

2018 Renville County Register Progressive Issue

Every year seems to fly by faster.

A few changes are taking place in the business world as a Dollar General was opened in December. A Casey General store is coming where the Renville Antique store was located. These two new businesses both sell tobacco and a tobacco ordinance for the city of Renville was adopted late in the year to accommodate all Renville locations selling tobacco items. K & M completed their expansion at their Renville location.

Solar farm Xcel Energy credits started coming through in late fall and a total of \$2498.01 was received by the end of the year.

The former MinAqua properties were purchased by Tersteegs and is being renovated to make way for a new business. We'll see more progress there as the year progresses.

New equipment coming this year will be a new police vehicle and a new fire truck.

Fund raising is ongoing for the upgrades to the Memorial park by local veterans. For more information and donations or contributions Brent Dahl or Chris Dunsmore can be contacted.

Our museum lost one of our most dedicated supporters this past year with the death of Millie Zaske. Our hope is that our museum will continue to be a place where our history lives on.

We will continue to focus on keeping Renville growing and prospering. Our beautification program continues as we encourage our residents to keep their dwellings in good repair, yards mowed, and properties clean of junk and debris. The city is again providing Clean Up days in April for residents to utilize for the purpose of cleaning out the corners and making Renville beautiful. Some restrictions apply so a call to city hall will provide more information. Our community center is no exception as it got a fresh coat of paint as well too.

The city council has put together a survey to get input on live streaming our council meetings. If you have any thoughts for or against this, please give a call to city hall or take the survey online. Our webpage contains updated information regarding city activities.

A new activity that took place this past Christmas season was a tree lighting ceremony on Main Street. A visit from Mr. & Mrs. Santa made that event complete along with coffee, cookies, hot chocolate and free turkeys!!

On April 25th, the Renville Community Center will be host to a career expo where students from the area will gather to learn about local businesses and career opportunities. Keeping our young people in the area, and having them return after college is critical to the sustainability of our region. We must all work together to promote our economy and lifestyle.

We look forward to all the summer activities including Sugar Beet Days parade on June 9th. Revitalizing Renville is the group of volunteers working to make this year one of the best. To volunteer for the many planned activities contact Dawn Pike. Check out their Facebook page for more information.

Check out the many summer activities throughout the county and make Renville and Renville County a destination!

Janette Wertish, Mayor