

Readlyn Chronicle

Home of 857 Friendly People and One Old Grump

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Beautiful yards to be rewarded

For the months of June, July and August, the City of Readlyn will be recognizing one lawn per month and presenting it with the "Yard of the Month" award.

We have a group of volunteers that will choose one yard each month that best demonstrates beauty, appeal and above average efforts in maintaining their property and contributing to the overall appearance and beauty of the proud City of

Readlyn.

This is the first year for this award. The program is administered entirely by volunteers.

The winner of the "Yard of the Month" award will be presented with a decorative yard sign for the month, and a Readlyn Bucks gift certificate, sponsored by Weeds on Fire.

Have a great summer!



Kindness Rock Garden adds inspiration, motivation

You may have noticed a little addition to one of the flower gardens at the ballpark. Readlyn Rocks has created a Kindness Rock Garden.

All the rocks found in the rock garden have been painted by the creative minds of the community members of Readlyn.

Just follow the instructions on the sign.

Take one for Inspiration.

Share one for motivation

Leave one to help our garden grow.

If you would like to learn more about Readlyn Rocks or host a rock painting event, you can send a message on the Readlyn Rocks Facebook page or contact Andrea Jones.



New to Town

TruServe Insurance Group open house is June 13

If you haven't driven by yet- take a detour to the south edge of town to view how the old Spahn & Rose building has slowly transformed into TruServe Insurance Group's new office. While it was sad to see Spahn & Rose go – we hope we will bring new life and opportunities into the building. It will be awhile before we stop calling it Spahn & Rose, but it is quickly

becoming our new home that we love and it is working perfectly for our whole crew.

For those that don't know, TruServe Insurance Group was started in 2016 by Ben and Jaci Hogan as an independent insurance agency. The renovated Main Street Plaza (formerly Hardware Hank) located

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Brunscheon recognized by Gov. Reynolds for academics

WEST DES MOINES, IOWA- May 9, 2019- Cassidy Brunscheon, a student at Wapsie Valley, Fairbank, was recognized by Gov. Kim Reynolds and Lt. Governor Adam Gregg for outstanding academic achievement at the 17th Annual Governor's Scholar Recognition Ceremony April 28 at Hy-Vee Hall in Des Moines.

The statewide program, sponsored by the Iowa Governor's Office, Iowa High School Athletic Association (IHSAA) and its title sponsor the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation (IFBF), honored 424 high school seniors from across Iowa.

"Iowa Farm Bureau members are proud that their organization showcases its commitment to youth and education in many ways, including the half million dollars in scholarships we provide each year. Our 17-year title sponsorship of the Annual Governor's Scholar Recognition Ceremony is just one way we celebrate Iowa's exceptional high school students," said IFBF President Craig Hill. "We all recognize the need for supporting youth, because they hold the keys of Iowa's continued innovation and economic success,"

said Hill.

Each high school was invited to select a senior student with the highest academic ranking, based on grade point average for their first seven semesters. Students selected for the award also had the opportunity to recognize their favorite/most influential teacher and will receive a photo plaque of their meeting with Governor Reynolds and Lt. Governor Gregg.

"The principles learned through academic success, like those learned from participation in education-based activities, help develop outstanding leaders and citizens," said IHSAA Executive Director Alan Beste. "The partnership between the IHSAA and the Iowa Farm Bureau, along with the great cooperation of the Governor's Office has made this prestigious event possible for many years."

Ninety-nine percent of those recognized also participate in extracurricular school activities, with more than 80 percent participating in at least one interscholastic sport. More than 60 percent of the group plan to continue their education in Iowa.



Wapsie Valley senior Cassidy Brunscheon has been honored by Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds, right, and Lt. Governor Adam Gregg, left, for outstanding academics.



TruServe has moved to Readlyn

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in Denver was where we were able to begin our operations in the insurance industry. We quickly found our niche because of Ben's previous experience in commercial insurance. While we currently have access to many different insurance markets with different coverages available, our specialty is in over-the-road truck insurance. Being licensed in 17 different states allows us to work with trucking companies all over the United States and it is a joy to be able to help people of many different nationalities that have worked to build their own trucking businesses. Additionally, the trucking industry is a high-paced environment that is constantly changing in regards to regulations, safety and efficiency. It is an industry that is vital for our economy but it is certainly not an easy industry to be in – which is why it is so gratifying when we are able to put our customers' minds at ease when it comes to their insurance.

One of the ways we certainly put our insureds' minds at ease is by having a top-notch staff that is driven to help our customers succeed. With just over ten of us in the agency, we all have different "roles" but we are constantly working together to make sure our customers are well-served. The members of our team include Ben and Jaci Hogan, Cody Pierce (Waverly), Bronson and Carly Tatham, Nicole Barnes, Matt Kastli (Oelwein), Travis Schmit, Mady Espeland (Dunkerton), Lakin Joerger, Megan Schutte and A Jay Behnke. A major share of our staff is from Readlyn and thus, when the opportunity arose to move the business from "across the creek" as they say – most all of us were thrilled even though we will always miss the home of our beginning.

When we first began operations in Denver, we envisioned that one day we would have a building of our own but the end result of the new office is more than we ever could've dreamed. Not only is our building in the town that we love but it was originally built by Jaci's grandparents, Elton and Shirley Schutte, as the Readlyn Farm Center. Even more, many people from this community put their mark on it and helped transform it into the perfect set-up for our team. We have a lot of people to thank for their hard work. It took many different people of different trades to convert the old lumberyard office into an insurance office and in June, the whole community is invited to come and view the transformation for themselves at our open house.

To add to the craziness of Grump Days, we have planned to host our open house on Thursday, June 13 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Come in for some refreshments and take a look around! Everyone is welcome and you will even get some insight into our day-to-day operations. We will have treats for the kids to enjoy too! We hope the open house will be a good start to a fun weekend of community events, so we look forward to seeing you all at the open house!



Grump's Grumblings

By Larry Ladage



Every time I open the *Chronicle*, the first thing I read are the comments of Miss Readlyn Cassidy Brunscheon. She is always busy with school and her personal life. I don't know how she finds time for everything she does.

On May 4, Janet and I went to Kansas City for two days to celebrate our granddaughter's 8th birthday. We had a good time with everyone.

We finally got our camper opened up and things put away inside. We got to stay one night last weekend but came back home on Saturday because it was too windy and cold and we would not have been able to have a campfire anyway. We did have a fire in our backyard last night for the first time.

It seems like spring is finally here and we can get things done outside. We even got the garden planted, except for the tomato plants, which should be in the next few days.

I hope that everyone had a pleasant and fun Mother's Day. We went to Manchester for dinner with Tina and her three boys. Got to grill some steaks.

Very soon it will be time for Readlyn's Grump Days. There are so many things planned such as Bicycle Poker Run (we are one of the stops), car show, vendors in the park, crowning of the new Grump and Miss Readlyn, as well as the fireworks and the parade. Plan on making it a fun weekend.

I feel that the best part of Grump Days is Sunday morning church service in the park. Great to see everyone come together to worship in the beautiful Readlyn City Park. Plan to bring your lawn chairs.

Larry Ladage – 2018 Readlyn Grump

Miss Readlyn Comments

By Cassidy Brunscheon



It's May, and that means my senior year is over, but it also means my time as Miss Readlyn is coming to an end.

It's such an exciting time with my graduation and moving on to college, leaving the small-town life behind. So much has happened recently, and I am so grateful for each opportunity I have received!

At the end of April, I went to Des Moines and had the honor to receive the Governor's Scholar award for academic excellence. Over 3,000 people attended the ceremony, and I got my picture taken with Governor Kim Reynolds and Lt. Governor Adam Gregg. I was surrounded by over 400 valedictorians from the state of Iowa with so much talent. The experience was truly awesome.

Earlier in May, my choir headed to Maynard to compete in Large Group. Large Group is an event where the choir prepares two songs intensely and then goes to the contest to be rated by three judges. This year, our choir received straight I's for our performance! This means, all four years of high school Wapsie has received the highest rating at Large Group contest!

The end of the school year also meant our final choir concert. The concert was emotional, and it was a bittersweet way to end my high school music career. I sang my Best in Center piece for the concert (which was such an honor), presented our director Mr. Scaife with our senior gift, and said my final goodbye to the choir.

I will miss choir and be able to sing every day with the people I care about so much. The Fine Arts are alive at Wapsie Valley!

Knowing this is one of the last articles I will be writing makes me sad. As I am writing this, I will be graduating this weekend. It's crazy how fast time flies. I can't wait to start at the University of Iowa this fall. It's almost time for the next step!

Cassidy Brunscheon, Miss Readlyn

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Community Calendar

Mondays - Novel Knitters at the library 6 pm
Tuesday, June 4 - Visiting Nurses Foot Clinic at the library call 319-235-6201 for an appointment
Wednesday, June 5 - *Grout Museum presents Space Explorations at the Library 1:30
Tuesday, June 4 - V.F.W. Post #5661 at Readlyn Telephone Company 7:30 pm
Tuesday, June 11 - Coloring at the library 1-3 pm
Wednesday June 12 - *Bremer County Naturalists at the Library 1:30
Thursday, June 13-Sunday, June 16 - Grump Days!
Monday, June 17 - Deadline for *Chronicle*, 11 AM (extended deadline due to Grump Days)
Wednesday, June 19 - Richard Renner's Magic and Comedy at the Library 1:30
Wednesday, June 19 - Senior Citizens lunch and cards at Inspired, 11:30 am
Monday, June 24 - Poor Farm Foundation meeting, 6:00 p.m. at the Poor Farm
Wednesday, June 26 - Rick Brammer's Absolute Science at the Library 1:30
Wednesday, June 26 - Merry Elders at Inspired 11:30 am
Thursday, June 27 - Readlyn Reads Book Discussion @ the Library 7 pm; "Killers of the Flower Moon" by David Grann
 * = Summer Reading Program - ALL Ages Welcome!

Readlyn Community Happenings

~ Obituary ~



Kathlyn Alma Moeller

It is with great sadness that the family of Kathlyn Alma Moeller, 97, announce her passing on December 24, 2018, at Serenity House in Denver, Colorado.

Memorial services will be held on Friday, June 28, 2019 at 11 AM at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Klinger. Visitation will be held on Friday morning from 9:30 to 10:45 at the church prior to the service. Lunch will be served following the service. Memorials may be directed to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Klinger or to the church of your choice.

Kathlyn was born on July 30, 1921, the daughter of John W. Hultman and Alma A. (Loeb) Hultman, Oelwein, Iowa. She was baptized on September 18, 1921 and confirmed on March 21, 1937 at Zion Lutheran Church, Oelwein, Iowa. After graduating from Sumner High School, Kathlyn attended Upper Iowa University in Fayette, Iowa to become a teacher. On November 26, 1942, she was united in marriage to Burton Henry Moeller at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Klinger. Together they farmed for 25 years in Bremer County, just south of Readlyn, Iowa. After Burton's passing on March 15, 1968, Kathlyn moved to Readlyn, Iowa and worked as a beautician until 1994. She married Eldo Louis Moeller on June 21, 1994, who passed away on November 24, 2002.

Kathlyn continued to live in Readlyn until October 2013, when she joined daughters Karen Albright and Glenda Hayes in Denver, Colorado.

Kathlyn was an active member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Klinger. She enjoyed being with family, crocheting, quilting, and playing cards.

Kathlyn is survived by daughters Karen (Jim) Albright and Glenda (Steven) Hayes, and son-in-law Jim Stephenson; grandchildren Brian (Lin) Albright, Susan Staples, Jeffrey (Karen) Albright, Kristi Albright, Daniel Stephenson, Lindsay (Ryan) Burke, Cory Hayes, Ty (Lindsay) Hayes; great-grandchildren Ryan Staples, Apollo Albright, Alexander Berry, Hannah Berry, Madison Stephenson, Allison Stephenson, Kate Hayes, Jackson Hayes, Chase Burke and Teagan Burke; sister Mary Fink, brothers Jim (Edith) Hultman, Charles (Irene) Hultman, Lloyd (Hazel) Hultman, Howard (Bea) Hultman, and sister-in-law Pat Hultman, stepchildren Eldo (Carolyn) Moeller, Pat (Steve) Wetlaufer, (Linda) Moeller, and Brenda (Kraig) Niebuhr.

Kathlyn was preceded in death by parents John W. and Alma Hultman, husband Burton Henry Moeller, husband Eldo Louis Moeller, daughter Audrey Jean Stephenson, brothers Donald Hultman and William Hultman, sister Francis Brudvig, brother-in-law Les Brudvig and stepson Dennis Moeller.

Pepper Tournament

On Saturday, April 13, six players participated in the last pepper tournament of the season at the Readlyn Community Event Center. The winners and their scores were:

- 1st Place: Roger and Connie Buhr - 192
- 2nd Place: Karan Boevers and Shirley Kuker - 147
- 3rd Place: Don Childs and Dave Schumacher - 116

Thanks to everyone who came and played this season. Pepper will resume again the first Saturday in October.
Shirley Kuker and Judy Henn



LaVerne and Judy and Deann and Kevin Leistikow took part in the "Beef Canning Party" that they purchased at the Valentine's Ball.

Senior Citizens meet May 15

On May 15, 2019, 12 members attended the 11:30 meal at Inspired for the Senior Citizens meeting. Charlie Albrecht led everyone in prayer before the meal.

The treasurer's report was read by Charlie Albrecht and the balance in the account after expenses was \$116.00. Motion was made by Marlys Deterding and seconded by Verdeen Pavelec to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

The secretary's minutes from the April 17, 2019 meeting were read and approved as read. There were no birthdays or anniversaries for May.

Old Business: A picture was sent to the *Chronicle* for Roland Schmidt's honor he received as Volunteer of the Year at Unity-Point for 23 years of volunteering.

A reminder that May 25 is the deadline to order T-Shirts for Grump Days.

New Business: The Memorial Day Parade is May 27. The parade will be at 10:45. Pastor Philip Girardin will lead those attending in prayer. Patrick Brodigan will be the speaker. Verdeen Pavelec will be reading a poem and the Community Choir will also sing. Flags will go up Thursday, May 23.

The next meeting will be June 19 at 11:30 at Inspired.

Motion was made by Wilda Albrecht and seconded by Darlene Peters to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was followed by card playing and fellowship.
Mary Lou Billhorn, Secretary



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OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, June 13
3:00-5:00



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Book Memorials

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Hamming it Up Amateur Radio Licensing

Amateur (or Ham) Radio has long been fertile ground for gaining knowledge and skill with electronics technology. The Readlyn Library is working to provide our patrons access to Amateur Radio resources that currently are unavailable locally.

Amateur Radio encourages hands-on investigation and experimentation as a basis for understanding technical subjects. Amateur Radio experience can be a motivating influence for careers in computer sciences, consumer electronics, broadcast engineering, research sciences, medicine, telecommunications and more! Further, it enriches the lives of thousands of people as a way to meet and make friends, have fun, and pursue a path of lifelong learning.

Amateur Radio was formed by experimenters who wished to push the envelope of radio technology. That purpose remains at its core, which is why it fits perfectly with science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education. Also known as ham radio, it promotes hands-on investigation and experimentation making it a valuable tool to help students understand complex technical subjects. Individuals can build a solid foundation across multiple subject matters as Amateur Radio integrates math, science, engineering, and technology, as well as other content areas (such as geography, reading, and writing).

Amateur radio also provides a means of community support. The Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) is a corps of trained amateur radio operator volunteers organized to assist in public service and emergency communications. Communication failures are a defining part of disasters. Amateur radio provides a means of communication "when all else fails".



Currently, we are attempting to procure radio equipment for patron use and are already coordinating with local amateur radio clubs to host free training (in Readlyn) to help get your license and begin operating. Stay tuned as your library team gathers resources and experts to provide you with the tools you need to become a "ham". Stop by and ask how to get involved.

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Hours
10-7 Monday 10-7 Thursday
10-5 Tuesday 10-5 Friday
10-5 Wednesday 9-12 Saturday



Readers of all ages will explore all things space this summer as Readlyn Community Library presents "A Universe of Stories" during their summer library program.

We care about your children and have planned programs to keep them reading and learning all summer. Children who join the summer library program keep their minds active and enter school in the fall ready to learn and ready to succeed.

Register for "A Universe of Stories" anytime for children that have completed Kindergarten through 5th grade. Read just 20 minutes 6 times a week or 2 hours per week to earn the weekly prize. Tracking of reading will begin June 2nd with the first prize available on June 8th.

Schedule of Events

Programs on Wednesdays and are free of charge to everyone! Adults and Children of all ages are welcome to our programs

- June 5 @ 1:30pm – Grout Museum - Space Explorations
- June 12 @ 1:30pm – Bremer County Naturalists
- June 19 @ 4:00pm – Richard Renner - Magic and Comedy
- June 26 @ 1:30pm – Rick Brammer "Absolute Science"

Thank You!
Community Lutheran Grades 3-7
For the new Chess pieces.
Please stop by and enjoy a game with friends!

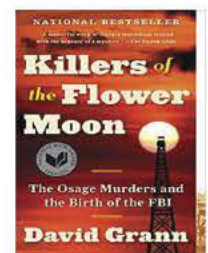


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Readlyn Reads
Booktalk

May's title:
Killer of the Flower Moon
By David Grann

Pick up a copy at the library and join us for discussion on **Thursday June 27th at 7:00 pm**



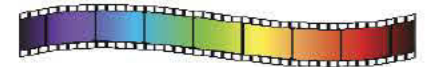
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In the 1920s, the richest people per capita in the world were members of the Osage Nation in Oklahoma. After oil was discovered beneath their land, the Osage rode in chauffeured automobiles, built mansions, and sent their children to study in Europe.

Then, one by one, the Osage began to be killed off. The family of an Osage woman, Mollie Burkhart, became a prime target. One of her relatives was shot. Another was poisoned. And it was just the beginning, as more and more Osage were dying under mysterious circumstances, and many of those who dared to investigate the killings were themselves murdered.

As the death toll rose, the newly created FBI took up the case, and the young director, J. Edgar Hoover, turned to a former Texas Ranger named Tom White to try to unravel the mystery. White put together an undercover team, including a Native American agent who infiltrated the region, and together with the Osage began to expose one of the most chilling conspiracies in American history.

New DVDs



- The Kid Who Would be King
- Escape Room
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Last Spring session is
Thursday May 23rd at 9:00

Comprehensive Fitness Program Physical-Mental-Financial-Professional

Whole person wellness encompasses more than being physically fit and we are here to help you. As part of the Readlyn Library's commitment to improving overall community health, wealth, and life choices we are developing a "Total Fitness Program". This innovative program will help patrons become more physically, mentally, financially, and professionally "fit".

We are seeking volunteers to facilitate the creation of this unique course. All knowledge and experience levels are needed to create the curriculum. Tell us what you want to learn! Stop in the library and discuss filling a position on our developmental team.



Compiled by Bob Thran

Readlyn, Long Ago

Captain Paul L. Milius

Paul Milius was born to C.H. and Christina Milius on February 11, 1928, the youngest of four children. He was born on the homesteaded Milius farm near Denver and grew up on a farm 3 miles west of Readlyn. Paul was a graduate of Readlyn High School, one of 15 in the class of 1946.

On December 30, 1951 Paul married Darlene Meyerhoff who was in his high school class. Darlene was the daughter of August Meyerhoff, president of the Readlyn Savings Bank. Darlene had a twin, Arlene, and also a younger sister, Ruth Marie. I graduated one year later than Paul and sat next to him in high school my junior year. Paul was the catcher for our baseball team (a good power hitter) and was a starter as a guard on the basketball team his senior year. Too bad Readlyn had no football team as Paul would have been an outstanding lineman.

During his senior year at RHS, Paul received an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. By May 21, a few days after graduation, Paul was in boot camp at the US Naval Training Center in San Diego, CA. after which he reported to the US Naval Academy. Paul had little chance at academic success at the Naval Academy. Readlyn High School, as was the case with most small schools in the area, offered no advanced math courses (Algebra II, Geometry, Trigonometry) and no Chemistry or Physics. After 22 months in the US Navy, he was discharged.

His goal was to become a naval pilot, however, to qualify Paul needed a college degree. He enrolled at Iowa State Teachers College (UNI) continuing to serve in the Naval Reserve. After earning his two-year degree, Paul was again on active duty in Pensacola, FL in pre-flight school. Next, he went to advanced training at Corpus Christi TX, where on December 16, 1951 he earned the naval aviator wings of gold. Fourteen days later, he married Darlene Meyerhoff in Zion Lutheran Church in Readlyn.

During his 20 years in the navy, Paul was assigned to many naval bases and performed a host of various duties. He also went up in rank. His first two assignments of his career, 1955 to 1957, were to the Naval Air Station in Patuxent, Maryland, where he gained experience in flying multi-engined Lockheed aircraft and to

the Naval Air Station in Hutchinson, KS as a flight instructor. His son, David, and daughter, Annette, were born during this period.

Another assignment for Lieutenant Milius was to the USS Kearsarge aircraft carrier. While onboard Kearsarge, he participated in the mission to retrieve Walter Schirra's Mercury "Sigma 7" space capsule in 1962.

On his last and fatal assignment, Captain Milius (rank equivalent to Colonel in the US army) volunteered to a newly established Naval Observation Squadron. Aircraft were heavily armored and fitted with land detection systems for ground reconnaissance missions. His unit was assigned to a base in Thailand and immediately began flying surveillance missions in the vicinity of the Ho Chi Minh Trail in Vietnam. At 1157 local time, Commander Milius and the crew of his aircraft were on a surveillance mission over Laos when the aircraft received a direct hit from anti-aircraft fire. One crewman was killed instantly. Fire broke out in the aircraft. As it became clear that the aircraft could not be saved, Paul took the control from the pilot and gave the crew the order to bail out. Paul continued to control the plane to enable the crew to escape. Of the eight surviving members of the crew, all but Paul were rescued. Although Paul was seen leaving the plane, heavy enemy fire led to search efforts being discontinued before he could be rescued. He was declared Missing in Action in Southeast Asia in 1968. Ten years later, his status was changed to Presumed Killed in Action. He was posthumously awarded the Navy Cross, a prestigious honor, 50 years ago, in 1968.

Navy Cross Citation

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the Navy Cross (posthumously) to Captain, (then) Commander Paul L. Milius, United States Navy, for extraordinary heroism on 27 February, 1968 as an aircraft Commander on a combat mission in Southeast Asia. Captain Milius' aircraft received multiple hits from 37mm anti-aircraft artillery fire during a run over the assigned target. The aircraft immediately burst into flames, several members of the crew received injuries, and dense smoke and fumes filled the fuselage. Remaining at the controls to ensure stable flight, Captain Milius ordered his crew-

men to bail out. As a result of his action, seven of nine crew member were rescued within three hours of his bail-out. Rescue flights, however, were unable to locate Captain Milius. His heroic efforts and inspiring devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

USS Milius

The US Navy granted a great honor to Captain Paul L. Milius by naming a naval ship USS Milius. The missile-launching destroyer, USS Milius, has a length of 505 feet, and 66-foot beam. Thirty or more people from the Denver area, led by Butch Milius, nephew to Paul, traveled to Pascagoula, FL, to witness the elaborate ceremony christening the USS Milius. Annette Milius christened the ship USS Milius, October 28, 1995, the first vessel in the US Navy named after a MIA Naval Officer.

The designation of a serviceman "Missing in Action" has a devastating effect on family members. The designation "Killed in Action" allows the family to grieve, gives closure, and offers them the opportunity to immediately manage their lives. Those affected by their serviceman being listed as Missing in Action are held in limbo, continue to hope and have difficulty in making decisions. This was the case with Paul's wife, Darlene, who was unable to cope, suffered depression and died in 1988 at age 60 in San Diego. His son, David, was a research technician in the Chemical Engineering Dept. at Princeton University, battled addiction, withdrew from the family, and in 2013, at age 57, took



Capt. Paul Milius as shown on the Freedom Rock.

his life. Paul's daughter, Annette, graduated from West Waterloo High School in 1972, attended UNI, transferred to the University of Iowa and received a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Annette was a primary nurse on the Child Psychiatry Unit at the University Hospital and Clinics and eventually received a Master of Arts in Adult Mental Health Nursing. She continued working as a nurse supervisor. Moving to Topeka, KS, Annette worked for 14 years as a Clinical Specialist Nurse at the Menninger Clinic. She had written several publications and presented many workshops on mental health. She worked on a doctoral degree at the University of Kansas. Annette died in 2010 at age 56 in Waterloo.

Much of the information came from Butch Milius. His assistance made this article a reality. This article was difficult for me to write. For 10 years, I went to school with Darlene and Arlene. It was sad to learn that an intelligent, poised, attractive person as Darlene suffered her last years as she did.



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News from Community Lutheran School

Every day of the week we are blessed with the best Grandma Helpers! A heartfelt thank you for their love, patience, dedication, and time helping in preschool daycare all through the school year!



Kindergarten through seventh grade students praised God through song and skit with their dramatic performance about Queen Esther in "Malice in the Palace" by Allen Pope and Tom Long.



CLS Spring Musical



CLS students enjoyed fossil hunting at Fossil and Prairie Park in Rockford, IA.



Three-year-old preschool loves Ms. Barb! Throughout the school year, once a month we enjoyed an active and engaging story time with our favorite storyteller, Ms. Barb at the Readlyn Community Library! We are blessed to have her storytelling talent and enthusiasm for reading in our great town! On May Day we surprised her with a blooming grass May Day cup where we got loving hugs!



Community Lutheran School students grades 3-6 participated in the LCMS Iowa District East annual track meet on May 11. Wildcat pride!



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Mollie B to perform at Willow Winds

Mollie B, the star of *Mollie B Polka Party*, invites the public to a free afternoon concert at Willow Winds Assisted Living in Denver on Thursday, June 20 at 2 PM. Mollie will be performing with the Jim Busta Band.

This is a free event. Contact Kerry at Willow Winds Assisted Living at 319-984-5867 for more information.

The *Mollie B Polka Party* is a one-hour HD traditional music and variety series, which debuts twice weekly, Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday at 10 p.m. (EST) on the RFD-TV network and every Saturday at 10:00 pm (EST). The series includes dancing, music, LIVE events and specials. Mollie B entertains an avid fan base and tours regularly with "Squeezebox."

Mollie B, a multi-talented musician and dancer, was most recently seen in the Warner Brothers movie, "The Mule," starring Clint Eastwood, after being hand-picked by Eastwood to play, sing, and dance in his movie.

Mollie B has been performing on stage since she was eight years old, playing different instruments, and always sharing her love of music. This performance will indulge audiences with her unique style and ever present bubbling personality.

Mollie currently performs about 150 engagements a year in nearly 20 states a year, and hosts two cruises.

Don't miss out on this free afternoon of musical entertainment, happening June 20 at Willow Winds Assisted Living!



Mollie B.



Readlyn upgrades air system

The Readlyn Volunteer Firefighters Association is happy to announce a recent acquisition of some much-needed equipment for the Readlyn Fire Department.

The air system used to produce and store the air needed for firefighters to breath during emergency response situations was in dire need of an upgrade. The prior system was getting outdated and struggled to keep up with demand placed on it during refill activities. In addition, it was not capable of producing higher pressure outputs that many of our neighboring fire departments use (we could get to about 3500 PSI while the modern breathing air systems are higher than that).

Through funding made possible by

many of our local supporters, the Readlyn Fire Department was able to install a new breathing air system comprised of a TalonBAC Eagle 6000 PSI air compressor and 4 cascade storage cylinders capable of each holding 6000 PSI (pictured above). The funding of this new system was made possible through the generosity of our supporters – Black Hawk County Gaming Association and the Isle Casino & Hotel at Waterloo, Bremer County Community Foundation, Readlyn Community Fund, & individuals and businesses in the area.

On behalf of the Readlyn Volunteer Firefighters Association & Readlyn Fire Department, we would like to say THANK YOU for your continued support.

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2019 scholarship winners at Wapsie Valley announced

The Wapsie Valley Education Foundation is proud to announce the 2019 Scholarship winners. Congratulations to all the scholarship winners!

Trystan Lampe received the Steve Phelan Memorial Scholarship for \$500.

Lydia Martins received the Toneff Memorial Tractorcade Scholarship for \$1000.

Erin Riordan and Kaleb Krall received the Hookanliner Scholarships of \$500 each.

Abby Sheppard, Kyle Zimmerman and Tanner Sauerbrei received the Leistikow Scholarships for \$500 each given by Laverne & Judy Leistikow, Kurt & Jenifer Leistikow and Ron & Judy Leistikow.

Carley Schmit, Jacob Risse and Cassidy

Brunschon received the Wapsie Valley Education Foundation Service Scholarships for \$500 each.

Nolan Rochford and Bryce Kleitsch received the Carlene Werner Memorial Scholarships for \$500 each.

Kim Brown and Ron Leistikow awarded Abby Sheppard and Cassidy Brunschon

the Readlyn Involvement Scholarships sponsored by the Readlyn Valentine's committee for \$500 each. Congratulations, ladies, you have a bright future ahead of you!

We want to thank everyone that applied. We had a lot of wonderful candidates to choose from. Great job class of 2019. Best wishes with all your future endeavors!



Local student to attend Electric Cooperative Youth Tour in June

Urbanda, Iowa – The Iowa Association of Electric Cooperatives celebrates over 60 years of sending high school students to the nation's capital this year as they announce that 36 Iowa high school students will attend the 2019 Electric Cooperative Youth Tour from June 14-20 this summer in Washington, D.C.

Iowa's Youth Tour participants hail from all corners of the state, including two high school juniors from ECI REC's service area. This year, Jacob Ludeking and Kaylee Kleitsch will represent ECI REC. They will visit historical sites, spend a day on Capitol Hill, meet congressional leaders, and more.

Kaylee Kleitsch attends Wapsie Valley High School and is the daughter of Richard and Brenda Kleitsch of Fairbank. Kaylee is an honor roll student. Her school activities include archery and being a student ambassador representative. She is also a member of the Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter, where she holds the position of sentinel and is part of the conduct of meetings team and poultry judging. Kaylee is also a teacher's assistant and is part of the Talented and Gifted Program (TAG), choir, chamber choir, and musicals. Her activities outside school include being a member of the Atom Bombers 4-H Club, where she serves as president. She is also a library volunteer, babysitter, and house-and-pet-sitter for several families. Finally, Kaylee is a Vacation Bible School teacher, lector, and member of several other

church groups and fundraisers.

Jacob Ludeking of Benton Community High School will also attend.

Iowa's electric cooperatives have sponsored high school students on this trip since 1958. Students apply and are selected for this program by their local electric cooperative. Nearly 50,000 students have participated in the national Youth Tour program since its creation. For more information, visit www.youthtour.coop.



Kaylee Kleitsch

Iowa Corn announces Future of Ag Scholarship recipients

JOHNSTON, Iowa –Iowa Corn announced the 16 student recipients of the Iowa Corn Future of Agriculture Scholarship program for the 2019-2020 school year.

Among the winners was Lydia Martins of Wapsie Valley High School.

Iowa Corn awarded the sixteen (16) \$1,000 one-year scholarships to deserving, qualified students enrolled at an accredited U.S. 2-year or 4-year junior college, college or university, or graduate school, in a program of study to equip them to contribute to Iowa's agriculture industry. The program is sponsored by the Iowa Corn Growers Association® (ICGA) and the Iowa Corn Promotion Board® (ICPB).

"Iowa Corn is committed to developing future leaders in the agriculture industry," said Larry Buss, a farmer from Logan and Iowa Corn Grassroots Network, Membership & Checkoff (GNMC) Committee Chair. "Our industry's success depends on our ability to offer relevant programming, advocacy, and services to those new leaders entering Iowa's agricultural sector. We are excited for the future of agriculture in Iowa with this group of recipients leading the way."

Selection committees evaluated applications by their essays, applications, reference letters, current grades, and activities. They also must be Iowa Corn Growers Association members or be a dependent of a member. Iowa Corn will recognize these scholarship recipients at the Grassroots Summit in August.

Martins will attend Iowa State University majoring in Agriculture and Society. Lydia stated in her essay, "With my program of study giving me training on economics and policy, I will contribute to the agriculture industry in Iowa by supporting local farmers in producing their food and livestock to be marketed to all consum-

ers."

Other scholarship winners are Nathan Behrends, Atlantic High School; Calvin Carlson, Humboldt High School; Alli Harms, Okoboji High School; Kyle Poen, South Central Calhoun High School; Gabe Shultz, Scotland County High School; Hannah Spies, Muscatine High School; Ben Vos, Pella Christian High School.

College scholarship winners include:

Megan Behrends, an Iowa State University sophomore in Agriculture and Life Science Education from Wiota; Brooke Beinhart, an Iowa State University freshman in Agricultural Business and Agronomy from Keota; Kelsi Carlson, an Iowa State University junior in Agricultural Communications from Lake City; Colby Lafrenz, an Iowa State University junior studying Agricultural Engineering from Maysville; Kaleb Miller, an Iowa State University sophomore in studying Agriculture Studies and Agronomy from Lacona; Katelin Pagel, an Iowa State University junior studying Agriculture and Life Sciences Education from Sumner; Lauren Schwarck, a Purdue University graduate student pursuing a Master of Science in Agronomy from Spencer; Lillian Swanson, an Iowa State University sophomore majoring in Agricultural Business and International Agriculture from Galt.

The Iowa Corn Promotion Board (ICPB), works to develop and defend markets, fund research, and provide education about corn and corn products. The Iowa Corn Growers Association (ICGA) is a 7,500-member strong grassroots-driven organization, headquartered in Johnston, Iowa, serving members across the state, and lobbying on agricultural issues on behalf of its farmer members to create opportunities for long-term Iowa corn grower profitability. For more information, visit iowacorn.org.

Deadline for June 26 Chronicle:
Mon., June 17, 11 AM
Extended deadline due to Grump Days

Grump Days' Schedule of Events

THURSDAY, JUNE 13

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

5:30-7pm **Bicycle Poker Run Registration** – Sponsored by CrawDaddy's Register at Wapsie Elementary entrance 5:30-7
 6-8pm **Bicycle Poker Run**
 Ride 6-8 PM (adult prize \$150, kids prize \$75)
 Ride around to town on bicycles to various stops to collect playing cards. Best 5 card poker hand wins. Cost: \$10 adults (18 & older) \$5 kids (17 & under)
 Dusk **Family Movie Night** – Sponsored by Community Lutheran School & Larry's Skelly's Repairs
 Readlyn Elementary Gym - Concessions available.

7:30 am..... **5K Walk/Run**
 \$20.00 Registration (shirt guaranteed) (through 5/26 at 11:59 PM US/Central)
 \$25.00 Late registration (shirt not guaranteed) (5/26 at 11:59 PM US/Central through 6/15 at 12:00 PM US/Central)
https://secure.getmeregistered.com/get_information.php?event_id=132283
 10:00am..... **PARADE**
 Contact Courtney Hesse at (319)-939-6126
 After Parade **Food Stands & Beer Tent Open.** No charge for required wristband. No coolers or insulated cups.
 11:00am-5:00pm..... **Grumpsters' Chipped & Treasured Market** — Vendors welcome. Contact Kim Brown (319)415-9675
 11:30am-1:00pm..... **Heroes Gather Here** - Interact with a local Hero. City Park
 11:30 am-2:00pm..... **Kids in the Park** — Sponsored by David C Matthias-Farm Bureau Financial Services, Readlyn Library, balance, TruServe Insurance - \$5 wristbands required. Carnival games, face painting, Bouncy houses, Casting Contest, etc. Prize bags w/prizes & goodies!
 12:00pm-3:00pm **Balloon Man Darrel Anderson**
 Sponsored by Readlyn Chiropractic Clinic, Farmer's Co-op, Leistikow Law
 1:00pm..... **Schafskopf Card Tourney** (in the tent)
 Sponsored by David C. Matthias, Farm Bureau Financial Services
 2:00-5:00pm **1st Annual Shine & Show on Main Street**
 Sponsored by Platte Home Improvement
 Contact Lloyd Bacon 319-239-6030, Steve Hazlet 319-233-4145 or Mike Kruse 319-291-2173
 2:00pm..... **Register for Minnow Races** (North end of City Park)
 2:30pm..... **Minnow Races Begin!**
 Sponsored by: Eric Johnston Readlyn Outdoors, Readlyn Garden Club and Hank's Live, Bait & Tackle
 2:30-4:00pm **BINGO for all ages!** (Gazebo) No charge. Sponsored by: Ron & Judy Leistikow
 8:30pm-12:30am **Too Beaucoup—Musical entertainment** in the Tent
 Sponsored by: Prime Ag Services, Readlyn Savings Bank & Readlyn Vets Clinic
 1:00am..... **Beer Tent Closes**

FRIDAY, JUNE 14

8:00am..... **"Grumpsters" Readlyn Annual Golf Tourney**
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 Reservations call soon: (319) 882-4229
 4:00pm-1:00am **Beer Tent:** No charge for required wristband
 4:30pm-7:00pm **Ice Cream Sundaes** (@ Gazebo)
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 5:00pm-8:00pm **Balloon Man Darrel Anderson**
 Sponsored by Readlyn Chiropractic Clinic, Farmer's Co-op, Leistikow Law
 5:00pm..... **Vendors' Food Stands Open**
 5:00pm..... **Pedal Pull** (between park & school)— Sponsored by Wapsie Valley FFA
 Ages 10 and under
 5:00pm-6:00pm **Registration for Slip-n-Slide Kick Ball** – at the ball park
 \$50 a team - Contact Rhino Cox for more information 319-784-7834
 6:00pm..... **Slip-n-Slide Kick Ball** - Sponsored by Wapsie Valley Mat Pac
 6:00pm..... **Crowning Ceremony**
 Kick off with vocals from David Heinemann and Cassidy Brunscheon
 Little "Grumpsters"— Sponsored by TruServe Insurance
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 2019 Readlyn Grump and Volunteer of the Year Award
 7:00pm-8:30pm **Pepper Tourney** (Gazebo). No registration needed
 Contact Judy Henn or Shirley Kuker for more information.
 8:30pm-12:30am **Mitchell Boevers-Music Entertainment** in the Tent
 Sponsored by Newy's Wireless Communications, Wittenburg Trucking, Greg Matthias
 10:00pm..... **Fireworks:** Seating available on East side of Zion Lutheran Church
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 1:00am..... **Beer Tent Closes**

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

9:00am..... **Community Church Service in the Park**
 with Pastor Phil Girardin from St. Paul's & Immanuel Lutheran Church.
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DONATIONS NEEDED!

Classification: Personal.

News from Wapsie Valley Elementary



Ms. Heather from Bremer County led Mrs. Ott's 2nd grade students on a dinosaur excavation activity in the classroom.



Students from Fairbank and Readlyn honored Earth Day by going out into the communities to pick up sticks.



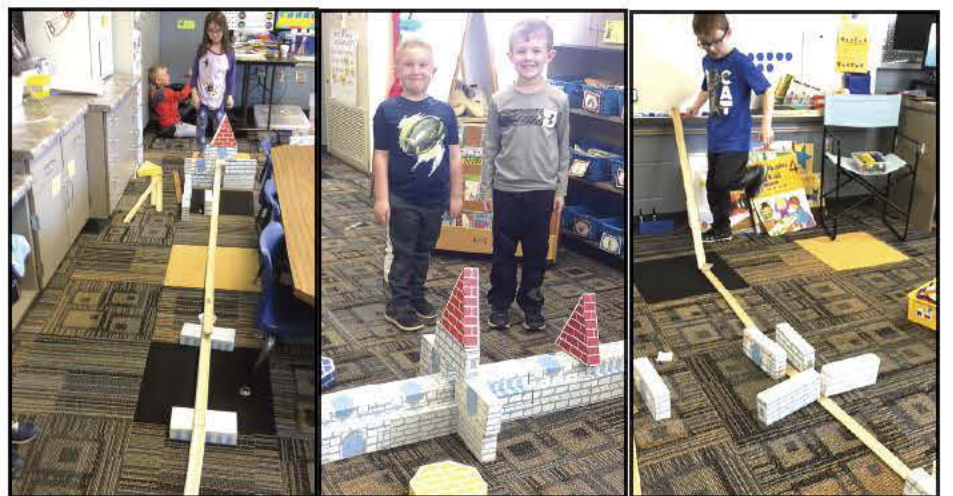
Kindergarten Round-Up was a huge success. Students are pictured doing crafts and activities based off of the book, *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*.



6th Grade students from Fairbank participated in a Roller Coaster Workshop at Central Rivers AEA on April 18. They had the opportunity to collaborate with other ELP students from Union, Dike-New Hartford, and Sumner Fredericksburg Schools. It's always awesome to learn something new with other local area students. Our students did an outstanding job engineering the tallest, freestanding structure using their creativity. No instructions necessary! They went into this with printed templates, scissors, tape, and a marble. Way to go, 6th Grade ELP Students!



The Fairbank 5th & 6th grade students took a D.A.R.E. Field Trip to the State Capitol in Des Moines. They sang songs in the Capitol arranged by Mrs. Benschoter. Sheriff Bill Wolfram organizes this event every year. The students also attend the Iowa Hall of Pride Museum.



Mrs. James' kindergarten class in Fairbank enjoyed our science unit about force and motion using ramps! This was a great STEM building activity, as the students worked together to build and extend various types of ramps, using marbles and other objects!

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By: Eric Johnston

Fourth Season Success

Last month I wrote about my struggles during second season turkey hunting. This month, I'll finish out the hunting stories and transition back to fishing next month. This month's article is quite different than last month and, as hunting sometimes goes, some days you feel as if you can do no wrong. In this article, I'm going to tell you about most likely my quickest turkey hunt ever.

After my second season blunders, I couldn't wait to get back in the timber to redeem myself! I had anxiously awaited the opening day of fourth season. Iowa allows each hunter two turkey tags per spring season and this year I had taken second and fourth season. This year, fourth season opened on Wednesday, April 24. Due to work obligations, I couldn't make it out for the opening morning. It was a long 10 hours as I had planned to get into the timber after work. With all of my late winter shed hunting and scouting for local hunting areas, I had a pretty good idea where some nice toms were living. As I got home from work, I let my wife know where I was headed and I was on my way!

I arrived to the parking lot of a piece of local public hunting ground at 5:45, put on my Mossy Oak camo, grabbed my gun and began to walk in. As I eased down the DNR access path, I thought to myself, "In this nice open path, it would be something to see a turkey strutting or crossing it." I had only walked another 30 yards and spotted a gobbler crossing the path. He never saw me and I became really excited as I now knew there was a nice bird in this section. He had crossed about 100 yards down the path from me and I quietly picked up my pace to close the distance. Through scouting, I had a good idea where he was headed.

Within this section, there's an open stretch of timber about the size of a football field surrounded by thick underbrush. It's a perfect area for a turkey to strut in the evening before heading to the roosting trees I'd found near this open area.

I made my way close to where the tom

had entered the timber. I eased in quietly about thirty yards and let out a few yelps with my mouth call. The tom instantly responded with a loud gobble! I wasn't exactly sure how far he was from me and I hadn't even sat down near a tree yet. I stayed still as I was caught out in the open. I let out a couple more yelps and the tom gobbled again. This time I could tell he was about 80 yards in from me. I quickly found a tree to hide by and quietly settled in. I once again called and the tom instantly responded again. I could tell he was in the flat where I thought he would be. With him being so responsive I stopped calling and waited for him to make his way to me. In an evening situation like this, I like to make the bird seek me out once I know he's interested. He gobbled again trying to figure out where the "hen" (aka me) was.

Suddenly I heard a low rumble coming down the Wapsi River. It was Wednesday evening and the National Guard was training with their helicopter. They flew low to the trees and slowly down the river. It was very cool to see, but I thought for sure the tom would be spooked.

As the helicopter worked away and the timber settled down I let out another call and heard silence. I let a couple minutes pass, thinking the tom had spooked and let out another call. He instantly gobbled right back and was a lot closer this time. He hadn't spooked and was on his way.

I moved my gun a little to my right as there was a small ditch of water between me and the bird and I knew he would be able to get around it on my right. A couple minutes passed without seeing him, but instead of calling I softly rustled my hand in the dry leaves next to me, trying to sound like a hen turkey walking around. When the tom heard that, he gobbled loud and I spotted him coming through the thick brush. He was at 35 yards and moving from my right to my left. It was very thick to get a clean shot so I kept looking in front of him for a clear lane. I moved my gun, pointing down an open deer trail he was walking towards. He kept going in and out, strut and spit drumming the



whole time. It was quite a show and I was excitedly taking it all in.

The tom almost made it into my opening when all the sudden I heard what sounded like a person walking into the woods behind me. The tom spooked and immediately ran to the south. "What happened? Did someone walk in behind me?" I thought. After all, I was on public land.

I slowly turned my head left and here came two big toms from the north looking to run my original tom off. They were headed right to the deer trail opening and I decided to shoot the lead bird. As he stepped into the lane I yelled really loud and he stuck his head up high. I squeezed the trigger and he went down!! I got up and made my way to a beautiful tom turkey!!

I looked at my phone, the time was 6:14. I had gotten it done in just under half an hour. I was so excited, not only for getting my fourth season bird, but for doing

it on public hunting land a mere 10-minute drive from my house! The scouting and planning had paid off! I made a call to my Dad and let him know the news on my way home.

Once home, I went in the house and told my daughter, Delana, to come check out dad's bird. She was so excited she jumped right in the truck, fanned him out and had me take a picture! It's definitely a hunt I won't soon forget!

As I sat down to write this, we are also busy planning Grump Days with the Community Club and I wanted to pass along that Readlyn Outdoors will be putting on a kids' casting contest during Kids in the Park and, at 2:30 Saturday, I will be hosting kids' minnow races. These are two events you don't want to miss! More information is on the Grump Days' flier. So come see me at the park on Saturday of Grump Days for both events! And until next month, GET OUTDOORS!!!

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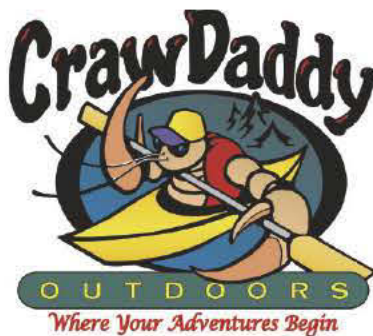
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Easter Egg Hunt Readlyn, Iowa

On April 20, about 250 children participated in the annual Easter Egg Hunt.

The children found two eggs each and redeemed them for prizes from several local businesses and sponsors.

Readlyn Community Club members thank everyone for attending.



Memorial Day observance in Readlyn

Wayne Teisinger Readlyn Post 5661 and Post Auxiliary observed Memorial Day beginning with

a Graveside Service at Grove Hill Cemetery east of Readlyn at 9:00 a.m. Following that, they along with the Wapsie Valley Marching Band and area Boy and Girl Scout formed a parade to the Readlyn Elementary School where a program took place at 11:00 a.m.

Following the playing the National Anthem by the Wapsie Valley Band and and the Pledge of Allegiance, the Reverend Phillip Girardin of St. Paul Readlyn and Immanuel of Klinger led the attendees in prayer and gave a Memorial Day address. Auxiliary President Verdeen Pavelec presented a reading titled "Poppy Daze," and the Readlyn Area Parish Choir sang "Thank You Soldiers."

A new member of the Post 5661, Master Sergeant Patrick Brodigan spoke about his service and Memorial Day. He and his family moved to Readlyn after he retired from the Air Force after more than 20 years of service. He is married to the former Melissa Smith of Waverly and has two children, Shealee and Jack, Patrick serves as an assistant director of the Readlyn Community Library.

The program inside the school commenced with the Wapsie Valley Band playing the "Armed Forces Salute" with veterans standing as their branch of service hymn was played.

On the north side of the school, the VFW and Auxiliary then conducted a mock graveside service. Following the march back to the Historical Society, everyone enjoyed a potluck dinner at the Readlyn Library.



Master Sergeant Patrick Brodigan



Abby Sheppard was honored at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church on Sunday, May 5, as a graduating senior from Wapsie Valley Schools. Barb Buhr presented her with a gift from the Martha Circle. Abby is the daughter of Amy and Doug Sheppard.

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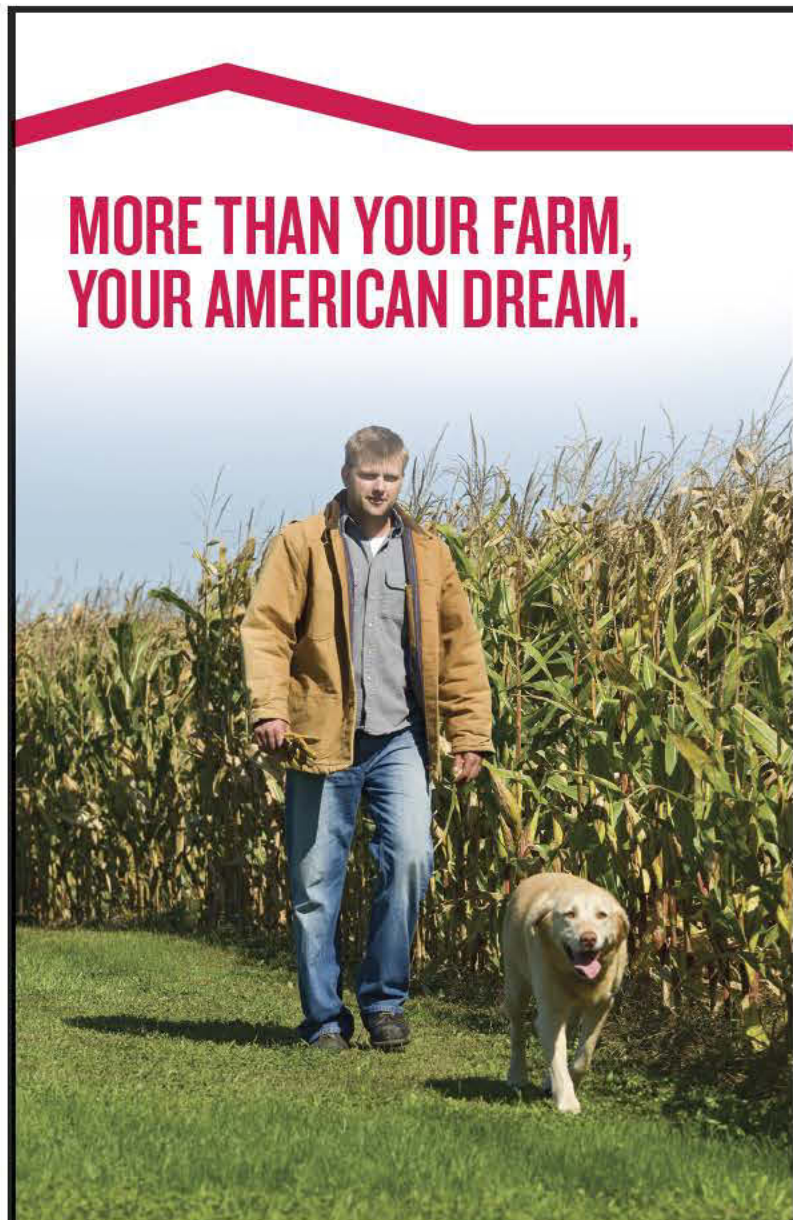
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Readlyn Community Happenings

Senior Citizens meet; Wilbert Huebner notes 99th birthday

On April 17, 2019, 14 members attended the 11:30 meal at Inspired for the Senior Citizens meeting. We also had 3 visitors, Velma, Bev and Dan Huebner who were visiting Wilbert Huebner for his birthday. We were glad they attended the Senior Citizen meeting with us!

President Ron Leistikow led everyone in prayer before our delicious meal.

The treasurer's report was read by Charlie Albrecht and the balance in the account after expenses was \$105. Motion was made by Don Billhorn and seconded by Roland Schmidt to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

The secretary's minutes from the March 20 meeting were read. A motion was made by Wilda Albrecht and seconded by Judy

Leistikow to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried.

We all signed a get-well card for Roger Deterding as he had back surgery and is home now recovering.

We all sang "Happy Birthday" to Wilbert Huebner who was 99 on April 17!

We also sang "Happy Birthday" to Ro-

land Schmidt, Freddie Bast and Darlene Peters who all had birthdays in April.

Old Business: April 7 was the Annual Community Club meeting. It was reported by Ron Leistikow that 85 members attended the meeting and Trivia Night. Fun was had by all!

New Business: It was brought to everyone's attention that Roland Schmidt received a Volunteer of the Year Award for volunteering at UnityPoint for 23 years! Congratulations, Roland!

Grump Days "Where Heroes Gather"

June 13-16. More details to come.

The next meeting was to be May 15 at 11:30 at Inspired.

Motion was made by Roland Schmidt and seconded by Verdeen Pavelec to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

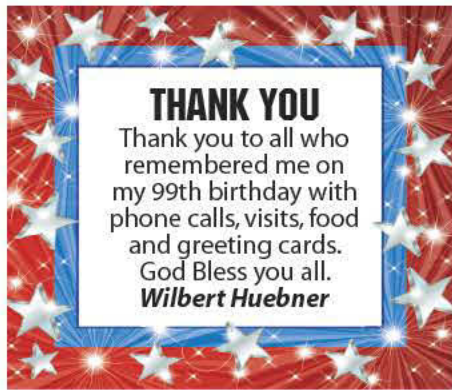
The meeting was followed by playing Bingo with some elementary school children at 1:00.

The Readlyn Senior Citizens are always looking for new members. Come join the fun!

Lois Thacher, Secretary



Wilbert Huebner celebrates his 99th birthday with the senior citizens on his birthday April 17 with his son and his wife and a sister-in-law. Everyone enjoyed wishing him a very happy 99th birthday.



Auxiliary meets May 14

The Wayne Teisinger V.F.W. Auxiliary #5661 met May 14, 2019 at the home of Darlene Peters with six members present. The meeting opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes and treasurer's reports were read and accepted. A motion was made by Wilda Albrecht and seconded by Marjorie Macken to accept the audit report, carried.

General orders and chairman reports were heard by all. Volunteer hours were turned in for April. It was reported on 3rd District meeting by Ellen Thies and Wilda Albrecht that Charlie and Wilda Albrecht, Burton and Ellen Thies, Luann Happel and Verdeen Pavelec attended.

Department of Iowa convention will be June 6-9 at the Airport in Des Moines. The National Convention will be July 20-24 in Orlando, FL.

Officers names were sent in to National. Ellen Thies and Verdeen Pavelec set up

the display case in the Readlyn Library for Memorial Day. This is the 70th year of the V.F.W Auxiliary in Readlyn. A motion was made by Darlene Peters and seconded by Wilda Albrecht to give \$5.00 towards 3rd District gift basket and \$1.00 for the love gift, carried. Memorial Day Service was planned for May 24, 2019 with graveside service at Grove Hill Cemetery, 10:45 parade to Readlyn Elementary School with service to follow. Potluck at noon at the Readlyn Library meeting room.

Installation of officers: Verdeen Pavelec, President; Luann Happel, Sr. Vice President; Darlene Peters, Jr. Vice President; Ellen Thies, Treasurer; installed by past President Marjorie Macken.

A motion was made by Wilda Albrecht and seconded by Ellen Thies to adjourn, carried. Meeting closed with prayer. Hostess was Darlene Peters.



Officers of Wayne Teisinger V.F.W. Auxillary #566, pictured left to right, are: Past President, Marjorie Macken, installing officers, Sr. Vice President and Secretary, Luann Happel; President, Verdeen Pavelec; Treasurer Ellen Thies; and Jr. Vice President, Darlene Peters.



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