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Santa Claus attends Legion pancake breakfast on December 8



Upcoming Legion events

- Jan. 6 Legion meeting, 7:30/S.A.L. meeting 7:00
- Jan. 11 Euchre, 7:00
- Jan. 12 Pancake breakfast, 8:30-1:00
- Feb. 3 Legion meeting, 7:30/S.A.L. meeting 7:00
- Feb. 8 Euchre, 7:00
- Feb. 9 Pancake breakfast, 8:30-1:00
- Feb. 21 Casino Night
- March 3 Legion meeting, 7:30/S.A.L. meeting 7:00
- March 8 Euchre, 7:00
- March 9 Pancake breakfast, 8:30-1:00
- April 5 Honor Flight Dinner
- April 7 Legion meeting, 7:30/S.A.L. meeting 7:00
- April 12 Euchre, 7:00
- April 13 Pancake breakfast, 8:30-1:00

Courtesy of Nichole Tonner.

***Hate missing events
because you forgot about them?***
Add upcoming events listed in each Blitz to your calendar as soon as you learn about them. Problem solved.

Brunsville Legion Pancake Breakfasts

**All you can eat • Carryout available
Brunsville Legion Hall, 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

\$10 adults • \$5 kids 5-9 years
Kids 4 and under eat for free

Sun., Jan. 12 Sun., March 9
Sun., Feb. 9 Sun., April 13

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You're invited to Euchre Night

Register by 6:45 p.m., cards at 7 p.m.
Prizes depend on the number of players
\$5 entry, cash bar Open to everyone —
you don't need a partner

♦ ♣ Sat., Jan. 11 Sat., March 8 ♠ ♥
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In Memory of ...

Mark Baumgartel, who passed away on November 26.
Mark is Max Baumgartel's grandfather.

Larry Grasz, who passed away on November 27.

Adam Gabel, who passed away on December 15.

In Our Prayers

Friends and family of Mark Baumgartel

Judy Bowman

Donna Erickson

Family and friends of Adam Gabel

Kylie Gaul

Friends and family of Larry Grasz

Denny Henrich

Jeanette Jensen

Vivian Johnson

Stan Meyer

Warren Oetken

Janice Plueger

Tammy Popken

Dan Ransom

Bill Renken

Janice Renken

Joan Renken

Rod Renken

Clark Schmitz

Kim Sherlock

Brooklyn Smit

Max Utesch

Paul Utesch

Peggy Wilken

Birthdays

Bill Renken Jan. 1

Crystal Lubben Jan. 2

Noah Niehus Jan. 5

Judy Lubben Jan. 7

Knox Wendt Jan. 8

Susan (Dickman) Braun Jan. 8

Jacob Weiler Jan. 8

Penny Angerman Recker Jan. 9

Henrik, James and Thomas Hasselquist Jan. 9

Myiesha Suzuki Jan. 9

Nick Dickman Jan. 10

Chris Bruscher Jan. 10

Lloyd Borchers Jan. 10

Carol Schmitz Jan. 11

Cooper Wendt Jan. 11

Max Utesch IV Jan. 11

Molly Carpenter Jan. 12

Mary Poe Jan. 13 — Barry's mom

Raelynn Poe Jan. 13 — Barry's granddaughter

Taylor Oetken Jan. 13

Samuel Kruse Jan. 13

Landen Olson Jan. 14

Cheri Rus Jan. 15

Mercy Suzuki Jan. 15

Jim Bolton Jan. 17

Nichole Tonner Jan. 17

Here's your sign

A new town sign was erected on June 18, 1991 at the entrance to Brunsville. It was eventually replaced with the current "Welcome to Brunsville" sign. Brunsville underwent a building boom in 1910 and was incorporated in 1911.



CITIZENS OF THE MONTH:

**Kat & Angie Smit, Trista Hodgson
and Jamie Goldmann**

All four ladies are outstanding volunteers who are dependably instrumental in community events including the Halloween party, Veterans Appreciation event and Santa's appearance during the December pancake breakfast.



In the spirit of Christmas

Mary Korthas received a Christmas ornament from her brother, David Gross, who was a producer for CBS News for many years. The ornament reads, "Christmas 2024 The White House."

Madison Weiler Jan. 20
Kacey Jo Schlichte Jan. 24
Joyce Willer Jan. 25
Peggy Wilken Jan. 25
Tammy Kauzlarich Jan. 25
Dwayne Jongma Jan. 25
Kinsley Janke Jan. 25
Tina Renken Jan. 26
Mallory & Lillian Beitelspacher Jan. 26
Alisha Jones Jan. 27
Edward Mosterd Jan. 27
Michelle Plueger Jan. 28
Elijah Brooks Jan. 29

Anniversaries

Steve & Peggy Dickman Jan. 8
Ben & Lani Korthas Jan. 20
Greg & Jeanne Lammers Jan. 31

Please contact us if you'd like to add names to the prayer, birthday or anniversary list.

Have something to publish?

The deadline for submissions is the 25th the month before publication.
Thank you!

Town trivia



The photo above was taken in the summer of 1993. If you look closely, you can see a fence and farm machinery in the background. Where is the location? Hint: You're looking to the east.

True or false?

1. The population of Brunsville was just under 100 in 1915.
2. The salary of the Brunsville postmaster was approximately \$2000 in 1915.
3. Graveling of the Brunsville streets began in 1928.
4. In 1929 the Brunsville high school girls changed into overalls and walked to Brunsville from Le Mars.
5. In 1955 an air compressor exploded in the basement of Reese's service station, which was located on the corner of Elm Street and Jet Road.
6. In 1941 Brunsville began holding "skirt and tie" dances.
7. In the fall of 1930 there were 45 Brunsville school students.
8. The last time the Brunsville school was open was in the spring of 1970.

Answers will be published in the next edition.

FREE centennial wine glasses and \$10 cookbooks are available

Stop by Iowa State Bank of Brunsville for Brunsville Centennial wine glasses and cookbooks. The glasses are free and the 388-page cookbooks full of delicious recipes are only \$10. Both make great gifts for any occasion.

Hurry! Only two wine glasses are left!

Recipe of the month: Soft Oatmeal Cookies

1 1/2 c. sugar	1 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. salt	3/4 c. shortening
1/2 tsp. cloves	2 c. rolled oats
2 eggs	1/2 tsp. baking powder
1 c. raisins	1 tsp. vanilla
1 tsp. baking soda	1/2 c. chopped nuts
2 1/2 c. all-purpose flour	

Simmer 1 cup raisins in 1 cup water about 20 minutes. Drain raisins, liquid into a cup and add enough water to make 1/2 cup. Cream together sugar, shortening, eggs and vanilla. Stir in raisin juice. Stir together flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Add to creamed mixture. Add cinnamon and cloves. Stir in oatmeal, raisins and nuts. Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 400° for about 10 minutes, or until lightly browned. Yield: 50.

The above recipe was submitted by the Paul Ruden family and can be found on page 93 of the Brunsville Centennial Cookbook that was published in 2010. Centennial cookbooks are available for \$10 at Iowa State Bank in Brunsville.

Have a recipe to share? Contact us.

You're invited to "break in the bank"

The Craig Coffee Club invites everyone for coffee and company on Saturdays at 9 a.m. in the former Iowa State Bank building.

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wouldn't be possible without you.**

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Sign up for a shift to help us make the shelter even more successful.

Looking to adopt?

The shelter is full of animals ready to be welcomed into a new home.

Contact us today!



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Signs of a stroke

A stroke is a medical emergency. It's crucial to get medical treatment right away. Getting emergency medical help quickly can reduce brain damage and other stroke complications.

The good news is that fewer Americans die of stroke now than in the past. Effective treatments also can help prevent disability from stroke.

If you or someone you're with may be having a stroke, pay attention to the time the symptoms began. Some treatments are most effective when given soon after a stroke begins.

Symptoms of stroke include:

Trouble speaking and understanding what others are saying. A person having a stroke may be confused, slur words or may not be able to understand speech.

Numbness, weakness or paralysis in the face, arm or leg. This often affects just one side of the body. The person can try to raise both arms over the head. If one arm begins to fall, it may be a sign of a stroke. Also, one side of the mouth may droop when trying to smile.

Problems seeing in one or both eyes. The person may suddenly have blurred or blackened vision in one or both eyes. Or the person may see double.

Headache. A sudden, severe headache may be a symptom of a stroke. Vomiting, dizziness and a change in consciousness may occur with the headache.

Trouble walking. Someone having a stroke may stumble or lose balance or coordination.

When to see a doctor

Seek immediate medical attention if you notice any symptoms of a stroke, even if they seem to come and go or they disappear completely. **Think "FAST" and do the following:**

Face. Ask the person to smile. Does one side of the face droop?

Arms. Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward? Or is one arm unable to rise?

Speech. Ask the person to repeat a simple phrase. Is the person's speech slurred or different from usual?

Time. If you see any of these signs, call 911 or emergency medical help right away.

Call 911 or your local emergency number immediately. Don't wait to see if symptoms stop. Every minute counts. The longer a stroke goes untreated, the greater the potential for brain damage and disability.

If you're with someone you suspect is having a stroke, watch the person carefully while waiting for emergency assistance.

Source: <https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/stroke/symptoms-causes/syc-20350113>

Quote 'Ems

It is better to remain silent at the risk of being thought a fool, than to talk and remove all doubt of it. — Maurice Switzer

The more we know, the more we want to know; when we know enough, we know how much we don't know. — Carol Orlock

I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand. — Chinese proverb

Education is what you have left over after you have forgotten everything you've learned. — Anonymous

Life appears to me too short to be spent in nursing animosity or registering wrong. — Charlotte Brontë

No matter how big or soft or warm your bed is, you still have to get out of it. — Grace Slick

In youth we learn; in age we understand. — Marie Ebner-Eschenbach

If you want happiness for an hour — take a nap. If you want happiness for a day — go fishing. If you want happiness for a year — inherit a fortune. If you want happiness for a lifetime — help someone else. — Chinese Proverb

It is easy to sit in the sunshine
And talk to the man in the shade;
It is easy to float on a well-trimmed boat,
And point out the places to wade. — Ella Wheeler Wilcox

For every ailment under the sun,
There is a remedy, or there is none;
If there be one, try to find it;
If there be none, never mind it. — Mother Goose

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