

Ribbon cuttings to spotlight businesses

Thedford Service Club will be hosting ribbon cuttings for new businesses and a re-grand opening, Wednesday, December 19.

Lt. Gov. Mike Foley has been invited to attend, and everyone in the area is encouraged to come out and meet the Lt. Governor and help welcome new businesses to town.

Thedford has seen many improvements in 2018. A new fire hall was completed, a Dollar General went up east of town, a new building at 39299 Hwy. 2 will be the home of Crossroads Auto Repair Specialists (C.A.R.S.) and Ewoldt's Grocery has invested in their grocery store with additional coolers and new shelving. Bridget Licking's "With Love Photography" is a new start-up business and Prairie Feed Supply has moved to the old fire hall location.

"We will be celebrating in a big way Wednesday, December 19, weather permitting," said Virgil Uhrmacher, Service Club president.

The time schedule for the day will be:

- Dollar General at 2:00 p.m.
 - Crossroads Auto Repair Specialists (CARS) new building at 2:45 p.m.
 - Thedford Fire Hall located on Highway 2 at 3:15 p.m.
 - Prairie Feed Supply at their new location in the old Thedford fire hall at 4:00 p.m.
 - Bridget Licking's With Love Photography at 4:30 p.m.
 - Ewoldt's Grocery "re-grand opening" at 5:00 p.m.
- Dinner will follow the ceremonies at Sandhills Corral at 6:30 p.m.

A question and answer session will begin at 7:30



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A new building on the east side of Thedford along Highway 2 will house Crossroads Auto Repair Specialists (C.A.R.S). Mike Hodges will continue to offer repair services to Thedford and the surrounding area with a state-of-the-art building and equipment to meet all the needs of his customers. C.A.R.S features two bays and an office/reception area. The Hodgeses are in the process of getting all their equipment and supplies moved into the new building in time for their grand opening.



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The new Thedford Fire Hall, located on the east edge of Thedford along Highway 2, was a five-year building project. The building houses the volunteer fire and ambulance service for the Thedford Rural Fire Protection District. The move to the new site was made in 2018. The old fire hall is now the home of Prairie Feed Supply that will also host a ribbon cutting.



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Diamond R Ranch Supply, Inc. made the firemen's lockers, the PCBA cabinets, and also the sign for the front of the new Thedford Volunteer Fire & Rescue building that was finished in late 2017. The building provides much needed storage for the volunteers.



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Ewoldt's Grocery will host a grand re-opening of their store in Thedford. New coolers and additional shelving have allowed Ewoldt's to expand their grocery line and meat department. Well-stocked shelves with many new items are available for shoppers at this diversified store.

Grant County Farm Bureau to Host Town Hall Meeting with Sen. Tom Brewer

The Grant County Farm Bureau will host a town hall meeting with Sen. Tom Brewer of District 43. The town hall meeting will take place Tues., Dec. 18, at 6:00 p.m. MT at the Winter's Building in Hyannis. The meeting is free and open to the public.

Senator Brewer will answer questions from constituents and give an

update on his work at the Legislature and what to expect during the upcoming legislative session. The meeting will also allow District 43 constituents to meet and visit personally with Senator Brewer.

"We are excited to hold a town hall meeting for Sen. Brewer and the constituents in District 43," said Matt Cover, president

of Grant County Farm Bureau. "The town hall meeting will allow citizens to ask questions that matter to them and hear responses from Senator Brewer."

For questions please contact Matt Cover, president, Grant County Farm Bureau, (308) 458-7455 or Carolyn Cover, northwest regional manager, (308) 280-0067.

Sandhills Cowboy Hall of Fame Nominations due by December 31

Time is quickly running out for the public to submit nominations for the 2018 Nebraska Sandhills Cowboy Hall of Fame. Nominations are due by December 31, 2018. Started in 2006, the Sandhills Cowboy Hall of Fame continues to honor the men and women who have made a lasting contribution to the Sandhills and our cowboy way of life.

Nomination forms are available by contacting any Board Member or Ex-

ecutive Secretary Rod Palmer at PO Box 127, Ainsworth, Nebraska or calling 402-387-2212. Nominees must be 50 years or older or deceased. The nominee must fit the following criteria:

"The Nebraska Sandhills Cowboy Hall of Fame honors those individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to the Western lifestyle or horse culture in the area of competition, business, or

support of rodeo in the Sandhills of Nebraska. This includes rodeo, ranching, rodeo stock contractors, western arts, western entertainment and special achievement awards."

Online nomination forms are located at the website: www.sandhillscowboys.com

The mailing address is: Sandhills Cowboy Hall of Fame, 353 N Main St., P.O. Box 127, Ainsworth, NE 69210

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Are Schools will be dismissing for Christmas break. Sandhills will dismiss on Thursday, December 20 for the Christmas holiday. The Elementary at Halsey will have an early dismissal at 1:45 p.m. and the High School at Dunsmuir will dismiss at 2:00 p.m. Classes will resume Monday, January 7, 2019. Thedford elementary and high schools' last day before the Christmas break will be Friday, December 21. They will resume classes on Thursday, Jan. 3, 2019.