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Local wins 'Big Idea' competition

Bobbi Walters topped nine adult competitors Wednesday, October 20, to take home the \$8,000 top prize in the second annual Big Idea North Platte competition.

Walters garnered the most votes from Brigham's Taproom audience members with her proposed Bunkhouse Media video production business.

Five judges listened as contestants gave their pitch and cut the final adult ballot to five.

Walters grew up at O'Neill and has broadcast journalism and videography experience. She majored in entertainment in college in Nashville, Tennessee.

Walters and Quincy Opela of Stapleton, will be married November 13. She is currently working at First State Bank in North Platte and would like to launch her "branded stories" for small businesses while filming special events like concerts and weddings. Walters said her future plans include a store front and website.

"Every small business, couple, or idea has a story and I believe those stories deserve to be told. As a video production company, I am dedicated to telling your story. With digital technology leveling the playing field in business today, videography is a great way to share your brand's story in order to improve your brand's recognition and build value as well as reach new customers. I'm



Bobbi Walters with her Bunkhouse Media pitch, was the \$8,000 winner in the second annual Big Idea North Platte competition.

excited to service the area and see small businesses thrive with videography." "I LOVE, LOVE!" I strive to capture every detail on a couple's special day, so they can relive these moments every time they watch their video."

Couples who hire her to record their wedding will see her there all day she said in her two-minute presentation. The \$5,000 runner-up prize went to Josh Sperle, whose Hide Park Apparel recycles leather remnants

of used footballs to produce customized ball caps. Adi Fernandez took third and rounding out the final five were William Merritt and Jon Keck.

Alex Schimek, a North Platte High School junior, won a \$1,000 scholarship for his Pristine Clean service business. He was the only youth division entrant.

Logan & McPherson Counties receive dividend checks

Logan and McPherson Counties have received membership dividend checks.

Logan County received \$2,847 and McPherson County, \$2,220, from the Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association (NIRMA), the county's property, liability and workers' compensation coverage and risk management services provider.

The dividends were part of a \$1 million distribution shared with 81 Nebraska counties and nine county-associated agencies during NIRMA's annual membership conference October 21-22 in Kearney.

With the latest distribution, Logan County has now received a total of \$67,358 and McPherson Co. \$34,903 in dividends since becoming a member of NIRMA in 1992. NIRMA is able to issue these dividends, in part,

due to favorable claims development, investment income earned on behalf of its membership, as well as the members' ongoing loss prevention efforts.

NIRMA is owned and governed by the 83 member counties and 23 county-associated public entities it serves. This marks the 35th time since 1991 and the 26th consecutive year the program has been able to return funds, now totaling \$24.5 million, to its members and ultimately their local property taxpayers.

NIRMA was created by 32 counties in 1988 as the state's first governmental risk management and self-insurance program, and for 34 years has provided affordable insurance coverages and comprehensive risk management and loss prevention services to Nebraska counties and related public agencies.

Three state senators issue statement on gender identity revisions

Senators Joni Albrecht, representing District 17 with Wayne State College, Tom Brewer representing District 43 with Chadron State College and Julie Slama representing District 1 with Peru State College, implore the State College Board of Trustees to halt proposed gender identity revisions.

"The proposed revision to Board Policy 5007 and New Board Policy 5012 that incorporate gender identity ideology run into many of the same issues from the Nebraska Department of Education's proposed health education standards, which drew opposition from the majority of State Senators in the Nebraska Legislature and thousands of concerned parents and taxpayers."

'Bronco Branded Beef' helping serve locally grown beef to students

The Bronco Branded Beef program has been working with local producers since 2018 to bring healthy, nutritious, and locally grown beef to students at Stapleton Public Schools.

Several producers who have donated beef include Jim and Kristy Opela/Bar 11, Lincoln County Feed Yard, Duane and Kendi McClain, Philip and Sonya Charlton, Hansen Angus Ranch, Warren Ranch and Diamond Bar Ranch. Zach and Marlena Sheets have made a pork donation.

Those donating toward processing have been: Prime Donors: \$1,000+ - Farm Credit Services

Choice Donors: \$500.00 - \$999.00 - Adams Bank & Trust

Select Donors: \$250.00 - \$499.00 - Linda Gaffney and Frey's General Store

Beef Boosters: \$20.00 - \$249.00 - Sandy Lanka, Margaret Ann Neal, Hild Propane, MJK CPA, Milissa Kramer, Creative Printers, Kimber's, Community First Bank, Chris Harvey, Steve and Sally Schaeffer and Logan County Farm Bureau.

The program also provides educational components to help students understand the nutritional value of beef, as well as an understanding of where their food comes from.

Bronco Branded Beef

Committee wants our students served beef and pork from local producers, home grown.

Committee members are Kristy Opela, Kendi McClain, Kennetha Amos, Lauren Leetch, Marlena Sheets and Lynnsey Williams. If anyone would like to donate beef or pork, or make a monetary donation, you may contact Stapleton Public Schools at 308-636-2252.

Be In Stapleton Saturday, Nov. 20 For Light It Up! See Poster On Page 12

Honoring all who served

VETERANS DAY

11TH NOVEMBER

Stapleton Public Schools
10:00 A.M.
Soup Supper - 5:00 P.M. - Vet's Club
Free Will Donation • Sponsored By
V.F.W. & American Legion Post Auxiliaries

McPherson County Schools - Tryon
10:00 A.M.

-- News Briefs --

Chamber To Meet November 17

The Stapleton Area Chamber of Commerce will be meeting Wednesday, November 17, at noon at the Stapleton Community Center. Plans will be finalized for Light It Up! set for Saturday, November 20.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be in town, there will be hay rack rides for kids, and music by LaVon Harwager of Arnold. A large craft and vendor show will once again take place in the Stapleton Community Center. Plan to attend the meeting and help booster our town.

Veterans Day Soup Supper

V.F.W. Auxiliary Unit 8258 and American Legion Auxiliary Unit 324 will be hosting their annual soup supper, Thursday, November 11, at the Vet's Club in Stapleton.

Chili and potato soup, oyster stew, and chowder will be served beginning at 5:00 p.m. There will be cake for dessert.

A free will donation will be taken.

Please join us as we honor and thank our area Veterans.

Weather

DATE	HI	LOW	MT.
29	58	30	0
30	65	30	0
31	63	36	0
Nov 1	40	31	.21
2	33	28	.04
3	38	29	0
4	60	28	0
5	66	28	0

Observations: October 29 - Beautiful day - no wind; November 1 - 2" of snow and November 2 - 0.4" of snow.
Total Moisture For October: 1.10"
Total Normal For October: 1.72"
Total Moisture To Date: 18.71"
Normal Average Annual Moisture: 22.97"

Thank A Veteran Today!

McPherson Co. News



- Over The Hills
- Graphic Files
- Between The Lines
- Senior Lunch Menu

Notices

- Application For Registration Of Trade Name HI/Cattle Co.
- Logan County BOE & Commissioners Meeting Notice
- Village Of Gandy Board Proceedings
- School District R-1 Meeting Notice

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