

# Tri - Corner - Express

April 22, 2021

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## New Virginia Saddle Club 2021

Mission Statement: We are all about Family and a great way to enjoy your common passion with like-minded people.

President: Carrie Benda; Vice President: Chrissy Virden; Secretary/Treasurer: Amber Campbell; Board Members: David Crabtree, Duane Stewart and Cindy Goetz. There are 50 members.

As most normal activities of our lives were turned upside down this past year with the COVID, the New Virginia Saddle Club's activities were no exception. The club is back!! The first Horse Show of the 2021 season is to take place at the Saddle Club arena at 608 East Street on May 8<sup>th</sup>.

Classes: Halter, Showmanship, Hunt Seat, Ranch Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Horsemanship, Trail, Reining, Barrels, Poles and other timed events. Other 2021 Show dates will be June 12<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup> and September 11<sup>th</sup>. A trail ride will be scheduled for the fall.

Several years in the 2000's have certainly put their mission statement to work. After several years of use, the Saddle Club arena was in need of repair. During the 2006 through 2008 seasons, members held meetings to decide on various ways to raise funds.

Clean up days were scheduled prior to Saddle Club show days. The Open shows had a fee. A Cowgirl Queen Contest was held to help those selected for the Iowa State Fair Cowgirl Queen Contest. A Western Pleasure Clinic was held by Bill Hatten for youths and adults. Bill Hatten has won two World Championships and one Reserve World Championship and has more than 65 futurity wins, including Tom Powers, Reichert Celebration, NSBA World Corporate Challenge and Iowa Futurity. Other topics covered were horsemanship and trail for the beginner and advanced. Busing tables at local restaurants was also a way to make money for the Club.

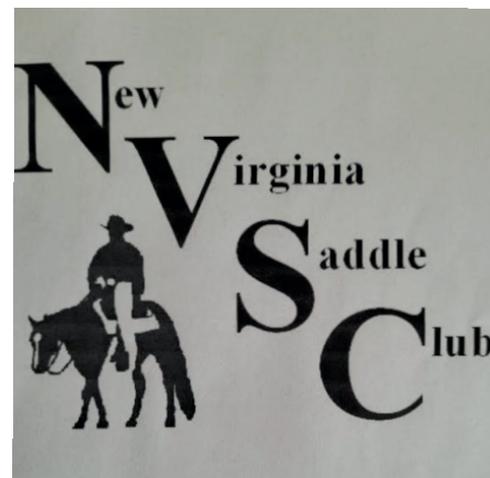
Members also spent numerous hours volunteering as well. By the end of 2007, the old fence had been removed, and a new one had been installed. The old light pole had been removed.

Early in 2008, a new announcer's stand was erected, as well as a concession stand. The announcer's stand was assembled in the shop class at the I-35 High School. On April 19, the old announcer's stand was removed and replaced with the new one. The concession stand and new benches were set up along the outside of the arena for the spectators. On June 21, 2008, a ribbon cutting ceremony was held prior to the NVSC Horse Show.

Members participate in classes based on ages of the riders. Ribbons and /or trophies are given. For those of you who may be interested in participating in the show, memberships in the Saddle Club are required and can be applied for on the day of the show.

Two families have been involved in the NVSC for over 50 years, David and Nancy Crabtree and Jim and Gerald Stuart. David and Nancy have been involved with the mule side rather than horse. David has won numerous local events and placed first in 2016 and 2018 at the Iowa Donkey and Mule Futurity Show. Nancy placed third. David and Nancy have hosted the Iowa State Shows numerous times at the NVSC arena.

Jim and Gerald Stuart have participated in the Iowa State Fair Draft Horse division going into their 30<sup>th</sup> year and winning numerous awards. Jim has held several clinics at the Saddle Club arena for those interested in driving horses and wagons. The town has been overrun with people interested and participating. For those of you who may want to join the NVSC, applications are available on their Facebook page. Or if you have any questions, you may call 515 205-3872.



Picture Russ Dotts with Mule



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David C in Mule Jumping Class



### History of the New Virginia Saddle Club

1908 The New Virginia Saddle Club filed for a nonprofit status with the State of Iowa.

1948 The New Virginia Saddle Club will hold a Society Horse Show Sunday June 24<sup>th</sup>. Admission, Adults .75 children .25

Early 1960's A group of local citizens got together to purchase land and rebuild the New Virginia Saddle Club. Original members: Gerald and Bea Stuart, Merrill and Marilyn Dorland, Ralph and Mary Jo Crabtree, Harold and Lou Jones, Duane and Mary Ruth Felton, Chuck and Beth Kilgore, Deyo and Ruth Hess, Harold Kaldenberg, Bud Ritchey, Lonnie Douglas, Dennis Howard and Doug Wickett.

1963 Fund raising began with Round and Square dances at the New Virginia Legion Hall, couples \$1.25.

With contributions by the members, fundraiser's and a bank loan, the property at 608 East Street became the permanent location of the New Virginia Saddle Club.

July 24, 1964 The nonprofit revised filing was granted, and the New Virginia Saddle Club became active again.

September 25, 1965 Record breaking entries in the 12 classes of Annual Show (as the specific number was not listed in the article, information on prior shows had stated 75 to 107 entries at other shows). All classes during this time were classes where the horses were ridden.

The 1970's Halter Classes were introduced to the Open and Closed Horse Shows, and the popularity continued.

Members of the New Virginia Saddle Club selected Royalty at the Iowa State Fair, naming Sharon Townsend as Rodeo Queen with Paula Jones runner-up and Debbie Kilgore as Princess with Rhonda Jones as runner-up.

The 1980's Mule Shows became part of the New Virginia Saddle Club with over 70 participating in the State Mule Show and 40 entries in an Open Mule Show.

Calf roping events were a highlight for fans.

FFA held Annual Rodeos.

Outside uses such as Tug-of-War tournaments and Christmas Tree sales occurred.

The 1990's Shows dwindled during this time. Mule and Draft Horse Shows continued.



### Recollections of a five-year-old:

I think I was in kindergarten in 1962 when we had the first meeting of the New Virginia Saddle Club. It was in the old gym/lunch room of the New Virginia Schoolhouse. My dad, Gerald, was elected President, and I thought he was being elected President of the United States! Our first arena was in the present location, but the next year, it was one block north of where it is now.

We moved back to the present location and must have gotten a loan to buy the land. I remember a few years later having a "mortgage burning party" at the arena. I didn't know what a mortgage was, but we had a bonfire and roasted hotdogs, and Ralph Crabtree threw a piece of paper (the mortgage) into the fire, and all the adults cheered. Lots of hours of volunteer work went into the arena. I remember heavy electrical wire going through holes in the wood posts for the perimeter of the arena.

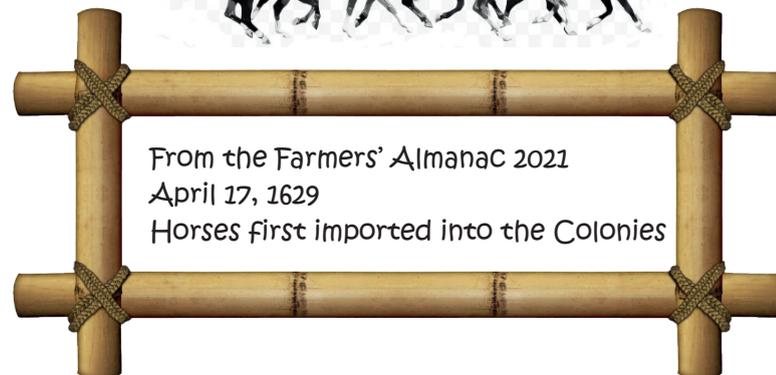
An old chicken house was mounted up on posts with a flip-up door to use as an announcer's stand on the south side of the arena. We eventually had a nice shed for a concession stand under the pine tree near the street. My Grandma Ruth Hess and Beth Kilgore often ran the stand. I guess we had four or five shows a year, with one being an all-day show with halter classes in the morning and riding classes in the afternoon. I grew up showing horses at the New Virginia Saddle Club arena and have many fond memories. We had one scratchy old country Western album that we played every show over the loudspeakers. Patsy Cline's "Walking After Midnight" was one we would listen to every show.

I think in the late 70's, the interest in the shows and the Club slowed down. In the 80's, Dennis Howard would host calf roping competitions, and David Crabtree had some mule shows at the arena. Gerald Stuart got into draft horses in 1984, and we had our first draft horse show at the arena in 1986. During these years, a paving crew would rent the Saddle Club grounds to park their equipment while they were in town. Dad had them dig a hole in the middle of the arena so we could put a water crossing there for our draft horse obstacle course. Jim Reed brought a combine up to simulate a threshing machine, and we had to drive our teams up to the combine when it was running. There were lots of teams in the area at that time, and I think we had 10 or 12 teams compete.

The South Central Iowa Draft Horse Club continues to put on a show or two a year at the NVSC. The Saddle Club had not been active for years. Dad was still the President, and Grandma Ruth still had all the old secretary books. I suggested we put an ad in the paper to see if there was interest in getting the Saddle Club active again. We had a meeting in the new Library, and the meeting room was packed! We elected new officers that night, and the Saddle Club was reborn! As you can now see, a lot more volunteer hours were put in, and the town has a nice arena that is well kept up, and horse shows are again held.

History archives of Osceola Sentinel-Tribune, The New Virginian

*Contributed by Jim Stuart*





## Those Who Served



**Dick Stills**, son of Hezie and Helen Stills, graduated from New Virginia Iowa High School in 1950. Shortly after graduation he joined the US Navy and was sent to Boot Camp at the Naval Training Center San Diego, California. Dick was assigned to the USS Juneau CL AA 119 as a Gunners Mate 3rd class. He served as mount captain on mount 33 a 3-inch/50 caliber gun. The Juneau was a light cruiser with 12 5-inch guns and 14 3-inch guns. It was commissioned just after the end of World War II but saw combat throughout the Korean War. Dick's awards include the National Defense Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, Navy Occupation Service Medal with (E) and the Korean Service Medal

with 2 stars.

Dick married Bonnie Parish and raised three children, Bruce, Judy and Vicky. After the Navy Dick went to work for Firestone in Des Moines and retired after 36 years. Dick now resides in Indianola, Iowa. Dick Stills, son of Hezie and Helen Stills, graduated from New Virginia Iowa High School in 1950. Shortly after graduation he joined the US Navy and was sent to Boot Camp at the Naval Training Center San Diego, California. Dick was assigned to the USS Juneau CL AA 119 as a Gunners Mate 3rd class. He served as mount captain on mount 33 a 3-inch/50 caliber gun. The Juneau was a light cruiser with 12 5-inch guns and 14 3-inch guns. It was commissioned just after the end of World War II but saw combat throughout the Korean War. Dick's awards include the National Defense Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, Navy Occupation Service Medal with (E) and the Korean Service Medal with 2 stars.



**Lyle Schwery** graduated from Harlan, Iowa High School in 1968 and has lived in the rural St. Charles, Iowa area for the past 40+ years with his wife Jolene. Lyle has attended Indian Hills Community College in Ottumwa, Simpson College and Drake University. Lyle is the son of Melvin and Verelda Schwery of Panama, IA. Lyle joined the US Navy and attended Basic Propulsion and Engineering School and Firefighter School. Lyle served as an E-3 Boilerman Fireman on the USS Bennington CVS 20 and USS Harold J Ellison DD 864 at

Norfolk, Virginia. The USS Bennington is an Essex class aircraft carrier that saw combat in WWII during the Iwo Jima and Okinawa campaigns. The Ellison is a Gearing class destroyer named after one of the famed Torpedo Squadron 8 pilots killed in the Battle of Midway.

Lyle says the most interesting assignments were Long Beach, California and a South Pacific cruise. Lyle was awarded the National Defense Service Medal. After discharge, Lyle attended college, worked as an air traffic controller till 1981. More college, then worked as a dispatcher with the Des Moines Police Department, then as a Homeless Program Coordinator for City of Des Moines and State of Iowa. He retired in 2010 but continues to work as an Adjunct Professor at DMACC in Ankeny.

His message to the community is: Take pride in your community, we all have gifts and abilities that we can use to make our community better, Volunteer. Lyle says the GI Bill helped him attend college and helped purchase his first house.

### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF NEW VIRGINIA

Now that Sprig is here, the grass is growing along with the weeds & other vegetation. Please keep your yard mowed on a regular basis. The rank growth of grass, weeds or other vegetation and plants is a violation of chapter 15: Health Regulations; Nuisances of the New Virginia City Codes. Also a reminder that from the edge of the Street to the sidewalk or property line is the responsibility of the property owner to mow & maintain.



## Celebration of Life



*The family of Mark S. Belieu would like to invite you to a celebration of Mark's life. It will be held on Sunday May 16, 2021, at 12:00 P.M. at the Lions Hall in St. Charles, Iowa. Mark's full obituary will be in the May 2, 2021, Des Moines Sunday Register. Everyone who would like to help celebrate Mark's life with us is welcomed and appreciated.*

### Updated Rental Rates!

#### Gerry Allen Memorial Park Community Building New Virginia, IA

	N.V. City Limits	All Other
Renters		
Full Day Rental	\$125	\$150
Half Day Rental	\$75	\$100
Hourly Rental	\$20	\$20

- \*Deposit \$125, due at time of reservation, rental fee due prior to event.
- \*\* All Non-Profit groups - there will be no rental fee.
- \*\*\*Signed rental agreement required.
- \*\*\*\*Certificate of liability insurance for rentals over 50 persons required
- \*\*\*\*\*All rentals require cleanup at the conclusion of their event. We are also providing a deeper sanitization and cleaning at this time with additional fee of \$25.

*Due to COVID-19, Social Distancing and wearing of masks strongly encouraged. Current capacity is at 50% until the state restrictions are lifted.*

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City Of New Virginia  
Council Meeting Minutes

April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021

The Council met in regular session on Monday April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. for the April Council Meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Huston with Council Members Galivan, Nelson, Strange, Truman and Zuercher present.

Minutes from the March meeting and Treasurer's Report were approved.

**Old business discussed:** The drainage problem in the 800 block of East Street was discussed. Steve Savage will be contacted to see if an alternative from the initial plan is possible to get the water to flow to the north on the east side of East Street. It was also discussed that there are some alleys that need to be worked up to get rid of the holes, especially the alley by the fire station. The south side of the intersection of Felton & Broadway streets is forming a large washout due to rain water run-off. This area needs to be re-graded.

Truman moved, seconded by Nelson to gravel the City portion of Broadway Street west of Border Street. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Citizen Input:** Jesse Reed with Deliver His Message Tent Ministries inquired about setting up a tent in Old Settlers Park for church services from May 24-29 starting at 7:00 p.m. each evening. The tent is 40'x60' and the organization is fully insured for the event. There would be a bounce house for kids. The consensus of the Council is to allow this event to take place.

Shane Akers with Rural Housing 360 was present to explain the company's home purchase program. Rural Housing 360's mission is to serve the unmet needs of middle-income America. This can be accomplished through a comprehensive partnering approach that includes the commitment of the local communities and employers. This commitment will provide immediate equity value for the home buyer who is a community member and an employee. Rural Housing 360 is committed to providing each buyer a high quality, safe, affordable, energy efficient home that all stakeholders will be proud of. Highlights of the program include: \$0 down at closing, 1-3.5% interest, 30-38 year financing, buy a new or existing home with your mortgage approval – Rural Housing can help with both. New home features include: energy efficient, all appliances and central air, pick exterior and interior colors, floor finishes and cabinet colors, all cabinets are solid wood, you choose the finish, garage options are available, move-in ready. The community's commitment is to cooperate with the Rural Housing 360 team in establishing the framework that will promote the construction and sale of high-quality housing in their community. Rural Housing 360 has been given information about vacant lots and potential land for development within the city limits.

Warren County Supervisor Crystal McIntyre was present to give the Council an update on happenings within the county. The County is negotiating with the City of Indianola regarding a plan the City has for around the square in relation to the new courthouse. The Director position for budgets is open due to a resignation. Warren County Secondary Roads will be getting their new shop building. The Supervisors will be updating their website. County roads R 57 and S 23 will be going under construction.

**Water Utilities discussed:** The Council reviewed information about remote water meter shut-off valves and ultrasonic water meters. The sales representative from Utility Equipment Company will be present at the May council meeting to give a presentation on the SET Smart Earth Technologies remote smart valve and abilities of the software.

**Law Enforcement** – The report summary from the Sheriff's Office for the month of March was reviewed. Deputies received or initiated 35 calls for service during the month. Officers spent in excess of 64 hours in the City for the month. There were no citations and/or warnings written for traffic violations that occurred within the City of New Virginia proper.

Zuercher moved, seconded by Nelson to pass and approve Resolution #2021-08 – A RESOLUTION EXTENDING 28E AGREEMENT TIME PERIOD WITH VIRGINIA TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY, IOWA. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Zuercher moved, seconded by Nelson to pass and approve Resolution #2021-09 – A RESOLUTION EXTENDING 28E AGREEMENT TIME PERIOD WITH SQUAW CREEK TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY, IOWA. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Zuercher moved, seconded by Nelson to pass and approve Resolution #2021-10 – A RESOLUTION EXTENDING 28E AGREEMENT TIME PERIOD WITH JACKSON TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY, IOWA. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Zuercher moved, seconded by Nelson to pass and approve Resolution #2021-11 – A RESOLUTION EXTENDING 28E AGREEMENT TIME PERIOD WITH FREMONT TOWNSHIP, CLARKE COUNTY, IOWA. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Fire Department Business:** The City has received one bid to date for fire truck 768.

The southwest fire entry door was discussed. A Morton Builders technician stopped by to look at the door. He advised he should be able to get a replacement for the existing door.

Fire Department personnel was discussed

The City received two mowing bids for the 2021 mowing season. After reviewing the two bids, Nelson moved, seconded by Strange to approve the lower bid of Huston's Lawn Care for the 2021 mowing season: mowing city parks, fire station, library, Hen House at \$375.00/mth; GAMP east half at \$375.00/mth; west half GAMP at \$200.00/mowing; disc golf course path by weekly at \$50.00/mth. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 1 nay. Motion carried.

The current city budget and fund balances were reviewed. There will need to be budget amendments to the current city budget

**GAMP FINANCIAL UPDATE**

April 5, 2021

The following are the balances for the GAMP accounts: Money Market \$35736.95; Regular Account \$790.58. Our rentals/groups utilizing the building has remained the same. We are still doing extra cleaning and sanitizing processes after each use. We are still strongly suggesting all who enter wear

masks and social distance. We are also asking renters to operate at the 50% capacity. The City received a donation of hand sanitizer which we have placed some at the GAMP building. We are looking at storing the tot time toys in the shed until we are able to find a director. It was discussed the kybos need to be cleaned regularly at both GAMP and the Lions Park. Karla Lair will be contacted about getting the kybos cleaned on a regular basis. A BIG THANK YOU to Terry Stuart for the work he did moving gravel back into place after the snow blading season.

### NEW VIRGINIA PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE UPDATE

The New Virginia Playground Committee will be working with Mike Bethards, Lane Sturtz and Dryseal Roofing for the construction of the second shelter. Savage Excavating will be removing the old concrete pad and sidewalk. The plan is to start construction the week of April 5<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting. We will need to move the current grills at the park in order to be compliant with the insurance regulations. We will place a couple of grills at the Lions Park and possibly two grills at the Gerry Allen Memorial Park. We have a place staked out for the new sign to be placed at the park. We would like to ask the City Council if the ash tree by the old shelter could be removed before we start building the shelter. It is dead and will need to be cut down sometime this year anyway. We would like to have it done before the shelter is built. We would like to have Savage Excavating dig out the stump while they are removing the old concrete slab. Once these projects are finished, we will place a memorial tree in honor of Mary Bates. Our account balance is \$11,916.82.

### KEEP IOWA BEAUTIFUL PROGRAM

The account balance is \$9781.72. The banners have been ordered. Alliant Energy has been given the information for approving the placement of the banners on the light poles. The kite flying day went very well considering how windy it was.

### Spring Curbside Clean-Up Day is scheduled for May 15<sup>th</sup>.

An Atlantic Bottling Company vending machine will be placed at GAMP Park at the east end of the community building. The possibility of placing another vending machine on the south side of the Lion's shelter in Old Settlers Park was discussed.

The placement of a water hydrant at the Lion's stand in Old Settlers Park was discussed.

Hand sanitizer stations like last year for Old Settlers was discussed. It was the Council's consensus to have the hand sanitizers again this year for Old Settlers.

Galivan moved, seconded by Zuercher to approve payment of all City bills and GAMP bills. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

With no further business to come forth, Nelson moved, seconded by Zuercher to adjourn meeting. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m. The May council meeting is scheduled for **Monday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**

*Brent Baughman*

Brent Baughman, City Clerk

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		CLAIMS REPORT		
VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT	CHECK #	CHECK DATE
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS/STREET LIGHTS	\$782.20	14104	4/1/2021
AMERICAN MARKING INC	SIGNS-DISC GOLF COURSE	\$1,045.00	14103	3/24/2021
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES INK	\$113.76	14105	4/1/2021
DES MOINES AREA COMMUNITY COLL	TUTION FEES	\$1,354.00	14137	4/6/2021
IOWA PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEM	IPERS	\$273.28	16326170	4/1/2021
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	\$505.15	16326171	4/1/2021
J&L SANITATION	GARBAGE SERVICE - CITY	\$60.00	14123	4/6/2021
KEPHART CARPENTRY	OTHER CONTRUCTION SERV HENHOUS	\$5,098.61	14124	4/6/2021
LYNN CARD COMPANY	OFFICE SUPPLIES CARDS	\$84.95	14125	4/6/2021
NITE OWL PRINTING	OPERATING SUPPLIES-HIPPA	\$422.68	14126	4/6/2021
REGISTER MEDIA	LEGAL PUBLICATION NOTICEHEARIN	\$125.85	14102	3/16/2021
ROGER BERRY	TRAINING - HAZMAT	\$150.00	14127	4/6/2021
SWCC CONTINUING EDUCATION	TRAINING	\$160.00	14129	4/6/2021
VERIZON	TELEPHONE	\$152.45	14106	4/1/2021
WASTE MANAGEMENT	RECYCLING	\$940.14	14131	4/6/2021
WEX FLEET UNIVERSAL	VEHICLE FUEL- MARCH 2021	\$269.57	14132	4/6/2021
WINDSTREAM	TELEPHONE/INTERNET	\$320.74	14133	4/6/2021
ZIEGLER CAT	VEHICLE REPAIRS NEW 769	\$15.44	14134	4/6/2021
	<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>\$11,873.82</b>		
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS/STREET LIGHTS	\$1,101.64	14104	4/1/2021
SAVAGE EXCAVATING	STREET MAINTENANCE ROCK MAPLE	\$598.17	14128	4/6/2021
	<b>Total Road Use Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,699.81</b>		
ANCEL KENNEDY	SERVICE	\$125.00	14135	4/6/2021
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	OFFICE SUPPLIES PAPER WATERBIL	\$84.99	14105	4/1/2021
CITYSTATE BANK	BANK/COLLECTION FEES	\$17.00	14136	4/6/2021
DES MOINES WATER WORKS	WATER TESTING	\$12.84	14138	4/6/2021
HUSTON'S LAWN/SNOW REMOVAL	TESTING - WATER	\$12.90	14122	4/6/2021
IOWA PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEM	IPERS	\$302.60	16326170	4/1/2021
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	\$376.30	16326171	4/1/2021
SAVAGE EXCAVATING	MAINTENANCE MAIN BREAK MAINST	\$4,682.87	14128	4/6/2021
WARREN WATER DISTRICT	WATER USAGE/LOAN PAYMENT	\$3,586.80	14130	4/6/2021
	<b>Total Water Utilities Expenses</b>	<b>\$9,201.30</b>		
Total Paid On: 4/01/21	GENERAL	\$2,415.57		
	WATER	\$1,546.61		
Total Payroll Paid	<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	<b>\$3,962.18</b>		
	<b>***** TOTAL EXPENSES *****</b>	<b>\$26,737.11</b>		

**Bart's Tire & Auto**

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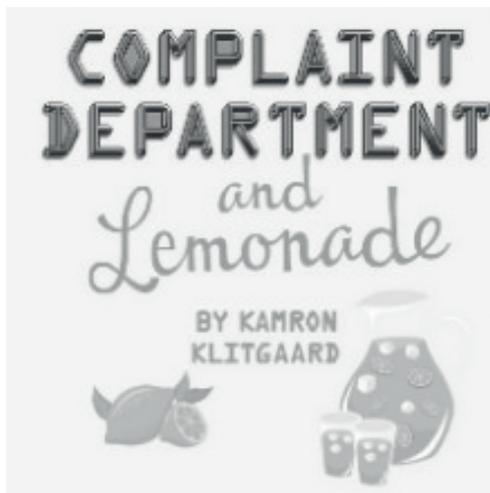
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 idea for Tri-Corner?**

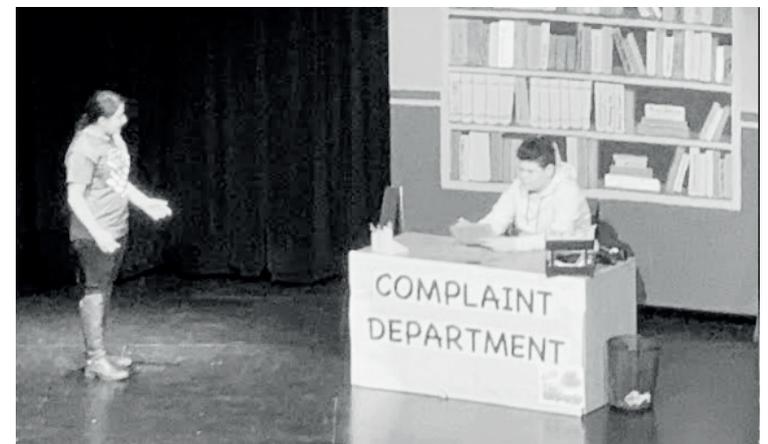
Please email your idea or draft of your  
 own writing for review and consideration  
 to: [tricornet@newvirginia.com](mailto:tricornet@newvirginia.com)



On April 2nd and 3rd, the Interstate 35 Drama Department was thrilled to return to the auditorium with their spring performance of Complaint Department and Lemonade by Kamron Klitgaard. During the show, it was shown that some people will complain about anything--not almost anything, but absolutely anything! The audience spent a day in the complaint department, and witnessed a series of hysterical grievances that just kept coming! Both shows went great, and the student actors did a great job. Watch for announcements next fall about our next show!

### Complaint Department and Lemonade CAST

ONE ..... Aiden Kaster  
 TWO ..... Liliana Cummings  
 THREE.....Jackson Ransom  
 FOUR ..... Brianna Fantz  
 FIVE ..... Mitchell Stanley  
 SIX ..... Sam Lawyer  
 SEVEN ..... Keegan Strange  
 EIGHT ..... Alexandria Reedy  
 NINE ..... Kamdin Allen  
 TEN.....Michael McClelland  
 ELEVEN..... Abby Fantz  
 TWELVE ..... Alexandria Reedy  
 THIRTEEN ..... Brianna Fantz  
 FOURTEEN ..... Kendra Weissenstein  
 FIFTEEN ..... Aiden Kaster  
 TECHNICAL CREW –  
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Thank You's, Birth Announcements, Birthdays, and Anniversaries:

0 - 50 words = \$5.00

51 - 100 words = \$10.00

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 Obituaries and Weddings (Including one photo): \$25.00

\* Additional photo(s) \$5.00 each



**Recycling Dates  
 New Virginia:**

Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>

Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>

Thursday May 20<sup>th</sup>

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# COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS



## NEW VIRGINIA AMERICAN LEGION POST 281 NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The New Virginia American Legion will be placing small flags on the veterans graves in the New Virginia Cemetery on Friday, May 28, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. They will also be placing the large flags on the New Virginia Cemetery road for the "Avenue of Flags". On Monday May 31, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. they will have a ceremony at the New Virginia Cemetery. On Monday May 31, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. they will be taking all of the flags down. Lots of volunteer help is needed for this project. If you are able to help, be in the cemetery parking at the designed times.

THANK YOU!

New Virginia American Legion Post 281.



## 125 YEARS OF NEW VIRGINIA OLD SETTLERS

2022 will mark the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of New Virginia Old Settlers. The Tri-Corner-Express is asking our readers to submit past articles, pictures, memories, etc. of past celebrations. Our intent is to publish something about Old Settlers each month for the entire year in 2022.

Please send your submissions to P.O. Box 302, New Virginia, IA 50210  
or email to [tricorner@newvirginia.com](mailto:tricorner@newvirginia.com).

Thanks for helping make next year a memorable one!

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## New Virginia Spring Clean-up May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021

The annual Spring Cleanup Program is scheduled for Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup> 2021. Residents may dispose of large items such as furniture that would not be picked up through the regular weekly trash pickup.

The following requirements will ensure a safe, efficient cleanup:

1. TRM Disposal out of Indianola will pick up cleanup items curbside at your residence. Items **MUST** be placed at or on the roadside, not in a ditch or across a ditch. Items in those areas **WILL NOT** be collected.
2. All items must be at the curb by 6:30 a.m. Items placed on the curb after the hauler has been in the area will not be picked up.
3. Items that are bulky and difficult to handle, such as swing sets, must be cut up or dismantled into smaller pieces, no more than 4 feet in length.
4. The following **will not be picked up**: leaves and organic yard waste, dirt/sod, construction materials, railroad ties, paints or thinners, oils, batteries, tires, vehicle parts, concrete or air compressors.
5. This service is available for residential dwellings and apartments only. No commercial businesses.

The intent of this program is to provide a useful service to our citizens and to help beautify the community - everyone's cooperation is greatly appreciated. For questions or comments, please contact TRM Disposal at 515-962-2014 or by email at [sarah@trmdisposal.com](mailto:sarah@trmdisposal.com).



## BACCALAUREATE CELEBRATION!!

Wednesday April 28, 2021 7:00 p.m.  
at Interstate-35 School  
Students, families & friends  
Come celebrate with the  
Senior classes of I-35 and  
Martensdale/St. Marys

Sponsored by Madison Warren Ecumenical  
Association

# COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

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641-449-3614

FREE Wireless



## HOURS

Tues 4 pm - 8 pm  
Wed 9 am - 11 am  
& 1 pm - 8 pm  
Thurs 4 pm - 8 pm  
Sat 9 am - 12 pm

## What's happening at the New Virginia Public Library?

Book Club Every Third Wednesday at 4 p.m.

Cribbage Every Wednesday at 2 p.m.

We have many puzzles for children and adults for checkout!

The Library is now a member of the AmazonSmile program!

New Adult and Children's books every month:

The Affair-Danielle Steel

Dark Sky-CJ Box

Braced for Love-Mary Connealy

Check us out on **facebook**

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NEW VIRGINIA CITY WIDE  
GARAGE SALE & CRAFT SALE

SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2021

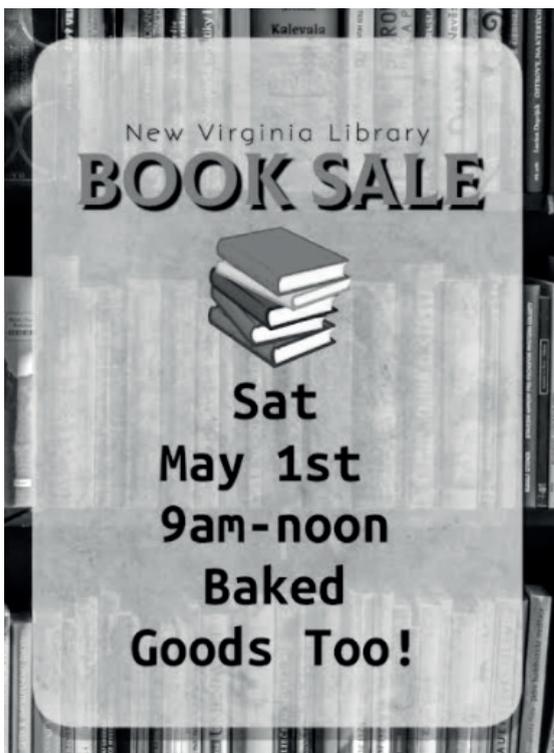
8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

NEW VIRGINIA OLD SETTLERS WILL SERVE A LUNCH  
IN OLD SETTLERS PARK 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, chips and drinks.

CRAFTERS & GARAGE SALES MAY SET UP IN OLD  
SETTLERS PARK FOR A \$5.00 FEE, APPLICATION  
AVAILABLE ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

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DEA NATIONAL Rx  
**TAKEBACK**

SATURDAY APRIL 24

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Medicine drop at Indianola  
Wal-Mart. Please bring in  
any old Prescriptions to the  
drop off site.



## Interstate 35 Community Schools Immediate Staffing Needs

- Evening Custodian (summer hours, evening differential pay and paid single insurance)
- Facility Maintenance (paid single insurance)
- Classroom associate (paid single insurance)
- Cook (paid single insurance)

To complete an application visit our website

@ [www.i-35.k12.ia.us](http://www.i-35.k12.ia.us) and

click on **Employment** and **View**.

For further information regarding the custodian or facility  
maintenance positions contact Rick Gray at (515) 705-9360.

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Virginia Boosters 4-H Club News  
Written by Abby Fantz, Reporter

The Virginia Boosters 4-H Club held their April 14th meeting at 7:00 P.M. in the Lions Hall.

Hanna Bedwell called the meeting to order at 7:00. Roll call was 'What is your favorite snack?' Brady Streeter gave the Secretary's report, and Hanna Bedwell read the Treasurer's report.

Old business was discussing how story time on Easter went. They decided that it went well and that they should plan to do it again next year.

The review of the monthly county newsletter started out the new business, sparking conversation about the upcoming dates and the many workshops available to 4-H'ers. The YQCA deadline, livestock ID deadline, the sheep weigh-in, and the date for the Warren County Fair were discussed. The Club tour was also discussed. The Club decided to have a Club tour this year and formed a committee to organize it.

Brianna Fantz led the 4-H pledge. Jordyn Lewis made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Macy Nelson and Brady Streeter seconded.

One of the presentations this month was by Hanna Bedwell and Macy Nelson, and their presentation was all about the Warren County Fair. Another presentation was done by Jordyn. Her presentation was about 4-H.

The host for this meeting was Brady Streeter.

The next meeting is on May 12th at 7:00 P.M. The presentations will be done by Abby Fantz, Mackenzie Loomis, and Hazel Helm. The host will be Brady Streeter. Have a good day!

### *In Years Past...*

April 1975

A Peru resident sued seven Iowa legislators and their wives because of a bill on land-use sent to committee for debate. The man contends the bill has caused him to lose sleep, weight and hair and has interfered in his family life.

## QUILTER'S ESTATE SALE

**Saturday May 1st**  
**2270 Holliwell Bridge Road**

**Winterset, Iowa**  
**8:00 a. .m - 4:00 p.m.**  
**MASKS REQUIRED**



Collection of longtime Quilter, Marcia Meador  
Lots and lots of fabric (sold by the pound)  
Kits, charm packs, jelly rolls, layer cakes, bolts, rulers, mats, irons, Steam & Press and Lots of Misc. Tools  
Sewing machines including Husqvarna Designer 1 with tons of accessories. Pfaff 7550, Elna 6004, some older Singer Machines  
Sewing Cabinet and Sewing Table, Cutting Table  
And lots of crafts too.

**Definitely a Sale Not To Miss**

### *In Years Past...*

April 1975

Ken Voltmer writes that New Virginia will have a rescue unit. The unit will be operational on or before June 7, 1975.

## The Sign

Advertise and Announce on  
New Virginia's Digital Sign

Send Requests to: [thesign@newvirginia.com](mailto:thesign@newvirginia.com)

Or drop a note in The Sign dropbox  
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### **Lonnie's Barber Shop**

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**Shop Hours 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.**

CDC guidelines will be followed.



### **Truro Public Library**

*We are open our regular hours!*

Tuesday 9:30-3:30

Wednesday 3:30-6:30

Thursday 10-6

Saturday 9-noon



Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday is our Book Club at 10 a.m.!  
We also have puzzles and Large Print books for checkout!

Check out this month's new books!  
The Other Emily by Dean Koontz  
The Robin's Greeting by Wanda Brunstetter  
Acceptable Risk by Lynette Eason

Check us out on Facebook for any updates!

# CITY OF ST CHARLES

## 5 April 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes

The St. Charles City Council met at City Hall on Monday, 4/5/2021, for a regular meeting.

Mayor Dennis Smith called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

Council members Tom Blomme, Dan Kozak, and Whitney Hutton were present along with 3 guests. Councilmen Jane Hutton Edwards and Megan Allison were absent.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Tom Blomme/Whitney Hutton to approve the agenda. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes for Council Meetings from 3/1/2021 and 3/27/2021: Motion made by Tom Blomme/Dan Kozak to approve the minutes. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of March Treasurer and Budget Reports: Motion made by Tom Blomme/Whitney Hutton to approve the treasurer and budget reports for March. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of April Bills: Motion made by Tom Blomme/Dan Kozak to approve the April bills. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Sheriff's Report: During March there were 66.20 patrol hours, 10 calls, and 39 traffic stops in St. Charles.

City Boards/Committees:

- Sewer Report: Rhonda Guy presented a report for March.
- Fire/Rescue Department: March minutes were submitted.
- Library Board: Margaret Blair presented March minutes.
- Emergency Management: Coordinator reports were submitted.
- Clerk's Report: 2 abatement letters were submitted to be sent. Update on a bonded title for the old plow truck.
- Maintenance Report: Mowing season has started. A trailer was purchased to haul the lawnmower.

Ordinance 224 Amending Code Pertaining to Sewer Rates. Increase Minimum Sewer Rate by \$2.00 to \$39.65 per Month. Motion by Dan Kozak/Tom Blomme to approve Ordinance 224 raising the minimum sewer rate to \$39.65 effective May 1. R/C vote was unanimous. Motion by Dan Kozak/Whitney Hutton making April 5, 2021, the first and final reading of Ordinance 224.

Voice vote was unanimous.

Gravel For City Roads: Motion by Whitney Hutton/Dan Kozak to approve 10 loads of gravel for the unpaved streets in St. Charles. Voice vote was unanimous.

Public Works Director Application Review: 3 candidates will be interviewed at a later date.

Public Forum: No public input.

Old Business: Update on summer road construction. Grimes Asphalt plans to be in St. Charles in June.

New Business: No new business

Motion made by Tom Blomme to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

The next City Council meeting will be at 6:30 p.m., May 3, 2021, at City Hall.

Dennis Smith, Mayor Attest: Tracy Kozak, City Clerk

Posted at: City Hall, Post Office, Montross, and, Library

## St. Charles Public Library St. Charles, IA

February 2021

[scplibrary@myomnitel.com](mailto:scplibrary@myomnitel.com)

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113 Lumber St.



Sun: 1-5 pm

Mon: 10 am-6 pm

Tues: Noon-8 pm

Thurs: Noon-8 pm

Sat: 9 am-noon

SC Library is partnering with the Park and Rec Department to offer a free 'Summer Camp' for kids ages 5 to 11. Sessions will be Tuesday and Thursday mornings beginning June 8. Stay tuned for registration information next month in the Tri-Corner-Express or contact the SC Library for more details.



The City of St. Charles would like to thank Randy Gray for his many years of service to the City. We wish him the best with his future endeavors as he moves into retirement.



## CITY OF ST. CHARLES PUBLIC NOTICE OF RATE CHANGE

On Monday April 5, 2021 the St. Charles City Council passed Ordinance 224 amending the sewer service charge. Effective May 1, 2021 the City of St. Charles minimum sewer rate will increase by \$2.00 from \$37.65 to \$39.65 for the first 2,000 gallons of water used. A full copy of Ordinance 224 is available at City Hall.

**The Wood Family**  
*Continued from January & February & March 2021 Editions*

The Wood Family was an important influence on the small town of St. Charles, Iowa, and the neighboring counties and towns, from 1870 to around 1915. Samuel L. Wood, lovingly called Colonel by everyone, was a key figure in the incorporation of the town of St. Charles and served as mayor of the town several times. He and his sons, Alfred L. and Charles F., were infused with the same energy for community service. Both sons, Alfred L. and Charles F., were praised for their industries and liberality to the community and even to the state. Samuel made sure his sons were highly educated and prepared for further grand goals.

The last son, Charles F., was studious, kind, jovial, compassionate, and well-liked in the community. When his first child was born, Charles closed the bank and went home to be there for the delivery, an uncommon thing in the Late Victorian Era, when a man was not supposed to be around for such an occasion.

Wednesday 30 December 1903, Charles F. Wood, teller and assistant manager at the St. Charles Citizens Bank, received a telephone call from the state bank auditors in Des Moines. Charles Wood was an influential figure in the small town of St. Charles. He was mayor from 1894-1900. He also served as treasurer on the original committee of the St. Charles Independent School District Board to raise funds to eventually erect the brick St. Charles School (constructed in 1911-1912). Charles was an investor and silent partner in one of the larger general stores in town, as well as the bank, and a well-known partner in land realty and speculation. He was known as a man who sold goods to the pauper farm at cost and gave liberally to the county pauper funds. Overall, Charles was a man respected by neighbors and community for his kindness, community efforts and business acumen. Yet, on this cold December day, the state bank auditors told Charles there was a problem with his bank's numbers, and by all their accounts, it was bad. Miss Cora Irwin, another bank worker, said Charles turned white and shockingly stuttered that he did not understand. The auditor said their office would be investigating the banks speculation interests and finances and Mr. Wood's involvement and then hung up.

Miss Irwin soon left to run a quick errand and returned around 6 p.m.. Upon returning to the bank, she heard the crack of a pistol and observed smoke coming from the small room with the vault. She ran to the General Store to get help. Irwin returned with several men from the store, and they found Mr. Wood slumped in his chair; he shot himself behind his right ear with a .38 caliber pistol. The bullet passed through the brain and out the left side. The growing group of citizens carried the still alive, but unconscious, Wood to his home on Market Street and lay him down in his upstairs bedroom just as one of the town's doctors arrived. After quickly checking Wood's vitals and pupil dilation, the doctor sadly declared there was nothing he could do, and Charles F. Wood died four hours later.

A few days into the year 1904, the phone rang at the bank. Irwin answered it, and the state auditor's office informed her they had made a

clerical error. The bank's records were in order after all, and they apologized for the inconvenience.

By the Spring of 1904, the St. Charles Citizens Bank was dissolved, and the insurance upon it paid out 50 cents on the dollar. The reasons for the closing are unclear. There was a rush on the bank, and the bank president, R. D. Minard, sold the bank, lock, stock, and barrel, to Mr. W. A. Triss who later founded the St. Charles Savings Bank. The former wooden building of the St. Charles Citizens Bank was eventually torn down. A brick structure replaced it which later became a doctor's clinic.

The nearest personal scandal Charles had prior to his death was to buy the nicest, most expensive buggy in the area to take his wife and children on Sunday rides. This ostentatious showing was quickly diminished by the wrecking of the buggy when Charles yanked upon the reins to a sharp right, and the buggy ran over and was damaged by a low-cut tree stump, supposedly to avoid running over a dog that ran out in front of him.

Charles loved his community and his family. When his wife or children were ill, he went home at lunch to make and feed them soup. It was Charles who took care of his father when he was injured, he went to take care of his sister when she was dying in Des Moines, and it was he who paid for his brother's fees out of his own pocket during Alfred's trial. For the community, Charles helped sponsor lecturers and performances at the St. Charles Opera Hall and was involved in growing the community and helping all of its citizens. It was under his mayoralship that phone lines came into the St. Charles area, and a place for a local operator was set up.

Until 1898-1899, the Wood family was a respected name in the community. But a little scandal can go a long way. Samuel L. Wood left town for warmer climates, Alfred fled the area and eventually, the Midwest. Charles was the only one left.

Thus, in December of 1903, when Charles received the phone call that the bank books were not in order, he had to feel a deep concern of what another scandal could do to his father and his family. He would have known how people would love to drag his name through the mud, and guilty or not, destroy his credibility. Maybe that is why he took that last, desperate action.

Charles F. Wood was buried in an unmarked grave in St. Charles, and his exact whereabouts are still unknown at this time. His house still stands across from the school for which he helped get funding. Charles' wife moved to Winterset, and when she died, was buried there instead of next to Charles.

The death of Charles F. Wood marked the end of the influence of the Wood family on the local politics, town and county improvements, and society.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**I-35 Detours:** The Iowa Department of Transportation is providing public notice and requesting public input on the proposed detours for Interstate 35 (I-35) at interchange Exit 47 (G-64) and interchange Exit 52 (G-50), and on proposed bridge improvements on Warren County Roads G-64 and G-50 over I-35 in Warren County. Construction is anticipated to occur during the 2022 construction season. To view information on this project, please go to [www.iowadot.gov/pim](http://www.iowadot.gov/pim) and click on the "Interstate 35 Warren County" project. Comments and questions regarding this online meeting should be received by April 28, 2021 and can be submitted online at [www.bit.ly/iowadot12163](http://www.bit.ly/iowadot12163) or sent to: Hector Torres-Cacho, Transportation Planner, Iowa DOT District 5 Office, 205 E. 227th Street, Fairfield, IA 52556 Phone: 641-472-4171 or 800-766-4368 Email: [hector.torres-cacho@iowadot.us](mailto:hector.torres-cacho@iowadot.us)

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET**  
NEW VIRGINIA  
Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

The City of NEW VIRGINIA will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021

<b>Meeting Date/Time:</b> 5/3/2021 07:00 PM	<b>Contact:</b> Brent Baughman	<b>Phone:</b> (515) 577-8987
<b>Meeting Location:</b> Fire Station Meeting Room		

There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing.

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	#	Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Taxes Levied on Property	1	93,937	0	93,937
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Net Current Property Tax	3	93,937	0	93,937
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	4	0	0	0
TIF Revenues	5	0	0	0
Other City Taxes	6	39,968	22,414	62,382
Licenses & Permits	7	130	0	130
Use of Money & Property	8	1,566	0	1,566
Intergovernmental	9	123,403	122,853	246,256
Charges for Service	10	112,259	0	112,259
Special Assessments	11	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	12	1,595	83,593	85,188
Other Financing Sources	13	0	170,200	170,200
Transfers In	14	0	0	0
<b>Total Revenues &amp; Other Sources</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>372,858</b>	<b>399,060</b>	<b>771,918</b>
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	#	Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Public Safety	16	92,386	118,403	210,789
Public Works	17	80,551	0	80,551
Health and Social Services	18	740	0	740
Culture and Recreation	19	19,760	8,200	27,960
Community and Economic Development	20	1,000	0	1,000
General Government	21	74,657	78,093	152,750
Debt Service	22	0	0	0
Capital Projects	23	0	0	0
Total Government Activities Expenditures	24	269,094	204,696	473,790
Business Type/Enterprise	25	103,019	93,628	196,647
<b>Total Gov Activities &amp; Business Expenditures</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>372,113</b>	<b>298,324</b>	<b>670,437</b>
Transfers Out	27	0	0	0
<b>Total Expenditures/Transfers Out</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>372,113</b>	<b>298,324</b>	<b>670,437</b>
<b>Excess Revenues &amp; Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>745</b>	<b>100,736</b>	<b>101,481</b>
Beginning Fund Balance July 1, 2020	30	254,459	0	254,459
<b>Ending Fund Balance June 30, 2021</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>255,204</b>	<b>100,736</b>	<b>355,940</b>

**Explanation of Changes:** Increase in other city taxes revenue - \$17114.00 local option sales tax & \$5300.00 utility franchise tax; Intergovernmental - \$115429.00 local reimbursement Virginia Township fire dept. funds to city, \$7424.00 state reimbursement Iowa COVID-19 Government Relief; Miscellaneous - \$77593.00 ICAP hail damage, \$6000.00 disc golf course donation; Other financing sources - \$166000.00 corporate purpose loan, \$4200.00 capital asset sale - fire truck #769. Public Safety expenditure increase - \$118403.00 fire dept. expenses; Culture & Recreation - \$8200.00 disc golf course & fireworks expenses; General Government - \$78093.00 hail damage repair to city buildings; Business Type/Enterprises - \$78528.00 water main repair, water tower & fire hydrant projects, \$15100.00 water utilities operating expenses.

*In Years Past...* April 1977  
A new ambulance unit became a reality for the Virginia Township Fire Department after an extensive fund-raising effort.

**City Wide Garage Sale**  
Saturday, May 1, 2021

Start at 301 West Street  
New Virginia  
Methodist Church  
Huge Sale!

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**RESIDENTS OF NEW VIRGINIA**  
Homeowners are responsible for cleaning out & opening the ends of their driveway culverts to allow the water to drain from ditches!

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*Automotive & General Repair*

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**WARREN COUNTY FARM BUREAU CONGRATULATES  
MARTENSDALE-ST. MARY'S BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM**

The Warren County Farm Bureau congratulates the Martensdale – St. Mary’s boys basketball team on making it to the state playoffs and a successful season!

The Iowa Farm Bureau became the exclusive title sponsor of the Iowa High School Athletic Association (IHSAA) in 2002. On behalf of all Iowa Farm Bureau members across the state, Iowa Farm Bureau, Warren County Farm Bureau Outreach Coordinator, Keisha Thompson, and Financial Services Agent Kelly Krampe, presented the entire basketball team and coaching staff with commemorative signature basketballs.

“The values displayed by the athletes are the very same Iowa farmers take to the fields every day: dedication to hard work, pride in our communities, satisfaction in a job well done, the spirit of cooperation and character rooted in faith and family,” says Thompson. “By partnering with the IHSAA, we can help young people excel and renew pride and teamwork in our communities large and small. Together, we can create stronger schools, stronger communities, and a stronger Iowa.”

In addition to providing championship memorabilia and awards to student-athletes, the Iowa Farm Bureau awards scholarships and grants to outstanding young citizens engaged in academic leadership and student government. The organization also sponsors the annual Governor’s Scholar Recognition Program which recognizes more than 400 of Iowa’s best and brightest students at a ceremony held in April in Des Moines.



April News

Tom Wood, Superintendent, Martensdale-St. Marys

It seems a bit surreal to type these words, yet here we are entering the home stretch of the 2020-2021 school year! Circumstances throughout this year have significantly improved and we are excited to announce that we have not only remained open for 100% in-person instruction, but we are also in the midst of planning for prom on April 24, as well as graduation on May 23. A few months ago, all of these events seemed improbable and we are thrilled to achieve this small sense of normalcy after enduring the challenges that COVID-19 has brought upon us thus far.

While our daily lives are still affected by this pandemic both inside and outside of school, signs do exist that we are rounding a corner and approaching brighter times. Our hope is that we may slowly begin to relax restrictions in a safe and responsible manner, and as circumstances allow through public health approval, so that when school starts again this fall, it will look differently than the start of this year.

It is true that the restrictions and interruptions caused by this pandemic are exhausting; however, we continue to experience success due to the mitigation efforts that have secured our safety up to this point. In addition to this, vaccines and lower case counts are inching us closer to “normal” each and every day. We just have to hold on a little bit longer.

The combination of support, patience, and consideration from our community and families has contributed so much to our ability to maintain such a positive outcome. We appreciate your commitment to us, as well as your partnership, as we continue caring for students and providing them with the best possible education during this pandemic and beyond.

We hope to see you at spring and summer activities as we wrap up this school year!



If you find you are unable to consider projects in 2021 due to the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on your organization, please know we're here to help.

Our **Disaster Recovery Fund** is available for Warren County organizations who may need help.

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## Sam Lawyer Eagle Scout Project

Throughout the course of the last six months, Squaw Creek Township resident Sam Lawyer has been working on his Eagle Scout Project, removing and replacing the broken and tired flagpoles at Smith, Mt. Tabor, and Indian Valley cemeteries. The beautiful new flagpoles stand 25 feet tall and measure five inches in diameter at the base.

Thanks to solar lights installed by the Scouts at the top of the poles, new four by six foot flags fly proudly day and night at each cemetery.

Sam has been aided in the project by fellow Scouts Braden Andrew, Zachary Coppick, Kolter Good, Korey Kirkpatrick, and Micah Warrington, under the supervision of Troop Committee member Darin Kirkpatrick, Scoutmaster Rich Keller, and Assistant Scoutmaster Pat Thornburgh.

On May 16<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 4 p.m., the Township will be hosting a gathering at Mt. Tabor Cemetery to which all members of surrounding communities, families of buried loved ones, and anyone else interested in our cemeteries are invited to attend. Snacks and beverages will be provided. It is expected that the New Virginia Fire Department will bring its new truck to display. Sam Lawyer and the Scouts will also be recognized for their contribution. Mt. Tabor Cemetery is located just off of G76 Highway between New Virginia and Medora, at 22791 73<sup>rd</sup> Avenue.

## WARREN COUNTY FARM BUREAU PRESIDENT NAMES HEAL HOUSE OF IOWA FOR \$2,500 DONATION

[Indianola, Iowa]—March 10, 2020—Because of the commitment to their local community and advocacy for rural issues, the Warren County Farm Bureau was designated a 2019 Outstanding County Farm Bureau by Iowa Farm Bureau Federation (IFBF). In recognition, Warren County Farm Bureau 2019 President Adam Hill earned the opportunity to provide a \$2,500 donation to a local organization or charity and has selected Heal House of Iowa to receive this award.

“I wanted to give to the Heal House of Iowa because, as a farmer, I want the youth of this county to feel supported and come back to call it home. I know during hard times, support and hope can make a big difference” said Hill. “Farmers care about the people in this community, and I’m thankful to be able to support the organizations that help make it a better place to live.”

This year, Farm Bureaus across the state were able to help contribute more than one million meals for food insecure Iowans during the pandemic and assisted with acquiring personal protective equipment for healthcare workers. After the derecho swept across the state, farmer leaders also got to work to donate essential supplies to those without power and helped their communities with cleanup efforts.

“This year has tested the resilience, adaptability and dedication of our Farm Bureau members who have continued to show up and demonstrate leadership during a time of need,” says Craig Hill, IFBF president, also from Warren County. “It is a privilege to recognize this leadership and provide an additional opportunity for county Farm Bureau presidents to give back to their communities.”

## DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN...

Seventy-one years ago, we lost three fine young people in the Truro community...Carolyn, Gene, and Don...

Cliff and Ruth Norris, they responded to youth needs, having seven children. Cliff was active with the local Boy Scouts, Town Team Baseball, and still found time to farm and run a local café...

Clint and Ada Crawford...Keith and Bess Crawford ....Pete and Hazel Huston....

When Alfreda Fredericks (sic) was in her 80’s and possibly 90’s, walking to town about six blocks in high heels...

In 1950, when the high scoring Truro High School boys’ basketball team was called the Barn Burners by the media...

When Liberty and Jefferson Heights were bus stops on US 69...

When Jack Fleck, a club pro golfer at a Des Moines Golf Course, won a major Golf Tournament...

When the steeple came down on the New Virginia United Methodist Church...

Effie Stickel ran the local phone office...

Gravity gas pumps at the local three service stations ...Wade, Emil, and Oliver. In those days it was full service ...check oil, radiator, air and wash windows. WOW!

When New Virginia had a city Jail on the street behind Charlie McClure’s Ford Motors...

Mabel Coulter had the café on West Street...

When there was a North Pond, behind Nellie Coulter’s...

Remember circle fox hunts...

In a month, we will be decorating graves of our Veterans and family members. Please remember them, as they sacrificed so much for our liberty and love. GOD BLESS THEM.

*Contributed by Jerry Stansell*

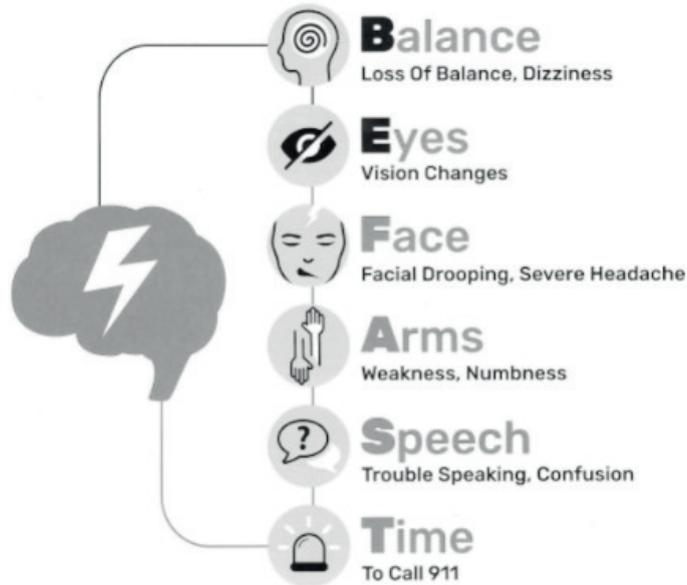
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# Critter Corner

## Calf Castration

The castration of bull calves is always one of the main events that takes place on the commercial cattleman's annual schedule. I thought it would be worthwhile to compare and contrast the differences in method and timing of when calves are castrated so those curious about making a change can make an informed decision.

First, when non-implanted steers are compared to their intact bull herdmates at weaning, bull calves will always weigh more due to hormones influencing growth. However, if we compare implanted steers that were castrated earlier in life and bull calves at weaning, no statistical difference can be made between the two when it comes to weaning weight. Calf implants, usually given around 3 months of age, can add up to 20 pounds at weaning. Now that the weight comparisons have been made, let's factor in stress.

Bulls castrated at weaning, no matter the method, have an increased risk of sickness and death compared to steers at weaning. This increased risk is due to the compounding effects of stress on the calf. In addition to this, the average daily gain (ADG) of bulls castrated at weaning will never be as high as the ADG of steers castrated early in life through the finishing stage. Also, tenderness and marbling grades tend to decrease the later bulls are castrated.

When it comes to how bulls are castrated, the method of choice depends mainly on the environment the calves will be living in. If calves are being turned out onto pasture, knife cutting works great. If calves are going into a mud lot, banding might be the better option, but never forget to give a tetanus booster to bulls getting banded.

*Contributed by Dr. Dakota Hottle*

May 2021				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 BBQ Pork on a Bun Pasta Salad Carrots Mandarin Oranges Apple Bread Pudding	4 Mexican Casserole Fiesta Corn Mexican Rice Fruit Cup White Cake w/ Frosting	5 Cornflake Chicken Duchess Potatoes Capri Vegetables Tropical Fruit Sugar Cookie	6 Roast Beef Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Broccoli Banana Blondie Bar	7 Lemon Fish Baked Cubed Potatoes Asparagus Cherry Gelatin Plums
10 Turkey Supreme Mashed Potatoes Spinach Angel Food Cake w/Strawberries	11 Meatloaf Roasted Red Potatoes Green Beans Amandine Pineapple Orange	12 Baked Tilapia Baked Potato Norwegian Blend Vegetables Dark Cherries Banana Crumb Dessert	13 Pineapple Glazed Pork Chop Garden Rice Blend Cucumber & Onion Salad Cinnamon Applesauce Mixed Fruit Crisp	14 Beef Stew Biscuit Succotash Apricots Cookie
17 Beef & Broccoli Stir Fry Rice Oriental Vegetables Mandarin Oranges Oatmeal Raisin Cookie	18 Stuffed Shells Spinach Salad Pears Strawberries Garlic Bread	19 Oven Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Green Beans Plums Tapioca Pudding	20 Scalloped Potatoes w/ Turkey Ham Zucchini and Tomatoes Ambrosia Salad Fruit Cocktail	21 COOK'S  CHOICE
24 Rigatoni w/ Meat Sauce Lettuce Salad Capri Vegetables Banana	25 Ham Balls Baked Squash Peas with Pearl Onions Apricots Peanut Butter Bar	26 Hamburger on Bun Potato Wedges Coleslaw Apple Patriotic Poke Cake	27 COOK'S  CHOICE	28 Tuna Sandwich Sweet Potato Tots Broccoli Salad Cantaloupe Chocolate Chip Cookie
31 	ALL MENU ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE	CARLISLE MEAL SITE 515-989-4367	LACONA MEAL SITE 641-534-3401	
Closed Memorial Day		INDIANOLA MEAL SITE 515-961-1155	MARTENSDALE MEAL SITE 641-764-2736	

\*Milk offered with all meals. All meals meet 1/3 of the Recommended Dietary Allowances (RDA) for older adults. The number after the food item denotes the carbohydrate count for those with diabetes. Cook's Choice days do not have carbohydrate count labeled.

*Stephanie Labrenz MS, RD, LD*  
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Martensdale Meal Site - Serving Prole, Martensdale and Norwalk areas

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The Origin of April Showers  
Bring May Flowers

This statement can be a reminder that even the most unpleasant of things, in this case, the heavy rains of April, can bring about very enjoyable things indeed – even an abundance of flowers in May.

From [www.1800flowers.com](http://www.1800flowers.com):

Once April 1<sup>st</sup> comes around, it's time to take out of storage those rain boots, umbrellas, ponchos and of course – vases for your spring flowers. The age-old saying “April Showers Bring May Flowers” still holds true today. But just how did this fun saying originate? The poem as we know it today originated all the way in 1557, in the form of a short poem written by Thomas Tusser. The poem can be found in the April section of a collection of his writings titled, “A Hundred Good Points of Husbandry.” The poem goes as follows:

“Sweet April showers do spring May flowers”

While this poem is clearly a direct ancestor to the version we know today, let's travel back in time a bit further to the end of the fourteenth century, where legendary poet Geoffrey Chaucer had his own say on the month of April in his famous collections of stories titled, “The Canterbury Tales.” The translation from Chaucer's Middle English would be:

“When in April the sweet showers fall  
That pierce March's drought to the root and all  
And bathed every vein in liquor that has power  
To generate therein and sire the flower.”

While Chaucer speaks of April in relation to March rather than May, it could be said that while Thomas Tusser may be the father of the saying, Geoffrey Chaucer is certainly the grandfather.

From the Farmers' Almanac 2021

April 8, 1974

Hank Aaron hit 715<sup>th</sup> home run

Hello Friends!

We regularly encourage those who come to Jesus' Right Hand, but we also want to reach beyond our walls to everyone who needs encouragement this day. We have faced so many negative things over the past year. Many people have been experiencing depression periodically, and we sometimes wonder why. Things seem to be going generally alright in your lives, but you don't understand the lingering feeling of negativity or depression that seems to hover around you.

Some are finding out that just watching the news or listening to gossip seems to bring out some of those negative thoughts or depressing thoughts in our minds. The Bible gives us the answer to every thought that passes through our minds and helps us think of things in a better way. It tells us we need to think about things that are good, worthy and of good report. So, when the negative begins to come into your thinking, purposefully begin to think about the things that bring you joy!

We have some great things to look forward to if we would let ourselves go there. Spring is here, and hope is on the horizon. Easter is a symbol of great hope because of what Jesus did on the Cross for us. We are coming out of our winter hibernation and beginning to see our neighbors in their yards or out walking around town. Maybe we need to be the carrier of hope for them and pass along the blessings of the Word of God. God knows all things and hears all things and wants us to walk the way of victory. We need to encourage others and allow ourselves to be encouraged by others. Have you ever found out that when you encourage someone else, you end up getting encouraged yourself? Know that God is so good, and HE cares about us all whether we do the right thing or not.

Everyone at the ministry is enjoying the beautiful weather we have been blessed with on Mondays during the Fresh Food Giveaway. We are celebrating the return of some of our volunteers in the past couple of weeks who have been away the past year due to necessary health precautions. God is faithful to bless us regularly with small bits of encouragement, and we are faithful to take notice of these little blessings because we have chosen to think on the things that are good, worthy and of good report. We are hearing testimonies of great answers to prayer on a regular basis. God is so faithful to hear the prayers and to answer them in such a mighty way!

There is so much going on behind the scenes at Jesus' Right Hand that many can't see beyond the front doors. Little by little, there is expansion going on in ways that we would never have expected. Sometimes a small idea or a slight shift change begins us in a new direction that we could have never imagined in our own minds. And before we know it, it has blossomed into something so new and unique that only God can get the glory for it. You know, that's just how God has worked with us since we opened the doors back in the mid-80's. We still rely 100% on Him for all our needs, and God chooses the people, places and things to bring exactly what is needed at exactly the right time. It's quite an exciting journey sometimes!

May God bless you all as we head into warmer weather with new opportunities coming our way. We are looking forward to a new day with great hope, with health and safety restrictions being lifted and more people being able to gather and meet together and finally being able to give those long-awaited hugs and kisses. Remember, we can do all things through Christ Jesus our Lord and Savior who saved and delivered us from the enemy at the Cross. God loves you and so do we!

In His Service & Love,  
Jesus' Right Hand Ministries

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

#### INTERSTATE 35 BAND/VOICE CONCERTS & FINE ARTS NIGHT

May 11th, Grades 5-8, starting at 6:30 pm. Jazz Band will also be performing for this concert

May 18th, HS Fine Arts night, from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. This event will feature HS Band, Jazz Band, HS Choir, and HS Art students.



Jeff Hovick, 56, of St. Charles, passed away at his home on March 13, 2021.

A visitation was held from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., Friday, March 19, 2021 at Caldwell Parrish Funeral Home, Winterset Chapel, where funeral services began at 3:00 p.m. The family encouraged those in attendance to wear casual or racing attire. Live streaming of the service will be available on Jeff's obituary/tribute wall at [www.caldwellparrish.com](http://www.caldwellparrish.com). Burial will be in the Brooks Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Jeff Gordon Children's Foundation for childhood cancer research in Jeff's honor. Online condolence may be made to the family at [www.caldwellparrish.com](http://www.caldwellparrish.com).

Jeffrey Lee Hovick was born in Story City, Iowa on August 12, 1964, the son of Jerald (Jerry) and Eilene (Truelsen) Hovick. He graduated from Roland Story High School. He married Darla (Long) Olsen and later married Dawn RaNae Akers in 1991.

Jeff and Dawn were caretakers for his friend, Wayne, who they lived with when they were first married. Jeff also worked for many years as a heavy equipment operator for Martin Marietta. He was a longtime resident of St. Charles.

Jeff was an avid racer and was a member of NASCAR and IMCA clubs. He was a big Jeff Gordon fan. He started his racing career with car owners, Sandy and Jim Skinner. He also enjoyed playing in pool leagues and playing poker. Jeff especially loved his granddaughters and time spent with them.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jerry Hovick; and brother-in-law, Eliot Akers.

Jeff is survived by his mother, Eilene Hovick of Ames; wife, Dawn Hovick of St. Charles; son, Tim (Elizabeth) Hovick of Clearfield; daughter, Ashley (Dale) Reineman of New Virginia; two grandchildren, Lucy and Allison Hovick; brothers, Jack (Genine) Hovick of Elmwood, NE, Jim (Kathy) Hovick of Roland, and Jay Hovick of Boone; mother and father-in-law, Lewis Junior and Edna Akers of Peru; and several nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

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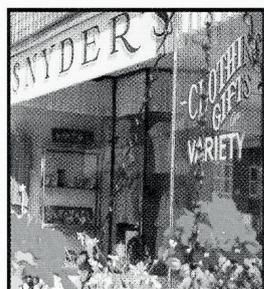
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*In Years Past...*

March 1973

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2841 South Street,  
Churchville, IA  
Business Office:  
c/o St. John the Apostle Church  
720 Orchard Hills Drive,  
Norwalk, IA 50211  
Fr. Daniel Kirby  
Mass Monday evenings at 5:30 p.m.  
(During Lent.)  
Mass : First Sunday of the month at  
10:30 a.m. (Rosary at 10:10 am)

St Patrick's Irish Settlement  
3396 155<sup>th</sup> St Cumming, IA 50061  
Fr Thomas Dooley - 515-462-1083  
Mass: Sunday 8 am  
Religious Ed: Ginny Darr,  
ginginery@aol.com  
or call 515-707-9243

Martensdale Community Church  
(An Evangelical Free Church)  
3953 Hoover St PO Box 200  
Martensdale, IA 50160  
1 mile north of Martensdale on Hwy 28  
Pastor: Jeremy Kidder  
641-764-2491

Associate Pastor: Daniel Moore  
Sunday Worship 9:00 am  
Bible Study: 10:30 am  
Sr. High Youth 6 pm Sunday  
Awana: 6:30 pm Wed Sept thru Apr.  
Jr High Youth 6:30 pm Wed Sept thru  
Apr. [www.mcc-church.com](http://www.mcc-church.com)

Fairview Community Church  
19705 Hwy 69 Indianola, IA 50125  
515-961-6069  
Pastor Gearold McElwee  
Cell 515-669-5519  
Sunday School: 9:30 am  
Sun Morning Worship 10:30 am  
Sun Evening Worship 5:30 pm  
Cubi Club & Twenty/20 - 5:30 pm  
Adult Endeavor - 6:00 pm  
Wed Bible Study & Youth Classes 7 pm

Peru Murray United Methodist Church  
Pastor Brandon Campbell  
No Sunday School  
Peru Worship 9:00 am  
Murray Worship 10:30 am

Grace Baptist Church  
304 Knotts Street  
New Virginia, IA 50210  
Pastor Michael Mattson  
[www.gbcnv.org](http://www.gbcnv.org)  
Sunday Worship: 10:30 am  
Wednesday Evening:  
Youth 7 pm, Prayer 7:30 pm

St Charles Parish  
305 W Main St PO Box 208  
St Charles, IA 50240  
Pastor: Darin Feikema  
641-396-2441  
[www.saintcharlesparish.org](http://www.saintcharlesparish.org)  
Sunday School 9 am  
Worship Service 9:45 am  
Fellowship time: 11 am

Truro Congregational  
Christian Church UCC  
155 E Garfield Box 17 Truro, IA 50257  
Pastor Kenneth Briggs  
641-765-4524 Cell:515-314-6494  
Email: [revkbriggsacc@msn.com](mailto:revkbriggsacc@msn.com)  
Sunday School: 9:30 am  
Worship 10:30 am  
Coffee & Fellowship: 11:30 am

Immaculate Conception  
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St Marys, IA 50241  
Fr. Chris Fontanini  
Mass : Sunday 8 am  
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109 N. Hartman St. Charles, IA 50240  
641-396-2234  
Pastor Doug Helton 641-396-2747  
Sunday School – 9:30 AM  
Worship – 10:40 AM & 6 PM  
Wed. Prayer, Bible Study & Youth – 7 PM  
Wed. AWANA (Sept-April) 6:30-8 PM

New Virginia Christian Church  
(Disciples of Christ)  
604 Main Street. / Box 112  
New Virginia IA 50210  
Pastor: Darin Feikema  
515-490-4444 Cell: 515-770-3713  
Sunday Worship: 11 AM

New Virginia United Methodist Church  
301 West Street / Box 301  
New Virginia IA 50210  
641-449-3779  
Pastor Bruce Giese  
515-867-4088  
Pastor's email: [pstrbruceg@gmail.com](mailto:pstrbruceg@gmail.com)  
[Church\\_email:NewVA-Medora@outlook.com](mailto:Church_email:NewVA-Medora@outlook.com)  
Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM  
Fellowship following Worship Service  
Sunday School at 9:15 AM Sept - May  
Youth: 5:45 PM Wednesday Sept - May  
Quilters Tuesday 1-4 PM  
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New Virginia IA 50210  
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Pastor Bruce Giese  
515-867-4088  
Pastor's email: [pstrbruceg@gmail.com](mailto:pstrbruceg@gmail.com)  
Church email;[NewVA-Medora@outlook.com](mailto:NewVA-Medora@outlook.com)  
Sunday School: 9:15 AM (children)  
Worship: 9 AM  
Quilters: 1:00 P.M. Thursday

Church of Christ  
10985 44<sup>th</sup> Lane Prole IA 50229  
Sunday Worship: 10 AM & 6 PM  
Wednesday Worship: 7 PM  
Elder: Duane Proudfit 515-961-4470  
Elder: Mike Penick 515-989-4165  
Deacon: Fred Bown 641-764-2484  
Deacon: Richard Bown: 641-764-2765

Linn Grove United Methodist Church  
7483--50<sup>th</sup> Ave  
(4 miles north of Martensdale)  
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Prole IA, 50229  
Pastor: Bernie Colorado  
515-981-4062  
Sunday Breakfast: 8 - 9:30 AM  
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Adult Sunday School-1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 11:15 AM  
Pastor's email: [bernieco2003@yahoo.com](mailto:bernieco2003@yahoo.com)

Broadhorn Community Church  
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Pastor: Rev. Larry Smith  
641-765-4555  
Worship Service: Sunday 10 AM  
Prayer & Study: Monday 7 PM  
at Pastor's home: 750 - 1<sup>st</sup> St. in Truro  
[Pastorlarry@netins.net](mailto:Pastorlarry@netins.net)

St. Paul Lutheran  
(Evangelical Lutheran Church in America)ELCA  
615 Iowa Ave / Box 290  
Martensdale IA 50160  
641-764-2752  
Pastor Don Rothweiler:  
C- 515-975-9225  
[Donrothweiler@yahoo.com](mailto:Donrothweiler@yahoo.com)  
Worship: 10:00 AM  
Sunday School PreK - 6<sup>th</sup>: During worship

Grace Bible Church of Southern Iowa  
410 N Dewey  
Osceola, IA 50213  
641-784-8890  
Sunday School: 9 am  
Worship Service: 10 am  
Pastor Chuck Myer

