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Welcome to
STERLING



NEBRASKA

150th Anniversary

SMALL TOWN... BIG HEART

VILLAGE VIEW

CREATING SMALL TOWN LOVE SINCE 1870

DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING, IT BECAME EFFECTIVE MARCH 21ST, TO CLOSE THE VILLAGE OF STERLING OFFICE TO THE PUBLIC. The Village Clerk will be available by email @ village.sterling@gmail.com or by phone 402-866-4545. If there is a need to visit in person with anyone in the Village Office, please make an appointment. Thank you for everyone's cooperation with this, the Village of Sterling, is doing it's part to help combat the Coronavirus.

Sterling Village Summer Helpers:

Cameron VanGroningen, Kaleb Williams and Austin Buss

The Village of Sterling is taking applications for the position of Sterling Librarian



For information about the position and to apply contact Village Clerk,

Samantha Gordon @ 402-866-4545

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- ◆ Samantha Gordon Village Clerk
- ◆ Spencer Pagel Village Superintendent
- ◆ Sandy Weyers Village Clerk Asst.
- ◆ Marissa Lempka Zoning Administrator

Board Members:

- ◆ John Keizer-Village Chairman
- ◆ Andy Thies
- ◆ Ralph Wusk
- ◆ Steve Lempka
- ◆ Tom Nieveen

The Chairman's Corner - John Keizer

It's May and the sun is shining most of the time! Unfortunately we're still stuck inside a lot and relegated to doing things in a very different manner! However, this will not last forever and for that we can thank God! Things are beginning to open up a little, but keep doing the recommendations and social distancing so we can begin to live normally but safely! A few items of interest: 1. FEMA has denied our bridge replacement project but we will be appealing that decision as we think it is not based in fact, 2. The community center is coming along with framing, electrical and HVAC just about complete but still need additional funds, so keep donating as you can. 3. Unfortunately the youth ball season will not take place in its entirety; we are hoping to have some play later in the summer, 4. We will be celebrating Arbor Day in the fall, 5. You will begin to see our 150th Anniversary banners for Sterling going up, so rejoice in the history of our village and the future together!

Take Care! John Keizer

Sterling Village History 1870-2020

Situated in the rich fertile valley of the Nemaha River, Sterling is one of the most prosperous agricultural districts in the country.

Alma Thompson's "The History of Sterling, Nebraska Parts I-XXVII" is available on the Sterling, NE Website: www.sterlingne.com

The Sterling Picnic and 150 Year Celebration Has been postponed.

More details to come , depending on the outcome of the pandemic.

Free Compost– Anyone wanting compost, please help yourself at the yard waste site on East Locust St.

The Yard of the Month Contest for Sterling Residents begins in May

Perks of being a "Yard of the Month" winner:

- ◆ *A picture of your yard will be featured in the Village View*
- ◆ *Pride in knowing that your yard is contributing to the beauty of Sterling*



The Village View can advertise local non-profit upcoming events. If a local organization has an event that they would like included in the Village View, please email

: Sandy Weyers@sterlingvillageclerkasst@gmail.com or Samantha Gordon @village.sterling@gmail.com



Small town life: *You might be from a small town, if, Saturday nights meant driving back and forth on the same street for hours.....Sterling Strong!*