



Tidbits

Benefit for Mostek March 6 at Stastny

A benefit for eight-year-old Aiden Mostek, who has a rare form of cancer and is undergoing chemotherapy, has been scheduled for March 6 at Stastny Community Center.

The benefit will begin at 11 a.m., and feature a silent auction in an effort to raise funds for the Mostek family — Adam, Jennifer, Aiden and Jacob.

A taco/potato bar and a chili cookoff are on the menu. A grocery list at Central Market is available for anyone who wants to contribute food items to the benefit, which is sponsored by the Hebron Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department of which Adam and Jennifer Mostek are members.

To learn more, visit Aiden Mostek Benefit on Facebook.

Alumni meeting announced for March 8

The Alumni meeting will be held March 8 in the basement of the Hebron Secrest Library, 7:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome. The meeting will last 45 minutes to one hour.

The Alumni Dinner and Dance has been scheduled for May 28 at the Stastny Community Center.

Social hour begins at 5 p.m. Dinner is 6:30 p.m.

Lenten Services announced for March

The Thayer County Ministerial Association will again host annual Lenten Services:

March 9 — Faith Lutheran Church.

March 16 — Hebron United Methodist Church.

Each Wednesday will begin with a meal at 11:30 a.m., at the host church, followed by a worship service at 12 p.m., with another opportunity for lunch at 12:30 p.m.

Lunches are a free will offering, which will be taken during the service. Lenten proceeds go to Blue Valley Community Action.

In other church news, the annual Last Supper Pageant will be held March 20 and 23 at the Chester Auditorium.

Performances are at 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. with the March 23 performance at 7 p.m.

The performance is a free will offering.

Pastor Mark Baldwin, who directs the play, said this year, a new song and closing has been added. Anyone who has seen the pageant is invited to come and see this year's addition.

Blue Valley to host community coffee

Blue Valley Lutheran Homes will hold a community coffee to welcome its new CEO, Silvester Juanes March 15 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

The coffee will be held in the nursing home sunroom. Everyone is welcome.

Shickley to hold blood drive March 18

Shickley Public School will host its Fourth Annual Red Cross Blood Drive March 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Interested persons may call 402-627-3375 to schedule an appointment.

Blood donations can lead to much needed transfusions.

~Obituaries~

Kleveland, Charles, 73, Chester

Belvidere is site for caucus

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Nebraska democrats should already have March 5 marked on their calendars for the Nebraska caucus as they prepare to select their choice for the presidential nominee.

Thayer County's caucus begins at 10 a.m., at the Belvidere Community Center. Those interested in choosing a democratic nominee should plan on 9:30 a.m. to register.

Non-registered persons may register to vote at the caucus.

The caucus is the venue in Nebraska for democrats to choose their preferred presidential nominee. The state's caucus is closed, meaning voters must be registered as democrats in order to formally choose their candidate.

"This is the only time they'll have a chance to vote in the primary," Loren Peithman, chair of the Thayer County Democratic Party, said. "They need to be there if they want their vote to count."

Registered republicans can show up as well and re-register as democrats. Observers are welcome.

"It is an open meeting to all parties," Peithman said.

The Belvidere caucus will have four corners, with two corners for each of the candidates, Bernie Sanders and Hillary Clinton, a corner for the Independent party and an open corner to nominate anyone.

Each voter will receive a registration card with their name on it to carry with them.

"When you're done (discussing candidates), you write who you are going to vote for on the card," Peithman said.

A caucus chairperson and recorder will be elected on site. A letter inviting Nebraska democrats to be part of the election process from both Sanders and Clinton will be read out loud to start the caucus.

Then, voters will be asked if anyone wants to speak on behalf of either candidate. After, voters will gather in their respective corners.

Candidates must receive at least 15 percent of the vote from individual groups at the caucuses in order to be named as a preferred candidate.

The cards will be turned into the Thayer County Clerk Monday morning.

The Nebraska Democratic Party will tally the results it receives via email, Peithman said.

Belvidere is the only precinct for the caucus in Thayer County.

Peithman said there are 793 registered democrats in Thayer County.

"We need them all. If we get 700 in that small building, we will count them (the votes) outside," Peithman said.

He is trying to drum up support for democrats.

Four years ago, Thayer joined with Jefferson and the caucus was held in Fairbury. Peithman said local democrats eventually decided to hold their own in Thayer.

He encourages democrats to vote in the May 10 primary because the local elections are important.

Originally, nebraskacaucus2016.org had Thayer County's caucus scheduled at the Hebron Secrest Library. That information has since been corrected.

The website walks visitors through the caucus process with a handbook and frequently asked questions.

Blue Valley names Juanes as CEO

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As Silvester Juanes looks back, he sees himself as earning a well-rounded, hands-on education in nursing home care.

Juanes is the new chief executive officer at Blue Valley Lutheran Homes in Hebron. His start date was Feb. 1.

From dietary to delving into problem facilities, Juanes has filled 640 hours of internships with every facet of long term care, including the executive level.

As a result, he has crafted a set of goals for Blue Valley's three buildings — spanning the stages of independent living to Alzheimer's — that are based around quality of life and care as the primary objectives.

"One thing we are doing is integrating the community," Juanes said about the elevated boxes maintenance will build for the gardening season. The horseshoe parking lot in front of the long term care building where Juanes has his office, is fit for farmers' markets.

"I want to do more fun things with our residents," Juanes said. "Improving the quality of life is our primary goal."

A committee has been formed to plan for fun, like a prom night for the elderly, complete with a king and queen, or a pancake feed.

Juanes is eager. He is eager to plug Blue Valley's staff. He is eager to explain Blue Valley's five-star rating.

"We go above and beyond what is expected. We have dedicated workers. I can't say enough about their willingness to do whatever needs to be done. It's very impressive," he said, adding the magnitude of the staff's zeal is something he has never seen before.

In the nursing home industry, a solid staff is a precious commodity. Staff turnover is a major issue as baby boomers are flooding the long term care sector.

"It's hard to keep up. We have facilities opening up and not enough staff to fill them. We have more facilities than staff," he said.

Juanes said Hebron is in a unique quandary simply because it's rural.

A model has been developed to retain employees.

"In every step of the way, we have a process in place that entices them to continue their career here, and keeping good people," Juanes said.

He's working with multiple state agencies, educa-

tional institutions and local organizations to present the model.

Nursing homes are also the second most regulated next to nuclear power plants by the state and federal government.

Juanes said he watches legislature activity and he is prepared for an audit every day.

"We operate as though we will be audited every single day," he said, meaning staff perform their roles according to state and federal guidelines.

Financially, Juanes is aware of how much the budget requires of him.

"I'm always looking at ways to save money, but ensuring we meet our standard of quality care," he said.

Meanwhile, Juanes is content to be in Hebron. "This is home, the open lands and farms," he said.

Juanes comes from a family of migrant workers from Brownsville, Texas. Every year until he was 16, he made the trip back and forth from Texas to the fields of Venango, which is southwest of Ogallala.

His older brother was eventually married in Nebraska, and Juanes decided to stay with him. Juanes knows farms well — he's operated everything from a grain cart to a grain elevator.

He recently received the distinguished graduate award for migrant workers from the Nebraska Department of Education.

His path to degrees in neuroscience and gerontology is unconventional. Juanes didn't earn his GED until age 26.

He said his father-in-law encouraged him to return to school.

"He's a big advocate for higher education," Juanes said.

Juanes lives in Hebron with his wife, Char and three children.



Silvester Juanes

Bhaktas take over motel operations

Shirish and Rashmika Bhakta are the new faces at Riverside Motel in Hebron.

The Bhatkas are from Bardoli, Gujarat, India, in the southern part of the republic.

They took over motel operations Feb. 1. The couple had been searching for a motel to operate while staying with Rashmika's sister, Parul Bhakta in Geneva, where Parul and her husband Sharvan manage the Geneva Inn.

Shirish said they thought Hebron was a nice town.

"Nice people, nice hospitality,"

Shirish said.

Currently, the Bhaktas are working around the clock to ensure the motel is clean and prepared.

The couple live on site and care for eight double and 10 single rooms.

They will later renovate two single rooms to doubles, Rashmika said.

Shirish said one of the amenities at the motel is the price.

"We have the best rate," he said.

"We want to welcome out of town visitors."

He said the motel accommodates construction companies as well.

The Bhaktas received a formal

welcome from the Hebron Chamber of Commerce Feb. 26, and they are excited to build a relationship with the community and local businesses.

Rashmika was the first to emigrate to the United States from India through her mother, who was already in the States. The Bhaktas have been married for nearly five years. Shirish emigrated two years ago.

For now, the Bhaktas are settling in.

"We are working very hard and we will see what God is going to give us," Shirish said.



Shirish and Rashmika Bhakta were welcomed by the Hebron Chamber of Commerce Feb. 26. Afterward, the Bhaktas held a gathering with refreshments for their visitors.

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Titan Beef Boosters report savings in sixth month

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Not even halfway into the second semester at Thayer Central and the Titan Beef Boosters have positive results to report.

Beef Booster and Cattle Producer Rob Marsh was on hand Feb. 25 to accept a \$3,750 donation from Cargill for the Nebraska beef producer to school lunch program, first kicked off last August.

Marsh wasn't just proud to receive the check — he was beaming over the

program's popularity.

"It's a win, win, win all the way," he said. "It's a new way to think. We're so thankful for the generosity of so many good people. We have close to 115 supporters of our program and we've worked with a lot of groups to spread it."

The spark began in Bridgeport and worked its way southeast as Marsh read about the program through the Nebraska Cattleman's monthly newsletter.

Last October, the Cattleman's board of directors appointed a work-

ing group to craft the program by collecting information from functioning programs and preparing for those interested in starting a program. Marsh and Gregg Wiedel of Hebron are on the committee.

Marsh compares the local beef served in Thayer Central's school lunches at least twice a week to the meat otherwise served by schools as part of the National School Lunch Program.

"That beef might start out fine and be a good product, but after it's put in a bag with fillers and preserva-

tives, then put in a warehouse for shipping, it is low quality and not near as fresh," he said.

In addition, the meat is shipped more than once before it reaches designated schools.

Last February, Marsh was looking over the national dietary guidelines and something wasn't right.

"I wanted to step up locally and teach our kids beef is a great part of a healthy diet. I love my Thayer Central community and thought, 'We could get together and support our whole

Pages of the Past...

From The Hebron Journal-Register

1886

130 Years Ago

A young ladies' drum corps is being drilled by Mr. Beaufre.

The wild geese are migrating northward, and spring follows in their wake.

Active measures for the building of a handsome Presbyterian Church edifice will soon be inaugurated here.

C. M. Wetherald is building a barn on his residence property on Fifth Street, and will soon erect a fine dwelling house on the west side of the lot.

The officers of school district 39 (E.H. Headley District) propose to convict the party who broke into the schoolhouse and committed several depredations.

During the month of February, Thomas Hitt, agent for Gregg Brothers Grain Company, at Carleton, bought 43,000 bushels of corn, all delivered in the elevator and cribs. He shipped out 50 carloads.

A. R. Jones, who is a boarder at the Hotel d' Bastille d' la Thayer County, whereof Sheriff Green is landlord, has not yet succeeded in freeing himself from the charge of forgery, or the watchful care and custody of his host.

Mr. F. C. Hensel, of Columbus, Ohio, has arrived with a carload of fine shorthorns and horses, including a thoroughbred registered bull and other valuable stock. He will at once proceed to stock his farm and place it in care of his brother. Such arrivals indicate not only a growth in the prosperity of our county, but the progressive development of its stock interests.

Commissioner H. E. Garzee will soon take a trip to Florida for his health and as a voyage of discovery.

Last Sunday night at the M. E. parsonage, Rev. Pierce united Mr. Sherman Buck and Miss Jennie Surbaugh, both of this precinct, in the bands of matrimony.

William H. Kimber and family, from Putnam County, Ill., have arrived and will become residents of Thayer County.

Mrs. H. E. Gleason's announcement as a teacher of vocal music appears in this issue. She possesses rare ability as a music teacher and her talents have been heightened by extensive study and experience.

On last Saturday morning, the citizens of this town were considerably agitated. During the preceding hours some person or persons in the concealing darkness of night, had completely billed the town; nearly every window, door and side of buildings were ornamented with a poster, upon which was the single meaningless word, "Knobby." The good citizens were loud in inquiries of who is, and where is "Knobby," what does it mean? etc. They were also severe in their denunciations of the perpetrator. The matter is now being investigated by the committee of the whole and when the question is settled, we will publish the report.

Chester: Wilson & Dial have purchased an imported Clydesdale horse, weight 1800 pounds.

Davenport: A. G. Kinney has bought the shop, stock and tools of Clint Strain, and will work at blacksmithing at the old stand. Clint goes to Missouri...Joe Beck has moved to Edgar and will run a blacksmith shop in the neighboring suburb...L. D. Wellington has opened a wagon and carriage repair shop on the corner opposite Fullmer & Smith's.

1896

120 Years Ago

The snow which fell Tuesday was general over the state, averaging from three to seven inches.

Wm. H. and E. E. Boyes have purchased the old packing house property. This would be a good location for a canning factory.

Henry Laing, aged 80 years, died Thursday at noon, at the poor farm, where he had made his home the past five months. He was buried today at Friedensau.

Thomas McKeon, of Strang, is making arrangements to trade for Mr. Jones' drug store here.

Mrs. S. L. Payne has moved into the Hendershot residence, corner Fourth Street and Ol-

ive Avenue. This gives her a commodious dressmaking and sewing room on the first floor, a great accommodation to her many friends and patrons.

P. B. Gentry, who moved to Missouri about a year ago, returned yesterday with a car of stock and household goods. They will reside in Hebron until Mr. Gentry recovers possession of his farm. The Missouri fever has had its run, and Mr. Gentry is only one among many who are glad to return to God's county where the sun shines and the wind clears the air of malaria. Where a man can plow a straight furrow without turning aside for stones or stopping to grub a stump. Where a poor man can rent a farm without paying case in advance or mortgaging the crop with his soul and body thrown in. Away from the country where the land is owned by the thousand acres to an individual, where the fortunate are made richer and the unfortunate classed with "the poor white trash." A country where the northerner is welcome only so long as he has a dollar to give. Back to a land of push, pluck and enterprise. One by one the wanderers return.

Belle Prairie: Adam Decker purchased a cow at the sale Wednesday for \$37.75. If you want a cow now-a-days you have to pay for her.

Alexandria: Chester C. Enslow has given up his position as clerk at the Alexandria House and will farm the land just west of town...James Wilson tells us that he has taken contracts for over 100 acres of beets.

Hubbell: Capt. W. A. Coulter started for Cobden, Ill., Monday, to attend the trial of Wm. Raines for the murder of his brother, J. B. Coulter, on the night of Nov. 4, 1895.

1906

110 Years Ago

(The Bruning Banner)
Mr. A. E. Miller left for his new location in Nemaha County Monday. We are sorry to lose him for he was a favorite with everybody and a fine agent.

Horse buyers are thick just now and appear to be trying to get all the fine horses in the country. We hear of some fancy prices being paid for really fine animals.

H. Schulte has the old hotel moved across the street to its new location next to Wolter's shop, and is putting the foundation under it, which seems to be something of a job. The old corner looks very bare and desolate, but wait till the new Opera House goes up, and it will be the most attractive corner in town.

(The Alexandria Argus)
William Westerhoff was born amid the rural scenery on the banks of the sunny Rhine in Germany, April 15, where he passed his boyhood days. He came to American in 1854. In 1864, he located in Illinois. In 1873 he came with his family to Nebraska locating in Jefferson county. He was a member of the German Evangelical church. He was one of the founders of the German Presbyterian Church at Meridian. His death occurred at his home in Alexandria Sunday evening, March 4, at the age of 81 years, 10 months and 19 days.

1916

100 Years Ago

(The Bruning Banner)
A. R. Quintard has been making extensive improvements at the lumber yard the past week. The south side of the office building on the ground floor has been remodeled into three cozy living rooms, which with the rooms upstairs, make a very pleasant residence.

B. R. Chenoweth returned Monday from his market trip to the east. His return was different from his leaving in that he drove a new Hudson Six auto home from Lincoln, in which to enjoy the coming spring and summer.

(The Alexandria Argus)
The corner building formerly occupied by Guy Manners is being re-decorated and fitted up as a Dressmaking Parlor and Ladies' Specialty Shop and will be ready for occupancy the first of the week. The business will be conducted by Berenice and Melissa Hubbard and will be known as "Milady's Shop."

1926

90 Years Ago

(The Bruning Banner)
Two new political aspirants have filed. Bill Denzin wants to be Republican Sheriff and John Knutzen has made Democratic filing for County Clerk.

A new family is introduced into the community this week. Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Dorman came to locate here and he will be in charge of a new produce station opened by Swift and Co. in the C. F. Knutzen building.

C. L. Sanders, residing south of town, is a breeder of Chester White hogs. He has one sow that seems to be a record breaker. In three consecutive farrowings, all happening in 11 1/2 months, she gave birth to 52 pigs.

Jack Goodman, Fred H. Bruning and Joe Jackson, Jr., were in Geneva Tuesday morning. The notable event transpiring while they were there was the naturalization of Joe. He's now a full-fledged American citizen.

(The Alexandria Argus)
People of Alexandria and community were afforded a real pleasure last Thursday evening, when the light opera, "Love Pirates of Hawaii," was presented by the chorus of the Alexandria high school under the direction of Mrs. Hazel Schafer. The principal characters were Mable Harrold, Mildred Sinn, Julian Holes and Vernon Green.

1936

80 Years Ago

(The Bruning Banner)
Oil mat for highway 81 south of Hebron is included in Nebraska's road program for this year, according to a letter from A. C. Tilley, state engineer, to E. P. Bailey, representative from this district. Tilley indicated that U.S. 81 would be rerouted south of Hebron. "The program also includes grading from Hebron south on those portions of the highway which require relocation or improvement of the present grade to prepare the highway from Hebron to Chester for bituminous mat," he wrote.

Business of Thayer County this week underwrote the Thayer county fair to the tune of over \$2,400 to provide amusements and free acts for the county event. Those from Bruning backing the fair are the Bruning State Bank, the Bruning Mills, H. W. Hinrichs and the Bruning Banner.

1946

70 Years Ago

On Sunday, Feb. 24, St. Peter's Lutheran congregation at Deshler, dedicated its new pipe organ and renovated house of worship.

Several weeks ago, Edward Finke, living about six miles southwest of Hebron, found some bones on a badly eroded bank. They appeared too large for any present day animals. He communicated with the State University and Henry Reider, chief preparator of the University State Museum, came out to Mr. Finke's farm Saturday. He definitely stated the bones were a part of a mastodon or mammoth, those "king-size" elephants who left their bones in many places in Nebraska.

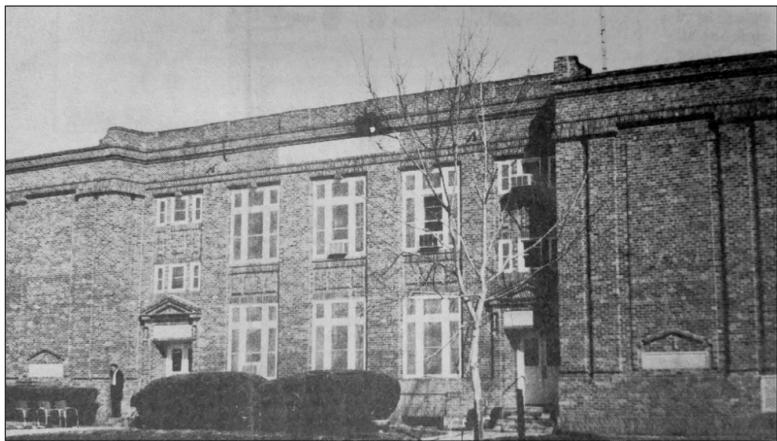
1956

60 Years Ago

(The Alexandria Argus)
The 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Mussman of Ohio was celebrated.

1966

50 Years Ago



J-R File Photo

This Week 1976... Because of problems with fire regulations the Blue Valley Care Home in Hebron will be closed. How the home will utilize the building hasn't yet been determined, with officials predicting that all the present residents will be found new places to stay within a year.

(The Alexandria Argus)
G. B. Averill was awarded his "50 year" pin for being an active and faithful member of Alexandria Masonic Lodge No. 74 for 50 years.

Plans are underway for extensive renovation of the Alexandria Post Office.

(The Bruning Banner)
Representative Clair Callan has announced that the Post Office Department has authorized a new postal facility for Ohioa. Construction cost is estimated at \$30,000.

1976

40 Years Ago

Shari Degenhardt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Degenhardt of Hebron was crowned Miss Thayer County Pork Queen during the pork producer's banquet in Deshler.

Representatives from various organizations in Hebron had been speaking to groups in Hebron about the possibility of the city constructing a community center.

Patrolman Donald E. Sandman of the Hebron Police Department successfully completed seven weeks of training at the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center in Grand Island.

New officers of the Spring Creek Gun Club were President Randy Hergott, Vice President Allen Avers, Secretary Jim Thomas and Treasurer Jack Paugh.

William Sinn of Alexandria died at the age of 99 years. The Sinn family lived for a short time in a dugout east of the village. Sinn, along with his parents, came to the town of Alexandria when the town was only seven years old.

1986

30 Years Ago

Bill Eickman of Hebron retired after 41 years with Norris Public Power as Area I manager.

Hebron Chamber of Commerce members voted overwhelmingly to have stores remain open on Thursday nights instead of Wednesdays.

A benefit was being held for Erin Onnen, daughter of Bob and Barb Onnen of Hebron, who was born with spina bifida.

Richard Mosier of Davenport received the Pork Booster Award from Thayer County Pork Producer President Duane Rippe of Hubbell. Board of directors of the Thayer County Pork Producers were Rod Holtzen, Neal Onnen, John Lentfer, Duane Rippe, Steve Melvin, Gary Miller, Daryl Anderson, Stan Hofts and Arlis Eitzmann.

1996

20 Years Ago

The Journal-Register was carrying a series of stories on the Thayer County Memorial Hospital and its plans to renovate the existing facility and to add new space to accommodate treatment of patients into the next century. Plans called for a new physicians' office to handle four doctors and the existing clinic being remodeled for visiting specialists and a meeting room. The ambulance entrance was to be covered.

Davenport speech team members qualifying for state were J.J. McDole, Erin Miller, Tony Nunnenkamp, Natasha Boss and Crystal Cortman.

Top Thayer County spellers

at the spelling bee were fifth grade, Jenna Bowman; sixth grade, Sarah Hoops; seventh, Sarah Heiman and eighth, Gurayn Sylte.

2006

10 Years Ago

The Thayer County Feeders Association installed new board members. The new board members were Tysen Hissong, Brian Livingston, Mike Hansmire, Justin Pope, Dan Poppe, Joel Voss, Brian Mumm, Chris Bolte, Eric Isernhagen, Mark Hintz, Brad Dowdy, Andy Schmidt, Steve Tietjen, Gill Mumm and Gary Sinn.

Hebron Mayor Pat Kenner was looking for volunteers to move trees to several locations in the city — Lincoln Ave., between 13th St. and Highway 81 at the proposed community center site and along Holdrege Ave., where a railroad right-of-way had been cleared.

Thayer County Sheriff's Deputy Kotschwar caught several alleged burglars at Gracie's Market in Chester during a routine check of the town.

The Rev. Julie Sterling was installed as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Hebron.

The Chester Senior Center held a birthday dinner for Ella Kuhlmann's 94th birthday.

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COUNTY COURT Fines Paid by February 24, 2016

Court costs \$48.00 unless otherwise stated. Probation costs also include \$30 enrollment fee and \$25 per each month on probation. Chemical testing costs are \$5 per month on probation.

Local Law Enforcement

LeLon Carter, Danville, Ark. Speeding, \$75.

Ralph Vidal, San Antonio, Texas. Speeding, \$25.

Edgar Mendoza, Dallas, Texas. Speeding, \$25.

Gereldine Karmazin, Superior. Speeding, \$75.

Arron Wergeland, Conroe, Texas. Speeding, \$25.

Nebraska State Patrol

Wendy Williamson, Hastings. Speeding, \$75.

Seth Brown, Lincoln. Speeding, \$75.

Judith Audran, Savannah, Ga. Speeding, \$25.

Brett Bechtel, Kyle, Texas. Speeding, \$125.

Layne Holmes, Byron. Speeding, \$25; No operator's license, \$75.

Caleb Duff, Bruning. Speeding, \$200.

Jason Silver, Hastings. Violate stop or yield sign, \$75.

Kevin Byrd, Lincoln. Violate stop or yield sign, \$75; Fail to use seat belt, \$25.

Brenda Dodson, Oklahoma City, Okla. Speeding, \$75.

Stacy Boyce, Tobias. Speeding, \$25.

Kacee Kremer, Omaha. Speeding, \$75.

David Ridgeway, Bristow, Okla. Speeding, \$75.

Sean Doherty, Lenexa, Kan. Speeding, \$25.

Yihao Wong, Andover, Kan. Speeding, \$125.

Chance Chrisman, McCool Junction. Speeding, \$25; No valid registration-car/pickup, \$25.

Dustin Cosgrove. Speeding, \$25; Fail to use seat belt, \$25.

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Verna M. Fuller Revocable Trust to Gina R. Freitag Family Trust. S5 T1N R4W Pt SE 1/4.

Rena C. Fuller to Gina R. Freitag Family Trust. S5 T1N R4W Pt SE 1/4.

Julie V. Hofeldt to Gina R. Freitag Family Trust. S5 T1N R4W Pt SE 1/4.

Kevin W. Fuller and Denise Fuller to Brandi L. Novosad, First Nebraska Trust Co., Co Trustees, Gina R. Freitag Family Trust. S5 T1N R4W Pt SE 1/4.

Wesley G. Fuller to Brandi L. Novosad, First Nebraska Trust Co., Co Trustees, Gina R. Freitag Family Trust. S5 T1N R4W Pt SE 1/4.

Heitmann Agronomy LLC to Clint Siemsen and Layce Siemsen. Pt Lot 15, 14 in Block 2, Original Town of Byron.

Daniel L. Werner and Sue A. Werner to Daniel L. Werner First Family Trust. S18 T2N R2W Pt E 1/2 NW 1/4.

Wesley G. Fuller, Kevin W. Fuller and Julie V. Hofeldt, Trustees of the Verna M. Fuller Revocable Trust to Patricia A. Elting. S5 T1N R4W Pt S 1/2 SE 1/4.

Julie V. Hofeldt to Patricia A. Elting. S5 T1N R4W Pt S 1/2 SE 1/4.

Rena C. Fuller to Patricia A. Elting. S5 T1N R4W Pt S 1/2 SE 1/4.

Kevin W. Fuller and Denise Fuller to Patricia A. Elting. S5 T1N R4W Pt S 1/2 SE 1/4.

Wesley G. Fuller to Patricia A. Elting. S5 T1N R4W Pt S 1/2 SE 1/4.

Bobbi Hilderbrand and David Hilderbrand to Ryan Stradley. Lot 14, 15 and Pt Lot 16 in Block 5, Coons Addition of Hubbell.

Tammi S. Overton to Samantha Farrar. Lot 17 and Pt Lot 18 in Block 13, Coons Addition of Hubbell.

Roderick E. Harley, PR, Estate of Betty Leone Drohman to Patricia D. Harley. S9 T2N R4W SW 1/4 Pt W 1/2 SE 1/4.

Roderick E. Harley, PR, Estate of Betty Leone Drohman to Patricia D. Harley. S17 T2N R4W NE 1/4.

Joseph H. Murray, Attorney, Margaret M. Karnatz and Ray V. Karnatz to Public, Wanda K. Giebel, George J. Gerdes Jr., Kevin Trowbridge, Spencer Trowbridge, Audrey L. Trowbridge, Robert L. Trowbridge, Elizabeth Gerdes, Mitchell Gerdes, Karen Gerdes, Brent Gerdes and Chance Gerdes. S16 T4N R1W E 1/2 NE 1/4 Pt NE 1/4 Pt S 1/2 SE 1/4.

Daniel L. Werner, Referee to Chance Gerdes. S16 T4N R4W E 1/2 NE 1/4 Pt NE 1/4 Pt S 1/2 SE 1/4 (2/5 interest).

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Jared Jerome Paulk, Bruning, legal age; Sarah Ann Svoboda, Bruning, legal age.

Michael Anthony Fauci, Fort Riley, Kan., legal age; Heather Renee Cookinham, Poughkeepsie, NY, legal age.

What is a medical social worker?

March is National Social Worker month. A medical social worker, also known as a hospital social worker, typically works in a hospital, skilled nursing facility or with hospice patients.

Their role is to provide patients and their families with support, grief counseling and information on what programs are available. They are patient advocates and counselors, perform psychological assessments, refer patients and families to medical resources and provide patient and family assistance in obtaining financial and legal assistance. Most importantly, they work to assure the best interest of the patient is being met.

A medical social worker can also provide information to patients about the importance of having an Advanced Directive as part of their medical records. Regardless of your age, having an Advanced Directive is a way of making your voice heard even if you were no longer able to communicate. They allow you to appoint someone to make your health care decisions for you when you no longer can and to administer or withhold treatment and procedures based on your previously stated wishes. Advance directives are not just for the elderly. All people who desire to direct their medical care in the future should complete an advance directive.

An advance directive does not mean "do not treat." This is a common miss perception and not correct. Of course, if you want it to mean do not treat, then that is something your surrogate needs to know. Proper execution of an advance directive is a delicate task. A person should discuss this with his/her loved ones and consider his/her values and beliefs. Religious and spiritual beliefs also play an important role in writing a medical directive.

Thayer County Health

Health News



Services has a medical social worker, Dianne Meyer, on staff to assist patients and their family members. When illness and injury require hospitalization, the result may mean a life change for patients and their families. A medical social worker is available to discuss and explain the nature of an illness and advise the patient and family on how to effectively deal with symptoms and treatment. A medical social worker also serves as a grief counselor to help patients and families deal with the trauma associated with a chronic or acute illness.

A medical social worker plays a critical role in a patient's discharge planning. They work with the patient and family to ensure the services, a patient requires after discharge, are in place. To accomplish this, medical social workers work with other professionals such as physicians, nurses, clergy and rehabilitation services; occupational, speech and physical therapy to determine what services will be needed after discharge. For example, if a patient should need home care services, the social worker can help make arrangements for home care service before the patient is discharged.

Medical social workers deal with a wide range of situations, patients and challenges. Because each case is different, it is so important they work together with other health care staff to determine what a patient's needs are. Medical social workers often serve as patient advocates in obtaining the necessary services needed to ensure a good care plan is in place prior to discharge.

Thayer County Health Services

Things And Stuff

March 2: Alexandria
March 3: Deshler
March 4: Bruning
March 5: TCHS Employees
March 9: Davenport
March 10: Hebron
March 11: Deshler

Things and Stuff will have a sale of 50 percent off all merchandise March 2-12 and a bag sale March 16-18.

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 Audrey Else at 402-768-6621.

Children's Immunization Clinics: Immunizations for children will be offered with well child appointments in the clinic. Appointments for immunizations will be offered on

the second and third Thursday each month. To schedule a clinic appointment, call 402-768-7203.

Adult Immunization Clinic: For all adult vaccines, contact the Immunization Coordinators: Haley Wiedel at 402-768-7203, ext. 214 or Rhea Kniep at 402-768-6041, ext. 273.

CLINIC SCHEDULES
Bruning Clinic
March 8 9:00-11:30
Dr. Randy Waldman
March 10 9:00-11:30
Dr. Leann Heinrichs
Davenport Clinic
March 7 9:00-11:30
Dr. Randy Waldman
Deshler Clinic
March 7 1:30-4:30
Kay Elting, APRN-C
March 8 1:30-4:30
Maggie Johnson, PAC
Milligan Clinic
March 8 8:00-11:30
Dr. Scott Vonderfecht
Chester Clinic
March 9 9:00-11:30
Dr. Scott Vonderfecht

ABOUT LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Hebron Journal-Register welcomes and encourages letters from our readers. Guidelines include:
• Letters must be signed by the author and include a phone number for contact if there is a problem or to verify the author. If more than one name appears, all signatures and telephone numbers must be included.
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• Letters must be pertinent to our readers, come from our readership area, and deal with something of interest to our readers.
• Letters are not a substitute for advertising and those that appear to be advertising will not be published.
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Sorghum Board seeks applicants for open seats

Three directorships on the Nebraska Grain Sorghum Board are open for appointment. The appointments will fill directorships to represent Districts 2 and 3 and a Governor-appointed at-large seat. The term for the members currently filling these seats will expire July 1, 2016. The filing deadline is no later than 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 10, 2016.

District 2 includes the counties of Knox, Antelope, Pierce, Madison, Boone, Platte, Nance, Merrick, Polk, Hamilton, York, Adams, Clay, Fillmore, Webster, Nuckolls, and Thayer.

District 3 includes the counties of Keya Paha, Boyd, Brown, Rock, Holt, Blaine, Loup, Garfield, Wheeler, Custer, Valley, Greeley, Sherman, Howard, Dawson, Buffalo, Hall, Gosper, Phelps, Kearney, Furnas, Harlan, and Franklin.

Sorghum growers interested in appointment to fill the open seats may place their name on a candidacy list by submitting to the Board a completed application for gubernatorial appointment, a letter or statement of interest in serving on the Board, two letters of endorsement from grain sorghum

growers, and documentation substantiating qualification to serve as a member of the Board (sales receipts, warehouse receipts, government loan documentation, or acreage certification).

Qualified candidates include those who are citizens of Nebraska, are at least 21 years of age, and derive a portion of their income from growing grain sorghum.

Applications for appointment can be obtained from the Governor's office by writing to Staff Assistant for Boards and Commissions, Nebraska Governor's Office, State Capitol, Box 94848, Lincoln, NE 68509-4848, PH: 402.471-1971; or the Nebraska Grain Sorghum Board, P.O. Box 94982, Lincoln, NE 68509; PH: 402.471.4276; or email: sorghum.board@nebraska.gov. Application may also be made on-line at: http://www.governor.nebraska.gov/bc/board_comm.html.

The Nebraska Grain Sorghum Board administers the checkoff on sorghum sold in the state. The Board's funds are invested in programs of market development, research, policy development, and producer and consumer education.

Bruning-Davenport Senior Spotlight

Kathleen Smith is the daughter of Tracy Smith and Kevin Smith. She has a brother, Austin, and a sister, Taylor.

Katie is involved in FCCLA, band and drama at Bruning-Davenport. She is involved with St. Paul Lutheran Church in Utica.

Her favorite food is goulash and her favorite TV show is "Doctor Who." Katie's favorite song is "Centuries" by Fall Out Boy and her favorite place to go to be alone is her room.

Katie's interest are music and art. She plans to attend SCC's Academic Transfer Program, then study Music Therapy.



Kathleen Smith

The most influential person in her life has been her mom. "My mom guides me towards my goals," says Katie.

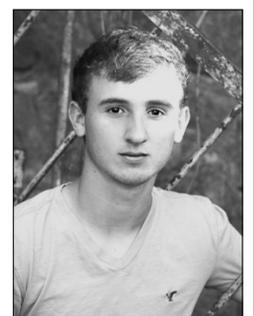
T.C. Senior of the Week — Meyer

Thayer Central Senior of the Week is Adam Meyer. Adam is the son of Rebecca Hulse and John Meyer.

Adam's favorite class at Thayer Central is history and his favorite food is French Fries. Adam's favorite pastime is playing baseball.

At Thayer Central, Adam has been involved in football, basketball, golf, track, TCHCC, National Honor Society, FBLA, Mu Alpha Theta, and Letter Club.

His advice to underclassmen is, "You may hate school now, but it goes by fast." Following graduation in



Adam Meyer

May, Adam plans to attend Nebraska Wesleyan and major in Business Management and Marketing.

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Speech team fifth at conference

The Thayer Central Titans placed fifth and within 35 points of third place at the Southern Nebraska Conference Speech meet held at Tri County Feb. 27.

Leading the Titans was Senior Kassie Kent, who won the Persuasive Speaking event.

Joining Kent in medaling were a slew of juniors — Shivani Patel earned fifth in Entertainment. Hyeon Wang placed fifth in Informative. Julie Johnson won fifth place in Oral Interpretation of Poetry and Ashley Harms was sixth in Extemporaneous Speaking.

"This meet is a showcase of some of the best speaking talent in the state," Thayer Central Coach Justin Bomar said. "With five medalists and a new best in team scoring, we are very pleased with how the day turned out."

The Titans will finish out their regular season March 5 at Doniphan-Trumbull's Invite. Thayer Central will travel to Harvard March 15 for the C2-4 District Meet.

On Feb. 20, the Titan Talkers were led by Harms and Wang at the Sutton Invite. Harms finished fifth in Extemporaneous. Wang earned fifth place in Informative.

Freshman Makayla Johnson was seventh in Informative; Patel, eighth in Entertainment; Kent, ninth in Persuasive; and Freshman Dakota Cherney,

ninth in Entertainment.

The team was second at the Sandy Creek Speech Invite earlier in February. Prepared and rehearsed, the Talkers worked with their way up to runners-up in sweepstakes points.

Leading the way for the Titans were Juniors Julie Johnson and Collin Fink, winning the Duet Acting event while their Wang and Freshman Maggie Harris finished in a tie for fifth.

Johnson added an individual second place finish in the Poetry category and Harris earned a third place award in Humorous Prose.

Patel won two medals at the contest, placing second in Persuasive Speaking and fifth place in Entertainment. Harms placed second in the Extemporaneous. Senior Broderick Harms took home fifth in the same category.

In Informative Speaking, Wang placed fourth, one spot ahead of Makayla Johnson, who finished fifth.

Rounding out the day for the Titans was Cherney, who talked his way into a fourth place finish in Entertainment.

"It was great to see the payoff for the hard work and practices the kids have been putting in. I think everyone is looking to preparing to do well as we come to our home stretch of the season," Bomar said.

Hebron Senior Diners

Exercise on Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Monday, March 7: Creamed chicken on a biscuit, peas, tator tri's, dark sweet cherries. *Fairbury trip.*

Tuesday, March 8: Meatball with onion gravy, Bistro bakers, green beans with bacon, ice cream. *Toe nails.*

Wednesday, March 9: Ham and bean soup, cheese stick, corn muffin, pears in lime jello. *Bingo.*

Thursday, March 10: Beef fritter, scalloped potatoes, corn, strudel stick.

Friday, March 11: Tuna bunwich, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, strawberries and bananas. *Waffles, 8:30 a.m.*

PrairieLand food order in on March 7; delivered on March 19.

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

ALA meeting

The Hebron American Legion Auxiliary will hold its monthly meeting on March 7, at 6:30 p.m., at the Hebron County Club. They will celebrate the Legion's birthday with a supper.



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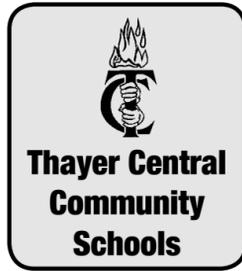
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ACTIVITIES

Thursday, March 3: Girls State BB, Lincoln.

Friday, March 4: Girls State BB; JH Speech meet, Grand Island.

Saturday, March 5: Girls State BB; Speech at Doniphan-Trumbull, 9 a.m.

Monday, March 7: Drivers Ed, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.; HS Spring sports parents meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 8: 5th-8th grade band concert, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 9: Staff in-service; Dismissal, 2 p.m.

MENU

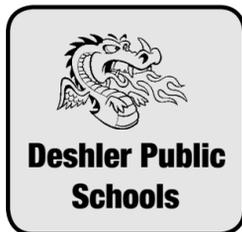
Thursday, March 3: Mexican lasagna, WG churro, fiesta beans; WG ham sandwich.

Friday, March 4: WG fish sandwich, coleslaw; WG Uncrustable.

Monday, March 7: Chicken fajitas, kooskoos; WG turkey sandwich.

Tuesday, March 8: Ravioli in meat sauce, steamed corn, WG breadstick; WG turkey sandwich.

Wednesday, March 9: Chees pizze (K-6), Pepperoni pizza (6-12); WG peanut butter apple wrap.



ACTIVITIES

Thursday, March 3: Girls varsity State BB championships.

Friday, March 4: Girls varsity State BB championships; No school - Spring Break.

Saturday, March 5: Girls varsity State BB championships.

Monday, March 7: Kindergarten round up, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.; Musical rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 8: Dragon speech night, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 9: FCA, 6 p.m.

MENU

Thursday, March 3: Chicken fajitas, Romaine lettuce, tater tots, coffeeecake, peaches, milk.

Friday, March 4: No school.

Monday, March 7: Tater tot casserole, coleslaw, dinner roll, tropical fruit, milk.

Tuesday, March 8: BBQ pork on bun, green beans, cheesy potatoes, raisins, milk.

Wednesday, March 9: First grade's meal: Pizza, baked beans, fresh carrots, cinnamon roll, pear or applesauce, milk.

Relay For Life event June 10

The 15th Annual Thayer County Relay For Life will be held at the Hebron Country Club Golf Course June 10 from 6 p.m. to 12 a.m. This year's theme is "Paint the World Purple."

The annual event mobilizes communities to celebrate survivors, remember loved ones and raise funds for the fight against cancer. Teams will gather to participate in the largest fundraising walk in the nation.

A highlight of the Relay is the luminary ceremony to remember those who lost the battle. Luminaries also honors survivors, and through the Relay, the message that more and more people are surviving cancer is reinforced.

The history of the Relay for Life began with Dr. Gordy Klatt, a colorectal surgeon from Tacoma, Wash., who

wanted to raise money for his local American Cancer Society office. Klatt was a runner and he especially enjoyed running marathons.

In May of 1985, Klatt spent 24 hours circling the track at the University of Puget Sound. He ran for more than 83 miles, picking up friends along the way, who paid \$25 to run or walk with him for 30 minutes.

In total, Klatt raised \$27,000 to fight cancer after 300 family members, friends and patients watched as he ran and walked the course.

He eventually pulled together a committee to plan the first Relay event and in 1986, 19 teams participated. They raised \$33,000.

Relay For Life has grown to an international campaign. Over 21 nations host the annual fundraising walk.

Schleifer celebrates 94th birthday and great grandson

Reuben Schleifer spent the past weekend with family in the Omaha area on the occasion of his 94th birthday.

Reuben is pictured holding his newborn great grandson, Jett Paul. Jett is the son of Jamie and Allie Schleifer of Blair.

Grandparents are Paul and Carolyn Oestmann of Fort Calhoun and Stan and Vicki Schleifer of Bennington and Omaha. Jett Paul was welcomed home by two-year-old brother, Jax Reuben.

The beautiful busy weekend also included the formal wed-



ding of Jonathan Schleifer of Omaha and Leigh Dutton of Bennington at St. Andrews Methodist in Omaha.

Cards of Thanks

Card of Thanks

The TCHS Guild would like to thank the Belvidere Women's Club for hosting and serving our luncheon in January. The food was delicious and the Mardi Gras theme and decorations were so festive and fun. You girls really know how to put on a party!

Thanks again for everything.

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Area Church News

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

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

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.;
Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.

*** CARLETON ***

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

*** CHESTER ***

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN
Rev. Christopher Gerdes, Pastor
Wednesday, March 2: Confirmation, 6 p.m.;
Lenten Service,

7 p.m.
Thursday, March 3: Ladies Aid, 6:30 p.m.;
Tri-Parish Elder's meeting, 7 p.m.
Sundays: Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship, 11 a.m.
Tuesday, March 8: Vespers/Creation & Evolution, 6 p.m.

*** DAVENPORT ***

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

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

ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN
Patrick Flynn, Pastor
Sundays: Worship, 9 a.m.;
Sunday School and Bible class, 10:15 a.m.

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

*** DAYKIN ***

ST. JOHN
Connie Raess, Pastor
Sundays: Sunday School, 8 a.m.;
Worship, 9 a.m.

*** DESHLER ***

ABIDING WORD LUTHERAN
George Lautner, Pastor
Wednesday, March 2: Confirmation class, 3:30 p.m.;
Lenten Service, 7 p.m.
Sunday, March 6: Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.;
Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Monday, March 7: Council meeting, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, March 8: WMF Bible study, 9 a.m.

Wednesday, March 9: Confirmation class, 3:30 p.m.;
Lenten Service, 7 p.m.

PEACE LUTHERAN

Rich Stevenson, Pastor
Wednesday, March 2: Parkview Haven Chapel and Holy Communion, 3 p.m.;
Adult Praise Team, tentatively at 5:30 p.m.;
Youth meal in Parish Hall, 5:45 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.;
Lenten Worship, 7 p.m.;
Peace choir, 8 p.m.
Thursday, March 3: Meadowlark Heights Bible study, 10 a.m.
Saturday, March 5: Holy Communion, 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 6: Sunday School for all, 9 a.m.;
Holy Communion, 10 a.m.
Tuesday, March 8: Morning Circle at Meadowlark, 9:30 a.m.;
Church Council, 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 9: Men's breakfast at The Wheelhouse, 7 a.m.;
Team #2 meal in Parish Hall, 5:45 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.;
Lenten Worship, 7 p.m.;
Peace choir, 8 p.m.
Thursday, March 10: Discipleship and Education team, 7 p.m.

Friday, March 4: No school at DLS.
Saturday, March 5: Lectionary Bible study, 7:30 a.m.
Sunday, March 6: Communion Service, 10 a.m.;
Sunday School and Bible class, 11:15 a.m.;
TGIF, 4 p.m.
Monday, March 7: Elders' meeting, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 8: Blue Valley Nursing Home Communion, 10:30 a.m.;
Circuit Pastors meeting, 12 p.m.
Wednesday, March 9: Woodman speech contest at DLS; Lenten supper by TGIF, 6:15 p.m.;
Lent Service, 7:15 p.m.
Thursday, March 10: DLS chapel, 9:15 a.m.

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

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ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
Pastor Breen Marie Sipes
Sundays: Worship, 9 a.m.;
Fellowship, 10 a.m.

*** HEBRON ***

FAITH LUTHERAN
Rev. Christopher Gerdes, Pastor
Sunday, March 6: Worship, 9:30 a.m.;
Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday, March 9: Bulletin items due; Matins and Bible study, 9 a.m.;
Lenten Lunch and Service 11:30 and 12:30 lunch,

TRINITY LUTHERAN

B. J. Fouts, Pastor
Wednesday, March 2: Lenten supper, 6:15 p.m.;
Lent Service, 7:15 p.m.
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Noon service; Chapel at Parkview Haven, 3, p.m.;
Confirmation, 6 p.m.;
Lenten Service, 7 p.m.

FIRST COMMUNITY CHURCH

Steve Speichinger, Pastor
Sundays: Sunday School, 9 a.m.;
Worship, 10 a.m.
Wednesdays: Bible Study, 6:45 p.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

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

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Keith Brozek, Pastor
Wednesday, March 2: Midweek Lenten lecture, 7 p.m.
Thursday, March 3: Grief Share meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 5: Worship, 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 6: Worship, coffee fellowship, Sunday School, 9 a.m.

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HEBRON & CHESTER UNITED METHODIST

Mark Baldwin, Pastor
Sundays: Worship at Chester, 11 a.m.;
Worship at Hebron, 9 a.m.;
Sunday School, Chester, 9:30 a.m.;
Hebron, 10:15 a.m.

KING OF KINGS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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

NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY

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

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC

Father Rudolf Oborny, Pastor
Wednesday, March 2: CCD classes, 7 p.m.;
Lenten Service

at First Community Church, 11:30 a.m.;
Stations of the Cross, 7:05 p.m.

Thursday, March 3: Altar Society, 2 p.m.;
Holy Hour, 7 p.m.
Friday, March 4: First Friday Mass, 7:20 a.m.;
Food and fellowship at Mary's Cafe following.
Saturday, March 5: Mass, 6 p.m.
Sunday, March 6: Mass, 10 a.m.;
Rediscover Catholicism study group, 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Monday, March 7: RCIA instructions, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the church hall.

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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 breakfast, 7:30 a.m.

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Obituaries

Charles Kleveland

Charles R. Kleveland, son of Ervin H. Kleveland and Rozelle M. (Howell) Kleveland, was born December 19, 1942, at Belleville, Kan., and passed away on February 26, 2016, at his home in Chester, at the age of 73 years, two months and seven days.

Chuck graduated from Chester High School in 1961. He was united in marriage to Kathleen Ogilvie on August 13, 1964.

After graduating from the University of Nebraska in 1966 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business, Chuck, Kathy and Chas moved to Rochester, New York, where he worked for Eastman Kodak for two years. While there, daughter Rebecca was born and, shortly thereafter, the family moved to Belleville, Kan., and then to Chester, where he lived the rest of his years. After moving to Chester, the births of Amy and David completed the family.

For the next 11 years, Chuck worked with his father Ervin "Shorty" Kleveland until his passing, at which time Chuck took over the business for the next 37 years.

Chuck was a loyal member of the fraternity Sigma Phi Epsilon, a past member of the Chester Volunteer Fire Department, served on the Chester town board, and was a long time member and past president of the Nebraska Petroleum Marketers Association.

Chuck enjoyed hunting for game birds and fishing and was a huge Nebraska Husker football fan. However, his greatest joy in life was his family: wife Kathy, four children, and most especially, his six grandchildren.

He enjoyed taking his family (and at times extra kids) on vacations to Minnesota, Colorado and Missouri. He enjoyed traveling with his wife Kathy to places like Alaska and Panama and enjoyed taking many other cruises together.

Chuck not only loved cruising the waters, but also the streets of Chester and roads of Thayer County. He loved being able to take his granddaughters out to learn how to drive, regardless of age or whether their parents knew what was up.

Chuck will always be known for his kindness, humor, and generosity. He truly enjoyed cooking for everyone else even while battling cancer. His beef jerky was a local treat for many whom he delighted in sharing. So many will remember Chuck for wanting to take care of everyone else, which was how he showed his love.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Ervin and Rozelle Kleveland, and grandson, Taylor.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy Kleveland of Chester; sons, Charles R. Kleveland Jr of Kearney and David Kleveland of Kearney; daughters, Rebecca (Brian) Hulse of Bruning and Amy (Roger) Crouse of Chester; grandchildren, Kelsey, Brian, Adam, Madalyn, Stephanie, Brynna; brothers, Steve Kleveland of Hastings and James Kleveland of Iowa; sisters, Ramona Mumford of Omaha, Barbara Kasl of Hebron, and Charlotte Gonzales of Beatrice; and nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held on March 2, at the United Methodist Church in Chester, and were conducted by Pastor Mark Baldwin.

Interment was in Chester Cemetery, Chester.

Memorials may be given to Family Choice.

Online condolences and information at www.bachelorsurber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kan., was in charge of arrangements.

LBNRD and RBNRD initiate voluntary integrated management plan

The Boards of Directors for the Little Blue and Tri-Basin Natural Resources Districts have taken action to initiate voluntary integrated management plans for their respective districts.

The Integrated Management Plans will be cooperative efforts between the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources and the two natural resources districts.

Mike Onnen, Manager of the Little Blue NRD, comments "Each district will be responsible for their own unique plan to address the needs of their respective district, but because we share common resources and similar water management responsibilities in the Little Blue River Basin, the two districts felt it best to work cooperatively in the effort."

"In that regard, the Little Blue and Tri-Basin NRDs will have some joint stakeholder meetings to discuss resources concerns and issues of mutual interest across the district lines," Onnen says.

The purpose of integrated water management plans are to protect existing water uses and devise strategies to achieve a sustainable long-term balance between water uses and water supplies in the NRD.

The plans will highlight current water conditions and needs and outline management strategies, monitoring, additional studies, educational opportunities, and collaborative efforts with other agencies and entities.

Local stakeholders will be an integral part of the plan

development as they offer insights and feedback on various strategies for protection of the resources. The Districts and DNR are currently working to assemble those stakeholder groups. Plan development is anticipated to take 18 months to 2 years to complete.

The plan sponsors have selected the firm of JEO Consulting Group to facilitate the stakeholder component of the planning process, gather feedback and compile recommendations for the plan. The first meeting of the stakeholders meeting is tentatively scheduled for March 29 in Hastings.

Some landowners along the boundary between Tri-Basin and Little Blue NRDs have raised concerns about different approaches taken by the two

districts toward some aspects of groundwater regulation.

Onnen states, "The planning process will give us an opportunity to discuss more fully the water resources is-

ues of mutual concern in the Basin and work to determine the best courses of actions for each district. We look forward to this planning effort with our neighbors."

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While you are there, you can meet the newest addition to his office, JuliAnna Capek, financial advisor, and help her celebrate her new career with a short presentation about Waddell & Reed.

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Lichti earns accolade, choir attends event

Belvidere

By LaDonna Avers

February 29. We only get to write that once every four years so it is kind of a different feeling writing the news today. Always makes one wonder if you'll be doing it four years from now.

Saturday, Ruth, Kevin, Coleen and Amy Yoachim attended the Thayer County Alumni basketball tournament in Deshler. Ruth's grandsons, Jon and Thomas, both played in the games.

Logan and Paula McGinness attended the baptism of their great grandson, Landon Nutsch at the United Methodist Church on Sunday, Feb. 28. Landon is the son of Derrick and Alexis Nutsch of Chester and grandson of Gale and Audrey Rickers of Hebron. They all attended a celebratory lunch with family at the Nutsch home in Chester.

Ruth Yoachim attended the baptism of her new great grandson, Donovan Lee Yoachim, on Sunday, Feb. 28. Donovan is the son of Jon and Jamie Yoachim and the grandson of Kirk and Wanda Yoachim. The family gathered for lunch after the baptism.

Jean Shipley is celebrating the birth last week of a new great grandchild, Addalyn Kay Packett. She also has a great great grandfather, Dale Bowman who is also happy to celebrate her birth. Addalyn's parents are Cheyanne and Austin Packett of Fairbury and she has grandparents LeAnn and Jerry Forbis, formerly of Belvidere, who now live in Hebron. Jean is also a former Belvidere resident. Welcome, Addalyn!

Russ and Bonnie Priefert attended the Blake Shelton concert in Lincoln last week. Their daughter, Jennifer, from Omaha met them in Lincoln for the concert.

Nic Dunsmoor and grandmother, LaDonna Avers, drove to York on Sunday to celebrate the first birthday of McKaylee Korth of Lindsey, Neb. McKaylee's parents are Nic and Annastacia Korth and her grandparents are Ardys and Jeff Dunsmoor, who hosted the party. Jeff shares his birthday with McKaylee on Feb. 28, so there were two birthday cakes. Also attending were Chelsea and Tori Rice of Omaha and Nathan and Nathaniel Avers and Haileigh Moutray of York.

The Saturday jewelry party at the Community Hall was well attended. A percentage of the profits will be given to the Belvidere Woman's Club and will be used for upcoming club projects.

ALA Unit #329 meets

The American Legion Auxiliary Voss Unit #329 met on February 23 for their regular meeting. President Nancy Heinrichs called the meeting to order.

The colors were advanced, opening prayer was given and the members joined in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and the Preamble. The members also sang the first verse of the Star Spangled Banner. The roll call was taken showing ten members present.

The secretary's minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was read and approved. The new blinds for the windows in the Legion Hall have been put up. Nancy thanks Lucinda and Melany for getting this done.

Under new business, Lucinda reported on the Legion Birthday party. It will be held on March 14 at the Legion Hall in Carleton. Social hour is at Shanigan's at 6 p.m. and the meal is being catered at 6:30 p.m. at the Legion Hall. Birthday cake will be served after the meal.

Lucinda will deliver our canned goods collected to the Blue Valley Action Food Bank in Hebron. A motion was made by Rosalie and seconded by Cris to donate prizes for the community Easter egg hunt. Motion carried. Nancy reported that Memorial Day services will be held on May 30, at 10:30 a.m., at the cemetery. Coffee and cookies will be served after the service at the Carleton Community Building.

Having no further business, a prayer for peace was given by Rosalie and Melany retired the colors.

The next meeting will be on April 19, 2016, at 7 p.m. The meeting was adjourned. Judy had the program on Americanism and Marion and Peggy served lunch.

Davenport Senior Dinners

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

Monday, March 7: Creamed chicken on a biscuit, peas, tator tri's, dark sweet cherries. *Qwirkle*.

Tuesday, March 8: Meatball with onion gravy, Bistro bakers, green beans with bacon, ice cream. *Tri-Ominoes*.

Wednesday, March 9: Ham and bean soup, cheese stick, corn muffin, pears in lime jello. *Scrabble*.

Thursday, March 10: Beef fritter, scalloped potatoes, corn, strudel stick. *Rummikub*.

Friday, March 11: Tuna bunwich, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, strawberries and bananas.

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

Chester Senior Dinners

There are no longer activities listed on the calendar for Chester; however, an activity will be scheduled each day.

Monday, March 7: Creamed chicken on a biscuit, peas, tator tri's, dark sweet cherries.

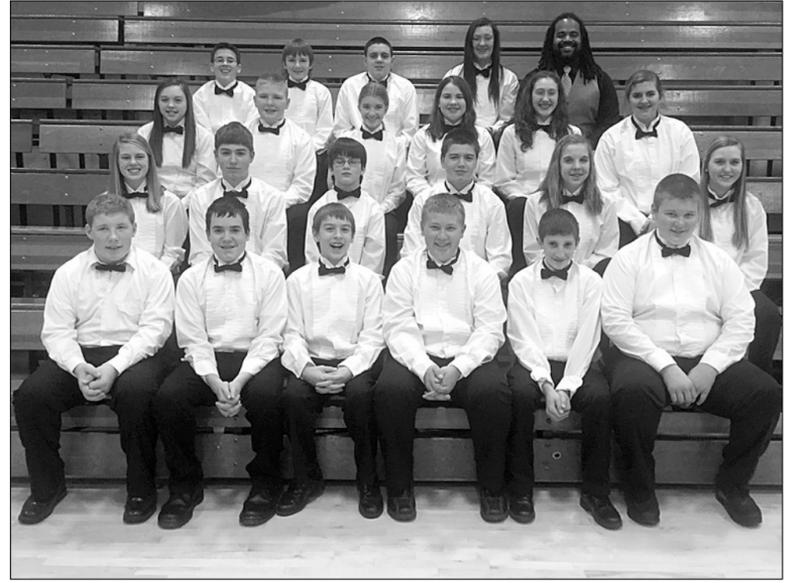
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Friday, March 11: Tuna bunwich, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, strawberries and bananas.

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The Shickley Junior High Chorus, under the direction of Instructor Joshua Harris, participated in the Cross Roads Conference Junior High Vocal Clinic in Hampton. Twelve schools were represented at this year's clinic. The chorus members are (First row, l to r) Reid Richards, Nolan O'Brien, Dalton Kleinschmidt, Justin Stengel, Josh Swartzendruber and Nathan Nelson. (Second) Bryn Kadel, Zach Mosier, Aaron Mick, Brock Swartzendruber, Macy Kamler and Raegan Fiala. (Third) Kenzie Bohling, Blake Schlegel, Briana Janing, Brooke Jorgenson, Alyssa Nolt, and Regan Alfis. (Fourth) Raleigh Shipley, Cadden Carlson, Sam Fiegel, Kaylee Noel and Instructor Joshua Harris.

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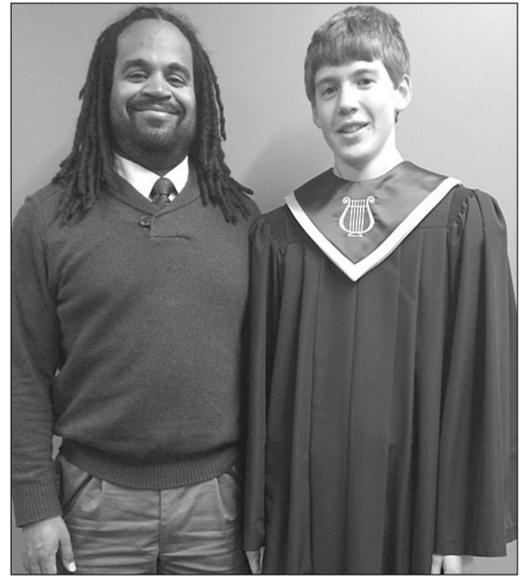
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Attn: Human Resources
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Seward, NE 68434 EOE



Chris Lichti was selected to perform in the top honor choir at University of Nebraska-Kearney Honor Festival. Over 700 students auditioned for the choirs at the festival to make up the three choirs and two bands at the festival.

Lichti was also selected to sing at the Doane Honor Choir in January. He rehearsed for two days and sang with students from all across Nebraska. Pictured are Shickley's Music Instructor Joshua Harris and Chris Lichti.

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Sports



Juniors finish 8-2

The Bruning Davenport Shickley Junior High Boys Basketball team overcame a slow start to the season and finished with an 8-2 record. The team, consisting of 24 boys within the BDS cooperative, saved their best playing for the end of the season. "Understanding what we were looking to do on the defensive end with our basic principles and putting those into play was a big key to getting our season going in a positive direction," Coach Greg Schroeder said.

"Settling down and making our lay-ups and free throws took a lot of pressure off of us during the games," Coach Fred Kluck added. The boys worked well together and did a great job of supporting each other, their coaches said.

Team members are (Front row, l to r) Josh Swartzendruber, Brock Swartzendruber, Dylan Domeier, Austin Plock, Zac Mosier and Issac Else. (Middle) Rodney Wassum, Holden Wilkens, Raleigh Shipley, Dalton Kleinschmidt, Kyle Ardissono, Eric Schroeder, Justin Stengel, Alfonzo Pena Lopez and Dominic Quionnes. (Back) Nate Nelson, Nolan Weber, Keenan Dickson, Cadden Carlson, Nolan O'Brian, Tanner Duff, Aaron Mick, Blake Schlegel and Chase Krehnke.



Christensen named to Shrine team

Bruning Davenport Shickley Senior Sam Christensen was selected for the 2016 Nebraska Shrine Bowl game, which will be played June 4 at 2 p.m. on the football field of the University of Nebraska-Kearney. Christensen will play for the South Team. The Shrine Bowl began in 1958 and includes all three Shrine Temples in Nebraska. The purpose of the bowl is to raise funds to support Shriner's Hospitals for Children.



Sixth grade takes third in tourney

The Thayer Central fifth and sixth grade girls recently ended their basketball league season. Sixth grade placed third in the league tournament. The team is coached by Brad Cooper, Greg Richardson and Kristy Lukert. Team members are (Front row), Lauren Luehring, MacKenzie Cast, Jayme Huhman, Ashlyn Cooper and Kaylee Engle. (Middle) Krista Hartley, Allison Richardson, Lindsey Johnson, Sydney Escritt and Megan Lukert. (Back) Kourtlyn Kugel, Cassie Hergott, Jasa Wiedel, Kaisha Solomon, Ava Wiedel and Brynna Crouse.



Deshler about even on ball season

The Deshler Dragon girls closed their season Feb. 16 with a game against Friend in sub-district play. The Dragons were 10-12 on the season. Above is Jaden Siegle during the game with Friend. Teammates Katie Roth and Mikaela Hansen stood by for Siegle.

Titans finish season

The Thayer Central Titans ended their 2015-2016 season in sub-district play with a contest against Fillmore Central.

Head Coach Kent Cottam said players may have been worn out from the game against Superior the previous evening. The boys had come from behind to claim victory.

In addition, the team suffered losses to injuries.

"Our lack of depth with injuries really affected us at the end of the year. Simon (Wiedel) was out with a badly sprained ankle and Elijah (Nobbman) missed the last part of the year with a shoulder injury. We made no excuses and those that were available battled every game," Cottam said.

The Titans were behind early in the Fillmore Central game, downed by the Panthers to an 18-11 deficit.

The boys struggled offensively in the second quarter and had several turnovers, which led to easy baskets by the opposition.

At halftime, the score was 40-16.

Offense continued to be a problem in the second half as the Titans only managed to score 12 points.

The final score was 62-28.

Evan Fuglestad was the leading scorer with 10 points; followed by Adam Meyer and Seth Mumford with six points each; and Connor Mumm with five. Freshman Keith Hergott made one point for the team to round out the scoring.

"I can't thank the seniors, Meyer, Wiedel and Levi Fogel, enough for their contributions and hard work these past four years," Cottam said. "Those kids worked every day in practice and provided us with great leadership the entire season. Our young kids got a lot of playing experience this year and hopefull, will get in the gym during the off-season and continue to get better. We have a good nucleus coming back and we are hopeful we can make strides to come in next winter and see some improvement."

On the year, Meyer played 22 games, scored 163 points, 52 assists, 66 rebounds and 53 steals.

Wiedel was good for 20 games, 161 points, 44 assists, 109 rebounds and 33 steals.

Fogel played in 13 games, 13 points, seven rebounds and one steal.

Mumm played 22 games, successfully shot 247 points, 40 assists, 90 rebounds and 68 steals.

Fuglestad was at 118 points, 25 assists, 49 rebounds and 38 steals for the 19 games he played.

Max Madsen played 20 games, made 104 points, 12 assists, 54 rebounds and 18 steals.

Eagles win down the stretch

The Bruning Davenport Shickley Eagles were scheduled to play Lourdes Central Catholic Tuesday evening at Doane College for the final game of district play.

The Eagles pushed their way through sub-district week, defeating Friend 55-30 and Heartland 59-36.

They were the top seeded team as they faced the Huskies Feb. 25. It was the fifth season in a row the Eagles played Heartland in a sub-district contest.

"It's just like clockwork," Head Coach Fred Kluck said.

"We just seem to meet up with them and the games are always tough. Coach Ribble does a nice job of getting his kids ready and they play a tough schedule, so usually our games are competitive and hard fought."

This time, the Eagles' offense came out firing as Riley Tegtmeier took matters into his own hands and scored 12 points in the first quarter via a full court steal, two 3-point shots and going 4-4 from the free throw line.

"Riley didn't have a great shooting night in our first round game. I think he decided to make up for it tonight," Kluck said.

As time wound down in the first quarter, Kale Kleinschmidt grabbed an offensive rebound and kicked the ball to Tegtmeier, who buried a 3-pointer, giving the Eagles a 19-6 lead going into the second quarter.

From there, the Eagles built on their lead and hit more 3-point baskets to enter halftime up, 34-16.

"That was probably one of our shortest halftime breaks ever. I didn't really want them to have a chance to cool down, they were playing so well. I just said keep up the good work and let's get after them this third quarter," Kluck said.

The boys did just that and had a 19-point lead after the third.

Tegtmeier finished with 22

points, including four 3-point shots and 8-8 from the charity stripe. He led with six assists, three steals and added nine rebounds.

"Riley just basically does what we need him to do," Kluck said. "Some nights his scoring is important. Other nights, it's his ball handling and passing. Tonight, it was a little bit of everything."

Cody Garland finished with 11 points; Kleinschmidt, nine; Ben Elznic, seven; Stuart Rohr, four; Sam Christensen, three; Brett Holtzen, two; and Garrett Schardt, one.

Earlier in the week, the top-seeded Eagles played No. 4 seed Friend in Geneva.

The first quarter was tight as Friend took an early 6-2 lead. Hustle and opportunity came together as Caden Norder and Cody Garland scoring a quick six points between them as the two teams traded buckets. The Eagles had a slim 12-11 lead going into the second quarter, but held Friend to just six points in the second, leading 28-17.

In the second quarter, Kleinschmidt drove to the lane and Elznic was solid from the free throw line.

The second half stayed strong defensively and Friend couldn't touch the Eagles in scoring.

"We really just had nerves, I think to start things offensively. Defensively, we really stepped up in the second quarter. Some nights when shots aren't falling like you would like to see, you just have to stop the other team. Tonight was one of those nights," Kluck said.

Garland had 12 points on the game; Kleinschmidt, 10; Tegtmeier, eight; and Kendall Dickson and Elznic had six points each with Elznic's shots coming from the free throw line, where he went 6-6 and snatched six rebounds as well.

Rohr made five points and had six rebounds to his credit.



Eagle Riley Tegtmeier handles the ball against the Heartland Huskies in the sub-district contest. Tegtmeier scored 22 points on the game.



Cody Garland puts one up in the Heartland game. The Eagles advanced to the district final against Lourdes Central Catholic.

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Public Notices

Village of Davenport February 1, 2016

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Davenport, Nebraska, met in regular session on Monday, February 1, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fire Hall Conference Room. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof as shown by the certificate of posting notice attached to these minutes. Notice of the meeting was mailed to all board members, and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda are also attached to the minutes. The agenda was on file in the office of the Village Clerk and available for public inspection. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was in regular session and open to public attendance.

The meeting was called to order noting the availability of the Open Meeting Laws and the Public Hearing pursuant to the One and Six Year Street Plan was declared open by Chairman, Trapp. Answering roll call were: Crosier, Littrel, Manes, Seifert and Trapp. Also present were Terry Enghauser, Robin Crosier, Deputy Krizek and Village Employees Braun, Ficken and Vorce.

Minutes of the January regular meeting were declared approved as printed, there being no additions or corrections, and reading aloud being dispensed with, as copies of the minutes were distributed to trustees.

The treasurer's report was given. Trapp, seconded by Littrel, moved that the report be accepted and the CD's be allowed to roll over. Roll call vote: AYES: Crosier, Littrel, Manes, Seifert, Trapp. Motion carried.

January patrol reports were available. VFW Auxiliary certificate for flying the United States flag was noted. Loose dogs and questions on open burning were discussed.

Claims for January expenses were presented and audited. Trapp, seconded by Littrel, moved that the claims be paid. Roll call vote: AYES: Crosier, Littrel, Manes, Seifert, Trapp. The Chairman declared the motion carried and ordered payment of the following claims: Wages, less withholdings, \$5502.66; Blobaum, audit, \$3220.00; Burton Enterprises, service, \$23.00; C-J Tire, rep., \$17.00; Capital Guardian Trust, 2% employee match, \$129.99; 2% employer match, \$129.99; Cornerstone Bank, FICA, \$1701.84, sales tax, 1602.09; CPS, fuel, \$133.92; Davenport Building Supply, supplies \$779.16; Davenport Public Library, lease, \$900.00; Dresher Elect., labor/supplies, \$673.00; Braun, postage, \$56.86; First State Ins., prem., \$1092.00; Hebron Journal, publish, \$86.69; Joe Murray, fees, \$120.00; Kriz Davis, supplies, \$216.53; Mathieson, supplies, \$22.33; NE Public Power, trans. Charges, \$1424.43; NPPD, power purchase, \$18105.44; Smith's, repairs, \$374.86; Source Gas, service, \$1018.93; Thayer Co Treas., law enforcement, \$2850.00; VanKirk's fee, \$1900.00; Watson, supplies, \$95.60; Verizon, service, \$135.26; Victory Too, signs, \$662.50; Village of Davenport, postage, \$151.10; Windstream, service, \$179.02; Sargent, contract, \$1885.00; Thayer Co Court, collection, \$26.00; Thayer Co Sheriff, service, \$19.00.

Ordinance No. 224 confirming the Enghauser land sale was introduced. Manes, seconded by Littrel, moved that the statutory rule of reading on three different days be suspended and further that Ordinance No. 224 CONFIRMING THE SALE OF REAL ESTATE AND THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION (complete copy attached) to Terry Enghauser be approved and passed. Roll call vote: AYES: Crosier, Littrel, Manes, Seifert, Trapp. Motion carried.

Trapp, seconded by Manes, moved to approve the Keim and Littrel building permits as recommended by County Zoning. Roll call vote: AYES: Crosier, Manes, Seifert, Trapp. ABSTAIN: Littrel. Motion carried.

The audit documents were reviewed.

Seifert, seconded by Manes moved to approve the 50-hp 230, volt, 3 year DrivePro-Tection contract for the VFD valve on the west well. Roll call vote: AYES: Crosier, Littrel, Manes, Seifert, Trapp. Motion carried.

Maintenance is still working on information for Encore repairs and was asked to see if a representative from Roehr's could attend next month's meeting to discuss the skid steer contract and perhaps see if there is another company where purchase could be made. This would be for comparison.

Unpaid account of Joseph Humphrey will be turned over to Small Claims Court.

Grove nuisance properties have seen some work, however, will try to get a number of days in writing. Attorney will be contacted for the next step on the Pavelka property and will continue to try to contact Evander—so far no confirmation that the letter has been picked up.

Trapp, declared the Public Hearing closed at 7:40 p.m. There being no public discussion pursuant to the One and Six Year Street plan as presented, the following resolution was introduced by Trustee Trapp, who moved its adoption, seconded by Trustee Seifert, WHEREAS, the City Street Superintendent has prepared and presented a One Year and Six Year Plan for Street Improvement Program for the Village of Davenport, and WHEREAS, a public meeting was held on the 1st day of February 2016, to present this plan and there were no objections to said plan; THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of Davenport, Nebraska, that the plans and data as furnished are hereby in all things accepted and adopted. Roll call vote: AYES: Crosier, Littrel, Manes, Seifert, Trapp. Motion carried.

Maintenance reported on some

electrical repairs and snow emergency route signs.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Justin Trapp
Chairman
Arlene Vorce
Village Clerk
Wk9-11
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that Public Health Solutions District Board of Health serving Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Saline and Thayer counties, will meet on Thursday, March 17, 2016, at 8:30 a.m., at Public Health Solutions District Health Department, 995 E Hwy 33, Suite 1, Crete, NE 68333. Attendance is also available through the Telehealth Network. Call the Department at the number below to register. Sites participating are: Beatrice Community Hospital, Thayer County Hospital, Fillmore County Hospital and Jefferson Community Health Center. A copy of the agenda is on file at the office of Public Health Solutions District Health Department located at 995 E Hwy 33, Ste 1, Crete, Nebraska 68333 or available by calling 844-830-0813.
ZNEZ Wk 9-11

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Thayer County Zoning and Planning Commission will hold a public hearing **Thursday, March 10 at 7:15 PM.** in the Clubroom (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 Pawnee Ridge at 6282 RD E to increase their animal capacity from the current 1750 animal unit capacity to 3500 animal units.

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

Chris Frye Administrator; Thayer County Zoning and Planning
ZNEZ 2t-8

Planning & Zoning Notice

The Thayer County Planning Commission will meet Thursday, March 10, 2016 7:00 PM in the Club Room of the Court House in Hebron, NE.

Zoning and planning information and meeting minutes are kept at the office of the Thayer County Clerk in the Court House, Hebron, NE.
ZNEZ 2t-8

NOTICE OF CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION

Pursuant to NE Rev. Stat. 21-117, the following certificate of organization is hereby given:

- The name of the corporation is RIVERSIDE MOTEL, LLC.
- The street and mailing address of the initial designated office: 305 S. 13th St., Hebron, NE 68370.
- The name and street and mailing address of the initial registered office for service of process: Linda Cox, 47 North Central Ave., Superior, NE 68978.

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ZNEZ Wk7-3t

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Blue Rivers Area Agency on Aging will conduct a Public Hearing on March 18, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., at 1901 Court Street, Beatrice, Nebraska 68310. The purpose of the hearing is to receive public comment concerning waivers for direct service delivery of Transportation, In-Home Services (Handyman/Housekeeper/Respite) and Senior Center Meals. Blue Rivers Area Agency on Aging provides these services directly to assure an adequate supply of services. Comments/proposals will also be received from interested entities for the provision of the above services. Comments received will be submitted to the State Unit on Aging, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.
ZNEZ Wk7-2t

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Thayer County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at 10:00** in the regular meeting room of the commissioners in the courthouse at 225 N 4th St., 2nd floor, Hebron, NE. During the hearing the Commissioners shall solicit and allow public comments on the Conditional Use Application from Pawnee Ridge at 6282 Road E to increase their animal capacity from 1750 units to 3500 units.

Maps and other pertaining documents are available for viewing in the County Clerk's office, 225 N 4th St. Room 201, Hebron, NE.
ZNEZ 2t-9



Blue Valley Bowl Bowling Results

MONDAY MEN'S CITY LEAGUE
High Scratch Team Series: Kass Ford — 2187 High Men's Series: Tony Hoops 235, Manny Motto 234, Bob Fayle 230; High Men's Series: Tony Hoops 654, Manny Motto 648, Bob Fayle 607.

TUESDAY WOMEN'S BOWLERETTES LEAGUE
High Scratch Team Series: Price Funeral Home — 1747; High Women's Game: Sandra Shaw 184, Amy Peterson 183, Cheryl Knobel 175; High Women's Series: Amy Peterson 500, Cheryl Knobel 487, Michele Modlin 449.

WEDNESDAY MEN'S AMERICAN LEAGUE
High Scratch Team Series: Kass Ford #2 — 2418; High Men's Game: John Luongo 254, Dean Blincow 245, Gary Reinsch 236; High Men's Series: Dennis Degenhardt 654, Rick Kassebaum 652, John Luongo 642.

THURSDAY WOMEN'S ROCKETTES LEAGUE

High Scratch Team Series: Central Market — 1708; High Women's Game: Marissa Wagenblast 189, Michele Modlin 181, Amy Peterson 177; High Women's Series: Marissa Wagenblast 534, Paula Day 485, Amy Peterson 471.

THURSDAY MEN'S PINBUSTER LEAGUE

High Scratch Team Series: Toad's -- 2022; High Men's Game: Mike Crosgrove 200, Alan Bohling 198, Jon Chapman 198; High Men's Series: Jon Chapman 557, Glenn Hinz 524, Dale Werner 521.

SUNDAY NIGHT MIXED LEAGUE

High Scratch Team Series: Broncos — 1708; High Men's Game: Wade Mees 202, Mike Prellwitz 182, Steve Tietjen 171; High Women's Game: Julie Mees 186, Michele Modlin 183, Diane Jacobson 180; High Men's Series: Wade Mees 496, Mike Prellwitz 492, Ryan Dick 454; High Women's Series: Michele Modlin 508, Nancy Vogel 457, Deb Kenning 439.



ACTIVITIES

Thursday, March 3: Girls State BB.

Friday, March 4: Girls State BB; FFA-EF CDE contest at Eustis Farnam; No school.

Saturday, March 5: Girls State BB; McCool Junction speech meet.

Tuesday, March 8: Feed The Groove and Fine Arts night.

Wednesday, March 9: FFA State Officer visit.

BRUNING MENU

Thursday, March 3: Sophomore's choice; Salad bar.

Friday, March 4: No school.

Monday, March 7: Popcorn chicken, spicy fries, fruit and vegetable bar; salad bar.

Tuesday, March 8: Chicken fajita, lettuce, salsa, fruit and vegetable bar, churro; salad bar.

Wednesday, March 9: Italian dunkers, fruit and vegetable bar; salad bar.

DAVENPORT MENU

Thursday, March 3: Biscuits and sausage gravy, tritator, grapes, applesauce.

Friday, March 4: No school.

Monday, March 7: Pulled pork on bun, baked beans, coleslaw, pears.

Tuesday, March 8: Chicken noodle soup, cheese stick, carrots, cherry crisp.

Wednesday, March 9: Goulash, cornbread, California blend veggies, peaches.

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

BVCA Partnership receives \$300,000 grant over two years to help at-risk youth in Southeast Nebraska

Nebraska Children and Families Foundation is awarding \$300,000 over two years to the Blue Valley Community Action Partnership (BVCA). The funding will be used to build a Connected Youth Initiative (CYI) to serve young people in need across Butler, Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Polk, Richardson, Saline, Seward, Thayer and York Counties.

"We are so excited to have the opportunity to work with the BVCA on this important project," said Troy Gagner, Nebraska Children's Connected Youth Initiative lead. "The partnerships they've built and the plan they've put together have the potential to make a major impact on the youth and young adults who need the most help."

"One may say that the southeast area of Nebraska, outside of Lincoln, is philanthropically underserved," Richard Nation, BVCA's CEO, said in the funding proposal. "The Connected Youth Initiative by the Nebraska Children and Families Foundation is exactly the kind of jump start the area needs to pull together the limited resources that we have."

What is the Connected Youth Initiative (CYI)?

CYI is based on the successful practices of existing initiatives in Omaha, Lincoln and the Panhandle. The initiative targets youth ages 14-24 who are considered "unconnected" — either because they've aged out of the foster care system, are exiting the juvenile justice system, are homeless or near homeless, or simply lack the family supports required to transition successfully to adulthood. An estimated 3,113 unconnected youth live in the 15 counties BVCA plans to serve.

In August 2015, Nebraska Children and Families Foundation received \$2 million from the Social Innovation Fund (SIF) to expand this model to rural communities across Nebraska. The SIF is a program of the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), the federal agency for volunteering and service programs. The SIF fosters public and private collaborations to evaluate and grow innovative community-based solutions that work.

In just five years, the SIF and its private-sector partners have invested more than \$876 million dollars in compelling community solutions. As a result of \$295 million in federal grants and more than \$581 million in non-federal match commitments, the SIF has made grants to 39 grant-making institutions and 353 nonprofits working in 40 states and the District of Columbia.

"The goal of these Connected Youth Initiatives is simple: To support unconnected young people to become self-reliant, contributing adults," said Gagner. "Without the support of a family, the barriers to independence can seem insurmountable. BVCA and its partners will use this funding to remove those barriers, and make success attainable for this vulnerable population."

While each community's CYI model will look different depending on the needs of youth and resources in the area, required components include:

- Central Access Navigation: A coordinated approach that ensures CYI participants get access to all of the services they need in a streamlined, common-sense way. By coordinating services and helping youth navigate them through a central access point, the Families First Partnership can avoid duplication of efforts and effectively track the progress of young people.

- Opportunity Passport™: A nationally recognized financial literacy and asset-building program. Participating youth open Individual Development Accounts (IDAs) at a local bank, learn financial literacy skills, and save money for things like tuition, security deposits on apartments, or a car to take them to school and work. Youth savings are matched up to 4-to-1, helping them reach their goals more quickly.

- Need-Based Funds: Emergency cash available to help

youth keep small bumps in the road — like broke down cars, class fees, utility bill surges — from becoming catastrophes.

- Youth voice: A council of area youth to provide input on how the CYI system should be set up and what services are most necessary.

Blue Valley's program plan: BVCA has already been serving the unconnected youth population in the area as a part of Project Everlast Lincoln. In this role, it has provided intensive case management, as well as financial literacy training and Individual Development Accounts (IDAs) to help young people save money and become more independent.

The CYI grant will allow the partnership to dramatically expand to serve more young people with a greater array of services. With the funding, BVCA will act as a "backbone organization," coordinating the efforts of multiple organizations through a full-time Connected Youth Initiative Officer. This role will oversee CYI operations, build partnerships and ensure improvements in youth outcomes. The grant will also pay for three existing employees to take on new responsibilities, including Central Access Navigation, management of youth IDAs, systems management and more.

According to Nation, the greatest barrier for unconnected youth in Southeast Nebraska is the lack of living wage jobs. Other closely related barriers include the lack of affordable, high-quality child care, housing, public transportation and health care.

"These young adults have to overcome many obstacles," said Nation. "It will take the entire community working together to turn around the flight from rural areas back to local opportunities for their futures. It's our hope that all segments of the population — local governments, the private sector and other private nonprofits — will work together to turn around disadvantages and make them opportunities both for these young folks and for our communities. Rural areas need these young people and we need everyone to pitch in to help out."

For its Connected Youth Initiative, BVCA has pulled together a powerful partnership, including primary partner Southeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership (SENCA), who serves Cass, Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee and Richardson Counties.

Other partners, many of whom have been working with BVCA for decades, will focus on helping unconnected youth access transportation, financial literacy and assistance, health care, behavioral health and housing.

With CYI funding, BVCA will coordinate the activities of these partners to improve

outcomes for unconnected youth:

- BVCA will provide youth assessments, Central Access Navigation, case management, mentoring, financial literacy training, help saving for a vehicle to alleviate transportation needs, RentWise classes, referrals into Head Start for child care, housing assistance and educational/job training referrals. BVCA will also oversee the creation of youth councils to provide input into the services and processes.

- Southeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership (SENCA) will provide the same services as BVCA, but cover different counties. Together the two organizations will be able to serve all 15 counties.

- Four Corners Health Department will provide various health services.

- Christian Heritage will offer family finding services to help youth connect to caring adults that create a sense of permanence.

- Jefferson Community Coalition will provide longer-term case management.

- Public Health Solutions will provide health care support.

- FYI Center will offer homework assistance and positive mentoring.

BVCA intends to formalize other partnerships with county coalitions and service providers to round out the services available to the underserved, unconnected youth in the 15 county area.

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Oak

By Phyllis Schmitt

Donna Gillan quilted on Monday. On Tuesday, she attended Tai Chi. Wednesday, she had lunch at Cap's Cafe along with others.

Keith and Lynda Brich were Tuesday coffee guests of Phyllis Schmitt. On Wednesday, Phyllis was in Sutton and she and Carol Meyer had lunch at the Legion Club. In the afternoon, she attended Hi-Lo Pinochle Club at the home of Alice Eggers. Thursday, she attended the birthday dinner in Davenport at the Senior Center.

Ray and Peggy Glass played cards at the home of Pat Bruseau, along with Dick Lowery and Dawn Norton Wednesday evening. On Friday, Pat, Dawn and Ashley were in Superior for doctor's appointments. Later, Jay and Aaron Buckles visited.

Donna Gillan accompanied Cheryl Jensen to Lincoln on Thursday to see Jessica and Drew Shelburn and Sam Greenfeld. On Friday,

Donna went to Deshler to visit Georgia Biltoft in the Nursing Home, later having coffee with Jerry and Carol Anderson. Sunday, she had lunch at the Auditorium for a Baseball Fundraiser.

Phyllis Schmitt and Gaylene Franzen were Saturday morning coffee guests of Jackie Cox. In the afternoon, Junior and Dixie Drohman and grandson Jase stopped at Phyllis' briefly. Jerry Schmitt visited his mother later in the afternoon.

Lola Biltoft attended a baby shower for Jaycee Schroer at the Legion Club in Nelson on Saturday.

Gerry (Peterson) Eckles was in Hastings Saturday night for a family get-together at the home of Ruth Peterson. Others in attendance were Rhonda Brubacher, Sondra Peterson and Chelle Cox, Hannah and Manny, Lorrell and Maggie Peterson, Brett and Lisa Peterson and a friend, Heather and Ronnie Anderson and family, and Kayla Peterson as Kayla was home from New York.

Gerry played cards at Sacred Heart Church Sunday night sponsored by the Altar Society.

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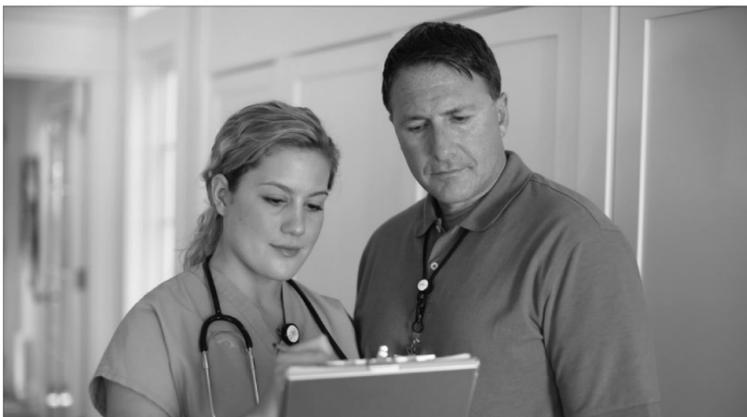
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Thayer Central FFA brings furry friends for petting zoo



James Harrington takes time to pet a cow at the Thayer Central FFA petting zoo, held at the school Feb. 26.



AnnaMae Howell, Vanessa Gomez and Taylor Broers visit Colton Fangmeier's crossbred lambs that were born Jan. 28 and 31.



Riley Dankenbring, Hailey Pulliam, Gunner Mumford and Skyler Kitchen give Flash some attention. The quarter horse belongs to Sequoia Heinrichs.



Cambrie Cottam shows Lauren Luehring, Dayci Luttrell and Allison Richardson Bertha, a silky chicken with feathers that feel more like fur.



Samantha Wiedel educated students on the hedgehog she held during the petting zoo. Bradley Neff, Lili Casebolt, Christian Krupicka and Hayden Taylor were four of many students in line to see all the animals.

Beef...

school district," he said. Marsh reported approximately 21 more students at Thayer Central eat school lunches on the days local beef is served, and the school lunch program has saved \$8,000 thus far.

"It's a whole new way for agriculture to promote itself through the next generation," Marsh said.

Chances are, students eating local beef will know the producer.

"This is your grandpa's beef, your neighbor's, these are their cows," he said.

There is no other way to eat

fresh, Marsh added.

The local beef is processed at a federally-inspected facility in Lincoln. The National School Lunch Program requires the beef pass through certain steps in the slaughter, processing, transportation, storage and two ounces of lean, cooked meat with no more than 30 percent fat per portion to meet nutritional standards.

Marsh said the beef is stored at Central Market in Hebron where Steve Anderson donated cold storage for the Boosters.

"It sets our program apart,"

Marsh said of Anderson's gesture.

The money saved at Thayer Central will buy a new grill and combination oven, cafeteria tables and trays, and silverware.

Marsh will continue sharing the Titan Beef Booster story at conferences and in front of school officials.

"I just want everyone to know what they did and what they started, it's getting big. I think it will catch on regionally. Our story is being shared with people in other states," Marsh said.



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In the Thayer Central cafeteria Feb. 23, Superintendent Drew Harris and Titan Beef Booster Rob Marsh (second from left) accept a \$3,750 donation to the Beef Booster program from Cargill. Representing Cargill are Lindsey Escritt, farm marketer; Krissy Ozenbaugh, scale operator; and Tom Pfister, origination specialist. Harris and Marsh are on the Booster's committee.

Thinking about health: Drug coupons mask the real price of medicines

What would make your medicines cheaper?

That's a question Americans are asking every time they go to the pharmacy and find the price of a maintenance drug they've been taking has doubled or tripled, or that a new medicine, like one of the new diabetes drugs, their doctors have prescribed is beyond their means.

Increasingly the answer from the drug industry, which pretty much can charge whatever it wishes, is more patient assistance programs that come in the form of coupons, co-pay cards, or vouchers to help people buy their drugs. People needing help can also apply directly to a pharmaceutical company, and if their income is low enough, the company simply sends a supply of medicine to their home or doctor's office. How many times have you heard on TV that AstraZeneca can help?

The coupon, co-pay route to helping patients is easiest to understand. The industry calls the coupons "pay-no-more" cards telling patients they will pay no more than \$50 or \$100 for a prescription. Discounts vary by the type of drug. Some work like airline loyalty programs: Buy so many drugs and get the next one free.

E-vouchers are more complicated and hardly transparent. A pharmacy sends a prescription to a middleman vendor. The vendor works with the drug company to figure out how much of the patient's cost sharing that's required by the insurer it will pay on the patient's behalf. Rules and amounts patients receive vary depending on the kind of drug.

Andrew Pollpeter, a senior principal with the Amundsen Group, an IMS Health Company, told me the company sets the amount of the voucher, and the patient doesn't know much about it. But, he said, "they are happier when they see a lower copay."

All this sounds great for patients, right? It may not be in the long-run.

Recently the Oversight Committee of the House of Representatives held hearings on the high price of pharmaceuticals. It found that one company tried to divert attention from the high price of its drugs by publicizing its patient assistance programs.

Committee member Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC) was blunt when she questioned one company executive who was testified. "In other words, instead of keeping the price so it could be purchased by patients and hospitals, you went to patient assistance



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programs to try to obscure the price." Holmes Norton got the point: No matter the kind of assistance program, the underlying price of the drug remains high.

Patient assistance programs are nothing new. Several years ago I sat next to a drug company executive at a dinner and asked him why his company made it so hard for poor people to qualify for assistance. (The requirements can be difficult to meet.) He replied that if the company were more generous, it would hurt the bottom line.

The bottom line is still all-important, but today drug makers have a PR problem. They need to appear more benevolent. There's genuine public backlash against their companies' pricing strategies, and Congress is asking questions. By becoming more "patient centric," a word they use to describe their marketing path, they look like good guys while keeping prices high and profits up.

Drug companies have another problem patient assistance programs aim to solve. Large numbers of patients are not taking their medicines as their doctors ordered, either because they can't afford them or because the medicines make them sick. No matter the reason, it translates into lost sales.

Stats from the IMS Institute for Healthcare Informatics show that only 25 percent of

patients with drug deductibles will most likely still be taking their brand name drugs after six months compared with 40 percent in plans without such deductibles.

The rate at which patients don't pick up with meds at the pharmacy is 60 percent higher for new patients with brand drug prescriptions and drug deductibles than those who don't have drug deductibles. "If patients walk away, they frequently don't come back with an alternative prescription," says Pollpeter.

According to Matt Lamkin, an assistant professor at the University of Tulsa College of Law who studies this issue, drug companies believe "they are leaving billions on the table" when patients don't take their pills. Trying to help more people stay on their meds "reframes the goal of boosting sales as a goal of public service," he told the health news site STAT.

Transforming drug companies from bad guys to good guys with the magic of PR will help some patients get cheaper medicines and no doubt boost sales. It will do little to get us out of the big-picture jam. Drug prices are still too high and out of reach for too many Americans.

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