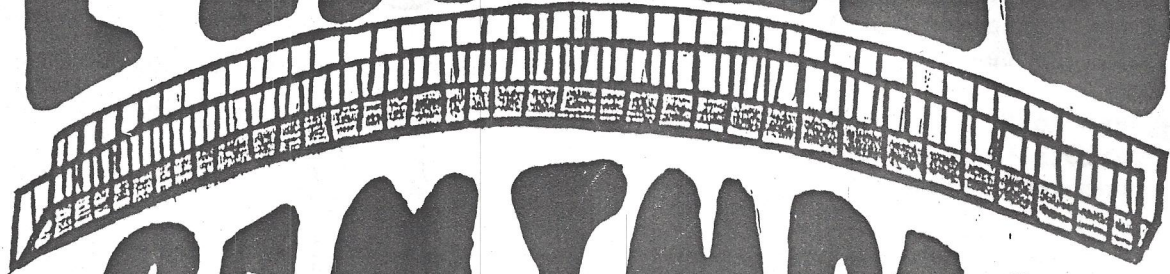
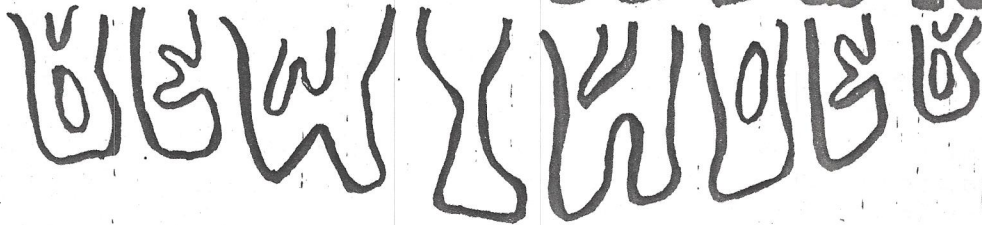


FERTILE



REMINDER



*Artist
DeAnn Monsen*

COMING EVENTS

March 2	7:00	Firemen's Meeting
March 3	7:00	Council Meeting
March 6	5:00-7:00	<u>Fish & Chicken Supper</u> <u>Fertile Community Center</u>
March 10	12:00	<u>Fertile Garden Club</u>
March 10	Noon	Senior Citizen Dinner
March 17	7:00	Recycling Meeting Fertile Community Center
March 19	7:00	Library Board Meeting
March 21	1:00	Girls 4-H Club Meeting
	1:00	Boys 4-H Club Meeting
March 24	Noon	Senior Citizen Dinner
March 25		Little League Sign Up
April 11		<u>Little League Supper</u>
June 13		Fertile Alumni Banquet

SENIOR CITIZEN MENU'S - for March

March 3 - Baked minute steak, mashed potatoes, vegetable salads, buns, pineapple upside down cake, coffee

March 17 - Meat loaf, baked potato, carrots, salads, lemon cake, buns and coffee

FISH and CHICKEN

The Fertile Community Center is sponsoring a fish and chicken supper on Friday March 6th at the center. Serving will be from 5 to 7. Menu will be:

- Fish
- Chicken
- Baked Potato
- Assorted Salads
- Buns
- Coffee
- Cold Drink
- Ice Cream Cup

Price is \$5.00 for adults, children 5 to 10 years \$3.00 and under 5 no charge. Proceeds will be used to buy paint for the center.

We would appreciate donations of salads. If you are able to furnish one or help in some other way, please call the center 797-2424 between 6:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Take outs will be available. We will also deliver to senior citizens.

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Recipes



CHOCOLATE CAKE
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- 3 C. flour
- 2 C. sugar
- 1/4 C. + 1 tsp. cocoa
- 3/4 C. oil
- 2 tsp. vinegar
- 1 tsp. soda
- 2 C. cold water

Mix together dry ingredients. Add remaining ingredients.
 Grease 9 x 13 pan with oil, dust with flour.
 Bake 375° for 40 minutes.
 Frost with your favorite frosting.

Corrine Miller

Soup Supper

LITTLE LEAGUE SUPPER

The Fertile Little League will have a turkey and chili supper on Saturday April 11th from 5:00 - 7:00 P.M. at the Fertile Community Center. Adults \$3.50 and children 10 and under \$2.50.

The Fertile Little League is having a sign up on Wednesday March 25th from 6:15 - 7:15 P.M. We need everyone to sign up at this time in order to finish ordering our new uniforms. We need to know how many more uniforms we need!



PERSONAL TOUCH SALON 797-2422
Tom and Nance Sheimo

RAY SANDIFER - TOM'S SALES 797-2681

COUNCIL NEWS

JANUARY BALANCE SHEET

The Fertile City Council met in regular session on Tues. Feb. 4, 1992, at the Library with Mayor Nye presiding and council members Smith, Thompson, Scobee, Felland, and Sandifer present.

Motion to approve the reading of the previous meeting as read.

Carried.

Request received from Forest City Ambulance Service to be considered for the budget year 1992-1993.

Joan Norem explained the city's insurance policy and coverage.

Resignation received from Robin Harms, Library board member, effective April 1992.

Request received from Fertile Bittle League - Softball for funds in budget year 1992-1993.

Motion to accept road use, sewer and water portion of the budget as prepared. Carried. Special meeting will be held Tues. Feb. 18 to complete work on the budget.

Resolution adopted opposing cutting road use funds to city and using by state to ease state deficits. Carried.

Results of recycling survey were reviewed. Council discussed having a public meeting on recycling. Motion to hold recycling meeting. Carried.

Motion to pay monthly bills. Carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Janice Hare
City Clerk

Special budget meeting will be held Tues. Feb. 18, 1992.

Next regular Council meeting will be Tues. Mar. 3, 1992

FERTILE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor
Fertile Council

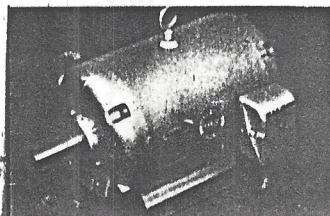
FERTILE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor ----- Max Nye
Council Members--Jodi Smith
Goldie Felland
Henry Thompson
Ray Sandifer
Loris Scobee

EXPENDITURES

Cheryl Benson	\$367.67
Cely Olson	24.24
Ingram	45.38
Shepherds Voice	47.32
Better Homes & Gardens	9.34
Target	15.99
Cheryl Benson	5.00
David Low	301.41
Tim Tuttle	250.00
Janice Hare	282.08
Interstate Power Co.	742.68
Peoples Natural Gas	237.70
Treas.-State of Iowa	82.71
IPERS	124.46
Waste Systems Corp.	1214.50
City of Fertile	51.00
Winn. Telephone	75.53
First State Bank	991.23
Larsen Plby & Hty.	766.33
Marv's Service	13.75
Feed Rite Controls	10.00
Pronto Market	14.02
Worsley Electric	131.75
North Iowa Tire Co.	26.00
Fertile Lbr. & Hdwe	81.32
Hack Co.	31.50
Food -n- Fuel	55.20
Cheryl Benson	40.00
Total	6038.16
Receipts	5469.85

* NOTICE *
* PUBLIC MEETING FOR ALL FERTILE *
* RESIDENTS. A RECYCLE MEETING *
* WILL BE HELD MAR. 17, 7:00 PM, *
* AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER TO *
* DISCUSS COMMUNITY RECYCLING. *
* MASON CITY WASTE SYSTEMS WILL *
* BE PRESENT TO EXPLAIN AND *
* ANSWER QUESTIONS CONCERNING *
* RECYCLING PROCEDURES. *



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HISTORY OF FERTILE LUMBER COMPANY

The Fertile Co-op Lumber Company was organized in 1903, by Wm. Rhodes A.A. Elthon and P.J. Ouverson.

The first manager was J.A. Ellefson, followed by Elmer White, who during his managership started the first Library in the office of the Lumber Yard.

He was followed by Henry Halvorson, who served the Co-op for at least forty years. The last three or four years Henry served, he had his office in his home and Lester Burtness, who had worked at the yard for more than twenty years, acted as manager at the yard.

Upon the death of Henry Halvorson, Leo Elthon took it over for a year or two, and then bought out the Co-op, and operated it until his death in 1967.

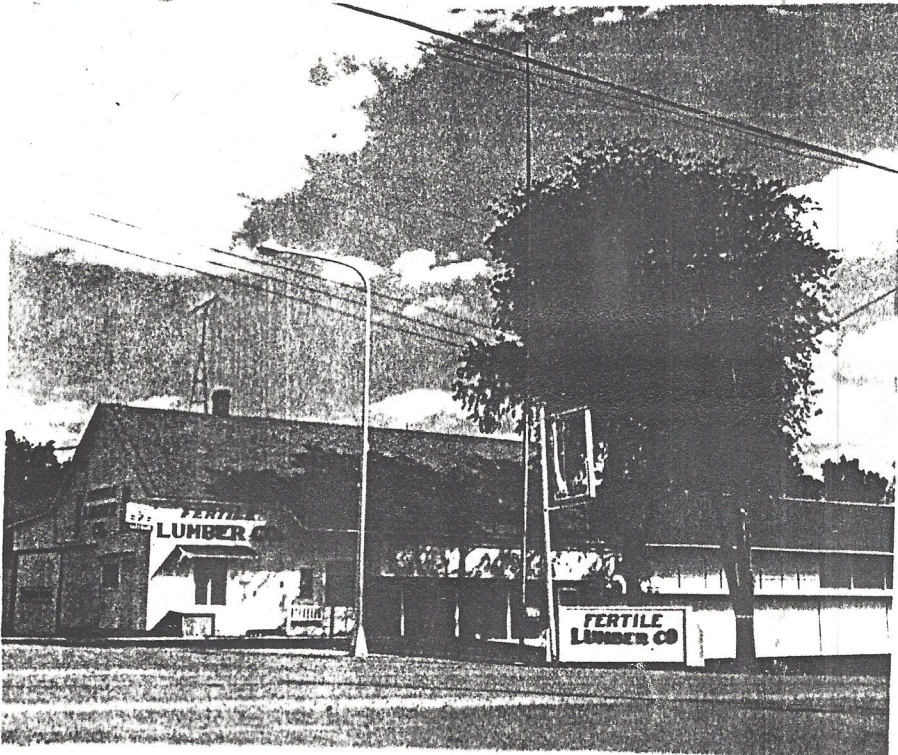
Leo's son, Alan Elthon, bought it from the family, remodeled it and combined the former Fertile Hardware, and operated it as Fertile Appliance and Farm Store for over a year. He then sold it to Roger Humphrey, and the name was changed to Fertile Lumber and Hardware, in April 1969.

For sixty four years it was called the Fertile Lumber Company, and the business has operated for eighty nine years in the same location where it was originally started.

On April 1, 1978 Roger and Vera Humphrey sold the business to Eugene Hall and Leon Hagen. They continue to operate the business today under the same name of Fertile Lumber and Hardware, Inc. They also added the construction business to their business, so are able to provide both materials and labor for all types of construction.

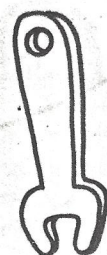
Although there has been many changes in the building industry since Fertile Lumber Co. started in business, many of the same types of materials are used today. Fertile Lumber and Hardware, Inc. stocks and sell these materials. Many of the changes have improved the quality and maintenance of building materials. Fertile Lumber and Hardware, Inc. stock and sell many of these improved materials, such as: Vinyl or metal exterior clad windows by several manufactures, Vinyl house siding (50 yr. warranty). Alum. and Steel house siding (30 & 40 yr. warranty), Prefinished Kitchen cabinets, Insulated steel entry doors and Prefinished wall and bath panels to name a few. They also stock the Iowa Paint line of interior and exterior paints, small hand tools, some electric tools, many items of hardware, housewares and a large line of greeting cards.

For all your building needs, stop at Fertile Lumber and Hardware Inc. and check out their selections, Free estimates given on any type of building construction.



FERTILE LUMBER & HARDWARE

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A WARM IRISH GREETING



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A NEW LOOK IN FERTILE.

A red overhead flashing light has been installed at the east end of Main Street in conjunction with County Road S18 black top. The 4-way stop signs have been in effect before but it was felt that a safety measure should be added. Worsley Electric installed the light.

The Fertile Lutheran Church is holding an Auction on March 21 at 10:00 A.M. in the Fertile Gymnasium, Fertile, Ia. The proceeds from the auction will be used for the restoration of the Church's steeple. Lunch will be provided by the women of the church and the auctioneer will be Paul Hauge. Matching funds up to \$450.00 provided by the North Iowa Branch #8023 of the Lutheran Brotherhood.

Fertile Lutheran ELCA Women will have quilting days on Tuesday and Wednesday February 25 & 26 and Wednesday and Thursday March 5 & 6 from 9:00 a.m. until mid-afternoon. Lunch will be served at noon. Come and join us - the fellowship is great.



The Grant Livewires 4-H Club met January 18 at the Fertile Community Center. Our roll call "A New Years Resolution I Made".

We discussed "Share the Fun", a county 4-H activity that all the clubs participate in. We are planing a club roller skating party for March. We are going to invite the Fertile Valley Farmers. We are going to have a bake sale to earn some money next month.

A Presentation was given by Katie Evans on "Wreaths". She showed us how to make one out of birch limbs. Emily Evans gave a Presentation on "How to care for my hamster". She brought her hamster to our meeting.

Hostesses were Bridget Anderson and Katie Anderson.

BURTNES PLUMBING & HEATING 797-2680

Deb's Country Day Care of rural Fertile has one full time opening. I am a registered home. Provide preschool activities, Active and quiet play times, and a loving atmosphere for children. If interested please call 797-2303.



Keith & Mayvis Sheimo

Keith & Mayvis Sheimo will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday March 22nd. The open house will be held from 2-4 P.M. at the Fertile Lutheran Church.

The event will be sponsored by their children and their families. They are Richard and Marsha Smidt of Longmont, Colorado, Gene and Pam Hartman of Buffalo Center, Iowa, Greg and Paulette Quame of Ventura, Iowa and Jeff and Cheryl Sheimo of Clear Lake, Iowa.

No invitations are being sent and the couple requests no gifts.

Keith and Mayvis were married March 21, 1942 in Princeton, Missouri.



Robert and Audrey Olson of Tucson, Ariz. will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary February 18th with a card shower.

Robert was a 1937 graduate of the Fertile High School.

Cards may be sent to them at:
2612 N. Grannen Road
Tucson, Arizona 85745

The annual "Sweetheart Dance" sponsored by Friends of Fertile is scheduled for April 3rd at the Surf Ballroom in Clear Lake from 8:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. Malek's Fishermen from the Duncan-Garner area will be provide the music.

Tickets are \$5.00 per person. Tickets will be in the mail to you the first part of March. If you can't use the tickets a donation would be much appreciated. Remember this event helps support our Community Center and we all need to work together to keep our center going.

Fertile High School Alumni

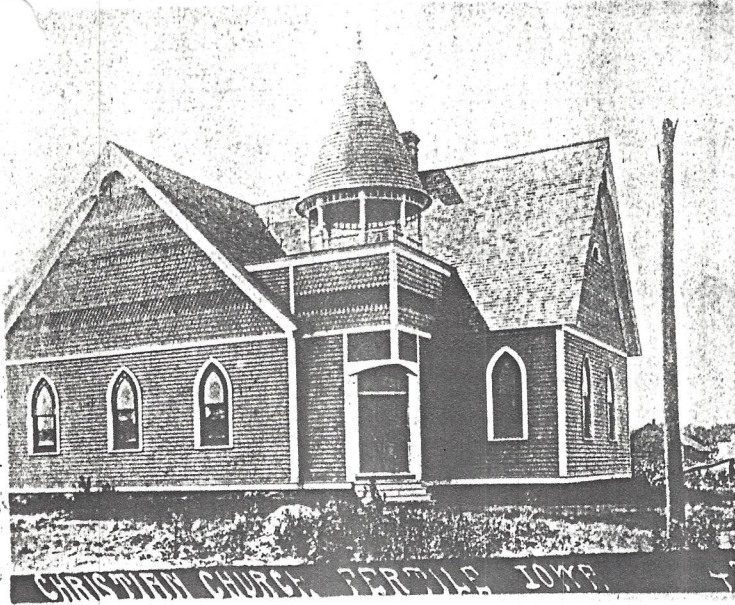
The Fertile Alumni Committee met to plan for the banquet scheduled for Saturday June 13, 1992.

The officers for the Association are:
President - Merle Tuttle
Vice-President - Leland Pederson
Corresponding Secretary - Marilyn Severs
Secretary/Treasurer - Elaine Patten

We encourage all Fertile Alumni to make a special effort to attend. Also to extend invitations to anyone who has attended Fertile High School who may not have received an invitation and to any former teachers of Fertile school.

WELCOME --to Melody and Shane Steen. They have purchased the Dorothy Aspland home. Melody is the daughter of Carol Torkelson a Fertile area resident.

Our sympathy to the family of Geneva (Jenkins) Burtness who passed away on February 3rd. She was a sister of Bud Jenkins and a sister-in-law of Lester Burtness. She attended the Fertile School.



Come September 15, 1994, Fertile Church of Christ will be 100 years old. The preaching and spreading of the Word of God has been the main purpose of the church whether the location be the old Rood schoolhouse on the northeast corner of property now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ouverson, a church building in Fertile that was destroyed by fire on January 28, 1917, a second building built and dedicated on December 9, 1917, or a new brick structure on the hill finished in 1977.

In the summer of 1889 S.H.C. Class, an old buttermaker, asked a man by the name of Deval to come from Marble Rock and preach in a grove at the Old Law schoolhouse. Deval was called a Disciple or Campbellite. In January of 1892, G.W. Hasty of Des Moines came and preached in the Rood schoolhouse. In the summer of 1893 M.S. Johnson of Mason City preached a series of sermons at the Burr Oak grove (where Dale Hyde's now live). In May of 1894 several got together and signed a petition to ask Ben Hill of Maniteau Co., Missouri to come and hold a six week meeting for \$2.00 per week. There were 128 converts and out of this meeting the Church of Christ was organized on July 9, 1894. The church building was built that summer and fall. Formal incorporation papers were filed by William Paschen, O.S. Mitchell and Squire Humphrey on September 15, 1894. Baptismal services were held in the Winnebago River, west of the mill on the north bank. The first preacher after incorporation was T.A. West.

During the fall and early winter of 1916 the church building was raised. A basement was constructed and a new heating plant installed. The work was completed on January 26, 1917, but sadly the church building was destroyed by fire two days later. A new building was constructed during the summer and fall of 1917 and dedicated on December 9, 1917. The total cost was \$10,000.

In 1972 a building fund was begun to replace the old structure. The church family broke ground in 1976 and moved into the new building in November, 1977. The completion of the new building culminated plans and discussions that had begun in the middle of 1969, during the ministry of Bernard Bliss. Dennis Ganz has served as minister with the congregation since August, 1974.

8 Over twenty-five men have served as ministers of the congregation. Many young people from the congregation have attended Bible Colleges and gone to serve the Lord in churches across the United States. Also, sons and daughters who have been taught in the church now serve in various ways and locations.

We thank God for His many blessings through the years and pray that we will continue to serve Him by spreading the Gospel in our communities and the world.

The Church of Christ is an independent congregation of believers, led by elders and deacons selected annually by the congregation.

Last charter member died in 1961, Dora Carr, was the mother of Vesta Kuns.

Maude Robinson Emmert, 99 years old, a resident at Good Shepherd Center in Mason City, is the oldest person living who has had association with the church.

Descendents of charter members still active in the local Church of Christ are:

Vesta Kuns	Roger Humphrey
Jean VanDenBosch & son Bob	Bob Oувerson & son Brian
Eugene Hall & sons Tracy & Troy	Brian Hall
Dean Haugen & son Allen & daughter Dee Ann	

Our oldest living member is Bob Kuhn, now 89, but a newcomer, having been a member only since 1947.

These have been members over 50 years at the present:

Melvin Oувerson	Vesta Kuns
Elaine Hall	Iva Schuler
Lois Anderson	Gertrude Lindquist
Ruth V Oувerson	Virgil Oувerson
Jean VanDenBosch	Viola Roberts
Violet Hall	Verle Miller
Corrine Miller	

Those presently serving in a specialized church ministry who have gone from the church here are:

Neil Kuns - minister - California
Gary Hall, brother of Eugene and Brian - College Professor, Ill.
Lisa Oувerson Neilsen - ministers wife, Indiana

Children of ministers who are church related work:

Gail Bliss Celter - ministers wife, Ill.
Jill Ganz Ruskey - ministers wife, Ill.
Kevin Blanchard - campus minister, Minn.
Robert Blanchard - minister in Wisconsin
Mark & John Plunket - ministers in Ohio & Illinois
Charley Gard & Dennis Haugen - both deceased have worked in pulpit and youth ministry
Rhonda Ganz Jensen - worked several years for Minnesota Bible College and interim youth ministry in Minnesota

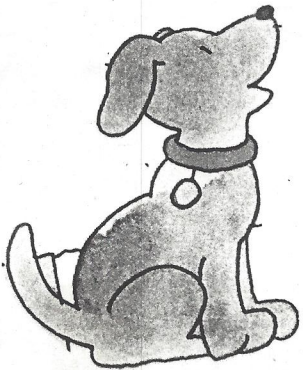
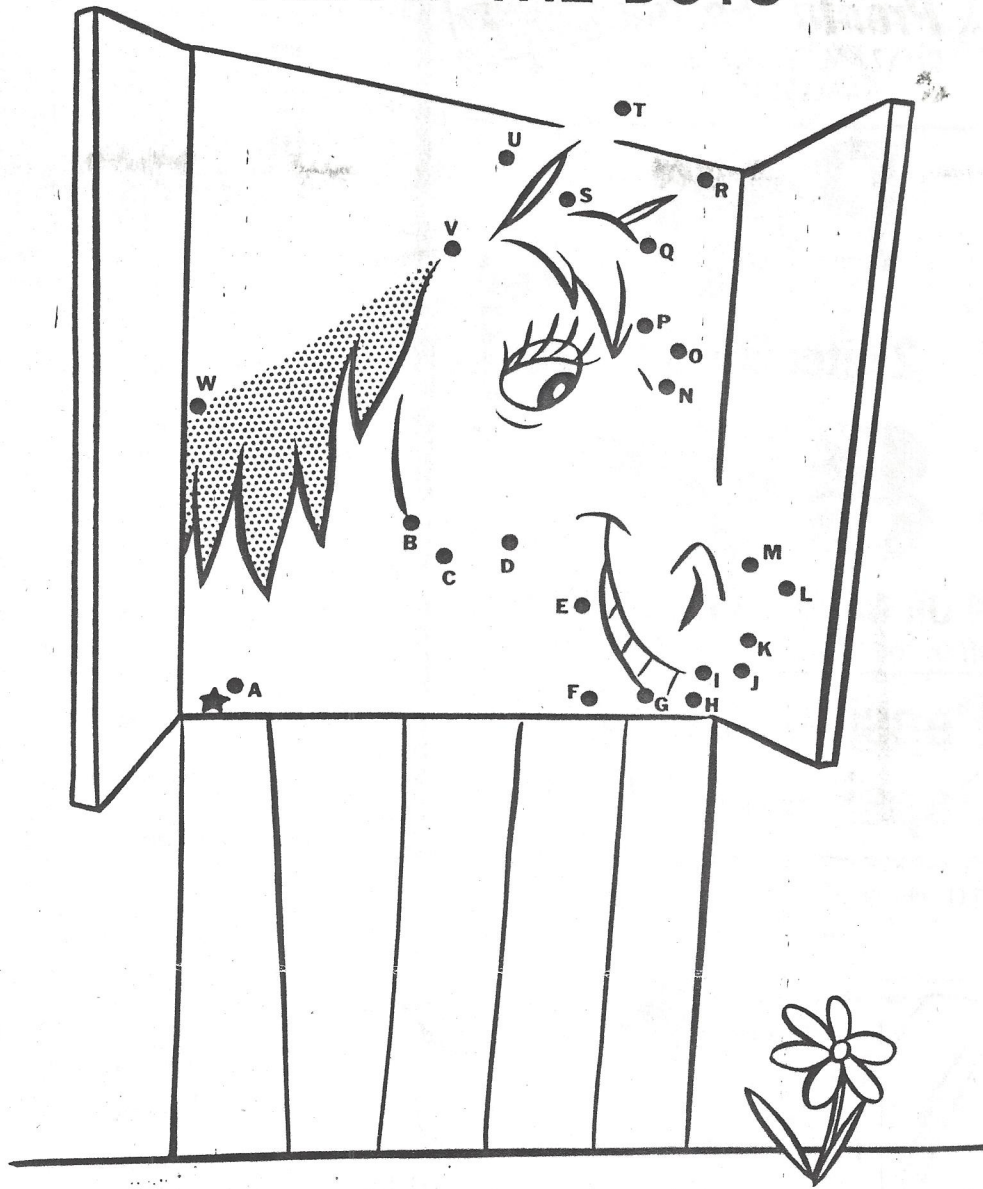
Worship services are at 10 A.M. and 6 P.M. Sunday School classes are at 9 A.M. year around for all ages beginning at 3 years of age. Youth groups meet at 6 P.M. Sundays for ages 4 through high school during the school year.

The church has Bible study groups available presently meeting on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Ladies Christian Workers meet on the last Friday of each month at 2:00 P.M. and Evening Groups the last Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M.

The church participates in church camp for grades 2 through adult during the summer months at Bristow, Iowa.

Looking for a friendly church? Come and share with us.

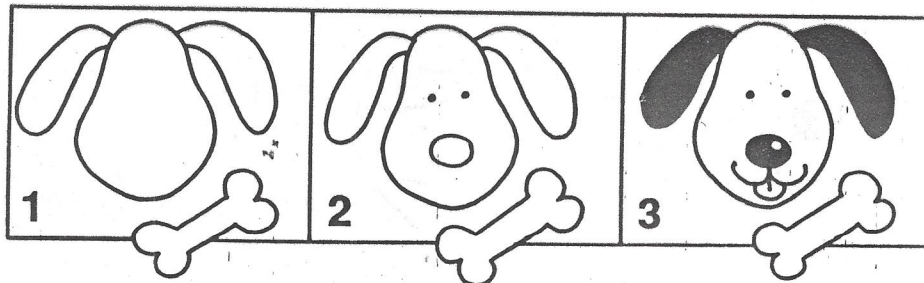
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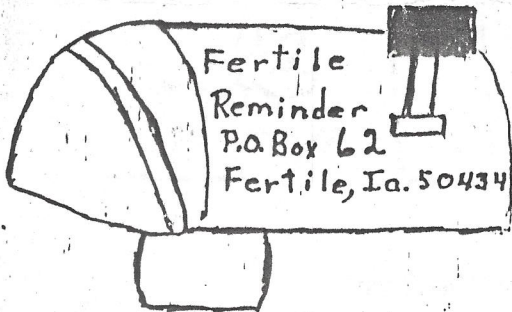
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