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Mount Ayr Health Care Center

them themselves, so a few of you may see some of them. Bingo filled the afternoon with Phyllis Sickels joining to help things run smoothly. Winners for Monday were Teresa Buchanan, Linda Jackson, Loren Winemiller, Jerry Trenkle, Leland Jones, and Phyllis Sickels. The blackout winner was Betty Johnston.

Fly Swat Ball started our Tuesday and got us moving and stretching. We read from our book, Life of a Country Veterinarian, and finished it. We look forward to reading another after mixing in something else. We particularly enjoyed knowing that we knew some of the people who were named in the book. We then held our Book Tasting, our book club. We enjoy hearing what others are reading and getting ideas for our next book.

Wednesday's church was led by Bill Armstrong with a nice message on being thankful. Sally Young accompanied us singing on the piano. Nails were painted and hair was done to be ready for the holiday. We also read the Record News to keep up with current events.

On Thursday, we didn't have scheduled activities for the holiday. We had a few visitors, and a few went out to visit.

Friday, we started looking forward to the Christmas holiday with a video of Lapland, Finland. Santa's village is nestled right above the Arctic Circle with reindeer prevalently running through the forests. To finish the week off, we had Simple Strokes. Again, we were looking ahead to the holiday and the snow coming with evergreens and snowmen. We enjoy the process even if they don't turn out as we picture them.

We celebrated a birthday on Sunday with Betty Johnston. She got to spend time with family to celebrate on Friday ahead of the storm.

That completes our week of activities. We are enjoying watching all this snow, knowing that we don't have to get out in it. We hope our family and friends stay safe in this weather. And as always, stay healthy, happy and safe.

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Redding

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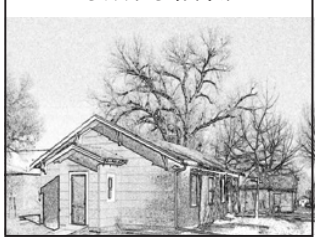

Ian and Jasper Abarr were Thanksgiving Day guests at Charles and Becky Abarr's.

Helen Combs went to Lil Rinehart's for Thanksgiving dinner. Jeff Rinehart from Murray, Lori, Kevin and Justina Wimer were also guests at Lil's.

Gary and Linda Hosfield met Tom Hosfield and Andrew Coan from Des Moines for Thanksgiving dinner at Osceola on Thursday.

Gladys Jones and Helen Harris went to Clearview Home on Tuesday to visit Mary and Cindy Daniels and Carla Jo Davis. On Wednesday, Gladys, Connie Allen and Helen Harris had Thanksgiving dinner at the OldTowne cafe in Allendale. Connie Allen called on Gladys and brought her desserts. John Jones visited Gladys on Friday and Sunday and cleared snow from her ramp and sidewalks.

Dan and Kathy Quick had Thanksgiving dinner at Bruce and Kris Quick's and supper at Ginny Quick's on Thursday.

Ginny Quick went to watch Calvin Main bowl in a competition at Lucky Lanes in Mount Ayr on Monday. Ginny went to the National Honor Society Installation ceremony at the high school on Wednesday. Rice Reynolds, a student at Stanford University in California, was a guest speaker. Calvin Main, Trace Knapp, and Dannie Stewart were among the inductees. Ginny's supper guests on Thanksgiving were Rebecca, Cliff, Bryson and Kaden Smith from Adel, Carrie, Wiley, Louden and Calvin Main, Kathy and Dan Quick, Alana Doolittle, Quincy, Hannah, Hallie and Lindy Main from Mount Ayr.

Jan and Melinda Shervheim's Thanksgiving Day guests were Matthew Shervheim from Des Moines, Laura and Steven Henry and family from Adel, Peter and Reyna Shervheim from Des Moines, Anna Shervheim from Lenox and Nathan Shervheim from Des Moines.

Dick and Cindy Snethen's guests on Sunday for Thanksgiving were Dave and Ellen Brand from Audubon, Jennifer, Michael, Alex and Cassie Younts from Dallas Center, Karen Murphy from Alanthus Grove, Leigh Ann and Jim Freeman, Travis, Julie, Jaynee and Tanner Snethen. Tanner is home on leave and will be stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas in January. Leigh Ann and Jim were overnight guests on Saturday. Dick Snethen went to the Olney family Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday at the Frontier Hall in Redding.

Bobbi Bainum took dinner to Lena Hunt and Ian Hargrave on Thanksgiving Day in Grant and to Preston Hayse at home.

Lew Knapp from Webster, South Dakota was a Thanksgiving and weekend guest of Tracee and Steve Knapp. The Knapp family guests for Thanksgiving on Wednesday were Reas Knapp, Zoey Harman, Calvin Main and Laura Campbell.

Wishard Chapel

Carol McCreary

Eighty one Christmas boxes were taken for distribution! Thanks to all who filled a box for Samaritans Purse.

Thank You to all who attended the Fall Harvest Soup Supper. It was a success. It's so nice to serve the soup in our large fellowship hall. Served 150 and received $1,445.

It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year! Celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior! So many ways to share gifts.

We are collecting socks and underwear (any size for both kids and adults) for the Neighborhood Center Christmas boxes. Bring by December 15 and leave on the table by the south main doors.

Congratulations to Cody and Logan Stackhouse on the birth of Dally Jo born on November 17.

December 7th. the Kids Christmas Program will be this coming Sunday at 5 p.m. followed by a soup supper.

Saturday, December 6 will be The Men's Prayer Breakfast at the church.

5:30 p.m. a Christmas supper will be served at the Legion followed by Local Christmas music. 1st Things 1st will be participating in the program.

Sunday, December 14th will be Youth group at Wishard Chapel. 5 to 6 p.m. for 6th to 8th graders. 6 p.m. Supper; 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., 9 to 12th graders.

Christmas Eve service 5:30 p.m. with Candlelight Service.

Prayers and comfort to Ronnie and Joyce Gregg and family for the passing of their nephew, Keven Kimball.

Thought for the Day: Agree with each other and live in peace. Then the God of Love and Peace will be with you. 2nd Corinthians 13:11

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Kitchen Mixins

BY TERRY SNYDER

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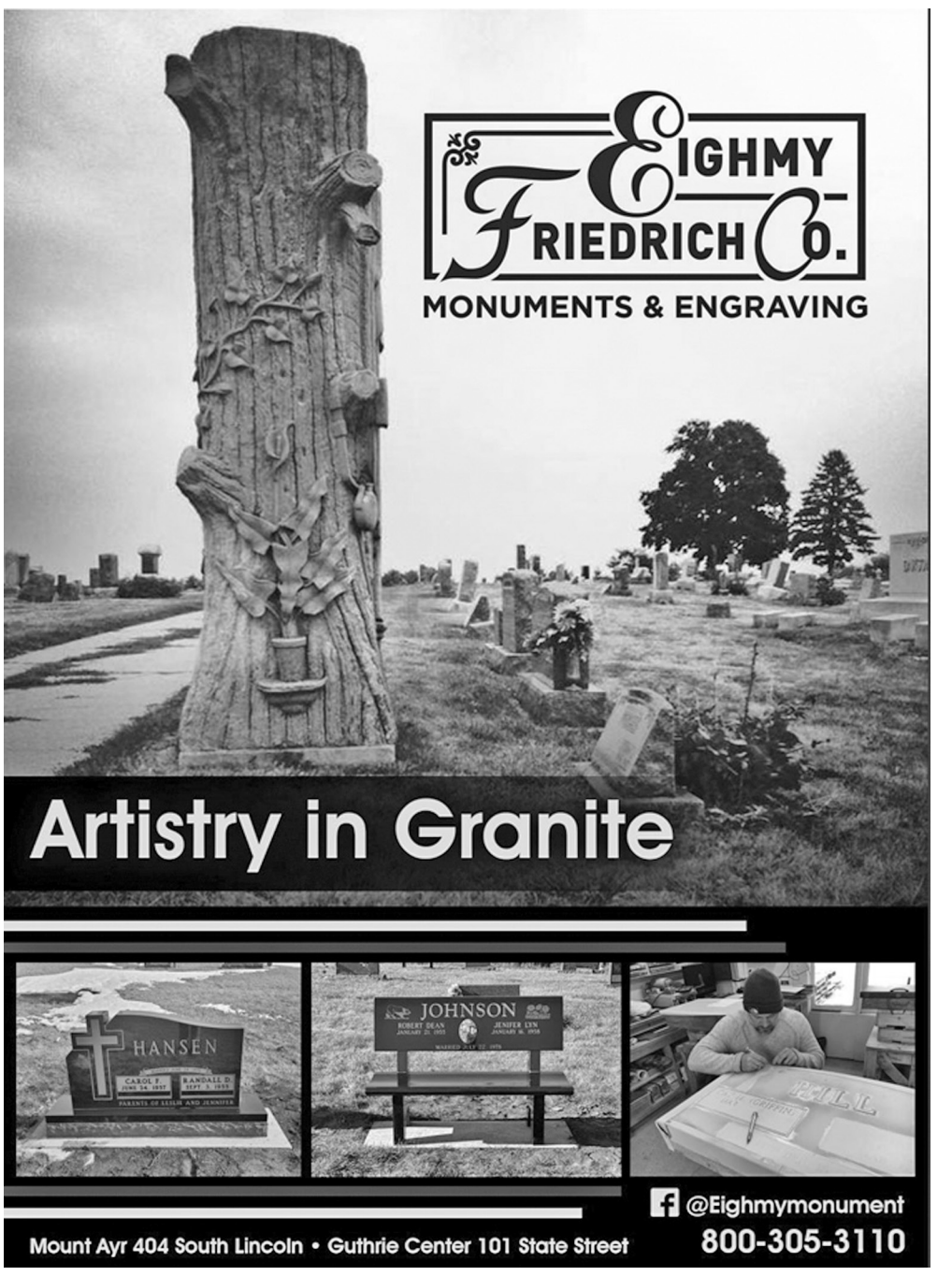
Sausage Pepper Pot Soup

This soup dates back to a regimental cook in 1777 who made a version of it at Valley Forge for George Washington's hungry troops. It became known as Philadelphia Pepper Pot Soup. The ingredients gradually changed over the years, And, like pretzels, cheesesteaks, and cream cheese, became a household staple there. This is my midwest version..hope you like it!

INGREDIENTS: 4 Cups Water
1 Finely Chopped Fresh Green Pepper
1 Finely Chopped Fresh Red Pepper
1 Pound Ground Breakfast Sausage
2 TBLSP Dried Minced Onion
1 TBLSP Garlic Powder
1 tsp Black Pepper
1 tsp Salt
10 Slices White American Cheese
16 Ounces Half & Half
2 Cups Cellentani Pasta Noodles

DIRECTIONS: Place all ingredients except the cheese, half & half, and pasta in a crock pot (mine is a 12 cup pot). Cook on high 2 1/2 to 3 hours or to boiling. Then stir in 2 cups pasta. Place half & half in microwave and warm about 2 minutes before adding it to the pot. Cook on high another 30 minutes, (or until pasta is done), stirring every 10 minutes. Add cheese and cook another 5 minutes. Turn off pot and serve while hot. Makes 4-6 servings.



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NOTE - The information supplied in this report will be shared by the Iowa State Auditor's Office, the U.S. Census Bureau, various public interest groups, and State and federal agencies.

ALL FUNDS

	Governmental (a)	Proprietary (b)	Total Actual (c)	Budget (d)
Revenues and Other Financing Sources				
Taxes Levied on Property	104022		104,022	90,222
Less: Uncollected Property Taxes-Levy Year	0		0	0
Net Current Property Taxes	104,022		104,022	90,222
Delinquent Property Taxes	0		0	0
TIF Revenues	0		0	0
Other City Taxes	44,327	0	44,327	48,828
Licenses and Permits	456	0	456	600
Use of Money and Property	1,677	2,224	3,901	4,262
Intergovernmental	48,880	0	48,880	56,331
Charges for Fees and Service	0	178,540	178,540	199,900
Special Assessments	822	0	822	500
Miscellaneous	25,491	23,698	49,189	7,300
Other Financing Sources, Including Transfers in	71,888	0	71,888	71,888
Total Revenues and Other Sources	297,563	204,462	502,025	479,831
Expenditures and Other Financing Uses				
Public Safety	25,643		25,643	26,500
Public Works	189,078		189,078	216,134
Health and Social Services	0		0	0
Culture and Recreation	2,432		2,432	3,700
Community and Economic Development	0		0	0
General Government	144,316		144,316	136,202
Debt Service	21,842		21,842	21,842
Capital Projects	0		0	0
Total Governmental Activities Expenditures	383,311	0	383,311	404,378
Business type activities		139,063	139,063	170,600
Total All Expenditures	383,311	139,063	522,374	574,978
Other Financing Uses, Including Transfers Out	6,157	65,731	71,888	71,888
Total All Expenditures/and Other Financing Uses	389,468	204,794	594,262	646,866
Excess Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/and Other Financing Uses	-91,905	-332	-92,237	-167,035
Beginning Fund Balance July 1, 2024	698,775	333,027	1,031,802	719,833
Ending Fund Balance June 30, 2025	606,870	332,695	939,565	552,798

NOTE - These balances do not include the following, which were not budgeted and are not available for city operations:

Non-budgeted Internal Service Funds	Pension Trust Funds
Private Purpose Trust Funds	Agency Funds

Indebtedness at June 30, 2025	Amount	Indebtedness at June 30, 2025	Amount
General Obligation Debt	195,434	Other Long-Term Debt	0
Revenue Debt	0	Short-Term Debt	0
TIF Revenue Debt	0		
		General Obligation Debt Limit	709,128

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