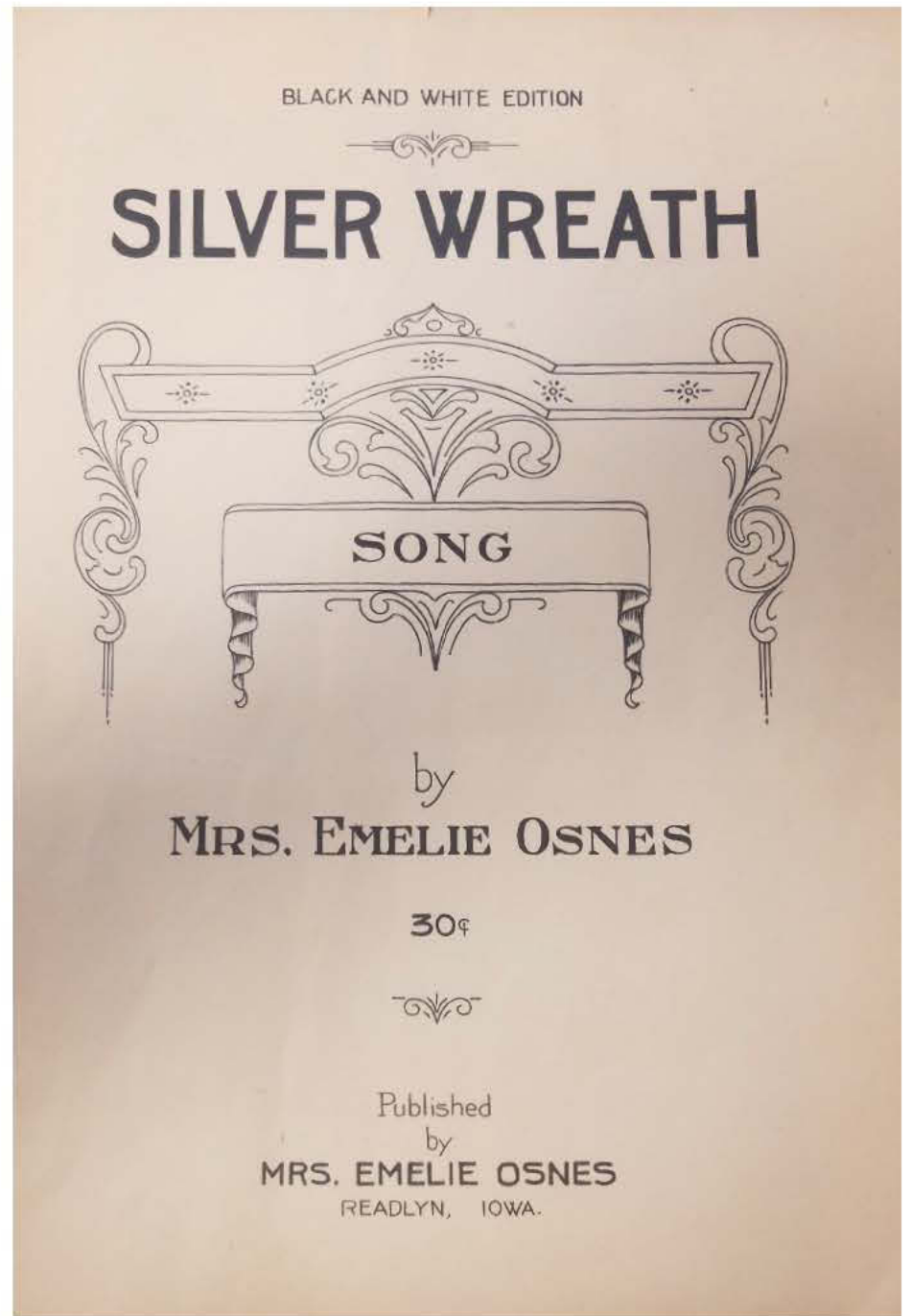
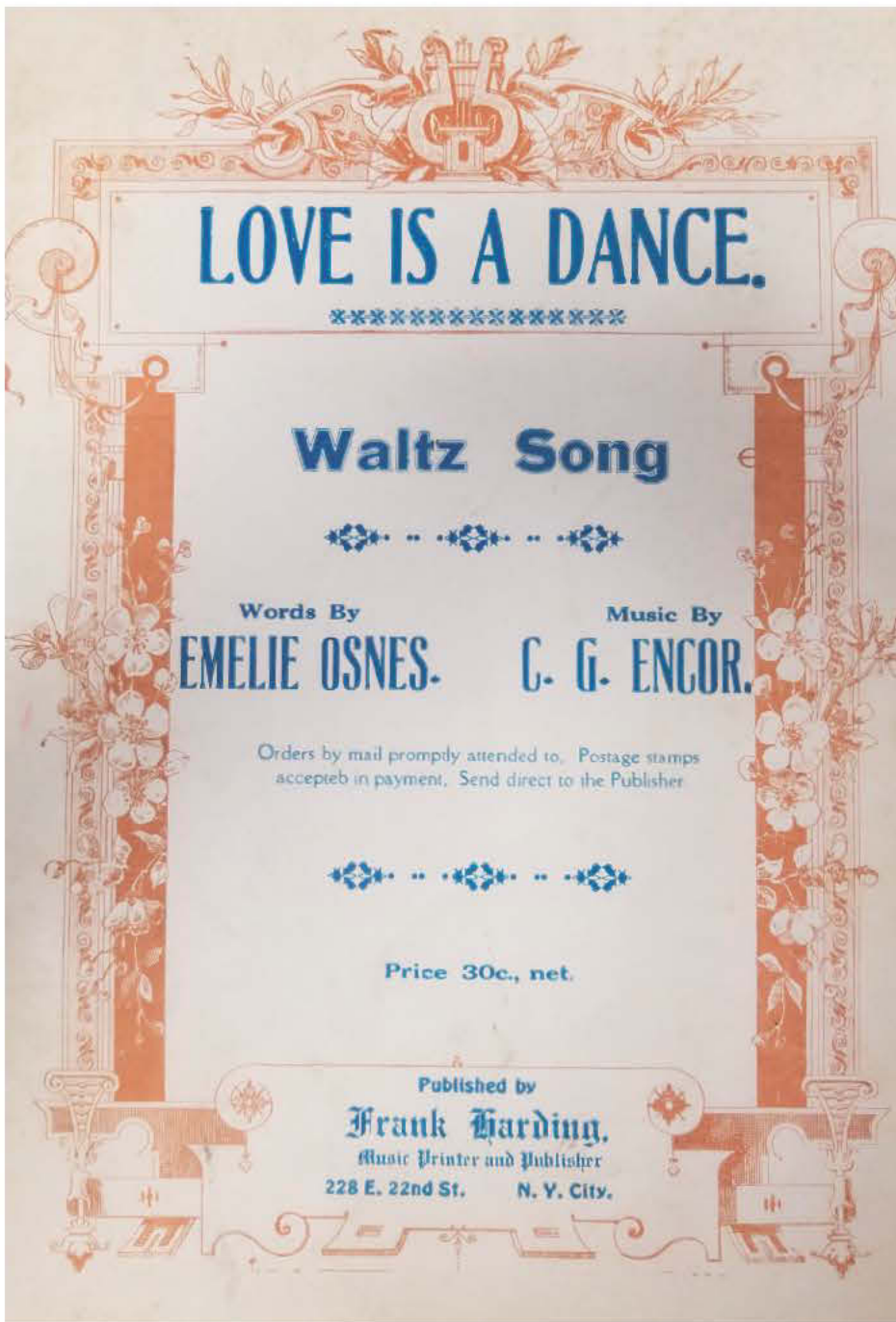


# Readlyn Chronicle

Home of 857 Friendly People and One Old Grump

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## Hear songs written by Readlyn's Emelie Osnes at the ball

Come to the Keep Your Heart in Readlyn Valentine's Ball on Friday, February 8, 2019 and hear Miss Readlyn (Cassidy Brunscheon) sing songs that were written by Readlyn's Mrs. Emelie Osnes.

She was the wife of Dr. Osnes and

published these songs in 1929.

Emelie wrote the words to three songs. The songs are "Love Is A Dance," "Silver Wreath," and "Hand in Hand." These were given to the Historical Society by Shirley Thurm of Denver.

The Osnes were in Readlyn from 1919 to 1942. After the hospital closed it became apartments and Shirley said the Lobeck family had lived in one of them. She remembers taking piano lessons along with her sister, Carol.

The sheet music was found in a piano bench owned by Shirley's uncle, Ray Kueker.

The Readlyn Historical Museum thanks you for this contribution to Readlyn's history.

## Donate to Wapsie Valley Athletic Boosters organization to help fund baseball/softball diamond lights!

Are you over age 70-1/2 and have an IRA? If so, you are required to take an annual RMD (required minimum distribution) by December 31. Did you know you can donate your RMD, up to a maximum annual exclusion of \$100,000, as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to a charity?

A QCD is generally a nontaxable distribution made directly by the trustee of your IRA to an organization eligible to receive tax deductible contributions, such as a (501)(c) status. Wapsie Valley Athletic Boosters is a qualified charity and is looking for donations for our Lights Fund.

### What is the Lights Fund for?

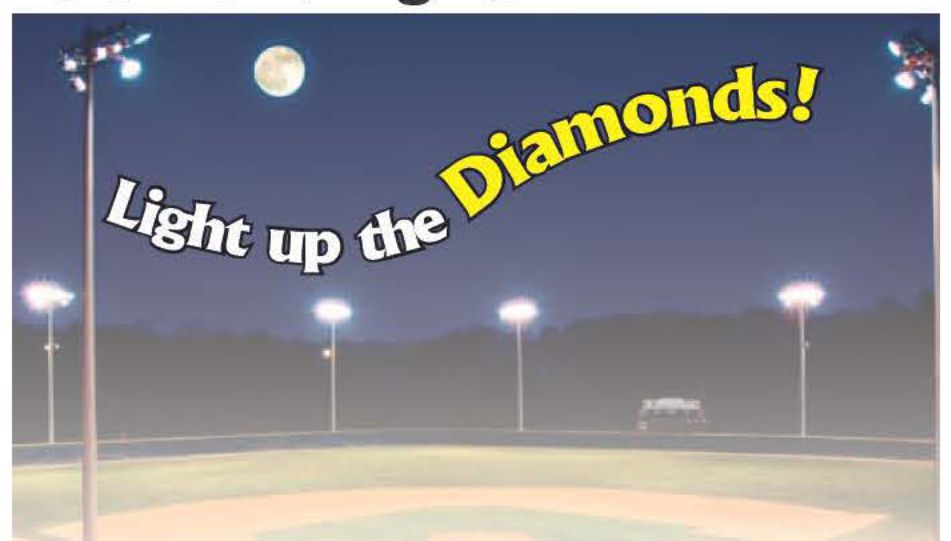
The Lights Fund is for adding lights to the softball and baseball diamonds at

Wapsie Valley High School. The estimated cost for both diamonds is almost \$500,000. Therefore, we are investigating all resources to help fund this great event. Our goal is to get the funding so that we will have lights by the 2020 seasons.

### How can I donate under a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)?

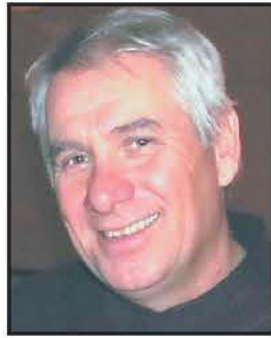
Contact your tax advisor to verify you are eligible and if this is right for you. If so, contact the trustee of your IRA and request them to a QCD to send a check made payable directly to Wapsie Valley Athletic Boosters - Lights Fund, PO Box 344, Fairbank, IA 50629.

Thank you for your support!



### Mayor's Desk

By Dan Wedemeier



Hi Everyone!  
December is more than half gone and Christmas is just around the corner. Thankfully, we have had a pretty mild and snowless season so far.

The City continues its Christmas Light Promotion. If you have Christmas lights decorating your home, you are entitled to some free lights from the City. Stop in City Hall for information if you haven't already done so.

As I mentioned before, the City of Readlyn is applying for a grant program for refurbish several homes.

We need to meet some income qualifications to get in the program. In cooperation with Iowa Northland Regional Government, we are sending out a survey to certain areas of town, so please take time and fill it out. Please don't forget it! It's important! If it is not filled out, it will count as a non-compliant survey.

If you have questions please call or stop into City Hall. Thanks for your help.

This week, contractors are still working on the wetlands project. It looks like we are headed to finish in the spring, but we'll see what the weather does.

Barney and Austin are starting on switching out water meters. The plan is to have all meters exchanged by spring. So, don't be surprised if the guys get hold of you to get that done. If you have questions don't hesitate to call City Hall. This project will take some time, so don't be surprised if you hear from us!

At our next City Council meeting, we will be hearing from all departments to discuss next year's budget. This will set our schedule to get projects accomplished next year. The City does plan to get a drainage line along Malone Avenue in this year's projects as we are working with contractors to get estimates in this winter.

Connie and I would like to personally extend to all you a very merry and safe Happy Holidays!  
*Dan Wedemeier, Mayor*

#### CLIP AND SAVE!

### Tripoli-Readlyn Sanitation Agency

will observe the following holidays in 2019. There will be no garbage pick up on the following days:

- New Years Day ..... Tuesday, January 1, 2019
- Memorial Day ..... Monday, May 27, 2019
- Independence Day ..... Thursday, July 4, 2019
- Labor Day ..... Monday, September 2, 2019
- Thanksgiving Day .... Thursday, November 28, 2019
- Day after Thanksgiving. Friday, November 29, 2019
- Christmas ..... Tuesday, December 24, 2019
- New Years Eve ..... Tuesday, December 31, 2019

If garbage is not picked up due to a holiday, the next garbage pickup day, each household is allowed to put out 1 (one) extra bag without a tag. This bag may not be larger than 32 gallon and must not weigh over 50 pounds.

Please remember that all lids must be snapped down and attached or garbage will not be picked up.



### Grump's Grumblings

By Larry Ladage



We are almost to the end of 2018, but many events have taken place recently.

On Thursday, December 6, many of the past Readlyn Grumps got together for supper at The Watering Hole. A total of seventeen people were in attendance. A lot of memories were hashed over.

I went to the library for the Cookie Walk and bought everything that looked good and sampled the hot cider and cookies.

This past Thursday, Janet and I went to Christmas on Main in Waverly. Lots of people and everything looked very nice. Hopefully, next year there will be a Grump on Main again at Christmastime in Readlyn. I believe they are trying to do that every other year.

Readlyn had a visit from Santa on Saturday, December 15, at the elementary school in Readlyn. Approximately 75 kids had a visit with Santa, and I made sure that each child received a sack. They also could listen to stories, read by Miss Readlyn.

The day after Santa's visit, several members of St. Matthew's went caroling in Readlyn and surrounding areas.

By the time this month's paper is out, everyone should have celebrated Christmas with family and friends. Also, we celebrated the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem.

The decorations in the park and along Main Street have been very pretty again this Christmas season. Thanks to many helping hands to make this happen.

We have been very fortunate to have nice weather so far this winter, with only a small amount of snow and very little cold weather. In fact, today it was in the 40s.

I moved my American flag to half staff due to the death of former President Bush.

Janet and I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Larry Ladage - 2018 Readlyn Grump*

### Miss Readlyn Comments

By Cassidy Brunscheon



Merry Christmas everyone! Christmas is the time of giving back to others and feeling the holiday cheer. My family gathers at my Grandma's after the church Sunday School Christmas program and has either her homemade chili or clam chowder. I love seeing the town decorated with lights and listening to my favorite holiday classics such as *The Christmas Song* and *What Child is This*. I also love making candy with my mom every year. We make caramels, fudge, and toffee and let me tell you, they go fast in my house!

This year, the National Honor Society had an annual service project where items are brought to school for families in our community that are in need. Each class was assigned certain items and the student body is encouraged to bring those items in to help out the community. It fills my heart to see how many people are willing to give in order to make other people's holiday season brighter.

On Saturday, December 15, the City of Readlyn held Santa Day at the Readlyn Elementary. At Santa day, there were cookies and hot cocoa, a chance to meet Santa and the Grump, some great tunes by Zach Boevers, and a turkey raffle! I read Christmas books and handed out balls to the kids. I had so much fun reading to all the children that sat down and listened. There was one girl who sat with me the minute she got there until the minute the event was over (I called her my number one fan). The whole event was such a success and I want to thank everyone who organized the event and all who came out!

At school, winter activities are in full swing. Wrestling and basketball seasons have started. All the teams have been very successful so far, and I wish them a good season. Speech season has started and I'm glad to say we have added many new members this year. The team is doing a Reader's Theater, which is readers performing while reading from a script adapted from literature. This year our selection is about fairy tales that have a little twist to them. I'm so excited for the season and all the new talent on the team!

The music department had a lot of activity this holiday season. The holiday concert was the week before Christmas, and we are already working on new songs for the upcoming year. The choir took the final day of school before winter break to go caroling in the Readlyn and Fairbank communities, including the elementaries. We are also busy fundraising for our spring music trip. We are selling walking tacos and DQ blizzards at home basketball games. Thank you to everyone for supporting the arts!

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and the best of everything in 2019!

*Cassidy Brunscheon - Miss Readlyn 2018*

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### Community Calendar

**Mondays** - Novel Knitters at the library 6 pm  
**Sat., Jan. 5** - Pepper Tournament, 2 PM, Readlyn Event Center  
**Tuesday, Jan. 8** - Visiting Nurses Foot Clinic at the library call 319-235-6201 for an appointment.  
**Tuesday, Jan. 8** - Coloring at the library 1-3 pm  
School-agers welcome after school  
**Tuesday, Jan. 8** - V.F.W. Auxiliary meets  
**Thurs., Jan. 10** - Community Club at Inspired 6:30 PM for officers, 7:00 PM for members.  
**Wed., Jan. 16** - Senior Citizens lunch and cards at Inspired, 11:30 am  
**Thurs., Jan. 17** - 5 PM deadline for the Jan. 30 issue of the *Readlyn Chronicle*  
**Thurs., Jan. 31** - Readlyn Reads Book Discussion @ the Library 7:00 PM  
**Fri., Feb. 8** - Keep Your Heart in Readlyn Valentine's Ball, starting at 6 PM, Readlyn Event Center

# Readlyn Community Happenings

## Auxiliary meets

The Wayne Teisinger V.F.W. Post #5661 met at the Readlyn Library, December 11, 2018 at 6 p.m. for a Christmas potluck. A short meeting was held and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. We dispensed with the minutes, treasurer's and chairman's reports.

Volunteer hours were turned in for November with 129 hours. Twenty letters and two e-mails were sent to congressmen for the veterans' bill. Twelve more letters were handed out to send for Blue Navy bill. A motion was made by Wilda Albrecht and seconded by Darlene Peters to pay the bill; carried. 1729 pop tabs were turned in and taken to 3rd district meeting and went to Mason City Hospital.

Burton and Ellen Thies, Charles and Wilda Albrecht and Verdeen Pavelec attended the meeting at Waterloo Sullivan V.F.W. Post #1623. Ellen Thies is 3rd district treasurer, Verdeen Pavelec was protem conductress and Wilda Albrecht was conductress in the afternoon. A motion was made by Darlene Peters and seconded by Wilda Albrecht to send the dollars that were collected from each member in lieu of Christmas gifts to Patriotic Art, Patriots' Pen and National Home. Carried.

We received answers to our letters from Charles Grassley, and a thank-you from Luann Happel after having surgery. Kwik Trip gift cards were sent to Luann Happel and Jeanette Wolf after having been hospitalized. Delores Sauerbrei, Arlyce Heideman and Jean Wells were visited. A motion was made by Wilda Albrecht and seconded by Darlene Peters to adjourn, carried.

**Thank You**  
 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles.  
 —II Corinthians 2:3, 4 NTV  
 Thanks to all who so thoughtfully and generously remembered Daryl's life.  
*The Family of Daryl Behnke*

## Pepper Tournament

On Saturday, December 3, at the Readlyn Community Event Center, 16 participated in the Pepper Tournament. The winners and their scores were:

- 1st: Grace Kuethe and Barb Meyer - 225
- 2nd: Kathy Albrecht and Suzy Heine-man - 218
- 3rd: Connie Buhr and Shirley Kuker - 204
- 4th: Joan Matthias and Matt Brunscheon - 190

The next tournament will be at the Event Center at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 5. Bring a partner. Entry fee is \$3.00.

We hope you all had a Merry Christmas and wishing you a Happy New Year!  
*Shirley Kuker and Judy Henn*

**Thank you**  
 to all who remembered me in various ways for my 80th birthday. Also, to my family for the gifts and making it memorable! Tami for the delicious food and service entrusted. All was very much appreciated & God's blessings to all.  
*Marlene Kuker*

**Thank You!**  
 We would like to thank everybody that attended or participated in the No Dance/ Dance held at the Watering Hole in November. Winners of the (2) 1/2 hogs and processing were Marianne Phillips and Marlys Deterding. We also want to thank you for all the donations received from area residents for the Readlyn Volunteer Fire Department. Your contribution is going to help us purchase a new Breathing Air System that needs updating. We are very grateful for all your support.

# ~ Obituary ~



## Daryl Behnke

Daryl Behnke, 72, of Readlyn, Iowa, died Sept. 24, 2018, after suffering from Alzheimer's disease for many years.

Daryl Fred Behnke was born June 19, 1946, in Hampton, Iowa, to Frank Robert Behnke and Viola Anne Balgeman Behnke. He grew up in Latimer, Iowa, and Minneapolis. He graduated from Concordia Academy in 1964. He then attended Concordia-St. Paul, graduating in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in education. He married Kathryn Emma Otto of Readlyn, Iowa, on June 19, 1971, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Klinger, Iowa.

Daryl Behnke began a teaching career at Immanuel in Marshfield, Wisc., and several other schools, including as teacher at Community Lutheran School in Klinger, Iowa, and Denver Elementary in Denver, Iowa. In the early 1980s, he left teaching

to pursue a career in insurance, securities and financial advising. He also tended to a 120-acre farm near Readlyn, Iowa.

On the farm, Daryl and Kathy raised three children – Tina, Suzanne and A. Jay. He was a faithful Christian and was active as a longtime member in his church, St. Paul's Lutheran, serving as church congregational chairman for many years and as a youth leader. He also served as a first responder with the Readlyn Ambulance Service and coached various sports at Community Lutheran. He was a member of the Bremer County Board for the new law enforcement center. He was a huge fan of the Iowa Hawkeyes, Minnesota Vikings and Twins, the Lakers basketball team before it moved to L.A. and anything playing on ESPN. He enjoyed a good sense of humor and solving the world's problems in conversations with friends and playing golf.

Daryl is survived by his wife, Kathy; three children, Tina (Chris) Ristau of Denver, Iowa; Suzanne (Jonathan) Hese-man Behnke of Urbandale, Iowa, and A. Jay (Anna) Behnke of Readlyn, Iowa; nine grandchildren, Leah, Chloe and Reeve Ristau, Jaymes Hese-man, and Drea, Ari, Mira, Elis and Nola Behnke; a sister, Lois Trebesch of Osseo, Minn., and twin sister Darlene Brandt of Mounds View, Minn.; and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Carol Behnke; and his brothers-in-law, Gill Brandt, Loren Otto and Bernie Trebesch.

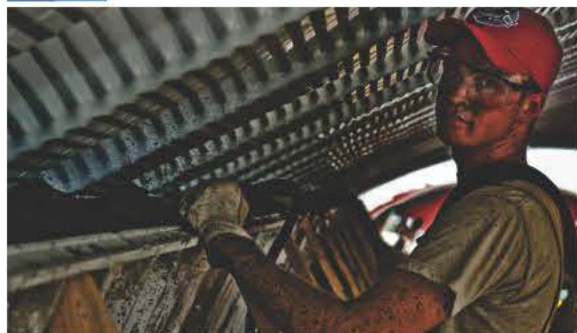
His body was donated for research at the University of Iowa.

Memorials may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association, Readlyn First Responders, the Tripoli Nursing Home and Community Lutheran School.

A private family memorial service will be held.

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### Cash Memorials

**In Memory of Oscar Heideman**  
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**In Memory of Ron Rathbone**  
Tim & RoxAnne Erhart \$10.00  
Bill & Brenda Toby \$20.00

### Book Memorials

#### In Memory of James Klemp

"The Snowy Nap" by Jan Brett from Ron & Judy Leistikow

The library welcomes gifts of books and funds by individuals or organizations as lasting and useful memorials or as a celebration of special events.

These gifts have allowed us to provide materials and services we wouldn't have been able to afford otherwise.

**Thank you for your support.**



A SUPER Thank You to all who came and supported our Cookie Walk! Our total was \$553.50!!!

We have also received some generous donations from our Christmas Wish Tree.

We are so fortunate to have such wonderful support from our community!



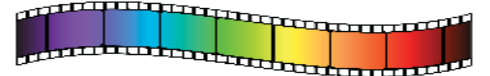
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### New DVDs



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Small Foot

Fancy Nancy

#### New Hallmark Movies

Switched for Christmas

Christmas Train

#### Not New Releases, but New to our Collection

Jesus Christ Superstar

Ben Hur

Hocus Pocus



The New Year is right around the corner. The most popular resolutions are:

1. Diet or eat healthier (71%)
2. Exercise more (65%)
3. Lose weight (54%)
4. Save more and spend less (32%)
5. Learn a new skill or hobby (26%)
6. Quit smoking (21%)
7. Read more (17%)
8. Find another job (16%)
9. Drink less alcohol (15%)
10. Quality time with family & friends (13%)

#### Here are suggestions for some very easy resolutions for 2019.

- ★ Get a library account (if you don't already have one)
- ★ Read more books and watch less TV. Try using the Goodreads.com book challenge to set your own reading goal, track your progress, and celebrate your success
- ★ Be more informed on area news with our 7 local newspapers
- ★ Download an ebook or an audiobook from Bridges
- ★ Attend library programming – Tech classes will start again in the Spring, Join us for Readlyn Reads Book Discussion or Novel Knitters
- ★ Step out of your comfort zone and try your hand at a new hobby. We have books for that.
- ★ Display a collection in our display case
- ★ Spend some time working on the library's on-going jigsaw puzzle
- ★ Make an appointment for foot care from the Visiting Nursing Association Foot Clinic (319) 235-6201

Whatever your 2019 goals are, we can help you find information with books and websites. Just ask us!



#### Adult Winter Reading 2019 (Ages 18+)

Read Books ~ Win Stuff!

Get cozy with good books this winter! For every book you read between January 1 and February 28, you will get one entry for a chance to win prizes. No registration is required and you can read as many or as few books as you like between these dates.



#### Color Us Creative

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Tuesday, January 8th  
1:00 to 3:00 p.m.



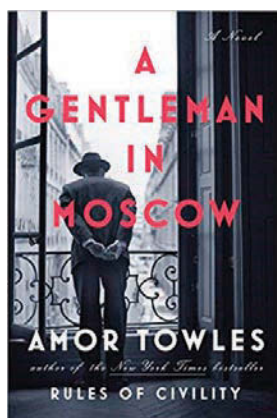
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Although the library rarely closes, Iowa's winter months can be notoriously unpredictable. We may be closing unexpectedly due to road conditions and travel advisories.

In severe weather, we urge you to call the library (319-279-3432) to make sure we are open. Closings will be announced on KWWL and on our website and Facebook page.



will not meet for the winter months. We'll begin again in March.



January's title:  
A Gentleman in Moscow

Pick up a copy at the library and join us for discussion on Thursday January 31st at 7:00 pm

[A Gentleman in Moscow] is laced with sparkling threads (they will tie up) and tokens (they will matter): special keys, secret compartments, gold coins, vials of coveted liquid, old-fashioned pistols, duels and scars, hidden assignments (discreet and smoky), stolen passports, a ruby necklace, mysterious letters on elegant hotel stationery . . . a luscious stage set, backdrop for a downright Casablanca-like drama." —The San Francisco Chronicle

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Brimming with humor, a glittering cast of characters, and one beautifully rendered scene after another, this singular novel casts a spell as it relates the count's endeavor to gain a deeper understanding of what it means to be a man of purpose.



Compiled by Bob Thran

# Readlyn, Long Ago

## World War II Vets from Readlyn area

Within the past year we lost two World War II veterans, Ernest Pooch and Oscar Heidemann, both in their middle nineties. We have two WW II veterans remaining in Readlyn, Wilbert Huebner and Paul Tiedt. I regret that Ernest and Oscar were not contacted.

### Wilbert Huebner

Wilbert Huebner was born April 7, 1920, and raised on a farm just south of the Klinger Church and attended the parochial school there. He attended Readlyn High School and played center on the basketball team. Readlyn was county champ in 1938. He had an outstanding game against Waverly B team to win the Bremer County Championship. He graduated in 1938 and farmed with his Dad until enlisting in WWII one month after Pearl Harbor.

Wilbert wanted to become a pilot in the Army Air Force but was rejected because some college credit was needed to qualify. There was a Coast Guard recruiter in the area and he inquired about joining. He was told that if he had a clean record he would be accepted. He signed and was given a month to straighten up his business affairs then was sent to New Orleans where he received his basic training.

His first assignment was patrolling the beach at night. The purpose of nightly patrols was to keep enemy agents from putting ashore in darkness. At first patrolling was done afoot which Wilbert hated. At this time the US Army was converting its cavalry units to a mechanized force (tanks, armored trucks, etc.), and had many horses which were now obsolete. Many of these horses were assigned to the Coast Guard where they were used on nightly beach patrols.

His next assignment was duty on a Destroyer Escort ship, a highly maneuverable vessel only 300 feet long. These ships were placed on the outer rim of a convey to prevent the many German submarines from penetrating the convoy and raising havoc.



Wilbert Huebner

His final assignment was aboard a troop transport hauling troops between the US and North Africa. Toward the end of the war, the troop ships no longer needed the protection of a convoy and sailed independently. The positions of the U-boats were pinpointed and could be avoided.

"My memories include: those frightful North Atlantic crossings escorting 90 to 110 merchant ships of all classes to and into the Mediterranean Sea North African ports beating off the Nazi U-boats and beating off German air raids in the Mediterranean Sea; those 24- to 28-day Atlantic crossings; those frequent General Quarter Alarms when danger appeared; eating powdered milk, powdered eggs and buggy bread with sliced cold cuts; many days of only sandwiches and coffee; those 40-foot seas where we had to be strapped into our radar chair and strapped into our bunk to get a good night's sleep when possible; those salt water showers were not so great either. Many times the Exec Officer and I did not see alike. He could not get along with me so I transferred to the USS General M. C. Miags. It was the best move I made in my naval experience in WWII. I would not take a million dollars for my experiences and would not give a dime for any more."

Wilbert spent much of his time in service on the North Atlantic Ocean which is renowned for vicious storms and high seas. Twenty-two trips Wilbert made across the Atlantic. Wilbert was honorably discharged February 28, 1946.

After discharge Wilbert worked at John Deere and other jobs; however, his father sensed he was not happy. His father suggested that he, his father, purchase the neighboring farm in 1947 to help Wilbert get started in farming. Wilbert reimbursed his father.

Wilbert married Irene Schroeder October 26, 1947 and has three sons, Daniel, an investment broker, Bruce and Rick, who farm. Wilbert worked for the US Post Office as a mail carrier for 31 years until 1986. He left the farm after 40 years in November of 1979, moving to the home in Readlyn in which he still lives. In retirement Wilbert enjoyed golf and he and Irene were avid ballroom dancers. Irene died in 2010. It is amazing that Wilbert is able to live unassisted as he is now 99 years old.

### Paul Tiedt

Paul Tiedt was born on the John Tiedt farm, the second farm west of the Wapsi on the south side of Highway 3. He attended a one-room country schoolhouse a short distance west of their driveway. At one time, Carlene Buhr Werner was his teacher.

After eighth grade, Paul stayed home to help on the farm. He was the firstborn and was needed on the farm, typical of farming at that time. Later he worked as a hired man for Dick Strotzman and Ray Thomes.

Pearl Harbor was bombed December 7, 1941. In 1945, when he was twenty, Paul received his draft orders. He was sent to Fort Snelling in Minnesota for induction where he was issued his army clothing then sent to Fort Lewis, Washington for basic training. After basic and a ten-day

furlough, Paul traveled by train to Fort Jackson, South Carolina for orientation and preparation for overseas. Next, New York to La Harve, France, where Paul was assigned as a military policeman. Then he traveled on a 40 and 8 WWI era boxcar (either 40 soldiers or 8 horses) with no seats or chairs or toilet facilities to a camp near Cologne in Germany. His first assignment as an MP was walking the streets protecting the camp motor pool and military supplies. Then he was promoted to riding trains to protect the supplies being transported for the military.

The last 6 months in Germany, Paul received another promotion to a responsible position in the Railroad Transportation Office. Here he was in charge of monitoring incoming trains and the recording of incoming supplies. Paul was proud because he was assigned to a responsible position even though he had only an eighth grade education.

"We MPs were often moved from camp to camp so we would not become too acquainted or accustomed to the area. There were 200 MPs in our unit." The army asked the first sergeant to list names of 67 he wanted to retain. Paul was included. At 4:30 in the morning those 67 left immediately in a caravan of 21 2-ton trucks to another camp. They traveled one day eating K rations.

One duty was guarding American troops on a train who were being shipped back to the United States. These troops could not handle military life, were discharged and sent home. He was in five different camps while in Germany. Paul stated that when he was in Germany the Germans did not have adequate food and their inner cities and industrial areas were



Paul Tiedt

bombed into rubble. Later, the United States founded the Marshall Plan providing assistance to Germany enabling them to recover from World War II.

At the end of approximately one year in Germany, he was sent home. His two-week voyage: Bremerhaven, North Sea, English Channel past the White Cliffs of Dover into the Atlantic, sailed south due to storms past Portugal and Spain near the Azores then across the Atlantic past the Statue of Liberty into New York, train to Fort Sheridan near Chicago, discharged, train to Waterloo, and finally home to Readlyn.

Paul married Marrillee Nerge, February 28, 1947 and they had nine children. The Paul Tiedt family is highlighted on the front page of the November issue of the *Readlyn Chronicle*. Paul and Marrillee farmed south of Klinger, retiring to Readlyn in 1989. As a hobby, Paul and Marrillee became involved with poetry and have written many poems. Paul always loved music and taught himself to play the guitar. Paul and Marrillee used these more than 100 songs to entertain at nursing homes and other functions. Paul and Marrillee have been blessed with a happy 70 years of marriage. Paul is a 94-year-old veteran, proud of his service in the United States Army.

### Denver World War II Veterans

Art Kurtt was born December 16, 1926 and is now 93 years old. He played center on his outstanding high school basketball team. He graduated from DHS in 1944 and joined the US Navy soon after graduation. His basic training was in Farragut, Idaho. He was assigned to an Attack Personal Destroyer, a highly maneuverable vessel 300 feet in length. This ship patrolled both coasts of the US. At war's end their mission was to establish a weather station in Russia; however, this was just a ruse--the mission was to discover a hidden submarine base the Russians had established. They were eventually forced out of Russian waters.

Art was discharged in May of 1946. After discharge he worked a short while at Rath Packing Company and in construction, eventually ending up working in his Uncle Louie Kurtt's grocery store. He married Mildred Diercks, class of 1946, Readlyn High School class, in 1947. The family purchased the store from Louie. Art worked in that store for 60 years, the last 20 years after it was sold to Benders. His wife, Millie, died in 1995. Art was an avid golfer and fisherman and enjoys playing schaffskopf. I have heard Art referred to as "Mr. Denver." His rinderwurst was the greatest.

There are at least five other World War II veterans in the Denver area according to Butch Milius. They are Art VanErem, Dwayne Fasse, Bev Besh, Rallis Jensen, and Don Schmidt. At the past Veterans Day program a politician spoke! These World War II veterans are at least 93 years old. Are there not enough veterans in the Denver area who served in the WWII era, Korean War era, the Vietnam era or the recent Gulf War to honor, individually or collectively, for the service to their country?

# Grumps meet to eat



Nine current and former Readlyn Grumps gathered for an evening meal on December 6 at the Watering Hole restaurant. Pictured above are the nine grumps: Roger Deterding 2006, Larry Ladage 2018, Louie Hartman 2017, Ron Leistikow 2009, Verdeen Pavelec 2011, LaVern Brase 1999, Don Billhorn 2007, Charlie Albrecht 2016, and Burton Thies 2004. Not pictured and attending was Dolores Ungs, wife of 1996 Grump Bob Ungs.



Carolers from St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Readlyn sang at Cobblestone Court in Sumner with Lou Fortsch and the residents.

At right, the St. Matthew's Carolers sang for Readlyn resident Ruth Venzke.



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6:30	Silent Auction Starts
7:00	Dinner
8:00	Motivational Message
8:30	Live Auction
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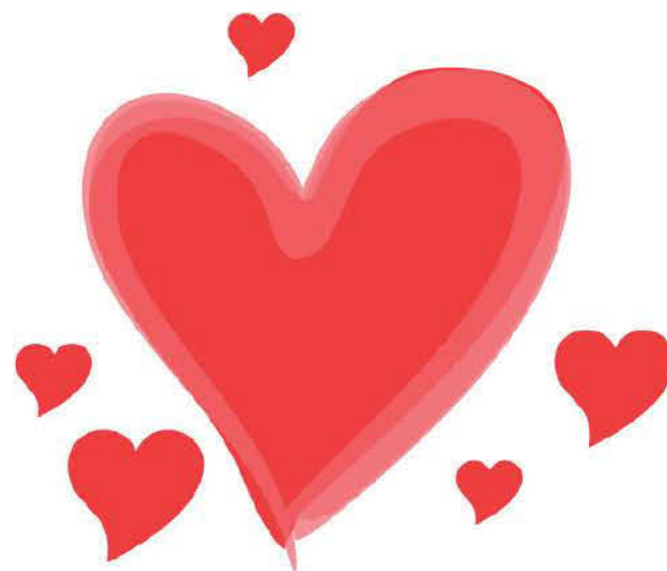
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# Santa comes to Readlyn!



The Jason Franck family enjoys spending time with Santa Claus at the Readlyn Elementary Library Dec. 15.

Saturday morning, December 15, Santa made the long trip from the North Pole to come to Readlyn Elementary School and from 9 to 11:30 listened to nearly 100 of our children tell Santa what they would like for Christmas. With the small and young children, Santa could be heard asking the parents what the youngster would like for him to bring. Santa gave all of the children a beautifully decorated cookie baked by our local senior citizen Darlene Peters and Grump Larry Ladage gave each child a sack of goodies put together by the Community Club.

Parents, grandparents, and lots of other residents came and were treated to piped in music along with local students and guests performing vocal and instrumental numbers. After the children visited with Santa, they went to the other side of the room to listen to our own Miss Readlyn Cassidy Brunscheon read Christmas stories to them and give the kids some items donated by our own Readlyn Mutual.

Everyone attending enjoyed the hot chocolate, coffee, cookies and bars that were served. The cookies were donated by Sunrise Catering (Jim and Bev Collins), Readlyn Library (from the cookie walk last Saturday), and others.

Later in the morning, a drawing was held for 20 turkeys given away by the Community Club. Comments made by those attending include what a wonderful day it was. A big Thank You to Santa for making the long trip, Miss Readlyn for reading to the kids, The Grump, those performing musical selections, and the committee for organizing and setting up the gymnasium. Also, to the Wapsie Valley School District for allowing us to use the school for this event.



Miss Readlyn Cassidy Brunscheon delighted the children in attendance by reading Christmas stories.



Readlyn's Grump Larry Ladage had the honor of distributing sacks of goodies put together by the Readlyn Community Club.



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The Broten children give Santa Claus lots of good ideas about what they would like to see under their tree at Christmas.



Probably the youngest child to attend the special day with Santa Claus was this two-week-old (!) baby, accompanied by big sister.



The Tracy Szurley family got together for a family photo with jolly old St. Nicholas.



This four-month-old child seems to be very intent on giving Santa his list.

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**Congrats, Richie, on your 68 years!**

About 50 friends attended Rich Matthias's Annual Fish Fry at L & L Ag Repair shop. Rich fried the fish he caught at the Mississippi along with French fries, veggies, onion rings, and more. Pictured left to right are: Devyn Matthias, Denny Nies, Richie Matthias and DeAnn Leistikow.

**Readlyn Senior Citizens meet**

On November 21, 2018, 12 members and two guests attended the 11:30 AM Senior Citizens Meal/Meeting at Inspired.

President Ron Leistikow led the members in prayer before our delicious meal, then called the meeting to order.

The secretary's minutes were read by Verdeen Pavelec. A motion was made by Charlie Albrecht and seconded by Roland Schmidt to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Charlie Albrecht reported a balance in the treasury of \$145.00. Motion was made by Wilda Albrecht and seconded by Judy Leistikow to approve the report. Motion carried.

There were no birthdays or anniversaries for the month of November.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Charlie Albrecht reported that the Freedom Rock flagpoles and flags were up. There will be work on the signage board

next by the Freedom Rock Committee.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Brandi Marticoff was the guest speaker. She spoke about the dance marathon to raise money to help cancer patients at the University of Iowa Hospital. She told about what each outing with the cancer patients costs. They took children to a Halloween Party on a farm this year. This is the 25th year the University of Iowa has raised money. The goal this year is \$1.7 million. There are 250 kids that are on this committee but 3000 more kids help. The money raised goes directly to the children with cancer. \$460,000.00 had been raised by November 7.

A motion was made by Marlys Deterding and seconded by Mary Chapin to have the Senior Citizens donate \$50.00 to this Dance Marathon. Motion carried.

Friday, November 9, 2018 the Veterans Day Ceremony was held at the Wapsie Valley High School, with 260 kids in attendance for this ceremony. About 25 kids in the National Honor Society put on a program and dinner. A thank-you was signed by the Senior Citizens and was sent to the National Honor Society for the Veterans Day Program and Dinner.

Thursday, December 6 will be the Annual Grump Night at the Readlyn Watering Hole. Social Hour is 5:00 PM and the meal will be at 5:30 PM. Larry Ladage, the current Grump, stated that all Grumps and their spouses are invited. The Grumps are to wear their Grump Hats.

Saturday, December 8, 9:00-11:00 AM, is the date for the Annual Library Cookie Walk.

December 15, 2018 at 9:00 AM will be the Readlyn Christmas Celebration at the Readlyn Elementary. Santa will be available until 11:30 AM. He will be listening to all the children telling him their gift requests. During this time hot chocolate and cookies will be shared with all in attendance. Miss Readlyn will be reading Christmas stories to the children. The event will conclude with drawings for turkeys for the adults attending.


December 19, 2018 at 11:30 AM will be the next Senior Citizens Meal/Meeting at Inspired.

February 8, 2019 will be the Annual Valentine Ball Event at the Readlyn Event Center.

A motion was made by GaryLee Thurm and seconded by Roger Deterding to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was followed by fellowship and card playing.

*Verdeen Pavelec Acting Secretary*



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By: Eric Johnston

**"The Cabin"**

It's the holiday season and each year the holidays roll around it always has me thinking of family and great friends. This article I'm not going to talk about one particular outdoor adventure, but rather a place that has played host to many outdoor adventures over time with great friends and family. This place is known by many of my closest friends and family as simply "The Cabin."

Imagine a group of four 13- to 14-year-old friends sitting at school one day in 1994 daydreaming about having a place to hang out, or hunt and well, I'll just say it, get into a little trouble. Myself, and my best friends, Michael Gearhart, Jake Harris, and Adam Farmer, started the plans for a small cabin in Michael's family farm timber.

Often these daydreams never turn into reality, but this time we were determined to make it happen. It's still hard for me to believe a place that was sketched out on a piece of notebook paper in study hall would become so special to me and hold so many memories over its 25-year existence.

The first step was to get the OK from Michael's dad, Andy, and step two was getting permission from Michael's grandfather, Bill. As nervous as we were to ask, both of them thought it was a very cool idea and even said they would assist us in the build. Soon after getting permission, Michael and I had already picked out where we wanted to build the cabin back in the timber and went in to clear out an area.

We situated it about 200 yards back in the woods on top of a ridge where we had a good vantage point from all sides. The very next weekend construction began. Andy donated old posts that would be our starting point of what everything was built from. Imagine setting posts in the middle of the timber, breaking through tree roots and rough soil with post-hole diggers. We were so pumped to be building, we didn't seem to mind. It's a good thing we were young!

Andy (Michael's dad) owns Gearhart Construction, so our notebook sketch evolved quickly into a better structure.

From the poles we used leftover 2x6s from Bill's barn and he also donated old grain bin sheet metal to use for our siding. Jake's dad, Mark, also pitched in each weekend, but, for the most part, Andy and Mark guided us as we did the work.

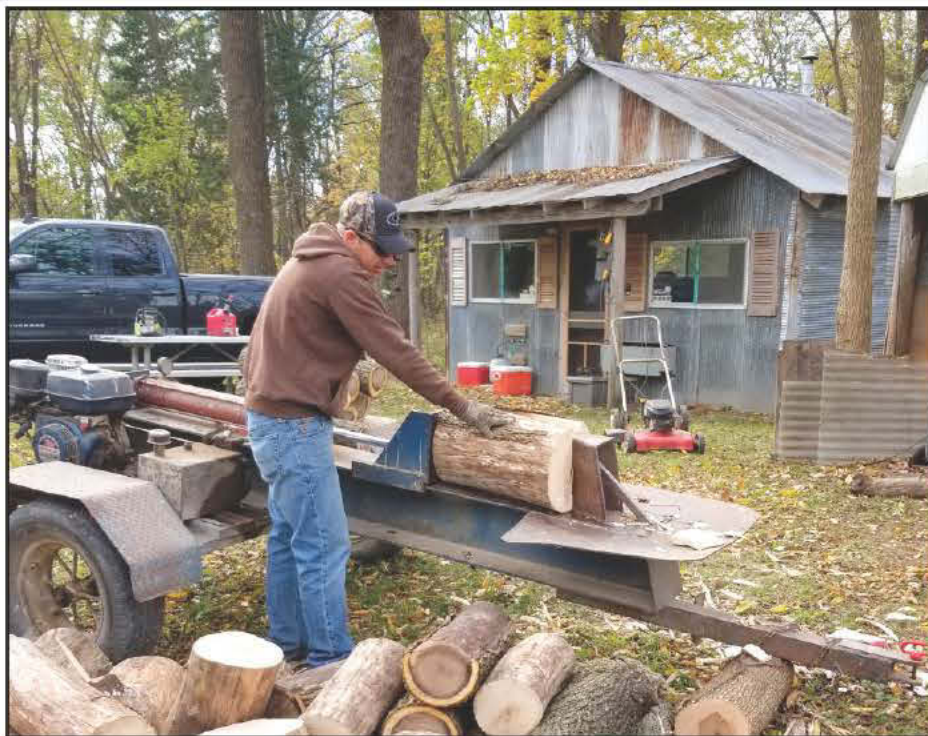
We were so excited to stay out there that we would camp in tents on build weekends so we could start early. Sometimes through the week, Michael and I would ride our mopeds the 10-mile ride just to do a few things to it after school.

After three solid weekends of building the cabin had come together, Jake's dad had procured us a wood burning stove, and after installing the chimney the structure was complete. A 12x20 cabin with a loft on each side!

We were beyond excited and starting staying there each weekend we could. In the cabin's humble beginnings it had a gravel floor and we used lanterns for light. As time went on, we became more comfortable. Around 1998 or so, Michael, his cousin Chris, Andy, and Bill poured a concrete floor inside the cabin. After that, the comforts of home soon followed.

As my Dad and I started to use it as lodging for bowhunting, soon walls were finished, a countertop was installed along with a sink, with a two-burner propane stove and 12-volt lights throughout to eliminate the lanterns. As more time went on, the walls are all insulated now, comfortable beds have been brought in, along with a flat screen television and a shower. Like I said, a long ways from where we started and hardly roughing it anymore.

So many memories flood back to me as I drive down the dirt road into the cabin each time, from our early days of sleeping in tents to build, to the hunting lodge it is today. Some that stand out are a few of our high school shenanigans that maybe I better not go into detail on in this article, but teenagers will be teenagers and some of our high school parties at the cabin will live on in the memories of many! As we got a little older, the cabin started getting used for its original purpose, a hunting lodge. One of my favorite memories of Michael's grand-



parents, who at the time owned the farm, was in the fall of 2000. It was December 23 and I was muzzleloader hunting at the cabin by myself. I had just shot the biggest buck at the time I'd ever taken. So, needless to say, I was very excited. This was pre-cell phone for me and I had recovered the deer and field dressed it. I quickly raced down to the farm and burst into the house (I never had to knock at Bill and Joyce's). I'll never forget the look on Joyce's face as I exclaimed, "I need to use the phone!" covered in blood from field dressing the deer. It took a good five minutes to get her calmed down and convince her no one was hurt and I'd simply shot a deer and needed to call to get help getting him out!

All of my Dad's and my biggest deer have come from the cabin. Another memory is the morning my dad shot his biggest buck with a bow, a 169-inch 11-pointer. I'll never forget the look of accomplishment in his eyes as I walked up to the cabin that November 4 morning and he had his arms raised high and relayed to me what he'd done. Or the November 1 morning nine years later when I got to excitedly tell him about my biggest bow buck! And now the recent memories of taking my daughter to the cabin and her enjoying the land with

my friends' kids. I've come to realize I could probably write a book of all the different memories, funny stories, and hunts at the cabin over the years. But what probably stands out the most is the simple times of just hanging out with dad discussing hunts or reminiscing over a beverage with Jake, Michael, and Adam. It's funny how it works out that some of the simplest things turn out the most memorable.

I have a lot to be thankful for this holiday season: my wife and daughter, family and friends, a new job, house, and I got to spend a day on the water with my childhood hero, Kevin Vandam! And I'm always thankful to the Gearhart family for all these memories over the years. Andy and Martha, Michael and Missy have always treated me like family and make their family farm feel like coming home each time. It's still crazy to think a small 12x20 cabin could turn out to be such a big part of my life. Happy Holidays, everyone and until next time, Get Outdoors!!

Also, an update on Kayla. She has completed her surgery and is doing great! Her family has planned a benefit celebration, check out the picture in the ad in this issue of the *Chronicle*. I hope to see you there!

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# News from Wapsie Valley Elementary



Ruth Rathbone presented a Citizen Award to four outstanding Readlyn students who went above and beyond showing kindness and the Warrior Way in their neighborhood.

Thanks to our Fairbank PTO Fundraiser winners who sold enough items to get ice cream and ride in a limo around town! We appreciate all of your hard work raising money for our school!



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The Readlyn kindergarteners dressed up as turkeys for the holiday lunch before Thanksgiving break.



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# News from Wapsie Valley Elementary



The Fairbank kindergarteners recreated the First Thanksgiving by dressing up as Pilgrims and Indians during their lunch feast.



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