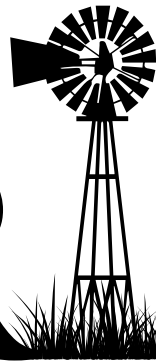


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150 years told through 93 counties



MARCIA HORA PHOTO

Jay Wardrobe poses in front of his store in Gandy with a copy of "Nebraska: 150 Years Told Through 93 Counties." The *World-Herald's* David Hendee brings the state's history to life in his new book and highlights historical and culturally significant places in all 93 counties. Jay's Western Wear, the only business in Gandy, is featured on the Logan County page.

Counties have served as building blocks in the 150 years of Nebraska's history. David Hendee of *The World-Herald* weaves their stories into a tapestry of Nebraska's people, places and events. It's only natural *The World-Herald* would help celebrate the sesquicentennial. The newspaper has chronicled Nebraska's journey daily since the 1865 founding of the *Omaha Daily Herald* by George L. Miller. In the 1930's, *The World-Herald* published a series of county-by-county historical drawings by staff artist Mike Parks titled, "Nebraska in the Making."

A generation later, *The World-Herald* republished the popular illustrations in the newspaper's *Magazine of the Midlands* to set the stage for Nebraska's centennial in 1967.

Those drawings once more help bring the past to life in "Nebraska: 150 Years Told Through 93 Counties," along with the work of the newspaper's award-winning photographers.

Also featured are photographs from "Bridges: Sharing Our Past to Enrich the Future," an initiative by the Hildegard Center for the Arts, in partnership with the Nebraska Tourism Commission and the Nebraska State Historical Society.

The images highlight historical and culturally significant places in all 93 counties.

Featured on the Logan County page is Jay's Western Wear, the only business in Gandy. Jay and Carla Wardrobe sell horse-related items from bits to chaps and reins to spurs, in their business 'that is open by appointment.'

"It's working cowboy gear. Not a lot of bling," Jay said.

The Wardrobes purchased the two-story brick building in 1972. The former Odd Fellows



KENDRA CUTLER PHOTO

"Generations," a photo by Kendra Cutler, was picked as the Bridges Photo Selection for the Logan County page in the book. The picture is of Kendra's father, Kennard Lovitt and Kendra's daughter, Kadee Anne Cutler. Kennard Lovitt is the second generation on his ranch in Logan County, two miles west of Stapleton. He was joined by granddaughter, Kadee Anne Cutler, at the annual family branding on an early April morning.

hall was built in 1910. It was a grocery store until 1955, with one gasoline pump out front.

Also on the page is a section entitled, "Missed the Train." Gandy, one of the two villages in Logan County, was named for Jay Gandy, a Broken Bow, Nebraska, businessman who offered to donate land for a new town and seat of government if it was named for him. County officials moved from their sod-house offices into a frame two-story Gandy courthouse in 1888. Then a railroad branch line bypassed the village, and a new town site - Stapleton - was laid out two miles west in 1911-12. Gandy's dream of greatness dimmed as buildings, businesses and people moved to Stapleton. The population, once more than 300, began a steady decline.

The 2010 census found 32 people lived in Gandy.

Other interesting information on the page includes:

- The Pawnee Indians who lived in what is now Logan County, were the most advanced of all tribes in Nebraska, farming the land and building permanent homes.

- In the early days this county was largely populated by Civil War veterans who proudly named it in honor of the famous soldier Gen. John A. Logan.

- Franklin R. Hogeboom was one of the first settlers of Logan County. He served as county attorney, surveyor and judge.

Copies of the book may be purchased at the Omaha World-Herald Store.

Gearing up for the Solar Eclipse



The Logan County Ag Society met recently to elect officers and make plans for this year's fair and rodeo events that will include a viewing site for the 2017 Total Solar Eclipse. This year's "Biggest Little Rodeo" will be held Friday and Saturday, August 18 and 19. The ranch rodeo is set for Sunday, August 20.

Elected to serve this coming year are Stacy Layher, president; Russell Barnum, vice president; Scott Salisbury, secretary; and Pam Schaeffer, treasurer. Directors are Toby Kinderknecht, Bart Harris and Kevin Seever.

The outhouse race will return in 2017. This year the races will be held on both Friday and Saturday nights.

A featured clown act will be performing at both rodeo performances. Added money will be increased this year for the cowboys and cowgirls.

Advance rodeo tickets will go off sale August 11 at 6:00 p.m. and Friday and Saturday advance rodeo ticket prices will be \$10.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. At the gate prices will be \$15.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children.

Entrance to the Sunday Ranch Rodeo will be \$3.00 per person.

Viewing of the 2017 Total Solar Eclipse on Monday, August 21, will be \$10.00 per person.

The pork breakfast will be \$8.00 at the door and will be first come, first serve.

The Ag Society will not be selling parking spaces around the arena this year. Extra bleachers will be brought in to accommodate the anticipated larger crowds.

Longtime ESU 16 member honored

Lewellyn Frey, longtime ESU 16 board member, was recently honored for her years of service on the ESU 16 Board of Directors.

Lewellyn was elected to the ESU 16 board in 1981. She served 36 consecutive years. Lewellyn completed her ninth term of office as an elected official, initially representing Logan County and later Election District 4.

Lewellyn was proud of the programs and serv-

ices provided by ESU 16. She worked toward efficient delivery systems, effective programs and equitable access for all students regardless of where they lived within the ESU 16 boundaries. Lewellyn was a strong supporter of the ESU 16 vision to provide leadership and service.

Her service to ESU, the board, and to the community is admirable and she will be missed.

No injuries in one vehicle accident

Winter weather driving conditions returned to this area the first part of last week.

The Logan County Sheriff's office investigated a one-vehicle accident Tuesday, January 24.

Marie Wade, 62, of Seneca, lost control of the northbound 1985 Toyota pickup she was driving

on icy road conditions on Highway 83.

The pickup rolled onto the driver's side and sustained extensive damage.

No injuries were reported to the driver.

Stapleton Fire & Rescue responded to the scene, but Wade was not transported.

'Keeping the Farm in the Family' session planned

"Keeping the Farm in the Family" seminar is being planned Thursday, February 23, at 2:00 p.m. at the Logan County Library in Stapleton.

Learn how to create a

smooth transition plan to protect your assets now and in the future, while maintaining family harmony at this event, conducted by Echo Pelster of Thrivent Financial.

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Observations: Wind, 25 MPH on Jan. 24; 20 MPH on Jan. 25; 30 MPH on Jan. 27; 25 MPH on Jan. 28; 24 MPH on Jan. 29. Snow fall, a trace on Jan. 24; 2.5" on Jan. 25 and .5" on Jan. 26.

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