

Fertile Reminder

September
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HAPPY 40th

LORIS and
MAXINE

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John A. Oувerson and C. Elizabeth Robison were married June 30, 1911, in Charles City, IA. They farmed near Fertile all their married life. Their four children were Mavis, Allen, Francis and Maxine. Johnny sold Pioneer Seed Corn for over 30 years. They were both members of the Church of Christ where Elizabeth taught a Sunday School class for many years.



June 1938 ↑

Nellis Elizabeth Mavis Ouverson and Glea Harold Hall were married in the Fertile Church of Christ on June 12, 1938. Mavis worked at the lamp factory in Forest City before she retired. Glea farmed and did carpentry work before he retired. They have three children, Eugene, Gary and Brian. Now they have eight grandchildren. Mavis passed away May 13, 1982. Glea is living in their home in Fertile.



Glea and his family





Loris Lemuel Scobee & Juanita Maxine Ouverson were married at the Church of Christ in Fort Myers, FL, on Sept. 24, 1944, by Pastor Eric Dance. Loris was a sargeant and taught weapons in the aerial gunnery school at the Air Force base there. Maxine was a clerk typist and worked on the same base. They have 1 daughter, Joan Elizabeth Norem, now they have 3 grandchildren. Loris is a retired truck driver from the quarry near Fertile, Maxine is the Postmaster at Fertile where they make their home.



Top left - Loris & Maxine and family,

Top right - The three Annoverse couples & Aunt Maude.

Middle - Grandchildren of Loris & Lizzie Ouverson

Bottom - Great Grandchildren of Johnnie & Lizzie



Carlos Allen Ouverson and Marian Elizabeth Clark were married Dec. 12, 1943, in Norfolk Virginia, where Allen was serving in the Navy. They farm near Hadley, MN. They have three children, James Allen, Judy and Deborah. Now they have twelve grandchildren. Allen has retired and Marian is teaching at Slayton, MN. They live on their farm near Hadley.





Francis John Ouverson and Olga Marie Johnson were married Dec. 26, 1944, at the John Ouverson home near Fertile, by Pastor Sidney L. Schuler. They have farmed all their married life on a farm between Fertile and Hanlontown. They have three children, Richard, Joyce and Craig. Now they have five grandchildren. They specialize in Normandy cattle for breeding stock. Craig helps them in their operation.





You are invited to an "Open House Bridal Shower" in honor of Suzanne Worsley, bride-to-be of Scott McColloch, on Sat., Sept. 8 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the Fertile Lutheran Church dining room. Everyone is welcome!

FOR RENT: Two garage stalls, for auto or storage--dirt floor. 797-2646.

OPEN HOUSE INVITATION--Come, see, all my lovely Christmas decor from 12 different countries. Sept 15, 2 to 7 p.m., at the Fertile Community Center.

Lannie Hanson, Supervisor
"CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD"

There have been many complaints concerning the speed of vehicles on the streets of Fertile. There are speed limits for all residential streets as well as the business sections. Don't wait until we have a fatality before you slow down!! And walkers and joggers, you are to walk only on the left side of the street--not the middle and not on the right. Bicyclists, you're governed by the same laws as any moving vehicle.

FERTILE GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Fifteen members of the Club met at the Community Center at 11 a.m. Following a noon luncheon at the Creamery Restaurant, they visited the miniature church northwest of Fertile. At 2 p.m., thirteen members were guests of the Blossom Belles Garden

Club of Hanlontown at the rural home of Ruth Benjegerdes. Members toured the many beautiful flower beds, vegetable garden and saw some fruits growing.

A picnic lunch was served under the shade of trees by members of the Hanlontown Club.

The September 11 meeting will be at the Community Center.

CRISIS INTERVENTION SERVICES are offered to the people of North Central Iowa who are victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse or rape. Do you need HELP? Call 424-9133--24 hours.

LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWS

FAMILY WORSHIP: (PK) 9 a.m. (F) 10:30 am
CH. ED.: (F) 9:15 a.m. (PK) 10:15 a.m.

CIRCLE MEETINGS:

(PK) Ruth	9/18	7:30	Mary Leuwerke
(PK) Esther	9/19	1:30	Sylvia Haugen
(F) Ruth	9/24	7:30	Virginia Lovik
(F) Sarah	9/24	7:30	At Church
(F) Mary	9/27	9:30	Romane Lovik- at church
(F) Reb.	9/27	2:00	Irene Brakke - at church

Sept. 8-12, 1984, Upper Iowa Area United Evangelism Week. Theme is "The Equipment of the Saints". Evening sessions Sun. - Wed. at 7:30 p.m. at Fertile Lutheran Church.

FERTILE LIBRARY NEWS (New Books)

ADULT NON-FICTION:

Good Morning, Merry Sunshine - Bob Greene
Pieces of My Mind - Andrew Rooney
God in the Hard Times - Dale Rogers
Evans
Dieter's Cookbook - Better Homes & Gardens

ADULT FICTION:

Julie - Catherine Marshall
Love Leads Home - June Bacher
Sunset Dream - Catherine Gavin
Wild Swan - Celeste DeBlasis

EASY READERS:

Spot Goes To School - Eric Hill
Never Talk to Strangers - Irma Joyce
My Doll is Lost - Dan Elliott

SALUTE OF THE MONTH

This month we salute a member of the City Council --Fred Hare. Fred is in charge of Parks and Recreation and has spent many hours on the Park and the Ball Diamond. Our thanks go to him and to those who have helped in so many ways; Marlin Johnson and the donated use of his machinery and his hired man, Jim; Jack Oувerson; Charlie Sandusky; Perry Nelson; Norman Taylor; Larry Burtness; Dick Worsley; Russ and any one else who has helped in any way. Thanks also to the Joice Elevator for donating the fertilizer, small towns would be unable to accomplish a lot of things without the help of many volunteers. We, the citizens of Fertile, thank each and every one of you!

The newest member of the Community Center Board is Larry Burtness, who filled the vacancy created by Donna Nelson not accepting another term. This is another organization manned by volunteers and to these people also, the town is grateful.

WANTED TO BUY: 260 gallon barrel ~~#~~ FCR furnace oil. Phone 797-2646.

DON'T FORGET! DON'T FORGET! November 17th is our CRAFT AND HOBBY SHOW at the Community Center. Time goes fast, so get your crafts together and call Kay at 797-2496 to reserve a table. There will be a soup lunch and demonstrations during the day. So, everyone, mark your calendar, and help make the CRAFT AND HOBBY SHOW a big success!

This month's Reminder honors the John A. Oувerson family. Three of their children are celebrating their 40th wedding anniversaries this year. Thanks to Maxine for obtaining the pictures for us.

"A 40th anniversary dinner for three couples was held Sunday, July 29, at the Fertile Community Center. The honored couples were all children of Mr. & Mrs. John Oувerson and were married a few months apart in 1944. They were Mr. & Mrs. Al-len Oувerson of Hadley, MN; Mr. & Mrs. Francis Oувerson of Hanlontown and Mr. & Mrs. Loris Scobee of Fertile.

All 49 children and grandchildren were present for the dinner. Those attending from far away were Mr. & Mrs. Gary Hall and family from Grayson, KY; Mr. & Mrs.

James Oувerson and family of Minnesota, Mr. & Mrs. Steve Harms and family of Florida, Mr. & Mrs. Doug Belmont and family of California, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Oувerson and family of South Dakota.

Those present from this area were Mrs. Frank Emmert of Mason City, Mr. & Mrs. Leon Hagen and family and Craig Oувerson of Hanlontown, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Norem and family of Lake Mills, Glea Hall, Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Hall and family, Mr. & Mrs. Brian Hall and family, all of Fertile, Evelyn Johnson of Mason City was a guest.

A program was presented by the children and grandchildren. Hostesses were Mrs. Leon Hagen and Mrs. Robert Norem.

Vesta Kuns and Dorothy Aspland are now helping address and fold the Reminders that have to be mailed. Thanks to them and also to Roger and Vera Humphrey for last month's article on the Indians and Wm. Rhodes.

FOR SALE: Old wooden office desk--\$100, firm. Phone 797-2646.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW ARRIVALS - a daughter, Theresa Louise, 6 lbs. 7 oz., Aug. 4 to Ken and Dotty Suby and a son, Christopher Donald, 8 lbs. 6 oz. Aug. to Dan and Martha Noah.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT DATE TO REMEMBER -- November 3rd -- ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER. The date has been changed from November 10 because of a wedding. The Burtness families will be in charge again and the same crews will be doing "their thing", so you can expect an excellent meal. Mark this date on your calendar, too.

FOR RENT: Sleeping room to responsible female, only. Kitchen privileges. Phone 797-2646.

SENIOR CITIZEN'S FALL FAIR will be held Oct. 20 at the Community Center. Lots of neat things coming up at the Center in the next few months--be sure to take advantage of all of them!!

September DISTRIBUTION OF CHEESE AND BUTTER will be Sept. 13 at the Community Center, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The new rules and regulations are in effect and the volunteers at the Center will be able to explain them if you don't understand.

The Fertile City Council met Aug. 14 with Mayor Shropshire presiding. Council members present were Hare, Hall, Petersen and Schultze.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Motion of July amended to have fire siren blown, also at 6 p.m., carried.

Council discussed maintenance on the water tower. Cost of contract with two companies to be requested.

Motion to renew David Low's contract for the next year. Carried.

Discussion on cutting weeds and leveling and digging in the park.

Culvert on Main St. will be repaired.

Motion to pay monthly bills, carried.

Discussion on the need for additional fire phones. Cost was given by Mayor, tabled.

Swing seats in the park to be replaced to meet insurance company's suggestion.

Through the efforts of various groups and individuals, the \$1,700 needed to receive a Kinney-Lindstrom grant for fencing at the ball diamond has been raised.

Meeting adjourned.

Janice Hare
City Clerk

The next regular council meeting will be held Tues, Sept. 4 at 7 p.m. at the library.

JULY BALANCE SHEET
Expenditures

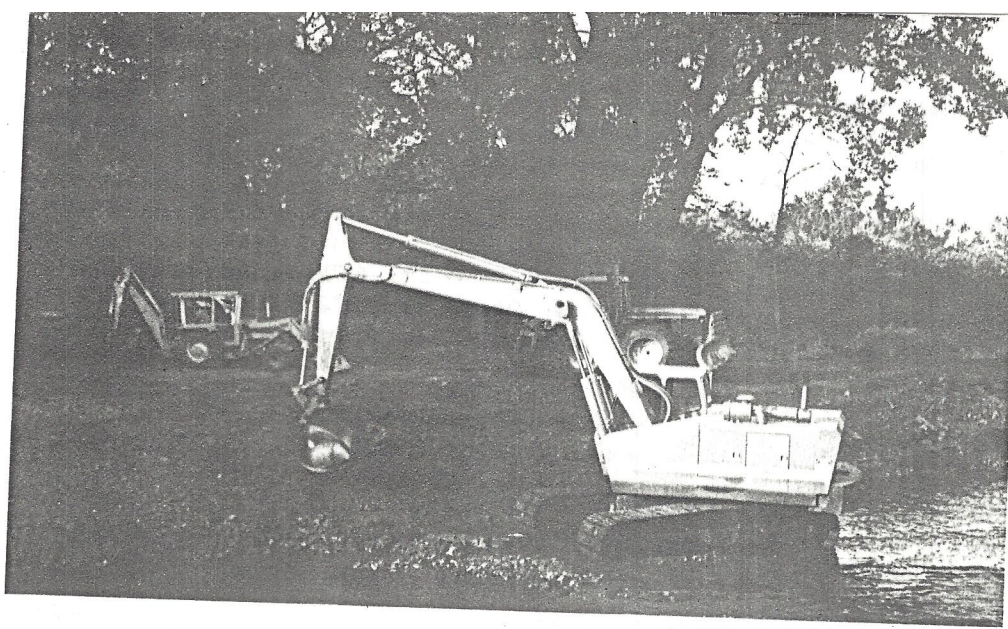
Janice Hare	224.93
Dick Sheimo	67.75
David Low	282.23
City of Fertile	51.00
Interstate Power	678.24
Waste Systems Corp.	603.00
Winn. RTA	35.95
Ipers - FOAB	217.21
Dick Sheimo	560.05
Treas. - State of Iowa	14.01
Ioers	330.93
IRS	32.00
Worsley Electric	25.60
Matt Parrott & Sons	16.46
Weaver Constr. Co.	47.25
Jordan's	97.94
Fertile Meats & Groc.	4.95
Fertile Little League - Softball	100.00
Wallace, Holland, Kastler & Schnitz	4,000.00
R. Hanner	116.25
Peoples Natural Gas	40.62
Treas. - State of Iowa	97.59
Chemical Dependency Center	100.00

Crisis Center	100.00
Sr. Citizens	<u>100.00</u>

Total	7,943.96
Total Receipts	2,104.67

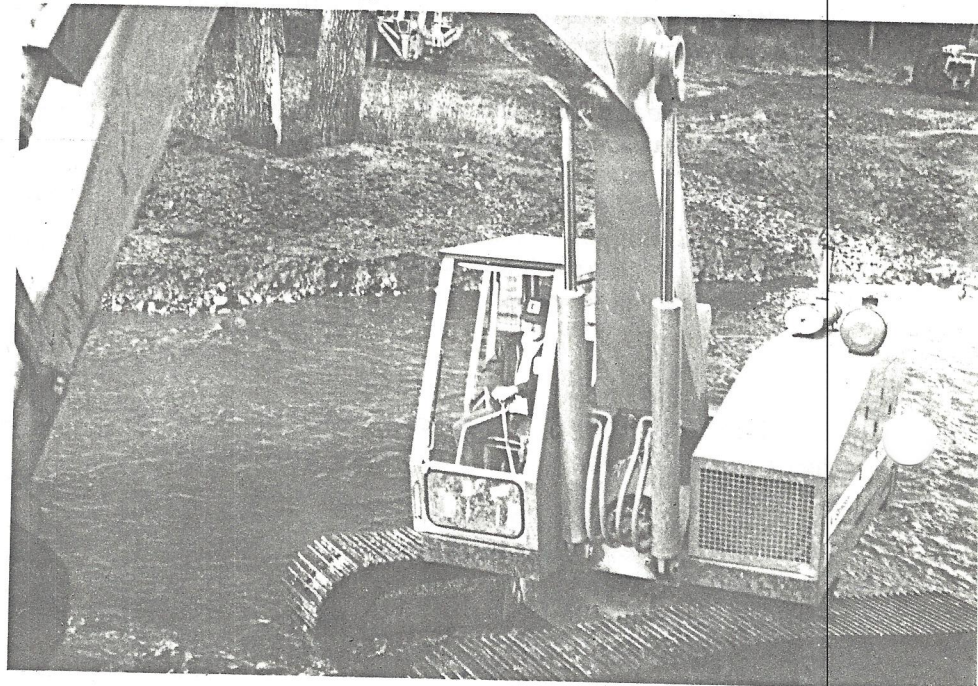
CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD-Area Hdqtrs. "Christmas Decor from 12 Countries Lannie Hanson, Supervisor	797-2703
J & W Upholstery Upholstery--Auto Body Jean & Wayne Roberts	797-2457
WORSLEY ELECTRIC	797-2494
CREAMERY RESTUARANT & LOUNGE Specializing in good food	797-9685
FERTILE FEED SERVICE Complete Livestock Needs Softner Salt, Dog & Cat Food	797-2242
RAY JENNINGS Complete Auction Service	454-2707
LARSEN'S PLUMBING & HEATING	797-2219
PETAL SHOPPE FREE Delivery to Hosp. 1714 7th Ave., N, Clear Lake	357-5030 357-5026
FERTILE LUMBER & HARDWARE Rent the Rug Doctor	797-2437
BURTNESS PLUMBING & HEATING	797-2680
HOFFMAN CRAFTS 701 West Main	797-2714
OLD MILL ANTIQUES	797-2490
PERSONAL TOUCH BEAUTY SALON Styling for Men & Women	797-2422
FERTILE MEATS & GROCERIES Specializing in Meats for the Freezer	797-2647
RAY SANDIFER--TOM'S SALES	797-2681
FLOWERS BY McCOY Flowers for Every Occasion	582-4517
JORDAN'S MIDLAND SERVICE Complete Automotive Service	797-2677
FOREST CITY COW PALACE Auction Every Wednesday	582-4646
FIRST STATE BANK Serving North Iowa Hanlontown Kensett & Plymouth Main Office - Manly	896-2265
K & R SERVICE	797-2440

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Three pieces of equipment used in the Park.

Martin Johnson in his machine cleaning the river.



WANTED: Children to care for during the day. Drop-ins are welcome when space available. Waddington farm, phone 896-2445 and ask for Penny or Betty.

Getting Old

- Everything hurts, and what doesn't hurt doesn't work.
- The gleam in your eyes is from the sun hitting your bifocals.
- Your little black book contains only names ending with MD.
- You get winded playing chess.
- Your children begin to look middle-aged.
- You finally reach the top of the ladder and find it leaning against the wrong wall.
- You begin to outlive enthusiasm.
- You decide to procrastinate, but then never get around to it.
- Your mind makes contracts your body can't meet.
- You know all the answers, but nobody asks you the questions.
- You look forward to a dull evening.
- You walk with your head held high trying to get used to your bifocals.
- You turn out the lights for economic rather than romantic reasons.
- Your knees buckle and your belt won't.
- You regret all those temptations you resisted.
- You're 17 around the neck, 42 around the waist and 96 around the golf course.
- You just can't stand people that are intolerant.
- You're startled the first time you are addressed as an old timer.
- You paint the town red, and have to take a long rest before applying second coat.
- You sink your teeth into a steak, and they stay there.
- The little grey-haired lady you help across the street is your wife.