

Trick Roper Entertains Crowd

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There was lots of applause and smiles at the Stapleton Community Center Friday, June 28, as the Logan County Library hosted Joan Wells and “The History of Trick Roping & Wild West Shows.” Pictures were shared with the audience of numerous performances at various locations throughout Joan’s years of trick roping.

Wells won the 1979 title of Women’s World Champion Trick Roper at the Will Rogers Trick Roping Contest in Claremore, Washington. She was inducted to the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame in Fort Worth, Texas.

Wells said she always wanted to be a cowgirl from an early age after learning about horses and trick roping from her cousin, Almon Bates, a rodeo cowboy and trick roper. She started roping at the age of four and then took further instruction from Jim Eskew Jr., World Champion Trick Roper from Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Joan’s visit to Logan County was supported by Humanities Nebraska and was free to the public.

“The History of Trick

Roping & Wild West Shows”is one of approximately 300 programs offered through the Humanities Nebraska Speakers Bureau.

Wells let kids in the audience try their hand at the art of trick roping and Justin Kraus, 13, of Mullen, stayed 30 minutes after the presentation for some one-on-one instruction. Justin left the show with a rope and an autographed picture.

During her career, Wells has made 50 performances at the Will Rogers follies and appeared with LeAnn Rimes Patsy Montana, Slim Pickens, and Grandpa Jones. She performed in the 65th annual Thanksgiving Day parade in New York and for the Buffalo Bill and Pawnee Bill Wild West Shows. She has appeared at state fairs in Nebraska and Kansas, and countless festivals, conventions, stage shows and at museums.

Humanities Nebraska programs last 30 minutes to an hour and feature a question-and-answer period. For information on available speakers and guidelines for booking call 402-474-2131 and access may be found at www.humanitiesnebraska.org.



Lily Ramirez was a willing participant as Joan Wells used trick roping skills to twirl a rope around her. Also pictured is Brooklyn Ramirez.

Melody Hansen

Flags Fly Again



MARCIA HORA - THE STAPLETON ENTERPRISE

Veterans organizations of Stapleton put up flags on poles this year for Flag Day and the 4th of July. Many favorable comments were heard about how nice it was to see flags flying on Highway 92 through Stapleton. Pictured above is the flag at the corner of Main Street near Brush Fire Studio. Thank you to those who helped make this possible.

The Stapleton Cooperative Market & Deli once again sponsored a fireworks stand at the East Side Fire Station as a money-making project for the store.

The 37th annual Stapleton Junior Rodeo was held Saturday, July 6 at the Logan County Fairgrounds. The annual event draws a large crowd of contestants and spectators every year. Serving as coordinators this year were Cody and Charlie Sierks. The rodeo is made possible through donations from local and area businesses and individuals.

Music On Main Street

Stapleton will host the Your Momz House motorcycle group Saturday, July 13. Vendors, crafters and a Farmer’s Market will be set up on the west side of Main Street from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited and encouraged to come in and there is no charge to set up your booth.

Velda Cassell is coordinating the music jam session from 7:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. that evening.

Anyone wishing to play music should contact Velda at 308-636-6725. She will be serving a pulled pork and salad meal that night at the Vet’s Club. There will be no charge to listen to the music. Please bring your lawn chairs.

Stapleton businesses will be promoting shopping that day and Marcia’s Birthday Blowout at Herbie’s Speakeasy will offer specials, prizes, and

pie and ice cream.

Your Momz House motorcycle group stopped in Stapleton last year during a thunderstorm and enjoyed the village so much they are making a return trip.

Your Momz mission is to provide compassionate support and a sense of community for mothers who have experienced the tragic loss of a loved one in a motorcycle accident.

Advance rodeo tickets going on sale Monday

Advance tickets for Nebraska’s Biggest Little Rodeo in Stapleton will go on sale July 15. Adult tickets are \$8.00 in advance and \$10.00 at the gate. Children (ages 6-11) are \$4.00 in advance and \$5.00 at the gate. Tickets are available at Country Partners in Stapleton and Arnold, Creative Printers, Frey’s General Store, Kimber’s, The Feed Bunk, Stapleton Cooperative Market & Deli, Arnold Insurance Agency, Neal Oil & Auto Center, Tryon, and Town & Country Western Wear, North Platte. Advance tickets go off sale August 1 at 5:00 p.m.

Area parking bids are now being accepted at \$25.00 (minimum) per space. The highest bidder

will have first choice of their spot. Deadline to have your bid in will be July 29. Calls to winning bidders will be made by July 31. Mail bids to Logan County Ag Society, P.O. Box 173, Stapleton, NE 69163.

The 2024 Logan County Fair & Rodeo will begin Sunday, July 28, with a country music jam session at 2:00 p.m. at the Logan County Fair Building. The ice cream social will be sponsored by V-a-e-r-o Wireless. Contact Ken Jividen at 308-870-5547 if you would like to participate.

The deadline to reserve a bale for the hay bale decorating contest is July 25. Call Peggy Peterson at 308-636-6228 to reserve your bale.

Check in for the Logan County Fair parade is at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, August 3. The parade will begin at 2:00 p.m. and this year’s theme is “Stars & Stripes Forever.” Contact Milissa Kramer at 308-636-2560 for more parade information.

Donation letters will be mailed for the annual Stapleton Area Chamber of Commerce tailgate barbecue. The barbecue will be served from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Stapleton Park. This will be a free will donation and it is a money-making project for Chamber.

For a complete schedule of all fair and rodeo events, including 4-H, see the poster inside this issue on page 2.

Powell Benefit

Friends of Matthew Powell, owner of Out of the Grain Woodworking in Stapleton, are organizing a spaghetti feed, bake sale and silent auction to help raise funds after a devastating fire destroyed his home, garage, vehicle and retail store. Powell recently opened the business and was crafting cutting boards, signs, coasters, charcuterie boards and essentials. All of his woodworking equipment and inventory was lost in the fire.

The benefit will be held Saturday, July 20, beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the Vet’s Club in Stapleton. This will be a free will donation meal. Silent auction items will be available and if you would like to donate you may contact Lori Streit at 308-380-5131.

An account has been set up at Community First Bank in Stapleton. Donations may also be made on his grocery account at Stapleton Cooperative Market & Deli.

Weather

DATE	HI	LO	MT
29	85	61	0
30	80	59	0
July 1	80	60	.27
2	73	68	.10
3	81	59	.22
4	87	59	.81
5	79	52	0

Observations:

Fog and thunder was observed on July 1. With a wind gust of 38 MPH at 6:30 a.m. on July 1. Thunder was recorded on July 3 and 4. A small amount of pea size hail was observed on July 4. Total june moisture was 4.54” (more than the combined total of the last three Junes). Total moisture to date is 13.96”.

McPherson Co. News



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- Fair BBQ & Gospel Show August 10

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Vacation Bible School At Gandy Community Bible Church July 15-18

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