



This Is Potwin

Potwin, Kansas

February 2019



Potwin PRIDE News

The PRIDE steering committee met January 17 and talked about projects for the year. One of them is replacing the sign along the highway as it is beginning to look bad. Bud DeBacker had agreed to help with this project. We are also looking at working on the signs at the Ken Whittington Memorial Plant a Row for the Garden. We still have plans to work on the bulletin board at the Post Office. We will start these projects when the weather gets warmer.

We are still working with the Lions Club to put up new playground equipment at King Park. We are gathering information about kinds of equipment we want and how to fund the project.

Melvina Jones, secretary



Frederic Remington Area Historical Society Lecture

Free and open to the public.

February 4, 2019

Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Frederic Remington High School

8850 NW Meadowlark Road, Whitewater, KS 67154

Milton Claassen, MD, Newton will discuss **The Heritage of the Abraham (1825-1910) and Anna (Bergmann, 1838-1917) Claassen Family**. This will include life in West Prussia prior to coming to Kansas in 1877. After purchasing 320 acres along Henry Creek and while their home was being built, they stayed with the John Harder, Sr. family for a short time, before moving to a log cabin on one of their properties. Leaving a farm of about 74 acres in West Prussia and relocating to one of 320 acres here, must have been quite an adjustment. That family of six now has 1008 descendants, 306 of which are spouses.

SINGING VALENTINES ORDER FORM

Remington High School SINGERS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2019

8:15 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

DUE: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH.....to school secretary or Mrs. Pool or any

Singer

MONEY: Cash or Check (RHS)

OPTIONS:

1 SONG: \$5.00 SONG # _____

Additional song: \$2.00 SONG # _____

SUCKER: \$1.00 How many: _____

TOTAL \$: _____

NAME OF VALENTINE we will sing to: _____

WHERE IS YOUR
VALENTINE? _____ (RES/RMS/RHS)

1. **“DO WAH DIDDY DIDDY** - There he/she was just a walkin' down the street, singin' DO WAH DIDDY DIDDY down diddy do. Snappin' her fingers and shuffalin' his/her feet, singing DO WAH DIDDY DIDDY, down diddy do. He/she looked good. He/she looked fine. He/she looked fine and I nearly lost my mind. I knew we were falling in love. I told him/her all the things I was dreamin' of. Now we're together nearly ev'ry single day, DO WAH DIDDY DIDDY down diddy do. We're so happy and that's how we're gonna stay.

2. **“BUILD ME UP, BUTTERCUP”** - Why do you build me up buttercup just to let me down and mess me around and then worst of all you never call when you say you will but I love you still. I need more any anyone darling. You know that I have from the start. So build me up buttercup, don't break my heart.

3. **“LEAN ON ME”** - Sometimes in our lives we all have pain, we all have sorrow. But, if we are wise, we know that there's always tomorrow. Lean on me when you're not strong and I'll be your friend. I'll help you carry on for it won't be long 'til I'm gonna need somebody to lean on. Just call on me friend when you need a hand we all need somebody to lean on.

4. **“YOU'LL BE IN MY HEART”** - Come stop your crying; it will be all right. Just take my hand, hold it tight. I will protect you from all around you. I will be here; don't you cry. For one so small you seem so strong. My arms will hold you, keep you safe and warm. THIS bond between us can't be broken. I will be here; don't you cry. Cause, you'll be in my heart, you'll be in my heart from this day on now and forever more. You'll be in my heart no matter what they say. You'll be here in my heart always.





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THE AMERICAN LEGION

P.O. Box 222
108 East Topeka, Whitewater, KS 67154



Proudly We Served

Groundhog/Pancake Feed

All you care to eat 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Saturday, February 2, 2019

American Legion Building
108 E. Topeka (Corner Main & Topeka)
Whitewater, Kansas

Adult \$7.00

Youth (7 to 12) \$4.00

Kids under age 6 eat free with parents

Sugar free syrup is available

1-pound packages of frozen groundhog will be available for take home. Please notify upon arrival that you wish to purchase.

1954-2019

66 years of serving
Whitewater American Legion



Happy Valentine's Day

RMS 2nd NINE WEEKS – 2018

SUPERINTENDENT'S ALL "A" HONOR ROLL

8TH GRADE:

Luke Bumm
Brandon Phipps
Peyton Ritter
Sam Scheffler
Sam Schmidt
Mason Stueve

7TH GRADE:

Kyleigh Hayworth
Bri Hochstetler
Karoline Johnson
Ava Klaassen
Kara Sommers
Gianna Van Zelfden

6TH GRADE:

Sophia Entz
Calvin Gragg
Kole Klaassen
Hannah Litton
Laila McCormick
Adam Scheffler
Addi Scribner

5TH GRADE:

Tia Ayres
Abi Entz
Keeson Entz
Hannah Jenkins
Britany Klaassen
Colt Koehn
Kaitlyn Margreiter
Kassidy Peters
Chelsea Willour
Olivia Wisdom

PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL - A'S AND NO MORE THAN 2 B'S

8TH GRADE:

Alissa Bell
Josiah Claassen
Samuel Entz
Kensey Rouse

7TH GRADE:

Colton Barnes
Madison Hepner
Seth Hisel
Grace Johnson
Sterling Lies
Brody Oberst

6TH GRADE:

Maggie Coats
Isaac Jury
Jozelynn Weerts

5TH GRADE:

Tamara Al Kashef
Kinley Carpenter
Delken Hall
Klaytin Hayworth
Makayla Klingenberg
Cambree Lawler
Jaide Lloyd
Parker Thunberg

RED AND WHITE HONOR ROLL - A'S AND B'S

8TH GRADE:

Jim Bumm
Trru Frazier
Dylan Klaassen
Lane Newhouse
Josh Ulbrich

7TH GRADE:

Ashlynn Carpenter
Madelynn Cook
Gabrielle Emmons
Eva Hilgenfeld
Dakota Hoch
Andrew Peters
Caden Yepma

6TH GRADE:

Drew Klaassen

5TH GRADE:

Severo De La Rosa
Kadin Hutchinson
Kasey Lago
Madison Morrow



REMINGTON USD 206 SCHEDULES

BOND INFORMATION MEETINGS

Voters in the Remington School District (Butler County U.S.D. No. 206) will go to the polls on March 5, 2019 to decide if now is the time to address facility and educational challenges in the District's attendance centers. The bond issue election requests the authority to issue \$9,975,000 in general obligation bonds to finance improvements to all three District attendance centers.

The bond issue proposal was developed by a District Facilities Steering Committee over many months. The Committee consisting of parents, patrons, and educators assessed District schools, looked at options for needed improvement, met with USD 206 staff, and considered needs versus wants. The Committee also held meetings in the District to seek patron input. After much study, thought, and meeting, the Committee came to consensus to target three primary areas for improvement: (1) Safety and Security; (2) Additional classroom and support spaces for efficient education; and (3) Additional space for Physical Education and wellness of students and community members.

The Committee reported their findings to the USD 206 Board of Education and they approved a resolution in June of 2018 scheduling an election and making application to the State Board of Education for permission to conduct an election. As the size of the bond issue requests fit under the State's bond cap, the District received approval from the State for the election and potential bond issue.

The District and KIDS Committee have scheduled informational meetings as follows:

Thursday, Feb. 7th 7:00 PM Potwin Community House
Saturday, Feb. 16th 4:00 PM DeVeers Venue in Elbing
Monday, Feb. 18th 7:00 PM Remington Middle School in Whitewater
Wednesday, Feb. 20th 1:00 PM Whitewater Library
Thursday, Feb. 21st 7:00 PM Federated Church in Whitewater
Monday, Feb. 25th 7:00 PM Remington Elementary School in Potwin
Thursday, Feb. 28th 7:00 PM Furley United Methodist Church in Furley
Monday, March 4th 7:00 PM Remington High School

If approved by voters, the bond issue projects will affect every school and every student in the Remington School District. Controlled-access entrances are planned at all 3 schools for enhanced security. Needed storm shelter improvements are proposed at both Remington Elementary and High Schools.

Construction of a new Music Room will be reinforced to also function as a new storm shelter at the Elementary School. Construction of a new multi-purpose classroom at the High School will also be reinforced to function as the storm shelter for this building. Air-conditioning improvements are also a part of the plan.

Remington Middle School will be improved with construction of a new Media Center. The existing Media Center will be repurposed for Special Education and other needs. The new Media Center will be connected to the Tech Lab and the goal is to create an educational area conducive to today's project-based learning and independent study for students.

A new PE/competition gym and Wellness Center addition is proposed for Remington High School. The new gym will feature seating for 2,000 spectators and will improve schedules for Physical Education and Team Sports competitions. It will provide spaces for cardio, fitness, weights and a walking track around the top of the gym for use by both students and District patrons. A new multi-purpose room is also included for many activities and training.

The District feels that now is an opportune time for the bond and projects with low interest rates available in the bond market. The Plan of Finance is to "wrap" the new bonds around existing bonds of the District that are schedule to retire in 2030. The proposed new bonds will require a net increase in the bond and interest levy of 7.9 mills—an estimated tax increase on a \$100,000 home of \$7.57 per month.

The District has formed a volunteer K.I.D.S. (Keep Improving District Schools) Committee to develop and implement an informational campaign to educate voters about challenges, solutions, and the bond issue cost. The KIDS Committee is developing information and planning meetings to share information with voters prior to the March 5th Election Date. The Chairpersons of the KIDS Committee are Rusty and Stephanie Meyer and Jenifer Klaassen. For more information, the KIDS Committee has developed a Facebook page (Remington USD 206 Bond Issue).

This article is the first in a series provided by the USD 206 KIDS (Keep Improving District Schools) Committee to help district patrons understand the March 5 bond issue proposal. The goal of the K.I.D.S. Committee is that every voter in USD 206 has enough information to make an informed decision on this important question on Election Day.

As I Remember Potwin...Potwin Activities
by Velene Barber Brown

Sixty years ago there were no video games and X boxes or even satellite t.v. so kids enjoyed activities like playing outside regularly and participating in activities that were either town sponsored or sponsored by the Potwin Lions Club and others.

In the summer, swimming lessons were offered. All participants rode a school bus . My two most vivid memories of those lessons were of singing "99 Bottles of Beer on the Wall" with the rest of kids on the trip over to Eldorado to the "old pool" (at least to a total of a couple thousand bottles of beer) and thinking that BBQ potato chips were better tasting than any other snack in the whole world especially after swallowing at least 10 gallons of chlorinated water each day. I did learn to swim at those lessons as well...although at the time that seemed to be less important than the above mentioned memories.

We also learned to play softball during our Potwin summers. During the time that I participated in softball, we were sponsored by the Potwin Lions Club. So the three teams were named the Kittens, the Cats, and the Lions. I remember being on a Kittens team and on a Cat team, but I don't think I made it into the Lions division. We did not have cool neon colored t shirts with screen print lettering, We had regular white shirts and had to iron our own letters on. I personally was never very good at softball...but still enjoyed participating, even from the outfield....where softball "chattering" was my specialty (Please note: I did eventually hit a home run but I was 37 years old and playing against several men with heart disease!)

And of course we had the Potwin Watermelon Festival at the end of the summer...I think back then it was held in early September. In those days, it was a one day event and it all happened at King's Park in the evening. There wasn't a car show, ball tournament or a parade, however there were activities for everyone. There was a dunk tank for the daring, a fishing hole for the little participants(where you could fish for cool plastic toys and candy) A roulette wheel for the gamblers, and ongoing bingo with prizes for older participants; as well as a ring toss where you could win bottles of pop. (I'm quite sure there were more events and booths but these are the ones I remember.) The evening ended with the serving of ice cold watermelon for everyone that attended. It was sponsored by the Potwin Lions Club. Hats off for a job well done and for leaving a kid with 60 year old memories!

During the school year, I remember belonging to a Brownie Troop that met at the Community House, taking tap lessons, being in an eighth grade play (that's when Potwin Grade School went from 1st through 8th grades), going to basketball games, and many other activities to numerous to mention since I'm out of room on this page!

It's February And Love Is In The Air

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 SIXMOREWEEKSOFWINTER
 UNITEDSTATES
 WASHINGTON

BALLOONS
 BLACKHISTORYMONTH
 CANDLELITDINNER
 CHINESENEWYEAR
 CRUSH
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 LINCOLN
 MOONSTRUCK
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 ROMANCE
 SUPERBOWLSUNDAY
 VALENTINE
 WILLHESEEHISSHADOW



Valentine's Day – A great day for Chocolate! – or Chocolate cake!!

My Grandma Moore had the best chocolate cake recipe and I am going to share it with you. My family loves this cake baked in a 9x13 pan for 35 minutes and then sprinkled with powdered sugar instead of frosted. It is especially good served warm with a glass of milk. My kids and grandkids always like this cake for their birthday.

LaVonne Baker

Mix ½ cup Hershey's Cocoa, 1 teaspoon baking soda and 1 cup boiling water.

Mix together and let cool while mixing other ingredients.

In small bowl add:

2 cups flour

¼ teaspoon salt

Mix together and set aside.



In large mixer bowl, put ½ cup Crisco shortening and 2 cups sugar. Mix well. Add 2 eggs, ½ cup buttermilk (or soured milk-1 T vinegar in almost half cup milk) and 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Add ¼ flour mixture, mix well, then 1/3 cocoa mixture, mix well. Repeat until ending with flour.

Pour into greased and floured 9 inch cake pans and bake for 25 to 30 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out without being gooey.

Let cool in pans for 10 minutes, then invert onto racks to cool completely.

Frost with chocolate frosting.

2 cups flour
¼ teaspoon salt
½ cup Crisco shortening
2 cups sugar
½ cup cocoa
1 cup boiling water
1 teaspoon baking soda
2 eggs
½ cup buttermilk
1 teaspoon vanilla



Souper Bowl Sunday Soup Dinner
First United Methodist Church of Potwin
123 N. Anita

Sunday, February 3
12:00 to 1:00 PM

Youth will be serving chili and potato soup as well as relishes, desserts, and drinks in the church basement

Free will donation for youth mission activities

Everyone is invited to come support the youth

Some Valentine's Day Facts

Valentine's Day is a \$15 billion industry in the United States.

About 1 billion Valentine's Day cards are exchanged each year, meaning that Valentine's Day is the second largest card holiday of the year, just behind Christmas.

Teachers receive the most Valentine's cards, followed by children, mothers, and wives. Children between the ages of 6-10 exchange more than 650 million Valentine cards a year.

Over 50% of all Valentine's Day cards are purchased in the six days prior to the holiday, with women purchase approximately 85% of all valentines.

On Valentine's Day, nearly 189 million stems of roses are sold in the U.S. 73% are purchased by men.

The most popular is a single red rose surrounded with baby's breath. The red rose was the flower of Venus, the Roman goddess of love.

In the 1800s, doctors had their patients consume chocolate in order to calm their pining for lost love. About this same time, Richard Cadbury produced the first box of chocolates for Valentine's Day.

Consumers now buy over 58 million pounds of chocolate for the holiday.

The Valentine candy "conversation hearts" have a shelf life of five years.

Men spend almost twice as much on Valentine's Day as women do, about \$130.

In America, Valentine's Day is the second busiest day of the year for restaurants.

More than one-third of men would prefer not receiving a gift. Less than 20% of women feel the same way.

There are about 220,000 marriage proposals each Valentine's Day (10 percent of the annual total).

On Valentine's Day, 9 million American consumers collectively spend over \$700 million on their pets.

Over 100 years ago, the Chicago post office refused to deliver about 25,000 Valentine postcards because their messages were not nice. The caustic cards were called "Vinegar Valentines."



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