

# The Brunsville Blitz

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Don Beitelspacher holds his award. I asked him to smile for the picture.

## Don Beitelspacher Surprised with Award at Fair

There Don was, in Pioneer Village at the Plymouth County fairgrounds. Except for a sister in Sioux Falls and a sister in Woodward, IA, all of his brothers and sisters showed up. "I thought, this is kind of strange," he says. Just when he was going to take his grandsons to the tractor pull, he was told to stay and watch for grandniece Molly Renken, a fair queen candidate.

Then he was called up to the stage and presented with the 2012 Plymouth County Fair Hall of Fame Inductee award honoring all of his hard work with 4-H.

"I was really appreciative and very humbled. Only one or two get this award every year," Don says. "I didn't think I deserved it."

Don's involvement with 4-H began in 1946 when he was 14 years old. Cliff Noble was the leader who organized it. He got together with 10 or 12 boys. Emery Kurtz was assistant leader.

His first project was a horse but over the years he specialized in hogs and beef.

"My uncle had a crippled pig that he brought over in a shoe box. It got to be 300 pounds. My dad gave me money for it and butchered it." With that money, Don proceeded to buy hogs and cattle. He showed his best calves at the Tri-State show.

Don became a leader for about 18 years, winning an award for leadership. He was on the Plymouth County Extension Council and eventually on the fair board. He served about 8 years on the board.

Don and wife Betty's children include Sandra (& Curt Miller), Sioux City; Pam (& Dwayne) Harris, Everly; Kim (& Mike) Willer, Sioux City; Kelly (& Denise) Beitelspacher, Akron; Mark (& Sherri) Beitelspacher, home place, rural Brunsville; Ann (& James) Drew, Brookings, SD. They have 13 grandsons & one granddaughter.

## Upcoming Events at the Legion

**Annual Supper for Members**-Sept. 10

**Pancake Breakfast**-Oct. 14

**Halloween Party**-Oct. 27, 5:30PM

**Poultry Party**-Nov. 17, 7PM, doors open at 5PM

**Santa Claus**-Dec. 22

More details to come!

**PLEASE NOTE: We're still looking for men to join Sons of the American Legion!**

## Labor Day

### Basketball Game

Dave Wisthoff, Tam Wisthoff, Josh Goodman & Caleb Goodman enjoy a game of basketball on the Brunsville court Labor Day afternoon. The Wisthoffs traveled from North Dakota to enjoy time in Brunsville.



## Four Seasons Garden Club Yard of the Month



Jeff & Carly Olson & their son, Landen, in their front yard. The family moved to town from Le Mars last year in August. They love their house and are continuing to remodel.

## Christine is Back!

Christine Cho is back in Brunsville after spending the summer in her home country of South Korea. She is staying with the Schlichtes in Brunsville while attending Gehlen Catholic School. Read more about her in the May edition of The Brunsville Blitz.

## Harvest Funfest

Vendor Fair/Craft Show  
October 6, 2012 – 9am – 2pm  
Plymouth County Fairgrounds  
Over 40 vendors!

## Score Some Deals in Brunsville

Brunsville will hold a city-wide garage sale in September or October. Contact Beth Rollinger or Carol Schmitz if you'd like to participate. Sale shoppers, be sure to watch for signs!

## *In Our Prayers*

**Ottie Kleihauer** is home from the hospital.

**Reed Henrich** is hurt after falling.

## *Much Improved*

**Ceil Borchers** is home from the hospital & doing wonderfully!

## *Birthdays*

**Myrt Olson** Aug. 28  
**Gene Pegler** Aug. 31  
**Logan Robbins** Sept. 1  
**Mike Willer** Sept. 1  
**Nicole Plueger** Sept. 2  
**Stan Korthas** Sept. 4  
**Ceil Borchers** Sept. 5  
**Autumn Fuller** Sept. 7  
**Heather Reister** Sept. 8  
**Amy Lubben** Sept. 11  
**Craig Oetken** Sept. 15  
**Steve Sherrill** Sept. 17  
**Todd Oetken** Sept. 18  
**Gaylen Tapper** Sept. 19  
**Reno Dickman** Sept. 21  
**Lori Wilken** Sept. 22  
**Gene Dickman** Sept. 23  
**Wayne Brown** Sept. 23  
**Jason Marienau** Sept. 23  
**Marlyn Renken** Sept. 28  
**Dixie Oetken** Sept. 29

## *Anniversaries*

**Mike & Kim Willer** 8/31  
**Griz & Mona Schiltz** 9/5  
**Kevin & Keri Borchers** 9/14  
**Tiny & Kate Kruse** 9/19  
**Stan & Mary Korthas** Sept. 27

## *Congratulations!*

**Heather Plueger & Taner Reister** were married Aug. 18 at Christ Lutheran Church. Reception & dance followed at Russ & Susan Plueger's farm, rural Brunsville.

## *Kudos to...*

**Danielle Martin**, for finishing corn detasseling.

**Benson Rieken & all the kids who began their 1st year of Outlaws Youth football.**

The kids who started kindergarden: **Emily Von Hagel, Jaelyn Marienau & Bowen Rieken.**

## TRAVELS

**Vern & Karen Harrington** flew to Seattle, WA with their daughter, Bethene Adams, & grandchildren, Katie & Alex Adams, to tour Seattle & visit cousins. Katie celebrated her 17th birthday with her cousin Joey Barnett. They were born 4 days apart in 1995.

**Vicki Henrich & her granddaughter, Samantha Johnson**, traveled 3920 miles in 8 days. They visited the Black Hills, Yellowstone Park, Grand Tetons, Arch National Park and the Grand Canyon.



Katie Adams (the Harrington's granddaughter from Council bluffs, IA) & her cousin, Joey Barnett of Arlington, WA celebrating their 17th birthdays together.



## Crazy Days of Summer 2012

**Lynn ("P") & Anna ("Gammi") Chenoweth** entertained their grandkids, Hayely, 10, & Johnny, 7, for most of July. This was their 3rd annual trek to Iowa for the "Crazy Days of Summer" events.

The kids visited area "swimming holes." Their favorite was the Sioux Center Rec Center with the Ponca State Park a close 2nd.

Activities included archery at Ponca SP. There were many successful "kills." They also enjoyed scavenger hunts, playing in the B'Ville park & a nighttime "Battle on Monster Lane" near the City burn pile using silly string as weapons. The hard-fought battle lasted until their armory was depleted & bodies piled high. Victors were not obvious & it was deemed to be a draw.

Lynn & Anna's daughter, Sonjon, & hubby, John Devine, arrived Aug. 7 for an exciting week-long trip to the SD Black Hills & used a cozy mountain cabin as home base. Sightseeing included Mt. Rushmore, Crazy Horse monument, Rushmore Cave/Zipline, Custer State Park & the Badlands with a helicopter tour over the park.

While in Custer SP, the family encountered a massive buffalo herd that used the roadway as a trail to another grazing area. Traffic was at a standstill for ½ of a mile as they leisurely lumbered along past vehicles. Over a dozen visitors stopped to hand-feed stashed treats to the park's donkey herd while trying to keep them out of their vehicles.

During the last night, the family dined at the fantastic SD Wild Game Lodge in Custer SP. The lodge was once the "summer White House" for presidents Teddy Roosevelt & Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Of course, there were unbelievable "sights & sounds" of the infamous annual Sturgis Bike Rally that included Deadwood, Lead, Custer & Hill City. (The kids stayed with Gammi touring Deadwood during this "sidetrack.") This was the 72nd annual event drawing over 160,000 participants & adding over \$1 billion to the local economy.

On August 14 the Devine family flew home to Boston, MA, a sweet-sour experience for the Chenoweth & Devine families.

P.S. Lynn bought a book about the making of Mt. Rushmore, authored by Don "Nick" Clifford, who was one of over 500 workers who sculptured the monument. If anyone would like to read this interesting book, please let Lynn know.



## Big Time Rush

Sandwiched between campus visits To Iowa State & Drake, the Dickman family attended the Iowa State Fair on Thurs., August 16 so daughters Maggie & Abbie could attend the Big Time Rush concert at the fair. Big Time Rush is a popular "boy band" with a successful variety show on Nickelodeon. The girls had VIP passes & they even had a chance to meet the band. To the left is a picture of them waiting in line at the VIP gate & to the right is a picture of them with the band.



## Cheers!

Cheerleading tryouts were conducted on Thurs., August 2nd for the 2012/2013 school year at Gehlen Catholic High School. This year, in the spirit of cooperation, Gehlen entered into a football sharing program with Spalding Catholic in Granville to compete under the Gehlen banner in Iowa Class 1A. Gehlen Catholic seniors Maggie Dickman & Nicole Britt, & Spalding Catholic senior Maggie Schroeder were named varsity football cheerleading co-captains. Maggie Dickman & Nicole Britt will also captain the varsity basketball cheerleading squad at Gehlen for this academic year. Cheers to another successful year on the field, on the court & in the classroom! - Stu Dickman

## Thank You

Where does one begin to say mega thanks during my recent illness? A very special thank you goes out to Janice Renken for taking me to the emergency room & staying with me until I was admitted. All of the food & visits. Lori Cord for being there for me. My daughter, Donna Morehead. Without her help, I don't think I could get around now as well. Kevin & Keri Borchers. Barry Poe & Susan Willer, for checking on me every day & the special visits to the hospital. And then a very big special thanks to Nancy Ernst for bringing me home from the hospital... All of my love to you special people in my life,  
Cecelia Borchers



## The Kriener's Move To Town

Gerry Sue & Eddie Kriener moved off their farm onto Prairie Rose Lane. Gerry Sue moved in on Father's Day and a week & a half later, Eddie moved in. They love it.

## Corner Café Coverage



Andrea & Dave display their sponsorship plaque.

### Corner is Trapshooting League Sponsor

The Corner Café was 2012 Class C League Sponsor of Le Mars Sportsman Club Trapshooting. Barry Cornish, Todd Osterbuhr, Dave Korver, Roger Hawkins, Dave Brunkhorst & Ken Hansen were members of the league.

**Now Open Sundays Noon-Close!**  
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### Words of Wisdom from Dangerous Denise

You have 3 choices in life: Give in, give up or give it your all.

### Words of Wisdom from Dangerous Dan

Life is too short to spend it with people who suck the happiness out of you.

Emotionally constipated...haven't given a crap in days. -**Another Deep Thought by Todd Osterbuhr**

When asked what news Todd has about him & Brenda, he replied, "What news is that? Her garden is doing awesome."

## Corner Café Evening Specials

**Sun. Serving Pizza only**

**Mon.** Alicia's Mexican Specialties

**Tues.** Corner Burger & Fries \$6.95

**Wed.** 8 pc. Broasted Chicken & Fries \$10.99

**Thurs.** Biker Night through summer. Burgers, Steaks & Brats

**Fri. & Sat.** 8-10 oz. Prime Rib, Salad, & Potato \$13.95

16 oz. King Cut Prime Rib & Potato \$15.95

Extra Plate \$2



## Mark Brown is Coming Home!

Dear Friends,

The Legend of AFGNMARK comes to a close. Today I am getting on the plane & heading back to Sioux Falls & calling it a tour. I am hoping while I was here, I was able to make some kind of a difference in getting the Afghan people the life they deserve, but in a lot of ways, they are going. As I head out of here, I'd like to thank you all for your support while I was here. Your comments mean a lot as does your encouragement. This place is so different from any place I have ever been & it really takes a lot of distraction to get by. I am anxious to get back to my family & get back into my role of husband & father. I am so glad to be able to see my dad turn 95 at the end of the month. I want to drive down Central Avenue in Le Mars when the leaves are turning. Of course, Bob's is going to be open as I plan to demonstrate my talent for gluttony. Finally, Iowa State Football starts today & I will be home to watch! I am going to take a month & catch up on family needs & then I will try to see what Sioux Falls has to offer. I am going to have to leave the job of saving the world to the young.

Hope to see you on the other side...

Mark, Aug. 31, 2012

## New Addition to the Brown Family

We have a Golden Retriever that we adopted in Hawaii named Nui (Newee). Nui means protector in Hawaiian which is very far from the truth. He will warn you with a couple of barks & then hides.

—Mark Brown

**SCHOLAR OF THE MONTH:  
JOAN RENKEN**

### *Movies Ceil Recommends*

Ice Age  
Dawn of the Dinosaurs  
Pacifier  
Death & A Funeral (black or English version)  
The Wrong Box (English version)  
The Great Waltz (a life history of LeRoy Straus)

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## It's All About Hank

"Hank is growing like a weed," his mom says. At 9 weeks, Henry is 12.7 lbs & 24 1/2" long. (He was 21" when he was born). His parents, Sara Roe & Ryan Renken, play softball at the YMCA every Thursday while his grandparents, Mary & Marlyn Renken, watch over him.

### **SENIOR WISDOM**

*You know you're getting older when you take more naps than your dog.—Ceil Borchers*

## Recipe of the Month:

### **Mom's Famous Chocolate Bundt Cake (A.K.A. Fantastic Cake)**

Butter for cake pan  
1 pkg. (18.25 oz.) devil's food chocolate cake mix  
1 pkg. (3.9 oz.) devil's food instant pudding mix  
4 XL fresh eggs  
12 oz. sour cream  
1 1/2 oz. bag semi-sweet mini chocolate chips (or more)

1/2 c. corn oil

1/2 c. water

Confectioner's sugar

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Heavily butter a large bundt cake pan.

In a mixing bowl at medium-high speed, mix together cake mix, pudding mix, corn oil, water, eggs and sour cream for 10 min.

Remove bowl from mixer and stir in chocolate chips.

Pour batter into prepared pan & bake for no more than 50 min.

Remove cake from pan & cool. Then dust with confectioner's sugar or ice with your favorite icing. The cake freezes beautifully, whole or sliced, for up to 3 mos. Serves 12-14.

*-submitted by Ceil Borchers*



## Craig Tractor Ride

For Immediate Release:

Iowa State Bank of Craig, IA and Farmers Cooperative, Co. of Craig helped sponsor a recent (Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>) 25 mile tractor ride. Owners of all colors, ages and sizes of tractors enjoyed the beautiful refreshing weather and the smell of freshly mowed alfalfa while on the ride. The tractor ride was organized by Lloyd Borchers and Melvin Plueger. Kory Kroeger President of the Pioneer Machinery Club led the tractors to the first stop with homemade refreshments at the Ken Frerich's museum. Ken has many collectibles of both tractors and vehicles. The ride traveled up to Ireton and back to the Craig City Park where the Plymouth County Pork Producers grilled delicious pork loin sandwiches. Lloyd Borchers thanked the sponsors, Ken Frerichs and announced that this was the first annual tractor ride. The route for the 2013 ride has been mapped out. More tractors are welcome next year!

The Pioneer Machinery Club meets 10 times a year, normally the first Monday of the month at the Le Mars Senior Center basement. For more information contact Kory Kroeger 786-2059 or Bill Renken at 533-6342.

The next meeting will be Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M. enter on the east side of the building.

-Submitted by Karen Harrington 540-7381 or giblem@frontiernet.net

## Reuniting with the Willer Family

The annual Willer reunion was held on Sunday, Aug. 19 at the Akron Village North. A potluck dinner was enjoyed followed by an afternoon of visiting & sharing family history.

Those in attended were Al Willer, Brunsville; Martin Buys, Le Mars; Lynn & Brenda Selk, Keystone, IA; Ida Selk Mills, Belle Plaine, IA; LaVonne Selk Henkel, Vinton, IA; Ritchie, Linda & Victoria Goebel, Laurel, NE; Patty Batenhorst, Stuart, NE; Mariyn Thomsen, Omaha, NE; Karen Swanson, Dayton, IA; Glen & Paula Lawrensen, Vermillion, SD; Mark & Kristy Lawrensen, Pierre, SD; Kaye & Danica Held, Hinton, IA; Albert & Betty Beeck, Donna Martin, Penny Caskey, Lois Willer, Cliff Johnson, Grayling & Chet Willer, Virgil & Marjorie Willer, all of Akron.

The next reunion will be held Aug 18, 2013 at the Security Bank Community Room.-Karen Swanson

There were a lot of Willer relatives there & a lot of good food. Fun was had by all. I brought chips, coleslaw, & a broccoli salad. For more details an interview with Mr. Alvin Willer would be appropriate. He can be found at the Prairie Rose golf course clubhouse drinking coffee in the mornings. - Mark Lawrensen

## Le Mars High School Reunion

The Le Mars High School graduating class is having their 50th reunion Sept 21-23. That's Janice Renken, Bill Osterbuhr, Gerald & Geraldine Klemme, Ronnie Borchers, Larry Molzen. And me.

-Karen Swanson

## OLD TIME MOVIE TRIVIA

1. Name the 3 Barrymores.
2. How many Tarzan movies did Johnny Wiesmiller appear in?
3. What year did Gone with the Wind come out?
4. Who was the first black woman who won an Academy Award for Gone with the Wind?
5. Who played Dagwood & Blondie in the early 40s movies?

Answers on next page.

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## Garden Club Brings Beauty to The Golf Course

Brunsville's Four Season Garden Club planted flowers at Prairie Rose Golf Course. Check them out when you're at the 9th hole! Thank you to the Garden Club, especially Kathy Renken & Joan Renken.

### *Tee Time!*

*Sat., Sept. 15 3-Person Scramble,  
8" Cup, 18 Holes, 9AM*

### ANSWERS TO OLD MOVIE TRIVIA:

1. John, Lionel & Ethel. (Drew is Lionel's granddaughter.)
2. Twelve.
3. 1939.
4. Haddie McDaniels.
5. Arthur Lake & Penny Singleton.

## YES!

### Brunsville has its own Website!

You can learn Brunsville's history, watch a video of the Centennial, check out photos, & even find present & past editions of The Brunsville Blitz! Check it out at [www.brunsvilleiowa.com](http://www.brunsvilleiowa.com)

## A Hot August at Prairie Rose Golf Course

Prairie Rose Golf Course was a busy place in August. Mick Muth is the champion golfer of the year after winning the Brunsville Open with a 41-37—78. The Brunsville Open also doubled as the club championship. Congratulations to Mick & many thanks for the job he's done keeping our course in great shape through trying weather conditions.

The foursome of Clark Schmitz, Stan Korthas, Gaylen Tapper & Barry Poe won the first Corner Cafe tournament, shooting 5-under 31. Thanks to Dave & Andrea for hosting the golf & the delicious post-game meal.

Sunday, Aug. 26 was a lucky day for Eddie Krienert. Playing a leisurely best ball match with wife Gerry Sue, Janna Sitzmann, Kathy Renken & Bev Hultquist, Eddie made a hole-in-one on No. 2.

After a beautiful 6-iron shot, his ball was leaning against the flagstick when the group arrived at the green. Then, just to make it official, as pictures were being snapped, a gust of wind blew it into the hole.



### Pet Photo of the Month

Kevin Korthas  
Owners:  
Mary & Stan Korthas

## Family Photo of the Month



### The Schlichte Family

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