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Connecting Businesses for the Betterment of the Community

Thoughts of Executive Director Bob Rose



The 27th Annual Flagfest Celebration kicks off next week with three fun filled days of activity. Many of the traditional events will take place starting with the Youth Golf Tournament on Friday morning the 10th at the Municipal Golf Course starting promptly at 8:00 AM. Everyone loves a Flagfest Parade, and the public can expect a grand performance Saturday morning beginning at 11:00 AM. The Family Fun Area begins at 1:00 PM on East 7th Street, a new location this year, with lots of activities for kids and plenty of food vendors for all tastes. The Cruise Night and Street Dance wind up the day's events on Saturday night. Sunday morning the annual Flight Breakfast and Fly In starts at 7:00 AM at the Northwest Iowa Regional Airport, always an interesting way of wrapping up the weekend's activities.

Flagfest would not be possible without the great support of the many sponsors who step up each year and provide the necessary funds to make this annual event possible. We are truly thankful and appreciative of those businesses and individuals who faithfully support this annual celebration. We are also fortunate to have the many volunteers who make our event so successful plus the professional services of the City of Spencer, the Police and Fire Departments, the Clay County Fair, and Spencer Municipal Utilities. This is a tremendous team effort coordinated by a dedicated Steering Committee headed by three very talented co-chairs. We thank you all.

For the fourth time in Flagfest history the Abu Bekar Shrine will be hosting area Shriners at their annual installation of the Potentate of Abu Bekar Shrine Temple. Congratulations to Mike Burnham who will be installed as Potentate of the Temple on Flagfest weekend here in Spencer. The Shriners from the area will have over 20 units in Saturday's parade and will hold their Potentate's Ball on Saturday night at the Clay County Regional Event Center. Several hundred Shriners and their families will be here for Flagfest weekend. Also, several Class Reunions will be held Flagfest weekend so lots of visitors back to enjoy our great Community.

In addition to Flagfest on running from June 10th thru the 12th, the WHO Tractor Ride will headquarter here starting June 19th. Over 650 riders and their families will be in town starting Sunday the 19th and ending on Wednesday the 22nd. Each day of the ride starts at the Fairgrounds and returns each evening. Stop out a see the many varieties of tractors both new and antique.

The flower baskets have been placed on the North Grand light poles and the flower planters in Downtown Grand have been planted. If you were planning to "adopt" a planter but have not done so yet, there is still time. Call the Mainstreet office at 712-262-7246 and make your wishes known. You can "adopt" a Downtown planter or a North Grand flower basket for just \$50.00 annually and the good news is you don't have to do any of the work. The plantings have been done by volunteers and the Park Department and Street Department installed the hanging baskets. The North Grand baskets have an irrigation system and the Park Department takes care of watering the Downtown planters. What could be easier?

With the Memorial Day Weekend behind us, summer is officially here so get out and enjoy.



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Graduation of Leadership Spencer Class of 2011

The Leadership Spencer Class of 2011 completed their last two weeks in the ten week series. During the ninth week, the class was introduced to two media sources in Spencer. Randy Cauthron provided a tour of the Spencer Daily Reporter operation. Covering the focus of radio broadcasting, KICD AM 1240/FM 107.7 of Saga Communications, Inc. staff members Kevin Tlam, Rhonda Wedeking, George Bower, and Stephanie Heide presented information covering the weather and news operations, programming and sales.

The focus for week ten included aspects of tourism as it relates to the Clay County Fair and the Clay County Regional Event Center. Phil Hurst and Rebecca Peters presented an update on the upcoming events of the fair. Scott Hallgren and class member Jill Irlbeck, provided a behind the scenes tour of the Clay County Regional Event Center. The class graduation celebration was held at the Clay County Regional Event Center. Class members presented their class project which included a complete plan for Holiday Decorations and Lighting of the downtown and highway boulevard areas. The plan included manufactures information on products that met with city and DOT requirements as well as the financial information required to cover the project. City officials attending the graduation celebration where presented the plan as a suggestion for their consideration.



May Ambassador Visits

May 3rd—**Woolverton**-New Spencer office located at 702 Grand Avenue to meet with staff members Anji Bennett, Dara Roberts, and Craig Gabhart.

May 10th—**Farm Bureau Financial Services**-Located at 508 Grand Avenue to welcome Manager Joe Zenkovich and Agent Mark DeYoung.

May 17th—**Z-Wireless**-Spencer's newest Verizon Premium Retailer located at 1919 Highway Blvd in Spencer. The Ambassadors welcomed Pam Santage, Russell Westbrook and Lindsey Matthiesen.

May 24th—**Brandon Dale Guitar Instruction**-Visiting their new location located at 512 North Grand Avenue. Brandon's students will be performing Saturday, June 11th from 1-4p on the Flagfest stage located in the parking area behind Sneakers.



May 31st—**Highlands Independent Living Suites**-Located at 1211 St. Luke Drive to showcase their newly redecorated facility.

Introducing Our Recent New Chamber Members

Farm Bureau Financial Services strive to make insurance simple for you. The staff are committed to helping you prepare for the future and protect what matters most. Let them help you through all stages of your life. Stop by their office at 508 Grand Avenue in Spencer and let Joe Zenkovich and his staff-Eurisha Brauhn, Samantha Zenkovich, and Mark DeYoung show you their Insurance and Investment products. Visit their website at www.joezenkovich.com or contact them by phone at 877-292-7409 or 712-262-3829.

Pride Neon, Incorporated is based in Sioux Falls, South Dakota and located at 3010 West 10th Street. This family owned company has been providing quality signs for over 50 years. They pride themselves as being known as the "Home of the Brighter Sign." They can create virtually any type of signage application from the smallest yard sign to the largest illuminated free standing sign or neon channel letters. Visit their website at www.prideneon.com and view their Sign Gallery for a sample selection of their work. Drop them an e-mail at Jane@prideneon.com or contact them by phone at 605-336-3563 or 605-336-6938.

Emagine, LLC is located in their recently remodeled facility at 8 West Fourth Street in Spencer and owned by Tony Virelli and Logan Wood. Emagine, LLC provides web design, programming, print design and web hosting. Their business hours are Monday-Friday from 8-5. They can help a business from start to finish from developing their web site, business cards, letterhead, logo, and much more. For more information about their services view their website at www.emaginemore.com, drop them an e-mail at info@emaginemore.com or phone them at 712-262-6674.

Spencer Dream Center is a volunteer-driven, nonprofit organization that's going to provide social services and outreach programs to meet people's physical, spiritual and long-term needs, located at 605 N Grand Avenue. Currently, "The Underground" is open and serving youth as a gathering spot 4 days a week from 3:30-9:30 p.m., and the clothing and food outreach services are in place. Look for the Terrazzo Coffeehouse to open the week of Flagfest. To learn more, contact Pastor Kevin Grimes at pastorkevin@dayspringassembly.com, view their website at www.spencerdreamcenter.org or call them at 712-262-6292.

Janelle Larson has joined the Chamber of Commerce as an Individual Supporter. Thank you;)

Spencer Chamber of Commerce Member Business After Hours

Business After Hours



StateBANK
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Coming Up:
June 28th—Highlands

July 12—The Prairie Flower/The Prairie View
Lodge Bed & Breakfast

November 15—Farmers Trust and
Savings Bank, Bogenrief Studio, and Warner Fu-
neral Home

Interested in hosting a Business After Hours in 2011, we have several dates available. New this year, all events are scheduled on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, with the exception of September, November and December. All Business After Hours events are held from 5-7 p.m. with a Chamber Dollar drawing and Business Introduction at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, June 14
5—7 pm
(Chamber \$ Drawing at 6pm)

Location:
The Green Space between
State Bank and SMU
712 and 728 North Grand Ave Spencer
(Rain Location SMU Operations Building)

Refreshments will be served!
JOIN THE FUN!
Invite Your Friends & Co-workers



Flagfest Began With Community In Mind

Flagfest will celebrate 27 years of family fun and entertainment on June 10, 11, 12, 2011. Several Spencer business people were involved in planning the first festival. According to Don Pierson, owner of Don Pierson Ford, the summer festival was created during a brain-storming session that involved himself; Sharon Stadvold., the owner of Matt Furniture; Gene Thill the former JC Penny Manager, and Donna Hull, a former reporter with The Daily Reporter. *(Please forgive us if someone has been forgotten from this list.)*

"One afternoon we sat down as a group and discussed a variety of ideas to promote Spencer as a well-rounded community," Pierson said. "The chamber's retail promotion committee wanted to develop some type of community-wide event that would attract people to Spencer."

"The event was planned with people in mind," according to Stadvold, who served as festival co-chair in 1992 and 1993. "We named the event 'Flagfest' to encourage patriotism among those in attendance."

She said the early slate of events included hot air balloon displays, a parade, art shows, and hot dog and lemonade stands along Grand Avenue. Weekend dances were popular attractions during Flagfest. Gateway North Shopping Center was the site of the first dances, which included live bands. Later, East Fifth Street was closed to traffic for a street dance. On one occasion, The Hotel hosted a beach party in the business parking lot, hauling tons of sand to create a beach-like atmosphere.

"Each year Flagfest offers new and unique events," Stadvold said. "It's exciting to see the Flagfest planning committee's newest attractions each year."

Flagfest 2011 promises to be entertaining. Junior Golf on Friday, the Flagfest Parade and the new Family Amusements, Petting Zoo, Clydesdales Rides and the ABU Bekr Shrine Units in the Flagfest Parade. Note the new location for the Concession Stands and the Family Amusements on Saturday Afternoon – new location will be East 7th Street and East 1st. Ave.

Music will fill the Flagfest air during the Saturday night Flagfest Street Dance presenting "The Expressions" along with Sneakers Sports Lounge sponsoring a Festival Garden.

All weekend the Annual Display of Veterans Memorial Flags and the State Flags will be flying in Spencer thanks to the American Legion Glen Pederson Post #1.

"It's amazing to see how much Flagfest has expanded and continued to grow since its inception," said the 2011 Flagfest Chairs.

For more information on the 2011 Flagfest go to www.spenceriowachamber.org under Chamber Events and click on Flagfest, or contact the Spencer Chamber office at 712-262-5680.

27th Annual Flagfest Parade!

Spencer Chamber of Commerce's Flagfest Committee invites everyone to come to Spencer, Iowa and enjoy the Parade on Saturday, June 11, 2011 starting at 11:00 AM. The parade is sponsored by: **Arnold Motor Supply and Black Hills Energy**. The parade will leave the Clay County Fairgrounds at 11:00 AM and proceed East on 14th Street West to Grand Avenue; then turn South on Grand Avenue to West 4th Street at which time the parade will turn West on West 4th Street to 3rd Avenue West. Everyone loves a parade – bring your lawn chairs, blankets, sun screen and join the fun!

Flagfest Family Amusements In New Location

The Saturday afternoon Family Amusements have been relocated for the 27th Annual Flagfest Celebration on June 11, 2011. All of the Family Amusements – mini ferris wheel, barrel train rides and inflatables will be on East 7th Street and 1st Avenue East will be running from 1 PM to 5 PM. This year the amusement vendor is also new to Flagfest; the vendor is "Smitty Amusements" being sponsored by **Spencer Rotary Club**. **All amusements are FREE to the public.**

ATTENTION JUNIOR GOLFERS!!!

22nd Annual Spencer Flagfest Junior Golf Tournament will be held at the **Spencer Municipal Golf Course** on Friday, June 10, 2011. Boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 18 are welcome. Age group from 7 to 9 will play 5 holes with an entry fee of \$5.00; age group from 10 to 12 will play 9 holes with an entry fee of \$10.00; age group 13 to 15 will play 18 holes with an entry fee of \$15 and age group from 16 to 18 will play 18 holes with an entry fee of \$15. The entry fee includes a lunch. Entries close at 4:30 PM on Wednesday, June 8, 2011. No late entries will be accepted. Call for your Tee Time Thursday, June 9th after 1 PM – ask for Stacey at 712-580-7280. Oldest players will tee off first! The only requirement is that an adult chaperone must go with each foursome. Your entry fee must be paid in order to sign up! Trophies will be awarded to the winner of each group; medal awarded to 2nd and 3rd, place age group finishers. All tie scores for 1st, place trophies will be played off!

For more information call or write:

Stacey Caskey at Spencer Municipal Golf Course, 1320 4th Ave. SW, Spencer, Iowa 51301; 712-580-7280 or Becky Fear-Hatting at the Spencer Chamber of Commerce; P.O. Box 7937, Spencer, Iowa 51301; 712-262-5680.

“The Expressions” to Appear at the Flagfest Street Dance!

The Flagfest Committee is excited to bring back a street dance. The street dance will feature: “The Expressions” and is sponsored by: **Farmers Trust and Savings Bank**. For the last 44 or so years this band of roving minstrels have been performing their versions of popular hits from the early rock-n-roll days of the 1950’s to some of the latest hits of today. This band as performed in most of Northwest Iowa’s community dance halls and pubs. “The Expressions” will be inducted into the Iowa Rock n’ Roll Hall of Fame later this year.

The **Flagfest Street Dance is FREE** to the public on Saturday, June 11, 2011 from 8:00 PM until Midnight. The Street Dance is located in the Spencer City Parking lot at the corner of East 7th Street and 1st Avenue East.

PETTING ZOO TO COME TO FLAGFEST

On Saturday, June 11, 2011 the Quail Valley Farms Interactive Petting Zoo will be at Flagfest. The petting zoo will be in the West Leach Park from 1 PM to 5 PM on Saturday, June 11, 2011. Quail Valley Farms Petting Zoo is sponsored by **Sylvan Learning Center, Spencer International – Case IH and U of O Marathon**. Hand washing stations are courtesy of **JCL Solutions**. Quail Valley Farms Petting Zoo is an interactive petting zoo for children of all ages and **FREE to the public**. Quail Valley Petting Zoo has been to fairs, schools, church events in Iowa and in adjacent states.

Unlike ordinary zoos, Quail Valley Petting Zoo allow the public to interact with the animals on display. Quail Valley Petting Zoo specializes in farm and small exotic animals. At the present time Quail Valley Farms have a miniature horse, great Pyrenees dog, llamas, potbellied pigs, exotic sheep and goats, rabbits, peacocks, geese, turkeys, exotic pheasants, chickens, ducks and cats; not all animals go to each location. In the spring and early summer Quail Valley Farms have lambs, kids, and baby poultry – there is always something new!

2nd Annual Movie in the Park

Movie in the Park will be Friday, June 10, 2011 in West Leach Park. This year’s movie will be “Cars”; the event is being provided by **The Spencer Jaycees**. The field will open at 8 PM with the show starting at approx 9 PM. **Free admission and popcorn** – bring your own blanket or chair, and refreshments. It is sure to be a family fun packed night.

Shayla Bee Free Coloring Contest

The **Shayla Bee Fund** is sponsoring a **Free coloring contest** for age groups: 2-4 years, 5-7 years 8 – 11 years, Adult – Bikers on Saturday, June 11, 2011 from 1 PM to 5 PM. Winners will Bee announced at 5:30 PM. **Free Shayla Bee tattoos for all entrants**. **Free** Shayla Bee T-shirts for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. Shayla Bee T-shirts will also be for sale. The Shayla Bee Fund is an area organization that helps area families with a child in medical crisis. For more information contact Jerry Faulkner at 712-240-3664.



Annual Display of Veterans Memorial Flags

What a beautiful site to see all of the flags during Flagfest with Spencer being a "Flag City of Iowa". The **American Legion Glen Pederson Post #1 and the VFW Post #3159** volunteer their time to a line the streets with the Annual Display of Veterans Memorial Flags for the Flagfest weekend and then Flag Day on June 14th. Thank you to all that volunteer to put of the flags – what a grand display.

Grand Cruise and Tunes Saturday, June 11, 2011

Grand Cruise and Tunes sponsored by the "**Old Iron Company**". A Grand gathering of Classic Cars and Trucks. Listen to music and reminisce with the "Old Iron Company" car club. Bring your Classic Car or Hot Rod, park and walk or cruise Grand Avenue. For more information go to: www.oldironcompany.com

Spencer Family Aquatic Center to Offer Free Swim!

On Sunday, June 12, 2011 the **Spencer Parks Department** will be sponsoring **FREE SWIMMING** at the **Spencer Family Aquatic Center** from 12:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Bring the family to relax and enjoy the cool water on a hot June day.

Private Garden Tour on Flagfest Weekend

The **Federated Garden Club** will sponsor a Private Home Garden Tour on Friday, June 10, 2011 from 6:30 PM until dark. The Federated Garden Club has lined up various private homes that will open up their gardens to the public. A list of gardens and addresses will be given out at Westview Memorial Park at 9th Street and 11 Avenue West in Spencer, Iowa by the Federated Garden Club Members. For more information contact: Dennis DeWitt at 712-262-5232

10K/5K/Walk/Run to Be Held on Saturday, June 11, 2011 For All Ages

On Saturday, June 11, 2011 **Sacred Heart Catholic School** will be hosting a 10K/5K/Walk/Run for all ages. Registration fee for this event is \$25 if received on/or before June 4th after that date the registration fee will be \$30 – registration includes a t-shirt. All proceeds from this event will benefit the Sacred Heart Catholic School. The Walk/Run will start in the parking lot behind the Sacred Heart Catholic Church at 1111 4th Ave. West; registration is at 6:30 AM with the 10K starting at approx. 7:30 AM and the 5K starting at approx. 8:30 AM.

For more information and registration form refer to website: www.spencersacredheart.com; and questions please contact: Amy Noah at 262-5779 or Margie Swanson at 363-3388.

Living History Day at Parker Museum

This year's event will be celebrating life on the prairie. They will have information about native prairie plants, a blacksmith demonstration, games for the kids and museum tours. Ice cream and homemade pie will be available. Admission fee for event. Living History Day will be hosted on Sunday, June 12, 2011 from 1 PM to 4 PM at 300 East 3rd Street (*which is a date change from previous advertising*). For more information please contact the **Parker Museum** office at 712-262-3304.

Daybreaker Kiwanis Toy Duck Race

Daybreaker Kiwanis will be once again doing the Toy Duck Race on Saturday, June 11, 2010 at 3:00 PM at the Spencer High School Administrative Building on East 7th Street. (*Note the new location and day*). Daybreaker Kiwanis fund raiser – to benefit area children in need. This is your chance to win great prizes and help make a difference in the lives of our youth. See a Daybreaker Kiwanis member to purchase your duck tickets. For more information contact Terry Peterson at 712-580-2946.



"Flowers" Farm's 6 Hitch of Clydesdales Returning to Flagfest

Brought back by popular demand 'Flowers' Farm owned and operated by the Eric & Dianne Brown Family will be bringing a hitch of 6 Clydesdales to the Flagfest Parade this June. This Clydesdale hitch is being sponsored by **Community State Bank and Insurance**. Eric Brown has been working with draft horses since September of 1972. In 1988 Eric and Dianne began parading their own Clydesdale Teams. Now at the end of their 11th season on their own, and with the help of their 3 boys, they are excited to have the opportunity show this great team of Clydesdales. When watching the parade look for this magnificent hitch of Clydesdales and for the pooper scoopers that will be picking up before the next unit arrives.

After the parade and thanks to the sponsorship from **Community State Bank and Insurance** the Clydesdale hitch will be giving free rides from 2 PM to 4 PM starting in West Leach Park look for the loading area.

For more information on 'Flowers' hitch go to: www.horseflowers.com

ABU Bekr's White Horse Patrol to Perform at the 27th Annual Flagfest Celebration

The ABU Bekr's White Horse Patrol will perform at 2:00 p.m. in West Leach Park. Look for the assigned area; bring your lawn chairs, or blanket, and come watch the beautiful display of these talented white horses. These horses are very well trained and the performance will leave the young and young at heart in awe. Special thanks to sponsorship from **Northwest Equipment of Spencer**.

Spencer Municipal Band to Perform During Flagfest

Spencer Municipal Band will be hosting a Patriotic Performance on Sunday, June 12, 2011 at 1:00 PM in East Leach Park at the Bandshell. Come to the park and relax while listening to the wonderful patriotic music of the Spencer Municipal Band.

Start Sunday With The Spencer Flight Breakfast "Wings and Wheels"

Northwest Iowa Regional Airport will be opening their doors for a Pancake & Sausage Flight Breakfast serving from 7-11 a.m. Browse through the Camp Dodge Military Aircraft Static display and the Street Rod Car display.

Kids ages 8-17 years old can sign up for a **FREE** air ride with the Young Eagles from 7-10 a.m.

Beginning at 10:30 a.m. sit back and listen to special guest speaker Mrs. Elizabeth "Betty Wall" Strohus who served during WWII as a Women Air Force Service Pilot (W.A.S.P.). She has piloted eight different aircraft and was presented a Congressional Gold Medal in Washington DC in March of 2010.

The Spencer Flight Breakfast is sponsored by: **Spencer Fareway, Spencer HyVee, Spencer Wal-Mart, Leading Edge Aviation, Spencer Avionics, Inc and CAMM Air**. For more information call 712-262-1000.

Weather Related Information

Should weather related activity necessitate a location change for any Flagfest event, please stay tuned to local media or the Spencer Chamber of Commerce website for updated information.

www.spenceriowachamber.org

2011 Flagfest Events Line-Up

Friday, June 10, 2011

- **ALL DAY—Annual Display of Veterans Memorial Flags—Location—Clay County Courthouse Courtyard**
- **8 AM—Junior Golf Tournament—Location—Spencer Municipal Golf Course Sponsored by: Spencer Jaycees** Youth golf tournament for ages 7-18. Pre-registration is required. For more information contact the Spencer Chamber of Commerce at 712-262-5680
- **2nd Annual Movie in the Park—Location—West Leach Park—Sponsored by: Spencer Jaycees—Free Admission and popcorn for all attendees; showing will be “Cars” a fun movie for the whole family. Be sure to bring your own blanket and/or chair to the show.**
- **6:30 AM—Run for the Son—10K/5K/Walk/Run—Location—1111 4th Avenue West Sponsored by Sacred Heart Catholic School** Proceeds benefit Sacred Heart Catholic School— \$25 registration until June 4th; after June 4th registration is \$30. Registration begins at 6:30 AM; 10K begins at approximately 7:30 AM and 5K begins at approximately 8:30 AM. Come to the parking lot behind the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. For more information and the registration form refer to website: www.spencersacredheart.com For questions or additional information contact: Amy Noah at 712-262-5779 or Margie Swanson at 712-363-3388
- **8 AM—Flagfest Parade Line-up begins—Location—Clay County Fairgrounds East Gate Sponsored by Black Hills Energy & Arnold Motors Supply** Beat the rush and line-up for the parade early!
- **11 AM—Flagfest Parade Sponsored by Black Hills Energy and Arnold Motor Supply—** Parade route for this year will be from the Clay County Fairgrounds Gate C— East on West 14th Street then South on Grand Avenue— West on West 4th Street to 3rd Avenue West For the Return Route please follow the signs that will be posted.
- **11 AM—11 PM—**
- **Concessions Area East 7th Street** Vendors will be present with ice cream, smoothies, mini donuts, root beer floats, etc. low prices; affordable for the whole family.
- **1 PM– 4 PM Brandon Dale Artist Development—Location—Entertainers Stage at 7th St. E and 1st Avenue East—Sponsored by: Brandon Dale Artist Development Co.** Bring your lawn chairs and come to the East 7th Street & 1st Avenue East for a fun filled afternoon of music from the future stars of America.
- **1 PM– 5 PM Family Amusements East 7th St and 1st Avenue East Sponsored by Spencer Rotary Club** Inflatibles for all ages! Mini Ferris Wheel and two barrel trains. Free to the Public.
- **1 PM–5 PM—Shayla Bee Coloring Contest—Location—East 7th Street Sponsored by: Shayla Bee Supporters** Free coloring contest for age groups: 2-4 yrs, 4-7 yrs, 8-11 yrs and Adult/Bikers. Winners will BEE announced at the 5:30 PM. Free Shayla Bee tattoos for all entrants. Free Shayla Bee T-shirts for 1st, 2nd & 3rd, place winners. Shayla Bee T-shirts will also be for sale. Shayla Bee Fund is an area organization that helps area families with a child in medical crisis.

Saturday, June 11, 2011

- **ALL DAY— Annual Display of Veterans Memorial Flags Location—Clay County Courthouse Courtyard**
- **ALL DAY— Arts in Bloom—Location—Arts on Grand Sponsored by: Clay County Federated Garden Club—** Floral arrangements designed to accompany art medias on display at Arts on Grand. For more information contact: Doris Ginger at 712-262-2484

2011 Flagfest Events Line-Up Continued

- **1 PM—5 PM— Quail Valley Petting Zoo—Location— West Leach Park Sponsored by: Sylvan Learning, Spencer International Case IH & U of O Marathon. Hand Washing Stations courtesy of JCL Solutions.**
Quail Valley Petting Zoo is an interactive petting zoo for children of all ages. Quail Valley Farms specialized in farm and small exotic animals.
- **2 PM White Horse Patrol Performance—Location— West Leach Park Sponsored by: Northwest Equipment of Spencer**
Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and come to West Leach Park to watch the Shrine's White Horse Patrol perform.
- **2 PM—4 PM Clydesdale Wagon Rides—Location— West Leach Park Sponsored by: Community State Bank & Insurance** Free Rides in the wagon pulled by a Clydesdale 6-Horse Hitch
- **3 PM—Daybreakers Kiwanis Toy Duck Race—Location— Spencer Schools Administration Parking lot on East 7th Street—Sponsored by Spencer Daybreakers Kiwanis.** Fundraiser Raffle for Kiwanis to help fund community events and children in need. Purchase your tickets from any Daybreaker Kiwanis member.
- **6 PM—10 PM—Grand Cruise and Tunes Grand Avenue. Sponsored by the “Old Iron Company”** Everyone can bring out their old hot rods, classics, muscle cars, antiques, etc. to cruise and park on Grand Avenue. Listen to good old Rock & Roll music and visit with friends. For more information go to: www.oldironcompany.com
- **7 PM—Midnight—Festival Garden—Location—Parking lot corner of 1st Ave. East & East 7th Street Sponsored by Sneaker's Sports Lounge** What a great way to enjoy a lovely summer evening; a social event to meet your friends and neighbors.
- **8 PM— Midnight— Flagfest Street Dance —Parking lot corner of East 1st Avenue and East 7th Street. Sponsored by Farmers Trust & Savings Bank.** Admission to the Street Dance is FREE. The featured band is “Expressions” For the last 44 or so years, this band of roving minstrels perform their version of popular rock-n-roll hits of the 50's to some of the latest hits of today.
- **7:00—11:00 AM—Flight Breakfast—Location — Northwest Iowa Regional Airport—Sponsored by Northwest Iowa Regional Airport—Pancakes & Sausage breakfast. Fly in or drive in to the Spencer Airport and enjoy the morning.**
- **12:30 PM—8:30 PM—Free Swim—Location—Spencer Family Aquatic Center—612 4th Street SE, Spencer Sponsored by: The Spencer Parks Department**
- **1 PM– 4 PM– Living History Day Location—300 East 3rd Street Sponsored by: Parker Historical Society (This is a schedule change from previously advertised information.)** This year's event will be Celebrating Life on the Prairie. Parker will have information about native prairie plants, a blacksmith demonstration, games for the kids and museum tours. Ice Cream and homemade pies will be available. Admission fee for the event. For more information contact: Cindy McGranahan at 262-3304.
- **1:00 PM—Spencer Municipal Band—Location— Spencer Bandshell in East Leach Park—Come out and relax while listening to the Spencer Municipal Band. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy the wonderful music.**

Sunday, June 12, 2011

- **ALL DAY—Annual Display of Veterans Memorial Flags Location— Clay County Courthouse Courtyard**

Ambitious Entrepreneurs Turned Out for Business Class

The Spencer Chamber of Commerce and the Northwest Iowa Small Business Development Center in Iowa Lakes Community College collaborated for a free class on 'How to Start A Business' yielding 16 registered participants on May 11th. Kelly McCarty lead the class emphasizing the smart start of a successful business includes the characteristics of preparation, perspiration, perseverance and planning. He provided a guide for developing a business plan and outlined the components necessary to complete each section of the plan.

The class participants felt the content of the information covered was very helpful and the material well organized. Several commented that they benefited by learning more about the resources that are available to assist new businesses. Others commented the small class size presented easy conversation allowing for question and answer opportunities to personalize the class to their specific needs. Overall, the participants appreciated the format to allow them to focus on their goals of creating their own small business opportunity.

June Event Calendar



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| 1-30 | Southpark Mall Classroom Collection June 1—July 27—712-262-8700 |
| 1-18 | Arts On Grand Water Color Exhibit by Jo Myers Walker |
| 10-12 | Flagfest Activities—See detailed schedule on our online calendar |
| 21-30 | Arts On Grand Rural Landscapes Pastel Exhibit by Gordon Kellenberger |
| Each Tuesday | Spencer Public Library—Story-time 10:30a |
| Each Tuesday | Spencer Public Library Summer Reading Event—Kids 2p |
| Each Thursday | Spencer Public Library—Story-time 9:30a |
| Each Thursday | Spencer Public Library Summer Reading Event—Twins & Teens 2p |
| Daily Activities | Spencer Area Activity Center – See detailed schedule on our online calendar |
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| 1 | Spencer Public Library Summer Reading Program Kick off—All Day Event |
| 5 | Spencer Area Activity Ctr. Dance—Featuring German Polka Music 2-5p |
| 8 | Spencer Public Library Adult Movie Night |
| 10 | Arts On Grand Book signing and talk by James Oleson 12p-2p |
| 10-11 | Arts On Grand Art in Bloom—Clay County Garden Club Floral Arrangements |
| 14 | Spencer Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours—At SMU Fountain 5-7p |
| 17 | Arts On Grand Watercolor Workshop with Katie Plucker 9:30a-4p—712-262-4307 |
| 17 | ILCC Clay Co. Scholarship Golf Outing at Spencer Country Club—Registration 11a |
| 18 | Southpark Mall Father's Day Event |
| 19 | Clay County Fairgrounds WHO Tractor Ride Registration |
| 20-21 | Clay County Fairground WHO Tractor Ride Continues |
| 22 | Arts On Grand Wacky Wednesday Classes Welcoming Grades 4-7—1-3p |
| 24 | American Cancer Society Clay County Relay For Life at Clay Co. Fair Grounds 5:30p |
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| 30 | Spencer Area Activity Center Internet 101 10:30a-11:30a |