



Tidbits

Annual Chamber Meeting...

The Hebron Chamber would like to invite you to their annual meeting on Thursday, March 5, at the Hebron Activity Center. The evening begins at 6 p.m. and light refreshments will be served. New ideas and strategies will be discussed on how the Chamber can improve and move forward. A growing Hebron is the key to a strong Chamber, and the Chamber board members would like to hear input from community members. Working together can unlock Hebron's future growth potential. Hope to see you on the 5th!

Winter Book Sale...

The Hebron Secret Library is hosting its winter used book sale from February through March. Library hours are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 7 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Winter Story Time...

The Hebron Secret Library will host its winter story time on Saturday, Feb. 28, from 10 to 11 a.m. The theme is "Wolf!! Wolf!! (Fun with Mr. Wolf)."

Speaker Series...

"Death Zones and Darling Spies: Seven Years of Vietnam War Reporting" author Beverly Deepe Keever will have a presentation and slide show at the Hebron Courtyard Terrace Activity Room at the Hebron Assisted Living Facility on Monday, March 9, at 2 p.m. Keever, a farm girl from Thayer County, traveled to Vietnam as a 26-year-old war correspondent in 1961. She was the longest-serving American correspondent covering the Vietnam War and earned a Pulitzer Prize nomination. Keever is professor emerita at the University of Hawaii. The public is welcome.

Alumni Basketball Games...

The third annual Thayer County alumni basketball tournament will be held Feb. 28 at 9 a.m. and March 1 at 10 a.m. Both games will be at the Deshler High School. Adults are \$3 and students are \$2.

Correction...

The alumni banquet was noted in an earlier article and stated it was at 6:30 on May 23. The correct time is 6 p.m.

~Obituaries~

- Brinegar**, Richard, 66, formerly Carleton
- Buntemeyer**, Ines, 84, Deshler
- Mitchell**, Doris, 67, formerly Deshler
- Wurtz**, Valora, 85, formerly Carleton

Davenport community looks to start new grocery store

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Last Saturday, Feb. 21, a group of about 25 people met in Davenport at South Maple Street to weigh options for opening a grocery store for the village. The previous market closed last November. Two smaller meetings were held for planning before this third larger meeting was called. Donna Vorce, a Davenport resident who works at Plains Tree Farm is helping to organize the effort.

"We want to get the community involved and hear people's concerns and suggestions," said Vorce.

By the end of the meeting, three groups were formed: one to explore the financial/business logistics, a second to search for possible physical locations in the village and a third to focus on outreaching to other local markets. Vorce is on the committee to find potential locations for the store.

"There are currently three buildings on the table," said Vorce.

One is the building where the previ-

ous grocery store was. A second is a building by the community center on the west side of the street. The third, if no other options are available, is the north section of the South Maple Street business.

The group plans to base the new store off of one (or several) of Kansas State rural grocery initiative business models: co-op, community owned, independently owned or school run.

More information can be found at ruralgrocery.org.

The group is focused on forming either a co-op or a community owned store if independent grocers are not interested in opening a market in Davenport.

A co-op can be done several ways. One way is if the store would co-op with another local grocery store to share expenses and help meet weekly minimum purchase requirements from wholesale grocers. A customer owned co-op means customers would pay for a membership to get the lowest prices. Members could also contribute physically or financially.

A community owned store would

mean the store would be community supported and community owned with paid staff assisted by a volunteer board of directors. The school run model would utilize volunteer labor from upper grade business students. The market is assisted by this additional labor and the students learn first hand how business functions.

Personally, Vorce hopes to find ways to employ elements from all four models. Perhaps working with another independent market to share expenses yet have the community of Davenport own the store; by exploring varying levels of investment to customers to encourage ownership.

"I would like to put the idea of a not-for-profit market into the discussions. Money coming in to the market beyond expenses of staff and maintenance would be plowed back into the market for enhancements and other projects to build an interesting shopping environment."

Vorce sees having young business students participate in their community as an exciting option.

To get more feedback, a question-

naire will be distributed to Davenport residents to find out more about the specific needs of the townspeople.

Ideas are being considered as to how to fund the project such as fundraising, selling shares, accepting donations, selling t-shirts and caps, a community sale and federal and state grants. The cost is estimated to be about \$75,000-\$100,000 to prepare the space for the new enterprise.

Despite the costs, Vorce, however, believes that bringing a grocery store back to Davenport is important to the future of the village.

"If people leave Davenport to get groceries, they're not just going to go to get groceries," said Vorce. "They are going to do other things there too. Other businesses will be affected by this."

The next meeting will be Saturday March 14 at 10 a.m. at South Maple Street. The groups will reconvene to give their updates. Vorce hopes to compare layouts of the buildings they are considering and give people an idea of their options.

"All who eat are welcome to show up," said Vorce. "Bring your ideas."



JR Photo/Christy Farnstrom

Livestock Feeders hold 51st annual banquet...

The Thayer County Livestock Feeders Association hosted their 51st Annual Banquet on Saturday, February 21 at the Thayer County Activity Center in Deshler. Nearly 350 guests attended. Officers and directors were recognized at the banquet. They include (l-r) back row: Jason Buchli, Marc Hanson, Reuben Elting, Tim Pohlmann, Jason Oldehoeft, Dan Domeier, and Matt Johnson. Front (l-r): Lenny Bowman, Gregg Wiedel (2014 Secretary/Treasurer), Tim Koch, Rick Dageforde (2014 President), Travis Sinn (2014 Vice President) and Tony Elting. Not Pictured: Matt Beals and Steve Schiermeyer. For more photos, go to page 12.



Courtesy Photo

2015 Leading Locally class graduates...

"I have learned so much valuable information through the Leading Locally Class and intend to stay involved in local leadership." "Through Leading Locally, I learned a lot about Thayer County businesses and the amazing people who started them." These are just a couple of comments by 2015 Leading Locally in Thayer County graduates who received Certificates of Accomplishment during the recent ceremony held at Billy's Restaurant in Lincoln. The afternoon graduation celebration was held after visiting the Capitol and meeting Governor Ricketts and Senator Laura Ebke. The morning was spent observing the Legislature from the gallery and touring the Capitol. A catered lunch for the 65+ Leading Locally classes from Burt, Merrick, Thayer and Wayne Counties was served while Senators from those districts talked to their constituents. During the afternoon class members had an opportunity to visit public hearings. Thayer County Leading Locally graduates include Jacie Milius - Nebraska Extension Educator in Clay, Nuckolls & Thayer Counties; Amanda Push News Director at Hebron Journal-Register; Heather Ramey, grain marketer and risk manager; Kara Tipton - agriculture producer near Chester; and Rebecca Stengel and Kara Wenske from Midwest Bank in Deshler. Leading Locally in Thayer County will begin the 2015-2016 class in September. Applications are being accepted through Thayer County Economic Development Alliance (402-768-7407) and through University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension in Thayer County (402-768-7212).

National FFA Week: Feb. 21-28



Courtesy Photo

Bruning-Davenport chapter celebrates National FFA Week...

In celebration of National FFA Week, the Bruning-Davenport FFA Alumni recognized the Bruning-Davenport FFA chapter and their advisor, Siera Meyer, on their accomplishments this year. The group has been busy in their school and community with a number of activities including learning about agriculture and developing their leadership skills. The goal of the FFA is to "make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education" according to their website. Career events are scheduled for this week. Around 22 members of the chapter will head to Southeast Community College in Beatrice on March 3 to participate in several career development contests.

Pages of the Past...

From The Hebron Journal-Register

1885

130 Years Ago

William M. Hill will soon commence work on his new meat shop.

The Blue Valley Cornet Band is making a tour to various towns.

H. Y. McLaughlin will soon build a store building on the lot purchased of Charles Gilly.

Does the hand on the dial-plate of time mark the termination of England's career of conquest and acquisition?

The town trustees having secured a lot on the east side of Fourth Street between Lincoln and Jefferson avenues, the engine house and paraphernalia of Rescue Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1 have been moved to the new location.

At a meeting of the board of town trustees Tuesday night two ordinances were passed: One requiring sidewalks cleaned within 24 hours after a storm, and the other regulating places of amusement and fixing fees of shows, parades, etc.

The birthday party of Lula Correll last Saturday, recalls the historical fact that she was the first child born in Hebron, Feb. 22d, 1872.

1895

120 Years Ago

Mr. Roberts and family from Peters, Ill., have located in Hebron and are occupying the Gettis house. Mr. Roberts will probably go into business in the spring.

J. B. Schott of this precinct, having rented his farm to William Duncan, will move with his family to Jasper, Mo. Thayer county can ill afford to lose such citizens as Mr. Schott—men who are enterprising and honest in their business transactions. We hope his removal will be temporary only.

An item relative to the terrific storm of Wednesday last in this issue designated it as the worst blizzard ever known in this part of the west. But the characteristics were so peculiar that many believe it should not be classified as a blizzard but should be designated as one of those terrible storms of the north Pacific and the polar regions generally called "chinook."

Dr. Northrup and wife will locate in Belvidere where the doctor will open a dental office.

The largest crop of ice ever harvested in this locality has been gathered during the last few weeks.

Prairie hay is selling on this market for \$9 per ton and timothy for \$10.

O. M. Quigley has leased the Hebron Register.

Obituary: Nathan Dodge was born in West Woodstock, Conn., April 14, 1817, being at the time of his death, 77 years, 9 months and 17 days old. Died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Barger, Hebron, Thursday, Jan. 31, 1895.

Phyllis, The Farmer's Daughter, an operatic cantata, is to be directed under the auspices of the K. of P. Lodge, of this city, Wednesday evening. The proceeds of the entertainment are to be devoted to the relief of the needy and destitute of Hebron. The admission price will be 25 cents.

1905

110 Years Ago

Sleigh bells are heard on every hand, and everything moves on runners.

For a week there have been no trains through Hebron on the Fairbury-Nelson branch of the Rock Island.

Last Monday morning the frisky thermometers took a jump, and the incredulous public rubbed their eyes and took a second look to be sure they were not dreaming. Even Dr. Easton's "conservative thermometer," government tests, showed 31 degrees below zero.

Leonard Sponsler went to Lincoln Monday to take an examination to enter the Navy.

L. P. Luce of Hubbell, last week, severely ruptured himself in a fall, and an operation was resorted to. The report spread that the operation had proved fatal, but we are glad to state that at last report, Mr. Luce was doing nicely.

Last Saturday, the sad intelligence was received that D. B. Phelps of Hebron had died suddenly, the night previous, at a hospital in Kansas City, where he had gone for treat-

ment. Mr. Phelps wrote his own obituary on December 15, 1902, which also appears in this issue.

Alexandria: Wm. Sinn drove to Carleton February 1 to deliver a large mule that he sold at that place. He froze his nose on the journey.

Bruning: A team was driven over here from near Carleton a day or so ago and as the occupants wished to make the train and not having started until late, put their horses through as fast as possible. It was one of the coldest days this season and they tied the horses to the rack and did not blanket them. The horses were covered with white frost, they had been driven so hard.

Belvidere: Home Morehead has moved his family to Hebron to live. Homer is head miller in Wetherald Brothers' flouring mill at that place.

1915

100 Years Ago

Frank Geureaux bought the Joe Allsman store at Stoddard and will take possession March 1st. Mr. Allsman is going west.

A. G. Collins and S. J. Fitzsimons have opened an office above the Hebron State Bank, in the room formerly occupied by J. P. Baldwin. Mr. Baldwin has moved into the office vacated by C. L. Richards, who occupies the county attorney's office, vacated by Mr. Baldwin.

Geo. Loontjer, a pioneer of Kiowa precinct, died this week. His wife died about a year ago. They had planned on retiring and moving to Deshler. He was the oldest resident Kiowa settler in the county. W. D. Galbraith is the only pioneer of that section who is left from that section.

About 50 ladies attended the meeting of the ladies' auxiliary at the handsome new farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Schutz, northwest of town. The home is thoroughly modern, with beautiful finish, and is said to be one of the finest farm homes in the state.

Mrs. M. G. Corliss collared her distinguished husband and marched him up to the Journal office where he humbly and gratefully renewed his Journal subscription. He was so pleased with the result that he repeated the good deed, paying a year for his son-in-law, F. M. Lake of Mullen. We hope Mrs. Corliss will continue her angelic ministrations with other subscribers, in showing them the straight and narrow path to the Journal office.

Volleyball is a new game in Hebron but it is proving of great interest to our young men and boys. A tournament of games has been arranged for and are being played on Tuesday and Thursday evenings of each week at the Opera House.

1925

90 Years Ago

The city council met in a special called session Tuesday evening and passed a paving ordinance. The petitioners and remonstrants were present with their numerous signatures of property owners. Those favoring paving had 53 percent of the resident property owners in the proposed paving district. Also the law requires 60 percent, the council felt justified in granting the petition, inasmuch as there was over half. It is presumed that this will meet with community approval, as there is very general acquiescence in recognizing the principal of majority rule. The paving district includes Lincoln Avenue from the west side of the Burlington track on First Street on east to the end of the street at the Meridian highway. Also, Fourth Street, from the Rock Island track to the street north of the courthouse square.

1935

80 Years Ago

(Alexandria Argus)
C. W. Graul recently purchased the feed building and equipment of the Jackson estate, and will move the building onto his town residence property in Alexandria, as soon as weather permits.

Chas. DeLong and Wilbur Huber, accompanied by Frank Bowker and Duncan Woltemath, were over to Rulo, Neb., last week and trucked back eight 50-ft. poles to be used on the kitten ball diamond this summer.

Wm. Cortney and Byron Demaray held their public

sales the first of this week and both sales were reported to have been very good. Mr. Cortney and family are moving to Alexandria and Byron Demaray and family and David Conner will move to Oregon in the near future.

1945

70 Years Ago

The U.S. Navy needs thousands more skilled civilian worker at Pearl Harbor and west coast Navy yards.

Obituaries: Henry Frank Komrs; Mrs. Chas. Howell; Fred Hobelman, Sr.

News of our men and women in uniform: Letter published from Paul Olson, somewhere in the Pacific War Zone; Everett Allsman in Guadalcanal; Chet and Bill Jestes, overseas; Leo McKay, somewhere in Italy; Wayne E. Sykes from the Philippines.

1955

60 Years Ago

Next Saturday the Hebron Chamber of Commerce is holding a free pancake feed in the old HeHi gym south of the Majestic Theatre. Aunt Jemima, in person, will be on hand baking her delicious pancakes.

Mrs. Kate Schaffer, a former resident of Hebron, passed away at Grand Island.

The newly organized Rotary Club of Hebron, Monday night, was formally admitted to membership in Rotary International.

1965

50 Years Ago

No information available.

1975

40 Years Ago

He-Hi's Jerry Wiedel won the state Class C wrestling title in the 98 pound class at the state wrestling tournament. The once-defeated Bear wrestler led Hebron's team to an eighth place finish in the event.

The Thayer County Commissioners passed and approved a resolution which gave the "go ahead" to Wilson and Co., engineers and archi-



J-R File Photo

This Week 1985...FIVE, FOUR, THREE, TWO, ONE and we have lift off. The Hebron Goldenrod Girl Scout Council commemorated "Thinking Day" as many Scouts across the nation did, by having a balloon lift. The seven troops met at the high school parking lot to release their balloons at the appointed Friday, 4 p.m. time. The Scouts are hoping that once their balloons land they will be notified as to the distance they traveled and which direction they went from the lift-off point.

tects of Salina, Kan., to submit blue prints and let bids for the construction of a new Thayer County Law Enforcement structure at a cost of approximately \$210,000.

1985

30 Years Ago

George Harms of Hebron was set to issue his last ticket at the weigh station as a scale officer before retiring after 30 years as an employee of the State of Nebraska Department of Roads.

Thayer County Spelling Bee winners: Sara Fangmeyer, eighth grader of Deshler; Mark Albrecht, seventh grader of Bruning; Kenny Heiman, sixth grader at Chester-Hubbell-Byron and Kasi Nippert, fifth grader of Carleton.

Members of the Belvidere United Church of Christ held a progressive housewarming for members of the church who had moved to Hebron. Homes visited were Maxine Currey, Bernice Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Else.

In the *Journal-Register's* Salute to Pork Producers, Duane, Neil and Gary Miller of

Davenport were featured with their hog operation, along with Merlin and Ward Heitmann, east of Byron and Donovan Joachim of Belvidere in their hog operations.

1995

20 Years Ago

Local winners in the Toastmasters International Speech Contest were Mary Studier of Hebron, second place in table topics and second place in international and Dorothy Hintz of Belvidere, first place in international.

A carry-in dinner honoring Paul and Grace Buchli on their 63rd wedding anniversary was held at the Alexandria Community Building.

Memorial funds from Grace Hermann, who had been a resident at the Blue Valley Lutheran Home in Hebron, provided a digital wheel chair scale for the home and a refrigerator for the staff dining room.

2005

10 Years Ago

Fireworks blasted and fire

trucks blared as two state champion wrestlers were welcomed home to Hebron. Thayer Central senior Craig Degehardt and junior Joey Koch claimed gold medal wins at the NSAA State Wrestling meet in Lincoln. Both were rated top Class C contenders in their respective divisions at 145 and 140 pounds and both went undefeated on the state mats.

Thayer Central seventh grade boys' basketball team finished its season undefeated at 10-0. Members were Coach Rob Marsh, Nick Burkhardt, Braden Burkey, Conner His-song, Will Goldhammer, Kory Klover, Bryan Templin, Coach Kurb Mumm, Nathan Elting, Seth Wiedel, Thad Berry, Spencer Culler, Sam Wiedel, Ryan Lee, Taylor Wiedel and Derrick Gandara.

The Hebron Cub Scout Pinewood Derby competition was held with Russell Heitmann winning first in the speed category. Best of show winner was Broderick Harms.

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Courthouse News

COUNTY COURT Fines Paid

by February 18, 2015

Court costs \$48.00 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.

Nebraska State Patrol

The County Court processed scale citations issued to 13 commercial vehicle drivers for Nebraska road violations in the last week, for a total of \$1,570 in fines.

Johnny Creek, Wymore. Speeding, \$25.

Angelica Mireles, Wichita, Kan. Speeding, \$75.

Casey Berger, Lincoln. Speeding, \$200.

Amanda McKnight, Lincoln. Speeding, \$200.

Wayne Schlesener, Hebron. No valid registration, \$25.

Crystal Nun, Exeter. Speeding, \$25; Fail to use seat belt, \$25.

Darian Devries, Omaha. Speeding, \$75.

Adrian Lewis, Brooklyn, N.Y. Speeding, \$75.

Stacy Boyce, Tobias. Speeding, \$75.

Madison Martin, Davenport. Speeding, \$25.

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Village of Byron to Tietjen & Son LLC. Block 1, School Addition of Byron.

Est. of Larry H. Hintz, David Hintz, Personal Rep to City of Hebron. Pt Lot 8 in Block 1, Savages Suburban Block of Hebron.

MARRIAGE LICENCES
Patrick James Queen, Salina, Kan., legal age; Tara Michelle Marinello, Salina, Kan., legal age.

Lightning Rod Scam in Southeast Nebraska

Attorney General Doug Peterson is urging consumers to be wary of any uninvited person or persons coming to your home offering to install a new lightning rod system or inspect any existing lightning rod system.

Door-to-door sales scams try to trick you into acting immediately, before you have time to shop around. Red flags should go up if a door-to-door salesperson pressures you to make an immediate decision or pay cash in advance.

A current scheme affecting Nebraskans involves the sale and installation of lightning rod systems. Local authorities investigating the scams have reported that consumers are being charged an exorbitant amount of money, in some cases upwards of \$10,000, for equipment that costs very little and may be unnecessary.

Recent reports indicate that the scammers normally travel in pairs and are not associated with any company. They use high-pressure sales tactics to coerce consumers to agree to the outrageous pricing and

will convince the consumer to purchase the system even after being told no by the consumer many times.

Listen to your instincts. If you have an uneasy feeling about a door-to-door salesperson, just say "no" and shut the door.

Anytime you are considering purchasing a product, especially one for thousands of dollars, you should research the product, the company/persons selling the product and whether the cost is reasonable before making a purchase or signing a contract.

Law enforcement has reported the scam occurring in numerous counties in Southeast Nebraska, including Jefferson County, Gage County, Thayer County, Saline County, and Nuckolls County.

If you suspect a door-to-door scam is occurring in your neighborhood, promptly notify local law enforcement and contact the Nebraska Consumer Protection Division at ago.nebraska.gov or 800-727-6432.

Grant awarded for Beginning Farmer/Rancher Trainings

Recently, U.S. Department of Agriculture's Deputy Secretary Krysta Harden (USDA) announced more than \$18 million in Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program (BFRDP) grants to educate, mentor, and enhance the sustainability of the next generation of farmers.

The grants are available through the Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program (BFRDP) administered by the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), which was authorized by the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Farm Bill).

Partnering organizations, Community Crops of Lincoln and the Center for Rural Affairs were awarded \$381,726 to combine their farmer training programs to increase their

outreach to beginning farmers in the state of Nebraska.

This project will enhance urban and rural-based farm viability of 150 beginning Hispanic, socially disadvantaged, and limited resource farmers in Nebraska. The objective is to assist these beginners with development of small scale farm enterprises through training and technical assistance.

"The need to develop new farmers who will grow food is critical at this juncture," said Ingrid Kirst, Executive Director, Community Crops. "With climate challenges and a rising demand for locally grown food, the time to invest in developing successful new farmers who will be armed with the kind of training and technical assistance to help ensure their success is now."

Kirst continued, using the strengths and experiences of both organizations, we will provide training and technical assistance in business/financial planning and production skills, and will facilitate development of a peer-to-peer network.

Distance learning technology will be used to reach the maximum number of beginners throughout Nebraska and archive training for future access. Over 40 people are attending the first class series being held in Lincoln and Crete as the first step toward their new farm dream.

According to the USDA press release, the BFRDP program, first established by the 2008 Farm Bill, aims to support those who have farmed or ranched less than ten years with workshops, educational teams, training, and technical assistance throughout the United States. NIFA awards grants to organizations that implement programs to train beginning farmers and ranchers.

"As new farmers and ranchers get started, they are really looking to their community for support. The Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program empowers these farmers and ranchers to bring innovative ideas to the table when it comes to addressing food security, creating economic enterprises, and building communities," said Deputy Secretary Krysta Harden. "As we celebrate the first anniversary of the 2014 Farm Bill, programs like these are evidence that an investment in beginning farmers and ranchers is an investment in our future."

Are you getting enough sleep?

For years, we have been told to eat better and exercise more. Despite lifestyle changes, many of us still feel burned out, can't drop those extra pounds, and don't seem to have enough energy. Maybe the missing component is we need more sleep.

Sleep rejuvenates the body and mind and getting adequate sleep is necessary for the body to function properly. Sleep regulates mood and is related to learning and memory functions. It helps your mind perform better and may be a critical factor in your health, weight and energy level.

Most of us know that getting a good night's sleep is important, but too few of us actually make getting enough sleep a priority. For many of us, we've forgotten what being truly rested feels like. To further complicate matters, stimulants like coffee and energy drinks, alarm clocks, and lights (i.e. electronic devices) interfere with our sleep/wake cycle.

Another complication is sleep apnea. An estimated 18 million Americans have sleep apnea, a sleep-related breathing disorder that leads individuals to repeatedly stop breathing during sleep.

This can seriously affect one's quality of sleep, and may lead to health risks such as stroke, heart attack, congestive heart failure and excessive daytime sleepiness.

Sleep apnea is associated with people overweight because excess weight often causes this compromised respiratory function. Unfortunately, losing weight in a healthy manner can take time, so it is important to treat sleep apnea first and then add exercise to your routine.

People effectively treated for sleep apnea feel better and this allows them to be more successful when starting an exercise program.

Research shows exercise is good for one's overall health, but this exercise must be properly timed. For example, a good workout makes you more alert, speeds up your metabolism and energizes



you, but exercise right before bedtime can lead to a poor night's sleep.

Experts recommend exercising at least three hours before bedtime. Body temperatures rise during exercise and may take up to six hours to drop. Because cooler body temperatures are associated with sleep onset, it's important to allow the body time to cool off before going to sleep.

If you need a cup of coffee in the morning or an afternoon cola, you may also be creating another vicious cycle. The more tired you are, the more caffeine you consume, but the more caffeine you consume, the harder it is to sleep at night.

Food and drinks high in caffeine may keep you up at night and their sugar or artificial sugar has no health benefits. This means you are at a higher risk to put on weight and not sustain your energy level.

For individuals who suffer from acid reflux, diet and sleep go hand-in-hand. This often causes nighttime heartburn, which may lead to sleep problems such as insomnia, sleep apnea, daytime sleepiness and restless legs syndrome.

Sleep also relates directly to your appetite and metabolism. Research shows that people, who don't get enough sleep have bigger appetites. This link between appetite and sleep provides further evidence that sleep and obesity are linked.

Understanding your health can be complex. Though diet and exercise are critical components, sleep is also linked to your overall health.

If you or someone you know is having trouble getting a good night's sleep, you should visit with your healthcare provider about ways you can improve your sleep.

Source: National Sleep Foundation

Speech Team wins at Invite

The Thayer Central Speech team participated in the Sutton Mustang Invite on February 21, as a final tune-up before their Conference Meet.

The Titans took home four medals at the meet, which featured 26 schools ranging from Class B to D-2.

Top placer was junior Kassie Kent, who won the Persuasive Speaking event. Senior Rachel Heitmann placed third in Serious Prose. Sophomore Hyeon Wang took home fourth and senior Robert Dodes tied for seventh in the Entertainment Category.

"All of our performers, from top to bottom, have been showing improvement every week," said Titan Head Coach Justin Bomar. "The four placers took strides but we also had four others that just finished outside the top 10 who are on the cusps of their own break outs."

The Titans will host Saturday's Southern Nebraska Conference meet on Saturday, February 28th before their final regular season meet at Doniphan-Trumbull on March 7.



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February 27: Hebron
February 28: Hebron
March 4: Alexandria
March 5: Deshler

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 shop, contact Audrey Else at 402-768-6621. If you would like to volunteer in the hospital gift shop, contact Ruth Kripal at 402-768-6755.

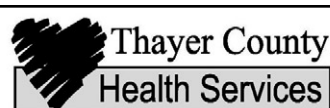
Children's Immunization Clinics: Immunizations for children will be offered with well child appointments in the clinic. Appointments for immunizations will be offered on the second and third Thursday each month. To schedule a clinic appointment, call 402-768-7203.

Foot Clinic: Call 402-768-4625 for appointments.

Adult Immunization Clinic: If you need to get an adult vaccine, contact Amber Lubben, RN, Immunization Coordinator for Thayer County Health Services at 402-768-4629.

CLINIC SCHEDULES

Bruning Clinic
March 3 8:30-9:30
Dr. Randy Waldman
March 4 1:30-4:30
Brent Madsen, PAC
Davenport Clinic
March 2 9:00-Noon
Kay Elting, APRN
March 4 8:30-11:30
Brent Madsen, PAC
Deshler Clinic
March 2 1:30-4:30
Kay Elting, APRN
March 5 9:00-Noon
Dr. Scott Vonderfecht
Milligan Clinic
March 3 8:00-9:00
Dr. Scott Vonderfecht
Chester Clinic
March 4 1:30-4:30
Maggie Johnson, PAC



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SPECIALTY CLINIC SCHEDULE

EAR, NOSE & THROAT
Dr. Bowen March 2
VASCULAR SURGERY
Dr. Tyndall March 3
NHI CARDIOLOGY
Dr. Nass March 3
GENERAL SURGERY
Dr. Ye March 4
Dr. Tommerassen March 4
WOUND CLINIC
Dr. Tommerassen March 4
BHI CARDIOLOGY
Dr. Miller March 6
New patients need to have a referral before seeing one of the specialists at the Specialty Clinic

Special Occasions

Happy 100th Birthday Doris Deepe

Please help Doris Deepe celebrate her 100th birthday on March 7 with a cascade of cards and best wishes sent to One Terrace Circle, Apartment 120, Hebron, 68370.

Joan Deepe
Beverly Keever
Chuck Keever

Happy 90th Birthday Gardie Beavers

The family of Gardie Beavers request a card shower in honor of his 90th birthday on February 29. Cards can be sent to him at PO Box 54, Carleton, NE 68326.



Happy 7th Birthday Riley Farnstrom

Wishing this "wild" child a happy 7th birthday on February 25th!

Love,
Mom & Dad

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.

Seaman, Vontz Engagement



Vontz, Seaman

Larry and Carla Seaman of Hebron are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Cassidy to Marcus Vontz, son of Wayne and Mary Jo Vontz of Cambridge.

The couple will be married on April 25, 2015.

Cole, Tobin Engagement



Tobin, Cole

Tomi Cole and Dustin Tobin both of York are announcing their engagement.

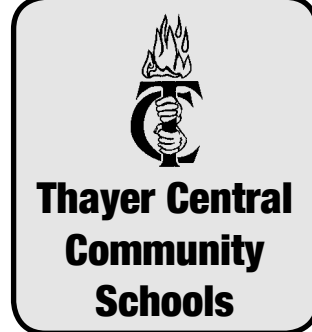
Tomi went to Thayer Central school in Hebron and graduated in 2010. She is the daughter of Mark and Lori Svanda of Hebron. Tomi is employed at Region V Services in Hebron.

Dustin went to York High school in York and graduated in 2008. Dustin is employed at Cyclonaire in York. He is the son of Terry Tobin of York and Lori Eichman of York.

Tomi and Dustin are planning a June wedding.

Alumni Meeting

There will be a He-Hi/Thayer Central alumni meeting on March 3, at 7:30 p.m., in the basement of the Secrest library.



ACTIVITIES

Thursday, February 26: Boys BB sub district at Fairbury; HS StuCo-Lunch.

Friday, February 27: Girls BB district finals.

Saturday, February 28: SNC speech at Thayer Central; York JH honor band.

MENU

Thursday, February 26: Mini corn dogs, cheesy broccoli, peanut butter apple wrap.

Friday, February 27: Pizza rolls, PBJ sandwich.

USDA is an EOE and provider. Juice, cereal and toast served daily with breakfast. Bread basket, fruit and salad bar served daily for grades four through 12, second choice daily for kindergarten through fourth grade. All meals served with milk. All menus subject to change without notice

Hebron Senior Diners

Monday, March 2: BBQ pork on a bun, potato salad, baked beans, apple turnover. *Fairbury trip.*

Tuesday, March 3: Hamburger gravy on a biscuit, hashbrowns, mixed veggies, tropical fruit. *Blood pressure; Bingo.*

Wednesday, March 4: Country chicken vegetable soup, cheese salad sandwich, pumpkin cake with glaze. *Quilt.*

Thursday, March 5: Beef fritter, scalloped potatoes, green beans, fruited yogurt. *Music with Joy.*

Friday, March 6: Tuna and noodles, peas, crescent roll, apricots, cookie. *Word puzzle.*

PrairieLand Food order in on March 16; delivered on March 28. 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.

Handibus goes to Lincoln on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday each week. Call 402-768-6052.

Petersen attends Teachers Council

Morningside College student Ashley Petersen, daughter of Mary Petersen of Hebron, attended the Iowa Council of Teachers of English conference in Johnston, Iowa. Petersen is a 2013 graduate of Thayer Central High School.

She attended the conference with a professor and three other students. The conference focused on strategies for teaching literature, writing, grammar and media.

The Morningside students who attended are in the secondary English program or have an interest in teaching English.

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Cards of Thanks

Card of Thanks

The family of Dennis Kugel would like to thank everyone who sent flowers, cards, memorials and food as well as phone calls and visits during our sudden loss. We thank Pastor Brozak for the service and the ladies of Grace Lutheran, Hebron, for the luncheon after the funeral service.

SHARON KUGEL
WAYNE, KAY,
GRANDCHILDREN
KYLE, KOURTYLN AND
KINSLEY KUGEL
BRYCE, KRIS,
GRANDCHILDREN,
CODY, SARA AND
EMILY HUSS

Card of Thanks

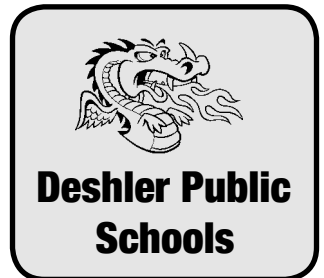
Thank you to the many friends and relatives who sent me cards, flowers, gifts and took me out to dinner for my birthday. You are the greatest.

May God bless you.
MAXINE CURREY

Card of Thanks

The family of Marie Wiedel would like to thank everyone who extended acts of kindness, sympathy, food, flowers and friendship at the time of loss of our mother. Thank You.

LARRY FANGMEYER
AND FAMILY
MARGE AND DON
SUCHY AND FAMILY
JAN AND MICK FAUST
AND FAMILY



ACTIVITIES

Thursday, February 26: Boys BB sub districts; Pre-school parent teacher conferences - No school.

Friday, February 27: Girls BB district finals at Deshler.

Saturday, February 28: Alumni BB tournament.

Sunday, March 1: Alumni BB tournament.

Monday, March 2: Start of Spring practice; Freshman enrollment meeting for both students and parents, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 3: Boys BB district finals at Deshler.

Wednesday, March 4: Girls state championships; End of third quarter; School dismissed at 1:07.

MENU

Thursday, February 26: Spaghetti, garlic bread, peas, fresh fruits, milk.

Friday, February 27: Trout melt on bun, baked beans, sweet potato fries, pineapple, oatmeal bar, milk.

PBJ's or yogurt are alternate entree choices for grades 4-6. Chef salads are available daily and optional entree choices for grade 7-12.

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T.C. Senior Of Week – Kovacs



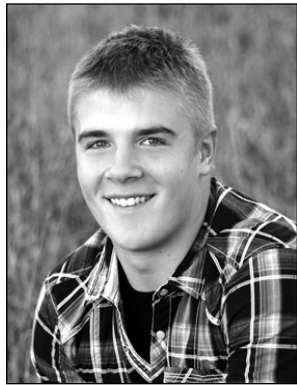
Thayer Central Senior of the Week is Chris Kovacs. Chris is the son of Joe and Dannie Kovacs.

Chris's favorite classes at Thayer Central are math and science and his favorite food is ice cream. Chris's favorite pastimes are sleeping and eating.

At Thayer Central, Chris has been involved in Student Council, football, basketball, track, Mu Alpha Theta, and Letter Club.

His advice to underclassmen is, "Do your homework."

Following graduation in



Chris Kovacs

May, Chris plans to attend Southeast Community College in Milford and studying to become an Electrician.

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Thayer Central TeamMates Mentoring Program is always looking for mentors. You can make the difference in the life of a student with just one hour a week. Contact Emily Seifert to meet your match today!
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All proceeds benefit the Deshler Education Organization Scholarship Fund

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February 27, 2015
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Area Church News

* ALEXANDRIA *

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

* BELVIDERE *

BELVIDERE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
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
Sundays: Sunday School, 9 a.m.;
Worship, 10 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST

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

* BYRON *

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
Pastor Breen Marie Sipes
Sundays: Worship, 10:30 a.m.

ST. PETER LUTHERAN

RURAL BYRON
Pastor Breen Marie Sipes
See St. Paul, Byron.

* CARLETON *

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

* CHESTER *

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN
Rev. Christopher Gerdes, Pastor
Sundays: Sunday School, 10

a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.
Wednesday, February 18: Ash
Wednesday service, 7 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

Patrick Flynn, Pastor
Sundays: Worship, 9 a.m.;
Sunday School, 10:15 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST

Mike Anderson, Pastor
Sundays: Worship, 10:30 a.m.

* DESHLER *

ABIDING WORD LUTHERAN
George Lautner, Pastor
Wednesday, February 25:
Lenten service, 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 28: Men's
fellowship breakfast, 7 a.m.

Sunday, March 1: Sunday
School, 9:15 a.m.;
Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, March 2: Council
meeting, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, March 3: Quilt tying,
1 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4: Blue
Valley Home, 9 a.m.;
Parkview Haven Bible study,
3 p.m.;
Lenten service, 7 p.m.

PEACE LUTHERAN

Cathi Braasch, Interim Pastor
Wednesday, February 25:
Newsletter assembly, 2 p.m.;
5 & 6 PACE, 4 p.m.;
7 & 8 PACE, 5 p.m.;
Spaghetti bake, Team #2,
5:45 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.;
Adult praise team practice,
6:15 p.m.;
Lenten worship, 7:15 p.m.;
Peace choir, 8 p.m.

Saturday, February 28: Youth
of Peace to Omaha, 7:30 a.m.;
Holy Communion, 7 p.m.

Sunday, March 1: Sunday
School for all, 9 a.m.;
Holy Communion, 10 a.m.

Monday, March 2: Staff meet-
ing, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 3: 5 & 6
PACE, 4 p.m.; 7 & 8 PACE,
5 p.m.; YOP soup supper,
5:45 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.;
Tentative adult praise team
practice, 6:15 p.m.;
Lenten worship, 7:15 p.m.;
Peace choir, 8 p.m.

ST. PETER LUTHERAN

Brian Francik, Pastor
Wednesday, February 25: No
school; Chapel at Parkview
Haven, 3 p.m.;
Midweek confirmation,
3:45 p.m.;
Bells, 5:30 p.m.;
Lenten service, 7 p.m.;
Choir, 7:45 p.m.

Thursday, February 26: Quilt
tying, 9 a.m.;
DLS chapel, 9:15 a.m.

Friday, February 27: Bulletin
folders, 1 p.m.

Sunday, March 1: Worship with
Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m.;
Sunday School and adult Bible
class, 10:45 a.m.;
DLS book fair and bingo
night, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Monday, March 2: Elders,
7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 3: Men's
breakfast Bible study at Rock
Island Crossing, 7 a.m.;
Communion at Meadowlark
Heights, 1 p.m.;
DLS Woodmen speech
competition.

Wednesday, March 4: Midweek
confirmation, 3:45 p.m.;
Bells, 5:30 p.m.;
Lenten service, 7 p.m.;
Choir, 7:45 p.m.

Thursday, March 5: Quilt tying,
9 a.m.;
Grandparents/VIP day at
DLS; DLS chapel, 10:15 a.m.;
DLS dismissal, 1 p.m.;
LWML, 7 p.m.

* FRIEDENSAU *

TRINITY LUTHERAN

B. J. Fouts, Pastor

Wednesday, February 25:
Courtyard Terrace chapel, 9 a.m.;
Lent supper, 6 p.m.;
Lent service (DeBartolo), 7:15 a.m.

Thursday, February 26: DLS
chapel, 9:15 a.m.

Saturday, February 28: Lec-
tionary Bible study, 7:30 a.m.

Sunday, March 1: Communion
service, 10 a.m.;
Sunday School and Bible class,
11:15 a.m.;
TGIF, 4 p.m.;
Book fair and bingo at
DLS, 4 p.m.

Monday, March 2: Elder's
meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 3: Ladies
aid, 2 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4: Lenten
supper, 6:15 p.m.;
Lent service (Pastor Francik),
7:15 p.m.

* GILEAD *

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN
Connie Raess, Pastor
Sundays: Sunday School, 10
a.m.;
Worship, 11 a.m.

ST. JOHN

Connie Raess, Pastor

* HARDY *

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
Interim Pastor Tom Miller
See St. Paul, Byron
Sundays: Sunday School, 9:15
a.m.;
Worship, 10:30 a.m.

* HEBRON *

FAITH LUTHERAN
Rev. Christopher Gerdes, Pastor
Sundays: Worship, 9:30 a.m.;
Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 25: Lent
service, 7 p.m.

FIRST COMMUNITY CHURCH
Steve Speichinger, Pastor
Sundays: Worship, 9:30 a.m.;
Worship, 10 a.m.

Wednesday: Bible study, 6:45
p.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Connie Stone, Pastor
Sundays: Worship, 10:30
a.m.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Keith Brozek, Pastor
Wednesday, February 25:
Noon Lenten luncheon at Sacred
Heart, 11:30 a.m. - Noon; Lenten
worship, 12:05 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.;
Lenten luncheon, 12:35 p.m.;
Lenten lecture series with coffee
fellowship, 7 p.m.

Friday, February 27: Men in
Mission breakfast, 6:30 a.m.

Saturday, February 28: Wor-
ship with Holy Communion,
6:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 1: Worship
with Holy Communion, coffee
fellowship, Sunday School, 9
a.m.;
10:30 Bible study.

HEBRON & CHESTER UNITED METHODIST

Mark Baldwin, Pastor
Sundays: Worship at Chester,
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
Wednesday, February 25:
Ecumenical Lenten services at
Sacred Heart, 12:05; Lunch at
11:30 and 12:30 in church hall;
CCD classes, 7 p.m.;
Stations of the Cross, 7:05 p.m.

Thursday, February 26: Joy of

the gospel meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, February 27: That Man
is You, a.m.; breakfast, 5:45 a.m.;
First fish fry of the season, 5 p.m.
- 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 28: Mass
at 6 p.m.

Sunday, March 1: Choir prac-
tice, 8:30 a.m.;
Mass, 10 a.m.;
Holy Hour for the Unborn, 11
a.m.

Monday, March 2: Next RCIA
instructions.

Wednesday, March 4: Ecu-
menical Lenten service at Grace,
12:05 p.m.;
CCD classes, 7 p.m.;
Stations of the Cross, 7:05 p.m.

HEBRON BIBLE CHURCH

Jeff Friesen, Pastor
Sundays: Sunday School, 9
a.m.;
Worship, 10 a.m.

Wednesdays: Pioneer Club,
6:30 p.m.;
Bible study, 7 p.m.

Thursdays: Prayer time, 9
a.m.

* 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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Obituaries

Valora Wurtz

Valora Herta Schardt was born on August 30, 1929, at home near Carleton, to Henry C. and Emilie Albrecht Schardt. Valora was the seventh child of ten born to Henry C. and Emilie.

She was baptized in the year of her birth at the Trinity Lutheran Church of Friedensau. She was confirmed in her faith in 1943 at the Trinity Lutheran Church of Friedensau.

She attended the North Friedensau Parochial school through eighth grade and completed her education at the Deshler High School, graduating in 1947. Following graduation, Valora worked at a bank in Fairbury until she was married.

On June 27, 1951, Valora Schardt married Herman Wurtz at the Clara Church. A reception followed in Fairbury at the Marietta Hotel. The day of their wedding there was a big rain storm that caused flooding in the area. The saying that rain on your wedding day is good luck proved to be true for Herman and Valora as they were married for over 50 years.

Following their marriage, Herman and Valora resided on their farm ten miles north of Clifton. Born of this marriage were: Gary, Raymond, Bruce, Dana and Ronda.

They were an adventurous couple that enjoyed traveling and dancing. Some of the places they visited during their marriage included Spain, Mexico, Colorado, Maine, Arizona, California, Florida and Hawaii to celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary.

Valora was a homemaker and active in the Clifton community. She participated in the St. Mary's Altar Society, a weekly card club and a quilting group at the Clifton Senior Citizens Center. Throughout the community, Valora was known for selling her farm fresh eggs that she raised and sold for many years. Her hobbies included gardening, taking care of her rose garden, crocheting, quilting, cross stitch, canning, baking pies and spoiling her seventeen grandchildren. She always had a treat, a hug, and her ear ready for her grandkids when they needed her.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Herman; grandson, Michael Gene; brothers, Paul, Edgar, Leonard; and sister, Irma.

She is survived by sons,

Gary and wife Sarah of Valley, Neb., Raymond and wife Mary Jo of Clifton, Kan., Bruce and wife Julieann of Riley, Kan., Dana and wife Laurel of Clifton, Kan.; daughter, Ronda and husband Tom Franco of Garden City, Kan.; seventeen grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren. She is also survived by her siblings, Loraine Rupprecht of Portland Ore., Emily Seibenneicher of Hebron, Frances Ritterling of Byron, Florence Eickmann of Sedan, and Mildred and her husband Elmer Holtzen of Deshler, and their families.

Valora passed away at the Linn Community Nursing home on February 15, 2015. She was laid to rest on February 23, at the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery North of Clifton, Kan., next to her husband Herman and grandson Michael Gene.

Funeral services were held February 23 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Clifton, Kan.

Memorials are directed to the Valora Wurtz memorial fund to be designated later.

Online condolences may be made at www.nsrhf.com.

Turner Funeral Home in Clifton, Kan., was in charge of arrangements.

Richard Brinegar

Richard W. Brinegar, age 66, of York, died on February 18, 2015, at York. He was born at rural Carleton to Milford and Doris (Houchin) Brinegar.

Richard was a security officer for the Bank of America. He was an avid pool player and enjoyed participating in pool tournaments. He was also a big Oakland Raiders fan.

He is survived by his wife Maria of Cheyenne, Wyo.; son, Eric (Sonya) Brinegar of Oak Grove, Mo.; five grandchildren; sisters, Frances Hissong and Karen (Larry) Dankenbring of Hebron; and sister-in-law, Jeanelle Brinegar of Carleton; nieces, nephews and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, brother and brother-in-law.

Richard has been cremated. Services are pending at Metz Mortuary, York.

Memorials are directed to the family.

Doris Mitchell

Doris Margot Mitchell of Fairbury, the daughter of Ralph and Lieselotta (Bender) DeWald Jr., was born March 21, 1947, in Heidelberg, Germany. She departed this life on February 22, 2015, at St. Elizabeth Regional Medical Center in Lincoln, at the age of 67 years.

Doris grew up in the Tobias area and graduated from Tobias High School with the class of 1965. After graduation Doris attended Lincoln School of Commerce. She then went to work at St. Elizabeth Regional Medical Center in Lincoln as a medical transcriptionist.

In July of 1966, Doris was united in marriage to Gary Mitchell at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Tobias. This union was blessed with the birth of three children.

The couple moved to Fairbury where she worked as a transcriptionist at Jefferson County Hospital. She was one of the co-owners that built and designed C-Stop in Deshler. The couple moved to Deshler where she enjoyed working in the store, especially visiting with all the people. Later she sold C-Stop and moved back to Fairbury to live with her mother, and back to work at Jefferson County Hospital until she retired in 2012. She also worked at Pizza Hut and Fairbury Foods.

Doris was a great fan of the Nebraska Cornhusker football team! She enjoyed going to the games or watching them on TV, camping, fishing and traveling, but most of all Doris loved spending time with her family, especially the grandchildren, the gifts God gave her.

She is preceded in death by her father, Ralph DeWald, Jr.; daughters, Lara Lea and Cara Lynn Mitchell; brother, James DeWald; and sister, Carol Boley.

She is survived by her son Andy and wife Jennifer of Granite Falls, Wash.; brothers, Dennis and wife Pat of Omaha, Gary and wife Pat of Lincoln, Joe and wife Traci of Simpsonville, S.C., and Pete and wife Deb of Raymond; sisters, Linda Throckmorton and husband Thomas of Seneca, S.C.,



Mary Mau and husband Terry of Alexandria, Karlene Rentschler and husband Mardy of Omaha, Patsy Hack of Laredo, Texas, and Lore Elgert of Lincoln; grandchildren, Jaxon and Kirci Mitchell; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and friends.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be on February 26, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Hebron, at 11 a.m. Officiant will be Father Rudy Oborny, organist Amy Harris, cantor Robin Timmerman. Congregational hymns are "On Eagles Wings" and "How Great Thou Art." Special selections are "On This Day, Oh Beautiful Mother" and "Ave Maria." Acolyte will be Dan Wiedel and lector will be Leland Weber.

Honorary casket bearers are the grandchildren.

There is no visitation (cremation).

Rosary service will be on February 25 at Hebron Memorial Chapel.

Memorials are directed in care of the family.

Condolences may be left at www.krollfh.com.

Inurnment will be in St. Mary Catholic Cemetery in Alexandria on February 26.

Hebron Memorial Funeral Home of Hebron is in charge of arrangements.

Ines Buntmeyer

Ines Ella Lillich Buntmeyer of Deshler was born in Hebron, on April 14, 1930, to Otto Lillich and Ella nee Heinrichs. She was the fifth of five children and the only girl.

She was a member of Peace Lutheran Church in Deshler. She was baptized on April 27, 1930, by Pastor John Meyer at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Kiowa. She was confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church at Friedensau on May 21, 1944, by Pastor A.H. Mette. Her confirmation verse was Colossians 3:17.

She graduated high school from St. John's Academy in Winfield, Kan., in 1948 and was a lifelong "Johnnie."

On June 12, 1949, she married Edward F.C. Buntmeyer at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Deshler. God blessed this union with two children, Craig Edward and Carol Susan.



Ines worked for the Ray Mausoleum Corporation, was a secretary at Peace Lutheran Church, and worked as the office manager for 16 years for Dr. R.E. Penry of Hebron.

She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and the VFW Auxiliary.

Ines and Eddie loved to play golf together, and every year they would plant a garden. She really enjoyed playing cards like double pinochle, bridge, and "Rook."

Ines passed away at Lake-wood Ranch Hospital in Bradenton, Fla., on Saturday, February 14, 2015, at the age of 84 years and ten months.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 59 years, Eddie; brothers, Melvin Lillich, Everett Lillich, Earl Lillich, and Kenneth Lillich; brothers- and sisters-in-law, Lorna Lillich, Carl and Lorene Buntmeyer, Paul and Dorothy Paysen, Lyle and Irma Coles, Paul and Lenora Eggers, and Herbert Buntmeyer; and nieces and nephew, Julie Kay Lillich, Sandra Lillich Lipker, and Gary E. Lillich.

She is survived by her children, Dr. Craig Buntmeyer of Tulsa, Okla., and Carol and husband Rob Schardt of York; grandchildren, Kaci Buntmeyer, Eryn Buntmeyer, and Adam Schardt Ogura (Nat); and great-grandchildren, Alice

Marie and Stella Valerie. She is also survived by brothers- and sisters-in-law, Arlene Lillich and Evalin Lillich, both of Hebron, Paul Buntmeyer and wife, Lorene of Fremont, and Mildred Buntmeyer of Broken Bow; many beloved nieces and nephews, and other relatives and friends.

A memorial service was held on February 20 at Peace Lutheran Church in Deshler. Officiant was Pastor Cathi Braasch. Organist Heidi Isernhagen played congregational hymns "Blest Be The Ties That Bind," "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," "Just As I Am," and recorded special selection was "Father, We Commit To You."

Casket bearers were Bob Duensing, Dr. Dave Lillich, Ron Lillich, Deb Hansen, Ed Paysen, and Dr. Randy Lillich.

Honorary casket bearers were Becky Roderick, Brian Roderick, and Monica Lillich.

Inurnment will be at Peace Lutheran Cemetery at a later date.

Memorials are directed in care of family.

Condolences may be left at www.krollfh.com.

Deshler Memorial Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

BVCA VISTA looks to serve Veterans with a new program

BVCA Partnership's newest program "BVCA VISTA Veterans Support Corps" is trying to increase the capacity of BVCA in serving veterans and their families.

We are organizing a fundraiser to help with the purchase of three new laptops for use by VISTA volunteers to assist veterans and their families in YOUR community.

The laptops will be used by VISTA volunteers, as well as veterans and their families at various meetings so that they can gain access to much needed resources.

Unfortunately, many veterans do not have access to a computer or the internet, several cannot read, and others

need assistance navigating the internet.

The laptops will also make it possible for veterans to complete our online survey which will help us to assess their needs so that tools and programs can be developed to better assist them.

Our goal is to raise \$3,000. This will go towards three laptops and the Wi-Fi card. The Wi-Fi card is needed so if we are in places that don't have Wi-Fi we can still help.

If you are a civic group that would like to hear about our new program, plus how you can help your community, please call us at (402) 729-2278 ext. 163 ask for Valerie or Michael.

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Belvidere

By LaDonna Avers

It is with pleasure we write about four young people with Belvidere connections. Treyton Waldmeier received second place in the fifth grade Thayer County spelling contest. Treyton goes to Thayer Central. TaraLee Hudson (Bruning-Davenport) got third in the eighth grade division and Maggie Harris (Thayer Central) also in the eighth grade, received second.

Then Marshall Holtzclaw qualified for State wrestling at the District Level last week. TaraLee Hudson also received a superior rating for her saxophone solo at the music contest in Davenport on Saturday.

Belvidere is proud of these students who work so hard to compete in their various activities.

A number of folks attended the Appreciation Coffee held for Pastor Eldon and MaryBeth Nicholson on Friday morning. The Nicholsons spent fourteen years with the United Church of Christ ministering to the congregation and friends in the area.

They conducted a few baptisms and weddings in our very small congregation and they were always prepared to serve at funerals for anyone who asked. They also performed many funeral services for people who had moved away but desired to be brought "home" for their funeral.

The Nicholsons were also faithful visitors at the Blue Valley homes and brought a lot of joy to the residents whether they were from Belvidere or not. They were presented with two appropriate pictures as

thank you gifts.

Just a little note of interest, on Sunday Jeff Dunsmoor made a birthday cake for his wife, Ardys, by baking it on his outside grill. She has decreed that all birthday cakes must be made this way from now on. Ardys is the daughter of LaDonna Avers.

The Thayer County Historical Society will meet in the museum annex on Feb. 25, at 7:30 p.m. There are a number of items needing to be discussed, one of which is the election of officers.

Frank Bruning will also be there to give a report on the history of Bruning. Last month's report by Mary Tipton was very interesting and gives most of us a new insight into the history of the Chester Auditorium.

It is hoped to have someone from each town in the county report on their town in the future. This writer urges anyone with an interest in history to come and visit the meeting and join in the different discussions to help keep the organization going. You will find it interesting.

Also upcoming is the March 3, 7:00 p.m., meeting of the Belvidere Woman's Club. Having been postponed in February, this is a make-up meeting featuring the Mardi Gras Season. Everyone is asked to dress up in festive Mardi Gras costumes. The committee is furnishing beads for everyone. Roll call will be: "What I gave up for Lent." Hopefully the weather will cooperate by that time.



ACTIVITIES

Friday, February 26: Boys BB sub districts.

Friday, February 27: Girls BB district finals.

BRUNING

MENU

Thursday, February 26: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, corn, buttered bread, salad bar.

Friday, February 27: Pancakes, sausage, hashbrowns, orange juice, salad bar.

DAVENPORT

MENU

Thursday, February 26: Sub sandwich, chips, baked beans, mixed fruit.

Friday, February 27: French toast sticks, sausage, hashbrowns, juice cup.

Fruit and vegetable bar served every day. Milk served with all meals. Menu subject to change.

Davenport Senior Diners

Exercise Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 a.m.

Monday, March 2: BBQ pork on a bun, potato salad, baked beans, apple turnover. *Link-O.*

Tuesday, March 3: Hamburger gravy on a biscuit, hashbrowns, mixed veggies, tropical fruit. *Tri-Ominoes.*

Wednesday, March 4: Country chicken vegetable soup, cheese salad sandwich, pumpkin cake with glaze. *Scrabble.*

Thursday, March 5: Beef fritter, scalloped potatoes, green beans, fruited yogurt. *Rummikub.*

Friday, March 6: Tuna and noodles, peas, crescent roll, apricots, cookie. *Senior bowling.*

Meals served with bread, butter and milk. For reservations, call 364-2449 by 1:30 p.m., the day before.

Thayer County Competition and ECAP Progress

In today's competitive and challenging economic environment, it's vital to demonstrate pro-active leadership, not only to earn the trust of citizens, but to open doors to the many opportunities to grow, remain viable and become sustainable.

So, who is our competition? Is it the town down the road less than ten miles away? Or is the picture bigger than that? Who is Thayer County's competition? To find out check the web link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XrJfDUzD7M> (Or find it by going to YouTube.com and search for "Did You Know 2014" by jose.esteves@ie.edu.) Watch the video and be amazed at who the competition is for Thayer County.

So how do we compete? Thayer County ECAP (Entrepreneurial Communities Activation Process) is now assessing county-wide assets and planning for the future. Where do we start from?

Two hundred seven Thayer county residents or people who work in the county completed an online Discovery Tool survey to share their perceptions of the county.

The ECAP process sponsored by Thayer County Economic Development Alliance (TCEDA) and Nebraska Extension continues to help the county understand its unique characteristics, community assets and potential opportunities for growth.

ECAP team members include community leaders, county commissioners, town board members, business leaders including bankers, retail, health and service providers, ministers, educators, retired citizens and high school youth working together.

Under the direction of ECAP Co-leaders, Jeremy Voss, Director of TCEDA

and Jerry Catlett of Bruning State Bank the group plans to further develop three of the original eight Entrepreneurial Characteristics included on the survey.

1) Vision: Almost half of the survey respondents believe their own community has a strong identity. Yet less than one in four believe that the community/county has goals to accomplish a vision for the future and believe that local people's opinions are listened to in planning for the future.

An ECAP committee is working to create a vision for Thayer County and trying to find better ways to communicate with residents living in the county regarding future goals. Youth involved in ECAP are planning summer events to bring communities together.

2) Closely related to creating a county-wide vision is the ECAP Characteristic of "Culture of Change." Creating a Culture of Change helps the county become open to new ideas, opinions and proactively drive for change and innovation.

Just over one in four of the survey respondents believe the community/county is open to new ideas. Less than two in ten believe there is a promotion of innovation and creativity and proactive forces for change.

The ECAP group is seeking ways to communicate with residents about what is happening in the county and communicating the need for and innovative ideas.

3) Infrastructure: The third Entrepreneurial Characteristic "Infrastructure" includes systems and services to help businesses expand their markets such as public utilities, sewer and water systems, medical and emergency services and transportation, housing and telecommunications.

Almost four in ten respon-

dents believe the county provides and maintains adequate infrastructure for agriculture, business, manufacturing and industry.

Almost sixty percent rate downtown maintenance and improvement as a high priority. Almost one-half rate improving accessibility and reliability of cell phone service and developing land/built out space for commercial/retail development as a high priority.

The ECAP Infrastructure committee intends to start by contacting at least four Thayer County towns and discuss the possibility of improving infrastructure. Included in that conversation will be conversation about the possibility of working toward "Certified Leadership Community" designation.

Nebraska Department of Economic Development indicates the purpose of the Certified Leadership Community Program is to provide a solid framework for communities to identify capacity, stimulate focused planning, and utilize technology to provide a strong foundation to meet the challenges of the future.

With that designation, comes the opportunity to be awarded up to 75 extra points when a community applies for the Downtown Revitalization CDBG program through NDED and will also strengthen other applications with the community's strong citizen participation as a result of the Leadership Designation.

So how can you become involved in planning for a competitive future for Thayer County? Join the conversation by attending the next ECAP meeting on Monday, March 16, in the Courthouse Clubroom in Hebron, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Send your news and photos to hebronjr@windstream.net

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Alexandria Community Club

The Alexandria Community Club met February 19 at the Community Center at 9 a.m. President Ruth Schultz welcomed the group and chaired the meeting.

Pat Knigge gave the minutes of the last meeting and Betty Bulin read the treasurer's report. Both reports were accepted as read.

Old business was discussed. Members of the play committee will be contacted about progress in plans. New Board members, Pauline Disney, Jean Pletcher, and Marge Durlinger, were voted to fill the positions on the Club Board.

A thank you was signed by members and sent to the Dail and Stella Vorderstrasse family for a donation to the club as a memorial for Stella's father, Emmitt Polage.

New business was making plans for Easter egg hunt on April 4. Committee will meet to clean eggs, purchase candy, and get the eggs filled before the event.

There was no further business so the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be March 19 at the Community Center at 2 p.m.

Submitted by Jean Pletcher

Tegtmeier selected to serve on NAIAs proposed association

Morningside College's Ryan Tegtmeier is one of 27-student athletes announced by the NAIANational Office who will serve on the proposed Association of Student-Athletes (ASA), a new group to be added to the NAIAGovernance structure if approved at the annual convention in April.

Tegtmeier, a sophomore from Davenport, who is majoring in elementary education, is the starting point guard for Morningside's men's basketball team.

The proposed ASA would be the association's first governance group made up entirely of students and function as the advocacy arm of the student-athlete collective. The ASA will include at least one representative from every conference, including the Association of Independent Institutions (A.I.I.), and every NAIAs championship sport.

Selection of the student-athlete representatives prior to convention was to ensure that the ASA could be functioning fully for the 2015-16 academic year.

"The ASA will allow student-athletes to have an input on the issues that directly impact them every day," said Kent Paulson, Chair of the Conference Commissioners Association and Frontier Conference Commissioner. "This group will have the unique opportunity to discuss matters

most important to them on the NAIAs biggest stage."

Members of the proposed ASA were selected from a pool of nominees forwarded to the National Office by each conference and the A.I.I.

The ASA will be an association under the proposed Council for Student-Athletes (CSA), a new council that focuses on student-athlete health, safety and development, also to be approved at convention. The CSA will comprise representatives from other councils as well as nine members of the ASA, including the four officers.

Some of the topics the ASA will discuss in the coming year include the student-athlete experience, health and safety of student-athletes and Champions of Character initiatives.

"The student-athletes who will make up the ASA are great representatives of and ambassadors for the NAIAs," said Jim Carr, NAIAPresident and CEO. "We look forward to begin conversations with the ASA so we can learn more about the ideas they will be bringing to the table."

Each member of the ASA will serve a two-year term; however, in the first year of the ASA, half the representatives were randomly selected to end their term early to create a staggered rollover each year.

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Chester Senior Dinners

Monday, March 2: BBQ pork on a bun, potato salad, baked beans, apple turnover. *Fairbury trip.*

Tuesday, March 3: Hamburger gravy on a biscuit, hashbrowns, mixed veggies, tropical fruit. *Guess the nuts word game.*

Wednesday, March 4: Country chicken vegetable soup, cheese salad sandwich, pumpkin cake with glaze. *Cards to shut-ins.*

Thursday, March 5: Beef fritter, scalloped potatoes, green beans, fruited yogurt. *Name bingo.*

Friday, March 6: Tuna and noodles, peas, crescent roll, apricots, cookie. *Oreo cookie day and trivia.*

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.

Ready to eat...

The Byron Volunteer Fire Department held their annual wild game supper on Saturday night at their new fire hall in downtown Byron. A large crowd was in attendance to try a wide variety of wild game. Pictured is Colton Kuhlmann who was waiting to try the moose Polish dogs/kraut. They also served moose roast and meatballs, turkey, fish, goose kabobs, stuffed deer loin, cheddar deer sausage, jambalaya, elk chili, dove and bison meatballs.

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- 8 a.m. Eagle's Club - Hastings, NE**
- 11 a.m. Community RM, City Office Bldg. - Clay Center, NE**
- 3 p.m. Aurora Senior Center - Aurora, NE**
- 6 p.m. Kilgore Memorial Library - York, NE**

Friday, February 27, 2015:

- 8 a.m. Lions Club - Geneva, NE**
- 11 a.m. Hebron Secrest Library - Hebron, NE**
- 3 p.m. Burkley Family Center - Fairbury, NE**
- 6 p.m. Holiday Inn Express & Suites - Beatrice, NE**

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Honor Band Day in York

On February 28, 288 middle school band students from Blue Hill, Centennial, Columbus Lakeview, Columbus Public, Columbus Scotus, Crete, Ewing, Fairbury, Gothenburg, Hastings St. Cecilia, Holdrege, Malcolm, Plattsmouth, Raymond Central, Shelby-Rising City, St. Joseph School-York, Sutherland, Syracuse, Thayer Central, Twin River, Waverly and York schools will attend the fifteenth annual "York Middle School Honor Band Day."

Honor band members rehearse during the afternoon and perform a final concert at 6:30 p.m. in the York High School theater.

The seventh grade Honor Band will rehearse under the direction of Rebecca Wilhelm from Norris Middle School.

Jim Kucera from Waverly Middle School will conduct the eighth grade Honor Band.

Admission for the concert is \$3.00 for adults with no charge for students.

Eighth grade students from Thayer Central who will take part are: Dakota Cherney, French horn; Walker Dick, flute; Sierra Hatcher, trumpet; Sequoia Heinrichs, clarinet; McKenzie Johnson, flute; Makayla Johnson, alto saxophone; Samantha Lindsey, clarinet; Katelyn Richardson, trombone; Anisha Rickers, flute; Holy Timmerman, percussion; Yong Wang, tuba; Emily Welch, trombone; Tionna Wiedel, flute; Madison Williams, trumpet.

Seventh grade students from Thayer Central are: Madalyn Crouse, percussion; MicKael Halverstadt, flute; Sydney Havel, clarinet; Bailey Kiburz, baritone saxophone; Hayden Luttrell, percussion; Stephanie Meyer, tuba; Kylie Pachta, alto saxophone.

Scholarships awarded to area students

On February 8, 2015, students from ten states competed for Hastings College's top academic scholarship - the Walter Scott Scholarship. This full-tuition scholarship was awarded to two students: Carly Cremers of Columbus and Lyndsay Ruane of Colorado Springs, Colorado.

To qualify for what is known as the Crimson Scholars Day competitions, students must earn a score of 26 or higher on the ACT; maintain a 3.75 grade point average or higher; and be accepted to Hastings College. Students interview with Hastings College faculty and staff and are assessed on both their academic and leadership potential.

The following awards are in addition to the \$14,000 Crimson Scholarship these students received based on their academic achievement: Walter Scott Scholarship, \$12,110; Trustee Scholarship, \$9,000; President Scholarship, \$8,000; Provost Scholarship, \$7,000; Dean Scholarship, \$5,000.

Area students awarded one of these scholarships are:

Ashton Oakman from Deshler High School received the Dean Scholarship.

Rachel Heitmann from Thayer Central Received the Provost Scholarship.

Home & Community Connections

Phyllis Schoenholz, Extension Educator
UN-L Cooperative Extension in Southern Plains Unit

The Importance of Good Customer Service

A front-line employee is the first person someone sees when they enter a store, service station, restaurant or other place of business. The impression that a front-line employee gives can be reflection of the place of business and the town.

Some people may ask "Why should I want to make an extra effort to meet travelers' or customers' needs?" Other than its nice, "what's in it for me?"

When you treat people special and make them feel important, they return the favor. More than likely they will treat you like they have been treated. (Golden Rule: "Do unto others as you would have them do to you.") It's win-win. Everybody wins.

When you know you are doing a good job, it lifts your spirits, builds your self-esteem, and increases your job satisfaction. The higher job satisfaction, the more likely your job will become easier and more enjoyable with less wear and tear on you.

It's fun to help people. It feels good. They appreciate it and often they let you know it!

It may even "pay off"--literally--in tips, in pay increase. Customer service reflects on you as an employee and bottom line good customer service provides income for the employer who pays employee wages. Make a point of giving excellent service.

After having outstanding customer service such as the type of "open friendliness" at Disney parks, people judge other customer service to the best they have experienced.

Think of the worst "travel related" customer service you have received. How did it make you feel? Think about the customer from their point of view. They may be tired or stressed when they walk in the door.

When ignored or treated rudely, customers may just walk out and never come back. Or with today's social media world - a tweet, text, picture, Facebook comment or email can tell of the bad experience which reflects on you and the company, and it can reach around the globe in seconds.

Instead, take pride in your

work and have a desire to serve others. Make all customers feel welcome by greeting them pleasantly and take the attitude that they are guests. Always make eye contact and smile. Even in a difficult situation, or dealing with a difficult person, your response can make a difference.

In Nebraska, tourism is the third largest source of revenue from outside the state (following agriculture and manufacturing.) With major highways crossing our county, be sure to treat travelers like special customers and give the little "extra" helpfulness that may be needed.

Have a general knowledge of your community and surrounding area which is especially helpful for tourists who are visiting the area. Make casual inquiry if the person has visited your community previously. If not, offer any assistance that seems appropriate. Being able to answer questions may encourage them to stay longer, which can lead to increased economy in the community.

Pay particular attention to your grooming, especially if you work in the food industry. People will judge the food by YOU.

If you are working in a retail store know your merchandise. Allow customers to browse, but be available when they need help and show stock willingly. The visitor may not buy just then, but is more likely to return if treated well.

People come into the community for a variety of reasons - shopping, sporting events, festivals, county fair, shows, and special family events like weddings, birthdays, and even funerals.

You play a part, behind the scenes or up front providing service to make these activities happen. Regardless, you are an important part of people's lives.

"What's in it for me?" When you help others it makes you feel good, especially if the customer gets more than they expected.

Think ahead. What is one of those "wow" things you can do to make a difference for the other person? Be ready and willing to do it.

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Sports



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Thayer Central's Tyler Hergott competed in the state wrestling tournament last weekend at the Century Link Center in Omaha. Hergott (28-13) won by decision over Aaron Allison North Platte St. Patrick's (36-10) in his first round. Hergott then won by decision over Colten Bergt of Amherst (39-8) but in the semifinals lost to Jaydon Elge of Nebraska Christian (36-0) (Fall 2:44).



JR Photo/Jim Edgecombe

Thayer Central's Marshal Holtzclaw competed in the state wrestling tournament last weekend at the Century Link Center in Omaha. Holtzclaw (20-22) was defeated in his first match against Colby Erickson (Winside) 32-8 (Fall 4:48). Holtzclaw went on to face and defeat RJ Tutlam-Hazen of Medicine Valley (7-20) but ultimately lost to Garrett Elfeldt of Sutherland (33-11) in his last match.

Eagles

On Friday, the BDS Eagles met the Osceola Bulldogs in the final regular season game for both teams as they prepared for the district playoffs.

The game started off with BDS jumping out early as the five guys off the bench really led a charge to close out the quarter.

Ben Elznic, Jayden Otto, Kamron Ficken, TJ Krupicka and Kale Kleinschmidt entered the game with the Eagles holding a four point lead and by the time the quarter ended it had ballooned to ten at 19-9.

"That's been a big advantage for us this season," said BDS head coach Fred Kluck. "Most teams when they go to their bench there's a noticeable drop off, but with us we can actually keep up the same level of play."

The game went back and forth until the start of the fourth quarter where the Eagles entered with a 38-30 lead.

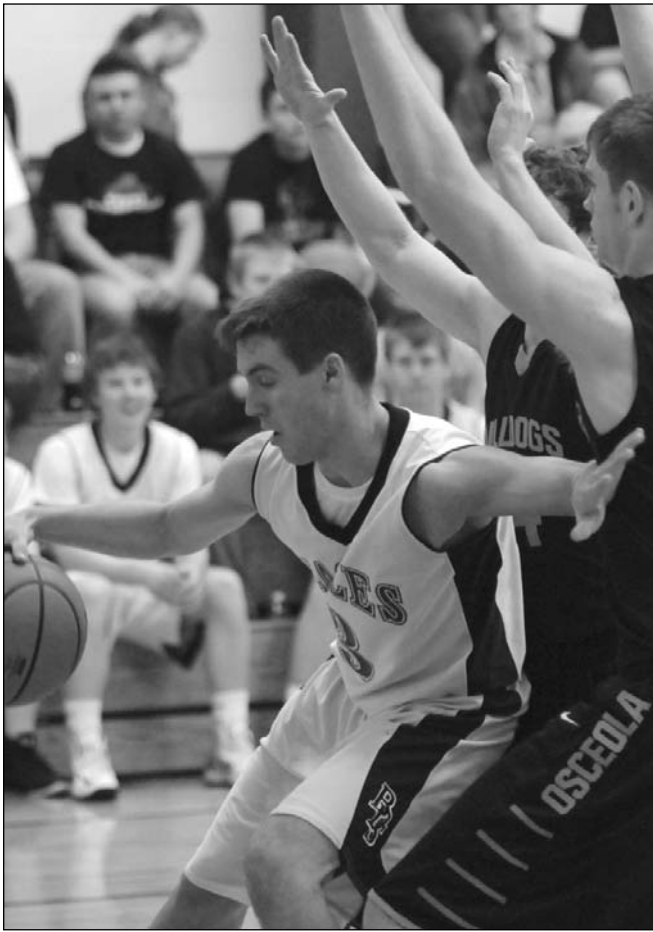
Osceola put on a run and cut the lead to two with about five minutes to play, but Riley Tegtmeier and Grant Norder went 6-7 from the free throw line down the stretch to seal the victory for the Eagles.

Scoring for the Eagles was led by Tegtmeier who finished with 12 points and a game high four assists. Cody Garland, Otto and Norder each contributed eight with Norder leading the rebounding effort with 11. Ficken had six, Chris Rohr five, Elznic three and Sam Christensen and Krupicka each scored two.

On Tuesday, the Eagles started the class D1-2 sub-districts this week.

Their first game was Feb. 24 against the Deshler Dragons.

More information will be available in next week's sports section.



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Riley Tegtmeier fends off the Osceola defense last Friday night.



JR Photo/Amanda Push

Ben Elznic attempts a shot at the basket at the Feb. 20 Osceola game at Bruning.

Girls Sub-Districts



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Carley Elznic makes a shot against the McCool Junction Lady Mustangs on Feb. 17 at Fillmore Central High School.

Lady Eagles

The BDS Lady Eagles took on the McCool Junction Lady Mustangs in the opening game of sub-districts on Tuesday, Feb. 17, at Fillmore Central High School. The Eagles defeated the Mustangs 52-24.

BDS found their stride early on the offensive end, outscoring the Mustangs 28-12 in the opening half.

The Lady Eagles had nine girls contribute on the offensive end.

BDS was able to hold the Mustangs to only 12 points in the second half as well.

The Eagles were led by senior Jaycie Hoins with 18 points. Freshmen Lexi Kadel and Carley Elznic contributed eight and seven points respectively.

BDS improved to 15-6 and played Heartland in the sub-district final on Feb. 19.

The BDS Lady Eagles got off to a fast start Thursday night in the Class D1-2 sub-district final and never looked back.

The Eagles cruised to a 51-25 victory over the Heartland Huskies at Fillmore Central.

The Eagles opened the game with an 11-0 run, thanks in part to a solid performance on the defensive end.

The Huskers had a hard time breaking the full court press, turning the ball over five times in the opening period.

BDS held the Huskers scoreless until the 2:20 mark in the first quarter and were up 16-7 at the end of the opening period.

The second quarter was more of the same. The Eagles were able to force four straight turnovers in the quarter off of their press and score eight consecutive points.

The Eagles ended the quarter on a 10-2 run to lead 28-11 at half. Heartland came out of halftime applying more pressure on the defensive end.



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Logan Rosenquist searches for a teammate to pass to at the Feb. 17 sub-districts game against McCool Junction.

Stats

Eagles: 13-15-14-10-52
McCool: 4-8-4-8-24

Schardt 4, Kadel 8, Hoins 18, Mosier 3, Grote 3, Ardissono 4, Mohlman 2, Elznic 7, Kamler 3.

Eagles: 16-12-19-4-51
Heartland: 7-4-9-5-25

Mick 18, Schardt 5, Kadel 8, Hoins 15, Grote 3, Elznic 2.



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Deshler senior Lauren Schmidt attempts to get around Heartland's defense. The Lady Dragons competed on Feb. 17 in the class D1-2 sub-districts against Heartland at Fillmore Central. The Dragons lost their game against the Lady Huskies in a final score of 39-27.

Public Notices

Commissioner Proceedings

February 18, 2015

The Thayer County Board of Commissioners met in open and public session in the commissioner's room of the courthouse at 9:00 a.m. on February 18, 2015. Present were Commissioners Dave Bruning, Chris Frye, Dean Krueger, and County Clerk, Marie Rauner.

Dave Bruning, chairman of the board, called the meeting to order. Public meeting laws are posted and available on the north wall of the meeting room in compliance with Nebraska statutes.

The minutes from the previous meeting were mailed to the commissioners for review. Chris Frye moved and Dean Krueger seconded to approve the minutes from the February 5, 2015 meeting. Result of vote: Frye-yes, Krueger-yes, and Bruning-yes. Motion carried.

George Gerdes, Thayer County Road Superintendent, met with the commissioners to discuss ongoing road projects and give a department update.

At 10:00 the meeting of the commissioners was moved from their regular meeting room to the county court room to hold the One and Six Year Road Hearing as advertised in the county newspapers. Dave Bruning, chairman of the board, opened the hearing. The hearing was turned over to George Gerdes, county road superintendent. The superintendent reported personnel, financial, and county road projects completed and added to the road schedule. Following public comments the chairman closed the hearing at 10:20 and the meeting of the commissioners returned to their regular meeting room.

Resolution #1755 One and Six Year Road Resolution

Commissioner Dean Krueger introduced the following Resolution and moved for its adoption:

Be it resolved by the Chairman and the County Board of Commissioners of Thayer County, Nebraska as follows:

That in accordance with Chapter 39, Article 32, of the Statutes of the State of Nebraska and as prescribed by the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standard, Notice of Public Hearing on the One and Six Year Road and Bridge Improvement Plan for Thayer County has been given by publication in the Hebron Journal Register and the Deshler Rustler, legal newspapers of general circulation in Thayer County, and by posting Notices in each town of the County and also the County Courthouse in Hebron to be held at the Courthouse on the 18th day of February, 2015, at 10:00 a.m., for the purpose of hearing comments and objections to said plan.

That upon said Hearing held the 18th day of February, 2015, the County Board of Commissioners find that the plans submitted are adequate for the purpose prescribed by law and that the same should be approved. Commissioner Dave Bruning seconded the Resolution, the following Commissioners voted Aye: Frye, Krueger, Bruning, and Frye. Nay: None.

Passed and approved this 18th day of February, 2015.

/s/ Marie E. Rauner, County Clerk
/s/ Dave Bruning
/s/ Chris Frye
/s/ Dean Krueger

Thayer County Commissioners
Jane Ford Witthoff, health director for Public Health Solutions, met with the board to update them on immunization and dental funding that the agency has been awarded. Public Health Solutions has been awarded additional grant money to be designated towards AED and CPR programs.

Michael Burcham, Thayer County Health Services CEO, met with the board to present and discuss the December, 2014 financial report. He also updated the board on upgrades to the bookkeeping and billing system.

Monthly reports were submitted from the County Clerk, District Court Clerk, Zoning, Sheriff, Treasurer, Extension, Emergency Manager and Veteran Service Officer. Reports were reviewed and signed. Reports will be on file in the county clerk's office.

William McPherson, Emergency Manager for Thayer County, met with the commissioners to review his performance evaluation as mandated by grant funding.

Chris Frye made a motion and Dean Krueger seconded to approve the salary claims being processed by the county clerk. Result of vote: Frye-yes, Krueger-yes, and Bruning-yes. Motion carried.

General	\$64,163.87
Road/Bridge	\$35,621.37
Drug Free Grant	\$ 3,016.36
Emergency Mgt.	\$ 1,962.71
Noxious Weed	\$ 4,164.47
Historical Society	\$ 457.52

General Fund	
American Family Insurance	
Bp78	\$463.37
Ameritas-Vision	
Vision Insurance	\$47.56
Ameritas Group - Dental	
Dental Insurance	\$594.80
Blue Cross Blue Shield	
Health Insurance	\$11,057.88
Hartford Life Insurance Co.	
Deferred Comp	\$876.24
Mutual Of Omaha #G000502F	
Life Insurance	\$78.26
NE Department of Revenue	
State Taxes	\$1,300.65
Retirement Plans Div. 002812	
Retirement	\$5,218.03
Thayer County Bank	
Federal Taxes	\$10,705.45
Road/Bridge Fund	
American Family Insurance	
Bp78	\$122.34
Ameritas-Vision	
Vision Insurance	\$17.28
Ameritas Group - Dental	
Dental Insurance	\$304.06
Blue Cross Blue Shield	
Health Insurance	\$6,637.63
Colonial Life	
Thayer Co 125	\$19.00
Hartford Life Insurance Co.	
Deferred Comp	\$67.50
KS Pmt Cntr Dg10Dm00243	
Garnishment	\$303.69
Mutual of Omaha #G000502F	

Life Insurance	\$42.19
NE Department of Revenue	
State Taxes	\$739.03
Retirement Plans Div. 002812	
Retirement	\$2,825.03
Thayer County Bank	
Federal Taxes	\$6,140.56
Drug Free Grant Fund	
NE Department of Revenue	
State Taxes	\$99.37
Thayer County Bank	
Federal Taxes	\$732.92
Emergency Management Fund	
Ameritas Group - Dental	
Dental Insurance	\$13.10
Blue Cross Blue Shield	
Health Insurance	\$379.02
Mutual of Omaha #G000502F	
Life Insurance	\$2.35
NE Department of Revenue	
State Taxes	\$35.15
Retirement Plans Div. 002812	
Retirement	\$148.28
Thayer County Bank	
Empe Fica	\$313.95
Noxious Weed Fund	
American Family Insurance	
Bp78	\$32.50
Ameritas Group - Dental	
Dental Insurance	\$26.20
Blue Cross Blue Shield	
Health Insurance	\$706.79
Colonial Life	
After Tax	\$10.84
Mutual of Omaha #G000502F	
Life Insurance	\$3.88
NE Department of Revenue	
State Taxes	\$119.09
Retirement Plans Div. 002812	
Retirement	\$337.50
Thayer County Bank	
Federal Taxes	\$823.81
Historical Society Fund	
NE Department of Revenue	
State Taxes	\$4.13
Thayer County Bank	
Empe Fica	\$65.04

The commissioners reviewed the county employee employment manual in regards to the vacation policy. The board was asked to consider amending the policy to allow carry-over of vacation hours and the ability to still be able to continue to accrue hours. Following discussion with appointed and elected officials the board agreed to the following policy, to be implemented immediately.

"In order to encourage the use of vacation time, employees may only accumulate a maximum amount of vacation hours that is equivalent to the maximum number of vacation hours they can accrue in the current calendar year of employment plus the maximum number of vacation hours accrued in the previous calendar year."

Dean Krueger made the motion to adopt the above language in regard to the county employee's vacation policy, with a review to be done on vacation usage of the employees in December of this year to ensure compliance to the new policy. Chris Frye seconded the motion. Result of vote: Krueger-yes, Frye-yes, and Bruning-yes. Motion carried.

There being no other business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 1:10. The board will convene on March 4, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

I, the undersigned County Clerk in and for the County of Thayer, hereby certify that all the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained on the agenda for the meeting and kept continually current and were contained on said agenda for at least 24 hours prior to said meeting. The agenda is available for the public in the office of the Thayer County Clerk. A notice of said meeting was published in the Hebron Journal Register and the Deshler Rustler.

These proceedings have been written and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting. The complete text of resolutions and agreements is available in the office of the Thayer County Clerk.

Each commissioner signed the agenda stating a copy was received in the mail. Said agenda is on file in the Thayer County Clerk's office.

Dave Bruning,
Chairman of the Board
Marie E. Rauner, County Clerk
Equal Employment Opportunity Statement

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Commissioner agenda and minutes are available at www.thayercounty.ne.gov
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Office of the Thayer County Clerk, 225 N. 4th, Rm. 201, Hebron, NE 68370, marked "SEALED BID NEW MODEL HYDRAULIC EXCAVATOR" until 4:00 pm on March 17, 2015.

ONE NEW MODEL HYDRAULIC EXCAVATOR

Specifications and bid blanks must be obtained from the Thayer County Road Department, 1309 Road 6100, Hebron, NE 68370, and the bid must be submitted on the approved and prepared form.

Bids will be opened in the Commissioners' Room at 10:00 am on March 18, 2015.

Thayer County reserves the right to waive all technicalities and reject any or all bids.

THAYER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Dave Bruning, Chairman

Dated: February 19, 2015
ZNEZ 2t-9

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ZNEZ 2t-9

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING THAYER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Notice is hereby given that the meeting of the Thayer County Board of Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 in the Thayer County Courthouse, 2nd floor. The meeting of the Board of Commissioners will begin at 9:00. The meetings are open to the public.

The agenda is kept continually current and is available for public inspection in the Thayer County Clerk's Office, Room 201, Thayer County Courthouse, Hebron, NE.

Marie E. Rauner
Thayer County Clerk
ZNEZ 1t-9

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

- The name of the Limited Liability Company is EAST VIEW LIVESTOCK, L.L.C.
- The street address of the initial designated office is 5164 Road U, Davenport, NE 68335, and the name of the member at such address is Gary L. Miller.
- The name of the initial agent for service of process is Joe Ehrlich, and the street address and mailing address of such initial agent is 726 East Side Blvd., Hastings, NE 68901. Joe Ehrlich #24391 Seiler & Parker, P.C., L.L.O. PO Box 1288 726 East Side Blvd. Hasting, NE 68902-1288 Attorney at Law ZNEZ Wk7-3t

CHESTER, NEBRASKA FEBRUARY 11, 2015

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Chester, Thayer County, Nebraska, met at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall on February 11, 2015, for their regular monthly meeting. Board members present were: Chairman: Carbonneau and Trustees: Wassom, Pachta, Heinrichs and Rood.

Chairman Carbonneau called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Rood moved and Wassom seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the January meeting. Roll call votes: Ayes: Wassom, Pachta, Heinrichs, Rood and Carbonneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was then given. Rood moved and Heinrichs seconded a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Roll call votes: Ayes: Wassom, Pachta, Heinrichs, Rood and Carbonneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.

JEO Consulting Group representative, Mike Schultes, was present to discuss, with the Board, the proposed sewer project, which would involve lining the current sewer mains with a hardening substance to prevent further deterioration. If the Village would accept the \$700,000.00 project or more, the Village would be eligible for a \$350,000.00 grant. Pachta moved to do the \$700,000.00 sewer project, and to approve the following resolution: WHEREAS, the Village of Chester, Nebraska, recognizes that a properly functioning sanitary sewer system is necessary to the health and welfare of the citizens of the Village; and WHEREAS, the Chairman and Village Board of Trustees have determined that portions of the Village sanitary sewers system are in need of significant repair and improvement; and WHEREAS, funding for the cost of the repair and improvement of portions of the Village sanitary sewer system may be obtained by loan from the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, subject to certain requirements and obligations; NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Chester, Nebraska, that they should execute the contract for loan between the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality and the Village of Chester, Nebraska, designated as Project No. C317875, incorporated by reference into this Resolution as if fully set forth; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Joe Carbonneau, Chairperson, is hereby directed to

execute the contract and all other documents necessary to facilitate the loan between the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality and the Village of Chester, Nebraska, for the purpose of repairing and improving the Village sanitary sewer system; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Judy Smith, Clerk, be authorized and directed to sign all necessary documents, to furnish such assurances to the State of Nebraska as may be required by law or regulations, and to receive payment on behalf of the applicant. Wassom seconded the motion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Wassom, Pachta, Heinrichs, Rood and Carbonneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Chairman Carbonneau called the 1 & 6 year street hearing to order at 8:07 p.m. and reviewed the report prepared by JEO Consulting Group, leaving the hearing open for public input throughout the regular meeting.

Wassom moved and Heinrichs seconded a motion to approve the building permit of Jason Eickman for an addition to his home. Roll call votes: Ayes: Wassom, Pachta, Heinrichs, Rood and Carbonneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Carbonneau signed the close-out reports for the GIS mapping project. Rood moved and Wassom seconded a motion to approve the ADA Self Evaluation document. Roll call votes: Ayes: Wassom, Pachta, Heinrichs, Rood and Carbonneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Rood moved and Pachta seconded a motion to approve the applications of Tyler Wit, Trevor Wit and Bob Dankenbring, for membership onto the fire department. Roll call votes: Wassom, Pachta, Heinrichs, Rood and Carbonneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Rood moved and Heinrichs seconded a motion to call a special election at which the electors of the Village of Chester, NE, will be asked to approve construction of a municipal building and the issuance of bonds to finance said construction. Roll call votes: Ayes: Wassom, Pachta, Heinrichs, Rood and Carbonneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board had discussions about dogs running at large and barking, lots filled with junk, iron, weeds, brush & etc. The Board decided to do some personnel visits with the owner's and hope for their cooperation.

The annual audit report, prepared by Blobaum & Busboom P.C., was reviewed.

The 1 & 6 year street improvement hearing, having been open for an hour was discussed and reviewed. Pachta moved and Wassom seconded a motion to approve the following resolution, WHEREAS, the City Street Superintendent has prepared and presented a One Year and Six Year Plan for Street Improvement Program for the Village of Chester, and WHEREAS, a public meeting was held on the 11th day of February, 2015, to present this plan and there were no objections to said plan; THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Chairperson and Village Board of Trustees of Chester, Nebraska, that the plans and data as furnished are hereby in all things accepted and adopted. Roll call votes: Ayes: Wassom, Pachta, Heinrichs, Rood and Carbonneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The following claims were approved for February 2015: Asbestos Survey Services, inspections600.00 Village of Chester, electricity.....2539.27 Nebraska Public Power District, electricity.....12,997.86 Norris Public Power District, electricity.....1137.37 Norris Public Power District, repairs2313.67 Maryland Vassallo, meter refund168.77 Village of Chester, Vassallo/bill off of deposit ..81.23 JEO Consulting Group, road program600.00 Action Auto Supply, parts79.47 Blobaum & Busboom P.C., audit3370.00 Petty Cash, postage.....18.56 US Cellular, telephone.....120.73 Eakes Office Solutions, office supply.....56.96 Belleville Hometown Lumber, parts104.69 Hebron Journal, publishing141.99 Thayer Co Economic Development, dues800.00 C & M Supply, gas/propane238.69 Riggs Construction Co., repairs322.50 Solomon Corporation, transformers10,320.00 Dutton Lainson Co, electrical supplies4551.65 Hometown Leasing, copier lease54.96 The Garbage Co So, garbage disposal1105.00 Walter Insurance, insurance1824.75 Post Office, postage147.00 Source Gas, natural gas1348.99 Reliable Office Supply, office supply104.56 salaries4060.49 withholding1214.38 Great Plains Comm, telephone187.58 Nebraska Dept. of Revenue, sales tax1742.56 Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance1891.66 Amri Gaffi, insurance58.28 Great American Financial, insurance36.15

There being no further business to come before the Board, Wassom moved and Pachta seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting with all members of the Board voting aye.

Joseph R. Carbonneau
Chairman of the Board

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Chemigation certification classes announced

Southeast Nebraska farmers who apply chemicals in irrigation water such as fertilizer or pesticides have an opportunity to certify and obtain a license. Certification meetings will be held on:

Friday, March 6, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at First Evangelical Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 204 South School, Wilber.

Tuesday, March 10, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Nemaha Natural Resource District Meeting Room, 62161 Highway 136, Tecumseh.

According to Saline County Extension Educator Randy Pryor, these meetings are for people who need to renew their chemigation certification or for initial applicants. "The trend has been for more new applicants the past several years," said Pryor.

If you plan to become certified for the first time, please contact the Saline County Extension office (402-821-2151) to pre-register for the training session you plan to attend. We can send study materials prior to the training session which is highly encouraged. All class participants will receive a new chemigation manual and calibration workbook the day of training and should bring a pencil and pocket calculator.

There is sometimes confusion what chemigation really means. By definition, chemigation is defined as "any process whereby chemicals are applied to land or crops in or with water through an on-farm irrigation distribution system" (Title 195, Ch. 1, 003). The regulations apply whether the water is from a surface water source, such as a stream or canal, or ground water from an irrigation well.

Pryor stated there can be benefits associated with chemigation or the use of fertilizer or agricultural chemicals in irrigation water through pivot systems when managed properly. Irrigators understand and recognize the importance of the required safety equipment and attend certification classes every four years to comply with state laws and review environmental stewardship. The operators complete a written exam upon completion of the class. Individual site permits are issued by the respective Natural Resources District (NRD).

The following website shows additional training sites:

<http://deq.ne.gov/NDE-QProg.nsf/OnWeb/Chemtra>

One and six year road hearing presented

Last Thursday, George Gerdes, Thayer County road superintendent, presented to the board of commissioners and public, the one and six year road hearing.

There are currently 18 full-time employees working at the roads department with a budget of \$2,349,805.

The 2014 projects included 62 grading projects completed at \$76,942 and bridge costs at \$145,168.69 (new construction costs totaled \$126,052.69 and bridge repairs were \$19,116). Dirt projects cost \$76,942.

New projects include project #382 which is a small wood bridge east of Deshler Road. The bridge will be replaced by steel and slab. On project #383, the roads to the state lakes had asphalt millings and became rough. The roads department will be smoothing that road out. On project #384, the department will fix a wood bridge on Road 5200 north of Highway 136. Because of the heavy truck traffic there, they will be changing it to a 30 foot slab bridge. On project #385, the department will repair a wood bridge on Road E between Road 6200 and Road 6300. The bridge also receives heavy truck traffic and will be repaired with a concrete slab.

Dirt projects include work on Road 5700 and K where they replaced the culverts, did dirt work and created more drainage. On Road 7000 and P, they cut the hilltop down and had a steep embankment filled in and extended the culvert. On Road 5100 and Roads R and S, there was a culvert that was rusted out. A new culvert was put in and dirt work was done. On Road K and around Roads 5400/5500, the department fixed a broken bridge and did ditch work. On Road R and 5500, a phone line was exposed due to erosion. Workers contacted the phone company and dug out the box culvert and the phone company buried the phone line.

Thayer County Quilters Guild

The Thayer County Quilters Guild met at 7:30 on February 19, at the Courtyard Terrace. Lori Werner from the local quilt store, Sew Bee It, brought some new fabrics and demonstrated how to use some new items she has for sale. She also told about the Nebraska Shop Hop that will be held in April.

Thank you notes from Pat Schardt for the friendship blocks and from Ryan Bailey for continued support of the community cupboard were read.

Shirley Rippe and Joanie Meyer are working on the quilt to be given to the baby born at the Thayer County Hospital nearest Mother's Day. Pat Schardt will have the State Fair ribbon ready in August. Monica Meerkatz reported that she has enough pillowcases on hand for donation to the Thayer County Health Services.

A spring workshop was discussed. Sue Brown from

Calico Cottage in Hastings could do a workshop. Several members expressed interest in just having a sewing day where they could bring their own projects to work on.

Candiss passed out information on the events to observe National Quilting Day 2015 at the International Quilt Study Center & Museum in Lincoln on March 14.

Deb Barbur reported that the Fairbury quilt guild is still interested in doing a miniature quilt auction but has not set a date for that.

Lynn Greer said that Janet Kugler, who has closed her fabric store in Holdrege, is having her last "garage sale" on March 6 and 7.

The program next month will be given by member Gloria Bernadt. She will demonstrate English paper piecing and show her hexagon quilts.

Show and Tell was held after the meeting.

Blood Drive Slated for March 13, Sacred Heart in Hebron

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Lacey Schmidt, daughter of Ellen and Andy Schmidt of Deshler, Tanner Bolte, son of Sarah and Chris Bolte of Bruning, as well as his sister Jordan (not pictured), all received Incentive Program trophies. They are pictured with Tom Priefert, program trophy sponsor.

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Lauren Schmidt (left), daughter of Ellen and Andy Schmidt of Deshler, and McKenzie Beals, daughter of Matt and Amy Beals of Alexandria, both received \$1,000 scholarships provided by the Association. Both recipients read their essays Saturday night to the banquet attendees.

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Rick Dageforde, 2014 president, was presented with a special gift by immediate past president, Tim Koch. Koch thanked Rick for his service to the feeders organization over the years. Dageforde gave some closing comments to the group.

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Heinrichs joins Nebraska LEAD 33 on international study tour

Twenty eight Nebraska LEAD 33 fellows recently returned from the 2015 International Study/Travel Seminar to the United Arab Emirates, Nepal and India. Brad Heinrichs of Bruning was among the 33 fellows participating in this study seminar.

"Our international study is designed to provide firsthand appreciation and understanding of our international community and the potential for people of all nations to work together," said Terry Hejny, Nebraska LEAD (Leadership Education/Action Development) Program director and group leader.

During the Jan. 4-22 seminar, LEAD fellows participated in briefings with U.S. Foreign Service officials in both Dubai and Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, and New Delhi, India, including sessions with Ethan Goldrich, deputy chief of mission at the U.S. embassy in Abu Dhabi, and Jonn Slette, senior attache for agricultural affairs, and Paul Frost, commercial officer for the U.S. Department of Commerce at the U.S. embassy in New Delhi.

The LEAD fellows also met with American business, agricultural trade and commodity groups, and visited several farm operations. Additionally, LEAD Fellows were able to meet in India with officials of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research-Pusa Institute in Delhi; the National Dairy

Research Institute near Ludhiana; and Punjab Agricultural University in Ludhiana.

"The people-to-people encounters provided the members of Nebraska LEAD Group 33 an opportunity to view characteristics, conditions and trends of the United Arab Emirates, Nepal and India and determine relationships to issues and situations in our country," Hejny said. "Through this experience participants develop techniques in identifying comparisons and contrasts of the countries we recently studied in areas such as politics, economics, energy, religion, culture and history as well as technology, trade, food, art and philosophy."

The Nebraska LEAD Program includes men and women, currently active in production agriculture and agribusiness and is a two-year leadership development program under the direction of the Nebraska Agricultural Leadership Council, in cooperation with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

For more information, or to request an application for Nebraska LEAD 35, contact the Nebraska LEAD Program, 318 Biochemistry Hall, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583-0763, telephone 402-472-6810 or email Shana Gerdes at sgerdes2@unl.edu. The application deadline is June 15.



Blue Valley Bowl Bowling Results

MONDAY MEN'S CITY LEAGUE
High Scratch Team Series: Blue Valley Bowl — 2056; **High Men's Game:** Chris Foutch 246, LaVonne Kassebaum 229, Manny Motto 224; **High Men's Series:** Manny Motto 624, LaVonne Kassebaum 603, Bryce Mammen 546.

TUESDAY WOMEN'S BOWLERETTS LEAGUE
High Scratch Team Series: Fairbury Crazy 8's — 1803; **High Women's Game:** Wendy Michels 190, Betty Mammen 186, Tina DeFrain 175; **High Women's Series:** Wendy Michels 519, Betty Mammen 486, Patty Behrends 477.

WEDNESDAY MEN'S AMERICAN LEAGUE
High Scratch Team Series: Lone Tree Golf Club — 2223; **High Men's Game:** Manny Motto 287, John Luongo 246, Corey Schoenrock 245; **High Men's Series:** Manny Motto 733, John Luongo 660, Corey Schoenrock 634.

THURSDAY WOMEN'S ROCKETTES LEAGUE
High Scratch Team Series: R-F Construction — 1781; **High Women's Game:** Mary Fangmeier 213, Amy Peterson 212, Crystal Fangmeyer 185; **High Women's Series:** Mary Fangmeier 552, Cheri Knobel 504, Crystal Fangmeyer 470.

THURSDAY MEN'S PINBUSTER LEAGUE
High Scratch Team Series: True Value Hardware — 2133; **High Men's Game:** Dean Blincow 255, Andrew Wiedel 227, Mike Prellwitz 222; **High Men's Series:** Dean Blincow 676, Andrew Wiedel 607, Gary Reinsch 600.

SUNDAY NIGHT MIXED LEAGUE
High Scratch Team Series: Broncos — 1813; **High Men's Game:** Bryan Solomon 202, Pat Kenner 201, Vic Jacobson 195; **High Women's Game:** Julie Mees 181, Marilyn Ringen 171, Deb Kenning 163; **High Men's Series:** Alan Bohling 549, Pat Kenner 544, Terry Ringen 510; **High Women's Series:** Deb Kenning 459, Julie Mees 445, Deb Bulin 435.

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Mitchell J. Davie was part of the evening's special entertainment. Davie is a comedy magician who provided guests with an interactive stage magic show. He is pictured here doing a trick for some young guests. A dance followed the banquet with live music provided by Borderline, a band from Central Nebraska.

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