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Farm problems to be addressed at meeting

The Monroe County Extension Service and the Monroe County Farm Bureau are co-sponsoring a farm meeting Monday, Jan. 14 starting at 7:30 p.m. at the American Legion building in Albia.

The meeting will revolve around a question and answer period with resource people, Steven Roy, a Des Moines attorney, Don Carr, an Albia Certified Public Accountant, and John Humphries FmHA district supervisor on hand to help answer questions.

Topics for discussion will include management survival, foreclosures, bankruptcy, loan forgiveness, tax liabilities involved with foreclosures and loan forgiveness, and tax implications dealing with losses.

"The emphasis on the meeting will be on constructive questions and answers," said Extension Director Gary Peterson who will also serve as moderator at the meeting. "There will be no lectures and no political speech-making from the floor. This meeting is a way to give our farmers some important information in dealing with the current conditions in agriculture.

Peterson said that farmers attending will be given cards to write anonymous questions or may ask questions directly from the floor.

For more information contact the Extension Office.

Chamber annual meeting Jan. 21

The Albia Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual awards banquet and meeting Monday, Jan. 21, at the Rathbun House. Tickets are \$8 which includes the cost of the meal, meals for special guests and awards.

Reservations should be made by Monday, Jan. 14.

Awards will be presented to the retail business of the year, corn and soybean contest winners and a Merit Service Award will be presented.

Reports from chamber committees will be presented and the election of 1985 officers will be held. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. with the dinner starting at 7 p.m.



Snow fun

The weekend warming trend made ideal weather conditions for creating snow sculptures. Jason Russell and Kris Emerson admire the dinosaur at the Emerson residence at

617 N. 10th St. The boys didn't take credit for the artwork and freely admit that they took time out to go sledding while Mrs. Marvin Emerson created the pre-historic beast.

Milligan missing for six months

The waiting and now knowing gets worse as time goes by, said Leonard Milligan in talking about his son, Harry Milligan, who has been missing since July 1, 1984.

Milligan was last seen in the Albia business district between 3 and 3:30 a.m. on that Sunday. He was traveling north on Main Street in Albia and at that time was believed to be en route to his family home in Avery but failed to show up there.

Harry Dennis Milligan, 22, is listed on the Iowa Department of Public Safety's missing persons list which was released last week. He is described as a white male, six feet tall and weighing 160 pounds. He has brown hair and blue eyes.

When last seen, Milligan was driving a maroon 1977 Pontiac Gran Prix with Iowa license plate number E1J-244.

Milligan's family has posted a \$500 reward for information



Harry Milligan

about his whereabouts and posters have been distributed

nationwide. Leonard Milligan said that there have been rumors which have been checked out, but nothing definite has shown up to indicate Harry's whereabouts.

Milligan said, "Losing our daughter (she died in August) hurt, but we know where she is and we can't bring her back." He added, "We've done all we can do to locate Harry and now we just sit back and wait. We don't know what else to do. I don't know what I'd do if I wasn't working."

Authorities have been unable to confirm sightings of Milligan and have not been able to locate his car since he disappeared July 1. Persons with information concerning Milligan's possible whereabouts or with information of any type which may be of assistance is asked to contact the Monroe County Law Enforcement Center at 515-932-7815.

City Council discusses budget items

The Albia City Council began working on the 1985-86 budget at its meeting Monday night.

Before budgeting a subsidy for the Monroe County Ambulance Service, council members requested that Les Campbell present a financial statement of his past six months of operations.

Other major items under consideration for the budget are purchase of a new endloader, a pickup for the street department, sound equipment for community use, dues for the Regional Planning Commission support for the Integrated Transit System, support for recreational activities and city pay raises.

In other business, the council set the next meeting for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 22, in order to avoid conflict with the annual Area Chamber of Commerce dinner meeting on Jan. 21.