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And the winner is...

Congratulations to our LiNK birthday lunch winners: **Janice Granner, Daniel Hauser, Janet Hadley and Bill Patten**. Each month two member names are drawn from that month's birthday list. You could be the next lucky winner!

Puzzle Winner! Lois Hollander was the puzzle winner for the January/February newsletter and received a \$20 gift card. Thank you to all who submitted puzzle entries! Be sure to return your completed puzzle in this issue. You may be the next lucky winner of a \$20 gift card.

Locations and Hours

MAIN BANK	MOTORBANK	UNION
Eldora • 641-939-3407	641-939-5561	641-486-5331
1202 Edgington Ave., PO Box 311 Eldora, IA 50627	1414 Edgington Ave. Eldora, IA 50627	415 Center St., PO Box 402 Union, IA 50258
M-F 8:30 am -4:00 pm Saturday 8:30 am-12:00 pm by appointment during COVID-19	M-Th 9:00 am-4:00 pm Friday 9:00 am-5:30 pm Saturday 9:00 am-12:00 pm during COVID-19	M-Th 8:30 am - 3:30 pm Friday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm



According to Natasha...

Throughout 2021, Hardin County Savings Bank is excited to spotlight one local business each month. We know that 2020

was a difficult year for many businesses. It is our hope to encourage our communities and customers to **"Love where you live - shop local, play local, eat local and give local!"** Our first two businesses are in this issue. We hope you enjoy learning about them!

The LiNK Open House is on the calendar, be sure and mark yours! We will have fresh coffee and cupcakes. See details below.

If you are an avid puzzle player for the Link newsletter you will notice the Brain Teaser included the answers. Check out a fun activity on the back you can do with a little one (or big kid!) and have a little fun.

Here's to a fresh 2021 Spring and to making new memories.

HAPPY SPRING friends!

Did you know that you can pay a person with our new BillPay? It is a quick, easy and safe way to transfer funds to a friend or family member. All you need to know is the cell phone number and email address of the person you want to pay - probably already in your contact list! When you add them to your list of payees, you set up a secret code word. Once the receiver gets the email or text, they enter the code word you give them and can proceed to set up their information. After they have done their part, you're ready to send them a payment. This payment method is not meant for large payments but is great for your babysitter, splitting lunch with a friend or giving a gift! I suppose cash is still king if it's in your bank account. But mailing cash or carrying it in your wallet is the king of risk.

Giving Back...

Jeans With a Cause

You may already know we wear jeans on Fridays, but did you know we wear them for a cause? Each month every Hardin County Savings Bank employee donates cash to a project, an organization, or even a person who is in need. The check is at least \$200 each month. Some of the causes we have supported are: Music Boosters, School Nurse funds, Eldora Community Garden, Relay for Life, Dorothy's Sr. Center, Greenbelt Homecare, Area Food Pantries, Union Betterment Association and many more. So the next time you see us in jeans you'll know we're doing more than just being comfortable on a Friday!

Brain Booster

Spring Riddles

- How do bees get to school?
- Why can't you iron a four-leaf clover?
- What kind of stories do bunnies like best?
- Why did the birdie go to the hospital?
- What season is it when you are on a trampoline?
- What is a tornadoes favorite game?
- What do you call a plant that roars?
- What do you call a flower that can't tell the truth?
- A bunny's motto.
- Who tells the best egg jokes?
- What kind of garden does a baker have?
- Why are frogs so happy?
- What is a baby chick's favorite plant?
- What goes up when the rain comes down?
- What do you call a rabbit who likes jokes?
- How do bunnies stay healthy?

Brain Teaser

Spring into the new season with this new eggs-ercise. The answers are planted below - bud there is a catch! Don't keep them all in your own basket, reach out to a little chick, grandchild or neighbor, just somebunny to share these jokes with. Whether it be on the phone, zoom or in person, HOPE these crack you all up!

If you choose to participate include the child's name and the riddle they liked the most. Return to an HCSB location or email to Natasha@HardinCSB.com by Friday, May 7th to be included in the \$20 gift card drawing.

Link Member/Phone: _____

Child's Name _____

Favorite Riddle _____

Answers:

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| a. A funny bunny | h. Don't press your luck |
| b. Stories with Hoppy Endings. | i. On a school buzz |
| c. A dandelion | j. Don't worry, Be happy |
| d. A lilac (lie-lac) | k. They egg-ercise |
| e. Spring-time | l. Egg-plant |
| f. Twister | m. Comedi-Hens |
| g. For a tweet-ment | n. A flour Garden |
| | o. An umbrella |
| | p. They eat whatever bugs them |

Highlights & Happenings...

**LiNK Open House
 Cupcakes & Coffee**

**Thursday, April 29th 9 am-3 pm
 HCSB Eldora and Union Locations**

Come and Go!



Our lobbies are now open to the public and, as of now, we are planning to safely continue our tradition of celebrating with you at The LiNK Open House. We will have fresh coffee and cupcakes for you to grab and go. As we navigate into the new normal we are always open to suggestions from our club members and the open house is the perfect time to hear from you. Drop your name for a chance to win local business gift cards! If you won't be coming into the bank, send your name, via email, to Natasha@HardinCSB.com for a chance to win.



HAPPY SPRING!

Ali Nelson
 Dos Rios Leather Co.
 Ali Nelson Photography
 www.alinelsondesign.com

Ali Nelson lives in New Providence with her husband Alex, who farms, and their two sons McCoy (5) and Ledger (2) and their collie, Jase. They love their community and feel so fortunate to live there. Ali started photography in 2015 after her husband gifted her a "fancy" camera. She began to capture daily life on the farm taking photos of livestock. Just a year later, Ali shot her first wedding and tried her hand at leather making. When her husband was frustrated with a belt, he believed she had the skill to create one that would last. She soon had a new found love for leather work and as she began to experiment with other leather items, people took notice and orders poured in. Ali's *Dos Rios Leather Co.* designs have been shipped all over the country, but she credits locals as the "life-blood" in the success of her business.

Ali has a nursing degree, but has a strong desire to be creative saying "I feel the most myself when I am creating." She loves to work with people and is so thankful for those she meets through photography and leather work. Clients have become friends and she loves getting to know their families. *Ali Nelson Photography* will capture moments for couples, weddings, seniors, families and newborns. Creative, outdoor settings with natural light is her specialty.

Ali started banking at HCSB with her first checking account at age 14! Growing up in Eldora, she knows most of the employees and appreciates their helpfulness and friendliness. Ali

explains "It is always nice to call in (to HCSB), be on a first name basis, and not be just another number." She goes on to say "Local and small businesses have my heart and small town banking is no exception!"

Love Where You Live – Together With Ali Nelson!



South Hardin Recreation Area



Betty Cole and Donna Lawler

The year was 1967 and the goal was \$20,000. With that amount, a group of Union citizens qualified for a \$136,000 FHA loan to develop the South Hardin Recreation Area. Dr. Lloyd Bates was the first board president and was instrumental in starting the fundraiser along with other key members of the community. SHRA opened in July of 1968 with a 9-hole golf course, clubhouse and swimming pool. Several years ago the swimming pool was given to the City of Union.

SHRA is a wonderful asset to Southern Hardin County. The Clubhouse is enjoyed year round. November through March you may find some folks enjoying social activities that include a few hands of cards or fundraising events. April through October the clubhouse and course are open most days pending weather.

Many golfers enjoy the 9-hole golf course, cart rentals are available and the clubhouse can be rented for a variety of events such as birthday parties, receptions, meetings and tournaments. Also on the schedule are golf meets and practices for the BCLUW High School. SHRA is home to the BCLUW Cross Country meet held each fall.

In the winter of 2019 the clubhouse upstairs was completely remodeled, including the bathrooms and kitchen. SHRA currently has 80 memberships, including both family and individuals. You can keep up to date on what is happening at the club via their Facebook page - South Hardin Recreation Area.

Funds for that original insured loan were provided by the Union Whitten Savings Bank which was purchased by the Hardin County Savings Bank. Bank staff have supported the club in many ways, including Donna Lawler who has been the bookkeeper for 15 years. HCSB is happy to support SHRA with donations for projects and manpower when needed.

Love Where You Live – Together With South Hardin Recreation Area!



Working for you...

Audrey De Vilder,
 Renee Dolash & Haley Brown

Customer Service
 Representatives and
 Data Processing



When calling or visiting HCSB to check your balance or make a transfer, you have surely become familiar with Audrey, Haley and Renee. These three ladies spend their days taking care of YOU – our customers! The daily workings of a bank are handled in the data processing department and this trio plays a BIG role in that important process at HCSB. Audrey DeVilder began working at the bank in 2016, Haley Brown started in 2018 and Renee Dolash began in 2019. Helping customers solve problems, with their debit cards, checking accounts, payments, transfers and with online banking, take up a large portion of their day. In addition, they are some of the key employees responding to the new chat feature within online banking. Our technology upgrade provided us the opportunity to add a "conversation" or chat feature as an online banking product. Over the last 6 months, these ladies have helped respond to and resolve over 870 chats. That's a lot of chatting! If you haven't yet registered for online banking or used the new chat feature, we would love to help you. You can register for online banking at HardinCSB.com or call 641.939.3407 to get started.

Better Banking

Let's not mince words...never, ever, ever give your banking information (or any personal identifying information) to anyone who has called you on the phone. No matter how urgent the caller may make it sound, in fact, especially if the caller makes you feel frightened or threatened, don't do it! As bankers, we see it all the time. Usually after a customer gets off the phone and calms down, they realize they have been scammed. If you get such a call, hang up! Call a family member or your trusted banker to discuss the call. We're familiar with most scams and will let you know if what you've experienced was someone trying to scam you!

Dates to remember...

March 8
 International Women's Day



March 14
 Happy St. Patrick's Day



April 4
 Happy Easter!



April 15
 Have you filed your Taxes?



April 29
 LiNK Open House

