

AUGUST 2010

FERTILE REMINDER



COMING EVENTS

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| Aug. 2 | Fire Deptmt Meeting | 7 p.m. |
| Aug. 3 | Senior Dinner | Noon |
| | Fertile Girls Night Out | 5:30 |
| Aug. 7 & 8 | FERTILE DAYS | |
| Aug. 12 | Re-cycle Day | |
| Aug. 16 | Library Board Meeting | 7 p.m. |
| Aug. 17 | Senior Dinner | Noon |
| | City Council Meeting | 7 p.m. |
| Aug. 26 | Re-cycle Day | |

City of Fertile

City Council Meeting Minutes

July 20, 2010 - 7:00 PM, City Hall

Call to Order & Roll Call

Present were: Mayor Joyce Russell; Council Members: Jeff Berg, Tad Miller, Cindy Peters and Pat Renchin; and City Clerk Eddie May. Absent were: Council Member Penny Miller, and Maintenance Manager Craig Koch.

Minutes Approval

- Cindy motioned, Tad 2nd to approve the June minutes. Motion Carried.

Community Center Options

- On July 10th, The Community Center Committee and the Library Board toured the former Cherry Tree Builders property to consider the possibility of using it for the Community Center, City Hall and Library.
- On July 13th, the City Council also toured the former Cherry Tree property.
- Concerns were raised in regard to relocating off of Main Street, the affects of annexing the land into City Limits, the condition of the building, and the need to still build the Community Center hall onto the existing structure.
- Positive comments included the size of the project becomes feasible, the City can work on the building in much smaller phases than with the original project, it is easy to access for travelers outside of town, has a lot of land for parking and outdoor events, is the first thing people see coming into town, and would not remove commercial property from the City's tax role.
- Penny suggested, by email, that we build a larger library on the current library property, and to use the Cherry Tree building for City Hall and the Community Center only.
- Lisa May, a member of the Library Board commented that the Library was excited about the possibility of moving sooner than later, and that they suggested adding a bike trail along 1st Street to help kids visit the Library. She also felt that the Library would be open to Penny's suggestion as well.
- Cindy motioned, Pat 2nd to invite construction, electrical and heating/plumbing contractors to prepare initial proposals for necessary renovations along with proposals for a new library on the current Library property. Roll Call Vote was unanimous. Jeff abstained. Motion Carried.
- These numbers will be presented to the Council at the next Council Meeting.
- Mayor Russell will also research the process of annexing the land.
- After considering the information presented, the Council may, or may not place an offer on the property.
- Anyone who has an opinion regarding this purchase is invited, and encouraged, to attend next month's Council meeting.

Mayor's Report

- The Worth County Sherriff's Department requested a copy of the City's curfew ordinance to help them enforce it. The ordinance states that minors (under 17) who are off their family's property must be accompanied by one of their legal guardians. Minors who are out by themselves can be escorted to the Sherriff's Department in Northwood and must be picked up by their legal guardian. A copy of the ordinance is available on the City's website.
- Liens were collected and paid at the sale of 504 West Washington.
- Cans were being stolen out of the can bin at that Ball Fields. Worth County Sherriff's Department were notified and the parties were caught.
- Several acts of vandalism have occurred in the last month. The City is still investigating potential camera systems and other deterrent options.
- The City sounded the storm siren during the recent tornado sightings. In the event of an emergency, the siren will sound for 10 minutes straight and then shut off. You will also want to pay attention to storm information provided by KIMT, and the local radio stations.
- We sprayed for Mosquitoes on July 6th and 9th. We will be spraying two more times this summer.
- IA DOT sent a letter regarding the City's responsibility to remove any illegal sign placed within the right of way. Illegal signs may be moved or removed at any time. (Illegal signs are any non DOT approved signs)
- The City received a notice of violation against Roger Rasmussen who was hired to remove yard waste and abandoned items at 105 Hill Street. Roger was illegally burning railroad ties, and fiberglass. Both the City and the DNR were involved in stopping the illegal burning.
- Andrew Hall requested a burning permit for 504 West Washington. Tad motioned, Pat 2nd to allow the burning of yard waste and tree limbs with the supervision of the Fire Department. Motion Carried.

- Complaints against Larsen Plumbing regarding rain water pooling up on the North side of one of their buildings were refuted as Mayor Russell took pictures following the recent rain storms. No pooling was found.
- The Worth County Sherriff's Department also requested a copy of our dangerous pet ordinance. They are in the process of re-defining a County wide ban on dangerous pets following the recent pit-bull attack in Joice.
- The side streets have been paved! Even better -- no tax money, or liens, were used or placed for the project! Money for the project came from a Worth County Development Authority grant in the amount of \$86,818.90. The WCDA is the non-profit arm of the Diamond Joe Casino.

City Clerk's Report

- Eddie presented the June (Year End) financials.
 - The following statistics report the % of budgeted revenue received year-to-date as well as the % of budgeted expenses spent year-to-date (100% of year).
- | | General | Roads | Landfill | Sewer | Water |
|---------|---------|-------|----------|-------|-------|
| Income | 96% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 102% |
| Expense | 97% | 113% | 98% | 89% | 87% |
- (The Roads Fund is currently over budget due to the City's portion of the new road surfacing done in July, 2009.)
- The City ended the year with a \$9,572.16 Net Income for the fiscal year.
 - \$9,000 of the income is being reserved for the painting of the water tower.
 - Jeff motioned, Pat 2nd to approve the June Expenses. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports

- Streets & Signs: The light on the corner of Washington and Mill has been flickering off and on. Mayor Russell will contact Alliant.
- Fertile Days: The Fertile Days Committee has been working hard to organize several activities for our celebration. Schedules of events are posted at Breka Construction (across from the Downtown Diner and West of the Post Office). Residents will also receive an agenda delivered to their door. There are a lot of activities planned including: two parades (one for our pets), Fire Dept open house, Worth County Sherriff's Canine demo, bed races, inflatables, karaoke contest, tug-of-war, bingo, farmer's market, movie, band, firemen's breakfast, church service, kiddie peddle pull, and two FREE community meals. Prizes will be awarded for several events. Fertile Days is August 7th and 8th! You don't want to miss it!

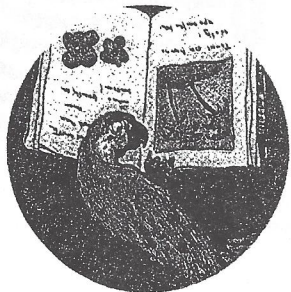
Upcoming Meetings

- The Fertile City Council will hold a public hearing at 7:00PM, Tuesday, August 17th, 2010, to discuss an amendment to the utility billing ordinances to allow the City to cover the cost of service and administration. (2nd and 3rd hearings can be waived if there are no objections presented at the 1st hearing -- come and let your voice be heard)
- The Fertile City Council will meet at 7:15PM in regular session, Tuesday, August 17th, 2010, at Fertile City Hall.

Adjourn - Pat Motioned, Jeff 2nd to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

City of Fertile
Expenditures and Revenue
As of June 30, 2010

Type	Name	Memo	Amount
General Fund Checking			
Bill Pmt - Check	BMC Aggregates L.C	Ballfield Road	-313.42
Bill Pmt - Check	Crescent Moon	Porta Pots	-315.00
Bill Pmt - Check	Kramer Ace Hardware	Ball Diamond Fence Covering	-526.66
Bill Pmt - Check	Kreger's Greenhouse & Garden Center	Garden Club	117.65
Bill Pmt - Check	LGI	Utility Testing	-138.25
Bill Pmt - Check	NIACOG	8th Monthly Instalment	-300.00
Bill Pmt - Check	UPS	utility testing	16.74
Bill Pmt - Check	WCTA	telephones and internet	133.43
Bill Pmt - Check	Fertile Little League	Annual Payment	-700.00
Bill Pmt - Check	Hawkins, Inc	-chlorine	-10.00
Bill Pmt - Check	Mills Fleet Farm	Fence coverings	-47.92
Bill Pmt - Check	Pronio	gasoline	-148.56
Bill Pmt - Check	US Post Office	postage	-44.00
Bill Pmt - Check	Waste Management	waste removal	-1,792.50
Bill Pmt - Check	Advantage Business Solutions	Envelopes & Maps	124.56
Bill Pmt - Check	Black Hills Energy	electricity	124.78
Bill Pmt - Check	First Gelbranson Agency	Fire Dept Life & Disability Insurance	-795.00
Bill Pmt - Check	Hirgon Loan Service	fertilizer for ditch bank	-45.00
Bill Pmt - Check	Iowa League of Cities	Annual Dues	-258.00
Bill Pmt - Check	UPS	utility tests	-17.25
Bill Pmt - Check	USDA	water & Sewer loans	-38,588.00
Bill Pmt - Check	Verizon Wireless	telephone	-35.95
Bill Pmt - Check	Alliant Energy	natural gas	-1,290.13
Bill Pmt - Check	Crescent Moon	porta pots	315.00
Bill Pmt - Check	LGI	utility testing	75.75
Check	First State Bank	fire dept loan	-2,455.15
Check	Fertile Public Library V	Incorrectly deposited to our account	-144.87
Deposit		Deposit	3,893.79
Deposit		Deposit	3,283.91
Deposit		Deposit	3,670.60
Deposit		Deposit	621.70
Deposit		Deposit	3,428.32
Deposit	Treasurer - State of Iowa	Deposit	1,866.51
Deposit		Deposit	2,481.56
Deposit		Deposit	1,070.23
Deposit		Deposit	1,111.10
Deposit		Interest	99.64
Liability Check	IRS	42-1028074	116.46
Liability Check	IPERS	98307, 983070	713.26
Paycheck	May III, Edgar F		370.41
Paycheck	Russell, Joyce		545.21
Paycheck	Koch, Craig A		
Paycheck	Bruns, Warren		
Paycheck	Koch, Craig A		
Total General Fund Checking			-31,299.21
Roads Revenue Fund Savings			
Deposit		Interest	9.58
Water Revenue Fund Checking			
Deposit		Interest	1.57
Sewage Revenue Fund Checking			
Deposit		Interest	3.50
TOTAL			-31,190.61



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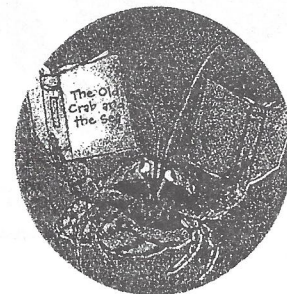
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FICTION

Sizzling 16 – Janet Evanovich

Family tie – Danielle Steel

Game Over – Fern Michaels

Damaged – Alex Kava

The Search – Nora Roberts

Ice Cold – Tess Gerritsen

Twilight's Serenade – Tracie Peterson

Of Bees & Mist – Erick Setiawan

Doctor in Petticoats – Mary Connealy

Betsy's Return – Wanda E. Brunstetter

DVD's

Bounty Hunter – Jennifer Aniston

Daybreakers – Ethan Hawke

Alice in Wonderland – Johnny Depp

The Lightning Thief – Pierce Brosnan

Dear John - Channing Tatum

All About Steve – Sandra Bullock

The Time Traveler's Wife – Eric Bana

Surrogatés – Bruce Willis

Nine – Daniel Day-Lewis

It's Complicated – Alec Baldwin

Valkyrie – Tom Cruise

Up in the Air – George Clooney

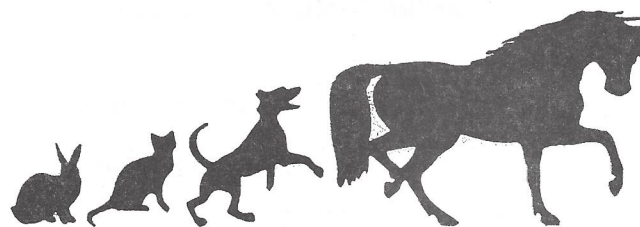
Tooth Fairy- Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson

BOOKS ON CD

Sizzling 16 – Janet Evanovich

Damaged – Alex Kava

The Host – Stephenie Meyer



Pet Parade

Start time: 1:00pm

(line up in front of library at 12:45pm)

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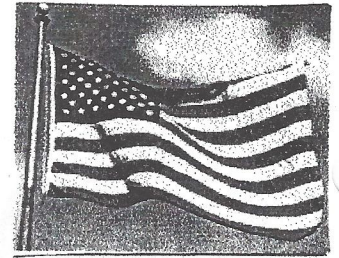
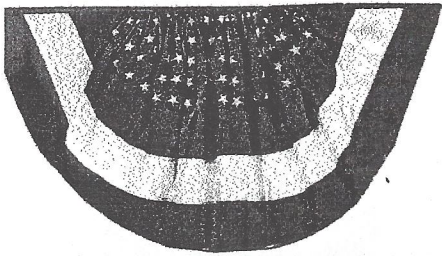
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SATURDAY Aug 7th

7:00 am - 10:00 am	FARMERS' MARKET & Misc Vendors
10:00 am - 11:00 am All Day	PARADE VENDOR (cotton candy, sno-cones etc)
11:30 am - 1:00 pm CANINE DEMO After the parade	FIRE DEPT OPEN HOUSE FIRE TRUCK RIDES Also Serving Hotdogs by -> WORTH COUNTY SHERIFF PIM OPEN HOUSE
1:00 pm - 1:15 pm	PET PARADE
1:30 pm - 2:00 pm	BED RACES
1:00 pm - 3:30 pm	INFLATABLES
2:00 pm - 2:30 pm	CITY vs. COUNTRY TUG OF WAR (Winner gets plaque w/group picture)
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	KARIOKE CONTEST
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	FREE COMMUNITY MEAL (in front of Downtown cafe on Main street)
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	BINGO
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	MOVIE (in the Fire Dept Bldg free pop and popcorn)
9:30 pm - 11:30 pm	BAND (Skretta, Etc)

SUNDAY MORNING Aug 8th

7:00 am - 9:00 am	FIREMEN'S BREAKFAST
10:00 am - 11:00 am	CHURCH SERVICE (In the Park)
11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Church of Christ FREE Community Meal at the Church of Christ
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm ?	KIDDIE PEDAL PULL in the Church of Christ parking lot

1st PLACE
2nd PLACE
3rd PLACE
BEST COSTUME!

FERTILE DAYS



ATTENTION ALL BED RACE CONTESTANTS !!

Each team should have five people!
(Kids must be 16 and older)

**It would be GREAT FUN if you would dress up
 in COSTUME !**

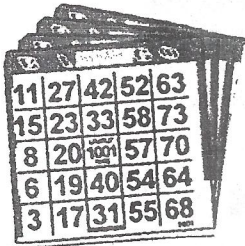
(Please not TOO RISQUE!this is a Family Game!)
The rider in the group MUST wear a bicycle helmet



PET PARADE PARTICIPANTS!

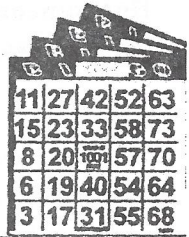


There will be ribbons awarded !
All pets must be on a leash!

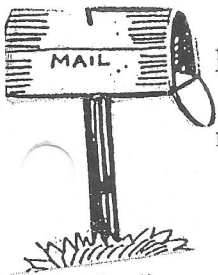


BINGO PARTICPANTS!

We will have a round of 10 games
A prize will be awarded for each game winner
and the final Bingo game will be a Black-Out game!
A GRAND prize will be awarded for the
Black-Out game!



Please call Cindy Peters at 797.2944
or Penny Miller at 797.2704
with any questions



Dear Ladies,

I've missed my Reminder. Please renew for two years.

Anna M. Spengler
(Anna Mary Sanderson)
Fertile High Class of '46

Dear Ladies,

The Fertile area can be proud of their paper! I especially enjoy the history articles you print. Thank you to all of the Fertile Reminder staff!

LaVonne (Pederson) Kraft

Dear Ladies,

We still call Fertile "Our Home town." Love the Reminder.

Jeanette Zobel
Jul Ann Zobel Skue

Dear Reminder Ladies,

Thanks again for another year of walks down memory lane. I look forward to every issue.

Many thanks!

Evanelle (Faulken) Perkins

WITH SYMPATHY

LYLE LINDQUIST

Word was received from Dale and Kathryn Lindquist of the death of their brother, Lyle Lindquist.

Lyle died peacefully on Father's Day after having one last opportunity to see brother, Dale, class of 1950 and sister, Phyllis, class of 1946, one last time. They flew in from Minnesota and Iowa just before he lost consciousness.

Lyle was preceded in death by his youngest brother, Lane Lindquist, and his wife, "Gerry".

Lyle was born on September 8, 1925 to Leslie and Gertrude Lindquist. He left high school before graduation to join the Navy in 1942. While stationed in San Francisco, he met and married his lifetime sweetheart, Geraldine Deneri. They lived their entire lives in San Francisco.

His ashes will be buried at sea with his wife near the Golden Gate Bridge .

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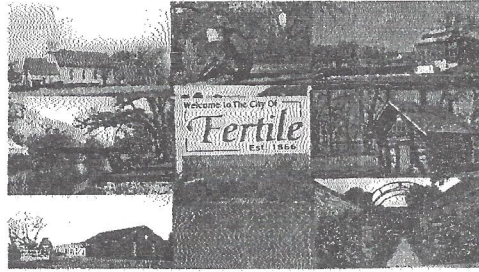
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The Fertile Garden Club has been busy beautifying Fertile. When driving down main street, notice the new flower planters and flowers, the hanging baskets on the store fronts, the flags flying on the flag poles. Down near the foot bridge you will notice a new short fence and more planters. Take notice at the Fertile sign up near the highway where flood lights have been installed. Thank you Fertile City Council for the funds to do these projects. We also thank Buck and Joyce Russel for their help when called upon. The Garden Club members take turns watering the planters and baskets all summer long.

Call

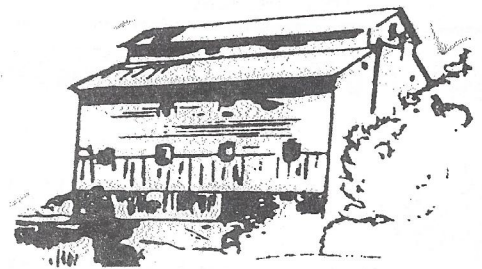
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Unusual Rice Salad

- 1 egg
- 2 Tbsp. flour
- 1 cup pineapple juice
- 1/2 tsp. Lemon juice
- 1 cup whipping cream (or Cool Whip)
- 1/4 cup sugar (more or less)
- 1 tsp. Vanilla
- 1 cup rice-cooked according to directions COOL
- 1 can pineapple chunks (use the juice & add water to make 1 cup.)
- 60 small marshmallows
- 1 cup green grapes, cut up
- 4 bananas, diced
- Nuts and cherries may be added on top.

In a small saucepan beat the egg. Add flour and mix. Add pineapple juice and cook over low heat, stirring till thickened. Add lemon juice and chill. Whip the cream or use cool whip, adding the sugar and vanilla if using whipping cream. Fold the whipped cream into first mixture. (be sure it is cold). Stir in remaining ingredients except for the bananas. Add these just before serving.)

From Bottom Line's "Household Magic"

Here's the story on Distilled White Vinegar.
As you may know, distilled white vinegar is a great cleaning and disinfecting solution. There are, however, a few cautions that need to be addressed.
***NEVER combine white vinegar with ammonia or bleach of any kind. This combination creates a toxic gas, which can be very harmful.**

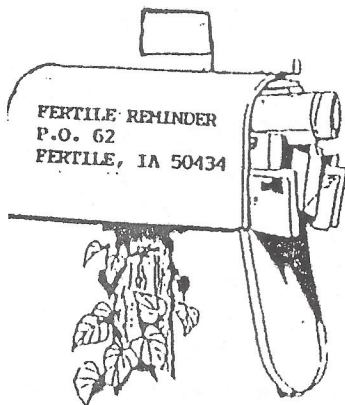
- >NEVER use white vinegar on your teeth. It dissolves calcium.
- >DO NOT use white vinegar on or around glued joints of furniture. It will dissolve most glues.
- > DO NOT leave white vinegar on a metal surface. It may pit it.
- >DO NOT clean up white vinegar with plain water. vinegar is soluble in water, so if you get it on something, simply rinse it off with water, for neutralize it with baking soda, then clean up everything with a damp cloth.

FUN PAGE!

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What a wonderful 96th birthday. Thank you to my kids, grandkids, nieces, relatives and all my friends for all the cards, gifts, "eat outs", phone calls, hugs and well wishes.

Also a big "thank you" to Jane. It was a fun week!

I appreciated it all so much.

Love you all,

Viola Roberts

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