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Join us this week as we offer our sincerest congratulations to the classes of 2013. See pages 1-4B for a special look at who's graduating.

GRADUATIONS

Local high school graduations are slated to take place this weekend as area schools send 64 seniors into young adulthood. Area commencement schedules include:

Thayer Central: Saturday, May 11, at 2 p.m., at the high school gymnasium in Hebron. There are 26 seniors graduating this year.

Bruning-Davenport: Saturday, May 11, at 2:30 p.m., at the high school gymnasium in Bruning. Ten seniors will graduate this year.

Deshler Schools: Saturday, May 11, at 4 p.m., at the high school gymnasium in Deshler. There will be 11 seniors graduating this year.

Meridian Schools: Saturday, May 11, at 2 p.m., at the high school gymnasium at Daykin. There are 8 seniors graduating this year.

Shickley Schools: Nine seniors will graduate from Shickley on Sunday, May 12, at 2 p.m., at the high school gymnasium.

Tidbits

Sales Tax...

Thayer County collected \$131,391.21 in sales tax for the month of February 2013 after showing an 8.3 percent decrease in net taxable sales over February 2012. For February 2013, the county had \$2,388,926 in net taxable sales down from \$2,604,437 in 2012.

According to Hebron Clerk Jean Nagey, the City of Hebron collected \$15,728.26 in motor vehicle and sales taxes on net taxable sales of \$1,279,162 for the month of February. That shows a decrease of 8.1 percent in net taxable sales over February 2012. The motor vehicle tax (\$2,605.19) goes into the street fund, while the remainder (\$13,123.07) goes into the sales

The Department of Revenue releases figures approximately three months later than the actual month being profiled. March 2013 figures will be released at the beginning of June.

Fishing Clinic...

Nebraska Game & Parks will sponsor its annual fishing clinic for kids Saturday, May 18, at the Alexandria State Recreation Area. The event and park entry for the day are free to everyone.

For more information, call Rock Creek Station at 402-729-5777, or if you would like to volunteer your help for the day, contact Rick Ball at 402-729-3301

Summer Reading...

The summer reading program "Dig into Reading!" begins May 23 and continues each Thursday morning for four weeks for children who have completed grades K-4. Sessions begin at 10 a.m. on May 23 and 30, and June 6 and 13. Preschool children will have a special story time on Wednesday mornings, May 22 and 29, and June 5 and 12, also beginning at 10 a.m. Pre-registration for all sessions is recommended.

~Obituaries~

Hofts, Lewis, 89, rural Byron Johnson, Catherine E., 92, Alexandria Mullen, Richard D., 81, Lincoln

"This huge black cloud out of the southwest with that black tail of disaster was descending upon us, and Hebron stood powerless, defenseless, directly in its path."



It's been 60 years since Hebron's devastating tornado

(The following summary of one of Hebron's worst historical disasters is taken from the pages of "The Hebron Disaster," a 21-page booklet lithographed by Journal-Star Printing Co., Lincoln, Ne., two weeks after the May 9, 1953

"Surely the world is full of wonderful people. You will never know who your friends are until something terrible like this happens to you or your community. You will then find that many people who barely knew of you or your town will come to you as they came to me, pulling your shirt sleeve and asking, "What can I do?""~ Ralph Hawkins, Hebron Mayor, 1953

This day was born as nearly any Saturday might have been, temperature seasonally normal, the sky partially clouded, with only one extraordinary feature – a terrifically strong south wind. At approximately 9 p.m., dark clouds and thunderstorms became visible to the southwest, west, and northwest, still borne by this never-ending wind. Sometime shortly after 9 p.m., some rain fell, accompanied by hail stones not too extreme in number, but some as large as a man's palm and unusually flat and not too solidly frozen.

An unusual feeling of doom, a sixth sense calling for self-preservation seemed to permeate the atmosphere. That intangible something that drives people to the desire to gather their families and loved ones into one tight, close, unit -

And then it struck.

This huge black cloud out of the southwest with that black tail of disaster was descending upon us, and Hebron stood powerless, defenseless, directly in its path.

Very few saw it coming. After this never-to-be-forgotten one and onehalf minutes of Hell, a hush fell over the little city, broken only by that still restless wind that had prevailed all of this Saturday, and a din of a dozen or more automobile horns honking in various parts of the downtown area. Stout masonry buildings had crumbled down upon these cars, caving their tops down until the horn buttons were depressed, causing them to wail like a child lost in the wilderness.

See **Hebron tornado..**.pg 7A



Hebron Mayor Ralph Hawkins was commended for his service to the city following the 1953 tornado. Appreciation of his efforts is outlined in a thank you article appearing in "The Hebron Disaster," a 21-page booklet printed two weeks following the devastating storm. No credit is given to anyone for the articles in the booklet although it is noted that copies were printed by the Journal-Star Printing Co., Lincoln, Ne.

City of Hebron to establish rehabilitation housing program

The City of Hebron is requesting a total of \$253,000 in 2013 Nebraska Affordable Housing Program (NAHP) funds to implement a citywide "Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program.'

Residents needing financial assistance in completing housing rehabilitation projects should submit a pre-application by June 14. "The pre-applications are being requested from potential program participants to determine a market for financing," said SENDD (Southeast Nebraska Development District representative Jen Olds. "The City anticipates submitting an application to continue the rehabilitation program for Hebron."

The Hebron City Council met with Jen Olds at the regular April meeting to discuss establishment of the housing program which is being created based on results from a housing market study completed in February. The study revealed that the City might want to look at promoting the development and improvement of housing for local workforce households, as well as the rehabilitation of owner- and renteroccupied homes, citing the issue as

the City's most critical.

A housing structural conditions survey identified 132 structures with major deteriorating conditions in Thayer County. "Over the next five years, Hebron will need to target units to be demolished or complete substantial rehabilitation in order to meet the needs of low and moderate income households," Olds said. "The need for subsidized assistance to low and moderate income households is apparent as approximately 17.2 percent of all households in the county are considered cost burdened.'

If the City's application to NDED (Nebraska Department of Economic Development) is approved, eligible homeowners may receive assistance to make improvements ranging from \$5,000 to \$25,000 to their homes, Olds explained. "If funded, eligible repairs include health and safety issues and all major systems which would bring a property to accepted housing standards and extend the effective life of the house for another

twenty years." Pre-applications are currently being collected and preliminary results Washington University. The judges indicate single, elderly and female included poets Patricia Smith and homeowners on fixed incomes need

See Housing program...pg 3A

Russell Heitmann top finalist in **National Poetry Out Loud contest**

the National

Poetry Out

Loud finals,

April 30, in

Washington

D.C., where

he recited

"The Uni-

For the second year in a row, Nebraska representative and Thayer Central senior Russell Heitmann, a finalist among nine, competed in

Russell Heitmann

verse as Primal Scream" by Tracy K. Smith in the first round and "Poem With One

Fact" by Donald Hall in the sec-

Following the competition, the field was narrowed to three finalists to compete for the championship. Langston Ward, a high school senior from Spokane, Wash., won

the contest. The final night of the 2013 national competition was held in Lisner Auditorium at George

Eduardo Corral, broadcaster Jane

O'Brien and Tree Swanson, the

executive director of the Richard Hugo House, a non-profit writing

center in Seattle. Acollaboration of the National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation, the contest encourages high school students to learn about poetry through memorization and performance.

More than 375,000 students participated in this year's eighth-annual contest. Fifty-three state champions, representing the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, competed Monday in three semi-final rounds. Three winners from each round advanced to the final, Heitmann included.

Students are required to memorize and perform three contemporary and classic poems from the Poetry Out Loud catalog of some 700 poems. One of the three must be fewer than 25 lines, and one must be written before 1900.

The students are judged on voice and articulation, physical presence, dramatization, level of difficulty and evidence of understanding.

Again, Russ was able to win \$500 for poetry materials for Thayer Central as well as \$1,000 for himself. He is the son of Darcy and Anne Heitmann of Hebron.

1883 130 Years Ago

All the carpenters and masons are busy as little bees.

Wm. Griffin has built a dwelling house on the lot he recently purchased on Lincoln Avenue.

Kaup & Lincoln of Carleton are erecting an agricultural machinery office and warehouse.

Nebraska has about six million acres under cultivation and eight times that amount not cultivated.

The town trustees of Hebron issued saloon licenses to Lacas Zihlman and F. Naylor, for the sum of \$503 each.

F.J. Andrews reports the sale of a chapel Mason & Hamlin organ of fine tone and finish to the Baptist Church of Alexandria

The man of grit and energy is the one to come to Nebraska. Honest toll and steady stickto-itiveness pay anywhere, but here these qualities win rich rewards.

School District 65 of which T.W. Sutton is director, G.R. Galbraith treasurer and Samuel Wolf moderator, has issued \$500 in a ten year bond to build a schoolhouse.

Just as we go to press, the initial number of the Thaver County Herald published at Alexandria by the Herald Company and edited by M.J. Abbott, is received. It is a six column quarto, neatly printed and full of news. It is ably edited and comes out like a daisy.

A wedding occurred recently at the Central House. As neither of the contracting parties nor the officiating officer have informed us of the particulars, we presume they do not wish publication made; hence the Journal will not spavin itself to hunt up names, etc. The duties of an editor and the public in regard to news items are reciprocal and mutual.

During the past century the population of the United Sates has doubled every 25 years. At this rate, the end of another century our population will be 800,000,000.

A meeting will be held in school district 39 (J.O. Gates district) for the purpose of considering plans and specifications for a new schoolhouse. to be built this year at a cost of about \$500.

Several citizens of Gilead precinct inform us that unless a better road is provided about two and one half miles east of Hebron, than the one they are now compelled to travel, they will have to go elsewhere than Hebron to do their business, as the drifting sand makes the road almost impassable.

Ye editor accepted the invitation of J.H. Dutcher, the genial landlord of the Central House, for a drive behind the handsome horses of Coon & Hughes, he has in training. The ride was a very pleasant one, the horses already showing the result of skillful training added to their natural speed, and Mr. Dutcher handled "the ribbons" with the grace of a proficient.

Wm. Richardson and Wm. Harris have recently acquired land interests in the northern part of town four range two.

E.D. Wells, a newcomer from Mason County, Ill., and now a citizen of Belvidere precinct, will hereafter read the Journal.

Prof. W.H. Beeler, principal of Belvidere graded school, reports the graduation of seven teachers from that institution last term.

W.R. Carleton of Chester is furnished the uniforms for Parson Brownlow Post 144, G.A.R.

Another railroad survey towards Hebron is reported. A gentleman from Jefferson County informs that he met a party of railroad surveyors in this county and that the engineer in charge informed him their orders were to run a line from Beatrice to Hebron. This may be an extension of the Tecumseh and Beatrice line now being built. Now, fellow citizens, isn't it about time for us to put a stop to these railroad surveyors tramping down our private grass and driving stakes all over this portion of the planet? This is about the fifteenth railroad survey to Hebron. Let us serve an injunction on these

surveyors, eh?

Belvidere Town Bros. are shelling

Wm. McDowell has opened a barber shop next door to the

drug store. Jim Lothridge has started the town herd in the interest of Town Bros.

Two miles from Belvidere, Samuel Baker, aged 60,

The bank is on the way. S.G.W. Stokes of Bloomfield, Iowa, is the proprietor of Leland's Mill. He will move to Thayer County this fall.

1893 120 Years Ago

The graduating class has 14 members. The band gave an open air concert to an appreciative public.

Shipman & Borland received their new brick machine and will soon be able to compete with metropolitan yards.

The Presbyterian church building at Belvidere has been sold to parties in Stoddard where it will be moved and prepared to hold church

Orville Jay of Belvidere died of consumption.

W.H. Frame is now chief of the fire department and Ed Shearer first assistant.

The billiard hall licenses of J.W. Hughes and Julius E. Thomas were renewed by the city council.

How do the democratic Hubbellites like the appointment of Mr. Elder for postmaster, after they had voted in a regularly called and largely attended meeting for Dr.

Married at the residence of the bride's parents in Hebron, B.D. Ashbrook and Miss Cora M. Easton with the Rev. S. Cooke officiating.

Prof. J.Y. Logan, phrenologist of Detroit, Mich., is here and will remain until next week. All who desire to know what their phrenological manifestations show of their character and mentality, would do well to see Prof. Logan at the Central House, who will make thorough examinations and give charts. Learn to "know thyself."

Alexandria The Workmen have placed a fine street lamp at the entrance of their hall.

Mrs. George Holes and children have gone to the old home in Fayette County, Iowa,

Belvidere

Talmadge will leave for Topeka, Kan., where he will remain some time on business. Mrs. Talmadge started for Iowa earlier where she will visit for some time. Davenport

Lin Beck and Ab Snyder

have each invested in a new bicycle.

Mrs. Snavely from Kearney, sister of Mrs. Eli Rothrock was the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Stutzman last week.

Chester Phillip, brother of D.A. Kopp, came in from Mechanicsville, Iowa, intending to make this his future home. He will assist D.A. in the drug store.

Nearly 300 shares of the new hall stock is subscribed. Carleton

At last Carleton is to have a public hall. P. Moll has put W.H. Martin, the stone mason, to work on the foundation for the old Presbyterian Church. The building will be extended 20 feet to the rear and a stage and dressing rooms put in. This will give Carleton a much needed hall, and hereafter there will be no such a dearth of amusements.

Hubbell

The town board renewed Joe Benjamin's license to run a billiard hall during the coming year.

Chas Slopanksy received a new two-seated spring wagon for a birthday present from a relative in Indianapolis, Ind. Charley is putting on lots of style lately.

The new stone crossing over Ohio Street on the east side of Johnson Avenue laid this week by Street commissioner Brashear is an artistic piece of work and reflects great credit on the gentleman's skill as a stone workman, as well as adding greatly to the appearance of the street and the comfort of pedestrians.

The I.O.G.T. lodge has been reorganized with a membership of 12.

There will be an interesting race at the trotting park next Saturday afternoon between "Florine" the fast little running mare, owned by E.C. Prather of Hubbell, and a horse owned by Prof. Thompson of Hebron. The race will be a 400 yard dash for \$100 a side.

1903 110 Years Ago (The Alexandria Argus)

Assessor Ben Liesenfeldt is assessing the property in town this week.

Mrs. Van Fleet arrived after a three weeks journey from Puerto Rico to be with her father, J.V.R. West, during his sickness.

Lissa Hubbard enrolled in the fifth grade at school.

1913 **100 Years Ago** (The Bruning Banner)

Mr. and Mrs. George Bruning were surprised by friends and relatives in honor of their 10th wedding anniversary.

Wilber Johann Edzards, three months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Johann Edzards, passed away with pneumo-

Five boys were graduated from Bruning High School. They were John W. Redelfs, Herman Duis, Loy Guthrie, Earl Meyer and Irl Rouse.

1923 90 Years Ago (The Bruning Banner)

Mr. and Mrs. L. McCormick moved their household goods to the rooms over the hardware store. Mr. McCormick was Bruning's new painter.

Albia Saxton and family of Belvidere have decided to go to housekeeping by themselves and have moved into the dwelling south of the schoolhouse which was formerly occupied by Ralph White and family.

1933 **80 Years Ago**Robert Weary of Chester

was quite surprised when he opened a crate of bananas and found a three and onehalf foot snake. He called for aid and killed the reptile. The snake was taken to the high school, but they were unable to name it.

Sixty-two men from Thayer County made application for work in the reforestation program, and 26 men were selected for the emergency conservation work of the Federal Department of Labor.

A crowd estimated at 500 people was present at the gala opening of the new Ayers Cafe here, in honor of the proprietors, Loyd and Kenneth Ayers.

1943 **70 Years Ago** (The Alexandria Argus)

John Coordsen is valedictorian and Ruth Back is salutatorian of the 1943 senior

Gerald Nelson and Gerald Lee are among those from Thayer County to be called to Omaha for their final physical prior to induction.

The first dance to be given by the Alexandria Fire Department at the opera house drew out a nice crowd. It is the plan to sponsor these dances weekly. Music is being furnished by Emil Korbelik and his orchestra.

1953 **60 Years Ago**

(The Bruning Banner) A serious tornado struck

This Week 1983... The nursing staff of Thaver County Hospital was honored with an open house coffee. Those nurses honored for their dedication are back from left, Marla Heitmann, Pat King, LaDonna Heider, Jolynn Hacker, Marilyn Phillipi, Peggy Thieman and front from left, Dorcas Judy, Evelyn Wiedel, Marla Jean Pletcher and Helen Boman. Nurses not present at the open house: Agnes Werner, June Degner, Ruth Kripal and Elaine Pearson.

Hebron and traveled northeast causing much damage to farm homes until it lifted near Milford. Over 80 were injured in the storm. About 40 business houses were completely destroyed and more than 50 extensively damaged. About 30 homes were destroyed in the town and scores of others were damaged, leaving an estimated 250 people homeless.

The stork flew in with the storm Saturday night, May 9, at Hebron bringing Mr. and Mrs. William B. Svoboda a baby girl.

The Bruning High graduates are Louis Bliss, Rose Marie Nedza, Stanley Bruning, Patsy Dittmer, Carol Jean Ortgies, Darleen Reemers, Wayne Uden, Robert Long, Howard Hawks, Norman Schoenholz, Ronald Husle, LeRoy Garrels and Wendell Casper.

1963 50 Years Ago Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Saum

of Davenport of Saum Locker are attending the annual convention of the Nebraska Locker and Processor's Association at the Lincoln Hotel in Lincoln.

The famous Cole Wild Animal Circus is appearing in Deshler.

The annual Buggy Parade, an important feature of the yearly Hospital Day festivities at Thayer County Memorial Hospital is to be discontinued. The demise of this popular event is, according to Mrs. Wilma Bice, hospital superintendent, a very simple one. The 1, 759 babies born at the hospital during its 14 years of operation have simply made the event too wieldy to handle.

Larry Vorderstrasse, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Vorderstrasse will be Chester's representative at Boys' State.

1973 **40 Years Ago** Nancy Lohmeier and Roger

Virus were crowned Hebron High's Sports queen and king at the Athletic Banquet.

Arson was believed to have caused an early morning fire that almost totally destroyed the old District 21 schoolhouse near Alexandria.

A birthday party was held for 98 year old Carrie Sinn.

A 4-H Club clean-up day was held in Gilead. Those taking part were Kevin and Debbie Coordsen, Emily and Harlan Husa, Lori and Joey Hergott, Ava, Joyce and Chrystal Heller; Sharon Krueger, Kirk Schroeder, Tom, Tim, Joel and Neal Onnen and Laurie and Barbara Wagner.

Arson is strongly suspected in a fire which severely damaged District 21 school north

of Alexandria.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bandemer of Byron enjoyed a trip to Zurich, Switzerland and a five-day cruise on the Rhine River.

1983 30 Years Ago

Marjorie Ross of Blue Valley Nursing Home in Hebron was chosen Mother of the Year during the home's annual Mother's Day celebration.

High temperature for the week was 85 degrees with 36 the low.

The nursing staff of Thayer County Hospital were honored with an open house coffee. They were Marla Heitmann, Pat King, LaDonna Heider, Jolynn Hacker, Marilyn Phillipi, Peggy Thieman, Dorcas Judy, Evelyn Wiedel, Marla Jean Pletcher, Helen Boman, Agnes Werner, June Degner, Ruth Kripal and Elaine Pear-

Thayer County Hospital received an ultrasound scanner which was a breakthrough in fetal health care. With the scanner one could actually see the baby's heart beating.

1993 20 Years Ago

Deshler High School juniors Shamlyn Kniep and John Helgesen were second year students of the Japanese language.

A story was in the Journal-Register on the 40th anniversary of the 1953 tornado that hit Hebron.

The Thayer County Pictorial History books had arrived and were available for pick up or purchase.

2003 **10 Years Ago**

Thayer County public defender Julie Effenbeck failed in her argument to reduce client John L. Mooney's murder charge to manslaughter. Judge McArdle ruled in the state's favor and Mooney would be standing trial on first degree murder in the death of Janet Brusseau in their Chester home five years previous.

A special 50th anniversary issue of the Hebron Journal-Register commemorated the 1953 Hebron tornado.

High temperature for the week was 83 and 45 was the low.

New "Welcome to Hebron" banners were beginning to make an appearance in downtown Hebron.

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SPECIALTY CLINIC SCHEDULE

EAR, NOSE & THROAT Dr. Bowen......May 13 **GENERAL SURGERY** Dr. YeMay 14

OB/GYN

Dr. Nealon......May 15 Dr. Tommerassen.....May 15

Dr. Adam......May 14 **WOUND CLINIC** Dr. Tommerassen......May 15

BHI Cardiology

Dr. MillerMay 17 *New patients need to have a referral before seeing

one of the specialists at the Specialty Clinic'

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Courthouse News

MARRIAGE LICENSE Kwang Chang Chi, legal age, Hebron, Neb.; Kyeung Ja Son, legal age, Korea.

COUNTY COURT Fines Paid by May 1, 2013

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

Nebraska State Patrol

The County Court processed 23 scale citations issued to 15 commercial vehicle drivers for Nebraska road violations in the last week. Drivers from 8 states and Canada paid \$2,825 in fines.

Theron Ballard, Omaha. Speeding (70/55),\$75.

Michelle Bandur, Omaha.

Speeding (70/55), \$75. Cale Thomas, McCook.

Speeding (72/60), \$75. **Local Law Enforcement** Kevin Barritt, Hebron. No valid registration, \$25.

REAL ESTATE

TRANSFERS Daniel J. Fink to Deb Cossaart and Jim Cossaart. Lot 3 in Block 1, Barger's Addition

of Hebron. Plains Ltd. to Superior-Deshler LLC. Lot 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 in Block 14, First Addition of Davenport; Part of Block 17, First Addition of Davenport; Part of Block 8, Extons Addition of Davenport; Part of Block 9, Extons Addition of Davenport; Block 16, First Addition of Davenport; A Tract in Block 8, Including the vacated alley therein, Brittenhams Addition of Davenport; Pt SW1/4 SE1/4 Section 18, T4N, R4W; Pt Lot 2, 3 in Block 8, Extons Addition of Davenport; Lot 1 in Block 6, Extons Addition of Davenport; Lot 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 in Block 7, Extons Addition of Davenport, Vacated D St. and Right of Way of the C&NW Railway; Pt SW1/4 Section 18, T4N, R4W; Part of Extons Addition of Davenport; Lot 3, 4, 5,6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and Pt Lot 2, 14, 15 in Block 16, First Addition of Davenport; Lot 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 in Block 7, Extons Addition of Davenport; Pt of Block 8, including the vacated alley therein Brittenhams Addition of Davenport; Lot 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, in Block 6, Extons Addition of Davenport; Lot 15 and Pt Lot 16 in Block 17,

First Addition of Davenport;

14 and Pt Lot 5 in Block 17, First Addition of Davenport; Lot 12 13. 14 in Block 1, First Addition of Davenport; Lot 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 in Block 15, First Addition of Davenport; Pt SE1/4 Irregular Tracts 90, 91 and 81 in Section 18, T4N, R4W.

Mark A. Bergt to Superior-Deshler LLC. Lot 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 in Block 15, First Addition of Davenport.

Superior Ag Services LLC to Crop Production Services Inc. E1/2 of vacated C St Adjacent to and adjoining Lots 15 and 16 and Block 17, First Addition of Davenport; Pt SW1/4 Section 18, T4N, R4W; Block 17, including the vacated alley therein First Addition of Davenport; Pt Block 8, First Addition of Davenport; Pt Block 9, First Addition of Davenport; Pt Block 16, including the vacated alley therein first Addition of Davenport; A Tract in Block 8, including the vacated alley therein Brittenhams Addition of Davenport; SW1/4 SE1/4 Section 18, T4N, R4W; Pt Lot 2, 3 in Block 8, Extons Addition of Davenport; Lot 1 in Block 6, Extons Addition of Davenport; Lot 1, 12 in Block 7 and Pt of vacated street between C and E St. and Pt of Vacated alley, Pt of vacated D St. and vacated C St. and the Right of Way of the C & NW Railway, Extons Addition of Davenport; Pt SW1/4 Section 18, T4N, R4W; Lot 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 10, 11, 12, 13 and Pt Lot 2, 14, 15 and the vacated alley in Block 16, in First Addition of Davenport; Lot

in Block 7, Extons Addition of Davenport. Superior-Deshler LLC to Crop Production Services Inc. Lot 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 in Block 14, Together with that portion of the Vacated Alley adjoining said property, First Addition of Davenport; Lot 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 in Block 7, Extons Addition of Davenport; Pt Block 8, including the vacated alley therein, Brittenhams Addition of Davenport; Lot 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 in Block 6, Extons Addition of Davenport; Lot 15 and PtLot 16 in Block 17, First Addition of Davenport; Lot 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and Pt Lot 5 in Block 17 and of the vacated alley in said Block 17, First Addition of Davenport;

2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

Lot 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, Lot 12, 13, 14, in Block 14, First Addition of Davenport; Lot 1, 2, 3, 4,5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 in Block 15, First Addition of Davenport; PT SE1/4 Section 18, T4N, R4W; Irregular Tracts 90, 91 and 81.

J D Anderson, a/k/a Jerry D. Anderson and Iuliia A Anderson to Hergott Enterprises Inc. A portion of Block 1, K C Nelsens Addition of Hebron.

Jeremy Helms to Shelly Dawn Wiles Pt W1/2 NE1/4 Section 11, T3N, R1W.

Mary A. Flagle and Robert Flagle to Mary A. Flagle and Robert Flagle. Part of Block 7, Original Town of Gilead; Lot 10 in Block 12, Original Town of Gilead.

ZONING PERMIT APPLICATIONS AND FEES COLLECTED

April 2013 Mr. James Mahaffey, 1885 RD 6900, Alexandria, NE 68303. New home. \$25.

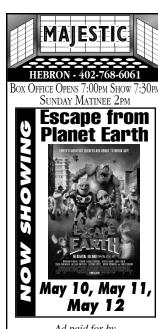
Mr. Darrel Bice, 421 Thompson, Chester, NE 68327. Move in garage. \$25.

Mr. Rod Tegtmeier, 5317 RDW, Davenport, NE 68335. New deck. \$25.

Mr. Rich Dana, 630 C Street, Carleton, NE 68326. New Deck. \$25.

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ACTIVITIES

Thursday, May 9: District track at Fillmore Central, 10

Saturday, May 11: Graduation, 2 p.m.

Monday, May 13: Sixth grade field trip.

Tuesday, May 14: Sixth grade field trip, district golf, Beemer; eighth grade graduation, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 15: Elementary award program, 9:30 a.m.; elementary field day, 1 p.m.

Thursday, May 16: Last day of school, dismiss, 11:45 a.m.; end of second semes-

Friday, May 17: State track at Omaha Burke.

Saturday, May 18: State track at Omaha Burke.

Tuesday, May 21-Wednesday, May 22: State golf, Meadowlark Hills Golf Course, Kearney.

MENU

Thursday, May 9: Breakfast: Coffee cake. Lunch: Hamburger on bun (K-8), chicken fried steak sandwich (9-12), potato salad, fresh broccoli, fruit, ham or turkey sandwich.

Friday, May 10: Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy. Lunch: Pizza, garden salad, tomatoes, fruit, breaded cheese stick, peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

Monday, May 13: Breakfast: Cooks' choice. Lunch: Hot dog, Tater Tots, carrot sticks, fruit, peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

Tuesday, May 14: Breakfast: Cooks' choice. Lunch: Chicken or beef tacos, peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

Wednesday, May 15: Breakfast: Cooks' choice. Lunch: Pizza, peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

Thursday. May 16: Breakfast: Cooks' choice. No lunch.

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

Housing program...

Continued from front... assistance. Olds said these

particular homeowners tend to defer long term improvements due to lack of funding. The deferment results in higher energy expensed, increased blight condition in established neighborhoods and depressed housing values throughout the community. "In time, housing units will be lost as the need moves beyond repair to removal of derelict units from the existing housing stock," she explained adding, "This further tightening of the City's already "tight" housing market affects choice, flexibility and price of housing units, particularly for lower-income consumers.

Eligibility for the housing program is determined by several criteria including owning and occupying a single-family residence within the City of Hebron and meeting annual household income limits.

The program is funded through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) administered by the NDED and will be implemented in accordance with the Federal Fair Housing Law.

Interested residents may stop by the City Office in Hebron to pick up a brochure with additional details and pre-application. Brochures and more information will also be available at all three banks in Hebron.

Information and pre-application forms are also available at the offices of SENDD, 2631 "0" Street, Lincoln. Questions may be directed to Olds at 402-475-2560 or e-mail jolds@sendd.org.

National Nurses Week

This week is National Nurses Week. All of us have benefited from the care provided by a nurse. For most, interaction with these healthcare professionals has continued throughout our lives. Nurses represent the largest number of healthcare professionals. They are caregivers who provide expert care 24/7 in many divergent settings. Today's nurses care for patients in hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, in their homes and in many other

community settings. The United States has experienced a nursing shortage since 2000. During the last two years, the shortage seems to have abated - making it more difficult for graduates to get jobs in larger towns and cities -- but is a temporary abatement. More nurses have delayed retirement or moved to full-time status. Older and more experienced nurses re-entered the job market as spouses lost jobs. Once the economy improves, there will likely be an exodus of nurses from the job market.

The shortage is most severe in small towns and rural areas. Lack of care also impedes economic health -- the ability of communities to draw and hold residents and the businesses that employ them. One of the major threats to the current and future nursing shortage is the aging of the nursing population which will raise retirement rates to a higher level than the workforce replacement with new nurses.

Retiring Baby Boomers will dramatically increase the demand for nurses, pushing the already serious shortage of nurses to a crisis stage. Aging and other issues such as increasing seriousness of conditions, requires more nursing care, which requires more education. Without action to address Nebraska's nursing shortage it will be even more difficult to provide the appropriate level of nursing care. Nebraska Statistics

• In 2009, there were 17,735 licensed registered nurses in Nebraska. The average age for registered nurses is 46 years old. About half of all nurses will retire in the next 10 years.

 By the year 2020, Nebraska will have a shortage of about 3,800 registered nurses.

• Nine counties in Nebraska have no registered nurses and four counties have just one registered nurse representing the whole county.

Thayer County Health News

- Of Nebraska's 93 counties, 82 have a lower than national average ratio of registered nurses to patients, and more than one-third of Nebraska's counties have no nurse practitioners.
- · Registered nurses represent over 40 percent of the health care workforce in Nebraska. About 58 percent of nurses are employed in hospitals.
- The projected U.S. nursing shortage in 2020 is expected to grow to a half a million.
- In Dec. 2009, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that the health care sector of the economy is continuing to grow, despite significant job losses in nearly all major industries. As the largest segment of the healthcare workforce, registered nurses likely will be recruited to fill many of these new positions.

During National Nurses Week, Thayer County Health Services (TCHS) joins the American Nurses Association (ANA) in celebrating the contributions of this important profession. We want to recognize and thank our nursing staff for the outstanding care they give. TCHS is extremely proud of the nursing staff working in our hospital, clinics, surgery, specialty and home health departments. The care they give patients is second to none. Our nursing staff consistently receives very high rating on our patient satisfaction surveys. In the comment section of the survey there are always numerous praises for the excellent care received.

If you should see someone on the TCHS nursing staff this week or anytime, let them know how much you appreciate them. In healthcare, quality of care is important, but also important is the compassionate way it is delivered. The mission statement for TCHS emphasizes "providing high quality compassionate healthcare." Every day, TCHS nurses show compassion in their caring ways, comforting nature and the acts of kindness shown to our patients.

Source: American Nursing Association and the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Area Students CCC Graduates Local student recipients

Central Community College-Hastings honored 433 graduating students May 4 during its 46th annual commencement ceremonies.

Nebraska native and retired astronaut Clayton Anderson was the keynote speaker. Campus President Bill Hitesman presented the candidates for graduation to CCC President Dr. Greg Smith, who conferred the degrees and diplomas.

of degrees and diplomas include: Associate of Applied Sci-

ence Degree: Kalab E. Reinke of Deshler, media arts.

Paige K. Priefert of Hebron, health information management services.

Associate of Arts Degree: Mitchell A. Houser of

Bruning.

Area Students Receive UNL Degrees

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln granted degrees to more than 2,750 students at commencement exercises May 3 and 4.

The graduates from this area included:

Lon Matthew Schoenholz of Bruning, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, bachelor of science in agronomy.

Davenport: Daniel Jacob Werner of Davenport, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, bachelor of science in grazing livestock systems.

Ashley Ann Dahl of Deshler, College of Business Administration, bachelor of science in business administration.

Amanda Rebecca Schardt of Deshler, College of Education and Human Sciences, bachelor of science in education and human sciences. Michael Scott Elting of

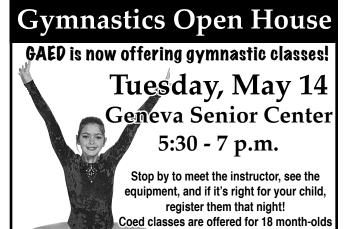
Hebron, College of Business Administration, bachelor of science in business administration. Jessica Renae Kroll of

Hebron, College of Education and Human Sciences, bachelor of science in education and human sciences. Colin Jacob Sinn of Hebron,

College of Arts and Sciences, bachelor of science.

The graduates are from 44 states and 36 countries.





and up (10+) For more information on class times, costs, etc., call Valerie at GAED 402-759-4908 or gaed@cityofgeneva.org.





Several participate National Day of Prayer...

Several locals met on the front lawn of the Thayer County Courthouse to take part in a special prayer service in recognition of the 62nd National Day of Prayer. The National Day of Prayer is an annual observance held on the first Thursday of May, inviting people of all faiths to pray for the nation. It was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress, and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. On the local level, prayers were extended to the United States government, military personnel and veterands, business owners and laborers, schools, families and children and the church.

Special Occasions

Happy 100th Birthday **Mollie Achterberg**

The family of Mollie Achterberg will be hosting an open house to celebrate her 100th birthday. Sunday, May 19, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., at the Blue Valley Nursing Home Activity Room. No gifts please.

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

Thayer County Health Services

Things And Stuff

May 8: Deshler

May 10: Chester May 16: Davenport

May 17: Carleton May 22: Bruning

May 24: Belvidere

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

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

Children Immunization Clinics: Immunization Clinic for children will be held on May 10, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the conference room in the lower level of the

hospital in Hebron.

To make an immunization appointment, call 402-768-

Adult Immunization Clin-

ic: If you need an adult vaccine, contact Karen Schardt, Immunization Coordinator for Thayer County Health Services, at 402-768-4629.

CLINIC SCHEDULES **Bruning Clinic**

May 14: 9-Noon Dr. Sullivan May 16: 1-3:30 Madsen, PAC **Davenport Clinic**

May 13: 9-Noon Elting, APRN May 15: 9-Noon Madsen, PAC **Deshler Clinic**

May 13: 1:30-4:30 Elting, APRN May 14: 1:30-4:30 Johnson PAC May 15: 9-Noon Dr. Lanik

May 16: 9-Noon Dr. Vonderfecht Milligan Clinic

May 14: 8-Noon Dr. Vonderfecht **Chester Clinic**

May 15:1:30-4:30Dr.Vonderfecht

Alessandro competes in Lincoln race

Kami (Reinwald) Alessandro competed in the Lincoln half-marathon Sunday morning. She received fifth place in her age group and among 4,256 women she came in at 45th with a time of 1:34.31 to earn a medal and trophy.

Cards of Thanks

Card of Thanks Thankyou for all the prayers,

cares and concerns for my daughter, Jessica Thompson, during her hospitalizations and surgeries at Superior and Chicago! Your kindnesses extended to all my family are sincerely appreciated!

RUTH AND LALE OELLERICH

MEETING NOTICE

The He-Hi Thayer Central Alumni Association will meet Tuesday evening, May 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Hebron Secrest Library basement meeting room.

This will be the final meeting before the annual alumni banquet. Anyone interested in the organization is invited

MEETING NOTICE

The Board of Educational Service Unit No. 5 will meet in regular session on May 13, 2013, at 7:15 p.m. at Educational Service Unit No. 5, 900 West Court Street, Beatrice, Nebraska.

Sell It With The J-R Classifieds!

Hardin, Witt Announce Engagement



Wit, Hardin

Jacey Hardin of Holland and Jacob Wit of Chester are announcing their upcoming wedding. The wedding will take place on June 15 at Christ Lutheran Church in Lincoln.

Jacey is the daughter of Greg and Lori Hardin of Holland. She is a graduate of Norris High School and Doane College, and is employed by Thayer Central Community Schools as a special education

Jacob is the son of Raymond and Dawn Wit of Chester. He is a graduate of Thayer Central High School and Doane College, and is employed as a custom applicator by Crop Production Services in Chester.

Hebron Senior Diners

Monday, May 13: St. Louis rib, sweet potato fries, peas and carrots, sliced pears.

Tuesday, May 14: Baked steak, baked potato, green bean casserole, ice cream.

Wednesday, May 15: Chicken patty on a bun, threebean salad, creamy wild rice, apricots.

Thursday, May 16: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, corn, chunky fruit.

Friday, May 17: Cod strips, creamed potatoes and peas, coleslaw, sliced peaches. Game Day.

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

Handibus goes to Lincoln on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday each week.

Davenport Senior Diners

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

Monday, May 13: St. Louis rib, sweet potato fries, peas and carrots, sliced pears.

Tuesday, May 14: Baked steak, baked potato, green bean casserole, ice cream.

Wednesday, May 15: Chicken patty on a bun, threebean salad, creamy wild rice, apricots. Scrabble.

Thursday, May 16: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, corn, chunky fruit. Tri-Omi-

Friday, May 17: Cod strips, creamed potatoes and peas,

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

Ben Hintz To Represent Legion Post 180 at Boys' State

Ben Hintz will be representing the Hebron American Legion Post 180 at the 2013 Cornhusker Boys' State. The event is hosted by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln beginning June 2.

Ben is a junior at Thayer Central High School, where he participates in several activities including: football, basketball, track, vocal music, Rhythmaires, band, Quiz Bowl, Jazz Band, Pep Band, FBLA national qualifier, Thayer County Health Communities Coalition, Mu Alpha Theta, Letter Club and Student Life X-Treme. Nonschool activities included; American Legion baseball, Catholic Youth Organization, Fantastic 4-H Friends, and he served as 4-H club past president.

His achievements have been: Superior Honor Roll for all completed semesters, National Honor Society, 3rd place finish in business communications at State FBLA, NSAA All-state vocal 2012, NSAA Academic All State football 2012, Thayer County Champion Beef Showman, 2010, 11 and 12; Nebraska State Fair Champion 4-H Vegetable Exhibiter, 2010; 1st runner-up Hastings Tribland

American Legion Auxiliary Meets The Carleton Legion Auxil-

iary Voss Unit #329 of Carleton met on April 17 for its regular meeting. The president called the meeting to order. An opening prayer was given and the roll call was taken showing seven members present.

The secretary read the minutes, which were approved as read. The treasurer's report was read and approved. Nancy read the communications, which included the department newsletter from the department president, Cheryl Vap. The 93rd annual convention of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held in Kearney on June 27-30. Nancy reported that Carleton

does not have a Girls' State representative for this year. Jamie Lange has been selected as the Boys' State representative for Carleton.

The Boys' State report will be heard on June 18, at 7 p.m., at the Legion Hall.

Under new business, Poppy Week has been set for May 13-25. We will canvas the town and the surrounding area during that time. Help support the veterans by wearing a poppy. Nancy reported that Memorial Day services would be held on May 27, 10:30 a.m. at the cemetery.

A motion was made by Judi and seconded by Betty to have the following officers for the 2013-2014 year: President Nancy Heinrichs; Vice president Melany Winans; Secretary Carol Krupicka; Treasurer Marion VanCleef; Sgt. of Arms Lucinda Lange; Chaplain Rosalie Lange and Historian LaVerda Walker. Motion carried.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned. A prayer for peace was given by Lucinda and Melany retired the colors. The next meeting will be held in June. Melany was in charge of the program and Judi served lunch.

CAROL KRUPICKA, Secretary

Ben Hintz

4-H King 2012. He was a catcher for the state qualifying Junior Legion baseball team.

He has been very anxious to learn and exhibits responsibility, maturity and leadership through his past experiences in school, 4-H and camps attended.

He has volunteered as a camp counselor, a junior leader and project organizer.

He is a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and is the son of Mark and Juli $Hintz\, of\, Hebron\, and\, grandson$ of Darrell and Mary Hintz of Belvidere, the late Dorothy Hintz and Bud and Arlene Chleboun, who resided in

Belvidere

By LaDonna Avers

Diane Currey met Mike and Buffy Frazier in Lincoln a week ago to hear the Frazier's son, Jon, sing in the University of Nebraska's School of Music's performance of Vivaldi's "Requiem." Richard Drews, formerly of Hebron, was a featured tenor soloist.

On Tuesday LaDonna Avers drove to York where she met Ardys Dunsmoor and went on to Lincoln. After an appointment they met granddaughter Katie Mathiesen and had a fun visit during lunch. After shopping they returned to York where they met Jeff Dunsmoor and continued on to Cross County School at Stromsburg. There was a spring concert at the elementary school in which great-grandchildren Haileigh and Nathaniel were part of the performances. The children's parents Nathan and Elycia Avers met them at the concert.

Linda Hudson drove to Lincoln Friday and spent the night at the home of Angie, Ben and Andrew Barrett. Saturday they all braved the elements to attend the University of Nebraska graduation at the Hawk's Center. Her granddaughter, Sarah Barrett, graduated with distinction with an English degree. They enjoyed a celebratory dinner later where they also treated Linda to a Mother's Day dinner along with the celebration for Sarah. Bill, Gina, TaraLee and JessaLynn joined them for the dinner.

Russ and Bonnie Priefert went to Lincoln Sunday where they visited Teresa, Pete, and Rubie Demma.

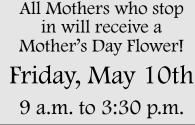


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Area Church News

* ALEXANDRIA *

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

* BELVIDERE *

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Eldon and MaryBeth Nicholson, Pastor Sunday, May 12: Worship 9 a.m. Message: "Breaking Chains.'

* BETHEL *

BETHEL CHURCH

Jim Hubble, Pastor www.bethelccn.org Sunday, May 12: Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; worship, 10:30 a.m.

* BRUNING *

TRINITY LUTHERAN

Stuart Sell, Pastor Sunday, May 12: SS, 9 a.m.; Worship, 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 15: Luther League.

UNITED METHODIST Mike Anderson, Pastor

Sundays: Worship, 9 a.m.

* BYRON *

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN

Pastor Breen Marie Sipes Wednesday, May 8: Confirmation at St. Peter. 5th & 6th, 6:30; 7th & 8th, 7:30.

Sunday, May 12: Tri Saints Worship & Confirmation @ St. Peter Byron. SS, 9:15 a.m.; Worship 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, May 15: Last night of Confirmation @ St. Peter, 5th & 6th, 6:30; 7th & 8th, 7:30.

Thursday, May 16: WELCA Bible Study @ St. Peter, 2 p.m.; VBS meeting, 7 p.m. @ St. Peter.

ST. PETER LUTHERAN **RURAL BYRON**

Pastor Breen Marie Sipes See St. Paul, Byron. May Worship @ St. Peter

* CARLETON *

ZION LUTHERAN

Rev. Jonathan K. Jensen Sunday, May 12: Worship,

* CHESTER *

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN

Rev. Timothy Prince, Vacancy Pastor Sunday, May 12: Worship, 10:30 a.m.

* DAVENPORT *

CHRIST'S LUTHERAN

Amy Krejcarek, Pastor Sundays: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

ST. PETER LUTHERAN

Brian Earl, Vacancy Pastor Sunday, May 12: Rolls and coffee, 9:30 a.m.; SS and Bible Class, 9:45 a.m.; Worship at 10:45 a.m.

Wednesdays: Midweek Confirmation Classes. 4-5 Grades 4-5 p.m.; 6-8 Grades 5:15-6:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.

UNITED METHODIST

Mike Anderson, Pastor Sundays: Worship, 10:30

* DESHLER *

ABIDING WORD LUTHERAN George Lautner, Pastor

Sunday, May 12: SS, 9:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:30.

PEACE LUTHERAN Phillip Nielsen, Pastor

Wednesday, May 8: Men's Bible Study, 7:30 a.m.

Breakfast @ Grampa's Crossing, 7 a.m.; Meadowlark Heights Communion, 9:45 a.m.; PVH Communion, 10:30 a.m.; Peace Choir, 8 p.m.

Thursday, May 9: Ascension Day Worship, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 11: Holy Communion, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 12: SS for all, 8:45 a.m.; Holy Communion,

Monday, May 13: Prayerfully Simple @ YOP House, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 14: Morning Circle @ Parkview Haven, 9:30 a.m.; Preschool Closing Program, 7 p.m.; Church council, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, May 15: June; July Newsletter deadline; Peace Choir sings @ nursing homes, 6 p.m.

ST. PETER LUTHERAN

Brian Francik, Pastor Wednesday, May 8: Pastor @ Faith, Hebron, 10 a.m.; Bells, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 9: DLS Chapel led by 1st and 2nd grade, 9:15 Friday, May 10: Bulletin fold-

ers, 1 p.m. Sunday, May 12: Worship Ser-

vice, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee fellowship, 10:30 a.m.; SS and Adult Bible Class, 10:45 a.m. Monday, May 13: Communion

@ PVH, 10:30 a.m.; Agape Readers, 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 14: Women's Bi-

ble Study Breakfast at Francik's, 7 a.m.; Circuit Pastors, 12 p.m.. Wednesday, May 15: Pastor @ Faith, Hebron, 10 a.m.; 8th Grade Graduation w/supper @ 6 p.m.

and ceremony @ 7 p.m. Thursday, May 16: DLS Chapel, 9:15 a.m.; Last day of school w/dismissal @ 11:20 a.m.

* FRIEDENSAU *

TRINITY LUTHERAN

B. J. Fouts, Pastor Friday, May 9: DLS Chapel led by grades 1 and 2, 9:15 a.m. Saturday, May 11: Lectionary

Sunday, May 12: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; SS and Bible Class, 11:15 a.m.

Wednesday, May 15: DLS Graduation, 7 p.m.

Friday, May 17: Pastor's day

* GILEAD *

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN

Connie Raess, Pastor

School, 10 a.m.; worship, 11

* HARDY *

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN

Interim Pastor Tom Miller

* HEBRON *

FAITH LUTHERAN

Brian Francik, Vacancy Pastor

Francik at Hebron.

Wednesday, May 8: Pastor

Sunday, May 12: Worship 8

FIRST COMMUNITY

CHURCH

Steve Speichinger, Pastor

School, 9 a.m.; Worship, 10

Sunday, May 12: Sunday

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Connie Stone, Pastor

Sunday, May 12: Worship

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Keith Brozek, Pastor

trative Council meeting, 8 p.m.

Meeting at Courtyard Terrace,

breakfast at Mary's Cafe, 6:30

Wednesday, May 8: Adminis-

Thursday, May 9: Ministerial

Friday, May 10: Men of Grace

service, 10:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 12: SS, 9:15

See St. Paul, Byron

a.m.; worship, 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 12: Sunday

fellowship and Sunday School. Thursday, May 16: DLS Clos-Thursday, May 16: Prayer ing Chapel, 9:15 a.m.; Last day of school for DLS.

6:30 p.m.

ministry committee meeting,

Saturday, May 11: Worship,

Sunday, May 12: Senior recognition, 9 a.m.; Worship, coffee

Friday, May 17: Thayer County Chorale concert in the sanctuary, 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Dave Coleman, Pastor 402-879-4391

Sunday evenings: Meet at Mary's Cafe at 7 p.m., 245 S. 13th St., Hebron, for studying the Book of Revelations. (402) 879-3835.

UNITED METHODIST

Wednesday, May 8, 6:30 p.m., Hebron. Confirmation meeting for parents and youth.

Saturday, May 11: Worship

Sunday, May 12: Worship service at Chester, 11 a.m. Worship

Hebron, 10:15 a.m.

KING OF KINGS

Heartland Revival Hour Broadcasts Sunday mornings, 10:45 a.m., KRVN Radio 880, 11:30 a.m. to noon; Friday on HCTV, 4:30 p.m.

Tim Boatright, Pastor Wednesdays: Kids On The ing Wednesdays, 7 p.m.

men's Bible study, 9 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC

Father Rudolf Oborny, Pastor Every evening at 8 p.m.: pray one minute for religious

Wednesday, May 8: Potluck Supper for CCD and Parish, beginning at 6:15 p.m.; Last CCD Class for season, 7 p.m.; Baccalaureate at Sacred Heart Church at 7:30 p.m. All are invited to attend; Knights of Columbus, 8:20 p.m.

Ascension Thursday, May 9: Masses at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sat., May 11: Mass, 6 p.m.

Sunday, May 12: Mass w/ Senior graduate recognition, 10 a.m.

Vacation Bible School dates: Marian Sisters, June 10-14; Totus Tuus, July 14-19.

HEBRON BIBLE CHURCH Jeff Friesen, Pastor

www.hebronbiblechurch.org Sundays: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; worship, 10 a.m.

Wednesdays: Pioneer Club, 6:30 p.m.; Bible study, 7 p.m. Thursdays, prayer time, 9

* HUBBELL *

ZION LUTHERAN Rev. Timothy Prince, Vacancy Pastor

Sunday, May 12: Worship, 8:30 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,

First Saturday: Men's breakfast, 7:30 a.m.

***** Copy requested by noon on

Mondays. To make additions or changes, Fax 402-768-7354, email hebronir@windstream.net or phone 402-768-6602.

Obituaries

Lewis Hofts

Lewis Fred Hofts, the son of Fred and Amy (Fischer) Hofts of rural Byron, was born on Aug. 20, 1923. He passed

away peacefully with family by his side on Friday, May 3, 2013, at Parkview Ha-

ven in Deshler at the age of 89 years, eight

months and 13 days. He was baptized at home on Sept. 23, 1923, and later confirmed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in rural Deshler on June 4, 1939. Lewis attended St. Paul's Lutheran until 1955

when the church closed. He received his education at the District 91 rural school. He began farming in his teenage years, working for neighbors and family friends until he and Alfred took over the family farm.

Lewis was a member of the Thayer County Feeders Association. He enjoyed playing cards and visiting with family and friends. One of his main joys was holding newborn babies and rocking them in his chair.

He is preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Mary Hurlbert and Flora Brettmann; brothers, John and Alfred; brothers-in-law, Ray Hurlbert and Alvin Brettmann; and nephews, Fred Hofts and Ken Fintel.

Lewis is survived by his sister-in-law, Fern Hofts of Lincoln; nieces and nephews, Stan and Mary Jo Hofts of Deshler, Patty and Mike Wilson of Lincoln, Janet and Dan Lienemann of Sidney, Julie Hofts of Omaha, J.J. and Cindy Hofts of Sioux Falls, S.D., Howard and Konnie Howser of Lincoln, Ken's wife Donna of Valley, Scott and Libby Brettmann of Fremont, and Steve Brettmann of Deshler, and numerous great nieces and nephews, extended family, and friends.

Funeral services were held May 6 at Peace Lutheran Church in Deshler with Pastor Phillip Nielsen officiating. Julia Pohlmann was the organist. Congregational hymns were,"How Great Thou Art," "The Old Rugged Cross," and "What A Friend We Have In Jesus."

Pallbearers were J.J. Hofts. Steve Brettmann, Scott Brettmann, Karl Ludwig, Bruce Maschmann and Matthew

Honorary bearers were Jeff Sohl, Mike Wilson, Howard Howser, Darrell Johnson, Brian Vencil and Dan Liene-

Burial was in St. Paul's Cemetery near Deshler.

Memorials are designated to the family. Condolences may be sent to Ahrendts Funeral Home or left on line at www. priceurbauerahrendts.com. Ahrendts Funeral Home of Deshler was entrusted with arrangements.

Catherine Johnson

Catherine E. Johnson of Alexandria was the third child born to Rose (Eppler) and George W. Schoenholz

October 17, 1920, on a rural Bruning farm. She departed this life with her family by her side, Friday May 3, 2013, at Blue



Valley Lutheran Nursing Home in Hebron at the age of 92 years.

She was baptized at the South Lutheran Church near Ohiowa and confirmed at the American Lutheran Church in Alexandria on Dec. 4, 1949. Her schooling through the eighth grade was at the Square-Top Country School District 30 southeast of Bruning. She attended the ninth grade at the Bruning school.

Catherine married Rex N. Johnson June 30, 1937, at the Lutheran church parsonage in Bruning. She moved to Idaho in 1937 where their three sons were born. They moved back to Nebraska in 1945 where two more children were born. She was a member of the Al-

exandria Presbyterian Church

for over 50 years during which

time she served as a deacon,

and belonged to the American

Legion Auxiliary. She lived on different farms in the Alexandria and Bruning areas before moving to Alexandria in 1971. She was a housewife her whole life taking pride in her home, gardening, yard and doing all types of farm work. She also embroidered pillow cases and

Catherine is preceded in death by her parents, husband, son-in-law, Robert Meyerhoff; brothers, Lollen Schoenholz and Louis Schoenholz; sisters, Loveda Higel and LoEtta Johnson and twin great-grand-

sons Jude and Gabriel Ray.

Survivors include sons,

Dwayne (Elaine) Johnson of Mt. Vernon, Ill.; Gary (Rachel) Johnson of Daykin, Lyle (Lynda) Johnson of Hebron, Dale (Anne) Johnson of Oakland, and daughter, Rita Meyerhoff of Grand Island; grandchildren, Douglas (Yuwadee) Johnson of Bloomington, Ill.; Kirk (Stacy) Johnson of Loveland, Colo.; Todd (Billie Jo) Johnson of Greenwood Village, Colo.; Dennis (Linda) Johnson of Daykin, Brad Johnson of Lincoln, Patrick (Patty) Johnson and Kelly (Chad) Frank, all of Daykin; Holly (Tyler) Armagost of Syracuse, Greg (Lisa) Johnson of Allen, Texas; Matt (Nicolle) Johnson of Lincoln, Tyler (Lauren) Johnson of Spring, Texas; Stephanie (Dale) Benne and Nicole (Gus) Ray, all of Oakland; Michael Johnson of Austin, Texas; Christopher Johnson of Lincoln, 35 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; sister, Beth (Keith) Beavens of Omaha, and sister-inlaw, LoElla Schoenholz of Bruning.

Funeral services were held May 6 at the Alexandria Presbyterian Church in Alexandria with Lana Likens officiating. Accompanist was Jean Pletcher. Atrio of Claudia Myers, Betty Edzards, and Janice Fintel sang "A Closer Walk With Thee" and "Amazing Grace." Casket bearers were her

grandsons. Honorary casket bearers

were her granddaughters. Burial was at the Bruning Public Cemetery in Bruning.

Memorials are directed to family choice. Condolences may be sent to www.krollfh. com. Hebron Memorial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Richard Mullen

Richard Dale Mullen, 81, Lincoln, formerly of Beatrice died Tuesday, April 30, 2013, at The Arbors in Lincoln. He was born Feb. 20, 1932, in Marysville,

He graduated from Marysville High School in 1950.

Richard married Nadine Wiemers on May 10, 1952, in Memphis,

Tenn. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1951 to 1971. They moved to Beatrice in 1971 and he drove for UPS in Thayer, Fillmore, Jefferson and Saline counties until the

early 1990's. Richard was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Beatrice, where he was a member of the Knights of Columbus, ushered and helped at the cemetery. He was a member of Bitting-Norman Post 27 of the American Legion in

Beatrice. Richard loved spending time with his grandchildren and enjoyed working in the yard, working on cars, walking, traveling, painting, dancing and playing bridge.

Survivors include his

daughter, Denise Mullen of Spartanburg, S.C.; son, Douglas Mullen and wife Diana of Durham, N.C.; daughter, Lori Harder of Beatrice; grandchildren, Heather Mullen, Justin Mullen, Matthew Mullen and wife, Brooke, Shelley Harder, Jonathan Harder, Zachary Harder, Benjamin Harder, Jacob Harder, Courtney Harder; great-grandsons, Alec Eggert and Kaleb Otte; brothers, Charles Mullen and wife, Kathy of Elon, N.C.; Loren Mullen and wife, Sara of Kansas City, Kan.; sister, Rose Mullen of El Cajon, Calif.; sisters-in-law, Joyce Mullen of Genesco, Kan.; Elaine Roberts of Beatrice, Anita Hansen and husband Howard of Omaha; brotherin-law, Donald Wiemers and wife, Marcia of Beatrice, and nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, John and Nellie (Armstrong) Mullen; wife, Nadine Mullen on Jan. 31, 2012; sons, James Richard on Jan. 31, 1981 and Michael Dean on Nov. 23, 2004; greatgranddaughter, Alayna Grace Harder on Sept. 7, 2009; sister,

Kathleen Ware; brothers, John,

Gerald and Robert Mullen.

A mass of Christian burial was held May 4, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Beatrice with Father Steven Major officiating.

Burial was in the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in ments.

Beatrice.

Memorials are established to the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery Fund with the mortuary in charge. Harman-Wright Mortuary, Beatrice, was in charge of arrange-

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Survival Of The Fittist...

LEO Club members Judy Kuhlman, Glenda Minnig and Cindy Poppe are finding it difficult to put flowers out this year. They planted them last week on Monday and it was cold with a bit of snow on Tuesday. Chester residents hope that the tender plants survive.



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Encounter of the Dirt Kind...

Little Eli Versch went for a walk one day last week with his aunt Jolene. This was one of his first encounters with dirt, etc., and he loved it.

Chester Senior Diners

Game night, Thursdays: 6 p.m.

Monday, May 13: St. Louis rib, sweet potato fries, peas and carrots, sliced pears. *Star Trivia*.

Tuesday, May 14: Baked steak, baked potato, green bean casserole, ice cream. *Numbering Body Parts*.

Wednesday, May 15: Chicken patty on a bun, threebean salad, creamy wild rice, apricots. Day at Beach.

Thursday, May 16: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, corn, chunky fruit. *Word Pictures*.

Friday, May 17: Cod strips, creamed potatoes and peas, coleslaw, sliced peaches. *Numbering Body Parts*.

Meals served with bread, butter and milk. To make reservations, phone 324-5271 by 1:30 p.m., the day before you wish to dine.

Extension Cords Meet

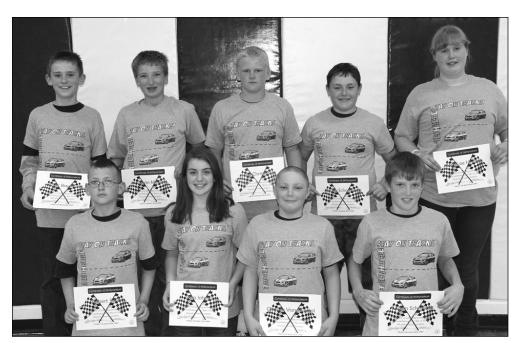
The Extension Cords met in Strang for their April meeting on Monday. The lesson was on How Our Shopping Habits Predict the Future of Our Community.

It was learned how important it is to shop our local businesses in order for them to stay in business to serve our needs.

The president conducted the business meeting. Members present were Lorraine Heinrichs, Mary Heinrichs, Sue Hinrichs and Jeri Rippe. News Reporter A section of the Journal-Register

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BD Sixth Grade "Stay on Track"...

"Stay on Track" graduation for the Bruning-Davenport sixth grade students was held Monday, April 29th. The ceremony honored students for completing the drug prevention program that was taught by Jana Tietjen. During the 12 weeks course students participated in interactive learning of health education, how to use the GUARD model to help in decision-making and goal-setting, how to develop good communication skills and interpersonal relations, and how media influences their decision constantly. During the ceremony Isaac Baysinger, John Christensen, and Jacob Schoenholz read their essay they had written about the program and how it impacted them. After the essays were read, all the sixth grade students participated in short skits of real life situations the students may encounter in their future. The students demonstrated how they learned to handle these situations and what refusal skills they should use. The students found the more they practiced these skills the more confident they were. Later in the ceremony, TaraLee Hudson and Sera Johnson were recognized as the winners of the t-shirt design contest. Their design is featured on the front of this years t-shirts. This program was sponsored by Thayer County Healthy Communities Coalition and the Nebraska National Guard.

annual meeting.

The Bruning Community

Foundation founded in 1992

has supported many commu-

nity activities and projects.

There was a vote to continue

to monetarily support the fire

department, summer ball pro-

gram and the tech scholarship

Loan and the Housing Down

Payment Assistance programs

are available through the

Bruning Community Founda-

tion to help businesses wanting

to expand or to help with the

down payment when purchas-

The Bruning library is do-

ing well with 360 registered

patrons. The Bruning library

hours are 20 hours a week with

the following services offered:

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reading, check-out of printed

materials, checkout of ebooks

and audio books, public com-

There was discussion of the

puters and wifi hotspot.

ing a house.

The Revolving Business

application program.

Bruning

By Lola Johnson

Mr. and Mrs. Randal Shaneyfelt of Lock Lloyd, Mo., and Drew Shaneyfelt of Kansas City, Mo., spent Saturday and Sunday at the Jr. Lentfer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Gomez and Chloe were supper guests of Frank and Mary Bruning on Sunday.

The Ohiowa Neighborhood Birthday Party was held at the home of Beth Garrison on Saturday morning. Those present were Claire Ann Mussman of Geneva, Georgia Schropfer, Darlene Most, Lynn Mussman, Chris Schropfer and Kimberly, Kristi Most, Kala, Sara and Anna, and Patsy Neiderklein of Ohiowa. A delicious cooperative lunch and a lot of visiting was enjoyed while celebrating the birthdays of Darlene, Kristi and Beth.

Kenny and Nadine Mussman of Fremont spent Sunday evening with Frances and Beth Garrison.

On Wednesday afternoon the members of the Extension Cords met at the cafe to study the scholarship applications for this year's seniors. Present were Lorraine Heinrichs, Mary Heinrichs, Sue Hinrichs and Jeri Rippe.

Jeri Rippe went to the Jim and Jayne Germer home in Crete for over a week. Shelli Rippe of Snellville, Ga., came to the Russ and Susan Rippe home near Milford. Time was spent between the two homes and Lincoln. Also there were Justin and Noel Rippe and Behrendt, Tiffany, Salaya and Kirah Rippe, all of Lincoln. On Sunday, Jayne Germer and Susan Rippe traveled with Shelli to her home in Georgia. They will fly home.

Strang Sewing Club met at the Joan Langhorst home on Tuesday afternoon. Those attending were Ruth Hobbs of Hebron, Pat Headrick and Janet Lentfer of Geneva, Edna Lichti of Shickley, Lola Kennel and Elaine Ebbeka of Strang, Eleanor Dittmer of Ohiowa and Lorraine Heinrichs of Bruning.

Lola Johnson spent from Sunday to Tuesday afternoon at Denise, Sam, Mollie and Oliver Packard's.



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Opera House. Fred Bruning
welcomed those attending the

Bruning Q125 celebration last summer. Everyone agreed it was a great celebration with many activities and many people attending.

This year Bruning Day will

Bruning Foundation Meeting

This year Bruning Day will be held July 27. Many new community ideas and suggestions were discussed. A new community sign is needed to replace the existing one which is need of repair. There is interest for the community to have a recycling center, a fitness center and a new fire hall.

The 2013 Foundation directors are Chris Ardissono, Doug Bruning, Fred Bruning, Karen Hinrichs, Gina Hudson, Lance Johnson, Ted Norder, Cathy Otto, Darlene Reinsch, John Remmers, Dave Rinehart, and Phyllis Schoenholz.

The mission of the Bruning Community Foundation, Inc., is to provide a means for concerned citizens to help build and preserve the future of the Bruning Community in a tax deductible way, so future generations can enjoy the quality of community that they have enjoyed and remember.

GINA HUDGSON, Secretary

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Hebron tornado...



There were a number of seconds, possibly a half minute from the time of the first warning until the storm really arrived. The rising crescendo of the rushing gales, the crash of falling glass, signs being ripped off the buildings; these were the first indications of what had arrived. ~The Hebron Disaster~

Continued from front...

Then followed the moans of the injured, the screams of the trapped but unhurt, the inevitable sirens, the rush and the bustle of a town torn apart, rain – wind – darkness...

Stories will now vary as to whether there was a calm period just prior to the approach of God's nightmare, or whether the straight winds continued on into the very second of the tornado's approach. However, all felt a strange pressure upon the eardrums. Then with the roar of an express train it entered the town, ripping, howling, screaming, destroying everything in its path.

The wake of the tornado shows entry about two blocks south of main street (Lincoln Avenue) cutting an irregular destruction path from First to Fifth streets in the business section, passing on through the residential section diagonally, wrecking the high school as it left the city limits, to further destruction of farmsteads for an additional 15 miles or more.

Sunday morning found the entire town littered with debris, dirt, lumber, glass, brick, mortar, trees, wires, metal, roofs, signs, demolished cars, furniture, paper and everything imaginable. Very few of the residents had gone to bed.

Aloud speaker car had been mobilized and Mayor Ralph Hawkins issued calls for a general meeting to be held at the City Hall at 1:30 p.m.

At this first meeting Hebron residents were advised that they were now under martial law to prevent looting and further loss to damaged homes and business buildings. No one was to be allowed in the business district after dark with the exception of those



On Monday morning the work of cleaning up began in earnest. Volunteer workers began to pour in by the dozens with trucks, tractors, dozers and all types of hauling equipment. ~The Hebron Disaster~

business men who were given passes to enter this district to guard their merchandise. The task at this point seemed insurmountable.

On Monday morning the work of cleaning up began in earnest. Volunteer workers began to pour in by the dozens with trucks, tractors, dozers and all types of hauling equipment. On Tuesday, the tide of volunteer workers swelled to perhaps 1,000 people. Utility workers swarmed in with trucks and equipment and this day some telephones were restored to use. The canteens that had been set up in the gymnasium and the Methodist Church were filled to overflowing and served approximately 2,000 people.

By Saturday evening, one full week following the disaster, city officials could see that work was being accomplished at a high rate of speed. The majority of the cleanup work was done by donated, volunteer labor [as] Hebron people



As contributions came in, lights were installed along Lincoln Avenue. ~The Hebron Disaster~



Several building fronts that were damaged by the storm had to be pulled down by cable trucks for the protection of the citizens and workers. ~The Hebron Disaster~

were too busy protecting their businesses, making temporary repairs, seeking places to live, and attending to the myriad of other details, to render much help in the cleanup of the streets and alleys.

"The People of Hebron, the City Officials, and the Mayor cannot find words to thank all the fine people who came to Hebron at our call for help. Each of you has rendered an invaluable service. Thanking

all of you fine people again for your wonderful service and realizing that this story of the Hebron storm is probably all the thanks that you will ever receive, except that warm feeling within your own heart that comes only to people who have given of their time and ability in the service of their fellow man in his time of disaster. I assure, your deeds will never be forgotten." ~ Ralph Hawkins,



Monday, May 11 – The dozers began the task of moving the debris from the various buildings and walks into the streets where it was then loaded into dump trucks. ~The Hebron Disaster~

T.C. Senior Of Week — Mumm

Thayer Central Senior of the Week is Macaulay Mumm. Macaulay is the son of John and Holly Mumm.

His favorite classes at Thayer Central are shop and life skills and his favorite foods are steak and mashed potatoes.

Macaulay's favorite pastime was going to Hawaii with his family.

At Thayer Central, Macaulay has been involved in FBLA, basketball, football, track, 4-H, and is also involved in CYO.

His advice to underclassmen is, "Take tough classes in high school, and get them over with."



Macaulay Mumm

Following graduation, Macaulay plans on attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and major in agribusiness.

Schroeder Serves As One Act Play Assistant Director

Stephanie Schroeder, a junior at Concordia University, Nebraska from Deshler was the assistant director for the one-act play, "The Raven" as part of the theater department's annual One Act Festival April 18-20. The festival showcased four student-directed plays that were performed in the Music Center's Studio Theater.

"The Raven" by Linda Burson, dramatization of Edgar Allan Poe's classic poem "The Raven," follows the narrator known as "I" and his inner self "Soul" as they explore their grief for their lost love Lenore.

With the help of the "voice" and the angel of Lenore, I and Soul recount the evening that the Raven came to them and how this bird took them to the darkest parts of their existence.

Students have the opportunity to direct a play as part of Concordia's Play Production course, taught by Assistant Professor of Communication and Theater Bryan Moore. In the course, the students learn how to choose their material, manage a cast, set the stage and direct rehearsals. The class is meant to give students behind-the-scenes experience, since many have participated as actors in Concordia's theater program, but not as

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rectors.

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Students Stand for the Silent...

Thayer County Healthy Communities Coalition freshman and sophomore members from Thayer Central led the Stand for the Silent ceremony held April 26th in front of the elementary building. Stand for the Silent is a day that is celebrated throughout the Nation to honor youth that have lost their lives because of being a victim to a bully. The Stand for the Silent foundation was started by Kirk Smalley after his son Ty became a victim to a bully and took his own life after he could not take it anymore. Ty was an eleven year old from Perkins, Okla. During he ceremony TCHCC members led the students in the Stand for the Silent pledge and then asked the students to stand in silence for seven seconds to bring awareness to the fact that every seven seconds someone is being bullied in the world. After the seven seconds of silence, balloons were released in the air to raise hope for a new national without bullies. To conclude the ceremony the members taught the elementary students a simple dance to unite them as one group striving for the same goal, to encourage all students to treat others with respect and to stop bullying in their school.

BVCA Recognizes Needs During National Community Action Month

In order to highlight problems of poverty, growing economic inequality, and the need to bring millions of struggling families and individuals into the middle class, Blue Valley Community Action Partnership (BVCA) will release its 2012 Needs Survey as part of National Community Action Month. National Community Action Month, held annually in May, highlights Community Action Agencies' work helping millions of families and individuals escape poverty and achieve economic stability each year.

The needs are annually identified by the Community Action of Nebraska, the association of all nine Nebraska Community Action agencies. Each scientifically held survey not only encompasses the needs across the state, but also targets the Blue Valley Community Action nine-county service area. Copies of the survey results are available to the public on BVCA's website: www.bvca.net.

Blue Valley Community Action Partnership will join Community Action Agencies across the country in hosting events and activities throughout May aimed at highlighting poverty problems and solutions. Due to the uncertain economic climate—still reeling from the Great Recession and high unemployment rates—Community Action Agencies feel it is critical to focus local, state, and national attention and efforts on helping impoverished people move into the middle class, creating jobs, and grow-

ing the economy.
"We want to call attention to increasing poverty problems and financial difficulties many in our community are facing, said Richard Nation, BVCA's C.E.O. "For the past few years, we've been dealing with the weak economy that is creating unemployment for millions of people, many of them lowincome. This is what creates economic inequality — if you don't give vulnerable Americans resources and opportunities to succeed economically, they will continue to live in poverty. "The opposite of Poverty is Justice," Mr. Nation quotes from a recent TV interviewer.

The national office of the Community Action Partnership designates May as National Community Action Month to recognize Community Action Agencies' work fighting poverty on the local level. Each year, Community Action Agencies help 20 million Americans achieve financial stability through programs such as Head Start, Weatherization, volunteerism, financial education, housing, energy assistance, transportation, job skills, nutritional assistance

and home ownership. "Blue Valley Community Action Partnership creates opportunities for people to thrive and prosper personally and economically through a variety of programs and services that encourage financial literacy, help people complete their education, pay for childcare, receive job training and purchase a home," said Nation. "Our program participants were already finding it difficult to make ends meet, but the Great Recession and the challenging economy have exacerbated the situation. Blue Valley Community Action Partnership's services are needed now more than ever in order to help people escape poverty and have a chance to enter the middle class.'

"BVCA serves the entire community" Nation added, "including helping to offer services to bring jobs to the nine county area. Over the years, we have helped build homes, childcare centers, senior centers, library additions, community buildings, housing and cleared dilapidated areas for business expansion. As a result we have seen local factories and businesses expand."

BVCA serves Butler, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Polk, Saline, Seward, Thayer and York counties in Nebraska, and is part of a national network. The network is called the Community Action Partnership and is based in Washington, DC. It provides training and other services to more than 1,000 Community Action Agencies across America that help 20 million low-income people and families achieve economic stability and improve their lives.

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BVCA Honors Volunteers

April was National Volunteer Month and April 21-27 was National Volunteer Week. In observance, thousands of volunteers across the country will be honored at special events and presented with local awards for their service to their communities. Organizations will also distribute the President's Volunteer Service Award to their deserving volunteers.

This award is the most prestigious volunteer award currently connected to the White House that all Americans can aspire to achieve. It provides organizations with the unique opportunity to bestow national and presidential recognition on their volunteers who have made a sustained commitment to service.

Blue Valley Community Action Partnership (BVCA) believes it is important to honor the people who give themselves to help others by dedicating themselves to taking action and solving problems in our communities.

BVCA Partnership held two Volunteer Recognition Banquets to honor volunteers who are committed to the organization's mission of "Overcoming Poverty by Helping People, Improving Lives and Strengthening Communities."

Volunteers from BVCA's nine county service area gathered on April 16 at the First Evangelical Lutheran Church in York and on April 19 at the VFW in Fairbury. At the banquets, themed "Celebrate the Magic of Volunteers," volunteers enjoyed a meal, Magician Chase Hasty, the McClellan Singing Sisters,

and safety presentations by Officer McKillip of the York Police Department and Ryan Bailey, BVCAFCS coordinator. In addition, all volunteers were recognized for their service to BVCA Partnership. Presidential Volunteer Service Awards were presented as follows:

Lifetime Awards: Individuals who have donated 4,000 hours or more of volunteer service: Nancy Lee and Sandi Danskin.

Gold: Individuals who have donated 500 or more hours of volunteer service in a 12 month period: Rose Vanis, Shannon Havel, Marge Grubaugh, Deana Wooten, Theresa Nadherny, Edie Kleen, Chris Fenster, Dwight Johnson, Jim Bergen, Helen Oltrogge, Gen Johnson, Saundra Peters, Milda Gray, Deborah Barnes, Cloe Ann Staehr, Betty Julson, Paul Cunningham, Pastor Martinez, Jean Gaver, Cheryl Tinsley and Peg Miller.

Silver: Individuals who have donated 250-499 hours in a 12 month period: Janelle Culp, Earl Foster, Roger Rupp, Mary Schultz, Gerry Radcliff, LaVerna Dittmer, Shannon Sturm, Garry Cook, Joan Foster, Vivian Volkmer, Bev Petersen, Nora Brand, Carol Penner, Beverly Milburn, Carol Wiggan, Merri Johnson, Sherry Taylor, Connie Rucker, Marlene Block, Pearl Taylor, Beverly Churchill, Irene Beu, Emily Rezac, Helen Lulow, Mary Blackwell, Ellen Simon and Joe Ann Staehr.

Bronze: Individuals who have donated from 100-249 hours in a 12 month period: Joyce Plock, Mary Heinrichs, Helen Boman, Kathy Bryson,

Ann Kirkpatrick, Sue Shaw, Daniel Dietl, Sheila Stubbs, Donna Brabec, Mashell West, Susie Fairbanks, Linda Duell, Edward Yelm, Jan Hedrick, George Hallmark, Roland Mollenbrandt, Maxine Aerts, Gerry Fairchild, JoAnn Kuester, Jeanie Kearn, John Pedersen, Debra Steinbach, Heather Corter, Beulah Garhart, Julie Kirkpatrick, Tosha Boomgaarn, Norval Brackhart, Jim Wagner, Doris Moracec, Veda Ford and Evelyn Birkel.

National Volunteer Week began in 1974 when President Richard Nixon signed an executive order establishing the week as an annual celebration of volunteering. Every sitting U.S. President since has signed a proclamation promoting National Volunteer Week. Additionally, governors, mayors and other elected officials make public statements and sign proclamations in support of the event.

To learn more about volunteer opportunities with Blue Valley Community Action Partnership, please visit our website at www.bvca.net or contact Kathryn Molczyk, Friends of Blue Valley Volunteer Coordinator, at 402-729-2278 ext. 125.

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The Thayer County Healthy Communities Coalition would like to wish its seniors from Thayer Central and Bruning-Davenport Good Luck! Thank you for your continued leadership and dedication in educating our communities about our mission!