

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Galva is "home" to more than 35 employers in and around town. Some of our Main Street businesses include, but are not limited to:

Addicted Salon by Mandy Kluver	712-490-7780
Agnew-Soseman Insurance.....	712-282-4757
Air Liquide Industrial US	712-282-4749
American National Bank	712-282-4439
Computer Medics of NW Iowa	800-853-9220
Else Seeds	712-368-2308
Four All Seasons, LLC	712-368-4311
G & C's Full Service Station	712-282-4449
Galva Community Insurance	712-282-4211
Galva Holstein Ag, LLC	712-282-4218
Galva Holstein Middle School	712-282-4213
Galva Public Library	712-282-4400
Galva United Methodist Church	712-282-4361
Goettsch Trucking & Seed	712-282-4232
Heritage Bank, NA	800-245-4108
Hoops Trucking	712-282-4273
Kluver Transport, Inc.	712-282-4337
Larson Insurance	712-282-4320
Lone Star Welding Service	712-282-4422
Lumber Inn	712-282-4443
Main Street Styles	712-282-4376
Maple River Energy, LLC	712-282-4685
Midwest Seed Genetics	712-282-4290
Niemeier Construction	712-282-4452
Quad County Corn Processors	712-282-4628
R & J Roofing	712-282-4295
Rod's Fertilizer & Sales	712-282-4668
Rural Waves Internet Service	712-210-0356
St. John's Lutheran Church	712-282-4700
Schaffer Tax & Accounting Service	712-282-4284
Silver Creek United Methodist Church	712-282-4703
Simonsen Seeds	712-282-4472
Tax Solutions	712-282-4708
TH3 Restaurant & Lounge	712-282-4770
Vogt Brothers Plumbing	712-282-4787
Warren's Service, Inc.	712-282-4259
Zig's Automotive	712-282-4301



Alan Bennett, President
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GREAT NEIGHBOR AWARD!



This month we salute **Jerry Rice** and the **City of Galva** for putting up Galva's street banners at Christmas time!

These decorative and colorful banners are a great way to welcome families and friends home to Galva for the holidays!

Thanks for taking care of our town Jerry – we appreciate your ongoing contributions in the winter and all year long!

ENTREPRENEUR WORKSHOP

Ida County Economic Development and the University of Northern Iowa will be co-hosting a seminar for community leaders, elected officials, service providers, and other persons interested in fostering entrepreneurship within our local communities.

Join GEDC at the **Holstein Country Club** on **Friday, February 19th** from **10:00 am to 2:30 pm** to learn more about entrepreneurship. Participants will take home a wide array of tools and resources to facilitate the development of an entrepreneurship support system.

Instructor and nationally renowned speaker Ms. Maureen Collins-Williams is the Director of the University's Regional Business Center and facilitator of MyEntre.Net. Maureen is a fantastic, motivational speaker who is passionate about the ongoing importance of small businesses and what they provide to rural communities.

There is no charge to attend the luncheon seminar but pre-registration is required by contacting Rita Frahm at 371-9438. Area high school students are encouraged to attend! Call today!

Randy Hustedt of Galva represents GEDC on the Ida County Economic Development board.



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FIRST IMPRESSIONS DO MATTER!

When turning off Highway 20, one of the first things that drivers notice is the GALVA sign on the west side of M25 or Market Avenue. For years, this simple, yet essential wood structure served our community well. Over the years, however, it has become tattered by Iowa's harsh weather conditions, and the sign needs a new look and a modern facelift.

The first step in the journey is deciding what a new solar powered illuminated sign would cost. GEDC wants to create a sign that reflects Galva's rich history, love for the land, great people, and strong business infrastructure. Our goal is to beautify the south entrance for visitors and friends which will appeal to home buyers (and builders) and attract businesses in search of industrial sites. Phase II of the vision includes scaled-back versions of this main sign at the east, west and north entrances to town.

The picture here is a first version of a possible sign that will be adapted in the coming weeks. GEDC members are applying for grants and seeking private donations to assist with sign construction this summer. If you would like to help financially, please let us know. Thank you!



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Calendar of Events

Jan 31	Spaghetti Supper
Feb 8	Library Bookworm Bunch Story Hour
Feb 13	Library Bake Sale
Feb 19	Entrepreneur Workshop
Mar 26	Fireman's Annual Fish Fry
Apr 3	Easter Egg Hunt
May 23	High School Graduation

Supper's Ready!



Chilly January nights call for warm suppers and having family and friends around! GEDC members cordially invite you to attend our 3rd annual **All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Supper** on **Sunday, January 31st**. Join us at the Galva Middle School for spaghetti, meatballs, salad and all the fixings from **4:00 pm to 6:00 pm**. A free will donation will be taken for the supper ... and ALL are welcome!

Area businesses will be donating gift baskets of all shapes and sizes which will be put on a silent auction. Shortly before 6:00 pm, we will close the bid process, and gift baskets will be given to the highest bidders. Proceeds from the auction will be put toward GEDC projects in 2010. If you would like to donate a gift basket, please contact Anne Johnson at 282-4730 or email her at ajohnson@GalvaHolsteinAg.com.

In addition to a friendly game of **BINGO**, a **free throw contest** will be organized in the gym for individuals of all ages. Brackets might look like this: Elementary, Middle School, High School, College, Real World (working for a living), and Polished (anyone over the age of 65). Price is right at ten free throw shots for only a dollar. Prizes will be awarded at 6:00 pm, so start practicing your NBA shots today! We look forward to seeing you on the 31st!



BUSINESS ‘SPOTLIGHT’



Have you ever heard the old saying ... “They don’t make ‘em like they use to?”

Thank goodness *they* are wrong, because the members of the Galva Fire Department and First Responders keep improving with the times!

In addition to their full-time day jobs, these dedicated volunteers perform a multitude of tasks that keep us safe. They install smoke alarms in homes, attend training classes, maintain the trucks and equipment, and they respond to emergency calls 365 days a year. Much like the US Postal Service, they show up rain, snow, sleet or hail!

Number of Firemen: 24
Number of Fire Calls in 2009: 12
Number of First Responders: 9
Number of Calls in 2009: 16

Truck Fleet:
 Pumpers 2
 Tanker 1
 Bus 1
 Ambulance 1
Emergency Number: 911
Non-Emergency Number: 282-4409
Monthly meeting nights:
 Firemen - 2nd Thursday
 First Responders - 3rd Monday

Training: First Responders are required to complete 14 hours of medical training every 2 years.

Annual fish fry date: Friday, March 26, 2010

2010 Projects: raffling off a Harley Davidson motor cycle to purchase new air packs and a Quick Attack Truck.

The next time you see one of these men or women, remember to say thanks for a job well done!

Galva Fire Department Members:

Duane Babcock (Treasurer), Josh Beeck, Kyle Bennett (State Fire Reporter), Dale Bruns (Secretary), Dale Davenport, Gaylen Freese (Fire Marshall), Pat Friedmann, Rich Gill, Andy Goettsch (Fire Foreman), Henry Harder, Drew Kistenmacher, Gary Koivisto, Ken Langel, Justin Nystrom, Craig Peterson (Training Officer), Luke Schossow, Todd Schossow (Training Officer), David Thorborg (Training Officer), Mark Vogt (Chief), Randy Vogt (Asst. Chief), Travis Vogt, Mike Vondrak (President), Casey Woods and Barry Young.

Galva First Responders:

Duane Babcock, Anita Brandt (Secretary-Treasurer), Karla Koivisto (President), Ken Langel (Quality Control), Ruth Langel, Craig Peterson, Beth Schossow, Crystal Woods, and Julie Yearous.



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PUT ONE FOOT IN FRONT OF THE OTHER!

You may have heard it before, but it is always worth repeating — staying healthy means staying active. Regular exercise has been proven to lower your risk of heart attacks, strokes and cancer. Research shows it will help you live longer. Walking is a great source of exercise, and running is a close second as far as free activities that can keep you in living in Galva longer.

Dust off your sneakers in the spring and take a stroll to Grandma’s house or the Middle School on Galva’s newest walking trail between the softball diamond and the tennis courts.

The first half of the trail (~275 feet) was completed last fall thanks to your private donations and Ida County Community Betterment Foundation grant proceeds. We expect to complete the second half of the trail to Buena Vista Street (~500 feet) later this summer. Flower beds and park benches are being considered for along the route in the future.

We hope you enjoy walking on the trails that GEDC continues to pave for you!



A BETTER VIEW AT THE SOFTBALL GAME!

In a collaborative effort with the Galva-Holstein School Boosters, GEDC members helped pour a new cement pad for a terrace at the softball diamond concession stand in Galva. Special thanks to Randy Hustedt, Joel Hustedt, Larry Frahm, Mike Vondrak and Kevin Wulf for helping with cement work! Extra tables and chairs will allow for a better view from the game up top while you are getting a snack or analyzing the game.

Come on out this summer and watch the Ridge View Raptors in action at the softball field. Bring your favorite chair and watch the ladies in action!



THE ‘BUZZ’ {PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO SEE}

Searching for something to eat for lunch or just want to meet a friend for cocktails on Saturday night? Check out Galva’s two smoke-free restaurants today for great food and family friendly atmospheres. Bring your friends, too!

The Lumber Inn

Owner: Jackie Yearous
 Address: 113 West 1st Street
 Phone: 282-4443
 Daily: Mon - Fri 8:30 am to close
 Sat 6:00 am to close
 Sun Noon to close
 Daily Specials, Soup in Winter
 Happy Hour (Mon - Fri) from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 Hamburgers, Brats, French Fries and More!



TH3 Restaurant & Lounge

Owner: Kelsey Vogt
 Address: 121 Main Street
 Phone: 282-4770
 Daily: Mon - Fri 6 am to 9 am, 11 am to 1 pm
 Closed Monday Evenings
 Tues - Fri 5 pm to 9 pm kitchen, bar open to close
 Sat 11 am to 1 pm, 5 pm to 9 pm kitchen, bar open to close
 Sun 11 am to 1 pm



Daily Specials, Thursday is Mexican Night, Broasted Chicken, Hamburgers, French Fries and More!

Thanks For Supporting Galva’s Businesses!



TIRED OF BEING COOPED UP?

The Galva Holstein School District has given GEDC permission to open up the Middle School gymnasium on Sunday afternoons from 1:00 to 5:00 pm this winter. Chase away the winter blues by staying active, and promote healthier living this winter by playing basketball, walking, or running. Grab your tennis shoes and ‘have a ball’ from January 1st through April 1st. No charge!

Contact Larry Frahm at 282-4646 if you are interested or have weather-related questions. Babysitting services are not provided, and we would appreciate it if you would keep younger children at home. See you at the Galva gym!

GOT AN EXTRA LOAD OF CORN OR SOYBEANS?

GEDC is a non-profit organization that has been set up to receive donations of grain as a way to raise funds for projects in and around Galva. The process is really simple. When you come in to unload your grain at Galva Holstein Ag, just let their staff know how many bushels you would like to donate to GEDC.

A self-employed farmer is better off donating grain than making a monetary gift to a non-profit organization because it reduces self-employment tax and, in essence, increases income tax savings. Gifts of grain can save farmers as much as 49% of the donation amount. For example, a donation of \$1,000 could save an extra \$490 by giving grain instead of cash.

With your help, GEDC will continue to be able to make a difference in the lives of our children, grandchildren, and future generations to come. If you have any questions regarding giving the gift of grain, please contact:

Mrs. Rita Frahm
 712-282-4646
 ritafrahm@heritageiowa.com



8th grade basketball Coach Chad Hustedt takes a time out to go over a play.

Chad is a 4th grade teacher at the Galva-Holstein CSD, and he lives in Galva.

Welcome Home Chad!



CALLING ALL BOOKWORMS!

The Galva Public Library was privileged to have a return visit from Lisa Laird and Pockets Full of Fun for a wonderful Christmas program. Many area youth enjoyed the puppet show at the library.

The Library’s *Bookworm Bunch* will host a February story hour with a Valentine’s Day theme on Monday, February 8 from 3:45 to 5:00 pm.

The library board will have its annual bake sale on Saturday, February 13 at the Lumber Inn in Galva starting at 8:00 am. If anyone would like to contribute baked goods for the sale, contact Librarian Judi Whitmer at 282-4400 or drop your items off at the Lumber Inn by 8:00 am.

The library board encourages you to stop in at the library and say hello! While you are there, take time to check out our growing selection of movies, books, and magazines.



“If you make a difference, you also make a connection. You interact with people who want to be interacted with, and you make changes that people respect and yearn for.” *Seth Godin*