

Newcomer's News



It's Our Community, Get Into It!

APRIL EVENTS

Spring Greetings Newcomers,

Hope you are all well in spite of our recent inclement weather. Welcome to spring in western Nebraska! April showers (snow or rain) bring a variety of events for the whole family. Featured events include WNCC Cougar Spring Basketball and Softball Camps, WNAC Queen City Jazz Band performance, the Spring Down the Bluff Relay, the WNCC Discovery Lab Family Fun Night, Keep Scottsbluff/Gering Beautiful month-long recycling events, Kiwanis Holy Week Services at the Midwest Theater, Riverside Zoo's Party for the Planet, Theme Nights at Create Away, and the Senior Lifestyle Expo. If you have any questions about the any events or our new community, please don't hesitate to call 635-6710 or 641-1446!

~Darla

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SPORTS EVENTS

Apr 1-Apr 11-Cougar Softball Team Autographed Shirt Auction for Scleroderma Foundation-See <http://www.wncc.net/orgs/sports/sclerodermaauction.htm> for more information on how to bid and support the team.

Apr 4-WNCC Cougar Youth Boys Mini Basketball Camp K-8. 1pm to 4pm at Cougar Palace. Download registration form at <http://www.wncc.net/orgs/sports/wncchome.htm>

April 27,29-May 5,7-WNCC Cougar Spring Skills Girls Softball Camp Ages 5-18, 6-7:30pm at Volunteer Field. Download registration form at <http://www.wncc.net/orgs/sports/wncchome.htm>

WNCC Cougar Schedules-Click on the following links for

WNCC Spring Baseball Schedule: <http://www.wncc.net/orgs/sports/base-0809schedule.htm>

WNCC Women's Spring Softball Schedule: <http://www.wncc.net/orgs/sports/2008-09softballschedule.htm>

ART & ENTERTAINMENT

Apr 2-4-Scottsbluff Senior High Production "The King and I" 7pm. Scottsbluff High School, E. 27th, Scottsbluff. Tickets available March 18th at new West Entrance, 4-7pm. \$7/per person. All seating reserved.

Apr 3-4-Mitchell High School Showcases "Big River"

Apr4-25-WNAC "Visionaries - Student Art Exhibit" 2-4pm, April 4th, Opening Reception with student artists. Exhibit features young artists of the North Platte Valley region. 106 E. 18th, Scottsbluff. Free & open to the public. For more information call, 308-632-2226.

Apr 3-5-Midwest Theater on Broadway presents the movie, "The Reader" Fri, Sat at 7:30, Sun at 1:30 <http://www.nebraskarts.com/>

Apr 16-18-Gering High School Production "Brigadoon" Call 436-3125 for ticket information.

Apr 17-Way Out West Comedy Night in Sidney The Way Out West Community Theatre will present its annual evening of improvisational comedy, "A Night of Tomfoolery V," which will be staged on Saturday, April 4, at the Sidney Elks Lodge. Doors will open at 6 p.m. and the dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. The laughs begin at the conclusion of the dinner at approximately 7:30 p.m. Seating is limited to 175 for this production. Make reservation by calling 308-254-5732.

Apr 26-WNAC "Queen City Jazz Band" 2pm. Midwest Theater, 1707 Broadway, Scottsbluff. \$15/reserved seating, \$10/general admission, \$7.50/students. Tickets available at West Nebraska Arts Center & Barbour Music. For more information, call 308-632-2226. <http://www.nebraskarts.com/>

Don't forget to check out Rick Myers column every Friday in the Star Herald for each weekend's events!

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RECREATIONAL EVENTS

Apr 6-Camp Rock Skate at Playhouse Skating Rink.6:30 to 8:30. Everyone is welcome to attend. We will skate, play games and the Camp Rock staff do a 15 min devotion time.

Apr 25-DOVES "Fun Run/Walk" 10am. Starts at pathway parking area behind Riverside Zoo, 1600 South Beltline Hwy. W, Scottsbluff. No registration fee. Will receive sports bottle & be eligible for door prizes. Call 308-436-2787 or 866-95-DOVES.

Apr 26-Spring Down the Bluff Relay XIV-4:30 pm-Walking/Running race, 1.6 miles, 6% grade at steepest point. Age Categories are from 20 to over 40. Teams are male, female or mixed. No registration fee. Call Scottsbluff National Monument at 436-9700 for registration form and more information, or email Eric_Haugland@nps.gov.

JUST FOR KIDS!

April 1-May1-2009 Nebraska Spirit Art Contest - Nebraska elementary students (kindergarten through fifth grade) are encouraged to show their creativity by entering the 2009 Nebraska Spirit Art Contest. The winners from each grade will have their work featured on a downloadable computer screen saver for one year. Students can start submitting entries. To be eligible, entries must be postmarked by May 1. Contest details are available at <http://www.nebraska.gov/contest/index.html> Five finalists in each grade will have their artwork posted on Nebraska.gov, and the public will have an opportunity to vote and select the winners. Winners will be invited to a day of activities in Lincoln on June 5, including a ceremony with Secretary of State, John Gale and Gov. Dave Heineman, a tour of the State Capitol, a luncheon at the Governor's Mansion and an outing at the Lincoln Children's Zoo.

Apr 4-5-Nebraska State 4-H BB Gun & Air Rifle Shoot in Mitchell-The Nebraska State 4-H BB-Gun & Air Rifle Shoot will be held in Mitchell NE at the event center fairgrounds

Apr 6-7-Mitchell Kindergarten Registration Mitchell Elementary School will be holding Kindergarten registration on Monday, April 6 from 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Tuesday, April 7 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. You must be five years old before Oct. 15, have a physical and eye exam, immunizations must be up to date and you must have a certified birth certificate. Mitchell also has a Pre-School for 3 and 4 year olds. You may pick up an application form in the office, at the Elementary School, Monday through Thursday from 7:30-4:00 and Friday from 7:30-1:00.

Apr 21-22-North Platte Valley Museum-"Trip Through Time" 9am-2:30pm. Kindergarten Days. Open to the public.

*See **Sports Events** on Page 1, for additional kid's activities.

See **Educational Events below, for WNCC's Discovery Lab Classes for kids and families.

***See **Community Events** on page 3 for family art events at Create Away! Summer Camp registrations begin in May. Call 635-2929 for more information.

HISTORICAL EVENTS

Apr 17-18-The Questers 2009 State Day "Treasures of the Trail" April 17 at the North Platte Valley Museum 6:00. This is a get acquainted party. April 18 at the Farm and Ranch Museum at 8:00-2:30. There will be registration, meetings, tours of the Scotts Bluff Natl. Monument and the Midwest Theater, luncheon and a key note address. For more info. call (308)-436-5224.

Apr 18-26 Scottsbluff National Monument celebrates "National Park Week." Events include clean up day, art show reception & showing, and start of photo contest. For more information call 308-436-9700.

Apr 25-North Platte Valley Museum "Grand Premier E.S. Wood Arrowhead Collection" 6-8pm. 11th & J. Street, Gering. \$10/ members, \$20/per person. For more information, call 308-436-5411.

EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

Apr 1-HATC "Writing For Business" 8am-5pm, First Wednesday of each month. Business writing skills. 2620 College Park, Scottsbluff. Pre-registration required. \$50. Call 635-6700.

Apr 7-Chamber & Worker Training Program presents "A Passion For Service" 8:30-11:30 am or 1-4 pm. Bill Drury, a Zig Ziglar consultant workshop on winning customers & reducing lost sales. Gering Civic Center, 1050 M. Street. 1-4 attendees, \$89/ chamber member, \$145/non-member. 5 or more, same firm, \$79/chamber member, \$135/non-member. Registrations due March 31st. Call 632-2133 or e-mail chamber@scottsbluffgering.net.

Apr 14 WNCC/HATC Discovery Lab-Family Fun Night-4-7pm. Cost \$3 per child per session. Come Spend an evening of quality time with your family in a fun inventive 21st Century learning environment. The Discovery Lab is a Smart Lab learning environment for children of all ages. Call 635-6700 for more information.

Apr 20-24-WNCC/HATC Discovery Lab "Can You Make it and Market It?" 4-6pm. Cost \$40. Campers work in the discovery lab to create their own product, using popular television shows as their inspiration. They will learn to use research techniques, business design principles and economics to determine feasibility, and how to make and market their own product. Camp is for 4th-8th graders.

The Writers/Artists Camp for 4th-8th graders postponed in March because of the blizzard will be rescheduled. Call 635-6700 for more information.

Additional Educational Events can be found at the following link:

<http://hannibal.wncc.cc.ne.us/locations/HATC/classes/classes.pdf>

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Apr 1-Keep Scottsbluff/Gering Beautiful "Great American Cleanup in Our Community** Butt program starts at Monument Shadows Golf Course, 2550 Clubhouse Drive, Gering.
- Apr 2-Ladies Night Theme Night at Create Away** -6:30-9pm Your oasis for painting your own pottery! Activities include painting ceramics, Lilly Olo Sterling Silver making and glass fusing classes. Call Heather at 635-2929 for more information.
- Apr 3-St. Agnes Fish Fry**-Join the St. Agnes Catholic School and Parish Community for their annual Lenten Fish Fries Friday, March 6, Friday, March 20 and Friday, April 3 from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the St. Agnes School Gym in Scottsbluff. The menu includes pollack, french fries, cole slaw, cheese pizza, brownies and refreshments. Cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 10 years old. The public is invited. Proceeds go to benefit St. Agnes Catholic School. Call 632-2541.
- Apr 5-Monument Bible Church** showing the film "Fireproof" Popcorn & soda provided. Childcare available. RSVP's appreciated. Contact church office by April 1st. Call 308-632-4099.
- Apr 6-10-66th Annual Holy Week Services Set** The Scottsbluff Noon Kiwanis Club will be hosting Holy Week Services at the Midwest Theater for the 66th year. Services are from 12:05 to 12:30 starting on Monday, April 6, and running through Good Friday, April 10th. This series of services is sponsored by the Scottsbluff Noon Kiwanis Club as a part of the fulfillment of Spiritual Aims. A free will offering goes to the local Police Emergency Fund of Cooperative Ministries.
- Apr 7-Fellowship of Christian Athletes "Spring Banquet"** 6:45pm. Featuring Bobby Bowden. Scottsbluff County Events Center, Mitchell.\$30/adults, \$5/students & coaches. Call 308-672-6953
- Apr 7-"Exercise" Topic of Weight Loss Support Group**-Anyone wanting information, patients and support persons are welcome to attend "Nebraska New Beginnings", a weight loss surgery support group, Tuesday, April 7th. The topic will be "Exercise". The meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Medical Plaza South Meeting room 1202, Scottsbluff. For more information contact Mona Urwin, RN Bariatric Coordinator at 630-2249 or 631-6236 or call Jackie Stoeger at 787-1682. Don't forget the Bariatric Summit on April 25th!!
- Apr 8-Nat'l Start Walking Day**-Reduce risk of heart disease or stroke. Walk! Event at two different parks. Legion Park, Gering; Pioneer Park, Scottsbluff. Rain day places are: Playhouse Skating Rink, Gering; WNCC, Scottsbluff
- Apr 9-PJ Night at Create Away**-6:30-9pm Your oasis for painting your own pottery! Activities include painting ceramics, Lilly Olo Sterling Silver making and glass fusing classes. Call Heather at 635-2929 for more information.
- Apr 16-Date Night at Create Away**-6:30-9pm Your oasis for painting your own pottery! Activities include painting ceramics, Lilly Olo Sterling Silver making and glass fusing classes. Call Heather at 635-2929 for more information.
- Apr 18-The Historic Saddle Club** of Scottsbluff 2009 Event Schedule April 18 Tack Swap open to non-members and dealers May 31 Open Horse Show registration starts 8 a.m. classes start 9 a.m. June 28 Open Horse Show registration starts 8 a.m. classes start 9 a.m. July 19 Open Horse Show registration starts 8 a.m. classes start 9 a.m. Show classes to include Halter, Showmanship, English, Western, Trail, Reining, Western Riding and speed events For info: contact Suzanne Wilburn 308.632.8148 or Patti Larsen 308.632.2359 July 19 2 WESTERN PLEASURE FUTURITY CLASSES (for 2 & 3 yr olds) will be held during the July open show. for more info: contact Carol Bridge 308.783.1776 September 13 Anniversary Open Fun Day For info: Contact Patti Larsen 308.632.2359 All events to be held on the club grounds on West Overland Drive, Scottsbluff
- Apr 18-Polka Fest/Chili Cook-off**-Mitchell Events Center - Fairgrounds. Chili cooks compete for best chili, and then a Polka Fest and garlic sausage and rye bread are served in the evening! 623-1828.
- Apr 19-Cancer Survivors' Day Celebration at Civic Center** - All area cancer survivors and their support persons are encouraged to attend the event. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 308-630-1541 by April 17. There is no cost to attend the event and refreshments will be served. A cancer survivor is anyone who is living with a history of cancer and includes newly diagnosed as well as long-term survivors.
- Apr 23-Teen Night at Create Away**-6:30-9pm Your oasis for painting your own pottery! Activities include painting ceramics, Lilly Olo Sterling Silver making and glass fusing classes. Call Heather at 635-2929 for more information
- Apr 25-Riverside Zoo-Party for the Planet**-1600 S Beltline Hwy W, Scottsbluff Call 630-6326 for more information.
- Apr 30-Theme Night at Create Away**-6:30-9pm Your oasis for painting your own pottery! Activities include painting ceramics, Lilly Olo Sterling Silver making and glass fusing classes. Call Heather at 635-2929 for more information.

SENIOR EVENTS

- Apr 1-Senor Lifestyle Expo Scheduled at Monument Mall** You are invited to attend the Senior Lifestyle Expo, Wednesday, April 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the Monument Mall Concourse. Visit the many businesses & non-profits for valuable information, products and services. Refreshments for senior citizens. 11:00 a.m. - Humana Medicare Health Plan and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. - YMCA Silver Sneakers Demo
- Apr 1-Larry Holub to play for the Gering Senior Center Dance** 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (weather permitting). The Center is located at 2005 Depot Street, Gering.. For more information call 436-3233
- Apr 8-True Country to Play for Gering Senior Center Dance** from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The Center is located at 2005 Depot Street, Gering. 436-3233
- Apr 15-Dance to the Country Rounder's for Gering Senior Center Dance** from 7 to 10 p.m. The Center is located at 2005 Depot Street, Gering. 436-3233
- Apr 22-Larry Holub to play for the Gering Senior Center Dance** 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (weather permitting). The Center is located at 2005 Depot Street, Gering. For more information call 436-3233
- Apr 22-The Panhandle Parkinson's Support Group** will meet Wednesday, April 22 from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. at the Northfield Villa Assisted Living dining room. All services are free of charge. For more information, contact Jack at 308-235-2513.



Welcoming you to Western Nebraska!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Keep Scb/Gering Beautiful Cleanup Begins NE Spirit Arts Contest Begins HATC-Writing for Business Sr Lifestyle Expo Gering Sr Center Dance	2 SHS "The King & I" Create Away-Ladies Night	3 SHS "The King & I" Midwest Theater "The Reader" St. Agnes Fish Fry	4 WNCC Boys Mini BB Camp 4-H-BBGun/Air Rifle Shoot SHS "The King & I" WNAC-Visionaries (thru Apr 25) Midwest Theater "The Reader"
5 Midwest Theater "The Reader" 4-H-BBGun/Air Rifle Shoot "Fireproof" at Monument Bible	6 Camp Rock Skate at Playhouse Holy Week Services Begin-Midwest Theater	7 A Passion for Service FCA Spring Banquet Weight Loss Sup- port Group	8 Nat'I Start Walking Day Gering Sr Center Dance	9 Create Away-PJ Night	10	11
12	13	14 Discovery Lab Family Fun Night	15 Gering Sr Center Dance	16 GHS-'Brigadoon' Create Away-Date Night	17 GHS-'Brigadoon' Way Out West Comedy Night- Sidney Quester's "Treasures of the Trail"	18 GHS-'Brigadoon' Quester's "Treasures of the Trail" Saddle Club Tack Swap/Horse Show Chili Cook Off/Polka Fest
19 Cancer Survivor's Day at Civic Center	20 'Can you Make it & Market It' begins thru Apr 24	21 NPV-Trip through Time	22 NPV-Trip through Time Gering Sr Center Dance Parkinson's Support Group	23 Create Away-Teen Night	24	25 Doves Fun Run/Walk NPVM Arrowhead Collection Display Riverside Zoo 'Party for the Planet'
26 WNAC-Queen City Jazz Band Spring Down the Bluff Relay National Park Week Begins	27 WNCC Girls Softball Camp	28	29 WNCC Girls Soft- ball Camp Gering Sr Center Dance	30 Create Away-Theme Night	MAY 1	2