

Premier Club

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Premier Club Members,

Well, it seems like Mother Nature has decided to skip what should have been a nice spring and moved us right into summer. But the flowers are finally starting to bloom! It has certainly taken awhile but they are turning out to be beautiful.

Those of us who attend the Orange City Tulip Festival had a great time. We learned many interesting things about Orange City. It is the headquarters for Diamond Vogel Paint as well as Pizza Ranch. It also has many industrial facilities. The food at Nederlander's Grill was great - from the pea soup (it was actually pretty good) to the almond patty for dessert! I thought I was given enough to feed me for three meals! Then on to the parade area. The weather was a little warm but we were in the shade. The cleaning of the streets was an awesome sight to see. It seemed like all of the people in town were involved - young to old. The parade highlighted an assortment of Dutch clothing from the many different areas of the Netherlands. Then came the bands (which were really good from middle school thru high school) and the floats. We ended the day watching the performance of the Dutch Dozen, got on the bus and headed home. It was a long day but very enjoyable!

Our next meeting will be on June 13 at 9:30. It will be at the Bennington Middle School located on the southeast corner of 168th and Old Bennington Road. If you are unfamiliar on how to get into the building, you will enter the location off 168th Street south of Old Bennington Road. Just follow the street to the entrance on the southwest side of the building. Our presenter will be either Superintendent Dr. Terry Haack or Middle School Principal Shawn Hoppes (or maybe both). We will meet in the Middle School Media Center. If you have not toured the middle school before, you will be able to do so. Take advantage of this opportunity to see where the young people of our community receive their education.

Just a reminder that Bennington Daze will be June 7-9. Here are a few of the weekend events. On Friday, a Community Picnic, sponsored by the Bennington Chamber of Commerce, will be at the Bennington Elementary Football Field. This is first come, first served. Fireworks will be approximately 9:30 that evening. The parade will begin at 11:00 on Saturday. It will travel down 156th Street and continue up Warehouse to Main Street ending at Main and Allen. There will be festivities in the park all afternoon as well as food at the Legion Hall and other areas around town. The street dance will begin at 8:00pm Saturday. A Community Worship Service will be at the Bennington High School on Sunday at 10:00am. For a complete listing of all of the things to do go to <https://sites.google.com/view/bennington-daze> or visit the Bennington Daze Facebook page.

With the Fourth of July fast approaching, please be safe! You can have a fun time, just be careful.

Dee Clark

Seated waiting for parade events to begin. Along with a few other people not in our group.



Street scrubbing. There was more water on the kids than on the street.



Two of the floats in the parade.

