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Hereford Crossroads Reception Planned for October 2017

Terri Licking

The third annual Hereford Crossroads Reception will be held at the Loup County Events Center in Taylor, on Saturday, October 21. The reception is open 3:00 to 9:00 p.m.; and supper will be served at 6:00 p.m.

This is a gathering for those who love the proud breed with the white face. The reception will feature prominent area Hereford breeders and organizations. Attendees will learn about the continued effort to establish a Nebraska Hereford Museum in the Nebraska Sandhills.

"This year's Hereford Crossroads celebration is one of only a very few events earning the designation of an official Nebraska sesquicentennial celebration," said Hereford Crossroads committee member Linda Teahon. "This is because it has a focus on agricultural history."

New members will be inducted into the Nebraska Hereford Hall of Fame at the reception. The current list includes Charlie Warner, Sam McKelvie, Wilbur Drybread and John Cooksley. Other tentative plans include a showing of the art of Bud Snidow and Tom Phillips, a lunch and tour at Bootleg Brewers, displays of Hereford breeder memorabilia, a cash bar and door prizes.

The registration fee is \$25 per person or \$40 per couple and may be sent to



Charles Warner, with his prize bull, Golden Design 14. GD 14 is forever immortalized in metal, and travels the state to promote the Nebraska Hereford history. He will be on hand at this year's reception in Taylor.

Dixie Hoffman, P.O. Box 192, Thedford, NE, 69166. Checks should be made out to Hereford Crossroads.

Please RSVP to Linda Teahon at superioraster16@hotmail.com or (308) 430-0786 by October 12. If emailing, please include "Hereford Crossroads" in the subject line. Also contact Teahon if you wish to donate a door prize for the event.

Attendees are also encouraged to visit the Sandhills Heritage Museum in Dunning to view the exhibit on Hereford ancestry. Teahon can help arrange a visit.

Lodging is available nearby, as are the Burwell and Ord airports.

Protecting the Future

Protecting Lives, Protecting Property, Protecting the Future. This statement and Nebraska's Natural Resources Districts go hand in hand. This week we will be diving into what the Upper Loup NRD does to Protect the Future.

Marian Wright Edelman says that "Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than you found it." Education is a way the ULNRD is protecting the future. Giving students a passion for the environment and natural resources now will lead to a greater appreciation as they grow into adulthood. The ULNRD has many educational activities available to students of all ages. Adventure Camp About the Environment is a highlight of the summer at the ULNRD! Every June middle schoolers from across the state diverge on the Nebraska State 4-H Camp to learn about all things relating to the environment such as range, water quality, wildlife, soils, recycling, and much more! This year's camp will be held June 10th-15th! More information about this year's camp will be available after the first of the year.

The Upper Loup NRD also will present for any school or community organization at request. Pre-



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The Upper Loup NRD offers many educational activities for students of all ages.

sentations can focus on many different topics from water and wildlife to pollution and recycling. Every year the Upper Loup NRD travels to all local schools to do Arbor Day presentations. In the fall, all area schools are invited to a Jr. High Field Day here at the office. This year's field day was held September 6th. We had perfect weather and a great day! Feel free to give us a call if your class or organization would like to come have a tour of our recycling facility or if you would like us to present in your class.

ULNRD also facilitates boater and hunter safety education classes. Boater Safety classes usually take place in the spring if

there is enough interest. Hunter Safety is held in the fall and this year will take place on October 21 and 22 from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. both days. More information about how to get registered for this class will be available soon.

Education is the key to the future of our world. Giving children a better understanding and appreciation for our environment will create a bigger interest from them in the future. Our children could be future environmental scientists or wildlife biologists who work to preserve our natural resources. Through education the Upper Loup NRD is working to protect our future.

Licking & Lee receive Awards of Achievement From NASB

The Nebraska Association of School Boards (NASB), Board of Directors and staff, recognized the 2017 Award of Achievement recipients during the Valentine Region Meeting on Monday, August 28, 2017.

NASB is a private, non-profit organization that serves the needs of Nebraska public school districts and Educational Service Unit board members. Nebraska's 1,724 school board members from across the state may participate in board development training throughout the year by attending workshops and conferences to help strengthen their role in governance, legislative advocacy, and stewardship of district resources in support of student achievement.

In recognition of their volunteer time and commitment to education, the Association commends continued participation and growth in knowledge and best practice governance. Through the Awards of Achievement program, the following board members in attendance were recognized at the meeting for their outstanding excellence:

Level 1 - Michelle Shelton and Krista Wegner, Gordon Rushville School; Eric Johnson, Keya Paha County School.

Level 2 - Erin Rathe,



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NASB President Linda Richards of Ralston, center, recently presented John Lee, left, and Bridget Licking with Awards of Achievement.

Ainsworth Community Schools; Michael Ziller, Gordon Rushville School; and John Lee, Thedford Public Schools.

Level 3 - Don Connell Keya Paha County School; Mark Frick, Keya Paha Co. School; Gary Olberding and Mike Stracke, Stuart Public Schools, Mark Kruger, Gordon Rushville School, and Will Fischer, Valentine Community Schools.

Level 4 - Brad Wilkins, Ainsworth Community Schools; Deb Compton, Cody-Kilgore Unified Schools; Kent Lopez, Valentine Community Schools and Bridget Licking, Thedford Public Schools.

Level 5 - Dan Dailey, Ainsworth Community Schools.

Level 7 - Mark Johnson, Ainsworth Community Schools.

Board members are awarded for their participation in NASB Services and Programs as well as attendance at NASB workshops and events. Just as board members have made a commitment to provide a quality education for students in their districts, NASB strives to provide quality resources and opportunities for its members. There are ten total levels of achievement that carry over year to year.

Expansion of Irrigated Acres Application Fast Approaching

The Upper Loup NRD Board of Directors voted to approve new irrigated acres for 2018. There are 2500 acres available across the district, 500 acres per sub-district. Landowners must apply for these acres. Forms can be downloaded from our website at www.upperloupnrd.org or by calling the office at 308-645-2250 and requesting an application. These applications are due SEPTEMBER 30th. For more information please call or visit the office.

Free farm & ranch clinics

Farmers and ranchers are invited to attend a free clinic. The clinics are one-on-one, not group sessions, and are confidential. The Farm Finance clinic gives you a chance to meet with an experienced Ag law attorney

and Ag financial counselor. These clinic staff specialize in legal and financial issues related to farming and ranching, including financial planning, estate and transition planning, farm loan programs,

debtor/creditor law, water rights, and other relevant matters. A clinic will be held Wednesday, September 20 in North Platte. Call 1-800-464-0258 to sign up or for more information.

Nebraska LEAD Announces 2017-19 Fellows

Nebraska LEAD (Leadership Education/Action Development) Group 37 participants have been announced by the program's director, Terry Hejny. The two-year program began in September.

The newest members of Nebraska's premier two-year agricultural leadership development program are involved in production agriculture and/or agribusiness in Nebraska.

Bree DeNaeyer of Seneca is among the Nebraska LEAD Fellows named.

"We are proud to say that Class 37 appears to be filled with outstanding individuals from throughout the state and I am excited to get started with them. Our job will be to prepare and motivate them for future leadership roles in their community, our state and beyond," Hejny said.

LEAD Fellows will participate in 12 monthly three-day seminars across Nebraska, a 10-day national study/travel seminar and a 14-16 day international study/travel seminar. The goal of the program is to develop problem solvers, decision makers and spokespersons for agriculture and Nebraska.

Seminar themes include leadership assessment and potential, natural resources and energy, leadership through communication, agricultural policy and finance, Nebraska's political process, global perspectives, nuclear energy, social and cultural issues, understanding and developing leadership skills, agribusiness and marketing, information technology, advances in health care, the resources and people of Ne-



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Bree DeNaeyer of Seneca will be a Nebraska LEAD 2017-19 Fellow.

braska's Panhandle and other areas designed to develop leaders through exposure to a broad array of current topics and issues and how they interrelate.

The Nebraska LEAD Program is operated by the non-profit Nebraska Agricultural Leadership Council in cooperation with the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and 12 other institutions of higher education throughout Nebraska.

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