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Growth Continues

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The Opener

By Brenda Dryer
Executive Director of the NEDC

Each May, we celebrate Economic Development Week. This week provides those of us who work and volunteer in economic development a platform to showcase the Nevada community and the contributions made to our local economy throughout the year.



In this month's issue, we are highlighting some of the individuals who played an important role in the development of Nevada. We are grateful for their passion and love for this community.

Like those early volunteers, the current Board of Directors continues to invest their time and money to advance all areas of economic development; from supporting existing industry, attracting new companies and opportunities, advancing housing, and supporting those things that improve the quality of place. This group, along with the City of Nevada and Main Street Nevada, understands the power of strong connections regionally and within the Nevada community.

We have a lot to celebrate on the economic development front: Existing business growth, new industry investments in Nevada, plans for new housing subdivisions, and continued small business starts.

Join me in thanking those who have come before us and those now volunteering on behalf of the economic development of Nevada.



ON THE COVER: This aerial view of the new S-14 bypass bridge in Nevada is a visual testament to the change and growth that our community continues to see, much of it due to the work of the Nevada Economic Development Council.

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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.



Remembering those who helped shape the NEDC

Economic development in a community has always been dependent on “movers and shakers” who go the extra mile to advocate for it. Some of Nevada’s movers and shakers of old have been featured in a series of “Difference Makers” stories written over the past few years.

Raymond Kassel, who passed away in November 2022, was the first to be featured. Raymond was the first acting director of the Iowa Department of Transportation and enjoyed working on improving and updating the town he called home, Nevada, IA.

“I have never thought Raymond Kassel got enough recognition for all he did for the NEDC and the City, especially planning and zoning,” former councilman and former Nevada businessman Michael Neff commented. “Through his leadership at the DOT, he knew what needed to be done to help move the NEDC along.”

One of Raymond’s passions, according to his daughter Ros, was to develop a west interchange on Highway 30 at Airport Road. He didn’t live long enough to see it happen, but it will become a reality in the near future.

Michael Neff, himself, was an early member of the NEDC and was featured as a “Difference Maker.” An optometrist, Mike owned the Nevada Vision Clinic, and was active in the community on NEDC and as a city councilman.

He recalled a time when the NEDC was new and trying to figure out its game plan. “We needed land with infrastructure where businesses could

locate if they decided to come to Nevada. This meant we had to have a funding source, and the City had to be involved.”



Mike recalled how some City Council members continued to drag their feet, prompting himself, **Gary Clem** and **Kathy Strum** to run for the council to begin moving things along.

Mike’s memories of NEDC progressing its goals in Nevada included the names of many leaders from our community’s past, including **Ron Daehler, Dan Engler, Deb Holley, Todd Willert, Bruce Schwerling, Bill Burke Jr., Fred Mathison, Al Bradish, Bill Talbot, Rich Parker, Dale Collings** and **Jerry Rewerts**. Mike paid special tribute to former mayor, **Jim Christy**, and to former NEDC director, **LaVon Schiltz**. He also credited two former city administrators with pushing the economic development needle: **Denny Henderson** and **Dave Haugland**.



Another person to share thoughts and be recognized as a “Difference Maker” was **Jim Fischer**, who was the local manager of Iowa Electric Light & Power Company (later Alliant) and who was part of the first NEDC Board.

Jim, like Mike, recalled the very conservative City Council and the need to get people in council seats who were willing to take the risks needed to progress the community. “If we had not worked together to make the West Industrial Park what it was, the East

Business Park never would have happened,” Jim said. He laughed recalling some council persons’ faces when they heard the cost of putting one street in that industrial park.

Gary Clem, who owns ALMACO and is now retired, also spoke out about his time in civic leadership and his memories of economic development.

He gives a lot of credit to former Nevada banker, **Harold Fawcett**. “When I look at what’s happened with economic development in Nevada, I attribute Harold Fawcett and his family (through their gifts of land and money) as the people who created the biggest economic impact in this community.” (SCORE park, Fawcett Family Aquatic Center, Josephine Tope Community Auditorium for example.)

In addition to the **Fawcett Family** and to others previously mentioned, Clem added these names to the list of Nevada’s movers and shakers: **Arlo Huse, Harold Brinkman, Bill Burke Sr., Jane Neff, Lisa Nady, David Anderson, Keith Hobson, Jim and Clare Frevert, the Hertz Family, Al Kockler, Fred Samuelson, the Haley Family, the Huffaker Family, and Keith and Mary Cooper**.

“There’s been a tremendous amount of wisdom that’s come out of all of these people and there’s more who I’m forgetting to name,” Gary said.

If you are or know someone who’s been active in Nevada’s economic development history, please let us know. We’d love to continue to tell Nevada’s economic development story through those who’ve made an impact on our success.





Primary Care Providers Deliver Essential Services

Story Medical Clinic offers convenient access to Family Medicine in Nevada and Maxwell

Family medicine providers care for every member of the family - from babies to toddlers and children, right through adults. These providers are keyed in to a family's overall health situation and have a full understanding of a patient's medical history, family history and health issues.

Like their pediatric counterparts, family medicine providers recognize that illness doesn't always strike during the day. Family medicine offices accommodate patients' schedules and often provide same-day appointments.

"Over time, the family physician can ensure uninterrupted care," says Dr. Art Check of Story Medical's Nevada Clinic. "The nice thing is, as children advance through developmental milestones, they are cared for by a physician they are familiar with. And when they turn 18, they won't age out of pediatric care. They can continue to be seen by their family medicine provider."

For younger patients, Story Medical's family medicine providers have specific pediatric training focused on

general primary care for newborns and children.

In addition to three physicians, Story Medical Clinic offers access to care provided by four Physician Assistants.

"Being a family practice provider in a smaller town like Nevada allows us to get to know our patients – many times several members of the same family – very well," says Jyl Wonnell, PA-C, of the Nevada Clinic. "That is one of the many things I love about practicing in a community like this."

To learn more about the comprehensive primary care provided by Story Medical Clinic, visit us online at storymedical.org/clinics.

To schedule an appointment with one of our providers accepting new patients, please call 515-382-5413 in Nevada or 515-387-8815 in Maxwell.

News & Notes

STORY MEDICAL CLINIC PARTICIPATES IN VCF PROGRAM

Story Medical Clinics in Nevada and Maxwell proudly participate in the Vaccine for Children (VFC) program. Children 18 and younger who are eligible through the program receive a FREE flu vaccine.

Eligible children include those enrolled in Medicaid, those without health insurance, those with health insurance that doesn't cover vaccinations, and/or those who are American Indian or Alaska Native. Those enrolled in the program will be asked to present proof of eligibility before receiving the shot. For more information or to schedule an appointment call (515) 382-5413 in Nevada or (515) 387-8815 in Maxwell..

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!

NEED A PROVIDER? CHECK OUT STORY MEDICAL!



Art Check, DO
Nevada
Family Medicine



Adrian Palar, MD
Nevada
Family Medicine



Timothy Leeds, MD
Nevada
Women's Health



Audra Poterucha, DO
Nevada
Family Medicine



Kelly Check, DPM
Nevada
Podiatry



Shane Higgins, PA-C
Nevada
Family Medicine



Jyl Wonnell, PA-C
Nevada
Family Medicine



Rachel Frederick, PA-C
Nevada
Family Medicine



Michelle Jans, PA-C
Maxwell
Family Medicine



Valerie Stallbaumer,
LAc, MSOM
Ames
Natural Health

Story Medical Clinic Locations

Story Medical Clinic
Nevada
640 South 19th Street
515-382-5413

Story Medical Clinic
Maxwell
403 First Street
515-387-8815

Story Medical Clinic
Natural Health
Ames
431 South Duff Avenue, Suite B
515-232-2979

Learn More at
StoryMedical.org/Clinics

To schedule an appointment with one of our providers accepting patients call (515) 382-5413



March Mathness: A Slam Dunk At Central

Central Elementary integrates a web program called ST Math into students' curriculum, enriching math instruction and practice with more than 35,000 interactive puzzles. These puzzles cover a wide range of math topics, adhering to all state standards and focusing on grade-level concepts and skills. At the heart of ST Math is Ji-Ji, a penguin who embarks on a mathematical journey. Our students guide Ji-Ji past hurdles by solving math problems that advance Ji-Ji to new levels with each puzzle solved.

This March, Central held the first ever March Mathness competition. A randomized bracket was generated, pairing classes against each other to see who could solve the most puzzles.

The championship face-off saw Mrs. Adams' first graders and Mr. Long's fourth graders in a thrilling finale.

Mrs. Adams' class pulled out the victory to claim the 2024 March Mathness title!

The winning prize? A pizza party courtesy of Cubbies on Main and a special visit from the students' favorite penguin, Ji-Ji!

There were no Cinderella stories in this big dance as Central's mathletes worked extremely hard and solved over 100,000 puzzles throughout the tournament!

In recognition of their hard work and spirited teamwork, all students were treated to ice cream, courtesy of Pint-Sized Ice Cream.

As March Madness captivated basketball fans nationwide, Central's own math tournament had its share of buzzer-beaters and underdog stories. In the spirit of this thrilling event, Central celebrated the "One Shining Moment" of our tournament - dedication and teamwork. This moment was not just about the final score; it was about every problem solved, every challenge overcome, and the joy of learning that is cherished the most.

Last Day of School



Friday, May 31 will be the last day of school for students this year, and will be a 2-hour early out.

Free Summer Meals!

Breakfasts and lunches are available at no cost to children 1-18 this summer!

Open to the public - you do not have to be a NCS D student to get a free meal. Bring your kids, grandkids, etc. Any child ages 1 through 18 eats free! All meals are served on site and must be eaten on site. No grab and go options are available.

Monday-Thursdays June 10 - July 18 (closed July 4), NHS Cafeteria

Breakfast - 8 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Lunch - 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

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/4aqGRPD> 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/3O3sEww>

BID OPPORTUNITY

Nevada CSD has surplus items available for public bid.

1. High School Gym Floor

Approximately 7,600 square feet will be available. Sections will be approximately 4' x 10' sections unless otherwise arranged.

Winning bidders:

- Will pay in full prior to removal of the product from the premises.
- Will remove the product within 24 hours of its removal from the building. Expected date of removal to start June 17, 2024.
- Will be responsible for their own loading from the parking lot.
- Will be contacted with more information as appropriate.
- Winning bidders may be able to choose the area of the flooring in order of high to low bids.

Sealed bids are due to the NCS D District Office at Gates Hall by 9 a.m. on June 4, 2024. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Bid form and details available at link below.

For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/NevadaSurplus>

2024-2025 School Year Registration

On May 20-31 (NEW DATES THIS YEAR!), registration will be open to sign your children up for the 2024-2025 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/>



Cruse to be honored on Memorial Day 2024

United States Navy Veteran Russ Cruse will be honored as Grand Marshal during this year's Memorial Day Services in Nevada.

"I'm usually driving other honorees around," said Cruse, who admitted he was surprised, yet happy about being selected as Marshal. Memorial Day is an important day, he shared. "It's the time we say thanks and remember the ones who gave it all."

Cruse was born in Des Moines and came to Story County at age 10, living here ever since, except for his time in the military, from early 1966 to late 1985, 20 years of service.

He did basic training at Great Lakes, Ill., and then transferred to his first duty station at Charleston, S.C. "It was a destroyer, a small combatant," he said. Later he became specially trained in acoustic analysis, and would serve in assignments all over the world.

Among the overseas places he served were Newfoundland; Barbados, West Indies; Puerto Rico; Wales; and Guam. His final post was in Hawaii at Pearl Harbor from 1982-1985, and on Oct. 31, 1985, his retirement ceremony was held on the USS Arizona Memorial. "A great memory," he noted.

Following his retirement from the military, Cruse worked for



Whitehall, which contracted with the Navy. He did Integrated Undersea Surveillance System work for them until Dec. 31, 1989, following the fall of the USSR/Berlin Wall. He then returned to Story County and to Nevada.

He and his wife, Sheila (Overmire) Cruse, who passed away in December of 2022, raised two children: Paula, who graduated from high school in Hawaii and still lives there; and his son Russell, Jr., a 1990 graduate of Nevada High School. Cruse has seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren and one of his favorite pastimes is traveling to see his family members.

He's been a member of the American Legion for 32 years, 12 with the Nevada Legion. He and his son were both avid bowlers and are in the Ames Area Bowling Association's Hall of Fame. Cruse even ran a bowling alley in Colfax for 20 years. He also enjoys going to car shows.

Nevada's Memorial Day Services will be held on Monday, May 27. Opening ceremonies are held in front of the Story County Administration Building on Sixth Street, where there will be a flag raising at 9:30 a.m., along with introductions of young people who've enlisted in the Armed Forces.

A processional to the City Cemetery — traveling from J Avenue north to Lincoln Highway on Sixth Street and then west on Lincoln Highway to First Street — will follow the early ceremony, and a longer program at the cemetery begins at approximately 10:30 a.m.

The Patriotic Council, which organizes the Memorial Day events, asks all those attending the service at the cemetery to observe the "restricted areas" when they are choosing where to put their own lawn chairs and blankets for seating. Some areas are set aside for distinguished guests and the Nevada High School Band. The program will be followed by a luncheon at the American Legion Hall. See details on the Calendar, page 16, of this issue.

**In case of rain, the cemetery service will be moved to the Community Building OR Christy Hall at the Story County Fairgrounds.*

Volunteers Needed for Flags

Can you help put flags up on Saturday, May 25?

All who can help, please meet at the Coop gas station next to the city cemetery at 6:30 a.m. After all the flags are up, volunteers will be treated to breakfast at the American Legion Post.

Can you help take flags down?

Volunteers needed on Monday, May 27, at 4 p.m. at the City cemetery to help take down flags.

Help clean-up streets & highways this summer

The Nevada Kiwanis Club will continue its Highway/Streets Clean-up Days again this year. Highway/Streets Clean-Up Days were started last year during the warmer months as a volunteer effort. This was a project to improve the community and allow people to volunteer individually, with groups, or with their families.

The first clean-up day this year will be Saturday, May 4, starting at 8 a.m. On May 4, volunteers are asked to meet in the Fawcett Family Aquatic Center parking lot area along Fawcett

Parkway. Clean-up work will take place along 19th Street. Clean-up areas will be assigned as volunteers gather.

The first Saturday of each month during the summer season will be a clean-up day, with volunteers to gather at 8 a.m. Mark your calendars now to take part in any or all of these Saturday events:

- **Saturday, June 1:** South 11th Street clean-up, volunteers to meet in Lil' Cubs parking lot (corner of South 11th and South G Avenue)

- **Saturday, July 6:** West Lincolnway clean-up, volunteers to meet in Catholic Church Cemetery
- **Saturday, Aug. 3:** 19th Street clean-up, volunteers to meet in Fawcett Family Aquatic Center parking lot along Fawcett Parkway
- **Saturday, Sept. 7,** South 11th Street clean-up, volunteers to meet in Lil' Cubs parking lot (corner of South 11th and South G Avenue)
- **Saturday, Oct. 5,** Street and gathering place is to be determined

Be sure you have tickets to celebrate Alumni Reunion Weekend

Nevada Alumni Reunion Weekend is coming up next month, and tickets are available now for the June 22 banquet. To obtain banquet tickets, call or text 515-291-4733, or purchase physical tickets at State Bank & Trust in Nevada.

Reunion Weekend events include the following things being held on Saturday, June 22:

- Breakfast at the high school, 8-10 a.m., \$8 a person
- School Tour, 10 a.m. (reservation required)
- Tour of the new Nevada Field House, 11:30 a.m. (reservation required)
- Trivia with Kris Corbin of the Nevada Historical Society, being held at the Field House, 1 p.m.
- Banquet — social time, dinner, program — doors open at 3:30 p.m., dinner at 5 p.m., Gates Memorial Hall (ticket required)

On Sunday, June 23, Kris Corbin will give tours of the Briggs Terrace/Evergreen Lane property starting at 2 p.m. (reservation required)

If you have any questions, or want to reserve spots and/or tickets for any of these events, text or message 515-291-4733 or 515-238-5053, or email: kls.alumni@icloud.com or bullocksherry628@gmail.com.

STRIKE UP THE COMMUNITY BAND!

Nevada is fortunate to have its very own Nevada Community Band. Formed in 1999 as a Leadership Nevada initiative, the Nevada Community Band performs several concerts each summer. The concerts will take place on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. at the City Hall Campus. Bring your lawn chairs and join us for an evening of entertaining music.

The concert season starts Tuesday, June 4. The remaining concert dates are June 11, June 18, June 25, and July 2. On July 4, a small group of musicians will participate in Nevada's 4th of July parade. The July 2 concert at the City Hall Campus will feature patriotic music.

The Nevada Community Band is always looking to invite new band members to join. The emphasis is on the community aspect of the band. The band is in particular need of saxophone and clarinet players. Starting on June 3, rehearsals are held on Monday evenings in the Nevada High School band room from 7-8 p.m. Music is chosen that will entertain the audience and be true to the rich tradition of community bands in Iowa. If you want to join the Nevada Community Band, please email Wade Presley at pres64@gmail.com.

Nevada Public Library News

TAKING A BREAK

There will be no Teen Lounge, STEAM Lab, and Toddler Time in May as our Youth Department gets ready for Summer Reading!

CLOSURES

The Library will be closed **MAY 11** for Pizza Pie Looza and **MAY 27** for Memorial Day



MIDWEST AUTHOR SERIES

Staci Andrea, shown above, is an author from Iowa and an award-nominated dark suspense writer. She's a married mom of two adult children and one grandchild. After years of working as a dental assistant, ordained pastor, and public health worker, she started writing suspense and thriller novels to "save me from what had become a very dark place in life," she writes. She will speak in-person at the library on Thursday, May 23, starting at 6:30 p.m.

SUMMER READING PREVIEW

The Nevada Public Library is happy to announce our 2024 Summer Learning Challenge: Read, Renew, Repeat!

Studies show that children in third to fifth grades lose a significant amount

of their school-year gains in reading and math during the summer break. That's why we created an eight-week program of reading and fun activities for kids and teens. Children and teens will be able to partake in weekly reading challenges as well as library programs.

Registration will begin after Memorial Day. Stop into the library to sign up or come to our kick-off event in Patton Park during the Nevada Farmer's Market on June 2 from 12-3 p.m. There will be free books, bubbles, cotton candy, and a face painter! For more information about our summer programming, stop in the library or visit our website: nevada.lib.ia.us.



SOMETHING UPLIFTING

Library employee, Nicole, demonstrates use of one of our two new chairlifts, which are available to residents who need to get to our library's basement. One chairlift is positioned on the staircase right next to the library's front doors. The other is

positioned on the staircase that leads to the basement from outside of the building at the southwest corner. The southwest corner exterior door is opened for weather emergencies when the library basement becomes a community storm shelter.

The chairlifts were made possible through a Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities competitive grant award. The grants, are part of the American Library Association initiative that provides community engagement and accessibility resources to small and rural libraries to help them better serve people with disabilities.

Not only will these chairlifts help all residents stay safe from storms, they will also give all residents the ability to enjoy Friends of the Library monthly book sales, held in the basement.

EXCITING NEWS

We have partnered with RAYGUN-shirts for custom Nevada Public Library merch! Even more exciting is that 40 percent of all shirt sales proceeds support library programming and our yearbook digitization project. Order your favorites online today! <https://www.rayguncustom.com/collect.../nevada-public-library>.



Have you ever thought about it?

Have you ever thought about law enforcement as a career?

It's not an easy profession to qualify for, but if you take the challenge to test for it, you just might surprise yourself and find that you can make a difference in this community!

In addition to the benefits listed in our ad (at right), others included in the benefit package that is effective July 1, 2024:

- Non-certified candidates will start at \$56,264/year (max out at \$86,132/year)
- IPERS retirement system
- EMT certification
- Firearm provided by agency

Interested candidates must submit a City of Nevada application, Cover Letter, and Resume by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 31, 2024. The link to this application can be found at cityofnevadaaiowa.org/employment/.

Physical Agility testing will be held at 8 a.m. on Saturday, June 22, 2024, at the Nevada Public Safety Department, 1209 6th Street.

Those who successfully pass physical agility testing will have a POST (Police Officer Selection Test) and interview set up at a later date.

Certified Police Officers are preferred but non-certified officers are encouraged to test. Minorities, women and military veterans are encouraged to apply.

Questions can be sent to cbrandes@cityofnevadaaiowa.org.



We Are Hiring



Police Officers

- Iowa Certified Officers eligible to start at up to \$59,633/year
- 4-day weekends, every other week
- 40 hours vacation provided upon hire
- 90 hours floating holiday

You can make a difference!

Application deadline:
5 p.m., Friday, May 31, 2024
Physical Agility Testing:
8 a.m. Saturday, June 22, 2024
at Nevada Public Safety
Department, 1209 6th Street



For complete job details and an application link, go to our City of Nevada website employment page:
cityofnevadaaiowa.org/employment/

2024 FAWCETT FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER INFORMATION

The following is important information for all persons interested in visiting Fawcett Family Aquatic Center.

Location & Phone

1717 Fawcett Parkway
515-382-2230

Dates of Operation/Hours

June 1 - August 18, 2024

Adult Lap Swim: 10:45 a.m.-Noon (Daily)... A lane is available upon request all hours of operation for lap swimming.

Tot Time: 11 a.m.-Noon, Mon.-Fri. This time is designed for children 8 and under accompanied by parent or adult guardian.

Open Swim: Noon-7 p.m. Mon.-Fri.
Noon-6 p.m. Sat. & Sun.

Dates and hours of operation are subject to change due to any unforeseen circumstance

Group Parties

Group party reservations may be made from 5:30-7 p.m., Mon.- Fri., upon availability and when not conflicting with group swim lessons. Call the parks and rec office at 515-382-4352 for availability and pricing.

Aqua Aerobics

Aqua Aerobics will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays June 11-August 8 (no class July 4). 12-12:45 p.m. Fee is \$100 plus tax. Each class time is limited to 20 participants. Please register online by visiting: <https://nevadaia.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

Private Pool Parties

Private Pool Parties are available on Saturdays and Sundays from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Rental fee is \$250, plus tax.

Call 382-4352 for available dates and

to make your reservation. Reservations may be made now. All rentals must be made at least two weeks prior to the rental date.

Little Tykes Swim

Little Tykes Swims will be held daily from 5 p.m.-closing time. During this special time, children under 48" tall can go down the waterslide with a parent/guardian. Specific rules and regulations apply.

Swim Lessons

The week-long, 30-minute lessons will be a 1:3 instructor/participant ratio. Nevada Parks and Recreation swim lesson program will include the following classes.

- Parent/Child Water Introduction (6 mon.-3 year olds)
- Pre-School (4 and 5 year olds)
- Water Basics (6 years +)

Session Dates:

June 10-14 (make-up June 17 & 18)

June 24-28 (make-up July 1 & 2)

July 8-July 12 (make-up July 15 & 16)

July 22-July 26 (make-up July 29 & 30)

Level information is available on the following page: <http://www.cityofnevadaia.org>

Swim Lesson Registration

An online registration process is in place. All registrations must be made online at: <https://nevadaia.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

Please note swim lesson registration opened on Monday, April 1. Classes will automatically fill and cap/close as registrations take place online. Parks and recreation reserves the right to combine classes that do not fill. Please note, no private swim lessons will be offered at the facility. Fee is \$40/session.

AQUATIC CENTER RATES & FEES

Purchase your season pass online! Passes are available on the following website page: <https://nevadaia.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

Season Pass Options:

Individual Season Pass: \$60 +tax

Pass is good for one season for an individual. Pass is not good for special events outside regular pool hours.

Senior Season Pass: \$50 +tax

Pass is good for one season for individuals 55 years of age and older. Pass is not good for special events outside regular pool hours.

Toddler Season Pass: \$50 +tax

Pass is good for one season for an individual 2-3 years old. Pass is not good for special events outside regular pool hours.

General Admission: \$6

All patrons ages 4-54 must pay to enter the pool facility regardless of their intent to swim or not. General admission includes use of all pool facilities.

Senior Admission: \$5

All individuals over the age of 55 may receive a complimentary \$1 discount off the regular general admission price. Discounted rate must be requested.

Toddler Rate (2-3 years): \$5

Children 1 and under: FREE

All children 1 and under receive free admission when accompanied by a paying adult.

Punch Pass: \$60

10 admissions to the Aquatic Center. Punch cards are available to purchase at the Aquatic Center only.

**Nevada Parks and Recreation reserves the right to change or modify any information contained in this brochure.*



Our City Streets Team

They keep your streets plowed in the winter, have been called upon to pick up debris following major storms, and are ready for all kinds of streets projects and assignments as the weather turns warmer. The Streets Department crew is one of the City's most experienced departments when it comes to "years of service." Pictured are (from left) Dave Harrison, Nate Holl, Mike Ackerman, Jamie Tendall, Doug Pratt and Streets Superintendent Joe Mousel. Between Harrison and Ackerman, the two have 66 years of service with the City and are the longest serving City of Nevada employees. We thank you all for your service!

City News Briefs for May

Hydrant Flushing

In May, our City Water Department works to flush fire hydrants throughout the community. Water may run down the street as this work happens. The City flushes water lines in both spring and fall through fire hydrants, a necessary preventative maintenance activity. Although it may appear to waste water, the process helps maintain the water system's integrity so we can provide the highest quality water possible to residents. It is also a way to ensure hydrant effectiveness for fire control purposes.

If you have any questions, please contact the Water Department, 515-382-2074.

Entering the 'busy' months

As we enter the busy spring and summer months for the Parks and Recreation Department and Cemetery, our staff is often busy with outside tasks. At this time of year, we encourage residents to call and make an appointment if they need to speak with someone. If we are not available to take your call, please leave a message with your name and phone number, and we will return your call as soon as possible. Your time is important, and we want to make sure we can address your needs in a timely manner.

Parks and Recreation Office: 515-382-4352. Cemetery Office: 515-382-6240.

Holiday Office Closing

City offices will be closed Monday, May 27, in observance of Memorial Day. Offices will re-open at 8 a.m. Tuesday, May 28.

City Cemetery Decorations

All decorations will be removed from the cemetery two weeks following Memorial Day unless in a permanent vase installed on the stone or foundation, in saddles on the stones, or on Shepherd's hooks placed next to the foundation.

Open Burning Ends

A reminder to residents: Open burning ends May 15.

Nevada Farmers Market Returns

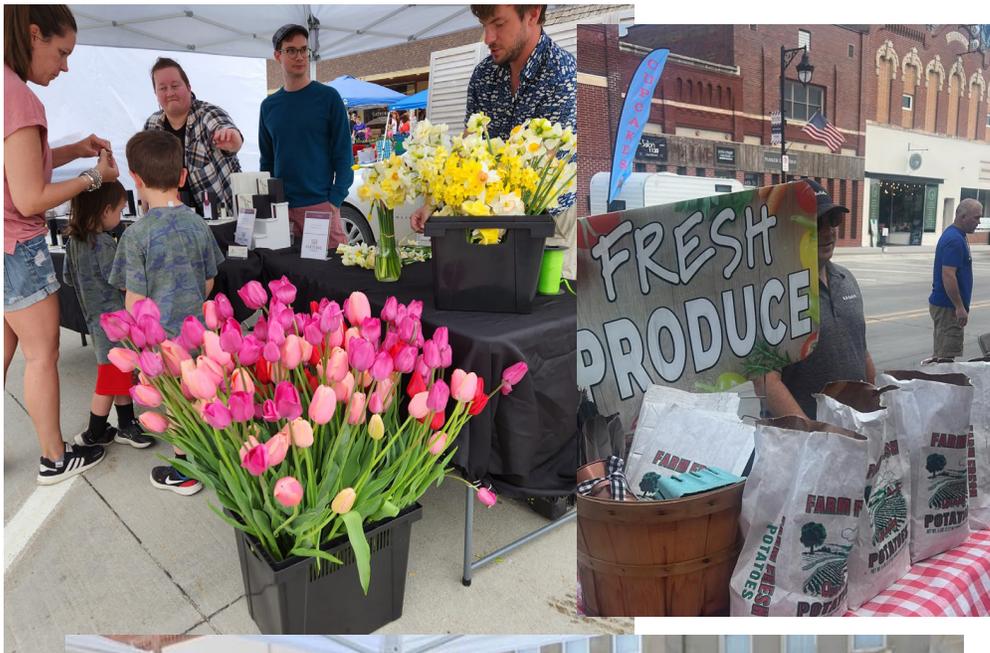
The Nevada Farmers Market is coming back for another great summer! We are excited to host both new and returning vendors in our downtown. With a focus on grown and handmade items, the farmers market will be a great place to find original products and support small businesses from around the area.

The farmers market committee has made some changes this year based on feedback they received from last year's vendors and market-goers. The market will be held on **Sunday afternoons from Noon-3 p.m.** and will move to the **1100 block of 6th Street**. Additionally, this year's market will be held the **first and third Sunday of each month**, rather than every week. With a later start date than last year (June 2), we are hopeful for more produce vendors!

The Nevada Farmers Market will need volunteer help this summer! If you can stand for two hours and don't mind the heat, it's a fun, easy job that allows you to be as social as

you'd like with market-goers!

To sign-up, scan QR code or email director@mainstreetnevada.org.



2024 FARMERS MARKET DATES

Put these dates on your calendar and plan to visit the market for lunch and shopping!

- June 2
- June 16
- July 7
- July 21
- August 4
- August 18
- September 1
- September 15



Public Service Recognition Week

Celebrated the first full week in May since 1985, Public Service Recognition Week (PSRW) is a time set aside to honor those who serve our nation as federal, state, county and local government employees. Throughout the nation and the world, public servants use this occasion to educate others about the work they do and why they have chosen public service careers, as well as the many ways government services make life better for all of us.

Day In The Life of Natural Resource Specialist Brandon Clough

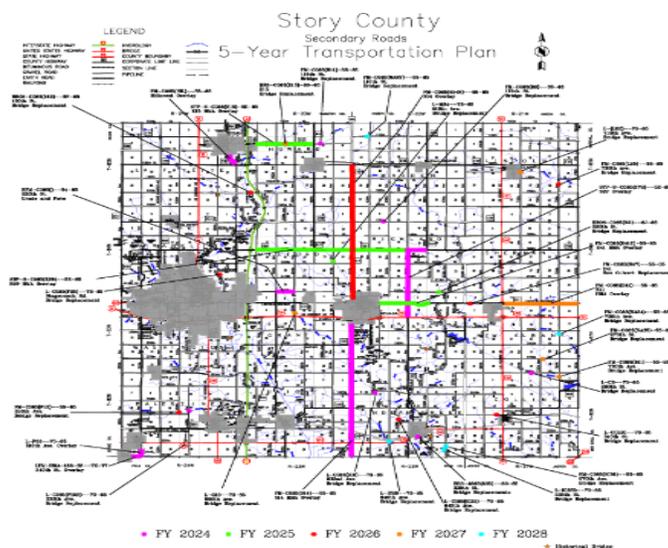
What is the first thing you do when you get to work? Check the weather, because everything that we do is incredibly weather dependent.

And what is the last thing you do? I like to take time to make a game plan for the next day. Everything that we do takes a fair amount of coordination and prioritization, so it's nice to be able to put that plan in place first thing in the morning to hit the ground running.

What does the typical day look like for you? Every day is totally different. Each season has its unique set of tasks as we

follow the phenology of our ecosystems. I could be doing anything from conducting a controlled burn, spraying invasive species, cutting down undesired trees for timber stand improvement, seeding a new prairie, or tending to one of our leased goat herds.

What is your favorite part about your job? I enjoy seeing how our areas respond to our management. It's incredibly exciting and rewarding to see a remnant population of plants flourish or wildlife thriving due to work that we are doing on the land.



Five-year secondary Road Construction Program

The Story County Secondary Road Construction Program is updated each year at the same time the budget is approved by Story County. This usually occurs during the first part of the year. You can view the adopted program online at: <https://www.storycountyiowa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/6053/5-Year-Secondary-Road-Construction-Program-PDF> and look at the map to see where and when projects are scheduled at <https://www.storycountyiowa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/6051/5-Year-Secondary-Road-Construction-Program-MapPDF>.

**CLOSED FOR
MEMORIAL DAY**

Story County buildings and offices will be closed Monday, May 27 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. Regular hours will resume Tuesday, May 28 at 8 a.m.

Postal Customer

Calendar of Events

SCMC BD OF TRUSTEES

May 2, 11:30 a.m.

Story Medical Center

FRIENDS OF LIBRARY BOOK SALE

May 3 & 4, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Nevada Public Library

ROTARY'S 'KENTUCKY DERBY' FUNDRAISER

Camelot Theater

May 4, 3-9 p.m.

CAMELOT THEATER MOVIE

May 5, 2 p.m. & 6 p.m.

'An American Tail'

NCSD SCHOOL BOARD

May 6 & 20, 6:30 p.m.

Gates Memorial Hall
Auditorium

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Every Tuesday, 10 a.m.

Story County Admin. Bldg,
Nevada

LEGION TACO TUESDAY

May 7, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

American Legion Post

BINGO

Every Tuesday, 7-9 p.m.

American Legion Post

\$5 a packet plays all games

SENIOR EXPO

May 9, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Gateway Hotel & Conference Ctr.,
2100 Green Hills Dr., Ames

Presented by Seniors in Story, this event features vendors, resources for older residents to explore.

AMERICAN LEGION MEAL

May 10, 5-7 p.m.

American Legion Post

Fish Fry with alternate choice. Cost is \$12 per adult (\$5 per child, age 10 and under)

3rd Annual PIZZA PIE LOOZA

May 11, 1-9:30 p.m.

Nevada's Main Street District

Join us for food vendors, plus free afternoon entertainment and kids' activities. Ticket information for the evening concert can be found at:

pizzapielooza.com

TRIVIA AT THE CAMELOT

May 11, 2-5 p.m.

Gather your team & come inside the theater to test your trivia knowledge during Pizza Pie Looza

SENIOR CENTER POTLUCK

May 13, 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

May 13 & 28, 6 p.m.

City Hall

MAIN STREET NEVADA MIX-N-MINGLE

May 15, 4-6 p.m.

at Nevada Fareway Store

NCSD GRADUATION

May 19, 2 p.m.

Nevada High School

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY SPRING LUNCHEON

May 20, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

American Legion Post

Enjoy chicken casserole, salads, desserts and beverage. Cost is \$12 per adult (\$5 per child, age 10 and under)

AMERICAN LEGION MEMORIAL DAY MEAL

May 27, around 11 a.m.

American Legion Post

A maidrite meal will be served following the ceremonies at the cemetery. Cost is \$12 per adult (\$5 per child, age 10 and under)

NCSD LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

May 31 (early out)

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY GERMAN SCHNITZEL MEAL

May 31, 5-7 p.m.

American Legion Post

Cost is \$12 per adult (\$5 per child, age 10 and under)