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Tidbits

Little Blue announces operator training dates

Water Quality Subarea reports were being sent to operators within the Little Blue Natural Resources District.

The reports offer valuable insight to staff and board members on farm management practices and the impacts those practices have on the aquifer.

Forms have changed from previous years.

The Little Blue NRD's historical data trends gathered through nitrate tests from the groundwater, show a steady increase since 1994.

The concern has driven the Little Blue board of directors to require those who operate land, irrigated or dryland, and crop consultants to participate in operator training once every four years.

Notifications were sent to those with certifications set to expire.

Trainings will be held in the community centers of Edgar Jan. 10 and Davenport Jan. 17. Each training is 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

For more information, contact the Little Blue NRD or visit the website.

1994 champion team to be honored

Deshler Public Schools will honor the 1994 Girls State Basketball Championship team Jan. 5, following the girls varsity game with Thayer Central.

The 1994 state championship team was inducted into the Nebraska School Hall of Fame at a September ceremony in Lincoln.

The 1994 team included Amy Maschmann, Elisha Buster, Kasey Schoof, Debra Maschmann, Alesha Schoof, Tanya Loontjier, Laura Pohlmann, Abbie Fox, Shelly Brandt, Nicole Raess, Cari Zlomke and Jodie Hintz, along with head coach Rick Chramosta and assistant coach, Fred Maschmann. Wendy Johnson was student manager.

The Lady Dragons stopped Newman Grove, Emerson Hubbard and Johnson-Brock for the championship trophy.

Community Theater to perform Jan. 24-26

Reservations for the "Death of a Hot Sauce Salesman" by Michael Druce will be performed by the Thayer County Community Theater Jan. 24-26.

Doors for the murder-myster comedy with audience participation open at 6 p.m. and the show begins at 7 p.m.

For reservations, call 402-768-3032.

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~Obituaries~

Christian Wilma, 78

Year in Review: 2018 headlines

Last week, the Hebron Journal-Register reflected on 2018 with news articles from January to June. This week, articles from the months of July through December in 2018 are covered.

July

Cattlemen's Ball funds for cancer research were still rolling in with the 563 centerpieces made by Nancy Hofts and other volunteers for the ball's main tent June 1-2.

The centerpieces were on sale during the ball and after as the proceeds climbed past \$13,000 and were marked down to half price.

Hofts said her volunteers were "harvesters," collecting items for the centerpieces, such as wheat, rye, ears of corn, worn cowboy boots, hats, ceramic pieces and lariats.

The annual Pony Express re-ride June 29 was featured in the July 4 issue with riders saddling up in Oak in temperatures hovering around 100 degrees.

Local riders, picked up the trail for the ride to Highway 53, but first they autographed the Mochila, which was used by Pony Express riders to carry the mail.

Alice Heinrichs, a 25-year veteran of the re-ride, said 2018 was the first time riders were late to a destination because of the heat.

Pastor Greg Schaffer was installed at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Davenport.

A Quilt of Valor reception distributed seven handmade quilts for veterans, Robert Bottom, Edward Bulin, Roger Genzmer, Paul Grupe, Dennis Degenhardt, Warren Ehlers and Eric Retzlaff.

Hebron celebrated July 4, beginning with Mr. Firecracker Dax Degenhardt and Miss Firecracker Brinli Rodine.

Another celebration was taking form at Blue Valley Nursing Home as residents over 100 years old were honored — Irma Marquart, Doris Deepe and Esther Larsen were described as "Priceless pieces of history" by Doris's daughter, Beverly Deepe Keverer said.

Marquart and Larsen were 102 years old and Deepe was 103.

Kevin Bogus and family were settling into life in Oak as Bogus prepared to serve First Community Church through Village Missions, an organization that seeks to revive rural churches.

Clayton Hergott, a rancher and auctioneer who promoted agricultural education and 4H, was pinned beneath his ATV in an accident on River Road. Hergott died from the accident.

Thayer Central students, Cayden Huber, Traven Virus and Treyton Waldmeier, placed fourth at the National SkillsUSA middle school competition in the Team Engineering Challenge.

The students designed, built and tested a contraption at the two-day event.

American Legion riders from Hebron, Fairbury, Deshler, Fairmont and Beatrice escorted the national photographic war traveling memorial, "Remembering Our Fallen" from Chester to Superior.

The Hebron City Council oversaw a project to flatten two buildings on 4th Street that were structurally dangerous.

August

The Thayer Central Titans honored the 1993 football team for earning a state-runner up trophy that year. Present-day Titans wore



A search party formed when Kent Tietjen was reported missing in August. Tietjen was later found barefoot and dehydrated.



A total of \$1,747,961.89 was raised at the Cattleman's Ball with 90 percent donated to the Fred and Pamela Buffett Cancer Center and 10 percent for Thayer County area schools, organizations and fire departments.

replicas of the Hebron Bear uniform for the opening game that night against Nebraska Christian.

Crop Production Services changed its name to Nutrien Ag Solutions after a merger. The change brought all of Nutrien's companies under the same banner.

The Bruning Fire and Rescue station opened its new building for Bruning Days. The 60 by 120-square foot building is located at the corner of East Main and North Fillmore streets.

Bruning Days also featured a hot dog eating contest outside the fire station. Curtis Rohr of Tobias won the contest.

A search for 63-year-old Kent

Tietjen ended well at approximately 10:25 p.m., July 26. Tietjen had been missing since around 4 a.m. His vehicle was found in a ditch at Roads 5100 and E.

Volunteer fire departments from Byron, Hubbell, Deshler, Chester and Hebron responded, along with Ruskin and Hardy, about 70 people, law enforcement and a RotoWings helicopter with Kevin Mitchell in the cockpit.

Tietjen was barefoot, scratched up and dehydrated when he was located.

Hebron attorney, Benjamin Murray took on his first murder case as he was assigned to defend Aubrey Trail, the man accused in the death of Sydney Loofe.

Loofe, a Lincoln resident, went

missing after a Tinder date with Bailey Boswell. Her cell phone pinged in near Wilber, and her remains were scattered across more than one county.

Glenn Kirchoff led an antique tractor parade on the opening day of the Thayer County Fair. Tractor drivers ventured north of Carleton and visited the Nebraska Shrimp Company and Beavers Dairy.

Afterward, some rode in the fair parade in Deshler.

Angeline Naiman told of her military service in Vietnam and beyond as she prepared to board the Nebraska Female Veterans Flight to Washington D.C., for a day of visiting memorials and Arlington Cemetery.

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Archery instruction was a highlight at the new range as the first Hunting Exposition was held in Hebron

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Pages of the Past...

From The Hebron Journal-Register

1889

130 Years Ago

A New Church Organized: Pleasant Mound, Dec. 22, '98. Pursuant to an appointment given out some time ago, the neighbors and patrons of Pleasant Mound Sunday school met at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Sappenfield on December 22, for the purpose of forming themselves into an organization to build a church. It was moved and seconded that the organization be known as the Pleasant Mound M. E. Church. Carried. Officers, trustees and a building committee were elected.

Married, at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brinegar, near Belvidere, on Sunday, Dec. 25, at high noon, I. J. Brinegar and Pearle M. Bowman, both of Belvidere, Rev. E. E. Boyd officiating.

The Christmas Entertainments: The Methodist gathered in the hall at 6:30 where they have been holding services, and the little folks enjoyed a nice treat. They met early, so as to attend the other Christmas exercises... The Baptists had a prettily decorated Christmas tree laden with presents. A program, consisting of songs, recitations, etc., was nicely rendered... At the Presbyterian church the platform was tastefully decorated with evergreen trees and a chimney. A cantata was successfully rendered in which the little folks and Santa Claus had a good time... At the Christian church a picturesque cabin has been built with logs upon the stage, and looked very realistic with its snow covered room, chimney and window. Bricks for the chimney, made of card board, were filled with treats for the Sunday school children, who each received a brick at the conclusion of the cantata.

1899

120 Years Ago

No information available.

1909

110 Years Ago

(The Bruning Banner)
J. Duis has sold four acres of ground east of O. C. Wells' residence for \$2,050 to Henry Bruner of Hebron, who, as we understand will erect a nice residence and cigar factory.

Wm. Middendorf is making preparations to erect a fine dwelling house across the road from the German church in the corner of the field.

Thos. A. Hawks was a pleasant caller at the Courier office, Monday, and told us that they had reaped 2,722 bushels of wheat off of 90 acres. Mr. Hawks said they had 3,000 bushels of wheat in the bin waiting for a higher market. If it was to be sold at the present market price, it would bring \$2,490. A small fortune. Now who wants to go back to Cleveland times and sell wheat at 39 cents or a difference of \$1,320.

1919

100 Years Ago

(The Alexandria Argus)
Alexandria Celebrates Peace with Victory - Nov. 14, 1918: Two Beeves Are Roasted and Served to Big Crowd... High School Boys Hang Kaiser in the Old Argus Tree During the Afternoon and is Burnt in a Pyramid of Flames in the Evening. Never before in the history of Alexandria was there such a historical event to celebrate a "World's Peace for Victory" as there was at this time. Never before had a celebration been planned in such a short time and carried out so successful as the big celebration at Alexandria

Tuesday night. Every town from 15 to 20 miles around was represented by a number of people to help celebrate the greatest event in the world's history--next to the crucifixion. Is it any wonder that people are rejoicing when it means no more dread of the casualty lists of our noble boys. Dr. G. A. Birdsall had been selected master of ceremonies and the program being in the open air on Harbine and Fourth streets. F. W. Cory, the mayor, turned over the keys of the city to the celebration. Revs. J. W. Longnot A. C. Spencer, W. H. Stickell, J. B. Butter and Dr. H. J. Newell gave short talks. The Alexandria band, high school and singing led by A. L. Watson furnished music for the evening. The parade was on Harbine from Third to Fifth streets. The following banners were in the procession: Alexandria community service flag, high school service flag, the grades service flag, boys Victory club flag, girls Victory club flag, cart carrying the dummy of kaiser and the rough burial box. The dummy was placed in the coffin and the coffin laid in the rough box and hoisted on top of the funeral pyre and everybody went wild. The moral is that militarism is at an end and the world is free. About fifty of the Belvidere Home Guards put on a fine drill and demonstrated scaling the wall. Belvidere has the best drilled Home Guard team in this part of the state. It is estimated that there were four thousand people at the jubilee.

1929

90 Years Ago

The average corn yield in Nebraska this year will be 21.7 bushels, and 81 percent of the entire crop will be merchantable said bankers of the state in their mid-month crop report.

The following new car registrations in Thayer county are taken from the records in the County Treasurer's office for the month of October, 1928: Ford, 22; Chevrolet, 22; Whippet, 5; Buick, 5; Durant, 2; Pontiac, 5; Nash, 1; Graham-Paige, 3; DeSoto, 1; Chrysler, 2; Dodge, 1; Willys Knight. In the above 70 registrations were two Ford trucks and one Chevrolet truck. F. C. Cederholm, Co. Treas.

George Mong died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Henry Eggert, east of town. Because of his crippled condition he had required a great deal of care. The body was taken to Flanagan, Ill., for burial where it will rest beside the father and mother.

Hebron citizens were given a rare treat Thursday evening when Prof. Paysen traveled over town with his singers chorus of over 50 voices. They sang all the well known and most beautiful carols, stopping at any house where they were asked.

A large number of citizens of Hebron showed their desire Monday in the question of issuing bonds in the sum of \$30,000 to improve the waterworks system of Hebron and insure an ample and satisfactory water supply. The City Council plans to make arrangements to secure bids on all types of wells and after the bids are in decide which type is best suited for Hebron and its needs and the most economical.

1939

80 Years Ago

An auto accident occurred this afternoon at the west edge of Bruning when Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wasielewski from West Virginia, driving a DeSoto car at a high rate of speed, crashed squarely into the rear of the cleaners' truck owned by Earl Parpart of Hebron and driven by C. M. Dragoo, who had just pulled out on the highway

and driven some 80 feet on his own side of the road. Mrs. Wasielewski suffered a bad bruise on her forehead.

Matthew Sauber of Fairmont was accidentally killed by the Rediger truck from Hebron Monday evening. The driver of the truck received no blame or charges of negligence.

Two hitch-hikers spent Tuesday night in jail at Fairfield and the next morning they calmly robbed the Fairfield State Bank of \$800 and drove away in the bank cashier's coach.

Work on the WPA project for improving the cemeteries in Hebron is being rushed with exceptionally good results.

Ufe Edzards, manager of the Burlington Elevator, reports the price of new corn has advanced six cents per bushel since the election. He is now paying 46c per bushel.

1949

70 Years Ago

(The Bruning Banner)
Dec. 9, 1948: About two inches of snow fell here early Sunday morning. Accompanied by high winds, it again temporarily blocked a few of the side roads bordered by drifts from the storm of two weeks ago. Not much relief is in sight--the forecast is for more snow, high winds and colder. And it's snowing as we go to press.

One of the neatest business houses on main street is the new Bruning Electric Shop, located just west of the bank. Wilhelms and Garrels moved most of their stock into the new location last week. The former barber shop building has been completely renovated inside and out.

Two Thayer County commissioners resigned their offices by request.

1959

60 Years Ago

(The Bruning Banner)
Thayer county's wildcat oil test ended last week when granite was hit at approximately 3,400 feet, it was reported. The drilling was three miles northwest of Gilead. Though there were small oil shows, there was no commercial deposit found, according to the report.

1969

50 Years Ago

VFW Post No 5328 in Hebron purchased the Lincoln Avenue Cafe and was opening to members and guests.

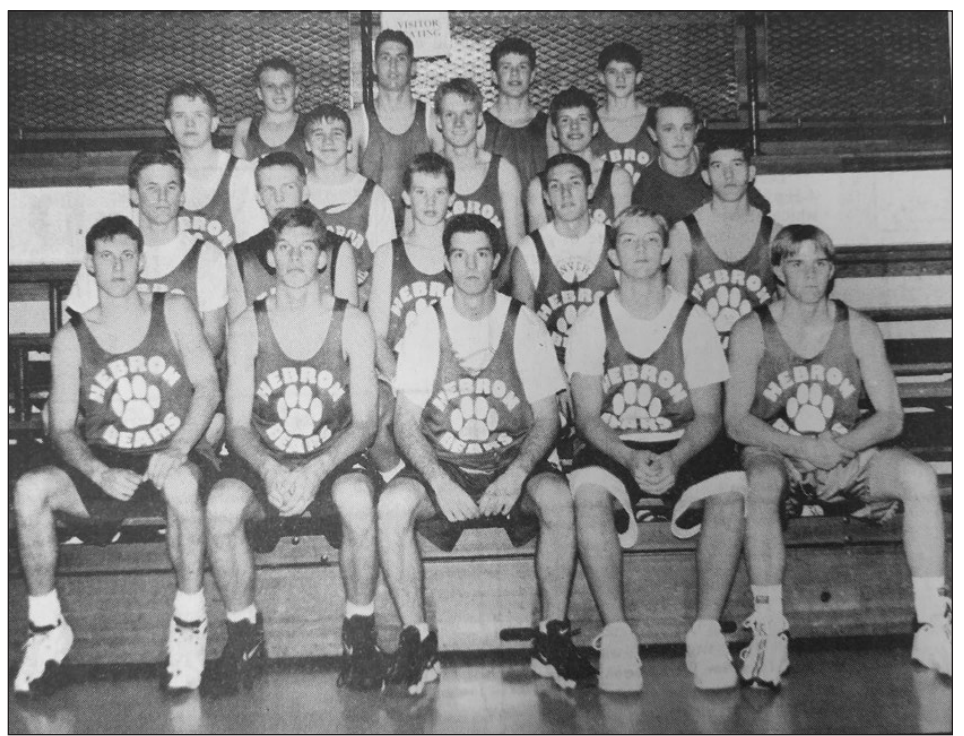
The Carleton Village Board accepted a bid in the amount of \$64,085 for the construction of a sewer system. Work was scheduled to begin in the spring.

The Thayer County Crime Control Planning Commission was organized in Hebron. Representatives of various Thayer County towns on the commission were Roy Waldmeier, Belvidere; Harvey Levander, Bruning; Don Calahan, Carleton; Ed Mohr, Chester; Charlie DeVore, Davenport; Martin Neuhart, Deshler; Ed Bulin, Gilead; Berl Woolard, Hebron. Alexandria, Byron and Hubbell representatives had not been named.

1979

40 Years Ago

Thayer County residents attending the inaugural ball for Nebraska Governor Charlie Thone were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Apking, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sulz and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Westerhoff, all of Alexandria; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Pohlmann, and Mr. and Mrs. John Zucker,



J-R File Photo

This Week 1999... Members of the Hebron Boys Basketball Team are front row (from left): Blake Wiedel, Jeremy Smith, Kevin Janssen, Spencer Meyer and Levi Caudy. In the second row are: Scott Hill, Jeremy Powell, John Posey, Jeremy Wiedel and Matt Larson. In the third row: Dustin Dana, Nick Lewellyn, Aaron Jensen, Craig Dye and Colt Vieselmeyer. In the back row are Dustin Rippe, Matt Wegener, Aaron Dye and Kyle Kassebaum. Not pictured are John Yoachim, student managers Andy Else, Jonathan Rauner and Colin McKernan and coach Gregg Holliday.

all of Deshler and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schutz of Gilead. Jeff Williamson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kent Williamson of Belvidere, escorted the governor's daughter, Ann, in the Grand March.

The Hebron American Legion Saxton Post 180 pledged \$2,500 for construction of the Thayer County doctor's clinic.

Mayor Lloyd Schepler reported that the ice skating rink in Hebron which was ruffed up shortly after its first filling was smoothed off and ready for use.

1989

30 Years Ago

Hebron received its third lowest rainfall total during 1988 since records are available in the past 28 years. Hebron received only 17.99 inches below the 28.66 average.

Glen Jagels, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Jagels of rural Davenport, was selected as one of eight UN-L students to study in Australia.

He-Hi boys' sports cheerleaders were Amy Ehlers, Miriam Wiechman, Tanya Hergott, Becci ten Bensel, Kami Reinwald and Deanna Branting.

Hebron Volunteer Firemen honored Pete Hoffman at his retirement after 16 years of service.

Mary Fintel, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fintel of Deshler was crowned Thayer County Livestock Feeders queen at their annual banquet celebrating 25 years.

1999

20 Years Ago

One of Hebron's early business and civic leaders, Ferd McKenzie, 101, died at Thayer County Health Services in Hebron. McKenzie operated Standard Grocery Market for 50 years. He also served on the city council and Hebron Volunteer Fire Department.

The oath of office was given to county officials. They were Assessor Russell Loontjer, Sheriff Gary Young, Commissioner Lawrence Traudt, Clerk of the District Court Nancy McLaughlin, Treasurer Eileen Asche, Clerk Marilynn Free and Commissioner Lewis Duensing.

Rural Belvidere resident Tom Priefert was injured when the tractor he was driving overturned on a bridge three miles southeast of Belvidere. He had severe deep bruises and ligament tears in his lower back.

Thayer County Nebraska Cattlemen's Affiliate was honored at the annual convention where they won the Nebraska Cattlemen's Recruitment Race with 80 members or more.

2009

10 Years Ago

Although Thayer Countians haven't seen any mobility at the ethanol plant near Carleton for over a year, movement within the court system just got started in December. Suits against several business were recently filed in Thayer County District Court in regard to the plant.

Obituaries: Mary Krenke; Marie Crisman; Tom Malloy; Leon Meerktz.

The Thayer Central Titans found themselves in back to back overtime games, winning one and losing the other, to finish in second place in the Sandy Creek Holiday Tournament last week. The Titans defeated the host Sandy Creek team by a score of 62-58 on Monday and lost to Blue Hill in the championship game 47-46 on a banked-in three pointer at the buzzer the next night. In both games, the Titans had control through three quarters, but were unable to finish off either opponent in regulation. This split give the Titans a 3-5 record going into 2009.

The Bruning-Davenport boys basketball team won the championship of the Silver Lake Holiday Tournament defeating Shelton 65-26 and Alma 62-41.

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National Blood Donor Month

Start off the new year right by donating blood in January. January is National Blood Donor Month. This month has been designated to help raise awareness of the importance of donating blood.

Blood is traditionally in short supply during the winter months due to the holidays, travel schedules, inclement weather and illness. When the weather is as cold as it has been, it makes it a difficult time for blood centers to collect blood donations because donors stay at home. A reduction in turnout can put our nation's blood inventory critically low.

National Blood Donor Month has been observed in January since 1970 with the goal of increasing blood and platelet donations. The Red Cross urges healthy donors who have made a commitment to donate during the winter months to keep their appointments. Each appointment kept, and each donation given, offers hope to a patient in need.

Daily, approximately 39,000 units of blood are required in hospitals and emergency treatment facilities for patients with cancer and other diseases, for organ transplant recipients, and to help save the lives of accident victims.

For the nearly 5 million people who receive blood transfusions every year, your donation can make the difference between life and death.

Blood can be safely do-

Health News



nated every 56 days, which equals six times a year or more importantly eighteen lives were helped. Platelets can be given every seven days – up to 24 times a year. Donated blood only has a shelf life of 42 days. Therefore, it is so important to have donors who give regularly.

Just one donation - one pint - can help save up to three lives. By becoming a regular blood donor, you can really make a difference in your local community.

Giving the gift of blood is a simple way to make a big difference. To be eligible you must:

- Be age 17 or older
- Weigh at least 110 pounds
- Have not given blood within the past 8 weeks
- Be in good health

Thayer County Health Services hopes everyone will celebrate National Blood Donor Month by donating blood and encouraging others to do so too. They further encourage you to make donating blood part of your regular routine throughout the year.

If you are interested in donating blood or want to schedule an appointment call 1-800-GIVELIFE or visit the American Red Cross website www.givelife.org.

Source: American Red Cross

Belvidere

By Linda Hudson

The phone call came, “We need early copy for the paper because of the holiday, New Years Day!” What? I just got done with this week. Soon everything will be back to normal and we will be wondering what the year 2019 will bring us in forms of health, happiness and, of course, problems and generally the unknown.

Should be all kinds of news after the Christmas celebrations but perhaps readers are too exhausted to get it to me. But here goes with what I know.

Many fun family celebrations according to Facebook. One nice thing about social media, you are treated to the pictures of many different families and it helps keep you in touch.

Too bad the flu has had to make its appearance and cause some to miss their family's festivities. One place the flu certainly is not welcome is the Blue Valley Home. However, it did find its way to some residents and thus the home has come under quarantine. Certainly many disappointed residents who probably had planned to see loved ones over the holiday, along with friends and relatives planning reunions.

Mary and Frank Bruning enjoyed a Christmas Day brunch at Penny and Fred Brunings. Their two grandsons, Adam and Reiss Bruning, escorted their grandparents to the morning festivities near Bruning.

Happiness overflowed as locals and many visitors gathered for Christmas Eve services at the United Church of Christ.

On Sunday, Dec. 23, the family of Diane and the late Ted Currey gathered for the church service to honor their grandmother, Maxine Currey, who will soon turn 100 years. The grandchildren of Maxine participated in the service with song and verse. The children, Buffy, Carmen, Richard along with Maxine's daughter, Peggy Meerse, served birthday cake. They then gathered at a local restaurant for the Sunday noon meal.

Nebraskans will be waiting for the new Forever stamps to be issued in 2019. One set will include wild and scenic rivers found in the United States. Two of the rivers featured in this group is the beautiful Niobrara River and the wild wide Missouri River. The word is that Forever stamps are going to go from 50 cents to 55 late in January. The postal service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on its sales to fund its operations.

It was announced that the National Rifle Association received \$55 million less in donations this year. It is believed the reason for this is because the active role the Parkland students played in this. Their various marches, etc., they sponsored helped shed much light on the shooting of their fellow students. They campaigned heavily against the bump stalks for guns. Don't underestimate the youth as they really can make an impact on causes in which they believe.

Ethan Hudson of Newman Grove and Linda Hudson were pre-Christmas dinner guests on December 23rd at the Bill Hudson home. After church services Linda Hudson hosted their Priefert annual Christmas Eve party. Guests were Russ and Bonnie Priefert, Jennifer Priefert of Omaha, Lorna Waldmeier of Beatrice, Tom, Angie, and Landi Priefert, Bill, Gina, Tara Lee, Jessa Lynn Hudson.

News from a Lincoln hospital is that a well known nurse, Kathy Larkins, is critically ill. Her daughter Paige Culler reports she is still in critical condition and they have started kidney dialysis to help boost her recovery. Everyone is praying for her recovery.

Watching the PBS documentary on the space travel of Apollo 8. Little did I know that this space flight was one of the most important ones. Because of this we now have unbelievable technology such as computers, I-Phones, etc. This was the first flight to the moon and it was put together in four months to beat the Russians to the moon. It did lead the way to Apollo 11 which landed on the moon just seven months after the Apollo 8 trip.

To this day, this trip is considered the most dangerous of all the trips. The three astronauts that were on this flight are still living, Borman and Lovell, 90 years old and Andes is 85. These three astronauts entered Lunar Orbit on Christmas Eve 1968, 50 years ago!

I was so glad I got to see this show. It jolted me back into reality about this earth we all call home. They described getting to see us, “the earth,” as being so blue, beautiful and tender looking. Looking so small to the astronauts. They took the photo which we have always seen named “Earthrise.” They mentioned it seemed so impossible that millions of people were living on this white-blueish ball.

I can't imagine the courage it must have taken to climb in that space ship. One of their wives asked one of the officials what chance did they have in coming back safely. She was told 50-50. Let's hope we have a better chance than that to live and enjoy this new year, 2019. May it bring to all of you the most happiness you can have and most of all the best health that is possible!

ONE more thing and PEACE ON EARTH to all of us living together on this one little blue planet!

New Child Passenger Safety Law Starts Jan. 1

Car seats and booster seats protect your kiddos in the car. Starting January 1, 2019, Nebraska's child passenger safety law changes to help keep children safer as they travel. According to the new law:

Children must ride rear-facing up to age 2 or until they reach the upper weight or height limit allowed by the car seat manufacturer.

Children up to age 8 must ride in a correctly installed car seat or booster seat.

Children up to age 8 must ride in the back seat, as long as there is a back seat equipped with a seat belt and is not already occupied by other children under 8 years old.

Children 8 to 18 years old must ride secured in a seat belt or child safety seat/booster.

“Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for children in Nebraska,” said Judy Martin, Deputy Director of Public Health for the Nebraska

Department of Health and Human Services. “As children get older, their risk increases because they're moved from a safety seat to a seat belt only too soon or they're allowed to ride in the front seat where an airbag could cause injury. That is why it's so important to choose the right seat and know the law to help keep your child safe at every age and every stage.”

Search #GetSeated on Facebook or Twitter or visit <https://drivesmartne.org/get-seated/> for more details about safe transportation of children and the new car seat law.

To make sure you're using a car seat or booster correctly, have it checked by a certified child passenger safety technician. There are over 400 across the state who help their communities by checking seats at fitting stations and check events. To find a technician or event in your area, visit <http://www.safekidsnebraska.org/carseats>.

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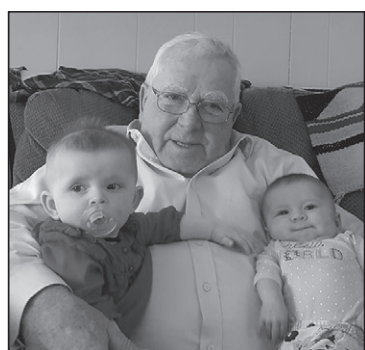
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Happy 80th Birthday Ron Williams!

In celebration of Ron Williams' 80th birthday, his family would like you to join them for lunch on Tuesday, January 8th, at Williams Drilling in Belvidere. Come and partake in all the shared memories and laughs as they celebrate Ron. Lunch will be from 11:00 to 1:00 p.m.

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.



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Winning home...

The Berry home on Thayer Avenue looks festive each year during the holidays and was awarded 'best display' at the Chester Celebration of Lights this month.

Zabokrtsky to give talk at museum

The Fairbury City Museum, located at 1128 Elm Street, will host a history program on January 13, at 2:00 p.m.

Mitch Zabokrtsky will talk about the early settlements of Jefferson County and their locations. Some of those were Whisky Run, Rose Creek City and Jenkins Mill. Do you recall Kesterson, Helvey, Shea, Meridian, Old Plymouth, Powell and Helvey?

He will also talk about the businesses that played an important part in the growth of the early villages. There were some significant people and families that played important roles in the history of Jefferson County like D. C. McCandles, D. C. Jenkins, the Helvey Family, James B. Mattingly and the Rev. Mark Ives to name a few.

Come and learn more about early Jefferson County history and Fairbury's 150th birthday year.

Reinke recognized Roehr's Machinery as a top five highest selling dealer



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Reinke President, Chris Roth; Mark and Eric Bathel, of Roehr's Machinery, Inc.; Reinke East Central Territory Manager, Dan Glenn

Reinke has recognized Roehr's Machinery as one of its top five highest selling dealers in the East Central Territory, a top five sprinkler retro dealer and also honored the dealership with a Diamond Reinke Pride award in recognition of the company's marketing year success. The organization was honored during Reinke's annual convention in Spokane, Wash.

"I congratulate Roehr's Machinery on receiving these awards," said Reinke Vice President of North

American Irrigation Sales Mark Mesloh. "Reinke appreciates the dedication they have to the growers in their community. We're proud to work with them and have them representing Reinke."

Reinke dealerships from across the United States and Canada gather each year to attend the company's sales convention. The convention's awards ceremony recognizes select Reinke dealerships for their hard work and dedication to sales and marketing throughout

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The Reinke Pride awards are determined as part of an incentive program that distinguishes superior achievement levels according to an evaluation based on a dealership's exterior and interior housekeeping and maintenance, indoor and outdoor displays, safety, retail environment, merchandising, professionalism, promotions, event participation and market share.



Dodes graduates Peru State

Peru State College today released the names of students who earned a place on the Dean's List for the fall 2018 semester. 267 students from Nebraska, 25 other states, Puerto Rico and 7 foreign countries qualified for the honor.

To make the Dean's List students must have a grade point average between 3.50 and 3.99 for the semester, have completed at least 12 graded credit hours during the past semester, have no incomplete grades for the semester and be degree seeking.

Among those graduating was Robert Dodes of Hebron.

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ACTIVITIES

Friday, January 4: BB at Giltner.

Saturday, January 5: BB at Nebraska Lutheran.

Monday, January 7: Classes resume; MUDECAS GBB.

Tuesday, January 8: MUDECAS BBB.

Wednesday, January 9: JH G/B BB Dorchester at Bruning.

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ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 3: No school.

Friday, January 4: No school; Teacher in-service; BB at Superior, 4:30 p.m.; JV WR at Concordia, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 5: Speech at Adams Central; ?WR at Aquinas, 10 a.m.; BB at Deshler, 4:00 p.m.

Monday, January 7: School resumes; Doane honor choir; AR assembly for 2nd quarter, 12:50 p.m.; Cheer practice in HS gym, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, January 8: Doane honor choir; WR at Seward, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 9: AR celebration - bowling/games/rootbeer floats, 11:45 a.m.

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By Phyllis Schmitt

Phyllis Schmitt and Gerry Eckles played cards at the Senior Center in Nelson on Tuesday.

Phyllis Schmitt ate dinner at the Birthday dinner at the Davenport Senior Center on Thursday. In the afternoon, Phyllis attended the funeral of Betty Adamson in Nelson.

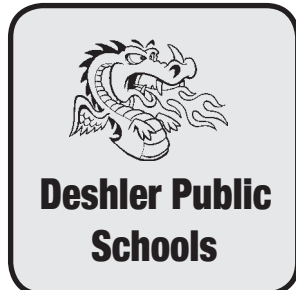
On Saturday, Phyllis Schmitt hosted an early Christmas at her house for Jerry and Kelly Schmitt, Hannah and Landon and Junior and Dixie Drohman, Dustin, Nikki, Molley and Jase Drohman for dinner and gift exchange.

Sondra Peterson picked up Gerry Eckles on Saturday and they went to Hastings to the home of Ruth Peterson for their family Christmas.

Amber and Julian Brunt of Omaha came Saturday to the home of Don and Lola Biltoft and were overnight guests leaving Sunday morning.

The Hanson family brought Pauline to the First Community Church Sunday morning. Those attending were Pauline Hanson, Alfred and Janell Hanson, Jennifer Hanson of Florida, and Matt, Teresa, and John Sullivan. It was good to see all of them.

Hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 3: No school; Teacher in-service.

Friday, January 4: Home BB with Shelton, 4:30 p.m./5:15 p.m./6:30 p.m./8 p.m.

Saturday, January 5: Special recognition of achievement (1994 girls state basketball champions); Home BB with Thayer Central, 4 p.m./5 p.m./6:30 p.m./8 p.m.

Sunday, January 6: Doane vocal festival.

Monday, January 7: Home JH BB with Red Cloud, 6 p.m.

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Sports



Lady Titans win first round

The Thayer Central Lady Titans advanced Dec. 27 in the Nebraska Wesleyan Holiday Tournament after a 48-36 victory over Nebraska Christian. The girls took an early lead and were up 28-14 at halftime. They were scheduled to play the Auburn Lady Bulldogs Dec. 28.



Titans drop to Eagles

The Titan boys took a 57-49 loss in the Nebraska Wesleyan Holiday Tournament Dec. 27 after a battle with Nebraska Christian.

Lady Eagles 2-2 on court

The BDS Lady Eagles were scheduled to advance in the Runza Hardwood Hoops Classic after defeating the Sandy Creek Cougars 50-32 at Sandy Creek Dec. 20.

The girls didn't slow down — they traveled to East Butler Dec. 21 for a make-up game and took the win, 53-31.

In the first quarter against the Lady Cougars, the Eagles built a four-point lead as Macy Kamler knocked down three shots for six points. Kamler would finish the game with a team high of 20 points.

Defensively, the girls held the Cougars to eight points in the second quarter while putting up 17 to take

a 13-point lead into the half. "We didn't start the third quarter off like we wanted to on either end of the court," Coach Shana Gerberding said.

The girls finished the third quarter holding the Cougars to seven points and extending their lead to 21 points.

Kamler also pulled down a team high of 12 rebounds. Regan Alfs had 17 points in the contest.

The make-up game against the Tigers began with both teams trading baskets in the first quarter, but in the second, the Eagles exploded for 16 points and held the Lady Tigers to six points.

Alfs shot eight of 23 points on the game in the quarter,

and on the game, she grabbed 16 rebounds.

The Eagles were able to prevent the Tigers from clawing their way back into the game and had a 12-point lead into halftime.

The Tigers only managed to make two points in the third quarter.

"I like how the girls came out and started the third quarter, and never gave East Butler any hope of getting back into the game," Gerberding said.

Kamler had 15 points and Kaylee Noel took nine balls on the rebound.

They improved to a 6-1 record, and will play Central City Dec. 28 for the Classic.

Eagles advance in tourney

The Bruning-Davenport/Shickley Eagle boys had a week down the stretch with Runza Hardwood Hoops Classic and a make-up game against East Butler.

The boys took on the Sandy Creek Cougars first for a win, 43-39.

Josh Swartzendruber and Josiah Kamler took advantage of some strong shooting early in the game as the Eagles took a 27-15 lead into the half.

A struggle ensued on scoring in the third quarter, but BDS held its lead and it was 33-20 going into the fourth. But the Cougars challenged their comfortable lead and played a physical, full court defense.

That caused trouble for the Eagles as they saw their lead shrink to two points.

"They forced their will on us in the fourth quarter and it took us longer than I would have liked for us to respond to it," Coach Greg

Schroeder said.

The Eagles boys took to the charity stripe for their final four points to win the game.

"We didn't shoot great free throws, but fortunately, we made enough to win," Schroeder said. "Hopefully, we learn from this as we need to each game. We have a lot of new faces learning to step up in situations like this."

The Eagles were scheduled to play Central City in Central City Dec. 28 for the next round of the Classic.

On points, Jackson Grote put 10 in; Logan Schroeder and Nolan Weber, 7 each; Isaac Kamler, 6; Eric Schroeder, 5; Josiah Kamler and Josh Swartzendruber, 3; and Kyle Ardissono, 2.

The next night was a contest against East Butler on their court for an earlier postponed game.

The Eagles lacked in energy for much of the game while East Butler's Jaden Rhynalds came out firing,

scoring the game high of 32 points.

The boys had to fight through the game and were able to cut East Butler's lead to one point by the end of the third quarter.

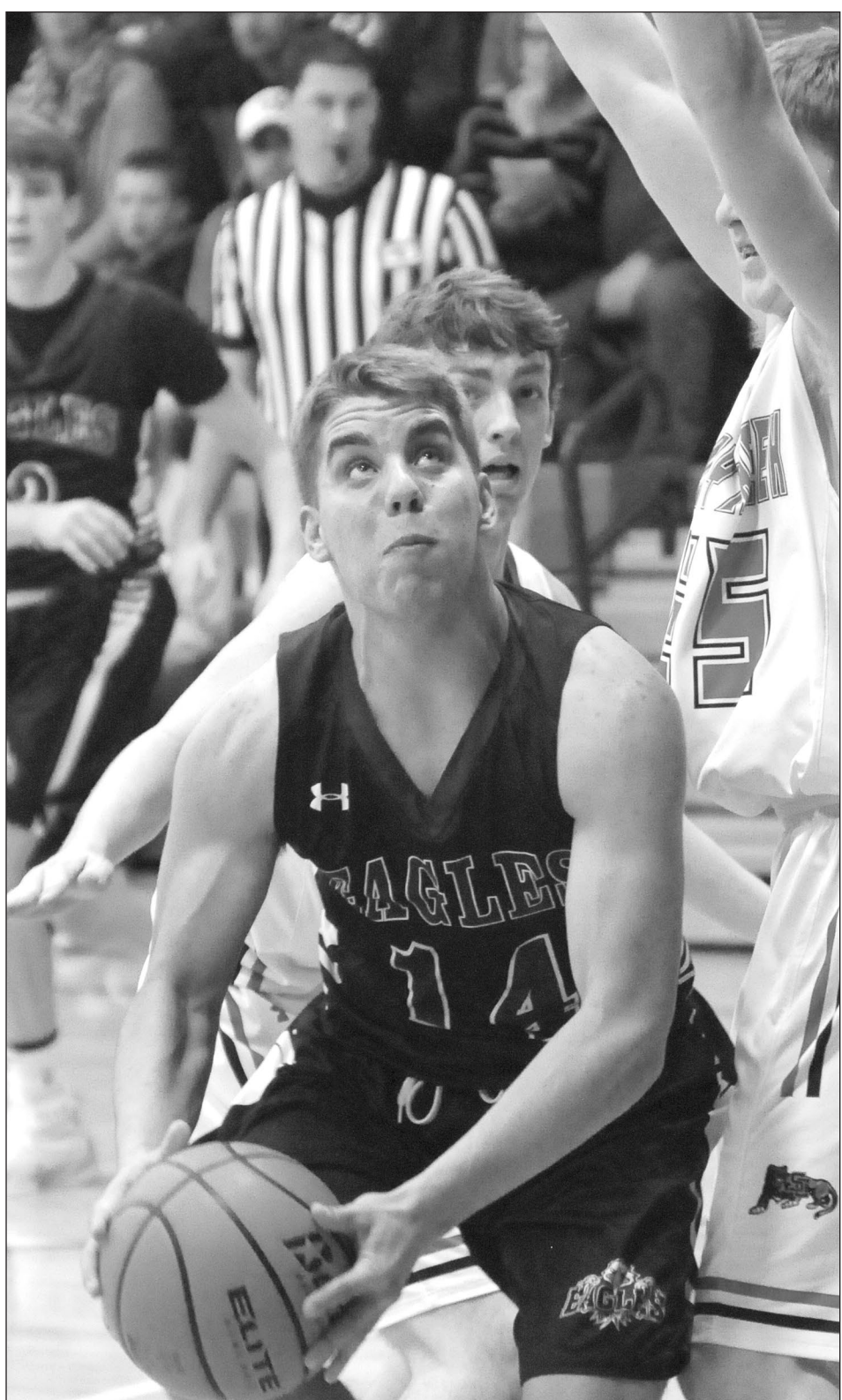
They came alive in the fourth quarter and specifically from the free throw line to end eight points up on the Tigers.

"We played tired on the defensive end and our communication was really poor," Schroeder said. "Thankfully, we woke up in the fourth quarter and played better basketball."

The Eagles were 16-18 on free throws and that helped the team, Schroeder added.

A strong rebounding effort was led by Isaac Kamler and Eric Schroeder had six assists.

Points went to Ardissono with 11; Weber, 9; Logan Schroeder, 8; Eric Schroeder, and Grote, 7 each; and Isaac and Josiah Kamler, 2 each.



Isaac Kamler has a look at the basket before he scores against the Sandy Creek Cougars in the Runza Hardwood Classic Dec. 20.

Thayer Central 10-0 on mat

The Thayer Central wrestling team is 5-0 after winning at the Sutton Duals over Weeping Water (54-24); Wood River (36-35); and Cross County/Osceola (54-27); and Sutton, 48-27.

Coach Josh Bowers said the day was phenomenal.

"We did really well," he said. "The last dual against Wood River was back and forth the entire dual. It came down to the last couple of matches. Keegan got a pin and put us up by six points."

It came down to the minute with Damian Stewart losing by a technical fall to give the Titans a one-point lead for the win.

Ashton Sinn (106) had a seven-point loss in a decision to Dylan Ancheta of Wood River, which translated to three points the Titans had to give away.

A Sutton wrestler, Joe Hinrichs (152), threw the match with Jarod Hergott into overtime, Bowers said.

They'll come back in January for a meet against David City Aquinas.

"It will be a tough meet. David City is doing real well

this season, the same with Broken Bow. We've got really good teams," Bowers said.

The Sutton Duals were a good lesson for the Titans, he said.

"In general, it was an outstanding team effort and good lesson for everyone that it takes a whole team to win those matches," Bowers said.

Winning the duals is important because a wild card system is being used this year to see which teams go to the state duals, and ratings are based on points.

State duals will be in Kearney the weekend prior to the district contest.

Winning rounds from the Sutton Duals are as follows.

Thayer Central vs. Weeping Water

Damian Stewart over Cory Grolea, fall 3:01; Jarod Hergott over Raphael Kirchmayr, decision 5-1; Jackson Feulner over Jason Burch, fall 3:31; Andrew Engel over Kole Brack, decision 9-3; Logan Luehring over Quinten Neusmeister, fall 2:44; and Brenner McLaughlin over Jaden McAdams, fall,

59 seconds.

Thayer Central vs. Wood River

Dominic Stewart over Wyatt Thorp, fall, 44 seconds; Feulner over Gavin Jackson, fall, 33 seconds; and Keegan Casey over Isaiah Magana Kuzsak, fall, 2:56.

Thayer Central vs. Cross County/Osceola

Dominic Stewart over Channer Marsden, fall, 16 seconds.

Thayer Central vs. Sutton

Engel over Jaden Nuss, fall, 1:33; Luehring over Adrian Avila, fall, 3:41; and Treyton Waldmeier over Adrian Hernandez, fall, 5:29.

Thayer Central vs. Centennial

McLaughlin over Ryan Payne, decision, 6-5; Keegan Casey over Gaven Schernikau, major decision, 9-1; Dominic Stewart over Ethan Lavelle, fall, 1:32; Engel over Garrett Schernikau, fall, 1:06; and Luehring over Jayden Hartshorn, fall, 1:14.



TaraLee Hudson searches for the pass while keeping the ball from Sandy Creek in the opening round of the Runza Hardwood Hoops Classic Dec. 20.

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Year in review...

A public health nurse for most of her career, Naiman served at the 24th Evacuation in Long Binh, South Vietnam. She later started home health care and immunization clinics in Nebraska.

The Thayer County Sheriff's Department had a busy week as they arrested six people for theft and multiple felonies that included controlled substances.

Honored as Nebraska Pioneer Farmers at the Thayer County Fair were the Yoachims and Joe Hergott families.

Dave Bruning was selected for the 4-H Meritorious Service Award and 4H Seniors, Amanda Schultz, Ethan Meerkatz and Skylar Knigge were recognized.

Stones from a historical barn near Davenport were donated to the Thayer County Museum to build a blacksmith shop on its grounds, but the stones didn't move themselves — volunteers brought equipment to remove and haul the stones.

Michael Zlab made a hydraulic device to slam the sides of the mortar and separate the stones, some of which were 24 inches long and a foot long.

The first Big Sandy Creek Festival was held in Alexandria with a barbecue cook-off and mud volleyball tournament. Winning the cook-off People's Choice award was Totally Smoked. Marc's BBQ won for brisket and Blue Ribbon BBQ won for pork butt and ribs.

A hunting exposition at Hebron's Archery range drew Nebraska Game and Parks, businesses and patrons, some of whom hadn't aimed for years, like Lynn Thumann.

September

Queen candidates for the Carleton Milo Ball included Grace Souerdyke, Mary Ruth Dodes, Leah Schmidt, Mickael Halverstadt, Brianna Barton and Holly Timmerman.

A paraeducator at Thayer Central, Loretta Kenyon, was one of four paraeducators in Nebraska to win an award.

Kenyon is a teacher who cares about all students, not just those in her class, teacher Laurie Fischer said.

The Chester Community Club revived itself to hold more events for the community, such as Theater in the Park and annual festivities for Halloween and Christmas.

The Belvidere Woman's Club welcomed new members, Olive Van De Walle from Bruning and Gail Gillian from Deshler.

The Cattlemen's Ball hosts, Randy and Becky Hergott and Rob and Natalie Marsh announced \$1,747,961.89 had been raised for cancer research with \$1,550,961.89 of the total donated to the Fred and Pamela Buffett Cancer Center in Omaha.

Thayer County Health Services received \$75,000 for a 3D Mammography machine as part of the 10 percent donated back to local communities.

Also receiving local donations were 56 organizations including fire departments, law enforcement, hospitals and schools in four counties.

Brianna Barton was crowned the 2018 Milo Queen in Carleton.

The Thayer Central Lady Titans marked a record of 15-0 on the volleyball season.

The Hebron Municipal Airport was planning a grand opening to celebrate years of service and improvements. The airport was established in 1942.

Improvements included a new fuel tank for self-operation and new concrete on the airport's taxiways.

Candidates for the Nebraska Unicameral, Incumbent Dist. 32 Sen. Laura Ebke and Tom Brandt, held a debate at the Majestic Theatre that focused on rural issues.

Both candidates were

available for discussion following the debate that was moderated by Thayer Central teacher, Justin Bomar.

Photographer Art Whitton caught a small film crew visiting Chester for a documentary on Janet Brusseau, who was found murdered from blunt force trauma and asphyxiation.

John Mooney was convicted in her death after pleading no contest to first degree murder and sentenced to 20 years in prison.

Jim Kenner was recognized by the Hebron Rotary Club for the volunteer service he has provided at Arrowhead Gardens Arboretum. Kenner regularly weeds, waters, mows and trims trees at the arboretum.

Club members said when the Rotary takes on a project, Kenner will be working on it before everyone else.

Bruning-Davenport students buried a time capsule in Bruning to be opened in 2042.

In the capsule, students included Class of 2019 photos and documents, elementary student hand prints and other items.

October

The graves of Civil War soldiers were remembered with markers as the Sons and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War performed a ceremony in the wind and rain at Belvidere Cemetery.

Thayer County Museum Curator, Jackie Williamson spoke at the ceremony and said the 38 graves of all Civil War veterans now have markers.

Subway and MidAmerica Vision had milestones as Dr. Andrea Steele-Bauman took over operations at the vision center and new owners bought Subway and hired general manager, Chad Essex.

Mylah Rose, a clothing store based in Geneva, opened a new satellite store in Hebron on Lincoln Avenue. Owner Nicole Schoenholz said she has customers in the Hebron area and decided a shop was needed.

Schoenholz said Mylah Rose will be an asset to Hebron.

John Christensen, a senior at Bruning-Davenport launched a website from a template, so visitors could purchase Eagle athletic wear and clothing designs from the days when Bruning and Davenport were separate schools.

The Hebron Chamber of Commerce held a meeting with representatives of Thayer County communities to develop a plan for the 32-LIFE Campaign, which zeros in on county-specific attractions and events.

Those attending the meeting suggested a county-wide website and social media page for businesses, economic incentives for businesses and more youth involvement.

The Thayer Central boys and girls cross country teams qualified for state at the district meet in Hebron.

The girls were first and the boys, runners-up.

Bruce Mammen bowled his ninth 300 game at Blue Valley Bowl.

Winter came early Oct. 14 when the area was hit by the fifth earliest snow on record for Grand Island and the fourth for Hastings.

The Hebron Municipal Airport open house yielded a few surprises when 24-year airport authority board member, Marlowe Huber, received an admiralty in the Nebraska Navy from Lt. Gov. Mike Foley.

Huber was also recognized for his years of service to the airport.

New Thayer County Emergency Manager, Colt Farringer, was named as the 2018 Weather Ready Nation Ambassador for making flood safety a priority.

The third annual Oregon Trail Run marked over 240 runners from 22 different states that have traveled to Hebron since the event

began. This year, running events began with a 2K fun run geared toward elementary students and their families. Over 50 students and parents from Thayer County schools participated and attended the spaghetti feed afterward prepared by the Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus.

The American Bankers Association announced Fred Bruning would receive the Bruning Award for contributions to agricultural banking.

The Bruning Award is named after Fred's father, Frank Bruning, and recognizes the lifetime achievement of individuals for their leadership and outstanding dedication to rural banking for farmers, ranchers and businesses.

Frank was the first recipient of the award 21 years ago. Fred is a fourth-generation banker.

Ghosts, goblins, witches and other characters trickled into Alexandria State Recreation Area for the annual Trick-or-Treat event.

Campers decorated and set props for the approximately 200 trick-or-treaters.

Glenwood Telecommunications, Inc., announced it would purchase Diode Telecom Nov. 1.

Glenwood also stated it would announce a plan to build a fiber infrastructure throughout the entire community of Hebron.

Michael Lewis was taken into custody after an overnight shooting left Remington Elting dead and Reuben Elting in critical condition on Jefferson Avenue in Hebron. The Eltings are brothers.

He later pleaded not guilty. The case is ongoing and under the supervision of Thayer County and the Nebraska State Patrol.

November

The Lady Titans and Lady Eagles were named class champions in volleyball.

The Nov. 6 mid-term general election resulted in new District 32 Senator, Tom Brandt, who defeated incumbent Sen. Laura Ebke by more than 400 votes.

Results also showed more Nebraskans voted for Medicaid expansion than not.

Thayer Central held its first full length musical, "Emma!"

The musical starred Maggie Harris, Dakota Cherney, Yong Wang, Dylan Fischer, Holly Timmerman, Mickaela Anderson, McKenzie Johnson and many others.

The musical drew about 850 people.

The Bruning-Davenport/Shickley Lady Eagles took the Class D2 state volleyball championship at Bob Devaney Sports Complex.

The championship also noted Coach Kari Jo Alfs 100th win on the court, along with four seniors, Jadyn Kleinschmidt, Sera Johnson, Caitlin Mosier and Emilie Schardt.

Sam Baysinger of Boy Scout Troop 175 became an Eagle Scout in a ceremony at Hebron Bible Church.

Baysinger focused on marking the graves of Civil War veterans for his project.

Lloyd Holtzen, DuWayne Holtzen and Dale Wittrock received Quilts of Valor during the Bruning-Davenport Veterans program.

Area farmers were storing beans as the trade situation with China remained in the negotiating stage.

December

New Hebron Mayor Doug Huber presented outgoing Mayor Shane Day with a gavel to recognize Day's service to the city for eight years.

Patrice Hoffman of Edgar was the winner of the Hospital Guild's 2018 quilt raffle. Her bounty was a Christmas quilt pieced together by hospital employees and hand quilted by Janet Voss of Carleton.

Thayer County Health Services sponsored free movie matinees during the Christmas Stroll. Employees and volunteers from clinics lent their time to run the

theater during the matinees, including CEO Dr. David Burd, who worked a second showing of "The Grinch," after the first showing sold out with over 140 in attendance.

"Oceans of Grass," a documentary that follows ranchers in the Sandhills through four seasons, was shown at the Majestic Theatre for free, thanks to local businesses and Thayer Central FFA.

Georg Joutras, the docu-

mentary's maker, was also at the theater to answer questions after the showing.

Dirt work signaled the end of the demolition of two buildings on 4th Street in Hebron, which were deemed unsafe. The council worked through the project for much of the year, meeting with the owners and owners adjacent to the buildings.

Thayer Central formed an

exploratory esports club. Esports is digital competition with teams and tournaments, and Midland University even has a stadium. The club is led by Ryan Waters.

Thayer County adopted a plan to combat truancy in the schools and formally submitted a grant application to the Nebraska Crime Commission for the 2019-2020 school year.



Two buildings on north 4th Street, 117 and 119, owned by Alan Johnson and John Levendofsky, respectively, were flattened after the Hebron City Council placed barricades on the front sidewalks and out into the street for safety reasons earlier this year.



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