AUGUST 2001 FERTILE REMINDER



GOMING EVENTS

	AUGUSICALENDAR	
August 2	FB&I Meeting	7 PM
August 4	Worth County Relay for Life	
	Northwood/Kensett Track	1 PM
August 5	Jessica Petersburg Shower	7 PM
August 6	Fire Dept. Meeting	1 111
August 7	Senior Dinner	12 Noon
August 7	City Council Meeting	7 PM
August 11-12	Fertile Days	
August 14	Garden Club	2 PM
	DEADLINE FOR REMINDER	ARTICLES
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August 18	Boys & Girls 4-H	
August 20	Library Board Meeting	7 PM
August 20		
August 21	Senior Dinner	12 Noon
August 28	Re-cycle Day	

The Fertile City Council met July 3, 2001 At the Fertile City Hall at 8PM. Present Olson, Thompson, Russell, Bruns. All present agreed to contract with Steffes Construction to patch and seal street Areas as a maintenance measure. Meeting adjourned.

The Fertile City council met July 10, 2001 At the Fertile City Hall at 7pm. Present Tuttle, Russell, Bruns, Olson. The council Voted to purchase new street signs and Posts. The Street repair & resurface was Reviewed. It was voted to upgrade the Lighting in the park so that it will have Some night light. NIACOG will be helping Update the city ordinances. The monthly Bills were approved. Meeting adjourned.

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Waste Mgt	
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IPERS.	
Sales Tax	
Sewer Account	
Water Account	
Hawkins Water	
Dennis Ganz	
Post Office	
Waste Systems Crescent Moon LLC	
Peoples Natural Gas	
Nick's Painting, Roofing	g650.00
Fertile Reminder	
TOTAL	\$9912.31

June 2001 Revenue

Water, Sewer, Garb	10996.58
Local Option Tax	
Street Rev	2502.92
Property Tax	222.01
Crescent Moon	410.00
TOTAL	14626.26

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Real Church Fans Neil L. Kuns August 25, 1994

Air-conditioning was a tremendous attraction when it was first installed in church buildings in the late1950's. The church I served in Indiana added refrigeration to the air handling system in 1965. Hot under the collar Hoosier parishioners freely confessed to me that they could hardly wait to come to worship on sweltering Indiana Sundays. I also admit to being more willing to go to work at a comfortable church house on those days. Some pious people said that if God wanted us to be cool He would send that kind of weather. I was always curious as to why such complainers never offered that line of reasoning against fans, nor objected to heating the building in the wintertime.

At the conclusion of a service a couple of Sundays ago our cooling system was struggling to keep up with rising temperatures. I suggested that the people pick up their service bulletins and use them as fans. Most did so. Then I asked them to take the papers home and not to clutter the pews by leaving them on the seats. While the later was my real intention, the sight of these good friends fanning themselves reminded me of the way it was in the "good old days" before refrigerated air was considered a necessity.

Every Spring about the time the heat and humidity began to break 80 on a regular basis someone in the Fertile church would dig up and distribute the church fans to the pew racks. The cardboard fans were shaped somewhat like a rounded tulip. A wooden handle about twice as long and wide as a popsicle stick was stapled to the back. The handle worked well for at least one season as long as the fanning didn't become too frantic. When the weather became too steamy even a fan without a handle or one which had been folded and become limp was better than sitting there all adrip.

Art work on the fans usually pictured Jesus walking on the water or praying in some cool-looking garden. I don't know if people were aware of sub-liminal messages back in those days but the scenes were wisely chosen. Who could feel cool if the picture on the fan was one of Shadrach, Meschak and Abednego in the *red-hot fiery furnace* or a view of the smoldering fires of Gehenna? The only message such images might give is, "Hey, it could be worse!"

Another thing that made me wonder was the establishment advertised on the back of the fan. Invariably it was a funeral parlor. Were they the only businessmen concerned about keeping church-goers comfortable during the summertime? Had they cornered the market for fans? Was there some nefarious monopoly controlled by the Amalgamated Morticians of America or the Federation of Faithful Funeral Directors? Why didn't the Fertile Co-operative Creamery think of doing this? It would seem that I could keep my mind on a sermon better by thinking about cool butter than about a bronze burial box.

You may have guessed that the sermons delivered in those days didn't exactly rivet my attention. I kept wondering, "How much longer is he going to talk?" Besides, I was trying to determine whether the "fan-as-fast-as-you-can" technique or the "make-largeslow-circles" approach would keep one more comfortable. Now that I'm on the other side of the pulpit I try to keep my words interesting enough to *seem* to be brief. I also keep those fans out of the pews. From my own experience I know they can be distracting. Corvright, Neil L. Kuns, 1994







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NEW BOOKS

Leap of Faith - Danielle Steel Stranger in Paradise - Eileen Goudge Reflections & Dreams - Nora Roberts Garden of Evil - Edna Buchanan Deadly Decisions - Kathy Reichs What You Wish For - Fern Michaels Rancher's Law _ Dusty Richards Behold a Red Horse - Cotton Smith The Outlaws - Wayne D. Overholzer Cane River - Lalita Tademy

AUDIO BOOKS

Star Wars Dark Tide II - Michael Stackpole Sphere - Michael Chrichton Rough Justice - Lisa Scottoline One for the Money - Janet Evanovich The Body Farm - Patricia Cornwell Star Trek the Next Generation : Kahless - Michael Jan Friedman Degree of Guilt - Richard North Patterson 18 mm Blues - Gerald A. Browne

LIBRARY NEWS

Thank you to the Fertile Garden Club for planting the beautiful flowers in our barrels. If you haven't seen them, stop by and take a look. They are gorgeous!

Fertile Days is August 11 & 12. This year the library will be in charge of the food stand at the ball diamond. Anyone wishing to work in the food stand or donate cookies for it please contact the library. You can either bake 4 dozen cookies or donate \$6.00 to purchase 4 dozen ready to bake & we'll do the baking. Money raised will go into the building fund. Thank you.



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FERTILE DAYS INFO

F.B.&I.

Fertile Days are August 11 & 12, 2001. <u>We still need help!</u> Can volunteer an hour or two of your time? It is fun and your time is up before you know it. Please call Kristen at 797-2615 if you need help. Our next meeting is Thursday, July 26th at 7:00 at Fertile City Hall.

Scavenger Hunt

Identify the items pictured on the scavenger hunt sheet. All are within the city limits and are visible from the street or alley. More sheets are available at the library, Cafe' and Henry's. When you have completed the hunt and have written down the whereabouts, turn in the sheet along with \$1 at the Downtown Cafe' or into the door of City Hall. The night of the dance we will put all the correct sheets into a hat and draw an adult and child winner. There will be a prize. Please put a name and note whether adult or child on the sheet. This is a fundraiser for the footbridge. HAVE FUN!!!

Parade

We are having a Family Float Contest. Think of an idea and go at it! Your floats will be at the front of the parade so the kids can see the remainder of the parade. Judges & Prizes!

Flea Market

We are having an F.B.&I. table. We need items donated! We will accept baked goods also. Contact Carolyn Nedved at 797-2696 if you would like to make a donation.

k Tank

We are having a dunk tank. We will be calling <u>you</u> to volunteer! Proceeds go to footbridge.

Church Service PLEASE NOTE: It starts at 10:00 AM this year!!!

Inching our way to the Footbridge

Thank you for the donations: Randy & Robin Harms Roger & Marian Jennings

For Sale:

A reprint of the cookbook <u>125 Years in the Kitchen 1856-1981,</u> <u>Fertile, IA.</u> If you would like one mailed to you, send \$15 to F.B.&I., Box 104, Fertile, IA.50434. Proceeds go to the Footbridge.

FLEA MARKET - AUGUST 11TH

Anyone interested in setting up for the Flea Market for Fertile Days, August 11th, please contact Carolyn Nedved at 797-2696. Cost is only \$5.00

Call me soon.

FERTILE DAYS AUGUST 11 &12 FERTILE, IOWA

Scheduled events <u>Sat, August 11</u> Parade 10:00 Flea Market Tractor Pull Noon - 4:00 Bingo Kid's Games Noon - 4:00 3 on 3 Basketball Slow Pitch Tourney Both Days Street Dance Dunk Tank Volleyball

Sun. August 13

Pancake Breakfest 7:00 - 10:00 Fertile Park Church Service 10:00 Fertile Park



"Tusen takk" to the Fertile Reminder Staff for a great job.

LaVonne Kraft

Thanks to each of you that are involved with the paper. I really enjoy it. Warren Thompson

Dear Reminder gals:

Thank you for the news from Fertile each month. I really enjoy it.

Norma Wakeley

To the Ladies of the Fertile Reminder:

Thanks for keeping us up on the information about Fertile. We enjoy it very much.

Virgil & Ruth Ouverson

THANK YOU TO:

The reminder staff for publishing and maintaining records necessary to keep the Fertile Reminder coming.

The All School Reunion Committees for a great job, and enjoyable and successful event.

The Fertile Garden Club members for the donation of spectacular, prized flowers for all centerpieces on the tables.

Could we possibly have the tea table punch recipe published next month?

Thanks again.

Jessica Gillette 17213 59the Ave. Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Thank you, ladies, for your monthly Reminders. They are appreciated and enjoyed.

Joan Schultz

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Sorry you had to remind me. Time marches on too fast. I really enjoy the Reminder. This way, I can keep up with current events in Putsy.

Thanks to all the staff.

Helen Humphrey

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PARADE ENTRY FORM FERTILE DAYS PARADE FERTILE, IOWA

Saturday, August 11, 2001 10:00 A.M.

Please complete and mail or fax to:

F.B.I. P.O. Box 104 Fertile, Iowa 50434 Fax (641)797-2121

Business or Organization Name:__

Phone Number

Address:_____

Contact Name:

Description of Float:_

Any questions? Call Kristen Andersen at (641)797-2615

DUE DATE: August 1, 2001 FREE ENTRY

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Fertile Beautification and Improvement Group and the City of Fertile from claims for personal injury, property damage, administrative penalties, fees, fines or costs caused, directly and indirectly, by the distribution, propulsion, of candy,water or promotional objects or literature from my entry as well as from property damage or personal injury, administrative penalties, fees, fines or costs caused, directly and undirectly, by any motor vehicle or object towed by any motor vehicle, as my entry.

DATE:

SIGNED:

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WORTH COUNTY RELAY FOR LIFE

Worth County Relay for Life will be Saturday, August 4, 2001 11:00 AM - 10:00 PM at the Northwood/Kensett High School track. If it is raining, it will be at the Worth County fairgrounds.

Today's cutting edge technology has assisted with early detection and prevention of cancer. Dollars raised through Relay for Life have not only helped with advances in technology, but also with research. Please participate in this year's relay by donating to participating team members, or form your own team, have a fundraiser (bake sale, raffle, luncheon etc). Then we will join together August 4th and celebrate our victories; bring your tent to the campsite.

Contact Diane Johnson at 641-324-1143 to form a team.

Contact LaVon Lindflott at 641-324-1303 for posters and other information.



Thank you

Dear Friends,

Thanks to all who have remembered me in various ways since my accident. I have appreciated it all.

Sincerely,

Virgil Lovik

Congratulations

Rick and Dorrie Hessely of Clear Lake are parents of a baby boy born on June 29. He weighted 7 lbs 10 oz and is named Logan Christopher. Grandparents are Red Olson, Kay Olson and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Arnold of Clear Lake.



DONALD C. GASKILL 1915 - 2001

Funeral services for Donald C. Gaskill, 86, of Northwood were held July 6, 2001 at Bethany Lutheran Church in Joice with Pastor Elwin Walvatne officiating. Burial was at Sunset Rest Cemetery in Northwood.



Donald Cleo Gaskil was born on June 11, 1915 in rural Fertile, the son of Ulysses Grant and Carrie Gaskill. He attended and received his education in a rural country school in Fertile, graduating from Fertile High School in 1933.

He was united in marriage to

Leone Florence Parker on March 16, 1939 in rural Joice. After their marriage they farmed in rural Fertile, Hanlontown and rural Northwood. Don enjoyed sports and pursuing Leone's wishes.

He is survived by his children, Phyllis Hrubetz of Mason City, David Gaskill of Adams, MN, Wayne Gaskill of Austin, MN, Mike Gaskill of Lake Mills, Ray Gaskill of Lake Mills, and Bob Gaskill of Marshalltown; 19 grandchildren; four stepgrandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Don was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Leone; five brothers, three sisters; two half-sisters; two grandchildren and one stepgranddaughter.

Our deepest sympathy to the family.

LYLE EUGENE FAULKEN

Lyle Eugene Faulken, 66, of Sherman Oaks, CA died Thursday, May 31, 2001 at the Beverly Manor Care Center Hospice Unit in Burbank, CA.

A memorial service was held at the Unity Church of Burbank and North Hollywood, CA on June 7, 2001 with the Rev. Stan House officiating. Inurnment was Saturday, July 21st at Grant Center Cemetery in Fertile, IA at 11:00 AM.

Lyle was born June 2, 1934, the son of Clarence and Eva Faulken in Fertile, IA. He attended Fertile Schools and graduated in 1952. After high school, Lyle served in the U. S. Navy. Lyle lived in Los Angeles, CA for over 40 years. He was retired from Sunkist Growers after working there for 31 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Dale. He is survived by a sister, Evanelle,in Yreka, CA and a brother, Russell, in Eagan, MN and several nieces and nephews.

Our deepest sympathy to the family.

Putting things in perspective, I'd say

>If you can start the day without caffeine, if you can get along with out pep pills,

> If you can always be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains,

> If you resist complaining and boring people with your troubles,

> If you can eat the same food every day and be grateful for it,

> If you can understand when your loved ones are too busy to give you any time,

> If you an overlook it when those you love take it out on you when, through no fault of yours, something goes wrong,

> If you can take criticism and blame without resentment,

> If you can ignore a friend's limited education and never correct him/her,

> If you can resist treating a rich friend better than a poor friend,

> If you can face the world without lies and deceit,

> If you can conquer tension without medical help,

> If you can relax without liquor,

> If you can sleep without the aid of drugs,

> If you can honestly say that deep in your heart you have no prejudice against creed, color, religion or politics,

Then, my friend, you are ALMOST as good as your dog!! More computer quotes.

Let's see if we understand how America works today! > If a woman burns her thighs on the hot coffee she was holding in her lap while driving, she blames the restaurant. > If your teen-age son kills himself, you blame the rock 'n'

roll music or musician he liked.

> If you smoke three packs a day for 40 years and die of lung cancer, your family blames the tobacco company.

> If your daughter gets pregnant by the footbal captain, you blame the school for poor sex education.

> If your neighbor crashes into a tree while driving home drunk, you blame the bartender.

> If your cousin gets AIDS because the needle he used to shoot up with heroin was dirty, you blame the government for not providing clean ones.

> If your grandchildren are brats without manners, you blame television.

> If your friend is shot by a deranged madman, you blame the gun manufacturer.

> And if a crazed person breaks into the cockpit and tries to kill the pilots at 35,000 feet, and the passengers kill him instead, the mother of the deceased blames the airline.

> I must have lived too long to understand the world as it anymore, So if I die while my old, fat butt is parked in front of this computer, <u>I want you to blame Bill Gates, OK?</u>

from computer quotes.

Fertile Scavenger Hunt





COOK'S CORNER

In the June Issue of the Fertile Reminder, the Pumpkin Bars - 1 tsp Soda needs to be added to your recip We are sorry for this omission. >>>>>>>>

This recipe comes to us from Beverly Calgaard. was served at the Fertile Alumni coffee & many peo ple have asked for it. -

CREAMY WHITE PUNCH

2 cups of Kool-Aid Lemonade unsweetened 1 1/2 cups sugar 1 cup powdered milk 1/2 gallon water 1/2 gallon vanilla ice cream Makes a big gallon pail. FREEZE -When serving—add 2 bottles of 7-Up. Serve while it is slush.

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Garnish a favorite dish with these colorful blossoms from your garden. Make sure nothing has been sprayed with chemicals. Please note that even some "safe" flowers can trigger reactions in certain peo

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>To determine whether an egg is fresh, immerse it in a pan of cool - salted water. If it sinks, it is fresh-if it rises to the surface, - throw it away.

>Cure for headaches: Take a lime, cut it in half and rub it on your forehead. The throbbing will go away.

>Don throw out all that leftover wine. Freeze into ice cubes & use in future casseroles and sauces.



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