

Madrid's 125th Anniversary 2008 – The questions were derived from the Madrid, Iowa, A Proud Community 1883-1983 Centennial Book

1. Madrid is celebrating its 125th Anniversary this year. What year was Madrid incorporated as a city?
 - a. 1882
 - b. 1883
 - c. 1884
 - d. 1885

2. What date did the citizens of Madrid elect to incorporate the town?
 - a. April 9
 - b. May 9
 - c. June 9
 - d. July 9

3. What year did settlers arrive and stake their land claims in the area?
 - a. 1846
 - b. 1847
 - c. 1848
 - d. 1849

4. What year did Anna Dalander record the land she obtained titled to in the Swede Point town plat?
 - a. 1849
 - b. 1850
 - c. 1851
 - d. 1852

5. What were first names of Madrid?
 - a. Elk Point & Swede Rapids
 - b. Swede Ridge & Elk Run
 - c. Elk Rapids & Swede Point
 - d. Swede Run & Elk Ridge

6. What country did most of Madrid's original settlers immigrate from?
 - a. Sweden
 - b. Spain
 - c. Switzerland
 - d. Scotland

7. What year did the Sac and Fox Indian tribes cede all their land east of the Missouri River opening more land for settlement?
 - a. 1833
 - b. 1843
 - c. 1853
 - d. 1863

8. What military group explored the Des Moines River Valley in the mid-1830s?
 - a. United States Marines
 - b. United States Army
 - c. United States Dragoons
 - d. United States Paratroopers

9. Who was the first settler in the Madrid area?
 - a. Charles Gaston
 - b. Anna Dalander
 - c. William Johnson
 - d. William Hopkins

10. Who officially changed the town name from Swede Point to Madrid?
 - a. Postmaster Hutton Henry
 - b. Postmaster William Henry
 - c. Postmaster Henry Hutton
 - d. Postmaster Hutton William

11. The first mayor of Madrid was _____.
 - a. Charles Gaston
 - b. C.L. Lucas
 - c. William Hopkins
 - d. Anna Dalander

12. Boone County was originally part of _____ county.
 - a. Polk
 - b. Story
 - c. Dallas
 - d. Marshall

13. Boone County was formally organized in _____.
 - a. 1847
 - b. 1848
 - c. 1849
 - d. 1850

14. When did the north-south and east-west railroads come through Madrid?
 - a. 1880
 - b. 1881
 - c. 1882
 - d. 1883

15. Iowa Highway 17 was formerly _____.
 - a. Iowa Highway 20
 - b. Iowa Highway 40
 - c. Iowa Highway 60
 - d. Iowa Highway 80

16. When was Iowa Highway 60 paved?
- 1925
 - 1930
 - 1935
 - 1940
17. Who opened the first small store in Madrid?
- Charles Gaston
 - Anna Dalander
 - William Johnson
 - William Hopkins
18. Edgewood Park was purchased in _____.
- 1904
 - 1914
 - 1924
 - 1934
19. The first telephone in Madrid was between William Johnson's store and home. When did a wider telephone system begin operation in Madrid?
- 1874
 - 1884
 - 1894
 - 1904
20. The first post office in Swede Point (Madrid) was established March 28, 1856 in a small log cabin. Where was the post office located?
- Southeast corner of First and Market Streets
 - Southeast corner of Second and Market Streets
 - Southeast corner of First and State Streets
 - Southeast corner of First and Main Streets
21. Who was the first teacher in Madrid?
- Rollen Niles
 - William Johnson
 - Anna Dalander
 - C.L. Lucas
22. The first school building was built in 1855. When was the school build on the current Elementary School site?
- 1900
 - 1905
 - 1910
 - 1915

23. The Iowa Lutheran Home of the Aging was established in 1906 in a house one block ____.
- East of Main on Sixth Street
 - East of State on Sixth Street
 - West of Main on Sixth Street
 - West of State on Sixth Street
24. The Iowa Lutheran Home for the Aging is now known as the _____.
- Lutheran Home
 - Sacred Home
 - Madrid Home
 - Tiger Home
25. What was mined in the area of Madrid?
- Zinc
 - Copper
 - Iron ore
 - Coal
26. When was the original three story school building destroyed by fire?
- 1978
 - 1988
 - 1998
 - 2008
27. What year will Madrid celebrate its 150th Anniversary?
- 2023
 - 2033
 - 2043
 - 2053
28. The only remaining mining camp is _____.
- High Bridge
 - Zookspur
 - Scandia
 - Boxtown

Answer:

1. b. 1883
2. c. June 9
3. a. 1846
4. d. 1852
5. c. Elk Rapids & Swede Point
6. a. Sweden
7. b. 1843
8. c. United States Dragoons
9. a. Charles Gaston
10. c. Postmaster Henry Hutton
11. b. C.L. Lucas
12. a. Polk
13. c. 1849
14. b. 1881
15. c. Iowa Highway 60
16. b. 1930
17. d. William Hopkins
18. b. 1914
19. c. 1894
20. a. Southeast corner of First and Market Streets
21. a. Rollen Niles
22. d. 1915
23. b. East of State on sixth Street
24. c. Madrid Home
25. d. Coal
26. c. 1998
27. b. 2033
28. b. Zookspur