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Groundbreaking service for St. Peter Lutheran Church, 1955



Top left: Congregation in front of the old church, which was located at the corner of Pine and Linn. Top right: View from the north. Bottom right: View from the northeast. Photos courtesy of the Al Willer family.

Book Sale!

122 Plymouth St SW, Le Mars—next to Super Glass Windshield Repair

Tues., July 10, 4–7 p.m. A \$3 donation for the first chance to buy books!

Wed., July 11, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. – during Crazy Days

Thurs., July 12, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. – one last chance!

All proceeds help fund programming for the Le Mars Public Library

Join us at the annual Brunsville
community picnic on
Sun., Aug. 19 in the Brunsville Park.

Craig's 7th Annual Tractor Ride in memory of Melvin Plueger Sat., August 11

Coffee & donuts will be served at the Craig shelter house before the ride. At 8:30 we leave the shelter house and head to the Akron Park. We'll head back to Craig Park to have dinner at 12:30. After dinner there will be a drawing for prizes.

Reminder: The 2nd annual Steve Westhoff Memorial Run is Aug. 25

We'll leave the Corner Cafe at 1 p.m. & stop at the following towns:

#1 Westfield, IA. Hummers Roadhouse

#2 Burbank, SD. Whimps

#3 Alcester, SD. Hillbilly's

#4 Hudson, SD. Waddy's

Then back to Brunsville

Check out the Merrill Public Library

Summer Reading Program: Libraries Rock!

Mon., July 2, 2 p.m. Paint Rocks

Mon., July 9, 2 p.m. Animals from the Omaha Henry Doorly Zoo. Please preregister by calling 712-938-2503.

Our hours are changing to the following:

Monday & Wednesday 2-6 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday 4-7 p.m.

Friday & Saturday 9 a.m.-noon

608 Main St., merrilllibrary@mtcnet.net, merrilliowa.info/

In Our Prayers

Judy Bowman
Kenny Frazee
Michelle Jones
Jason Kruger ("Big Nug")
Martha & Tom Morley
John Lambert (Lonesome Jack)
LaRae Ludwigs
Steph Nothem
Janice Renken
Chris Schlichte
Orval Siebens
Mary Singer

Birthdays

Abbie Dickman July 2
Jerry Schlichte July 5
Chloe Willer July 7
Riley Schlichte July 7
Julie Bogenrief July 10
Donna Erickson July 10
Rosanne Osterbuhr July 13
Janice Renken July 15
Dan Dickman July 17
Riley Oetken July 18
Sheila Fuller July 20
Ben Korthis July 22
Ryan Renken July 25
Cody Angerman July 25
Benjamin Worley July 25
Emilia Lubben July 27
Amanda Jastram July 28

Anniversaries

Jill & Vijay Permeswaran July 11
Gerry Sue & Eddie Krienert July 12
Jodi & Josh Goodman July 14
Marlyn & Mary Renken July 16
Allison & Bryan Borchers July 25
Ann & Alex Crosgrove July 25
Dwayne & Mary Jongma July 26

CITIZEN OF THE MONTH

Kody Miller

Water in your basement?

The Red Cross brought clean-up kits to Iowa Prairie Bank for those who had damage to their basements or homes from the recent rain. These kits include a 5-gallon bucket, bottle of bleach, mask, mop, broom, squeegee and some gloves. They're free for anyone who wants them.

Congratulations

Crystal Lubben and Jon Hasselquist married March 2.

Peter Oscar Hasselquist was born May 14 to Crystal and Jon Hasselquist. He weighed 3 lbs., 3 oz. and was 15 inches long. Grandparents are Judy and Darwin Lubben.

Amelia Marie Carpenter was born May 25, at 4:45 pm. She weighed 8 lbs., 11 oz. and was 19.5 inches long. Parents are Dan and Molly Carpenter and grandparents are Dan and Judy Carpenter of Le Mars and Dwayne and Mary Jongma of Brunsville. Amelia has one very excited big brother, Joseph, who is four.



Amelia Marie Carpenter.



Rory Westhoff shares the good news.

John and Kristina Westhoff will be welcoming twins into their family late September. Big Brother Rory, Mom and Dad were all very surprised! Twins now mean a bigger car and bigger house. They will be moving from Sioux Falls to Tea where they are both elementary teachers. Rory is ready for "Two babies. Brother and Sister."

Grandparents are Rick and Kris Westhoff. Great Grandparents are Gerald & Delores Westhoff and Mary Vander Molen.

Barry Poe will be a second-time grandpa in November. His daughter, Laura, and her husband Jake, have one son, Max.

Open house

To celebrate **Janice Renken's 75th birthday**, an open house will be held from 2-4 p.m. on July 15th at the Ice Cream Parlor.

Many thanks



Riders in front of the Brunsville post office.

June 10th was a lovely day for a ride. We had tractors, side by sides, and even a pickup for a total of 56 on the ride. The weather was so nice and everyone had a nice time. We left Craig going past the ball diamond on the way to Brunsville. In Brunsville there were people watching the ride come in. We took a break in Brunsville, took the group picture, then headed back on the road past the golf course on the way back to Craig. In Craig we had a picnic lunch. This year Russ Hauser grilled ribs and pork loins on site. The meal was good with everyone bringing salads, dessert and the ice cream machine. It was a great day having **the community, families and friends** together for a fun time. You all make this day fun to have. We thank everyone who came, brought food, helped with the food and helped with the ride. We appreciate **the Corner** for being open so we can have a break. Thanks. See you next year on the second Sunday in June.—submitted by Kris Westhoff.

Thank you to all who supported the rummage sale in the Brunsville Park.—Deb Small

The Four Seasons Garden Club thanks Linda Nizzi for the donation she provided on behalf of the birthday of her mother, Carol Schlotfeldt.

Four Seasons Garden Club Yard of the Month winner



Nancy Schlichte

Photo by Bowen Rieken



Cody Oetken, a sergeant in the Marines, came back from Japan to visit his dad, Craig Oetken and his brother, Taylor. While home, he also visited his grandma Kate Kruse, and great-grandma Hank Farmer. Cody left for Camp Pendleton in San Diego where he'll be for the next three years.

Bill and Janice Renken Board Members - Past and Present



Janice and Bill Renken.

Bill and Janice Renken have become familiar names in the Museum. The couple has found many opportunities to volunteer here. Because Bill farms on the southwest side of Brunsville, he is mostly interested in the lowest level of the Museum, the Agriculture center of the building. Besides farming, Bill restores Allis-Chalmers tractors and machinery. His truck is often available for hauling chairs, rummage items and whatever else needs to be moved back and forth to the Museum.

Janice has been a leader in promoting the Art Pahl Accordion Festival held here annually. She helps set up the displays of Pahl's musical and Army pictures. She also makes sure that coffee and snacks will be available. Together Bill and Janice often drive the Museum's 1947 Buick in local parades. They have been helpful in many ways in our Museum as well as at the Plymouth County Fair and other civic events.

Bill has just completed two three-year terms on the Board of Directors here. As he left this position, Janice expressed an interest in serving on the Board! So, as of May 2018, she began a three-year term.

As you support events at PCHM throughout the year watch for Bill and Janice - probably on hand to help in various ways. We thank them for their time and energy donated to this great Museum!

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Travels

Mark Herzberg, Steve Dickman, Steve Sherrill, Gary Van Wyhe, Kirk Brown and his son Kevin Brown went on a fishing trip to Leech Lake near Walker, Minnesota. They fished five days and had a lot of fun.

CORNER CAFÉ COVERAGE

Join us at the annual Bash on July 14

Evening Specials

Mon. Andrea's Special

Tues. Corner burger & fries \$7.50

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

Thurs. Kenny's Choice

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

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Barry Poe stands by the No. 6 hole at Prairie Rose Golf Club after scoring a hole in one.

Tale of another lucky ace

BY BARRY POE

Proving that the old adage "every blind sow finds an acorn now and again," is true, this old duffer scored a hole in one at Prairie Rose Golf Club.

Playing with my son, Danny Poe, and friend Stan Simpson, the orange Titleist that I whacked toward the No. 6 green somehow found the hole on Monday, June 11.

We weren't sure it went in until we arrived at the green and found the ball halfway in the cup leaning against the flagstick. All it took was a lean of the stick for it to fall all the way in and for the hooting and hollering to commence.

That was my fourth hole in one, but my first in 17 years since I knocked one in on a par-3 at Las Sendas Golf Club in Mesa, Arizona, in March of 2001.

Which is pretty unlikely considering the fact that I consider myself an average to below average player. There are a lot of guys and gals much better than me who have never had a hole in one.

A funny side note is that on hole No. 5 I completely shanked two shots in a row. The chances of me making an ace on the next hole had to be astronomical. I truly believe that holes in one have more to do with luck than skill and, to me, this proves it.

It started to rain rather hard immediately after we finished the sixth hole.

"That's just grandpa looking down at us from heaven and laughing," Danny told me. "Yes, I agreed, he wouldn't ever believe it."

Prairie Rose event schedule

Sat., July 7 2-Person Ryder Cup, 10 a.m. shotgun start

Sat., July 21 Private outing, closed 8-4

Sun., July 22 Brunsville Open, individual tournament, 10 a.m. shotgun start

Sat., July 28 Private outing, closed 12-close

Sat., August 4: LCHS Basketball Tournament, 4-person scramble

Sun., August 12: Private outing, closed 12-4

Sat., August 18: Private outing, closed 8-3

Sat., Sept. 15: 8-inch cup tournament, 4-person scramble, 10 a.m. shotgun start

Prairie Rose Golf Course apparel available

Visit

<https://2018prairierose.itemorder.com/>

Purchase is made online with a debit/credit card. Items purchased will be delivered to clubhouse for pickup approximately two weeks after the deadline of July 8th. Call the clubhouse with any questions.

Quote 'Ems

Lonesome Jack says:

My friend tried using a watch to make a belt, but it was a waist of time.

Seven-year-old Levi was told to pick up his toys, but when they checked on him later, he was reclining on his bed. When asked why he wasn't cleaning up his room, he said, "I had a power failure."

A friend joined the Navy when he was 18 and placed on a submarine. He lasted three months before they relocated him because he loved to sleep with the windows open.

Ah, so be it.

Life at the Legion

July 2 Legion meeting/Sons of the American Legion meeting

Aug. 6 Legion meeting/Sons of the American Legion meeting

Aug. 12 Popken family reunion

Aug. 25 Senders dance

If you're interested in booking the Legion for weddings, anniversary, reunions, graduations, birthday parties, please call Nancy at 712.533.6013 or 712.540.4989.

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