



# Rolling Hills Community News

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



There are two sets today

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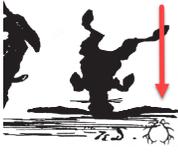
Lanny Olson  
Post Commander



Get the inside Information

The mystery of:  
"The Hiding Elk Horns"  
In the April 14 paper

Pg 10: bunny on the right Pg 11: boy's fishing hat



OUT with the old..  
In with the new..



Enjoyable afternoon at the Meet and Greet.

Surprisingly, Jerry was well behaved.



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

Deadline for content is the **SUNDAY BEFORE**.  
We REALLY APPRECIATE the content you have been sending. We would ask that you try your best to get it to us by the deadline - Earlier is MUCH appreciated.

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We would appreciate:

- Content pictures sent as an attachment
- Text can either be in the body of the email or as an attachment.
- Text in Microsoft Word or similar format.
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- 806 South St. .... **SALE PENDING**
- 315 Leroy St. .... **SALE PENDING**
- 405 2nd Ave..... **SALE PENDING**

**EXIRA:  
 ELK HORN**

- Viking Addition Lots ..... **4 LOTS REMAIN**
- 2114 Washington St..... **\$260,000**
- 2113 Park St..... **\$285,000**
- 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**



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

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**Sunday, May 1, 2022**

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**Masonic Building - Exira**

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Call Pat Mullenger (304-4450) or Connie Esbeck (712-250-0385) to reserve a dinner.

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

Becky Rold wrote:  
 I know this may be cheating due to the fact that I am a mail carrier, but the bridge you are looking for is on Woodland Road south of St F58. Have a good day.



# AUDUBON COUNTY FARMLAND AUCTION

THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2022 - 10:00 AM - ELK HORN, IA TOWN HALL

## LEONA HEMMINGER TRUST

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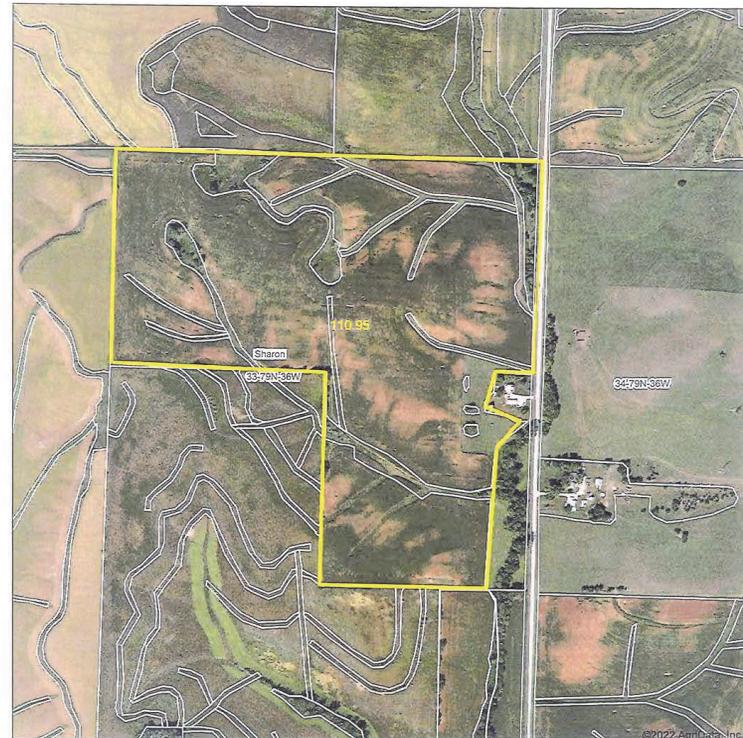


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Aerial Map

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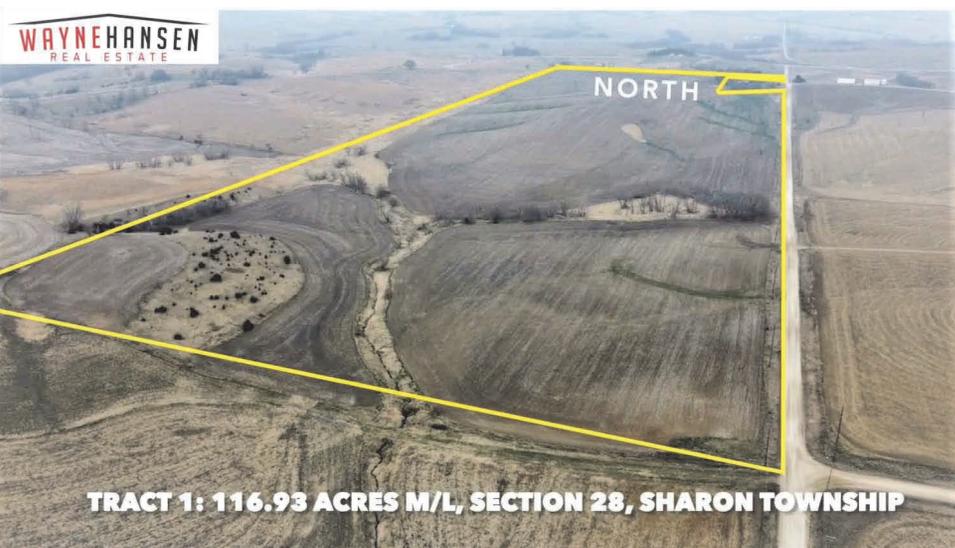
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TRACT 1: 116.93 ACRES M/L, SECTION 28, SHARON TOWNSHIP



TRACT 2: 109.54 ACRES M/L, SECTION 33, SHARON TOWNSHIP

**YES, THERE IS GOOD NEWS!**

Within the Christian worldview there are words in the English language that stand out. For instance, righteousness; how often is that used in one's day to day life? Or how about sanctification, how would one even use that? "I believe this spring I will sanctify the tomatoes in my garden." No, I didn't think so!! Actually the word sanctification literally means to set something apart for a special purpose. Do you have a special purpose for the tomatoes to be separated from the rest of the garden? Then sanctify away!!

But in these articles we are striving to consider the "worldview of a Christian" and so we use them now and again. In our previous article, in the final paragraph, I used the word "resurrection". The sentence read, "Paul does spend some time in this 15th chapter of 1 Corinthians giving proof to all who have eyes to see that there is a resurrection from the dead." The word resurrection does have religious overtones and for the most part we understand what it means. Paul says it this way in 1 Corinthians 15, "For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures." We understand that one who dies and is buried and is raised from the dead has indeed been resurrected.

It is easy to make a statement and claim it to be true; but is it verifiable? Paul, in verse 5, goes on to let you know that it is verifiable, for he says, "And he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me."

Paul tells us that there are well over 260 eye witnesses to the fact that Jesus Christ died and was found to be alive!! The bible tells us in Deuteronomy 19:15, "Only on the evidence of two witnesses or of three witnesses shall a charge be established." And our Savior Himself confirms these words in Matthew 18:16, "But if a brother will not listen take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.'" Yes, Paul's testimony is verified by a huge number of eye witnesses.

The bible is a very unusual book. Its veracity is established above and beyond any other piece of writing (factual or otherwise) in the history of the world. Let me state it this way by quoting Vodie Baucham, "The bible is a reliable collection of historical documents written by eye witnesses during the life time of other witnesses. It was written on three continents (Africa, Asia and Europe) using three different languages (Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek) by 40 authors from multiple walks of life in 66 volumes covering hundreds of subjects over a period of 1500 years." No other body of writing even comes close to that kind of proof!!

My friends and brethren, we have a book that is true and can be trusted. So let us consider this "Christian worldview" in our next article.

Bill Rollins 4-19-2022

**IT'S ONLY SCIENCE**

The phrase "affordable housing" is something often mentioned any time housing development is in the planning stages. But far too often that discussion is centered only on price. That is not everything that contributes to a home being affordable.

We must also consider what the property taxes are going to be. And what the projected or known utility costs are for the home. Even what the insurance on the property may be. There are many factors that determine what insurance will cost for each property. How far is it from a fire hydrant? What is the rating for the principal fire department? Even the purchaser's credit rating can be a factor in insurance costs.

Other things that must be considered are "what is the expected life cycle of its materials"? Asphalt singles have an average life cycle of only 18 to 20 years in Iowa. And their replacement cost is covered by insurance less than 40% of the time. Steel roofing has an average life cycle of nearly 40 years. And its replacement costs are covered by insurance nearly 80% of the time. That means that steel roofing is unlikely to need replacement during the mortgage period.

Does the home have high quality siding with a 40 year or longer warranty? Does that include the finish of the siding? These are also factors in determining affordability of the home. Were high quality fenestration products used? Having long lasting doors and windows are another factor in determining if the home is affordable.

And of course, the HVAC components and any built-in appliances are equally important to the homes affordability.

And we must consider how the home will function as its owners start a family or even make the decision to "age in place". But that should be a topic for another article.

by Bob Mortenson 3-17-2022




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## ***Have You Stepped in God's Church Lately?***

I just got through with a wedding where the groom comes from a long line of firefighters. His father was a firefighter. His grandfather was a firefighter, and he said he had several cousins who were also firefighters. I thought of my own family. I come from a long line of pastors. My father was a pastor, my grandfather was a pastor, and I had several cousins who were pastors. Whether you're a firefighter or a pastor and whether you come from a long line of some profession or not, we all have one thing in common: We all need to step into God's church.

"God's church." That's what my father would always call it. One day I was telling my father about my church. "God's church," he corrected me. I continued my story and I accidentally said 'my church' again - It's so easy to do in casual conversation isn't it? - to call it 'my' church or 'your' church, but it's not my church. It's not your church, it's God's Church. So my dad corrected me again, "GOD's Church," he said. "It's not your church, it's the church you serve." And could you believe it, in the middle of my story I did it again? I called it 'my church' again, and he gently corrected me once more; "The church you serve."

To be totally honest, I still step into that error once in a while, but when I do I usually correct myself, and even if I don't out loud, you can bet I can still hear my dad's voice in my head, "The church you serve." What about you? Do you ever think about the church you go to as 'God's church,' instead of your church? Whenever talking about your church (God's church) do you ever think to say "God's church" instead of 'my church?' I can imagine that this would be harder for someone who doesn't speak the word 'church' out of their mouths very often, But I challenge you to try it anyway. Try to think of the church you go to (or went to) as God's church instead of your church.

We need to start there, because if we start thinking of it as God's church rather than 'our' church, a subtle psychological shift takes place. Instead of thinking of the church that is something we own, we begin to realize that the church owns us. We are God's, God isn't 'ours.' Does that make sense? It's important for another reason. This subtle psychological shift helps us understand that instead of being a place where we demand our rights (like we do in the world), we begin to learn our place in God's kingdom, where we are humble, peaceful and forgiving of one another.

You see, churches that operate according to the world's ways turn into sick religious clubs where the members bite and devour each other. Rather the church needs to strive to be a people who love one another, love their neighbors as themselves, even be a people who love their enemies. Only then will they be able to worship God properly.

When you step into 'your' church, and you see your enemy already in there, what do you think your reaction will be? But if you step into GOD's church, and you see your enemy in there already, what do you think your reaction SHOULD be? When we step into God's church, we should be



shedding all of the worldly ways and adopting God's ways. We need to find a way to love that enemy. I'm not saying it will be easy, but it is pretty simple. It is what we must do so that when we step out of the church again, and back in the world, we can bring the light and love of Christ with us to show others how God has changed us. This is only possible if you step into God's church once in a while.

A lot has changed in the world since covid. At the wedding this weekend we heard a story from someone at the dinner table about how covid caused the company she worked for to send the employees home to continue their work - to in a sense transition to tele-commuting. Fortunately for her line of work it was a successful transition, so successful in fact the company sold the building they were using and have now adopted this as their new model for their employees. This woman said that it was the best thing that could have happened for her because she no longer had to race through breakfast, the morning routine and the commute just to get to work.

As one of God's churches in Elk Horn, it has forced us to transmit our services to those who were mandated to stay home, and this has also become a welcome convenience for many of our members. But we need to understand that we still need to step into God's church once in a while. It is good to come together into God's house, so that we as a people can hear the gospel of Jesus Christ - the 'good news,' that our sins are forgiven, and where we can experience that forgiveness in the sacraments, 'communing' together as the people of God. This is supposed to change our way of thinking from the ways of the world to the ways of God - from pettiness to holiness, from hatred to love, from anger to forgiveness. It's the place where wounds are supposed to be healed, where reconciliations are made - that's God's church.

So, think and pray on these things. The church doesn't belong to the pastor or its members - it's not their gospel, neither is the forgiveness and reconciliation theirs to give. All of that belongs to God. So, when you do step back into this church, no matter if it has been a while since you have done so, or if you have been doing it every week, step back in thinking of it as God's church, and watch the transformations in your life happen!

# FISHING FOR FUN!

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### *Pumper Tales from DC*

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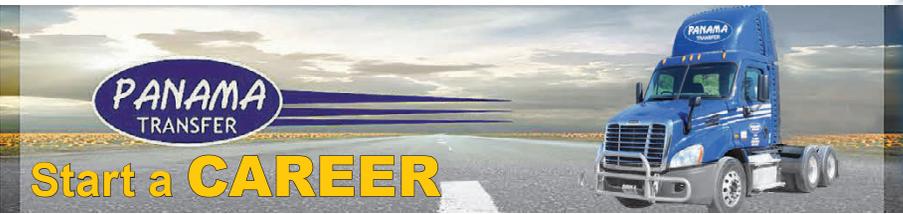
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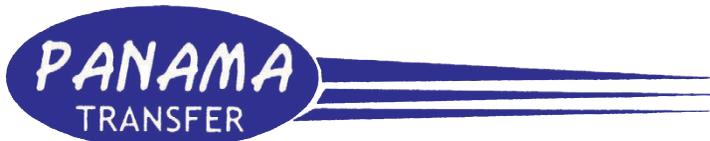
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Our cooking camp Wednesday was so much fun! We tried recipes from the Spartan Cookbook with Alex Hansen's monkey bread being the taste test winner! Stop into the library and pick up your own copy of the Spartan Cookbook for just \$10 or check it out too



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Based on the book by E.B. White

# Charlotte's Web

Adapted by Joseph Robinette

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**Saturday April 30th @ 7PM**  
**Sunday May 1st @ 1PM**



Where Life's Story Begins

# BIRTHING CENTER



## A Mother's Natural Journey

"The doctors and nurses supported our birth plan and fully believed that we could accomplish it," said Brooke Wilson when speaking about her experience at Myrtue's Birthing Center. "During our first pregnancy and delivery at a neighboring city hospital, we felt resistance and doubt from the doctors and nurses on my ability to have a natural birth. After evaluating our full experience at the city hospital, we decided to transition to our local Birthing Center in Harlan for our second child, and we are so glad that we did!"

While creating their second child's birth plan, Brooke knew she wanted to have a fully unmedicated, natural birth. Her provider, Dr. Kelly Anderson, OB/GYN, spoke with Brooke about this option at the beginning of her pregnancy journey and reassured her the Birthing Center will support any plans she decides to pursue while keeping in mind the safety of both mom and baby.

"I always try my best to respect a patient's autonomy when it comes to their delivery preferences," explained Dr. Kelly Anderson, OB/GYN. "Patients may want a completely natural birth experience, or they may want to feel as little pain as they possibly can. As long as mother and baby are both tolerating labor well, I am supportive of the experience that the patient chooses to have. Pregnancy and labor are unique for each patient, and we try to personalize that experience for each patient as much as possible."

Quinn and Brooke Wilson welcomed Vinton Lee into the world on August 20, 2021, with a completely unmedicated birth.

Vinton did not make labor for Brooke easy. The labor was stalled for some time because Vinton was sunnyside up, or face up. During this time, Brooke was nervous her natural birth plan would be discarded due to the safety of her and Vinton. Dr. Heilesen, delivering doctor for Brooke because Dr. Anderson was on maternity leave, and the nurses helped Brooke never give up on her birth plan. They encouraged her to move around as much as possible and believed she

could accomplish the natural birth she hoped for.

"Megan Gettys, my nurse, coached me through different body positions at one point during my labor," Brooke shared. "Not long after she instructed me through these, Vinton was born."

Brooke said how the combination of Dr. Heilesen and the nursing staff's reassurance allowed for her to feel safe during the difficulty of her labor, and this made for such a positive birthing experience.

"At Myrtue Medical Birthing Center we partner with you to try to achieve the type of labor and delivery you want. Whether that is an epidural as soon as possible or unmedicated labor and delivery, our nurses work with you and advocate for you," said Birthing Center Director Michele Monson, BSN, RNC-OB. "Each labor is unique and sometimes things don't go as planned, so we are prepared for those situations as well. We have the comforts of home with the medical knowledge and equipment to intervene when necessary."

Brooke commented that the Birthing Center's whirlpool room was her saving grace. Because Vinton was sunnyside up, Brooke experienced a lot of lower back pain. The whirlpool helped relieve some of that pain along with the soothing music, aromatherapy, and dim lighting all helped her relax.

"I can't say how happy we are to have had such a positive and healing experience at Myrtue with our second child," Brooke said. "It made us feel much better about possibly growing our family in the future while knowing we had an amazing team of nurses and doctors right here in Harlan."



Wilson Family



Vinton Lee

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## **PRENATAL PHYSICAL THERAPY**

Pregnancy, labor, and delivery can be very trying on a woman's body, but different stretches and techniques can help prevent long-term impact.

### **GOALS OF PRENATAL PHYSICAL THERAPY:**

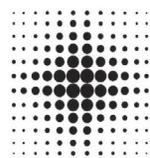
- Instruct on prenatal stretches that promote the ideal position for the baby to enter labor
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### **Scratches From the Rusty Quill**

By Wava Petersen

Occasionally folks with no special ties here come into our community searching for a place to put down their retirement roots and quietly enjoy the solitude of an acreage in the rolling hills of southwest Iowa. After a two-year search Andrew and Fern Kissel found their utopia on a hill overlooking Elk Horn Creek, moving here from Alabama in 1996 following Andy's retirement. He was ready for the relaxing buzz of his chain saw as he busied himself cutting wood to heat their home.

"That was until the house caught on fire," Fern wryly volunteered. Andy's woodcutting shifted to woodworking as he crafted beautiful furniture and other items for their restored dwelling. Meanwhile, Fern volunteered at the museum and was employed several years in the business offices of Myrtue Medical Center in Harlan until her retirement.

Our community lost a good citizen this past November when Andy became a victim of the Covid pandemic and passed away at an Omaha medical facility. A quiet, friendly but private man, he had requested that no formal funeral services be held. Fern and his church family, however, felt that there should be a celebration of Andy's life. A group of church members, neighbors, local American Legion members and friends gathered at the SDA Church in Atlantic to share remembrances of Andy. Fern told a few stories about his life and their unusual wedding ceremony. Her words hinted at a much larger story that Fern shared with me recently for publication. That story will appear in the next Rusty Quill article. Fern regretted that she didn't have the following obituary prepared at the time of the service.



### **Obituary**

Andrew Stephen Kissel Jr. was born August 4, 1936 in Minneapolis, MN. to Andrew Stephen Sr. and Lucille Kelly Kissel. He had an older brother David and a younger brother John. When Andy was three years old the family moved to Omaha, NE. He received his high school education at North High in Omaha.

Andy spent 20 years in the service of his country, two in the army, the remainder in the navy stationed on various aircraft carriers. He did, as the recruitment ads suggest, "Join the Navy and see the world." This included active duty aboard ship in many ports including those in the Viet Nam war zone. Following retirement from the navy, Andy was employed 18 years as a corrections officer in an Alabama State Women's prison.

Andrew married Fern Paulsen May 25, 1985. Theirs was a blended family that included six grown children from previous marriages. After their move to the Elk Horn area in 1996, Andy joined the Elk Horn American Legion Post 322. He also volunteered at the Museum of Danish America's Genealogy Center several years. He was a member of the Atlantic SDA Church where he served as a deacon. An avid reader, Andrew had stocked his library with a wide variety

of books.

Andrew Kissel died November 24, 2021 in an Omaha medical facility. His parents and three of his children, Wynona, Steven and Andrea preceded him in death. He is survived by his wife Fern; one son, John; two stepchildren, Michael and Karen; grandchildren Amanda and David Lee; step-grandchildren Jacob and Zachary; and his two brothers David and John.

Interment with full military honors will be May 25 at 10:00 a.m. at Omaha National Cemetery, Papillion, NE.

SO..

You think you could be a detective like Sherlock Holmes..

Jack Krogstad used these "detective stories" for his auditing class while teaching at the University of Texas. DO NOT look at the obvious. And DO NOT look at the answer on page 14 until you have exhausted your "search".



### **THE CASE OF THE PARKED CAR**

The waiter touched a match to Dr. Brilliant's order of Cherries Jubilee. Instantly, a blue flame sprouted from the dish.

"Puts me in mind of poor Walt Dahlgren," said Dr. Brilliant soberly.

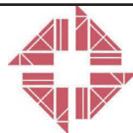
"The movie magnate who took his own life last week?" inquired Octavia, his fair dinner companion. "The manner of Dahlgren's death is still unsettled," pointed out Brilliant. "I'll tell you the important facts and you be the detective. Dahlgren was found behind the wheel of his sedan. The car was parked on the grass of the Greenwich Parkway just below the Stillford exit. Death was due to a thirty-two caliber bullet which had entered at the right temple. A single-shot, thirty-two pistol lay near the accelerator pedal. The sedan was spotless, inside and out. A careful search -- by vacuum cleaners -- of the ground within twenty feet of the parked car disclosed only two apple cores, a stub of a weekend theater thicket and a rusted earring. Dahlgren's were the only fingerprints found on the pistol. An autopsy showed power burns at the wound area and fresh cherries in his mouth and digestive system. He must have been eating the fruit up to the instant of his death. Now," concluded Dr. Brilliant. "Can you tell me why I think Dahlgren was not a suicide, but had been killed elsewhere and brought to the spot where he was found.?"

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

— Mark Twain



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### **A Home for My Cats**

I am leaving for the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Gulfport, Mississippi and need a home for my cats. They do not allow pets there, so I want to get a place for them. I have two cats and they are neutered and have their shots up to date. The oldest one is eight years old and is all black and I call her Lady Gaga. I do that because some people do not like black cats because they are black but Lady Gaga has a song called “Born this way” and I like it. That is why I caller Lady Gaga. She second one is her daughter and I call her Molly. She is named after a character in the Sherlock Holmes series. She is gray and black and stripped. She is a good nurse kitty. When I am not feeling well or depressed, she is right there. She will come to me and massage me with her little paws, bunt my head and meow for me. She does not like to be held but does like tummy rubs. They are both indoor and outdoor cats. I let them out during the day most of the time and call them in at night. If you are interested, you can call me at 712-764-7644. John Jensen

5th grade softball has started. The first exercise in training is learning how to make faces at your coach (and the ref). Chelsee is teaching the team well... Let's go Spartans!



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Our staff and Board of Directors is constantly training to learn about the latest technology, stay updated on changes in the industry and expand our knowledge to share with our customers. Several of our staff and board attended the March ICA Annual Meeting and Expo, being educated by leaders and vendors in the industry. We appreciate these opportunities to network with our industry friends and bring back information to share with our co-workers and customers.

In Paris they just simply opened their eyes and stared when we spoke to them in French! We never did succeed in making those idiots understand their own language."

— Mark Twain, The Innocents Abroad



## OCTAVIA COULDN'T, CAN YOU?

Dahlgren had been eating fresh cherries "up to the instant of death." Yet the interior of the car was spotless and the ground about failed to disclose what should have been there -- cherry pits.



The Exira-EHK Leo Club was able to put on a fun-filled afternoon for the students in grades 3-5 at the elementary school on March 28. Mardi Gras has been a tradition for many years. The high school students have games set up like football throw, softball throw, cup stacking, ring toss, hula hoops, free throw shooting, 3 pt. shooting, bean bag toss and musical chairs. Throughout the afternoon we had dance breaks that included the Macarena, Chicken Dance and the Cupid Shuffle. Cookies and lemonade were also served. A huge thank you to Mrs. Bauer for helping to facilitate the fun afternoon and to the staff for donating candy, cookies and lemonade for the kids.



On April 13 the Exira-EHK Leo Club helped the city of Elk Horn to clean up the park before the Easter Egg Hunt. About 40 students were available, armed with rakes, to pick up sticks, rake leaves and clean up pine needles.



**Congratulations Bev!**

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