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Tidbits

Speaker Series...

The Thayer County Economic Development Alliance will be presenting Gary Keibel as a part of its speaker series on Jan. 22.

His presentation is titled, "Reaching Youth: If it's not on a cell phone, it doesn't exist."

He will be speaking at the Majestic Theatre in Hebron.

There will be a social held at 5:30 p.m., and the presentation will follow at 6 p.m.

Changes for FSA Office...

The Nebraska Farm Service Agency (FSA) announced changes to the Nuckolls and Thayer County FSA offices that began Jan. 13.

The Nuckolls County FSA office is now considered a sub-office under the Thayer-Nuckolls shared management operation. It will offer service four days a week by appointment only.

Thayer County will be the headquarters office and will still offer service five days a week. Jay VanWesten, CED in Thayer County will lead this newly created shared management operation.

For more information on this merger, see the full story on page 8A.

TC Visitors' Committee...

The Thayer County Visitors' Committee will meet Thursday, Jan. 16, at 2 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Thayer County Courthouse basement meeting room. The public is invited to attend.

Secrest Library Story Time...

The Hebron Secrest Library will hold its Wild About Winter Story Time on Saturday, Jan. 18.

The program will begin at 10 a.m. All are welcome to attend.

Youth Free Throw Contest...

All boys and girls ages 9-14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2014 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The local competition will be held Sunday, Jan. 26, 1 p.m., at the Thayer Central Intermediate gymnasium.

The Knights of Columbus contest is sponsored annually with winners progressing through local, district, and state competitions. International champions are announced by the K of C international headquarters based on scores from the state-level competitions. All youth will compete in their respective age divisions. Last year more than 120,000 shooters participated in over 3,600 local competitions.

All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. For entry forms or additional information contact Mark Hintz at 402-768-6672.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day...

Martin Luther King Jr. Day will be on Jan. 20. Since there will be no mail service that day, patrons are asked to submit correspondence accordingly to ensure that information will be included in the Jan. 22 issue.

~Obituaries~

Brokaw, Charles, 92, Hebron
Blanke, Helen, 90, formerly Geneva
Fry, Dona, 82, formerly Fairbury
Hartley, Donald, 82, Hebron

School Board prepares for public meetings

The Thayer Central School Board is preparing for the public meetings that will be held Feb. 9 and Feb. 10. At its monthly meeting, the board discussed facilities once again and the options that will be presented at the public meetings.

There are currently three different options that the board hopes to present for public feedback.

The first option has nine new classrooms placed on the south side of the intermediate building. The placement of these would allow for future renovation of the current gym into an auditorium, although this is not included in the current bond. The first option also includes a new band and vocal room which

will open up more room for the industrial technology classrooms. This plan also allows for a new competition gym and underground tornado safety areas.

The second option connects the intermediate and high school buildings with 12 new classrooms. It also includes new vocal and instrument classrooms and remodels the locker rooms in the existing high school gymnasium.

The third option adds five new classrooms to the existing primary building. It also adds a multi-purpose room that would allow lunch to be served there. Currently, the primary students are bused to the high school for lunch. This option

also includes funds for general renovations of the intermediate and high school buildings.

To go along with the information about the three different options, the video editing class has put together a virtual tour of the primary school that highlights the needs for the facilities. The hope is that virtual tours of the two other buildings will be available at the time of the public meetings.

In other business, the principals reported on current events at the both schools. Tom Kiburz, junior and senior high principal, spoke with board members about the increase in new students since the

See School Board...pg 6A

TCEDA plans for new year

By Regina Bird
Hebron Journal-Register

A new year has begun and this means new goals for the Thayer County Economic Development Alliance (TCEDA).

At the 2014 kick-off meeting, the group discussed its plans going into the new year.

Although 2013 was full of new ideas and goals, Jeremy Voss, TCEDA director, said it was only the beginning.

"Basically we were just doing the prep work for the future," he said.

Although the goal list for this year is shorter, the goals are considered bigger.

Voss told those in attendance that he plans to visit every business in Thayer County within the next year. Although this is a daunting task with the number of businesses across the entire county, he hopes to make it easier by splitting it up by month and town.

This in hand goes with another goal of focusing on the specific needs of each community. Voss said that he hopes this will help make it a "county-wide initiative."

Tourism is another focus of the year for TCEDA. Creating something that will bring people

See TCEDA...pg 6A



Courtesy Photo

First baby of 2014 born on Jan. 7...

The 2014 New Year's baby for Thayer County Health Services is Kailyn Jane Gehle. Kailyn was born on Jan. 7, at 5:01 p.m. She weighed nine pounds and one ounce and was 22 inches long. Parents are Hailey and Brandon Gehle from Byron. Her grandparents are Brian and Heidi Isernhagen of Deshler and Monte and Rita Gehle of Chester. Pictured above are (l-r): Back: Kim Runhke, LPN-C. Front: Hailey, baby Kailyn and Brandon. A New Year's basket was presented to Kailyn and her parents filled with items from the following businesses and organizations; Amanda's Cottage, The Bottle Shop, Central Market, Midwest Bank-Deshler, Hintz's Cheese, Crafts, and Balloons, Hebron Sports Shack, Bruning State Bank, True Value Hardware, Priefert's Pharmacy, Thayer County Health Services' Hospital Guild, Deshler Chamber of Commerce and the Hebron Chamber of Commerce.

County Board designates leadership for new year

By Regina Bird
Hebron Journal-Register

The Thayer County Board of Commissioners faced a lengthy agenda at its Jan. 8 meeting.

To begin the meeting, the group voted to elect Dave Bruning as chairman of the Board of Commissioners and Chris Frye as vice-chairman of the Board of Commissioners for 2014.

The group's first meeting was with Karen Prellwitz, Thayer County Treasurer. She presented the semi annual report and a resolution to designate bank depositories for the county. The resolution was approved.

Richard Heinrichs updated the commissioners on current projects the road department is working on including equipment repairs.

Brad Coordsen also addressed Heinrichs and the commissioners with concerns he had about bridges and culverts around the county. The commissioners asked that Heinrichs look into pricing for repairs that would make the smaller bridges better suited for travel by the heavier new machinery and grain carts.

Jana Tietjen and Megan Hinrichs from the Thayer County Healthy Communities Coalition (TCHCC) spoke with commissioners about the past year's events and plans for the new year for the coalition. The

group currently is funded through two grants. The Drug Free Communities Grant for \$125,000 is guaranteed for five years and will be up in January of 2015. There is also a grant from Region V Systems that is state block grant funding. This grant continues only for a year. TCHCC should receive \$9,726 for 2013-2014. The coalition will be working on the application for the 2014-2015 time period soon. A planning meeting was set for Jan. 15 to discuss the funding for the next few years.

Steve Albin from United Benefit Services updated commissioners on how insurance for county employees could change due to the Affordable Care Act. He told commissioners about new fees and taxes that would come into effect when the county renews the policy.

In other business, commissioners:

- approved a permit to occupy road right-of-way.
- appointed Thayer County Health Services as the county physician.
- designated the county newspaper and county co-paper for 2014.
- designated the county newspapers and the county website, as recommended by Nebraska Association of County Officials, as the official method of providing

notice of county board meetings and hearings.

- approved a bid to replace lights in the county court office.
- appointed Loren Wiedel to a six year term on the Thayer County Hospital Board.

A Thayer County Board of Equalization meeting was also held on Jan. 8.

During this meeting, commissioners voted to elect Dave Bruning as chairman of the Board of Equalization for this year and Chris Frye as vice-chairman for the Board of Equalization.

A public hearing was held for public comment concerning the tax exemption application for the Thayer County Arts Council. In order to qualify to be tax exempt, an organization must be in one of five categories. For this particular organization, they hope to be considered an educational organization by hosting more educational events.

After much discussion, the commissioners voted to approve the application and then after a year they will review it to see what educational events the group has put on at the theater.

The application will now go on to the Nebraska Department of Revenue for approval.

In other business, two tax list corrections were also approved.

Election deadline is approaching

The deadline to file for county offices is coming up. The deadline to file for incumbents wishing to run is on Feb. 18. For non-incumbents, the deadline is March 3.

According to Marie Rauner, Thayer County Clerk, the following county officials have filed as of Jan. 13: David Lee, Marie Rauner, Karen Prellwitz and Karla Joe. Along with them, the two county commissioners who are up for reelection, Dave Bruning and Dean Krueger, have also filed.

Others who have refiled so far include Rick Hintz for Thayer Central School Board and Shane Day for Hebron Mayor.

Hubbell man arrested for motor vehicle homicide

Jessie Payne, 53, of Hubbell was arrested on a warrant for motor vehicle homicide, a class I misdemeanor.

This charge stems from an October accident that occurred at the intersection of Highway 8 and Highway 81.

According to the accident report, Payne was eastbound on Highway 8 in a 1976 Chevrolet pickup while Deyanne and Edward Valencia of Arizona, were northbound on Highway 81 in a 1999 Ford Windstar mini van. Edward Valencia stated that Payne didn't stop at the stop sign and continued across the intersection where Payne's pickup struck Valencia's van. Also stopped at the intersection was a semi and trailer driven by Jessie Fuller. When Payne's pickup struck the van, it then spun and hit the semi. Payne said that he did not see the van when he entered the intersection.

The Thayer County Sheriff's Office received word that Deyanne Valencia had died from her injuries in November.

Pages of the Past...

From The Hebron Journal Register

1884

130 Years Ago

The frame for the depot is up.

Stone is being delivered for the foundation of Wetherald Bros.' elevator.

The Alexandria News says that one of the Gregg Bros., will open a bank in Alexandria next month.

Gazelle post office in the northeastern part of Thayer County, has been discontinued.

No new developments have occurred in regard to the incorporation of the Hebron, Friendsau and Kiowa railroad.

Skating parties of ladies and gentlemen are becoming fashionable in Hebron. This graceful and healthful amusement should receive more attention than it does.

The Hebron Proprietary Manufacturing Co., is putting out large quantities of Dr. Dutcher's famous equine remedies, which are meeting with extensive sales.

A railroad connecting Hebron and Belvidere would be a great convenience to citizens of the north part of Thayer County, who come to the county seat for business, pleasure or glory.

Many of the little folks speak highly of the kindness and courtesy shown to them by Conductor Patch of the Hebron branch of the Republican Valley railroad, in giving them pleasant rides over his line.

Attention is called to the new advertisement of J.D. Dodge, dealer in books, stationery, and notions. Mr. Dodge, having purchased the stock of J.M. Fitchpatrick, will continue the business extensively.

The majority of old settlers are acquainted with Andy Adams of Hubbell precinct. Andy has suddenly become celebrated in the medical world, being the unfortunate possessor of 144 tumors. A full description of the operation performed on him for the removal of a number of the tumors will be found in an article on our first page.

Ye Editair acknowledges with a high appreciation of the honor conferred, the first serenade of the Little Blue Valley Quartette Cornet Band. The gentlemen composing this band are entitled to much praise for the progress made. We prophecy for this band strong popular favor. The gentlemen composing it are W.F. Beckett, F.L. Gibbs, Frank Leedom, and Archie Bigelow.

The Burgess elevator is rapidly approaching completion. When finished, it will be the best in the South Platte country. He will have storage capacity for 13,000 bushels of grain.

F.S. Baker and Co., will soon move their lumberyard from its present location to a place nearer the railroad. The firm is building a coal house, a lime house, and will soon put up a lumber shed.

Dr. C.M. Sutherland of Palatine, Ill., formerly of Hebron, writes as follows to M.H. Weiss: "You may look for my arrival in Hebron about the last of the week." Dr. Sutherland is returning to Hebron to practice his profession. During the year he has been gone, many improvements have occurred here.

C.W. Slagel, formerly of Davenport has returned from Falls City where he has been spending the winter, and will engage in the real estate business in that bright, young town.

Mrs. Currier of Dry Creek is sick with quinsy at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. D.T. Scoville.

George Shaver of Belvidere precinct, having leased his farm for two years, has returned with his family to Elgin, Ill.

The Presbyterian Society of Carleton held its annual meeting with a goodly number in attendance, transacting the general business of the society and still holding on to Rev. McDonald and advancing his salary \$25 for the ensuing year also settling with him for last year's salary.

Chester Tribune

The bell for the Christian Church has arrived. It weighs 575 pounds.

Alf. Lindsey has bought lots just east of the Christian Church and will at once build and move to town.

Pleasant Plain

The cold weather keeps the farmers off their cornfields. There is considerable corn to husk in this vicinity.

Edith, daughter of H.H. Hewitt, has been quite sick for the past week with typhoid fever, but is getting better.

Belvidere

T.I. James received a new supply of Burdette organs. He says he is having a lively trade in the line.

The new church will soon be raised. Carpenters who desire to donate work will now find a good chance to make themselves useful.

We are to have a money order office the first of July and then we can shine among the county seats which envy Kiowa.

The mite society was made novel by a few young ladies taking advantage of leap year and playing the part of the gentlemen for the evening. They escorted them to and from (and the night was bitter cold) and settled all bills with an air which showed a strong power of imitation and "grit." The next social will be held at the residence of J.M. Bell, corner D and 8th Streets.

1894

120 Years Ago

A. Huntsman has had a telephone put up connecting his residence and drug store.

Hughes & Meyer's planing and woodworking shop is being improved daily and is turning out fine work.

Bert McManus, arrested for breaking into Own's saloon at Hubbell and stealing \$2, liquor and cigars, was tried before Justice Joseph Lamb. At the conclusion of the trial, the prisoner jumped out of the doorway, ran into the woods and escaped.

Mr. Stonehocker, aged about 82 years, father of Mrs. Wm. Lamb, died at his daughter's home.

C.J. Rhodes and other old settlers remind us that this winter so far has been nearly as mild as the winter of 1869-70 when settlers here plowed every winter month and new grass was high enough for feed by the middle of February.

Photographer Wm. Griffen recently gave an order to a firm in Europe for \$250 worth of cards on which to put photographs. He is doing a large business and uses the best materials.

Mrs. E.A. Stevens moved into the Cottage House on Fourth Street between Olive and Lincoln Avenues, and will soon open a boarding house.

Frederick E. Roper, president Cleveland's appointee, took charge of the Hebron post office, John M. Fitchpatrick, President Harrison's appointee, retiring.

As the high contracting parties think the affair is a secret and don't want it known until after it materializes, we hope none of our readers will read the following aloud: Art C. Past, formerly of Hebron, and Miss Mabel Servoss, recently of Belvidere, both now of Ogden, Utah, are to be married in a few days.

Carl Boyd Schwer, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Schwer of Hebron, died at the age of one year, six months.

A farmer by the name of Cal Asher, living on a farm of Otha Wearin, about two and one-half miles west of Carleton, was the victim of a horrible and fatal accident. He was harrowing in his field, using four horses. His team ran away with him and the harrow passed over his body. He had been injured some time when found and taken to the house and survived his terrible wounds until early morning, when death relieved him of his sufferings. He was about 40 years of age, of strong and healthy physique, and the father of six children.

Hormisdas Samoissette and Miss Odalia Welsh were married.

During the forenoon meeting at the M.E. Church in this city, a somewhat sensational scene was witnessed. Had the incident occurred in Lincoln or Omaha, the dailies of those cities would have appeared with wild and voluminous "scare" heads and frantic

"writeup." In the city, whose deep religious serenity is unbroken even when important manufacturing enterprises are taken away from it by inferior competitors, the incident created only a temporary ripple. Miss Elizabeth Fry, the evangelist conducting the revival meetings at the church, was praying. Carl Picard, a German of excellent education and enthusiastic in his religious views, advanced to the pulpit, and interrupted her. Among the opinions he held was that public prayers were not authorized by the New Testament (Matthew 6:6). It is probably from the expression he used in interrupting the evangelist, that his memory recalled the incident of Elijah rebuking the false prophets (1 Kings 18:27) for he said to her, "Pray louder, maybe your God is asleep and don't hear you."

Upon this, Miss Fry ceased praying and calmly said: "Is there an officer in the house?" No affirmative response being made, she requested that an officer be sent for, and asked the audience to sing "Throw Out the Life Line." Pending the arrival of an officer, several church members tried to persuade Mr. Picard to leave the pulpit, but he declined, stating that he proposed to preach. On the arrival of Sheriff Lindsey, he was carried out of the church and taken to the jail, where he remained in custody a day or two and from which he was released without action being brought against him.

Wetherald Bros., continue to pay the highest prices for the best grades of wheat and manufacture their unexcelled flour.

Davenport

Lige Hoover and Miss Cynthia Street were married at Hebron.

Deshler

Dr. Boyes, removed a large tumor from the temple bone of the right eye of William Ziems, a young man of about 18 years of age.

Gilead

Born to S.B. Ross and wife, a son. This is their 13th child and the seventh son.

Our doctor, after spending two days in trying to collect his accounts, has decided to remain among us, and if we don't pay him for his services he threatens to bring his family and board out the account.

Alexandria

Jas. Scriven has built a blacksmith shop on the lot where the old Nightengale livery stable stood. Mr. Crouch is to have charge of the new shop.

1904

110 Years Ago

(The Alexandria Argus)
Rev. J.W. DeMerritt will occupy the pulpit in the Baptist church in Hebron next Sunday.

Rev. A.K. Myattway, pastor of the Baptist church of Hebron, will preach in the Baptist church in this place next Sunday morning and evening.

Edgar Duncan is at Tobias in the interest of the Highlanders.

1914

100 Years Ago

The Blue Valley Hospital during the year 1913 admitted 144 patients, of them 121 were surgical and 23 medical. There were 53 cases of appendicitis, three cases of tubal pregnancy, two cases of tumor of the bladder and the rest were abdominal tumors, gallstone cases, etc. There were but three deaths, one case of appendicitis in a five year old child.

This was a case of gangrene appendicitis. One case of a young man who was scalded to death from a traction engine and one case of cancer of the liver. The birth of two bouncing baby boys also took place during the year.

1924

90 Years Ago

(The Bruning Banner)
Mrs. Herman Garrels was unconscious for several hours after being injured when she fell on the ice.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charley House of Belvidere.

Mrs. Henry Dittmer, who resided southeast of town, fell on the ice and broke her leg. Roads were almost impassable and medical assistance was delayed for many hours.

New officers for the Bruning Community Club were H.W. Hinrichs, president; R.J. Liedoll, vice president; Theo Philippi, treasurer; and W.R. McGaffin, secretary.

1934

80 Years Ago

(The Alexandria Argus)
Sheriff Robert Geisler and Deputy Frank Badwin have installed a short wave radio in their office in the Thayer County courthouse.

Deaths: Frank C. Baruth, Lila Jean Newman, age 11 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L.S. Newman.

Work has started on graveling the Alexandria streets as were outlined in the CWA projects for Alexandria village.

George Lamb, who has gained much prominence in the last two years with his collection of Indian relics and for his excavating of a prehistoric Indian village on his farm near Williams, is sending his collection to the state Historical Society, and is filling in his excavations. He will devote more of his time to farming.

1944

70 Years Ago

(The Alexandria Argus)
According to County Agent Wicks, prisoners of war are well liked by the farmers that have used them for odd jobs.

The outlook for the winter wheat crop in the area was the poorest in 30 years.

Fire virtually destroyed the fine brick school building at Carleton. Most of the main floor was saved but damage to contents was enormous.

Max Schoenholz and Franklin Bulin left with other Thayer County boys for induction into the Armed Forces at Omaha.

1954

60 Years Ago

(The Alexandria Argus)
Evelyn Bright, daughter of Mary Bright, and Melvin Brinegar were united in marriage in a quiet evening ceremony at the Presbyterian manse.

1964

50 Years Ago

Leslie B. Naiman departed for Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, Calif. Pvt. Naiman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie A. Naiman of Gilead.

The segment of Highway 4 from Highway 81 to Davenport was officially opened to traffic. The afternoon program was held in the gymnasium of the Davenport school with Gov. Frank Morrison speaking during the afternoon ceremony and the evening dinner.

A fleet-footed burglar is thought to be packing a sizeable load of No. 4 birdshot as the result of an encounter with a volunteer vigilante after a tavern break-in at Belvidere. Fred Jackson, Belvidere mail carrier, unloaded both barrels



J-R File Photo

This Week 1994... Ernest Wiedel (R) and his sons, Alan (in foreground) and Gregg, who own the Three Bar W Farms, loaded 30-35 heifers onto stock trailers in the morning. The Wiedel's were one of the farm families featured in the Hebron Journal-Register's annual "beef" issue.

of a double-barreled 12-gauge at the burglar as the man fled from the J&V Bar, on the west side and staggered, indicating that he had been hit. He disappeared behind a lumberyard on a nearby corner, where he was evidently picked up by an accomplice who was waiting in a car parked across the street from the tavern. Jackson, along with two other members of a volunteer citizen's committee, had been called by John Rentschler, owner of the tavern, when an alarm that connects the establishment with the Rentschler living quarter, three doors down the street, went off at about 1:30 a.m. When Jackson arrived on the scene a few minutes later he knocked on the door of the Rentschler apartment and Mrs. Rentschler, thinking someone was trying to break in, pulled a switch that sets off the town fire siren. This apparently frightened the burglar, who ran from the tavern and the shooting followed. Jackson said he jumped in his car and followed the fleeing bandit car, but was forced to abandon the chase on a gravel road two miles west of Belvidere because ice covered his windshield and clouds of dust kicked up by the other vehicle making it impossible to see. Rentschler said the only loss appeared to be an estimated \$35 taken from the juke-box coin container, which had been pried from the machine. A total of \$5 to \$6 of the loot was in quarters which had been marked with red fingernail polish. Entrance to the tavern was gained by prying open the front door.

"Lawrence of Arabia" was showing at the Majestic.

with the institute of Liberian languages, under the supervision of the Lutheran Bible translators.

1984

30 Years Ago

Alvin Boettcher was elected president of the Alexandria Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dill of Belvidere were the recipients of the Little Blue NRD Conservation Farm Award.

Shirley Folkerts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Folkerts of Carleton was crowned Feeders Queen.

Louis McKenzie received an appreciation plaque for 12 years of service as secretary-treasurer of the Hebron Country Club.

A five-member rock group was participating in the annual winter band concert at the He-Hi gym. Members were Chris Noble, flute; Cindy Else, clarinet; Sven Deepe, drums and Troy Kroeger, piano.

1994

20 Years Ago

Sam Lohmeier of Hebron was the top Cub Scout sales person. He sold 124 buckets of popcorn during the drive by the Hebron Cub Scouts.

Bruning State Bank announced the addition of Robert Schardt as a senior vice president and credit supervisor.

Temperatures for the week were: High 47 and low of zero.

Grand champion and reserve champion winners in the 4-H Timely Topic Public Speaking contest were Holly Weber, Stephanie Schardt, Shamlynn Kniep, Kimberly Schardt, Abby Harms, Renee Else, Anna Schardt, Stephen Weber, Jennifer Holtzen and Elizabeth Craig. Overall trophy winner was Renee Else.

2004

10 Years Ago

Zachary Brennförder, son of Brad and Kim Brennförder of Edgar, was Thayer County's new year's baby.

DeRoy Miller of Carleton was fatally injured following a motor vehicle accident near Doniphan.

Mark Twain, portrayed by United Methodist minister Warren Schoming, visited the Chester Senior Center. A college drama major, Schoming had been doing the impersonation for over 30 years.

New Hebron Volunteer Fire Department captains were Tim O'Callaghan, B.J. Linton, Dave Asche, Lenny Bowman, Shane Day, Bob Dankenbring, Darcy Heitmann, Hope Voss, Wayne Kugel, Gary McMains, Kurt Klover and Chris Huber.

1974

40 Years Ago

In honor of its tenth anniversary the Thayer County Feeders Association awarded plaques to the past presidents of the association. Those receiving a plaque were Wayne Uden of Bruning, Jack Westerhoff of Alexandria, Ed Pohlmann of Deshler, Norman Ough of Hebron, Hubert Skucius of Chester, Ben Wiedel of Hebron, Russell Priefert of Belvidere, the 1974 president Frank Bringewatt of Bruning and Allen Schardt of Carleton. Selected as the Feeders' queen was Mary Fintel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fintel.

The Davenport American Legion Post 335 paid tribute to its 50-year members at a special ceremony. Those honored were Dr. F.A. Mountford, Carroll Lietsch and Clarence Meers.

Word was received by ham radio that Mrs. Roy (Merle) Bruning had arrived safely in Monrovia, Liberia, Africa, where she was to begin duties

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Courthouse News

COUNTY COURT Fines Paid by Jan 1, 2014

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.

Local Law Enforcement
Andrew Mizner, Geneva. Speeding (70/55), \$75.

Nebraska State Patrol
The County Court processed 13 scale citations issued to nine commercial vehicle drivers for Nebraska road violations in the last week. Drivers from six states paid \$855 in fines.

Jason Drews, Randolph, Wis. Speeding (75/65), \$25.

Jesse Simons, Lincoln. Speeding (76/65), \$75.

Robert Brackett, Weeping Water. Speeding (69/55), \$75.

Brett Finke, Deshler. Speeding (70/60), \$25.

Thomas Emmel, Omaha. Speeding (80/65), \$75.

Lacey Wagner, Bruning. Speeding (70/60), \$25.

Maria Alexander, Papillion. Speeding (75/65), \$25.

Kathryn McAtee, Wichita, Kan. Speeding (71/60), \$75.

Glenn Kronhofman, Tobias. Violate stop or yield sign, \$75; Fail to use seat belt, \$25.

Kouper Griffin, Fairbury. Speeding (76/60), \$125.

MARRIAGE LICENSING
Stewart Clark Beeman, legal age, Hebron; Crystal Jean Lane, legal age, Hebron.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS
Kenneth R. Kniep and Rhea M. Kniep to Jarrod Watson and Whitney Watson. S7 T2N R2W Pt SW 1/4 Lot 5 Fairway Acres of rural Thayer County.

John R. Kroll and Joyce E. Kroll to Fat Jacks LLC. Pt Lot 2, 3, 6 in Block 15, Original town of Hebron.

Eldora Wonderling, Joseph H. Murray, Her Attorney-in-Fact to Andrew J. Schmidt and Ellen B. Schmidt. S5 T2N R4W E 1/2 NW 1/4.

Milton C. Eickman to Janice Denton, Elizabeth Eickman-Quinn, Michael Eickman, Thomas Eickman, Kristine Miesner, Roxanne Rowley, Kim Stapleton and Sharon Wilken. S17 T2N R2W NW 1/4 (1/2 interest).

Newman Family Trust to Mary A. Newman. Lot 7 in Block 2, Ernest Schultz 2nd addition of Deshler.

Mary A. Newman to Roger L. and Joann M. Bohling Family Trust. Lot 7 in Block 2, Ernest Schultz 2nd addition of Deshler.

Mark A. Sittler and Malissa E. Sittler to Joshua Day and Kelli Day. Lot 4 and Pt Lot 5 in Block 2, Eads addition of Hebron.

Judith A. Vatnsdal to Judith A. Vatnsdal, Trustee of the Judith A. Vatnsdal Revocable Trust. S5 T3N R4W NE 1/4, S28 T4N R4W Pt SW 1/4.

City of Hebron to Marlow D. Huber and Shirley A. Huber. Lot 9, 10 in Block 16, Thayer County addition of Hebron.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS
Dec. 29, 2013: At 2:35 p.m., a 2000 Chevy received \$500 damage and a 2010 Dodge Ram received \$1,500 damage in an accident on Highway 136, 504 feet east of First Street and Highway 5 intersection.

Taylor Reinke, Byron, was driving north out of a private drive and before entering the

intersection and misjudged the distance of an eastbound pickup.

Larry Wier, Mukilteo, Wash., the driver of the pickup, took defensive action, but was unable to avoid the car and side-swiped the left rear. Wier's truck continued and entered the south ditch off the driveway, causing damage to the front bumper and fender.

Andrea Hespe, a passenger in Wier's vehicle, was taken to the hospital by private vehicle to be examined for possible face and shoulder injuries.

Jan. 1: At 2:47 p.m., a one-car accident at the intersection of Highway 136 and Main Street in Gilead, resulted in \$1,500 damage to a 1999 Chevy pickup.

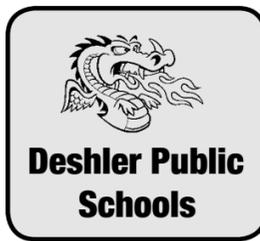
Megan Wickstrom, Cuba, Kan., was driving when she lost control due to snowy conditions of the road. She struck a fence, causing \$100 damage to the fence. No injuries were reported.

Jan. 3: At 1:15 p.m., a two-car accident at Second and Pearl Streets in Deshler caused \$4,000 damage to a 1997 Ford F15 and \$8,500 damage to a 2013 Chevy pickup.

Dennis Tietjen, Hebron, driver of the Ford, was southbound on Second Street. Kenneth Effenbeck, Deshler, driver of the Chevy pickup, was eastbound on Pearl Street.

Tietjen failed to yield right-of-way to Effenbeck's vehicle and struck it. Effenbeck's vehicle then spun out of control and struck a fire hydrant on the southeast corner of the intersection.

There was \$500 damage to the City of Deshler's fire hydrant. No injuries were reported.



ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 16: Junior high boys' basketball, home with Superior, 6:15 p.m.; Financial Aide night, 6:30 p.m.; musical rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, January 17: Girls' and boys' basketball at McCool, 4, 5, 6:15, 8 p.m.

Saturday, January 18: Deshler Speech Invitational.

Monday, January 20: NeSA writing test; girls' and boys' junior varsity basketball at Sutton. 6:30, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 21: NeSA writing test; girls' basketball, home with Lawrence-Neelson. 6:30, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 22: NeSA writing test; FCA, 6 p.m.

MENU

Thursday, January 16: Breakfast: cinnamon roll. Lunch: Meaty cheesy nachos, refried beans, tortilla chips, iceberg lettuce, pineapple and oranges.

Friday, January 17: Breakfast: Graham crackers. Lunch: Hamburger, oven fries, tomatoes and pickles, strawberries.

Monday, January 20: Breakfast: Breakfast casserole. Lunch: Chinese chicken, rice, Chinese vegetables, peanut butter cookie, apple-sauce.

Tuesday, January 21: Breakfast: Pancake on a stick. Lunch: Cavatini, garlic bread, romaine lettuce, tropical fruit mix.

Wednesday, January 22: Breakfast: English muffin, ham and cheese sandwich, tropical fruit. Lunch: Bronco buster, potato wedge, multi-grain chips, smoothie.

Peanut butter and jelly or yogurt are alternate entree choices for fourth through sixth grade students. Chef salads available daily and optional entree choice for seventh through 12 grade students. Milk served with all meals. Menus are subject to change.

Secret Library News

Many new books and videos are available for your personal enjoyment. The younger children are sure to enjoy "Ladybug Girl and the Big Snow" by David Soman and Jacky Davis, "The Reader" by Amy Hest, "Snowmen at Work" by Caralyn Buehner, "Baby Penguins Everywhere!" by Melissa Guion, and "Snowflakes Fall" by Patricia MacLachlan.

Take a look at our library collection at hebronsecret.bibliionix.com. We now have e-books and audio books available through OverDrive. The service is free. You must have a current library card. If you have a reader or an i-pod, come in and check us out.

Many best sellers and notable books are available for young adult and adult readers. New books arrive every month.

Rauner Attends Workshop

Marie Rauner, Thayer County Clerk - Election Committee, attended a two and one half day conference conducted in Omaha on December 11-13, 2013, for Nebraska county officials.

The annual conference was attended by approximately 800 county officials and employees. It is part of a continuing education and leadership development series sponsored by the Nebraska Association of County Officials.

The conference updated county officials on recent changes in state laws and provided extensive training on the responsibilities of their respective offices.

Our classifieds are in print and online. Call to place yours today!



Time To Reflect On Past Accomplishments

The New Year is a great time to reflect on past accomplishments and look toward the future. It can also be an important time to remember what is important in our lives and realize what really matters. At Thayer County Health Services (TCHS) it is a time to stop and thank those who support TCHS in their mission - to provide high quality compassionate healthcare to the residences of Thayer County and the surrounding communities.

Two organizations that do so much for TCHS are the Foundation for TCHS and the TCHS Hospital Guild. These two organizations sole purpose is to assist TCHS in reaching its goals and fulfilling its mission. The memberships for both organizations use their time and talents to help raise awareness and support for TCHS.

The Foundation for Thayer County Health Services, led by President Steve Anderson, is responsible for the many donations, gifts and grants it receives from organizations, businesses and individuals. In 2013, the Foundation purchased over \$80,000 in medical equipment for TCHS.

The Foundation is currently holding its annual membership drive for 2014. The dues and donations received will go toward the future renovations for the hospital kitchen/cafe-teria. This area of the hospital is original to when the hospital was first built and is overdue for an update. TCHS would like to express appreciation to the membership for the Foundation for their support for this project and their dedication to improving the care TCHS is able to provide patients in Thayer County and the surrounding areas.

The Hospital Guild led by President Julia Rhodes

works diligently to ensure the hospital has the necessary equipment to maintain the high level of care TCHS patients have become accustomed to. Through their Things and Stuff shop in downtown Hebron and their other fund-raising activities; the Guild provided more than \$30,000 in medical equipment to the hospital and clinics in 2013. The guild invites everyone, male and female to join the Guild in 2014. With the Guild's continued support, TCHS will have the latest equipment to provide patient care.

With the continued support from these two organizations, TCHS remains on the cutting edge in healthcare for rural Nebraska. The support from these organizations provides not only monetary support, but a morale support as well. Knowing the membership for these organizations support the mission and vision for TCHS means so much to patients and the staff. If you would like more information on how to become a member of these two organizations or to give a gift of support, contact Rita Luongo at 402-768-4632.

Reminder: The Foundation for TCHS will hold its annual meeting on January 26 at 6 p.m., in the hospital lobby and the TCHS Hospital Guild will have a general membership meeting on January 29 at noon in the Activity Center in downtown Hebron. You can RSVP for these meeting by call 402-768-4632 or email at rluongo@tchsne.org.

CLOSED
The City of Hebron Office Will be Closed
Monday, January 20th
In Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

ATTENTION CITY OF HEBRON RESIDENTS
Effective Immediately
The City of Hebron will begin strict enforcement of the current municipal city code in regards to disconnection of delinquent utility bills.
Please contact the City Office with questions

Free Food Distribution
The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) distribution clinic will be held in Hebron at 135 North 4th Street on January 30. An appointment is suggested.
CSFP provides nutritious foods to persons who are age 60 or greater, children until they reach age six, and women who are pregnant or have had a baby in the past year. Qualified persons must live in Nebraska and be under the income guidelines.
Foods given through CSFP include canned fruits, vegetables and juice; canned and dry milk; hot and cold cereals; canned meat; peanut butter and dried beans; cheese; pasta or rice.
To schedule an appointment or obtain information on how to qualify for CSFP, please call Blue Valley Community Action at 402-729-2278 or 402-768-6704.

Sell It With The J-R Classifieds!

Upcoming Corn Tab
Great time to expose your products and services!
Place your ad in the January 29th Corn Tab Issue by Monday, Jan., 27

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Fax: 402-768-7354
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Horse Sale 3rd Sat. Each Month - 12:30 p.m.
Fieldmen: Mike Hansmire - 402-239-6527 • Marc Hanson - 402-729-7174

6th Street Fashions & Footwear
Come See What's New!
• Tribal Print Open Cardigans!
• New Print Scarves!
• New Messenger Bags & Wallets!
CLEARANCE!!
• New Markdowns on Footwear from Born, Baretraps, Jambu, & More!
• Check Out Our Table of 50% Off Shoes from Big Buddah, Blowfish, BC Footwear, & More!
• Select Fall & Winter Apparel Now Reduced 50% Off!
Like Us On Facebook!!
Belleville Hours: Monday-Friday 10-6, Saturday 10-5
Concordia Hours: Monday-Friday 10-7, Thursday 10-8 Saturday 10-5

New Year... New Financial You?
We offer many tools to help you stick to those financial resolutions!
Online Banking • Mobile Banking • Bill Pay
Automatic Transfers • Popmoney • eStatements

Wishing you a happy and prosperous 2014!

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Please Note: As of February 1, 2014, our Hebron Branch Lobby will no longer be open on Saturdays. The Hebron Drive Up Window will still be open, but all other banking business on Saturdays will be by appointment only.



JR Photo/Regina Bird

Thayer Central presents donation for Operation Airlift...

In between the girls and boys basketball games on Jan. 10, seventh-grade students and project coordinators Anne Roesner Heitmann and Allie Tietjen presented the donation for Operation Airlift. The school helped raise \$4,200 throughout December to help send Korean War veterans to Washington D.C. this spring. Presenting the check is Anne Roesner Heitmann (right) to Bill (middle) and Evonne Williams (left). The Williams help fund raise and organize the Heartland Honor Flights.



Schliefers welcome newest member of the family...

The newest member of the fourth generation of the Schliefer "clan" is Jax Reuben, son of Jamie and Allie Schliefer of Blair. He was born Dec. 12. Grandparents are Paul and Carolyn Oestmann of Ft. Calhoun. Pictured above are (l-r): Stanley, Reuben, Jax and Jamie.

Consignment Sale

THAYER COUNTY
IZAAK WALTON CHAPTER

Saturday, March 8 at 10:00 am

HURRY...

Deadline to get your items listed is **February 1st**

For listing info contact: Brian Isernhagen, 402-365-7546; Fred Schmidt, 402-365-4321 or Rod Watson (Deshler Motors) 402-365-7710
E-mail Consignments to: bhisern@gpcom.net

A fee will be charged for all 'No Sales'

Hebron Senior Dinners

Monday, January 20: Closed - Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Tuesday, January 21: Beef fritter, potatoes O'Brien, calico beans, apricots. *Bingo.*

Wednesday, January 22: Country chicken, vegetable soup, oat bran muffin, peaches, cookie. *Quilt.*

Thursday, January 23: Ham ball, sweet potatoes, layered lettuce salad, ice cream. *Music with Joy.*

Friday, January 24: Beef in brown gravy over mashed potatoes, corn, sliced pears. *Wonder word.*

Prairieland food delivery on January 25.

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.



Thayer Central Community Schools

ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 16: Ninth grade girls' and boys' basketball at Fairbury, 5:30 p.m.

Friday, January 17: Girls' and boys' basketball at Sutton, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 18: Junior high boys' basketball, home with Fairbury, 9:30 a.m.; wrestling at Gibbon invitational, 10 a.m.; girls' and boys' basketball, home with Milford, 4:30 p.m.

Monday, January 20: Thayer Central Junior Varsity Basketball Invitational, 4 p.m.; Kearney High School Honor Band; Norris Junior High Math Contest.

Tuesday, January 21: Girls' and boys' basketball at Friend, 4:30 p.m.

MENU

Thursday, January 16: Breakfast: Ham and cheese on whole grain biscuit. Lunch: Breaded pork patty, broccoli rice casserole, bread and butter, deli sandwich.

Friday, January 17: Breakfast: Whole grain pizza. Lunch: Mini corn dogs, baked beans, whole grain chips (6-12).

Monday, January 20: Breakfast: Whole grain mini breakfast bites. Lunch: Fish stick (K-8), fish sandwich (9-12), coleslaw.

Tuesday, January 21: Breakfast: Cheesy omelet bagel. Lunch: Macaroni and cheese, ham patty, cornbread, turkey sandwich.

Wednesday, January 22: Breakfast: Mini cinnamon roll. Lunch: Meatloaf, cheesy potatoes, whole grain dinner roll, egg salad 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.

Birth

Craig and Rachel Degenhardt are proud to announce their new arrival of Dax Alan, born November 8, 2013, at Thayer County Health Services. He weighed seven pounds seven ounces and was 21 and one half inches long.

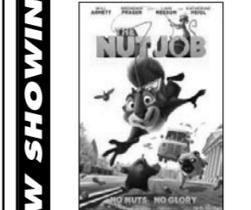
Dax's grandparents are Max and Becky Degenhardt and Michael and Terri Pesek.

Great-grandparents are Norma and Jerry Knoble, Milo and MariAnn Pesek, Shirley and Norbert Finke, Corwin and Sharon Powell, and the late Max and Gladys Degenhardt.

Our classifieds are in print and online. Call to place yours today!

MAJESTIC
HEBRON - 402-768-6061
SHOW 7:00PM • SUNDAY MATINEE 2PM
ALL ADMISSION: \$5

THE NUT JOB



Jan. 17, 18 at 7 pm
Jan. 19 at 2 pm

Surly, a curmudgeon, independent squirrel is banished from his park and forced to survive in the city. Lucky for him, that stumbles on the one thing that may be able to save his life, and the rest of park community, as they gear up for winter - Maury's Nut Store.

Ad paid for by Arts Council of Thayer County

Special Occasions



Congratulations

Wayne and Opal Matejka!

Your wedding was many years ago, the celebration continues to this day. Your family wishes you a Happy 64th wedding anniversary. As the special day arrives, January 22, cards may be sent to 1416 Hwy 74, Strang, NE 68444.

With all our love, your family.

Happy 83rd Birthday Maurice Mitchell!

Dear friends and Neighbors, Come help Maurice Mitchell celebrate his 83rd birthday on January 20 at Foote's Cafe in Chester from 2 to 4 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Cards may be sent to him at PO Box 255, Chester, NE 68327.



Kailyn Jane Gehle Born January 7, 2014

Kailyn Jane Gehle was born on January 7, at 5:01 p.m. She weighed nine pounds and one ounce and was 22 inches long. Parents are Hailey and Brandon Gehle from Byron. Her grandparents are Brian and Heidi Isernhagen of Deshler and Monte and Rita Gehle of Chester. Great grandparents are Mike and Mary Isernhagen of Deshler; Diane Bartling of Deshler and the late Stanley Bartling; Myron (Jim) and Connie Gehle of Byron; Marla (Jeanne) and Del Braithwait of Hebron; and D. Nelson and the late Eugene T. Nelson. Kailyn's great-great grandma is Loretta Stutz of Lincoln.

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.

TCHS Foundation and Guild Receive Gifts

2013 Lights of Love Campaign: Organizations giving in memory of deceased members were: American Legion Aux Unit #180, American Legion Aux Unit #352, the Avalon Club, Belvidere Women's Club, Gilead Variety Club, Hebron Bible Club, the Neighborhood Club, and St. Ann's Altar Society.

Individual gifts were received from: Mary Rozmajzl in memory of deceased members of the Nacke family. John and Fayrene Levendofsky in memory of deceased members of the Levendofsky family. Janice Coordsen in memory of George Coordsen and Minnie Wolford.

Ernest Marschman in memory of Luree Marschman. Rita Luongo in memory of Paul Hergott and Carol Deepe. Becky Mize in memory of Barbara Koester, Irvin Higel, Loveda Higel, Paul Koester and Elsie Koester. Reuben Schleifer in memory of Gladys Schleifer. Denny and Barbara Ahlman in memory of Lawrence and Pauline Ahlman, William and Grace Day, Mabel Richardson and Charles Behring.

Mary Stelling in memory of David Lee Stelling. Ralph and Judy McLaughlin in memory of Dorothy Wright. Rose Rauner in memory of Francis Rauner, Sr., Kathleen Landkamer, and Dorothy Rauner. Myron and Fairy Peters in memory of Harlan Higel, Leila Higel, LaVern Kniep and Ludwig Peters.

Dwight and Patricia Pumphrey in memory of Hal Pumphrey, Lloyd and Mable Pumphrey and Bill and Dorothy Preston. Donald Stairs in memory of Colleen Stairs and David Stairs. Audrey Trowbridge in memory of George and Frieda Gerdes. Milton Eickman in memory of Reuberta Eickman.

Lois Mueller in memory of Erwin Mueller and Eldon Mueller. Jean Brown in memory of Chris and Selma Christensen, Jordan Christensen, Earl and Martha Brown and Larry Sparks. Mary Lee Miller in memory of Lila and Gene Lichty, LeRoy Miller

and Glenn Korff.

Lyle McLaughlin in memory of Linda McLaughlin and Elmer Brown. John and Fayrene Levendofsky in memory of Marie Frint. Ruby Hinrichs in memory of Bernard Hinrichs, Irene West and Earl Peppie. Norma Frye in memory of Keith D. Frye, Eunice Harms and C.W. and Betty Kettelhut.

Lois Petersen in memory of Harold Struve. Joetta Brandt in memory of Gifford Larsen and Myrna Larsen. Ines Bunte-meyer in memory of Eddie Bunte-meyer. Carol Lowery in memory of Cody Lowery and Wanda Biltoft.

Lana Rempel in memory of McKinley Rempel, Raini Mitchell, Colton Schoenrock, Derek Zobokrtsky and Lance Bonar. Pauline and Donna Harms in memory of Ida Harms, Lucille Gerberding, and Rudolph Harms.

2013 Holiday Tribute Gifts to the TCHS Foundation were: Marilyn Philippi in memory of Richard Philippi. Joleen Gebers in memory of Verman Gebers. Doug and Deb Carr in memory of Anthony Wiedel. Marily and Allen Duey in memory of Claude Rowley and Mildred Rowley.

Marlyn and Chris Heitmann in honor of Dr. Timothy Sullivan. Jerry and Jill Catlet in honor of Dr. Timothy Sullivan. Mark and Kris Miesner in honor of Milton Eickman.

2013 Memorial Gifts to the Foundation during December were: Ken and Stephanie Korff in memory of Glenn Korff. Memorial gifts for Luree Marschman from Bruning State Bank, Harriet Easton and Ernest Marschman. Memorial gifts for Minnie Wolford from Mike and Cheryl Dougherty, John and Rita Luongo, and Harriet Easton.

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Hebron Central Market - Here today! Here to stay!

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
Eldon and MaryBeth Nicholson, Pastor
Sunday, January 19: Worship,
9 a.m.; "There's Nothing Better
than a Good Bath."

*** BETHEL ***

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

*** BRUNING ***

TRINITY LUTHERAN
Stuart Sell, Pastor
Sunday, January 19: Sunday
School, 9 a.m.; Worship with Holy
Communion, 10 a.m.; Annual
meeting follows services.
Wednesday, January 22:
Confirmation class.

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: Worship, 11 a.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 LUTHERAN

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

UNITED METHODIST

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

*** DESHLER ***

ABIDING WORD LUTHERAN

George Lautner, Pastor
Sunday, January 19: Sunday
School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:30
a.m.; Noon potluck followed by
Annual congregational church
meeting.

PEACE LUTHERAN

Phillip Nielsen, Pastor
Wednesday, January 15:
February newsletter deadline;
Parkview Haven Chapel, 3 p.m.;
Fifth and Sixth PACE, 4 p.m.;
Seventh and Eighth PACE, 5
p.m.; Membership and Friendship
Team meeting, 7 p.m.; Peace

choir, 8 p.m.

Sunday, January 19: Sunday
School, 9 a.m.; Worship, 10
a.m.

ST. PETER LUTHERAN

Brian Francik, Pastor
Wednesday, January 15:
Friends of the School (FOS)
meeting at DLS, 7 p.m.

Thursday, January 16: Quilt
tying, 9 a.m.; DLS Chapel, 9:15
a.m.

Friday, January 17: Bulletin
folders, 1 p.m.

Sunday, January 19: Life
Sunday - Worship service with
Baptismal Remembrances, 9:30
a.m.; Coffee Fellowship, 10:30
a.m.; Sunday School and Adult
Bible class, 10:45 a.m.

Monday, January 20: Com-
munion at Parkview Haven, 10:30
a.m.; Agape Readers, 7 p.m.; DLS
Board, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 21: Men's
Breakfast Bible study at Rock
Island Crossing, 7 a.m.; Newslet-
ter deadline; "Walking with God in
the Desert" Bible study, 10 a.m.;
"Walking with God in the Desert"
Bible study, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, January 22: Cha-
pel at Parkview Haven, 3 p.m.;
Midweek Confirmation, 4 p.m.;
Bells, 6:30 p.m.; Choir, 8 p.m.

Thursday, January 23: Quilt
tying, 9 a.m.; DLS Chapel, 9:15
a.m.

*** FRIEDENSAU ***

TRINITY LUTHERAN

B. J. Fouts, Pastor
Wednesday, January 15: Con-
firmation class, 7 p.m.

Thursday, January 16: DLS
chapel, 9:15 a.m.; Pastor at
Ruskin.

Saturday, January 18: Llection-
ary Bible study, 7:30 a.m.
Sunday, January 19: Com-

munion service, 10 a.m.; Sunday
School and Bible class, 11:15
a.m.; FOF hosted by Maurice
and Jean, 7 p.m.

Monday, January 20: DLS
School Board meeting, 7:30
p.m.

Tuesday, January 21: LLL,
7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 22: Con-
firmation class, 7 p.m.

*** GILEAD ***

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN

Connie Raess, Pastor
Sundays: Sunday School, 10
a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.

*** 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.

FIRST COMMUNITY CHURCH

Steve Speichinger, Pastor
Sundays: Sunday School, 9
a.m.; Worship, 10 a.m.
Wednesdays: Bible study, "The
End of Times", 6:45 p.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Connie Stone, Pastor
Sunday, January 19: Worship,
"Come and See", 10:30 a.m.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Keith Brozek, Pastor
Wednesday, January 15:
Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 16: Bible
101 Bible study, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 18: Wor-
ship with Holy Communion,

6:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 19: Wor-
ship with Holy Communion, 9
a.m.; Coffee fellowship, Sunday
School, 10:30 a.m.; Annual meet-
ing with potluck lunch following;
Youth activity, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, January 20: Quilt-
ing day.

Wednesday, January 22:
Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.

**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.
January 19: Thayer County
Sacred Chorale concert at Ches-
ter, 7 p.m.

**KING OF KINGS
CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**

Darrell Sutton, Pastor
Tuesdays: Service, 7 p.m.
Sundays: Worship, 3 p.m.;
Sunday School, 2 p.m.; first and
third Sundays of month.

NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY

Mike Hood, Pastor
Wednesdays: Kids on the
Move, 7 p.m.; Bible Study alter-
nating Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
Sundays: Every other Sunday,
men's Bible study, 9 a.m.; Wor-
ship, 10:30 a.m.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC

Father Rudolf Oborny, Pastor
January: New or gently used
baby clothes are still being col-
lected.

Wednesday, January 15: CCD
classes, 7 p.m.

Saturday, January 18: Mass,
6 p.m.; Thayer County Sacred
Chorale concert immediately
following in the church, 7 p.m.
Everyone is welcome to attend.

Cookies in the social hall following
the concert.

Sunday, January 19: Mass,
10 a.m.

Monday, January 20: Instruc-
tions in the Catholic faith, 7p.m.
in the social hall.

Wednesday, January 22: CCD
classes, 7 p.m.

Friday, January 24: Red Cross
Bloodmobile at Parish hall, Noon
to 6 p.m. Call Nancy McLaughlin
at 402-768-6522 for an appoint-
ment.

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.

Copy requested by noon on
Mondays. To make additions or
changes, Fax 402-768-7354, e-
mail hebronjr@windstream.net
or phone 402-768-6602.

Obituaries

Charles Brokaw

Charles William "Bill"
Brokaw of Hebron, the son
of Roy and Goldie (Riley)
Brokaw, was born June 18,
1921, at Craig. He departed
this life January 3, 2014, at
Thayer County Health Ser-
vices in Hebron, at the age of
92 years.

Bill grew up in the
Craig area attending
school and graduat-
ing from Craig High
School. He served in
the United States Army Air Corp with
the Flying Tigers during
WWII from 1941 to 1945. He
attended Chanute Field Air
School in Chanute, Ill.

He married Ila Mae Por-
ter on January 12, 1943, in
Tekamah. This union was
blessed with the birth of four
children.

He was a member of the
Episcopal church in Fairbury
until its closing.

Bill was co-owner of Pool
and Brokaw Garage in Hebron,
where they specialized in car
mechanics from 1948 to 1966.
He then served as postmaster
at the Hebron Post Office from
1966 to 1985.

Ila and Bill retired so they
could travel. They purchased
a small camper and started
their tour of the states. Each
time they traded campers, the
camper seemed to grow, with
the last one being 31 feet. They
made it to almost all the lower
48 states. They stopped to visit
family along the way and to
go fishing.

He is preceded in death by
his parents; son-in-law, Den-
nis Novotny; sister-in-law,
Murial Brokaw; and sister,
Edna Clifton and husband
Raymond.

He is survived by his wife
Ila of Hebron; sons, David
and wife Prudence of Lincoln,
James and wife Mary of Phil-
lips, and Dan and wife Karen
of Lincoln; daughter, Patricia
Novotny of Southport, N.C.;
grandchildren, Nava Novotny
and Andrew Novotny, both of

Southport, N.C.; Kyle, Alex
and Rebecca Brokaw of Lin-
coln; Joshua Brokaw and wife
Amanda of Lincoln; Christina
Polite and husband Nick of
Lincoln; Jacob Brokaw and
wife Courtnee of Fayetteville,
Ark.; Jeffrey Brokaw of Col-
umbus; great-grandchildren,
Alyssa Novotny, Aria and
Jace Polite; nieces, nephews
and friends.

Funeral services were Janu-
ary 9 at Hebron Memorial
Funeral Home Chapel. Offi-
ciant was Gretchen Naugel.
Organist Carlece Kenner
played congregational hymns
"Amazing Grace" and "Just
As I Am."

Casket bearers were the
grandsons.

Honorary casket bearers
were the granddaughters.

Burial was in Rose Hill
Cemetery in Hebron. Military
grave side services by Hebron
American Legion Post #180.

Memorials are care of the
family. Condolences may be
left at www.krollfh.com.

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

Donald Hartley

Donald W. "Pinky" Hartley
of Hebron, the son of James
and Elsie (Watson) Hartley,
was born July 17, 1931, at
Belvidere. He departed this
life January 7,

2014, at B r y a n L G H East
in Lin-
coln, at the
age of 82
years.

Pinky
grew up
in the
Belvidere
area attend-
ing school
there before
moving to
Hebron, where he completed
the 11th grade.

Losing his dad at the young
age of seven, he had to grow
up quickly and began helping
his mother out by starting a
paper route. At age thirteen,
he was already driving a truck
for Fred Craig. He was fifteen
when he started driving a stock
truck for L.G. Ramsbottom. He
continued being a livestock
buyer

for 47 years for the Hebron
Livestock Commission. Pinky
finished his career working at
the sale barn for Russ Priefert
until retiring because of his
health.

He was baptized and con-
firmed on August 19, 1952,
by Chaplain Milton G. Kault
of the United States Navy Res-
erves at Jacksonville, Fla.

Pinky served in the United
States Marine Corp from
March of 1952 until honorably
discharged in March of 1954.
He was stationed in El Toro,
Calif., later touring Japan and
serving as a machinist during
the Korean War.

He married Orva Poppe on
January 21, 1953, at St. Peter
Lutheran Church in Deshler.
This union was blessed with
the birth of three daughters.

Upon his retirement, he was
chauffeur for the grandkids
and even his great-grandkids,
taking them to school, picking
them up, and just taking them
where they needed to go. This
was a big help to their parents,
and Pink loved every minute
of it.

Watching his grandchildren
and great-grandchildren par-
ticipate in their many activities
and just spending time with
all the girls' families brought
him great joy.

Pinky raised his own live-
stock, having the inside track
working at the sale barn, pick-
ing the best buys. He raised
cattle, pigs, chickens and even
a horse and a donkey or two.
He enjoyed the outside and
being in God's country.

He is preceded in death by
his parents and sister-in-law
Dixie Hartley.

He is survived by his wife
Orva of Hebron; daughters,
Debra Schwede and husband
Roger of Erie, Colo.; Janelle
Farnstrom and husband Dave
of Hebron, and Nancy Van
Cleef and husband Mike
of Carleton; brother, Frank
Hartley of Hebron; grand-
children, Heather and Ryan
Schwede of Denver, Colo.;
Lathan McLaughlin and wife
Stacey of Hebron, Brandon
McLaughlin and wife Lacey
of Central City, Austin Farn-
strom and wife Courtney of
Kearney, Hayden Farnstrom
and special friend, Caressa
Reinsch of Hebron, Derek
Farnstrom and wife Christy

of Hebron, Megan Heitmann
and husband Corey of Byron,
Amanda Koch and husband
Jared of Denton, Ali Strong
and husband Trey of York,
Kirsten Van Cleef of Denver,
Colo.; and Tyler Van Cleef
of Carleton; great-grandchild-
ren, Brenner, Carson, and
Owen McLaughlin, Cash, and
Hadley McLaughlin, Cooper
Farnstrom and Riley Farn-
strom, Chayton, Maddux, and
Finley Koch, Halsey, Laikynn
and Beckett Heitmann; broth-
ers and sisters-in-law, nieces,
nephews and many friends.

Funeral services were Janu-
ary 11 at Grace Lutheran
Church in Hebron. Officiant
was Pastor Keith Brozek.
Organist Brenda Striggow
played congregational hymns
"Shall We Gather At The
River," "Precious Lord Take
My Hand," and "Battle Hymn
Of The Republic." A special
music selection "I Can Only
Imagine" was sung by the
grandchildren.

Casket bearers were grand-
children.

Burial was at Rose Hill
Cemetery in Hebron, with
military graveside services.
Pink balloons were let go by
the great-grandchildren.

Condolences may be left at
www.krollfh.com. Memorials
are in care of the family.

Hebron Memorial Funeral
Home was in charge of ar-
rangements.

Dona Fry

Dona Birdeen Fry, 82, died
peacefully Saturday, October
12, 2013, in Alton, Ill., after
a courageous battle against
lung cancer, with her children
by her side.

She was born July 24, 1931,
near Narka, Kan., to Anton
"Tony" and Evelyn (Craig)
Dolezal, the second of 11
children.

Dona attended Munden
schools and graduated
from Fairbury High School,
Fairbury, in 1949. During
these years she worked part
time as a telephone operator
in Munden, and caregiver,
housekeeper for the Turner
family in Fairbury.

Dona and Harold D. Fry
were united in marriage
on January 22, 1950, at his

parents' home in Fairbury.
Together they raised a family,
worked in their own business,
hunted for their treasured
collections, and thoroughly
enjoyed their family, grand-
children and friends nearly
60 years until Harold passed
away May 1, 2009.

A loving daughter, sister,
wife, mother, grandma, aunt,
and true friend, all who knew
Dona knew she spoke what
she thought and for this she
will never be forgotten.

She is preceded in death by
her parents; husband; infant
son Ronald; brothers, Earl,
Glen, Howard, and Mor-
ris Dolezal; sisters, Jerilyn
Dolezal and Welma Melton;
special nieces, Tammy Riddle-
Miller and Coleen Melton-
Hernandez; and great-niece
Haley Riddle-Mathis.

She will be deeply missed,
but forever remembered by
daughter Jan Hester and
husband Dave of East Alton,
Ill.; son and wife, Jerry
and Phyllis Fry of Little
Rock, Ark.; daughter, Becky
(Sterling-Fry) Brandes and
husband Bob of East Alton,
Ill.; granddaughters, Linda
and Tim Myers of Kearney,
Mo., Carrie and Sean Cruse
of Portage, Ind.; Lori and
Ben McGhee of Godfrey, Ill.;

step grandson Christopher
Hester; great-grandchildren,
Rachel, Sarah and Jacob My-
ers, Elizabeth, Nathen, Alivia
and Mason Cruse, Josephine
and Christian McGhee; step
great-grandson Miles Hes-
ter; sisters, Sharon Zoch of
Bryan, Texas; Nelma Riddle
of Lincoln, Leanne Garrison
of McCool Junction, and
Edie Effenbeck of Hebron;
special aunt Marcella Dolezal
of Belleville, Kan.; and best
girlfriends, whom she loved
like sisters, Mary Kay Rains
of Kan., Iva Jane Rodgers of
Okla.; Irene Baade of Ariz.;
and many friends in Kansas
and Illinois.

Reunited in heaven since
October, Dona will be united
by Harold's side during a
graveside service on their 64th
wedding anniversary January
22 at the National Cemetery,
rural Narka, Kan.

Following the graveside
service and inurnment, fam-

ily and friends will gather for
a luncheon at Denton Hall in
Narka.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral
Home, Belleville, Kan., is
in charge of these arrange-
ments.

Cards of Thanks

Card of Thanks

We would like to express
a heartfelt thank you to our
families and the many friends
and associates whom attended
our retirement reception and
for the gifts, cards, flowers
and well-wishes. A special
thank you to everyone in the
courthouse and sheriff's de-
partment that participated in
the organization and hosting
of the reception. It could not
have been a more meaningful
send-off to our 44 years at
the courthouse. Again, thank
you to all.

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Recycling Center Open Jan. 18

The Hebron Recycling Cen-
ter will be open on January 18,
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Saturday of every month from
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Celebrating a birthday...

Willard Rieke celebrated his 93rd birthday recently at the Chester Senior Center. Willard lives in his own home in Chester.

Thayer County Health Services

Things And Stuff

January 16: Davenport
January 17: Belvidere
Hebron volunteers will provide coverage for the remaining open days to the above schedule. Hours: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. to noon.

The Things and Stuff shop in Hebron is staffed by volunteers from Thayer County and surrounding communities. To volunteer at the shop, contact Pat Pumphrey at 402-768-6513.

Guild General Meeting: The TCHS Hospital Guild will hold a general meeting for all membership at the Activity Center in downtown Hebron on January 29, beginning at noon. Lunch reservations can be made by calling 768-4632.

Adult Immunization Clinic: There is still time to get your flu vaccine. Call 402-768-7203 to make an appointment.

If you need other adult vaccines, contact Karen Schardt, Immunization Coordinator for Thayer County Health Services at 402-768-4629.

CLINIC SCHEDULES

Bruning Clinic
January 21 9 a.m.- Noon
Kay Elting, APRN
January 23 1 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
Brent Madsen, PAC
Davenport Clinic
January 20 9 a.m.-Noon
Kay Elting, APRN
January 22 9 a.m.-Noon
Brent Madsen, PAC
Deshler Clinic
January 20 1:30-4:30
Kay Elting, APRN
January 21 1:30-4:30
Maggie Johnson, PAC
January 23 9 a.m.-noon
Dr. Scott Vonderfecht
Milligan Clinic
January 21 8 a.m.-Noon
Dr. Scott Vonderfecht
Chester Clinic
January 22 1:30-4:30
Maggie Johnson, PAC

School Board...

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beginning of the school year. In 7-12 grade there have been 20 new students since August.

Hope Crisis Center will be visiting with students about dating and relationship violence this week.

Kiburz also announced that Thayer Central will be Class D for golf this year. The other sports classifications have yet to be announced.

Kurk Wiedel, elementary principal, spoke with board members about events that the students participated in during the past month. Money was raised for several different projects throughout the month of December. Wiedel reported that \$800 was raised through the jingle walk and about \$100 was donated through Kernels

for Christmas. About \$1,000 was also given to Heifer International through the elementary's accelerated reading program.

Elementary students of the month are still being chosen through the Fairbury Elks. These students are chosen by their peers.

Superintendent Drew Harris addressed more of the events throughout the district. The Career and Technology Educational Advisory Committee will meet for the first time soon. The goal is to get feedback from community members.

Jane Dodes also spoke with board members about the one-act play. She thanked the group for its support in allowing students to participate. The students participated in two different events including Districts.

Chester Senior Dinners

Monday, January 20: Closed - Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Tuesday, January 21: Beef fritter, potatoes O'Brien, calico beans, apricots. *Joke day.*

Wednesday, January 22: Country chicken, vegetable soup, oat bran muffin, peaches, cookie. *Blackout.*

Thursday, January 23: Ham ball, sweet potatoes, layered lettuce salad, ice cream. *Word wheel.*

Friday, January 24: Beef in brown gravy over mashed potatoes, corn, sliced pears. *Mystery day theater.*

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.

Area students on Dean's List

Kimberly Fintel, Lincoln, and Raymond Wassom, Hubbell, were among students who made the Dean's List at Southeast Community College for the quarter recently completed on the Beatrice, Lincoln and Milford campuses.

Fintel is studying to be a Physical Therapist Assistant. Wassom is studying Business Administration.

To be recognized on SCC's Dean's List, a student must complete at least six quarter credit hours of the term with a minimum grade-point average of 3.5.

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in observance of Martin
Luther King Jr. Day.

Obituaries

Helen "Marie" Blanke

Helen Marie Schommer Blanke, age 90, formerly of Geneva, died Thursday, December 26, 2013, at the Blue Valley Lutheran Nursing Home in Hebron.

Marie, as she was known to her family and friends, was born on June 21, 1923, at Turkey Creek, Nebraska.

She was baptized on June 24, 1923, by Father A.J. Lutz. Her first communion was taken on June 5, 1932, at St. Mary's Church, and she was confirmed on November 4, 1936.

Marie attended District 49 School, graduating from the eighth grade in May 1938. She attended two years of high school, sacrificing her education to care for her seven brothers and sisters while her mother traveled to South Dakota to care for her ill mother.

Marie worked for several years at a sewing factory in Fairbury until the factory closed and relocated. She returned to the Geneva area, working in several private homes and at the Fairmont Air-base doing private duty care, baby-sitting, and housework. Dances were one of the main forms of entertainment during Marie's youth, and she met her husband, Melvin Blanke, at a dance in Milligan.

Marie and Melvin were united in marriage on December 28, 1944, at Grace Lutheran Church South at Ohio, and would have celebrated 69 years of marriage two days after her death.

TCEDA...

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to Thayer County will help out not just one business, but will in turn help out the other businesses in that community.

Last year, TCEDA conducted a market-gap survey. This survey helped to pinpoint exactly what many residents felt that Thayer County needed. This is only the first step of TCEDA's goal of targeting specific industries. Now, the group must figure out how to fill those needs.

Another goal for the group is to build local entrepreneurship. One way they hope to do that is through continuing education courses.

The Classroom to Commerce initiative is continually growing. With the help of this program, Voss hopes to show students what there is to offer in Thayer County.

TCEDA has big goals going into the new year and they hope that accomplishing them will help not only one town, but every community in Thayer County, Voss said.

Marie spent her life serving and caring for those around her. Many people enjoyed Marie's cooking at Fran's Cafe, the Hilltop Cafe, Hazway Cafe, Westside Cafe, and Holroyd Bakery in Geneva. She worked as a nurse's aide at Heritage Nursing Home and the Fillmore County Hospital Long-Term Care unit.

Marie faithfully served her church and community, donating many hours of time. She was a member of the Grace Lutheran Ladies' Aid for over 63 years, and was also a member of the VFW in Geneva for a similar period of time.

In her spare time, Marie was always busy with gardening and canning her produce, as well as sewing, embroidery, and crocheting. In addition to the beautiful pillows, and embroidered or crocheted pillowcases and handiwork that were given as gifts, Marie and her sisters-in-law sewed many quilt tops for Lutheran World Relief.

Melvin and Marie loved the fellowship of dancing, and were members of a square dancing club. They also enjoyed bowling, and were members of a camping club in their retirement years. They drove their Model A car in parades for 29 years, meeting many new friends.

The decline of Marie's eyesight and three unsuccessful cornea transplants left her totally blind in 2008, and Melvin and Marie moved to Blue Valley Lutheran Homes for additional care.

Marie is preceded in death by her parents, Ben and Mabel Schommer; brothers, John Richard Schommer, Bernard James Schommer, Paul Richard Schommer, and Anthony Nicholas Schommer; sisters, Katherine, Saatmann and Margaret Reinsch, and granddaughter, Laurel Neubauer.

Marie is survived by her husband, Melvin, of Blue Valley Nursing Home in Hebron; sister, Roseann Baker of Waterloo, Iowa; daughter, Madolene Neubauer and husband Larry of Bedford, Texas; grandson, Mark Neubauer of Fort Worth, Texas; granddaughter, Michele Newbrough and husband Michael of Fort Worth, Texas, and great-granddaughter, Kirsten of Fort Worth, Texas, and many nephews and nieces, family, and friends.

Funeral services were conducted from Grace Lutheran Church, Ohio, on December 30 with Pastor Jonathan Jensen and Maynard Kellerman officiating. Deb Craig accompanied Stephanie Graves, Elizabeth Gianunzio and Andrew Craig who sang musical selections "How Great Thou Art," "Amazing Grace," "My Chains Are Gone" and "I Can Only Imagine." Deb also accompanied the congregation who sang "What a Friend We Have In Jesus" and "The Old Rugged Cross."

Casket bearers were Mark Neubauer, Michael Newbrough, Darren Dageforde, Rick Dageforde, Joe Reinsch, Brian Neubauer and Corey Hintz.

Interment was in the Grace Lutheran Church Cemetery, Ohio, with Farmer and Son Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Memorials are directed to the family for the Grace Lutheran Cemetery.

General Membership Meeting

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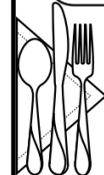
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Shickley School Announces Honor Rolls

Students on the 2013-2014 Shickley Public School's first quarter honor rolls include:

First Quarter All "A" Honor Roll

Seniors: Jennifer Mick, and Christina Swartzendruber.
Juniors: Nathan Hendrickson, and Kristin Troyer.
Sophomores: Davis Delaney, Catherine Mick, Tristen Mosier, and Madison Yantzie.
Eighth Grade: Anthony M. Beavers, Megan E. Grote, Kellen X. Reinsch, Jacob Swartzendruber, and Nicole

Swartzendruber.
Seventh Grade: Jackson E. Grote.
Fourth Quarter "A" Average
Juniors: Blake Stengel, and Megan Swartzendruber.
Freshmen: Courtney Kamler, and Christian J. Lichti.
Eighth Grade: Carley J. Elzic, Lexi Kadel, Thomas Mick, and Holden W. Stengel.
Seventh Grade: Caleb L. Hendrickson, Isaac G. Kamler, Josiah Kamler, and Jady Jo Kleinschmidt.



ACTIVITIES
Thursday, January 16: MUDECAS girls' and boys' basketball at Beatrice; junior high boys' basketball at Thayer Central, 6 p.m.
Friday, January 17: MUDECAS girls' basketball at Beatrice.
Saturday, January 18: MUDECAS boys' basketball at Beatrice.
Monday, January 20: Girls' and boys' junior varsity tournament at Thayer Central; junior high boys' basketball vs. Blue Hill at Davenport, 6 p.m.; junior high girls' basketball at Shickley with Silver Lake, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, January 21: Junior high boys' basketball, B Team, at Shickley with Sandy Creek, 4:30 p.m.; girls' and boys' basketball at Bruning with McCool Junction, 6:15, 8 p.m.

Bruning

By Lola Johnson

Presley Shellhase would like to announce the arrival of her new baby sister. Devny Denae was born December 30, 2013, at Bryan LGH Medical Center East. She was seven pounds, nine ounces and 19 1/2 inches. Proud parents are Kren and Hunter Shellhase of Lincoln. Grandparents are Faye Hintz Clayton of Bruning, Sherylln Shellhase and Charles Shellhase of Fairbury, and great-grandpa Gene Sieford of Fairbury.

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Belvidere

By LaDonna Avers

In a small village like Belvidere, an increase in population is a big deal. Belvidere can now claim two new residents, Mark "Toad" and Melissa Sittler. They have recently taken up residence in their mobile home adjacent to their business. They have owned and managed Toad's Bar and Grill for 28 years, each year holding their famous road rally in February and Toad Jam in August. Although they are familiar faces we want to say welcome to our fair city.

Also, welcome to LeAnn and Jerry Forbes who returned to Belvidere and took up residence in the fall of 2013.

Further population explosion is expected in March with an anticipated birth of a baby which will be reported on at that time.

The Breakfast Bunch was out in full force Saturday. Having missed their monthly outing for a month or two there was a lot of conversation to catch up with. The main topic was, of course, the weather. Attending were Ruth Joachim, Ila Currey, Betty Dudgeon, Audrey Else, Paul McGinness and LaDonna Avers.

Ruth Joachim accompanied Kevin and Colleen Joachim, and Joshua Joachim to Grand Island. They picked up Amy Wood and proceeded on to Centura School. At Centura they attended a ninth grade basketball game in which Kevin's son, Thomas, was the coach. On Sunday Kevin, Colleen, Courtney and her friend, Chris Brown joined Ruth for lunch after church.

On Wednesday, LaDonna Avers and Nic Dunsmoor drove to Fairbury and on to Diller to attend to some errands. This was the first time they had viewed the large number of wind generators in that particular area. It is quite a sight and worth the drive.

T.C. Senior Of Week – Mumm



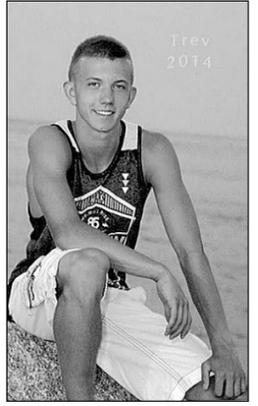
Thayer Centra Senior of the Week is Trev Mumm. Trev is the son of Curt and Kelly Mumm.

Trev's favorite classes at Thayer Central are Channel 13 News and online English. Trev's favorite food is Oreos and his favorite pastime is playing football.

At Thayer Central, Trev has been involved in football, basketball, track, FBLA, and National Honor Society.

His advice to underclassmen is, "Stay in school and try not to put off your homework for too long."

Following graduation in May, Trev is planning on attending the Univer-



Trev Mumm

sity of Nebraska-Lincoln and becoming a physical therapist.

Bruning-Davenport Senior Spotlight

Samantha Sybrant is the daughter of Michelle Sybrant of Bruning. She has one brother, Preston.

Samantha is involved in dram, speech, FCCLA, FFA and was the videographer for the volleyball team.

Samantha is a member of Trinity Lutheran Church where she is active in the Luther League and a VBS teacher.

Her interests and hobbies are reading, writing, listening to music and going to the movies.

Samantha plans to attend Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture and major in the pre-vet program.

Her favorite food is macaroni and cheese, favorite TV show is "Longmire," her



Samantha Sybrant

favorite son is "Blown Away" by Carrie Underwood and her favorite place to go to be alone is her room.

The most influential person in her life has been her mother, "She has shown me to always be myself and she has always been there for me."

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EAR, NOSE & THROAT
 Dr. Bowen..... January 20

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 Dr. Hahne..... January 20

GENERAL SURGERY
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 Dr. Tommerassen..... January 22

WOUND CLINIC
 Dr. Tommerassen..... January 22

ORTHOPEDIC
 Dr. Bohlen..... January 23

Behavioral Health
 Erica Ferrell, PMHNP..... January 23

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 Dr. Miller..... January 24

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BRUNING MENU

Thursday, January 16: Ham and cheesy potatoes, peas, dinner roll, vegetable beef soup.

Friday, January 17: Ravioli with meat, green beans, peach half, French bread, salad bar.

Monday, January 20: Crisпитos, Spanish rice, pineapple, refried beans, salad bar.

Tuesday, January 21: Meatballs, mashed potatoes, corn, dinner roll, Wisconsin cheese soup.

Wednesday, January 22: Chinese chicken rice, peas and carrots, Mandarin oranges, cookie, salad bar.

Milk and salad bar served daily.

DAVENPORT MENU

Thursday, January 16: Ham slice, cheesy potatoes, cooked carrots.

Friday, January 17: Pizza, corn, garlic bread.

Monday, January 20: Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans.

Tuesday, January 21: Eze steak sandwich, baked beans, apple crisp.

Wednesday, January 22: Pork meatballs over noodles, corn on the cob.

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

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Your Guide To A Perfect Wedding
BRIDAL BOUTIQUE
Choosing the Right Wedding Reception Favors
 Planning a perfect wedding is no small undertaking. From scheduling venues and hiring vendors to tasting menus, lots of decisions must be made when planning a wedding. But when the pieces fall into place, the entire day can be magical.
 One of the final components of weddings are the favors guests will take home with them as mementos of the festivities. Though favors don't require immediate attention, that does not mean couples should wait until the last minute to make decisions regarding their wedding favors.
 Brides- and grooms-to-be should not underestimate the importance of handing out wedding favors, a tradition with a rich history. A wedding favor is considered a symbol of good will to guests, and there are many different wedding favors on the market. Finding the right one can take a little work. It is usually a good idea to find something that suits the theme of the wedding and is both long-lasting and practical. Try to avoid anything that is too kitschy.
 A couple's budget should be considered when choosing wedding favors. A couple may want to give their guests lavish gifts but should only do so if their budget allows. It may be challenging for couples to find favors that fit the theme of their wedding, as well as their own personalities and budgets. But it can be done. The following are some favor-finding guidelines.
Be creative
 Wedding favors can be just about anything, so there's no need to stick to Jordan almonds or wine bottle stoppers. The more creative couples are, the more receptive their guests will likely be. For example, for an autumn-theme wedding, fill mason jars with the ingredients for a spiced cake and give the recipe directions on a tag. For a summer wedding, gift guests with a sun and surf survival bag, full of sunblock, a beach towel and sunglasses.
 Complete the theme
 Some weddings follow a particular theme from start to finish, and wedding favors should stick with that theme. Couples who will showcase their love of travel on their wedding days may want to give guests keychains or purse holders that feature popular landmarks around the world. Those who are admitted beach bums may want to present a small fishbowl with sand and a goldfish inside, reminiscent of days at the seashore.
Go traditional
 Couples who opt for universally appealing favors can lean toward some popular options, such as silver cake servers, candlestick holders, decorative photo frames, or engraved keepsake boxes. Aim for favors that have utility. Otherwise, favors may end up collecting dust on someone's shelf.
Food and beverage gifts are fun
 Food favors mean guests can enjoy their gifts and not have to worry about finding space inside their homes to display trinkets. Food favors can be lavishly decorated cookies, fine chocolates, petit fours, small bottles of champagne or cupcakes decorated like the wedding cake.
 Favors are often integral to wedding celebrations. Selecting a favor that will be appreciated and fit with the wedding is often a fun and stress-free part of planning a wedding.



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TC volleyball, football teams donate to Relay for Life...

On Friday, Jan. 10, senior football and volleyball players presented a donation of \$893.88 to Chris Lautner and Naomi Grupe who are co-chairs for Thayer County Relay for Life. The money donated was raised on the pink nights held last fall during the volleyball and football games. Pictured above are the senior athletes and the co-chairs. They include (l-r): Front row: Rachel Johnson, Zach Mumm, Jacob Kniep, Chris Lautner, Naomi Grupe, Trelby Virus, Lauren Edgecombe, Tashia Mumm and Rachael Fangmeier. Back row: Megan Bulin, Cole Harris, Trev Mumm, Jamie Lange, Kelsey Long, Jared Marsh, Caleb Goedeken, Ben Hintz and Cody Krula. Not pictured: Allie Tietjen.

FSA Announces Local Office Structure and Program Administrative Changes

The Nebraska Farm Service Agency continues to address various resource deficits which include reductions in current staffing ceilings. These reductions in staff ceilings coupled with current retirements have left some local Service Centers in Nebraska short on staffing resources. As a result, the challenge remains ongoing to determine the most efficient utilization of full time employees within the Service Centers in Nebraska.

In response to this challenge and the local conditions currently in Nelson, the Nebraska State FSA Committee (STC) and the State Executive Director (SED) have established a shared management operation in Thayer and Nuckolls Counties. Beginning January 13, 2014, the Nuckolls County FSA office will now offer service by appointment only, four days a week and will become a sub-office under the Thayer-Nuckolls shared management operation.

Thayer County will be the headquarters office and will still offer service five days a week. Jay VanWesten, CED in Thayer County will lead this newly created shared management operation.

The new office hours in Nuckolls County will be Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Nuckolls County Farm Service Agency will be closed on Fridays. This change does not affect the office hours of the Nuckolls County NRCS office. It is also planned to have all of the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) files currently administered out of the Nuckolls County location be immediately moved to Thayer County for servicing. All affected CRP producers will be receiving some correspondence soon referencing this decision and the options available if this move is not convenient.

In order to best utilize the current staff in Hebron and

Nelson, the agency is asking producers to assist us in planning and organizing the work by contacting the appropriate Service Center ahead of your visit. Calling ahead will give our operations the best chance of providing the type of service everyone has been accustomed to in each location. Walk-ins will still be welcome at each location, however first preference will be given to those that have called ahead and established a time.

The shared staff in Hebron and Nelson is getting adjusted to this new concept and are working now developing plans to be the most efficient. We ask for patience as this plan unfolds and look forward to assisting the producers in each county in the best manner possible.

If you have questions, please call and visit with Jay in Thayer County at 402-768-6520 or Nuckolls County at 402-225-2311.



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FCCLA students hold workshops on safety...

Haley Pena Lopez and Kim Ardisson (pictured above) conducted two workshops instructing kindergarten through fourth-grade students on after school safety. The Bruning-Davenport middle school students presented the workshops as an FCCLA project. The first workshop conducted in Bruning had the elementary students working on crossing the street safely, making 911 calls and using kitchen safety skills to prepare a healthy snack. The second workshop in Davenport focused on fire safety including crawling through a smoke filled room and how to use a fire extinguisher.



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TC Elementary names Students of the Month...

Thayer Central Elementary announced the Students of the Month for December. Sixth-grade students Sophia Shope and Hayden Luttrell were selected as the students of the month based on written nominations by their peers. Both were cited for their hard work in school, their willingness to work with others and the kindness they show toward other students. These students were awarded medallions from the Fairbury Elks and were presented these at the monthly award ceremony. Sophia is the daughter of Dusty and Jamie Blake and Hayden is the son of Ryan and Jamie Luttrell.

COMMUNITY PHILANTHROPY

Why do we need foundations?

Written by: Pat Kenner

Why do large organizations like Thayer County Health Services or Blue Valley Lutheran Homes have foundations to receive charitable gifts?

It would seem that with what things cost that outside support would not be needed. Unfortunately, several factors work against these care providers. Regulations elevate costs a great deal.

However, the largest challenge our medical industry face is that a significant portion of its customers cannot fully pay for the cost of

the services they use. We American taxpayers, through our government, reimburse our providers for a portion of their costs. That "portion" which our medical providers are reimbursed is determined by our Federal and State Governments. The balance of the business is called "private pay" which is largely negotiated to keep a provider's profit margins pretty thin. The general outcome of all of this is that our hospitals and elderly care facilities can "keep the bills paid" but doing much more than that is not possible without outside help. This is where the foundations come in to provide that extra effort.

The need for outside assistance is nothing new. In 1953 the Thayer County Hospital Guild was established to assist our hospital. The Hospital Foundation was formalized in 1983 to provide another mechanism to receive gifts and raise funds for the hospital. These organizations do great work to help our facility acquire new equipment so that our local facility is as modern as hospitals in larger cities. Since a hospital located in a larger city gets to spread the cost of new equipment and technology over a larger number of customers, their cost is less per use than in a rural hospital. That is why it is so important that our charitable organizations provide the support that they do for our hospital.

In the same spirit several

Lutheran Churches (17 today) came together in the late 1940s to provide care for the elderly and for the mentally challenged. As this business evolved a foundation was founded by Blue Valley Lutheran Homes. The BVLH Foundation provides funding for the extra needs that normal incomes cannot cover. If one visits their web site, (<http://bvlh.org/wish-list-blue-valley-lutheran-homes-nebraska-nursing-care-homes/>), you can see the "wish list" for each of the three Blue Valley facilities which will make life better for residents.

For more information about Thayer County Hospital Foundation, contact Rita Luongo, Development Director at 120 Park Avenue, Hebron, NE 68370, by phone 402-768-4632, by fax 402-768-4669 or by e-mail at rluongo@tchsne.org.

For information about Blue Valley Lutheran Homes Foundation Hope Dankenbring is the Development Director who can be reached at 402-768-3916 or by e-mail at hoped@bvlh.org.

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