

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER



Back to School



The excitement of the new school year is in full-swing at the Ellendale Public Schools. Now that our children are back in class, please be sure to keep an eye out for school buses and kids traveling to and from school.

A word from Superintendent Fastnacht: "We are looking forward to an outstanding and busy year at EPS. This year will be filled, not only with outstanding educational opportunities, but piles of dust as we begin the building and remodeling project. We anticipate getting started in

early fall with ground work on the new PE facility, with work on the elementary renovations to begin in May of 2011. These activities will prove a challenge but also excitement as we see these improvements completed.

I would like to also welcome a couple new faculty members: Miss Nicole Nelson, HS English & Mrs. Allison Radermacher, Librarian. They will be wonderful additions to our teaching faculty. "

Have a great year!



Ellendale Civic Association

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UPCOMING EVENTS

<i>'Woman Song' in</i>	<i>Sept. 10-12</i>
<i>TBC Work Day</i>	<i>Sept.</i>
<i>General Civic Association</i>	<i>Sept. 14th at noon</i>
<i>AppleFest</i>	<i>Sept. 25th 26th</i>
<i>Civic Board Meeting</i>	<i>Sept. 29th Noon</i>

APPLEFEST!

This year's AppleFest celebration looks to be the best one yet! Plans are in the works for loads of entertainment for the entire family.

Don't forget to set aside the 25th and 26th for AppleFest fun.

See Page 2 for a complete listing of events and times.

"COME FLY WITH US!"





APPLEFEST 2010

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



SATURDAY

SEPTEMBER 25TH

MAIN STREET EVENTS

- 8:00a.m. – Road Race sponsored by Avera Clinic : meet at the clinic
- 8:30a.m.— Coffee and Donuts with the Candidates.
- 9:00a.m. – Meet the Candidates: Come visit with local candidates for the November elections
- 9:00a.m.-3:00p.m.—Book Sale at Harvest Gardens
- 9:45a.m.— Kiddie Parade—Meet by Mertz Lumber
- 10:00a.m.— Main Street Parade; Line up by Mertz Lumber (see Lori for sign up sheet)
- 10:30a.m.— Little Miss and Mr. Ellendale Contest
- 10:30a.m.—4:00p.m.— Quilt Show at the O.P.E.R.A.
- 10:30a.m.—set up of food vendor, craft and product booths
- 11:00a.m. and 11:30a.m.— Pie Auction and Pie Eating Contest
- 12:00p.m-4:00p.m.— Inflation Games provided by

River Rentals; sponsored by Trinity Bible College

- 12:00p.m.— Bingo; sponsored by the Civic Assoc.
- 1:00p.m— Pet Show; sponsored by Brenda's Grooming and Boarding
- 1:00p.m.—Cake/Book walk, for Children's Theater
- 2:00p.m.— Kid's Pedal Pull

AIRPORT EVENTS

- 4:00p.m.— Air Show at the airport— some seating will be provided, however you are encouraged to bring your own lawn chairs.

Air Show Events Include:

- Fly over/show by vintage airplanes
- Parachutist show
- Model (gas powered) Airplane demonstrations
- Hot Air balloon?

Following the Air Show:

- 5:30p.m.—Brat and Hamburger supper provided by Civic Assoc. in the airport hanger
- James Jenkins Band will provide music

SATURDAY NIGHT EVENTS

- 7:30p.m.— Play at the OPERA; “The Wild Flowering of Chastity”
- 9:00p.m.— Country Club Year End Party at the Country Club

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Craft, Product and Food Vendors
- Johnny Appleseed Contest
- Business and Home decorating contest.

SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 26TH

FAIRGROUNDS

- 11:00a.m.—Vendor set-up at the Fairgrounds
- 2:00p.m.— Truck Pull

OTHER EVENTS

- 11:00a.m.— St. Helena's Catholic Church annual Fall Dinner—at the Church
- 12:00p.m.-4:00p.m.— Quilt Show at the OPERA
- 7:30p.m.— Play at the OPERA “The Wild Flowering of Chastity”

New AppleFest Event: 'Meet the Candidates'

New this year, AppleFest attendees will be able to meet and visit with a number of State and local candidates for the upcoming November elections.

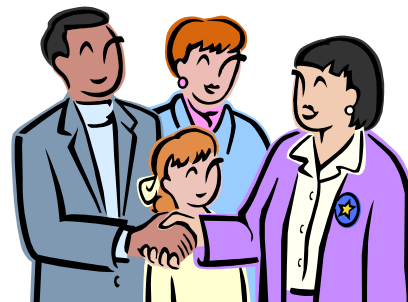
On Saturday morning, September 25th, at 8:30a.m., coffee and donuts will be provided during an informal meet-and-greet with the candidates on Main Street. Come visit, have a donut, and take

the opportunity to ask them questions and to get to know them one-on-one.

Following, at 9:00a.m., the candidates who are able to attend will be given an opportunity to give a brief speech/talk regarding their candidacy and platforms.

This will be a unique opportunity to visit with and get to know the candidates face-

to-face. Please join us and meet the people who'll be wanting your votes on November 2nd.



TBC Alumni Donates Time and Fun!

The AppleFest committee was excited to learn that the inflatable games would be provided free-of-charge this year by a Trinity Bible College Alumni.

Joe Van Est graduated from TBC in 1992. He owns River

Rentals and has volunteered his time and resources to bring his inflatable games to AppleFest this year. River Rentals will be bringing a variety of inflatable games, including some for older kids and adults, and we're anticipating that a great time will be had by all!

The Civic Association plans to return the proceeds from ticket sales for the games to River Rentals, to help defray their costs. Tickets will again be \$5.00 for an individual or \$20.00 maximum for a family; wristbands are good for all of Saturday afternoon.

AppleFest Business and Home Decorating Contest

The Civic Association is once again sponsoring the 2010 AppleFest Business and Home Decorating Competition. Any local business or citizen can take part in the contest.

This year's theme: "Come Fly With Us" should result in many fun "flying" decorating ideas. Participants may also use the traditional apple

theme if they choose. Categories include: 'Business Decorating', 'Best Annual Theme' and 'Best Apple Theme.'

Winners names will be engraved on the Applefest plaques on display at the Civic Association office. The Business winner will also receive a traveling plaque to display for a year. The home winner will receive an apple tree, donated

by Harvest Gardens.

If you would like to participate, contact Lori for a sign-up form at: 349-4103 or at ellendalecivic@drtel.net, or stop by the Civic Office at 58 1st Ave. S. (The Diemert building).

*Let's
decorate!*



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One day I stopped to think about growing apples. I was munching a delicious, juicy apple and took a big bite. As a result, I felt an apple seed on my tongue. I spat it into my hand, with the intention of throwing it away. Instead, I looked at the apple seed—really looked. It was a very dark brown, almost black. Its shape reminded me of a candle flame—a little, dark brown candle flame....

I realized that I was holding an apple tree in the palm of my hand. A tiny seed with the potential to become a beautiful tree—a tree that could produce thousands of apples in its lifetime. Thousands of apples, each containing several seeds, each capable of growing a new tree which could again produce thousands of apples. Why, then, was the world not filled with apple trees?

It's a rule of nature that

only a few of these seeds grow. Most never do or are destroyed early on in their growth.

It came to my mind that it's quite often the same with people's dreams. Wonderful ideas come to our minds but they die too soon—we don't tend to the little saplings, we don't protect them as we should. Then, one day, we wonder what happened to our dreams—why did they never come true?

I put the apple seed on the table and bent to see the light reflected from this tiny wonder of nature. I wondered how many times an apple grower had to try to get a seed to germinate? How much work did it require?

Maybe it was much the same as our dreams. The seeds of your dreams don't automatically grow. It can take time and multiple attempts; like a hundred job appli-

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Growing Apples

cations before you get that great job. You might send a manuscript out two hundreds times before it's accepted. You might meet dozens of people before you find a true friend.

Even so, if you keep sowing the seeds of your dreams sooner or later you will succeed. Afterward, others might comment on how lucky you are to have been successful when, in fact, you probably failed more often than you want to remember. But you were good at failing—you learned, you adapted, and then with your new knowledge you tried again. And again. And again. Finally, one day, success was yours.

I picked up the apple seed once more but, instead of throwing it away, I took an empty flower pot, poured some potting soil into it and planted the tiny, flame shaped miracle. Maybe, with a little love, one day it would grow into a proud tree. I'd never know if I didn't try.