

80th birthday card shower

Ruth Van Holland is celebrating her 80th birthday on April 6. Her children are requesting a card shower. Please send cards to:
Ruth Van Holland
4504 E. Kearney Place
Sioux Falls, S.D. 57110



Don Schreur's

90th birthday will be celebrated with a come-and-go gathering at Landsmeer Ridge Retirement Community on **Wednesday, April 5, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm** in the Fireside room.



There will be live music and refreshments. All are invited to join with Don as an expression gratitude to God for life's many blessings.



SINGING, DANCING AND MORE AT EXTRAVAGANZA

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Also announced at the festival is the parade marshal. Bert and Peggy Aarsen will serve as parade marshals for the 82nd festival. Bert was born in Ede, Netherlands, and his family immigrated to Orange City in 1955 when he was just five years old. He graduated from MOC High School in 1986 and attended Northwestern College for one year, Iowa State for one and a half years, and enlisted in the Air Force, where he served for three years. He finished his college education at the University of Oklahoma.

Peggy was born in Metz, France, to a French mother and a US Air Force father. She lived in France and Germany for 17 years. They moved to Oklahoma, and she attended the University of Oklahoma and graduated with a BA in French. After college, they moved to Dallas, Texas, where they were married in 1978. They have one son, Nicholas, and three grandsons.

Bert worked for Deloitte and Touche, where he spent three years working for their Amsterdam office. They returned to Dallas, Texas, where they lived and worked for nine years before they moved to Orange City. In Orange City, Bert served as the CFO for Vogel Paint, Inc. They later retired and now live in Arnolds Park; Bert and Peggy have previously served on the Tulip Festival Steering Committee for five years and have volunteered in various capacities with the Tulip Festival for nearly 25 years. Some ways they have served include Dutch dancing for 20-plus years, operating the information booth, walking in the Mode Show, giving Vogel Old Mill tours, volunteering at Art Burst,

announcing parades, and driving floats. They also helped build the Queen's Birthday Float and the Boy Who Held Back the Sea float.

Four members of the Dutch Dozen gave a shortened presentation of the Dutch Dozen show. The Dutch Dozen was formed in 1947 and is a yearly festival highlight. A group of 12 young ladies and 12 young men, all in high school, provide a colorful, light-hearted, and musical journey through Old Holland, with most of the choreographed singing in Dutch. Dutch Dozen members wear traditional Volendam costumes, and the ladies wear signature orange klompen or wooden shoes. Shows are performed at 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 4 p.m. at City Hall. This year, Josh Vore, Allie Haverdink, and Jadeyn Sjaarda are directing the show this year.

Three members of the Tulip Festival Nigh Show cast performed a sampling of the show.



Dutch Dozen



One of the most enduring shows of all time, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, is a reimagining of the Biblical story of Joseph, his father Jacob, eleven brothers, and the coat of many colors. Told entirely through song with the help of a main character Narrator, the musical follows the preferred son Joseph. After being sold into slavery by his brothers, he ingratiates himself with the Egyptian noble Potiphar but ends up in jail after refusing the amorous advances of Potiphar's wife. While imprisoned, Joseph discovers his ability to interpret dreams and soon finds himself before the mighty but troubled, Elvis-inspired Pharaoh. Joseph's solution to Egypt's famine elevates him to Pharaoh's right-hand man and reunites him with his family. Nick Schnell and narrators Amanda Lemke and Amanda Haverdink sang for a captivated crowd.

Directing this year's show will be Todd McDonald, and Pam Anderson will serve as music director, with Leanne Bonnacroy as producer. Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat will hit the stage May 16-20 at the Town Hall in Orange City. The show will be at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, May 16, and at 8:00 pm on May 17-20.

Tulip Festival news, event information, and more can be found on the festival's website at www.octulipfestival.com.



Nick Schnell

HIGHWAY 75 RECONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN IN APRIL

SIoux COUNTY — The first phase of rebuilding Highway 75 will begin in a few weeks. Travelers can expect construction signs to begin going up in southern Sioux Center in early April, with traffic changes soon after that.

Estimated timeline:

April – Highway traffic (northbound and southbound) shifts to east side of existing highway pavement from 20th St. to 13th St. S. and construction begins on the west side. Utility work also begins. Construction will be staged to allow for two-direction traffic (one lane each way) through most of the work and to maintain at least one access to the businesses in the Walmart area throughout

construction.

Mid-Summer – Newly-paved 13th Street S. and 2nd Ave. S. opens. Work on 16th Street S. begins.

Fall – Highway 75 traffic shifts to new west side pavement. Work begins on east side.

Late fall – Paving east side of Highway 75.

Spring 2024 – Median paving and landscaping.

These are estimated times and depend on weather. Regular work schedule will be Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. People can sign up for construction text alerts at www.siouxcenter.org/alerts.

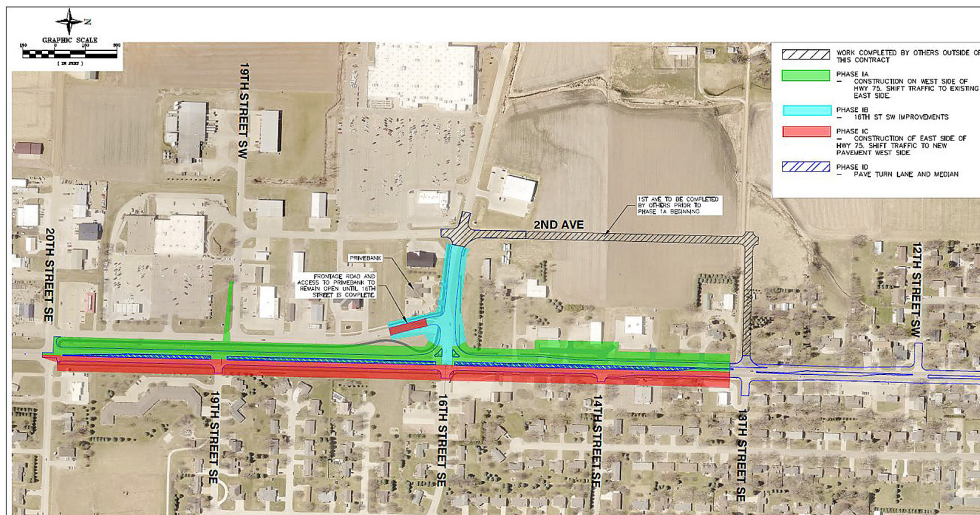
"We've been working toward this construction for many years

and are pleased it will soon begin," said Utilities Manager Murray Hulstein. "As with any construction project, we ask for patience with the inconveniences as we look toward the significant highway improvements."

The second phase of the Highway 75 redesign is planned for 2024-25 and will stretch from 13th Street S. to 12th Street N.

The Highway 75 redesign is a 2.5-mile project to replace aging pavement and rebuild the highway in a safety-based design with two lanes of travel in each direction and center turn lanes and medians. This is a shared project between the DOT and the City of Sioux Center.

Phase 1 Project Phasing



NEW HOME LOAN APPLICATIONS APPROVED THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2023, THE APPLICANT CAN CHOOSE BETWEEN¹



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