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Broadway comes to MHS



COURTESY PHOTO

Broadway performer Elizabeth Earley leads choreography on stage at Milford High Nov. 1. The MHS drama department held an in-house choreography workshop in cooperation with the Nebraska High School Theater Academy. Earley taught a group of 16 junior and senior high students choreography for the show "Some Like It Hot." Earley has worked on Broadway, as a dance captain with Bette Midler and Bernadette Peters, toured nationally with "Mary Poppins" and was an original Broadway cast member for "Something Rotten!" Earley spent the afternoon dancing with students and discussing her career and life as a performer. She holds a fine arts degree from New York University's Tisch School of the Arts.

Area Veterans Day programs

BY HANNA CHRISTENSEN
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Milford Public Schools
Milford High School will host a Veterans Day service at 11 a.m. in the auditorium on Friday, Nov. 10. Mayor Patrick Kelley and veteran Larry Heyen will speak. On Thursday, Nov. 9, the fourth grade choir will hold a Veterans Day concert at 6:30 p.m. and fifth grade choir will hold one at 7:30 p.m. Both will be at the Milford High School Auditorium.

OTHER OPTIONS INCLUDE:

Seward Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary
The Seward VFW is putting on a Veterans Day dinner on Friday, Nov. 10, from 5 – 7 p.m. The dinner is free for veterans and their spouses. The following morning from about 9 a.m. to noon, veterans will hand out poppies at Walmart and Pac 'N' Save.

Seward Middle School
Seward Middle School will host its Veterans Day program at 8:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 10, in the gymnasium. It will feature performances by the

band and choir and words/photos from students with family members who are veterans. Coffee and cookies will be available for veterans and their families after the program.

Seward High School
Seward High School's Veterans Day program will be Friday, Nov. 10, from 11:17 a.m. to 12:17 p.m. in the school's south lobby. The school will provide musical entertainment and lunch for all veterans and their spouses. Attendees are encouraged to call the school to RSVP by Wednesday, Nov. 8.

St. Vincent De Paul School
St. Vincent De Paul School will celebrate Veterans Day on Thursday, Nov. 9, in the church sanctuary after school mass ends at about 8:45 a.m. The students will sing and a reception with cookies will follow.

St. John Lutheran School
St. John Lutheran School will conduct a Veterans Day ceremony from 8:30 – 9 a.m. in the sanctuary on Friday, Nov. 10. The ceremony will feature student-led songs and recitations. Light refreshments in the lobby will follow.

Nature-based play space part of MCLC plan

BY EMILY HEMPHILL
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Outdoor play and learning through nature will be a focus of the Milford Childhood Learning Center.

The new childcare center planned in Milford is expected to open in the coming months, and its play yard will incorporate different methods of learning for youngsters.

The center will be at 520 S. A St., next to Bellwood Mennonite Church.

"We really wanted to make this a space that parents were excited about," said Kylie Schildt, MCLC program director.

Schildt and the MCLC Board of Directors worked with the Nebraska Nursery and Landscapers Association and the Nebraska Arborists Association, both based in Milford, to map out the nature-based play area.

"There are so many people in this industry that have a passion for their communities and getting kids in nature, so this partnership was a 'natural' fit," Schildt said.

The area will include features like a magnet wall, sensory garden, water table, tree slice patio and a looping trike path. Each area will help children develop their large motor skills in different ways.



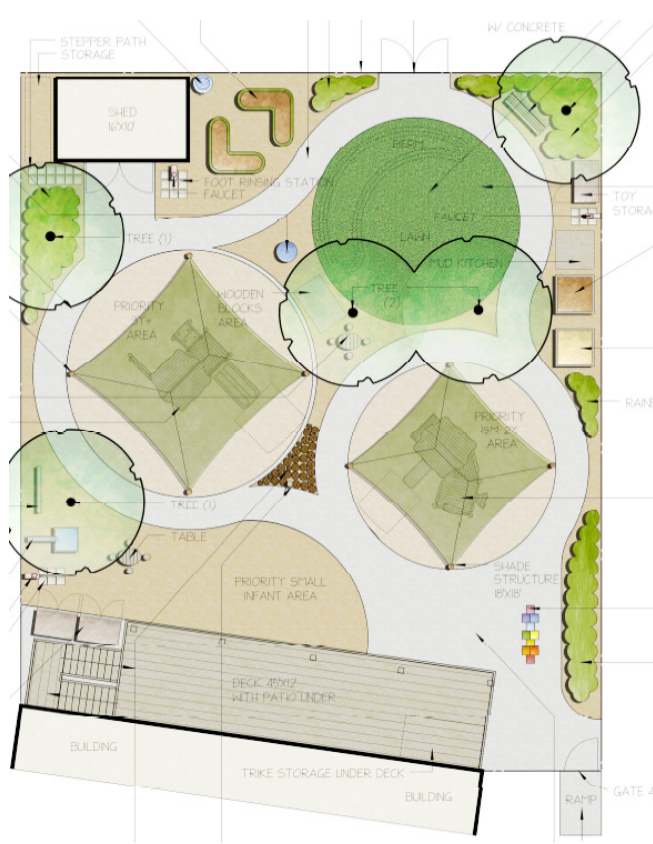
COURTESY PHOTO

Natural elements like wood, sand and plants will be part of the outdoor learning and play area at the Milford Childhood Learning Center.

"We tried to strategically carve out space for manipulatives like large building blocks, dirt and sand pits, and water play as well as dramatic play with the playhouses, structures and slides and then integrating outdoor curriculum like the garden beds," Schildt said.

Sheila Schrader of Schrader Landscape Design assisted with the plans for the space, and MCLC also consulted experts on early childhood from the University of Nebraska Extension.

"When young children spend time daily in high-quality, well-designed, nature-based outdoor spaces, the benefits are clear: improved physical health and social-emotional development, better cognitive skills, and increased affinity for the outdoors,"



COURTESY IMAGE

One highlight of the space will be a looping concrete path for trikes, bikes, running and more to encourage vigorous, imaginative play.

said Katie Krause, early childhood Extension educator. "The earlier in life that children experience these benefits, the better their developmental trajectory."

Krause works with Extension's Early Childhood Health Outdoors program, a partnership with the National Wildlife Federation.

Krause said naturalizing outdoor spaces gives children the chance to engage with plants and animals through self-motivated play, both informally and with teacher-directed activities.

While Extension did not work on the plan for MCLC's play area, it did provide the organization with the fundamentals for developing an engaging space.

"Great outdoor learning environments aren't created overnight," Krause said. "The vision for the outdoor space, as well as much of the implementation, must come from the program and community. Those sites who have teachers, families and other community members that are fully invested in this work are able to create wonderful, sustainable outdoor environments."

She said such spaces work best when created incrementally, starting with some main features and then growing.

"We encourage programs to also add some elements slowly, over

time," she said. "We want these spaces to really reflect the children and adults who are utilizing them."

Schildt said MCLC learned a lot about the foundations of outdoor play during the planning process.

"The most fascinating thing I learned through this project was the priority of the looping trike path," Schildt said. "Daily use of large climbing structures lead to kids learning the structure and then eventually manipulating it in ways beyond its intended use, putting themselves and other kids at risk. Trikes and bikes are a great way for kids to refine a lifetime skill of riding a bike without putting others at risk, while also diverting the fall-height risks, and is a great way for them to expend a lot of energy – a huge win before nap time."

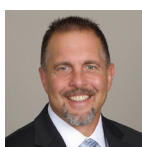
MCLC is still fundraising for the facility, focusing first on the interior aspects of the building to become licensed and operational.

So far, it has raised \$971,415, about half of its \$1.9 million goal. "We hope that we can get to the point of fully executing this plan with the help of community support through donations," Schildt said.

Donations may be made at www.Milford-Childhood.com/donate.

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Milford High School sophomore Avery Carter was chosen to play trumpet in the Doane University Fall Festival of Winds on Nov. 4 in Crete.

Carter plays in Festival of Winds at Doane

Milford High School sophomore trumpeter Avery Carter was recently selected to participate in the 2023 Doane University Fall Festival of Winds.

Band students from throughout Nebraska applied and auditioned to be part of these select groups.

The festival was Nov. 4 on the Doane University Crete campus. Students gathered during the day to rehearse and performed a concert

that afternoon in the Heckman Auditorium. Carter was selected as first chair of the "Festival Band" (one of two ensembles organized for the day).

The guest conductor for the Festival Band was Dr. Christopher Baumgartner of the University of Oklahoma. Music pieces selected for the concert included Blue Sky Horizon, So Called Unison, Dystopia and Into the Blue.

SCCDP intern fills role, learns about business

BY KEATON BURGESS
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A senior at Wayne State College is helping the Seward County Chamber and Development Partnership fill a role while also learning about the business in the real world.

Collin Hain, originally from David City and an Organizational Leadership and Public Relations/Communication Studies major with a minor in English and Editing and Publishing, said working for a chamber of commerce has always appealed to him.

"It fits very well in the communication field," Hain said.

Hain said he enjoys the job because it's something different every day.

"You're not just tucked away at a desk. You get to talk to people, make relationships and cultivate those relationships," he said. "You're doing things that matter and that affect people and make their lives better."

For now, Hain is part-time, helping fill the position of executive assistant and event planner. He works remotely on Mondays for half a day and then in the office on Fridays. Hain said the drive from Wayne State is roughly an hour and 45 minutes.

Hain said so far he's enjoyed getting to learn more about the business and the workings of a real business.

"I'm excited about the potential to learn



Collin Hain

different skills and see how businesses in the real world work," he said.

Hain said he is unsure of how long he will be with the SCCDP, but he enjoys the work and hopes he can stay with them for a while.

"I love working for them and love working with everybody here," he said. "I've already learned so much and have so many great takeaways that I will use every day. As long as I can keep working here, I will work here as long as I can."

If Hain doesn't end up working with the SCCDP after graduation, he said he will look for an entry-level position in communications, maybe somewhere in Lincoln to start.

"Ideally, I would love to end up in a place like Seward," he said. "I have always grown up in a small town, and I just love the principle of them. Everyone knows everyone and I love the idea that in a small town, everybody helps everybody."



COURTESY PHOTO

Members of Liberation Tour 2022 stand in a hedgerow near the Hill 122 battle site north of St. Lo, France. The 134th Infantry (NENG) fought in these hedgerows to liberate the city on July 18, 1944. Liberation Tour 2024 is set to visit on the 80th anniversary of the liberation July 13-25, 2024.

Liberation Tour 2024 announced

BY GERALD D. "JERRY" MEYER
NENG Historian

Liberation Tour 2024 was announced at the NENG Museum recently with highlights of the trip. The 80th anniversary of D-Day and the Liberations of St. Lo and Nancy will be celebrated on the trip.

The trip is from July 13-25, 2024, and will visit France, Belgium and Luxembourg. The route will follow the 1944 liberation route of the 134th Infantry Division (35th Division).

The regiment was made up of units of the Nebraska National Guard and were called to federal service on Dec. 23, 1940. They trained for 43 months before deploying into the European Theater of War in July, 1944. The unit helped liberate the cities of St. Lo, Nancy and Bastogne in the 10 months of conflict during World War II. The Nebraska National Guard Historical Society and Executive Travel will host the trip.

Some of the highlights of the trip:

- Monet's House and Garden in Giverny
- Pegasus Bridge
- Hotel in Normandy located in Caen
- Utah Beach - Higgins Memorial
- Sainte-Mere-Eglise Airborne Museum and Iron Mike
- Bayeux
- Arranches Gold Beach Mulberries
- Omaha Beach
- Normandy American Cemetery Wreath Laying
- Pointe du Hoc Ranger Memorial
- Calvados tasting
- Mortain
- Brittany American Cemetery Wreath Laying
- Hedgerow Tour and Hill 122 battle site



STEPHANIE CROSTON/MT

Participants on the Liberation Tour 2022 watch a cemetery staffer sand a grave marker at Lorraine American Cemetery.

- Liberation Day ceremonies in St. Lo on July 18
- Cathedral in Amiens
- Reims Surrender site (VE Day, 1945)
- Champagne Region
- Verdun World War

- I site
- Meuse-Argonne Cemetery Wreath Laying (World War I honors to NENG)
- Nancy
- Flavigny Bridge
- Fort St. Vincent
- Lorraine-Ameri-

can Cemetery Wreath Laying

- Sugar Loaf Hill battle site and memorial
- Luxembourg-American Cemetery Wreath Laying (visit Patton's grave)
- Spa
- Netherlands-American Cemetery Wreath Laying

This is a perfect trip for the 80th anniversary of the liberation of France/Belgium and Luxembourg during World War II. We are asking interested participants to book early to get the benefit of lower airfares.

Brochures are available at the Nebraska National Guard Museum, 201 N. 8th Street, Seward. Call Executive Travel at (402) 435-8888 to inquire and book a seat for a trip of a lifetime.

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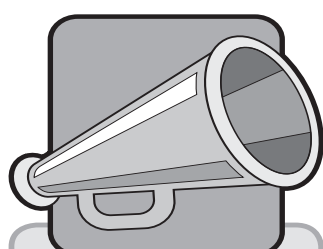
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- School District Budgets
- Local Tax Changes
- Public Hearings
- Property Auctions
- More!

Women integral part of county's political history

BY EMILY HEMPHILL
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Women have played an influential role in Seward County's history.

From Mary Ann Moffitt, who funded the land for the county courthouse, to Dessalee Rousselle, Seward's first and only female mayor to date, women have held all manner of public office.

Victoria Perry, a Concordia University student, presented "Women in Politics in Seward County" Nov. 5 at the Seward Memorial Library. Her program was hosted by the Seward County League of Women Voters.

Perry shared information about 13 notable women and their service to the community from the 1860s to present day.

Current elected officials Sherry Schweitzer (county clerk and election commissioner), Misty Ahmic (county commissioner) and Jessica Kolterman (Seward City Council member), and former city council member Ellen Beck also spoke about their experiences in office and how they got their start in the political realm.

"This project really showed me how important it is for women to be involved in politics," Perry said.

She plans to apply to law school and hopes to study either environmental law because of her family's background in farming or juvenile law.

Perry has interned with the Seward County Attorney's Office and Southeast Nebraska CASA.

"Women need to have a very strong voice and not be spoken over," she said. "It's getting easier now as we're progressing, but it's still really important to stand for



EMILY HEMPHILL/MT

Victoria Perry, a student at Concordia University, shares her research on influential women in public office throughout Seward County's history during a "Women in Politics" program hosted by the League of Women Voters Nov. 5.

what you believe in."

Perry completed the research for her presentation as part of a sociology class.

"We've been connected with students at CU that last few years, and we look forward to doing more," said Lori Shriner, president of the Seward County League.

The list of women was not exhaustive, and additional women are currently serving on boards across the county.

The League hopes to continue the research and expand its list of women in public service.

Ahmic said she began her leadership on the county level as an appointee to the Planning Commission after she dealt with her own zoning issues. She served five years on that board and then applied for appointment to the County Commission when her predecessor died.

She then was elected to a second term.

Ahmic said as a younger woman, she "brought a new demographic to the board"

and has worked hard to educate herself about the problems facing the county.

Kolterman began her public service at a young age, joining the Seward Fourth of July Celebration committee at age 10.

"Someone in my family was always serving in public office, whether it was my dad (Sen. Mark Kolterman), my Uncle Clark (Kolterman) or my grandma (Betty Jean Kolterman). She's still on the Civic Center Commission, and she's 93," Kolterman said. "I'm fortunate to have grown up in a very strange childhood where this was all 'normal.' That's just what we did."

Schweitzer has worked in the clerk's office in some capacity for the last 45 years and has successfully run for the office six times.

She said she has turned her focus to educating voters about the validity of elections and making sure people know how to register and cast their ballots.

Beck came into pol-

itics with an extensive background in journalism. She has lived and worked in a host of different cities including Washington, D.C., specializing in healthcare policy on the federal level.

She said the policies Congress debates are usually the result of actions taken on the local level.

"It starts here. The County Commission may pass something, then it goes to the state legislature and that gets some attention," she said. "It's policy being formed from the ground up. Really, the most important part of lawmaking starts right here."

Beck's mother-in-law, the late Carol Beck, was the first woman elected to the Seward County Commission in 1980. She served 15 years and was the first woman to chair the board, a position she held for 10 of those years.

Ellen Beck said Carol was her role model when it came to public service.

"Each generation of women builds upon the generation before," she said. "Women build on each other and on our history, other women who are collaborators and communicators and all those good things."



MARY ANN MOFFITT HELPED PURCHASE THE LAND SEWARD WAS BUILT ON AND FUNDED THE LOT FOR THE SEWARD COUNTY COURTHOUSE. MOFFITT STREET AND MOFFITT PARK ARE NAMED FOR HER FAMILY.



JESSIE TISHUE LANGWORTHY WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN BUILDING SEWARD'S HOSPITAL AND THE CIVIC CENTER. SHE ALSO FINANCIALLY SUPPORTED A NURSING HOME, THE SEWARD LIBRARY AND THE MUNICIPAL BAND.



SELMA C. WIED PIEPER WAS ACTIVE IN CIVIC GROUPS FOR THE BETTERMENT OF CHILDREN AND SERVED AS A LEAD TEACHER FOR SEWARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR 20 YEARS.



WILHELMINA KOENIG, PH.D., WAS THE FIRST WOMAN IN THE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD TO EARN A DOCTORAL DEGREE AND SERVED ON TWO GOVERNOR'S BOARDS FOR THE STATE OF NEBRASKA.



BETTY JEAN KOLTERMAN SERVED ON THE SEWARD CITY COUNCIL AND ON THE CIVIC CENTER COMMISSION. AT AGE 93, SHE CONTINUES TO SERVE ON THE COMMISSION, A SEAT SHE HAS HELD SINCE 1994.



CAROL BECK WAS THE FIRST WOMAN ELECTED TO THE SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND WAS THE FIRST WOMAN TO CHAIR THE BOARD - A POSITION SHE HELD FOR 10 YEARS.



DESSALEE ROUSSELLE WAS ELECTED SEWARD'S FIRST WOMAN MAYOR AND REMAINS THE ONLY ONE TO-DATE.



Sherry Schweitzer has worked in the county clerk's office for 45 years. She handles county business and serves as the election commissioner for all Seward County elections.



Jessica Kolterman holds a seat on the Seward City Council, has worked on multiple political campaigns and has served for 35 years on the Seward Fourth of July Celebration committee.



Misty Ahmic began her public service as an appointee to the Seward County Planning Commission and now serves as a Seward County Commissioner, representing Milford and Pleasant Dale.



Jana Hughes is the District 24 representative at the Nebraska Legislature. She also served on the Seward Board of Education and was instrumental in fundraising for Seward's wellness center.



LEFT: ELLEN BECK SERVED TWO TERMS ON THE SEWARD CITY COUNCIL AND LED THE SEWARD COUNTY LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS AS PRESIDENT FOR 10 YEARS. AS A JOURNALIST, SHE COVERS NATIONAL HEALTHCARE POLICY.

RIGHT: DANIELLE CONRAD, A SEWARD HIGH GRADUATE, REPRESENTS LINCOLN IN THE NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE AND IS THE FIRST WOMAN TO BE ELECTED TWO DIFFERENT TIMES FOR NON-CONSECUTIVE TERMS.



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ANNUAL ELECTIONS

The Seward County Agricultural Society will hold its Annual Meeting and society elections on November 20, 2023 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The positions up for election are:

- District 5
- At Large
- At Large
- At Large

To place your name on the ballot, please turn your name into Seward County Ag Society by contacting Mike Flyr, Secretary at 402-643-3602 no later than November 13, 2023.

- Seward County Ag Society

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Saturday, Nov. 18
9 am – 3:30 pm

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- Lunch will be served

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Saturday, November 18, 2023
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Seward County Fairgrounds - Ag Pavilion & Harvest Hall

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2023 Halloween: The year of the creative costume

BY HANNA CHRISTENSEN

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This year more than ever, I noticed adults going all out when dressing up for Halloween.

My social media feed was flooded with friends and influencers dressing up in a variety of elaborate costumes including movie characters, celebrities, objects and more. Everyone seemed to put a lot of effort and makeup into creating the perfect look.

This year, some popular costumes included pop culture icons such as Marilyn Monroe and Whitney Houston, superheroes such as Spider-Man and Wonder Woman and characters



Hanna Christensen

such as Wednesday Addams and Ariel from The Little Mermaid.

Additionally, there were many couples costumes including Sully and Boo from Monsters Inc., Mario and Princess Peach from the Mario Bros. video game, Disney princesses and princes, Justin and Hailey Bieber and Taylor Swift and Travis Kelce.

Friend groups often found themselves dressing up as the Scooby-Doo gang, Teenage Mutant Ninja turtles, Star Wars characters, boxes of crayons and more.

I was surprised to realize how much I loved this fresh energy for Halloween. Creating a whole new look and stepping into a new persona for a day can be a fun way to switch up your daily life and get creative.

My first costume was Barbie, which was projected to be the most popular costume this

year. Although I didn't want to do the same look as everyone else, I couldn't resist wanting to see what I would look like in a blonde wig and all pink accessories.

One of my friends did not even recognize me at first, and I had a good time doing something I had never done before.

My second costume was a couples costume with my boyfriend. He loves to cook and recently began working at a new restaurant in Waterloo called Salted Edge. So, we did a ratatouille-themed costume where he dressed as the chef, Linguini, and I was the rat, Remy.

We thought it turned out cute, and we got a lot of compliments on it.

I hope this costume trend continues and am already looking forward to seeing what costumes people wear next year!

All we can do is complain about the time change

BY SEN. JANA HUGHES

Dist. 24

We have again crossed the date on the calendar when most Americans unite together as one to change their clocks back an hour as we revert back to standard time.



Sen. Jana Hughes

In the spring, unless you live in Arizona or Hawaii, you will end up setting your clocks forward an hour to observe Daylight Savings Time. Indiana used to be a similar holdout in observing DST but they gave up and joined the rest of us in 2006.

The advent of smartphones and other digital devices have taken some of the work out of this exercise but many people still give up when they have to bother with resetting their microwave or stove clocks. So how did this all come about?

What silliness in governmental decision making led us to this twice a year exercise that everyone grumbles about, especially

parents with young children in school?

The idea of DST is not a new one. Founding father Ben Franklin proposed such an idea in 1784. Although old Ben was a jokester and proposed the idea in jest as a means to save his fellow colonists on the expense of candles.

Ben would have a hearty laugh today as he watched us struggle to be the early bird that gets the worm.

The idea of DST was brought up again in the late 1800s and was batted back and forth across the Atlantic between the United States and Europe. Several early advocates traversed the country in the early 1900s but didn't find many people interested in the idea of switching their clocks twice a year – it was hard enough to remember to wind them on a regular basis.

Farmers, long blamed for the reason why we have DST, opposed the idea back in the day on the basis that it was silly. They got up with their livestock, which in turn got up when the sun came up. Clocks don't mean much to a chicken, hog or steer.

It actually wasn't until near the end of World War I that the idea took root domestically and was instituted as a means to save energy during the difficult time of war. It was dispensed with and then brought back during World War II for the same reason and for better or worse has pretty much stuck around ever since.

Congress passed the Uniform Time Act in 1966 that made the application of DST standard across states. States could, under the UTA, opt out of DST and be permanently on standard time, but the law did not allow states to be permanently on DST.

Last year, U.S. Sen. Marco Rubio proposed and passed a bill in the U.S. Senate to establish DST year-round. However, his Sunshine Protection Act failed to pass the U.S. House of Representatives.

Prospects for something similar passing this year are even more bleak, considering Congress seemingly couldn't pass the ketchup at a picnic.

Former Nebraska State Sen. Tom Briese, who is now the Nebraska State Treasurer, pro-

posed LB143 to put Nebraska on year-round DST. LB143 advanced to the General File and remains available for further consideration when the Legislature reconvenes in January of 2024. However, Congress must first repeal the prohibition of states to be on DST year-round in order for LB143 to go into effect if passed.

So to summarize, we will still be waiting on that ketchup at the picnic.

Until the stars align and we agree as a nation that this twice a year exercise should be a thing of the past, we will continue to complain, discuss and write articles such as this about it. I don't have the answer.

But I do have a question. What time is it?

If I can be of assistance to you in any way, do not hesitate to contact my office. My staff members - Matt and Katie - are available to assist you with your needs and they pass along messages, so if you'd like a call back, let them know. Contact me by email at jhughes@leg.ne.gov, phone, (402) 471-2756 or on Facebook, Senator Jana Hughes.

RECORDS

Real estate

Information taken from records filed by the Seward County clerk.

Oct. 26 – Nov. 2

Will Mettenbrink to Complete Properties, LLC, Part of Lots 12-13, Block I of Davison and Culvers Addition to Milford. DS exempt

Judith Hromas to Lori Porter, Janene Welniak and Hope McDonald, Lot A, Administrative Replat of Lots 1-3, Block 40, Cloyd's Addition to Seward. DS exempt

Alice M. Ficke to Andrew Ficke, E1/2 SE1/4 30-10-4. DS \$38.25

Sandra A. Hughes to Joeann Campbell and John Campbell, a fraction of Tax Lot 153 in the SE1/4 2-9-3. DS \$605.25

JSGS Farms, LLC to Julianna H. Schluckebier, Lot 5, Block 2, Web Fourth Addition Corrected Plat of Seward. DS exempt

Julianna H. Schluckebier to the Julianna H. Schluckebier trust, an undivided 1/4 interest in the E1/2 SW1.4 6-10-2. DS exempt

Dana Kirk Nottingham to Danna Nottingham, Lot 1, Block 1, Heartland Park Estates Second Addition to Seward. DS exempt

Jeffrey Meinke and

Jennifer Meinke to Dolyn Meinke, an undivided 1/4 interest in the SW1/4 SE1/4 29-9-4 and the undivided 1/4 interest to a tract of land in the NW1/4 NE1/4 32-9-4. DS exempt

Charles H. Krutz, trustee, to James M. Krutz and Rose M. Beck, a tract of land in the SW1/4 NW1/4 22-11-3. DS exempt

Katherine Condon and Jerrold J. Condon, Vicky Vandenberg, Christine Brose and Alan D. Brose and Michael Moulton and Tesara R. Moulton to James A. Scott and Lisa M. Scott, Lots 7-9, Block 26, South and East Addition to Garland. DS \$427.50

Matthew T. Laetsch and Michelle J. Laetsch to Samuel J. Huntsman and Deedee M. Huntsman, Lot 8, Block 1, Valley View Estates Third Addition to Seward. DS \$969.75

Judy Earnest to Bryan C. Hast and Sue K. Hast and Kali S. Hast, Lot 6 in Block 1, Hromas Subdivision in Seward. DS \$675

Tyler J. Chicoine and Jessica J. Chicoine to Justin Zimmer and Megan Zimmer, Kremer Subdivision, located in the SW1/4 21-9-3. DS \$1,237.50

Traffic

Information taken from records filed by the Seward County court.

Oct. 23 – 27

Zayda R. Harvey-Moody, 18, Lincoln, speeding 11-15 mph municipal, \$75 fine.

Shane L. Dragoo, 49, Crete, speeding 6-10 mph municipal, \$25 fine; expired in-transit decal, \$50 fine.

Sarah A. Nelson, 26, Lincoln, no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, \$25 fine.

Mecco L. Stevens, 30, Denver, Colorado, speeding 36+ mph interstate, \$300 fine.

Terel D. Eisenbraun, 22, Wall, South Dakota, speeding 16-20 mph county/state, \$125 fine.

Parker J. Roth, 18, Milford, careless driving, \$100 fine.

Amadou Gone Dabo, 39, Columbus, Ohio, bald or improper use of tires, \$25 fine; careless

driving, \$100 fine.

Shemiah J. Nwansi, 63, Lincoln, speeding 11-15 mph county/state, \$75 fine.

Michael D. Brown, 53, Des Moines, Iowa, no operator's license/waiverable, \$75 fine.

Hanna R. Saucier, 20, Columbus, overtake/pass stopped school bus, \$500 fine.

Scott W. Shafer, 60, Seward, overtake/pass stopped school bus, \$500 fine.

R.P. Hoff, 88, Seward, speeding 16-20 mph county/state, \$125 fine.

Michael J. Saalfeld, 37, Seward, speeding 6-10 mph municipal/school, \$50 fine.

Jacquelyn L. Noxon, 68, Seward, speeding 6-10 mph municipal/school, \$50 fine.

Elissa A. Ellis, 42, Seward, overtake/pass stopped school bus, \$500 fine.

County court

Information taken from records filed by the Seward County court.

Oct. 23 – 27

Nathan A. Zwiener, 19, Lincoln, minor in possession ages 19-20, \$300 fine.

Brandon T. Saunders, 49, Lincoln, driving under suspension before reinstated, \$100 fine.

Damian A. Larson, 21, Seward, driving un-

der suspension before reinstated, \$100 fine.

Tyese L. Dennis, 24, Lincoln, no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, \$25 fine; driving under suspension before reinstated, \$100 fine; fail to appear or comply with citation, \$100 fine.

Chrystal D. Wise, 41, Milford, driving under suspension before reinstated, \$100 fine.



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Long-term care facilities concerned for future amidst new proposed rule

BY HANNA CHRISTENSEN
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On Sept. 1, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services proposed a rule that would require nursing homes to ensure residents receive a minimum number of nursing hours of care every day, have a registered nurse on staff at all times and expand resident assessment requirements.

Wilber Care Center Administrator Nicole Lane said WCC, along with other nursing homes, is hoping for the proposed rules to be delayed until there are enough qualified applicants to realistically meet those staffing levels.

However, she is unsure whether the levels will even be feasible to meet.

Shortly after the proposal, Nebraska Health Care Association President and CEO Jalene Carpenter released a statement that the rule disregards Nebraska's workforce crisis, which is especially prevalent in the healthcare field.

Nursing homes in the state are

already forking over an increased amount of money to staffing agencies to fill open positions and stay afloat. Lack of staff is even more prevalent in rural areas, and Carpenter said the rule is "out of touch with Nebraska's realities."

Lane said WCC currently staffs over what is considered the industry standard out of an effort to ensure quality care for everyone. However, even though the center is ahead of the game in that regard, she said it wouldn't be able to get as far as what the mandate would require, at least based on the way it is currently running.

"We want to ensure that the people in our facility are well taken care of, and that has helped us to be a five star facility – because we do put that first," Lane said. "But the reality of it is, if some of these things come into play, that will deplete some of the funds that we've saved and what we have to work with now."

"So, that does cause some concern." Lane said the rule's CNA and RN

mandated ratios do not take licensed practical nurses into account. She said LPNs can fulfill many of the same needs as CNAs and RNS and their training is more financially feasible.

According to Lane, grants are available to help people become CNAs and RNs, but even the addition of those grants has not been enough to meet staffing needs.

Lane said recent analyses from CMS found that tier one implementation of the rule may cost around \$37 million, and the average cost for a nursing home each year could be more than \$200,000.

"The numbers are pretty staggering to think about," Lane said. "It just isn't a viable option, given not only the cost but the lack of qualified applicants. It's not going to add up, essentially."

Increased costs could lead Wilber Care Center to have no choice but to increase prices for private pay, she said.

"We don't want to do that at all,"

Lane said. "So, that's something we're watching and trying to keep our pulse on."

Jeremy Nordquist, president of the Nebraska Hospital Association, released a statement that said the proposed rule would have a bottleneck effect on the state's entire healthcare system.

"Especially in rural states, we are seeing hospital patients waiting weeks – sometimes months – to be discharged to a nursing home for rehab or long-term care because there aren't enough available beds," he said.

The proposal is now open for public comment, Lane said.

"It's really important that we continue to talk about this and how it's going to play out," she said.

Carpenter said the rule was proposed even though 10 nursing homes and 13 assisted living communities have closed over the last three years due to lack of staff, pandemic-related costs and chronic underfunding.

"This proposed rule isn't a path to quality. It's a path to closure," he said.

HAPPENINGS

NOV. 9 COUNTY REPUBLICANS HOLD MONTHLY MEETINGS: The Seward County Nebraska Republicans invite any registered Republicans to attend monthly meetings on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (subject to change). Meeting locations may vary. Each month, meeting information and location will be posted on their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/SewardNEGOP and their website at SewardGOP.org.

INVITATION TO MEET AT THE GATHERING TABLE: Make plans to meet at The Gathering Table (Milford Mennonite Fellowship Hall at 920 F St). The table is set on the second Thursday of each month for this complementary meal. Come anytime between 5:30 and 7 p.m.

NOV. 11 HUNTER'S BREAKFAST: The Beaver Crossing Volunteer Fire Department hunter's breakfast will be Saturday, Nov. 11, from 5 – 10 a.m. A free will donation will be accepted.

NOV. 13

BILLY TROY PERFORMANCE: Musician/comedian Billy Troy will entertain Monday, Nov. 13, at 12:30 p.m. at the Milford Senior Center. Whether it's music from the 50s, 60s 70s from performers ranging from Merle Haggard to Paul McCartney, he does it all. The public is invited to come for lunch and stay for the show.

NOV. 16 CAR CLUB MEETS MONTHLY: The Seward Good Life Car Club will meet Thursday, Nov. 16, at 6 p.m. at the Pizza Kitchen in Milford for the last meeting of 2023. The group's next meeting will be in February, 2024. Topics will include participation in the Seward Christmas parade on Nov. 25.

NOV. 20 WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT: What's a Water Conservation District and why does Seward County have one? Learn about this district that covers eastern Seward County at an informational session from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 20, at the Pleasant Dale Community Hall, 110 Ash St., in Pleasant Dale. Experts from the Upper Big Blue Natural

Resources District and the University of Nebraska will present. The session is free and open to the public.

ONGOING TECH TIME THURSDAYS: Kelly Moore has volunteered to help people become more comfortable with technology at the Milford Senior Center every Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon. Sign up sheets are available at the center or call (402) 761-3367 to reserve a time.

G.I. CUP OF JOE: A veterans coffee will be every Wednesday from 7:30 – 9:30-ish at the Spare Time Lounge in Seward.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, AL-ANON MEETINGS: Alcoholics Anonymous groups will meet at the following times: Mondays at noon at the Civic Center in Seward; Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church in Seward; Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. at the Civic Center; Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. at the Bellwood Mennonite Church in Milford; Fridays at 7:30 p.m. at the Civic Center; Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. at the Civic Center; and Sundays at 9 a.m. at the Civic Center and 7 p.m. at Faith Lutheran

Church in Seward. Al-Anon meetings are scheduled at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Bellwood Mennonite Church in Milford and at 7:30 p.m. Fridays at the Civic Center in Seward.

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP: Come for coffee and fellowship Monday through Friday from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Milford Senior Center. Coffee, tea, pastries and other treats are served.

LUNCH SERVED AT MILFORD SENIOR CENTER: Lunch is served Monday through Friday at noon at the Milford Senior Center. Reservations must be made one day in advance by calling or leaving a message at (402) 761-3367. Meals for seniors ages 60 and older have a suggested contribution of \$7 for regularly scheduled meals. Meals for guests under age 60 are \$8. All are welcome.

YOGA CLASSES: Different yoga classes are offered weekly at the Milford Senior Center, led by Kelly Haney. Offerings include: Adapted Yoga on Mondays at 9 a.m.; Assisted Yoga on Wednesdays at 9 a.m.; using a chair for poses on Thursdays at 2 p.m. and Next Level Yoga on Fridays

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LEFT: The 2023 Milford Softball Year-End Awards went to Maeli Kubicek, left, Defensive Player of the Year; and Addisyn Mowinkel, Offensive Player of the Year.



Area Churches

<p>Bellwood Mennonite Church 520 S. B St. • Milford • 761-2709 Pastor Steve Griffin stephenpaulgriffin@gmail.com www.bellwoodchurch.org</p> <p>Sunday School (Adult & Jr./Sr. High)9:15 a.m. Sunday Worship10:00 a.m. Children's Church10:00 a.m. Grounded Youth (Wednesday) 7th-12th grade7:00-8:30 p.m. Christian Montessori School Ages 3-6 • 761-3095</p>	<p>Grace Missionary Church 501 Fairway Drive • Milford • 761-2084 Senior Pastor Andy Petro • andypetro.mwd@gmail.com Associate Pastor Levi Petro • leviticuspetro@gmail.com www.gracemissionary.org</p> <p>Sunday School9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship10:30 a.m. Midweek Prayer Tue., 7:00 p.m. Awana K-6th Grade (during school year).....Wed., 7:00 p.m. Sola Jr. & Sr. High (during school year).....Wed., 7:00 p.m. 5th Quarter (Youth Center after home games)..... 9:00 p.m.</p>
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<p>Family Life Assembly of God 303 S. A St. • Milford • 761-2664 Pastor Lamoin Lytle • familylifemilford.com</p> <p>Connect9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship10:00 a.m. KidLife & Vertical Youth Wed., 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Milford United Methodist Church 610 Second St. • Milford • 761-2375 Pastor Angela DeFisher umcmilfordne@gmail.com www.facebook.com/MilfordUnitedMethodistChurch Little Leaps of Faith • 402-761-3380</p> <p>Sunday School9:15 a.m. Sunday Worship10:30 a.m. Community Food Pantry Third Tuesday every month6:00-7:15 p.m.</p>
<p>Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 2668 Pioneers Road (1 mi. west of Milford) • 761-3146 Pastor Steve Stork www.goodshepherd-milford.org</p> <p>Sunday School – PreK-4th Grade (during school year).....9:00 a.m. Sunday Adult Bible Study.....9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship10:00 a.m. Monday Worship..... 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study Thurs., 8:30 a.m. Confirmation Class (during school year)..... Wed., 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>To find out how to list your church, call 402-643-3676.</p>

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Tips to protect turf, trees from winter damage

BY NICOLE STONER

ISA Certified Arborist and Extension educator

It's definitely getting colder outside. Winter isn't officially here yet, but it is on its way. There are still some garden tasks to do to ensure plant survival through winter.



Nicole Stoner

Winter care of turf

During the winter months, avoid walking or driving over frozen turf. If frost has formed and foot or vehicle traffic occurs, it can damage turfgrass. Winter

traffic can cause cosmetic damage, physical abrasion, and/or soil damage depending on the situation.

Too much traffic on turfgrass at a time when it cannot recover also leads to winter injury. If it isn't damaged too badly, it will green back up in the spring, but it will take longer.

Deicers are another winter issue, select deicers wisely and use them according to direction. Deicers applied to surfaces may run off and enter soil or be splashed onto nearby vegetation. In soil, salts reduce the availability of water to plants, which can increase water stress during spring and summer.

Essentially, the deic-

ing products draw the water away from plant cells, which causes them to dry out and die. If splashed onto foliage it may burn and kill plants growing adjacent to roadways.

Try to avoid piling the snow in the same location on the edge of your lawn each time it snows to spread out deicers on the lawn and reduce the damage.

You can also try kitty litter or sand or gravel to help get traction instead of deicers.

Winter care of trees

In the winter, we look to protect our trees from damage that can occur over the dormant season. Damage can occur to the trunk of trees from sunscald and from wildlife including deer

and rabbits. Sunscald happens on warm days in the winter when the cells of the bark warm up and then freeze rapidly at night.

Once the damage has occurred there is no cure for it, but you can use a tree wrap through the winter months to prevent the damage. Be sure to only leave tree wraps on for the winter months and only for the first few years of growth.

As for wildlife, exclusion with a fence is the best defense. The fence needs to be at least eight-feet tall for deer damage and two-feet tall for rabbits. Remember to account for snow height and go at least two-feet above that for rabbit defense.

We also deal with snow and ice loads on trees. The best option is to just let it all melt naturally. Trying to knock ice off may result in broken branches. You may carefully brush snow off of branches if you think it is necessary but leave ice to melt naturally.

As long as evergreen branches are not broken, they will return to a normal position.

Winter care of perennials

Winter mulch can be applied when temperatures are consistently dropping down to the twenties each night. Winter mulch is applied to herbaceous perennial plants to protect them from temperature fluctuations.

Any plants that were

just planted this fall and those plants that are especially tender such as roses, blue mist spirea and lavender could benefit from winter mulching. This mulch can be four to six inches deep through the winter. This is a good use for the fallen leaves in our lawns, rather than leaving that on the turf leading to snow mold this winter.

A mix of mulched leaves and wood chips will make a great winter mulch.

If you have any further questions, contact Nicole Stoner at (402) 223-1384, nstoner2@unl.edu, or visit the Gage County Extension website at www.gage.unl.edu.

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OCTOBER 31, 2023 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Board of Commissioner Meetings are held each Tuesday morning in the Seward County Courthouse at 9:00 a.m., except for the first Tuesday of each month when meetings will be held at 8:30 a.m. There will be a meeting on Friday, November 17 at 8:00 a.m. to approve claims. Notice of each meeting is posted on the Courthouse bulletin board and on the Commissioner's room door. The agenda for all meetings is kept continually current and is available for public inspection at the County Clerk's Office during normal business hours. The agenda is held open until one business day prior to the meeting for appearance before the Board. The Board has the right to modify the agenda to include items of an emergency nature only at such public meeting.

CLAIMS ALLOWED

NOVEMBER 17, 2023

The Seward County Board of Commissioners convened on October 31, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. Present: Chairperson: John Culver Members: Misty Ahmic, Raegan Hain, Ken Schmieding, Darrell Zabrocki County Clerk: Sherry Schweitzer Approved minutes of October 24, 2023. Officials gave updates of their offices.

Approved Certification of Distress Warrants and 1st Quarter Investment Report from County

Treasurer.

Approved First Bank of Utica to replace an Irrevocable Letter of Credit.

Approved request for funding for replacement of Justice Center IT items.

Approved pay exemption for an employee due to a change in status.

Approved Brandy Hafer as Public Transit Director.

Approved Veteran's Service Office request to purchase a desk.

Officials gave reports of their offices.

Approved Surplus Property Disposal Request from Public Transit.

Discussions were held on audio recordings and infrastructure related grants.

Approved the agenda for November 6, 2023 and adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

Sherry Schweitzer, County Clerk SCI/MT — November 08, 2023 ZNEZ

PROCEEDINGS OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLEASANT DALE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The following is a condensed version of the minutes from the October 12th 2023 meeting of the Pleasant Dale Board of Trustees. A complete copy of the minutes is on file with the Village Clerk's Office and posted at the following three places: the Community Hall, U.S. Post Office, and the American Legion's bulletin boards. The next regular meeting will be held on November 9th, 2023 at 7:00pm. Pleasant Dale Board of Trustees convened on October 12th 2023 at 7:00 p.m. The Chair noted

the posting location of the Open Meetings Act on the East Wall, as required by law. Members Present: Dennis Hill, Jeff Oehm, Leroy Trease, and Leslie Thomas. Also Present – Clerk: Kristi Bridgford Absent-Jack Jurgens Approval of the 9/14/2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. Affirmative Vote: Motion Carried. Commissioner's Reports Buildings –Nothing to report Fire –Nothing to report Parks – Jacks for basketball court are in, need to modify-Methodist Church Tournament-Ice cream Social Streets – Nothing to report Water/Sewer –Coliform Negative, Country well repairs went good-took 2-3 weeks, Sewer Machine has electrical issues Reports Planning and Zoning –working through zoning regs. Sheriff's Report-Emailed to board. Building Permits –0 Business Debra Myer Loose dogs-traumatic event-dog attacked another dog-check into humane society-all vet bills paid by owner of dog that attacked. Ball Field Care-Tabled Sidewalk Replacement and Concrete Apron-Estimate in packet-need to add to add to when work progresses Affirmative Vote: Motion Carried. Village Restrooms- Tabled Replacement of Trees in Park-Tabled Reviewed Revenue Report/ Approval of Claims for October 2023 Affirmative Vote: Motion Carried. Abbreviations: Ins- Insurance; Li- License Renewal; Pub-Publishing; Qt – Quarterly Filing; Re- Reimbursement; Se-Services; Su-Supplies; Tr-Travel; Tx – Tax, Ut-Utilities: Bridgford, K - Re \$28.82, Bromm Lindahl Freeman-Caddy - Se \$622.50, Farmers Coop - Su \$687.63, GBE - Se \$1500.00, G-Works -

Se \$2139.00, Hill, S - Re \$11.79, IRS - Tx \$1395.36, Miller and Associates - Se \$1085.70, Mink - Re \$111.87, Ne Dept. of Rev - Tx \$1904.64, NE Health Enviro Lab - Se \$15.00, Norris PPD - Ut \$882.20, One call concepts - Se \$20.00, Precision Parts - Su \$325.00, Sargent Drilling - Se \$6885.86, Uribe - Ut \$779.00, USPS - Su \$126.00, Western Oil - Su \$65.19, Windstream - Ut \$146.89 Salaries - \$1920.88 Total Claims- \$20653.33 Set Agenda for November 9th, 2023 Adjourned at 7:34 P.M. Kristi Bridgford, Village Clerk MT — November 08, 2023 ZNEZ

MEETINGS

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE:

Annual Meeting Seward County Ag. Society Monday, November 20, 2023 6:30 p.m. Harvest Hall Conference Room Seward County Fairgrounds

Michael J. Flyr Secretary, Seward County Ag. Society

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Aldean's music video filmed outside of Milford

BY DOUG CARROLL
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If you have happened to see country music star Jason Aldean's video to his new song "Let Your Boy's Be Country" and thought some of the scenes and the people in them look familiar, don't worry, you're not going crazy.

Many of the scenes, and the people in them, were filmed just outside of Milford a few weeks ago.

Molly and David Dickinson, who own Midwest Feeding Company just north of Milford, hosted a video production crew and found local people to be part of the video.

"I've known the producer, Shaun Silva, and his wife, Shannon, for a long time," Molly Dickinson said. "We've been in each other's weddings, and have been friends for a long time."

So when Silva started

thinking about possible locations, he thought of my boys right away.

"He called and asked if there was any way I could get a bunch of country boys together for some waterfowl hunting and dirt bike scenes, and I said 'Sure'"

So Dickinson started asked her kids and some of their friends, as well as other families in the Milford area if they might like to be part of a music video.

The answer, not surprisingly, was a resounding "YES!"

"I was kind of in shock at first when she first talked to me about it," said her son, Hunter, a senior at Milford High School, but I was pretty excited."

"We didn't have to do much, and it went a lot quicker than I thought it would," said Hunter. "You could definitely see me in a few shots in the finished video, so that was really fun."

Fellow Milford senior Conner Kohout agreed.

"It was a really cool experience," Kohout said. "It was just crazy to see all of the equipment they use and all of the different angles they shoot from. It was really neat to see how it all came together in the video"

"It was definitely a good time. We were just doing all of the things that we normally do anyway, so it was a great experience."

For Silva, who has won numerous awards for the videos he produces, the Milford and Decatur area farm where Molly grew up were perfect for the video.

"It isn't the first time I've been to Molly's part of the country - it's a beautiful part of country with awesome people, and I always know I can count on Molly," Silva said.

"What made the finished product really work," Silva said, "is



COURTESY PHOTO

Milford High seniors Macy Stutzman and Hunter Dickinson are filmed by Shaun Silva to be part of the new Jason Aldean music video "Let Your Boys be Country."

these kids aren't actors. These were just people doing what they do."

For Macy Stutzman, another Milford senior that got to be part of the video, it was something she won't soon forget.

"It was a super-fun experience - I probably won't get another experience like that my entire life," Stutzman said, adding that country is her favorite type of music.

Stutzman, an ardent country music fan, just wishes that Aldean would have filmed his part of the video in Milford.

"That would have been awesome!"

Community comes together to can meat



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Volunteers and residents can the meat in the mobile truck during the meat canning on Nov. 2.



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Volunteers help put labels on cans during the Milford Mobile Meat Canning on Nov. 2.



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