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ROWAN RING

City of Rowan—A small but friendly town

Musings from the Mayor.....

We are definitely in the Dog Days of Summer here in Rowan. Especially these last few days and the next few to come. It means our summer is winding down and fall is upon us. It's that time of year when many of our local groups and organizations are planning fundraisers that support and maintain our small town. Rowan has always been a very active and supportive community and it is my hope that it continues this year has well.

The United Church of Rowan has always been the central hub in our small town. They are hosting the Highway 3 Corridor Yard Sale again this year at the Rowan Events Cneter. Proceeds from that sale are used by the Mission and Outreach Committee at the church to help families in need in our local community during times of duress. Everyone is invited to bring your gently used items to the Events Center next week and help support our church and our town. The details for this event are found elsewhere in this newsletter. The church women will also have delicious baked goods and food available during the sale.

The Rowan Lions Club will be holding their 71st Annual Chicken Barbeque on Sunday, September 10th also at the Rowan Events Center. Serving begins at 11:00 a.m. that day and lasts as long as the chicken lasts. Several years ago that was at noon or shortly after so don't dilly dally coming to the dinner! The Lions Club has played a vital role supporting the community of Rowan and most recently is sponsoring the generator project that the city has received from Wright County in an effort to establish an Emergeny Management Shelter for our town. In past years they built the tennis/basketball court and the playground uptown as well as represented the community of Rowan by serving their famous Pancakes all over Wright County.

Volunteers played a vital role in the past and will continue to do so in the future of our little village. We couldn't survive without them so please take time out of your busy schedules to support their events!



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September Recipe Easy Peach Cobbler

8 (approx. 2#) fresh peaches, 1 t. fround cinnamon

Peeled and sliced

2 T. sugar 1/4 t. ground nutmeg

1 C. AP flour pinch of salt

3/4 C. sugar 1/2 C. melted butter 1 t. baking powder 1 t. Pure vanilla extract

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 F. Lightly grease a 2 qt. baking dish with butter and set aside.
- 2. Arrange the peach slices in the bottom of the baking dish. Sprinkle with 2 T. sugar and set aside.
- 3. Whist together the flour, 3/4 C. sugar, baking powder, cinnamon, nutmeg and salt.
- 4. Melt the butter, then whisk in the vanilla. Pour the butter mixture over the flour mixture and stir until everything is incorporated and the batter is moist. It will resemble cookie batter.
- 5. Using your hands sprinkle the batter over the peaches.
- 6. Bake for 25 to 30 minutes, or until brown on top and bubbly.
- 7. Remove from oven and let stand at room temperature for 15 minutes. Serve warm or cold with ice cream

Library Book Sale!



ROWAN PUBLIC LIBRARY Book Sale and Garage Sale Rowan Community Center Main Street

Friday, September 1, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday, September 2, 9;00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Lots and lots of books for sale! FREE WILL!
Clothes, small turniture items and many miscellaneous items.

Please Stop By!

Memories of Rowan From Times Past Fanselow Seed Company South of Rowan on Wasjomg Ave. Owned and operated by Robert Fanselow. Currently the Brian Kapka residence.



Schedule of Events

City Council Meeting Monday, September 4 7:00 p.m.

Highway 3 Corridor
Yard Sale
Rowan Event Center
901 Broadway St.
Thursday, August 31
8:00 a.m. —5:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 1
8:00 a.m. —5:00 p.m.
Saturday, Sept 2.
8:00 a.m, - 2:00 p.m.
Bake Sale Daily
Lunch will be served
10:00 a.m. to 2:00
p.m. Daily

brought to the
Event Center
beginning
Saturday, Aug. 26 from
1:00 to 4:00 pm
Sunday, Aug. 27 from
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 28,
Tuesday, Aug. 29 &
Wednesday, Aug. 30

Items for sale can be

Labor Day Monday, Sept 4

From 1:00—4:00 p.m.

Lions Chicken BBQ Sunday, Sept. 10 11:00 a.m.—It's gone!

PAY UTILITY BILLS ONLINE Go to cityofrowan.com And click on MAKE PAYMENT

Office Hours:
Thursday 2:00 -5:00 pm
1st & 3rd Saturdays
9 a.m.—Noon
Tuesday after regular council
meeting 10:00 a.m.—Noon

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From the Clerk's Corner.....

Rowan City Council met on August 7th at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center with all members pesent. The minutes of the last meeting were approved and financial were approved by the council for payment with the exception of the final bill from JG Remodeling for the rood on the ommunity Center.

During Public Input a dead tree (Lucust) on Pritchett was discussed. It is believed that the tree is on property owned by Roger and Joan Rietz and would be the owners responsibility to have cut down and removed. The county will be repairing two signs on Pritchett one is a Stop Ahead sign that was damaged when mowing the ditch and the other is Speed Limit (25 mi/h) sign as you come into town. There was a question about the placement of the generator at the church. Virgil will contact Randy DeBoer. The Mayor expressed a complaint from a citizen about the burned out property located at 710 Duffy that was supposed to be demolished by 7/31/2023. The property owner will be contacted regarding this property.

Fire Dept – Board has had its first meeting and elected officers, will have another meeting in 2 weeks. Received 2 pagers from the County. Will remove this item from the Agenda going forward, Board should report to Council annually in January.

Hollman reports on Landfill meeting – found out that vape pens are toxic waste and businesses that sell them have to send them to a hazardous material location in Des Moines! Maintenance got lawn mower blades, wonders if the deck is set too low as it's scalping a few places and gouged a septic lid, will put the new blades on and look everything over. Plans to spray the playground and finish windows at the Fire Dept. Clerk notified him just received a note about the refrigerator leaking, will look into that as well. Clerk is going to look into other options for exterior door locks. Mayor Groom closed the regular meeting of the council and opened the public hearing for Ordinance Amendment 23-06, adding chapter 122 with provisions for food trucks with a requested change to include surrounding school districts under 122.17. No public input. Groom closed the public hearing and opened the regular meeting of the council. Motion by Bruns to approve Ordinance Amendment 23-06 with the change, 2nd by Hollman. Roll call vote – approved unanimously. Motion by Hollman to waive the 3rd reading of the Ordinance, 2nd by Hurtado. Approved.

Fence at Church – Nothing has been done with it yet. Hollman has a piece of the board at his shop if someone is going to Menards they can take it with to make a match. Park will check into it. Water Meters – Questioned whether any had been installed yet. 5 of the 14 have been installed with plans to have the rest installed by the next quarterly meter reading in September. Clerk presented FY23 Annual Financial Report and FY23 Street Finance Report, no questions. Dirt Pile – City received a bunch of black dirt from the County when they were working in the area, would like to use it to level the leech fields at the ball diamond. Hollman and Bruns are willing to donate their time and equipment to sift, distribute and level the dirt, but would like to be reimbursed for their fuel. Motion by Park to approve fuel reimbursement, 2nd by Hurtado. Approved.

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City Council Monday, September 4th 7:00 p.m.

Rowan Lions Club Annual Chicken BBQ

A Tradition Dating Back 71 Years

Sunday, September 10, 2023
Rowan Events Center
Serving from 11:00 a.m.
until it's gone!

1/2 Chicken, Baked Beans, Cole
Slaw, Roll, Ice Cream & Drink
\$12.00
Or Hot Dog Dinner
\$6.00
Carryouts Available!

ROWAN RING

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The deadline for submitting articles for the Rowan Ring is the 15th of each month.

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Library Hours
Mon, Wed
10:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.
Fri
10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

United Church of Rowan 10:00 a.m. Sunday Church Service

HWY 3 CORRIDOR YARD SALE

Thursday, August 31 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday, September 1 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday, September 2 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. ROWAN EVENT CENTER

901 Broadway St., Rowan, IA



Bake Sale Daily beginning at 8:00 a.m.



Lunch served daily 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Items for the sale can be brought to the Events Center on:
Saturday, August 27 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 28 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Monday, August 28 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 29 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 30 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Proceeds from the sale go to the
United Church of Rowan Outreach Committee

Clerk's Corner cont....

Water Leaks – Leak appeared on Main Street on Saturday morning, Mort's will be here to fix it tomorrow morning. Baumgartner should let Bruns or Hollman know when they arrive, so they can try to determine the cause while the hole is open. Would also like clerk to research and try to pinpoint when the excessive water usage started on Bingham and if it happened around the same time WM-Tel was here boring. Intake behind

Community Center – Estimate received from Mountain Movers for \$4,004.82. Bruns thinks there is some cement tile by the Fire Dept that could be used to lower the cost, will have Mountain Movers take a look at it. Planning to wait until Spring, so it doesn't cause problems over the Winter

Generator – Community Shelter – Park will find out how Emergency Management had it set up, discussion regarding building inspections (or the lack there of) in the County.

Playground Equipment – There is a sale going on right now and we have the funds to go ahead and purchase something! There will need to be some adjustments in the park to make the spacing work, possibly move the swing-set and/or merry-go-round to a different area within the park. Clerk will send the flyer to the council for a decision to be made at the next meeting. Building permits – none.

Motion by Park to adjourn, 2nd by Bruns. Adjourned. Next regular meeting of the council will be Monday, S