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## ATTENDANCE

Members attending the April 19 meeting were: **ALEXANDER, B & L BAUER, D & J HARTMANN, HORRAS, HOYLE, LUKINS, MARTIN, MILLS, PATTERSON** and **WOLF**. Guests were: Aliza Hoyle, Emma Martin, Amber Talbot and Ann Valentine..

### NEWS, NEWS, NEWS

- Tuesday's meeting will be held at the **Kalona YMCA**. We will meet at 6 pm and enjoy a Mennonite meal and then be entertained by Michael Lynch, clock restorer. Write your check for \$17 per person to Y's Men.
- On a motion by **Sheila**, seconded by **Bones** the club voted to donate \$1,000 to the **Lake Darling Youth Center** thru the John Deere Classic Golf Tournament. Our camp cleanup will be held on Saturday, May 7 beginning at 9 am. Please try to attend, even if only for a short time to help clean the cabins. Bring a shop vac if you have one. Lunch will be provided. There is a job for everyone!
- Thanks to everyone who signed up to help at the **Car Shows**. The first one will be May 14. Please plan to arrive around 3:00 to help set up. Show starts at 4. Bring a lawn chair to enjoy the day!
- We will be planning a day to power wash the **Fair Food Booth** and then paint the outside. We may need to get a new coat of paint on the inside, too. Grab your paint brush and be ready for the call!

### Y'S MEN NEWS

Ulrik Lauridsen from Denmark has been elected International President Elect for 2022/23. He will take office as International President on July 1, 2023.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

May 2 — Baseball Season Begins  
May 3 — **BAUER—Kalona Y**  
May 7 — Lake Darling Cleanup 9 am  
May 14 — Car Show 4:00 pm  
May 17 — **HARTMANN**  
County Fair — July 16-22

## MEETING NEWS

**Lori** introduced Amber Talbot and Ann Valentine from the **PAWS and More Animal Shelter**. Their Mission Statement is "Our humane, adoption-guarantee shelter stands for **Providing Animals With Shelter**, treatment, and so much more. They are the animal control for Washington County and help with stray animals in all the communities. They provide euthanasia only when medically or behaviorally necessary. The support they receive from all the communities is great. 30% of their budget is from community governments. They are a tax exempt 501(c)3 organization. PAWS & More help other area shelters by accepting pets that have been unable to be adopted. They also send some animals to IC pet stores to get more visibility. Social media and their website get the word out on the animals that they have available. They manage the local Dog Park and involve youth and seniors to socialize the animals. One way they help the community is by making sure there is pet food at HACAP Food Pantry for those in need. The shelter not only has dogs and cats but also have rabbits, birds, guinea pigs. Feral cats are caught, spay/neutered and then released back in the area they came from to help with rodent control. They provide microchipping (\$35), and spay/neuter (\$35 cat, \$80 dog). Last year, they added a "Catio" - a 4 seasons room for cats to enjoy. This room can be rented to host birthday parties with cats to entertain. One of ways they help kids interaction with animals is to teach them how to approach animals to reduce animal bites. Please take time to go and visit the shelter and see how well they care for the animals. 1,000+ animals go thru the shelter in a year! Please consider donating to the shelter by adding \$1 or more to your monthly water bill. Let's help make a difference!

### OTHER NEWS

- **Baseball Concession Stands** begin next week. We could use help on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Call Diana to sign up (461-4676). Many other dates are available. We will have the sign up at the Kalona meeting. **Please volunteer!**

### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"I love the Lord because he hears my prayers and answers them. Because he bends down and listens, I will pray as long as I breathe!"

Psalms 116:1-2