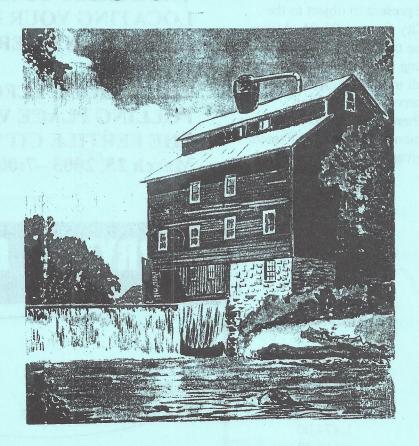
APRIL 2003

FERTILE REMINDER



GOMING EVENTS

April 1	Senior Dinner City Council Meeting	Noon 7 pm
April 7	Little League Sign-up Fire Department Meeting	6-9 pm 7 pm
April 9	Little League Sign-up	6-9 pm
April 15	Senior Dinner	Noon
April 19	Boys & Girls 4-H	
April 21	Library Board Meeting	7 pm
April 28	Recycle Day	

Fertile City Council

The Fertile City Council met March 4, 2003 at 7:00 PM in Fertile City Hall. Present were Mayor Joyce Russell, Council persons Richard Bruns, Tammy Hall, Jeff-Berg, Tad Miller. Also present Tom Kirschbaum, The minutes were declared approved as presented. Miller moved, Hall 2nd to approve the transfer of the Cable TV franchise to Westcom II Communications, L.C. Passed. Members of the Fertile Library Board were present to object to the \$1000. budget cut by the City for year 03-04. Miller moved, Berg 2nd to increase the Library budget by \$700. Passed. Melanne Bang expressed an interest is serving on the council. Hall moved, Miller 2nd to appoint Melanne Bang to serve in the position vacated by Tanya Olson. Passed. Hall moved, Bruns 2nd to approve the monthly expenses. Passed. Committee Reports were given. Meeting Adjourned.

February Revenue	
Property Tax	33.44
Water/Sewer/Garbage	8,272.89
Street Revenue	2,436.44
Local Option Tax	1,093.48
General Fund	541.96
TOTAL	\$12,378.21
February Expenses	
Tom Kirschbaum	1,574.38
Dave Low	301.49
Gloria Kirschbaum	295.28
Sewer Acct	1,483.00
Water Acct	1,474.00
FICA	615.72
IPERS	262.33
WCTA	51.06
Waste Systems	1,666.50
Alliant	544.83
Sales Tax	176.92
Worth County Law Enforcement	1,530.00
Fertile Reminder	180.00
Westrum Leak Detection	475.00
Fertile Little League, from Lions	Club 320.14
Aquila	303.54
Hare Electric	280.00
Brian Nettleton Exc	4,096.36
LGI	8.40
Hawkins	5.00
TOTAL	\$15,643.95

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The Secret Hour - Luanne Rice The King of Torts - John Grisham Full Tilt - Janet Evanovich Someone to Watch Over Me - Judith McNaught Ruth - Lori Copeland Child of Promise - Kathleen Morgan Stallions at Burnt Rock - Paul Bagdon Long Road to LaRosa - Paul Bagdon The Little Sparrow - Al & Joanna Lacy The Covenant - Beverly Lewis Hawks Way Grooms Joan Johnston Comanche Woman - Joan Johnston Sisters Found - Joan Johnston Dating Seasons of Bliss - Ruth Glover The Visitor - Lori Wick Across the Years - Tracie Peterson Force of Nature - Susan Johnson Portrait in Death - J. D. Robb Into the Wilderness - Roseanne Bittner The Drifter - Susan Wiggs Picture Me Dead - Heather Graham A Place Called Rainwater - Dorothy Garlock The Jester - James Patterson Partner in Crime - J.A. Jance More Than a Dream - Lauraine Snelling Dating Game - Danielle Steel The Moment She was Gone - Evan Hunter

AUDIO BOOKS

Dating Game - Danielle Steel
The King of Torts - John Grisham
Drowning Ruth - Christina Schwartz
Full House & Full Tilt - Janet Evanovich
Someone to Watch Over Me - Judith McNaught
Genesis Wave Book One & Two - John Vornholt
Blood Orchid & Orchid Beach- Stuart Woods
Lando - Louis L'Amour

NEW VIDEOS

Goldmember - Mike Myers
Little Mermaid II
Sweet Home Alabama - Reese Witherspoon
My Big Fat Greek Wedding - Nia Vardalos
Panic Room - Jodi Foster
Joe Somebody - Tim Allen
Life or Something Like It - Angelina Jolie
Big Fat Liar - Frankie Muniz
We Were Soldiers - Mel Gibson
In the Bedroom - Sissy Spacek
Eight Legged Freaks - David Arquette



April 6- 12 is National Library Week! Watch for happenings at the library!

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Thank you to all who helped with the Soup & Sandwich Luncheon by working or food. Thanks to Butcher's Steakhouse for letting us use their restaurant. And thank you Fertile for your continued support. We raised \$757 (before expenses) for library projects. This was sponsored by the Fertile Library Friends.

This is how the names will appear for the Inch Our Way to the Footbridge recognition. Please contact the FB& I with corrections. Box 104, Fertile, Iowa 50434

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Roger Felland
Roger Humphrey
Babe Hovland
Guben Hovland
Martin & Elise Hovland
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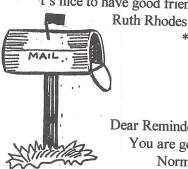
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746A - 342nd St. Hanlontown, IA 50444 ouverins@cs.com Dear Friends,

Thank you for all the cards, gifts and lunch. You really made by 80th birthday a momentous occasion.

't's nice to have good friends.



Dear Reminder Gals:

You are going a great job. Norman & Sharon Froiland

Dear Friends.

Please keep on sending the Reminder. It is great to read the news of people from the past, although sometimes it takes some real thinking to put a name to a face or a face to a name. Those darn "Senior Moments" you know.

We are planning on spending five months in Iowa this coming summer so maybe I can touch base with some of you.

Donna Fuller

Kissimmee, Florida

P.S. My E Mail address is MAful3233@asl.com. Would love to hear from you.

Dear Gals,

lease renew my subscription. Thanks for all your work. Noreen L. Groe Northwood, IA

Ladies:

Here is a check for my renewal of the Fertile Reminder. As always, you all do just a swell job.

Pat Tuttle

Dear Fertile Reminder.

I do enjoy reading the Reminder and appreciate all the work you ladies put into getting it published.

I am enclosing payment for another year's worth!! Thank you.

Elaine Patten

Answers

Unravelled words. GOLDFISH, PARROT, NEWT CANARY. CAT, RABBIT, GERBIL, MOUSE, DOG, FROG. PONY TORTOISE HAMSTER. GUINEA PIG. LIZARD



THANK YOU!

Thank you so much for the cards, gifts, food, visits and some of the nice things you did for us after I had back surgery and during the time of Ray's heart attack and recovery. Thanks also to the Fertile Fire Department and the First Responders from Hanlontown for their prompt action in helping Ray before the ambulance came.

Fertile truly is a great little place to live. Ray and Dolores Sandifer

Dear Friends of the Reminder,

Thanks to our many friends and neighbors, the Fertile Fire Dept, and the 911 Responders for the many deeds of kindness during my accident.

Also for the prayers, calls, cards and visitors. It's nice to know you're remembered and thought of. Thanks again.

Virgil and Ruth Ouverson

A special thanks to all who sent beautiful cards, memorials and food after the death of Norman Nye. All was deeply appreciated. Norman Nye family

Thank You to Al and Jane and to all my friends and family for the great birthday party you had for me at the Downtown Café. Special thanks to Marlin & Joanna for their part in the party. Amil Johnson.

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Sunday

9:00 - Sunday School (for all ages) 10:00 - Fellowship Time 10:15 - Worship Service 5:15 - Evening Family Activities

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. - Bible Study Come and be our quest.

FERTILE GARDEN CLUB

The Fertile Garden Club held their first meeting of the year, at the home of Pat Lohman, Forest City, with a delicious potluck supper and a very good meeting. Seventeen members were present. Two of them are new members and were welcomed by all.

The Table Prayer was sung, we had our meal, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was called to order by President Penny Miller. The Secretary's report was given by Ginny Lovik and letters were read. The Treasurer's Report was handed out by Pat Lohman. Roll Call was "What new flower do you intend to plant this year?" Year Books were handed out and dues was paid. We also drew for our Secret Pals.

Penny read off the names of the officers and the appointed committee. President—Penny Miller; Vice Pres.—Evelyn Elthon; Secretary—Ginny Lovik; Treasurer—Pat Lohman; Historian—Donna Ouverson; Reporter—Pat Oswald; Remembrance Committee—Betty Theilen & Mary Ann Wellik. Fern Midtgaard gave the Thought of the Day, on "American Dream", written by Al Barz of Garner.

It was announced that the Annual Plant Sale will be on May 3, 9-11 a.m. at the Community Center (old school). This is the 50th Anniversary Year for the Fertile Garden Club. We will be inviting past members to Guest Day at the October meeting. Penny had people sign up to help with a float for the Garden Club at Fertile Days parade on August 9^{th.}

The By-Laws of the Club were read and changes were made and voted on.

Our next meeting will be on April 8, 7 p.m. at the Church of Christ. Guest speaker will be Don Lee of Mason City, talking about the flower gardens he has helped set up in Mason City. Hostesses will be Donna Ouverson & Diane Schulze.

Pat Oswald, Reporter

It's Time to Play Ball!

Fertile will be having their Little League sign up on April 7th and the 9th from 6:00 until 9:00 pm at the Fertile Library.

Clean up date at the ball diamond is May 22nd at 6 pm.

I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a whole lot more as they get older; then it dawned on me... they're cramming for their final exam.

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March 20, 2003

Child Immunization Clinic at Worth County Public Health Office from 1 - 5 pm No appointment necessary.

March 25, 2003

Child Immunization Clinic at Northwood Methodist Church from 9 am - 3 pm. No appointment necessary.

March 27, 2003

Worth Your While meeting at the Northwood-Kensett High School at 6 pm. We will group walk at 6 pm. Free blood pressures begin at 6:30 and our speaker, Duane Herman, a Physical Therapist from Mercy Hospital, will begin at 7 pm.

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CHARLES 'NORMAN' NYE 1917 - 2003

Charles "Norman" Nye, 85, of Fertile died February 13, 2003, at the Muse Norris Hospice in Mason City.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. at Pilot Knob Lutheran Church in rural Forest City with the Rev. Bob Snitzer officiating. Burial was at Brush Point Cemetery in rural Fertile.

Charles "Norman" Nye was born in Fertile Township, Worth County, on Nov. 12, 1917, the son of Vern and Aimee (McEnelly) Nye. He received his education in Fertile schools.

On July 18, 1940, he married Loretta Rasmussen in Iowa City. Norman served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. The couple made Fertile their home throughout their married lives.

Norman was a gifted carpenter and could do just about anything he set his mind to. He was a mechanic at Eyman's for many years, worked at Forrester and did service work for Carl Larsen. He did all types of carpentry work, from building and installing cupboards, to building houses to crafting large-scale replicas of World War II aircraft. For Norman, doing the impossible "just took a little longer."

He enjoyed fishing and lapidary. He was a member of Pilot Knob Lutheran Church.

Norman is survived by his daughter, Mary Ann Stram and her husband, Sheldon Kingley, Burnsville, MN; a granddaughter and her husband, Molly and Michael Boyland, of Chanhassen, MN; two great-grandchildren, Courtney and Connor; a brother, Max Nye and his wife, Florence of Fertile; three nephews, Roger Nye and wife, Johanna, Jerry Nye and Brian Nye and wife, Cynthia. Also surviving are four step-grandchildren and spouses; a sister-in-law Mrs. Ardis Anderson, of Forest City and her children and families.

Norman was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Loretta; and an infant sister, Doris.

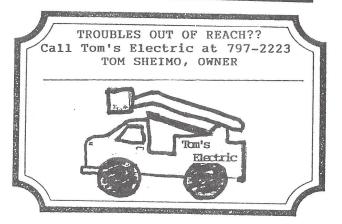
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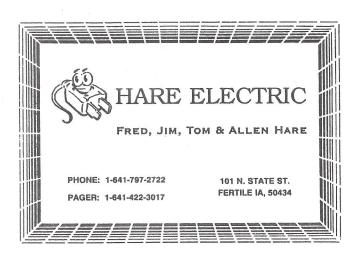
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Do Lipton Tea employees take coffee breaks?

What color do they put on the driver's licenses of bald men?

COOK'S KORNER

CRANBERRY CHEESECAKE BARS

- 2 Cups plus 2 tablespoons all purpose flour, (divided)
- 1 Cup quick-cooking oats
- 2/3 Cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 Cup butter or stick margarine, melted
- 1 package (8 ounces) reduced fat cream cheese.
- 1 can (14 ounces) fat-free sweetened condensed milk.
- 4 egg whites
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 can (16 ounces) whole-berry cranberry sauce
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch

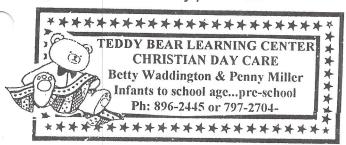
In a bowl, combine 2 cups flour, oats, brown sugar and butter; mix until crumbly. Press 2 1/2 cups of the crumb mixture into a greased 13x9 baking dish. Bake at 350° for 10 minutes.

In a mixing bowl, beat the cream cheese until smooth. Add the milk, egg whites, vanilla and remaining flour; mix well. Spoon over prepared crust. In a bowl, combine the cranberry sauce and cornstarch; mix well. Spoon over cream cheese mixture. Sprinkle with the remaining crumb mixture. Bake at 350° for 30-35 minutes or until center is almost set. Cool on a wire rack before cutting. Yield: 3 dozen.

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>Life's greatest satisfactions include getting the last laugh, having the last word, and paying the last installment.

- >You can't choose your ancestors, but that's fair enough. They probably wouldn't have chosen you!
- >A Shetland pony is nothing but a compact horse.
- >Animals are such agreeable friends; they ask no questions, they make no criticisms.
- >One nice thing about a horse is that its body won't rust after just one winter on salted roads.
- >Antique is a magic word that makes something worthless suddenly priceless.



KID'S KORNER

Pet names

There are 15 different pets hidden in this puzzle. Their names are all on this page - but their letters are all mixed up, so you must sort them out first.

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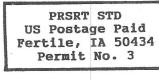
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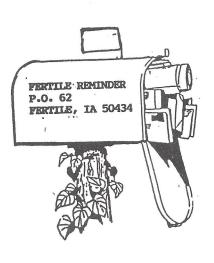
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