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Casino Night well attended

The Prairie Rose Golf Club Casino Night held on Friday, February 21 was well attended and everyone enjoyed a delicious meal served by Home Plate Catering of Granville.

A record number of 34 silent auction items were donated by individuals and area businesses.

The golf board of Keith Koerselman, Justin Kellen, Reno and Peggy Dickman, Dave and Susan Irwin, Travis Bultmann, Judd Herzberg and Clint Kessenich, along with golf course managers Brandon and Sarah Phelan, appreciate all the support given for the course.

Everyone who attended enjoyed a fun evening for a great cause.

The board is hoping to use the proceeds from the event to cement the cart path on No. 2. They look forward to seeing everyone this summer at our beautiful golf course in Brunsville.

The 2025 membership drive will be held on Monday, March 31 at the clubhouse. There will specials on beer and brats.

Photos and information courtesy of Kristin Koerselman.



Soup Off held at Christ Lutheran Church

Members of Christ Lutheran Church and St. Peter Lutheran Church enjoyed a soup competition and silent auction at Christ Lutheran on Sunday, February 23. Attendees cast their vote for the best soup out of 17 delicious soups and placed their highest bid in the silent auction.

The first place winner of the soup off was Shawn Delfs (top left) with her spring chicken soup. The second place winner was Trent Osterbuhr (top center) with his chili, and the third place winner was Wayne Schlotfeldt (top right) with his Cajun chowder.

The event was the brainchild of Vicar Grace Baumgartel, who leads St. Peter and Christ Lutheran each Sunday.

Photos courtesy of Vicar Grace Baumgartel.



Bike Central's Do Not Freeze Ride rolled into Brunsville on Saturday, February 8

Photos in the top row, above and to the immediate left are courtesy of Mark Sturgeon.

In Memory of ...

Joyce Renken, who passed away on February 8.
Tammy Popken, who passed away on February 10.
Donna Cornish, who passed away on February 18.
Loren Harrington, who passed away on February 19.
Dale Plueger, who passed away on February 21.

In Our Prayers

Judy Bowman
Family & friends of Donna Cornish
Donna Erickson
Family & friends of Loren Harrington
Suzanne Heeren, Colleen Hoppe's sister
Denny Henrich
Jeanette Jensen
Vivian Johnson
Stan Meyer
Warren Oetken
Family & friends of Dale Plueger
Family & friends of Tammy Popken
Janice Plueger
Bill Renken
Janice Renken
Joan Renken
Family & friends of Joyce Renken
Rod Renken
Clark Schmitz
Kim Sherlock
Brooklyn Smit
Max Utesch
Paul Utesch
Peggy Wilken

**CITIZENS OF
THE MONTH:**
Bill & Janice
Renken

Birthdays

Bryson Smit March 1
Rod Renken March 3
Trice Weishaar March 3
LaRae Ludwigs March 3
Lakota Christen March 4
Jackie Rieken March 5
Adam Gabel March 8
Nancy Willer March 9
Susan Willer March 9
Mitch Renken March 11
Brenda Galles March 11
Benson Rieken March 13
Scooter Magooter Rollinger March 13
Kate Kruse March 14
Clint Krienert March 15
Jason "Big Nugg" Kruger March 17
Chesney Keleher March 17
Avari Jones March 18
Carly Olson March 18
Natalie Raasch March 19
Loren Oetken March 19
McKinley Angerman March 19
Laura Jones March 20
Nancy Schlichte March 20
Jim Heeren March 20
Matt Krienert March 20
Jenn Smith March 22
Bailey Babcock March 22
Kaleb McFarlane March 23

Todd Osterbuhr March 24
Cindy Krienert March 24
Austin Hoffman March 25
Jen Marienau March 26
Ivy Jo Anthony March 28
Angie Smit March 30
Zeda Finney March 30
Chris Schlichte March 29
Christy Stremick March 29
Lillia Kellen March 29
Josh Babcock March 30
Janna Sitzmann March 30

Anniversaries

Crystal & Jon Hasselquist March 2
Tom & Michelle Jones March 17
Keith & Kristin Koerselman March 19
Vernon & Janna Sitzmann March 31

Congratulations

Right: On February 8 **Naomi Nelson** (far right), niece of Laura Willer, placed 3rd in her district wrestling meet held in Pierce, Nebraska. This placing meant she qualified to participate in the State Wrestling meet to be held in Omaha on February 18-19. Naomi is the first female wrestler in her school history to qualify for the state meet. Wrestling became a sanctioned sport for girls in NE in May 2021. Congratulations Naomi!



Right: **Bella Livermore** (center), niece of Laura Willer, has qualified for the Iowa State archery tournament in Des Moines on February 28-March 2. She shoots for Woodbury Central High School. This is Bella's 4th year qualifying.



Submitted by Nancy Willer.



Engaged

Left: **Chris Everling and Lea Acres** are engaged to be married on June 21, 2025.

Honor roll recognition

Bowen Rieken made the honor roll for the fall semester.

Celebrating birthdays



Left: **Jodi Goodman** of Brunsville and **Johnny Cochran** of Le Mars both celebrated their birthdays at the Corner on February 4. Courtesy of Wendy Cody.

Top right: **Shawna Acres** (far right) celebrated her birthday on February 11. Her birthday is on February 8. Standing to the left of Shawna is Alice Krienert.



Bottom right: **Dylan Taylor** celebrated his 28th birthday on February 18. His birthday is Feb 20. Courtesy of Patty Hill.



Shelter house available to rent

The Brunsville Park shelter house is available to rent for \$50. Call Gisela at 712-540-3159.

FREE Brunsville centennial wine glasses & \$10 cookbooks 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.

Golf membership meeting set for March

Prairie Rose Golf Club will hold its annual membership meeting on Monday, March 31 at 6:30 p.m. at the clubhouse.

Once again, \$1 brats and \$2 beers will be offered with a paid membership.

Look for information letters in the mail on the week of March 16 detailing the membership prices and important dates on the 2025 golf calendar.

If you don't receive a letter, contact any Prairie Rose board member. Information will also be available on the Prairie Rose Facebook page.

Recycling and trash pick-up schedule

O.C. Sanitation empties recycling bins in Brunsville the fourth Friday of every month. Trash is picked up every Wednesday. If the pick-up day falls on a holiday, the substitute date will be listed on the O.C. Sanitation Facebook page or website, ocsanitation.com/schedules.

Upcoming Legion events

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.

You're invited to Euchre Night

Sat., March 8 • Sat., April 12

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.

Legion Pancake Breakfasts

All you can eat • Carryout available

Sun., March 9 • Sun., April 13

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.

Pork Chop Supper Fundraiser for Midwest Honor Flight

Sat., April 5, 5-8 p.m.

Pork chops grilled by

the Plymouth County Pork Producers.

Free-will donation.

Brunsville post office has new phone number

Need to contact the Brunsville post office? The new phone number is 712-305-0163. Colleen Hoppe is Brunsville's postmaster.

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.

**Have something to publish?
The deadline for submissions is the 25th
the month before publication.**

Please feel free to contact us using one of the methods listed on the back page.

Thank you!



Iowa State Bank
BRACKET CHALLENGE

GRAND PRIZE \$100 GIFT CARD
SECOND PLACE \$50 GIFT CARD
THIRD PLACE \$25 GIFT CARD

STOP IN & PICK UP YOUR BRACKET • MARCH 17
Brackets will be available at ISB-Brunsville Branch after 10AM on March 17.

SUBMIT BRACKET ON OR BEFORE:
Men's Tournament Bracket • March 20
Women's Tournament Bracket • March 21
Bracket must be handed in at ISB-Ireton before 10AM to be eligible for PRIZES.

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Recipe of the month: Sweet and Sour Chicken

1 (8 oz.) btl. Russian salad dressing 1 (2 1/2 to 3 lb.) chicken
1 env. dry onion soup mix Cooked rice
1 (10 oz.) jar apricot preserves

Combine salad dressing, onion mix and apricot preserves. Place chicken, cut in serving pieces, in shallow baking dish. Pour mixture over chicken. Put in oven and baste occasionally with pan drippings. Bake at 350° for 1 1/2 hours. Serve hot with rice.

The above recipe was submitted by the late Doris Brooks and can be found on page 258 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 you'd like to share?
Contact us!**

Sites to visit

Missed previous editions of The Brunsville Blitz?

Check out brunsvilleiowa.com

Interested in finding out more about St. Peter Lutheran Church?

Check out stpeterbrunsville.com

Quote 'Ems

One of the oldest human needs is having someone to wonder where you are when you don't come home at night. — Margaret Mead

Wise men talk because they have something to say; fools talk because they have to say something. — Plato

The toughest part of being on a diet is shutting up about it. — Gerald Nachman

It is very easy to forgive others their mistakes; it takes more grit and gumption to forgive them for having witnessed your own. — Jessamyn West

We have to preach what winners practice. — Mary Jean LeTendre

The closest anyone ever comes to perfection is on a job application form. — Unknown

After all, tomorrow is another day. — Margaret Mitchell

When I was little a friend had a dog, a mutt, who was pregnant and due to have her puppies in a week or so. The dog was playing out in the yard one day and got in the way of the lawn mower and her two hind legs got cut off. She was rushed to the vet who sewed her up, and in a short time the dog learned to walk again. She didn't spend any time worrying, she just learned to walk by taking two steps in the front and flipping up her backside and taking two steps and flipping up her backside again. Soon she gave birth to six little puppies, all in perfect health. She nursed them and then weaned them. And when they learned to walk, they all walked just like her. — Gilda Radner

Come visit the animals awaiting a loving home

We need volunteers!

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

Looking to adopt?

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

Contact us today!



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