

Kohagen, Wittenburg receive Quilts of Valor

The Quilt of Valor Foundation began in 2003 by Catherine Roberts while her son was deployed in Iraq. It all started with a dream she had, what she got out of the dream was Quilts = Healing.

The quilts are awarded to service members and living veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces. Their focus is on those most in need of comfort and healing first, those who need the affirmation of a hug, and those who never heard the words "Welcome Home."

On June 26, 21 veterans from the Vietnam Era were recognized and presented a Quilt of Valor at the Waverly Area Veterans Post. Among the veterans were four Purple Heart recipients: James Brandau, Darrell Blasberg, Terry Scrivner, and Daniel Graeser. Also receiving quilts were: Randy Schnell, Lawrence Howe, Jerold Stoll, Dennis Lickweg, John Warburton, Larry Wildeboer, Alan Ellwanger, Ronald Bigger, Paul Homeister, Albert Krull, James Meyer, William McCurdy, Robert O'Hare, Robert Sable, and two local veterans, Darrol Kohagen and Dennis Wittenburg.

The message of the quilts printed on the certificates says: "The Quilts of Valor Foundation wishes to recognize you for your service to our nation. We consider it our privilege to do so. Though we may never know the extent of your sacrifice to protect and defend the United States of America, we award you this Quilt of Valor as an expression of gratitude from a grateful nation."

Each veteran wrote about some of their experiences while serving and here is what Darrol and Dennis wrote:

Darrol Kohagen

Darrol Kohagen served in the Army from April 8, 1963 to April 3, 1966 beginning his service in basic training at Fort Leonard, Missouri. After basic training, he went to Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland where he was trained as a 44E20, Machinist. While stationed in Maryland, he enjoyed having the opportunity to take sightseeing trips to Washington, DC and seeing the Empire State Building in New York City.

Kohagen was sent on his first deployment to Vietnam shortly after the completion of training. He arrived at Tan Son Nhut Air Base outside of Saigon where he served with the 98th Transportation Detachment attached to the 120th Aviation Company.



Darrol Kohagen

At the time, the troops in the area were providing training to the Vietnamese. Early in his deployment, he witnessed, from the air base, the 1963 South Vietnamese Coup attempt on November 1 and 2 and recalled watching the fighting and bombs drop on Saigon. He also recalled being woken up and told the President had been shot and thinking to himself, "That's the stupidest way to wake somebody up, tell them the President's been shot" before finding out President Kennedy had, in fact, been assassinated. One of the things he remembers fondly was the people he was around and watching the helicopters take off. He also recalled watching CH21 "flying bananas" airlifting in damaged helicopters and other equipment which was a sight to see. He also enjoyed going into town when he could and seeing how the locals lived. When the end of his first deployment rolled around, his replacement never showed and his deployment was extended by a month, but he did finally receive some well-deserved R&R on the beach at Vung Tau as a consolation prize. Even though Kohagen is not much of a swimmer, he made the most of it.

After his first deployment, he was sent to Fort Lewis Washington where he was attached to the 4th infantry. He recalls fondly standing in formation like he had done many mornings before on an unusually clear day and seeing Mount Rainer in the distance for the first time which was a sight to see. He also recalls fondly eating dinner in the Space Needle and visiting Vancouver on sightseeing trips. When Kohagen finally got some leave, he used the opportunity to go home only to have it cut short after a phone call with the 1st Sgt. telling him to get back and get ready to go back to Vietnam.

He and his fellow troops made their way back to Vietnam, this time by ship on the USS General W.H. Gordan. On one morning, in waters that were rougher than usual, all hands were called on deck for a drill. He recalls seeing several troops puking their guts out over the walkways over the

troops below as seasickness got the best of them. On the way, the ship stopped in Okinawa where they had the opportunity to enjoy the beach for a day or two. Some of the more mischievous soldiers decided to sneak off into town over the hill and found themselves drunk in the brig after being assisted back by shore patrol. The ship eventually ported in Qui Nhon Harbor and from there, Kohagen was sent to Vung Tau to support the 1st Calvary. His second deployment would last about 6 months. Shortly after, he would return to Iowa where he eventually found employment at Carnation. Overall, Kohagen felt the Army was a good experience and opportunity for young men and women to explore their possibilities. He also expressed that everyone could benefit from some military service.

Dennis Wittenburg

Time in Service with the U.S. Army
Date Inducted: Jan 7, 1969
Rank: Pvt E-1 (Drafted)
Discharge Date: Dec 22, 1970
Rank: SP5 (Gen Veh Mech)
Jan 7, 1969 – Dennis Wittenburg was

drafted into the U.S. Army and reported in Des Moines, IA, where he was inducted.

January through April 1969 (dates are

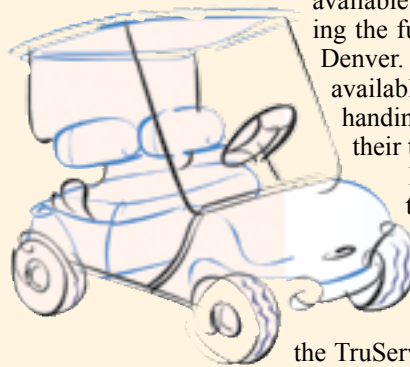
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Dennis Wittenburg

Esther Wittenburg Memorial Golf Cart Ride is Saturday, September 10

Mark your calendar!! Esther Wittenburg's Annual Memorial Golf Cart Ride will be Saturday, September 10, 1:30-4 pm. As usual, we will ride golf carts on the bike trail from Readlyn to Killdeer - where a port-a-potty and water will be available - and back. Readlyn Community Club is paying the full amount for the cart rental from Rudy's in Denver. To remind riders that the gazebo is always available to the public, Readlyn Gardeners will be handing out treats at the gazebo as riders complete their trail ride.



Interested? To reserve a golf cart, please contact Pat Wehr: cell 319-415-2001 or email wehr@rtc279.com by Saturday, September 3. Private golf carts are invited to join us; no reservation is necessary if you have your own cart. The day of the ride, please meet at the TruServe parking lot by 1:15 pm to sign waivers. A good time will be had by all!

September Yard(s) of the Month

Ninety-five-year-young Marjorie Macken, who maintains flower beds and gardens at both 240 Main Street, her residence, and 400 Lobeck, wins the final 2022 Yard of the Month award provided by Weeds on Fire.

Marjorie claims these gardens have helped her maintain her sanity throughout the years. Neighbors across from her Lobeck property, which offers a nice welcome to Readlyn, see her caring for her gardens and flower beds nearly every day. The pictures make her love of gardening very evident.

This ambitious lady's talents do not stop with her gardening. This year, she won a blue ribbon for her butterhorn crescent rolls at the Iowa State Fair. In addition, she paints and does other crafts.

Luckily Marjorie did not heed a "friend's" advice who, when Marjorie was 92, commented, "Why don't you act your age?"



September Yard of the Month winner is Marjorie Macken. She annually winters the geraniums beside her.

See more September Yard of the Month photos on page 9



Grump's Grumblings

By Larry Pavelec, 2022 Grump

Summer was full of reunions, ice-cream socials, parades, and work on my various volunteer projects. I baked a pie for the Bremer County Fair. Australia meat pie is made with short crust pastry precooked in the oven to keep it from getting soggy. I filled it with Iowa beef from Fareway. I add home grown peas and corn. For the lid, I made puff pastry. Serve warmed, completely warm and, oh, so good. I had a great time keeping very busy.



However, I really love the fall time of the year. Fall is the season when I can sit outside on the deck at the cabin with a hot cup of coffee and just take it all in. Most years, I spend my fall fishing and hunting mushrooms, deer and turkeys. It is good to disconnect from our busy lives and reconnect with the environment and life around us. I get lost in nature and enjoy it.

This year, it is time to get back into the retirement plan to travel. We are starting the Readlyn Grump world tour. This adventure will take us to Germany, Switzerland, and Austria. The highlight will be attending the Passion Play; the Oberammergau Passion Play has been performed every 10 years since 1634. It was canceled two years ago because of the worldwide COVID pandemic. In German, this six-hour spectacle of music and drama will recreate the last months and days in the life of Jesus and his death on the cross. This re-enactment of Christ's passion originated as a vow by the people of Oberammergau to honor God if He would spare their residents of the cursed Bubonic Plague. I wish we could have been saved from the plague of COVID.

Four years ago, we started our retirement travels with a fall color tour. Part of it was visiting Samuel Clemens' home. So, I will leave you with a quote I saw in the house: "Give every day the chance to become the most beautiful day of your life." - Mark Twain



Miss Readlyn Comments

By Sydney Matthias

Hello!

The summer seems to be going so fast! My July was a busy one for sure. Early July ended the high school softball season. I am lucky enough to play with a great group of girls. Sadly our second round loss, which was a close game, was my final game with our one senior, Ellie Neil. She'll be missed next year for sure and especially by me as I've played with her since maybe 4th or 5th grade.

I moved right on from softball to volleyball with two team camps, the first at UNI and then we traveled to the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. That was a great experience. I did have to miss the first day of camp, as well as the ice cream social held that Sunday though, for the Bremer County Fair queen competition. Happy to say I represented Readlyn well and added another title - Bremer County Fair Queen!

Normally, the last week of July is busy anyway with fair and showing of my livestock - a whole new busy was found this year though. I drove my first tough truck the Monday of the fair. That was a fun experience. Tuesday was probably one of the busiest days with a new favorite of mine, the Bacon Buddies show. Bacon Buddies in Bremer County was started by the 2021 fair queen, Carly Stiert. It is a hog show allowing individuals with special needs to showcase their talents in showing a hog. I was a mentor for Liam for this show along with about 10 other individuals. Overall, it was a great Bremer County Fair and I can't thank enough all of the sponsors and volunteers for everything they do to allow the FFA and 4-H members to create such great memories. With the wrap-up of the fair, I'll be spending time prepping for the State Fair. I'll have a lot more on my plate than just showing Bonnie, my heifer and my couple of pigs this year.

Enjoy what is left of the summer and get out on our amazing trails!

Sydney

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Readlyn Community Happenings

Readlyn Senior Citizens meet

Seventeen Readlyn Senior Citizens members met on July 20, 2022 for lunch and a meeting. Ron Leistikow led us in prayer before our meal. The meeting after lunch was called to order.

We had no birthdays or anniversaries for the month of July to celebrate.

Roland Schmidt reported that he had been in the hospital for 6 days and was now home recovering. Don Billhorn reported that he will have surgery on his back coming up soon. Debra Sauerbrei reported that Larry will be having back surgery on August 18. We pray that these three men will have a speedy recovery and be back to some normalcy soon.

The secretary's minutes from the June 15, 2022 meeting were read. Secretary's report was approved by Don Billhorn and seconded by Larry Ladage. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read by Charlie Albrecht and the balance in the account after the expenses was \$148.00. The treasurer's report was approved as read by

Sonja Bast and seconded by Wilda Albrecht. Motion carried.

Old Business: The Readlyn Historical Society had their Ice Cream Sundae day on July 17 at 4:00 PM. Eighty Sundaes were served by Larry Pavelec, the recent 2022 Grump.

New Business: The annual Readlyn Golf Cart ride on the trail is set for September 10, 2022. There will be more information to follow.

Bob Thran, who compiles interesting articles in the *Readlyn Chronicle* each month, was in attendance at our meeting. He will be working on a project to compile more information on the movie, "Country." He also gave us insight of future articles to come in the *Chronicle*.

Readlyn Senior Citizens next meeting is August 17, 2022 at 11:30 at the Readlyn library.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Sonja Bast and seconded by Don Billhorn. Motion carried.

Lois Thacher, Secretary

Readlyn Community Club Meeting

August 3, 2022, Meeting Notes

Attendees: President: Eric Johnston, VP: Aubrey Johnston, Treasurer: Hailey Broten, Secretary: Michelle Harrington, Directors Ed Harrington, Megan Kuker, Bonnie Wittenburg, Roger, Brandy & Dwayne Wilcox, Mike Keerman.

7:07 meeting was called to order by Eric Johnston.

Secretary's notes: Went over from July's meeting. Hailey Broten motioned and Megan 2nd motion to approve. Motion carries.

Treasurer's Report: Hailey went over the treasurer's report, all main accounts. Freedom Rock has their own checking account. We lost \$1,200 this year for Grump Days. Michelle motioned and Aubrey 2nd to approve, motion carries.

Grump Days 2023: Dates June 15-17. RCC will be merging Grump Days with Grumpy's Bar. Planning committee will be meeting September 14 @ 7pm at Grump's Bar.

UTV Poker Run: October 29, Halloween theme. Will start at Grumpy's Bar in town and finish at Grumpy's. Costume contest at the bar after. Sub-Committee for the ride, Eric & Aubrey Johnston, Hai-

ley & Scott Broten, Nick & Megan Kuker, Tiffany. Reach out to them if you want to contribute and be a part of the committee.

Christmas Celebration: November 25 at Wapsie Elementary School. Soups, bread, crackers. SANTA! Fire Department will be doing s'mores. Fireworks also that night.

Vintage Prom: February 11, 2023 @ Grumpy's Event Center Brandy Wilcox will be planning this event. More to come.

RCC would like to thank Mike Keerman for donating a color printer to the club.

Volunteer Award: keep your eye out for nominating a person who has gone beyond volunteering in our community. In November, RCC will have ballots for you to send in a nomination. The person will be announced at the Annual Meeting March 25, 2023

Annual Meeting: Will be held @ Grumpy's March 25, 2023

Meeting adjourned @ 8:23 pm. Ed motioned, Megan 2nd to approve, motion carried

Meeting minutes submitted respectfully by:

Michelle Harrington, Secretary

College News

University Of Iowa announces spring 2022 Dean's List

More than 4,000 undergraduate students at U of I were named to the Dean's List for the 2022 spring semester. Area students are listed below by their hometowns, college within the university and field of study:

READLYN: Cassidy Brunscheon, Tippie College of Business, Marketing; Brandi Marticoff, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Speech, and Hearing Science.

FAIRBANK: Emma Cutsforth, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Political Science; Asa Kelley, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Elementary Education Interest; Aubrey Stacey, College of medicine, Radiation Sciences; Elsie VanDaele,

Tippie College of Business, Management

University Of Iowa honors spring graduates

This spring, more than 5,100 U of I undergraduate, graduate, and professional students earned degrees. Students are listed by hometown, degree, major and academic distinction. Area students included:

READLYN: Jacob Kuhlmann, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Bachelor of Arts, Enterprise Leadership; Austin Wittenburg, College of Engineering, Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering.

FAIRBANK: Maria Kayser, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Bachelor of Arts, Communication Studies.

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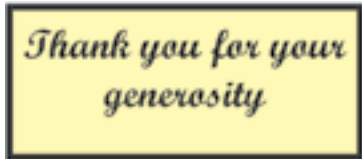
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A New Face at the Library!

Lorrie Cozart Oldenburger will be joining the staff here at Readlyn Community Library! she'll be taking over Mondays and some Saturdays and may also be around for programming as we plan for more activities in the Fall.

Stop by and say hello!

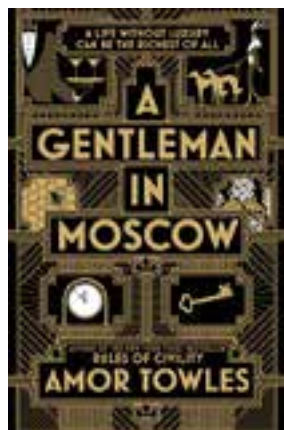


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Readlyn Reads—Book Talk



Our September Selection is 'A Gentleman in Moscow' by Amor Towles: In 1922, Count Alexander Rostov is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal, and is sentenced to house arrest in the Metropol, a grand hotel across the street from the Kremlin. Rostov, an indomitable man of erudition and wit, has never worked a day in his life, and must now live in an attic room while some of the most tumultuous decades in Russian history are unfolding outside the hotel's doors. Unexpectedly, his reduced circumstances provide him entry into a much larger world of emotional discovery.

If you'd like to join us for this discussion, email us at readlynlib@gmail.com to reserve a copy! We meet on the last Thursday of the month at 6pm for tea/coffee, treats and great discussion.

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Tuesday	10:00 - 5:00
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Saturday	9:00 - 12:00



Compiled by Bob Thran

Readlyn, Long Ago

Editor's Note: Read the *Chronicle*, including "Readlyn, Long Ago," online at: <https://www.readlyn.lib.ia.us>

Henry C. Otto Family

Henry C. and Emma Thoms Otto were our neighbors in Readlyn, living in the home now owned by Jerry and Bonnie Wittenburg. When they moved to Readlyn they did not entirely leave the farm, they brought some chickens with them. Henry was then manager of the Equity Coop in Readlyn.

On the farm, he planted oats and corn. In life, he was able to plant, two miles south of Readlyn, his family of six children on farms within a 2-1/2 mile radius. It appears that when a son or daughter was to be married, he assisted them in purchasing a farm.

Henry married Emma Thoms. Henry died in 1953 and Emma died in 1939. They are buried in Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery near Klinger. Even in death, their six children are near. Sons Herb, Heinie, Elmer, and Arnold lie in the same cemetery. Daughters Renetta and Olin-da are buried three miles north in the St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery, one mile west of Readlyn.

Herb Otto, the oldest, was born in 1905, and married Frieda Moeller. Herb died in 1978, age 77, Frieda in 2001. Their children were Marlys Minneart, Lavonne Horman, Jannette Wolff (Deceased), Dor-

othy Rundle, Sandra Jerke (D), Beverly Bellile (D) and one son, Jim. Ron Schweer bought the farm in 1991 from the Bellile family. His grandson, Carter, lives on the farm.

Henry (Heinie) Otto was born in 1912, and married Christine Steidttler. Heinie died in 1998. Christine died in 1998. They were the parents of Darwin (D), Larry (D), and Henry (D) and Marva Schuldt. Their farm was purchased by Steve Rathe. Jimmy Hyde is on the acreage.

Renetta was born in 1915, and married Edgar Albrecht. Renetta died in 2015, age 99. Edgar died in 1995. Their farm was sold to Laverne Leistokow before Edgar and Renetta moved to Readlyn.

Olin-da, born in 1918, married Arlen Moeller. They were later divorced. Olin-da died in 1995, age 76. They were the parents of Dickie and Judy Warneke. The farm was sold to Erwin Piehl in 1964, then to Laverne Leistikow in 2006. Jerry and Susan Macken own the acreage.

Arnold Otto was born in 1923, and married Norma Meyerhoff. He died in 1987, age 64. Norma died in 2007. Children are Nelson, Loren, Dennis, Stanley, Kathryn Behnke and Carol Schaffner. Their farm remains in the family.



Henry C. Otto Family - Front row, left to right: Renetta, Elmer and Olin-da; middle row, Henry and Emma; back row, Arnold, Herb and Heinie.

History of the Otto Family Home Place

Following is a little history of the Otto family home place provided by Ethel Otto, wife of Elmer Otto.

In 1835, the Otto Homestead was settled by Henry Stevens after he walked to Dubuque to purchase the land from the government. Henry Otto purchased it from Stevens in 1869.

In 1880, Conrad Otto purchased it from

Henry. In 1905, Henry C. Otto, Elmer's father, bought the property.

Elmer and Ethel Otto were married in 1938 and, in 1944, purchased the 120-acre farm located two miles south of Readlyn and a quarter mile west.

In 1990, Norbert Schmidt bought the farm and removed all the build-ings.

Elmer and Ethel Otto Family

At the time of their marriage, Elmer Otto was playing in a band called The Music Makers. They played every Saturday evening at the Old Oaken Bucket in Cedar Falls. The band also played for anniversaries, wedding dances, barn dances and masquerade parties at which the band member ladies would also come in costume, the band members not knowing who they were. His wife, Ethel, said it was so much fun.

The Music Makers played for 12 years. Band members were Elmer on saxophone, Wally Krueger on trumpet, Arnold Stromer on banjo, Alvin Graeser on drums, and Renetta Albrecht, Elmer's sister, on piano. They had two alternates, Orlyn Schutte on trumpet and Earl Nissen on trombone. Dick Lehmkuhl sat in at times, playing saxophone. When it became necessary to join the union, they called it quits.



Elmer and Ethel Otto



The Music Makers



Dick Lehmkuhl and Elmer Otto on saxo-phones.

Elmer passed away in the spring of 1974 after a long battle with leukemia. Ethel is still living and doing very well for being 102 years old. She now resides in Stone Bridge (residential living) in Osage Beach, Missouri. This allows Bob and Kelly Otto to visit much easier than when Ethel was in Bartels Home in Waverly.

Bob Otto graduated from Readlyn High School in 1956. He married Virginia (Kelly) Kalianoff in St. John Lutheran Church in Denver.

Bob and Kelly lived in Denver where Bob was manufacturing manager for Schumacher Elevator. Kelly worked as a lab technician at hospitals and clinics in the area. Bob retired in 1991. They vacationed summers in Osage Beach, Missouri, then decided to move there. Bob and Kelley's two sons, Tony and Shawn, moved to Osage Beach where they started a construction company, building homes in the area. Shawn passed

away in 2018. Tony and his wife, Jennifer, have 5 children.

Bob and Kelly are enjoying their retirement in Osage Beach. Someone recently posted a picture on the Internet of Bob and Kelly on the lake with a string of crappies.

Elmer and Ethel had another son, Steve, retired and living in Washington, Indiana. Steve graduated from Wapsie Valley in 1965. He was married twice, lost both wives, and is now alone.

As I write this, Bob and Kelly are on the lake catching crappies. Bass are being thrown back in. They must be 15 inches long to keep.

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What's Cooking?

A recipe to share can be sent to billhorn@rtc279.com

The year before COVID, we spent part of the winter down south in the Mobile Bay area. I had wanted to eat at a special restaurant for seafood located in the middle of nowhere where six roads came together. We went to this crossroads restaurant, had a great meal and, for dessert, I had Grumpy's dessert. Later on, I researched it and emailed the restaurant, so now I have the recipe for Grumpy's Pudding Cream Cheese Dessert. I only time made it twice, once for a coffee at Zion after church, and it was a big hit. It is so good, everyone in Readlyn will love this dessert and not be grumpy.

Grumpy's Pudding Cream Cheese Dessert

Submitted by 2022 Grump Larry Pavelec

8 ingredient pudding dessert the whole town will love.

Prep Time 10 minutes

Cook Time 1 day • Total Time 1 day 10 minutes

Servings 18 servings

Calories 196 kcal

Ingredients

- 1- .9 oz box instant dark chocolate pudding
- 1- .9 oz box instant vanilla pudding
- 2 Philly soft cream cheese
- 4 cups milk
- 2- 8 oz container cool whip
- special dark chocolate syrup
- 36 saltine crackers
- 18 gram crackers

Instructions

1. In a large mixing bowl, whisk instant chocolate pudding and milk together.
2. In a large mixing bowl, whisk instant vanilla pudding and milk together.
3. Place 16 crackers in bottom of 8x16 pan.
4. Pour the chocolate pudding mixture on top of crackers, spreading evenly. chill
5. Place the other gram crackers on top of pudding, chill
6. Then pour the Philly soft cream cheese on top of gram crackers. chill
7. Pour the vanilla pudding mixture on top of soft cream cheese, spreading evenly. chill
8. Top with the both containers of cool whip. chill
9. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least 24 hours. The after the dessert sits long enough, the bottom crackers taste exactly like a thin layer of pie crust!
10. Dress with special dark chocolate zig zag over dessert and plate. Serves 18.

Lavonne Oltrogge will celebrate her 80th birthday on September 7

Lavonne Oltrogge will celebrate her 80th birthday on September 7 with a card shower. A family dinner is being held.

She was born in Waverly, Iowa to Ewald & Eyla Kueker on September 7, 1942. She married Delbert Oltrogge on June 30, 1963. She was employed at Lutheran Mutual in Waverly for several years before she stayed home with the children and was actively engaged in farming with her husband. Lavonne was also the church secretary for Zion Lutheran Church, Readlyn, for 43 years, retiring in 2021.

Her family includes her husband, and their children Lori (Nick) Wiley of Denver, Janette (Derek) Young of Wallingford and Brian (Erin) Oltrogge, of Readlyn. There are six grandchildren, Kayla Wiley, Jennifer Wiley, Dylan Young, Dalton Young, Donovan Young and Brenden Oltrogge.

Cards may be sent to PO Box 164, Readlyn, IA 50668.



Lavonne Oltrogge

Obituaries

Kay F. Regenold

Kay (Mersch) Regenold, 82, of Cedar Falls formerly of Fairbank, passed away on Saturday, August 13, 2022 at Unity-Point Hospice in Waterloo.

Kay was born on May 29, 1940, the daughter of Lawrence "Dutch" and Letha (Jard-ee) Mersch. Kay was baptized, confirmed, and graduated from Immaculate Conception the class of 1958. She was united in marriage to Ronald J. Regenold on December 30, 1958 at Immaculate Conception Church in Fairbank. From that union four children were born: Tammy, Joe, Marty and Tim.



Kay is survived by two sons, Joe (Ju-

lie) Regenold from Readlyn and Marty (Dawn) Regenold from Denton, TX; nine grandchildren, RJ (Genevieve), Jenny (Todd), Josh (Megan), Mandy (Stuart), Ben (Chelsey), Derek (RaeAnn), Dustin (Heather), Andy, and Whitney (Scott); nine great-grandchildren, and one sister Barbara (Bobbie) Cole from Montague, TX.

Kay is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Ronald Regenold; daughter, Tammy; son, Tim; and two sisters, Pat McGrath and Marylee Kramer.

Private family services were planned at Immaculate Conception Church with burial following at the Immaculate Conception Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to UnityPoint Hospice, Waterloo.

Cards may be sent to Joe Regenold, 608 Westview Drive, Readlyn, Iowa 50668.

Online condolences can be left at www.woodsfuneralhome.net.

Sonja Bast

Sonja Bast, age 84, died Sunday, August 14, 2022 due to complications stemming from being 84.

She was born in Waterloo, March 31, 1938, the daughter of Homer and Bernice Harper. Her father was killed in WWII. Her mother later remarried, and she was adopted by her dad, V L Bud Wilkinson. She attended school in Waterloo and graduated from East Waterloo High School. She enjoyed traveling, quilting, many plants, flowers and one big-azz garden. Sonja began working for Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, later to become US West, and now Qwest. The mergers and acquisitions tried their best to chop away her retirement and pension, but despite their efforts, she and her husband enjoyed a financially secure retirement after 30 plus years of her dedicated service. On August 31, 1958, she married Frederic Bast at the First Presbyterian Church in Waterloo. They lived most of their lives in Bremer County. She was active in her church being the treasurer for many years. She was a great mother



and Omi and loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters, Dee and Jo. She is survived by her husband, the ever-calm and patient Freddie, and three beautifully sarcastic children, Jeffrey of Aplington, Randy (Linda) of Jesup and daughter JoDee Feldman (Jeff) of Crestwood, KY. Also missing this spitfire of a woman are grandchildren April Bast, Gavin Bast, Amy VanBrocklin (Josh), and Alex and Carl Feldman. In addition, two great grandchildren Raeleigh and Ryker VanBrocklin, as well as two brothers-in-law, Don Bast and Mike Quail. Also 5 special children. Gavin, Gabe, Noah, Lucas, and Julie Bourquin.

Funeral services were held on Friday, August 19, 2022 at 11:00 am at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Readlyn with Pastor Phil Girardin officiating. Burial followed in Garden of Memories Cemetery in Waterloo. Visitation was on Thursday from 5 until 7 pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Readlyn. Memorials may be directed to Readlyn Fire Department, First Responders, Readlyn Library or St. Paul's Lutheran Church organ fund and online condolences for Sonja can be left at www.kaisercorson.com.

Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home of Readlyn assisted the family with arrangements.



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Darrol Kohagen and Dennis Wittenburg receive Quilts of Valor

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approximate) – Assigned to Fort Polk, Louisiana for 6 weeks of Basic Training and 6 weeks of Combat Training.

April through July 1969 (approx.) – Went to Fort Benning, Georgia for mechanic training (tanks, trucks, jeeps, etc.).

9 weeks Wheel Vehicle Mechanic

7 weeks Gen Vehicle Mechanic

Orders for Vietnam: Wittenburg came

home on leave, then went over to Fort Lewis, Washington, to go to Vietnam. When he got there, his orders were halted. This was the start of the end of the war in Vietnam and President Nixon’s plan was to withdraw troops. Dennis was awaiting different orders to be re-assigned. After 10 days, he found out he was going to Fort Carson, Colorado.

September 1969 through June 1970

(approx.): He spent the next 10 months in Fort Carson, Colorado. They used his mechanical skills in the motor pool working on trucks, jeeps or whatever they brought in.

When he had 6 months remaining in his 2-year stint, they gave him 2 options. They would give him an “early out” or he could spend his final time in South Korea. He looked at it as an “opportunity” to

go over there to Korea and then he could visit his aunt and uncle (Bud and Nancy Potter), who were stationed in Okinawa, Japan.

July 7 through December 22, 1970 – Assigned to Eighth Army, Engr/Infantry Division in South Korea. While he was over there, he worked as a mechanic fixing equipment and also working closely with the engineers. He was located just 3 miles from the DMZ and could hear the missiles going off all the time.

December 22, 1970 – Went to Fort Lewis, Washington and he was granted an honorable discharge.

(Added at spouse’s request) After the service, Dennis Wittenburg and his brothers started Wittenburg Truck Lines together. Denny and his brother, Rod, both served as mechanics in the service. The skills and knowledge they learned in the service would help to contribute to the success of the company.

Wittenburg was a SP5 when he transferred from active duty Army to Army Reserves.

He served from 1/7/1969 to 12/22/1970 - one year, 11 months, and 10 days. US-ARPAC 5 months and 11 days.

He received the National Defense Service Medal, EXP M-14, and AFEM.

He went to USATCI for 9 weeks for Wheel V MECH and USAIS for 7 weeks for GP VN MECH.



On June 26, 21 veterans from the Vietnam Era were recognized and presented a Quilt of Valor at the Waverly Area Veterans Post.

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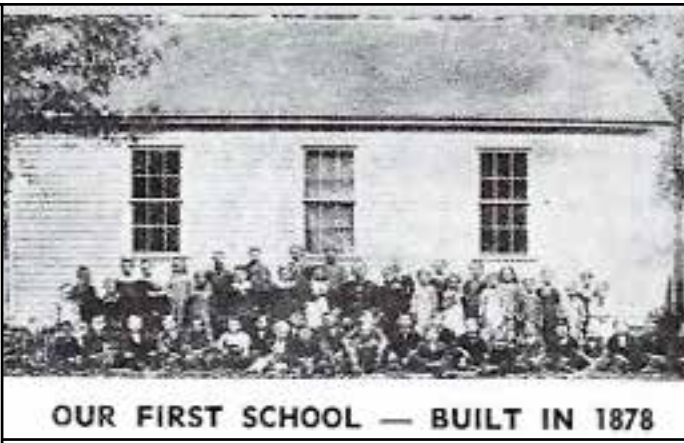
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Immanuel Lutheran Church-Klinger's 150th Anniversary



How It All Began

Immanuel Lutheran Church (Klinger) located south of Readlyn is pleased to be celebrating 150 years in 2023. As part of this observance, an overview of Immanuel's history along with current events will be shared via the *Readlyn Chronicle*.

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Klinger, one of the early congregations in Iowa, had its beginning in the year 1873. Pastor L. Kraemer of Artesian, Iowa was primarily instrumental in establishing this congregation by conducting services in the various public schools in Maxfield Township until a number of families organized a congregation and built a church and school.

Here's a chronological recap of the first 100 years:

1873—A small but determined congregation erected the first church and dedicated it on the Eighth Sunday after Trinity. First pastor was Rev. W. Kanning.

1878—The first school building was erected and dedicated on the Fourth Sunday after Trinity.

1887—The first organ was dedicated.

1891—One acre of land was purchased and the teacher's home was built.

1894—Due to steady growth of the congregation, a new church building was built. A new bell, weighing 1500 pounds, was installed too.

1898—Interior of the church was covered with decorative tin (as we see it today).

school being outgrown, a new school building was built.

1912—A new parsonage was built.

1913—The teacherage (teacher's home) was rebuilt and enlarged.

1915—A concrete drive to the cemetery was poured and ornamental gates were erected at cemetery entrance.

1908—A Weikhardt Pipe Organ was installed.

1910—Due to the former school being outgrown, a new school building was built.

The ornamental gates are still intact today.

1919—A new heating system was installed in the church.

1920—Electricity was installed in all church properties.

1922—Services in the English language were begun with services in that language being held once per month. All other services were in German.

1923—Immanuel celebrates its 50th Anniversary.

1924—Due to growth in school attendance, the school building was en-

larged to twice its former size.

1934—Both German and English languages used at church meetings so members could better express themselves.

1935—A Young People's Society was organized. Also, 'double-header' services were initiated with the German services scheduled for 10 a.m. and English speaker services at 11 a.m. Lenten services were held in the evenings rather than daytime as was the custom in the past.

1937—The 'double-header' services of German-English were discontinued and services were to be held on alternating Sundays.

1938—The printing of Sunday bulletins was approved and a mimeograph machine purchased.

1941—The cemetery grounds were beautified by seeding the end toward the road to grass and by planting ornamental trees.

1942—Water works for the church property was installed.

1944—The already established Ladies Aid Society at Immanuel was granted permission to join the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. The rental system of books and materials was introduced in our parochial school. A new garage was built at the parsonage.

1945—The first Sunday School session was held.

1947—The church was extended and a full basement added. The Young People's Society joined the International Walther League. The existing pipe organ was rebuilt and electrified.

1948—Stained glass windows were installed in the church. Immanuel celebrated its 75th Anniversary.

1969—The church entrance was removed and supplied with a new balcony stairway, new basement stairways, an auxiliary room and carpeting.

1972—The balcony floor was carpeted and carpet was added to portions of the nave floor.

1973—The 100th Anniversary was observed with special festivities and celebrations throughout the year.

Trivia question: What is the English translation of Immanuel's cemetery sign—Ev. Lut. Immanuel's Gottesader? Answer will be provided in the next month's article.

Immanuel Lutheran - Klinger is planning its 150th Anniversary celebration on August 6, 2023.

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Readlyn Senior Citizens August meeting

The next Readlyn Senior Citizens Meeting will be September 21 at 11:30 at the Readlyn Library.

17 members met on August 17, 2022 for lunch and a meeting. We welcomed Larry and Vicki Pavelec as new members. Ron Leistikow led us in prayer before our meal. The meeting after lunch was called to order.

We sang "Happy Birthday" to Charlie Albrecht, Judy Leistikow, Larry Pavelec and Lois Thacher as they were celebrating birthdays in the month of August. We sang "Happy Anniversary" to Charlie and Wilda Albrecht as they were celebrating their anniversary in August.

All attending members signed a sympathy card that was sent to Freddie Bast on the passing of his wife Sonja Bast. She will be missed by many and all of the Senior Citizen members.

A get-well card was signed by all attending members and sent to GaryLee Thurm as he is in Northcrest Specialty Care for rehab after his stroke. Larry Sauerbrei has not had his back surgery yet as last month it was reported he was having surgery August 18. Don Billhorn has not had his back surgery yet either as last month it was reported that he would perhaps need back surgery. We hold all these men in our prayers.

The secretary's minutes from the July 20, 2022 meeting were read. Secretary's report was approved by Charlie Albrecht

and seconded by Marlys Deterding. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read by Charlie Albrecht and the balance in the account after the expenses was \$165.00. The treasurer's report was approved as read by Roger Deterding and seconded by Verdeen Pavelec. Motion carried.

Old Business: The annual Readlyn Golf Cart Ride as reported last month, is set for September 10, 2022. Those attending should meet at TruServe in Readlyn at 1:15. Deadline to sign up is September 3. Contact Pat Wehr at 319-415-2001 if interested. The Garden Club of Readlyn will be providing cookies after the Golf Cart Ride at the Gazebo.

New Business: Ron Leistikow reported that in 2004, 2500 people attended the first Combine Demolition Derby that he had organized in Readlyn. He had gotten the idea from Don and Marylou Billhorn as they had Combine Demolition Derbies in their home town of Eitzen, MN. Since then it has been at the Bremer County Fair for the last 17 years.

The Readlyn Seniors Citizen Group is always looking for new members. We meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month. All are welcome!!

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Bob Thran and seconded by Marlys Deterding. Motion carried.

Lois Thacher, Secretary



Bremer Corn Growers Winners: (left to right) Wyatt Forsyth – FFA Leader, Mary Bodensteiner, Bridget Seeman, Ellie Neal, Ron Leistikow – President.

County Corn Growers met at Center Inn

The Bremer County Corn Grower Annual Meeting was held at the Center Inn at 6:00 p.m. on March 28. Ron Leistikow, President, and Lisa Kubik, District Corn Advisor, led the event. Three new directors of the BCCGA were announced: Danny Dillon, Keith Neidert and Luke Schuldt. We welcome them.

Our three scholarship winners were announced: Ellie Neal, Bridget Seeman and

Mary Bodensteiner. Congratulations!

Our guest speaker was Ryan Edeker of the Shell Rock POET ethanol plant. Ryan did a great job of talking about many aspects of ethanol. Mark Mueller, District Director, also spoke about many AG topics. Thanks to POET of Shell Rock and Fairbank for taking care of the tab. Door prizes were passed out and the meeting was adjourned.

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Marjorie Macken's yards are chosen

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The pelican is a gift from former student Ellen Althouse. Ellen often brings Marjorie flowers; she is just one of Marjorie's students over her 42 1/2 years of teaching who stops by bearing gifts.



The outhouse, made as a surprise, was originally a part of Darrel Kuhlmann's barn. It serves as a storage shed for pots and garden tools.



The building in the background began as an extra room at Wapsie Valley High School. In the mid '80s it was moved by Readlyn Elementary and used as a kindergarten classroom. Marjorie bought the building in 1991 and moved it to its present location.



A few of the 8-10 varieties of lilies seen in Marjorie's flower beds.



Marjorie's son, Joel, builds her trellises.



One of Marjorie's apples trees, a grapevine, and potted ground cherries create a beautiful border.

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Community Happenings

Westendorf Family Reunion held

The 28th annual Leo and Mildred Westendorf Reunion was held Sunday, July 24, 2022 at the Cedar Bend Park by Waverly, Iowa. Attendees enjoyed donut holes, cookies, and coffee at 10:30 a.m. A mini church service was led by Steve Pavelec who also played guitar and gave the message. At noon, there was a potluck dinner with the prayer given by Ed Pavelec.

Forty-five members were present. They were from Waverly, Cedar Falls, Waterloo, New Hartford, Cedar Rapids, Charles City, Janesville, Tripoli, Denver, Readlyn, Sumner, Minneapolis, MN, and Montello, WI. The oldest family member was 87-year-old Verdeen Pavelec of Denver, IA, and the youngest family member

was 2-month-old Lily Dierks, daughter of Jonny and Olivia Dierks of Minneapolis, MN. Traveling the longest distance was Ed Pavelec from Yuma, AR.

Many members played bean bags. The winners were Connie Fleshner of Janesville, IA and Larry Pavelec of Readlyn. On Saturday, July 23, 2022, twelve men ate breakfast at Hy-Vee and then golfed at Waverly Municipal Golf Course. The winners were Robert Thiele of Waterloo and Jim Kuhrt of Tripoli. At 11:30 am, seventeen ladies attended lunch at the Wild Carrot in Waverly. That night, family members got together at the Commons in Ledges 1, Waverly, Iowa. Hosts were Marlene Fasse and family.

Heinemans to note 60th anniversary

Don and Joyce Heineman will observe their 60th wedding anniversary on September 23.

Joyce (Hartman) and Don Heineman were married on September 23, 1962 at Zion Lutheran Church in Readlyn. Their family includes Janell (Charlie) Levendusky of Oklahoma City, Jeffrey (Katie) Heineman of Marion, and Deann (Troy) Ambrosy of Waterloo. They have 7 grandchildren, Joshua (Lauren) Levendusky, Brian (Taylor) Levendusky, Troy (Mariah) Levendusky, Kyle (Liz) Heineman, Kory (Sara) Heineman, and Lauren (Kirk) Moser. One grandchild, Klay Heineman, is deceased. They also have six great-grandchildren: Jackson, Rosalie and Valerie Heineman, Izabella Heineman, Tate Moser and Olivia Levendusky, and one due in January 2023.

Congratulations may be sent to them at 408 E. 6th St., Readlyn, IA 50668.



Don and Joyce Heineman

V.F.W Auxiliary meetings held

The Wayne Teisinger V.F.W. Auxiliary met at the home of Wilda Albrecht with six members present on July 12, 2022 at 6 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President Verdeen Pavelec and opened with prayer read by Wilda Albrecht and the Pledge of Allegiance by all. The minutes were read by Luann Happel with no corrections or additions. A motion was made by Betty Power and seconded by Wilda Albrecht to accept the minutes. Carried. The treasurer's report was read by Ellen Thies, which is subject to audit.

General orders and chairman reports were read by members. The bill was paid, volunteer hours were turned in. 353 pop tabs were turned in to give to the firemen. V.B.S. youth from Zion, St. Matthew's and Readlyn community made "God Bless America" door hangers surrounded by red, white and blue stars to give to the Willow Wind residents. A thank-you was read from Corlyn Frietag for our expression of sympathy. The auxiliary got a new roster and program book. The 3rd District meeting will be held August 27 at Sullivan Brothers Post #1623, Waterloo, IA.

The Big Ten Conference will be held in October in Milwaukee, WI. A motion was made by Darlene Peters and seconded by Ellen Thies to adjourn the meeting. The prayer was read. Hostess was Wilda Albrecht.

V.F.W. Auxiliary August Meeting

The Wayne Teisinger V.F.W. Auxiliary

met at the home of Ellen Thies on August 9, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President Verdeen Pavelec and opened with prayer read by Wilda Albrecht and Pledge of Allegiance by all. The minutes were read by Luann Happel. A motion was made by Wilda Albrecht and seconded by Darlene Peters to accept the minutes. Carried. The treasurer's reports were read by Ellen, which is subject to audit. General Orders and Chairman reports were read by members. No bills. Volunteer hours were turned in. Stamps for the Wounded are accepting canceled stamps for Veterans. The V.F.W. Auxiliary received the bond from National. Dues are now due for the Auxiliary. A memo was read from Ann Panteleakos, National Secretary/Treasurer. Third District will be held at Sullivan Brothers V.F.W. Post in Waterloo, August 27.

Big Ten Conference will be held in Milwaukee, WI October 14-16. National President's official visit will be October 16-18 in Waterloo. Fall Pow-Wow Conference will be held in Des Moines, October 21-24. We're having a Poppyless Poppy Sale and Betty Power made the motion and Darlene Peters seconded it. Carried. Food and clothing will be donated to A.F.I.L. for Veterans. A thank-you was read from Luann Happel after hospitalization. A motion was made by Betty Power and seconded by Wilda Albrecht to adjourn. Carried. The prayer was read. Hostess was Ellen Thies.

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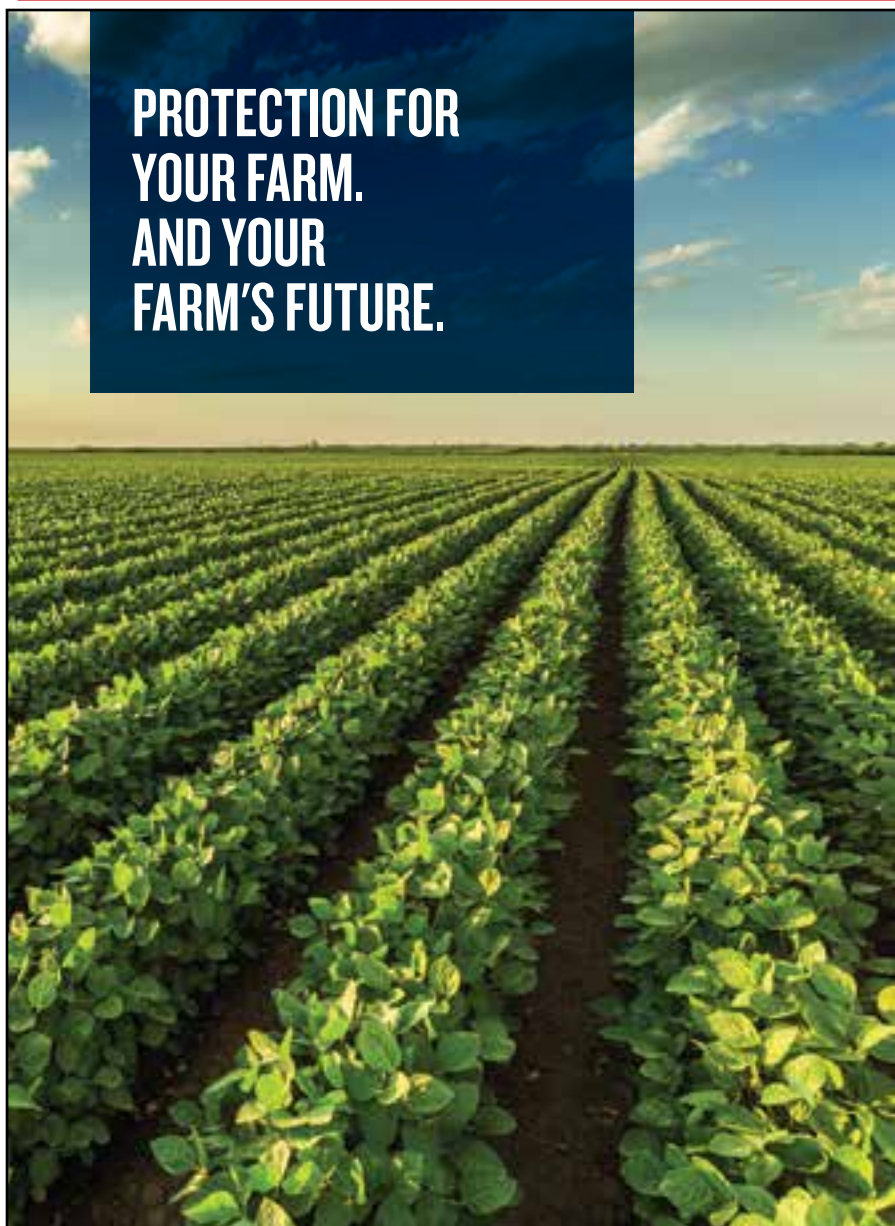
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David Lundt



David Lundt, formerly of Oran, Iowa passed away in Hampton, Virginia following a brief illness on Monday, July 18, 2022.

David was born on March 23, 1943 at the Waverly Hospital, the son of George and Emma (Fisher) Lundt. As the family moved, David attended school in Clarksville, Maynard and Oran. He graduated with the class of 1961 from Wapsie Valley. He attended

Wartburg College, graduating in 1965. His first job took him to Virginia as a biologist studying the waters of Chesapeake Bay. He then became a Health Inspector for the State of Virginia and later as an OSHA investigator. David retired in 2006.

He enjoyed his hobbies. Photography, traveling and sailing were his favorites.

David was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Floyd and Donald, and sister, Dolores Engelhardt. He is survived by nieces and nephews: Priscilla Nieman, Waterloo, Eugene (Sherri) Nieman, Nashua; Dan (Cindy) Lundt, Oran; Diane (Tim) Johnson, Fairbank, and Dawn (Kevin) Higgins, LaPorte City.

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tic we often do as a family which makes it even more fun. Also, now is the time to be picking up the bow, shotgun, or muzzleloader and start getting some target practice in! Getting your weapon of choice dialed in now will make your hunt so much more enjoyable and efficient come game time.

Now is also the time to start scouting for your upcoming waterfowl seasons. Dove and teal opens September 1 in Iowa and you don't want to be behind as these are our first seasons to get in the field. Dove is a fairly straight forward hunt - you need a box of shells, light camo and a stool to sit on. Preparing for dove season can be done quickly and your biggest concern here is finding a field to hunt. Each year, on Iowa's public hunting ground, the DNR plant sunflower plots. These sunflower plots are major dove attractors. While the DNR plants these, they do not post where they are and they move them around each year. So do a little back road driving and check public areas until you find a sunflower field.

Teal hunting and all of the waterfowl seasons take a fair amount of prep work. Now is the time to be pulling your decoys out and cleaning them up, fixing ropes and weights and charging the batteries on your motion decoys. Also, it's time to get your duck blinds ready. If you're a boat hunter, get the boat out and check over wiring for loose connections and make sure all your safety features are in the boat - life jackets, throw cushion, fire extinguisher, etc. Make sure the motor is running well and batteries are charged. Also, don't forget about the trailer - check bearings and trailer wiring. A little maintenance can keep you from having a bad trip.

It's also time to get your blind installed and grassed in on the boat. If you're lucky enough to have access to a permanent blind, check it out to make sure spring floods haven't damaged it and get it brushed in.

For field duck and goose hunters, check your layout blinds for loose bolts or torn fabric and also bent or broken rods. It's a lot eas-

ier to replace these things now than a couple nights before the season.

Scouting is a constant process throughout the waterfowl season to be successful. I start out looking for shallow, out-of-the-way ponds for teal early, then move along through the season looking for duck concentrations in our marshes or the river bottom. Field hunting can change daily as farmers harvest and ducks and geese move from field to field. A little gas and leg work will put you on the waterfowl.

Upland bird hunters, I'm not forgetting about you! Now is a great time to get things ready such as making sure your hunting pants are fitting correctly or replacing torn garments from last season's barbed wire mishaps. Go over your shotgun and make sure everything is in order and get out and shoot some clays to knock the rust off - that goes for you waterfowl hunters, too.

As far as scouting, again a little driving around can go a long way. You'll be able to see pheasant, quail and partridge along the roads and be able to check out what fields and sloughs look like. It's also a great time to talk to the farmers to gain access before the busy time of harvest starts.

As I write this, I realize I'm further behind than I thought! I have all but a few of these on my to-do list! So, I better get busy. At least it's fun preparing and it will make your hunts more enjoyable and successful being prepared.

Until next time, GET OUTDOORS!!

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It's hard to believe we are knocking on fall's door. While this has me excited, I'm also not ready for summer to be over, and a little anxious about not being prepared for the upcoming hunting seasons. If you're like me and the summer has slipped away from you, I'm here to tell you THERE'S STILL TIME TO PREPARE AND THE TIME IS NOW! This month, I'll break down what I do to get ready for the fall ahead.

First off, I'll start with preparation for deer hunting. One area I haven't procrastinated on this summer is running my trail cameras and preparing food plots for whitetails. I've kept up a fairly regular routine doing this, and I have a lot of fun checking them and have some pictures of some fairly nice bucks this summer. So, I feel good about the areas I'm hunting, but I still have a few deer stands to put up and many to check on that I leave up in private ground we hunt.

With this being the first year that my daughter, Delana, will be hunting Iowa's youth deer season in mid-September, the time crunch is even more tight this year. Now is the time to start checking over your deer stands. This is a very big deal, a little maintenance can save your life. Look over everything on your stands, check bolts, cables, and straps for wear, and replace anything that looks questionable. I can't stress this enough, as bolts and straps are cheaper than the alternative of a tree stand failing and having a fall.

Scouting can still be done this time of year as well. I did a lot of spring scouting and that gave me ideas of where the deer should be come fall, but, right now, it's a lot of fun driving around and watching bean and hayfields in the evening for deer. This is a scouting tac-



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Readlyn City Council - August 15

The Readlyn City Council met in open session on Monday, August 15, 2022 at 6:45PM for the Finance Committee to review bills and at 7:00PM for the regular meeting. Mayor Wedemeier in the chair and the following named council members present: Keith Brunscheon, Jason Franck, Nicole Barnes, Rocco Imbrogno, Joey Jones (arrived 7:20PM). Others in attendance: Steve Aiello, Barney Wiersma, Austin Matthias.

Motion by Brunscheon and seconded by Franck to approve minutes from the July 11, 2022 council meeting. All said yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Imbrogno and seconded by Brunscheon to approve bills presented for payment. All said yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brunscheon and seconded by Barnes to approve clerk and treasurer's reports. All said yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Barnes and seconded by Franck to approve budget report and 2 months library reports. All said yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brunscheon and seconded by Imbrogno to approve police report. All said yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brunscheon and seconded by Barnes to approve agenda as printed. All said yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brunscheon and seconded by Franck to introduce Ordinance No. 360 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF READLYN, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO OFF-ROAD UTILITY VEHICLES" for its first reading. Roll call vote. AYES: Franck,

Brunschon, Imbrogno, Barnes. NAYS: None. Whereupon the Mayor declared the first reading of Ordinance No. 360 duly adopted.

As provided by Section 380.3 of the Iowa Code, motion by Imbrogno and seconded by Franck to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance No. 360. Roll call vote. AYES: Brunscheon, Imbrogno, Barnes, Franck. Whereupon the Mayor declared Ordinance No. 360 duly adopted.

Motion by Barnes and seconded by Imbrogno to approve Krissy Franck and Pastor Dr Jean Rabary as new library board members, replacing Laura Phelan and Dalton Meyer. Roll call vote. AYES: Imbrogno, Barnes, Franck, Brunscheon. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Council member Jones arrived. Council received an update on the recent EBRRRA meeting.

Council received an update on the Tripoli-Readlyn Sanitation board meeting.

Discussion on the proposed water tower maintenance. Motion by Brunscheon and seconded by Imbrogno to leave the Warrior head painted on the tower, with Shaji White for the rest of the painting of the tower. Work will be completed this fall. Roll call vote. Barnes, Franck, Brunscheon, Jones, Imbrogno. Motion carried.

Motion by Franck and seconded by Imbrogno to adjourn. All said yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Dan Wedemeier, Mayor

ATTEST: Lois J Buhr, City Clerk



Nine Grumps attended the Ice Cream Social event. Left to right are Don Billhorn, Roger Deterding, Marlys Deterding, Charlie Albrecht, Larry Ladage, Larry Pavelec, Verdeen Pavelec, and Ron Lesitkow. Below left is Ron Kohagen.

Ice Cream Social was a big success!

On Sunday, July 17, 2022, the 20th Annual Ice Cream Social was held from 4-6 p.m. at the Historical Society building.

There were approximately 75 people who enjoyed ice cream served by Readlyn's 2022 Grump, Larry Pavelec. Many individuals toured the Historical Society buildings as well.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 26 at 6:30 p.m. Please join us to understand more about our mission, to be part of our group and/or to volunteer for projects. All ages are welcome!



Readlyn's 2022 Grump, Larry Pavelec, served ice cream sundaes.

Wapsie Valley School Board - July 18

Pledge of Allegiance
1. President Sauerbrei called the Public Hearing to order at 6:36 PM

1. Directors: Aiello, Auel, Sauerbrei, Wolfe, and Van Daele Superintendent Hoover, Board Secretary Arndt, Brett Bergman

2. Others present: Lois Heineman, Jeff, Hughes, Tom Joecken, Vaughn Gross, Erin Johnson & 3 virtual participants

2. A discussion was held regarding the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

3. Public Comment: None

4. Moved by Wolfe, Seconded by Auel to close the public hearing and adjourn at 6:38 PM Motion carried 5-0

1. President Sauerbrei called the Regular Meeting of the Board to order at 6:40 PM. All the above participants joined the regular meeting.

2. Moved by Wolfe, Seconded by Auel to approve the amended agenda striking B. under New Business as presented. Motion carried 5-0

3. Public Comment: Lois Heineman spoke in regards to the WV method of election, hiring practices, & guiding students to their future when they have 60 years to work.

Tom Joecken - spoke in regards to several projects that weren't complete and are safety issues at/on the baseball field.

Vaughn Gross - would like a sidewalk put on the east side of Fairbank Elementary. Also spoke in regards to the Student/Staff Handbook and teachers having ample time for input.

4. Consent Items: Moved by Wolfe, Seconded by Aiello to approve the consent items including the bills being reviewed by Wolfe and a transfer from the Interest Activity account to the Yearbook account (\$220.87) to bring the balance to \$0.00 for fiscal year-end. FYI-only Amanda Parker-Meyers requests to open enroll her 8th-grade daughter to Oelwein effective the 22-23 school year. Motion carried 5-0

5. Communication & Reports: Board: Brent - welcome to Mr. Hoover

Superintendent: Mr. Hoover discussed the building leadership team retreat, Rural 2 having water in the basement, AEA technology services, SAI conference, sharing agreements, facilities, and

22-23 Superintendent goals.

6. Personnel-Resignations: Moved by Aiello, Seconded by Wolfe to approve the resignations of Haley Tiedt - JH Softball, Valerie Westphal - HS-Part-time cook, Katelyn Gann - Instructional Associate, Elizabeth Kempf - Instructional Associate as presented and thank them for their service to WV. Motion carried 5-0

Contracts: Moved by Aiello, Seconded by Auel to approve the following contracts as presented. Motion carried 5-0

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7. New Business: Moved by Wolfe, Seconded by Aiello to approve the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for Bremer County, IA. Motion carried 5-0

Moved by Aiello, Seconded by Wolfe to approve the revised 22-23 Rock Valley Physical Therapy contract (\$16,700) as presented. Motion carried 5-0

Moved by Wolfe, Seconded by Auel to approve the 22-23 Activities/Coaches Handbook adding that a volunteer coach will be required to have an Iowa Coaching Endorsement as presented. Motion carried 5-0. The Activities/Coaches Handbook may need to be revisited as Jerry Van Daele hasn't had time to read it.

8. Board Talking Points - Jerry would like Tom Joecken and Mr. Hoover to work together to get some of the outstanding projects completed on/at the baseball field

9. Moved by VanDaele, Seconded by Wolfe to adjourn at 7:46PM. Motion carried 5-0

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