

Hometown With A Vision



*City of Eldridge*

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Sehr geehrter Herren:

Greetings!

We are pleased and grateful for our sister-city relationship with Schonberg. Many people living in Eldridge and the surrounding land are proud of their ancestral connection with the Probstei area.

Eldridge is a growing community located in the middle of our county of Scott. Our current population is approximately 6000 people. We have experienced a 35.6% growth rate during the last census decade (2001-2010). With this growth have come many new homes and businesses. Our city is on the northern part of a large metropolitan area consisting of the many abutting cities in Iowa and Illinois with the Mississippi River running through them.

The American/Schleswig-Holstein Heritage Society (ASHHS) is a proud group actively keeping the historical ties to the Probstei and Germanic pasts. Mr. Jack Schinckel, his wife Jean and I are proud members of this fine group. The Schinckels have also become two of our newest residents in Eldridge.

I hereby proudly proclaim, on behalf of our citizens and City Council, that Mr. Jack Schinckel will serve as Ambassador on our behalf on this touring visit to Schonberg and the Probstei Area.

Respectfully,

Martin P. O'Boyle, Mayor  
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