

THOMAS COUNTY

Herald

Your Source Of
News In The Sandhills

THOMAS COUNTY, THEDFORD, NEBRASKA 69166

(USPS 596-550)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2018

NO. 32

Notices

- Sandhills Natural Water I, LLC Notice Of Organization
- Thomas County Commissioners' Public Notice
- Lawn Care Bids
- Thomas County Planning Commission Public Notice
- Notice Of Organization Trina Mntle Wellness LLC
- Notice Of Organization Licking Properties, LLC

Index

Legal Page	2
Community	
Calendar	2
Social Side	3
Opinion Page	4
Comics	4
Dave Says	4
Classified Page	5
Business Directory	5
Statewide Classifieds	5
School News	6
Sports	7
Local News	8

Obituaries

- Ruby M. Grubb
- Roger C. McGooden

Fighting 4 Families; Knights host Black Out Cancer



THEDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS PHOTO

The Sandhills-Thedford Knights hosted Ansley-Litchfield on Friday, February 2 in Dunning, and also had a Black Out Cancer night. A total of 294 T-shirts were sold and over \$2,000 was raised through T-shirt sales and a half-time shootout.

In the past few years, Sandhills and Thedford both have been hit hard with individuals and families that are fighting the fight against cancer. At one point we were all looking around asking, "what's in our water?!" Stronger together has definitely been our community's motto for a time. Ansley-Litchfield and Sandhills-Thedford basketball teams battled

against each other on the court, but more importantly, the teams came together from one tight-knit community to the other, to show support to our community members, Bailey Porter, Linda Schaeffer, and Melanie Daly who have been greatly affected by cancer and for some, are still battling it as you read this. Black Out Cancer, a cancer fundraiser, started by

Chase Hoffschneider, a graduate from Burwell High School, contacted Sandhills-Thedford about being apart of this fundraiser. Our family's stories hit Chase pretty hard and he wanted to do more for them as much as we, as a community, wanted to do as well. With that, Chase said Black Out Cancer would donate all shirt proceeds back to our families to help with medical expenses and costs to drive to and from Omaha, Lincoln, and North Platte, for treatments and doctor visits. Because of the extreme chemotherapy process our patrons are not always able to work during this difficult time. We can't recognize them and their family members enough for their continued fight against cancer and these hard times. And we want to also recognize those among us who have battled and are now cancer free!! We thank you Ansley-Litchfield for also

being apart of this night with us to show our support towards our fight for families affected and battling this terrible cancer. We thank you Chase from Black Out Cancer for donating back the shirt proceeds to our fighting families. Together, Thedford, Dunning, Ansley, & Litchfield communities have sold 294 shirts!

If you would like to donate to our fight for families fundraiser, you can do so by sending a check to Thedford High School, Attn: Bec Ray. Make checks payable to: Thedford HS Basketball. In the note, please put: Fighting for Families Donation. Thank you to all who want to help and can help.

Stories of our families we are fighting with and for:

Linda E. Schaeffer was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2017 and has since gone through months of chemotherapy

until they were able to shrink and remove the tumor. The tumor was surgically removed in October. Radiation is a possible option to ensure cancer cells are gone. Linda is still at Bryan Hospital in Lincoln.

Bailey Porter is a 2013 graduate from Sandhills High School this year) have been greatly affected by cancer since Bailey was a Junior in High school. When Bailey was a Junior in High School and Devon was in Junior High, their mother lost her life in a car accident. The entire football team went up to Gordon for her funeral. Not too long after, their dad was diagnosed with cancer. He later died after a long battle and again, Adam Marten took Devon's entire class to Ainsworth for his funeral. The brothers also lost one

(Continued on page 2)

Pokorny Taking Advantage Of School To Work Program



COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured l-r: Bridger Chytka, Ag Teacher at THS, Cauy Pokorny, & Troy Collins, Pearson's Livestock.

It has been more than 15 years since local businesses offered to team with Thedford High School to give high school students work experience outside the classroom.

There were six high school students working in businesses at one time in Thedford.

These students had an opportunity to learn, as well as show their skills, and also received great recommendations. This also established relation-

ships with those who volunteered to provide educational situations.

It was a win-win situation for all concerned.

Cauy Pokorny is currently completing a school-to-work program at Pearson's Livestock equipment. He is working during first period in the morning, five days a week.

Cauy is working at all stations and gaining valuable experience in the work force this semester.

Thedford High School Agriculture Instructor, Mr. Chytka, thanks Troy Collins and Pearson's Livestock, for giving Cauy this opportunity and gaining valuable experience.

It is hoped there will be more businesses and students working together in the future.

Car thief flags down sheriff for assistance

Thomas County Sheriff G.J. Eng and Deputy Marva Hover were patrolling 5.4 miles east of Thedford on U.S. Highway 2 in Thomas County on Thursday, February 15.

They observed a vehicle parked along the road. A male subject flagged Sheriff Eng and Deputy Hover over and advised he had run out of gas.

The male asked the officers for a ride to Thedford to buy some gas.

A records check on the vehicle revealed it had been stolen in North Platte earlier that morning.

The male subject was transported to the Lincoln County Detention Center.

More Gun Control Not The Answer

By Senator Tom Brewer

This week, 17 people were murdered by a bloodthirsty lunatic in a high school in Florida. Others were gravely injured and the body-count may yet increase. A suspect was arrested. It appears the authorities were even aware he was a potentially dangerous person. As is the case with all of these tragedies, the "gun control" politicians can't wait to get in front of a microphone to promote more infringement on our second amendment rights. Aside from the obvious objection I have to people who attack

our constitutional rights, I want a solution that actually addresses the problem. More gun control laws most definitely do not.

Every time this sort of thing happens, I urge people to resist the temptation to recommend the typical knee-jerk, Nanny State Solution to ban guns. It is very easy to assume that more gun control will result in less crime, but this is false. The truth is counter-intuitive. This is not easy for some people because the emotional, gut reaction they think of as "common

(Continued on page 8)

NRCS National Range Conservationist of the Year



COURTESY PHOTO

Leah Carson of Mullen, a Rangeland Management Specialist at the Natural Resources Conservation Service office in Thedford, was recently named the NRCS National Range Conservationist of the Year.

In nominating her for the award, Alane Nelson, Soil Conservationist from Osceola wrote, "She is deserving of this award due to her exceptional work in serving ranchers across multiple counties in Nebraska. Her accomplishments in advancing grazing land conservation ideals to the ranchers who then 'walk the walk' is worthy of recognition and is the ultimate indication of success as a Rangeland Management Specialist. I am therefore, honored to recommend Leah for this prestigious award."

Leah is pictured receiving the award from Charles Knauper, acting national grazing land specialist at the Fort Worth, Texas office.