



Chester is sprucing up downtown. Saturday, the village parking lines and handicap spots were painted in the 500 block of Thayer Ave.



This is north of Superior at the Ben Bergen residence. Burning the remaining wood from a building that was torn down. Photo by Lorraine Smith.

Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities Conference review

By Jason Tuller
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Last month in this column, I reviewed the Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities Conference. This was held last week, and it was a great conference. The conference will be held next year in Ord, with the dates yet to be determined. This year's conference in Tekamah really set the bar high.

The pre-conference activities started with a local bus tour of the surrounding communities in the county. It was well attended. That evening there was a farm-to-table dinner. On the first day of the conference, we kicked off with a

speaker and then had three different breakout session times where we walked to downtown businesses for our sessions. For the evening entertainment we had a block party where not only conference attendees came, but the whole county was invited. It was a nice time with more than 20 vendors of food and other goods. There was also a band. Ord will definitely have to bring its A game to top this.

On the second day of the conference our kickoff speaker was Melissa Nelson. She shared many important ideas with us. The first was that, if you want cool things to happen in your small town...then you have to do cool things. You can't just have cool things happen in your community and not participate. You need to come out and support the cool things that are already happening in your community. One cool thing that she and her friends

started was a holiday shopping tour. It started out at the end of 2020, during the times of COVID, and it consisted of her and a few of her friends driving around to different stores to shop. Six years later it is a giant shopping event. Now this is a planned shopping tour, with maps and participating businesses. You can hop on a bus, or you can drive yourself. This weekend shopping trip now has dozens of stops and she showed many pictures of small communities with a full downtown all because of a group of ladies wanted to go shopping together.

What cool things do you want to do? Are you going to do them? Are you going to invite others?

After a few more breakout sessions, our closing speaker was Buck Rasmussen, a former Super Bowl champion. He spoke about overcoming adversity. For him much of the adversity in life came from sports injuries, but he eventually overcame and became a Super Bowl champion. I'm pretty sure he was wearing the ring during the presentation. Oh, how much adversity can a Super Bowl champion really face? Well, when you look at the details, a lot. He may be a Super Bowl champion, but he didn't play a down in the game. In his own words he was a scrub. In his story he talks about how his wife was pregnant and fighting cancer, the new baby had a severe health issue that he became the head nurse for, and other personal struggles. He was able to handle it all, until he couldn't. Even though he had played sports all his life, during this time of personal struggle is when he found the real need for a team.

Is there someone in your community that is putting everything on their own shoulders and carrying the community forward? Can you help them? Can you volunteer to come beside them? Join the team and help them move forward. People eventually get burnt out doing everything alone. Work together, become a team!

THANK YOU!

I would like to thank everyone that came to my 90th birthday celebration and for the many cards I received.

Thanks, too, for the gifts and to my family for coming and putting it all together. I really enjoyed it.

Mervin Thayer

We hope to see you at the Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities Conference next year in Ord, come and experience it for yourself!

If your community could benefit from any of the Rural Prosperity Nebraska ideas that I've discussed in this column, please reach out to me. I'd love to speak to your community about these topics. You can reach me at jason.tuller@unl.edu or at the Thayer County office at 402-768-7212.

Courthouse News Nuckolls County

Deeds

Camella Jacobe - agent, Monica Buster to Bradley Purcell and Tracy Purcell; Lot 10 in Block 3, North Superior.

Janice Grabast and Donald L. Grabast to Adrian Borgen and Megan Borgen; Lot 12 in Block 19, North Superior.

Patricia Ann Kussman to Kristein Lyn Cordoba; Lots 3 and 4 in Block 11, Original Town of Hardy.

Eickmann Farms, LLC to Kurt D. Eickmann; 04-04-05 Part SW1/4, 05-04-05 SE 1/4; 08-04-05 N 1/2 NW 1/4. Kurt D. Eickmann and Debbie D. Eickmann to Kurt D. Eickmann and Debbie D. Eickmann; 04-04-05 Part SW1/4, 05-04-05 SE 1/4; 08-04-05 N 1/2 NW 1/4.

Kurt D. Eickmann and Debbie D. Eickmann to Cody J. Eickmann; 08-04-05 N 1/2 NW 1/4, 04-04-05 W 1/2 NW 1/4.

Kurt D. Eickmann and Debbie D. Eickmann to Christopher Eickmann; 05-04-05 Part NE 1/4, SE 1/4.

Debbie D. Eickmann and Kurt D. Eickmann to Christopher Eickmann and Jacey Eickmann; 04-04-05 Part SW 1/4.

Wilbur U. Young and Michelle R. Young to Dylan Reinke; Lot 3 and Part Lot 4 in Block 22, Original Town of Superior.

Tibbets Bros., Inc. to BSJS Properties, LLC; Lots 6, 7 and 8 in Block 25, Original Town of Nelson.

Scott O'Brian and Amanda O'Brian to Joanna Vandenbloom; Lots 4, 5, 8 and 9 in Block 23, Peter E. Sparks 1st Addition to Nelson.

Robert G. Leibel and Geraldine Leibel to Robert G. Leibel and Geraldine Leibel co-trustees, Robert and Geraldine Living Trust; Lot 4 in Block 3, Second Highland Estates - Quyn Subdivision of Superior.

Public Notices

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Notice of Organization

Notice is hereby given that Care Companion Transportation, L.L.C., a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, is organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska, with its initial designated office located at 2474 Road 3400, Deweese, Nuckolls County, Nebraska 68934. The name, street and mailing address of the initial agent for service of process of the Company is Michelle Sorsen, 2474 Road 3400, Deweese, Nuckolls County, Nebraska 68934.

The general nature of its business is to engage in any and all lawful business for which a Limited Liability Company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska and for all other purposes authorized by law. The Limited Liability Company commenced business on April 17, 2026 and has perpetual duration. Its affairs shall be conducted by the managing members, pursuant to an Operating Agreement duly adopted by the Company.

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Nuckolls County Invitation For Bids

Notice is hereby given that Nuckolls County is soliciting bids for a roof restoration project at the Nuckolls County Courthouse in Nelson, NE. Bidding documents and plans will be available on May 14, 2026, at A&D Technical Supply, 4320 S. 89th St. Omaha, NE (402-592-4950).

The Pre-Bid Walk-Through will be held on May 27, at 10 a.m. at 580 South Main Street, Nelson, NE 68961. Meet on the north side of the courthouse.

Bids are due to the Nuckolls County Courthouse (580 S. Main St. Nelson, NE 68961) by 4 p.m. on June 5, 2026. June 8, 2026, at 10 a.m., bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Commissioners hearing room. Board action will occur at a later date following the bid opening.

All bids shall be made on the printed forms attached to and made as part of the Proposed Contract Documents.

Contact Leroy Svatora (402-475-0597, ls@berggrenarchitects.com) for additional bid information.

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The Nuckolls County Board of Commissioners Proceedings April 20, 2026

The Nuckolls County Board of Commissioners met Monday, April 20, 2026, in the Board Meeting Room at the Courthouse, Nelson, Nebraska, per recess of March 16, 2026. Zikmund, Grove and Mussmann are present for the meeting. The agenda of said meeting was remitted to board members in advance of the meeting and is posted in the County Clerk's office and on the County Website. Acting Chairman Mussmann announced the 'Open Meetings Act Law' as posted in the Commissioners Board Meeting Room and handouts are available.

The board reconvened at 8:30 a.m. Grove made a motion to approve the Agenda and the March 16, 2026, minutes Seconded Mussmann. Grove and Mussmann voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Zikmund to approve all claims and payroll for the total amount of \$275,073.98. Seconded by Mussmann. Grove and Mussmann all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Cindy Buescher, Highway Supt., and Donald Williams, Foreman re: weekly activities and miscellaneous business; a report submitted by Buescher of the Road Department employees' daily activities. Buescher reminded the board that she would be at Nirma training on Thursday. Buescher presented a quote for the purchase of a 2024 Ford Pickup for the Road Department. Williams explained that the vault was completed at the Nelson Shop for the Road Records to be removed from the Courthouse Basement.

A motion was made by Zikmund to approve the Utility Permit No. 69 for Great Plains Communication. Seconded by Grove. Zikmund, Grove and Mussmann voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Grove to approve Pledged Securities presented by Deputy Treasurer Svoboda. Seconded by Zikmund. Grove and Mussmann voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Grove to approve the 2025 South Central Eco-

nomie Development Annual Report presented by Sharon Huefle. Seconded by Mussmann. Zikmund, Grove and Mussmann voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Attorney John Hodge and Veteran's Service Officer Kady Schnitker held conversations with the board regarding a possible Interlocal Agreement with Clay County for Schnitker to extend VSO services. Attorney Hodge explained that an interlocal agreement for employment of Clay and Nuckolls County was unnecessary, that an agreement of splitting continuing education and accreditation would be more appropriate.

Chairman Zikmund recessed the regular Board Meeting at 10:40 a.m. to enter Board of Equalization meeting. Chairman Zikmund reconvened the Board of Commissioners meeting at 10:41 a.m.

There being no further business the meeting was recessed at 10:48 a.m. until Monday, May 4, 2026.

Timothy Zikmund, Chairman

By: Carrie Miller, County Clerk

Adams County Justice Center

..... \$3,410.00

Aflac \$2,008.10

Ameritas - Retirement \$24,601.69

Anstine Fire Equipment Co. \$715.00

Applied Connective Technologies \$1,466.90

Auto Glass Experts LLC \$770.00

BCBS \$72,017.11

Beam Insurance Administrators \$572.74

Benchmark Government Solutions LLC \$869.65

Berggren, Jerry L. \$14,649.00

Black Hills Energy \$774.47

Business World Products \$17.94

C & M Supply - Nelson \$113.68

C & M Supply, Inc. \$953.11

Carrie Miller \$175.68

Child Support \$607.00

Cintas First Aid & Safety \$121.49

Clay County Sheriff \$4,940.00

Colonial Life & Accident Ins. Co. \$1,265.89

Comfort Inn (NE139) \$543.85

Commercial Bank \$300.00

Cooperative Producers Inc. \$3,118.36

Cornhusker Cleaning Systems Inc. \$138.86

Crowne Plaza Kearney \$169.95

Daake Law Office, LLC \$586.50

DAS State Accounting-Central Finance \$288.00

Deanne M. McClure \$110.16

Eakes Office Solutions	\$64.23
EFTPS	\$39,665.30
Eggers Motor Service & Sales	\$1,977.80
Election Systems & Software	\$3,212.11
Farmers & Merchants Bank	\$250.00
First Concord Benefits Group	\$527.48
Five Points Bank	\$8,978.34
Garrett Tires & Treads	\$276.00
Holiday Inn	\$279.90
Hometown Leasing	\$369.88
Horizon Bank	\$366.66
Jill R. Cunningham	\$378.75
Klein, Brewster, Brandt & Messersmith	\$92.00
Lana Svoboda	\$169.20
Lawrence Village	\$61.75
Liability Claim Reserve ...	\$3,626.70
Main Street Floral	\$55.64
Mary Wheeland	\$15.00
Megruer-Price Funeral Home	\$1,000.00
Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc.	\$135.00
Mid-Nebraska Aggregate, Inc.	\$744.32
Midwest Bank	\$200.00
Mips Inc.	\$24.83
NACO	\$100.00
Nuckolls County Clerk of Dist Court	\$101.00
Nuckolls County Locomotive-Gazette	\$493.63
Nuckolls County Treasurer	\$58,365.93
Nutrien Ag Solutions	\$140.00
Pinnacle Bank	\$200.00
Point-C	\$4,100.85
Quill Corp.	\$290.92
Region 3 Behavioral Health Services	\$2,681.82
Renegade Towing & Recovery	\$556.58
Ruskin Village	\$52.40
Skalka & Baack Law Firm	\$1,717.77
South Central Public Power District	\$288.77
Standard Appraisal Service Inc.	\$1,080.00
State of Nebraska	\$5,465.74
Superior Publishing Co., Inc.	\$985.65
Unifirst	\$80.46
Union Bank & Trust	\$300.00
Verizon	\$41.94
Verizon Wireless	\$241.51
Victoria Forbes	\$12.99
Totals	\$275,073.98
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NOTICE OF MOSQUITO SPRAYING

The City of Superior will be spraying for mosquitoes this summer as weather permits. Spraying times will be two hours before sunset and one hour after sunset.

You can help by eliminating breeding places for the mosquitoes, such as getting rid of stagnant water.

Superior City Clerk

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RETIREMENT Party

Honoring
STACEY SHROYER
LORA WHETZAL

TUESDAY MAY 19 **SUPERIOR COUNTRY CLUB** **4:00-5:30**

Cake and refreshments will be served.
Family and friends are invited to join us as we thank them for their service at Superior Schools and celebrate their upcoming retirement.

BRODSTONE FOUNDATION PRESENTS

RAISE TO REMEMBER

FLAG EXCHANGE EVENT

FRIDAY, MAY 22ND

11AM- 1PM | BRODSTONE SOUTH ENTRANCE DRIVE THROUGH

Bring your faded or frayed American Flags to Brodstone Healthcare for a dignified disposal by the Boy Scout Troop 97 & Cub Scout Pack 97.

We will replace your retired flag with a new one for FREE, while supplies last - **LIMIT ONE FLAG PER HOUSEHOLD.**

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