



July 2009

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DAD Business and Industry Appreciation Day Wild Horse Golf Club

Dawson Area Development held the annual Business and Industry Appreciation Day on June 17th at Wild Horse Golf Club in Gothenburg. The event included a four-person golf scramble, four point pitch tournament, and a steak dinner.

We would like to thank the 64 golfers, 5 pitch players, and over 100 who attended the steak dinner for their participation in the event. We would also like to thank Wild Horse Golf Club for their support in the planning and execution of the days activities.

The winning team of the championship flight included: Ed Foster (All Points Cooperative), John Fritton (First State Bank), Daryl Strecker (First Bank and Trust) and Jess Bliven (City of Lexington). The winners of the first flight included: Nate Wyatt (Gothenburg State Bank), Rusty Sutton (Plum Creek Medical Group), Susan Kloepping and PJ Jacobsen (City of Cozad).

Charlotte Janssen (Mid-Nebraska Realty of Gothenburg) was the 2009 winner of the 4 point pitch tournament held in the clubhouse.

Once again, thank you to all of you who participated and supported the outing.

Dawson and Gosper County WWII Heroes Tour Washington D.C.

After a great send-off on Thursday night (featured in last month's DAD newsletter), our 26 Veterans, escorts, Dick and Janna Pierce, Sam Hernandez (nurse), and Ava from KNOP TV, started their bus journey to Denver International Airport. After a night at a hotel near the airport, they were on their way via the friendly skies on Friday morning, June 5th. When the group arrived in DC, there was a short bus tour, dinner at the State Plaza Hotel (where they stayed), and then a relaxing evening in preparation for the busy day on Saturday, June 6th.



Four of our Veterans had the distinct honor of laying a wreath during a ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The wreath was provided by the Leadership Class and this was quite an honor for our group.

Saturday was a very special day in more ways than one. Saturday, June 6, 2009, was the 65th anniversary of D-Day, the day the Allied Invasion of Nazi-occupied Europe began on the beaches of Normandy, France. These veterans were especially honored to be in Washington, DC on the anniversary of that historic occasion. After breakfast at their hotel, they set out for the WWII Memorial and other war memorials that morning. Lunch was enjoyed at the prestigious Army/Navy Club. In the afternoon, their tour included Arlington National Cemetery, where they participated in the ceremony of laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. After that, it was back to the hotel for a banquet honoring the veterans. The speaker, who was an Air Force pilot that flew the security mission for Washington DC after the attacks on September 11, 2001, was excellent in describing that day. He likened the 9-11 attack to Pearl Harbor happening all over again in Washington DC.

Sunday found the group at breakfast followed by a Chapel service. After they departed the hotel, their bus tour included the Navy Memorial and others various sites of the veteran's choosing. After lunch on the Mall, they viewed the FDR Memorial and the Air and Space Museum. Late afternoon it was back the airport for the long trip home—everyone tired, but very excited about the sights they were able to view.



Lincoln Memorial

Another part of this Hero Flight project included sending four of our area veterans with the Buffalo County Hero Flight, which took place on May 29-31st. This was the weekend before the Dawson/Gosper Hero Flight. So, during those two weeks, the DAD Leadership class was able to raise funds to send thirty (30) of our World War II veterans to view the Washington DC memorials.

The staff and board of Dawson Area Development would like to take this opportunity to thank these WWII Veterans for their role in service to our country; and also to thank the 2008-09 DAD Leadership Class for all their hard work in making this project happen.



Bob and Jean McTygue at the WWII Memorial.

NEBRASKA APPRENTICESHIP WEBSITE GOES LIVE

New Web Resource for Apprenticeship Opportunities for Students, Workforce and Employers

Whether you're an individual looking for a career opportunity or.....

A business/organization that is in need of training and maintaining a skilled workforce.....

NEWS RELEASE - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

July 1, 2009

Contact: Terri Johnston

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LINCOLN - With funds provided through a technical assistance grant, Nebraska Workforce Development - Nebraska Department of Labor, in collaboration with the United States Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship, launched a new website today featuring the Registered Apprenticeship System in Nebraska and nationwide. The website is accessible through the Nebraska Workforce Development website at www.nebraskaworkforce.com. Choose **Registered Apprenticeship Programs** from the main menu.

Viewers of this newsletter simply click on the image of the website to the right.

The website provides information for **individuals interested in apprenticeship opportunities** and for **employers searching for proven strategies to develop talent and build a skilled workforce.**



- Funding opportunities
- Program information
- Services for veterans
- Links to federal sources and union websites participating in the Registered Apprenticeship System are featured.

An online form to facilitate a "Request for Information" is also available.

"Nebraska Workforce Development - Department of Labor is taking a leadership role in meeting the demands for innovative talent development and life long learning strategies that will enable American workers to advance their skills and remain competitive in the global economy," said Commissioner of Labor, Catherine D. Lang.

To become an apprentice, you must be at least 16 years old and complete one to six years of paid, supervised, work based training and technical instruction to become certified in the profession of your choice. Yesterday's apprentices are today's carpenters, electricians, plumbers, and advanced manufacturing workers. Tomorrow's computer programmers, educational assistants, health care


http://www.dol.state.ne.us/nwd/Apprentice/index.html

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Welcome to the Nebraska Apprenticeship Site

Department of Labor publishes Rules to modernize the National Registered Apprenticeship System (link to the National Registered Apprenticeship Regulations and Legislation page – <http://www.doleta.gov/OA/regulations.cfm>)



"Earn, Learn, Succeed" is what today's Registered Apprenticeship System is all about! In the economy of the 21st Century, workforce demands require highly skilled and committed employees who have the education credentials and the adaptability to respond immediately to changing industry needs and economic conditions. Nebraska Workforce Development is playing a leadership role in meeting these demands by implementing innovative talent development and lifelong learning strategies that will enable American workers to advance their skills and remain competitive in the global economy.

For over 70 years now, the National Apprenticeship System has trained and credentialed millions of Americans who have undoubtedly gone on to realize prosperous careers in fields of their choosing. With each passing year, the system continues to expand with a broader selection of industry offerings and sponsorship.

For this reason, Registered Apprenticeship continues to be viewed as one of the premier Talent Development Strategies – strengthening this nation's workforce by directly linking the elements of employment and training through a comprehensive model of on-the-job learning.

Whether you're an individual looking for a career opportunity...
or
A business/organization that is in need of training and maintaining a skilled workforce...

Come inside, explore, and let this unique work-based program work for you!

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providers and others are joining the ranks of apprentices of today, in addition to the skilled trades.

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For more information on Apprenticeship Opportunities in Nebraska contact a Nebraska Workforce Development - Department of Labor Career Center or log-on to our web site. Nebraska Workforce Development - Department of Labor news releases are accessible on the Internet at: nebraskaworkforce.com

Employers, job seekers, students and educators can contact John Bell at the DAD office for more information. 308 784 3902



Invites You

20th Anniversary Celebration

Dawson Area Development will be celebrating its 20th year of serving the Dawson County Area. We invite you to attend a celebration in recognition of the great accomplishments of the past as well as a bright future for the entire region.

Friday, August Fourteenth

Cozad Elks Club

Social Hour from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Governor will speak at 6:00 followed by a short program and dinner.

For details or to RSVP please contact the DAD office at 308 784 3902

www.dawsonareadevelopment.com

www.dawsoncountycareers.com

\$458,767 Awarded to Housing Authority of Gothenburg to Construct Rental Housing for Elderly FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Patty Wood at 800-426-6505 or 402-471-1559 or patty.wood@nebraska.gov

LINCOLN, NEB. (June 25, 2009) - The Nebraska Department of Economic Development has awarded \$458,767 in tax credit HOME funding to the regional Housing Authority of the City of Gothenburg, to undertake the Jefferson Square project.

Jefferson Square will consist of 12 new two-bedroom units in three duplexes and two triplexes reserved exclusively for qualifying residents ages 55 and older, and constructed along Jefferson Street in Gothenburg. The Department administers HOME funds as part of its overall Nebraska Affordable Housing Program.

Housing Authority will be the managing member of Jefferson Square, LLC, the project's ownership entity. Mesner Development Co., of Central City, Neb., is the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit developer and applicant. The investor member of LLC will be the Nebraska Fund XV, L.P., a subsidiary of Midwest Housing Equity Group, Inc.

All 12 apartments will feature approximately 1,100 sq. ft. living space with washers, dryers, ranges, refrigerators, dishwashers, microwave ovens, and high-speed Internet access. Each unit also will feature single-stall attached garages and storm shelters. Lawn care, snow removal and trash pick-up will be provided by the owner.

The development will be designed with Green Standards, and all units are handicapped adaptable, with one unit offering complete handicap accessibility.

Three units will be reserved for individuals earning at or below 50 percent of the Area Median Income (AMI). Seven units will be reserved for individuals earning at or below 60 percent AMI. The remaining two units will be offered at market rates.

For information, contact Jeanne Janssen at 308-537-7275 or ghousing@qwestoffice.net

OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, July 25th • 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Offered by:



910 Reagan Drive
(south Adams Street)

Quality built new home constructed
by local high school students and
local contractors.



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LEGAL: Lot 20 in CED Addition, an addition
to the City of Lexington, Dawson County, NE
Career Services Inc.

- 3 bedroom ranch style home
- TAXES: TBD
- AREA: 1530 sq. ft.
- STYLE: ranch
- BEDROOMS: 3
- BATH: 2
- GARAGE: 2 attached - 576 sq. ft.
- YEAR BUILT: 2009
- EXTERIOR: color-loc siding
- HEATING: electric heat pump
- LOT SIZE: 84 x 152
- AIR CONDITIONING: central
- BEDROOM #1: 11' x 10'11"
- BEDROOM #2: 12'1" x 10'11"
- MASTER #3: 13'11" x 12'7"
- GREAT ROOM: yes
- DINING AREA: yes
- KITCHEN: yes
- UTILITY: 10'5" x 5'8"

**\$109,015 State Funds Awarded
for Lexington Housing Project**

LINCOLN, NEB. (December 17, 2008) - The Nebraska Department of Economic Development has awarded \$109,015 in HOME funds to the Housing Authority of the City of Lexington to build Legend Oaks, a housing development for seniors (age 55 and older), at 702 W. 20th St.

The 20-unit development will feature 1,100 sq. ft. apartments in ten duplexes. Each apartment will come equipped with a washer and dryer, range, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave oven, high-speed Internet access, and single car garage, and each unit will feature a storm shelter.

Six units will be rented to qualifying individuals or couples earning at or below 50 percent of the Area Median Income (AMI). The remaining 14 units will be reserved for individuals or couples earning at or below 60 percent AMI.

Mesner Development Company of Central City is building the development that includes \$2,583,214 in Low-Income Housing Tax Credits administered through the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority, \$140,000 in Affordable Housing Program funding from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka, and \$89,465 in equity from the Housing Authority of Lexington. The Nebraska Fund XIII, L.P., a subsidiary of Midwest Housing Equity Group, Inc., of Omaha also is an investing member.

Legend Oaks will be designed with green standards set forth in the LIHTC application. All units will be handicapped adaptable and meet standards for hosting visitors. One unit will meet all Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards requirements for accessibility. Lexington (pop. 10,011) is one of 21 Economic Development Certified Communities in Nebraska.

For information, contact Diane Adams at 308-324-4633 or lexha@cozadel.net
CONTACT: Patti Wood at 800-426-6505 or 402-471-1559 or patty.wood@nebraska.gov

Crown House Ribbon Cutting
CED Addition - South Adams Street - Lexington

You are invited to attend.

**CROWN HOMES
RIBBON CUTTING**

We invite you to attend a ribbon cutting for the 5 CROWN homes in Lexington located in the new CED Addition just off of South Adams Street.
Tuesday, July 14th at 11:30 a.m.



DAWSON GOSPER

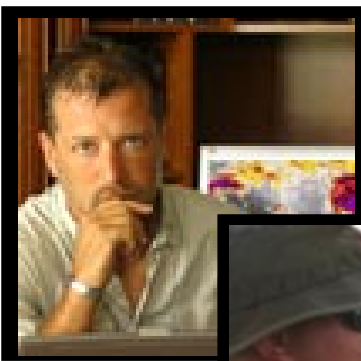
HERO FLIGHT

June 2009

PEARL HARBOR



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CONFERENCE AUGUST 8, 2009 COZAD CHURCH OF CHRIST 2117 NEWELL, COZAD



Keynote Speaker
Eddy Weiss
Director, Chasing4Life

with Special Guest Speaker
Greg Conklin, Director
NATL Disaster Recovery Team

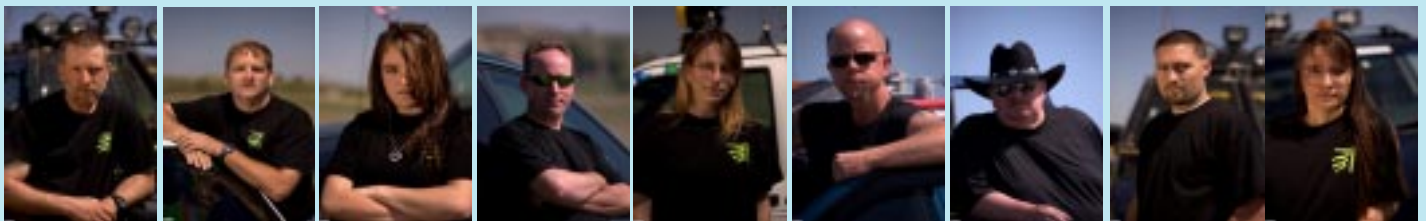
SESSIONS INCLUDE:

- It's a new game..... 10 AM
- Why do this? What are the threats?
- The Church's role..... 10:30 AM
- Planning, responding, restoring
- Q&A Lunch..... 12:00 PM
(Lunch Available*)
- The community's role..... 1:00 PM
- Supporting responders
- Supporting each other
- Your company's role..... 1:45 PM
- Compiling the scenarios
- Assessing our plan
- Protecting the company
- Protecting the employee
- Protecting the customer
- Coming back after the event
- Before you respond.... 3:15 PM
- What you need to know before you help
- A bug's life..... 4:00 PM
- A look at epidemics and pandemics

**NO ADMISSION OR
REGISTRATION FEE**

*Meet the Chasing4Life StormChase Team personalities and see their
trucks in the parking lot at the end of the day!*
FREE CHASE TEAM COLORING BOOKS FOR THE KIDS!

**Lunch will be available at the church for a donation*



**Please RSVP by August 1 with your name, phone number and
of persons planning on attending.**



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