

THE FERTILE REMINDER

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PERCEPTION

Some people only see the mud
When there are scattered showers
But others know that April rains
Always bring May flowers.

Sincere appreciation and thanks to Pastor Wilhelm and all who remembered me in prayer and in so many loving ways these past months. Alvina Prosdahl.

NOTICE: Taking applications for waitress and some cooking. Noah's Cafe.

FOR SALE: Kitchen table and 4 chairs, Mediterranean Console Stereo, 797-2735.

The Fertile Girl Scouts have extra boxes of Thin Mint Cookies at \$1.75 a box. Contact Carolyn Nedved, 797-2696 or Joyce Buchanan, 797-2647.

The annual Clean Up Day for Fertile is coming soon. Watch for notice of exact date - last of April or first week of May. Fertile Firemen.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK April 17-23, 1983

LOOK FOR A COUPON IN THIS PAPER!

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Worsley Electric 797-2494

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MERRILL WOMACH CONCERT

Merrill Womach, vocalist, recording artist and inspirational communicator, will appear in concert on Sunday, April 24, 1983, at 2:30 PM at the Fertile Community Center in Fertile, Iowa.

Womach has been acclaimed for his four-octave voice which has excited audiences all across the United States and in dozens of foreign countries.

His greatest distinction, however, is his ability to inspire and uplift with his singing - perhaps the result of extraordinary circumstances which have occurred in his life.

On Thanksgiving Day, 1961, the twin engine airplane he was piloting crashed and exploded in a massive ball of fire. Burned beyond recognition, Womach has accomplished what only a few have done from similar circumstances.

He has come back to not only fly his own airplane again, but also to sing again - with a new face, fashioned by more than 60 skin graft surgeries, and with a voice that critics say is better than before the accident.

During his concert he will share many of the incredible experiences relating to his remarkable recovery. A man of deep personal faith, Womach has encouraged, challenged and entertained hundreds of thousands in personal concert appearances on radio and on television.

Tickets at \$3.00 each are available from most Fertile business places, Hanlontown Bank and all Fertile Boosters.

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Fun Flick night this month will be on Saturday, April 23rd, 7:30 PM at the Fertile Community Center. Come and enjoy a couple of film classics.

For Your Mary Kay Cosmetics, call Ellen Burtness, 797-2250.

CANCER CRUSADE

Did you watch the movie, "Who Will Love My Children"? A lady named Lucille Anderson, who played an important character in that movie, is now visiting in Mason City.

She will be at the Fertile Community Center, Wednesday, April 20, at 7:30 PM. She will be speaking for about 20 minutes and will then answer questions in regard to the Cancer Crusade now going on during April.

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CHEESE - APRIL - BUTTER

The next distribution of cheese and butter in the 14 county area will occur on Thursday, April 14. Many volunteers will be participating in the distribution.

If an individual is picking up cheese and butter for another household, they must have a signed note from the household authorizing the person to act in their behalf, as well as all information necessary to determine eligibility such as: number of people, income, address and telephone of household.

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Arbor Day is celebrated this year on Friday, April 29th. The Fertile Boosters would like to encourage the planting of as many trees as possible this year, and are planning a tree planting ceremony in Rhodes Island Park on Thursday, 28th of April at 4:30 PM.

Representative members from each service group in town will be invited to attend. Come and help us plant trees for our future. Trees will be provided by the Fertile Boosters.

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On Saturday, May 21st, a Bike-a-thon will be held in Fertile to raise funds for St. Jude's Hospital in Chicago, a children's cancer research hospital. For more information, read next month's Reminder or contact Lee Briggeman, 797-2656.

FERTILE BOOSTERS

Fertile's 2nd Annual May Fair (a money-raising project developed especially to raise money for the Fertile Community Center) will take place on Saturday, May 7th, from 9 AM to 5 PM.

The days activities and special plans involve arts and crafts demonstrations and sales, flea market and antique tables, a bake sale, the Old Mill Quilt Raffle, a lunch stand and a quilt show. Quilt raffle tickets are on sale now.

The quilt show will include quilts borrowed from local and area residents. If you have or know someone who has a quilt or quilts that could be borrowed and carefully displayed, please contact one of the people at the end of this article.

If you have an art or craft that could be demonstrated or sold, please consider having a table at the May Fair. Table rent is \$10.

Last year we raised more than \$1,000 through the bake sale, quilt raffle, white elephant auction and table rent, thanks to the hard work and contributions of many people here. Please help us make this year even more successful.

If you would like to help, contact: Ruth B. Ouverson, 797-2267; Carolyn Nedved, 797-2696; Kay Olson, 797-2496; or Lee Briggeman, 797-2656, 797-2490.

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FOREST CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL CALENDAR

(Athletic events not included)

- Apr. 15-16 Spotlight
- 18 Central Building Parents Meeting, 7 PM
- 21 Social Olympics
- 23 Prom
- May 4 Inservice - Dismiss at 2:30 PM
- 6 State Large Group Music Contest
- 11 High School Spring Music Concert, 8 PM
- 15 Commencement
- 18 Middle School Variety Show, 7:30 PM
- 23 9th Chorus Show, 7:30 PM
- 26 End 2nd Semester
- 27 Awards Day

FERTILE AREA CHURCHES

FERTILE LUTHERAN

- Sunday morning Worship Service, 9:00 AM
 Christian Education at 10:15 AM
 Apr. 14 2:00 PM FLCW General Meeting
 4:15 PM Confirmation 9
 5:15 PM Confirmation 8
 7:30 PM Prayer, Praise & Bible Study
 16 7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast, Noah's Cafe
 17 7:30 PM Hi League Bible Study
 21 Usual Confirmation & Bible Study
 23 7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast, Noah's Cafe
 24 7:30 PM Hi League Activity
 25 7:30 PM Ruth Circle, Elaine Patten; Leader, Donna Ouverson
 7:30 PM Sarah Circle, June Stroiman
 28 9:30 AM Mary Circle, Edna Peder-son at church; Leader, Maxine Rye
 2:00 PM Rebekah Circle, Alvina Brosdahl at church; Leader, Opal Almellen
 30 7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast

PILOT KNOB

- Sunday morning Worship Service, 10:30 AM
 Christian Education at 9:30 AM
 Apr. 19 7:30 PM Ruth Circle, Marcia Partelt; Leader, Esther Gardalen
 20 1:30 PM Esther Circle, Pauline Hanson; Leader, Delores Nyhus

Check Fertile Lutheran for combined calendar events.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

- April 16 at 7:30 PM, The King's Choristers, a 40 voice choir from Minnesota Bible College in Rochester, MN will present a concert at the Church, ACTS, by Red & Courtney which tells the story of the life of the early church in contemporary music and drama. All are invited.
 April 23 Ladies Salad luncheon sponsored by the Church of Christ in Mason City, all the details are at the church and they need your reservation. 10 AM to 2 PM.
 April 23 An area youth rally will be held at the Church of Christ in Clarks-ville, but we do not have any details as yet. Watch the church bulletin and paper.

May 7 Ladies Day by Minnesota Bible College in Rochester. The cost is \$8.00 and includes the noon meal. The same day there is a special program for the men held on the campus of MBC. Ladies' sessions are held at First Baptist Church. Pre-registra-tion is necessary for both programs, and you can take care of it at the church.
 May 20 Honors chapel at MBC.
 May 21 Graduation exercises at MBC. Kris Ouverson and Rhonda Ganz will both receive Associate Arts degrees at that time.

Camps this summer at Bristow are arranged like this (Northeast Iowa Christian Camp):
 Senior Week - June 5-11, grades 9-12, \$24.00
 Intermediate Week - June 12-17, grades 7-8, \$21.00
 Junior Week - June 19-24, grades 5-6, \$21.00
 Pee-Mee Week - June 26-29, grades 3-4, \$15.00
 Family camp weekend is Aug. 5-7 for all ages. Cost is \$10, single; \$15, couple; \$20, family.
 Labor Day Camp will be Sept. 2-5 for High School and College young people, programmed and run by MBC.
 You do not have to be a member of the Church of Christ nor its Sunday School to attend any of the camps. Open to all races and creeds.

Vacation Bible School at the church this summer will be July 31 - Aug. 4, and will be held in the evenings, with classes for ages 4 through adults.

A group of young people from MBC will be here to help with VBS this summer. We will be looking for housing and meals for the 7 people who will be coming. Look at your situation, Can you provide a bedroom or a meal for some of the young people?

*****COUPON SPECIAL*****
 * Come in "TWOS" *
 * First Special Regular Price \$4.00 *
 * Second Special Half Price *
 * 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM Friday Night *
 * CHICKEN and FISH SUPPER *
 * All You Can Eat *
 * Salad Bar, Choice of Potato *
 * Please present COUPON when ordering *
 * Good for: Friday, April 15, 1983 ONLY *
 * NOAH'S CAFE, FERTILE, IOWA *

The Community Clothes Closet will be opening at the Fertile Community Center this month. If you have any outer garments such as: dresses, trousers, shirts, jeans, blouses, jackets, skirts, sweaters, slacks, coats, etc., for any age and size - children through adults - bring them to the Community Center starting Tuesday, April 19th, 1:00 to 5:00 PM.

All clothing MUST be:

1. Clean, mended, ready to wear.
2. Tagged for size.

We will accept tennis shoes that have been washed, are clean, and marked as to size.

Dates the Clothes Closet will be open for receiving and dispensing clothing are every Tuesday 1:00 - 5:00 PM. We are hoping everyone in the area will feel free to make use of this project. This is one way we can help each other.

If you have 3 hours every 2 or 3 months that you would give to working at the Center, please call either Ruth, 797-2267 or 797-2440; or Jean, 797-2785.

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FERTILE GARDEN CLUB

The Fertile Garden Club opened the 1983 club year with a potluck luncheon at noon, Tuesday, March 8th, at the library. Officers of the club were hostesses.

At 2:00 PM the members held their meeting with the new president, Alice Kingland, presiding. Roll call was "Something new in gardening for 1983". Gertie Evans gave the Thought for the Day.

Mrs. Kingland reviewed the year book. Edna Pederson gave a lesson on "Spring Pruning of Shrubs"; "Fertilizer and Compost" was given by Fern Midtgaard and Marian Pitkin reported on "Glorious Dahlias".

Five new members joined the Garden Club at this meeting. They were Mildred McGrath, Synova Hoffman, Opal Almlien, Maxine Rye and Zelpha Wilhelm. Gertrude Lindquist, a former member, returned to the club again.

Members were reminded to start plants for the Public Garden Club Plant and Food Sale, taking place Tuesday, May 10, 1:30 PM at the Fertile Library. A door prize will be given. WATCH FOR POSTERS.

The Fertile Valley Farmers 4H Club met February 21st at the Community Center. Rich Zirbel gave a presentation. Members discussed plans for the County 4H Carnival on March 5th and ended up with the concession stand.

They also discussed a tour to a Meat Packing Plant and the Museum in Mason City.

The Fertile Valley Farmers 4H Club met March 21st at the Community Center. Fair dates and projects were discussed. At a later date the members plan to have a carnival and supper for their money making project.

Jeff Kleveland, Reporter

The Grant Livewire Lassies 4H Club met March 19th. Our club will be doing a skit for the Fertile Variety Show. Members participating are: Danielle Jordan, Sara Seglem, Kirsten Sunde, Kristen Kirschbaum, Michelle Lee, Sandy Seglem, Domenie Zirbel, and Rene' Duregger.

We will also be bringing May baskets to the Senior Citizens in Fertile on May Day.

We are planning to go on some sort of outing and a camping trip is being discussed.

Presentations were as follows: Rene' Duregger, "Home Permanents vs. Shop Perms". Kelli Lovick and Denise Hagen, "Color and You"; Lisa Suby, "Hair Care". Lisa's sister, Sheila Anderson, came and assisted Lisa in her presentation. She also told us about shampoos and answered our many questions.

Hostesses were Marilyn and Michelle Lee and Domenie Zirbel.

Michelle Lee, Secretary

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LIBRARY NOTES

"New Worlds Await" at your Library.
 NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK April 17-23.

Library Hours:

Wednesday 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM
 Saturday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

These popular books are at the Fertile Library: "The Farming Game" by Brian Jones, suggested reading in farm papers; "The Delta Star", a fascinating police novel by Joseph Wambaugh; "Tested by Fire", by Merrill Womach, vocalist, recording artist, and inspirational communicator.

NEW BOOKS - EASY READERS

Animal Poems
 Tales of Peter Rabbit
 Garfield Eats His Heart Out-Jim Davis

JUNIOR FICTION

Prize Contest Plays for Young People
 All American Girl-Vanessa Payton
 Double Standard-Palsey Gray

YOUNG PEOPLE

Ghosts of Yesterday-Georgia Shewmake
 Smile In the Sun-Lee Anderson
 Nurse Martha's Wish-Ellen Randolph

ADULT FICTION

Twice in a Lifetime-Pebecca Flanders
 Life, the Universe and Everything - Douglas
 PB Montana (No. 10 in Wagons West) - Dana Ross

ADULT NON FICTION

Anyone's Daughter: Times and Trials of Patty Hearst-Shana Alexander
 Easy Maintenance Gardening-Ortho Book
 World Book, Year Book 1983
 Skits that Win-Ruth Vaughn

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COUNCIL MEETING

The Fertile City Council met April 5, with Mayor Shropshire presiding and council members Burtness, Bailey, Hare, Hall, and VanDenBosch present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Discussion on application for liquor license and cigarette permit for Creamery Restaurant and Lounge. Motion to approve. Carried.

Discussion on trading in old mower on new mower. Motion made to trade mower in. Approved.

Discussion on dogs. Some dog owners will be reminded to keep dogs leashed and off other's property.

Two street contractors will check on street repair work.

Motion to pay monthly bills. Carried.

Discussion on delinquent water bills. Council discussed leak in roof at water treatment plant.

Meeting adjourned.

Janice Hare, City Clerk

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MARCH BALANCE SHEET

David Low	\$ 282.23
Dick Sheimo	241.47
Janice Hare	217.73
Evelyn Knudson	216.38
Leonard Bailey	133.42
Noah's Cafe	7.55
Burtness Plumbing & Heating	18.54
Northwood Anchor	11.07
City of Fertile	51.00
Ipers (FOAB)	163.28
Treasurer, State of Iowa	57.86
Interstate Power Co.	579.83
Peoples Natural Gas	200.20
Winnebago RTA	40.78
Waste Systems Corporation	603.00
Ero Dart	79.04
B. Dalton	110.30
Family Bookshelf	28.16
Better Homes and Gardens	26.96
DeJong Sub. Service	49.50
Max Boyd	62.75
Hanlontown Insurance Agency	37.50
Expenditures	\$3,218.55
Receipts	\$2,677.86

NOTICE: The Fertile Alumni Banquet is scheduled for June 11, 1983, 6:30 PM, at the Fertile Gym.

Cards are being sent and the committee requests help in finding any address changes since the last alumni banquet. Call 797-2679.

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APRIL RECIPE OF THE MONTH
SALTED PEANUT COOKIES

1 c brown sugar	1 t vanilla
1 c white sugar	1 c crushed corn
1 c shortening	flakes (or wheaties)
2 eggs	1 c quick oatmeal
1 t baking powder	1 c salted peanuts
1 t soda	(may be chopped)
2 c flour	

Cream sugars and shortening. Add eggs, one at a time. Sift baking powder, soda, and flour. Then add vanilla, corn flakes, oatmeal and nuts.

Roll in balls the size of walnuts. Press down with fork. Bake 375° oven about 8 minutes. Be careful not to over-brown.

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Monday through Saturday

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This April issue completes six years of The Fertile Reminder coming to your home each month.

Thank you for each donation received for postage. Each one is appreciated.

The May Reminder will be out May 11th. Items should be in the first week of May.