

Our Nevada Iowa

July
2023

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The Opener

Dr. Steve Gray
NCSD Superintendent



Life can only be understood backwards; but it must be lived forwards.
--Soren Kierkegaard

This past month marked the conclusion of my 10th year as Nevada CSD Superintendent. While that time has seemingly passed in the blink of an eye, a pause for reflection fills me with great pride for all that has been accomplished.

I have such gratitude to those within our School District for their commitment to continual improvement and service to our children, families, and community. From expanded programming and student opportunities, to the physical transformation of our District’s facilities, to the daily pursuit to Capture Kids’ Hearts, the accomplishments are numerous.

Beyond our school district, it’s also been exciting to see the many improvements, expanded opportunities, and growing amenities across OUR NEVADA. The Nevada Community School District is proud to be a part of the growing collaboration that continues to build positive momentum within our community.

In his 2001 book, "Good to Great," Jim Collins termed the "Flywheel Effect." The concept being that great success is rarely the result of a single initiative, but rather from an accumulation of efforts over time. Turn by turn, momentum gradually builds until the flywheel begins to spin itself. I sense this for Nevada, and I’m eager to see what the next 10 years brings!

#NevadaCubPride



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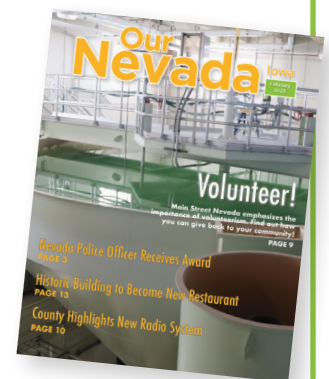
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ABOUT OUR NEVADA

Our Nevada is a monthly joint publication between the City of Nevada, Nevada Community School District, Story County Medical Center, Story County, NEDC, and Main Street Nevada.





Josephine Kelly, a 2023 NHS Graduate, was recently congratulated for her year of service as a Student Board Member on the NCSD School Board.

Pictured L to R: Leanne Harter (Board), Tom Maier (Board), Steve Gray (Superintendent), Josephine Kelly, Marty Chitty (Board), Joe Anderson (Board), Amici Hayek (Board).

2023-2024 School Year Registration

During the week of July 24-28, registration will be open to sign your children up for the 2023-2024 school year!

REGISTRATION RESOURCES

Registration Website: <https://nevada.powerschool.com/public>

New families to the district - send an email to registration@nevadacubs.org to get started.

Immunization and Health Screening Requirements - <https://bit.ly/3zr2GyW>

Building Handbooks - <https://www.nevadacubs.org/parents/handbooks/>

Supply Lists - <https://www.nevadacubs.org/parents/supply-lists/>

IMPORTANT DATES

High School

Academic Orientation: August 3, 6 p.m.

Activities Orientation: August 3, 7 p.m.

9th Grade & New Student Orientation: August 22, 10 a.m.

Middle School

5th Grade Orientation: August 15, 5:30 p.m.

Open House: August 17, 5-7 p.m.

All Activities Meeting: August 17, 6:30 p.m.

Fall Sports Meeting: August 17, 7 p.m.

Central Elementary

Open House: August 21, 5-6:30 p.m.

Preschool Orientation: August 28, 5-6:30 p.m.
by appointment



SCHOOL SUPPLY ASSISTANCE

Does your family need help getting supplies for the start of next school year? Our Family Services team has you covered! Visit <https://bit.ly/3IOxiep> to learn more.

ANNUAL STATEMENTS & NOTICES

The District is required to post annually required statements & notices. Those may be found to review at <https://bit.ly/3O3sEwv>

FREE SUMMER MEALS

Breakfasts and lunches are available at no cost to children 18 and younger this summer!

When: June 12 - July 20; Mondays - Thursdays

Time: Breakfast: 8:15 a.m. - 9 a.m.
Lunch: 11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Where: NHS Cafeteria

Please note, all meals are served on site and must be eaten on site - no grab and go options are available. Location will be closed on July 3 & 4.

NHS DRAMA RECEIVES AWARDS FOR OKLAHOMA

Every year the Iowa High School Musical Theater Awards sends adjudicators to critique all aspects of high school drama productions. This past spring, NHS Drama had the opportunity to perform Rodgers and Hammerstein's Oklahoma!. This year Nevada High School won nine awards.

Production Awards

- Outstanding Overall Technical and Creative Achievement
- Outstanding Ensemble
- Outstanding Community Engagement

Student Awards

- Outstanding Performance in a Principal Role - Jackson Baker as "Will Parker"
- Outstanding Performance in a Principal Role - Olivia Beauchene as "Ado Annie"
- Outstanding Performance in a Principal Role - Ella Check as "Laurey"
- Outstanding Achievement in a Behind-the-Scenes Role - Lucas Mills for Lighting
- Outstanding Achievement in a Behind-the-Scenes Role - Build Team (Hayden Cheek, Carson Clem, Vincent Conrad, Frank Engstrom, Miles Engstrom,

- Jaden Grimm, Allison Kruzich, Josh Mann, Brendan McGaffin, Lucas Mills, Simon Mills, Colin Skaggs, Cedar Smith, Ian Thomas, James Tucker, Ryan Wessels)
- Outstanding Achievement in a Behind-the-Scenes Role - Gabriel Kramer for Poster Design

Special Recognition

Special Recognition for Featured Ensemble - The Oklahoma Town Ensemble

Special Recognition for Performance in a Principal Role - Vincent Conrad as "Curly"

Special Recognition for Performance in a Principal Role - Eayon Phipps as "Andrew Carnes"



Public Bid Opportunities for Surplus Items

Nevada CSD has surplus items available for public bid.

ASI "No Touch" air hand dryer, model 0144 (quantity 18)



Sealed bids are due to the NCS District Office at Gates Hall by 3:00pm on July 14, 2023. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Bids should indicate item bidding on, and quantity along with your name, address, email, and phone number. Winning bidders will pay in full prior to removal from premises, will remove within 24 hours of notification, and will be responsible for their own loading.

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MEDICAL REMINDERS FROM THE NURSES

Incoming Preschoolers: a completed immunization record and a current physical exam before school starts.

Incoming Kindergartners: a dental screening certificate (no earlier than age 3) and a student vision card/form.

The vision card/form should be performed no earlier than one year prior to enrollment. If your child had their eyes screened here at school through the Iowa KidSight program this last January, you do not need another evaluation for kindergarten.

Incoming 3rd Graders: a student vision card/form which should be performed no earlier than one year prior to enrollment.

Incoming 7th Graders: all students entering 7th grade must have proof of TDAP (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis) and Meningococcal Vaccines before school starts in the fall. Medical or Religious waiver will be accepted if signed by the physician and/or notarized.

Incoming 9th Graders: Iowa law requires that all 9th grade students provide proof of a dental screening. Any screening from 8th grade or a dental screening while in 9th grade will be accepted.

Incoming 12th Graders: seniors will need proof of a second Meningococcal vaccine, done after the age of 16 years. First dose was required for 7th grade.

Sports Physicals: all 7-12 students participating in sports will need a yearly sports physical. Physicals are good for 13 months and need to be signed and dated by the health care provider and parent.

Any student with a food allergy can fill out the Diet Modification Request Form. This will need to be signed by the health care provider and parent.

All forms can be found at www.nevadacubs.org.

Congratulations, Retirees!

At the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year, 5 staff members left their schools for the last time and headed into a new journey - retirement! Congratulations and thank you to these great people for their many years of service.



MARK BEAUCHENE

HS Art Teacher, 19 years



DIANA ELLIOTT

6th Grade Teacher, 30 years



JOHN PELZER

MS PE Teacher, 15 years



DEBRA HAYWOOD

Elem. Instructional Guide, 24 years



MICHELLE KNOTT

3-4 Multiage Teacher, 36 years

Congrats on your Retirement!



Nevada Food at First ARPA Check Presentation

Story County received \$18.9 million in total funding from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. In spring 2021, knowing that

funds must be obligated by the end of 2024 and spent by the end of 2026, the Board of Supervisors designed an approach to solicit input on the best use of the funding, accepted applications and approved projects. Throughout the summer of 2021, Story County reflected on specific community needs and lessons learned to date in pandemic response and recovery, asking the community for input. Nevada Food at First is one sub-recipient of ARPA dollars. They are a non-profit organization that prepares, packages and delivers an average of 200 meals every Monday and Thursday to Nevada and eastern Story County families and individuals who are food insecure. The Story County Board of Supervisors funded \$45,650 to Nevada Food at First to promote nutritional security and help increase the amount of meals being provided.



Pictured are (from left) Supervisor Lisa Heddens, Barb Mittman and Jenny Angus with Food at First, and Supervisor Latifah Faisal.

Does your child need a summer activity?



"Counties Matter" calendar, NACo hopes to raise awareness about programs and services that impact people's lives every day.

For more information on how to participate, follow this link: www.naco.org/resources/i-love-my-county-because-art-contest

Want to get involved in your County government?

Applications are being accepted through September for Story County Boards and Commissions.

All persons interested in serving on boards and commissions must complete the application at this link: <https://www.storycountyiowa.gov/FormCenter/County-Outreach-9/Application-for-Appointment-73>

A complete listing of Boards and Commissions with openings and description of what they do, can be found at <https://www.storycountyiowa.gov/97/Boards-Commissions>.

Completed applications may also be mailed or emailed to:

Sandra King, Director of External Operations and County Services

Story County Administration Building | 900 6th Street | Nevada, IA 50201

Please direct questions to sking@storycountyiowa.gov or 515-382-7200.

Brown Bag Luncheon Series

INVASIVE SPECIES

Join us for a lunch of learning about invasive species in Story County and how to stay away from them.



Joe Kooiker

Roadside Biologist

When: July 14th
Time: 12 PM - 1 PM
Where: Story County Administration Building, Public Meeting Room

*bring your own lunch



Our Brown Bag series will continue in July with a presentation about invasive species, put on by the County's Roadside Biologist Joe Kooiker. Bring your lunch and join us at the Story County Administration Building from noon to 1 p.m. on Friday, July 14.



Helping youth build their business etiquette skills

The Nevada Economic Development Council (NEDC) created the NEDC Workforce Committee in April of 2022. The goal of this committee was to pull together business leaders, school leaders, and workforce partners to help provide innovative ideas for workforce solutions. After conducting a community survey, one of the top ideas was to form a collaboration with Nevada High School students and area businesses.

In March, Tanner Koder, iJAG teacher at Nevada High School, started a

unit on building a strong professional portfolio. iJAG (Iowa Jobs for American Graduates) is a program that is provided during school hours to help students build skills for the classroom, their career, and life. Topics that were covered throughout the unit include resume building, handshaking, the importance of networking and business cards, and much more. Nevada High School began their iJag program in the fall of 2022 and saw their class size double this spring.

On April 26, the NEDC Workforce Committee helped organize a Business Etiquette Lunch where students could apply their skills in a real-life setting. Eight businesses were in attendance to have lunch with students as they practiced their business etiquette skills. Thank you to all of the companies who attended: Alliant Energy, ALMACO, Baker Group, City of Nevada, IA, NAI Electrical Contractors, On Track Construction, South Story Bank & Trust, and Woodruff Construction.

Plan for a '70s and then some' kind of reunion!

Saturday, Sept. 2, is the date of a "1970s and then some" Nevada High School Reunion event.

John Swanson, Class of '76, has helped bring this event to life before and is at work to bring another multi-class gathering together this year.

Swanson said this reunion includes people from the late 1960s to the early 1980s. "It's a great way to see and catch up with alumni from other classes that we miss when we have our five-year reunions," he said.

The event will take place on Saturday, Sept. 2, at Indian Creek Country Club. There is no cost to attend. The bar will be open and food will be available for attendees to purchase if they desire. If any guests want to golf, they will need to set a tee time by calling 515-382-9070, or visiting the website: indiancreekcountryclub.net.

Swanson asks that those who plan to attend contact him, either by email: swanny57@gmail.com or by text, 515-291-1157, so the clubhouse can be properly staffed.



Generous donations greatly help Nevada's Public Safety Department operations

BURKE GIVES \$50,000 TOWARD NEW FIRE ENGINE FOR THE NEVADA FIRE DEPARTMENT

Burke Corp., a subsidiary of Hormel Foods Corporation, a Fortune 500 global-branded food company, announced they will be donating \$50,000 to the fire department to help fund the purchase of a new fire engine. Having a new 1,500-gallon fire apparatus will increase fire suppression capabilities in Nevada and surrounding fire districts while adding safety for firefighters on the scene of large fires.

"Burke Corporation has called Nevada home for 39 years and in our facilities, and our community, we put safety first," said Brandon Koehler, Burke plant manager. "We are proud to partner with the Nevada Fire Department through the sponsorship of a new fire engine. This commitment will help provide them with the necessary resources to serve our community and help it continue to grow and thrive."



Nevada firefighters are aiming to raise \$156,000 minimum to achieve the goal of adding the new fire engine to the community by July 2025. They are seeking community support to offset the rising cost of fire apparatus.

"The Nevada Fire Department enjoys an active partnership with Burke. Not only are they a major company in our community, but they are also very active in promoting and supporting Nevada," said Ray Reynolds, Nevada Fire Chief. "Burke Corporation was the first sponsor to come on board with helping our firefighters raise funds for a new fire engine. Their commitment to our department assures that our staff has the equipment needed to protect both Burke and our surrounding community. As a department, we could not be as effective without this partnership and support."



STORY MEDICAL CENTER PROVIDES DONATION TO GO TOWARD OFFICERS' TRAINING

The Nevada Public Safety Department would like to thank Story Medical for a generous donation to go toward specialized training for our officers. This donation will be an investment in helping the Nevada Police officers to better serve the citizens of our community. The continued partnership between Story County Medical Center and the Nevada Public Safety Department helps provide the well-trained officers and professional services this community deserves.

Photographed are (from left) Nevada Police Intern Abby Harper; Loni Pringnitz and Nate Thompson of Story Medical Center; and Police Sgts. Josh Cizmada and Andrew Henderson.

Recognizing our Planning & Zoning Commission

Volunteers play a major role in your City government. They serve on boards and commissions which help determine the direction for many decisions within our community.

Members of the City's Planning & Zoning Commission have control over city maps, surveys, plans and charts. The Commission may recommend changes in zoning, or offer advice concerning the location of City facilities and streets.

The Planning & Zoning Commission meets the first Monday of each month, unless there is no business for them to handle. Their meetings begin at 6:15 p.m. at City Hall.

We'd like to thank these members of the Nevada Planning & Zoning Commission. If anyone in our community is interested in serving on this or any of our boards and commissions, the first thing to do is fill out a Board/Commission Member Application on our website (cityofnevadaiaowa.org/government/boards-commissions/application/). We do have current openings.



Current members of the Nevada Planning & Zoning Commission are: (front from left) Paul Maiefski, Matt Rhodes; (back, from left) Ron Farrington and John Swanson (who just completed his term). Not pictured are the following members: Donna Borton and Evie Peterson.

City Reminder

Annual Water Rate Increase

You will notice your annual rate increase on your July utility bill.

The City increases water rates yearly at 3 percent to cover increasing costs combined with demand. The increase will be effective for bills due on and after July 1, 2023. A significant impact to these costs are chemicals. The City is also preparing for upgrades to the Water Plant in the next few years.

At this time there are no planned wastewater rate changes. The new wastewater facility is to be completed by 2024. Rates will be reviewed once operational costs of the new plant and bond payments are known.

Library Summer Learning Challenge continues

Tuesday, July 11: **Voicing a Cause, Voicing a Self: Jane Addams at Hull House**, starts at 6:30 p.m. Addams valued Hull House as the center from which she and her colleagues could assist others, improve society, and benefit themselves. This presentation, done in costume of the period, helps the audience to understand the path chosen by this Nobel Peace Prize recipient.

Saturday, July 15: **Family Movie Night**, starts at 8 p.m. Join us under the stars in Patton Park for a family movie night! Bring a blanket or some camp chairs, as well as family-friendly snacks and drinks to watch "Sing." In the event of bad weather, this event will move into the library meeting room. Paragon International will provide popcorn for this event.

Thursday, July 13: **Dinosaur Encounters**, starts at 10 a.m. FellerExpress brings life-like dinosaur costumes, including Beaux the T. rex and Seraphina the Triceratops, and four different baby dinosaur puppets for an authentic and enjoyable dinosaur experience filled with learning and laughter. This event is sponsored by Mid-States Companies. Parents Please Note: The dinosaur puppets are made to look lifelike and may frighten young children. This event will take place at the Nevada Middle School gymnasium.

Thursday, July 27: **When Story Time Comes to You** starts at 10 a.m. Join us for a special storytime with Denise Bean, Youth Services Librarian, at The Iowa Library for the Blind and Print Disabled. This storytime will feature the book "Six Dots: A Story of Louis Braille" by Jen Bryant. The story will help you and your child gain a better understanding of how similar each of us can be; we just may do things a little differently! All ages are welcome.



NEVADA PUBLIC LIBRARY GRANT SUCCESS STORY

2022 STORY COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT

\$6,000 award

Being used to purchase permanent StoryWalk® posts/signs being installed this summer along the trail on the loop near Wilson's pond.



JANUARY 2023 PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE SMALL & RURAL LIBRARIES GRANT

\$1,000 award

Obtained through the Association for Rural and Small Libraries. NPL has purchased 20 Vox picture books. These books have audio built directly into the book to encourage building literacy skills. Children can read and listen simultaneously. NPL plans to continue to grow this collection.

MARCH 2023 IOWA HEART FDTN AED PLACEMENT PROGRAM RECIPIENT

\$2,000+ in value

NPL's AED will be installed this summer.



APRIL 2023 TWO IOWA GOVERNOR'S STEM ADVISORY COUNCIL SCALE-UP AWARDS

\$9,400 in value

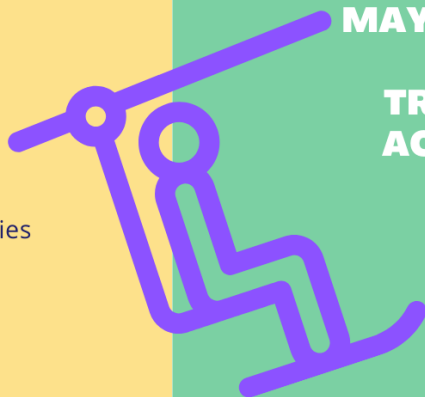
One award is for a STEM Cart and the other award is for Storytime STEM-packs. An NPL employee will be training for these this summer, and the library should receive them sometime in late summer or early fall.



APRIL 2023 BOOKLIST READER MELLON FOUNDATION GRANT

\$375 in value

For a monthly subscription of 50 copies of Booklist Reader, a magazine for patrons to take home that has book recommendations and reading lists.



MAY 2023 AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION LIBRARIES TRANSFORM COMMUNITIES ACCESSIBLE SMALL & RURAL LIBRARY GRANT

\$20,000 award

Will host community conversation this summer for senior citizens and others with mobility disabilities and will add a chairlift to the basement.

MAJOR GRANTS RECEIVED IN RECENT PAST

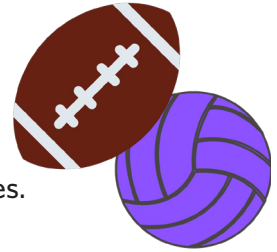
Include \$10,000 from the ALA and National Endowment for the Humanities to pay for the Midwest Author Series in 2022; grants through the State Library's ARPA funds for OWL cameras; and a grant from the ALA for a diversity audit of the Young Adult Collection.

Sign kids up soon for Nevada Parks & Rec fall football, volleyball programming

IMPORTANT PROGRAMMING INFORMATION

When registering for these or any of our programs it is important to understand the following:

- Program dates and times can change due to circumstances beyond our control.
- When a participant is sick or ill, they shall not attend parks and recreation programs or activities.
- As always, our goal is to offer a quality, safe, and fun program/activity for your child.



FLAG FOOTBALL PROGRAM INFORMATION

Group fundamental practices will move toward team practices as the season progresses. Group and team practices will be run by volunteer parent coaches. A game schedule will be coordinated through the CIRL and announced once completed. Specific team practice dates and times will be determined once the registration deadline has passed and coaches have been selected.

WHO: GRADES 1 - 6

WHEN: Mondays, Tuesdays and/or Thursdays, Aug. 21-Oct. 5 (All Star play week of Oct. 9)

WHERE: SCORE 4-PLEX and area communities for CIRL games

TIME: 6-8 p.m. as scheduled (Exact practice/game schedule will available at a later date)

FEE: To be determined based on jersey cost

REG DEADLINE/PROCEDURE: **Deadline is Aug. 7.** All participants must register at the following website: <https://nevadaia.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

VOLUNTEER/PARENT COACH: If you would be interested in helping volunteer coach, please indicate that at the time of registration or email nevadarecreation@gmail.com

YOUTH VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM INFORMATION

Group fundamental practices will move toward team practices as the season progresses. Group/team practices will be run by Parks and Recreation staff and/or parent volunteer coaches. A game schedule will be coordinated through the CIRL and announced once completed. Specific team practice dates and times will be determined once the registration deadline has passed. Game and practice dates are on Tuesdays and Thursdays as scheduled.

WHO: Grades 3-6

WHEN: Tuesdays and Thursdays, Aug. 22-Oct. 5 (All Star play week of Oct. 9)

WHERE: Nevada Elementary Gym and Area Communities for Matches

TIME: 5-8 p.m. as scheduled (Exact practice/game schedule will be determined at a later date)

FEE: To be determined based on jersey cost

REG DEADLINE/PROCEDURE: **Deadline is August 7.** All participants must register at the following website: <https://nevadaia.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

VOLUNTEER/PARENT COACH: Please indicate your interest on your registration form or email nevadarecreation@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR STREET CLEAN-UP ON AUGUST 3

The Nevada Kiwanis Club, with support from the City of Nevada, has been holding "Street Clean-Up" activities on various Saturdays this year during the warmer weather months. The August clean-up effort will take place Saturday, Aug. 5, from 10:30-noon.

Watch the City's Website and/or Facebook page for more information about these events, that are helping make sure those streets that are main arteries into and out of the City are looking their best.

Want more information, contact Joe and Jody Melcher by email: peptuck@midiowa.net.



Lots of projects are happening on Main Street

There are a number of construction projects being worked on inside many buildings in our downtown — from apartments, to a restaurant, to converting a former bank into a retail space! As Nevada currently has a housing shortage, let's first talk about how some downtown projects are helping!

The Tipton Building — A room with a view!

The bright red building with the beautiful turret, on the corner of 6th and K, houses Allen L. Kockler Co. on the ground level, as well as the Lunar Parlor tattoo shop. The second floor has been empty for a long time. Owners Jon and Katie Augustus and Al and Kathy Kockler decided to put the empty space to use to help with our housing shortage. The project, which received a grant, has taken a little longer than planned due to the pandemic. But, the wait will be worth it when tenants live in a space with beautiful exposed brick walls and a view over the downtown. When the project finishes this fall, four living spaces will be available.



The Camelot Theater — Live amongst the 'Stars'

Did you know the historic Camelot theater has two apartments on the upper level? While they haven't been lived in for quite some time, that will change soon. Work on these apartments started earlier this year, with the help of a downtown housing grant. Remodeling the apartments to make them into livable spaces is one phase of a larger project for



the theater. If you haven't seen the renderings, stop and check them out while attending one of their concerts, open mic night, or monthly Sunday movies (see page 16 calendar)! Owned by the Camelot Theater Foundation, this project is being overseen by volunteers.

The Old Hotel — A place once bustling with overnight guests

The building on the SE corner of 6th and J, owned by Bluemoon Properties, was an old hotel back in its day and is lovingly referred to by present-day owners as The Grand Old Lady Hotel. While the ground level of this building houses several businesses, the second and third stories are being renovated for apartment living. Currently, three apartments are occupied. Once restoration of all of the apartments is complete, the old hotel will have 11 apartments. The owners estimate this project will take several years, but they will be actively pursuing tenants as each apartment remodel is finished.

E.B. Patten Block — The aroma of fresh baked donuts and popcorn!

This building on the NE corner of 6th and K, better known today as Bricktown for its storefront businesses, has four apartments on the second story. Building owners, Mike and Paula Feltner, are working to update the apartments, as well as make some exterior improvements. They, too, received a grant for these updates. Given the owners' eye for details, we have no doubt the apartments will also be aesthetically pleasing when they are completed next year. And, new tenants will have the luxury of walking downstairs to get donuts for breakfast!



NEVADA, IOWA

LINCOLN HIGHWAY DAYS

LINCOLN HIGHWAY DAYS AUG 25-26

Catch the Parade on Lincoln Highway!

SAT. AUG. 26, 10AM

For a full list of events & activities, visit:

LincolnHighwayDays.org



AUG. 26 - 6:30PM
STORY COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS



TICKETS AVAILABLE!

2022 IRCA
"RODEO OF THE YEAR"

nevadarodeo.com | 515-412-4260 | nevadacommunityrodeo@gmail.com



Are You Prepared for Your Next Appointment?

Story Medical providers offer insight on how to get the most out of your visit

Sometimes preparing to see your healthcare provider can bring on a flurry of questions. Do you need to bring your vaccination record? What about a list of meds? Will your insurance be accepted and what other info is going to be needed?

It is normal to have questions, especially when you are seeing a provider for the first time. That is why the providers at Story Medical Clinics in Nevada and Maxwell have assembled some tips to help you prepare the next time you need primary care.

Simply put, our providers, nurses and staff are focused on dedicating all the time it takes to fully understand patient concerns—from the registration desk right through your appointment—and to develop a plan to address them. In preparation for your next visit to your provider, here are some tips to keep in mind to ensure you get the most out of the appointment:

- **Be prepared.** If you have questions, write them down in advance and ask your healthcare provider or his/her nurse.
- **Make certain your provider participates with your health insurance plan.** Going to a clinic that does not

participate with your plan can be costly. Please verify with your health insurance plan to see if our providers participate in your plan.

- **If you're seeing the provider for the first time, be sure to have your medical records sent to his/her office (or to you) well ahead of your appointment.**
- **If you are on any medications, write them down and bring your list with you. .**
- **If you don't understand something, don't be afraid to ask for another explanation.** It is your responsibility to understand your medical options and make decisions with your provider.
- **It's a good idea to have another family member with you when talking with your provider.** Having another listener can relieve stress and help you remember more.

If you don't have a primary healthcare provider, it's always a good idea to establish care, even if you're not sick. Story Medical Clinics are currently taking new patients.

Call Story Medical Clinic in Nevada at 515-382-5413 or Maxwell at 515-387-8815 to schedule an appointment.

If you have any questions or would like more information about visiting a Story Medical Clinic, please give us a call or visit storymedical.org/clinics.

STORY MEDICAL CLINIC LOCATIONS

Story Medical offers primary care in Nevada and Maxwell.

Nevada Clinic

640 South 19th Street, Ste. 100
515-382-5413

Maxwell Clinic

403 First Street
515-387-8815

News & Notes



BARGER EARNS DAISY AWARD FOR NURSING EXCELLENCE

Trixie Barger, RN, Acute, was named Story County Medical Center's DAISY Award honoree during National Nurses Week in May. This is the third year Story Medical has awarded the honor. A total of 18 nurses were recognized for receiving a nomination this year. Pictured above (left to right) are former winner Josh Roberts, RN; Story Medical VP of Nursing Mary Jane Hunt; Barger; and former winner Travis Clark, RN.

Trixie has served as an RN at Story Medical since 2019. Her nomination came from a patient who was struggling emotionally. Other nominees recognized this year included Amanda Allan, Christina Goodlaxson, Tisha Zink, Jeff Helbing, Amy Clark, Cathy Haley, Sarah Jiles, Elaine Struthers, Josh Roberts, Hannah Kalous, Shanna Lynch, Lori Beckman, Jamie Nelson, Elisa Bloemker, Jami Trickey, Ann Squier and Patience Bryant. All nominations were filled with gratitude for the compassionate care these nurses provide.

Story Medical has recognized nurses with the internationally-known DAISY Award since 2021. At Story Medical, the Purdue Global School of Nursing financially underwrites participation in the DAISY Award program. Nominations for the DAISY Award can be made throughout the year. Learn more at www.storymedical.org/DAISY.

WORK AT STORY MEDICAL

If you are looking for a new career in a friendly work environment, look no further than Story Medical. We are always recruiting and currently have a number of clinical and non-clinical positions open. Learn more about what is available and fill out an online application at storymedical.org/careers.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL!

You can keep up with all that is happening at Story Medical by following us @StoryMedical on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram!

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Calendar of Events

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Every Tuesday, 10 a.m.
Story Co Admin Bldg,
Nevada (This month, the
July 4 meeting is moved to
Monday, July 3)

FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

July 4, 10 a.m.
Parade travels north on
Sixth Street from E Avenue
to N Avenue. Anyone can
be a participant in the
parade by meeting along
E Avenue between 7th &
9th Streets starting at 9:15
a.m. and signing a waiver.

FOURTH OF JULY CHICKEN NOODLE DINNER & ROOT BEER FLOATS

July 4, Following Parade
American Legion Hall
Dinner is \$10 per person,
\$5 for kids age 10 and
under. Root beer floats are
a free-will donation.

FOURTH OF JULY CITY FIREWORKS SHOW

July 4, at Dusk
Fireworks are shot from
along 19th Street by
SCORE Park. There are
many places with sight to
the sky. Find your place by
sundown!

NEVADA COMMUNITY BAND CONCERTS

July 4 & 11, 7 p.m.
Concerts are free; held in
front of City Hall. Bring
your lawn chair. July 4 will
be a patriotic concert; July
11 will feature jazz.

FARMERS MARKET

**Thursdays,
5:30-7:30 p.m.**
Main Street District

FRIENDS OF LIBRARY BOOK SALE

July 7, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
July 8, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Nevada Public Library

CAMELOT THEATER FDTN CLASSIC MOVIE

July 9, 6:30 p.m.
Showing "ET"
Admission: \$5 (& con-
cessions available)

SENIOR CENTER POTLUCK

July 10, 11:30 a.m.
Senior Center (by City
Hall), 1231 6th St. Bring a
dish to share. Program will
begin around 12:15 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL

July 10 & 24, 6 p.m.
City Hall

MAIN STREET NEVADA MIX-N-MINGLE

July 13, 4-6 p.m.
Midwest Insurance Corp.

COUNTY BROWN BAG LUNCHEON SERIES

July 14, 12-1 p.m.
Story Co Admin Bldg,
Topic will be "Invasive
Species."

AMERICAN LEGION MEAL

July 14, 5-7 p.m.
American Legion Post
Fish Fry or BBQ Pork Ribs.
Cost is \$12 for adults (\$5
for children age 10 and
under)

CAMELOT THEATER FDTN SHOW

July 14, 7 p.m.
Joseph Hall's Elvis
Tribute

NCSD SCHOOL BOARD

July 17, 6:30 p.m.
Gates Memorial Hall
Auditorium

2023 STORY COUNTY YOUTH FAIR

July 19-23
Story County
Fairgrounds, Nevada
There is no admission to
attend our county fair. You
can find out more, includ-
ing a schedule of events,
at www.extension.iastate.edu/story/county-fair.

CAMELOT THEATER FDTN OPEN MIC NIGHT

July 27, 7-9 p.m.
No admission. Follow the
Camelot
Theater
Foun-
dation
Facebook
page for
more details!

