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Historical Society to meet April 16

The Thomas County Historical Society will hold their first meeting for 2018 - Monday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the museum in Thedford. We encourage attendance from any who are interested in preserving the history of the area or are willing to help with the museum displays.

The walls of the upstairs rooms of the Paxton house were refinished this winter by Galen and Wade Neben and painted by Jay Jones. The rooms are ready for displays relating to education and the history of the red and white former school Trojans. Many trophies and plaques have been passed on to the museum dating from the 1930's through the 1990's.

We have some of the red and white sports and band uniforms to be included in the displays but could use a cheerleading uniform, pom poms and megaphone if anyone has those items to donate.

Members continue to research the old newspapers and provide information to those researching their families.

The museum will have open hours Monday, Wednesday and Friday beginning Memorial Day and through Labor Day. We also open anytime on request. Just call any member or Helen White at 308-645-2489.

Thedford Youth Place At North Platte Art Show



THEDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS PHOTO

Thedford Art students competing at the North Platte High School Art show were, l-r: Kirsten Milam, Tucker Ballenger, Hannah Pearson and Savannah Thomas.

The Art and Gift Gallery, on North Dewey Street in North Platte, hosted an annual high school art show Saturday, March 24 through Thursday, March 29.

Each year the North Platte High School Art Club sponsors the show, which features artwork created by area high school students.

The schools that were entered left their works at the show to be judged, and viewed by the public.

Thedford students had fourteen pieces entered

and the results from the show are:

Tucker Ballenger, first with his print entitled "Bird".

Hannah Pearson won first in the 3-D category with her work entitled "Classy Hereford Bull". Kirsten Milam placed second in the mixed media category with her "Woven Tiger".

Kirsten sold her tiger and Savannah Thomas also sold her piece entitled, "Girl In The News".

The next art show that the Thedford students

will participate in will be on Thursday, April 5 at the annual Mullen Art Show held at the Lariat.

NET Expands Emergency Alerts on Mobile and Digital Platforms

In an effort to enhance public safety for listeners living in "tornado alley," NET - Nebraska's PBS & NPR Stations, is taking part in a project to improve and expand local emergency-messaging capabilities on mobile devices and other digital platforms. The goal is to help stations generate locally-produced tornado test alerts and to synchronize these alerts with their audio broadcasts - all in an effort to protect lives in an emergency.

The 27 participating stations, which are located in tornado prone areas across 10 states, will be outfitted with the Public Radio Satellite System (PRSS) MetaPub delivery service. Developed by NPR Distribution, MetaPub allows local stations to issue text and graphic alerts synchronized with over-the-air broadcast messages that can be heard and seen on mobile

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Superheroes Of The Sandhills Event April 28



Everyone has been affected in some way or another by cancer. The Sandhills area has been hit hard by the effects of cancer in the past few years. To honor these strong willed, amazing people, Thedford High's student organizations are planning their annual fundraising event, Superheroes of the Sandhills.

The Annual Superheroes of the Sandhills will be held Saturday, April 28, in Thedford.

The day gets underway with the registration for the 5K Color Walk/Run with the event to start at 9:00 a.m. at Thedford High School.

The Silent Auction, also at Thedford High School, will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with many items to bid on.

The pancake, sausage breakfast will run from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., at Thedford High School and the pre-ordered frozen Runzas will arrive at 10:00 a.m.

Fresh Runzas will be available to buy beginning at 10:30 a.m.

The 3x3 basketball tournament registration will begin at 10:30 a.m. with the games getting underway at 11:30 a.m. in the Thedford High School new gym.

All proceeds raised will go to the Sandhills Cancer Fund.

The Sandhills Cancer Fund was founded to provide support, financially and morally, to cancer patients and their families who reside in the beautiful remote Sandhills area.

Their intent is to assist with expenses, and support and information to help the patient deal with cancer diagnoses and treatment. With this being a remote location, cancer treatment often times requires travel away from home and occasionally staying away from home for treatments, thus incurring more out-of-pocket expenses. Unfortunately, the distance and expense sometimes dictates the type of treatment the patient may have to select.

The members of the Sandhills Cancer Fund care about their fellow residents and desire to offer services to the cancer patients and their family which will help make these decisions easier.

Join the Thedford students at the fourth annual Superheroes of the Sandhills Cancer Fundraiser to help your neighbors, friends and family.

Smith Announces Mobile Office Hours In Thedford & Brewster

Constituents of Third District Congressman Adrian Smith (R-NE) are invited to meet with a representative of his office at mobile offices through the month of April.

At mobile offices, Third District residents can meet directly with one of Smith's staff members about federal issues and take advantage of the services available through the office.

Smith, who has offices in Grand Island and Scottsbluff, will provide his mobile office and a staff member at the following times and locations:

Tuesday, April 17 - Thedford Life Center, 507 Walnut Street, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (CDT).

Wednesday, April 25 - Blaine County Courthouse, 145 Lincoln Avenue, Brewster, 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. (CDT).

Other locations of his mobile offices are:

Monday, April 16 - Cheyenne County Chamber of Commerce, 740 Illinois Street, Sidney, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (MDT).

Tuesday, April 17 -

Saline County Courthouse, 215 S. Court Street, Wilber, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. (CDT).

Wednesday, April 18 - Goodall City Library, 205 West A Street, Ogallala, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (MDT).

Tuesday, April 24 - Dawes County Courthouse, 451 Main Street, Chadron, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. (MDT).

For addition a information, please contact Smith's Grand Island office at (308)584-3900 or his Scottsbluff office at (308)633-6333

ACE Camp To Be Held June 10

The Upper Loup Natural Resources District is gearing up for another year of ACE Camp (Adventure Camp about the Environment)!

If you have an explorer who has completed their sixth, seventh or eighth grade year of school then make sure you register them for this fun experience!

Campers will get to experience nature through outdoor classrooms and exciting activities such as tubing, zip lines, and a high wire course. They will be able to encounter hands-on workshops with experts regarding subjects such as water, soil, wildlife, forestry, range, weather, and outdoor survival!

The camp this year begins at 4:00 p.m. CT, Sunday June 10 and concludes at 2:30 p.m. CT, Wednesday, June 13, 2018.

Registration deadline is Friday, May 25, 2018 and the camp fee is \$215.00.

The Upper Loup NRD offers five full scholarships for the camp. Registration and scholarship information can be found on their website www.upperloupnrd.org or you can also receive the material by calling the office at 308-645-2250.

You may also check out previous ACE Camps by visiting them on Facebook: Adventure Camp about the Environment (ACE Camp).



COURTESY PHOTO

Former participant of the ACE Camp take a break during an event filled day at the 2017 Camp. Check out previous years of the ACE Camps by visiting them on Facebook: Adventure Camp about the Environment (ACE Camp).

Nebraska Environmental Trust Announces 2018 Grants

At a meeting in Lincoln on April 5, 2018 the Board of the Nebraska Environmental Trust announced that 105 projects will receive \$18,301,819 in lottery proceeds for natural resource work in Nebraska. Out of these, 66 are newly funded grants and 39 are carry-over projects.

This is the 25th year of grants from the Trust, which has provided over \$289 million dollars in lottery revenue to preserve and protect the air, water and land of our state. Some of the projects receiving funding include:

Nebraska Community Foundation - Loup River Prescribed Fire Training Exchange

City of Lincoln - Star-Tran CNG Bus Fueling Station

Nebraska Cattlemen - Wildlife Habitat Improvement Through Prescribed Grazing: A Private/Public Partnership

Nebraska Trout Unlimited Chapter 710 - Dry Spotted Tail Creek and Wetland Project

A complete listing of all approved 2018 grants and summaries can be found on the Nebraska Environmental Trust web site at www.environmental-trust.org.

The Nebraska Legislature created the Nebraska Environmental Trust in 1992. Using the revenue from the Nebraska Lottery, the Trust has provided grants to over 2,100 projects across the state. Anyone can apply - citizens, conservation organizations, communities, businesses and individuals that want to protect Nebraska's natural habitat, improve water quality and quantity or find ways to manage our waste. The Nebraska Environmental Trust works to preserve, protect and restore our natural resources for future generations.