



# SPRINGVILLE NEWS

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## *The Bravest*

To all of you in Springville who think they have what it takes, here is your chance. Springville Fire and Rescue is currently looking for people willing to serve their community. When you become a member you will have the opportunity to gain training and experience while giving back to the community. In your first 12 months on the department you gain basic firefighter training along with certification in CPR. After completing your probationary period, you will have the opportunity to gain advanced EMS training and more advanced firefighting training. Springville Fire also offers a Junior Firefighter program that is open to anybody 16 years of age and gains their parents approval. As a Junior you will assist on all emergency ground operations, and participate in all fire and EMS training that the department offers. This is a great way to gain experience and knowledge if you are looking to make firefighting a career. If this sounds like something that interests you, please contact a member of the department to get an application. You can also contact me at [hoyt.patrick@gmail.com](mailto:hoyt.patrick@gmail.com) or at **319-329-9142**.

Springville Fire and Rescue will once again be holding their annual **Fish Fry's**. The dates this year will be **March 7<sup>th</sup> and March 21<sup>st</sup>**. We will start serving at 5p.m both nights and again this is an all you can eat event. We will be serving fish, coleslaw, baked potatoes, and baked beans. The price this year is **\$10.00** for adults and **\$8.00 for kids**. All proceeds from the fish fry's goes to help support the training of our members and the purchasing of new equipment to better serve our community while keeping our firefighters safe. We always enjoy seeing everyone and are always very thankful for your continued support of our department.



**Springville Fire and Rescue has been very busy to start off this new year. We have had three working fires and many medical calls. We want you to know that we will answer the call no matter the weather, no matter what the conditions we will find a way to be there for you.**

## **LIBRARY NEWS & CALENDAR**

Every Thursday: Story time 10:30- Knitters 1:30  
Book Group 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday @ 6:30  
March 12 6:30 Library Board Meeting in Buresh Room  
March 13 6:30 Friends Board Meeting in Buresh Room  
March 22 12:00-3:00 Spring Quilting!

## **NEW BOOKS**

### **Fiction:**

King & Maxwell by David Baldacci  
The Goldfinch by Donna Tartt  
The Purity of Vengeance: a Department Q novel by Jussi Adler-Olsen  
Outlander by Diana Gabaldon  
Fast Track by Fern Michaels  
Heaven's Road & Texas Angel by Judith Pella  
Ignite Me by Tahereh Mafi  
Boys without names by Kashmira Sheth  
Hummingbird Heart by Robin Stevenson  
Game Changer by Margaret Petersen Haddix

### **Non Fiction:**

Go Wild with Quilts: 14 North American Birds and animals by Margaret Rolfe  
Fast, Fun & Fabulous Quilts: 30 terrific projects from the country's most creative designers



A Street Cat named Bob :and how he saved my life by James Bowen

The complete encyclopedia of Cats by Paddy Cutts  
American Cars of the 1950's

Crossing Over: the stories behind the stories by John Edward

Mother Teresa: come be my light by Mother Teresa  
Duty: Memoirs of a Secretary at war by Robert Michael Gates

The love playbook by La La Anthony

George Washington's secret six: the spy ring that saved the American Revolution by Brian Kilmeade

Tom Thumb: the remarkable true story of a man in miniature by George Sullivan

Saga of the Sioux: an adaptation of Dee Brown's Bury my heart at Wounded Knee by Dwight Jon Zimmerman

### **New Board Books:**

Board books are a wonderful way to introduce toddlers & preschoolers to the world of books "just for them". Here are a few new ones to add to our collection.

Going to Bed by Sandra Boynton

My Heart is like a Zoo by Michael Hall

Elmo goes to school by Jodie Sheppard

Dinosaur Roar! By Jack Tickle

Three Little Kittens by Laura Ferraro Close

Tap tap bang bang Toot Toot Beep beep Tip tip dig dig all by Emma Garcia

Time for a hug by Phillis Gershator

### **E Fiction & ER Books:**

Nighttime Ninja by Barbara DaCosta

Bear has a Story to tell by Philip Christian Stead

Monkey & Elephant's Worst Night Ever by Michael Townsend

Each Kindness by Jacqueline Woodson

Elsie's Bird by Jan Yolen

Blink & Gollie by Kate DiCamillo

Lego Star Wars Series (6) in all

Penny and her doll & Penny and her song by Kevin Henkes

Grin and bear it by Lee Landry

Mr. Putter and Tabby dance the dance by Cynthia Rylant

Monkey and Elephant by Carole Lexa Schaefer

Love Monster by Rachael Bright

The money we'll save by Brock Cole

**Next month** we will feature our graphic collection and new juvenile nonfiction. Come in and look them over. Great subjects and up to date information.

### **The 2013 Lyrical Iowa is here.**

This publication is put out by the Iowa Poetry Association. Iowa Poets submit their poems hoping to be included in the book. This year we are excited to see a local past Springville resident included in the annual. Mark Armstrong submitted some poems and had one included "Guitar Man". The book is available for check- out. It is a great read and fun to see where the poems come from. Perhaps you will find someone YOU know. If you do let us know!

### **Teen Tech Week March 9-15**

Watch for an upcoming event to participate during Tech Week.

### **Quilting fun!**

March 22 @ 12:00-3:00 we will have a quilting day. We will focus on ribbon or strip quilting. This is a very easy way to make a block. Good for beginners as well as experienced quilters. We will focus on spring prints (I wonder why) and everyone can go home with a finished project. Sewing machines and supplies will be furnished. Come for the fun.



### Coming in April! Red Cedar Chamber

**April 26 @1:00** is a date to put in your calendar. Red Cedar Chamber will come to the library for a concert. We are very fortunate to have them back again and look forward to an afternoon of great entertainment. Watch for more information about the concert. As always this will be a free concert thanks to generous donations from our local businesses



### 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Tea Held

In spite of the snow coming down, ladies and young girls came to the Springville Memorial Library's Tea on February 8, 2014 at the Community Center. This event was hosted by Marla Carnahan and Treva Davis, with all proceeds going to the Springville Memorial Library. Musical entertainment was provided by Reflections of Grace (Cheryl Kissling, Edie Dukek, and Deb Biegler), which is always an enjoyment for all. The menu for the day consisted of: scones, Devonshire cream, lemon curd, high tea lemon cookies, chocolate cherry bars, red velvet tea cakes, almond fruit tort, pound cake, mint chocolate truffles, shortbread cookies, chicken salad on cocktail bread and Bride's Blend Tea. The tea was donated by Lisa's Baked Goods. Everyone left with a door prize. Door prizes were donated by: Sally's on Broadway, EClips Salon, Country Kitchen, Deb's Beauty Nook, Take the Cake Cupcakes, Christopher Ryan Confections (CRC), De`ja Vine, Pierson's Florist, Ramsey Metro Market, Kettle House Bakery & Cafe, SCTA, Alexis Hulett, James Porter, Susan Fuller Dabling, Susan Cooper, and Beth & Jake Hiner. Without the generous donations of these business and individuals, everyone would not leave with a smile on their face and a gift in their hand. Thank you to all who contributed. Once again, the tea was a success, thanks to all who attend and it was good to see new faces.



"Reflections of Grace"



Tea Time

## REMINDERS

➤ Water meter readings & payments are due on the **15<sup>th</sup> of the month**. If the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month is not a business day, you have until the end of regular office hours on the first business day after the 15<sup>th</sup>. Payments can be put in the drop box in the city door. Readings can be emailed to [cityofsp@netins.net](mailto:cityofsp@netins.net), or left on the answering machine at 854-6428.

➤ Deadline for items in the next newsletter /community calendar is March 15<sup>th</sup>.

➤ Rudd Trash Tags are available for **\$3** each at the City Clerk's office, Woody's One Stop and Casey's General Store. **One tag is to be placed on each "collection bag or container". Collection bags are plastic, water-tight bags securely tied or sealed. Each bag or container shall not exceed forty pounds or 33 gallons when full.** Recycle tubs are available at the Clerk's office for **\$14** each. **A special reminder from Marsha at Rudd: Pickup time begins at 5 am. Rudd does not recycle glass.**

**Glass containers should be placed in your regular trash container or may be taken free of charge to the Cedar Rapids/Linn County Solid Waste Agency.**

### Do you know this man?

On any given snow day this winter Jim Tesar can be found driving his tractor/plow helping out his neighbors. Soon after the last snow flake has hit the ground, Jim is out clearing his own driveway. Then he turns his attention to his neighbors' drives. "If the snow isn't too deep, I don't go over. But if I think it will cause my neighbors a problem, I go and help them out." He also clears the property for an unoccupied home next to his. Jim doesn't know the owner but says, "We lived in the country and this is what you do. You take care of your neighbors when they need it. Jim is used to the cold and snowy conditions, having farmed for many years on an acreage south of town. It wasn't unusual for him to be out in 10 degree below zero on an open tractor bringing feed to the cows. Jim and his wife Dorie, moved to Springville in 2013, and are adjusting to living in a close neighborhood. Springville is fortunate to have someone like Jim who goes the extra mile to serve others. If you see Tesars in the community, say hello and thank them for their kindness.



### Historical Feature

#### 105-year-old building has varied history

The two-story brick building at 258 Broadway in Springville was built in 1909 by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows (I.O.O.F.), a lodge whose roots go back to 17th-century England. In the U.S., it was the first lodge to include both men and women, instituting the Beautiful Rebekah degree for women in 1851.

Springville Lodge No. 227, I.O.O.F., was organized Sept. 8, 1871, by eight charter members. Until 1874, they met on the second floor of John Christman's general store. Then "a nicely furnished hall" was built over J. R. Campbell's harness shop. The 1878 Linn County History praises its "carpet and complete regalia." In the 1909 building, Odd Fellows and Rebekahs met on the second floor. (After a second Rebekah chapter formed in 1940, the original Evergreen Chapter moved out.) The late Nancy Jarmon recalled her parents, Tim and Lodema Butler, attending dances at the Odd Fellows hall in the 1940s. Delila Palmer Daniels of Cedar Rapids, who grew up in Springville, said some of the dances featured music by the Perkins family – Mary on piano, Guy on violin, and daughter Gail on sax or drums. When the building opened, a restaurant occupied first floor. Then on Jan. 19, 1911, the Springville Savings Bank started there. It and the Exchange Bank ran competing ads in the Springville New Era. But on July 28, 1932, the paper printed a notice "To the creditors of the Springville Savings Bank." The bank had failed after 21 years. As late as summer 1938, some people received dividend checks. Others lost their money. After the Savings Bank closed, the Odd Fellows building had various other tenants. Some of them were a pool hall in the basement, run by Dennis Taylor (father of the late Kenny Taylor); the harness shop of J. Willis Brown (grandfather of Joe Brown); Kenneth Armstrong and Hillis Gill's plumbing and heating business in the 1950s; Jake Hiner (Sr.) Plumbing and Heating until 1975; and Harold E. Stewart's insurance agency in the latter 1970s through 1990s. Mr. Stewart bought the Odd Fellows building in 1975 and converted most of it to apartments, except for his agency's office at the front of the first floor. He sold the building in the mid-



or late 1990s to Gary Knight and Lena Gilbert. For a few years, an overnight lodging, "Inn Springville," was located there. Currently, the building is owned by Bill Burkle of Mount Vernon. Back to the Odd Fellows: some lodges used human skeletons to symbolize mortality in their secret initiation ritual. Whether the local lodge did so is a mystery; no one is left to tell the tale. Pete Nielsen (1892-1971) was a member, but his son Paul doesn't recall when the lodge disbanded.

## Historical Tidbit

### Missouri branch of Butlers

From the Springville New Era, March 10, 1910: "Calvin Butler of King City, Missouri, is visiting relatives and friends in Springville and vicinity. He was a former resident of this section, moving from here to Missouri in 1868. His father, A. M. S. Butler, brother of J. S. Butler, deceased, was one of the first settlers here, and his grandfather, Isaac Butler, kept the first store and first hotel in Springville, and he was also the first postmaster."

*Background:* Calvin Butler was 61 when he visited Springville in 1910. His father, A. M. S. Butler, was one of five children born to Isaac Butler and his first wife, Clarissa. They named their first son after Clarissa's father, Abel Morgan Sargent. Isaac and Clarissa apparently divorced around 1830, and Isaac married a widow, Mrs. Susan Browning Newman, March 6, 1831. They settled in Brown Township in 1840, and as the first postmaster, Isaac chose the name Springville. Clarissa Butler died in 1878 at the Missouri home of A. M. S.

### The pond was once a business

From the Springville New Era, Jan. 13, 1910: "F. M. Hann harvested his ice crop last week. The quality was good and the ice was about 14 inches thick."

*Background:* Fenton Mathias Hann (1872-1924) owned the Springville pond (now known as Cox Lake) and also the town's fledgling electricity plant. The ice, taken out in blocks, was stored in insulating sawdust in an ice house. It was sold during the warm months to cool food in iceboxes - electric refrigerators not being available then.

## Historical Society

The Springville Area Historical Society (SAHS) will meet Tuesday, **March 11, at 6:30 p.m.** in the SAHS building, next door to City Hall. Residents of Springville and the surrounding area are welcome to attend.

A meeting was held Feb. 18, one week later than usual due to bad weather on the second Tuesday. Seventeen attended, including one guest, Linda Van Niewaal of Cedar Rapids. She is a member of Ashley Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), and honorary state regent, Iowa Society DAR.

President Bev Franks led an interesting and spirited discussion about the Brown monument at the Springville Cemetery. The "white bronze" (zinc) monument, which possibly dates to the 1880s or 1890s, is in poor condition, and it is hoped that repair and restoration may be possible.

SAHS member Kimball Behning, who was present, recently took a series of digital photos showing damage to the monument. Historian Karen Taylor distributed a Nathan Brown "fact sheet." He came to this area in 1839 and died in 1842, age 81.

In May 1931, Ashley Chapter of DAR dedicated a plaque at the Brown monument, and Ms. Niewaal showed two photos of the occasion, printed in a DAR book. She presented SAHS seven color photos of the monument taken last September.

The following members were present and donated items to SAHS:

- Steve Shaffer, vinyl coin purse stamped with the name of the Broadway Bar, which was run by Glen and Dorothy Lange from 1989 to 1992;
- Kelly Schmidt, large framed black and white photo of Lyle Englet's Standard station, lunch counter, and tourist cabins, taken between 1944 and 1950;
- Dave and Eleanor Kelley, book "Linn County, Iowa, Historic Back Roads Tour," published about 1997 for the sesquicentennial of the

county, and a copy of an 1869 Linn County map.

An unknown donor has given a brightly colored 14- by 22-inch poster advertising the carnival rides at the 1981 Springville centennial celebration. The poster was left at the Springville Memorial Library, and SAHS would like to know whom to thank!

Others attending the Feb. 18 meeting were James Crow, vice president; Jean Schmidt, secretary-treasurer; Doug Beard; Wes Bender; Merle and Harriett McGrew; Pat Rose; Duane Schlatter; and Joan White.

## SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

February 03, 2014

Mayor Shebetka called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:00 pm in Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Miller, Brady, Hoyt, and Mareta Ralston. Sindelar was absent. Also present: Todd Wyman, Dave Raue, Dixie Brady, Karen Anderson, Treva Davis and Deb Vaughn.

**Consent Agenda:** M/b Brady, 2<sup>nd</sup>/b Miller to approve the consent agenda as posted. All ayes, motion carried.

**Citizens With Concerns Not on the Agenda:** none.

**Sheriff's Report:** a deputy delivered the Sheriff's report for January 20, 2014 through February 3, 2014. There were 5 calls for service. January total hours of service: 99.7.

**Maintenance Report:** Todd provided the council with the maintenance report that consisted of continuing to maintain the equipment, plow and sand streets and sidewalks along with hauling away some of the snow piles and pushing others back in areas where streets are full of snow and narrowing down. Working on the electrical problem in Well #3 - Hoddy Gates will be out next week to access the problem. Water samples and MOR samples for the month of January. The department continues to work on keeping the snow equipment running. Working on the FY 2014-15 budget and meeting with engineers on the Broadway Street project continues. There are 75 ton of salt remaining in the salt contract for this season. Twenty-five (25) ton of salt has been ordered for immediate delivery and hopefully that will get us thru the season. That leaves 50 ton to be delivered in June for use in the next snow season. 75 ton will be contracted for next season in hopes this creates a cycle of starting each snow season with 50 ton of salt on hand. There was a frozen water issue on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue. The problem has been resolved at this time by letting the water trickle to keep it from freezing. Snow pileup along 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue is starting to be a problem. We will be starting to move it out as soon as possible. Discussion with engineer Bob Tobin on Phase 4 of the Broadway street project has resulted in the idea of using any extra soil to fill the ditch along 6<sup>th</sup> Street in preparation for the future placement of the sidewalk going south to Security State Bank. This project is listed later on in the CIP, but this would be a time and money savings by not having to move dirt twice.

**Clerk:** provided the council with the January overtime report and the library newsletter.

**Mayor:** Thanked Jeff Grimley and Rick Heeren for their years of service. Roger noted that this is a young mayor and council in terms of years of experience and they will need to work harder and smarter and also work together for the good of the city. Roger would like to make sure everyone leaves city property promptly after the meetings so there is no illusion of business discussion after the meeting. Mayor Shebetka asked for input from the council on a (habitual) delinquent utility bill. Council consensus was to shut water service off to the property.

**New Business: Committees and Appointments:** M/b Brady, 2<sup>nd</sup>/b Miller to table this agenda item. Councilperson Ralston requested discussion on this item before a vote was taken. Brady noted he was not ready for a vote on this agenda item. Mayor Shebetka reminded Brady he had informed the council at a previous meeting that he did not agree with the former mayor setting the committees and appointments because at that time there was not a court decision on the question of electioneering of the mayoral race. However, the City Attorney approved the item for

inclusion on the January 6<sup>th</sup> agenda. Brady motioned for the agenda item to be tabled indefinitely, with Shebetka vetoing the motion. It was noted that a motion cannot be vetoed. Springville Code and the Iowa Municipal Policy Leaders' Handbook were researched in reference to tabling of the agenda item. Brady noted that the list included the mayor and 3 council members on the finance committee which was illegal. Three council members constitute a quorum which cannot be affected without an agenda and minutes of the meeting taken. M/b Brady, 2<sup>nd</sup>/b Miller to table the agenda item indefinitely. Miller, Brady and Hoyt ayes. Ralston nay. Motion carried.

M/b Miller, 2<sup>nd</sup>/b Hoyt to table **Resolution #2-2014: A Corporate Authorization Resolution.** All ayes, motion carried.

**FY 2014-15 Budget Work Session:** Council reviewed spreadsheets indicating the year to date status of departmental budgets for the public works, parks, library, community center, cemetery and administration for fiscal year 2013-14. Council continued work on the FY 2014-15 budget by reviewing proposed tax revenue, special revenues (road use tax, LOST and employee benefits), utility revenues and budget spreadsheets from the library and parks boards. Instituting a 2% to 2½% franchise fee on Alliant and Black Hills Energy was also discussed. Work on the budget will continue at the February 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Correspondence:** IDOT notification they will contract for a cement patching project on Hwy. 151 from Hwy. 13 to Cascade beginning in April.

**Next meeting:** *Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 6:00 pm.*

M/b Miller, 2<sup>nd</sup>/b Hoyt to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

**SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
Budget Work Session- February 10, 2014**

Mayor Shebetka called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:00 pm in Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Miller, Brady, Hoyt, Mareta Ralston and Sindelar. Also present: Steve Shaffer and Sam Hammes.

**New Business:** Sam Hammes of True North was present for a tutorial on the status of health benefits as affected by the Affordable Care Act. Hammes explained the plans offered by Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield and a new company, CoOpportunity. Discussion was held and questions answered by Hammes. The consensus was for Bixler to use a stipend of \$700 use a 3% increase for wages in order to continue with the budget process.

Council reviewed utility spreadsheets showing various rate increases for both water and sewer utilities. Beginning in FY 2014-15 the minimum rate of \$16.50 per 2,000 gallons for sewer usage will be raised \$1.00 to \$17.50. This increase is needed to pay off the \$403,000 bond issue for the sewer rehab project. Current water usage rates of \$3.50 per 1,000 gallons will increase to \$3.75 per 1,000 gallons of usage. This increase is needed to save for tower cleaning and painting inside and out. This project is done about every 10 years. The last tower cleaning and painting project completed in 2008 cost \$105,854. The Affordable Care Act was also discussed and the impact it has on the city being able to provide healthcare coverage.

**Committees and Appointments:** tabled by the mayor.

**Next meeting:** *Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 6:00 pm.*

M/b Brady, 2<sup>nd</sup>/b Ralston to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

**SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
February 13, 2014**

Mayor Shebetka called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:00 pm in Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Miller, Brady, Hoyt, Ralston and Sindelar. Also present: Justin Walker, Scott Mysak, Rick Close, Kaitlynn Baker, Monica Blake, Shelly Pearson, Laura Riley, Kellie Byers, Jean Menster, Karen Anderson, Leroy Boland, Dave Raue, Judy Keizer, John Keizer, Theresa Merritt, Iris Trampe, Jean Schmidt,

Deb Yeisley, Treva Davis, Todd Wyman, Jennifer Wyman, and Brandon French.

**Citizens with concerns not on the agenda:** Scott Mysak expressed his concerns about the new mayor and the council not willing to work together. As citizens of the community who pay taxes it is his expectation that things need to run smoothly. "The mayor needs to be allowed to do his job." Discussion was then continued on the subject.

**New Business:** Health benefits: defined contribution – A phone call was placed to Paul Davis of Zane Health who explained the service he has available to help eliminate the health premiums being taxed. He reviewed how the plan works and detailed the administrative fees associated with this service. Discussion was held and the council's questions were answered. City clerk is to move ahead on this matter providing the costs of this plan compared to the tax savings, to be presented at a future meeting. "Councilman Brady will contact some of Zane Health's local customers to check on their experience and level of satisfaction".

Shoemaker & Haaland presented their proposal for Phase 4 of the Broadway Street improvements. They provided a poster reflecting the area that will be improved from just north of the bridge and continuing south through the intersection of 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and Broadway. The improvements would include relocation of the sidewalks adjacent to the carwash and the old Casey's building. This would require 6-8 feet of right of way. It was council's consensus for employees to move forward working on the plan with Shoemaker and Haaland. Council also agreed that Shoemaker and Haaland should go ahead with contacting the property owners involved with the required right of ways.

A discussion was held about temporarily closing City Hall at 4 pm while the City Clerk is out of the office for health reasons. M/b Brady, 2<sup>nd</sup>/b Hoyt, to **close the office at 4pm for a short period of time.** Motion carried all ayes.

**Committees and Appointments:**

Mayor Shebetka read the appointments and stated "this is how it is". Brady questioned "this is not open to discussion". The audience requested discussion and participation and therefore discussion proceeded with the mayor council and audience. Brady read an opinion provided by the City Attorney regarding this matter.

Mayor Shebetka stated his information on these appointments was reviewed with the Iowa League of Cities and he felt that he as mayor is within his rights to make these new appointments. This matter will be tabled till the March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting as requested by council person Ralston as she will not be able to attend the March 3 meeting.

**Resolution # 2-2014 A Corporate Authorization Resolution** A vote was taken regarding approval of this resolution; Sindelar and Ralston ayes, Hoyt, Miller, and Brady nays. Motion not carried.

**Resolution #3-2014 Resolution to Allocate an Address** Hoyt opened a discussion regarding this resolution due to the fact it would site a city address beyond a county address going eastbound on 1<sup>st</sup> Ave./Dubuque Rd. This could cause confusion for public services to respond. M/b Ralston, 2<sup>nd</sup>/b Brady to table this resolution. Vote taken, all ayes.

**Correspondence:** City clerk communicated with Gerald Hansel deputy Linn County Sheriff's Office regarding the monthly town reports provided to the council for services. These reports are generated based on mapping and geographical area, not strictly city limits. The total number of town hours is generated in a different manner and not the Calls for Service report.

Question was raised about Karen Anderson serving as office assistant in City Hall while the City Clerk is out on leave. Mayor Shebetka stated that he had checked with the Iowa League of Cities and it was legal for him to approve her working as office assistant. She will not be deputized as a City Clerk.

**Next meeting:** March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm. M/b Ralston, 2<sup>nd</sup>/b Sindelar to adjourn at 8:30pm, all ayes.



## SPRINGVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

### Annual Fish Fry Dinners !!

March 7th & 21st @ 5-8pm

\$10 Adults & \$8 for children



Fish, baked potato, coleslaw, beans, beverage.

Proceeds from these events help support our needs to better serve you!



Need your sidewalk or driveway shoveled?  
Call Chris Hart  
@ 854-6995

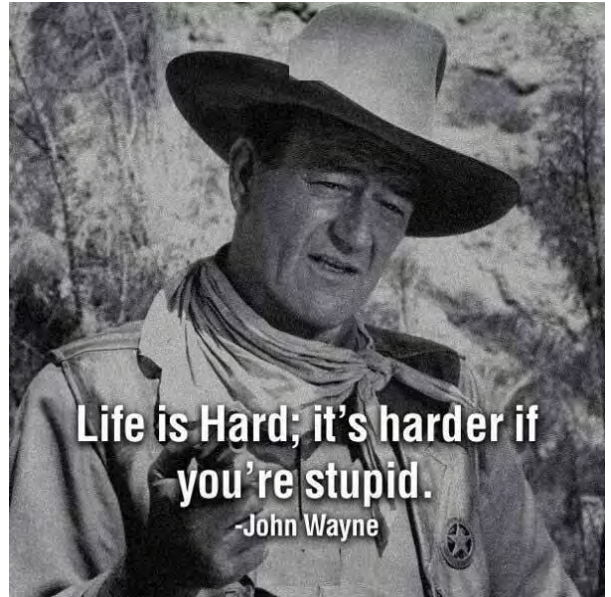
## Historical Society Bake Sale

March 21st

4:30-?

In the old library building

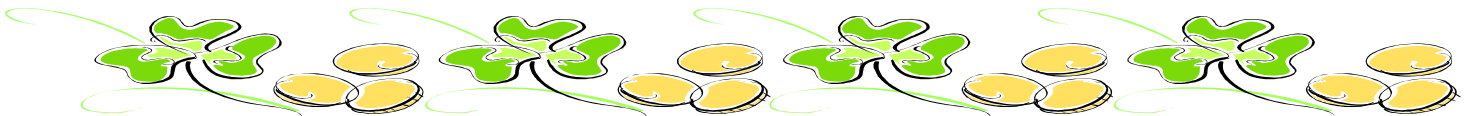
304 Broadway



Life is Hard; it's harder if you're stupid.

-John Wayne

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS March 9th  
TURN YOUR CLOCKS FORWARD!!



# VISTA HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!



The actual color of St. Patrick is blue. Green became associated with St. Patrick's Day during the 19th century.



**90%** of Americans celebrate St. Patrick's Day.



St. Patrick did not actually drive snakes out of Ireland; the "snakes" represent the pagans that he converted to Christianity.



The very first St. Patrick's Day parade was not in Ireland. It was in Boston in 1737.



According to lore, Patrick used the three leaves of a shamrock to explain the Christian holy trinity.



Many bars in the United States, and abroad, serve green beer to celebrate St. Patty's Day.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY IS OBSERVED ON MARCH 17 BECAUSE THAT IS THE FEAST DAY OF ST. PATRICK, THE PATRON SAINT OF IRELAND. IT IS BELIEVED THAT HE DIED ON MARCH 17 IN THE YEAR 461 AD.



# March 2014



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>March is named for Mars, the Roman God of war.</p> <p>Monday Club 6:30 pm @</p>				<p>March is National Nutrition Month</p>	<p>1 CC rental 1-4 PM</p>
2	<p>3 Buresh Rm Council Mtg. @ 6 pm Girl Scout Mtg. 5:30-7 pm</p>	<p>4 Book group 6:30 @ Library</p>	<p>5</p> 	<p>6 Story time 10:30 @ Lib Knitters 1:30pm @ Library</p>	<p>7 F/D Fish Fry</p> 
<p>9</p>  <p>4-H mtg. 7 pm @ CC Daylight Savings begins</p>	<p>10 G/Scout Mtg. 6-7:30 PM @ CC (tr #5854)</p>	<p>11 Historical Society Mtg. @ 6:30 pm</p>	<p>12 Library Board Mtg. 6:30 pm</p> 	<p>13 SEDC 7am @ SSB Park Board 7pm @ CH Friends Bd Mtg @BR 6:30</p>	<p>14</p> <p>15 Utility bills &amp; meter reads due Beware the Ides of March</p>
<p>16</p> 	<p>17 Council Mtg. @ 6pm Girl Scout Mtg. 5:30-7 pm #5855/5857 St. Patrick's Day</p>	<p>18 Book group 6:30 @ Library Spring House. Bd @ 7pm CC</p>	<p>19</p> 	<p>20 International Earth Day</p>	<p>21 F/D Fish Fry Historical Soc. Bake Sale</p> 
23	<p>24 G/Scout Mtg. 6-7:30 PM @ CC (tr #5854)</p>	<p>25 SANSI Board Mtg. 7pm @ CC</p>	<p>26</p> 	27	<p>28</p> <p>29 The last 3 days of March are said to be borrowed from April</p>
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