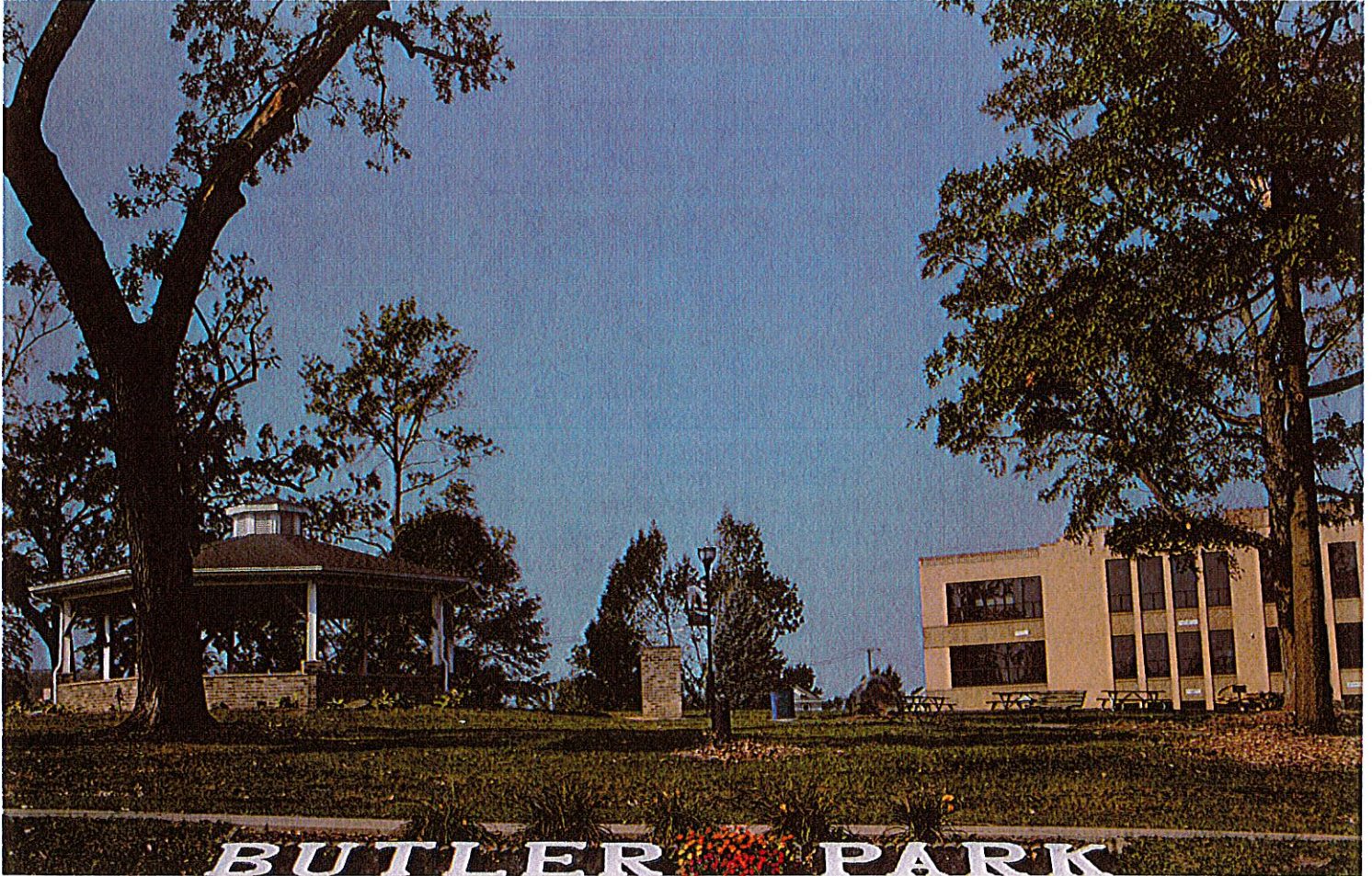


# SPRINGVILLE NEWS

From the City Clerk's Office

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*On the August newsletter cover was a picture of Butler Park before August 10, and here is the after on August 26, so many trees gone in the whole town. Note that the gazebo was not damaged, thank goodness.*

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**American Legion Auxiliary**  
September 3-6:00 PM  
Springville Legion

**Legion Dinner/Mtg**  
September 10-6:30 PM  
Springville Legion

**Library Board**  
September 9- 6:30 PM  
Springville library

**P & Z Meeting**  
TBA  
City Hall

**School Board**  
September 16- 7:00 PM  
Springville high school

**Council Meeting**  
September 14- 6:00 PM  
September 21- 6:00 PM  
City Hall

**SAHS**  
Not Meeting  
SAHS Building

**Parks**  
TBA  
City Hall

## CITY HALL HOURS

Monday—Friday  
7:30AM -12:00 PM  
12:30 PM - 4:00 PM

City Hall Phone: 854-6428

City Hall Fax: 854-6443

Email:  
cityofsp@netins.net

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[www.ci.springville.ia.us](http://www.ci.springville.ia.us)





#### Mayor

Roger Shebetka - 854-7771

#### City Council

Jeff Grimley  
Brad Merritt  
Lyle Andersen  
Karla Blakely  
Bart Barner

#### City Hall - 854-6428

Dee Wagaman-City Clerk  
Michele Weinschenk-  
Deputy Clerk

#### Maintenance Department

Todd Wyman-PW Director  
Brandon French-PW

#### Fire Department

PJ Hoyt-Fire Chief  
Kevin Hulett-Asst. Fire Chief  
Jeremy Ketelsen - Asst. Fire Chief

#### Library Board of Trustees

Deb Vaughn-President  
Tina Allsup-Secretary  
Treva Davis, James Porter,  
Daryl McCall, Marla Carnahan  
& Susan Cooper

#### SANSI - 854-6100

(Springville Area Neighborhood Services &  
Information)  
Janet Lentz-Coordinator

#### Parks Board

Teresa Pilipovic, Mike Hanshaw,  
Laura Barner, John Lemon &  
Ryan Sweet

#### Board of Adjustment

Mike Hanshaw, Iris Trampe,  
Nick Besler & Andy Hoge

#### Planning & Zoning

Michelle Stone,  
Edward Ware, Dan Weber, &  
Jason Hosek

#### Historical Society

Rick Heeren-President  
Wes Bender-V. President  
Bev Franks-Secretary  
James Crow-Treasurer  
Karen Taylor-Historian

#### Township Trustees

Kevin Hulett-Chairman  
Tom Donaldson & Steve Lam

#### SAHC

(Springville Area Housing Corporation)  
Gordan Trampe  
Jake Hiner  
Jean Schmidt  
Janet Lentz  
Mareta Ralston

## Dee's Desk

*"PAUSE. BREATH. CRY IF YOU MUST. BUT KEEP GOING."*

*~Unknown*

Holy Derecho! Does anyone else feel like we are in the Twilight Zone? We started our year out just like any other, nothing special, then BAM here comes Covid-19. We all said we were in it together and we all did our part to socially distance, we took proper steps to make sure we were keeping others and ourselves safe. Just as summer was coming to an end and we were all hopeful to get back to some sense of normalcy living with Covid-19, then comes the 100-year storm, Derecho! If you could only hear me while I am growling the word Derecho.

I don't know about the rest of you, but I agree with something I saw on Facebook; "We are Iowa, we are strong, but we are tired". I have been involved in Emergency Management Calls and I have heard the devastation in other communities. I believe that we were hit just as hard as Marion and Cedar Rapids, but we are obviously on a smaller scale. With that being said, I have to say how proud I am of our small town. From the moment the storm hit about 12:30 pm August 10 to current day this community has been a team. I took shelter at home during the storm and had to walk back to work because of the downed lines and trees. What I saw at about 1:45 pm was a fully functioning, responding Fire Department. I was joined by my Deputy Clerk and immediately put to work helping to answer emergency phone calls, logging all activity, and organizing volunteers to help with traffic. It was awesome to see the leadership and the devotion of our volunteer fire fighters. Several of them had sustained major damage to their own homes and businesses, but they were here taking care of the larger community and they were focused on the job that needed to be done to keep our residents safe. Our City public works went right to work helping to get the streets barricaded to keep the residents safe and getting started on opening streets so people could get home. Our Mayor was working right beside our Fire Chief and his assistants to get us support immediately. We had council out directing traffic. Your local officials kicked it into high gear. We put a call out for volunteers which because of the loss of phone service people didn't respond, but what you all did do was help your neighbors. You were all out that very day and the entire next week. We hauled well over 600 loads of debris out of the yard waste site for seven days straight. By the time we got back to the task of widening the street path, it was clear that our community took care of business to get things cleaned up. You all made it very light work for us. We still had volunteers the following week to help with citizens who didn't have a way to get their debris to the yard waste site.

I can honestly say that 2020 is giving us a run for our money, but I can also honestly say that I wouldn't want to be enduring all this crazy in any other community!

*Dee Wagaman*

**WE GOT THIS!**



## MASK MANDATES AT SCHOOL

Springville CSD has instituted a mandatory face coverings policy for all Springville buildings and activities for anyone school-age and above when social distancing cannot occur. This includes students, athletes, visitors, and spectators. The only exceptions to this mandate are those individuals who are actively participating in an activity (officials, teams playing/on sidelines) and those individuals will be governed by association or union policies. Spectators who arrive at a game without a face covering will need to purchase a disposable one at the admission table.

We are asking that all individuals planning to attend anything at the school abide by this policy so that we can ensure that our school year and extra-curricular activities can occur for all of our students. Thank you for your help and for your doing your part to make Springville CSD a safe place to be!



# September 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> American Chess Day 	<b>2</b> V-J Day (Victory of Japan Day)	<b>3</b> National Skyscraper Day  Legion Auxiliary 6PM @ Legion	<b>4</b> National Wildlife Day	<b>5</b> Day of Charity 
<b>6</b> Read a Book Day  	<b>7</b>  	<b>8</b> Literacy Day  	<b>9</b> Wiener Schnitzel Day  Library Board 6:30PM @Buresh Room	<b>10</b> Suicide Prevention Day  Legion Meeting 6:30 PM @Legion	<b>11</b> Patriot Day	<b>12</b> Chocolate Milkshake Day 
<b>13</b> Grandparents Day  	<b>14</b> National Coloring Day  City Council @6:00 City Hall	<b>15</b> <b>Water Bills Due</b> Day of Democracy  	<b>16</b> Guacamole Day  School Board 7PM @ High School	<b>17</b> Constitution Day	<b>18</b> Cheeseburger Day  	<b>19</b> Talk Like a Pirate Day
<b>20</b> Pepperoni Pizza Day	<b>21</b> Day of Peace  City Council @6:00 City Hall	<b>22</b> Fall Equinox  	<b>23</b> Dogs in Politics Day	<b>24</b> Cherries Jubilee Day	<b>25</b> Daughters Day  	<b>26</b> Pancake Day
<b>27</b> No Excuses Day	<b>28</b> Sons Day  	<b>29</b> National Coffee Day  	<b>30</b> Love People Day  			



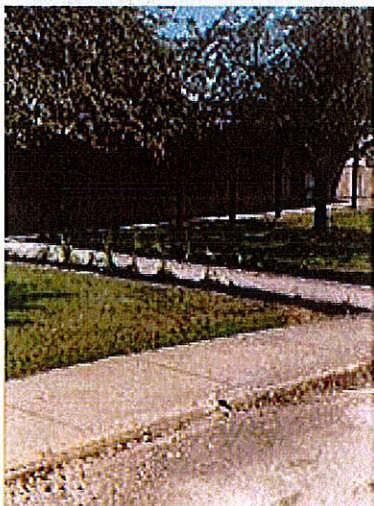
## PRESCHOOL BEAUTIFICATION

It all started when Beau Zaruba and Matt March put in a new sidewalk to the entrance of the preschool at the old elementary, Al Woods started looking at the space on either side of the sidewalk and thought we need to pretty this up for the preschoolers. So Al put out the word, asking for flowers, etc to put along the sidewalk. On August 8, Al, Tami Mysak and Treva Davis showed up to plant flowers and put down mulch. John and Kristyn Ryan donated the mulch and Al and Treva donated plants and before long there were plants lining the sidewalks, hopefully to be in full bloom in the spring.



*Above: Al putting down mulch*

*Below: Tami putting down mulch by the corner door.*



*The finished project —  
waiting for the arrival of the  
preschoolers. Enjoy kids.*



The American Legion Post 331 held their drawing for the meat and freezer on August 1. The winner was Tim Zip of Cedar Rapids. Thanks to all who bought tickets, the proceeds went to the many Legion scholarship programs.

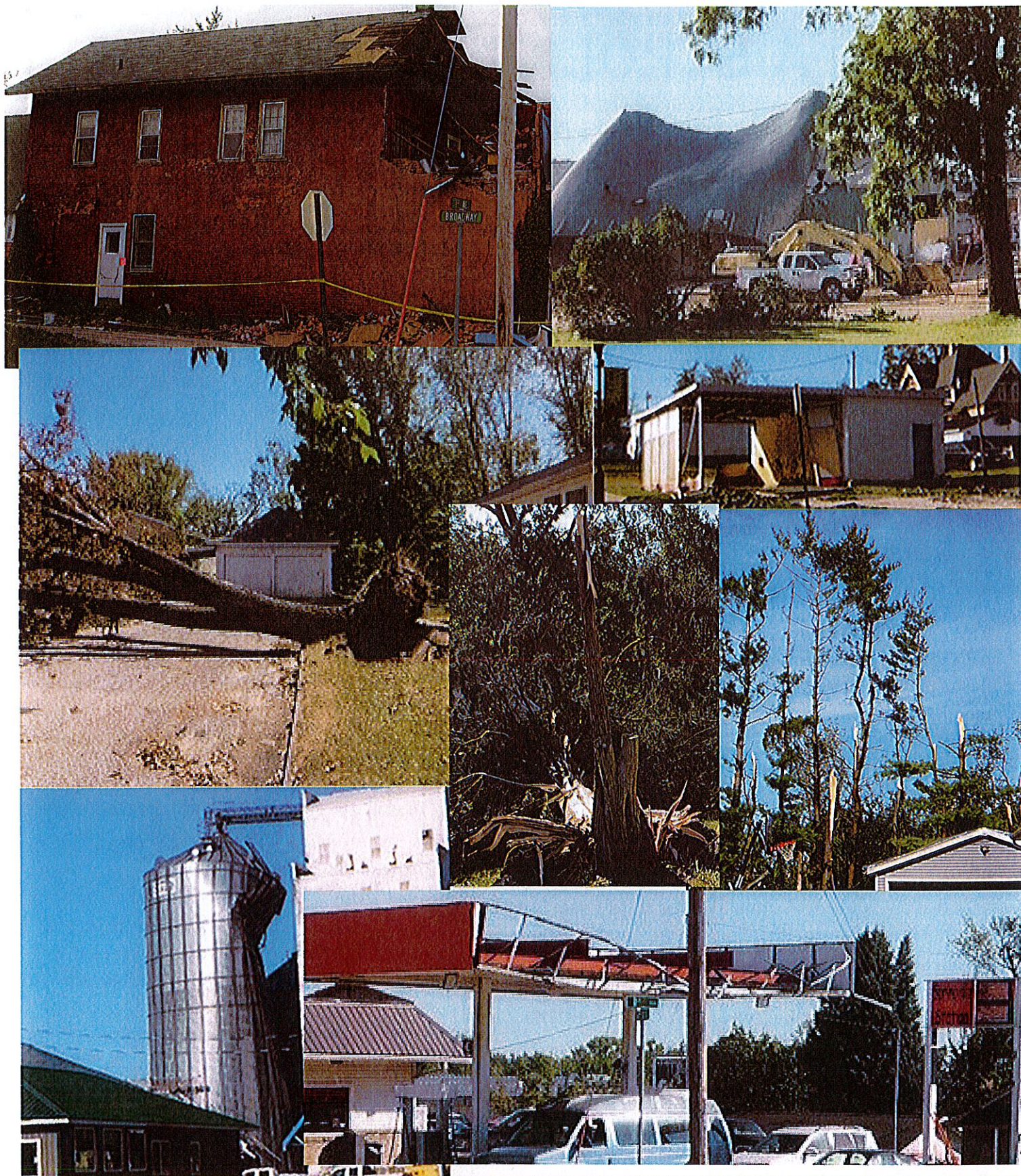


**L to R: Vice Commander, Walt Horn, Second District Commander, Roger Norfolk (drew the winning ticket), and Commander, Lyle Andersen.**



**L to R: Commander Lyle Andersen, Tim Zip (raffle winner), and Daryl Pearson who sold the winning ticket. Congratulations Tim.**





DERECHO  
AUGUST 10, 2020



# A STROLL THROUGH THE HI

## Springville teacher recalled Grant Wood's model

By Bertha Koppenhaver (1909-2002)

I was 20 when I first met Dr. Byron McKeeby, the model for the dour farmer in "American Gothic." A senior at Coe, I had developed an excruciating toothache which called for immediate professional attention. Some helpful soul steered me to Dr. McKeeby.

My first impression was that of a dapper, white-jacketed elderly man with beautifully manicured nails. He soon relieved my pain and then proposed a complete overhaul of my teeth, postponing payment until I had a teaching job the next fall. This sounded good to me, for I was going to college on a shoestring . . . The amount was \$90, a goodly sum for those days.

Jobs were extremely scarce in 1930, but I managed to land a teaching position because I could teach music as well as my major (*home economics*). There was a state law that a teacher with a B. A. degree must be paid \$120 a month – for nine months – but by 1933 the Depression had deepened and I was cut to \$90 a month, or \$810 a year. No benefits or sick leave.

Only the superintendent and the coach at our school owned cars. If we teachers wanted to go to Cedar Rapids on a Saturday, we had to take the bus, hitchhike, or impose upon someone in town who owned a car. On occasion, I even hooked a ride with the Springville milk truck .

At that time there was a mighty furor about Grant Wood's paintings with their bulbous trees and stylized cornfields. On weekends we visited Stone City (*Wood's art colony*) and gaped at the artists and their decorated Hubbard milk wagons .

Back to Dr. McKeeby. The Gazette often reproduced Wood's paintings . . . and the arguments raged on about the artistic worth of "Daughters of Revolution" and "Dinner for Threshers." One day I opened the paper to see "American Gothic" staring me in the face. On my next trip to the dentist, I said, "That farmer has to be you!" He readily confessed: "Yes, you're right. We trade work. He paints me, and I do his bridges."

I protested, however, that the picture hadn't done the

doctor any favors. To depict this sophisticated, suave, perfectly tailored member of the Cedar Rapids Country Club as an overalled, sourpuss farmer was shocking, to say the least.

I am not sure that I approved, but I never joined those harsh critics who belittled Grant Wood's amazing talents. However, little did I know that the face of my doctor friend would attract the attention of the whole world.



*Bertha at home in 1999.*

*Photo: Courtesy of Jim  
Koppenhaver*

**NOTE:** *Bertha Nelson Koppenhaver taught at Springville High School from 1932 to 1937, and from 1948 to 1971. After she retired from teaching in 1976, she became a valued community volunteer in Springville for 25 years. It was her tireless work at the Springville Memorial Library that started the push and need for a new library. She died May 28, 2002, at age 92. This delightful reminiscence was shared by her granddaughter, Kelly DeVore.*

### Monument ceremony delayed

Rededication of the Brown Monument in the Springville Cemetery has been delayed due to holdups in restoration work by Memorials by Michel, of Solon. Originally scheduled for September 11, the rededication will now be on a later date, to be announced.



# TORY OF SPRINGVILLE, IOWA

## Some 'facts' about the Nathan Brown family aren't facts!

History is a strange thing. Sometimes traditionally accepted "facts" turn out not to be true. Such is the case with the family of Nathan Brown, the Revolutionary War veteran buried in the Springville Cemetery. Even gravestones occasionally get it wrong!

**Nathan Brown was born July 22, 1762.** The Brown monument and other sources claim 1761, but records indicate it was the next year. His parents were married March 7, 1762; their first child (Nathan) arrived July 22 and was baptized Oct. 30, 1762. Years later, when Nathan applied for a veteran's pension, he listed 1762 as his birth year.

**Only Nathan and one brother, Josiah Brown Jr.** (born 1764) are definitely known to have been Revolutionary War soldiers. A family history on the Brown monument claims all seven Brown brothers were in the war. However, no military records have been found for Stacy, Leaming, Melvin, Zadock and Horace. When British General Cornwallis surrendered in 1781, Horace was only 2, and the others were 7, 9, 11, and 14.

**Esther Waterbury was Nathan Brown's first wife.** Sarah Bailey, often claimed for this role, married a different Nathan Brown. She died in April 1812 and is buried in Ivandell Cemetery, Somers, Westchester County, N. Y. Esther Waterbury Brown's birth and death dates, and burial place, are unknown. She was the mother of one son, John Chapman Brown (1787-1847). He did not come to Iowa.

**Tamar Brown, Nathan's second wife, died March 25, 1867** – not 1868, as the Brown monument proclaims. A microfilmed copy of her

handwritten probate record, stating that her will was read in open court April 2, 1867, can be seen at the Genealogical Society of Linn County in Cedar Rapids. (Tamar signed her will with an "X" because she was illiterate, not unusual for women of her era.)

**Sarah Jane preceded Julia Ann.** It's not widely known that Horace Brown, Nathan's son, had two wives. He married Sarah Jane Lewis, 17, on Nov. 8, 1846, in Linn County, Iowa. In 1850 or '51, while Horace was in California prospecting for gold, Sarah left him for another man. Julia Ann Chapman, 29, became Horace's second wife Dec. 22, 1853. Not surprisingly, Sarah receives no mention in Horace's published biographies.

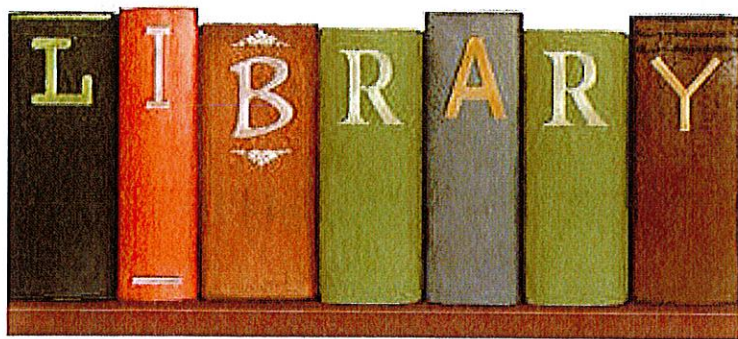
*By Karen Taylor*

### *Alas for Briner's Store*



The August 10 derecho, with winds over 100 miles per hour, caused grievous damage in the Springville area. One of the casualties was the 19th-century Briner's store building on the South Side. William Briner owned it from fall 1911 until he died Dec. 5, 1912. His widow, Jessie Dunlap Briner, then carried on the business for many years. In 1932, her son Howard Briner returned from California and, with his wife Bea, ran the store for about 50 years. *(Photo by Treva Davis)*





## NEW MATERIAL

### FICTION

Anxious People by Fredrik Backman  
Tools of Engagement by Tessa Bailey (Available 9/22)  
Thick as Thieves by Sandra Brown  
Long Range by C.J. Box  
The Darkest Evening by Ann Cleeves  
When No One Is Watching by Alyssa Cole  
The Lions of Fifth Avenue by Fiona Davis  
Chance of a Lifetime by Jude Deveraux (Available 9/15)  
Atomic Love by Jennie Fields  
The Patron Saint of Pregnant Girls by Ursula Hegi  
The Exiles by Christina Baker Kline  
Monogamy by Sue Miller  
The Dilemma by B.A. Paris  
1<sup>st</sup> Case by James Patterson  
Cajun Justice by James Patterson  
The Coast to Coast Murders by James Patterson (Available 9/21)  
The Book of Two Ways by Jodi Picoult (Available 9/22)  
The Order by Daniel Silva  
The Return by Nicholas Sparks (Available 9/29)  
Royal by Danielle Steel  
One by One by Ruth Ware

### NON-FICTION

Too Much and Never Enough by Mary L. Trump

### YOUNG ADULT FICTION

Chain of Gold by Cassandra Clare  
The Conference of the Birds by Ransom Riggs

### CHILDRENS' FICTION

Outside In By Deborah Underwood

## Library is in Phase Two of the re-opening plan

We are offering these services:

- **Computer Appointments** -No walk-ins-You must make an appointment to use a computer. Appointments are available on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 11:30-12:30. Patrons will have a time limit and must be 16 or older. To make a computer appointment, call the library at 854-6444 or email at [sprlibry@netins.net](mailto:sprlibry@netins.net).
- **Patrons may enter the library to browse** for materials on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 1 PM to 3PM. Ten patrons are allowed in at one time for a 30 minute time period. Computers will not be accessible during this time.
- **Curbside check-out** remains available indefinitely.
- **Please be aware** that our bathrooms are not yet available for public use.

ALL CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT AT ALL TIMES.

\*\*As a precaution, **we are not renting out the Buersh Room at this time**. Please check from time to time for updates or changes. Thank you for your patience and support as we work to find ways to serve you, while keeping you safe.

## DERECHO RECOVERY DRIVE

The Library is opting to be a drop-off location for supplies and/or funds to support those in need.

### Items most in need:

Diapers (all sizes)  
 Baby wipes  
 Baby formula  
 Toilet Paper  
 Feminine products  
 Bottled water  
 Toothpaste  
 Mouthwash  
 Non-perishable snacks (Granola bars, applesauce tubes, etc)  
 Non-perishable meal items  
 Tarps  
 Toiletries (shampoo, etc)

Any money donated will go directly to the *Feed Iowa First* organization.

### HELP SPREAD THE WORD

The Marion Library has unfortunately suffered major storm damage and will not be able to re-open. If you know any Marion residents who just can't live without their library, send them our way. Marion residents are eligible for Springville library cards. They can sign up, and get back to reading.





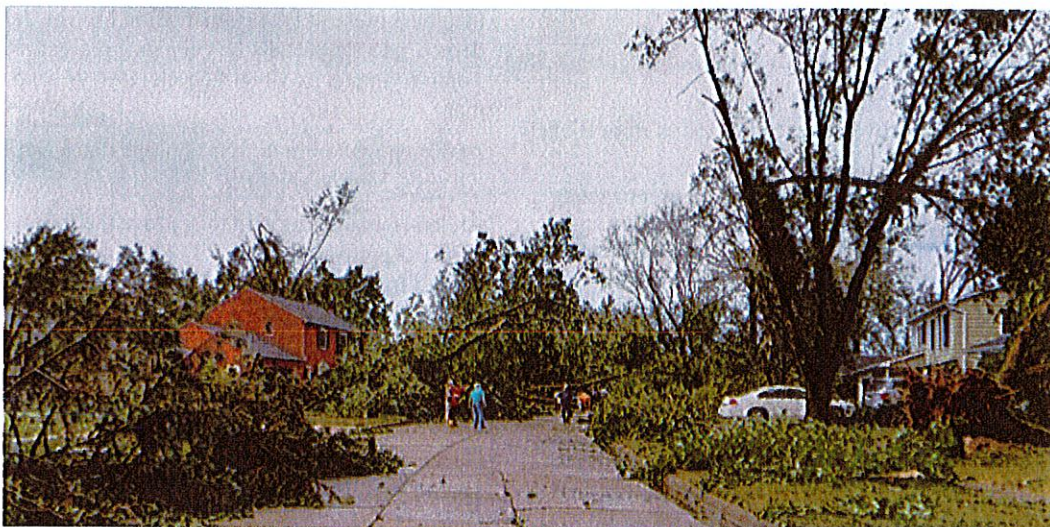
## Immediate Assistance Program Iowa Derecho



**American  
Red Cross**

The Red Cross is offering recovery financial assistance directly to the hundreds of households whose homes were destroyed or sustained major damage by the Iowa Derecho.

*Funds can help families replace household items, offset transportation costs, or support other recovery needs.*



### ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for Immediate Assistance, households must apply for the program and must meet all of the following requirements:

- Applicant's pre-disaster primary residence is located in a confirmed disaster-impacted geographic area.
- Applicant is the head of household and is not listed as a household member on any other Immediate Assistance application.
- Applicant's primary residence suffered major damage or was destroyed.
  - **Major damage** is indicated by significant structural damage to a residence that requires extensive repairs. This may include substantial failure of the roof, walls or foundation, or a water line above 18 inches.
  - A residence that is **destroyed** is one that is a total loss or with damage so extensive that repair is not feasible.

### HOW TO APPLY

To complete applications, heads of household are encouraged to call 1-800-REDCROSS, and select prompt 4. The financial assistance application requires a valid text enabled phone number and/or an email address for processing.

*All Red Cross services, including financial assistance, are available to individuals regardless of nationality, race, sexual orientation, religious beliefs, class, or political opinions. The Red Cross is a charity, not a government agency and people do not need to be American citizens to receive our help. Red Cross financial assistance is not a loan and does not need to be repaid.*



## Regular City Council Meeting—August 3, 2020

The Springville City Council met in regular session August 3, 2020. In order to help stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus, this meeting of the Springville City Council was held electronically. Chapter 21.8 of the Iowa Code does permit an electronic meeting where all members participate remotely when an in-person meeting is impossible or impractical, which is certainly true during this crisis. On March 19, 2020, Governor Reynolds issued a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency, which included a suspension of Iowa laws that would prevent the use of electronic meetings or the limitation on the number of people present at an in-person meeting site. The agenda had this message posted more than 24 hours in advance to give instructions on how others could participate in the meeting: *Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the City of Springville will be holding this City Council meeting electronically via a conference call. If you would like to participate in the meeting, please call (425)-436-6369 and enter this access code: 331423. Only City staff are allowed in City hall.*

The pledge of allegiance recited to begin the meeting.

Mayor Shebetka called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present: Brad Merritt, Lyle Andersen, Bart Barner, Karla Blakely, and Jeff Grimley (via conference call). City staff present: Public Works Director Todd Wyman, Asst. Chief Jeremy Ketelsen and Deputy City Clerk Michele Weinschenk.

Andersen made a motion to approve the agenda, second from Blakely. All ayes. Motion carried.

Andersen made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items: Approval of July 20, 2020 minutes, approval of bills, and Springville Station Cigarette permit second from Merritt. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Shebetka invited citizens with input to speak. There being no comments from citizens, Mayor Shebetka moved to business.

Discussion held regarding Proclamation for local control of PPE. Mayor wanted Council's input regarding signing the Proclamation. Andersen made a motion to support Linn County's Proclamation for local control of PPE, second from Blakely. Roll Call Vote: AYES: Andersen, Barner, Blakely, Merritt. NAYS: Grimley. Motion carried.

Discussion held regarding options for emptying yard waste. Discussion tabled until next meeting to hear what options Wapsi Waste can provide.

Discussion held regarding Liberty Ave. street repair. After curb & gutter repair, found that street needed major repair. Council is weighing options between hot mix, concrete or asphalt. Also, looking at LOST numbers.

Linn County Sheriff's report presented. There were 12 calls for service between 7/20/2020-8/3/2020.

Wyman presented maintenance report.

Ketelsen presented Fire report.

Written clerk report presented.

Mayor proclaimed August 9-15 America Wind Week.

Andersen updated Council on repair of Siren.

Merritt would like Children at Play signs placed in Spring Meadows development.

The next regular council meeting will be August 17, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. The September 7, 2020 meeting will be moved to September 14, 2020.

There being no further discussion, Barner moved to adjourn at 7:10 p.m., second from Andersen. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Discussion on allowing the Fire Department to provide water to Stanley Steamer Antique Cars coming through the community on September 17, 2020. Andersen made a motion to provide water for the event, second from Barner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Update council on incident at City Hall. Resident vandalized two windows by throwing horseshoes into City Hall. Files charged.

Discussion held on Storm response. Blakely and Andersen did a visual preliminary damage report for the Linn County Emergency Management. Andersen presented write up of his observations. Encourages everyone to do the same so council can come back together to have a good plan in place. Fire department did a great job on initial storm response. Fire/medical calls have been at high volume. Public works has got 100% of streets passable. Several dump trucks have been clearing out the yard waste site. City has secured a tree company to start coming in to take care of parks and low limbs on streets. Maximum estimate of \$75,000. Community has 98% of electricity back. Clerks office is continuing to get those that need help connected with volunteers. Documenting everything to try to recover some costs from FEMA.

Linn County Sheriff's report presented. There were 28 calls for service between 7/20/2020-8/17/2020.

Mayor expressed gratitude to City staff and Council for their work in the storm response. Very pleased with the community support to help one another.

Merritt would like owner of Springville Inn contacted. There is brick damage that needs to be assessed.

The next regular council meeting will be September 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

There being no further discussion, Blakely moved to adjourn at 7:05 p.m., second from Andersen. All ayes. Motion carried.





No one in town ever thought that they would see such destruction, but they did after the derecho on August 10. Instantly, the town kicked into survival mode and began the process of trying to get back to normal. The fire department went door to door checking on everyone in town and giving them an update. The City workers were recruiting volunteers to direct traffic, clearing streets and also checking to make sure everyone was OK. The City Council and Mayor was present to pitch in where they were needed

You have to love a small town where neighbors help each other and check on each other, bringing them ice, helping to clean up and the list goes on and on. A small town, where those with generators call to say, "bring your frozen stuff to my house, I have room in my freezer". A small town where you are cleaning up limbs by yourself and someone comes by with a chain saw and a crew of volunteers to help you clean up your yard that would have taken days instead of just an hour. A small town where we just look after each other. Luckily there were no injury from the sudden storm and most of us found the things from our property that went flying. Let's hope that we don't have to go through something like this again, but if we do, next time the City will have a plan in place from what they learned from this storm. I think we did a pretty good job of putting our town back together by just flying by the seat of our pants, and we did that by working together.

Thank you Springville for taking care of one another.

A Grateful Citizen

**SANSI is here to help. If there is any resident who needs assistance with food, bills or household supplies please reach out. It is our local food bank. Call 854-6100 to set up a time to pick up food or supplies. We are here to help!**

The SANSI Christmas Benefit for December 2020 has been cancelled. SANSI will continue to take kids names for Christmas gifts. For information to get a child on the tree or to get a name from the tree, please call SANSI at 854-6100.



#### ST. ISIDORE *the* FARMER CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Weekend Mass:** Saturday 6:00 p.m.

Daily Masses: Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5:15-5:45 p.m., or by appointment @ 854-6141

Rev. Andrew Awotwe-Mensah, Pastor

Email DBQ137@dbqarch.org 319-895-6246 (St. John's)

Cheryl Machovec~Secretary/Bookkeeper

P 854-6141 FAX 854-7161 Email: stizzy@netins.net

Office Hours: Wed & Thurs 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

#### SPRINGVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (SUMC)

##### Service Times

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Fellowship 10:00 a.m.

Praise Service: Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.

Pastor Guillermo Bongolan Phone 319-521-1710

Email: bongolanguillermo26@gmail.com

Email: springvilleumc@netins.net P 319-854-7355

Mareta Ralston~Secretary

Office Hours: Mon - Thurs 9:00 am to 12:30 pm

#### SPRINGVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

##### Service Times

Sunday 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

Sunday School 10:30-11:30 a.m. Ages 3 years (if potty trained) thru adult.

Pastor: Reverend David Snyder

Email: sprpresch@netins.net

Phone: 854-6611

Secretary: Chris Gutierrez

Address: 165 Broadway, PO Box 18



## WATER/SEWER RATES:

You will see an increase in your water/sewer rates for the fiscal year 20-21. The water rates will increase by 2% and the sewer rates will increase by 4%. The debt service relief fee will increase to \$5.75. For a minimum usage user you will see an overall monthly increase of \$5.25. For users that use approximately 5,500 gallons, you will see approximately a \$7.35 increase to your bill. These new rates will show on your September 2020 utility bill. If you have any questions please call City Hall at 319-854-6428.



## ATTENTION PROPERTY OWNERS

Now that your yards are cleaned up, please take a few minutes to clean up the debris along your curb. This will eliminate the possibility of a blocked storm sewer and will help the City out until they have the time to use the street sweeper. Thank you for your help.



## CITY NEWS BRIEFS

- Fill out the US 2020 Census.
- See something, Say something. Call 319-398-3911 (non emergency sheriff number)
- Sign up to have your Springville water utility bill automatically withdrawn from your checking account. Don't pay another late fee. It is easy to sign up and free.
- Call Iowa One Call at 811 before you dig.
- Reminder of City Hall Hours; 7:30AM-12PM, 12:30PM-4PM, Monday-Friday.