



Rolling Hills Community News

Exira
Elk Horn
Kimballton
Brayton

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There are two

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These Elk horns are hiding somewhere in this publication It may be small, large, transparent...



Get the inside Information

The mystery of:
"The Hiding Elk Horns"
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Elk Horn American Legion Tribute to Veterans of All Wars

Monday May 30th Military Service

Clay Township 9:30am

Monroe Church 10:00am

Elk Horn Church 11:00am

Followed by Military Service
at Elk Horn Cemetery

Followed by Lunch in Fellowship Hall

Everyone Welcome

Free Will Donation

**MEMORIAL DAY is ONLY ONCE A YEAR
but our gratitude is endless.....**

Honoring the following members of Post 322:

Andy Kissel, Henry John Jones, Merlyn Molgaard

Dr Schrader will read off the names of our passed Veterans

Our NEW publicaton Schedule:
**We will publish on the 2nd and 4th
Thursday of the month.**

Deadline for content is the **SUNDAY
BEFORE.**

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you have been sending. We would ask that
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1350 280th St. Exira, IA 50076 - \$300,000

4 bedrooms with an extra non-conforming bedroom that could be a great office or playroom. 2-car garage for vehicles or outside storage needs. Gather around the fireplace on those chilly days and enjoy your farm view. This acreage will be surveyed and will have 2 acres M/L and will also have an easement. The acreage is being sold "As Is". Contact Kathi at 712-249-5233 to view this acreage today!

HOMES:
AUDUBON:

- 710 Brayton St. **NEW - \$39,000**
- 105 3rd Ave. **SOLD**
- 806 South St. **SALE PENDING**
- 315 Leroy St. **SOLD**
- 405 2nd Ave. **SOLD**

EXIRA:

- Viking Addition Lots **4 LOTS REMAIN COMING SOON**
- 206 N. Fairview St. **COMING SOON**

ELK HORN

- 2114 Washington St. **SALE PENDING**
- 2113 Park St. **PRICE REDUCED - \$260,000**
- 4411 Main St. **\$135,000**
- 2021 Elm St. **\$159,000**
- 4302 Main St. **SALE PENDING**
- 4129 Sjaeland St. **SOLD**

IRWIN

- 512 Harmon St. **\$140,000**



529 Umbrella Rd. Walnut - \$299,000

This sprawling Ranch has 3 main floor bedrooms with a 4th non-conforming bedroom in the basement. This home has 2 wood burning fireplaces, main floor laundry, handicap accessible, and a 2-car attached garage. The basement is an open canvas for a family room, storage, or a gym. An extra non-conforming bedroom, bathroom, and kitchenette are already there for you. Outside you'll find beautiful views, buildings for animals, outdoor storage, and a great potential for a He/She shed, and plenty of space for gardening. This is truly a great opportunity to own a beautiful acreage. Seller will complete a survey with 3 acres M/L being offered. Call Kathi at 712-249-5233 to view this property.

ACREAGES:

LIST YOUR ACREAGE WITH US!

- 2727 Goldfinch **NEW - SALE PENDING**
- 1350 280th St., Exira **NEW - \$300,000**
- 618 Hwy 173, Elk Horn **SALE PENDING**
- 529 Umbrella Rd., Walnut **\$299,000**
- 63373 Pella Road, Atlantic **\$550,000**
- 2308 300th St., Exira **SOLD**
- 420 Zinnia Road, Exira **SALE PENDING**

LAND AUCTIONS

Joanne Potts Estate **SOLD**
 152 acres m/l, Section 5, Clay Twp., _____ County

Thursday, June 9 - 10 a.m. Leona Hemminger Trust
 Land Auction 227 acres m/l sections
 28 and 33 Sharon Township Audubon County

WE NEED NEW FARM LISTINGS

We would love to list your home, acreage, or farm! Give us a call today!

2022 TIVOLI FEST
ELK HORN, IOWA
MAY 27-28

A TASTE OF TIVOLI

The Rye Bread Lady Says...

Fresh Rye Bread available at the Egg Krate in Elk Horn on **Wednesday** and **Saturday** mornings.



Schedule Change

Special order ... Please call ahead:
712-304-3606.

Pre-ordered frosted cinnamon raisin rolls and dinner rolls also available."

"Those citizens required to do so can well afford to devote a brief time during some one day in each year to the making out of a personal return .. Willingly and cheerfully"

-- **The House Ways and Means Committee,**
recommending passage of the landmark
1913 Income Tax law

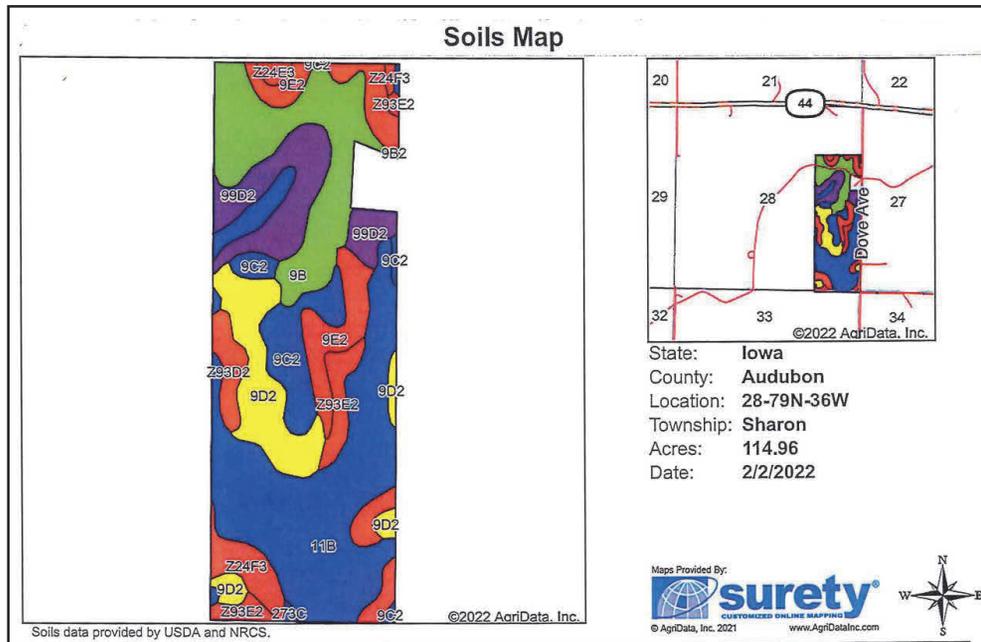
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AUDUBON COUNTY FARMLAND AUCTION
 THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2022 - 10:00 AM - ELK HORN, IA TOWN HALL

TRACT 1

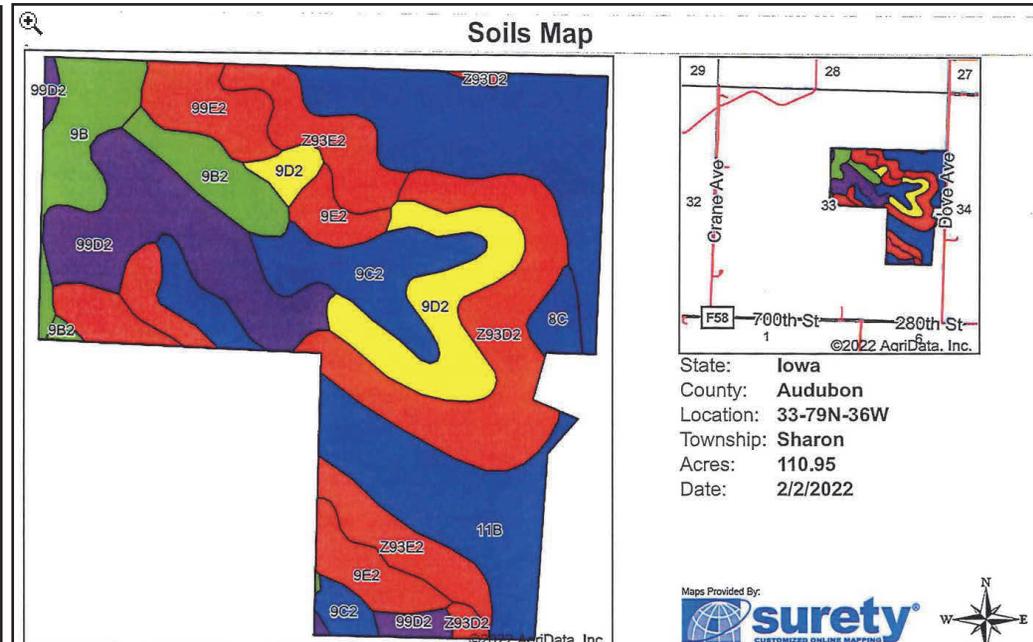
LEONA HEMMINGER TRUST
 227 ACRES M/L, SOLD IN 2 TRACTS, BAREGROUND

TRACT 2



Soils data provided by USDA and NRCS.
 Area Symbol: IA009, Soil Area Version: 27

Code	Soil Description	Acres	Percent of field	CSR2 Legend	Non-Irr Class *c	CSR2**	CSR	*n NCCPI Soybeans
11B	Judson-Colo-Ackmore complex, 2 to 5 percent slopes	36.74	32.0%	■	llw	81	68	81
9B	Marshall silty clay loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes	19.27	16.8%	■	lle	95	85	77
9D2	Marshall silty clay loam, 9 to 14 percent slopes, eroded	12.73	11.1%	■	llle	61	58	65
99D2	Exira silty clay loam, 9 to 14 percent slopes, eroded	12.05	10.5%	■	llle	59	57	67
9C2	Marshall silty clay loam, 5 to 9 percent slopes, eroded	8.76	7.6%	■	llle	87	68	70
9E2	Marshall silty clay loam, 14 to 20 percent slopes, eroded	7.61	6.6%	■	lve	43	48	57
Z93E2	Shelby-Adair clay loams, deep loess, 14 to 18 percent slopes, eroded	4.29	3.7%	■	lve	29		43
Z93D2	Shelby-Adair clay loams, deep loess, 9 to 14 percent slopes, eroded	4.06	3.5%	■	llle	38		51
Z24F3	Shelby clay loam, deep loess, 18 to 25 percent slopes, severely eroded	3.97	3.5%	■	vle	14		31
99E2	Exira silty clay loam, 14 to 18 percent slopes, eroded	2.93	2.5%	■	lve	50	47	61
Z192D2	Adair clay loam, deep loess, 9 to 14 percent slopes, eroded	1.53	1.3%	■	lve	14		45
Z24E3	Shelby clay loam, deep loess, 14 to 18 percent slopes, severely eroded	0.69	0.6%	■	vle	32		42
273C	Olmitz loam, 5 to 9 percent slopes	0.24	0.2%	■	llle	85	57	81
9B2	Marshall silty clay loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes, eroded	0.09	0.1%	■	lle	92	83	71
Weighted Average						2.78	69	*n 69.2



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Z93D2	Shelby-Adair clay loams, deep loess, 9 to 14 percent slopes, eroded	15.02	13.5%	■	llle	38		51
99D2	Exira silty clay loam, 9 to 14 percent slopes, eroded	13.46	12.1%	■	llle	59	57	67
Z93E2	Shelby-Adair clay loams, deep loess, 14 to 18 percent slopes, eroded	11.02	9.9%	■	lve	29		43
9D2	Marshall silty clay loam, 9 to 14 percent slopes, eroded	9.33	8.4%	■	llle	61	58	65
9C2	Marshall silty clay loam, 5 to 9 percent slopes, eroded	8.21	7.4%	■	llle	87	68	70
9E2	Marshall silty clay loam, 14 to 20 percent slopes, eroded	7.41	6.7%	■	lve	43	48	57
9B	Marshall silty clay loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes	5.72	5.2%	■	lle	95	85	77
99E2	Exira silty clay loam, 14 to 18 percent slopes, eroded	4.31	3.9%	■	lve	50	47	61
9B2	Marshall silty clay loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes, eroded	4.19	3.8%	■	lle	92	83	71
8C	Judson silty clay loam, deep loess, 5 to 9 percent slopes	1.62	1.5%	■	llle	87	69	78
Weighted Average						2.84	63.6	*n 66.3

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YES, THERE IS GOOD NEWS!

"The worldview of a Christian" is the topic at which we have been looking. And within that framework we began a study of the doctrine of the resurrection. Think about it this way; if there is no resurrection of the dead, then all we have to live for is this physical life. Paul, in 1 Corinthians 15:35, puts it this way, "If the dead are not raised, let us eat and drink for tomorrow we die."

It was several years back that I first encountered this term "worldview" and it was used with the idea that there are only two differing worldviews; one being 'the Christian worldview' and the other called 'the secular worldview'. It took me some time to understand what was meant by these two terms (I guess I'm a little slow sometimes) but I came to see that a person must see the world either from a biblical standpoint or from a worldly standpoint.

The bible, as we have seen, speaks of a resurrection of the dead; the secular view has no such concept. The bible speaks of a God who is merciful and gracious and gave His only begotten Son to save us from death; the secular view has no such concept. The bible tells us that we can be right with God through the righteousness of His Son; the secular knows of no such idea. The bible tells us that God desires to have a relationship with those whom He has created; but alas we find no such thing in the secular view.

Let me state this emphatically: we have a book that tells us exactly what the creator God has for us and what He wants for us. We may turn away from that and look to the societies and civilizations we have built that offer us no hope beyond the physical life we are living. I guess I'm going to choose the life and hope that God offers.

That is a very rudimentary explanation of the two worldviews we have to choose from,

Oh! Now there's an interesting word to consider, "choose". God does give us a choice in this process. He is the author of freedom and we are free to choose how we will live.

Kind of like Adam and Eve had a choice! They could eat from the tree of life or eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. They made a very wrong choice and we sit here six thousand years later blaming God for the mess we are in!!

Speaking of choices, the bible is filled with examples of the choices people have made over the centuries: Noah had a choice to build a boat so as to be the savior of mankind (kind of sounds like he was a type of Jesus Christ). Abraham had a choice to "Leave Your country, your people and your father's household and come to the land I will show you." (Gen. 12:1) (Hmmm ... sounds like he was a type of Jesus Christ who left His Father's household in heaven to come to earth). Moses had a choice to go to Egypt and rescue the nation of Israel (yeah, sounds like Jesus Christ who came to the land of sin and redeemed the people that God would choose). God shows us, in His word, many types.

We could go on for a while considering God's messengers and the choices they made but perhaps we'll do that next time.

Bill Rollins 5-7-2022

IT'S ONLY SCIENCE

One thing the experts agree upon is that we need more housing. But just calling it "housing" restricts our thinking. Perhaps it would be better to say we need more living spaces. Not everyone wants that cottage with the picket fence and the two-car garage. And there are those who do not wish to own at this time in their lives. Some folks want a big yard while others do not want any yard work. We need to be open to more than just building single family homes if we are to become attractive to everyone.

The question is "How do we do this?". We need to think beyond the typical cul-de-sac development. A cul-de-sac is only appropriate where it backs up against a permanent barrier to future development. And even then, it is not the best option. As we strive for more energy efficient housing a cul-de-sac does not allow the homes to be placed for maximum solar efficiency. And as we work toward a more connected community, they are a problem. I worked with two people who lived in two different cul-de-sac housing developments in west Omaha. They could holler at each other from their back yards. But they had to drive a mile and a quarter to visit each other's home.

What if we would construct a "Courtyard" development instead? These occupy space along the street instead of ending the street. They could consist of individual homes or connected by common wall homes. Each could be positioned for maximum solar efficiency and provide similar savings in the installation of water and sewer lines. And this type of development works for owners or renters.

We (in many cases) need to look at our zoning laws. While it is appropriate to ban heavy industrial from residential areas, not all commercial should be banned. Having a beauty salon or day care in a development can be beneficial to its success. Do we have unreasonable restrictions on lot area coverage? Will our zoning allow for auxiliary housing units to share a lot? These are sometimes called "granny or mother-in-law" flats. But they can also be for home-based businesses or even air B and B units.

Zoning should not limit development of a mix of housing types within a development. Single family homes and duplexes or fourplexes are compatible with the public's idea of neighborhood living. And these provide the greatest chance of providing what the buyers desire.

by Bob Mortenson 4-11-2022

I told my wife I wanted to be cremated. She made me an appointment for Tuesday.



Scratches From the Rusty Quill

By Wava Petersen

The Rest of the Fern & Andrew Kissel Story as Told by Fern

Andy and Fern Kissel have known each other since Fern was born. As the story goes, their mothers were good friends. On the occasion of Fern's birth Andrew's mom brought her three boys over to see the new baby. Being typical adolescent males, the boys were not the least bit interested in new babies but reluctantly followed their mother. As Fern's mother led them into the bedroom, she pointed to an open dresser drawer where a tiny, very feminine looking baby lay tucked into a pink blanket. Andy took one disgusted look in the drawer and muttered, "But that's a girl." Having two brothers, he apparently thought all babies should be boys.

The apartment was small and there was no space in the bedroom for a crib or bassinet. But the story of the baby in the drawer as told to Fern by her aunt was, "Yeah, you were so homely that your mom kept you in that drawer, closed it, and only pulled you out when company came."

Time passes, the baby grows. As she grows, she spends much of her time living with her aunt who happens to live next door to Andy's family. Fern's aunt calls on teenage Andy to watch this active little toddler while she runs errands, etc. (Andy rather enjoys babysitting and actually the dresser-drawer kid is really kinda cute. He eventually becomes quite fond of her.)

In his late teens Andy slipped off the right track for a time and sowed quite a few wild oats. Meanwhile, his mother was praying that his crop would fail. Her prayers were eventually answered and her son returned to the religious beliefs of his childhood and a life well-lived.

Andrew and his two brothers all joined the military. In 1955 Andy entered the Navy. He ended his first stint as a sailor in May, 1959. After a 2-year hiatus the army beckoned and he joined in 1961. Andy recalled an incident during his army days when his unit was out on maneuvers. He and two other soldiers were asleep on the ground in sleeping bags. Suddenly a convoy of jeeps came roaring up the hill headed directly upon the sleeping trio. "Fern," he asked, "Have you ever seen three men in sleeping bags climb a tree?" That's when Andy decided to go back into the navy, returning in May, 1963. He remarked that in the navy you always had a clean place to sleep. During his naval service Andy was the ship's cook when at sea and an MP when the vessel was drydocked. He served on several different ships, all of which were aircraft carriers. Probably the highlight of Andy's years in the navy was being aboard the USS Intrepid in 1966 when his ship recovered the Gemini 3 Space Capsule. All sailors who would be visible to cameras were required to wear dress "whites" including those who loaded the capsule onto the Intrepid. Only the Frogmen who assisted the astronauts out of the capsule and onto the helicopter that whisked them away were exempted. The Gemini crew called their capsule the "Molly Brown." (You can view pictures of the recovery on the internet.)

Once, home on leave, Andy was coaxed into taking Fern's three cousins for a swim at Merit's Beach. Though Fern was quite a bit younger she insisted on going along. The three older girls all got in the back seat leaving Fern in the front seat with Andy. Fern was delighted; the handsome sailor was her idol although she didn't tell him that. There was a floating diving platform in the middle of the lake and soon the girls were having a splashing good time while Andy watched. Fern jumped in, disappearing under the water but she didn't reappear. Andy immediately dived in and pulled her from under the barrels holding the platform where

she had resurfaced and become disoriented. After sputtering a bit Fern regained her composure. "Andy," she gasped, "There's an old Indian saying, 'If you save a life, that life becomes yours.'" Andy apparently took the maxim quite literally.

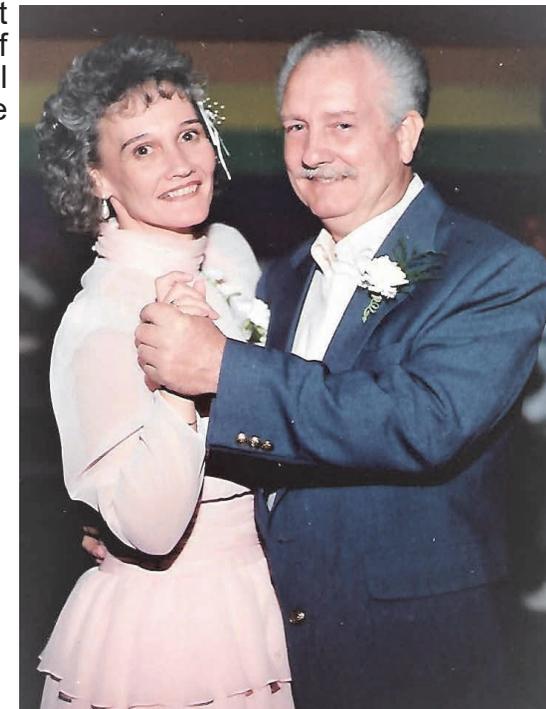
Fern and Andy corresponded for a while and then lost touch. Andy got married and Fern grew up and eventually married one of Andy's friends. Andy was not happy upon hearing about the marriage. Both had children and both marriages eventually failed.

Retiring from military service in Beeville, TX in 1977, Andy then became a correctional officer in the Julia Tutwiler State Women's Prison in Alabama, employed there until his retirement in 1995. Home in Omaha to visit his family, he stopped by to greet old friends at a reunion of Fern's family. Spotting Fern he quickly slipped into the empty chair beside her, leaned over and whispered in her ear, "You'll never know how much I always loved you." Fern was astounded. From there the courtship began in earnest and Fern eventually moved to Alabama to be near Andy.

Officer Kissel developed a rapport with the "girls" at the prison and gained their respect. Though their crimes ranged from minor offenses to convictions for murder with several on death row, he treated them all with the same deference he expected of them. He was a counselor as well as a corrections officer but his uniform and the gun at his side always signaled his authority. When the "girls" learned Fern and Andy were engaged most were excited, although a few resented that Fern was taking Mr. Kissel away. They were even more excited when a wedding date was set. That wasn't so unusual. But the fact that the wedding would be in the prison chapel was unusual. The girls took over all the wedding planning, preparations and even the invitations. And they assured the bride that yes, she too would be invited. All she had to do was show up. So, with the help of one female officer and about 20 prisoners every detail of the wedding was planned right down to the baking of the cake and decorations. The chapel had just been constructed and their marriage was the first official service in the new building.

Andy's favorite story of their marriage came from Fern's son who used to tell his friends or anyone else who asked about the newlyweds, "Well, my stepfather is in prison and my mom pushes drugs," as Fern was working as a pharmacy tech at the time.

Andy Kissel entered his final rest November 24, 2021 at 85 years of age. As Fern phrased it, "And still loved by the little baby girl in the dresser drawer."



Thank you

Thank you to everyone who attended the party for my 90th birthday. Thanks for all the cards and gifts I received. A special Thanks You to Shirley for all the beautiful cookies she made and to my family for everything they brought. I really enjoyed visiting with everyone.
Joyce Smith



Road construction on Washington Street is scheduled to begin Tuesday, May 10th and hopefully be completed on Tuesday, May 17th, as long as the weather holds. There will be a flag person on each end of town letting one lane through at a time, but I'm not certain what parking is going to look like at the library. We may all need to park on Salem Street and walk across Washington to get to the library during that time. But, since they already did the street directly in front of the library last year, there is a chance that we may still be able to access the parking lot from Salem as well. We will keep you posted during that time.



Memorial Schedule

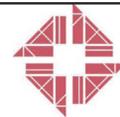
Post 322 Schedule

- **May 27th, Friday morning 9AM:** Little Flags
- **May 27th, Friday afternoon 5:30:** Avenue of Flags
- **May 28th, Sat morning 7:30:** Windmill Legion Flag Raise
- **May 30th, Monday, Memorial Day:**
 - Firing Squad at Fire Station 9AM
 - Clay Township Cemetary 9:30
 - Monroe Cemetary 10:00
 - Elk Horn Cemetary 11:00
- **Memorial Service at Lutheran Church 11:00AM**
Honor 3 members at Elk Horn Cemetary:
- Andy Kissel, Henry John Jones, Merlyn Molgaard -
Dr. Schrader will read off all Veteran names
- **Maid-Rite meal after Military Service**

A dog accepts you as the boss...
A cat wants to see your resume.

**THE KRINGLE
MAN PASTRIES**

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museum of
danish america



2212 WASHINGTON STREET, ELK HORN, IA 51531 | 712.764.7001

The Museum of Danish America is hiring docents for Bedstemor's House located at 2105 College Avenue in Elk Horn. Bedstemor's is open daily from 1 – 4 p.m., Memorial Weekend through Labor Day. This is a paid, part-time position; applicants must be responsible, enjoy meeting the public and be at least 16 years old. Responsibilities include opening and closing the house, greeting visitors warmly and professionally, orienting them to the house and providing information about the museum and other Elk Horn attractions. Call Terri Johnson at 764-7001 for more information or stop by the museum at 2212 Washington Street, Elk Horn to pick up an application.



LEGO BUILDING CONTEST

The Library reminds all LEGO builders that it's time to start on your entries for the Tivoli Fest LEGO contest.

*Entries can be made using LEGOs at the library or at home in two categories - freestyle or kit.

*A person can have one entry in each class.

*Teams of no more than two can enter.

*The contest is open to all ages

*Prizes will be awarded to winners in a variety of areas.

Entries can be brought to the library from Wed, May 18th until Thurs, May 26th. They will be on display at the Library from 12-3 on Sat May 28th during Tivoli Fest.

The Elk Horn Public Library
2027 Washington Street

Library Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri 12:30-4:30, Thursday 10:30-6:30, Saturday 9-11



Tivoli Fest - Memorial Weekend

Don't miss the Tivoli fun at the library on Saturday, May 28th!

Children's Activities at the Elk Horn Public Library

after the 11:00 parade until 3pm include:

LEGO Building Contest on display, Giant Indoor/Outdoor Games, Cat Tales Face Painting by Cathy Meyers

And, don't miss the Fireworks at dark!

UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMMING

***Monday, May 16th at 6:15pm**

Outlook Study Club

We will meet at the library to carpool to Dawn Ryan's acreage for a tour. Then we will return to the library for a salad potluck and meeting.

***Thursday, May 19th at Noon**

Homeschool Meet-Up

Join us at the Kimballton City Park and pack a sack lunch for our last gathering of the school year.



ELK HORN PUBLIC LIBRARY

LIBRARY HOURS Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri 12:30-4:30 Thurs 12:30-6:30 Sat 9-11

May Programming

IOWA WESTERN DIRECTORS Q&A Thursday, May 5th 3:30-6pm

Come visit with the Cass & Shelby County IWCC Directors to learn more and get all your questions answered regarding program & class opportunities for students as well as adults!

OUTLOOK STUDY CLUB Monday, May 16th at 6:15pm

Meet at the library to carpool to Dawn Ryan's acreage for a tour and a potluck at the library afterwards.

MONDAYS 3:30-4:30

"Afterschool Adventures" Storytime

For age 4 - 2nd grade

Stories, activities and snacks each week!

WEDNESDAYS 2-4

"Gadgets & Gaming"

For 6th grade and up

Defy reality with our VR Headset!
Play the Xbox 360 or Wii - alone or with a group of friends.



WEDNESDAYS 2-4

"Whatever Wednesdays"

For 3rd grade and up

May 4th - "May the 4th be with you" (Star Wars)

May 11th - LEGO Day!

Free activities sponsored
By the McCarthy family!

Dramatic Play Area
This Month's Theme

DOCTOR'S
OFFICE

THURS, MAY 19TH

Homeschool Picnic

Noon at the Kimballton Park
Please bring a sack lunch

Check it out !!

Until May 15, 2022

\$5.00 off any bird house...

(limit 2 per person)



I Want
THAT ONE



Church Checklist:

May 15 -H.S. Graduation Service 9:30 a.m.
 May 16 -Quilting 1:00 p.m.
 May 19 -Men's Bible Study: Revelation.
 May 22 -Worship at 9:30 a.m.
 May 23 -Quilting 1:00 p.m.
 May 24 -Bloodmobile: 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 May 27 -Little Flags in Cemetery 8 a.m.
 May 27 -Avenue of Flags in Afternoon.
 May 28 -Tivoli Flag Raising at 8 a.m.
 (Pastor sings National Anthems)
 May 28 -WOW Bake Sale @ Body Shop.
 May 29 -Ecumenical Worship Service @ Winery 10:30 a.m.
 (No service at the church on that Sunday)
 May 30 - Memorial Day Service 11:00 a.m. @ Church, Military Service and lunch after.

**Andy Kissel Internment**

This is a notice of the internment of Andy Kissel which will take place at 10:00 a.m. on May 25, 2022, at the Omaha National Cemetery located at 14250 Schram Road, Omaha, NE 68138.

There will be full military honors provided by the Navy Reserve Center, Offutt AFB, NE 68113, and American Legion Post 331 in South Omaha.

There will be a reception held at the Disabled American Veterans Hall at 4515 "F" Street, Omaha, NE 68117 beginning at 11:00 a.m.

All are welcome to attend.

Salem Home Devotion Leaders Needed

Salem home uses volunteers from local churches to lead a ½ hour devotion every day at 9:30 a.m. They especially need volunteers on the weekends. It's really easy and fun. You sing some hymns, and can read out of one of the daily devotions they have already there. If you feel God is calling you to this ministry, call Kathy Soetmelk at the nursing home. Thank You!

"Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see."

— Mark Twain

Grief Classes

Understanding Your Grief - for adults who have experienced the death of a loved one.

**Tuesdays - May 24th & 31st and
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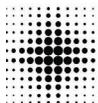
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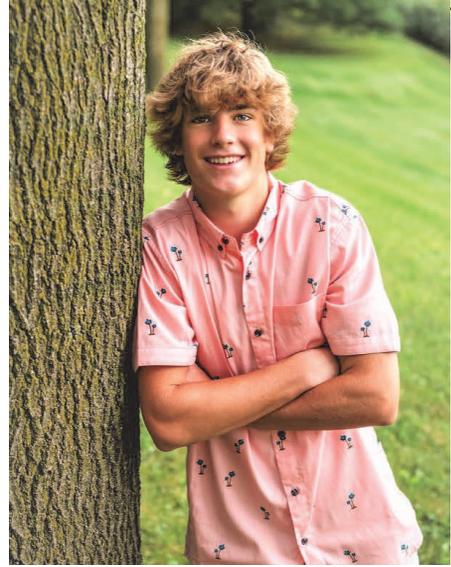
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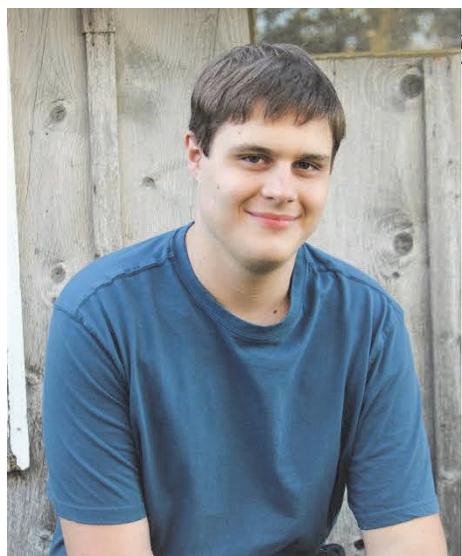
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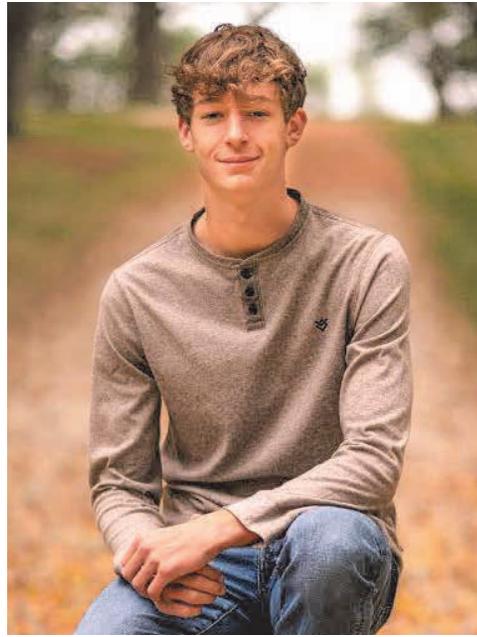
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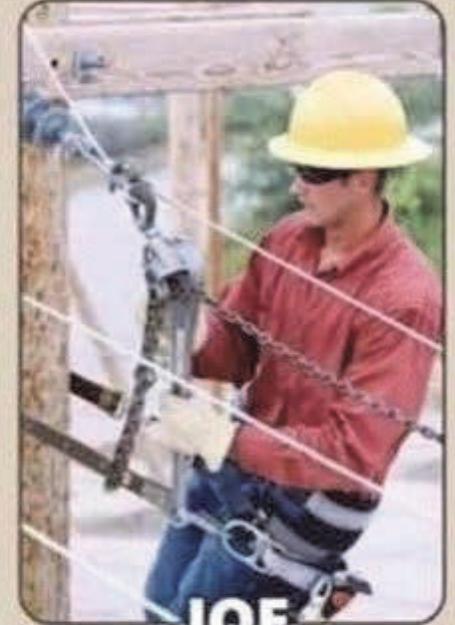
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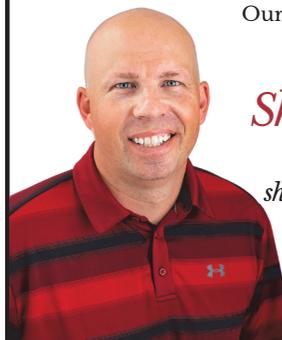
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Welcome Home



May 15 9:00 worship @ Bethany

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**Who Are Our Neighbors?
Pastor Tim White**

Looking out my window I see the morning sun already warming the ground where the grass has begun to turn green, signs that Spring has come. Soon we will all be spending more of our time outdoors, going for walks, cooking on our grills, or doing outdoor chores. For those of us who are town-dwellers, the added time outdoors will make it far more likely that we'll encounter our neighbors and interact with them. This can be an important side-benefit of fair-weather outdoor activity. It's a good thing to meet our neighbors and know who they are.

Jesus once gave a teaching about knowing our neighbors – but in a different way. One day Jesus and a Jewish religious official were discussing the Scriptures which said we are to love God with everything we have, and that we must love our neighbor as ourselves. The religious official had a narrow understanding of the term “neighbor” and so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor.”

Now, Jesus knew that the Jews despised Samaritans and would have nothing to do with them. He knew the man was trying to justify his prejudice. So, He responded by telling him the story of The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37), in which two highly respected religious leaders, one at a time, failed to stop along a road to help a man who had been robbed and nearly beaten to death. But then a Samaritan (of all people) was the one who had compassion on the poor guy. The Samaritan treated the man's wounds and invested himself personally and monetarily in the man's recovery. Jesus then asked the Jewish official which of the three men was a neighbor to the robbery' victim. The official couldn't even bring himself to refer to the helpful man as “the Samaritan”. All he would say was, “The one who showed mercy.”

Jesus told this story to demonstrate how God loves all people, even our enemies as well as others we might not like much. The gospel of salvation He was bringing was for the whole world – for all people. And anyone who would claim to follow Jesus would have to reflect the love of God for all people in everything we think, say and do. In other words, we must consider every person our neighbor, whether friend or foe, and love them with no strings attached. Additionally, our love for them cannot be just a sentiment with no action. We are commanded to love as Jesus loves – with concrete, practical and helpful words and actions. Jesus brought a radical kind of love when He gave the command, “Love your enemies. Do good to those who hate you. Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who mistreat you.” That is world-changing love. It's the kind of love God has had for us, which He extended to us most significantly in sending us His Son, for “while we were yet sinners (enemies of God) Christ died for us.”



**WE DO NOT STOP LAUGHING BECAUSE WE GROW OLD,
WE GROW OLD BECAUSE WE STOP LAUGHING**

Q. In bowling, what's a perfect score?
A. Rose Marie: Ralph, the pin boy.

Q. During a tornado, are you safer in the bedroom or in the closet?
A. Rose Marie: Unfortunately Peter, I'm always safe in the bedroom

Q. As you grow older, do you tend to gesture more or less with your hands while talking?
A. Rose Marie: You ask me one more growing old question, Peter, and I'll give you a gesture you'll never forget.

Q. Back in the old days, when Great Grandpa put horseradish on his head, what was he trying to do?
A. George Gobel: Get it in his mouth.

Q. True or False, a pea can last as long as 5,000 years...
A. George Gobel: Boy, it sure seems that way sometimes.

Q. You've been having trouble going to sleep. Are you probably a man or a woman?
A. Don Knott: That's what's been keeping me awake.

Spring has finally sprung!

With warmer weather spring projects have begun around Kimballton!! This is an update about what's happening in the North Village (Kimballton). The road construction crew moved in and quickly removed the old South 2nd street paving and replaced it with a brand new street. We are waiting for the concrete to cure completely. The barricades have been removed, and the residents living on that street are enjoying driving and parking on the much needed new street.

On top of the hill, construction has started on the new water tower. The preliminary dirt work has begun and a concrete foundation is being poured. This is phase II of the water system upgrade started last year. Bids are being accepted for phase III which is the update of the water treatment plant, as well as new water meters for all the residents.

Dillon has finished his preliminary schooling and is one step closer to getting his water and wastewater license.

Robin has been busy learning and setting up our new accounting software. If you receive utility services in Kimballton you have noticed a new format on the billing statements, this is part of the new utility billing software upgrade.

Hat's off to Robin and Dillon for putting in the time to learn these new tasks.

Missouri River Energy Systems (our electrical supplier) was recently in town doing an assessment of our electrical distribution system. The MRES assessment report is posted in the message board on the front of the town hall. Unfortunately our system is showing signs of years of neglect. The system has not had any major upgrades, improvements or maintenance on it for many years, this puts us all at risk for a major power outage. The council has agreed that this problem needs to be addressed as soon as possible and has hired an electrical engineering company to begin the process of prioritizing and designing an updated electrical distribution system. The city council will be working with Region XII to seek funding for this large project.

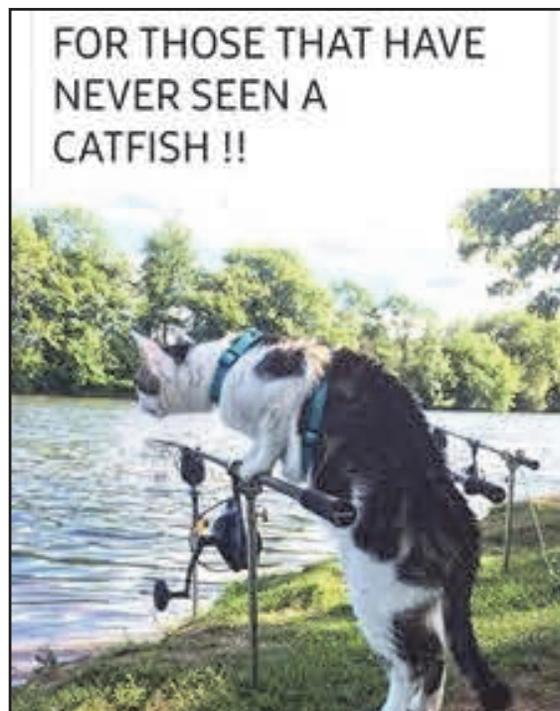
Thank you to the citizens and DVIO who will be planting the main street flowers. If anyone is interested in taking care of the flags on mainstreet, please talk to Glen.

And just a friendly reminder, as baseball and softball season get underway we have a lot more kids and traffic in town. Please slow down and be attentive when driving.

THANK YOU Peggy for this article



**Well, I was going
to turn all
my guns over to
the government;
but I did a
background
check and none
of them were
mentally stable.**



Pumper Tales from DC

I hope you treated Mom to a margarita for Mothers' Day; after all, you're the reason she drinks!



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Never argue with a fool; onlookers may not be able to tell the difference!

***Peggy has been so kind to share a three-part article on Kimballton's Utility program.
This publication presents part one of the three-part article.***

Kimballton Power

Flip a switch and the lights come on. The air conditioners hum in the summer heat, and furnaces blow heat in the coldest days of winter. Without much thought we all rely on electricity to make our lives easier and more comfortable. But where and how do we get that power? If you live in Kimballton your power comes from our own City Owned Utility Service. This series of articles is about how we came to own our electric service, where we get our power today, and what to expect for our future power needs.

The Past

On June 2, 1888, the village of Kimballton was platted in Audubon County. As the town grew and businesses moved in, the founding fathers recognized the need for utility services for its citizens. In 1912 the water system was established, and just 1 year later in 1913 an electric light plant was built. The light plant housed a large diesel-powered generator, and the generator was used to produce electricity for the town.

In those early years, Kimballton and other small communities relied solely on their own generators for electrical power. As owners of their own electrical system, the forefathers of Kimballton recognized the need to provide reliable, affordable electricity for its citizens. And as the town grew, and more electricity was required, the leaders knew that a more plentiful and reliable source for power would be needed.

The Flood Control Act of 1944 enabled the construction of dams on the Missouri River by the federal government, and with flood control came electrical generation. That's when an informal association of Iowa communities that owned their own electric systems joined together to plan for future power supply needs. These municipals coordinated their efforts to negotiate the purchase of power and energy from the federally owned hydroelectric dams along the Missouri River and its tributaries. The efforts were successful and on February 11, 1963, Kimballton signed a contract with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to get an allocation of hydropower from the dams on the Missouri River. In 1977, the Department of Energy created a new agency called the Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) to assume the power marketing responsibilities of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation.

Electricity is a unique product. The tricky thing about electricity is that it must be used, or moved to where it can be used. The second is, once it's produced; it generally can't be stored like water or gas. What's more, electricity moves at the speed of light along the path of least resistance.

Getting power from the hydroelectric dams to Kimballton would require power lines. NIPCO (Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative) provided the electrical transportation from the dams to their member rural electric cooperatives and they were willing to partner with Kimballton and other Iowa municipals to provide them with transmission service as well. When NIPCO was established in 1949, the original members met and agreed on one common goal: "to improve life and grow the economy in rural western Iowa by constructing and maintaining a power delivery system and secure all future power supply needs for its member distribution cooperatives and their member-owners."

With the understanding that hydropower was a limited supply, the informal association of Iowa members decided in 1965 to officially form the Missouri Basin Municipal Power Agency (known today as Missouri River Energy Services or MRES) to continue to solve power supply and other mutual problems.

In 1970, the Bureau notified its customers that the available hydroelectric power was expected to be fully utilized by October 1977. Hydro allocations would be capped and after that date, customers would have to find new resources to meet their growing needs.

On November 1, 1977, Kimballton joined the Missouri Basin Municipal Power Agency to provide supplemental power for needs over and above its WAPA allocation. With these two supply sources and transmission in place, Kimballton was, and is today, able to provide affordable, reliable electricity to its citizens.

The power is out!!! What's taking so long?? What's the problem?? These are comments we all have had and will continue to have. With increased demand and an aging system, patience is needed.



Grant Funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will allow Myrtue to *Expand the Emergency Room*

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced funding to seven Iowa hospitals to expand access to healthcare. The program under the American Rescue Plan allows rural hospitals to expand and to provide access to COVID-19 vaccines, testing and supplies while helping rural health care providers stay financially solvent in the long-term. Seven awards of the Emergency Rural Health Care Grant will go to the rural Iowa hospitals for a total of \$5,187,500. Myrtue Medical Center will receive \$1 million of the grant to expand and renovate the Emergency Room.

“These grants are big investments in Iowa’s healthcare infrastructure, so that we can care for the people in our hometown communities and rural areas,” said Theresa Greenfield, USDA Rural Development State Director in Iowa.

Emergency departments across the nation are experiencing an overall increase in patient volume and Myrtue Medical Center is undergoing this volume increase as well. The physical space in the Emergency Room at Myrtue has not grown in over 20 years. With limited space and capacity, it is a difficult to have patients efficiently flow through the department.

“We are excited to receive this funding to support this important Emergency Room initiative,” said Barry Jacobsen, Myrtue Medical Center’s CEO. “Considering the challenges right now in workforce and supply shortages and resulting cost increases, it would be challenging to fund this project without financial support from the USDA. This grant will allow us to meet increasing demands for emergency services now and into the future. An expansion of the Emergency Department will provide the opportunity to better manage patient flow and address the needs of patients seeking emergency care.”

The expansion plan includes changing the existing physical layout to improve workflow by increasing the space, allowing for additional treatment rooms, including a mental health treatment room, centralized nursing stations, improve confidentiality at the admissions desk and a larger waiting room.

Shelby Johnson, PA-C Latest to Join Myrtue’s Behavioral Health



(Harlan) – As awareness and challenges grow related to mental health, the addition of Shelby Johnson, PA-C, to Myrtue’s Behavioral Health department has expanded support to the community with timely, high-quality care.

Shelby received her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of South Dakota and then went on to receive her Masters in Physician Assistant studies from Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri. As a board-certified physician’s assistant, Shelby joins the team of Kris Gross and Patty Hildreth, both nurse practitioners specializing in mental health, in the Behavioral Health Department. This team is trained to provide care management support for patients receiving behavioral health treatment, consultation services, and medication management.

“The need for mental health services is ever present, and Shelby is helping provide expanded mental health options to our community,” said Barry Jacobsen, Myrtue Medical Center’s CEO.

“Mental health is so important to our overall well-being,” said Johnson. “I am eager to help reduce the barriers to care and improve patient’s quality of life.”

Shelby and her husband, Garrett, enjoy camping and spending time outdoors with family and exploring the community.

Shelby is welcoming patients at Myrtue’s Behavioral Health. To make an appointment, please call 712.755.5056.




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