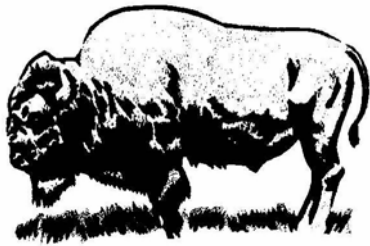


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Rural Pearl of the Month: The Trouble With Doing Nothing is you Can't tell When You are Done.

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BVFD Notes



It was a busy month around the BVFD the past month. We spent 191 man-hours responding to 39 emergency calls in August. We responded to 28 EMS calls, 3 boat calls, 1 Structure fire, 3 Vehicle Accidents and 4 miscellaneous calls for alarm malfunctions and a gas leak. This brings our total calls for 2009 to 219. The members also spent 24 man-hours performing station and vehicle maintenance with their assigned duty crew.

The BVFD has a new look. I mentioned a few months ago that through a grant from the Scott County Regional Authority we were getting a new First Response Vehicle. Well, all of the pieces have come together, and the new vehicle has been placed in service. You will see this vehicle responding to EMS and grass fire calls.

Respectfully submitted by:
Terry Adams, Fire Chief
Visit us at www.bvfdfire.com

Tick or Treat



Friday
October 30th
6-8 pm

CITY WIDE CLEAN-UP

October 8, 9, 10
7-3:30 and til noon on Saturday the 10th
Dumpsters will be located on back end of
Community Center Parking lot.
You may also take your junk to the dump during
this time, free of charge.

Buffalo History 101

In 1892 a Tramway was put in from the Brick and Tile factory through Buffalo to the Clay Pit so the clay could be transported to the factory.

BUFFALO TRIVIA QUESTION OF THE MONTH:
What year was the second train track laid?

ANSWER TO LAST MONTH'S TRIVIA QUESTION:
The Scott County Landfill began in 1977.

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

The next Community Dinner will be held
September 24th 4-6:30.
We will be serving
Roast Pork, Potatoes, Gravy, green beans, salads,
desserts, beverages.
This is free to the community.
Donations are welcome.
Everyone is encouraged to attend.

CLERK'S CORNER

The leaves are falling...it didn't seem like we had much of a summer this year. I hope that is not a sign of what winter will bring!

The City Election is this fall and after the submission of petitions we have seven people running for council and this means we will have to hold a **Primary election on October 6th** to narrow it down to six. After the primary we will have the **regular election on November 3rd**. Residents running for council include **Kim Buchanan, Chris Carson, Olin Meador, Dan Raney, Dana Jo Smith, Dave Stickrod, and Debbie Wilson**. We have two residents running for **Mayor, John Carson and Doug Anderson**. Good luck to everyone! If you are not registered to vote, need an absentee ballot, or have any questions please contact City Hall or the County Auditor's Office. Get out and make YOUR VOTE count! River Action proposed the installation of a rain garden in front of the BAC to help with water run off and provide a better looking landscape. The project will begin in the next couple of weeks. During this time frame if you need to visit City Hall you will need to use the North entrance by the park or the South entrance by the gym. Sorry for the inconvenience.

The fall clean up dates are October 7, 8, & 9. You can take items directly to the landfill or to the roll off dumpsters that will be located in the Community Center parking lot. If you need help loading your items please contact city hall 381-2226.

The Council had a busy agenda this month. Mr. Basso from Upper Mississippi Fleet invited the City to the christening of their new boats; one of which will be named "City of Buffalo". Council appointed Horst the Safety Director for employees. The date for Trick or Treat is October 30 from 6pm-8pm. Last but not least public works will be hiring a full time employee to replace a position lost by retirement.

The Iowa Open Burning Law, and Buffalo City code allows you to burn items that are grown on your property only. The fire must be watched and under control and cannot infringe on a neighbors right to clean air. In addition, recreational fires are also allowed. No garbage or construction materials are to be burnt.

Building permits are required to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change the occupancy of a building or structure, including electrical work, plumbing, heating and AC projects. Permit applications are available at City Hall or on the website. If you have any questions about Building permits or the Building Code, please contact the **new Building Inspector Tod Thiele** at City Hall 381-2226.

Tanna Carter
City Clerk

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Buffalo School Reunion

The Buffalo School Reunion was held Saturday evening 09/12 at the Buffalo Community Center. There were 158 reservations. There were several that came long distances from other parts of the country and Delbert Johnson traveled from Germany for the event. The committee received favorable comment for holding the reunion in the second year instead of every three years, and as it stands the next reunion will be held in 2011. It was such a pleasure to see people reuniting as for some it was their first time attending. This was the first time table reservations were available, and we plan to continue this. Everyone enjoyed the buffet and as usual, Riefe's provided us with a lovely array of food. Music was provided by the Dale Thomas band. We will be seeking opinions as to continuing the dance or moving that feature to a later time. While we like to make it an enjoyable event and provide for a full evening, we must consider there are those that enjoy the chance to visit also. We thank you for your support and attendance, and are always open to suggestions. Many took advantage of the building opening early for visitation and we will also continue with providing this. While we maintain a mailing and email list, we again ask for your help in contacting those students that attended Buffalo Schools as of 1959. Thank you, the Committee
Sandy Anderson, Bonnie Coole Cooley, Helen Joiner, Betty Ann Upshaw, and Annette Rickeberg.

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- The assistance is based on household income, household size, type of fuel and type of housing.

If you are not sure where to apply, please write to:

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Iowa Department of Human Rights
Capitol Complex
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

or call your local community action agency.

INCOME MAXIMUMS

Household Size	Three Month Gross Income	Annual Gross Income
1	\$4,061	\$16,245
2	\$5,464	\$21,855
3	\$6,866	\$27,465
4	\$8,269	\$33,075
5	\$9,671	\$38,685
6	\$11,074	\$44,295

For households with more than six members, add \$1,403 per three months or \$5,610 annually for each additional member.

What you can do to Help: Living Lands and Waters

Helen Keller once said, "I am only one. I can not do everything, but still I can do something; I will not refuse to do something I can do"

This saying speaks to each and everyone of us.. I am reminded of how unique each and every one of us individually are. How powerful is one person with a goal shared with all other people who will open their hearts and minds.

Chad Pregracke was a graduate of local ILLinois high school. He loved the Mississippi River and knew that other people shared his love of the Mississippi River. When he came to Buffalo Iowa, He found people who loved the River. Together the people of Buffalo, Iowa supported the clean up of the beach and their area of the Mississippi. Their hard work and passion and pride in their Town and the Mississippi River moved the spirits and souls of more people to help clean up the River. Following the lead of one Iowa boy who has become the young man with a goal big enough to embrace all of us... the people of Buffalo were big part of the foundation of this goal.

You may say I am only one. You may say I can not do every thing. You may say but still I can do something.

You will not refuse to do the something that you can do. I am 63 years old. I can not join in the cleaning of the old tires out of the river by hard labor. I did do something that I could do = I did bake cupcakes for the crew last year and give them to Chad and his crew. After the days work by all those wonderful real folks, the people who joined him cleaning up the river near Davenport, had joined together for a meal..had left for that day there was more to do. I could not work all day.. I could not keep going after the meal and go back to tidy up.

Few People realized that Chad and his crew did go back out in their boats and kept working getting the piles of trash, tires, debris that so many people had gathered out of the river to the last of the clean up =moved hauled and picked up to tidy up. I did a small thing that I could do// I simply brought a snack for them to eat back out on their boats .. Chad said something about how he appreciated the cupcakes and how he and his crew would turn that energy into the rest of the project of cleaning up the river before dark that day.

When all of those hard working people who had so willingly did something they could do for that day..had finished their part...I did what I could do.. They could not work all week but they did give one day of their days off to happily work hard for the passion and pride of cleaning up the Mississippi River. All of those people together and one by one had done an amazing thing..

Chad and his crew had stayed and focused on finishing the end of the day on the clean up project of the Mississippi River.

Chad's simple statement of appreciation was very big hearted for a small treat. Still I had found there was something I could do. I could not refuse to do something that I could do. You are also going to find something that you could do to help this big idea of the Living Lands and Waters. Some of you are strong and healthy and willing to give that day off to hard labor. Some of you are going to donate needed items to the crew and workers. Some of you are going to donate time, money for the repairs and fuel for the barges and boats, some are going to go to the beaches and boats with the goals of keeping the rivers clean..

Some of you are going to pass the words of encouragement, and pride and passion to keep the river clean by telling others to join in keeping the river clean. When you say let's don't toss our cans into the river, let's do bring out trash off the boats, let's do plant the trees, let's do use the garbage /trash barrels on the beach. You are doing what you can do to keep growing the pride and the spirit of your love for the Mississippi River waters and beaches and living lands. Buffalo was one of the first towns to participate and to have the growing pride and spirit as this community of wonderful people came out in the beginning of Chad's goal of clean up the river day by day to show their love of the Mississippi River. I am a small person I donated a bit of time and also took some of the snacks to the folks who were coming back to the parking areas and encouraged them and told the that I did appreciate the work that they had done..They were hungry and needed a bit of food...and maybe a bit of encouragement and appreciation and they did not know me nor need to.. You also encourage and show appreciation in

passing the words and deeds, and the simple actions, you can do something each and every one of you to keep the goal alive and help the Living Lands and Waters.

This paper the Buffalo Shores Gazette, wrote the rural pearl for the July-August edition was "Busy hands are are happy hands." The 2009 barge party..was about all of you and a way to donate to the goal and a way to say Thank you all.

For more information on Chad Pregacke, living lands and waters' mission, adopt-a-river mile project,

big river education, river bottom restoration project, community river cleanups, xstream cleanup and list of some of the over 142,000 pounds of items removed from the river you may go to:

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BUFFALO HISTORICAL SOCIETY



On Sept. 12th, the Buffalo Historical Society received on loan, a significant piece of art in the form of a Bison skull; created by Dr. Thearn Jarvie of Adin, CA. The loan is made in the name of the family of Everett and Eleanor Kauffman and their daughters who are Karen Benjamin, Kay LeBeau, and Deanna Jarvie. The Society was open the afternoon of the School Reunion, so several were on hand for the presentation. The society has arranged for the purchase of a glass case which will allow for a full viewing of the Bison skull yet serve as protection due to the metal application to the skull. Plan on visiting the Society soon to view the skull, better yet; become a member of the Society!

Historical Society will hold their next meeting on September 17th, 2009, at 6:30. The Museum will be open on Sundays 1-4. Telephone numbers are on the door of the Museum, or you can call Chris at 381-8074, if you would like to visit our Museum at another time.

Donate to our Museum and get your name in the paper!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sheila Riley-September 15th
Landon Rose September 17th
Adriana Carlson-September 17th
Dana Jo Smith-September 18th
Dorothy Mosier-September 19th
Julie Plunkett-September 19th
Noah Carlson-September 20th
Betty French- September 25th
James Bernauer September 26th
Tim Carlson-September 27th
Linda Mullanack-September 27th
Shawn Lucas-September 27th
Jeff Carson-September 27th
Brigham Teel September 27th
Judy Needham-September 28th
Darrell Heilmann-October 1st
Corine Armentrout-October 2nd
Gabby Tucker October 2nd
Ben Garischer-October 3rd
Rich Derrickson-October 3rd
Dorothy Adams-October 3rd
Gale Carson October 4th
Carol Abbott-October 4th
William Stacy-October 4th
Jennifer Carlson October 8
Betty Walters-October 10th
Danny Hagberg October 10th
Margaret Moore-October 11th

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Robin & Debbie Guenther
Jeff & Ronda Coonts- September 20th
Dee & Gene Meyer- October 3rd
Jodi & Ted Teel- October 5th
Anna & Kenny Theissen- October 6th
Carol & George Jr. Moeller Oct. 15

If you would like to see yours or your loved ones' Birthday or Anniversary in here, please email the info to Chris at Chrisc2865@msn.com, or call 381-8074.

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m/v City of Buffalo

m/v Linwood Endeavor

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September 25, 2009 at 12:00 Noon, at the
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A Reception will Follow immediately after the
ceremonies.

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Project Share Customer Contribution Plan

Project Share is a plan, created by the Buffalo Municipal Utilities, to assist needy households in paying their wintertime energy bills.

You can help by adding a regular PS contribution to your monthly utility payment, or by making a direct donation to Project Share. These funds will then be distributed to neighbors in need for wintertime energy costs.

Those qualifying for help will be carefully identified by an area social service agency. A local committee will oversee Project Share to guarantee all contributions will be handled equitably and efficiently.

So please, add a PS – Project Share – to your utility payment each month. It's a simple way to share some warmth with those who need it.

For information on how to contribute, contact Buffalo City Hall at 381-2226.

Senior Moments.....

Will resume next month. See article and pictures about Living Lands and Waters.

Your President and council person Dana Jo

RECIPE for Pinwheels - appetizer



2 8oz pkg Cream Cheese softened
1 pkg of ranch dip mix

2 green onions minced
1 jar of pimentos (drained)
1 small jar of black olives sliced
1 can of chili peppers (green)
Tortillas (1 pkg)

Mix Cream Cheese, 1 pkg of ranch dip mix, and green onions minced. Spread on tortillas.

Drain all vegetables and blot with paper towel. Sprinkle each vegetable on tortilla. Roll tortillas tight. Chill for at least two hours.

Cut roll into 1 to 1 1/2 inch pieces and serve.

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**Buffalo Library News -
September 2009**

Take advantage of your Library. Get help with school and career, have

some fun, and learn a little, too!

Homework help! Back in school! Homework got you frustrated? Stuck on a math problem? Not sure about that History assignment? The Library can help, with the Homework Hotline – free help for just about any age, on just about any subject, from a live online tutor. Come by the Library to check it out.

Career help! Need help with your resumé? The Library offers free online access to resumé guidelines and templates, cover letters, writing tips, and more. Stop in, or visit www.scottcountylibrary.org.

Fun! ‘Froggy’, the star of the popular series of ‘Froggy...’ children’s books, will make a personal appearance at your Buffalo Library in October. It’s sure to be fun – when Clifford, the Big Red Dog, visited last year, 81 kids and parents came by. Watch for date and time to meet ‘Froggy’!

As always:

- Story Hour is every Wednesday at 10:00 am. Preschoolers have fun hearing a story and making a craft.

- Free access to books, magazines, CD’s, DVD’s, from dozens of libraries, delivered to your library.

Library Fact: Andrew Carnegie, industrialist, was the richest man in the world during his lifetime (the Bill Gates of his day!). Carnegie was the founder of what would become US Steel. He also had a lifelong interest in education, and believed strongly in the importance of libraries. Between 1881 and 1917, Carnegie donated funds to build over 2500 public libraries worldwide. (The original Davenport Public Library was a Carnegie library.) Before he died in 1919, he gave away virtually his entire fortune to charitable works.

- Cindy Mosier, Branch Associate

Library Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 2:00 to 7:00 pm

Wednesday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, then 2:00 to 7:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am to Noon

381-1797

Ye Old Country Store Bazaar

New Era Lutheran Church, 3455 New Era Road, Muscatine, IA, near Wild Cat Den State Park south entrance, is having Ye Olde Country Store Bazaar on Wednesday, October 7, 2009. Crafts will be open from 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Food will be served from 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Major bazaar items are crafts, baked goods, and raffle. Noodle dinners will be served and items priced separately. Proceeds will go to the church.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
13 SEP	14 BINGO GEN AGE CAFÉ-BAC	15 FREE CLOTHS 9-12	16 GEN AGE CAFÉ-BAC FREE CLOTHES	17 Free clothes 5-7 Hist mtg 6:30	18 GEN AGE CAFÉ/	19
20	21 BINGO GA CAFÉ	22 FREE CLOTHS 9-12	23 GENAGE CAFÉ FREE CLTHS 9-12	24 Free clothes 5-7 CLC DINNER	25 GEN AGE CAFÉ	26
27	28 BINGO	29 FREE CLOTHS 9-12	30 Gen Age Cafe FREE CLOTHES 9-12	1 OCT Free clothes 5-7	2 G.A. CAFE	3
4	5 CITY COUNCIL MTG 7PM G.A. CAFE BINGO	6 FREE CLOTHS 9-12	7 G.A. CAFÉ Free Clothes 9-12	8 Free clothes 5-7	9 G.A. CAFÉ	10
11	12 G.A. CAFE BINGO COLUMBUS DAY	13 FREE CLOTHS 9-12	14 G.A. CAFE Free CLOTHES 9-12	15 Free clothes 5-7	16 G.A. CAFE	17

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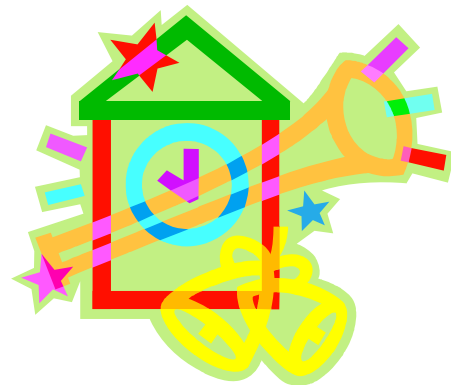
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