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# BRENTON COMMUNITIES NEWSLETTER

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## COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT – THELMA FISCH CELEBRATING 100 YEARS!

We would like to recognize **Thelma Fisch, celebrating her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019**, & a resident of Park View since 1996. **Happy Birthday Thelma, from all of us here in Park View Village!** Thelma grew up in Decatur County, on a farm with her 3 sisters & 2 brothers. Some of her fondest memories growing up was when her Dad, would hitch up the wagon for church, & after church her whole family would take the wagon to the Baseball field, where they watched a group of men play baseball each Sunday. Thelma also tells of how her Dad died, of Tuberculosis when they were just children, (the oldest being 12) & how her Mom, continued to raise all 6 children on her own. Her Mom did odd jobs, (sewing & laundry) to keep all the children together until grown. **Thelma moved to Des Moines when she was just 16yrs old**, to become a Nanny & Cook for an Italian family, which is where she learned to make great Italian food! After working with the Italian family for a number of years, she took a job with the gun factory & loved her job. She met her husband, Florian, at the roller rink & recalls how he introduced himself & asked her out. A treasured family heirloom is a cedar chest, handmade in 1925, given to Thelma by Florian before they were married. They were married April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1945, & later had 2 Girls & 2 Boys together, whom she loves with all her heart. Florian enlisted in the Army at the beginning of WWII with his brother. He was stationed in Africa, England & Ireland. Florian told one story of being in a foxhole, where he watched his two best buddies die in front of him during a bombing. He suffered wounds himself, putting him in the hospital recovering for months, until he was given an Honorable Discharge from the military. **Thelma & Florian were lucky enough to travel a lot when he retired, visiting family in California & Oregon mostly & especially loved going to see Yellowstone's Old Faithful.** Florian passed away Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2000, & is now at his final resting place, in the military section of Glendale Cemetery. The greatest thing the family can remember; **in 1992 Thelma had been diagnosed with a brain tumor & was given 5% chance to live.** She was in a coma for a month, & spent 3 months in the hospital. She had to relearn everything (walking, eating, speaking, etc) & to this day her Doctor refers to her as his "Miracle Patient". They attribute her survival to all the prayers & holy water placed on her. Thelma is a part of the St Pius Catholic Church, in Urbandale. She spent many Saturdays polishing the church pews with her children. Her hobbies now consist of; reading books & magazines, word search puzzles, & Embroidery because her eyes still have perfect vision! **Thelma's words of advice:** "Never say an unkind word about others & treat everyone (especially the elderly) with respect, because you will someday be in the same place, and you will hope you are treated with respect too". **We take this opportunity to wish Thelma Fisch a Happy 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday, and we're so glad you are a part of our community!**

NEWSLETTER IS NOW AVAILABLE AT [www.BrentonCommunities.com](http://www.BrentonCommunities.com)

## FRIENDLY REMINDERS - THANK YOU!

### 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. Call the office if you have any questions.

### SNOW REMINDERS

During times of snowfall, (2 or more inches), we have a **snow ordinance** in effect for the entire community. Please do not park on the street so our snow plows can maintain the streets. Additionally, please ensure you are clearing ice and snow from your sidewalks daily, to avoid a fine (after 48 hours).

### WE NEED YOUR INFO

Do we have all of your current information? Email address (for emailing the newsletter), phone, vehicle, pet, roommate, or Children over 18? If we don't, please stop by the office and add that information to your file.

### VEHICLE REMINDERS

All vehicles should be licensed and in working order. Any non-running vehicles must be stored in your garage or off site.

### 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, this is required as part of your lease agreement.

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## GRIMES AREA COMMUNITY EVENTS

### GRIMES EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA

Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 9am – Noon, at the Grimes Community Complex, 410 SE Main St. This event is free to the public and will have a coloring contest with awarded prizes, and carnival games. Don't miss the opportunity for some good family fun! For more information visit; [www.grimeskiwanis.org](http://www.grimeskiwanis.org)

### GRIMES CITYWIDE GARAGE SALES

Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 9am-3pm, Rain or shine! Registration begins March 1<sup>st</sup> online, and the deadline to be included on the map is April 27<sup>th</sup>, with a small fee of \$5. For more information contact the Grime Parks and Rec office at: [bbarber@grimesiowa.gov](mailto:bbarber@grimesiowa.gov) or 515-986-2143

## BRENTON COMMUNITIES

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“THE PROMISE OF HOME”

There are 7 Brenton Communities in Central Iowa: Ankeny-Mel Ray, Boone-Boone Estates, Grimes-Park View Village, Huxley-New Horizons, Marion-Eagle Ridge, Pella- Sunrise, and West Des Moines-West Park, 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!

### HANDYMAN SERVICES

Jeff B 515-298-1706 | Jeff S 515-441-4341 | CIS Ben 515-509-6565

### SEWER PLUMBER

Orville – Down the Drain 515-525-6786

### SKIRTING INSTALL & REPAIRS

Mike Wharton 515-729-0536

### ROOFING INSTALLATION AND REPAIRS

Clayton, Bass Roofing 515-290-5901 | CIS Ben 515-509-6565

### HOUSEKEEPING

Veronica 515-447-7112

### SNOW REMOVAL

Dave W 515-991-2450 | Dave M 515-707-2866

### PLUMBER & FROZEN PIPES

Jeff B 515-298-1706 | Keith K 515-249-9185 | Mike W 515-729-0536

### ELECTRICIAN

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

### HEATING AND COOLING

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

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## IN OTHER NEWS

### 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/>

### NEWSLETTER HAS “GONE GREEN”

Go to [www.brentoncommunities.com](http://www.brentoncommunities.com) Find your community's page and click the Orange “Community Newsletter” Button to view newsletter! Also, we will be emailing our newsletters to those that want to receive via email, call the office to let us know if you choose that option.

### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME – CHECK SMOKE DETECTORS

March 10, “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!

### FOR SALE IN OUR COMMUNITY – SAVE THOUSANDS NOW!!

### HOMES CURRENTLY AVAILABLE, CALL US TODAY 515-986-3324

**Lot 282**, NEW 2018 Clayton, 3BR, 2BA, single, w/shed, 1216 SF, SALE PRICE \$59,000!

**Lot 291**, 1995 Ft Wayne, 3BR, 2BA, Double, w/2 car Garage, 1512 SF, open floor plan on a premium lot \$54,995!

**Lot 252** 1995 Skyline, 3BR, 2BA, Single, with a lot of updates, 1216 SF, \$35,000!