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Tidbits

Pioneer Farm Families announced

This year's Pioneer Farm Families are Gene and Kathleen Heidemann; Kenneth and Judith Effenbeck; Wayne and Jeanette Krenke; and Janet Werner Malpert and Ronald Werner. The families will be honored at the Thayer County Fair Grandstand July 19 following the parade.

Park board to plan for improvements

A new park board will be exploring new equipment and new purposes for Hebron city parks.

Lance Pachta, Lori Werner, Jeff McLaughlin and Tyler Watson are the new park board members.

Residents are being asked to check with the city prior to planning reunions or other activities at the city park shelters or Roosevelt Park gazebo in order to reserve the spots. The city has a simple form to fill out with the park name, date and time to ensure reservations. The park board is developing a new form.

The board will also be discussing new purposes for Riverside Park as they meet with the city council to formulate plans.

It is possible Riverside Park could have a dock or loading area for canoes and kayaks as the board works to make the area more family-friendly. The board would also like to improve lighting and take a look at the restroom/shower building.

The park board is also looking forward to working with the walking trail committee.

City-wide cleanup July 15

The City of Hebron will sponsor a city-wide clean up July 15 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Items that will not be accepted are tires, batteries, electronics, paint, chemicals and any other hazardous waste materials. Leaves, trees and foliage are also unacceptable and should be taken to the tree dump. Appliances must have freon removed.

Dumpsters will be located at 12th and Jefferson. The city-wide cleanup is for Hebron residents only.

Recycling center open July 15

The Hebron Recycling Center will be open July 15 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Only No. 1 and No. 2 plastic, tin, aluminum, newspapers and cardboard are accepted. No lids/cap or motor oil bottles are accepted.

The center is open the third Saturday of every month. It is located at Fifth and Holdrege Streets.

Miss Nebraska Swim Party July 15

The Miss Nebraska Swim Party will be held at the Hebron swimming pool July 15 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Proceeds will go toward the Miss Nebraska Scholarship Organization.

Chester resident and Thayer Central alumni Allison Tietjen was selected to be Miss Nebraska June 10.

City discusses LB840

By Nancy McGill
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Leaks, much-needed repairs and basic nuisances in Hebron's business district and throughout the city may have a solution — LB840, or the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act, which allows municipalities to spend a designated portion of sales tax on economic development without generating an additional burden on taxpayers.

Since passing the city sales tax in 2002 with a plan to use the funds for a community center, improvements and property tax relief, the city has taken in a little more than \$2 million and built the Stastny Community Center.

Business improvements could be realized through LB840, Councilman Kurk Wiedel said at the council's July meeting.

A draft economic development plan for the local option explains how LB840 would be used to attract new capital investments, broaden the tax base, improve the city's infrastructure and ensure economic stability for Hebron. The option would be overseen by a Citizen's Advisory Committee made up of Hebron residents who are not on the council.

In the draft plan, the local option locks Hebron in for 15 years at an amount of approximately \$60,000 per year stored in a separate economic development fund.

The draft proposed budget allocates \$45,000 for business retention and expansion; \$6,000 for recruitment and industry; \$6,000 for tourism; and \$3,000 for contracted services, such as grant writing.

Wiedel said a special election may be held after Jan. 1, 2018. An election for LB840 cannot use city funds.

A working economic development committee is looking at cities like Sutton as possible role models.

In 2005, Sutton residents voted for a sales and use tax of one half percent for economic development. From 2005 to 2013, 17 out of 22 businesses were approved for LB840 assistance. Fifteen of those businesses progressively created 42 new job opportunities. The City of Sutton website details how for every 13 cents of LB840 funds used for development, one full dollar is created for the economy.

In other business, a popular suggestion for an archery range from high school students was taken seriously by the Hebron Chamber and Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

Currently, officials are looking for a site and have thought about 4th Street, where the range could be a multi-use site and include activities like fishing. The range would be a permanent structure.

Safety was a concern of the council because the facility would not be staffed.

"If there was a 4-H event, they are covered under their 4-H insurance," Jana Tietjen, who administered the survey to students that asked them about potential activities in Hebron, said. Tietjen also named self-managed outdoor archery ranges near Blue Springs, Wymore and in Kansas.

The range is in the early planning stages, but it was determined the city would be responsible for maintaining the area and a partnership with the Little Blue Natural Resources District is possible.

The council also approved the renewal of its law enforcement contract at \$11,796 per month.

Two nuisance properties discussed were 140 S. 8th St., and 6094 Road N. Discussion on 140 S. 8th St., was continued for 30 days as the residents attended the council meeting in person and made commitments to clean up the property.



Seven veterans were wrapped in Quilts of Valor during a ceremony July 4 in the Majestic Theater. They are (left to right) Rodney Phelps, Lonnie Jacobitz, Leonard Jeardoe, Robert Molthan, Richard Percival, LaRue Wulfekoetter and John Burd.

Seven veterans receive Quilts of Valor over July 4 holiday

The Thayer County Quilts of Valor coordinator and volunteers held a ceremony in the Majestic Theater July 4 to honor seven veterans with quilts made locally, and also part of a national effort to blanket veterans of all ages in warmth and gratitude for their service.

Veterans being honored were Leonard Jeardoe, John Burd, Rodney Phelps, Robert Molthan, LaRue Wulfekoetter, Richard Percival and Lonnie Jacobitz.

Prior to the quilt presentation, Phyllis Schoenholz explained the mission and reason for Quilts of Valor, including founder Catherine Roberts, whose son was serving in Iraq when she had a vivid dream of a young man in war who was eventually wrapped in a quilt. Roberts saw his demeanor changed for the better because of the quilt.

To Roberts, quilts signified healing and were the equivalent of a purple heart.

Schoenholz brought the story home. She is the Southeast Nebraska Coordinator. Her enthusiasm has caught on in Thayer County and now, Sew Bee It Quilt Shop is a certified Quilts of Valor shop, one of 60 nationally recognized shops across the United States. As of Monday, the Quilts of Valor Foundation had presented 163,512 nationwide.

Sew Bee It Owner Lori Werner is a Quilts of Valor volunteer and part of the Thayer County Quilts of Valor organization.

Nebraska 4-H was challenged to make Quilts of Valor as civic service. Since the 2011 beginning, 465 Quilts of Valor have been made and donated by 4-H. During the early years, the quilts were presented to the Nebraska National Guard because of its deployment.

Nebraska 4-H received thank you notes from intensive care nurses on behalf of wounded soldiers serving in Afghanistan. Nurses wrote, "quilt was proudly worn during the Purple Heart Ceremony. When told the quilt was now his, one recipient stated, 'It even smells like home.'"

Quilts were awarded at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany. Two hundred wounded heroes were covered in Quilts of Valor on a return flight home. A thank you letter was also received from the USO at the Ramstein Air Force Base in Germany explaining how much soldiers appreciated the 4-H quilts.

Back at the Majestic Theater, Ro Bratton and Bailee Remmers held the quilts up one by one before they were given to the seven veterans. Bratton is a member of the Thayer County Quilts of Valor and Remmers is also a member

with 4-H. She made the quilt given to Wulfekoetter. Bratton made Percival's quilt.

Thayer County Quilts of Valor members made the remaining quilts.

Werner introduced the veterans, their length of service and medals received.

Leonard Jeardoe entered the US Navy in September of 1968 as a Navy Seabee. He was discharged in 1970 and discharged from the Reserves in 1974.

Jeardoe received the National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with two Bronze Stars and Fleet Marine Force ribbon, Combat Insignia and the Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device.

John Burd was a US Navy man, entering in September of 1967. His assignments were Vietnam and Antarctica. He spent two tours for 10 months each in Vietnam and five months in Antarctica. He went from Vietnam's 100 degree temperatures to Antarctica's -40 degrees.

Burd was discharged in 1969 and from the Reserves in 1971.

He received the Antarctica Service Medal, Navy Unit Commendation, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal and National Defense Service Medal.

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Mr. and Miss Firecracker

Laik Heinrichs and Brynn Marsh were named Mr. and Miss Firecracker during the July 4 activities in Hebron. The contest was held in Roosevelt Park by the Woman's Achievement Club. Laik is the son of Landon and LeAnn Heinrichs. Brynn is the daughter of Rob and Natalie Marsh. Invited to the contest were past Mr. and Miss Firecrackers, who posed on the porch swing for a photo. See them and parade photos, page 9.

~Obituaries~

Coorsen, Walter, 76, Hebron
Heider, Elmer, 94, Elkhorn
Miller, Larry, 68, Omaha
Ortgies, Joyce, 77, Bruning
Siebenneicher, Emily, 91, Fairbury

Courthouse News

COUNTY COURT Fines Paid

by July 5, 2017
Court costs \$49.00 unless otherwise stated. Probation costs also include \$30 enrollment fee and \$25 per each month on probation. Chemical testing costs are \$5 per month on probation.

Local Law Enforcement

Trish Grant, Kearney. Speeding, \$25.

Fnu Naweed, Houston, Texas. Speeding, \$125.

Christina Goza, Houston, Texas. Speeding, \$25.

Nebraska State Patrol
Ellen McEwen, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Speeding, \$75.

Hannah Jenkins, Hutchinson, Kan. Speeding, \$75.

Cody Williams, Park, Kan. Speeding, \$75.

David Distefano, Gretna. Speeding, \$75.

Michael Schoch, Omaha. Speeding, \$125.

Joshua Russell, Hesston, Kan. Speeding, \$125.

Vincent Dang, Houston, Texas. Speeding, \$200.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Bob G. Kuykendall to Village of Carleton. Pt Lot 11, 12 in Block 13, Original Town of Carleton.

Wanda K. Giebel to North Folk LLC. S16 T4N R4WE 1/2 NE 1/4, NE 1/4 SE 1/4,

Pt S 1/2 SE 1/4 (all grantors interest).

Albert F. Steinman and Dawn A. Steinman to Justin F. Burns and Maurica R. Burns. S35 T1N R3W All interest in Irregular Tract 33 in the East 1/2 of Rural Thayer County.

ZONING PERMIT APPLICATIONS & FEES

Deon Krehnke, 6834 Rd Z, Bruning. Cabin, \$25.

Elaine Huber, 6976 Rd Q, Alexandria. Move in modular home, \$25.

Tim Thompson, 208 W. 7th Street, Davenport. Privacy fence and deck, \$25.

Max Gausman, 905 Thompson Street, Chester. Garden shed, \$25.

Ben Murray, 124 Southern Hills Rd., Hebron. Basketball court, \$25.

J. D. Lowe, 202 Harbine, Alexandria. Move in garage, \$25.

Gail Lockard, 606 Pier 2, Lincoln. Solar array, \$25.

Aksamit Energy Development, 233 S. 13th St., Suite 800 F, Lincoln. Conditional Use App for MET Tower, \$121.79.

Trey Duensing, 274 Rd 5200, Byron. Conditional Use App for developing feedlot, \$137.20.

Thayer County Health Services

Things And Stuff

July 12: Hebron
July 13: Gilead
July 14: Deshler
July 15: Hebron
July 19: Hebron
July 20: Gilead
July 21: Deshler
July 22: TCHS Employees

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

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

Donations of household items and clothing items may be made during the hours of operation or leave

them in the drop box behind the shop.

Children's Immunization Clinics: Immunizations for children are done through the clinic. To schedule a clinic appointment, call 402-768-7203.

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

CLINIC SCHEDULES

Bruning Clinic
July 18.....9:30-11:30
Dr. Randy Waldman

Davenport Clinic
July 17.....9:30-11:30
Dr. Randy Waldman

Deshler Clinic
July 17.....2:00-4:30
Kay Elting, APRN

July 18.....2:00-4:30
Maggie Johnson, PAC

Chester Clinic
July 19.....1:30-4:30
Dr. Scott Vonderfecht

Milligan Clinic
July 18.....7:45-10:30
Dr. Scott Vonderfecht

Health alert issued for Swan Creek Lake

The state has issued new health alerts for harmful algal blooms, also known as toxic blue-green algae, at Kirkman's Cove in Richardson County and Swan Creek Lake 5A in Saline County, and alerts continue at Rockford Lake in Gage County, and Iron Horse Trail Lake in Pawnee County. An alert has ended at Pawnee Lake in Lancaster County.

Samples taken earlier this week at Kirkman's Cove and Swan Creek Lake were above the state's health alert threshold of 20 parts per billion (ppb) of total microcystin (atoxin released by certain strains of blue-green algae.) The alerts will continue at the two lakes for at least two more weeks, because lakes that are on health alert must have two consecutive weeks of readings below the threshold before the alert is discontinued. Although Rockford Lake and Iron Horse Trail Lake did not test high for microcystin this week, they will remain on alert for at least one more week. An alert ended at Pawnee Lake, because it had two consecutive weeks of low readings.

When a health alert is issued, signs are posted to advise the public to use caution, and designated swimming beaches are closed during the alert. Recreational boating and fishing are permitted, but the public is advised to use caution and avoid exposure to the water, particularly avoiding any activity that could lead to swallowing the water. Do not let pets get in the water or drink from the lake. People can still use the public areas for camping, picnics and other outdoor activities.

Weekly sampling has been conducted at 50 public lakes since the beginning of May. The lakes will continue to be monitored weekly throughout the 2017 recreational season. Sampling results for harmful algal blooms and bacteria will be updated every Friday and posted on NDEQ's web site, deq.ne.gov.

(For more information about potential health effects of harmful algal blooms, what to look for, and steps to avoid exposure, please refer to the Fact Sheet. To view the weekly data for the lakes sampled, go to <http://deq.ne.gov/NDEQProg.nsf/Beaches2017.xsp>.)

Eye disease and vision problems

As the U.S. population ages, the number of people with eye disease and vision problems continues to increase. A new report by Prevent Blindness (a national eye health and safety organization dedicated to fighting blindness) points to some alarming projections:

- Costs related to eye disease, including government, insurance and patient costs, are projected to increase 376 percent by 2050.
- As baby-boomers age into the Medicare program, costs will further shift from patients and private insurance to government. By 2050, government will pay more than 41 percent of costs.

- Women will continue to outnumber men in prevalence of all eye disease and vision loss categories except for diabetic retinopathy.
- Those aged 90 and older are projected to be by far the fastest growing population segment, with their population. This will have a significant effect on those living with eye disease.

- The estimated average age of Age-related macular degeneration. AMD patients are 80 years old, the oldest of any of the included eye diseases. Diabetic retinopathy patients have an average age of 66 years, the youngest of any of the included eye diseases.

The sheer numbers of those who are and will be personally and financially impacted by vision impairment and blindness is far too great to ignore. We need to become involved and not stand by and passively accept vision loss as part of growing old.

Before the age of 40, the natural lens of the eye is very flexible. This helps the lens focus on objects that are close up or far away. But as we get older, the lens tends to lose its flexibility. Gradually this lowers the ability to see up-close objects, especially in low light. This vision change is called presbyopia, and it's normal and not a disease. Wearing reading glasses, bifocals, or multifocal contact lenses will correct your vision.

Health News



Some diseases that can affect your vision and eye health are diabetes and high blood pressure. Diabetes is a leading cause of blindness in adults. People with diabetes may develop retinopathy (damage to blood vessels in the retina). High blood pressure can damage the eye's blood vessels and nerves. It can cause permanent vision loss. When you take care of your overall health by eating well and not smoking, your eyes (and the rest of your body) benefit.

Cataracts and glaucoma can happen at any age, but they most often happen in people over 60. A cataract is a clouding of the eye's lens. It can easily be removed and replaced by a special lens during surgery.

Glaucoma is a deterioration of the eye's nerve over time. It is often accompanied by increased pressure in the eye. Treatment may be eye drops or surgery to decrease eye pressure.

Age-related macular degeneration (AMD) is more common in people over 60. It can cause a partial loss of vision. "Wet" AMD happens when new, unwanted, leaky blood vessels grow in the eye. It can be treated with medicine. "Dry" AMD is a slower process and does not have a specific treatment. But certain doses of vitamin and minerals may slow or stop it.

As you age, getting regular check-ups with your healthcare provider and having your eyes checked by an optometrist becomes even more important. These professionals can help you prevent blindness by identify vision problems early when they respond better to treatment.

Source: www.prevent-blindness.org and www.webmd.com

Effenbeck named to Dean's list

College of Saint Mary has announced the exceptional achievements of students with the release of the Dean's List for the Spring 2017 Semester. In total, 423 students were named to the honorary list.

"This honor reflects the outstanding dedication and perseverance put forth by each awarded student," said College of Saint Mary President Dr. Maryanne Stevens, RSM. "Each individual on our Dean's List has displayed excellence in the classroom, while growing in character and developing lifelong leadership skills."

To qualify for the College of Saint Mary Dean's List,

students must earn a GPA of 3.5 or higher after completing at least 12 semester hours as a full-time student.

Among those receiving this honor was Briggett Effenbeck of Deshler, Bachelor of Science in Human Biology.

News and advertising deadline is Monday noon for The Hebron Journal-Register

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Bowling Leagues Now Forming

If you or a group are interested in joining a league, please call (402) 768-6689 or Dale Klaumann at (402) 768-3055

Fall League Starts August 20

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3 rd	\$150

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Racing @ 6:00 PM

Contact Information:
Terry Tuma at 402-525-7893
or Toby Kruse at 515-231-5444

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Special Occasions



**Happy 90th Birthday
Frank Hartley**

There will be an open house honoring Frank at the Thayer County Museum in Belvidere, Saturday, July 15, 2:00-4:00 p.m. No gifts please.



**Congratulations Dr. Bob Baxa
on 50 years serving the
Beatrice & Gage County areas!**

Love,
The Jackie Wiedel Family

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

Hebron Senior Center

Monday, July 17: Cook's choice. *Fairbury trip.*

Tuesday, July 18: Goulash, green beans, peaches, garlic toast. *Bingo.*

Wednesday, July 19: Chicken salad on croissant, cheese stick, carrots and celery, poke cake. *Bus to fair, 4:45 p.m.*

Thursday, July 20: Pork tenderloin, baked potato, broccoli, pudding, roll. *Thayer County Fair.*

Friday, July 21: Chicken strips, French fries, baked beans, cookie. *Fair booth.*

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

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

Chester Senior Diners

Monday, July 17: Cook's choice.

Tuesday, July 18: Goulash, green beans, peaches, garlic toast.

Wednesday, July 19: Chicken salad on croissant, cheese stick, carrots and celery, poke cake.

Thursday, July 20: Pork tenderloin, baked potato, broccoli, pudding, roll.

Friday, July 21: Chicken strips, French fries, baked beans, cookie.

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.

Although not listed, there is an activity scheduled each day.

Davenport Senior Diners

Monday, July 17: Cook's choice.

Tuesday, July 18: Goulash, green beans, peaches, garlic toast.

Wednesday, July 19: Chicken salad on croissant, cheese stick, carrots and celery, poke cake.

Thursday, July 20: Pork tenderloin, baked potato, broccoli, pudding, roll.

Friday, July 21: Chicken strips, French fries, baked beans, cookie.

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

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

Day trip to State Capitol

The Blue Rivers Public Transportation is sponsoring a day trip to tour the Nebraska State Capitol on July 28.

The all-inclusive day trip tour includes: Round trip transportation; Guided tour of our State's most recognized landmark; Delicious box lunch.

The bus will depart Hebron at 7:30 a.m. with stops in Fairbury, Wymore, Beatrice and Cortland. It will return to Hebron at 5 p.m.

To make reservations, call Cliff at 402-223-1376 or 1-888-317-9417. The trip is open to all members of the public. There is a fee for this trip.

Free Farm Finance Clinic

Farmers and ranchers are invited to attend a free clinic. The clinics are one-on-one, not group sessions, and are confidential. The Farm Finance clinic gives you a chance to meet with an experienced Ag law attorney and Ag financial counselor.

These clinic staff specialize in legal and financial issues related to farming and ranching, including financial planning, estate and transition planning, farm loan programs, debtor/creditor law, water rights, and other relevant matters.

Here is an opportunity to obtain an experienced outside opinion on issues that may be affecting your farm or ranch. Bring your questions.

A local clinic will be held in Fairbury on July 20.

To sign up for a clinic or for more information, call Michelle at the Nebraska Farm Hotline 1-800-464-0258.

The Nebraska Department of Agriculture and Legal Aid of Nebraska sponsor the farm finance clinics.

Walter Coordsen

Walter D. Coordsen, 76, of Hebron, passed away July 10, 2017, in Hebron. He was born November 11, 1940, in Fairbury.

He is survived by his wife, Marjure Coordsen of Hebron; children, Bradley Coordsen of Jansen, Brian Coordsen of Oklahoma, and Shari Luehring of Hebron.

Services will be at 10:00 a.m. on July 13, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Gilead. Burial will be at St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery in Gilead.

The family will greet friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on July 12 at Gerdes-Meyer Funeral Home in Fairbury.

Memorials are directed to the Hebron Rescue Unit.

Gerdes-Meyer Funeral Home in Fairbury is in charge of arrangements.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank those in the community that made the Fourth of July so special for our folks. Our "Friends with Tractors," American Legion Riders, the Shriners and all the parade participants who made the trip out to our homes. Also thank you to D's Daylight Donuts for providing residents and staff with donuts.

Thank you!
FROM ALL OF US AT
BLUE VALLEY
LUTHERAN HOMES

Obituaries

Emily Siebenneicher

Emily Lily Anna (Schardt) Siebenneicher, 91, of rural Gilead, passed away July 9, 2017, at Heritage Care Center in Fairbury. She was born to Henry C. and Emilie (Albrecht) Schardt on December 12, 1925, at home south of Carleton.

She was baptized and later confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church, in Friedensau. In 1965, she became a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Fairbury until her death.

Emily attended grade school at Trinity Lutheran North School (Friedensau) and attended Carleton High School for two years. She graduated from Deshler High School in 1944.

She worked for Henderson Ford Motor Co. from 1944 to 1947 and Blue Valley Nursing Home from 1986 to 1992.

Emily was active in several clubs including Gilead Variety Club, LWML of Grace Lutheran, Hannah Circle at Grace Lutheran, Rock Creek Quilters Guild, Legion Auxiliary 180 of Hebron, VFW of Hebron and Feeders Auxiliary of Hebron.

On June 15, 1947, Emily married Wayne J. Siebenneicher at Trinity Lutheran Church in Friedensau. To this union were born: Linda Marie, Connie Jean, Wesley Wayne and Judith Ann.

Emily is survived by her children, Linda (Larry) Mitchell of Hebron, Connie (Larry) Hineline of Omaha, Wesley (Lori) Siebenneicher of Gilead and Judy (Steve) Zimmerman of Fairbury; grandchildren, Sherri Sehr of Omaha, Nikkel (Jerod) Christy of Sioux City, Iowa, Tiffany (Andrew) Foxhoven of Omaha, Zebadiah (Randi) Zimmerman of Fairbury, Emily Zimmerman of Wichita, Kan.; great-grandchildren, Sophia and Samuel Johnson, Dylan, Allison and Drew Foxhoven, Dakota Zimmerman, Caleb (Tiffany) Mitchell; great-great-grandchildren, Brooke, Greg and William Mitchell; sisters, Florence Eickman, Francis Ritterling and Mildred (Elmer) Holtzen.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Wayne Siebenneicher; parents, Henry C. and Emilie Schardt; parents-in-law, John and Viola Siebenneicher; brothers, Edgar, Paul and Leonard Schardt; sisters, Erma Ohlrich, Velora Wurtz and Lorraine Rupprecht; brothers-in-law, Lawrence Ohlrich, Lawrence Ritterling, Ruben Rupprecht, Stan Koop, Herman Wurtz, Delmer Eickman; sisters-in-law, Grace, Viola and Alice Schardt, step grand-children, Greg and Allen Mitchell.

Services will be on July 14, at 10:30 a.m., at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairbury, with Pastor Charles Schmidt officiating.

The family will greet friends on Thursday evening from 7 to 9.

Burial will be in Grace Lutheran Cemetery with memorials to the family's choice.

Gerdes-Meyer Funeral Home in Fairbury is in charge of arrangements.

Larry Miller

Larry George Miller of Deshler, the son of George and Eva (Newman) Miller, was born July 31, 1948, in Deshler. He departed this life on July 9, 2017, at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha.

He was baptized and confirmed at the First Presbyterian Church in Deshler.

Larry grew up in the Deshler area attending school and graduating from Deshler High School with the class of 1966.

Larry entered the United States Army on June 26, 1968, serving in Okinawa, Japan.

On November 3, 1968, he was united in marriage to Mary Stierlen at Grace Lutheran Church in Hebron. After he was honorably discharged on June 16, 1970, the couple moved to Deshler, and were blessed with children, Tiffany and Travis.

After returning home, Larry worked with his father at Miller Construction as a heavy equipment operator doing dirt work in various places. After George retired, Larry took over the business. He was an excellent heavy equipment operator and continued to work for area contractors after retirement, until his death.

Larry loved being outdoors, hunting, fishing, and later playing golf. He raised quail and pheasants and released them into the wild for all to enjoy. He was involved with Pheasants Forever and the Isaac Walton League. Most of all Larry loved spending time with his family, especially teasing the grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; niece, Brooke Roth; and other family members.

He is survived by daughter, Tiffany (Phil) Shaw; son, Travis (Chrystal) Miller; the mother of his children, Mary Miller; sisters, Dee (Jerry) Williamson and Terry Cabreara; grandchildren, Traegan, Auston, Andrew (Sierra), Misty, Madison, Taylor, Raegan (Sean), Jaide, and Gracie; great-granddaughter, Avery; special friend, Becky Cahill; other family and friends.

A memorial service will be held on July 14, at Peace Lutheran Church in Deshler at 11:00 a.m. Officiant will be Pastor Richard Stevenson, with organist Julia Pohlmann.

Private family inurnment at a later date.

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Cremation no visitation.

Kroll Funeral Home of Deshler is in charge of arrangements.

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

*** BELVIDERE ***

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

*** BETHEL ***

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

*** BRUNING ***

TRINITY LUTHERAN
Stuart Sell, Pastor
Sundays: Worship with Holy
Communion, 10 a.m.
Monday, July 10 - Friday, July
14: Vacation Bible School.
Tuesday, July 18: Text
study.

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

*** BYRON ***

ST. PETER LUTHERAN RURAL BYRON
Pastor Breen Marie Sipes

Sundays: Worship, 10:30
a.m.

*** CARLETON ***

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

*** CHESTER ***

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

*** DAVENPORT ***

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN

Vicar Greg Schaffer
Sundays: Worship, 8 a.m.;
Sunday School and Bible class,
9:15 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST

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

*** DAYKIN ***

ST. JOHN

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

*** DESHLER ***

ABIDING WORD LUTHERAN
Jon Langness, Pastor
Friday, July 14: Ladies Bible
study, 1 p.m.
Sunday, July 16: Sunday
School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship,
10:30 a.m.
Wednesday, July 19:
Parkview Haven, 3 p.m.

PEACE LUTHERAN

Rich Stevenson, Pastor
Friday, July 14: Men's break-
fast at The Wheelhouse, 7
a.m.
Sunday, July 16: Adult Sun-
day School, 9 a.m.; Holy Com-
munion, 10 a.m.

ST. PETER LUTHERAN

Brian Francik, Pastor
Thursday, July 13: Bible
study at Meadowlark Heights,
11 a.m.; VBS at Trinity, Frie-
densau, 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. (with
supper at 5:30 p.m.).
Friday, July 14: Bulletin
folders, 1 p.m.; VBS at Trinity,
Friedensau, 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
(with supper at 5:30 p.m.).
Sunday, July 16: Worship
Service, 10 a.m.
Wednesday, July 19: Thayer
County Fair booth, 6 p.m. - 10
p.m.

*** FRIEDENSAU ***

TRINITY LUTHERAN
B. J. Fouts, Pastor
Sunday, July 9: Worship
Service, 10 a.m.

*** GILEAD ***

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN
Pastor Annette Minderman
Sundays: Worship, 11 a.m.

*** HARDY ***

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

*** HEBRON ***

FAITH LUTHERAN
Rev. Christopher Gerdes, Pastor
Sundays: Worship, 9:30
a.m.
Wednesdays: Matins, 9 a.m.;
Bible study, 9:30 a.m.

FIRST COMMUNITY CHURCH

Steve Speichinger, Pastor
Sundays: Sunday School, 9
a.m.; Worship, 10:00 a.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
Sundays: Worship, 10:30
a.m.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Keith Brozek, Pastor
Saturday, July 15: Worship,

6:30 p.m.
Sunday, July 16: Worship,
Coffee fellowship, 9 a.m.

HEBRON & CHESTER UNITED METHODIST

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

KING OF KINGS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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

NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY

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

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC

Father Rudolf Oborny, Pastor
Saturday, July 15: Mass,
6 p.m.
Sunday, July 16: Mass, 10
a.m.
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ence, July 9-14, for first grade
through high school seniors.
Diocesan canoe trips, July
18-20.
Steubenville Mid-America
Conference, July 21-23.
Marriage Encounter week-
end, August 4-6, in Omaha.
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tember; call Fr. Rudy if inter-
ested.

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Jeff Friesen, Pastor
Sundays: Sunday School, 9
a.m.; Worship, 10 a.m.
Wednesdays: Pioneer Club,
6:30 p.m.; Bible study, 7 p.m.
Thursdays: Prayer time, 9
a.m.

*** HUBBELL ***

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

*** OAK ***

FIRST COMMUNITY CHURCH

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

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Obituaries

Elmer Heider

Elmer John Paul Heider, son of William H. and Alma F. (Heidbrink) Heider, was born on a farm near Chester, on August 12, 1922, and was baptized at St. John Lutheran church in Chester. Elmer was called to his eternal home on July 1, 2017, at Brookstone Meadows in Elkhorn. He was 94 years old.



Elmer received his elementary education at St. John's and was confirmed there on July 4, 1937, by the Rev. O. W. Juengel. His confirmation verse was Psalm 37:4. Elmer attended Chester High School and graduated in 1941.

Elmer joined the Army in 1944 and received his military training at Camp Wolters, Texas. From there he went to the European Theater via Scotland and England. He crossed the English Channel to Le Harve, France, and then went on to Belgium, where he joined the 75th Infantry Division. After that, he went to Holland and Germany where he crossed the Rhine River near Wesel, Germany. After the war he went back to France and Belgium where he was assigned to a Grave Registration Detachment. He chose farming as his

vocation, as he loved the outdoors, and engaged in farming after returning home from the service.

On November 24, 1956, he was united in marriage to Lucille M. Effenbeck at Grace Lutheran Church in Hebron, with the Rev. G. J. Meyer officiating. This union was blessed with daughters, Rebecca and Carmen. The couple spent most of their life on the farm three miles east of Deshler.

Elmer joined St. Peter Lutheran Church in Deshler in 1965 and was active in the choir and Laymen's League. He also served on various boards within the church and spent 24 years as a Director in the Farm Credit system. After retiring, Elmer and Lucille built a home in Deshler, and later moved to Omaha.

Elmer enjoyed spending time with friends but especially his family.

Preceding Elmer in death is his wife, Lucille; parents; sister, Novella, who died in early infancy; brothers, Louis and Robert; and sisters, Wilda Juengel and Esther Juengel.

Elmer is survived by his daughters, Rebecca O'Leary and husband Terry of Omaha, Carmen Heider and husband Paul Czisny of Fond Du Lac, Wisc.; granddaughter, Megan O'Leary; step-grandson, Joe Czisny; sister, Verona Hofts and husband Dennis of Arvada, Colo., and sister-in-law, LaDonna Heider of Hebron.

Funeral services were

held on July 6, at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Deshler. Officiant was Pastor Brian Francik. Organist was Joyce Schmidt playing congregational hymns "I Know That My Redeemer Lives," "Beautiful Savior" and "Blessed Assurance."

Casket bearers were Terry O'Leary, Paul Czisny, Ken Effenbeck, Dale Heider, Roger Heider and Arlen Heider.

Military honor guard was by Deshler American Halfman Legion Post #352.

Burial was in the Deshler City Cemetery.

Condolences may be left at www.krollfh.com.

Memorials are directed in care of the family.

Kroll Funeral Home of Deshler is in charge of arrangements.

Joyce Ortgies

Joyce M. Ortgies was born on February 19, 1939, and passed away on June 28, 2017, at the age of 77.

Joyce is preceded in death by her husband, Don; parents, Henry and Helen Meyer; and sister, Carol Deepe.

She is survived by her children and spouses, Brian (Connie) Ortgies of Kenesaw, Kelly (Dawn) Ortgies of Omaha, Tracy (Ranae) Ortgies of Papillion, Kristie (Charlie) Alback of LaVista; grandchildren, Ronne Cook, Katie Ortgies, Sam Ortgies, Jack Meling, Ava Lyons, Madeline Ortgies, Nolan Ortgies, Mary Ortgies and Michael Ortgies. She is also survived by her in-laws, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held on July 6 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Bruning.

Interment was in the Trinity Lutheran Cemetery in Bruning.

Kahler-Dolce Mortuary of Papillion was in charge of the arrangements.



Photos by Deshler Rustler

Cooper, Zoie and Max win Pet Parade

The Pet Parade and Costume Contest July 3 netted three winners — Kylea Hintz with Cooper for first place, Glenda Corn with Zoie for second place and Colin Huber and Tricia Kohlmann with Max for third place.



Good luck to all fair participants!



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Thayer Co. Fairgrounds, Deshler, NE

July 19-22

Wagner's Carnival

4-H Schedule

Wednesday, July 12

Clothing Day & Pre-Fair Contest 9 a.m.
 4-Her's Report for Fashion Show 5 p.m.
 Public Fashion Show &
 Performing Arts Contest 7 p.m.

Thursday, July 13

Small Animal followed by Dog Show 6 p.m.

Saturday, July 15

Horse Show 9 a.m.

Monday, July 17

Static Exhibit Check In 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Tuesday, July 18

Static Exhibit Judging 8 a.m.

Wednesday, July 19

Hog Check in 7 a.m. - 8 a.m.
 Beef Check in 8 a.m. - 9 a.m.
 Sheep, Poultry and Rabbit Check in 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
 Horse Check in 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
 Ice Cream Contest 12:30 p.m.
 Rabbit Show 3 p.m.
 Livestock Judging 5 Classes 4 p.m.
 4-H Night & Cake Raffle 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 20

Goat Show 8 a.m.
 Sheep Show 10 a.m.
 (or immediately following Goat Show, whichever is later)
 Poultry Show
 (starting with pens in Poultry Barn) Noon

Friday, July 21

Rabbit Show 8 a.m.
 Beef Show 8:30 a.m.
 Small Animal Round Robin 1 p.m.
 Horse Judging 4 Classes 3 p.m.
 Beef Fitting Contest 7 p.m.

Saturday, July 22

Hog Show 8 a.m.
 Horses Released Noon - 3 p.m.
 Large Animal Round Robin 3 p.m.

Sunday, July 23

4-H Breakfast and Exhibit Release 8 a.m. - 9 a.m.
 Open Class Exhibit Release 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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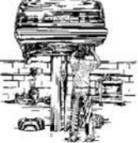

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Beer Garden Open.....5 p.m.
(Advance race tickets sold for \$5 per person, 2 and under free, from 5-8 p.m. for Sat. night races)

Parade.....6 p.m.

Farm Family Award in Grandstands following parade

4-H Cake Raffle in Grandstands 7 p.m.

Colors da Clown Face Painting..... 7 p.m.-10 p.m.

Sign up for Little Tuggers..... 7 p.m.
(Under main building awning-south side)

Little Tuggers Tractor Pull.....7:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 20

Beer Garden Open.....5 p.m.
(Race tickets sold for \$5 from 5-8 p.m. for Sat. night races)

Wagner's Carnival 6 p.m.-11 p.m.

BBQ Chicken Dinner-BVLH Foundation Board.....5:30 p.m.
(Under Grandstands)

Colors da Clown Face Painting..... 6 p.m.-10 p.m.

Joseph Hall (Elvis) in Grandstands (Free admission)8 p.m.

Friday, July 21

Beer Garden Open.....5 p.m.
(Race tickets sold for \$5 from 5-8 p.m. for Sat. night races)

Windsor Pork Chop & Trimmings - Knights of Columbus .. 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
(Grandstands)

Mutton Busting sign-up (Horse arena - No late sign ups). 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Mutton Busting and Kid's Rodeo 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
(In front of Grandstands; Family event--kid, parent and grandparent involvement)

Colors da Clown 6 p.m.-10 p.m.

Wagner's Carnival..... 6 p.m.-11 p.m.

Abby Nicole in Grandstands (Free admission) 8 p.m.

Repeat Offenders Band (Beer Garden)..... 10 p.m.

Saturday, July 22

Car Show (Deshler City Park)..... 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Beer Garden Open.....3 p.m.

Gates Open for Grandstands 4 p.m.

Hot Laps Begin (Grandstands) 5 p.m.

Prime Rib Sandwich and Trimmings 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
(Thayer County Feeders - Under Grandstands)

Hobby Stock race followed by Trailer Races 6 p.m.

Wagner's Carnival..... 6 p.m.-11 p.m.

Abby Nicole (Beer Garden)..... 9 p.m.

Sunday, July 23

4-H Breakfast by Deshler Lions Club (for 4-H kids) 8 a.m.-9 a.m.

Cowboy Church Service (Grandstands)9:30 a.m.
(Public Invited; Ag Hall in case of inclement weather)

Open Class Deadlines

Tuesday, July 18

Entries Received 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, July 19

Entries Received 8:00-11:30 a.m.

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Eickman attends CASE conference and develops soybean curriculum



Courtesy photo

Rachel Eickman (left) works in the lab during a recent workshop held in Waverly.

Rachel Eickman has completed a STEM based CASE (Curriculum for AgriScience Education) training the past two weeks in Waverly on Plant Science.

Through a Nebraska FFA Foundation scholarship, funded by the Nebraska Soybean Board and DuPont Pioneer, Eickman is supplementing this STEM based curriculum by using soybeans as a model, focus and method for learning.

This fall Eickman will be implementing this curriculum in her classroom by utilizing soybeans in various segments of the CASE plant science systems.

"This is a good effort for industry and a commodity board to further agricultural education in our schools. The program shares the expertise of others to raise the level

of agricultural education in our schools," says Victor Bohuslavsky, Executive Director of the Nebraska Soybean Board.

Through this curriculum Eickman will be teaching students about the process, benefits and challenges related to the use of soybeans in agriculture. "I'm very excited to offer this curriculum to my agronomy students so they can see the direct impact that science has on soybean production" says Eickman.

"Ensuring there is enough safe, affordable and nutritious food for all will require more than more students understand agriculture and become future leaders in food production," said Mark Deterding, Business Director for DuPont Pioneer's Western Business Unit. "We

know that we cannot do this alone and are working with others in agriculture and education to give teachers the best resources to encourage children to understand agriculture and consider careers in the industry."

Matt Kreifels, Assistant Professor of Practice with UNL's Agricultural Leadership, Education and Communication Department says, "We expect our teachers to know everything and teach all areas of agriculture, food and natural resources. The reality is they have very minimal resources to equip both themselves and their classrooms to teach this valuable information. The CASE Institute is unique and very beneficial to a teacher. They can easily implement that curriculum right in their classroom."

Nebraska's NRDs celebrate 45 years of protecting live, property and future

For 45 years, Nebraska's Natural Resources Districts (NRDs) have been protecting lives, property and future of this beautiful state. July 1, 2017, marks the 45th Anniversary of the creation of the NRD system in Nebraska. With the local public participation, Nebraska has made monumental progress in all 23 NRDs with soil and water conservation and protection efforts.

"Nebraska's natural resources are precious and need to be protected," said Jim Bendfeldt, president of the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts. "We commend the public for working with their local NRD to protect the natural resources for future generations. They need clean water to drink, nutrient-rich soil to grow food to sustain Nebraska's economic viability."

The Nebraska Legislature enacted Legislative Bill (LB) 1357 in 1969 to combine Nebraska's 154 special purpose entities into the Natural Resources Districts by July 1972. The 23 NRDs were organized based on the state's major river basins. Each District has a publicly-elected board that makes local management decisions to help conserve our valuable natural resources and groundwater. Throughout the decades, the NRDs have worked with landowners to protect natural resources, provided and protected public water supplies, assisted urban and rural areas with flood control, provided recreation opportunities and have planted more than 95 million trees throughout Nebraska.

"The Natural Resources Districts are celebrating this amazing milestone," said Bendfeldt. "Other states are struggling with water and soil management because they do not have a local NRD system to provide opportunities for local citizens to protect natural resources. Without the NRDs, Nebraska would be in the extremely tough situation we see so many other states dealing with right now. With the NRD system, we have clean water, good soil and wonderful, hardworking people who believe in this state's success and future."

Here are several facts about the Nebraska's natural resources as we look back on the last 45 years of success:

Groundwater:
- Nebraska is #1 in irri-

gated acres while maintaining groundwater levels at pre-developed levels.

- Nebraska's center pivot manufacturers work closely with the NRDs and help lead the charge by creating and manufacturing more efficient irrigation systems.

- Nebraska farmers and ranchers work with the NRD on water quality and quantity management to protect this valuable resource for future generations.

- Wise management of the water resources also helps Nebraska agriculture lead the nation in several categories. We are #1 in cattle on feed and commercial red meat production, #2 in ethanol production, #3 in corn production, #5 in soybean production and #6 in swine production.

- Nebraska's Natural Resources Districts work with private landowners to monitor thousands of wells across the state each year for groundwater quality and quantity.

Flood Control:
- There are hundreds of effective NRD flood control programs and activities across Nebraska directed at keeping our floodplains safer and reducing the potential for loss of life and property.

- Districts construct and maintain watershed structures or dams to help reduce the effects of flood damage during large rain events.

- Levee systems are also operated and maintained by the districts to protect property and lives.

- By installing these structures, thousands of homes and businesses have been removed from the federal floodplain maps saving those millions in federal flood insurance premiums and liability.

Forestry:
- NRDs have planted more than 95 million trees since 1972.

- Trees shade and shelter homes, reduce energy costs, protect and increase crop yields, reduce soil erosion caused by water and wind, improve water quality, control snow and preserve winter moisture, protect livestock, provide food and cover for wildlife, control noise, capture atmospheric carbon, raise property values, and add beauty to our landscape.

- Check out <http://www.nrdtrees.org> for more information on tree planting and species available for purchase by each NRD.

Soil:

- NRDs assist landowners to make implement conservation practices to reduce soil erosion, improve soil health and improve surface water quality.

- NRDs work with state and federal agencies to modify programs to fit local resources needs.

- Best management practices, terraces, waterways, filter strips, and buffer strips all help to improve the quality of surface water in a watershed.

Recreation:
- There are over 80 recreation areas across the state run by the NRDs. These areas include public access lakes, trails, and wildlife areas. There's something for every outdoor enthusiast to enjoy!

- Please visit <http://www.nrdrec.org> for more information on the amenities and recreation opportunities in your area!

Education:
- The NRDs work closely with the University of Nebraska Research and Extension to help improve farming and ranching practices that save soil, protect grass lands and protect water resources.

- The NRDs work with local schools, 4-H, FFA and local natural resources science clubs to provide additional natural resources education and information programs.

Visit <https://www.nrdnet.org/nrds> for more information about local NRDs and programs to protect natural resources.

Visit <http://www.nrdstories.org> for more information on important individuals critical to the history and formation of the NRDs.

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Veterans...

Rodney Phelps entered the US Army in December of 1970. He was discharged in 1971 and discharged from the Reserves in 1975.

He served with the 1st Cavalry Charlie Troop Americal Division Tank Commander in Chu Lai, Da Nang and Khe Sanh near the Demilitarized Zone.

Medals earned by Phelps were the National Defense Service Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, two Oak Leaves Service Bars, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic Vietnam Campaign Medal with two Bronze Stars and the Good Conduct Medal.

Robert Molthan entered the US Army in May of 1966. He was discharged in 1968 and discharged from the Reserves in 1972.

Medals earned by Molthan were the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and Good

Conduct Medal.

Larue Wulfekoetter served in the National Guard and was assigned to Vietnam. He served from 1964 to 1970.

He earned the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and Vietnam Campaign Medal.

Richard Percival joined the US Navy March 22, 1965. He attended the Naval Training Center in San Diego, Calif., for boot camp and was then sent to Personnel school for eight weeks. After, he was transferred to Personnel accounting machine installation (PANI) Pacific for one year and then to Enlisted Personnel Distribution Office Pacific. PANI was the Navy's way of keeping track of all the sailors in the Pacific. The process was developed after World War II.

Percival deployed aboard the USS Constellation bound for Vietnam in May of 1968.

The ship would stay on line for 30 days and then port in the Philippines for about a week before returning to the Vietnam coast. It sailed back to the states in January of 1969 and Percival was discharged March 21, 1969.

He was awarded the following medals: National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal (One Bronze Star), Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal and Good Conduct Medal.

Lonnie Jacobitz served two tours in Vietnam in the US Navy. He was aboard the USS Gunston Hall for his first tour and Cat Lo Swift boats for his second.

His second tour began in September of 1969 and Jacobitz was wounded in action. He was discharged in 1970.

He earned the Purple Heart, Combat Action Ribbon Bronze Star, National Defense Service Medal and Vietnam Service Medal.



Ro Bratton and Bailee Remmers displayed each Quilt of Valor that was presented to the veterans at the Majestic Theater July 4. Bratton made the quilt given to Richard Percival. Remmers made Wulfekoetter's quilt.

Card of Thanks

A big thank you to everyone for the cards, birthday greetings, gifts and visits for my 70th birthday. It was a wonderful time with family and friends. I loved every minute of it.

JUDY KASSEBAUM

Card of Thanks

Words are hard to find to express our thanks for the remembrances of our 25th anniversary. We feel so blessed having been granted these years together. It was a joy to hear from all our wonderful relatives and friends who joined in with beautiful cards, phone calls, flowers and visits. Thanks to our children who are always there for us. God bless you all.

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Public Notices

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS Bruning Rural Fire District #3 Bruning, Nebraska CONSTRUCTION OF FIRE HALL

Sealed proposals will be received by Lance J. Johnson, Attorney, of 137 East Main Street, P.O. Box 210, Bruning NE 68322, until 2:00 P.M. on the 1st day of August, 2017, for the furnishing of all labor, materials, use of contractor's equipment, and all else necessary to properly construct a Fire Hall and all related improvements. At such hour, or as soon as practicable thereafter, at the Opera House, 145 East Main Street, Bruning, NE, BRUNING RURAL FIRE DISTRICT #3 will proceed to publically open, in the presence of all bidders, and consider the bids received for the furnishing of such labor, materials and equipment necessary for the proper construction of such improvements. The extent of the work consists of the construction of a new Fire Hall in conformance with plans and specifications prepared by EDWIN KORFF AND ASSOCIATES, 5200 West 94th Terrace, Suite 200, Prairie Village, KS 66207, Phone: (913) 649-7566. The engineers' estimated cost of the project is \$750,000.00.

Each bid shall be accompanied in a separate sealed envelope by a certified check or bid bond in an amount not less than Five Percent (5%) of the amount bid, and such certified check or bid bond shall be payable to the TREASURER OF BRUNING RURAL FIRE DISTRICT #3, as security that the bidder to whom the contract may be awarded will enter into a contract to build the improvement in accordance with this Notice. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities.

Drawings, specifications and contract documents may be examined at the law offices of GERMER, MURRAY AND JOHNSON, 137 East Main Street, Bruning, Nebraska, or may be obtained from EDWIN KORFF AND ASSOCIATES. Downloadable files and hard copy prints may be procured from A & D TECHNICAL SUPPLY, 822 N Street, Lincoln NE 68508, Phone: (402) 474-5454.

BRUNING RURAL FIRE DISTRICT #3,
LEROY VOSS,
CHAIRMAN
DOUG BRUNING,
SECRETARY
Wk27-2t
ZNEZ

VILLAGE OF GILEAD REGULAR MEETING JULY 5, 2017

The Village Board met in public session on July 5, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Village Hall. Notices were printed on resident statements and published in the Hebron Journal as well as posted at the USPO, Village Hall, and Pioneers Inn. Roll call was taken; board members present were Lyle, Larry, DeWayne, Mike, and guest Wayne Ough. Also present was Linda Abelson village clerk.

Minutes from the June 6 and 22, 2017 meetings were read. There were no corrections minutes approved.

The treasurer's report was reviewed. Mike made a motion that the bills be paid as presented. Larry seconded, all in favor, motion carried. The bills that were paid are: Salaries \$979.18, Fairbury Light & Water \$3,047.53, Hebron Journal \$42.90, LBPWP \$21.65, Garbage South \$175.00, IRS \$309.90, Nebraska Department of Revenue \$565.31, Village of Gilead (transfer of funds) \$1854.94 and \$715.49, McBride Trucking \$2047.70, Thayer Central Schools \$350.00, Gilmore & Associates \$10586.00, Thayer County Court \$25.00 and United States Post Office \$49.00.

The board discussed past due electric bills. The village clerk presented the suggestion that was made by DEQ, SENDD and Gilmore and Associates to eliminate the gravel surface for the new lagoon which would give them a savings of \$13,520.00 on the project. The board discussed this option Larry made a motion to amend the contract to eliminate the gravel surface thus decreasing the total contract to \$232,807.00. Seconded by Mike, all in favor motion carried.

The village clerk presented the three loan options of 20, 25, and 30 year terms along with the annual payments, the total interest that would incur on each term along with the debt service connection per sewer hookup for each term. The board discussed each option as to the annual payments and the savings of interest between each option. Mike made a motion to accept the 20 year term option. Seconded by Larry, all in favor motion carried. The board also discussed sewer rates and the debt service connection per sewer hookup. Mike made a motion to increase the residential rate to \$25.00 per hook up and Business to \$30.00 per hook up beginning with the August 2017

bill. Seconded by DeWayne, all in favor motion carried.

The board revisited the 6.6% increase that was received by Fairbury Light & Water for our electricity that they had discussed but tabled last month. Mike made a motion to pass the 6.6% increase on to Village residents beginning with the September 2017 electric bill. Seconded by DeWayne, all in favor motion carried.

The board discussed the RV Camp that Mark Hergott is constructing. They discussed what rates he would receive once the park is open and they decided he would be charged a business rate.

There being no further business, DeWayne made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mike. All in favor, motion carried. The next regular meeting will be held August 8, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the village hall.

Sincerely Submitted,
Linda Abelson
Village Clerk
Wk28-1t
ZNEZ

VILLAGE OF BRUNING 2017 JOB TITLES & SALARIES

Village of Bruning employees and their pay: Chairperson \$1500 annually, Treasurer \$400 annually, Trustees \$40 per meeting, Utility/Maintenance Supervisor \$17 per hour, and Village Clerk \$14.50 per hour.
Wk28-1t
ZNEZ

MEETING NOTICE

The Alexandria Rural Fire District Board will meet on Tuesday, July 18, 2017, at 8:00 p.m., at the fire hall in Alexandria. Agenda kept current at residence of Secretary. (402) 749-3215.
Wk28-1t
ZNEZ

GENERAL NOTICE OF BYRON STATE, INC. DISSOLUTION

Please be advised that Byron State, Inc., a domestic corporation with principal office at Kansas Ave. PO Box 126, Byron, NE 68325 will dissolve as of July 1, 2017. At that time, assets and liabilities will equal zero. Dissolution will be a result of the purchase of the corporation by Summerfield Financial Services, LLC., 6528 South 59th Place, Lincoln NE 68516.

All debts owed to and all claims against Byron State, Inc. will be received by President, Cynthia Lavelle at the Summerfield Financial Services address set forth above.
Wk28-3t
ZNEZ

NOTICE OF MERGER BYRON STATE BANK

Byron State Bank, a domestic corporation located at 115 Kansas Street, Byron, NE 68325 will merge with Western National Bank, 523 Thayer Avenue, Chester, NE 68327 effective July 1, 2017. At that time, assets and liabilities of Byron State Bank will be zero.

It is contemplated that the main offices and branches of Western National Bank will continue to operate, and the former main office location of Byron State Bank will become a full-service branch of Western National Bank.

All debts owed to and all claims against Byron State Bank will be received by President, Dallen George at the Western National Bank address set forth above.
Wk28-3t
ZNEZ

NOTICE

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Belvidere Rural Fire District #2 will be held at the Fire Hall in Belvidere, Nebraska, on July 17, 2017, at 7:00 P.M., for the purpose of setting a 2017-2018 Budget Request and for such other business as may come before the meeting.

An agenda is available from the Secretary at 6086 Road V, Belvidere NE 68315.
/s/ Steve Higel
Secretary
Wk28-1t
ZNEZ

NOTICE

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Gilead Rural Fire District #4 will be held at the Fire Hall in Gilead, Nebraska, on July 19, 2017, at 4:00 P.M., for the purpose of setting a 2017-2018 Budget Request and for such other business as may come before the meeting. An agenda is available from the Secretary at 7119 Road H, Reynolds NE 68429.

/s/ Linda Krueger
Secretary
Wk28-1t
ZNEZ

VILLAGE OF CHESTER JUNE 14, 2017

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Chester, Thayer County, Nebraska, met at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall on June 14, 2017, for their regular monthly meeting. Board members present were: Chairman: Carboneau and Trustees: Wassom, Pacht and Porter. Absent: Miller.

Chairman Carboneau called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Porter moved and Pacht seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the May meeting. Roll call votes: Ayes: Wassom, Pacht, Porter and Carboneau. Nays: None. Absent: Miller. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was then given. Wassom moved and Pacht seconded a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Roll call votes: Ayes: Wassom, Pacht, Porter and Carboneau. Nays: None. Absent: Miller. Motion carried.

Wassom moved and Porter seconded a motion to approve and sign an interlocal agreement with the City of Hebron for the use of the Chester ballfield for practice purposes. Roll call votes: Ayes: Wassom, Pacht, Porter and Carboneau. Nays: None. Absent: Miller. Motion carried.

Wassom moved and Porter seconded a motion to approve the building permit of Chris Gerdes for a chicken coop. Roll call votes: Ayes: Wassom, Pacht, Porter and Carboneau. Nays: None. Absent: Miller. Motion carried.

Pacht moved and Wassom seconded a motion to approve the building permit of Max Gausman for a storage shed. Roll call votes: Ayes: Wassom, Pacht, Porter and Carboneau. Nays: None. Absent: Miller. Motion carried.

An official complaint was received and reviewed about nuisances in the village. Letters will be sent to the owners.

Many residents have expressed their pride in Allison Tietjen, the new Miss Nebraska, from Chester, and would like to honor her accomplishment with signs and etc. The Board appointed Wassom to be in charge of this venture.

The following bills were approved for June 2017:
Watts Manufacturing, nozzle 1134.60
Rembolt/Ludtke, legal fees 2000.00
Village of Chester, electricity 1704.89
Norris Public Power Dist., electricity 1153.79
Nebraska Public Power Dist., electricity 9337.44
Jean Crouse, meter refund 100.00
US Cellular, telephone 81.65
Village of Chester, incentive payment/ Ferguson 100.00
Municipal Supply Inc of Omaha, water supplies 216.91
Linton Small Engine, oil/line 27.19
KDHE-Bureau of Water, permit 185.00
Riggs Construction, repairs 409.75
Asbestos Survey Services, inspection 520.00
Alan Porter, incentive for landfill fees .70.00
Peterson Distributing, towels 42.73
USA Bluebook, supplies 156.99
Moeller Electric, repairs 75.00
Belleville Hometown Lumber, parts 163.80
Schmidts Inc,

cleanup/dumpster fees 1705.22
Walter Insurance, insurance 491.58
Hydraulic Equipment Service, repairs 2199.57
NE Public Health Laboratory, water testing 236.00
NDEQ-Fiscal Services, sewer project payment 11,766.77
Dutton Lainson Co, electrical supply 1097.23
Brody Chemical, ice melt 374.24
The Garbage Co So, garbage disposal 1265.00
Petty Cash, postage 28.89
Action Auto Supply, shop towels 59.70
C & M Supply, gas 268.85
Black Hills Energy, natural gas 114.70
Post Office, postage 147.00
Judy Smith, insurance 923.15
salaries 5353.35
Nebraska Public Health Laboratory, water testing 252.00
Great Plains Comm, telephone 221.23
Nebraska Dept. of Revenue, sales tax 1429.87
withholding 1505.86
Amri Gafri, insurance 42.20
Great American Financial, insurance 36.15
There being no further business to come before the Board, Wassom moved and Pacht seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting with all members of the Board present voting aye.
Joseph Carboneau
Chairman of the Board

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Judy I. Smith
Village Clerk
Wk28-1t
ZNEZ

VILLAGE OF BRUNING JULY 6, 2017

The Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on July 5, 2017 at the Opera House at 7:00 P.M. Notice of the meeting had been posted for five days in three public places. Trustees present: J. Hogeland, J. Catlett, B. Hulse and J. Krehnke. Trustees absent: J. Bentley.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairperson Catlett. Chairperson Catlett acknowledged the Open Meetings Law and the public notice posting.

Clerk Krehnke presented the maintenance report in Tom Houser's absence. The board reviewed the water tower report.

Motioned by Hulse, seconded by Hogeland, to approve the Minutes of the June 2017 meeting. All in favor, the motion carried and approved as recorded.

Motioned by Hogeland, seconded by Krehnke, to approve claims and payment to be made from the proper funds. All in favor, the motion carried.

Old Business; Nuisance properties were discussed. Chairperson Catlett contacted 2 property owners, with no response from one. He will check back in with one. They will begin the nuisance property process on one property. Update on property in the court system was given. The Village purchased the property at 244 E. Main St for previously agreed upon price. Owner updated the board on property. Hulse motioned to accept Resolution 2017-5 to sale the Village property on W. Railway to Jay & Sarah Krehnke for \$800, seconded by Hogeland. All in favor (with Krehnke abstaining), the motion passed. One bid was

received for the addition at the well house. Trustee Krehnke will get a revised bid from the one received and revise plans to include insulation. One other contractor may have interest and will be given a copy. These bids are need to be to the Village office by July 31 at noon to be considered.

New Business; Building permit discussed. Motioned by Hulse to approve the permit from the Fire Dept. to build a new fire hall, seconded by Hogeland. All in favor, the motion carried. Krehnke motioned to approve Public Health Solutions to host free immunization clinics at the Opera House on the condition the date each month is approved prior with the Village Clerk, seconded by Hulse. All in favor, the motion carried. Parking on State Spur 85C was discussed. An ordinance for no parking will be drawn up for the next board meeting. Landlord's responsibility concerning water/sewer invoices was discussed. After research the Village already meets the process for surrounding villages. No changes made. Krehnke motioned to approve a vintage car display on a Village lot (NW corner of Main & E. Railway) during Bruning Day, seconded by Hogeland. All in favor, the motion carried. The Municipal Equalization Fund 2017-18 was discussed. Motioned by Hogeland to approve the new Thayer County Sheriff's contract, seconded by Krehnke. All in favor, the motion carried. An unlicensed dog in the Village was discussed. Motioned by Catlett to move forward with prosecution after hearing back from Sheriff's office, seconded by Hulse. All in favor, the motion carried.

Two changes to the VFD roster were reported. Deputy Kriesel gave his report. Treasurer report was given by Chairperson Catlett in Treasurer Bentley's absence.

Clerk Krehnke reported on 2 accounts set up for disconnect this month. She updated the board on several residents who haven't relicensed their dog for 2017 and that final notices were sent out. The board wants these taken care of this year and will go the extent of the ordinance. The board strongly agrees dogs must have rabies vaccines and proof is needed at the Village office. Village Clerk also discussed the Windstream account and will proceed with correcting the account.

Being no other business a motion was made by Hogeland to adjourn at 8:20pm, seconded by Krehnke. All in favor, motion carried.
APPROVED

Jerry Catlett
Chairperson
Sarah Krehnke
Village Clerk
Wk28-1t
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NOTICE

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Hebron Rural Fire District # 5 will be held at the Fire Hall in Hebron, Nebraska, on July 17, 2017, at 8:00 P.M., for the purpose of setting a 2017-2018 Budget Request and for such other business as may come before the meeting. An agenda is available from the Secretary at 6377 Road P, Hebron NE 68370.

/s/ Karl Wiedel
Secretary
Wk28-1t
ZNEZ

NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THAYER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Estate of RANDY D. VIRUS, Deceased, Estate No. PR 17-5

Notice is hereby given that a final account and report of administration and a petition for complete settlement, adjudication of intestacy, determination of heirs, and determination of inheritance tax have been filed and are set for hearing in the County Court of Thayer County, Nebraska, at Hebron, Nebraska, on August 14, 2017, at 9:30 a.m.

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ZNEZ

PLANNING & ZONING NOTICE

The Thayer County Planning Commission will meet Thursday, July 27, 2017, at 7:30 p.m., in the Club Room of the Courthouse in Hebron, NE.

Zoning and planning information and meeting minutes are kept at the office of the Thayer County Clerk in the Courthouse, Hebron, NE.
Wk28-2t
ZNEZ

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Thayer County Zoning and Planning Commission will hold a public hearing Thursday, July 27, at 7:40 p.m., in the Club Room (basement) of the Courthouse in Hebron, NE.

At the public hearing the Planning Commission shall solicit and allow public comments on the Conditional Use Application from Viaero Wireless for the construction of a 150 foot self-supporting communications tower located in the SE 1/4 of 17-4-3. GPS location of tower is as follows: Latitude 40.307808 Longitude -97.671028.

Maps and other documents are available for viewing in the County Clerk's office.
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Public Notices

Commissioner Proceedings July 6, 2017

The Thayer County Board of Commissioners met in open and public session in the commissioner's room of the courthouse at 9:00 a.m. on July 6, 2017. Present were Commissioners Dave Bruning, Dean Krueger, Rick Dageforde and County Clerk, Marie Rauner.

Dave Bruning, chairman of the board, called the meeting to order.

Public meeting laws are posted and available on the north wall of the meeting room in compliance with Nebraska statutes.

The minutes from the previous meeting were mailed to the commissioners for review. Rick Dageforde moved and Dave Bruning seconded to approve the minutes from the June 21, 2017 meeting. Result of vote: Dageforde-yes, Bruning-yes, and Krueger-yes. Motion carried.

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

Amanda VanAspersen, Southeast Nebraska Adult Drug Court director, had to reschedule her appointment.

Carmen Hinman, Hope Crisis Center director, presented the annual report and submitted a budget request for 2017-2018. Rick Dageforde made a motion to approve the budget request for \$5,142.00. Dean Krueger seconded the motion. Result of vote: Dageforde-yes, Krueger-yes, and Bruning-yes. Motion carried.

David Burd CEO and Doug Wismer CFO, for Thayer County Health Services, presented the financial reports for May. Also discussed was the input gained from the forums held across the county discussing the billing issues.

Brad Slaughter, Ameritas bond counsel, did not make his appointment.

Dean Krueger made a motion and Rick Dageforde seconded to approve the R Krakow Subdivision, a 6.96 acre tract of land, located in the SE1/4 of Sec 2-T2-R2, Thayer County, Nebraska as approved by the Thayer County Zoning board. Result of vote: Krueger-yes, Dageforde-yes, and Bruning-yes. Motion carried.

Rick Dageforde moved and Dave Bruning seconded to approve the Johnson Subdivision, a 4.21 acre tract of land, located in the SE1/4 of Sec 27-T2-R3, Thayer County, Nebraska as approved by the Thayer County Zoning board. Result of vote: Dageforde-yes, Bruning-yes, and Krueger-yes. Motion carried.

The county treasurer reported that Thayer County Bank released pledge securities Cusip#3136AM2X6 for \$2,325,000.00 and Cusip#3136ATX33 for \$1,000,000.00.

Dean Krueger made a motion to enter into an agreement between Thayer County and Region V Systems for Emergency Protective Custody Services for fiscal year 2017-2018. Dave Bruning seconded the motion. Result of vote: Krueger-yes, Bruning-yes, and Dageforde-yes. Motion carried.

Rick Dageforde made a motion and Dean Krueger seconded to approve and sign an understanding of services with Schulz & Associates for the county audit. Result of vote: Dageforde-yes, Krueger-yes, and Bruning-yes. Motion carried.

Board members reviewed the budget request of the District Judge for the First District. Rick Dageforde made a motion and Dave Bruning seconded to approve the budget request of \$8,522.19. Result of vote: Dageforde-yes, Bruning-yes, and Krueger-yes. Motion carried.

Dean Krueger moved and Dave Bruning seconded to enter into and approve a Detention Services Agreement between Thayer County and Lancaster County through the Lancaster County Youth Services Center. The county attorney approved the text of the agreement. Result of vote: Krueger-yes, Bruning-yes, and Dageforde-yes. Motion carried.

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

General Fund\$86,924.22
Road/Bridge Fund\$35,984.89
Emergency Mgmt\$1,553.02
Noxious Weed Fund\$3,551.58
Rick Dageforde made a motion and Dean Krueger seconded to direct the county clerk to pay the vendor claims as submitted. Result of vote: Dageforde-yes, Krueger-yes, and Bruning-yes. Motion carried.

General Fund
American Family Insurance, Bp78\$479.53
Ameritas-Vision, Vision Insurance\$160.24
Baden Customs LLC, Radio Repairs\$1,100.00
Bank Of America, Health Savings\$100.00
Bank Of America, Health Savings\$30.00
Bcbs Of Nebraska, Health Insurance\$26,809.22
Bruning State Bank, Health Savings\$200.00
Byron State Bank, Health Savings\$200.00
Cei Security And Sound, Security Cam\$4,776.50
Central Market Inc, Supplies\$99.31
Citizens State Bank, Health Savings\$100.00
City Of Hebron, Utilities\$1,737.60

Cornerstone Bank - Hsa'S, Health Savings\$100.00
Health Savings Accounts, Health Savings\$300.00
Das State Acctg-Central Finance, Teletype Svc\$448.00
Deshler Rustler, Notices\$264.50
Diode Communications, Internet Svc\$109.47
Eakes Office Solutions, Ofc Supplies\$281.19
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Germer, Murray & Johnson, Attorney Fees\$3,000.00
Nebraska Health & Human Services, Health Care\$93.00
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Hometown Leasing, Copier Lease\$606.58
Lancaster County Sheriff, Court Costs\$18.57
Marina Inn Hotel & Conference Cent, Lodging\$273.00
Mass Mutual Retirement Services, Deferred Comp\$711.24
Nancy C. McLaughlin, Prior Service\$11.00
Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc, E-Share Doc-Mg\$145.00
Midwest Bank, Health Savings\$200.00
Jacie Milius, Ofc Equipment\$169.00
MIPS Inc, Data Process\$2,661.72
Mutual Of Omaha #G000502F, Empr Mutual Of\$140.79
Nebraska Department Of Revenue, State Taxes\$1,462.75
Norris Public Power District, Utilities\$273.03
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Karen Prellwitz, June Expenses\$239.68
Quality Inn & Conference Center, Lodging\$209.90
Rays IT Services LLC, Contract Svc\$18,731.16
Retirement Plans Division 002812, Retirement\$5,987.36
Thayer County Bank, Federal Taxes\$12,128.18
Thayer County Bank, Health Savings\$1,150.00
Thayer County Sheriff, Sheriff Fees\$22.00
Union Bank & Trust, Health Savings\$100.00
United Healthcare Insurance Co, Dental Insurance\$1,147.36
Verizon Wireless, Cell Phone Svc\$126.25
Visa, Lec Supplies\$123.05
Daniel L Werner PC LLO, Reimbursement\$18.84
Windstream, Phone Service\$2,036.31

Road/Bridge Fund
American Family Insurance, Bp78\$204.22
Ameritas-Vision, Vision Insurance\$63.04
Aurora Cooperative Elevator Co, Equip Fuel\$1,688.30
Auto Value Parts Store, Shop Supplies\$139.24
Robert B Barton, Prior Service\$12.00
Bcbs Of Nebraska, Health Insurance\$715.00
Central Market Inc, Supplies\$162.54
City Of Hebron, Utilities\$228.55
Crop Production Services Inc, Equip Fuel\$1,877.47
Deshler Municipal Utilities, Utilities\$34.00
Eakes Office Solutions, Ofc Supplies\$6.39
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Hebron Implement Inc, Pump Splys\$21.52
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Richard Heinrichs, Prior Service\$14.00
Heyen Oil Co, Equip Fuel\$1,643.28
Inland Truck Parts Company, Repair Parts\$177.45
Kansas Payment Center Dg10Dm00243, Garnishment\$303.69
Licht Oil Co Inc, Equip Fuel\$17,379.24
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Nebraska Department Of Revenue, State Taxes\$930.85
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Retirement Plans Division 002812, Retirement\$3,464.07
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Noxious Weed Fund
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Nebraska Department Of Revenue, State Taxes\$123.70
Nebraska Weed Control Association, Membership\$125.00
Retirement Plans Division 002812, Retirement\$349.74
Thayer County Bank, Federal Taxes\$853.71

There being no other business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:50. The board will convene on July 19 2017 at 9:00 am.

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

These proceedings have been written and available for public inspection within 10 working days and prior to the next convened meeting. The complete text of resolutions and agreements is available in the office of the Thayer County Clerk.

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

Dave Bruning
Chairman of the Board
Marie E. Rauner
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The agenda is kept continually current and is available for public inspection in the Thayer County Clerk's Office, Room 201, Thayer County Courthouse, Hebron, NE.

Marie E. Rauner
Thayer County Clerk
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Hebron Heat...

The Hebron Heat Red 10U Softball team competed in the 2017 SLS League softball tournament in York July 8-9. They finished in the top of their bracket earning 3rd place bronze medals. The red team is made up of third and fourth grade girls from the area. Pictured from L-R are: JaeLynn Watson, Shaylee Jamison, Izabella Boyd, Riley Farnstrom, Chloe Clar, Katelynn Rogers, Aliecia Howe, Isabella Escritt, Braelyn Degenhardt and Piper Haven. Not pictured, Kaitlynn Cast. Coaches are Lindsey Escritt and Tyler and Sarah Watson. Not pictured, Coach Logan Worden.

Rural people will have fewer insurance choices next year

As Obamacare approaches its fifth sign-up season, policyholders in many parts of the country are facing a marketplace with fewer choices and higher premiums.

A New York Times analysis has found that 45 percent of U.S. counties probably will have either just one insurer or no insurers to choose from. That means some three million people in nearly 1,400 counties might have only one carrier and about 35,000 people could have none.

Many of those counties are in rural states like Nevada, Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, Ohio, Kentucky, Missouri, Mississippi and North Carolina.

In dollars and cents that means those living in areas without a carrier must buy coverage in the regular marketplace where they will get no subsidies to help pay their premiums. Subsidies are available only for people buying Obamacare policies on the state shopping exchanges. About 85 percent of the 12 million Americans with Obamacare policies get subsidies, which make it possible to afford coverage.

For people with a single carrier in their county, limited options could mean high premiums for the policies available. "Blue Cross is out of Wisconsin, Indiana, Iowa and Nebraska," says Washington D.C. insurance consultant Robert Laszewski. "In Tennessee Blue Cross is out of two major cities and for the carriers staying in, the rate increases are through the moon." The carrier will also be out of Ohio next year, a state where it had been a major insurer.

This is not exactly the outcome that supporters of Obamacare had hoped for. The politicians who wrote the law and its advocates tried to defy the basic laws of insurance. They wanted to keep the private insurance market and still allow everyone sick or well to get coverage. In other words, Obamacare tried to square the circle.

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But insurers make money by selling to healthy people while trying to minimize the claims they get from the sick. The ACA called for insurers to issue policies to everyone regardless of their health status. That meant thousands of very ill people came into the risk pool, and in many areas not enough healthy people signed up for coverage to balance them out. Laszewski noted that only 40 percent of eligible people signed up, a recipe for trouble in too many counties.

"The most difficult place to make the marketplace work is in rural areas," says Timothy McBride, a health policy professor at Washington University in St. Louis. "It's an intractable problem in some places," largely because rural communities have low populations, and the percentage of unhealthy people tends to be higher than in the cities. "Policymakers were hoping they'd get this fixed, but they haven't been able to do that."

Many carriers leaving the market, however, are blaming the Trump administration for causing market uncertainty. A press release from Blue Cross Blue Shield announcing a 21 percent rate increase in the parts of Tennessee where it will continue to sell noted "two significant uncertainties." How will the risk pool change if the requirement to buy insurance is no longer enforced? (The Trump administration has loosened enforcement.) Will the government continue providing cost-sharing subsidies to people with low incomes? This year individuals with incomes below \$30,000 and a family of four with about \$62,000 get extra help paying deductibles and coinsurance.

I have no clue how politicians will solve this. I do

know one thing: The cost of medical care continues to rise and that will be factored into everyone's premiums each year. Unless there's some serious cost control built into whatever comes out of Washington, premium increases could become very steep in the coming years taking health insurance out of reach for many Americans.

Cost containment has barely been discussed. It's the elephant in the room. For one thing, insurers' operating costs, which eat up about 18 cents of every premium dollar, are about twice as high as those costs in other countries. They include: determining eligibility, processing claims, enforcing controls on care like preauthorizing procedures - and negotiating fees with thousands of hospitals, doctors, and other sellers of care.

Then there's the matter of new healthcare technology and more use of older technology, which may account for as much as 50 percent of the increase in annual healthcare costs.

At the end of June, for example, the New York Legislature passed a law mandating insurers pay for 3-D mammography without requiring women to pay deductibles or coinsurance and without the blessing of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force which has made clear that evidence for its use is lacking and "many important questions remain." The cost of a mammogram could rise by a third.

This is just the tip of the proverbial iceberg. I will explore technology and its costs in a future column.

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The cows come home...

The cows have finally come home. Last week a Holstein cow and calf were delivered to the Red Barn at the Thayer County Museum. Some years ago, members of the Thayer County Historical Society thought with such a beautiful barn that some livestock was needed. However, due to circumstances, the cow and calf was a long time coming.

There is quite a story connected to the livestock. Several years ago there was a "Betty" social club. Anyone with the name of Betty could belong. Through the years they collected money in their treasury. When the club disbanded, they gave this money to the Thayer County Museum. With this donation, the Museum group voted to order the calf and mother with the money. Through the years waiting on them to arrive has been quite exasperating. However, they have now found a new home along with other animals at the barn such as the life sized chickens in the chicken house built by the Finks.

Perhaps the next true to life should be a yellow furry cat standing on a bale of hay and a pigeon setting on a rafter. (just kidding) Oh, yes, guess what the group decided to name the mother? You guessed it...Betty! Stop by the Red Barn and see them sometime.



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Blacksmiths...

A group known as the Prairie Blacksmith Association were weekend artists at the Thayer County Museum. The group had many different types of forges set up with very hot coals ready for the heating and pounding of the items. Each of the demonstrators would work at their forges showing and explaining how something was made to the onlookers.

Many different towns were represented such as Omaha, Lincoln, Kearney, and Cuba and Scandia, Kansas. It was a day of showing, telling and discussing. Many of the participants stayed all night in their campers at the museum. There were at least 50 of the members and audience that shared in the days.

It is said that blacksmithing is now making a resurgence and this group is intent on helping preserve the art of blacksmithing. David Lammers of Sioux Center was featured in one of their magazines. In the article, he tells that he likes the idea of making something that will last longer than him and that forces him to take the details into account in making his work. He likes making tools that does not really end with him. He explained that good tools can be used for a lifetime. This is a good theory because you hear the statement that things just don't last nowadays. It is a throw-away society.

Everyone enjoyed the group and it is hoped they will consider the Museum at one of their outings next year. What a friendly group they were!



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Oak

By Phyllis Schmitt

Donna Gillan quilted last Monday. Cheryl Jensen visited her in the evening. Last Tuesday, July 4, she had lunch at the Nelson Fire Hall with Mary Ellen Culbertson. Wednesday, Donna attended Bible study and had lunch at Caps Cafe.

On Thursday, Donna Gillan went out to the fairgrounds with Terri Oltmans and looked around. On Friday, Donna had coffee at Caps Cafe. Donna and Mary Ellen Culbertson went back to the fair on Saturday and looked at the exhibits and ate at the 4-H BBQ supper.

Donna Gillan had lunch in Hardy on Sunday with the other ladies. In the afternoon, she had coffee at the C-Store.

Phil and Gerry Eckles ate at the firemen's meal at the Nelson Fire Hall on July 4. On Friday, Gerry went to Hastings for shopping and visited her sister, Marianne Wolfe, at the Homestead. In the evening, Phil and Gerry accompanied Dick and Carol Eckles to the chicken BBQ at the Nuckolls County Fair.

Phyllis Schmitt spent the Fourth of July in Hebron with the Jerry Schmitt family. Friday evening, she was among those attending the chicken BBQ at the Nuckolls County Fair. On Saturday, Phyllis attended the China Luncheon in Davenport as part of their Achievement Day. On Sunday, she accompanied Lola Biltoft to Hastings for lunch out.

Gaylen and Jackie Cox went to the sheep and goat show at the Clay County Fair on Saturday.

Blacksmith demo...

Hebron's Matt O'Callaghan is a member of this group and helped plan the event. He was also one of the demonstrators and had a table of iron items that he had made.

Belvidere

By Linda Hudson

The weather always gives you something to talk about. This time it is the heat! Sympathy to the farmers, construction workers, grocery carry-out people, etc., who have to work in this terrible, humid heat or even those without air conditioning.

In earlier news, "Who do we appreciate?" The answer today is all the above mentioned plus any outside workers. Keeping the town's flowers watered is enough to test your endurance, let alone working for a living in the heat.

With heat comes the thought of water. There is a moratorium on drilling wells. In these times it drives home the fact of just how precious water is. In the little village sometimes there is a problem of keeping the water fresh in the winter when there is not much of a demand. What do we appreciate? Water, water, water! The fact is during this summer, 2017, there is no problem!

To celebrate the 4th of July, and Bill Aude's birthday, a party was held at the home of Christy and Mike Holtzen of Deshler. Present were Bill and Donna Aude, Barb Stewart, Carol Aude, and Austin Sydow.

Randy and Dianne Waldmeier, along with Cliff and Sherry Vetch of Fairbury, traveled to Colorado Springs for a long weekend with Randy's cousin, Donna Dike. They enjoyed visiting with her on her back patio and the view of the mountains. On Friday they went on the Royal Gorge Railroad train. The scenery was beautiful and they saw many rafters going down the Arkansas River. They also toured and shopped Manitou Springs later that day, and also celebrated Sherry's 40th birthday. Saturday the group went on a gondola ride over the Royal Gorge and also

walked the bridge.

They spent time visiting with Donna Dike's family, Steve and Delano Hoogboom and their daughters, Kelsey and Kylie of Castlerock, and DiJon Dike of Greeley. In the evening they went to Fargo's for some really great pizza. They left the cool dry air on Sunday morning to return to Nebraska.

On Sunday, Russ and Bonnie Priefert, their granddaughter Rubie, and Lorna Waldmeier attended the Werner family reunion in McCool Junction. Bonnie's mother, Lorna, is the only living relative in the Walter Werner family. She is 95 and the oldest and only living member of the W. Werner family. In the afternoon Russ traveled to York to visit his sister, LaDonna Avers, who resides in Hearshstone.

Leila Morrison of Windsor, Colo., celebrated her 95th birthday. She is still out and about telling her experiences as a World War II nurse on the battlefield. She and her husband lived in Hebron a few years ago.

Ila Currey had to say goodbye to her California son, Mike Currey, on Sunday. He had been visiting his mother the past two weeks. On her way home from the airport she stopped to see a friend in York, LaDonna Avers.

The fair is coming next week. Will be a challenge to keep the flowers and vegetables looking beautiful for the fair. Perhaps one should think about canning, or making a pie or doing some handiwork that the heat doesn't affect. 4-Hers are probably scurrying around to find enough fans to keep their livestock in the barns cool. This is typically the hottest time of the year. Vendors selling ice or slushes are probably happy.

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FSA county committee nomination period open

The Thayer County Farm Service Agency is currently accepting nominations for this year's County Committee Election. "Producers who are eligible voters are asked to nominate candidates of their choice by August 1, 2017, for the county Farm Service Agency (FSA) committee election ballot," said County Executive Director, Jay VanWesten.

This year's FSA county committee election will be conducted in LAA #1 (Byron, Carleton, Davenport, Deshler, Kiowa townships) from November 6 to December 4, 2017, by mail ballot. Thayer County producers from this area have the opportunity to nominate persons they feel would best serve their farm community on the FSA county committee.

Producers from LAA #1 are encouraged to petition for individuals they feel would do a good job as a FSA committee member. "FSA committees are essential in the administration of farm programs," Mr. VanWesten said, "and we welcome all valid petitions." To be eligible to serve on a Farm Service Agency county committee a person must participate or cooperate in a program administered by FSA, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the local administrative area in which the person is a candidate.

Producers may nominate themselves or others and organizations representing minorities and women also may nominate candidates. To become a candidate, an eligible individual must sign the nomination form FSA-669A.

The form and other valuable information about FSA county committee elections are available online at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/elections> or you may visit your local FSA office to obtain a copy. Nomination forms for the 2017 election must be post-marked or received in the local FSA office by close of business on August 1st.

FSA county committee

members make decisions on disaster and conservation programs, emergency programs, commodity price support loan programs and other important agricultural issues.

Members serve three-year terms. Nationwide, there are about 7,800 farmers and ranchers serving on FSA county committees. In Nebraska, committees consist of three to 11 members who are elected by eligible producers.

Anyone wishing to nominate a producer for the county FSA committee election may contact the county office for details, including eligibility requirements. The opportunity to nominate, vote, and be elected to office is guaranteed to a producers regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, marital status or disability.

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Economic Development News

By Diane Wettstein, Executive Director
Thayer County Economic Development Alliance

I must start by saying I am not good at talking about myself, or things I've been accomplishing in my position with Thayer County Economic Development Alliance (TCEDA). However, I vow to get better at getting information out to the county to let you all know what TCEDA is up to.

To sum up my last eight months in this position I would say that I've spent my time networking to get to know Thayer County businesses, the county's needs, and its strengths; and education myself through events and workshops to find ways to bring funding and ideas back to Thayer County to help us grow and thrive. The TCEDA always says the goal is to Thrive, not just Survive.

One of the ongoing projects TCEDA has been participating with is the Nebraska Shrimp Company that Dietrich Brinegar and his father Stewart are starting up. What role does TCEDA play? We do not have the biggest financial stake in this company, but I personally have been working with Dietrich to help him make connections and contacts he may need regarding promoting his product in the future. I've been following their building progress and making sure to post this to our TCEDA Facebook page, so that others in the county can follow along and get just as excited as we all are about having Nebraska Shrimp Company in Thayer County. I'm just sad he hasn't figured out a way to produce shrimp that I'm not allergic to!

Having a relationship with a new business is a win-win situation for both TCEDA and the business itself. I will continue to reach out to all new, and old, businesses in the county in hopes of developing a healthy relationship that can benefit both parties. Just being able to promote our county businesses on Facebook has been a real success in itself.

Here are some of the other items I've been working on as well:

The Bruning Fire Department is working on building a new fire hall, and I've been staying in the loop in the event we can find some lower cost funding or grants to help with the new building or equipment.

Mama Am's Daycare is a project that TCEDA assisted with, and I came in at the same time Amber was getting her building and business up and running. I meet with her often, and try to continue to be a reliable source of information and guidance for her. At the end of July Mama Am's will have an Open House event that I am very excited to be able to be a part of. Look for news from Amber on this!

I like to keep the lines of communication open to all businesses I've met, so that if there is something TCEDA can help with they know they can contact us with anything.

I like to pop into a business just to see how things are going, if I haven't been to yours yet it is not that I do not want to, it's just that my time is very limited. I've had a lot of catching up and cleaning up to do since taking over this position, but believe me you will all get

to know me very soon.

Lately I've been scheduling several educational pieces into my time so that I can better understand and service our funding opportunities that are available in Thayer County.

Two programs where TCEDA can assist financially in the county are the Homeowners Opportunity Program (HOP) through SENDD (Southeast Nebraska Development District) and the USDA Revolving Loan Fund (RLF).

We just finished helping a first-time homeowner's dream come true by utilizing the HOP funds, and I am working on another home purchase as well. The funding we have is for down payment assistance, there are guidelines set up by SENDD that must be met to be approved for the funding. Even though this process can take three to six weeks, it is a very worthwhile program to help get individuals into better and more adequate housing.

The USDA RLF funding we have available is for assisting with down payment for the purchase of a new or existing business. This fund is contracted with TCEDA for a specific length of time, therefore the money is only available to TCEDA during that time frame.

Currently I have two projects in the works seek-

ing to purchase a business, and a building. These two projects could potentially use all the funds up that we have available through the RLF, does that mean we cannot assist anyone else? No, having the relationship with both SENDD, USDA, and the Center for Rural Affairs (CFRA) gives TCEDA other avenues to look for funding.

The last project I'll mention has been in the works for three months, it is a daycare center in the Northern portion of the County. This is an ongoing project that has taken lots of time, research, and patience, that when there is a firm commitment will be promoted. Daycare is an area in this entire county that there is a shortage of. Whether it be someone in their home or getting a facility started, it takes time, and financial commitment. I cannot wait until the day of a grand opening and who knows maybe this will be a start to having another location in Thayer

County to ease the issue of our baby boom!

I am constantly searching out avenues for local businesses that inquire about getting help or just finding a contact person for them to get an answer. Lately, you can find me in my office more trying to get our own website up and running, thanks to Art Whitton, and working on entering the businesses and sites that are for sale in the county on a website that reaches not just the state of Nebraska but 37 other states. I attend village, council, and commissioner meetings and schedule to attend these meetings every month on a rotating basis. If I know of a meeting I try my best to get to them, but sometimes this just doesn't work due to scheduling conflicts. I look forward to keeping you all abreast of my many adventures in Thayer County as well as some of the new ideas and insights I'm learning through my training and development.



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Blood drive...

Stacia Burkey of Hebron is a recent Girl Scout Gold Award recipient. Stacia is a 17-time blood donor and identified the need for more donations in her community. She held her second annual blood drive on July 7 at the Courtyard Terrace Assisted Living in Hebron. She had over 50 donors set up to give blood. Hebron Girl Scout Troop #480 also helped her with the blood drive. Stacia has educated younger girls on the importance of donating and encouraged area organizations and troops to arrange blood drives. Pictured are (l-r): Amy and Olivia Wiedel.



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5 p.m.	Beer Garden Opens	5 p.m.	Beer Garden Opens
6 p.m.	Parade	6-11 p.m.	Wagner's Carnival
	Farm Family Award in Grandstands following Parade	5:30 p.m.	BBQ Chicken Dinner-BVLH Foundation Board under Grandstands
7 p.m.	4-H Cake Raffle in Grandstands	6-10 p.m.	Colors da Clown Face Painting
6-11 p.m.	Wagner's Carnival	8 p.m.	Joseph Hall-Elvis in Grandstands - Free Admission
7-10 p.m.	Colors da Clown Face Painting		
7 p.m.	Little Tuggers Tractor Pull Sign Up under Activity Building Awning - South		
7:30 p.m.	Little Tuggers Tractor Pull		
FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
5 p.m.	Beer Garden Opens	8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Car Show in Deshler City Park
5-7 p.m.	Windsor Pork Chop & Trimmings-Knights of Columbus under Grandstands	3 p.m.	Beer Garden Opens
5:30-6:30 p.m.	Mutton Busting Sign Up-Horse Arena (no late sign ups)	4 p.m.	Gates for Grandstands Open
6:30-8 p.m.	Mutton Busting & Kid's Rodeo (front of Grandstands (Family Event-Kid, Parent & Grandparent involvement)	5 p.m.	Hot Laps
6-10 p.m.	Colors da Clown Face Painting	5-7 p.m.	Prime Rib Sandwich-Thayer Co Feeder's under Grandstands
6-11 p.m.	Wagner's Carnival	6 p.m.	Hobby Stock Race followed by Trailer Races
8 p.m.	Abby Nicole in Grandstands - Free Admission	6-11 p.m.	Wagner's Carnival
10 p.m.	Repeat Offenders on Beer Garden Stage	9 p.m.	Abby Nicole on Beer Garden Stage
			
			
			
SUNDAY			
8-9 a.m.	4-H Breakfast by the Deshler Lions Club (for 4-H kids)		
9:30 a.m.	Cowboy Church Service (Public is invited to Grandstands)		

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4-H SCHEDULE					
July 12	9 a.m.	Clothing Day & Pre-Fair Contest	July 20	8 a.m.	Goat Show
	5 p.m.	4-Her's Report for Fashion Show		10 a.m.	Sheep Show or immediately following Goat Show whichever is later
	7 p.m.	Public Fashion Show & Performing Arts Contest		Noon	Poultry Show - Starting with pens in the Poultry Barn
July 13	6 p.m.	Small Animal followed by Dog Show	July 21	8 a.m.	Rabbit Show
July 15	9 a.m.	Horse Show		8:30 a.m.	Beef Show
July 17	5-7 p.m.	Static Exhibit Check In		1 p.m.	Small Animal Round Robin
July 18	8 a.m.	Static Exhibit Judging		3 p.m.	Horse Judging 4 Classes
July 19	7-8 a.m.	Hog Check In		7 p.m.	Beef Fitting Contest
	8-9 a.m.	Beef Check In	July 22	8 a.m.	Hog Show
	9-10 a.m.	Sheep, Poultry & Rabbit Check In		Noon-3 p.m.	Horses Released
	9-10:30 a.m.	Horse Check In		3 p.m.	Large Animal Round Robin
	12:30 p.m.	Ice Cream Contest	July 23	8-9 a.m.	4-H Breakfast & Exhibit Release
	3 p.m.	Rabbit Show		10:30-11:30 a.m.	Exhibit Release
	4 p.m.	Livestock Judging 5 Classes			
	7:30 p.m.	4-H Night & Cake Raffle			