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Congratulations, graduates!



Jacob Beyer is graduating from Le Mars Community High School and will be attending Iowa State University in the fall. His parents are Jen and Gary Brady of LeMars, grandparents are Steve and Kim Sherlock of Brunsville, Rick and Cindy Beyer of Sioux City and Ken and Sandra Brady of Maquoketa, IA. Great grandfather is Fred Vanderkooi of Merrill.

Robert R. Cords is graduating May 11 from Le Mars Alternative High School. He is currently working at Papa Murphy's Pizza in Le Mars. Parents are Dan and Laurie Cords of Brunsville. Grandparents are Don and LaDonna Studley of LeMars, Louis and Linda Cords of Fairfield, NE, and Sharon and Clark Rafferty of Battle Ground, IN.

The Herzberg family will be celebrating in Ames May 7th! **Judd Herzberg** will graduate from Iowa State University with a bachelor of science degree in ag studies (a minor in agronomy and a minor in business). **Joe Herzberg** will graduate this summer from WIT with an associate of applied science degree in agricultural management. Judd's girlfriend, **Shawnee Miller**, will also graduate from ISU in May with a bachelor of science degree in agronomy. Judd and Shawnee are currently searching for jobs in Northwest Iowa and Joe is earning his occupational experience credits working at Premium Feed & Grain in Brunsville.



Gabby K. White will graduate from Le Mars Community and attend Fort Scott Community College in Fort Scott, KS to study ag business and animal science. She works at SnS Barbeque and Bomgaars. She is daughter of Kandi Lara & Andy Kriener.



Danielle Martin will graduate from Le Mars Community High School. She plans on attending the University of Midland in Nebraska to study accounting. She is the daughter of Leona & Jim Martin and granddaughter of Karen & the late Conrad Calsbeek and Mike & the late Pat Martin.



Logan Niehus will graduate from Le Mars Community and plans to attend Iowa Lakes Community College in Emmetsburg, IA for agricultural production. His parents are Janet & Phil Niehus and grandparents are Sandy & Leo Ludwigs.



Mitch Renken will graduate from Le Mars Community High School and be attending Iowa Lakes Community College in Emmetsburg this fall and majoring in agriculture production technology. Mitch is the son of Scott and Jill Renken, the grandson of Joan and the late Erv Renken and JoAnn and the late Mert Oltmanns.



Austin Rieken graduates from Le Mars Community High School on Sunday, May 22. He will be attending UNI in the fall majoring in business. Parents are Bill & Jackie Rieken, grandparents are Rodney & Sarah Renken, Linda Durr, Dennis Rieken & great grandma is Collen Durr all of Le Mars.

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The Brunsville Blitz thanks you for your donations, contributions and compliments. Thanks to you, the Blitz continues to be published.

The Blitz staff

In Our Prayers

The family of Robert Ahlers
(father of John Ahlers)
Judy Bowman
Anna Chenoweth—She has
recovered from surgery is doing
fine.
Gene Dickman
Vicki Henrich
Mike & Marie Holdren
Betty Lambert
Lillian Ludwigs
Ardis Rozell
Orval Siebens
Steve Westhoff
Tami (Oetken) Whalen

Birthdays

Wayne Beitelspacher May 1
Bill Osterbuhr May 2
Tom Jones May 2
Mike Vander Molen May 4
"Corner" Dave May 6
Lois Varenhorst May 8
Brooklyn Babcock May 9
Wayne Schlotfeldt May 10
Betty Beitelspacher May 10—
She is 80 years young!
Dylan Fuller May 10
Gisela Dittman (G.D.) May 11
Meadow Fuller May 14
Gary Palmer May 14
Josh Fuller May 15
Pastor Ben Worley May 15
Mark Herzberg May 20
Carol Schlotfeldt May 21
Roger Krienert May 22
Bev Hultquist May 25
Lillian Ludwigs May 29
Victoria McHale Haas May 30
Gabby White May 30
Jim Marienau May 31

Anniversaries

Darwin & Judy Lubben May 7
Harold & Deloris Harms May 9
Clark & Carol Schmitz May 19
Pastor Ben & Faith Worley May 23
Andrea & Dave Raasch May 24



Rory Charles Westhoff was born Thursday, April 14 in Sioux Falls. He weighed 8 lbs., 2 oz. and was 20 1/2" long. Parents are John and Kristina Westhoff of Sioux Falls. Grandparents are Rick and Kris Westhoff of Le Mars, Ron Charlson of Rochester and Teresa Charlson of Brookings. Great grandparents are Gerald & Delores Westhoff and Mary Vander Molen all of Le Mars.

Congratulations



Carter James Borchers was born April 18. He weighed 9 lbs., 1 oz. & was 20-1/2" long. Parents are Bryan & Ally Borchers, grandparents are Barry & Vicki Borchers and great-grandparents are Joan & the late Erv Renken. He has a three-year-old brother, Parker.



Amy Lubben is engaged to Josh Murray. Amy is daughter of Judy & Darwin Lubben.

Mitch Renken, Keaton Koerselman, Logan Niehus, Denton Ohlrichs, Jacob Holck & Cody Laughton received their Iowa FFA Degrees in Ames, Iowa on April 19.



Top left: Jill, Mitch & Scott Renken. Next: Joan & Mitch Renken. Above: Jacob Holck, treasurer; Cody Laughton, sentinel; Keaton Koerselman, secretary; Mitch Renken, president; Logan Niehus, vice president; Denton Ohlrichs, reporter. Left: Representing four generations in FFA: Linda Beitelspacher representing her dad (Leonard Hauschild, a founding member of 1940); Gene Beitelspacher, '65 grad; Keith Koerselman '89 grad; Keaton, future '17 graduate. Bottom left: Keaton reciting the FFA creed. Below: Current FFA members with Advisor Brett Oetken.



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Travels

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Life at the Legion

The Legion finished up its Euchre season. There were 48 people playing this year.

The top 8 winners for the season are:

1. Terry Trometer
2. Scott Eastman
3. Mark Boongaarder
4. Noel Herbst
5. Tim Clarey
6. Dave Renken
7. Janice Plueger
8. Sue Crowley

It was another fun and successful year. Plans are to play again this next winter. Thanks to all who participated.

Upcoming events:

- May 2** Legion meeting and Sons of the American Legion Meeting
May 7 Wedding reception & dance for Amanda Hoffman and Brett Stolpe
May 21 Graduation party for Gabby White
May 28 Wedding reception and dance for Rebecca Luksan and Josh Rolling
May 30 Memorial Day Services 10:30 am with a potluck lunch to follow. Sandwiches furnished by the Legion.
June 6 Legion Meeting and Sons of the American Legion Meeting
June 7 Primary Election 7:00a.m.-9:00p.m.
June 8 Craig Coop Annual Meeting
June 18 Wedding reception & dance for Mindy Nelson and Mitch Schultze
June 25 Singer Jam

Enjoys 'Pan-e-cakes'

Marcus Schultz accompanies his grandparents to most of the Legion pancake breakfasts. The four-year-old eats "Mickey Mouse" pancakes, referring to them as "pan-e-cakes." He says they are his "favorite of anyone's." Marcus and his mom, Lori, live in Sioux City. His grandparents are Don and Patty Schultz.



Marcus Schultz

Visit the Merrill Public Library, Brunsville's contracted library

Mon. & Wed. 1:30-5; Tues. & Thurs. 6-8; Fri. & Sat. 9-noon
712-938-2503 merrilllibrary@mtcnet.net merrillowa.info/

Extended Hours and Kids Club at the Library!

Starting June 7, the Merrill Public Library will be open Tuesday & Thursday mornings in June from 10:00 a.m. to noon, in addition to its regular hours. During these extra hours, the library will also have Kids Club activities designed for students ages 6 and up. Some of the activities currently planned include Tie Dye Day, indoor gym activities, games/puzzles, painting, crafts, storytelling & lots more!

Recipe of the Month: Coconut Pecan Bundt Cake

So simple, but so good!

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| 1 yellow cake mix | 1 cup water |
| 4 eggs | 1 can coconut pecan frosting |
| 3/4 cup oil | |

Mix all ingredients together & pour into a greased bundt pan (or a 9x12 cake pan can be used). Bake at least 50 minutes at 350 degrees.

—submitted by Jean Waterbury, Akron, IA

CORNER CAFÉ

Evening Specials

Tues. Corner burger & fries \$7.50

Wed. 8 pc. broasted chicken & fries \$11.99

Thurs. Bikers night

Fri. 8-10 oz. prime rib, salad, & potato, OR 16 oz. king cut prime rib & potato, mrkt price

Sat. Ribeye steak (12-14 oz.), potato & Texas toast, OR Oak Street steak w/Corner's special seasonings 12-14 oz. Ribeye), potato & Texas toast OR Sirloin steak dinner (10-12 oz.), potato & Texas toast—mrkt price

CITIZEN OF THE MONTH:

Peggy Wilken

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Happenings at the golf course

Prairie Rose Golf Course is up and running! New and exciting things have already taken place in 2016. Our casino night was a success. There was a great crowd and everyone had a good time. The proceeds from that event will be used to help operate and make improvements to PRGC.

Along with those improvements, you will notice a few new trees if you check out the course. The "Living Tree" Program has been implemented and 10 new evergreen trees have been purchased and planted as living tributes. The names of the donors are displayed on a new plaque in the clubhouse. There are brochures available at PRGC, or call the clubhouse if you are interested in learning more about honoring, celebrating or remembering a special person or occasion in this way.

There are a number of tournaments and events on the calendar for the summer. Whether you are a member, occasional visitor, or just a member of the community—Prairie Rose has a lot to offer! —submitted by Deb Herzberg



Planting a tree at the golf course.

Letter from the mayor regarding recycling

The city council has long been aware of the problem with the recycle dumpster in Brunsville. It was here before I became mayor and from the information I was given, it was a county project and the county paid the pickup fee. Then Van's and Plymouth County came up with the idea that Brunsville and other county cities should receive \$25.00 a ton for the recycling contents, but should pay the pickup fee. That amount has since been reduced to \$10.00 a ton. Considering that the dumpster might hold a half ton of recyclables, a \$35.00 pick-up cost is nothing but a drain for the city. We are very much in support of recycling, but we refuse to pay for a service that Plymouth County intended for rural residents. We were also told that the blue tote each resident received was provided free of charge due to a grant the landfill had received. Later we were informed that there was no grant money to pay for the totes, but that the money we were to receive for our recyclables would be put towards the cost of the totes. We heard this week that Van's would be suspending the \$10.00 per ton allowance. The city council has voted to remove the county dumpster. When it is emptied on Thursday April 28th, there will no longer be a recycling dumpster in town. Brunsville has offered recycling since the inception of the blue totes at no cost to our citizens. We will continue to do so at no cost going forward. Please use the blue totes on the 4th Thursday of each month for recycling. We plan on removing the fence at our current site to reduce the chance of it becoming a garbage dump. I hope this helps to explain why we have made these decisions and how we will proceed going forward. I would like to thank all the people who over the years have made efforts to keep the area picked up and looking respectable. If anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact me or any other council member. My phone number is 533-6205. The council meets the second Monday of the month at 5:15 p.m. at the Legion club.

—submitted by Mayor Steve Dickman

Quote 'Ems

Lonesome Jack says...

Admit it, fix it, don't do it again.

It's good sportsmanship not to pick up lost golf balls while they are still rolling.

I'm a writer, I write checks, mostly fiction.

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