	AgSource Laboratories	Water Testing	-13.50
Bill Pmt -Check	02/01/2020	9439	Hawkins, Inc.	Chlorine Cylinder	-15.00
Bill Pmt -Check	02/01/2020	9440	IMFOA	Annual dues	-50.00
Bill Pmt -Check	02/01/2020	9441	Kum & Go	Gas for Pick-up	-102.80
Bill Pmt -Check	02/01/2020	9442	Menards	Paint & Supplies	-137.88
Bill Pmt -Check	02/01/2020	9443	WCTA	Telephone/Internet	-202.37
Bill Pmt -Check	02/01/2020	9444	Wendy Lunning - v	Mileage (30 miles @ .575 per mile)	-17.25
Check	02/01/2020	TRANSFER	City of Fertile	Capital Funds	0.00
Paycheck	02/05/2020	9433	Peters, Cynthia	Social Security	-34.72
Check	02/05/2020	DEBIT	USPS	Stamps	-165.00
Paycheck	02/05/2020	9434	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance	-1,159.29
Bill Pmt -Check	02/05/2020	9435	Lonnie Knudson	Community Center Cleaning	-60.00
Check	02/09/2020	DEBIT	Intuit	Payroll	-14.98
Bill Pmt -Check	02/12/2020	9445	Alliant Energy	Electric	-1,515.81
Bill Pmt -Check	02/12/2020	9446	Fertile Reminder	Advertisement Costs	-220.00
Bill Pmt -Check	02/12/2020	9447	Five Star CO-OP	Gas for Truck	-115.42
Bill Pmt -Check	02/12/2020	9448	Hanna Chris Iowa Assn. of Municipal Utilities	November & January Snow Removal (9 hours @ \$12.00 per hour)	-108.00
Bill Pmt -Check	02/12/2020	9449	Marco	Annual Dues	-573.00
Bill Pmt -Check	02/12/2020	9450	Verizon Wireless	Copier, Printer, Fax	-90.29
Bill Pmt -Check	02/12/2020	9451	Waste Management	Cell Phone	-75.69
Liability Check	02/12/2020	EFT	IPERS		-2,410.65
Paycheck	02/16/2020	9456	Arndt, Linda J	(L) Assistant Director	0.00
Paycheck	02/16/2020	9458	Thompson, Angela M	(L) Librarian	-138.24
Paycheck	02/16/2020	9457	Knudson, Loni	(L) Clerk	-1,459.84
Bill Pmt -Check	02/16/2020	9459	Alliant Energy		-231.24
Bill Pmt -Check	02/16/2020	9460	Baker & Taylor	(L) Books & CDs	-948.97
Bill Pmt -Check	02/16/2020	9461	Black Hills Energy		-324.76
Bill Pmt -Check	02/16/2020	9462	Larsen Plumbing & Heating	Replace Gas Valve	-788.45
Bill Pmt -Check	02/16/2020	9463	Menards	Paint & Trash Bags	-326.13
Bill Pmt -Check	02/16/2020	9464	MicroMarketing	(L) Books	-117.94
Paycheck	02/19/2020	9453	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance	-29.99
Paycheck	02/19/2020	9454	Roberts, Stephen J	City Maintenance	-448.05
Check	02/19/2020	TRANSFER	City of Fertile	Capital Funds	-1,159.29
Check	02/20/2020	ACH	WCTA	(L) Telephone	0.00
Check	02/20/2020	DEBIT	Downtown Hilton	Training	-45.95
Bill Pmt -Check	02/26/2020	9465	Menards	Paint & Paper Towels	-301.86
Bill Pmt -Check	02/26/2020	DEBIT	Midwest Wheel Companies Miller's Diesel and Automotive	Chains for Truck	-40.82
Bill Pmt -Check	02/26/2020	9467	North Iowa Media Group	Hydraulic Hose on Plow Truck	-543.25
Bill Pmt -Check	02/26/2020	9468	Staples	Publish 2019 Salaries	-7.24
Bill Pmt -Check	02/26/2020	9469	Worth County Treasurer	W2 Envelopes	-5.99
Bill Pmt -Check	02/26/2020	9470		Lien Payment for Mike Dahn	-385.34
Bill Pmt -Check	02/29/2020		ClerkBooks A/P Adjust	QuickBooks generated zero amount transaction for bill payment stub	
Total Checking					-15,391.19
Total Petty Cash					
Total Operating Accounts					-15,391.19
Total Roads Revenue Accounts					
TOTAL					-15,391.19

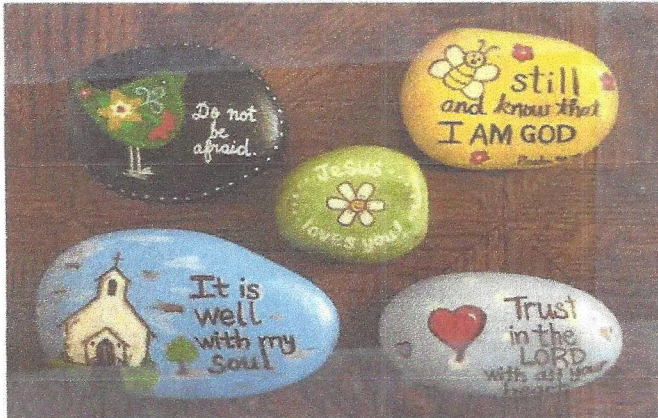


Orland Miller passed away February 27, 2020 at the age of 93. Orland grew up in Fertile and was the youngest of nine children of Ben and Ellen Miller. He was the last surviving in that family.

He leaves behind his son, Mike Miller, daughter Lynette, grandchildren Krystal and Cody and 2 great granddaughters McKenna and Sebrina.

Orland was still getting the Fertile Reminder in Hot Springs, ND.

Our sympathy to his family!



To the residents of Fertile –

The Fertile Church of Christ will be painting and decorating rocks and placing them throughout the town about mid-April. The rocks will be a reminder that the residents of Fertile are thought about, prayed over, and loved by the Church of Christ. We are asking the residents to keep the rocks they find, re-hide them if they'd like, or share them with someone they think may need the encouraging words or prayers. So, if you're out walking enjoying the weather, or riding your bike around town, be on the lookout for painted rocks! Also, if you have something you need prayers for or need a helping hand in some way, please feel free to stop by the Church of Christ – we would love to help you in any way we can.

THE TOILET PAPER DEBACLE

I am either not too smart or very confused as to why there is a shortage of toilet paper and why everyone is so intent to buy it in huge quantities. Well, I do know it is an important part of our daily living but not to the point that we need rooms full.

Last week I was told that NONE could be found in Mason City. Clear Lake Fareway advertised it in their two day ad so apparently they had some so I wonder if people were standing at the door like "Black Friday" waiting to grab it as the shelves were empty on Saturday evening when I visited the store.

Back to the toilet paper. We old folks that had outhouses knew how to survive without toilet paper. Remember the catalogs and newspapers in the outhouse? They served double duty, you could read them while doing your business, then use them for wiping. I do not recall ever seeing a roll of toilet paper in our outhouse in the 17 years I lived at home. (Running water was installed when I went to college as the water carrier was gone!)

But again I digress. Remember when peach season rolled around? Those nice peach wrappers that came in the lugs of peaches were so smooth and nice to use. The more lugs of peaches canned the bigger the supply of "tissues".

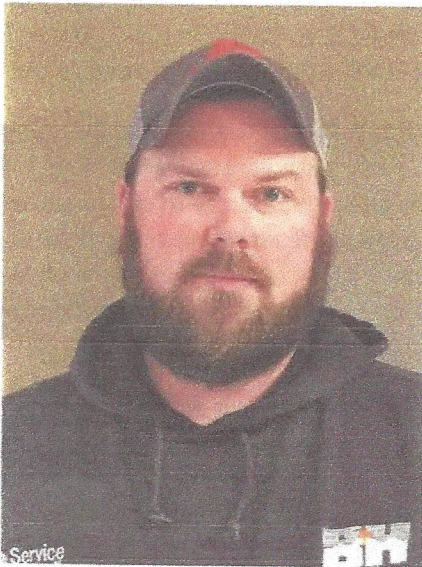
Another thing I noticed. Mothers are worried about baby wipes. You old timers know what our baby wipes were....wash cloths. No disposable diapers in our day either. Think of the money we saved.

Again back to the toilet paper, I can't leave without a few solutions like Kleenex, paper towels, napkins and even rags. DO NOT FLUSH THEM DOWN THE STOOL or you will make our plumbers all rich when this is all over. (Sorry Plumbers)

The food shelves are emptying quickly, too. Now our young people will see why we always bought ahead and not just the next meal.

We have no idea how long this virus will last or even if we, ourselves, will survive. If we don't our toilet paper worries will be over.

The next five months there will be a new feature in the Reminder named **MEET YOUR CITY COUNCIL**. It is time we know who is on our council and a little something about them. They work hard to keep Fertile on the map and running smoothly. Enjoy!



MAYOR NICK BAILEY

Nick lives with his wife, Alison; children Ryan 13 and Kelsey 10 at 603 West Main Street, Fertile.

He has been a council member for 6 years and started as Mayor in January 2020.

Nick has lived in Fertile the past 16 years.

Nick works for Black Hills Energy as a network operation technician.

The family enjoys camping and spends a lot of time watching their kids sporting events.

WHAT WAS THE PURPOSE OR GOAL IN RUNNING FOR TOWN COUNCIL? I wanted to join the council to start a different generation of ideas. I have always been involved in the community but wanted to take on a different role.

What town projects are you most interested in seeing done? It will be nice to see main street get replaced.

AS A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL WHERE DO YOU SEE FERTILE IN 5 TO 10 YEARS? I hope to see Fertile main street and business grow.

Did you know this?

The town of Fertile was first called Rhodes Mill and then called by the nickname of Putsy for many years. (It is still called this by the old timers!) When a name was to be officially adopted, Fontanelle and Blaire were both favorably considered, but in spite of this, the name Fertile was made official.

Sometime in the past years our winding stream has changed names from Lime Creek to the official name of Winnebago River.

And now you know the rest of the story!

Andrew Jackson, "Old Hickory" (1829-1837)

Jackson was known for his tough personality, which gained him his nickname, "Old Hickory". He also was known to carry a walking stick made of hickory wood that he would use to swat people! Jackson had a very exacting personality that would often result in spats with others. He is estimated to have participated in anywhere between 5-100 duels!

One such duel was with a man named Charles Dickinson. During the event, Jackson was struck in the chest with a bullet but survived. He carried the bullet in his chest (along with another from a different duel) his entire life.

Our cleaning lady just called and told us she will be working from home and will send us instructions on what to do.



THOUGHTS OF FARMER RON

Hello Fertile, I am late getting this to Betty this month. I have been spending a lot of time helping my brother grade his onions. On top of that, I was getting class room material ready for the four

gardening classes I was to give through NIACC. Well, the first class at Lake Mills had two sign up, so was cancelled. (We need five) The second class at Forest City had none, so was cancelled. The third at Garner has none and will probably be cancelled. The fourth at NIACC in Mason City had eighty, but was cancelled due to the virus. I will just keep the material for a different time, maybe next year. I'm not surprised at the first three, but disappointed. Who is going to be the next generation of specialty agriculture producers?

Looking ahead thirty years, grain production will probably be controlled by big grain companies. The farmer in the field farming land owned by absentee land owners will just be an employee of the corporation. The family farm will be no more. The only independent producers left will be farming eighty acres or less, but very intense and for a specialized market.

Think Berkshire hogs raised with bedding for the restaurant trade. Grass fed cattle for the same market. Meat goats for the ethnic trade. In the right location, it is possible to net \$100,000 per year on one acre. The catch is that you are planting and harvesting every week of the year, are close to a big population area, everything is done by hand, and everything is inside a building with no windows. Everything is controlled and you are growing crops that are from seed to table in thirty to forty days. Talking about food, Donna and I did eat at Café Mir. Even there, the virus is taking its toll in business.

I had to see how they prepared my blue potatoes. Wow, were they good. It is the Adirondack Blue variety, grown in the Fertile Valley which increases its good flavor and then Josh adds ingredients that really make them stand out. He uses about twenty pounds a week for two nights, so others like them too. The rest of the meal was fabulous, also.

Patronize your local merchants during this virus outbreak. We want them in business when this ends.

The celery plants that are in the germinator are just coming up. They are slow germinating, but wouldn't be planted until late May. Now I must get busy and move the leek plants out. It is time to start cabbage, peppers, and tomatoes. I am the only grower for North Iowa Fresh for carrots, parsnips, and late red beets. I need to get to

Michigan to pick up my basket weeder. I also need to get to Antigo, Wisconsin for potato seed. Busy, busy, but it beats the alternative. Until next time, thank a Veteran for the freedoms you enjoy, thank a farmer for the food on your plate, and above all, thank God for your daily blessings.



Garden Club had their first meeting of the year on March 10th with Cindy Peters calling the meeting to order. 13 members answered roll call which was "What you like to do."

A delicious soup supper, salad and dessert was served by our offices: Cindy Peters, Bev Bruns, Sue Lee and Deb Berg.

Our secret pal names were drawn for the year. Booklets with our yearly program were handed out and reviewed. It looks to be a great year!

Our golf cart is ready! Details are being worked out for the door, key pad, water tank, etc. At our May meeting we will have a training seminar on how to drive it!

Thought for the day was given by Deb Berg on "If I Had to Live My Life Over" by Erna Bombeck.



Please renew my subscription to the Reminder for another year. I enjoy reading the information that you publish. Thank you, Richard Humphrey



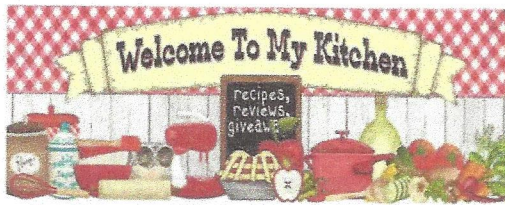


WHO OWNS THE RIVER? By Neil Kuns

I never thought about this until I saw that warning sign in the park at the Fertile park last year. Is the town concerned about liability since they own the William Rhodes Island Park? Does it make a difference if one owns the property on both sides of the river? Could someone actually sue the city if they slipped and fell over the dam? (We used to jump over it in the 1940's) Is the dam the property of the owner of the mill or the city?

The sign was authorized by the Iowa Fish and Game Commission. When Dad's old garage finally collapsed last year the state Department of Natural Resources threatened the owner with a \$1,000 per day fine if any of the debris ended up in the river. Where were they when the mill was operating and the overflow of the corn cobs fell into the river west of the mill? I'm happy they didn't stick their noses into that situation because the corn still on the cobs that entered the water attracted Carp by the dozens and it was a great place to fish. (fun to catch but not good to eat) Many of us fished below the dam either from the bank or wading out in the stream to do so. We also waded into the water to dislodge a fishing lure that caught on a submerged rock. It would have been impossible to fish if we had to stay back 100 feet from the river.

I understand that we live in a litigious society, but it seems like the Nanny State is a little too concerned about things people who live with the river every day know by instinct. What do you think?



Cooks page by: Tammy Waddington

Caramelized Bacon Twists

- 1 pound sliced bacon
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 2 tsp. ground cinnamon

Cut each bacon strip in half widthwise. Combine brown sugar and cinnamon. Dip bacon strips in sugar mixture; twist. Place on a foil-lined 15x10x1 inch baking pan. Bake at 350° for 15-20 minutes or until crisp.

Hot Spiced Lemon Drink

- 2-1/2 quarts water
- 2 cups sugar
- 1-1/2 cups orange juice
- 1/4 cup pineapple juice
- 1 cinnamon stick (3 inches)
- 1/2 teaspoon whole cloves

In a 5-quart slow cooker, combine the water, sugar and juices. Place cinnamon stick and cloves on a double thickness of cheesecloth; bring up corners of cloth and tie with kitchen string to form a bag. Place in slow cooker. Cover and cook on low for 2-3 hours or until heated through. Discard spice bag.

Easy Lemon Pie

- 1 large lemon (unpeeled, seeds removed and cut into pieces)
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup butter (melted)

Preheat oven to 350°. Place lemon pieces, eggs, sugar and butter into a blender. Blend until smooth. Pour into 8-inch unbaked piecrust and bake at 350° for 40 minutes.

Mini Cheesecakes

- 24 Vanilla wafers
- 2 pkgs. (8 oz. each) cream cheese, softened
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 TBS. lemon juice
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- Pie filling or preserves of your choice

Place wafers flat side down in paper or foil lined muffin cups; set aside. In a large bowl, beat cream cheese and sugar until smooth. Add the eggs, lemon juice and vanilla; beat well. Fill muffin cups three-fourths full. Bake at 375° for 17-20 minutes or until set. Cool on a wire rack for 20 minutes. Carefully remove from pans to cool completely. Top each cheesecake with 2 teaspoons pie filling or preserves. Store in refrigerator.

Tips from the olden days!

A book from 1951 says...add 1 tablespoon of flour and 1 tablespoon of sugar when frying potatoes.

The problem with America is stupidity. I'm not saying there should be capital punishment for stupidity, but why don't we just take the safety labels off of everything and let the problems solve itself?

To ensure perfect aim, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.

House guarded by shotgun 3 days a week. Guess which days.

Would you hire one of the following teams of attorneys? Dewey, Cheatham and Howe or Watchus, Grabbit and Runn

THOUGHT FOR THE

Why are there no 'B' batteries?

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May you have a wonderful
Blessed Easter
God Bless



MEN ARE HAPPIER PEOPLE

This needs no explanation - and is a fun read, no matter your gender.

What do you expect from such simple creatures? Your last name stays put. The garage is all yours. Wedding plans take care of themselves. Chocolate is just another snack. You can never be pregnant. You can wear a white T-shirt to a water park. You can wear NO shirt to a water park.

Car mechanics tell you the truth. The world is your urinal. You never have to drive to another gas station restroom because this one is just too icky. You don't have to stop and think of which way to turn a nut on a bolt. Wrinkles add character. Wedding dress - \$5,000. Tux rental - \$100. People never stare at your chest when you're talking to them. New shoes don't cut, blister, or mangle your feet. One mood all the time. Phone conversations are over in 30 seconds flat. You know stuff about tanks.

A five-day vacation requires only one suitcase. You can open all your own jars. You get extra credit for the slightest act of thoughtfulness. If someone forgets to invite you, he or she can still be your friend. Your underwear is \$8.95 for a three-pack. Two pairs of shoes are more than enough. You almost never have strap problems in public. You are unable to see wrinkles in your clothes. Everything on your face stays its original color. The same hairstyle lasts for years, maybe decades. You only have to shave your face and neck.

You can play with toys all your life. One wallet and one pair of shoes - one color for all seasons. You can wear shorts no matter how your legs look. You can 'do' your nails with a pocket knife. You have freedom of choice concerning growing a mustache.. You can do Christmas shopping for 25 relatives on December 24 in 25 minutes.

NICKNAMES If Laura, Kate and Sarah go out for lunch, they will call each other Laura, Kate and Sarah. If Mike, Dave and John go out, they will affectionately refer to each other as Fat Boy, Bubba and Wildman.

EATING OUT When the bill arrives, Mike, Dave and John will each throw in \$20, even though it's only for \$32.50. None of them will have anything smaller and none will actually admit they want change back. When the girls get their bill, out come the pocket calculators.

MONEY

· A man will pay \$2 for a \$1 item he needs. · A woman will pay \$1 for a \$2 item that she doesn't need but it's on sale.

BATHROOMS

· A man has six items in his bathroom: toothbrush and toothpaste, shaving cream, razor, a bar of soap, and a towel.
· The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 337 A man would not be able to identify more than 20 of these items.

ARGUMENTS

· A woman has the last word in any argument. · Anything a man says after that is the beginning of a new argument.

FUTURE

· A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband. A husband never worries about the future until he gets a wife.

MARRIAGE

· A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he doesn't.
· A man marries a woman expecting that she won't change, but she does.

DRESSING UP · A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the trash, answer the phone, read a book, and get the mail. A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.

NATURAL · Men wake up as good-looking as they went to bed. Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY A married man should forget his mistakes. There's no use in two people remembering the same thing!

Fertile Little League 2020 T-Ball Sign-Up

(For boys and girls ages 4 through Kindergarten)

- Practices will be on Tuesday and Thursday nights starting Tuesday, May 19th at 6 PM. The season goes through Thursday, June 25th.
- The cost will be \$15.00 per player which includes a t-shirt.

Child's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Parent's Names: _____

Shirt Size (circle one): youth small youth medium youth large

Please fill out and return by Monday, March 23rd:

Tim & Kim Severson
c/o Fertile Little League
PO Box 141
Fertile, IA 50434

Please contact us if you would like to help volunteer! We are always looking for extra help and would appreciate it!

E-mail tkseverson@wctatel.net or call 641-797-2333 with any questions. Thanks!

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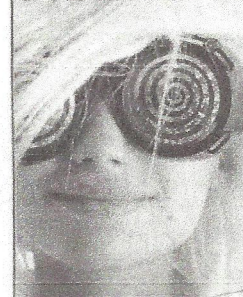
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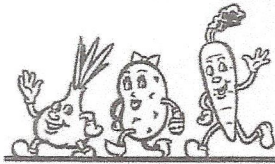
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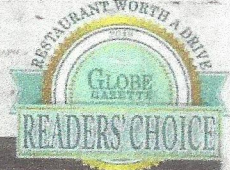
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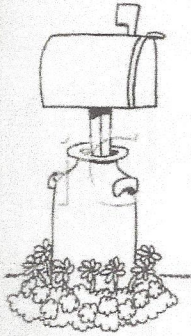


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