BUFFALO SHORES GAZETTE

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Burl Frager, who came to Buffalo in 1909 as a 13-year-old orphan with 50 cents in his pocket, became a substantial grocer and meat-cutter, and Mayor Harold McCullough calls him "Mr. Buffalo." Frager, visiting with Mrs. Lelia Pagel and Elmer Wrage, lifelong Buffalo residents, vividly recalls Buffalo as it was in 1909. "We had three trains east and three trains west daily with two on Sunday," he says, "and the eastbound stopped if it was flagged."

Above from "Buffalo, Gateway to the Blackhawk Purchase"

Thank you, Sgt. Bujalski

<u>News from</u> ECHO BLUFF RANCH Buffalo, Iowa



There is a really cute movement on some of the Facebook Chicken pages that I belong to, such as "Backyard Chickens (BYC)". It is called the #targetdresschallenge. I do not usually shop at Target, but they evidently have a line of dresses that appear to be from a page of the past. Many chicken lovers and others are

lost the farm after locusts ate our crops.

challenging others to adorn one of these dresses, or



one similar

that you may already have (with boots), and have your picture taken with your favorite pet chicken, in your coop, doing your chores, or if you do not have chickens, with your dog, shovel, gun, or whatever suits you! Above are just a few of the

adorable pictures that have been posted. As you can see, even the MEN are joining in on the fun!



Who in Buffalo would like to participate in this fun?? Send me your picture to be printed in upcoming editions of this paper! It is a fun way to bring the community together and get to know each other better! We need a little laughter in a time such as now. Let's have some fun!

We LOVE our life on this little farm in **Buffalo**, lowa Steve and Chris Thornton



"Time flies like an arrow; fruit flies like a banana."



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Buckaroo News

The horse has always been important in the military. First he pulled the carriages of important government officials, then he carried the mail and of course, he became the distinguished and brave Warhorse, moving artillery by towing limbers and caissons. But, then the automobile came into play and the military horse became more of a symbol during ceremonial functions. These symbolic military horses who walk in uniform during parades or draw a caisson (cart carrying a casket of a

fallen soldier) are called Caisson Horses. A Caisson horse is one of the 6 horses that is hooked to the caisson. The Caissons were originally equipped with ammunition chests, spare wheels, and tools used for the cannons. Today,



the ammunition chests, spare wheels, and tools originally equipped on the caisson have been replaced with the flat deck on which the casket rests." Caissons are used for burials at Arlington National Cemetery and

for state funerals for United States government dignitaries including the President of the United States for the remains to



be carried by members of The Old Guard's Caisson Platoon. "The Old Guard" is a term used for The 3rd U.S. Infantry, which is the Army's oldest active infantry regiment, predates the Constitution, tracing its origin to 1784. The unit was designated the official ceremonial troop of the Army shortly after World War II. Old Guard is responsible for the Military Caisson horses. Today The Old

Guard, which has proven its worth in

battle, has a two-fold mission — to protect America's capital and to pay final tribute to America's heroes."

The silence of the military funeral procession is broken only by the rhythmic clip-clop of the seven handsome horses. Astride four of the horses, soldiers sit ramrod straight and stiff. The horses, head erect, bodies taut and controlled, seem to initiate the solemn military bearing of the men who sit quietly in the saddles.

Six of the horses pull a flag draped casket on a black artillery caisson.

Most of these men come to Ft. Myer, Virginia not as expert horseman, but as trained infantrymen. A new man on this team must undergo rigorous training. In addition to caring for the horses, he must learn to ride at the erect posture of solemn military attention in a military forward position and sitting in a McClellan saddle. Drilling and training is non-stop, both for the horses and the men

The horses come to the Old Guard primarily from Illinois, Virginia, Texas and Maryland, as well as other states. Although they are normally "saddle broken" before their arrival at Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, they require extensive additional training to work with the caisson. Consequently, horse and rider drill, train and live together until both are deemed qualified to accomplish their mission.

On June 9, 1981, ten Lipizzan horses were donated to the Caisson Platoon. The Lipizzans are used to make up the "White Horse Team" for use in military funerals in Arlington National

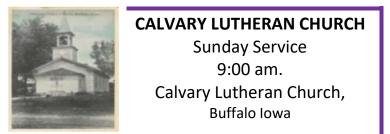
Cemetery. Famed for their grace, intelligence and great strength, they were a lead element in the inaugural parade for President Ronald Reagan and Vice President George Bush. The Lipizzan matures slowly. It is born dark in color, begins to turn gray at about four years of age, and silvery gray between seven and ten years of age. It is not usual for a Lipizzan to live past 30 years of age.

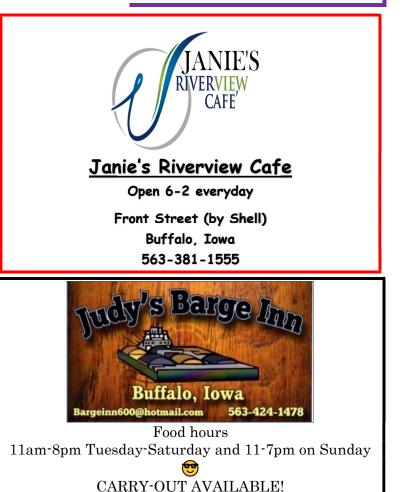
The six horses which pull the caisson through the quiet lanes of Arlington National Cemetery are matched gray or black. They are paired into three teams – the lead team is in front, the swing team follows, and nearest the caisson is the wheel team. Although all six animals are saddled, only those on the left have mounted riders. This is a tradition which began in the early horse-drawn artillery days when one horse of each team was mounted while the

other carried provisions and feed. The seventh horse, completes one of the oldest and most evocative of military traditions in a full honor funeral which is that of the riderless, caparisoned horse. The horse is led behind the caisson wearing an empty saddle with the riders boots reversed in the stirrups. This indicates the warrior will never ride again.

Interested in Joining our Civil War Re-enactment group?

3rd Iowa Cavalry Volunteers Steve Thornton <u>stevet82260@hotmail.com</u> 563-579-2981 From my Saddle, Senor Esteban





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Library News We wish you a happy and healthy 2021! Stop in and view

our selection of new books, movies and magazines to get you through those cold, icy days and nights. Cuddle up with a warm beverage of your choice, a blanket and a good book.

Are you aware that you can place on hold books, magazines and movies through the website for Scott County Library from your home? You can also access books from the Davenport, Bettendorf, Clinton and Muscatine libraries. Order that special book you have been wanting to read and we will let you know when it has arrived for pick up.

Our hours have changed:

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm Wednesday and Saturday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm (no Wed. pm hours) Closed on Friday 563-285-4794, extension 2251

Sally Snyder, Branch Associate

THE BUFFALO HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Happy New Year! Our regular meetings resume in

March.

If anyone would like to order a brick for the memorial garden, we will be submitting one last order soon. They are \$40 each and can contain 3 lines, 15 spaces each line. These are not just for those who have past, but to honor your family now and forever. Email me at <u>chrisc2865@msn.com</u> to send me your order.

Call Chris at 381-8074 or 579-3588 if you would like to visit the Museum.

Love cures people - both the ones who give it and the ones who receive it. Karl A. Menninge

SENIOR MOMENTS

It is hard to believe it is a new year. I pray this year will get better in so many ways. I do not leave the farm and work on keeping house up and sorting stuff to make things simple. I have always had the newspaper delivered and read it every day. The cost has gone up but being able to know what is happening is worth it. That keeps me in touch with the world.



The great news always happens in my loved horse, and goat, barn. I just had Triplet Doe Goat kids. All cute and healthy out of Registered black Lamancha doe. I am thrilled and looking forward to Mississippi Valley Fair. Must get back to Normal in some ways.

My finger just got numb so using pinky. Oh, it is 4:30 am. No wonder.

The goats are in the big stall and we already have triplet does so will be ready for the Fair that was canceled last year.

The M.V.F. is on and I am getting projects going. My KIDS are my favorite projects. Any one new, They have four legs and bounce from here to there. Some have short ears and others have erect or long ears. Variety is the spice of life.

So many things are changing but things will settle down, Spring will come, the grass will grow, and Mississippi Valley Fair will be here.

Till then, we need to get our shots, and get ready for the Mississippi Valley Fair. Miss you all.

Your Senior Farmer on the Hill in Buffalo, Dana Jo

danajosmith25@gmail.com



Time has a wonderful way of showing us what really matters!

MOTHER'S COOKBOOK BEEF STROGANOFF



Ingredients 1 lb. sirloin steak, cut into cubes Kosher salt and black pepper, to taste 2 tbsp. olive oil 1/2 whole large onion, finely diced 2 whole carrots, finely diced 8 oz. cremini or white button mushrooms, stemmed and halved 1/2 c. brandy 2 c. beef stock 2 tbsp. cornstarch 1/4 c. sour cream, room temperature 1 tsp. (heaping) dijon mustard Cooked egg noodles, for serving Minced parsley, for serving

Directions

Season the steak with salt and pepper, then heat 1 tablespoon of the olive oil in a heavy skillet over medium high heat. Add half the meat to the pan and brown it quickly, about 2 minutes. Remove the first batch to a bowl and cook the rest of the meat. Remove and set all the meat aside.

Add the remaining I tablespoon olive oil to the pan and add the onion, carrots, and mushrooms. Cook until the mixture is deep golden brown, about 5 minutes. Turn off the heat and add the brandy and 2 cups of the

stock. Stir, scrape the bottom of the pan, and turn the heat to medium-high. Cook to reduce the liquid by about a third, 3 to 4 minutes.

In a small pitcher, make a slurry by mixing the remaining 1/4 cup stock and the cornstarch with a fork. Pour the slurry into the skillet and cook until the sauce thickens, about 1 to 2 minutes. Turn off the heat. Stir in the sour cream and Dijon. Add the beef and stir over low heat until the mixture is nice and piping hot. Taste and adjust seasonings as you like.

Serve over cooked noodles and sprinkle with parsley.

Many of the vintage recipes are from an old Buffalo women's' cookbook, dated June 1921, which was passed to me from my late grandmother, Virginia Carson. See Jan/Feb 2013 edition for more info) Others were submitted several years ago for a Church cook book





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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ethen Teel January 15th Jane Gadzick-January 15 Debbie Guenther-January 16 Jolyn Ruden-January 17 Amy Carlson-January 19 Hunter Mullanack-January 19 Kelly Sheffler January 20 Jean Mead January 21 Bonnie Coolev-January 22 Robert Ruden-January 22 Ryan Riedesel-January 24 Leota Bollman-January 25 Karen Hass-January 26 **Richard Hawkins January 27** Kim Tucker January 27 Bill Carson January 29 Andy Conger February 2 Cathy Stowe-February 3 James Mathys February 4 Bud LaMar FeBruary 4 Betty Mangels February 6 Chris Carson-February 8 Nancy Stalder-February 10 Calvin Laake February 10 Glen Carson-February 14 Robert Lytle February 14 HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Mikki & Jim Judge January 19th

Our sincere sympathies to all who have lost a loved one recently.



VALENTINE'S DAY FACTS

Valentines Day is the day when people show their affection for another person or people by sending cards, flowers or chocolates with messages of love. The day gets its name from a famous saint, but there are several stories of who he was. The popular belief about St Valentine is that he was a priest from Rome in the third century AD.

Emperor Claudius II had banned marriage because he thought married men were bad soldiers. Valentine felt this was unfair, so he broke the rules and arranged marriages in secret.

When Claudius found out, Valentine was thrown in jail and sentenced to death. There, he fell in love with the jailer's daughter and when he was taken to be killed on 14 February he sent her a love letter signed "from your Valentine". As time went on, the Romans held a festival called Lupercalia in the middle of February - officially the start of their springtime.

It's thought that as part of the celebrations, boys drew names of girls from a box. They'd be boyfriend and girlfriend during the festival and sometimes they'd get married.

Christians celebrate this day to remember St Valentine around the world.

Gradually, St Valentine's name started to be used by people to express their feelings to those they loved.

However, during the Victoria Era, those who didn't want the attention of certain suitors would anonymously send "vinegar valentines." These cards, also called penny dreadfuls, were the antithesis of customary valentines, comically insulting and rejecting unwanted admirers. They were later used to target suffragettes in the late 19th and early 20th century.

The iconic chalky heart-shaped candies



that have been passed out lovingly every Valentine's Day started out as lozenges.

Pharmacist and inventor, Oliver Chase, created a machine that would quickly create the lozenges before switching to using the machine to create candy—later known as Necco Wafers.

Chase's brother came up with the idea to print messages on the candy in 1866, and the candies got their heart shape in 1901, appealing specifically to Valentine's Day sweethearts. In 2019, the Sweetheart brand of conversation hearts was suspended for a year as the candy's new owner, Spangler Candy Co., needed time to make a supply of the hearts for Valentine's.

Buffalo Memory Lane







Billy Eagleson "Mayor for the Day"



From the collection of Buffalo Historical Society

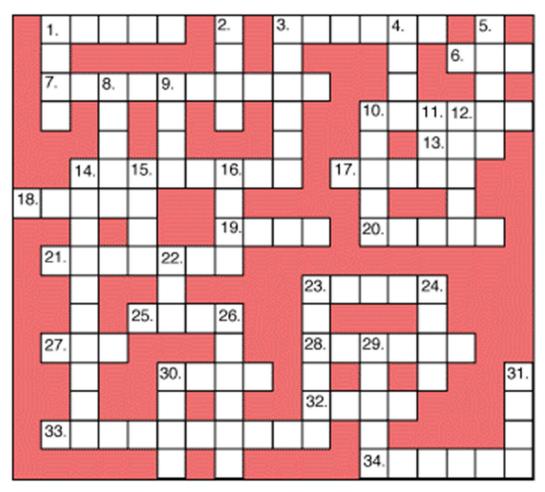




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Valentine's Crossword



Across:

- 1. Opposite of boys
- 3. Valentine colour
- 6. ____ goes there?
- 7. St. Day 10. The targets of Cupid's
- arrows
- 13. This little piggy is one
- 14. Valentine month
- 17. Tolls paid
- 18. _____ change, pocket money
- 19. Sign above door
- 20. Donald's girlfriend
- 21. Crayon maker
- 23. He shoots love
- arrows

- 25. Short form for animal
- doctors
- 27. Valentine's colour
- 28. Cupid shoots these
- 30. Valentine colour
- 32. Choose
- 33. Sweet valentine gifts
- 34. _____ admirer

Down:

- 1. Bestow
- the bottle
- Attractive
- 4. Frilly trim
- 5. Valentine colour
- Mickey _____ Minnie
- 9. Close to
- 10. Listened

- Past tense of eat
- 12. Red flowers
- 14. February ____ is
- Valentine's
- 15. ____ valentine.
- 16. Length x width
- 22. Single, __, 2, 3, ...
- 23. Winners
- 24. Opposite of up
- 26. First day of the week
- 29. Speed contests
- 30. Scheme
- 31. Pepper____ candy



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
10 January	11 Milestones*	12 Food Pantry 9-12 FREE CLOTHES 9-12	13 Milestones* FREE CLOTHES 9-12	14 Free clothes 5-7	15 Milestones*	16
17	18 Milestones* <mark>MLK Day</mark>	19 Food Pantry 9-12 FREE CLOTHES 9-12 Recycle	20 Milestones* FREE CLOTHES	21 Free Clothes 5-7	22	23
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7	8 Milestones*	9 FREE CLOTHES 9-12 Food Pantry 9-12	10 Milestones* Free Clothes 9-12	11 Free clothes 5-7	12 Milestones*	13

Clerk's Corner:

City hall will be closed on January 18th in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

City hall will be closed February 15th in observance of Presidents Day.

Next Council Meeting will be February 1, 2021 at 6:00 pm Next Park Board Meeting will be January 20th at 6:00 pm

This last snow storm was a doozy! City Hall received many calls asking for names of people who plow drive ways. Unfortunately, we only had one name. If anyone does drive ways or sidewalks and would like to leave their name and number at City Hall, we would be glad to give that out. Please remember, it is not the City's responsibility to push the snow from the end of your drive way. That is just part of plowing.

For those posting on various Facebook sites, the City does not regulate those and we do not respond to them. The City only regulates the City of Buffalo Facebook page.

Recycling-please do not put plastic bags, food waste, Styrofoam, batteries or electronics in the recycling bins. Empty and rinse containers. Flatten all boxes. No trash or yard waste. Any questions on what needs to be recycled, you can visit wastecom.com

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Submissions to the paper should be emailed to chrisc2865@msn.com Or call Chris at 563-579-3588 By the 10th of each month



"You know you're in love when you can't fall asleep because reality is finally better than your dreams."

— Dr. Seuss

"If you love life, don't waste time, for time is what life is made of." - - Bruce Lee