

# The Clipper



Memorial Day: May 28  
We remember

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## Summer music kicks off June 16

### North Bend Area Community Band, local talent and Leo Lonnie to perform locally

Kicking off the first of three musical events in Brainard this summer will be the North Bend Area Community Band, which will perform Saturday, June 16, at 7 p.m. in the city park. The event is open to the public and free.

The North Bend Area Community Band was organized in 1987 to play a concert in the North Bend city park to help raise funds for the North Bend Central (NBC) band that was planning a trip to Florida. "We had so much fun playing together we decided to continue to play together," said Carol Bohling, president of the community band. The group has been in continuous existence since then.

Carol Clement of North Bend, a North Bend alum and a music teacher in Schuyler at the time, was the first director. The band, which has a summer and a Christmas season, currently is directed by Bruce Bartels, a retired music educator. The band's repertoire includes patriotic and big band music, marches and Broadway selections.

About 30 play in the band from high school to senior citizens. "We are happy to have Alissa Hummel and Amber Cooper, East Butler graduates, playing with us now," said Bohling. Members are also from Omaha, Lincoln, Fremont, Hooper, Wahoo, Cedar Bluffs, Prague, Schuyler and Valparaiso besides North Bend and Morse Bluff.

"We have eight or nine who played with the band on the first concert and have continued to play," said Bohling. Six of the band's members are current or retired music educators. "Many of the band members heard the band at some time and then asked about playing with us. We are always excited to have new people join us," she said, adding the band will play eight sum-

mer concerts this summer.

Over the years, the North Bend Area Community Band has played at many area community events, veteran celebrations, fairs and more. The band has played as an opening at the Lied Center in Lincoln. This is the fifth year the band will play for the opening ceremonies at the Nebraska State Fair.

"We are looking forward to playing June 16 in Brainard," said Bohling.

The second local event is set for

Saturday, July 7, when Evening in the Park will once again feature local talent. Anyone interested in performing should contact one of the officers: Denise Robeson, Lynn Hummel, Annette Snyder or Debbie Behne.

The third event is planned for Saturday, Aug. 4, with the Leo Lonnie Big Band Orchestra to perform. That event is made possible by a \$675 grant from Brainard Q125 and a \$300 donation from an anonymous donor.

## Memorial Day program set for May 28

The Brainard American Legion Rejda Post 273 will host Memorial Day services at 11 a.m. on Monday, May 28, at the New Catholic Cemetery. It will include music, participation by the Brainard Volunteer Fire Department and Legion Auxiliary and recitations. Lunch will follow at the Legion Hall.

## June 1 deadline for fund donations

The deadline has been extended to June 1 for contributions to the 58th Annual Community Fund Drive. Donations can be mailed to Brainard Community Fund Drive, %Community Club, PO Box 94, Brainard, NE 68626; or delivered to First Nebraska Bank during business hours. Checks should be made out to Community Fund Drive. As of the last meeting of the Brainard Community Club on April 18, donations to the fund drive totaled \$1,640. In 2017, \$2,180 was raised.

## Bloodmobile is June 5 (date changed)

The next bloodmobile in Brainard is set for June 5, a change made by the Red Cross from a different date previously announced. The June 5 event runs from noon to 6 p.m. at the Klein Center. Donors are encouraged to eat a snack or meal and drink liquids such as water and juice before arriving. To make an appointment, call local organizer Denise Bruner.

## Community survey deadline: May 20

A community survey seeking opinions on community strengths and weaknesses was mailed by the Brainard Economic Development Council. The due date for completed surveys has been extended to May 20. Anyone in the Brainard area who did not receive a survey can contact Kevin Behne or Greg Havlovic, members of the BEDC. Surveys should be completed and returned by May 20 at Brainard City Hall and First Nebraska Bank.

# Veterans' memorial filled to capacity

All 250 spaces available on a Veterans Memorial project have been filled so no more applications can be taken, according to organizers with the Brainard American Legion Rejda Post 273, which is sponsoring the project. Wilbert Memorials will provide the black granite panels, do the engraving and erect the memorial. A local contractor will construct a concrete foundation for the memorial, a concrete pad around it and a sidewalk leading to it. Project completion is planned for this fall. The memorial, to be located on the north side of Evergreen Park, will feature three black granite panels, with the names and service information of each veteran laser cut into the granite.

# Spring concert on Seniors' agenda, plus quilt show

The Holy Trinity Area Seniors will hear a spring concert at East Butler on Tuesday, May 22, at 8 a.m. in the gym. Those attending should enter through the activities entrance. All are invited, including family members of students and senior citizens. Coffee and rolls will be served in the multipurpose room afterward.

On Thursday, June 28, a quilt show begins at 1:30 p.m. in the Klein Center. Special guests include members of the Blue Valley Quilt Guild. The event is open to the public.

# Swimming pool staff named

Anna Rigatuso will be general manager of the Brainard Swimming Pool for the 2018 season. Assistant managers will be Abby Pierce and Madison Helman, while lifeguards are Taylor Jirovsky, Lanae Aerts, Amanda Aerts, Addie Sullivan and Kailyn Hummel. Two midnight swim nights are planned this summer.

The pool plans to open around the Memorial Day weekend, although no date has been set. Once the pool is open, information on swimming lessons and private swim lessons can be obtained by calling the pool office at 402-545-2931.

# June 16 benefit to aid couple's medical expenses

A benefit for Joette and the late Don Novak's medical expenses is planned for Saturday, June 16, beginning at 4 p.m. A spaghetti dinner, silent auction and polka music/dance will be held at the Klein Center. For more information or to donate a silent auction item, contact Amy Hottovy at 402-641-4477.

# Book features Brainard farmer, immigrant

A Brainard farmer and Bohemian immigrant, Frank Lanc, is featured in a recently released book, "Undocumented," written by his granddaughter, Adella Pospisil Schulz. Hruska Memorial Library in David City has invited Adella to speak at a "Food for Thought" program at noon on Wednesday, June 20. The program is free and open to the public although reservations are required as a courtesy to CK Katering of Brainard, who will be providing refreshments before the program begins. Call the library at 402-367-3100 to reserve a seat. Following the presentation, autographed copies will be available for purchase from the author. For those who are unable to attend the presentation, "Undocumented" will be available at Dale's Food Pride in David City, Saunders County Museum in Wahoo and Chapters Books in Seward after June 20. It is now available on Amazon.com/books

# Remember: Site for trees, branches, grass only

The village tree/yard waste site is available to all property owners within the village. Those who live outside the city limits can use the site to dispose of yard waste for an annual fee of \$25. Village officials ask those who use the site to remember it is for yard waste only—trees, branches, leaves, grass clippings only. The Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality performs frequent site inspection visits, so illegal dumping could result in the closing of the site.

## Happy Birthday! Happy Anniversary!

May 2 - LuJane Kotera  
May 7 - Don Kost  
May 13 - Haley Rezac  
May 15 - Joanna Ingwersen  
May 15 - Jared Zysset  
May 20 - Gary Pelan  
May 21 - Art & Alma Svoboda  
May 22 - Paige Glasshoff  
May 23 - Lee & Jean Coufal  
May 24 - Kyler Hummel  
May 26 - Jill Reinsch  
May 27 - Martha Prochaska  
May 28 - Adaline Sullivan  
May 29 - Dallan Dvorak  
May 31 - Marc Spatz  
May 31 - Lyle Dvorak  
May 31 - Alex Rezac  
June 1 - Jim Bruner  
June 2 - Sue Benes  
June 4 - John Bruner  
June 4 - Kristen Shalon  
June 6 - Leon & Geri Jakub  
June 8 - Kathy Dvorak  
June 10 - Jerry Ingwersen  
June 11 - Devon Janak  
June 13 - Sue Bougger  
June 14 - Flag Day  
June 15 - Gerry Reinsch  
June 17 - Tim Wright  
June 18 - Greg Havlovic  
June 18 - Anthony Rezac  
June 19 - Joyce Rezac  
June 19 - Alyce Havlovic  
June 19 - Katie Jakub  
June 22 - Doug & Paige Glasshoff  
June 22 - Sara Stanek  
June 23 - Amanda Zysset  
June 23 - Crystal Behne  
June 24 - Paul & Patty Pytlik  
June 24 - Nevada Mentink  
June 25 - Joel & Taylor Schommer  
June 26 - Leah Bongers  
June 28 - Steve & Vickie Hines  
June 30 - Andy Behne

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