

Newcomer's News



It's Our Community, Get Into It!

MARCH EVENTS

Greeting Newcomers,

We know you have been busy with your new jobs, setting up your new home and settling in your loved ones. The warm weather brings a variety of events to our community. You should be able to find something for everyone. There are a wealth of activities and things to do to fill your days and evenings. Our Young Professionals Group just hosted it's first event last week. You can read more about it on page 4. Look for their NEXT event for families at the zoo in May. We are also looking for volunteers to help plan Newcomer's Events. If you are interested or have comments or suggestions, please contact us at twincitiesjobs@wncc.net or 635-6710. Also, don't hesitate to call if you have any questions about your new community! Have a great month!

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SPORTS EVENTS

Mar 1—Jr. Bearcat Volleyball-Camp will be held every Sunday in March and three Sundays in April. 1:30-2:30pm, grades 4-6, 2-3:30pm, grades 7-8. \$20/per camper. Camps will be instructed by Scottsbluff High School coaches & players. For more information, contact Scottsbluff volleyball coach Shana Streeks, 308-672-2235

Mar 7-10—Region XI Women's Basketball Tournament at Cougar Palace. The [Lady Cougars](#) are 23-6 this season and have played in the National Tournament 6 of the past 8 years.

Mar 10, 12— [Club Bearcat Baseball](#) sign up -11am-2pm. At Monument Mall & Field of Dreams, 2302 Frontage Road, Scottsbluff.

Mar 11, 12, 24, 26, 31—Cougar Spring Volleyball Clinics for anyone ages 5 to over 30. For more information, visit <http://www.wncc.net/orgs/sports/wncchome.htm> to download registration form! Fun for the whole family.

Mar 20-22—Best in the West Basketball Tournament—Open for girls & boys teams, grades 4-8. Three game guarantee. Entry fee, \$125/per team. Entry deadline, March 13th. For more information & entry forms, call Rich Winkler, 308-631-7318 or Jeff Wolfe, 308-436-5767.

Cougar Schedules—click on the following links for [Men's Baseball](#), and [Women's Softball](#) schedules.

ART & ENTERTAINMENT

Feb 28-Mar 28- Scotts Bluff National Monument will host an "open mic" for individuals who wish to share their writing talents. Poets, journal authors, short story writers, essayists and those inspired to write about the area and the panhandle culture are encouraged to attend. The reading will take place on Saturday, March 28 at 2 p.m. inside Scott Bluff National Monument's Visitor Center. Materials presented are to be original. Writers should focus their talents on subjects sch as the bluffs, historic trails, Western Nebraska life, the prairie; any thing connects to the greater area of Scotts Bluff National Monument. The reading is free and open to the public. Each presenter will be afforded five minutes to share their piece. Participants need to contact Valerie Newman at the Monument to schedule a spot by calling 308-436-9718 or by e-mailing valerienewman@nps.gov.

Mar 4-Omaha Symphony in concert 7pm. 350 tickets now available, \$10/each. May be purchased at WNCC Business Office or call 308-635-6020. Scottsbluff High School Auditorium, E. 27th, Scottsbluff. Fifth graders from Gering, Scottsbluff, St Agnes & Community Christian have chance to play with the symphony.

Mar 6-28-WNAC Art Gallery Exhibit, "Richard Schaneman" 6-8pm, March 6th, Opening Reception. 106 East 18th Street, Scottsbluff. For more information, call 308-632-2226

Mar 6, 7, 13-15—WNCC Theater Department Presents Moliere's 17th Century Comedy "Tartuffe" 7pm. 1601 E. 27th, Scottsbluff. \$5/at the door. WNCC students with ID, free.

Mar 20—Monument Children's Theater "Humpty Dumpty is Missing or The Mysterious Case of the Fallen Egg" 7pm. Live theater featuring local youth. 1707 Broadway, Scottsbluff. \$5/adults & youth, youth under 3 Free. Tickets available at WNAC, 106 E.

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Questions or comments? Email us at twincitiesjobs@wncc.net call 308-635-6710

RECREATIONAL EVENTS

Mar 14-15-2009 Spring Home and Garden and Recreation Show—ABC Seamless brings the Spring Home and Garden Show to the Scotts Bluff County Fair Grounds Event Center. Exhibits, Seminars, Food and Fun. Saturday 9am-6pm and Sunday 10am-4pm. For more info call Tim Pilkington 632-3200

Mar 19-Taste of Home "Cooking School" 5pm, doors open. 7pm, cooking school starts. Gering Civic Center, 1050 M. Street, Gering. General Admission, \$10. VIP Seating, \$12. Advance tickets available at Star-Herald beginning February 9th, 8am-5pm. Tickets must be paid for at time of order

Mar 28-29-Scottsbluff Kennel Club "AKC Dog Show" Conformation, Obedience & Rally Trials. Mitchell Events Center. Registration and information at the following link: [Show information](#)

JUST FOR KIDS!

Mar 1-St. Agnes Penny Carnival -St. Agnes Catholic School in Scottsbluff will have its 52nd annual Penny Carnival. The event will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the school, east of Bluffs Middle School at 205 East 23rd Street. The carnival will feature bingo, a cakewalk, games and prizes along with food items including tacos, enchiladas, cotton candy and popcorn.

Mar 5, 12, 19, 26 Join Us For Pre-School Story time. Ages 3 to 6 are invited to attend Pre-School Story time from 10 to 10:30 a.m. and from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the **Scottsbluff Public Library**. Fun activities and no pre-registration is required.

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

HISTORICAL EVENTS

Mar 1-Nebraska State Historical Society "Tom Buecker From Fort Robinson" 1:30pm. Military Posts of Nebraska. Mr. Buecker will explain the role & history of military posts in Nebraska. Chimney Rock Visitor Center, 1 mile south of Highway 92 on Chimney Rock Road. Free of charge. Seating limited. [Nebraska State Historical Society](#)

Mar 8 -Nebraska State Historical Society "John Carter" 1:30pm. Mr. Carter will tell the story of the amazing new view of Chimney Rock. Free of charge. Seating is limited. [Nebraska State Historical Society](#)

EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

Mar 1-Scottsbluff YMCA "Red Cross Lifeguard Certification Course in March"

Mar 2 -Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services "Emergency Medical Services Program Workshop" 7-10pm. 2620 College Park, Scottsbluff. Paramedic classroom. For more information call L.S. "Wally" Wallace, Panhandle of Nebraska Emergency Medical Specialist, 888-216-3090.

Mar 4—HATC "Workplace Coaching" 8am-5pm. First Wednesday of every month. Session will define workplace coaching & coach's role. 2620 College Park, Scottsbluff. \$50. Pre-registration required. Instructor, Nellene Mailander. To register, call 308-635-6700. [Harms Center](#)

Mar 10-Fullen School of Hair Design "Classes Begin" 1909 Broadway, Scottsbluff. Call 308-632-3731 or 1-800-547-5685. Stop in for further information. [Fullen School of Hair Design](#)

Mar 17-Chamber Training "Lip Service, First Class Telephone Skills" 8:30-11:30am or 1-4pm. Margie Seyfer, Hampton Inn & Suites, 301 West Highway 26, Scottsbluff. \$25/members, \$35/non-members. RSVP by March 10th. 250 Sponsorships available.

Mar 26-Panhandle Resource Conservation & Development Presents "Sustainable Decisions" 7:30-8am, sign in. 8am-4:30pm. Effecting home, business & community. Pre-registration required - Panhandle RC&D, 308-632-1311 or online [www.panhandlercd.com](#). Registration closes March 23rd, 09. \$40/per person, through Feb. 29th, late registration, \$50. Students with school ID, \$15, late \$20. [Great Plains Sustainability](#)

Mar 27-28-Community Emergency Response Team Training –There will be a CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) training at Western Nebraska Community College Friday night at 6:00 p.m. and Saturday all day with a disaster drill on Saturday night. CERT trains individuals in how to take care of yourself and family in an emergency, it also may allow you to respond to emergencies in the community to help the first responders. If interested contact Bob Hessler at 308-631-0076.

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.

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

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Mar 6 & 20th-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.

Mar 28 - "Toni & Friends" Tickets are on sale now for Toni & Friends by Panhandle Doll Club of NE, 11th Annual Luncheon "Pink and Polka Dots" on Saturday, March 28th at the Gering Civic Center, 1050 M. St., Gering. There will be many doll displays, sale tables, helper table, door prizes and many raffle gifts and Gabriella doll clothes from Germany. The theme "Toni Dolls" will be for sale at the luncheon, the price of the ticket does not include the doll. Tickets are \$20.00. Contact Royann Unzicker, 436-2848 or 632-3422; Bonnie Baird, 436-5975 or Connie Frank 632-6551. Donations will be made to Linda Scott who is being treated for cancer. Seating is limited.

NEXT YOUNG PROFESSIONALS HOST MARDI GRAS COMEDY NIGHT

On Fat Tuesday, February 24th, the Midwest Theater was the home for a Mardi Gras party hosted by the newly formed Scottsbluff/Gering NEXT Young Professionals Group. The evening included a cash bar, jambalaya, and crab cakes, and featured an appearance by New York City Broadway Comedy Club performer Keith Alberstadt. The comedian has appeared on David Letterman and has written for Saturday Night Live and National Lampoon.

The evening also featured an expo including several service organizations who provided party goers with Mardi Gras beads and masks and information about the services their organization provides. Approximately 200 guests attended the event.

This successful event was the first of many planned by the NEXT group. On May 2nd, the group will host a family picnic at the Riverside Zoo. A presentation will be given by the Riverside Zoological Society and guests will be updated about the Riverfront Development. On August 22, the group will sponsor a Kool Deadwood Nights bus trip to Deadwood, SD departing at 1pm and returning later in the evening. On Nov. 14th the Playhouse Skate Center will be



the site for an 80'skate night.

The NEXT group was formed by 5 forward thinking future leaders in an effort to attract and retain young professionals to the Scottsbluff/Gering area. The group will play an integral role in the future by providing social and networking events for newcomers to become more easily integrated into the community.

Current Board Members are
Jack Baker-Baker & Assoc.
Bryce Kelley-Kelley Bean
Dave Schaff-MC Schaff
Sara Knudson-Shutterbee Photography
Becky Zwickl-The Spa by TLC

More information about the group, membership and events can be found at the NEXT Young Professional's website at nextyoungprofessionals.com



Welcoming you to Western Nebraska!

MARCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1</p> <p>Jr Bearcat Volleyball Camp St. Agnes Penny Carnival NE State Hist Soc-Tom Buekner</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Emergency Medical Services Program</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Workplace Coaching Omaha Symphony</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Scottsbluff Library-Preschool Story Time</p>	<p>6</p> <p>WNAC Exhibit-Richard Schaneman through Mar 28. WNCC Theater-"Tartuffe" St. Agnes Fish Fry</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Region IX Women's Basketball WNCC Theater-"Tartuffe"</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Jr Bearcat Volleyball Camp Region IX Women's Basketball NE State Hist Soc-John Carter</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Region IX Women's Basketball</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Region IX Women's Basketball Bearcat Baseball sign-up Fullen-Classes Begin</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Cougar Spring Volleyball Clinic</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Bearcat Baseball sign up Cougar Spring Volleyball Clinic Scottsbluff Library-Preschool Story Time</p>	<p>13</p> <p>WNCC Theater-"Tartuffe"</p>	<p>14</p> <p>WNCC Theater-"Tartuffe" Spring Home & Garden Show</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Jr Bearcat Volleyball Camp WNCC Theater-"Tartuffe" Spring Home & Garden Show</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>'Lip Service, 1st Class Phone Skills"</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Taste of Home "Cooking School" Scottsbluff Library-Preschool Story Time</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Best in the West Basketball Tourney Monument Children's Theatre-"Humpty Dumpty" St. Agnes Fish Fry</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Best in the West Basketball Tourney</p>
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