



## Wardrobes: 2022 Parade Grand Marshals

Marcia Hora

Jay and Carla Wardrobe of Gandy are the 2022 Logan County Fair parade grand marshals. The Wardrobes have supported high school and junior rodeos, 4-H, queen contests, and the community in various ways throughout the years.

The former IOOF building in Gandy is now home to Jay's Western Wear. The historical building, built in 1910, has been used as a grocery store and was operated by the Platts and Barkers in the last few years of operation. Jay purchased the building from Joan Gaites in 1972 and used it to house his beauty supplies. Jo's Beauty Shop was on Jay's route and he was looking for a place to store supplies. The building was a perfect fit.

Jay's Western Wear opened on Rodeo Road in North Platte in 1974 and it carried a full line of



KENDRA CUTLER - THE STAPLETON ENTERPRISE

Jay and Carla Wardrobe pictured in their original 1964 Chevrolet Pickup as they go down the parade route in Stapleton as the Logan County Fair Parade Grand Marshals.

western items.

Jay and Carla married in 1977 and moved into the Gandy Post Office building that closed in 1976.

Jay purchased the post office building from Paul Clemmons, who owned it for a short time. After moving in, the Wardrobes

started working on improvements to both buildings.

The Wardrobes drove to North Platte together, as

Carla was the school psychologist at North Platte Schools for 32 years, retiring in 2008.

Jay sold the store in North Platte in 1987 and started ranching. He would take his 1964 Chevrolet pickup, his trailer and horse, and take care of his cattle. He never thought he would reopen a western store, but people continued to call him for cowboy ranch needs. The Wardrobes then opened Jay's Western Wear in Gandy.

The Wardrobes continue to carry a wide-array of items including hats, boots, ropes, reins, and

more.

Jay operates the store and Carla enjoys working in her beautiful yard and assists Jay at his shows.

Daughters, Gina Smith of Tucson, Arizona and Jana Woods of Scottsdale, Arizona, drove the 1968 GTO owned by Jay's father and followed the Wardrobes in the parade.

The Wardrobes drove Jay's original 1964 Chevrolet 4-wheel drive pickup that he had repainted about 40 years ago.

Congratulations to Jay and Carla Wardrobe - our 2022 parade grade marshals.

## Area Rodeo Queens Represented Here



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Logan County Rodeo Queen, Haylee Dimmitt leads the two 2022 Logan County Rodeo Queen contestants and a group of guest queens down the Logan County Fair parade route.

The Logan County Fair & Rodeo had several rodeo queens representing their respective communities and included:

Haylee Dimmitt, 2021 Logan County Fair & Rodeo Queen. She is the 15-year-old daughter of Tracey and Robin Dimmitt of Stapleton and she has actively promoted the Logan County Fair & Rodeo this past year. She will be a sophomore this fall at Stapleton High School where she is active in sports and extra-curricular activities. She also competes in barrel races,

Junior Rodeos and 4-H.

Alyssa Kuhlmann is the 2022 Miss Nebraska Cowgirl Princess. She is the 14-year-old daughter of Anthony and Neallene Kuhlmann of North Platte. She enjoys moving cattle, working on the ranch and attending rodeos. Her favorite event is barrel racing and she wants to qualify for NFR barrel racing and one day take over the Kuhlmann Ranch keeping the Hereford tradition going and expanding the ranch with breeding horses.

Presley Pettera is the

Frontier County Fair & Rodeo Queen. She is the 14-year-old daughter of Jolene and Tanner Pettera. Presley is a freshman at North Platte High School and she is involved in numerous activities. She looks forward to her year as Frontier County Rodeo Queen and will promote the sport of rodeo and inspire the next generation of rodeo queens.

Grace Cox is the 13-year-old daughter of Josh and Jennifer Cox from North Platte. She is an 8th grader at Hershey Public Schools and she is in-

involved in cross country, track and is a member of the Sparklers dance team. Grace's hearing loss has inspired her to want to pursue a career in pediatric audiology. She is active in 4-H and enjoys barrel racing.

Brooklynn Tidyman is the 12-year-old daughter of James and Daphne Tidyman of Maywood. She is a 7th grader at Maywood Public Schools. She is the current Red Willow Rodeo Princess and she would like to own her own horse training business one day.



COURTESY PHOTO

Lauren Leetch of Brush Fire Studio is pictured with her winning hay bale entry in the Logan County Fair.

## Chamber BBQ Review

A barbecue report was given at the regular Stapleton Area Chamber of Commerce meeting held Tuesday, August 23. The number of people served this year was up, but donations were slightly down. Chamber netted approximately \$2,500.00 in profit this year.

Members discussed the cost of mailing letters to all box and route holders compared to addressing letters to businesses and individuals as was done in previous years. It was decided to go back to sending addressed letters next year as several who donated in the past did not contribute this year.

A new membership was received from Sand Hills Outfitter Services, LLC - Mike and Deb Otulakowski.

Cindy Frey was thanked for putting together the decorated Chamber bale at the fairgrounds. Cindy and Marcia Hora were in

the fair parade. Chamber will live tents at the fairgrounds for use there.

President Lori Streit, Cindy Frey and Marcia Hora attended the Stapleton Booster Club meeting and offered support this year from Chamber.

Members voted to donate \$500.00 to the Logan County Ag Society playground equipment fund. Coy Johnston is heading this up and will put together and install the equipment at the fairgrounds as a community service project.

Tricked Out Trunks was set for October 31 at 4:00 p.m. There will be prizes for best costumes at Stapleton Public Schools and booths will be set up again this year on Main Street. Chamber bucks will be given for the best "Tricked Out Trunks." Be watching for more information.

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### Photo Distribution

The Lincoln County Museum has in its possession approximately 80,000 envelopes of personal pictures/negatives from the Brown-Harano Photography donation to the museum. Pictures range in years from 1939 to 2018 and the museum will have to eventually destroy these photos because there is not enough storage space available.

Pictures are available for claiming at the Lincoln County Historical Museum, 2403 N Buffalo Bill, North Platte - 308-534-5640. View by individual name on the museum website: lincolncountymuseum.org - link "Brown Harano Photos." To claim them the museum needs the Box Number, the Envelope Number, and the family name on the envelope. Bring your list or mail your list to the museum at the above address. Please show a spirit of generosity by leaving a donation to the museum.

The Lincoln County Museum is open Tuesdays and Thursdays only, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for picture distribution during the upcoming winter months. Check the website for pictures and please take advantage of these wonderful pictures that most families would cherish.

### Weather

| DATE | HI | LOW | MT. |
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| 20   | 85 | 53  | .01 |
| 21   | 83 | 51  | 0   |
| 22   | 87 | 51  | 0   |
| 23   | 90 | 56  | 0   |
| 24   | 91 | 57  | 0   |
| 25   | 92 | 59  | .18 |
| 26   | 90 | 63  | 0   |

Thunder was recorded on August 24; fog at river on August 25; and fog on August 26.

### Event Calendar

Friday, September 2: Poker, 7:00 p.m., Vet's Club.  
Monday, September 5: No School. Labor Day.  
Wednesday, September 7: VFW Auxiliary, 1:30 p.m., Vet's Club  
Thursday, September 8: FFA Chapter Kick-Off Meeting, Stapleton Park.

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