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(May Reminder delivery date - May 13)

APRIL has always been a month of hope, signified by the planting of gardens and filing for tax returns.

REMINDER: Please return, soon, the school survey sheet you received in the mail.

THANK YOU to everyone for cards and get well wishes I received while in an Omaha hospital.

Lannie Kilen

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LIONS TO SPONSOR MISS FERTILE CONTEST

All girls living in the Fertile Community between the ages of 16 and 21, unmarried, and with no children are eligible. Contestants will be judged on over-all appearance, personality, attitude, poise, leadership and citizenship contributions.

The girl chosen to represent Fertile will compete in the Miss Worth County Fair Contest. The Worth County Queen will compete in the State Fair Queen Contest in August. Those persons interested may call Don Suby for an application at 797-2752.

All applications must be completed and returned to Don Suby, P. O. Box 107, Fertile, Iowa, no later than May 1, 1981.

COUNCIL MEETING

The Fertile Town Council met April 7, with Mayor Worsley presiding and council members Lundgren, Faber, Van den Bosch and Hare present. Others present were Daryl Hansen, Byron Dodd, Roger Humphrey and Allen Berg.

Allen Berg presented a request for additional boots and new hose for the Fire Department. These will be purchased with their county revenue sharing funds. He will present a complete list at the next council meeting.

Discussion on water users and meters. Mr. Hansen of FmHA told the council how the water project budget was set up. Water costs will remain as they are now, at least until fall. A letter will be drawn up and mailed to everyone who signed up for water, asking them to hook up.

Jean Van den Bosch will be the council's representative to the Central Disposal Landfill at Lake Mills.

Discussion on the city's insurance rates and also insurance for the 125th celebration in August.

Discussion on a beer garden permit by Millie's Place during the 125th celebration. Motion made to allow the beer garden on restaurant property and not on Sunday. Carried.

Town Clean-Up Day will be May 2. Work in the park to be on April 18 and 25.

Discussion on junk cars. Owners will receive a copy of the ordinance.

Mayor Worsley reported the gas company expects to start work in Fertile by April 20.

Discussion on street re-surfacing. Motion to amend the budget at the next meeting. Carried.

Discussion on drop box for the sewer and water bills at the library.

Motion to pay monthly bills. Carried. Meeting adjourned.

Janice Hare  
City Clerk

MARCH BALANCE SHEET

Interstate Power Co.	509.35
Byron Dodd	167.49
Janice Hare	\$ 201.94
Yelland and Hanes	6.38
G and H Motor Parts	5.15
Mrs. Edward Holland	1,206.00
Winnebago RIA	47.91
Matt Parrott and Sons	3.21
Northwood Anchor	27.09
City of Fertile	51.00
Peoples Natural Gas	252.66
Jordan's Midland Service	219.57
Fertile Lumber and Hardware	34.72
Mr. Automotive	25.21
Worsley Electric	119.97
Ipers (FOAB)	183.85
Citizens Savings Bank	236.70
Interstate Equipment	1,108.83
Beck Excavating	1,101.00
Janice Hare (mileage)	18.90
Byron Dodd	167.49
Citizens Savings Bank	10.00
Byron Dodd	167.49
Postmaster	15.00
Byron Dodd	167.49
Evelyn Knudson	194.54
Dalton Books	72.10
World Book	13.95
Thomas Bouregy	21.30
Baker and Taylor	18.61
Better Homes and Gardens	15.28
Flower and Garden	6.00
Redbook	12.97
Upstart	13.34
Expenditures	<u>\$6,422.49</u>
Receipts	<u>\$2,322.02</u>

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NOTICE TO FERTILE RESIDENTS

DOG ORDINANCE: NO DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE.  
EACH DOG MUST BE CONFINED OR ON A LEASH  
AT ALL TIMES IF OUTSIDE OWNER'S PROPERTY.

Residents may report dogs that are  
running loose to Fertile Maintenance man,  
Byron Dodd.

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Gail's Beauty Salon 797-2475  
Full Service Salon  
Tuesday through Saturday noon

Fertile Lumber and Hardware 797-2437

Flowers by McCoy McCoy Nursery 582-4517  
Flowers for all Occasions

K and R Gas Service 797-2440

FERTILE BOOSTERS

The Fertile Boosters held a Ham and Pie Dinner at the Fertile School dining room on April 5th. Approximately 350 people were served. Profit for the dinner was \$681.70. The committee also sold hats and buttons, namely Sisters of the Swish, Brothers of the Brush and Shaver Permits.

If anyone would like to purchase buttons they will be available at most all business places.

Everyone in Fertile, young to old, can participate in the 125 year celebration. Help clean up our town so we can be proud to have visitors any time. Look at your property from all sides, others do.

The next Boosters meeting will be Monday, April 20, 7:30 PM at the school house.

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EARLIER DAYS IN FERTILE

Business places of the past in Fertile - see if any "ring a bell" for you.

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| Hotel                             | Dentist                              |
| Photography                       | Chick Hatchery                       |
| Bank                              | Custom Grinding                      |
| Blacksmith Shop                   | Pickle Business                      |
| Harness Shop                      | Trucking                             |
| Livery Barn                       | Tank Wagon Service                   |
| Shoemaker Shop                    | Turtling                             |
| Barber Shop                       | Locker Plant                         |
| Jeweler                           | Well Drilling                        |
| Wagon Maker                       | Garage, filling station              |
| Cabinet Maker                     | Insurance                            |
| Newspaper Men                     | Drug store: pills, candy & ice cream |
| Roller Mills                      | Drainage Contracting                 |
| Creamery                          | Limestone Products                   |
| Hardware                          | Welding                              |
| Furniture Store                   | Telephone Exchange                   |
| Doctor                            | Tile Making                          |
| Carpentry                         |                                      |
| Dry Goods and Groceries           |                                      |
| Restaurant with white tablecloths |                                      |

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Old Mill Antiques 797-2490  
We buy as well as sell most anything old

Larsen Plumbing and Heating 797-2219

Ray Sandifer - Tom's Sales 797-2681

SCHOOL CALENDAR

- April 16 2:30 PM Dismissal
- 17 Easter Vacation
- 23 Special Olympics
- 25 Prom
- 28 6:30 PM Middle School Open House for next years 6th graders and their parents
- May 1-2 State Large Group Music Contest
- 13 High School Spring Concert
- 17 Commencement
- 19 Variety Show

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FERTILE AREA CHURCHES

LUTHERAN CHURCHES NOTICE: Confirmation, Bible Study classes, Worship services and Sunday School remain at usual time unless otherwise listed.

FERTILE LUTHERAN

- Apr 16 7:30 PM Lenten Communion Service
- 19 7:00 AM Easter Service
- 8:00 AM Easter Breakfast
- 20 JLC after school
- 23 9:30 AM Mary Circle Edna Pederson at church
- 2:00 PM Rebekah Alvina Brosdahl at church
- 26 7:00 PM Young Couples and Singles
- 27 7:30 PM Ruth Circle Elaine Patten
- 7:30 PM Sarah Circle Lorraine Bakke
- 30 ALCW Spring Convention in Forest City

PILOT KNOB LUTHERAN

- Apr 19 9 AM Easter Service
- 10 AM Easter Brunch
- 26 2-4 PM 50th Anniversary Open House for Mr. & Mrs. Ray Moren
- 7 PM Young Couples and Singles

CHURCH OF CHRIST

- April 16 Maundy Thursday Communion service at the church at 7 PM.
- April 19 Sunrise service at 6:30 AM followed by breakfast prepared and served by the high school young people. Sunday school at 9:30 AM. Worship service at 10:30 AM with a special drama presentation of the events of the crucifixion and

resurrection presented by the junior high and high school youth groups. The semi-annual building fund offering will be received as a part of the worship service. 6:30 PM Evening youth groups and evening worship service.

April 21 Women's Day at Midwest Christian Children's Home at Peterson, Iowa. The program begins at 10 AM and dismissal is at 2 PM.

April 24 Afternoon Christian Workers at 2 PM at the church, with Silence Johnson as hostess and the lesson by Helen Ouverson.

April 27 Evening Christian Workers at the home of Harriet Ouverson at 7:30 PM with the lesson by Jean Van den Bosch.

May 2 Ladies Day at Minnesota Bible College, 8:45 AM to 4 PM. Men's Day at MBC, same hours as Ladies Day which is being held at First Baptist Church in Rochester, with the men meeting on the campus of the college. Deadline for \$8 registration fee is April 22, give it to Vesta Kuns.

May 4 Roller skating party at Clear Lake. This is the last scheduled one for this school year. Cost is \$1.75. Skate from 7 - 9:30 PM for all ages, everyone invited.

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FERTILE LIONS CLUB

The Fertile Lions Club voted to have the Fertile Centennial film reprinted. Plans are to have a free-will collection at the first few showings to help pay for the reprinting.

The club decided to sponsor a "MISS FERTILE" contest this summer. (Details to be announced at a later date.)

A work day in the park has been planned for April 18 or April 25. (Weather permitting)

Lions Club members collected orders for the Frozen Sea Food Sale during early March. They delivered the sea food orders the week end of April 4th.

THANK YOU to all who purchased fish from the club. The proceeds are for community projects. They will see you again next year.

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Personal Touch Beauty Salon 797-2422  
Hair Styling for Men and Women

FERTILE SENIOR CITIZENS held election of officers at the business meeting following the March 17th Fellowship dinner. A. A. Luther was elected president with Mrs. Leo Oswald, vice president and Mrs. Selmer Pederson secretary-treasurer.

Plans were also discussed for an entry for Fertile's Quasicentennial parade.

The next Fellowship dinner will be Tuesday, April 21. The menu will be Swiss steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, Jello salad, cup cakes with lemon sauce, bread and butter, milk and coffee. Call 797-2669 before noon, April 20.

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FERTILE GARDEN CLUB opened the 1981 year Tuesday, March 10, with a 12 noon potluck meal. Carrie Luther and Edna Pederson were hostesses. At 2 PM a business meeting and program were held. Roll Call was "Something new I plan to plant, to be displayed when matured".

President Edna Pederson reviewed the Yearbook. Marian Pitkin reported on New Flowers for 1981 and Violet Hall reviewed New Vegetables for 1981.

Next meeting Tuesday, April 14, 2 PM. Rosemary Tannahill had the "Thought for the Day". Erma Brue and Arlene Lee became new members of the club. Total membership is 18 at present.

GARDENING TIPS from Garden Club members:

1. Have your garden tilled twice, once in each direction, pays off in labor saving later.
2. Plant garden pea seeds in rows no more than 12 inches apart. The vines of each 2 rows will tangle and hold up to shade the soil and hold moisture to produce more peas.
3. Dig a trench 8" to 12" deep, set your gladiolas bulbs 6" or 8" apart. Cover with some soil. As the bulbs start to grow, keep pushing in more soil. This keeps the glads from falling over when it is windy.

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The FERTILE GIRLS SOFTBALL group has had one meeting. Be looking for more about these girls in the coming months.

The Grant Livewire Lassies operated a wet sponge toss and a bowling game at the Fun Night Carnival at the North Iowa Fairgrounds. Many members attended and helped with the club booth.

The club's regular meeting was held March 16, at Fertile Library. Roll call was "Name a type of wood". Twenty-five members and 2 leaders were present.

The 4H Volleyball tournament which was to be April 4 has been postponed until fair time.

Other new business included suggestions for the club's float in the Fertile 125th year parade, possible ideas for the club's exhibit at the North Iowa Fair, and serving at a local auction.

Presentations were given by Alisa Pederson and Julie Ouverson - Cleaning Wood; Joy Kleveland and Lorelei Jennings - Refinishing Furniture and Shelly and Lisa Pederson - Cleaning Furniture.

Mrs. Lee, one of the club leaders, gave a presentation on planning and arranging rooms.

Maren Boman  
Reporter

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FERTILE TOPS CLUB #995 met March 31, at the Library for their 4th Annual Awards Night.

Louise Paglush was Mistress of Ceremonies and opened the meeting with "The Fellowship Song". Joyce Wood gave the welcome.

Best officer of the year, Ruth Ouverson; Topsi, Virgie Stalheim; Friendliness, Colleen Holcomb; Best loser, Joyce Wood. Each received a banner and corsage.

The Division Winners of 1980 were: Division 2, Colleen Holcomb, 1st; Lois Alton, 2nd. Division 3, Joyce Wood, 1st, Avis Dakin, 2nd. Division 4, Viola Rye, 1st; Anita Eraddock, 2nd. Each received a certificate from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The new officers for 1981 are Louise Paglush, Leader; Delores Sandifer, Co-Leader; Carolyn Nedved, Secretary; Diane Burtness, Treasurer; Ruth Ouverson, Weight Recorder. Each received a charm.

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Ruth Ouverson, last year's queen, crowned Viola Rye as queen of the club for the year. She received a banner, tierra and corsage.

Colleen Holcomb gave a reading. Virgie Stalheim gave a reading, "Free as a Butterfly".

The TOPS Club meets every Tuesday at the Library 5:30 to 6:30 PM. New members are welcome.

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LIBRARY NOTES

Consumers Report is a new magazine at the Library.

NEW BOOKS

EASY READERS

- Woody Woodpecker In Pirate Treasurer
- Donald Duck in Its Play Time-Disney Book
- Insects Do the Strangest Things

JUNIOR

- Secret Selves - Judie Angell
- Girl Inside - Jeanette Eyerly
- A Matter of Feeling - Janine Boissard

YOUNG PEOPLES FICTION

- Jungle Nurse - Polly Mark
- Pictures of Fear - Lucy Fuchs
- Secret of Montoya Mission - Dorothy Baughman

ADULT FICTION

- The Wind Brings Up the Rain - Malpass
- Tilly Wed - Catherine Cookson
- The Raven and the Dove - Kathleen Kinder

ADULT NONFICTION

- Nutrition Breakthrough - Dr. Atkins
- Woman's Day Creative Stitchery from Scraps
- Tell Armageddon - Billy Graham
- The Sachem - Donald Porter Book IV

REMINDER: Please return over-due books.

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Hoffman's Gifts and Crafts 896-2667  
Gifts and Garden Supplies

Ouverson Oil Company 797-2440  
797-2267

Fertile Meats and Groceries 797-2647  
Specializing in fresh meats and freezer orders

Burtness Plumbing and Heating 797-2680

RECIPE OF THE MONTH: VEGETABLE SALAD

- 3 oz. package orange gelatin
- 1 c creamy mayonnaise like salad drassing
- 1 c cottage cheese
- 1 c grated carrots
- 1 c chopped celery
- 1 small onion chopped
- 1/3 c chopped green pepper (optional)

Dissolve gelatin in 1 c boiling water. Add salad dressing (have it at room temperature). When cool, add cottage cheese and vegetables. Turn into rectangular baking dish or 4 cup mold. Chill until set.

To serve, cut into squares and serve on lettuce or invert mold onto serving platter, garnish with greens, olives or other vegetable decorations.

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MARCH RECIPE OF THE MONTH: APPLE-CARROT CASSEROLE

- 5 large carrots (cook, slice)
- 5 large apples (peel, slice)
- 5 T sugar (can use less)
- 2 T flour )Combine
- 1 t nutmeg )
- 1/2 c orange juice
- 3 T butter or margarine, melted

Layer carrots and apples. Sprinkle each layer with dry mixture. Pour juice and butter over all. Bake 40 minutes at 350°.

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Fertile Block and Tile Company 797-2291

Worsley Electric 797-2494

Jordan's Midland Service 797-2677  
Complete Automotive Service

Lawyers Plant Ranch (Hwy 9 E) 454-2068  
Bedding Plants Burpee Seeds  
Fresh and Silk Flowers  
Delivery Available

Anderson Plumbing and Heating 797-2620

Millie's Place 797-2660  
Fish and Chicken Fry Friday 6-9 PM

MARCH WAS NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH

SUBMITTED LATER

Curb the sweet tooth for better nutrition! U.S. Dietary Goals recommend that sugar consumption be reduced by 45% so that sugar accounts for only 10% of total energy intake.

Many people could achieve the recommended sugar reduction by totally eliminating soft drinks from their diet.

Suggestions to start on the way to using less sugar:

Simple desserts such as custards, cheese and crackers, or fresh fruit.

Drink fruit juices, ice tea, buttermilk or low fat milk.

Eat an orange rather than a candy bar.

Use half the sugar or none at all on cereal.

Substitute nuts, popcorn, carrot sticks, peanut butter on crackers, specialty breads or milk for sweet snacks.

Make yeast breads, rolls, biscuits, muffins and quick breads instead of cookies, cake and pies if you like to bake.

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SCHOOL SPORTS DATES

- Apr 20 Manly Relays Girls
- 21 Belmont Relays Boys  
Lake Mills Track
- 24 Lake Mills Relays Girls
- 28 Indianette Relays
- May 1 Lake Mills Track 7 & 8 Boys
- 4 Girls Conference Golf
- 7 Northwood Co-Ed Golf
- 8 Northwood Relay Girls  
Manly Relays Boys
- 11 District Track FC Girls  
Osage Conference Golf Boys
- 12 Garner Conference Golf Girls  
Conference Track FC 7 & 8 Boys  
Garner Conference Track 7 & 8 Girls
- 15 Boys District Track
- 18 Sectional Golf Girls
- 19 Garner Conference Track Girls  
Clear Lake Relays Boys
- 22 Boys Conference Track
- 26 District Golf Girls
- 29 and 30 State Track

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Forest City Cow Palace 582-4646  
Auction Every Wednesday

NOTICE: Beginning Wednesday, May 6, the auction will be held in the evening.

The BOOSTER CLUB would like to give a small glimpse of the events to take place for the 125th year celebration.

July 31 Friday evening: Town versus Country Softball games, Al and Jane Ramon, Chairpersons.

August 1 Saturday morning: Children's Street Games, Joyce Buchanan and Bonnie Dodd, Chairwomen. Saturday afternoon:

Parade 2 PM, Stanley and Emma Brue, Chairpersons. Late Saturday afternoon: Supper sponsored by Fertile Lions Club.

Saturday evening: Community Cantata, Bonnie Kuns, Chairwoman. Late Saturday evening: Street Dance.

August 2 Sunday morning: Community Worship Service, Jean Van den Bosch, Chairwoman. Sunday noon: Potluck Community Dinner, Booster Club. Sunday afternoon: Town games.

The Booster Club reports success with the committees. Everything is going smoothly and confidently.

Beards are looking better, the cook-book is done and plates and mugs have been ordered for sale at the 125th celebration.

Now would be a good time, while spring housecleaning to find long dresses, bonnets and old fashioned hats.

Let's make a community effort to have a lot of good, clean fun on these special days.

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