

MARCH and APRIL 2018

# BRENTON COMMUNITIES NEWSLETTER

NEW HORIZONS OFFICE: 515-597-3311 OFFICE HOURS: 8AM-12PM, MON-FRI, BY APPOINTMENT SAT-SUN



## WHAT'S NEW AT NEW HORIZONS

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT – SERVICE TO COUNTRY  
DOUG WICKS, STAFF SGT, US AIR FORCE

We would like to recognize Doug Wicks for his 6yrs of service in the US Air Force, thank you for all your service & dedication!

Doug grew up in Adel, & is 1 of 10 children. He has been married to his wife, Jennifer, for 33yrs, and they have 3 children.

Doug served during the Vietnam Conflict, however was stationed here in Des Moines where he refueled jets. Some of his favorite memories of the military were when he had summer camp in WI, with his fellow officers, "they had a lot of fun".

After leaving the military, in 1972, Doug was a truck driver & service manager for John Deere for 40yrs. He enjoyed traveling the US, especially the NW states & Gulf Coast which is especially beautiful. He retired in 2015, & now enjoys putting together model railroads, model cars & trains, and wood working. They like attending Memoria Lutheran Church in Ames, & would like to go more often than they do.

Some of his favorite memories are when they lived in Colorado for 19yrs, in Loveland & Firestone area.

His words of advice: "Do something you love, so you will always enjoy the work you are doing."

## SPRING HOME INSPECTIONS START IN MARCH

Here is a list of some things we look at during our annual home inspections so you can start planning for needed repairs:

- Does your home or garage siding need to be replaced or power washed?
- Does your skirting have cracks or holes? Are some of your skirting pieces too short or long?
- What is the condition of your steps & deck? Does your steps or deck need paint or stain?
- Are your windows & doors in good condition? Are your screens without holes or tears?
- Does your shed need to be painted or washed?
- Do you have any items that should be stored out of sight when not in use, like; tools, machinery, toys, bikes. Are broken items being discarded?
- Does your yard need to be mowed, weeded, or trimmed? Is it free of leaves and debris?
- Is your Roofing, Soffit, Fascia, and Gutters, in good repair?
- Pet Areas are kept clean at all times and pets are well picked up after.

## FRIENDLY REMINDERS - THANK YOU!

### SNOW REMINDERS

Please ensure you are clearing ice and snow from your driveway daily, to avoid a fine (after 48 hours). Additionally, be mindful of where you are throwing your snow, (not in the street or neighbor's yard).

### WE NEED YOUR INFO

Do we have all of your current information? Do you have a new: PHONE, VEHICLE, PET, ROOMMATE, or CHILDREN OVER 18? If you do, please stop by the office and add that information to your file. All of this information is required as per your lease agreement. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME – CHECK SMOKE DETECTORS

**March 11, "spring forward"**, move your clocks ahead one hour. This is also a great time to check your smoke detector batteries, this could save your life!

### VEHICLE REMINDERS

All vehicles should be licensed and in working order. Any non-running vehicles must be stored in your garage or off site. If you are repairing your vehicle, this should be done in a reasonable amount of time (more than 72 hours should be reported to the office). Tires should be repaired in 24 hours.

### TAXES AND INSURANCE

Reminder to verify the taxes on your home/garage have been paid. You can easily check this at <https://pay.iowataxandtags.org>. Don't lose your home to a tax sale!

ALSO, we still have many residents that have not provided the office with insurance documentation. Please make sure the community is listed as an interested party, so we can assist you in getting a new home as soon as possible, should there be a catastrophic event to your home. This is required as part of your lease agreement.

### ATTENTION PET OWNERS

April is Adopt a Pet month. Please remember to check with the office when considering your new pet & get approval prior to purchasing it, so it becomes a permanent part of your family!

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## HUXLEY COMMUNITY EVENTS

### LUNCH AND LEARN – BINGO, ST PATTY’S THEME

**March 12<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30, in the 3C’s bldg., 515 N Main Ave,** there will be a Lunch & Learn, “BINGO-St Patty’s Theme, with a guest speaker. Lunch will be sponsored by our local Subway. This is a FREE event, contact 3C’s for more info.

### EASTER EGG HUNT

The City of Huxley is hosting an **Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday March 24<sup>th</sup>, 11:00am, at Centennial Park, located at 515 N Main Ave.** There will be 3 different age groups ranging from 2-8yrs old. The Easter Bunny will be there so don’t miss out, come & enjoy the fun with the whole family!

### CINCO DE MAYO FAMILY FUN NIGHT – REGISTER BY 4/29

Join in for a **Cinco De Mayo celebration in the Huxley Safe Room on May 5, from 5-7pm (register by 4/29).** Activities will include Bag Toss, piñata’s, pin the tail on the donkey, picture area & a rock painting fundraiser for the Huxley Public Library. Rocks will be \$1 each & will be paid for the day of the event. Painted rocks will later be displayed in the 3C’s. Door Prizes, Drinks & Snacks will be provided. This is only \$10 per family!! For more info call: 515.597.2515

## MORE NEW HOMES WILL BE MOVING IN SHORTLY

[WWW.BRENTONCOMMUNITIES.COM](http://WWW.BRENTONCOMMUNITIES.COM)



“THE PROMISE OF HOME”

There are 6 Brenton Communities in Central Iowa: Ankeny-Mel Ray, Boone-Boone Estates, Grimes-Park View Village, Huxley-New Horizons, Madrid-Meadow Estates, and Marion-Eagle Ridge, visit us today!

## OUR REFERRALS FOR THOSE HANDY FOLKS, MOWERS, AND DOERS – IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO OFFER YOUR SERVICES, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AND ADD YOURSELF TO OUR LIST!

### CONCRETE (FOR DRIVEWAYS, GARAGES, ETC)

Ames Concrete 515-232-8878

### HANDYMAN, AND NEEDED REPAIRS

Jeff Bolton 515-298-1706 Keith Kohler 515-249-9185 Mike Wharton 515-729-0536

### SKIRTING INSTALL & REPAIRS, & POWER WASHING

Mike Wharton 515-729-0536 Bret Street 641-202-3001

### ROOFING INSTALLATION AND REPAIRS

Clayton, Bass Roofing 515-290-5901 Tim, DM Roofing 515-360-7480

### ELECTRICIAN

Todd, Stewart Electric 515-238-8108 Perkins Electric 515-975-3272

### HEATING AND COOLING

Keith Kohler 515-249-9185 Neighbors 515-232-7777

### PLUMBER

Jeff Bolton 515-298-1706 Thorpe 515-707-1251

### SNOW REMOVAL / LAWN MOWING \*\*\*\* WE NEED YOU \*\*\*\*

If you are interested in earning money contact the office.

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## SERVICES PROVIDED BY US TO MAKE YOUR LIFE EASIER

### ACH – AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS BENEFIT EVERYONE!

Are you tired of making a rent payment every month? You can simplify the process by **requesting ACH, and your rent will be paid, automatically, each month on the 5th.** Go to your community manager and sign the form, and no longer worry about being in town to pay, or accidentally forgetting to pay on time. It’s a quick and easy process! “No More Late Fees!”

### MOVE TO OUR COMMUNITY – WE HAVE EMPTY LOTS

### FOR SALE, CHECK WITH THE OFFICE FOR MORE DETAILS

**Lot 90, NEW 2017 Clayton, 3 BR, 2 BA, \$65,000**

**Several Empty lots available, both single and double!**

### MOVE IN SPECIALS – SOME RESTRICTIONS APPLY

- Up to \$4000 BONUS to relocate to one of our communities
- SAVE 20% on some homes, ask for details
- Pets are OK, up to 2, less than 20 pounds

### FIND US ON THE WEB – FACEBOOK PAGE!

We have a Brenton Communities Facebook page, that we regularly post helpful information and events in the communities. **Like and follow us on our page to stay informed** about community events and helpful hints for your home: <https://www.facebook.com/MobileHomeCommunities/>

Email us [MR@brentoncommunities.com](mailto:MR@brentoncommunities.com)

Website: [www.brentoncommunities.com](http://www.brentoncommunities.com)