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## Tidbits

### Hebron Journal-Register accepts letters for Santa

The Hebron-Journal Register will accept letters addressed to Santa Claus this week.

Children should send their letters to:

P.O.Box 210, 318 Lincoln Ave., Hebron, NE 68370.

Letters will be accepted through Dec. 18.

The newspaper is also accepting Christmas greetings for the Dec. 20 issue. Say Merry Christmas in the newspapers to your customers and friends. Call 402-768-6602 for more information.

### Thayer County Health Services sleep certified

Thayer County Health Services joined 11 other hospitals in becoming "Safe-Sleep" Champions via the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

Providing consistent training and education on safe sleep for all hospital personnel caring for children under a year old ensures the same safe sleep message is shared with the parents of more than 26,000 babies born in Nebraska every year.

The Safe Sleep Campaign starts within the hospital setting, encouraging all Nebraska birthing hospitals to become a Safe Sleep Hospital Champion.

To be considered a Safe Sleep Champion, the hospital signs a pledge, creates or updates a Safe Sleep Policy, provides yearly education to hospital personnel, models safe sleep recommendations, and educates parents with evidence-based safe sleep materials.

Twenty other hospitals have pledged and are working through the process to become a safe sleep hospital.

### Christmas concert at First Community

A Christmas concert and caroling, along with special music will be at the First Community Church, Dec. 20, beginning at 6 p.m.

Hot chocolate, coffee and cookies will follow. Everyone is invited.

### Game and Parks to hold informational meetings

Hunters and landowners are encouraged to offer their feedback on big game issues during the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission's public informational meetings this winter.

Meetings are scheduled in each Game and Parks district. The meeting for this area is Jan. 4 at the Geneva Public Library, 7 p.m.

Biologists will explain and take questions on several topics, including deer management, deer damage and depredation permits, antlerless harvest, trophy management and diseases.

Antelope and elk issues may be discussed at meetings located in areas where these species occur.

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### ~Death Notice~

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## Two more stars added to ball

In addition to Trace Adkins for a June 2 concert, the 2018 "Let's Whip Cancer" Cattleman's Ball hosts have announced an exclusive performance for Trail Boss ticket holders June 1 by award-winning country music singer-songwriter Tracy Lawrence.

"The Cattleman's Ball of Nebraska 2018 planning committee is very pleased to announce Tracy Lawrence has been added to our entertainment lineup," Rob Marsh, entertainment chairman and co-host for the ball.

Lawrence has sold 13 million albums, has a collection of No. 1 hit singles and has proven his popularity with a list of 22 songs on the Billboard Top 10 charts. He has received numerous awards, including a Grammy nomination.

Lawrence was also nominated earlier this year for National On-Air Personality of the Year at the Academy of Country Music Radio Awards in Las Vegas.

Lawrence is as equally passionate about philanthropy as music or radio.

"I grew up in a strong Christian family where we did a lot of things around the community," he said. "It's really been something that I've done my whole life."

Also taking the stage June 1 will be Hubbell-native, singer-songwriter and rising country music star, Lucas Hoge.

Hoge's newest Album "Dirty South" was released in July of 2017. The album ascended to the No. 1 spot on the Billboard Country Album Sales chart during its debut week. Hoge's title track "Dirty South" is also currently climbing the charts and gaining momentum at country radio.

Whether he's performing for

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## LB840 on May ballot

A second-story window fell out of a vacant building, located on 4th Street and Lincoln Avenue Dec. 4.

Vultures are also taking up residence, city councilwoman Denese Sudbeck said two days later at the chamber of commerce's Wednesday morning coffee gathering.

Sudbeck walked the gathering through the city's nuisance ordinance, which defines health provisions and nuisance regulations.

She said the council isn't trying to pick on people as it has consistently evaluated nuisances and taken action.

"The city is tasked with the ordinance and being sensitive to people," she said.

Sudbeck's explanation of the ordinance was part of a larger goal for the city — putting a vote to LB840, the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act, which would open the door to funding improvements.

"It is legally re-labeling part of our sales tax to help our businesses," Nate Casey said.

Obviously, residents care about the community, chamber director Jana Tietjen said.

Indeed, a community survey administered last year showed business development, business incentives, downtown revitalization efforts and enhanced signage

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## Christmas lights up county

In Bruning, folks used to gather and light a Christmas tree.

"Honestly, the Christmas Tree lighting was one of the things I wanted to do since I moved here nine years ago," Daina Philippi, who is on the Past Times Club in Bruning.

Together with Mothers Of Preschoolers (MOPS), the Past Times Club revived the tree lighting, using a huge tree on Main Street.

"Some people came from Davenport and we did a hot chocolate bar," she said.

The Bruning Opera House was the scene of serving up homemade hot chocolate, activities for children, caroling and a showing of the Charlie Brown movie.

Philippi said the club is trying to get more lights and monetary donations to sponsor a light contest.

"It would be nice to see the town lit up," she said.

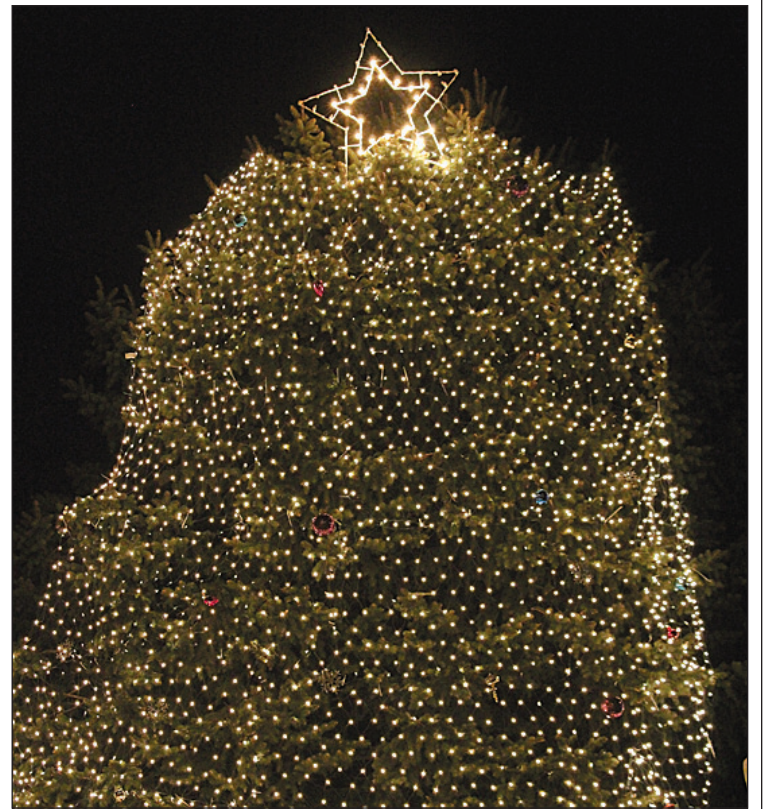
In Hebron, councilwoman Denese Sudbeck is planning on year-round awards, but this month, a kudo went to Steve Anderson, who has a light display on the corner of 4th Street and Barger Avenue.

The city began giving two awards per month in August. One of the awards is for Business of the Month and the other goes to Yard of the Month.

"We just want to encourage and appreciate them," Sudbeck said.

The December Business of the Month was Mike Long for the mural painted on his garage door by Jamie Luttrell.

"He made an investment in making his business look nice,"



Bruning's Christmas tree was lit during a community gathering on Main Street.

Sudbeck said.

Sudbeck said the project complements the city's lookout for nuisances.

"We talk about nuisance properties and just wanted something positive, too," she said. "If we're going to recognize the bad, we're going to recognize the good."

Sudbeck added the decision is made at the end of the council meetings.

"It sends the council off on a positive note," she said.

Winners are given chamber bucks and a sign is displayed on their yards or at their businesses. All monetary prizes are donated.

"None of it is taxpayer money," Sudbeck said.

November's winners were D's Daylight Donuts and Jason and Joan Degenhardt for their yard. In October, Hebron Liquor was named because its owners are consistently making improvements. Dale and Linda Bleich won for their yard.



Hebron's lights are located throughout the city. Steve Anderson's home on 4th Street and Barger Avenue is Yard of the Month for December.



Art Whitton/JR Photo

The 10th Annual Christmas Light and Sound show in Chester runs every night from 6 to 10 p.m., in front of the former school building. Tune to 90.7 for 30 minutes of Christmas music synchronized to the light show. Chester artist, Cindy Chinn upgraded the school windows to new RGB Ribbon lights for more color and effects.



Deshler lights up its downtown area and two windows feature Christmas displays.

# Pages of the Past...

From The Hebron Journal-Register

## 1887

### 130 Years Ago

This is our last admonition to republic voters to "stand true to their colors." Don't be assistant democrats.

Joseph Davy, of Marshall County, Kan., was married to Miss Julia A. Walker of Thayer County by Justice Hendershot, at the Hebron House on Nov. 9.

## 1897

### 120 Years Ago

No information available.

## 1907

### 110 Years Ago

Carleton: Under this same head last week, we made mention that Smith and Weimer had taken possession of the hardware and implement stock of F. W. Brown. This week we chronicle the fact that they in turn have sold the stock to C. J. Fitzsimons, who will take possession at once. Welcome to our midst, C.J... A fine American flag now floats in the breeze at the brick school house south of town... A number of our nimrods have been wearing out shoe leather this week looking for the little innocent, harmless quail.

Saturday night about 65 members of the M.W.A. of A., of the town and vicinity, met in the lodge rooms and had a very enjoyable time, after which they repaired to the ladies' hall where they filled themselves to their hearts content on oysters. These social gatherings are what make life worth living.

Mrs. John Brandau, an old and respected lady, died at her home north of town Sunday night, after a long siege of suffering from the dreaded cancer... J. A. Bothwell after being honored with one of our best county offices and making several thousands of dollars in Thayer county has suddenly decided that the Pacific coast would be a fine place to live and will soon move there.

Chester: The public school moved into the new school building the first of the week.

Liberty Ridge: The Thanksgiving season has come again, and while turkey and pumpkin pie have a prominent part, we should not forget the more important part of counting our blessings. Think of our big corn crop, while not very far west of us they are not so blessed. We should also appreciate our noble President Roosevelt who is so courageous in doing right... A switch board has been put in at Fred Miller's, which is a great convenience to the people of this vicinity, as those on lines 99 and 90 of Gilead can now talk to Hebron... Delma May, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller died Nov. 22, aged six days. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have been married eight years and were greatly rejoiced when this, their first child, came into their home, but their fine hopes were soon crushed and their joy turned to sorrow when it was taken from them.

## 1917

### 100 Years Ago

Mr. Stacey, stationed at Ft.

Sill, is expecting to be soon ordered to France.

Hebron's quota of Christmas packets for the soldiers is 60. The "Sammy's Girls" have finished 60 scrapbooks and the "My America Girls" will make a box of candy for each.

Cards are received announcing the marriage of Miss Beula Olmsted to Mr. Ernest F. Woodward on Tuesday, the fourth day of December, 1917, at Lincoln. They will be "at home" after March 1st, 1918, in Chester.

Geo. Athos, the Greek shoe repairer, sold his machinery to Vance Carmichael of Deshler and intends to enlist in the army.

H. W. Hess, chairman of the Four-Minute Speakers committee, has appointed the following speakers on the committee: W. H. Rhodes, Judge Harrison, J. P. Baldwin, M. H. Weiss, J. T. McCuiston, C. L. Richards, E. E. Correll. The above members of the committee will take turns in addressing the crowds at the movies and other public gatherings on the various phases of the war, with a view to public enlightenment on great issues.

The friends of J. T. Fulton will be glad to welcome him back to Hebron. The family, still in Lincoln, will arrive later. Mr. Fulton will again engage in the cream station business.

Rev. E. C. Meyer and wife moved Saturday from Canada to Stoddard, where Rev. Meyer will be pastor of the Lutheran church, succeeding Rev. Nischwitz, who went to Salem, Ohio. Mrs. Meyer is a daughter of Rev. Dagefoerde of Hebron.

Boy Scouts, Troop No. 2: The Hebron Boy Scouts of Troop No. 2 met Friday evening at the H. L. Hogrefe home to welcome James Fennel as a member. The following are charter members--Robert Baldwin, Wesley Neyhart, Clarence Brunig, Phil Campbell, Charles Mitchell, Orville Baldwin, Harry Hogrefe, patrol leader; Keith Brunig, ass't leader; Harold Beisner, scribe; and Robert Liggett, treasurer. Rev. Lewis Scout master, H. L. Hogrefe and J. T. Campbell ass'ts. The troop is grateful to Scout Master Morton of Troop 1 for assistance in many ways.

## 1927

### 90 Years Ago

Max Bigsby proprietor of a general store at Hardy, returning from a business trip to Deshler, was the victim of a vicious holdup by two highwaymen on the road seven miles south of Deshler, at about six o'clock Monday evening. Mr. Bigsby was wounded in the finger and foot and managed to knock one of the two desperados cold with a monkey wrench. He sped on to Hardy before calling Sheriff Giesler and the desperados have so far escaped.

Deaths & Obituaries: M. H. Weiss; Sherman H. Hendershot; Roy Walker; Mrs. G. E. Lewis; Hubbell H. Johnson; B. F. Howerter; C. D. Apley; Joe Husa; Fred Kreimeyer, Jr.; John Sporing; Henry Thiemann; Mrs. H. J. Struve; Harriet E. Wable Miller.

Gladyce W. Simmons

writes a long article in this issue of the paper about "America's Pacific Paradise," Hawaii. She tells of its ever changing beauty, picturesque life, economic value and strategic importance to Uncle Sam. Mrs. Simmons was formerly Gladys Weil of Hebron and is now wife of Congressman, Robert G. Simmons of Nebraska.

## 1937

### 80 Years Ago

On Friday evening, at the gymnasium, the firemen will give a free demonstration of the new E & J Resuscitator. Hebron becomes the sixth city in Nebraska to make this wise purchase for life-saving.

Rev. Father Ress, former beloved priest at Hebron, was killed in a car accident seven miles west of Aurora on Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Fr. Ress was pastor of Sacred Heart for sixteen years, leaving Hebron in 1929.

At the State Bankers' convention in Lincoln last week, Mrs. Lou A. Conklin became a charter member of the "50 Year Club," which is made up of all bankers in Nebraska who had seen 50 years or more of banking service. Mrs. Conklin was the only woman in this group. She has been associated with the Hubbell Bank for 54 years.

The new post office at Hebron, erected by the federal government, was fittingly dedicated on Saturday afternoon with an impressive service.

Hebron's municipal skating pond, located just north of the mill bridge on the east side of the river, has been put in excellent shape for skating by the current cold snap. Flood lights have been installed to make the ice available for night, as well as day-time skating.

With almost ideal weather, the digging of trenches and laying of water pipes for Byron's water system is progressing nicely.

## 1947

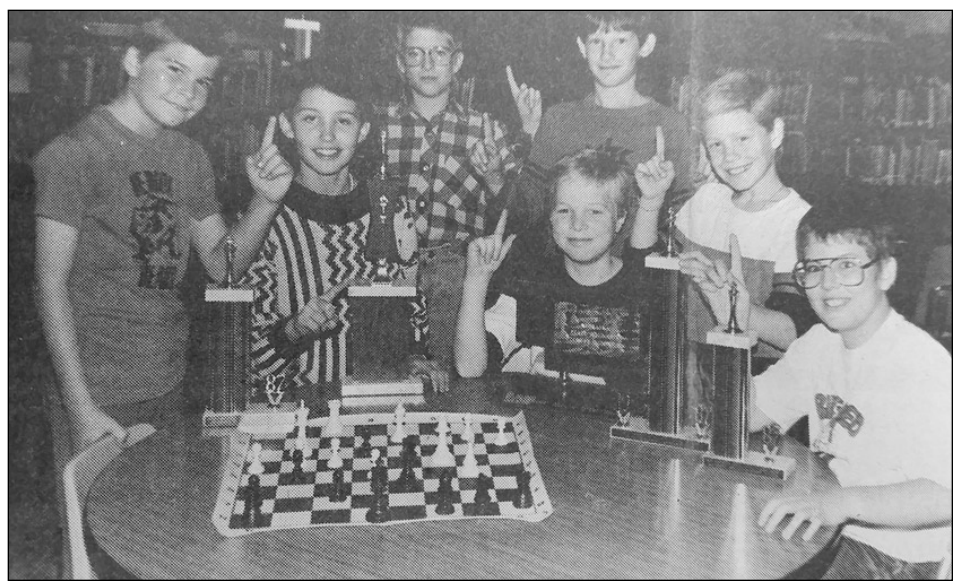
### 70 Years Ago

Hawks Field Activities: Hawks Field has been sealed in a zero ceiling for the most part of the past two weeks. The hangar is filled with planes from out-of-town fliers who were forced down by the heavy fog. Nine planes were kept on the ground here on Sat. and Sun. by the closed-in weather. Their owners continued their trips by car or bus... Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hawks flew to Omaha last Monday. On their return the following day, they were forced to follow radio beams and railroad tracks to guide them because of the low ceiling... Ted Paul has sold his share of a plane to Floyd Christianity... The Hawks have a new three-passenger Super Cruiser... Ronald Cornell, Harley Grone, Floyd Christianity and Wilfred Schwisow are ready for their licenses.

(The Alexandria Argus) The contract for the two new bridges over the Blue and Sandy rivers south of the village was awarded to Francis R. Orshek of Fremont, according to an announcement made last Friday by State Engineer Scott. The low bid was \$155,786.

Francis Joe and Lewis Harold, both of Alexandria, have purchased the blacksmith shop from Frank Ochs in Daykin.

It has been announced that Vernon W. Achtemeier of Alexandria has enlisted in the New Regular Air



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**This Week 1987...** Hebron's elementary chess team placed second in the Mid-American Scholastic Chess Tournament in Lincoln. They were edged by 1/2 point by Brownel-Talbot (Omaha) who score 12 1/2 points to Hebron's 12. Each won game counts one, each draw 1/2. The top four scores count for a team total. Aaron Cline led Hebron with 3 1/2 points (possible five) and a trophy for the highest unrated player. Dan Kroll had three, Tracy Kutscher three (trophy for highest below 1300 section), David Klaumann had three (trophy for under 10000), Karey Hintz (trophy for highest girl) two and one-half. Brian McKernan and Brian Arkland played in elementary also. In the Jr. High, Justin Rauner got the Class C trophy and Jim McKernan played also. They were second as a team. The Nebraska Scholastics Championships will be held in Omaha, Saturday, February 27.

Hebron student displaying their trophies are front row from the left, David Klaumann, Karey Hintz, Brian McKernan and Tracy Kutcher. Back row from the left, Aaron Cline and Brian Arkland.

Force as a sergeant and will be stationed at the Kearney Air Base at Kearney. He was formerly in the Navy and served in the Pacific Theater during World War II.

A series of blue rock shoots for the purpose of obtaining funds to go toward providing lights for the athletic field will begin when the first shoot of the series will be held at the gun club around the south edge of town this coming Sunday, Nov. 30.

## 1957

### 60 Years Ago

Arnold Potthast, 34-year-old Deshler truck driver, was instantly killed Monday morning when the heavily loaded truck trailer he was driving crashed into the side of a Union Pacific freight train on No. 5 highway two and a half miles west of Carleton.

Lloyd K. Welch, 50, prominent Nebraska wheat grower from Hubbell, died Sunday morning of injuries received when he became entangled in the power takeoff of a grain dryer.

Special services were held Nov. 3 commemorating the 75th anniversary of the Methodist Church at Hubbell.

## 1967

### 50 Years Ago

(The Alexandria Argus) Heavy equipment began moving dirt this week south of the former Backer building in preparation for the new location of Dale's Service Station. The building was purchased by Dale Pfeifer this summer and renovations are in process to make it the new home of Dale's Service in the future.

## 1977

### 40 Years Ago

Angie Hudson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hudson of Belvidere was crowned the Tribeland Queen. Receiving second runner-up honors to the king was Joel Onnen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerhard Onnen of Hebron. They were honored at the county 4-H Achievement program.

Skogmo Family Store was advertising women's robes for sale for \$19.99.

Mr. and Mrs. William Williams of rural Gilead moved to Hebron.

An anniversary dinner was held in Hebron honoring the 64th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George

Bunting.

## 1987

### 30 Years Ago

Search for evidence linking "Matthew" or "Little Boy Blue" with a boy named Danny Stutzman was centered in North Central Ohio in the Amish community near Dalton, Ohio. Also being investigated was the father of Danny Stutzman, whose whereabouts were unknown. Thayer County Sheriff Gary Young and Thayer County Attorney Dan Werner had investigated hundreds of leads over two years and both said this was the most promising lead yet as to the identity of "Little Boy Blue."

Allen and Janet Voss opened AJ's Cafe in Carleton.

Deshler High School football coach Tom Ernst announced the following players were letter winners for the season. They were Dean Poppe, Murray Haugen, Jamie Schnakenberg, Corey Wilbeck, Chad Lemke, Joe Ludwig, Gail Petersen, Ross Hoffmeyer, Jeremy Buster, Bryan Fangmeyer, Jeff Johnson, Jay Johnson, Tony Lipker, Matt Ludwig, J.J. Hofts, Chad Fox, Dan Vinkenber and Chris Schultz.

## 1997

### 20 Years Ago

The community of Davenport won a plaque in the Leadership Development category for its annual Achievement Day, when the quasicentennial was celebrated and the Hometown Entertainment fund-raiser with Gayle Becwar and Treva Tegtmeier, former Davenport residents, providing the evening's entertainment under the Arts and Humanities competition of the Nebraska Community Improvement Program.

Helen Lichti, 88 of Bruning, received fatal injuries on icy U.S. Highway 81 south of Geneva.

Army Pvt. Eric D. Retzlaff, son of Kathy A. and Roger D. Retzlaff of Hebron, graduated from the light-wheeled vehicle mechanic course at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

Davenport village board member Gordon Eggers accepted two checks from Davenport Foundation member Bill Voss. A \$300 check from the Lions Club and \$600 from the Foundation will go toward the purchase of a batting cage net at the

ballfield.

## 2007

### 10 Years Ago

If you've seen a few Christmases come and go, chances are you've witnessed the changes in decorated trees along the way. Sometimes the changes happen slowly leaving you wondering if they've happened at all, but Thayer County Historical Society members have kept those changes filed away in special memories of the mind and decided this year to display them. For three Sundays in December, the Society has opened the museum's doors allowing viewers to take a holiday stroll through 107 years of Christmas trees. On display, representing ten separate decades, 83 trees decorated with timely ornaments form "Christmas Trees Through the Years," a new and original museum display.

Thayer County received varying amounts of snow on Thursday, Dec. 6, as the first real wave of winter ushered in. Light snow showers and flurries rolled through the area over the weekend and on Monday a final blast brought nearly an inch of ice.

Thayer County Entrepreneurship Incentive, a partnership between Thayer County and the Village of Davenport received \$10,000 from the Nebraska Department of Economic Development and Nebraska Rural Development Commission through the Building Entrepreneurial Communities Act (BECA). BECA is part of the Nebraska Advantage package. The grant will be used to address business development, encourage youth and young adult participation in entrepreneurship programs, and educate youth about the opportunities for coming home to work and live. The Thayer County Economic Development Alliance (TCEDA), made up of the 11 communities in Thayer County, will provide matching funds.

Since 1947, the "Voice of Democracy" has been the Veteran's of Foreign War's premiere scholarship program. The contest is open to students in grades 9-12. This year's winner for Hebron is Thayer Central sophomore Tomi Cole, who was presented a check from post commander Lonny Jacobitz and Auxiliary treasurer Hazel Gaston.

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# Courthouse News

**DISTRICT COURT**  
State of Nebraska vs. Joshua Dosier. Support/custody/visitation.

**COUNTY COURT**  
**Fines Paid**  
**by December 6, 2017**  
Court costs \$49.00 unless otherwise stated. Probation costs also include \$30 enrollment fee and \$25 per each month on probation. Chemical testing costs are \$5 per month on probation.

**Local Law Enforcement**  
Maria Gonzalez, Columbus. Speeding, \$25.  
Brandon Stevens, Wichita. Speeding, \$25.

**Nebraska State Patrol**  
Keith Rippey, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Speeding, \$25.  
Katie Kaliff-Jagels, Dav-

enport. Speeding, \$125.  
Thomas Blomstrand, Aurora. Speeding, \$25.

**Nebraska Game & Parks Commission**  
Andrew Dahl, Davenport. Violate deer regulations, \$100.

**ZONING PERMIT APPLICATIONS & FEES**  
Little Blue NRD, 100 E. 6th Street, Davenport. Shop building, \$25.  
Brad Williams, 2452 Rd 4950, Davenport. Add a lean to on building, \$25.  
Merv White, 6171 Rd S, Belvidere. Move in garage, \$25.

# Sheriff's report

Dec. 1 - Inmate booked in for 72-hour probation hold, 8:27 a.m.; Inmate booked in for 30-day probation hold, 8:55 a.m.; Fillmore County advised of warrant for possible Thayer County resident, 10:16 a.m.; Deputy requested in Deshler for two children who wandered into home, 5:54 p.m.; Accident at Davenport school, deputy and rescue paged, 6:12 p.m.; Possible drunk driver, 8:08 p.m.; Custody dispute, 9:08 p.m.

Dec. 2 - Medical emergency on Road 6800 in Alexandria, 2:39 a.m.; Caller reported IRS scam, 9:40 a.m.; Medical emergency on Jersey Street in Hubbell, 12:36 p.m.; Caller reported computer hacking, 1:21 p.m.; Individual arrested on Thayer County warrant, 6:11 p.m.; Medical emergency at care home in Hebron, 7:59 p.m.; Medical emergency on South Avenue in Hebron, deputy and rescue dispatched, 9:03 p.m.

Dec. 3 - Caller advised of being followed, 1:33 a.m.; Medical emergency on Jefferson Avenue in Hebron, 7:12 a.m.; Custody issue, 4:45 p.m.

Dec. 4 - Civil standby in Davenport, 6:33 p.m.; Lights out in Deshler on 1st Street,

7:17 p.m.

Dec. 5 - Animal cruelty in Hebron, 1:12 p.m.; Vehicle accident on Road 5500 and Highway 136, 4:19 p.m.; Fillmore County advised of vehicle defect southbound Highway 81, 6 p.m.

Dec. 6 - Medical emergency at Blue Valley Nursing Home, 12:16 p.m.; Abandoned vehicle on Highway 8 between Roads 5500-5600, 8:39 a.m.; Break-in in rural Chester, 8:56 a.m.; Sheriff advised Windstream of 911 system malfunction, 9:29 p.m.

Dec. 7 - Civil standby, 7:22 a.m.; Medical emergency at care home in Hebron, 8:06 a.m.; Theft reported from Blue River bus, 9:25 a.m.

Dec. 8 - Caller advised of someone breaking into home in the 500 block of Eads in Hebron, 12:02 a.m.; Caller reported transient on Highway 81, waving and yelling at cars, 1:06 p.m.; One-vehicle accident in Deshler, 8:58 p.m.

Dec. 9 - Harrassment in Deshler, 12:14 a.m.; Report of semi and trailer weaving on Highway 81, 7:32 p.m.; Broken donation boxes in Chester, 10:20 p.m.

Dec. 10 - Civil standby in Deshler requested, 5:35 p.m.

# Bruning-Davenport Senior Spotlight

Caitlynn Beddoe is the daughter of Daniel and Christine Beddoe of Davenport. She has one brother, Zeb.

Caitlynn is involved in NHS, FCCLA President, STUCO President, volleyball, Letter Club, Quiz Bowl, drama and speech. She enjoys helping with trash pickup and recycling in her community.

Caitlynn's hobbies are listening to music, shopping, hanging out with friends and drawing. Her favorite food is chocolate, her favorite TV show is "Law and Order - Special Victims Unit," her favorite song is "Numb" by Linkin Park, and she likes to drive around in the country when she wants to be alone.

The most influential person in her life has been her Grandma Sharon, because she puts others before her-



Caitlynn Beddoe

self and would do anything to help someone if they had a problem. Caitlynn would also like people to know that she will do anything to make sure other people are happy.

Caitlynn plans to attend Peru State College to pursue a degree in Criminal Justice/Criminology.

# T.C. Senior of the Week - Mumford

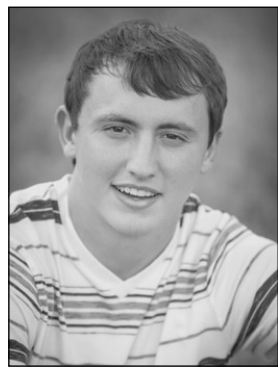
Thayer Central Senior of the Week is Seth Mumford. Seth is the son of Gunner and Jennifer Mumford.

Seth's favorite classes at Thayer Central are history and math. His favorite food is pizza and his favorite pastime is hanging out with friends.

At Thayer Central, Seth has been involved in football, basketball and Letter Club.

His advice to underclassmen is, "Enjoy high school while you are still in it."

Following graduation in



Seth Mumford

May, Seth plans to attend Southeast Community College.

# Accident report

Nov. 15, 9:33 a.m. - Toni Hintz, 39, Deshler, was backing from a parking space on Pearl Avenue in Deshler and struck the side of a 2008 GMC. Estimated damage to the parked pickup truck was \$1,500. Hintz's vehicle had \$2,000 damage listed.

Nov. 17, 6:20 p.m. - Trisha Robinson, 32, Hubbell, was driving east on Highway 8 when she struck a deer with her 2008 Toyota. Estimated damage: \$1,500.

Nov. 22, 10:27 p.m. - While traveling south on Highway 81 near Highway 136 in her 2015 Nissan Rogue, Joyce Clark, 51, of Oakdale, Minn., hit a deer. Estimated damage: \$3,000.

Nov. 22, 11:59 p.m. - Michael Cosgrove, 51, Hebron, hit a light pole near Jefferson Avenue and South Street in Hebron with his 2004 Chevrolet 2KH pickup truck. A cigarette had dropped in Cosgrove's lap, causing distraction. Estimated damage was \$2,000. Damage to the pole was \$2,000.

Nov. 27, 3:45 p.m. - A southbound 14-year-old driver reportedly did not see northbound driver, Terre Berkland, 69, Yankton, S.D., after stopping on Highway 81 and Road 6200. Berkland was driving a 2014 Honda Accord. The 14-year-old, Berkland and Berkland's passenger were transported to Thayer County Health Services via Hebron Rescue. Both vehicles were listed as totaled.

Nov. 30, 4:47 p.m. - Robert Melton, 50, Hebron, was driving 60 miles per hour in a 1997 Ford pickup truck on Highway 136 near Road 5800 and struck the rear end of a 1992 Ford F25 pickup truck, driven by Jon Purzycki, 52, Alexandria. Purzycki had slowed down for a tractor and was listed

as injured from the collision. Both vehicles had an estimated damage of \$2,000.

Dec. 1, 6:11 p.m. - Justin Criner, 19, Davenport, was reportedly driving west at a high rate of speed on 7th Street in Davenport when he struck a 2015 Ford Edge and continued to drive west. Criner was driving a 2002 Ford Escape. Criner then struck a 2006 Suzuki Grand Vitara and his front tire came off, causing him to lose control and hit a 2013 Cadillac. Criner's vehicle was totaled while the second vehicle was estimated at \$4,000 damage. The third vehicle was also totaled. Vehicle No. 4 had an estimated \$8,000 in damages.

Dec. 1, 10:20 p.m. - Gail Gilliam, 56, Deshler, was driving south on Highway 5 near Road S in a 2009 Lincoln MKZ when she collided with a deer. Estimated damage was \$2,000.

Dec. 7, 3:40 p.m. - Terry Grummert, 52, Hebron, was driving a 2002 Chevrolet 2KH pickup truck on Highway 136 when he attempted to turn left onto Road 5600 and his brakes failed. He went off the road and came to a rest on top of a culvert in a deep ditch. Grummert was transported to Thayer County Health Services via the Deshler Rescue squad. Estimated damage was \$6,000.

Dec. 5, 4:19 p.m. - Brenton Laaker, 16, Deshler, was eastbound on Road K on the wrong side and tried to make a left turn onto Road 5500, when he accelerated and caused the vehicle, 2001 Ford F15 pickup truck, to fishtail and hit the ditch. The truck rolled over and was listed as totaled. No injuries were reported.

Dec. 8, 8:58 p.m. - A 14-year-old driver lost control of a 2009 Chevrolet ILT on Road 5400 near Road H because of loose gravel. The driver slid into the ditch and the vehicle overturned. Deshler Rescue squad transported both occupants of the vehicle to Thayer County Health Services. The vehicle was listed as totaled.

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# National Impaired Driving Prevention Month

December is National Impaired Driving Prevention Month. In the past couple of decades, we have made great strides in spreading the message that driving drunk is dangerous and is a serious public health risk to everyone on the road.

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), it is estimated that one-third of all traffic-related deaths were the result of impaired driving. This amounts to one death every 51 minutes.

In the last two weeks of December, the number of people killed in alcohol-related crashes is even higher. Don't become a statistic this holiday season. Driving after drinking alcohol increases as there are more parties being held where alcohol is readily available.

Impaired driving accidents can be avoided by making smart choices. If you are at a holiday party, think about how much alcohol you consume and have arrangements and back-up plans if you are impaired and unable to drive a vehicle.

However, driving is not just impaired by alcohol consumption. Our ability to safely drive a motor vehicle can also be impacted by drug; illegal and prescription drugs. When you drive drunk or drugged, you aren't just putting yourself at risk, you are endangering everyone in your vehicle and on the road.

If you're hosting a party this holiday season, take steps to keep your friends safe and make sure no one from your party drinks and then drives. To help reduce the risk of alcohol-related driving accidents this holiday season, use these tips can help you and your friends stay safe:

- Let your guests know ahead of time how you feel about drinking and driving and their need to be responsible about their alcohol consumption.
- As guests RSVP, remind them of the importance of a designated driver.
- Plan activities to engage your guests and take the focus away from drinking.
- Provide plenty of high-protein foods, like cheese

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and meats, to help slow the absorption of alcohol and to keep guests from drinking too much on an empty stomach.

- Avoid salty snacks like potato chips and pretzels that can cause guests to drink more.
- Offer unique, non-alcoholic beverages, or "mocktails," for designated drivers and others who prefer not to drink alcohol.
- If preparing an alcoholic punch, use a fruit juice instead of a carbonated base that speeds the absorption of alcohol into the blood stream.
- Make sure you have designated drivers or plan to drive intoxicated party goers home yourself.
- If necessary, make arrangements for guests who have had too much to drink to stay over.

Remember if you are the host, you are responsible for the safety of your guests, and in some cases, their actions when they leave your party. Good hosts don't drink too much. They also never serve alcohol to someone under the legal drinking age. If you have underage guests, keep all alcohol in a central, visible place, where they can't "sneak" a drink. Never ask children to serve alcohol at parties. If possible, don't let guests mix their own drinks. If a guest is drinking too much, offer to refresh their drink with a non-alcoholic version.

If at all possible, stop serving alcohol 90 minutes before the end of the party. You can always end the party by serving coffee and dessert. This will help give your guests time to get sober before leaving. Responsible holiday hosting helps to ensure that you and your guest have fun celebrating, but also staying safe and avoiding senseless tragedies. Planning ahead will help insure everyone at your party has a safe and Happy New Year.

Source: www.cdc.gov

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## Special Occasions



### Happy 80th Birthday Larry Mitchell!

The grandchildren and great grandchildren of our favorite fisherman are requesting a card shower for Larry Mitchell's 80th birthday on December 24. All cards can be sent to 1031 Lincoln Ave., Hebron, NE 68370.

### Happy 80th Birthday Moyn Keim!

The family of Moyn Keim is requesting a card shower in honor of his 80th birthday on December 20th. Cards may be sent to 2342 Shalimar Drive, Salina, KS 67401.



### Happy 90th Birthday Gertrude Skucius!

In celebration of Gertrude Skucius' 90th birthday, December 26, the family is requesting a card shower. Cards and/or shared memories can be sent to Courtyard Terrace at P.O. Box 166, Hebron, NE 68370.

The Hebron Journal-Register invites you to share your special occasion announcements with our readers. Contact us at hebronjr@windstream.net or 402-768-6602 for more information. There is a fee associated with published announcements.

## Hebron Senior Center

**Monday, December 18:** Cook's choice. *Fairbury trip.*

**Tuesday, December 19:** Baked steak, cheesy potatoes, fruit, California veggies. *Bingo.*

**Wednesday, December 20:** Chicken patty, mac and cheese, broccoli slaw, dessert.

**Thursday, December 21:** Ham, sweet potato, peas, roll, birthday cake.

**Friday, December 22:** BBQ pork on bun, potato wedges, baked beans, fruit. *Movie, 11 a.m.*

*Meals served with bread, butter and milk. To make reservations, phone 768-6052 by 1:30 p.m., the day before you wish to dine.*

*Exercise daily, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.; Tai Chi, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:30 a.m.; "See you lighter", Wednesdays, 8:45 a.m.; Bus to Lincoln on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday; Fairbury trips are on first and third Mondays.*

## Chester Senior Dinners

**Monday, December 18:** Cook's choice.

**Tuesday, December 19:** Baked steak, cheesy potatoes, fruit, California veggies.

**Wednesday, December 20:** Chicken patty, mac and cheese, broccoli slaw, dessert.

**Thursday, December 21:** Ham, sweet potato, peas, roll, birthday cake.

**Friday, December 22:** BBQ pork on bun, potato wedges, baked beans, fruit.

*Meals served with bread, butter and milk. To make reservations, phone 324-5271 by 1:30 p.m., the day before you wish to dine.*

## Davenport Senior Dinners

**Monday, December 18:** Cook's choice.

**Tuesday, December 19:** Baked steak, cheesy potatoes, fruit, California veggies.

**Wednesday, December 20:** Chicken patty, mac and cheese, broccoli slaw, dessert.

**Thursday, December 21:** Ham, sweet potato, peas, roll, birthday cake.

**Friday, December 22:** BBQ pork on bun, potato wedges, baked beans, fruit.

*Meals served with bread, butter and milk. For reservations, call 364-2449 by 1:30 p.m., the day before. Exercise Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 a.m.*

# Senator sponsors movie in four area theaters

This weekend, the Majestic Theatre will show a free movie, "It's a Wonderful Life," courtesy of Libertarian Sen. Laura Ebke.

An idea hatched a couple of months ago at the Bonham Theatre in Fairbury spurred the movie showing at all four theaters in Ebke's district, including the Bonham where she sat and watched movies as a child and had her first date with her husband.

"It's sentimental. All the theaters have unique stories. Three of the four were on the verge of shutting down and taken over by community foundations," Ebke said. The Majestic is managed by the Arts Council of Thayer County.

In Crete, the theater is privately owned, but Ebke said when she called about the showing, the owner was "tickled." The community there raised funds to convert the theater to digital.

As she was figuring out the costs to show the movie in Fairbury, it seemed feasible to sponsor community events at the other three theaters.

"Once we put pencil to paper, we thought we could do this in other towns," Ebke said. "We wanted to show the movie as it was intended to be seen, commercial free, and bring communities together during this festive season."

She also had to check with Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission because Ebke used campaign funds for the events.

Even as Nebraska GOP director, Kenny Zoeller, accused Ebke of breaking the law, she checked again, wondering if she was missing something.

"It seemed like a social event and nothing of great value," she said. "Social events" are allowed under campaign laws, which do not define what "social events" are.

She was told not only could she show the movie, but she was also permitted to "talk politics" at the events.

But Ebke said the movie showings weren't a campaign opportunity for her.

"It's a neat way to get people into the theaters," she said.

Nursing homes must have thought so, too. At the Bonham showing, about 50 to 60 residents from the homes saw the movie.

Theater board president, Crystal Fangmeier, said Ebke contacted the theater and asked if she could show the movie as a thank you to the community.

"We were excited," Fangmeier said. "We've worked hard for the community to enjoy the theater. I know she has taken some heat and I feel that is unfortunate. This is a celebration of what rural Nebraska has accomplished and that is what the focus should be."

Ebke estimated the movie showings at \$3,000 to \$4,000, including free popcorn and soda. Roughly, mailings to 12,000 households was \$8,000. Advertising in local newspapers was about \$500.

It's a far cry from Gov. Pete Ricketts' tailgate parties, where an easy \$7,876 was spent on supplies from HyVee for one party. Tailgating at the governor's mansion in 2016 came to just over \$35,000.

"That doesn't include promotional costs, payments to printers and mail service," Ebke said. True, costs are itemized on the NADC's website.

She doesn't think the GOP will pursue its accusations. Ebke is running for re-

election against Republican candidate, Al Riskowski, who grew up in Omaha.

She said the backlash from the GOP hasn't affected her relationship with republican senators. Ebke, once a republican, switched parties in 2016.

"My colleagues are understanding," she said of the senators. "I think what's going on is we had a good crowd in Fairbury."

Ebke said she was surprised to see Lt. Gov. Mike Foley campaigning with Riskowski.

"I've never seen a time when a candidate has used the power of the governor and executive branch this early," she said. "It's not unusual, but they typically don't go out campaigning so early."

Ebke herself was endorsed by former Gov. Dave Heineman in 2014.

"He never talked to me," she said.

While the mid-term elections loom, Ebke has a full agenda for the short 60-day session.

"It will be a frustrating session when you don't have the money, but people still want you to spend it," she said.

There will be cuts to the budget as funds are coming in slower than the legislature projected last year.

Her position as the judiciary chair demands changes in the corrections system. Ebke and the committee toured all 10 correctional facilities this past summer.

She said facilities are understaffed and overpopulated.

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The center is open the third Saturday of every month from 9 a.m. to noon. It is located at Fifth and Holdrege Streets. Please do not leave items at other times.

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## \* ALEXANDRIA \*

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Lana Likens, Lay Pastor  
Sundays: Worship, 10 a.m.;  
Sunday School, 11 a.m.

## \* BELVIDERE \*

**BELVIDERE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Kim Dunker, Pastor  
Sundays: Worship, 9 a.m.

## \* BETHEL \*

**BETHEL CHURCH**  
Jim Hubble, Pastor  
Sundays: Sunday School,  
9:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:30  
a.m.

## \* BRUNING \*

**TRINITY LUTHERAN**  
Stuart Sell, Pastor  
Sunday, December 17: Sun-  
day School, 9 a.m.; Worship with  
Holy Communion, 10 a.m.  
Wednesday, December 20:  
Fair Walk Wednesday; Confir-  
mation class.

## UNITED METHODIST

Mike Anderson, Pastor  
Sundays: Worship, 9 a.m.

## \* BYRON \*

**ST. PETER LUTHERAN RURAL BYRON**  
Pastor Breen Marie Sipes  
Sundays: Worship, 10:30  
a.m.

## \* CARLETON \*

**ZION LUTHERAN**  
Rev. Jonathan K. Jensen  
Sundays: Worship, 9:30

a.m.

## \* CHESTER \*

**ST. JOHN LUTHERAN**  
Rev. Christopher Gerdes, Pastor  
Sundays: Worship, 11 a.m.  
Tuesdays: Vespers, 6 p.m.;  
Bible study, 6:30 p.m.

## \* DAVENPORT \*

**CHRIST'S LUTHERAN**  
Kristen Van Stee, Pastor  
Sundays: Sunday School, 9:30  
a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

Ron Shields, Pastor  
Sundays: Sunday School, 9  
a.m.; Worship, 10 a.m.

## ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN

Vicar Greg Schaffer  
Sundays: Worship, 9 a.m.;  
Sunday School and Bible class,  
10:15 a.m.

## UNITED METHODIST

Jeanie Leeper, Pastor  
Sundays: Worship, 10:30  
a.m.

## \* DAYKIN \*

## ST. JOHN

Pastor Annette Minderman  
Sundays: Worship, 9 a.m.

## \* DESHLER \*

**ABIDING WORD LUTHERAN**  
Jon Langness, Pastor  
Friday, December 15: Ladies  
Bible study, 1 p.m.  
Sunday, December 17: Sun-  
day School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship,  
10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday, December 20:  
Parkview Haven, 3 p.m.

## PEACE LUTHERAN

Rich Stevenson, Pastor  
Wednesday, December 13:  
5 and 6 PACE, 4 p.m.; 7 and  
8 PACE, 5 p.m.; Peace choir,  
8 p.m.  
Saturday, December 16:  
Worship, 6:30 p.m.  
Sunday, December 17: YOP  
and Adult Sunday School, 9  
a.m.; Worship, 10 a.m.; YOP  
activity night (program practice),  
7 p.m.  
Wednesday, December 20:  
5 and 6 PACE, 4 p.m.; 7 and  
8 PACE, 5 p.m.; Peace choir sing-  
ing at nursing homes, 6 p.m.;  
Youth worship team practice,  
6:30 p.m.  
Thursday, December 21:  
YOP Christmas program dress  
rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.

## ST. PETER LUTHERAN

Brian Francik, Pastor  
Wednesday, December 13:  
Confirmation, 4 p.m.; Bells, 6:30  
p.m.; Choir, 8 p.m.  
Thursday, December 14:  
Conversations, 7 p.m.; DLS  
Chapel led by third and fourth  
grades, 9:15 a.m.  
Friday, December 15: Bul-  
letin folders, 1 p.m.; DLS Fifth  
and sixth grades with bingo at  
Parkview Haven, 2 p.m.  
Sunday, December 17: Wor-  
ship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee  
fellowship and Sunday School,  
10:30 a.m.; Adult Bible study,  
10:45 a.m.; Meet at church for  
Christmas caroling, 5:45 p.m.;  
Men's BB, 7 p.m.  
Monday, December 18:  
DLSA board, 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, December 19:  
Bibles study, 10:30 a.m.; Bible  
study, 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, December 20:  
Confirmation, 4 p.m.; Bells, 6:30

p.m.; Choir, 8 p.m.

## \* FRIEDENSAU \*

## TRINITY LUTHERAN

Rev. Jose Flores  
Wednesday, December 13:  
Advent supper by TGIF, 5:45  
p.m.; Advent Service, 7 p.m.  
Thursday, December 14:  
DLS Chapel by third and fourth  
grades, 9:15 a.m.; Afternoon  
nursing home/assisted living  
visits by pastor.  
Friday, December 15: After-  
noon nursing home/assisted  
living visits by pastor.  
Sunday, December 17: Com-  
munion Service, 10 a.m.; Bible  
class and program practice,  
11:15 a.m.; Christmas carol-  
ing, 4 p.m.  
Monday, December 18:  
DLS school board meeting,  
7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, December 20:  
Last day of school at DLS; Ad-  
vent supper, 5:45 p.m.; Advent  
service, 7 p.m.  
Thursday, December 21:  
Junior youth Christmas party,  
7 p.m.

## \* GILEAD \*

## ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN

Pastor Annette Minderman  
Sundays: Worship, 11 a.m.

## \* HARDY \*

## ST. PAUL LUTHERAN

Pastor Breen Marie Sipes  
Sundays: Worship, 9 a.m.

## \* HEBRON \*

## FAITH LUTHERAN

Rev. Christopher Gerdes, Pastor  
Sundays: Worship, 9:30

a.m.  
Wednesdays: Matins, 9 a.m.;  
Bible study, 9:30 a.m.

## FIRST COMMUNITY CHURCH

Steve Speichinger, Pastor  
Sundays: Sunday School, 9  
a.m.; Worship, 10:00 a.m.  
Wednesdays: Family night,  
supper, 6 p.m.; Bible study,  
6:45 p.m.

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Sundays: Worship, 10:30  
a.m.

## GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Keith Brozek, Pastor  
Saturday, December 16:  
Worship, 6:30 p.m.  
Sunday, December 17: Sun-  
day School Christmas program,  
9 a.m.; Coffee fellowship, 10  
a.m.

## HEBRON & CHESTER UNITED METHODIST

Rev. Young Je Kim, Pastor  
Sundays: Worship at Ches-  
ter, 11 a.m.; Worship at Hebron,  
9 a.m.; Sunday School, Chester,  
9:30 a.m.; Hebron, 10:15 a.m.

## KING OF KINGS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Darrell Sutton, Pastor  
Tuesdays: Service, 7 p.m.  
Sundays: Worship, 6 p.m.;  
Sunday School, 5 p.m.; first and  
third Sundays of month.

## NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY

Mike Hood, Pastor  
Sundays: Sunday School, 9  
a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

## SACRED HEART CATHOLIC

Father Rudolf Oborny, Pastor  
Saturday, December 16:

Mass, 6 p.m.  
Sunday, December 17: Mass,  
10 a.m.; CCD Christmas pro-  
gram with Mass; Breakfast in  
social hall following Mass.  
Wednesday, December 20:  
No CCD class.

## HEBRON BIBLE CHURCH

Jeff Friesen, Pastor  
Sundays: Sunday School, 9  
a.m.; Worship, 10 a.m.  
Wednesdays: Women's Bible  
study, 7 p.m.  
Thursdays: Prayer time, 9  
a.m.  
Saturdays (2nd and 4th):  
Men's Bible study.

## \* HUBBELL \*

## ZION LUTHERAN

Rev. Christopher Gerdes, Pastor  
Sundays: Worship, 8 a.m.

## \* OAK \*

## FIRST COMMUNITY CHURCH

Keith Brich, Pastor  
Sundays: Sunday School, 9  
a.m.; Worship 10 a.m.  
Wednesdays: Men's Bible  
study, 7 p.m.  
Fridays: Women's Bible  
study, 2 p.m.  
First Saturday: Men's break-  
fast, 7:30 a.m.

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By Diane Wettstein, Executive Director  
Thayer County Economic Development Alliance

Time has gone by rather quickly for my first year as the Director for Thayer County Economic Development Alliance. One year ago, October 10th, 2017, I started in this position with knowing very little about the county, communities, businesses and people. I am still not an expert on any of this, however, I have learned a lot of valuable information and have met a lot of fantastic people in all communities.

What TCEDA has been up to:

- Assisted two out of three new homeowners with down payment funding through our Homeowners Opportunity Program with SENDD, helping their dream of owning their own home be possible.
- Working with two local businesses obtaining connections and support for their expansion and new business to start up.

- Currently on the lookout for a location for a business wanting to come here from Indiana. They stated that crime is too high there and they want to settle in to one of our communities. Prime spot they would like to be is along the Hwy 81 corridor Hebron area or close. They have been to Deshler prior to their contact with our office and have been impressed with the county itself. This is a work in progress and will continue after the first of the year.

- Daycare – The Bruning Davenport School District has taken over this project and we are here for support in whatever manner they may need.

- Nebraska Shrimp Company – my last update on Facebook, Dietrich Brinegar supplied pictures for me of the shrimp he has now stocked and is raising. They grow quickly and it looks like they should be available for purchase by January 2018.

- The Duensing's in Byron are in the process of getting all the necessary paperwork and permits in regards to the expansion of Legacy Cattle

Company. I have enjoyed working with Trey Duensing on this venture. I am excited to see the progress once funding starts coming into place. TCEDA's role is in helping support and find contacts they needed for funding. These small contributions help to keep projects moving along.

- Career Day on November 2, 2017 was hosted by TCEDA and Southeast Community College. The Event went over well for the first time at this location. Thank you to Crystal Fangmeier for all her help with this project. Thank you to all the businesses that participated and to the staff and students from the four area schools. Crystal and I both have learned a great deal to improve next year's fair.

- Facebook – Updating the TCEDA Facebook page is a constant vigil. Most of what I post are what I have received from my own FB page and I repost to the TCEDA page. Page if you want to send me an invite to like your page please do and I will share promotions and activities onto our TCEDA page. Anyway I can help to promote our county I am very happy to do so. Our TCEDA.org website is up and running and the TCEDA FB page can be accessed from this location. The TCEDA.org lists our mission statement, contact information, local contact information for communities and will have more pages in the near future added.

- I have attended a few workshops and events that I feel are beneficial. My last workshop was a Bootcamp for Nonprofits. Even learning about the nonprofit side and expectations is so helpful. I will be attending two webinars this month; one on Business Retention and Support and one on LOIS training on the new site.

- I have started to schedule village and board meetings for the year. I do try to attend 2-3 for each community, sometimes that is hard since they all seem to run on the

same evenings and at the beginning of the month but it is doable, just a lot of juggling.

- Reminder we do have housing funds for down payment assistance still available AND we have funds through USDA for either to start up a new business, purchase a business, or expansion of an existing business.

- Donation letters for support of TCEDA will be going out towards the end of the month and beginning of January 2018. Support from the county helps to get projects completed and assistance available.

What is in store for the rest of the year? A lot of busy work. Currently I am working to ensure I have ALL business listings for the entire county. My plan is at the first of the year to start scheduling visits to businesses and obtaining information based on what the business sees the need for, what works best for them, employment stats, etc. I am going to start with the businesses that I have not made it to and work my way through. A big job but an important job. The data will help guide TCEDA in what direction works best to support and assist our county.

- Another project currently is re-entering all commercial property that is for sale in the county. A system known as LOIS has just did a complete overhaul and is more user friendly now! I am hoping it will take less time to input all the data. If you have a piece of commercial property for sale and it is not listed with any of our realtors contact me please at tceda@diodecom.net with the information.

Putting together data collection into a file to use will go hand in hand with the Business Retention Evaluation visits. Having something in place to enter the data and have it work for myself and the TCEDA Board to utilize will help establish what are the primary focus and needs of the county. This is why visits to each business is necessary. Not only for me to get out there and meet all, but to find out first hand from the vendors and services.

SENDD (Southeast Nebraska Development District) and TCEDA will be working

closely together on a regional program that can benefit the entire county. More information to come on this project down the road.

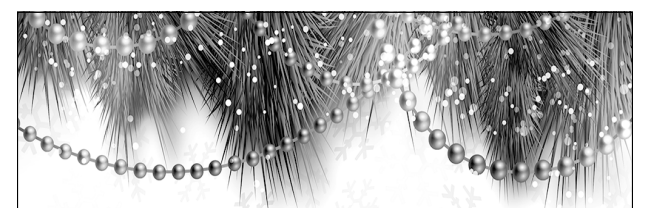
Now this sounds like a lot, it is but I look forward to keeping busy and visible. Office work is very necessary and I have been spending quite a few hours in my office and can easily schedule meetings Tuesday through Friday. If there is something that you would like to discuss or have in mind for a new business venture, looking for down payment assistance, needing help finding contacts for specific information, or help you may please contact me. I am available by phone or by email tceda@diodecom.net.

## Death Notice

### Sadie Simonton

Sadie Simonton, age 102, of Davenport, passed away on December 12, 2017, at Columbus. Services are pending.

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# Scientists needed for cancer research

At the Cattlemen's Ball this June, students in cancer research will present projects they've worked on with grants funded by the annual event. Faculty will also attend.

"Ten to 12 grants a year are given out," Dr. Kenneth Cowan, CEO of the Fred and Pamela Buffet Center, said. "The students are enthusiastic about their projects."

The center is in an exciting position, Cowan said. As a cancer research and cancer care facility, the chance of receiving federal grants is greater and there are more opportunities for scientific discoveries and for scientists to become more educated about problems oncologists have.

"We need to involve scientists on where the field is and where it needs to go. We wouldn't be able to have this without the connection to the ball," Cowan said. The center also receives support from state government because of the center's ties to the ball.

"Therapies are good, but we need new scientific discoveries and new state of the art technology to advance the field," he added.

The cancer center guarantees 100 percent of the funds raised at the ball stay in Nebraska, with 90 percent to the center and 10 percent back to area communities where the ball was held.

The center uses ball funds for the recruitment of new faculty, new research opportunities and jumpstarts the

center's research labs with equipment and supplies.

The center supports pilot grants for existing researchers to begin new projects.

Hopefully, they will work with another scientist, Cowan said. Funds allow the start-ups and do a year's worth of research, which enables them to apply for larger, federal grants. Those monies aren't distributed unless there are preliminary results showing accomplishments and promise for the future.

"Every year, we ask our faculty to submit small pilot grants. They are ranked and the best of the best is awarded," Cowan said. Grant approval is based on a peer-review system and which projects will benefit patients the most.

"As a consequence, the ball money is critical to these activities," Cowan said. Approximately 150 scientists in the last 20 years have received ball funds.

The commitment to the Cattlemen's Ball demonstrates how many people have been affected by cancer, Cowan said.

"We desperately need to find new hope for cancer patients," he said. "We're incredibly excited about coming to Hebron this year. This year's ball has already exceeded all expectations and comes in No. 1 in the enthusiasm department."

He said the number of people volunteering is "incredible."

# City...

topped the list for areas the city should focus on. The city and the chamber worked together to install new directional signs for Hebron.

Business development garnered 53.5 percent of the survey vote.

The LB840 redesignation of a third of the city's sales tax, estimated at \$60,000, will be on the May ballot.

"The money will go back to the business if LB840 is passed. Without it, there is less money to do improvements," Sudbeck said.

But before the city goes on an economic development run, it should repair infrastructure first, Ed Bliss said. Bliss said a storm gutter with rebar poking out has had to be pumped the last couple of years.

"Will the city get their house in order?" Bliss asked.

City administrator, Chris Fangmeier, agreed.

"We can't tell you to clean up your stuff if we don't clean ours," Fangmeier said. "We are 20 years behind in a lot of aspects."

Sudbeck said the city wants to be proactive.

If approved by Hebron voters, LB840 is estimated to deliver approximately \$60,000 per year for 15 years to economic development. If all funds aren't used, the money rolls over to the next year.

A separate committee from city operations would be selected to recommend how the funds should be dispersed.

# Ball...

troops overseas, sharing his love for the great outdoors with fellow sportsmen at a Cabela's gathering or writing another song for a hit TV show. Hoge has that rare ability to find common ground with just about anyone and draw them into his world.

Guests attending the Cattlemen's Ball of Nebraska are certain to have a great time and enjoy food and drink, featuring premium Nebraska beef and locally produced craft beers, wine and spirits, in addition to the award-winning musical performances.

Marsh encouraged all to attend.

"It's not necessary to be a cattle producer to attend the Cattlemen's Ball of Nebraska," he said. "And you certainly don't need to know how to dance. All that's required is a warm heart and generous spirit. There's something for everyone at this two-day event - shopping, dining, entertainment, ranch rodeo,

demonstrations, art, special activities and more - there's something fun and exciting around every corner.

"If you or someone you love has been affected by cancer, then the Cattlemen's Ball of Nebraska is definitely an experience you don't want to miss," Marsh added.

The Cattlemen's Ball of Nebraska is a 501(c)(3) charity whose mission is to raise money for cancer research. Ninety percent of the profits benefit the Fred and Pamela Buffett Cancer Center in Omaha, with 10 percent donated back to local communities' health and wellness projects.

The Cattlemen's Ball has become one of the Midwest's premier events, raising millions of dollars for cancer research. Held in a different and unique location each year, the ball gives host communities the opportunity to showcase their area of the state.

For more information and tickets, visit [www.cattlemensball.com](http://www.cattlemensball.com).



## Tietjen helps kindergarteners

Miss Nebraska Allison Tietjen was spotted at the Thayer Central High School basketball game Dec. 8 to help the kindergartners raise funds to send soldiers care packages. As Miss Nebraska, Tietjen's platform is "United We Stand: Honoring Our Military," inspired by her grandfather, who served during the Korean War.

# Thayer County Health Services

## Things And Stuff

December 13: Hebron  
December 14: Ruskin  
December 15: Chester  
December 16: Hebron  
December 20: Deshler  
December 21: Hebron  
December 22: Davenport  
December 23: TCHS Emp.

Hebron volunteers and Thayer County Health Services employees will provide coverage on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon.

The Things and Stuff shop and the hospital gift shop are staffed by volunteers from Thayer County and surrounding communities. To volunteer at the Things and Stuff shop, contact Ruth Kripal at 402-768-6755. Shop hours are Wed., Thur. and Fri. from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sat. from 9 a.m. to noon.

Donations of household items and clothing items may be made during the hours of operation or leave them in the drop box behind the shop.

**Children's Immunization Clinics:** Immunizations

for children are done through the clinic. To schedule a clinic appointment, call 402-768-7203.

**Adult Immunization Clinic:** For all adult vaccines, contact the clinic appointment line at 402-768-7203.

## CLINIC SCHEDULES

**Bruning Clinic**  
December 19 ..... 9:30-11:30  
Dr. Randy Waldman  
December 20: ..... 1:30-4:30  
Brent Madsen, PAC  
**Davenport Clinic**  
December 18 ..... 9:30-11:30  
Kay Elting, APRN  
December 20 ..... 8:30-11:30  
Brent Madsen, PAC  
**Deshler Clinic**  
December 18 ..... 2:00-4:30  
Kay Elting, APRN  
December 19 ..... 2:00-4:30  
Maggie Johnson, PAC  
December 21 ..... 9:00-11:30  
Dr. Scott Vonderfecht  
**Chester Clinic**  
December 20 ..... 9:00-11:30  
Maggie Johnson, PAC  
**Milligan Clinic**  
December 19 ..... 7:45-10:30  
Dr. Scott Vonderfecht

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Friday, December 1st - 7PM  
Sunday, December 3rd - 2PM

## CRETE

Isis Theatre  
139 W 13th St., Crete, NE  
Sunday, December 10th - 2PM

## HEBRON

Majestic Theatre  
110 S 5th St, Hebron, NE  
Saturday, December 16th - 2PM

George Bailey's (played by Jimmy Stewart) life in Bedford Falls, although taking place 40+ years before my own childhood in Fairbury, has always struck me as reminiscent of small town life in Nebraska—places where we know many of the folks, and recognize most of the rest of them enough to smile and wave—and say "hi" on the street, even when we're not sure we recognize them, because it's the friendly thing to do.

*"I've long enjoyed 'It's A Wonderful Life', and in the last 20 years, watching it at least once has been a staple of the Christmas season for me and my family."*

The message that every life matters, and that we can all change our corner of the world through the little things we do each day—and may never realize how much—resonates with me.

Join me for a no-political talk showing, and a chance to reflect on how we can each impact the world and people around us.

*Laura Ebke*  
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**Blue Valley Bowl**  
**Bowling Results**

**MONDAY MEN'S CITY LEAGUE**  
**High Scratch Team Series:** Kass Ford — 2082; **High Women's Game:** John Coyle 245, Manny Motto 243, Ryan Dick 205; **High Women's Series:** Manny Motto 697, John Coyle 655, Brian Higgins 579.

**TUESDAY WOMEN'S BOWLERETTES LEAGUE**  
**High Scratch Team Series:** Cheryl's Hair Care — 1654; **High Women's Game:** Deb Bulin 193, Linda Broman 183, Joy Butterbaugh 170; **High Women's Series:** Cheri Knobel 477, Linda Broman 469, Kathy Krienart 453.

**WEDNESDAY MEN'S AMERICAN LEAGUE**  
**High Scratch Team Series:** Farm Bureau Ins. — 2095; **High Men's Game:** Corey Schoenrock 225, Bryce Mammen 219, Randy Bartling 213; **High Men's Series:** Corey Schoenrock 628, Manny Motto 584, Randy Bartling 576.

**THURSDAY WOMEN'S ROCKETTES LEAGUE**  
**High Scratch Team Series:** After 5 Floozies -- 1621; **High Women's Game:** Pam Wagner 194, Penny Pfingston 168, Nancy Krehnke 164; **High Women's Series:** Pam Wagner 492, Jill Spurling 436, Penny Pfingston 415.

**THURSDAY MEN'S PINBUSTER LEAGUE**  
**High Scratch Team Series:** Riverside Chevrolet -- 2002; **High Men's Game:** Justin Pope 234, B. J. Linton 221, Mike Crosgrove 213; **High Men's Series:** Kevin Mitchell 571, Mike Crosgrove 560, Justin Pope 550.

## FRIDAY JUNIOR

**LEAGUE**  
**High Scratch Team Series:** High Boys' Game: Eric Galvan 133, Elijah Quinones 120; **High Girls' Game:** Megan Lukert 124, Lauren Dick 119.

**SUNDAY NIGHT MIXED LEAGUE**  
**High Scratch Team Series:** Broncos — 1925; **High Men's**

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