



# Town and Country News

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## This Months Activities:

Dec 6th: Lions Hall Kids Christmas Party 12pm-2pm. Come see Santa. Hot dogs and treats for the kids.

Dec 21st: The Betterment Committee will be out Christmas Caroling 6-8pm.

Dec 23rd: UCC Christmas Eve Services 7pm.

Please let us know about any up-coming events.

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## Truro Betterment Committee:

The 2008 Holiday Bazaar was held on Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Interstate 35 School. We had a great turn out with a variety of 30 different vendors. The candy cookie sale went great again this year, which we owe a huge thanks to the community members who donated the delicious treats. For their help in making the day possible we also want to thank the school for use of the building, Wal-Mart and Kum & Go for donating supplies, and Cindy Harper and crew for donating their time to prepare the breakfast and lunch. Thank you to all of those who donated and attended this years bazaar!

If you missed the holiday bazaar, you missed the kickoff for sales of the Truro Community Calendar. The calendar includes local birthdays, anniversaries, advertisements, and the dates for next years 125<sup>th</sup> festival. Each month has a variety of pictures from the Truro area, from recent to back in the early 1900's. The calendars are for sale for \$10 and can be purchased at the Truro Union State Bank, Truro Tavern, or you can mail payment to the Truro Betterment Committee PO Box 174 and have a calendar sent/delivered to you. Proceeds will help with next years 125<sup>th</sup> festival.

Your Input Requested!! We need to find out information about the month of January. Are we missing a birthday or anniversary? Is there a miss spelling or other typo? Do you have details about the pictures in the calendar? Please let us know. Each month we will have a calendar update passing on details of the pictures, missing birthdays and corrections. You can email the information to the committee at [trurobettermentcomm@yahoo.com](mailto:trurobettermentcomm@yahoo.com) or drop off the information for a committee member at the Truro Union State Bank or Truro Library.

### Christmas Holiday Trivia

The word Christmas is Old English, a contraction of Christ's Mass.

The first president to decorate the white house Christmas tree in the United States was Franklin Pierce.

Electric lights for trees were first used in 1895.

"It's a Wonderful Life" appears on TV more often than any other holiday movie.

"Jingle Bells" was first written for Thanksgiving and then became one of the most popular Christmas songs.

Holly berries are poisonous.

Contrary to common belief, poinsettia plants are non-toxic.



# Oldest Resident in Truro!

Roscoe Pollitt was born in Indianola, IL on May 5, 1915. He was united in marriage to Grace Rice on November 10, 1934. To this union 3 daughters were born. They resided on a farm and Roscoe raised hogs. In 1950 they moved to Iowa where he worked at three different hog operations.

In 1965 he began his personal hog operation southwest of Truro. The farm is currently owned by Larry Wisecup. He also worked at the Truro Grain Elevator and drove a school bus for the Interstate 35 Schools.

In 1970 Roscoe and Grace lived east of town along the Truro highway. Two years later they moved to his current residence which was formerly owned by the Jim Dorman family and Larry Smith family. Many times you would see them mowing their 3 acres with lawn mowers.

Roscoe and Grace were married for 68 ½ years before her passing. They had a happy life and did much traveling until their health became a problem.

Roscoe enjoys his family (3 children, 5 grandchildren, 5 step grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, 7 step great grandchildren, 6 great-great grandchildren and 1 great-great step grandchild.

## Congregational Christian Church (UCC Church)

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Sunday Services

Sunday School: 10:30

Church: 11:30

UCC would like to welcome Interim Pastor Rev. Shonda Deranleau.

We would like to welcome everyone to attend Sunday services and to help us welcome Rev. Shonda

Dandelions' meet on the last Thursday of every month at 7pm.

This is a group for young ladies to get together and do activities and devotionals.



## Fire & Rescue

The fire & rescue beef & noodle fundraiser on November 2nd was a HUGE success!! We had great food & a great crowd. Thank you to all who supported us by coming for dinner that day. We appreciate it very much! The proceeds go towards our building fund.

## How to Treat Christmas Carolers Who Come to Your Door

Christmas carolers add spirit to the holiday season. To show your appreciation, prepare for their arrival by having some simple treats ready. If they are collecting for a charity, give what you can afford.

### Step1

Turn on your porch light during the late afternoons and early evenings of the Christmas season.

### Step2

Keep an ear out for the merry sounds of Christmas carols, so your family will be ready to greet the carolers.

### Step3

Offer the carolers snacks such as foil-wrapped chocolate candy, hot cocoa and Christmas cookies.

### Step4

Snap some photographs, especially if you know any of the individuals. If you don't, ask for an address where you can send some of the photos. Chances are that the carolers live nearby.

### Step5

Ask to join in the fun, if the idea appeals to you.



This story can fit 75-125 words.

Selecting pictures or graphics is an important part of adding content to your newsletter.

Think about your article and ask yourself if the picture supports or enhances the message you're trying to convey. Avoid selecting images that appear to be out of context.

Microsoft Publisher includes thousands

of clip art images from which you can choose and import into your newsletter. There are also several tools you can use to draw shapes and symbols.

Once you have chosen an image, place it close to the article. Be sure to place the caption of the image near the image.



Truro Betterment Committee Members:

President: Tim Palmer

Treasurers: Michell Sciarrotta and Jennifer Collins

Secretary: Abbey Mease

Members:

## Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

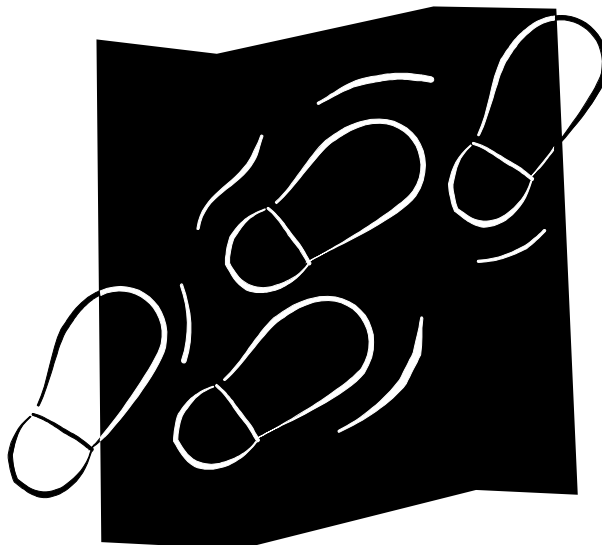
A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a

biannual charity auction.

If space is available, this is a good place to insert a clip art image or some other graphic.



Caption describing picture or graphic.