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# VILLAGE VIEW

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- ◆ Andy Thies
- ◆ Ralph Wusk
- ◆ Steve Lempka
- ◆ Tom Nieveen

## *Sterling Celebrates 150 Years 1870-2020*

### CREATING SMALL TOWN LOVE SINCE 1870

#### NOW HIRING: SUMMER RECREATION DIRECTOR

##### JOB CONSISTS OF:

PREPPING BALL FIELD BEFORE AND AFTER GAMES, SECURING UMPIRES, INVENTORY OF SUPPLIES, DETERMINE WHETHER GAMES CAN BE PLAYED OR NOT DEPENDING ON WEATHER.

A FULL AND COMPLETE JOB DESCRIPTION IS AVAILABLE AT THE VILLAGE OFFICE OR AT [STERLINGNE.COM](http://STERLINGNE.COM).

PLEASE SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTEREST WITH QUALIFICATIONS TO THE VILLAGE OFFICE

**Anyone with complaints concerning Zito Media- please direct these to Samantha Gordon Village Clerk ASAP 402-866-4545**

#### Chairman's Corner- John Keizer, Chairman

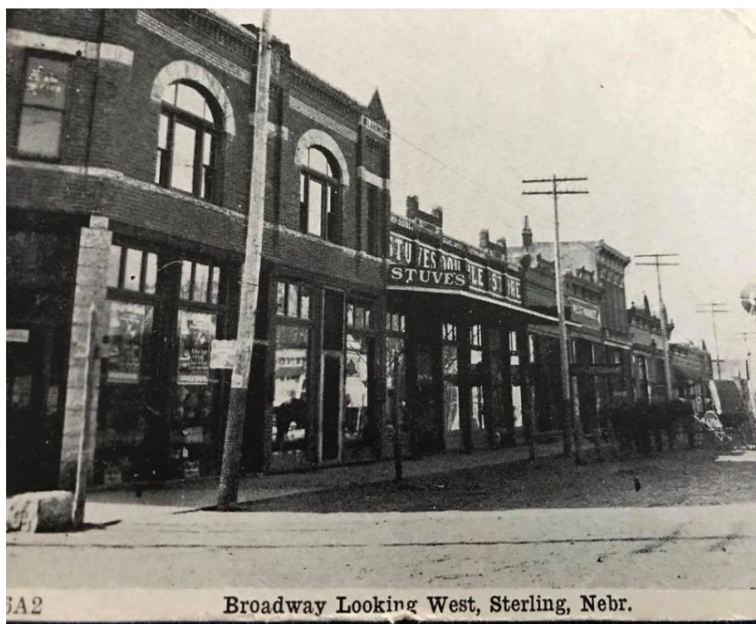
This year seems to be moving quickly! We are looking at March and it feels like spring—although don't get too comfortable as Mother Nature could still say "Gotcha!" However, the good weather has allowed village projects to continue. A manhole has been installed east of the Locust Street bridge as a start on that project. Now we are waiting for FEMA to make a final decision on funding. Also, the community center interior is being framed in and utilities hooked up. The Sterling Community Association is very thankful for all who have pledged and given, but is continuing fund raising for the final dollars needed to complete the center. We are very close but need your help, so keep those pledges coming in and stop at the local bank and keep us moving forward. Thanks in advance!

John Keizer, Chairman

**THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS:** Eligible members can recommend where Thrivent distributes a portion of its charitable funding by directing Choice Dollars®. Members become eligible for Thrivent Choice based on insurance premiums, contract values and Thrivent volunteer leadership. Choice dollar designations are due by March 31st, 2020 . Sterling Community Association (money can be used to help support the building of the new community center) is one of the 35,000 organizations participating in the Choice Dollars Program . Thrivent can be contacted at: Phone: [800-847-4836](tel:800-847-4836) or at <https://www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/living-generously/thrivent-choice/>

# 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.*



The Sterling community was named when William Mann, John Bentz, and William Kneeland decided to flip a \$20 gold piece for the honor of naming their settlement. Mr. Mann, being the lucky one, named it Sterling, after his hometown in Illinois. Sterling was platted in 1870 when the Atchison and Nebraska Railroad was extended to that point. *Watch the upcoming monthly Village View for more on the history of Sterling, NE*

## Sterling Alumni Basketball Tournament

**When: Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Where: Sterling High School**

**Who: Accepting alumni and non-alumni teams**

**Men 8-team tournament**

**Women 4-team tournament(3-on-3)**

**Entry Fee: \$15/person**

**\*Drink ticket provided on arrival**

**1<sup>st</sup> place: Cash prize**

**Call or text Zach Lempka to register**

**(402) 239-4252**

**Email:**

**[zlempka@sterlingpublicschools.com](mailto:zlempka@sterlingpublicschools.com)**

Alma Thompson's "The History of Sterling, Nebraska Parts I-XXVII" will be coming out soon on the Sterling, NE website

If anyone has any Sterling memorabilia to display for the 150 year celebration- please let the Village Clerk know.

If the forecast calls for snow, please remove all vehicles from the residential streets- this will allow for proper snow removal on all Village streets- Also, All trash needs to be out and ready for pickup by 6:00 a.m. on Tuesday mornings to guarantee pick up. Thank You!



**Sterling Post #140 Am. Legion Soup Luncheon Sunday, March 8th, 2020**

**11:00- 1:00 p.m. @ the Sterling Legion Hall, downtown Sterling. Free will offering**

*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 :*

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**Thank you to the Sterling Public Schools Skills Group for the home baked goods delivered to the local businesses.**