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Town Feud returns to Brunsville

Thanks to plenty of interest, Town Feud is returning to the Brunsville Legion on Saturday, March 19. The event's theme is "Taverns, Treats and Town Feud."

The last time the game was played at the Legion was in February of 2011 as a fundraiser for Brunsville's centennial celebration held later that year.

Not sure what Town Feud is? You're probably more familiar with the game than you think: It's played using questions from the traditional Family Feud game, but instead of families competing against one another, local town teams are competing. Each team has five players and contestants try to guess the answers based on responses from a survey of 100 people. Points are awarded based on the popularity of each response.

Towns competing include Akron, Brunsville, Craig, Le Mars, Merrill and Struble. The grand prize is a traveling trophy, in



hopes Town Feud will become an annual event. Participation prizes will be also be awarded.

A free-will donation meal of taverns, chips and a variety of treats will be served beginning at 5:30 p.m. All are invited to bring a treat to share.

Town Feud games begin at 7:00 p.m.

To register for a team, call Barry Poe, 712-533-6447.



Winners of gun raffle announced

The Sons of the American Legion have been sponsoring a gun raffle. This year they raffled off four different guns. Three-hundred tickets are sold before a winner is drawn. Jay Toel won the first gun, a Henry American Beauty 22 Long Rifle. Luke Beitelspacher won the second gun, a Ruger Mark IV Golden Edition in 22 Long Rifle. Ralph Klemme won the third gun, a Sig 365 9mm handgun. There is one gun left to be raffled off: a Henry Lever Action 4.10 shotgun. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5/\$20.00 and are available at the pancake breakfast or from an S.A.L. Member.

L-R: Jay Toel and Luke Beitelspacher. Not shown: Ralph Klemme.

Upcoming Legion events

Feb. 7 Legion meeting 7:30; S.A.L. meeting 7:00
Feb. 12 Euchre 7:00
Feb. 13 Pancake breakfast 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Feb. 25 PRGC Casino Night
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Mar. 19 Town Feud 5:30 meal, 7:00 games
Mar. 21 Southern Sioux Rural Water

Photos and information courtesy of Nancy Schlichte.

Prairie Rose Casino Night set for Feb. 25 at Legion

Prairie Rose Golf Club will host its annual Casino Night on Friday, Feb. 25 at the Brunsville Legion.

Doors open at 6 p.m. for the fundraiser which will contribute to projects at the golf course. That includes the newly constructed cart shed and deck, along with the cart path from the No. 3 green to the No. 4 tee box.

Cost is \$150 per couple, which includes meal and drinks. There will be 200 tickets available to purchase before the event, but no tickets will be sold at the door.

For more information, or to purchase tickets, contact Keith Koerselman at 712-540-0143, or any other Prairie Rose board member.

The deadline for the March edition is and February 25. Thank you for your submissions support!

In Our Prayers

Brett Armstrong
Judy Bowman
Declynn Cody, daughter of
Chad and Wendy Cody
Donna Erickson
Denny Henrich
Jeanette Jensen
Vivian Johnson
Bonnie (Hawkins) Klein
Sheryl and Warren Oetken
Janice Renken
Sarah Renken
Clark Schmitz
Mary Singer

Birthdays

Eric Lubben Feb. 2
Michaela Burkard Feb. 2
Zachary Burkard Feb. 2
Addison Babcock Feb. 2
Vernon Harrington Feb. 3
Brenten Bruscher Feb. 3
Karen Oetken Feb. 5
Chris Waterbury Feb. 7
Verda Koerselman Feb. 7
Steve McHale Feb. 8
B.J. Rieken Feb. 8
Bowen Rieken Feb. 8
Joslyn & Jayde Sieburg Feb. 9
Gwenith Montgomery Feb. 9
Brystol & Rahlyd Gabel Feb. 10
Payton Bruscher Feb. 11
Harper Harms Feb. 11
Rob Von Hagel Feb. 12
Tim Rollinger Feb. 14
Rett Willer Feb. 14
Peggy Dickman Feb. 17
Dave Burkard Feb. 17
Keaton Koerselman Feb. 18
Dick Harms Feb. 19
Colan Borchers Feb. 19
Connie Seible Feb. 21
Jerret Westhoff Feb. 23
Elliot Kroll Feb. 27
Lincoln Renken Feb. 28
Angela Von Hagel Feb. 28
Mary Jane Tapper Feb. 28
Laura Willer Feb. 28
Lisa Livermore Feb. 28

SkyView Smoky Mountain Lodge

New cabins for rent (2-3 bedrooms)
Close to the Smoky Mountain National Park;
Gatlinburg, Tennessee; and Pigeon Forge,
home of Dolly and Dollywood.
Book early — 919-345-9667

Congratulations

Jensen Kay Jean Schlesser was born on November 17. She weighed 9.1 lbs. and was 20 inches long. Her parents are Kyle and Jackie Schlesser. She has one brother, Rhett. Courtesy of Jackie Schlesser.



Allison's reveal

Allison Raasch held a gender reveal on January 16. Blue confetti signified a boy is on the way.

L-R: Dave, Andrea, Allison, Josh, Nick and Natalie. Photo courtesy of Gerry Sue Krienert.



CITIZENS OF THE MONTH:

Jamie and Bill Goldmann

The couple hosted the Veterans Day Appreciation Open House at the Legion on November 11.



Celebrating birthdays

Theresa Westra and **Michelle Taylor** celebrated their December 29 birthdays on December 28. Courtesy of Patty Hill.

Get your coffee fix and chat a while

The Craig Coffee Club invites everyone for coffee on Saturdays at 9 a.m. in Craig's former Iowa State Bank building.

Remember to check out Craig's new sign while in town.

The Merrill Public Library

Please wash your hands before entering the library and practice social distancing

Mon., 2-6 p.m., Tues., 4-7 p.m., Wed., 2-6 p.m.,
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Colleen Hoppe takes reins at post office

Hello. I'm very excited about recently taking the position in the Brunsville post office. I've been married to Doug for 33 years and reside in Le Mars. We've had the pleasure of enio

enjoying all the different activities in Brunsville. We enjoy playing cards, golfing and spending time with family and friends. I'm looking forward to meeting everyone.

Colleen Hoppe

Iowa State Bank announces new hours

Effective January 3, 2022 our hours have changed to:

Lobby:

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8:30am - 3:00pm

Wed: 8:30am - 5:30pm

Sat: Closed

Drive-Thru:

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8:30am - 4:30pm

Wed: 8:30am - 5:30pm

Sat: Closed

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Have you picked up your centennial cookbook yet? How about your free t-shirt?

If you failed to pick up a Brunsville Centennial Cookbook or t-shirt during the 2011 celebration or a Running of the Bulls t-shirt during the 2006 B-Fest event, now is your chance.

Stop by Iowa State Bank of Brunsville for any of the above treasures. The cookbooks make great gifts for showers, weddings, birthdays, graduations, housewarming parties or any occasion. The adult and youth t-shirts are available in small and medium—and are free! Stop by the bank before supplies run out.

Recipe of the month: Carol's meatloaf

1 lb. ground lean beef
1-1/2 Tbsp. olive oil
1 small onion, finely chopped
1-1/2 c. breadcrumbs (may substitute rice or cornbread)
Salt & pepper to taste
3 garlic cloves, minced
1/2 tsp. chives
1/2 tsp. rosemary
1/2 c. ketchup

Preheat oven to 350°.

In a large skillet, sauté onions and garlic. Add beef to brown it. When browned, add spices and breadcrumbs. Mix thoroughly.

Grease loaf pan. Put mix in loaf pan. Place in oven. Bake for 30 minutes.

Take from oven and pour ketchup on top. Set aside to cool.

Now the most important step. Get your coat and go to a restaurant for your meal.

The meatloaf sliced makes very good sandwiches the next day.

This recipe is brought to you by Carol Burnett, who is always looking for a way to add a smile to one's face.

Courtesy of Ron Toel

Help support the new animal rescue group shelter

Once renovation work is completed in a few months, homeless animals in Plymouth County will have a safe place to go. A new animal rescue group shelter will open in the old airport hangar just south of the former Hobby Haven at 1327 Hawkeye Ave SE in Le Mars. Please consider supporting the shelter by providing donations or volunteering your time.



Donate

- Send your contribution to:
Wet-Nose Rescue
P.O. Box 454
Le Mars, IA 51031
- Wet-Nose is a 501(c)(3) tax-deductible organization

Volunteer

- Help plan fundraising activities & events
- Foster abandoned or rescued cats & dogs

Contact us today: (712)540-5919, aaeyes2011@gmail.com
P.O. Box 454, Le Mars, IA 51031



Burning ties

The Chicago Northwestern Railroad once ran through Brunsville. In 1981, years after the train no longer stopped in town, the railroad ties were removed and burned.

Left: The crew gathers on the northwest side of Brunsville.

Quote 'Ems

A couple is sitting in an insurance office because their barn burned down.

The wife said, "The barn was valued at \$50,000 and I want my check now."

The agent said, "It doesn't work like that. We have to evaluate and then we replace it with something of equal value."

The wife said, "If that's what it's all about, I want to cancel the policy on my husband."

At church one weekend the pastor asked for extra help for a family without. He then said whoever donates the largest amount can get to name three hymns during Bible study. When the collection was taken, the pastor found a \$1000 bill. When he asked who donated it, a little old lady stood up. He thanked her and said she could pick the three hymns.

She said, "I will take him, and him, and him" as she pointed out three young fellas.

Why did the scarecrow keep getting promoted?
Because he was outstanding in his field.

Where did the typist go for a drink?
The space bar.

What is a sea monster's favorite snack?
Ships and dip.

Why can't a bicycle stand on its own?
Because it's too tired.

Why should one not write with a broken pencil?
Because it's pointless.

Submitted by Ron Toel

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A tribute to veterans



Marlyn Renken, with assistance of his grandsons **Max Eisma** (l) and **Henry Renken** (r), led a Veterans Tribute as part of the Pioneer Village Christmas Wonderland at the Plymouth County Fairgrounds. Courtesy of The Akron Hometowneer.

Cashews: unshelled for a reason

Cashews are related to poison ivy, which is one reason why they aren't sold in the shell.

Source: Who Knew? Why You Should Always Store Eggs Small Side Down and Thousands of Other Tips, Secrets and Quick Fixes to Make Your Life Easier, Your Home Cleaner and Your Food Taste Better—All While Saving Time and Money, Jeanne Bossolina Lubin and Bruce Lubin, 2006.

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