

Arthur Through My Eyes

I would like to take a trip down Rt. 133 this week to highlight a business that has been in the area since 1956...Kuhns

Equipment...beginning its 67th year of serving Arthur farmers and the surrounding communities. I well remember, growing

up as a farmer's daughter, my Dad talking about and going to Kuhns. They have been a constant in my family for nearly as many years as they've been open. And I know it's a business that others have relied on for years.

Howard Kuhns is the president of the family-owned company, and I had the privilege of sitting down with his son-in-law Dan Kreider to learn more. Dan previously worked at Kuhns from 2017-2019, until he left for a time to open his own business in Arcola - Broomtown Cafe. It is running successfully, so he came back to Kuhns this past September as its after sales manager. He was kind enough to talk with me about how that transition is going.

Dan said that the most challenging part has been the 3 year gap that was created when he left to start his own business, as the relationships he had worked so hard to build, he is now having to reset and start over, which he realizes takes time. Being in a connected and conservative community, he respects the patience it requires to develop the trust needed to do business well together. I was impressed by his perspective on his position and know that such an attitude will be both appreciated and blessed. I asked Dan what makes building relationships easy in Arthur and he said because it's such a tight community and people are generally real and genuine. "It's pretty easy to see people's authentic self. Not a lot of facade and mask wearing. Something about being

connected with the land makes genuine people." When I asked him what he appreciated most about Arthur, he mentioned that it's just neighborly, a good and wholesome community.

He was kind enough to call Paul Kuhns (who has been a salesman there for nearly 10 years) to come in to talk with me. As I sat waiting in the office, I observed plaques on the wall from AGCO "For superior performance and outstanding achievement". I thought that was noteworthy. And then Paul shared that Kuhns serves a large primary area of responsibility, as they cover a radius of 80-100 miles and that business has been very strong even with machine availability and supply chain challenges. Right now, the tractor and combine brand Fendt is a big deal. Arthur is fortunate to have such a successful, long term business in town for area farmers. Paul commented, "we live in a great community and serve a great community." When asked what he appreciates most about Arthur, he simply said, "Whatever you need is here."

In 100% Agreement,
Trudy Feyereisen



Howard and Edith Kuhns

Kuhns to celebrate 50th anniversary

On the third day of the third month of 1973 Howard Kuhns was united in marriage to Edith Miller in Kalona, IA.

In the years since then, God has blessed their union with 8 children and 17 grandchildren.

To celebrate the upcoming 50th anniversary of their

marriage, acquaintances are invited to an Open House at Pleasant View School on Sunday afternoon February 26 between 2:00 and 5:00.

If you would rather bless them with a card, their address is 205 Surrey Lane, Arthur, IL 61911.

Real Faith For Real Life

From Pastors of the Arthur Ministerial Association

Love is a Verb

If there was a "word of the month" for February, it would be LOVE. Love is an emotion felt for family and friends. We also love our favorite food, book, and vacation spot. But, love is also a verb - the part of speech which describes action or state of being. This February I encourage you to make love an action verb by showing love to others.

God gave us an example of this active love. The beloved verse found in John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only son..." God took action to show His love - He gave. He gave up Jesus so that we could have eternal life by believing in Him. Romans 5:8 tells us that God demonstrated His love for us by sending Jesus to die for us. God demonstrated love; He showed us that loving requires doing. While no act of love we perform will ever measure up to what God has done for us, we can show God's love to others in small ways which can make their days better.

This February, I challenge you to be intentional in showing love and kindness to your

family, your friends, your co-workers and church family, and even to strangers. Here are some ideas to get you started:

- Send Valentine cards to nursing home residents and shut-ins.
- Phone or send a card to someone who has been sick or has lost a family member.
- Express appreciation to the people in your life.
- Make food and share with your neighbors or coworkers.
- Help an elderly neighbor with difficult tasks.
- Smile!!
- Offer to run errands for someone who is sick.
- Thank the clerks at the stores where you shop.
- Pay for the meal of the person behind you in the drive-through line.

Acts of love and kindness do not have to be huge gestures. Small acts can brighten someone's day and that brightness will radiate to others. This February, take action and spread some love!!

Nancy Kuhns, Minister of Community Life
Arthur Mennonite Church



Church Directory

ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE

ARCOLA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - USA, 311 E. Jefferson, Arcola. Church School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m. Phone 268-3212

ARCOLA FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE - Rev. Ivan Jess 268-4769, 276-3020; Sam Miller, SS Supt. 202-6094. Sunday School, 9:30am Morning Worship, 10:30am; (Sign Language Interpreter) Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm; Wednesday evening Bible Study 6:00pm; Missionary Meeting second Wednesday night of each month.

ARTHUR MENNONITE CHURCH - 710 E. Park St., Arthur. Worship begins at 10:30 am each Sunday. Christian Education classes for all ages begin at 9:30 am. All are welcome, come and join us! Call 543-2781 for more information. Ministry Team: Glen Rhodes, Minister of Discipling & Administration; Jeff Marnier, Minister of Worship and Youth; Emily Kauffman, Minister of Outreach; Nancy Kuhns, Minister of Community Life. Website: arthurmennonite.org Email: arthurmennonite@gmail.com

ARTHUR SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH - 530 N. Vine St., Arthur. Pastor: Doug Davis, Worship 10:00am; Children's Church every Sunday morning at 9:30am, Nursery provided. Sunday Evening Worship 6:00pm, Wednesday: Service 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited. 543-2672.

ATWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH - 229 S. Main, Atwood. Pastor Don Gerkin. Phone 578-2880. Sunday School 9am; Church, 10am; Bible Study 6:30pm

BOURBON BAPTIST CHURCH - David Babb, Pastor, Sunday Worship, 9:30am; Sunday School 10:45am; bourbon.baptistchurch@yahoo.com

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH - Missouri Synod. 1 mile south of Sullivan on Highway 32. Glenn Strohschein, Pastor. Sunday Morning Service 10:00am; Sunday School 9:00am; Saturday services 5:00pm. Online services: www.worshipanew.com

FIRST APOSTOLIC CHURCH - 320 Surrey Lane, Arthur, Timothy Froese, Pastor. Sunday School 10am; Sunday Worship & The Word 11:15am; Wednesday Night Bible Study 7pm. Website: www.facarthur.org

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (ABCUSA) - 120 E. Park, Arthur. John Stewart Pastor; Sunday School 9am, Worship 10am; American Baptist Women's Ministries meets 2nd Mon. 7pm; Prayer chain, 543-2296. For other activities and information, call church 543-2592 or Internet at www.firstbaptistarthur.com

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - 231 N. Illinois, Atwood, 578-2555. Woody White, Pastor. Sunday School 9am; Morning worship 10am; Youth 5:00pm; Discipleship Class 6pm; Woman's Bible Study Tues. 9am; IGNITE Children's Ministry Weds. 6:30-8pm. Child care provided at all services. Website www.firstbaptistatwood.org

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH - 300 Northline Rd., Tuscola, 253-2084, Sunday School 9:30am; Morning Worship 10:30am; Evening service 6pm; Wednesday Evening 6:30pm. A Ministry for Everyone: Sunday School for all ages, King's Kids, Teen Dept. Homebuilders & more! www.faithtuscola.org

LOVINGTON FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH - Corner of County (Route 32) and Church Streets. Worship 9:30am; Children's Church 4 yrs.-1st grade 10:15am; Sunday School 10:45am for all ages; Wednesday night Bible Study, 6:00pm. Craig Swinford, Pastor.

LOVINGTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 241 S. Broadway, Lovington Sunday School 9:15am; Worship 10:30am Larry Bricker, Minister.

FAITH FAMILY FELLOWSHIP - 228 N. Broadway St., Lovington. 873-8791. "Real Faith, Real Life". Sunday Service 10am. www.lovingtonfaith.org

EAGLE MOUNTAIN - Assembly of God. Pastor Darin Elder, 253-4444, 401 E. Sale St., Tuscola. Sunday Services, 10am and 6:30pm and Wednesday Evening Service 6:30pm Nursery and children's ministries provided during all services.

SUNNYSIDE MENNONITE CHURCH - Larry Rocke, Senior Pastor, Luke Goss, Assistant Pastor. Sunday School 9:30am; Services 10:30am

COWBOY CHURCH - Penn Station, 122 E. Progress, Arthur. 217-273-4202. Services 10:00 a.m. Sunday mornings. Darrell Helmuth, Minister. Everyone welcome.

JONATHAN CREEK CHRISTIAN CHURCH - "Forward in Christ, United in Love, Come as You Are". 1425 Jonathan Creek Rd, Sullivan, 728-4369.

Website: jrcreek.org. Email: jonathancreekchurch@yahoo.com. Pastor Tim Henderson. **Sunday Worship:** 8:00am Traditional Service, 10:00am Contemporary Service; 10:00am FROG (Fully Rely on God) Super Kids Church (for children 4-12); 6:00pm Believers Meeting (Contemporary Service.) **Corporate Prayer:** Tuesdays at 6:30pm. **Family Night:** Wednesday Evenings @ 6:30-8 pm Summer Schedule: 5/15, 5/22, 5/29, 6/5, 7/3, 8/7. Will start back weekly in September. Lite meal at 6:30-7pm then break up into classes til 8pm. **Bus Service Available** Call 521-9576 for bus info. Jonathan Creek Christian Church a Regional Life Transformation Center, LovingPeople to Life; Everyone Welcome.

NORTH VINE MENNONITE CHURCH - 312 N. Vine, Arthur, Brian Petersheim, Sr. Pastor; Mike Helmuth, Asst. Pastor. Sunday School for all ages 9:30am; Message 10:30am; Sunday evening services 6pm. No services on last Sunday night of every month. All are welcome.

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH - Washington & Pine Streets, Arcola, 268-3766. Rev. Angel Sierra, Pastor. Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.; Weekday Mass Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Confessions Wednesday 6:15 p.m. or by appointment. Affirmations Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Email: johnbaptist@consolidated.net

LIFEPOINTE CHURCH - 700 E. Main, Arcola. Nondenomination/Spirit-Filled Church. Ph. 217-268-4586. Rev. Gephard and Judy Warman. Sunday Worship Service: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Pastor Rogelio Gutierrez - Spanish Church. Sunday Worship Service: 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. Friday Service: 7:00 p.m.

ARTHUR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 128 E. Illinois, Arthur. Pastor Jill Bunker. Worship 8am & 10am; Sunday School 9am Nursery for Sunday School and 10am Service. www.arthurunitedmethodist.org

VINE STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH - 249 S. Vine, Arthur. Pastor Bob Silvanik. Sunday School 9am; Worship 10am. Christian Women's Fellowship meets first Wednesday each month 1:30pm, September-June. Nursery and air conditioning.

ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST - P.O. Box 252, Arthur. 2 1/2 miles south of Garrett. Church Worship 9:00am.; Sunday School, 10:15 a.m

LOVINGTON FIRST CHURCH OF GOD (ANDERSON) - 301 W. State St. Lovington, IL 61937. Pastor Rodney Houser. Phone 873-4749 9am Sunday School, 10am Morning Worship, Wednesday 7pm Midweek Services, adult and childrens ministries.

PRAIRIE VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH - 2423 CR 500 E, Lake City, IL 61937. Phone 677-2464. Nursery available for all services. Sunday School for K4-Adults 9:30 a.m. Worship and Children's Church 10:30 a.m. Sunday evening services 6:30 p.m. Wednesday night Bible Study 7 p.m. with Flyer's Club (K4-1st Grade), King's Kids (2nd-6th Grade) and Teens (7th-12th Grade) every Wednesday (Sept.-May). Email: info@prairieviewbaptistchurch.com Website: www.prairieviewbaptist.com

LOVINGTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - 360 W. Springfield Rd. Sunday School 9:30am, Morning Worship 10:30am, Evening Service 6pm, Wednesday Mid-Week Prayer & Bible Study, 7:00pm Church phone: 873-5116. www.fblovington.org

NEW LIFE CHURCH - R.R. 1, Sullivan, IL 61951 (3 1/2 miles east of Sullivan on the Cadwell Rd.) Ph. 728-4200 Dave & Debra Dolan, Pastors; Liz Dolan, Minister of Music; Debra Dolan, Secretary. Sunday Worship 9am. Wednesday Worship Service (for all ages), 7pm. Website www.newlifesullivan.org

CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP - 212 E. Third Street, Arthur. Sunday Worship services 10am, Sunday evening worship service 6:30 pm. Everyone warmly invited to join us for worship.

UNITED CHURCH OF ATWOOD - 210 N. Main St., P.O. Box 379 • Atwood, IL 61913 • 578-2832. Mike Drake, Pastor. Non-Denominational Christian Church. Service: 10:00am. Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am-Noon

Sullivan Dance Studio hosting Tiaras & Ties

Sullivan Dance Studio is hosting "Tiaras & Ties" on Saturday, February 18 from 5:00-7:30 p.m. at Building 1225. This is an event recommended for princesses age 3 & up accompanied by their special guy. A new VIP Experience has

been added this year with appetizers, catered dinner, princess tiara, VIP dessert, early entry seating and more.

The VIP experience doors open at 4:45 p.m. and general admission doors open at 5:45. Dancing, photographer, craft, refreshments and the play-

ground are part of this event. Funds raised help benefit the Sullivan Dance Studio Competition Team Booster Club. Register online at www.sullivan5678.com/tiaras-ties. Contact the dance studio for more information and questions—217-728-9111.

Town Talk

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won although I do like Patrick Mahomes although I can't really tell you why. Just seems like a nice guy. From some comments I saw it didn't seem that

the halftime show was all that popular but frankly I thought it was a lot better than most. Could actually understand her most of the time and the dancing was pretty spectacular.

And that's -30- for a Happy Birthday to sister Sally on the 21st!



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Arthur History Fact #37

Organizations

Arthur has always had a rich history of civic clubs and organizations.

- 1883** – The Arthur Independent Order of Odd Fellows (I.O.O.F.) Lodge No. 742 was started.
- 1893** – The Arthur Lodge No. 825 of Ancient and Accepted Masons was chartered.
- 1899** – The Arthur chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star held its first meeting.
- 1908** – The Arthur Women's Club was formed.
- 1921** – The Arthur Parent-Teachers Association was organized.
- 1934** – The Arthur Evening Women's Club was formed.
- 1951** – The Arthur Rotary Club was organized.

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