

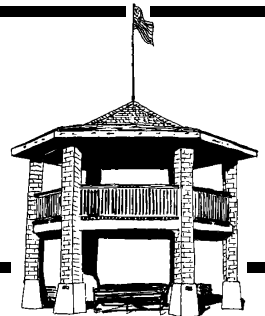
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Milo Newsletter



MARCH, 2010

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Boy Scout Troop 236

The Scouts had their Winter Klondike Camporee the weekend of February 12th, they were required to build their own sled. They decided to enclose it, paint it school colors & added plastic tubes on the sides as rockets. They named it the Warhawk Rocket. With hard work & effort they took 1st place in the Trick Your Sled competition, 1st place in Fire Building & 2nd place overall for the weekend competitions. The Scouts had a cold but fun-filled weekend. We should all be very proud of them.

Boy Scout Can Drive

Boy Scout Can Drive on March 20th.
Please put your cans at the end of
your driveway to be picked up.



Remember Rec Night
Mondays at 7 p.m at the
Milo Community Center!!!



Milo City Council Meeting

Milo City Hall - Monday, February 1, 2010

Milo City Council was called to order by Mayor Crouse at 7:00 p.m. Council answering roll call: Hitsman, Hughes, Knight, and Beck. Councilman Bales arrived at 8:45 p.m.

Motion by Hughes to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Beck. Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Hitsman to approve the minutes of January 18, 2010. Seconded by Hughes. Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Public: None

Report From Doug

Doug reported a small water leak was repaired on Belmont Street and repairs are being made to the old snow plow. The snow plow which had the radiator replaced last week now has a blown motor.

New Business

Resolution 645 - Ambulance Billings Bad Debt Write-Off - Motion by Hughes to approve Resolution 645 - Ambulance Billings Bad Debt Write Off with the exception of removing one person as payment has been received. Seconded by Beck. Ayes-All.

South Central Coop - Lot - No official action taken.

Employee Raises - Motion by Beck to withdraw the motion of January 4th in which Doug Hembry and Sharon Turner were given pay increases. In addition, a freeze cap is to be in place and Council will review the budget situation in July 2010. Seconded by Hughes. Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Snow Plow Truck Engine Replacement - Doug is checking on prices.

Budget Discussions - After discussion was held the remaining \$4,173 which needs to be shaved from the budget will be done as follows: \$3,000 from parks, \$1,000 from library and \$250 from general fund. Council will review the budget in July.

Employee Handbook Revisions - Several revisions were suggested. The City Clerk is to contact the Iowa Workforce Development, Iowa League of Cities and city attorney for answers to some questions. More revisions/changes will be discussed at the February 15th Council meeting.

Old Business: None

Approval Of December Treasurer's Report - Motion by Hughes to approve the December Treasurer's Report as presented. Seconded by Knight. Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Approval Of January Bills In The Amount Of

\$44,892.26 - Motion by Hughes to approve the January bills in the amended amount of \$44,892.26. Seconded by Hitsman. Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Comments From Mayor

Propositions And Remarks From Council

Adjourn

Motion by Hitsman to adjourn at 9:40 p.m. Seconded by Beck. Ayes-All. Motion carried.

— *By Order of the Milo City Council, Sharon Turner, City Clerk*

Community Projects News

The Sunday Volleyball League seems to be a big hit. The dinners served by the fundraising groups have been an added benefit.

Thank you to all of those who organized and utilized the building as we envisioned. The Community Center committee meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month 7 PM at the community center. New members are welcome.

Milo 4th of July Board Meeting

The Milo 4th of July Board will hold it's first meeting of the year on Tuesday, March 2nd at 7 PM, City Hall. The committee meets the first Tuesday of the month, from March through August. Questions should be directed to Melody at 515-979-9840.

Newsletter Submissions

Please contact Carol Anderson, 515-238-8979, Patty Harrington, 641-942-6232, to submit items for the newsletter. Items can also be e-mailed directly to Patty Harrington at milonews@iowatelecom.net. Submissions to the Milo Newsletter are due by the 20th of the preceding month. If your submission is lengthy or if it is more convenient, there is also a newsletter drop-box next to the front door at the Harrington residence.

Questions regarding new advertising should be directed to Karan Wadle, 641-942-6929, or Amy Hartman, 641-942-7716. Changes by current advertisers can be submitted to either Patty Harrington, Karan Wadle or Amy Hartman.

Hy-Vee Receipts

Thank you all Hy-Vee receipt savers. Thanks to your efforts on Jan. 29th, I turned in \$150,000 worth of receipts to the Indianola Hy-Vee store. We haven't received the check yet, but when we do that will make \$11,000.00 that Hy-Vee has contributed. Other grocery stores = \$0.

Its not over, we already have \$12,500 worth of receipts on the next time. So don't keep them at home, they don't do any good there, but remember they must be from the Indianola Hy-Vee store. All other receipts are just recycling.

— *Thanks again, Dick Lamb*

Kindergarten Roundup

The Southeast Warren Primary School is compiling a list of eligible kindergarten students for the 2010-2011 school year.

If you have not pre-registered your child and they will be five on or before September 15th, please call Patty at the primary school at 641-942-6216. An informational packet will be mailed to the parents of all students who pre-register.

Our one-day introductory kindergarten roundup is scheduled for April 30th. There will be no kindergarten or 4-year-old pre-school classes held that day.

Thank you!

The Milo Development Corporation would like to thank LaVerne & Kathy Ohnemus, Mr & Mrs Earl Eichner, Nina Brown Kemper, Frances Dollison, Merna Becker for their donations to the newsletter.

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to receive their newsletter by e-mail. We want everyone to know that the newsletter is available on the City's web site: cityofmilo.com.

People who live in Milo have their newsletter delivered, not mailed. It is easier to deliver to everyone in town. It would take a lot of time to pick and choose those you said they would use e-mail. Thanks anyway.

— *Betty Lamb*

Milo Senior Citizens

Richard and Carol Anderson were hosts at the monthly Senior Citizens' meeting January 29th. We met at the Milo Community Center for a noon potluck. After a short business meeting, Eric Anderson of Milo talked about chainsaw carving.

All senior citizens in the Milo area are welcome to join us at noon the last Friday of the month except November and December.

Milo Lions Club

The Milo Lions Club will host our annual Scholars' Dinner Thursday March 25, 2010 at the Community Center in Milo. We will honor those members of the SEW Senior Class who have maintained cumulative grade point averages of 3.0 and above. We will also present the first Don Schaefer Youth Volunteer of the Year Award.

In order to avoid competing with the rescheduled Fine Arts Boosters' Dinner at Liberty Center March 27, we have changed the date of our annual Fish & Chicken Fry to April 10th. (Now you have the date for the last blizzard of this record-setting winter. Yes, the Lions growled too when I said it at the meeting.)

MILO LIONS FISH & CHICKEN FRY

Saturday April 10, 2010

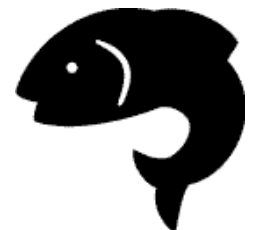
5:00 to 7:00 PM

Milo Community Center

Adults \$6.00

Children 3 to 12 \$3.00

Under 3? Then it's free



Preschool Open House

The Southeast Warren Primary School will be hosting a preschool open house from 6:00 - 7:00 PM on the evening of March 11th at the Primary building. Parents of children who will be either three, four or five years of age by September 15, 2010 are encouraged to attend this open house and sign up for the 2010-11 school year.

At this open house, your child can meet the preschool and kindergarten teachers and visit the preschool and the kindergarten classrooms. The nurse will be available for immunization questions and preschool health packets will be distributed. These packets contain forms that need to be completed and returned before your child enters preschool in the fall.



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SEW Long-Range Planning

I attended a meeting of the Southeast Warren Long-Range Planning Committee the other night. I listened to reports from teachers representing several academic disciplines. I listened to thoughtful, and mostly frugal, wish lists. I was so impressed that I thought I should share what I heard.

Our band director would like to see folks in the community donate band instruments. This appeal goes beyond our district to include Indianola. We know it isn't through mean-spiritedness or design, but too many of our area children open-enroll into your district. They take tens of thousands of dollars with them. Surely you can see how this complicates our lives, much the same way Des Moines gobbles up Warren County's tax base. Except what Des Moines does is mean-spirited and by design. Our band director is pretty open-minded, but she did express a particular interest in alto saxophones and mallet instruments like xylophones. A former band director dreamed of having a vibraphone.

Reading teachers wanted books, age-appropriate non-fiction, novels, and novel sets. You might want to spare a kind thought for your local public libraries too. Their funding has been cut something awful. In fact, the Milo City Council just cut \$1,000 from Milo's Library. That would cover most of their book buying budget. But, as I said, I'm here to talk about what you can do for our schools.

Our art teacher would like a little more money in her budget to buy supplies, and she'd like to begin art instruction with the pre-school kids.

A math teacher said he would like to have a smart board, which is kind of an electronic blackboard. At roughly \$2,000, this doesn't get any award for being inexpensive, but my understanding is that it is an amazing educational tool for teaching math. Imagine living geometry. Imagine juggling equations without erasing and redrawing. I'm sure I don't do its potential justice.

Thanks to the generosity of DMACC and the ingenuity of our Superintendent, SEW has a small fortune's worth of new (gently used) lab tables, stools, and equipment.

Those wishing to leave a legacy might consider the dream of our music teacher/theater director that Southeast Warren acquires a real auditorium. In a practical manner of teaching theater, we kind of pretend to have one.

I thank any and all who are blessed, or beset, with a generous impulse.

— Alan S. Gardner

Substance Abuse Help

Prevention Concepts, a non-profit, comprehensive prevention education agency wants to help people in their efforts to make healthy life choices and prevent violence, alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse. Were you or someone you know affected by a disaster? Coping with a disaster is hard. Using alcohol or drugs just makes it worse. There is someone you can talk to. Call our 24/7 Iowa Concern Hotline at 1-800-447-1985. We can get through this together.

Newsletter Ads Now Due

Due to the cost increases we have incurred over the years, the Milo Newsletter is undergoing its first ever rate increase. Prices are as listed below. A yearly ad placed on our business advertising pages, business card size is \$65.00. If you are a current advertiser, your fee to renew your ad is due March 31st. Please mail your renewal payment to Milo Development Corporation, P.O. Box 74, Milo, IA 50166.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to each one of our Businesses that advertise in our Milo Newsletter, your support is very much appreciated.

There is a fee for one-time advertising to help offset extra printing and postage costs. If you are currently an advertiser with the newsletter, the fees are \$22.00 for full page, \$12.00 for a half page, and \$7.00 for quarter page per issue. If you do not have an ad on the newsletter advertising page, fees are \$50.00 for full page, \$25.00 for a half page, and \$12.50 for a quarter page per issue. All Ads must be paid for in full before the ad is printed.

New businesses are encouraged to submit a one-time article highlighting their new business. The newsletter has an established policy against accepting any political ads. All advertising must be approved by the Milo Development Corporation. The committee reserves the right to refuse any advertising it deems inappropriate. If you have any questions you can ask a Milo Development Corporation member.

Biscuits and Gravy

Biscuits and Gravy will be served March 7th from 7:00 a.m. till 11:00 a.m. For only \$4.00, you can get a great hot breakfast. If you have never attended a biscuits and gravy breakfast, you don't know what you are missing!

