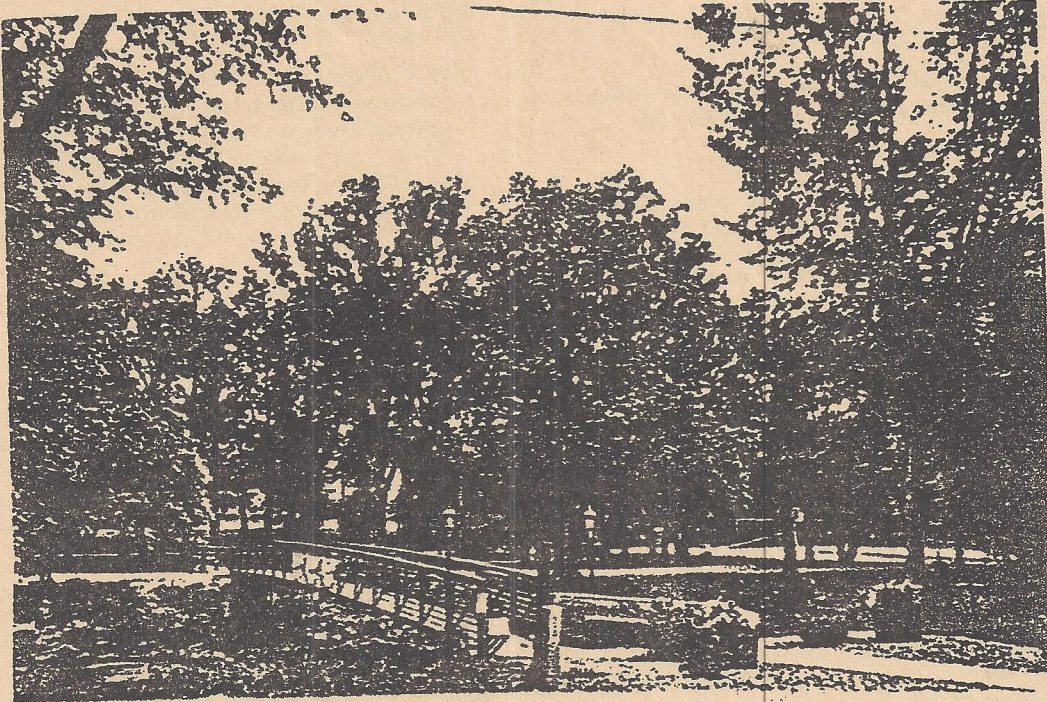


NOVEMBER 2006

FERTILE REMINDER



COMING EVENTS

Nov. 6	Fire Dept. Meeting	7 p.m.
Nov. 7	Senior Dinner	Noon
Nov. 14	Garden Club	
Nov. 18	Boys & Girls 4-H	
Nov. 20	Library Board Meeting	7 p.m.
Nov. 21	Senior Dinner City Council Meeting	Noon 7 p.m.
Nov. 23	HAPPY THANKSGIVING	

City of Fertile

City Council Special Meeting Minutes

2006 CDBG I/I Reduction Project
September, 13 2006, 7:00 PM, City Hall

- 1.) **Call to Order**
The Fertile City Council met at 7:00 PM in special session, September, 13 2006, at Fertile City Hall.
- 2.) **Roll Call**
Present were: Mayor Joyce Russell, Council Members, Melanne Bang, Jeff Berg, Gail Shropshire, Patrick Renchin, Tad Miller, and City Clerk, Eddie May.
- 3.) **Public Hearing**
Mayor Russell opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated cost for the CDBG I/I Reduction Project. No oral or written comments for or against the proposed project were presented. Mayor Russell closed the hearing at 7:05 p.m..
- 4.) **Resolution**
Miller moved and Shropshire 2nd, roll call vote was unanimous, to pass resolution 06-13-09-1: Finally approving and confirming plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated cost of the I/I Reduction Project.
- 5.) **Report from Yaggy-Colby regarding results of bid letting**
Terry McCarthy of Yaggy-Colby presented the results of the bid letting. Two bids were received. One bid was from Brian Nettleton Excavating, Inc. and one bid was from Holland Contracting Corp.
- 6.) **Resolution**
A resolution was required to award the contract to the lowest bidder: Brian Nettleton Excavating, Inc.
Berg moved and Renchin 2nd, roll call vote was unanimous, to pass resolution 06-13-09-2: Awarding contract for the 2006 Sanitary Sewer CDBG I/I Reduction Project.
- 7.) **Adjourn**
Bang moved, Shropshire 2nd to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

City of Fertile

City Council Meeting Minutes

September, 19 2006, 7:00 PM, City Hall

- 1.) **Call to Order**
The Fertile City Council met at 7:00 PM in regular session, September 19, 2006, at Fertile City Hall.
- 2.) **Roll Call**
Present were: Mayor Joyce Russell, Council Members, Jeff Berg, Gail Shropshire, Patrick Renchin, Tad Miller, and City Clerk Eddie May.
Absent: Melanne Bang.
- 3.) **Minutes Approval**
Renchin asked a follow-up question in regards to the water tower damage mentioned at last month's meeting. Mayor Russell stated that the City was still waiting for replacement parts to be received before repairs could be made.
Renchin moved and Miller 2nd to approve the August minutes.
Motion Carried.
- 4.) **I/I Reduction Project**
 - Marsha Cory of Simmering-Cory presented the status of the project, CDBG status and the SRF status. The City originally asked for a \$180,000 SRF loan through the DNR for the local match portion of the project required for the CDBG. The amount requested was raised to \$200,000 in order to cover any un-expected costs for the project. The City does not have to draw the full \$200,000 if it is not needed.
 - Terry McCarthy of Yaggy-Colby presented the City with the final contract with Brian Nettleton Excavating, Inc.
 - Resolution: *Miller moved and Shropshire 2nd, roll call vote was unanimous, to pass resolution 06-19-09-3: Approving contract and*

performance and/or payment bonds for the 2006 Sanitary Sewer CDBG I/I Reduction Project.

- October 3, 2006 was set as a date to hold the public hearing regarding the SRF loan through the DNR. It will be held at City Hall at 7:00 p.m. All interested citizens are invited to attend.
 - Resolution: *Renchin moved and Miller 2nd, roll call vote was unanimous, to pass resolution 06-19-09-4: Date setting for the public hearing on the Sewer Revenue Loan Disbursement Agreement.*
- 5.) **Mayor's Report**
 - Vandalism continues to take place within the City. All citizens are encouraged to secure their property during the day and to keep an eye out for perpetrators. The City will be purchasing security surveillance cameras in an attempt to stop this behavior. All perpetrators caught on tape will be reported to the Sheriff's department. Parents could find themselves liable for the behavior of their minor child.
 - 6.) **City Clerk's Report**
 - May presented the August financials
 - Discussion on the waste removal and recycling fees was made. The consensus of the council was to raise rates by .25 for both the recycling and waste removal services. Further discussion will be made at the October Council Meeting prior to the actual raising of the rates.
 - The City Truck will be taken in for body work including rust removal. The former City Truck will placed up for sale.
 - Resolution 06-19-09-1 was presented to place a tax lien on the property of 501 West Washington Street for non-payment of the City of Fertile Utility Bill in the amount of \$1002.53.
Miller moved, Renchin 2nd to approve resolution 06-19-09-1.
Motion carried.
 - Resolution 06-19-09-2 was presented to place a tax lien on the property of 205 East Main Street for non-payment of the City of Fertile Utility Bill in the amount of \$1089.30.
Miller moved, Renchin 2nd to approve resolution 06-19-09-2.
Motion carried.
 - Larry Pump's office notified May that their office could not perform the City's audit since they helped to set-up the current bookkeeping system. They noted that the City is not required to perform an audit by the State. May suggested to the Council that an audit be performed regardless, in order to set a base-line. The Council asked May to get estimates as to the cost of an audit. The City has \$3,000.00 budgeted this year for an audit.
 - The Senior Citizens committee signed over a CD to the City of Fertile. This will be reflected in September's Financials. The monies are designated for the construction of the proposed Community Center. Discussion for the proposed center will begin at the Council Meeting in October. Research will begin in regards to available funding for this project.
 - 7.) **Approve Expenditures**
Renchin moved, Berg 2nd to approve the expenditures. Motion carried.
 - 8.) **Other Business**
 - It has been reported that several minors have been "street surfing" behind quarry trucks within the City Limits. This is illegal, as well as extremely dangerous. The Sheriff has been notified and will monitor the situation. They will issue tickets to offenders, and their parents, as they are caught.
 - 9.) **Upcoming Meetings**
 - The City Council will hold a special meeting on October, 3rd for the Public Hearing on the SRF Loan.
 - The Fertile City Council will meet at 7:00 PM in regular session, October 17th, 2006, at Fertile City Hall.
 - 10.) **Adjourn**
Miller moved, Shropshire 2nd to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

City of Fertile
Expenditures and Revenues
As of August 31, 2006

Type	Name	Paid Amount
General Fund Checking		
Bill Pmt -Check	Bruns, Warren V	-133.02
Bill Pmt -Check	Five Star CO-OP	-29.88
Bill Pmt -Check	LGI	-9.80
Bill Pmt -Check	Russell, Joyce V	-34.18
Bill Pmt -Check	Sign Pro	-346.50
Bill Pmt -Check	WCTA	-116.42
Bill Pmt -Check	Aukes Lawn & Pest LC	-975.00
Bill Pmt -Check	B.J.'s Rentals	-559.13
Bill Pmt -Check	Cherry Tree Builders V	-7,441.74
Bill Pmt -Check	Eliot, Inc.	-743.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Fertile Fire Department V	-550.00
Bill Pmt -Check	Menards	-208.76
Bill Pmt -Check	Pronto	-229.46
Bill Pmt -Check	R&S Osnes Paint	-144.80
Bill Pmt -Check	Waste Management	-1,905.96
Bill Pmt -Check	WCTA	-1,680.00
Check	Lee, Dan & Kristin	-102.00
Deposit		3,116.10
Deposit		3,087.72
Deposit		6,073.60
Deposit		4,037.05
Deposit	Diamond Joe Casino	1,945.41
Deposit	Treasurer - Worth County	36.25
Deposit		20.60
Paycheck	Bruns, Warren	-1,658.38
Paycheck	Ganz, Dennis	-53.07
Paycheck	Low, David	-300.73
Paycheck	May III, Edgar F	-587.03
Paycheck	Russell, Grant	-539.39
Total General Fund Checking		-31.52
Roads Revenue Fund Savings		
Deposit		64.28
Total Roads Revenue Fund Savings		64.28
Sewage Revenue Fund Checking		
Deposit		3.93
Total Sewage Revenue Fund Checking		3.93
Water Revenue Fund Checking		
Deposit		2.66
Total Water Revenue Fund Checking		2.66
TOTAL		39.35

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FERTILE GARDEN CLUB

The Fertile Garden Club met Tuesday, October 10, 2007 with Carolyn Nedved and Bev Steffensen as hostesses at Bev's home in Forest City. Twelve members were present.

We opened our meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was "What do you do for relaxation?" New business included bringing canned goods for the Food Bank to the November meeting. Election of officers will be held in Nov. Bring names of prospective members to the next meeting. They will be sent letters by the Secretary. We will sign Christmas Cards for the Senior Citizens of the community and we will decide how we want to disperse our money. The Christmas party was discussed and Gloria will check out the menu and bring to the next meeting.

Penny Miller gave a talk on "Tomatoes" and she showed us what they can.

We sang happy birthday to the birthday gals. Evelyn Elthon gave the thought of the day. We sang the table prayer and was treated to a very delicious lunch served by Bev & Carolyn.

The next meeting will be November 14.

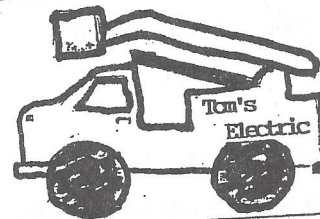
Pat Oswald, Reporter pro-tem

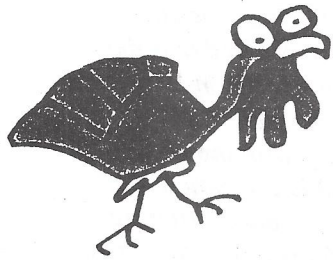
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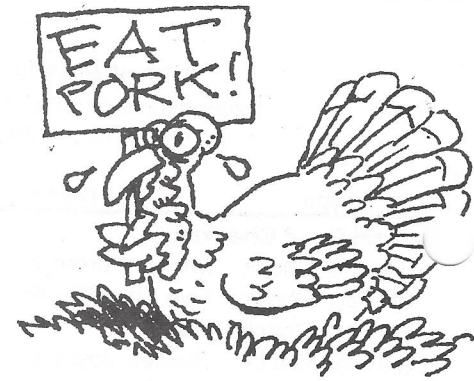
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Saturday - 9:00 am - Noon

NEW BOOKS

- The Mephisto Club – Tess Gerritsen
- For One More Day – Mitch Albom
- Under Orders – Dick Francis
- Girl Next Door – Patricia McDonald
- Tears of the Giraffe – Alexander McCall Smith
- Morality for Beautiful Girls - A.M. Smith
- Priceless – Mariah Stewart
- Before I Wake – Dee Henderson
- The Glass Castle – Jeanette Walls
- 90 Minutes in Heaven – Don Piper
- The Devil's Legion – William W. Johnstone
- The Looming Tower – Lawrence Wright
- How I Write – Janet Evanovich
- 30-Minute Meals – Rachel Ray
- All New Crafts for Halloween – Kathy Ross
- All New Crafts for Thanksgiving – Kathy Ross
- Panels & Patchwork – Quick Quilts for Kids – Janet Wecker-Frisch
- The Brethren - Beverly Lewis
- The Priest – Francine Rivers
- The Warrior – Francine Rivers
- The Prophet – Francine Rivers

DVD's

- 16 Blocks – Bruce Willis
- The Shaggy Dog – Tim Allen
- RV – Robin Williams
- X-Men United – Patrick Stewart

Audio Books

- Immoral – Brian Freeman
- Heat/Santa Fe Rules – Stuart Woods
- Fire Sale – Sara Paretsky

LIBRARY NEWS

Santa will visit the Library on Saturday, December 2 at 10:00 A.M. We will also hold our annual raffle. We will be giving away a \$100.00 Wal-Mart gift card. The tickets will be \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. If anyone would like to donate to it or be interested in selling tickets please call or stop by the library.

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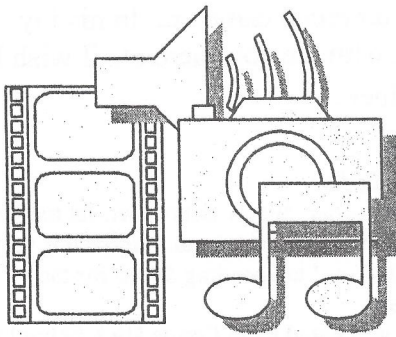
The Fertile Beautification & Improvement Committee (FB&I) is developing a DVD highlighting the Fertile Sesquicentennial with the help of Rick Anderson. We are looking for video footage of the 150th Celebration on either DVD or VHS format.

Rick will use excerpts from the footage submitted along with slides to create the DVD. There will also be a few excellent surprises on it! The DVD will be available some time mid 2007 for a "Donation" to the FB&I that will help fund future projects.

If you are willing to share your video footage, please drop off or mail a copy to the Fertile Library at PO Box 198.

Final day for submissions is January 15, 2007.

Be sure to watch for postings around town for early "Viewings" of a segment that Rick has already completed!



The FB&I wishes to express
our sincere appreciation to all
of the volunteers
who helped make
Fertile's 150th Celebration
such a success.
We couldn't have done it
without you!

Thank You!

FB&I News

The next meeting of the Fertile Beautification and Improvement Committee will be November 2nd, starting at 6:00. Anyone interested in joining this group is invited to come to a potluck at the city shed. We will eat and socialize from 6:00 to 7:00 and then have our meeting. We will provide maid-rites, please bring a side dish and utensils. Please bring any ideas or suggestions to this meeting. The FB&I is made up of a group of volunteers that seek out ways to improve the quality of life in Fertile. Please join us as we will start to embark on bigger and better things for our town!!

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- Oct. 25 Free blood pressure clinic at Downtown Cafe in Fertile from 9 - 9:45 a.m. All ages welcome. Sponsored by Worth County Public Health.
- Oct. 25-26 Senior Health Clinic at Church of Christin Fertile - Age 60+ welcome for general assessment, five lab tests and health education. Minimal lab fee. Donations encouraged. With advance appointment, any age can schedule a cholesterol panel with fasting blood sugar test for \$20. Call Worth County Public Health at 800-765-1388 to schedule.
- Nov. 8 In office screenings at Worth County Health Office. Cholesterol panels with a blood sugar test are available for \$20 for any age with advance appointment. Free blood pressure checks are done Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Call 800-765-1388 or 324-1741 for information and to schedule an appointment.
- Nov. 16 Child Immunization Clinic at Worth County Public Health Office in Northwood from 1-4 p.m. No appointment necessary.
- 2006-2007 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program:**
When to apply:
A) Elderly (60 & older) and/or disabled Oct. 2, 2006 - April 16, 2007
B) All other households: Nov. 1, 2006 thru April 16, 2007.
- Applications for Worth county residents are taken on a Walk-In Basis at the following location: 121 E. Elmore St, Suite #3, Manly. Phone 641-454-3220 Tuesday and Thursday.
Mailable applications available upon request from North Iowa Community Action - 1-800-873-1899.

CORRECTION!!!

In our October issue of the Fertile Reminder we had a picture of the class of 1956 who celebrated their 50th class reunion. There were no names on the back of the picture when we got it, but we thought we knew the names of who they all were. Janet Burtness was identified in error. It should have been Sandra Thompson Young. Sorry!!!!

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The doctor put the patient on the scale and noted his weight.
"You keep your weight fairly stable?"

"Sure do," replied the patient.

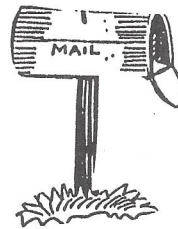
"What was the most you ever weighed?" The patient answered, "About 150 pounds."

"And the least?"

"About eight pounds."

Annoyed Diner: "You say you are the same waiter who took my order? Somehow I expected a much older man."

Ole found a bottle on the street, rubbed it a bit to dust it off...suddenly a genie popped out, thanked him, and told him he had three wishes. For his first wish... Ole asked for a brand new red convertible, with all kinds of chrome and a terrific stereo and many other gadgets. Poof... instantly he was in a beautiful red convertible so gorgeous you wouldn't believe it. Then he said, "I wish I had a beautiful red-haired gal in this car with me to help me enjoy it" Poof...instantly an absolutely ravishing, gorgeous young gal right beside him. Then, he tuned in a station on his car radio. Beautiful music. As the song ended, a commercial came on. In his joy, Ole began singing along with the commercial, "I wish I was an Oscar Mayer weiner..."



Dear Ladies,

My sister, Nancy Schroeder, let me read her Fertile Reminder and I enjoyed it very much. So, I am sending \$6.00 for the paper.

I graduated from Fertile High School in 1948.

Dorothy Juhl Haugen

Dear Ladies,

Thank you for the Fertile Reminder. I enjoy reading it. My sister, Thelma Trustem, used to live there.

Helga Anderson

Dear Ladies,

Thanks again for another year of the Remindler. I enjoy it very much. Also, thanks to my classmate, George Kisner. We have two cats and are animal lovers, so we understand and love his stories.

Mary Ouverson Homerding

Hi!

Please renew the Fertile Reminder subscription for Pat Lovick, Colleen Lura and Barb Klaperich.

We had 3 wonderful days of celebration during Fertile's 150th anniversary. It was great with family, friends, classmates and neighbors. Thanks to all for the hard work and great job you did.

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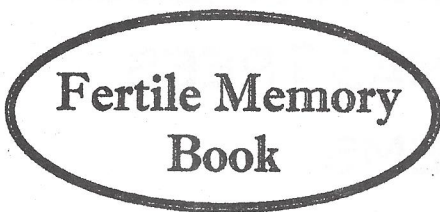
*This ad was designed by Shelly Matson-Benton for my dear Aunt JoAnn! Hello to all my old friends in the North Country!

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Make payment to Fertile Beautification & Improvement (FB&I)
Books are due to arrive by 7/31/06

Help Needed!!!!
Thanks to the readers we have many more histories on the deceased of the early grades. We can't quit so here is the next list of people.

Do you have any information or know of family members for the following for the all school book?
1918: Francis Lang, Rua Goodell Doebel, Nels Ure, Beth Foster,
1919: Idona Oswald Nelson, Axel Gander, Leroy Van Note, Norman Jorgenson, Ila Purcell Beach
1920: Virgil Johnson, Rex Hill, Esther & Minnie Oppedahl, Norma Oувerson VanNote, Lois Westcott Hanna, Minard Rhodes, Frank Lee
1921: Mae Stevens Smith, Irene Stuart Mitchell, Velma Hill Moore, Mary Gaskill Platts, Veronica Oswald, Neal Paulson, Ruth Johnson Muth, Maude Humphrey Bricker
1922: Rena Johnson Bliss, Violet Welch Hall, Christine Stuart, Marjorie Sanderson Mason, Verna Beal Habeck,
1923: Leslie Hill, Palma Oувerson Solmonson, MildredHickock Wolford, Martha Hill Sandy, Olga Oувerson Haugen, Clair Westcott, Edgar Waggoner, Alvin Brue, Stanley Sanderson, Ruth Purcell Staggert,
1924: Loran Elting, Alma Hegney Varner, Clara Kundson Kalb, Edwin Myhre, Clare Schmidt, Blanche Stout Schauff, Laurence Stuart, Vern VanNote & Viola Waggoner Abrams.

IF you have any information, obituaries or knowledge or know of someone that does would you please send it to **Betty Waddington 554 Hwy 9, Hanlontown, IA 50444** email fhbook@wctatel.net

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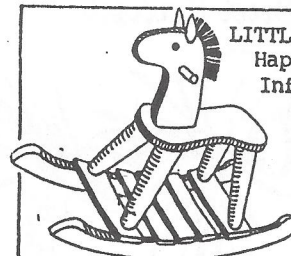
"Bolan Fall Market" Sept. 23

"Pumpkin Decorating & Hay Rides" Oct. 21

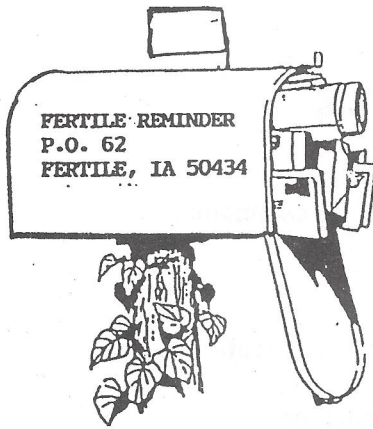
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