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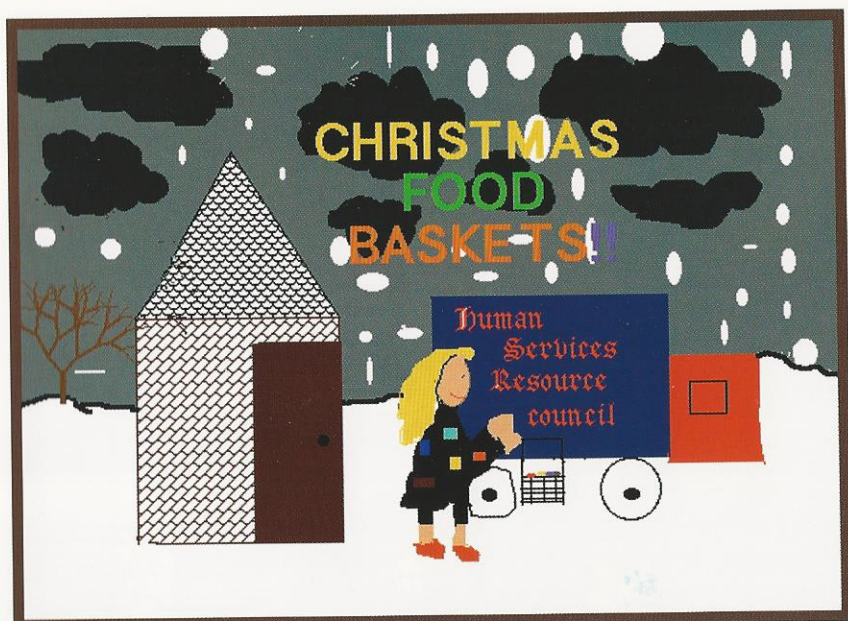


Daily Trust Project

Mrs. DeCook and Mr. Hamilton, teachers at Webster School, wanted to do something extra with computers. The Daily Trust needed someone to write historical stories about each of the projects each year. They suggested that the project be done with a different fifth grade each year. That was in 1993-94. Now Grant and Whittier are doing the 97 projects.

Webster, Garfield, Whittier, and Lincoln have all had a chance to work on this project. This year is Grant Elementary's turn to work with Whittier. The project began in January and was completed in April. Daily Trust gives the classrooms computers and printers to complete the project each year. The computer equipment given to Whittier, Garfield, and Grant cost \$13,860. Each fifth grader is responsible for interviewing a specific person. After interviews have been completed the students write stories and draw pictures using computers. Then the stories and pictures are printed and put into a book. There are many people involved in the project - teachers, students, people to interview, volunteers, and a graphic artist at Musco.

When you do this project, you learn how to work with other people. Technology skills are learned, and everyone learns how to give and take. You also find out that you can do things you're not sure you can do, and this helps you grow as a person. The booklet is not just for Daily Trust, but for everyone who's interested in many projects and many things that people are doing.



Christmas Food Baskets

Did you ever wonder how hundreds of food baskets are born? The Salvation Army started handing out the baskets first. Then thirteen years ago in September the Human Services Resource Council started working on the baskets. Each year they are finished and delivered in December. The goal of the Human Services Resource Council is to give baskets to the people who have less at Christmastime.

This year four hundred seventy-four baskets were given out, and over a hundred more people donated! Both the junior and senior high students helped prepare the baskets. Many people took different jobs such as deciding how much food to put in the baskets and contacting stores. Then the Friday before the baskets were to be delivered, the Board of Realtors put together the remaining baskets.

From September to December volunteers worked from 3:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. It was not hard to find people to help with this project. Many people were willing and asked to help. Even churches helped to deliver baskets! Keep up the good work, Oskaloosa!

A Goal

*A goal is something
you want to do.*

*A goal is something
you try your very
best at.*

*A goal is something
you're proud of.*

Kelsey Dykstra



OSHS Booster Club

The Oskaloosa Senior High School Booster Club is a group that chooses to benefit Oskaloosa athletes at the senior high. It raises money for new uniforms, equipment, and improvements of facilities. Many parents get involved in this club because their children enjoy sports.

Booster Club members got together to discuss the baseball/softball project. The complex was built many years ago, and no real improvements have been made since then. Oskaloosa needed to improve the fields because the players would get hurt by bouncing balls. There were 40 to 50 people who volunteered to help improve the complex. Some people donated money to the project and also donated items for an auction. The auction raised \$25,000, and \$5,000 came from Daily Trust. With the money they built new dugouts, new pitchers' mounds, and irrigation pipes, and they reseeded the fields. The project took eight to nine months.

This project brought out the leadership in everyone who participated. Its completion took many minds, bodies, and donations from the generous people of the Oskaloosa community to make this idea a reality. The future ballplayers of Oskaloosa will certainly benefit from all of the hard work and dedication of the OSHS Booster Club.

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Thank You For The
Computer Equipment

North Mahaska
Elementary

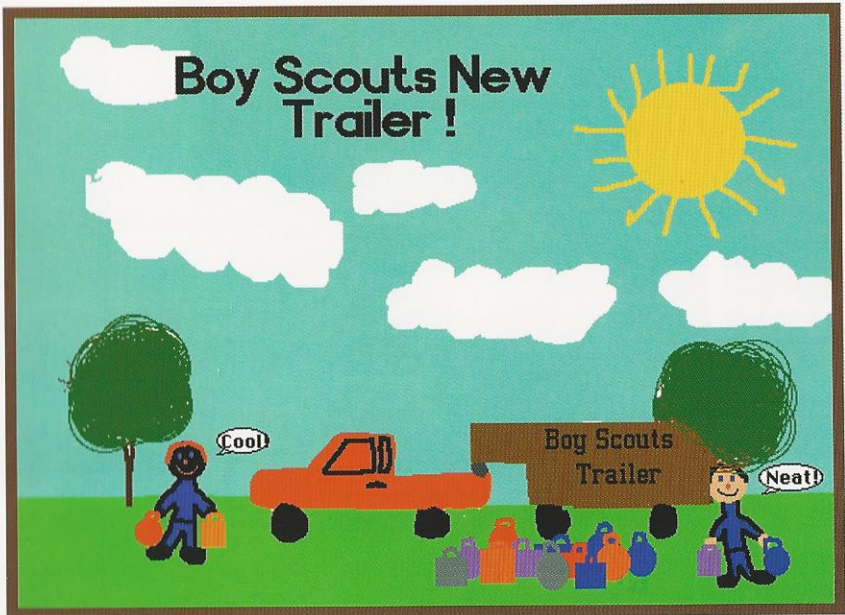


North Mahaska Elementary School

North Mahaska Elementary School's fifth and sixth graders need equipment for a project that the students are doing to learn about their school. The old school was built in 1912. They are building a new school which should be done in the fall of 1999. They need new computer equipment to make a slide show about the old school before it is torn down. This will be a good experience for the students and for the community to learn about the history of the elementary school.

The teachers and the students have been gathering information through interviews and by reading old records about the old school so they can tell people a little about the history. There are 10-12 individuals from the community who are going to be helping out in the groups of students. They have already purchased two e-mates, a scanner, and the latest version of HyperStudio, but they still need more equipment. There weren't any fund raisers for this project, but the teachers have applied for several grants. One grant has donated \$250. The Daily Trust donated \$4000 so they could do this project. The school system also donated money toward the project.

There are four main leaders in the project, the two fifth grade teachers and the two sixth grade teachers. The project will bring a lot of pride to the community, and the students will know a lot about their community and their school. The students will also learn new skills on the computer and how to interview. This project will help students learn to be good leaders too.



Boy Scouts New Trailer

Were you ever in need of wheels? The Boy Scout Troop 71 needed a trailer in which to haul their camping equipment. The project started in August 1997 and will be completed in late winter.

The Boy Scouts do a lot for the community. They visit places like the county home and help residents build bird houses, pick up garbage, and plant trees. The Scouts gain leadership from their Boy Scout training.

The Scouts have half of the money they need for the trailer. They only went to one sponsor other than United Way and George Daily Trust. The George Daily Trust Fund donated \$1,500 to the project. There are fifty-five people working on the project. The project will continue until the trailer is ready to use. The Boy Scouts will be looking forward to getting the trailer so they can go camping.

George Daily

Generous George Daily gave an
Enormous amount of money to the
community. His father
Owned land with oil on it. George loved to
Read books and play checkers with his friends.
George Daily went out
Everyday collecting cardboard.

Daily Trust was started by friends of
George to help the community.

After George Daily died he left \$1,000,000 to
the community. It has

Increased since then. There have been

Lots of projects since 1994.

You and I are lucky that George Daily helped
our community.

by Jill Wellman

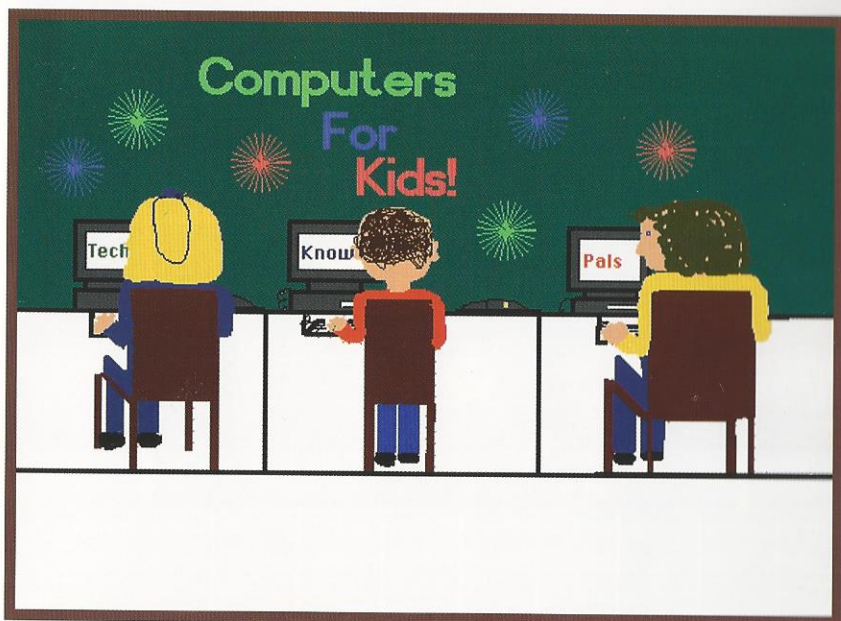


Oskaloosa Band Boosters

The Oskaloosa Band Boosters are made up of parents of the band students. They have a great group of people who work hard to raise money for the band. They support the band and the color guard. The students compete and go to special events. Band Boosters leave at 4 or 5 a.m., and they go to support the band.

The project is about the need for more color guard uniforms. They needed more uniforms because the old ones were worn out, and the group was expanding. It was hard to get the uniforms. Band Boosters bought 30 silver jackets, 30 black pants, and 35 black leotards. The uniforms should last five years. This was a volunteer project. Half the money was raised by the Band Boosters, and the other half came from George Daily Trust. The project began in April 1997 and ended eight months later. The project was successful and turned out as they expected.

The hard work of the Oskaloosa Band Boosters has benefited the color guard. The color guard has shown leadership by performing at state competitions. They earned a #1 rating at state. In color guard the girls have to be very disciplined, and they have to go to all the practices and have to try their very best because they work as a group. That helps them be better citizens. If you would like to see the new color guard uniforms, go to the Oskaloosa Indians' home games.



Computers For Kids

Have you ever worked on the computer after school? Fifth and sixth graders at Webster School have. Mrs. Marilee DeCook thought it was awful when the computer lab just sat there empty all evening after school, so she started a program called Tech Know Pals. The students chose their own deadlines and projects. They worked on HyperStudio and PowerPoint to create their own projects. Some of the project topics were earthquakes, Roman armies, whales, oceans, and many others.

The project lasted from January 22 to March 26. There were twenty-three teachers and three parents involved in Tech Know Pals. For nine weeks the fifth and sixth graders at Webster worked on their projects. Tech Know Pals was open to the 104 fifth and sixth graders at Webster. Sixty-four of them participated! The Oskaloosa community will have the opportunity to view the multimedia projects during an open house at a later date.

The fifth and sixth grade students gained communication and technology skills. Students developed leadership by choosing teammates they could work with well. Leadership was also developed for the students by teaching them to set their own deadlines and getting the projects done. The whole community benefits from increased technology and communication skills of the students and facilitators. The entire Webster School population benefits from the software that was purchased.

George Daily had an
Enormous amount of money.
Oskaloosa was where he lived. He was
Rich but didn't know he was.
He was very
Grouchy with an
Enormous amount of cardboard.
Daily had
Alot of money. He didn't spend the
money he had.
Instead he gave it to us. He was very
Loving to his family many
Years ago.

by Cassie Adams

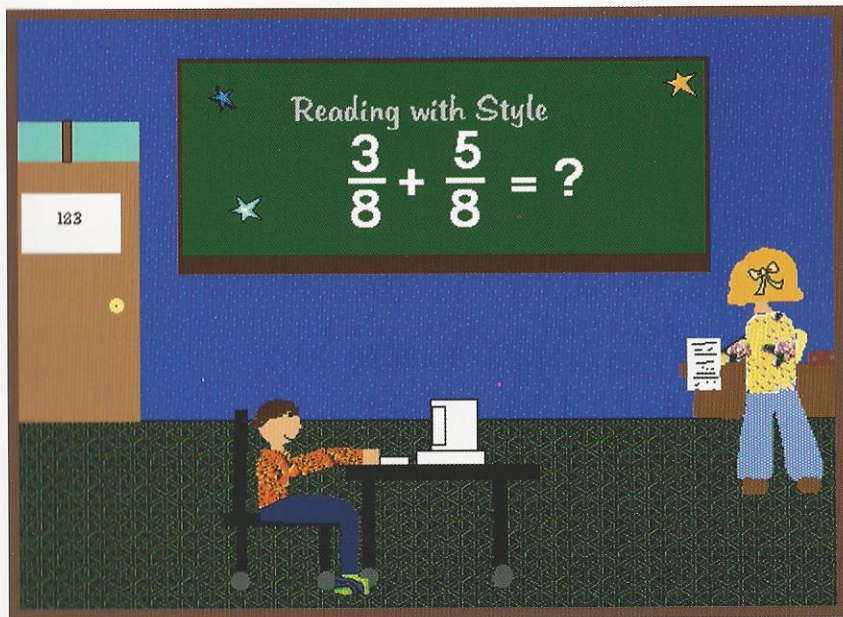


Main Street Christmas Decorations

Oskaloosa was one of the first towns in Iowa to have the Main Street organization and it began eleven years ago. Main Street preserves the downtown areas and provides for the needs of the downtown areas. One of the projects that Main Street is working on in Oskaloosa is the Christmas decoration project.

The Main Street organization has four phases: promotion, design, business improvement, and organizations and fund raising. The organization phase decided to buy new Christmas decorations for the downtown area. The Main Street goal was to reach out and touch the new bypass with Christmas decorations. The decorations cost \$350 a piece. They had fund raisers and private donations besides getting money from the George Daily Trust in the amount of \$5200. They raised a total of \$11,500 for this project to make Oskaloosa look nice. The city workers of Oskaloosa help get the decorations up with a boom truck.

The people who worked on this project used leadership skills by working together to raise money for the purchase of the Main Street Christmas decorations. Main Street is proud of its work and how Oskaloosa looks. Everyone in Oskaloosa is enjoying these beautiful decorations!



Reading with Style

If you like reading, try Reading with Style. The resource room at Oskaloosa Junior High is for students who are not quite able to work in a regular classroom.

Mrs. Otto, the teacher, wanted her classroom to be as fun as possible. She needed some computers and some software. She received money from the Oskaloosa School District and the Daily Trust for this project. Since kids like computers and like reading fun books, she got some software. One software program is called NFL Reading. The teacher also got books on tape. When the students listen to books on tape, they have their own portable cassette player. Mahaska Council on Disabilities helped too by giving the class Walkmans and rechargeable batteries. There are a lot of students that could drop out of school because they have bad grades, and this program can help the kids through school. At the completion of the program, students were interviewed. They enjoyed reading with partners and getting to know other seventh graders.

Mrs. Otto thinks it is really good to improve students' reading skills as much as possible. If students stay in school, they are going to get better jobs and be better citizens. The project will provide better readers in the adult community. They will be more successful citizens because of their higher reading levels.

Leaders

Leaders always help each other

Giving time to one another

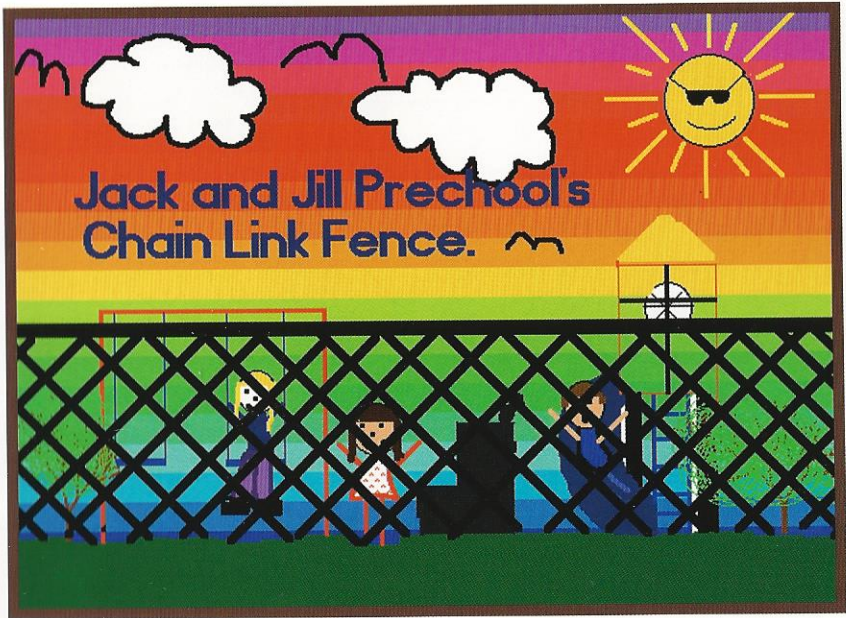
Trying till they want to yelp

All they want to do is help

They show us all the path to choose

Follow them and you can't lose!

Melissa Louderback



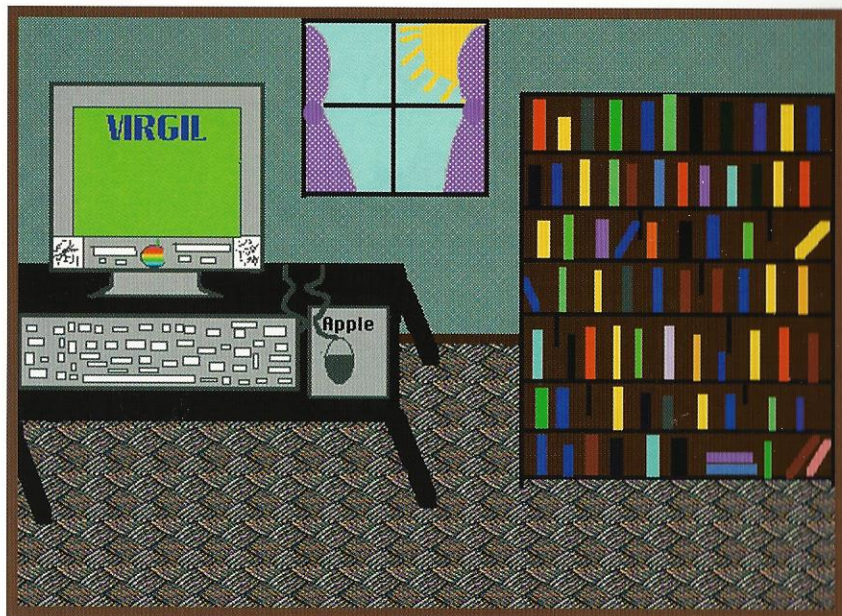
Jack and Jill Chain Link Fence

Did you know that Jack and Jill Preschool put up a chain link fence?

At the end of classes, the kids would see their moms or dads across the street and would run across the street to meet them. The leaders at Jack and Jill Preschool wrote letters to businesses telling them why the fence was needed. They discussed with businesses how much the fence would cost.

Jack and Jill Preschool raised over \$1,000 for the chain link fence. The Daily Trust Fund donated \$450. Enough money was raised for the fence to be built. They started building the fence in October, but because of the ice storm, the work was delayed. They completed the fence on November 17, 1997.

The fence keeps the Jack and Jill Preschool children safe. It keeps parents calm knowing their children are protected by the chain link fence. The greatest reward of the project was seeing the success of the project as the children play in the park. The George Daily Trust Committee was very helpful and supportive of this project.



VIRGIL

Two important Oskaloosa organizations are the Wilcox Library at William Penn College and Oskaloosa Public Library. The two libraries work together to provide research resources for all college students and the general public.

This group worked on a project called VIRGIL. VIRGIL stands for Virtual Information Resources Gathered In Libraries. The group hopes this project brings the best possible library services to all residents in Mahaska County and to all William Penn students. The VIRGIL committee got together to organize this project. Library employees had many meeting and planning sessions to get people involved. The VIRGIL project connects the Wilcox Library, the Public Library, and the Internet by computer. The VIRGIL project was done for Oskaloosa citizens and to raise money for library services. People can go into the Internet on their computers at home, school, or work and have connections with the two libraries. Not all donations for the project came from Daily Trust. The two libraries and the public donated money also. The VIRGIL project has been successful so far. The libraries began the project in the summer of 1996 and hope to complete it in the summer of 1998.

VIRGIL will provide excellent research resources in the future. It will be very convenient. Users can find books, articles, and encyclopedia entries through their computers from school, any library, dorm room, or even at home! It will make Oskaloosa leaders the best they can be because they learn to use the Internet and read more books because of this neat program. The VIRGIL project will be used forever!



Kids and Books

The Share 'N Care Preschool is a place to teach children. Lucinda Broadway is the director of this preschool and the project with five or six helpers. It opened some time back in the early 1980s in New Sharon, Iowa. It is small and has limited resources. It has one class with nineteen children in it, and the ages of the preschoolers are three to five years old. The preschool's copy machine was broken so Ms. Broadway asked the Trust for money for a new copy machine, hard cover books, and a bookshelf.

When Ms. Broadway asked the Trust for money, they agreed to donate \$800 if the preschool raised \$800 from fund raisers. Lots of parents and people were involved in this project. The Share 'N Care had a Tupperware sales fund raiser. Then they located businesses in New Sharon to make coupon booklets that could be sold. They had over thirty coupons in one booklet. They sold the booklets for \$10 each. They were successful at raising \$1800 altogether including the money from the Trust. Now they are using their copy machine, books, and records. It is so nice.

Lucinda Broadway is the leader of this school everyday when she teaches the children. She also used leadership skills in asking the Trust for money. When she learned that the preschool would have to raise money, she had to organize people and fund raisers. She had to have a careful plan and good ideas. All of this hard work helped the preschool get a copy machine and books that all the kids can use to help them learn.

George Daily, an unfriendly man
Emptied out the garbage can
Organized the checker board
Recycled all his cardboard
Gave away all his money
Enjoyed the park when it was sunny

Died March '93

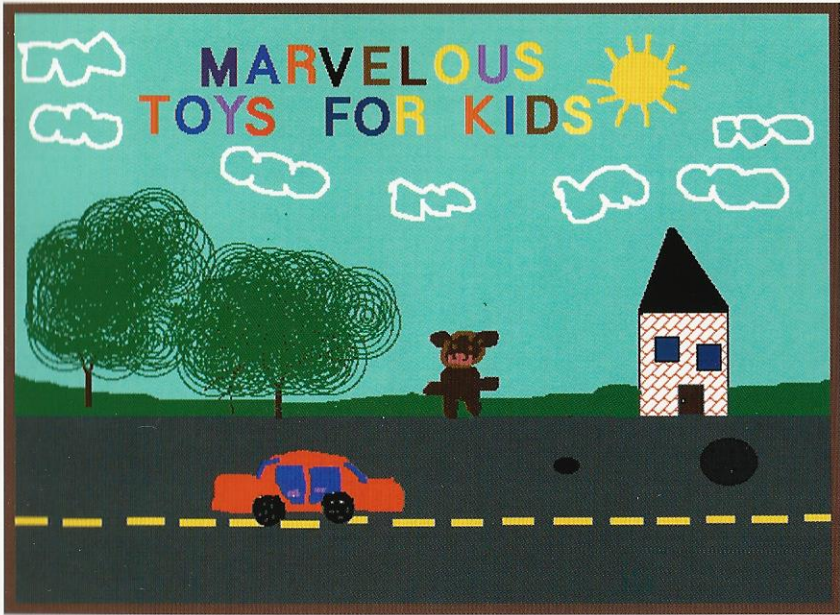
A house as small as a little pea

Inside his heart was full

Lots of people thought he was dull

You and I thought he was weird,
the old man with a dirty,
white beard

by Meredith Johnson

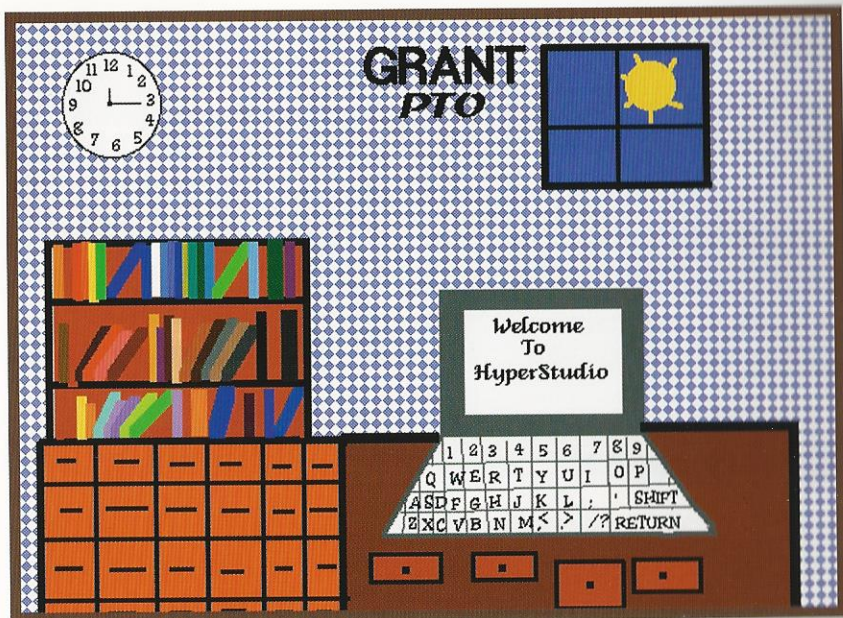


Marvelous Toys For Kids

The Toy Drive gives out toys to kids whose moms and dads cannot afford them. This Toy Drive is sponsored by the Oskaloosa High School football team. They receive help from their coaches, teachers, and other volunteers. These volunteers were recruited by announcements at school, newspaper articles, and radio ads.

This project started when the football players decided they wanted to give something to the community which has supported them for so many years. For the last six or seven years toys have been gathered from the community, service groups, students, as well as a generous donation from the George Daily Family Trust.

The Toy Drive benefits the football players when they see the happy faces of the children. The community benefits when they know there are people who care and are willing to work. The leaders of this project plan to continue it in years to come.



Grant PTO

If you want to learn fun and interesting stuff, Grant School is the place to go. Grant School has a PTO that provides a variety of special activities such as skating parties and pancake suppers. Grant PTO has existed for about 70 to 80 years. It is made up of interested parents and teachers.

Grant PTO's computer project is all about getting newer and better computers that have new software and more memory. Grant PTO saw a need to get computers updated and upgraded for the students at Grant so the students would have better equipment with more information for projects. The parents and teachers also decided good computers were needed in the classrooms so students wouldn't have to run to the computer lab all the time. Daily Trust provided half of the funds, and the PTO and Oskaloosa School District provided the other half to get the computers. Grant parents and teachers began talking about this project in December 1996. Grant School plans to finish during March or April 1998. This project so far has been successful, and many of the teachers and students at Grant are very enthused about it.

Teachers and parents predict that this project will give students better technology skills and knowledge to become better leaders in Oskaloosa. This project shows that if people work together as a team they can get the job done. Students will eventually become involved in lots of activities, and when they look back they will remember how they benefited from this project.

Leadership

Leadership means that people
should be good

Examples to little kids

And to

Do a good job. People

Earn

Respect by thinking

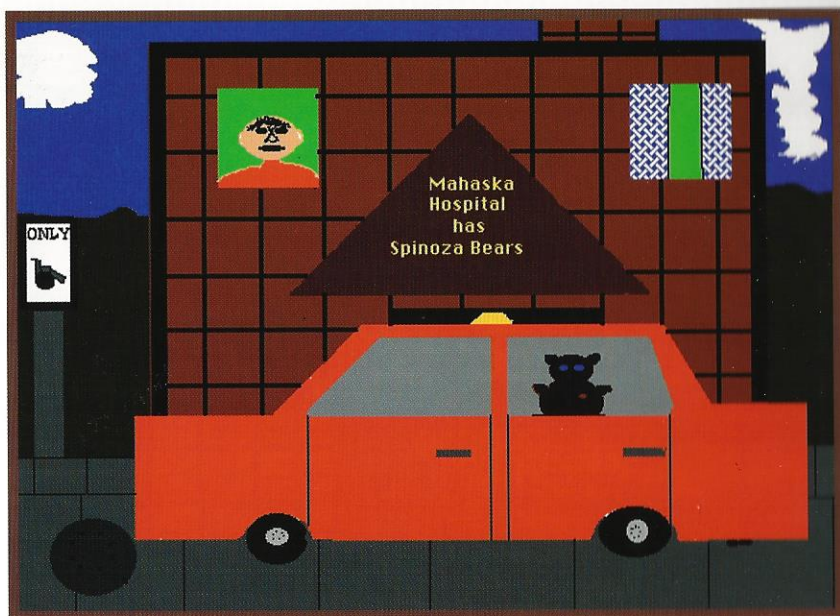
Seriously about

Helping others. That

Is how

People get along in our town.

by Daniel Wymore



Buddy Bear Helps Sick Kids

In the 20s after World War I the American Legion was started. The American Legion is a veteran's service organization that helps a lot of people with their needs. They have an honor guard that fires guns and folds flags at funerals. They also take veterans to the veteran's hospital if they need to go to an appointment. This is a real service for the community.

Dan Nance saw in the newspaper that the American Legion had purchased a Spinoza Buddy Bear for a sick child. Dan Nance decided he wanted to raise more money for more bears so he set up a fund raiser. The American Legion gave them a dance hall for a dance. The Spinoza Buddy Bear project gives bears to sick children or children that are looking death straight in the eye. Spinoza has helped calm and comfort children by singing in over 10,000 hospitals, hospices, schools, daycare centers, and head start programs. The bear comes with nine tapes that help kids deal with different illnesses or a death in the family. The Daily Trust gave \$160 for a bear that was donated to Mahaska Hospital. If you are having stitches at our hospital you can hold the bear in the ER. It was easy to get volunteers when you mentioned a sick child.

This project helps the community by having all the volunteers come together and build a community spirit. You need to have patience and be willing to cooperate with other people in order to be a good leader. Sick children who get a Spinoza Buddy Bear will be happier.

George had a brother and a sister

Everyone thought he was dumb, but
he was in the top five in his class.

Oskaloosa is where George lived.

Read the newspapers, he did.

George Daily had a few friends.

Everyone hated to walk by his house
because it was spooky.

Daily gave \$1,000,000.

A game of checkers he played.

Iwish I had that much money.

Library was a great place to him.

You, George Daily, were a smart man.

by Nathan Tolles

Oskaloosa

Oskaloosa is a small town,

Small as it can be.

Kind people lived here
like George Daily.

All the people like Oskaloosa.

Leadership is a part of Oskaloosa.
You have

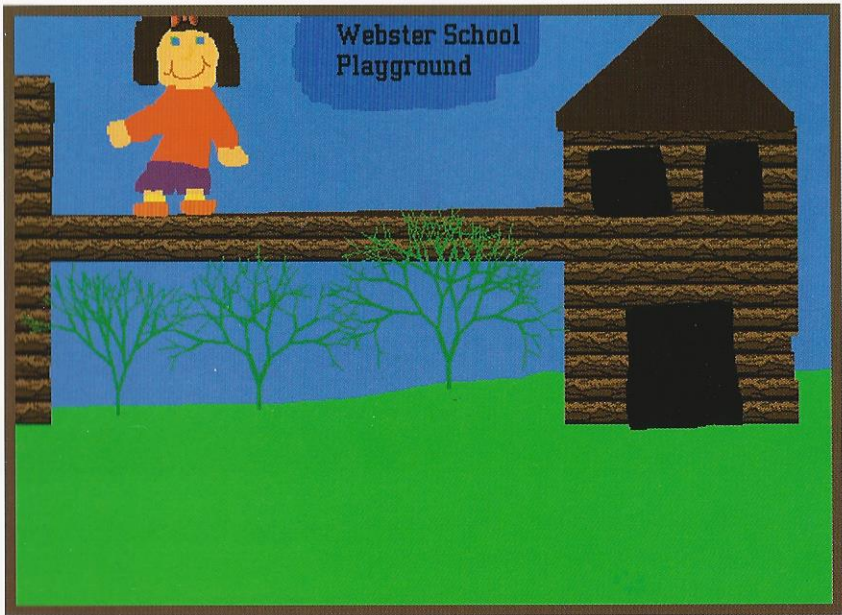
Opportunities in Oskaloosa.
Share your own

Opinions. This town will

Satisfy you too. There's

Always something happening
in Oskaloosa.

by Megan Scholtus

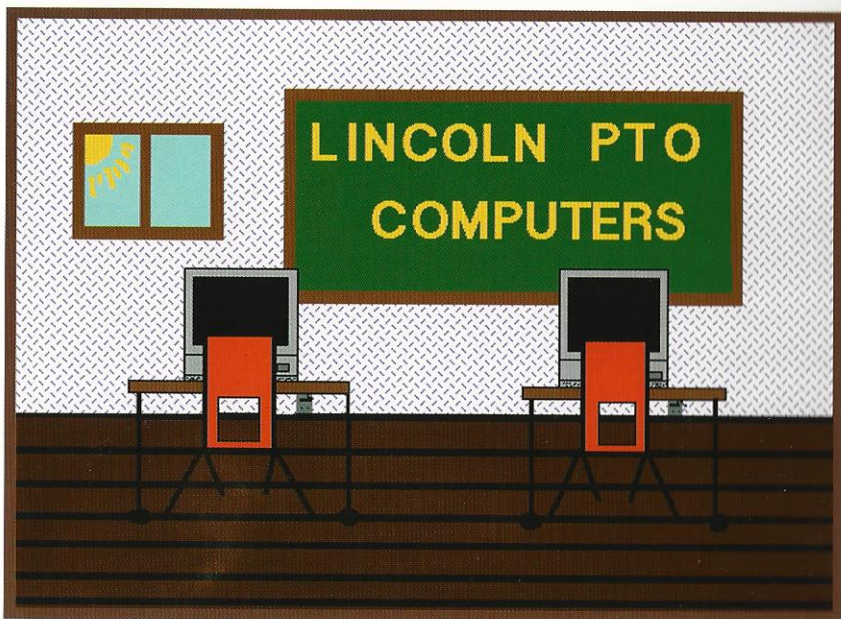


Webster School Playground

The PTO of Webster School decided to fix their playground because of safety reasons. They had read some research studies to find out what would make the playground safer. They did some surveys to see what the kids and teachers wanted. They decided to ask the Daily Trust for some money. They got the project to fit the budget. The equipment has been ordered, and they are waiting for it to arrive.

The playground equipment they are buying is a U-bounce, new swings, and a playscape. They are putting wood chips over the pea gravel and adding drains to drain out water that gets trapped by the pea gravel. The cost of all of this is \$40,000. The school raised some of it through fund raisers over a three year period, a donation from Cargill, and the Trust gave \$12,800. This project is going to be completed with the help of a lot of volunteers and the contractor in June of 1998.

This project will benefit the community in many ways. Kids that don't even go to Webster can play on the equipment after school and on weekends. Kids that play soccer there may have younger or older brothers or sisters who can play on it when a soccer game is going on. Leadership skills were needed to get money, people, and ideas together to complete the project.



Lincoln PTO

Lincoln PTO helps promote positive activities for the students at Lincoln School. There are six parent members and two staff members. They meet once a month. The PTO has sponsored visits with Opera Iowa and the Science Center of Iowa, and it has helped to send fifth and sixth graders to Camp Hantesa every other year. The PTO has been active for several years.

The parents and teachers became involved with the project so they could upgrade Lincoln School's computer technology. The PTO collected \$4100 from selling Clubs Choice Products. The students sold pizza to family and friends. Then Daily Trust matched that money. The hardest part of the project was collecting the money to buy the computers for the students. The group worked the second week of September through the second week of November 1996. The PTO has completed the computer project. The project was successful, and it turned out the way the group wanted it to.

The PTO hopes that getting the computers will help the students in the future. The development of the students' computer skills will benefit them later on. The entire school will use these computers. The best part of the project has been the kids' enthusiasm as they work on the computers.



Boy Scout Scholarships for Camp

The idea of Boy Scouts was started in 1910 after William D. Boyce got lost in England where it gets very foggy. He met up with a scout who helped him find his way back to his hotel. Mr. Boyce thought that there should be scouts in America to help people. Boy Scouts help boys learn to make better decisions in their homes and in their communities, and we have had Boy Scouts ever since.

Last year Mr. Long, finance director of the Mid-Iowa Council of Boy Scouts, and some other people wanted boys who weren't able to pay the fee for camp, to get a chance to go to camp. Mr. Long asked the George Daily Trust for support to help pay for scholarships so that many boys could go to camp. The George Daily Trust donated \$60 per boy. Each boy still had to pay \$60. Twenty-seven boys from Oskaloosa went to the Boy Scout camps, and out of those twenty-seven boys thirteen of them received scholarships. They said they will keep getting scholarships for the Boy Scouts, and they hope the Daily Trust will help them. The George Daily Trust donated money because they care about kids.

The Boy Scouts learn good leadership skills by taking turns being leaders at camp. They can use their leadership skills in the community too. These leadership skills will stay with the boys forever and help them become better people.

A Leader

Leads people to do the right thing

Earns trust

Always there for you

Died in 1993

Earned oil royalty for our community

Read a lot

by Brandon Ferneau

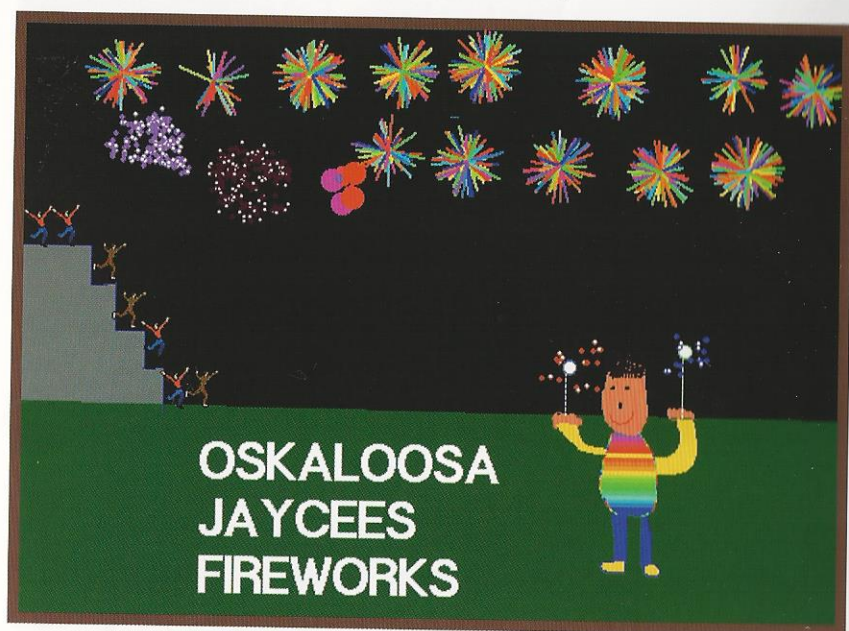


Town Meetings are Important

Would you like to know what goes on at a town meeting? Eleven members of Mahaska Future View Board of Directors and fifteen volunteers held a town meeting for our citizens. It was the third town meeting in five years.

Different segments of the community came together for one purpose: to make the community a better place. The Daily Trust fund donated \$800 toward the project and Mahaska Future View contributed \$1,000.

They joined segments of the community who discussed issues which surfaced at town meetings. The community designated an area in which to concentrate their efforts. They used their past successes to help get support for their March 26, 1998, meeting. Everyone in Oskaloosa and Mahaska County benefits by sharing ideas in these meetings.



Oskaloosa Jaycees

The Oskaloosa Jaycees is a young professional organization. The Jaycees sponsor fun things in the community like rodeos and helping kids buy Christmas presents. People of ages 21 to 39 are the ones who sponsor and work on these activities. Jaycees volunteer because they think it is important to have fun in life.

The Jaycees' project was to buy fireworks for the Fourth of July. Daily Trust donated about \$1000, and the rest of the money came from the community and other local companies. The Jaycees started this project because no other organizations wanted to do it. The group began doing the fireworks in 1990. In 1997 it took about a day to order the fireworks, another day to reserve the fireworks, and another day to set up and get ready. It took 10 to 15 volunteers to work and help set up. This project was very successful.

This project is going to continue for Oskaloosa's enjoyment on the Fourth of July. Citizens will develop leadership skills through volunteering and taking on or leading the project for the community. Now if you want some excitement next Fourth of July, come on down to the Jaycees' fireworks display.

Community

What's in a community?

Lots and lots of unity!

Friendly faces and fun places

People sharing, really caring!

And our leaders are believers,

And, of course, there's you, too!

Katy Ottosson



George Daily

*George Daily was a caring and
sharing kind of man.*

*He liked to play checkers and
chess downtown.*

He filled his house with boxes.

*And there wasn't even
room for a mouse.*

He was unique.

*He was kind, old, and worn,
but he cared.*

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Alpha Smart Pro Word Processors!

English Class Is a Blast
with Word Processors!

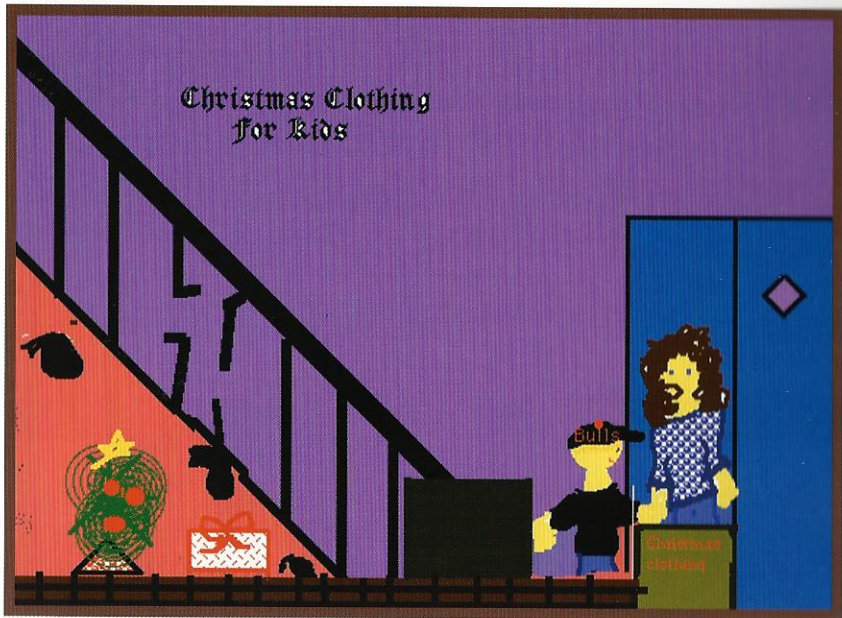


Word Processors Help Students Write

Mrs. Butler is a senior high English teacher who has 20 to 25 students in her class at one time. The students do a lot of writing and were getting tired of it. So Mrs. Butler talked to the librarian and learned about the Alpha Smart Pro Word Processors. Then other English teachers and the principal wondered how to get the money they needed for this project.

The group decided to apply to the George Daily Trust and got \$3,125, but that was only half of the money. Mrs. Butler then contacted local businesses and got about \$4,000. She said that it was fun to go to her mailbox each day for several weeks and find a check from a business. After all of the money was collected; thirty word processors, a printer, and a storage cart were bought. This project was started in the summer of 1997 and was finished in January 1998. Now the kids won't be complaining about writing first drafts. They will have keyboards to use instead of writing with pencil and paper.

The English teachers and the librarian developed leadership skills by working together to earn the money needed for this project. It would benefit the community by helping the students learn to write more and write better. Then maybe some of those students will become leaders in the future.

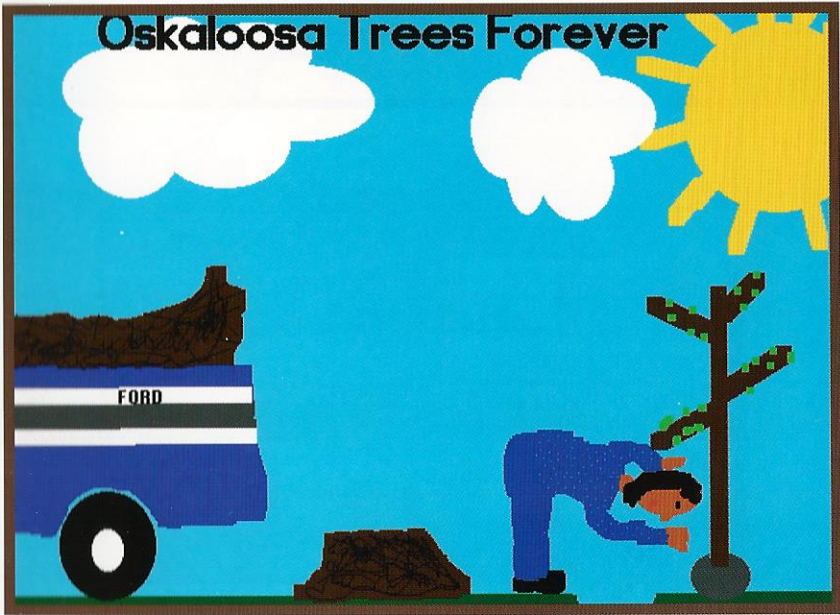


Children Are Freezing!!!!

Do you know anyone in need of clothes? If you do, then you'll be interested in this project. It helps kids who are in need of clothes. Senior high school peer helpers started this project with the help of Mrs. Scottie Moore. This project started about ten years ago in November. It gives children who need clothes a chance to have them.

There were about sixty peer helpers involved in this project. The peer helpers had to get all of the clothes sorted, and they had to get a list of children in need of clothes. They talked with the children who needed the clothes. There were many long tables stacked high with clothes. People were willing to work on this project over and over again.

Mrs. Scottie Moore worked with a lot of the volunteers in this project. The Daily Trust Fund donated \$800 for the clothing. Altogether they raised \$1600 from other donors. Oskaloosa High School staff, student body, Stephen's Cleaners, and the football team were the other groups involved. If any of the clothes needed mending, the kids took the leadership to mend or fix them. The warm clothes gave the children a warm feeling inside.



Oskaloosa Trees Forever

Oskaloosa Trees Forever helps plant and maintain trees in Oskaloosa. Oskaloosa Trees Forever is seven years old. There are 15 members who know and understand the importance of trees in the urban environment. They plant trees twice each year, once in spring and once in fall.

Oskaloosa Trees Forever wanted to start a program to remove some hazardous trees. The group knew that trees get older or diseased and need to be cut down. Also Trees Forever knew how much trouble it was for city crews to go around and clean up every time there was a big storm. Daily Trust provided \$5,275 of the \$9,800 needed. The rest came from city funds. When members got all the money they needed, they hired Pella Tree Service to do the removal because it was too dangerous for volunteers. A week before Thanksgiving they started. They removed 35 trees, and by the week of Christmas they finished. Thanks to Daily Trust this project will go on for along time.

Oskaloosa Trees Forever helps make leaders because the committee members get involved in deciding how they are going to help their town. In the future Oskaloosa Trees Forever will benefit the community by saving time and money for city and utility crews. It will also make Oskaloosa look better. So remember, if you need good tree care, call Oskaloosa Trees Forever.

Helping

How do you help our town?

Even George Daily, who

Looked and smelled bad, helped.
He gave a

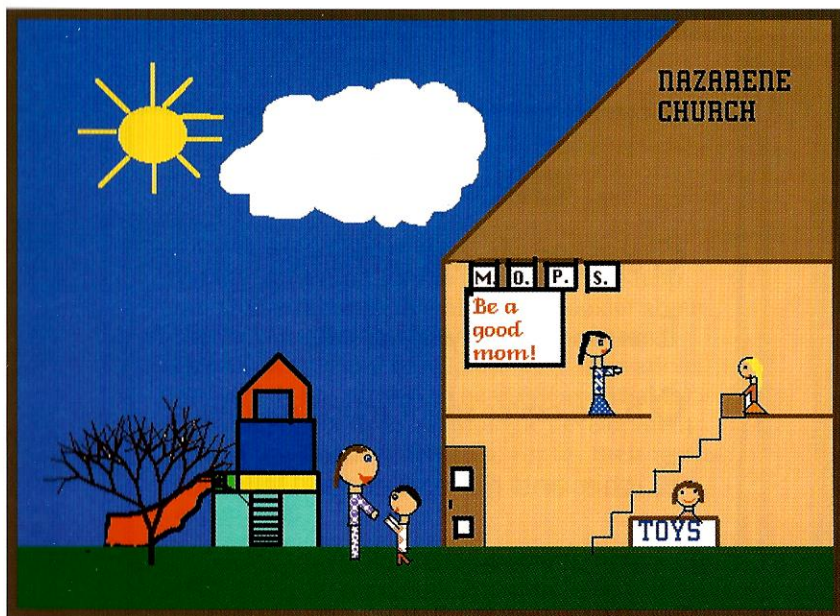
Pretty big amount of money.
So now when you go

Into Oskaloosa you will see things
that were

Needed. They will be there all because of

George Daily's help.

by Karina Ostrem



The M. O. P. S. Project

Hey, moms, time for some fun! If you are a mom who has kids under school age, then M. O. P. S. is for you! M. O. P. S. stands for Mothers of Preschoolers. M. O. P. S. is an organization for moms to get together and have some fun. The organization got started in about 1988.

M. O. P. S. is meeting at the First Church of the Nazarene in Oskaloosa. It meets at 9:15-11:30 the first and third Thursdays of September through May. In M. O. P. S. there are 105 moms and 167 kids who are from fourteen towns and thirty-five churches. The money from the George Daily Trust was used for classroom supplies.

The project benefits the community, but the group who benefits the most is the children. Leadership is developed through organizing the project, helping the mothers develop better parenting skills, and conducting sessions for kids. If you want to know more, you may contact someone at the Nazarene Church at (515) 673-3417.

George Daily

George Daily was his name.

Earning money off of oil.

Oh, he never spent much money.

Richer and richer George Daily got.

George liked to be alone,

Even though he played chess and
checkers in the park.

Day by day he picked up treasures,

And piled them up in his garage.

I think he is a different man.

Liked to play chess and checkers with
other men.

Yes, he was a real good man!

by Laura Williamson

Thank You

We would like to thank the George Daily Family Trust fund for the opportunity to help our students create this historical booklet about the 1997 funded projects. The students interviewed, wrote, and drew pictures of the various projects. It has proven to be very beneficial for our students both in technologic development and in the language arts area. For us, their teachers, it also has been an excellent learning experience.

A big thank you goes to all the project recipients for taking time from their busy day to come to our schools for interviews. We appreciate Chuck Russell, Diane Crookham-Johnson, and Kris Atha for presenting informative programs in our classrooms.

Another big thank you goes to Kris Atha, our graphic artist, and to Musco Lighting. Your help was invaluable!

Our classes appreciate the help of the Whittier and Grant school secretaries, Evelyn Vega and Elaine Shrader. Many other members of the school system were willing to give their time and support in helping with this project. Thanks to all!

Fifth Grade Instructors

Donna DeGroot

Debra Johnson

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George Daily Charitable Trust General Financial Information

1997

Base value as of 1/1/97 \$6,615,449

Funds available for distribution \$1,405,787

Funds required to be distributed 143,144

Total funds distributed in 1997 1,273,971

Number of Projects Funded 24

Number of Requests Received 43

1998

Funds Required to be Distributed 183,146

Optional Funds to be Distributed 504,704

Total Available for distribution in 1998 \$687,850

Daily Trust General Guidelines

A. Affirmative Goals

1. A Seed For Growth
2. Participation of others
3. Matching funds
4. Develop and support Community Leadership

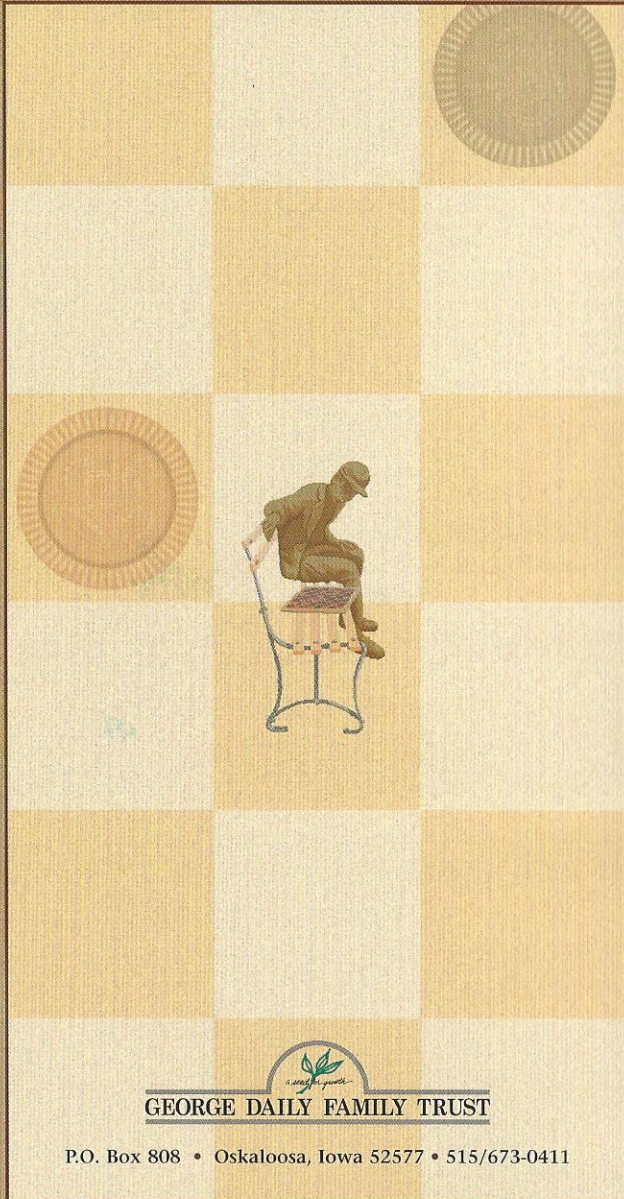
B. Limitations

1. Avoid contributing to projects which should be government funded
2. Avoid becoming a source of operating funds for an organization
3. Avoid support of a specific religious organization

C. Operating Policies

1. Inflationary hedge of base value of Trust
2. Establish a committee of sufficient size to create an advisory board

a seed for growth



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