Adair County Employee Newsletter July 2013

Anniversaries:

Kay Biggerstaff, Child Support, 18 years Darla Collop, Circuit Court, 13 years Maggie Ferrell, Recorder's office, 13 years Sally George, Drug and Task Force, 16 years

Gary Krambeck, Sheriff's Dept. 14 years Jason Lene, Sheriff's Dept., 16 years Phil McIntosh, Juvenile, 16 years Brian Noe, Coroner, 24 years Mary Walitshek, Assessor's office, 5 years

Congrats to you all and just think.....you are all one day closer to:



Happy Birthday!

Brad Broadwell, Sheriff's Dept, 7/3
Dana Buster, Prosecuting Atty's office, 7/10
Jason Dromey, Road and Bridge, 7/29
David Goring, Asst. Pros. Atty., 7/22
Bill Himes, Sheriff's Dept., 7/2
Shawn Keim, Sheriff's Dept. 7/13
Franz Kinkhorst, Sheriff's Dept., 7/18
Greg Lawrence, Assessor's office 7/5
Barbara Schultz, Circuit Court, 7/14
Jeremiah Treece, Sheriff's office, 7/27
Charles Truitt, Sheriff's office, 7/18





Welcome New Employees!

Zack Corder, Sheriff's Dept. Alexandria Gutosky, Pros. Attorney

AS ALWAYS: IF I'VE NEGLECTED ANYONE BY MISTAKE, PLEASE LET ME KNOW SO I CAN FIX IT IMMEDIATELY.

County Events

7/1- Children's Art in the Park begins **7/3-7/6-** American Red, White, and Blue Festival

7/12-7/13- Broadway in the Park
Performance
7/14- NEMO Fair
7/27-Movie in the Park "How to Train Your
Dragon"

every Saturday there is the Farmer's Market, and every Friday there is Music on the Square, courthouse lawn

More information on any of these events can be given by the Chamber of Commerce, 665-3766 or the City of Kirksville at 627-1224.

County News

 The County now has a corporate membership with the Adair County YMCA. There is a 20% discount for those interested, and the cost will have to be payroll deducted. So, if you're a current member that has your monthly fee deducted from your account from the YMCA every month, you'd need to switch to payroll deduction to receive the discount. With the discount, the prices per month will be as follows:

Family plan: \$28.40 Adult: \$22.00

Single Parent Family: \$22.80

Senior Adult: \$15.60 Senior Couple: \$19.60

Youth: \$10

If you are interested in joining, or switching to payroll deduction for monthly payment,

please let Beth know. 234-7914,

bplatz@adaircomo.com, or better yet, come see me! © Thank you to Rhonda Noe, for the idea.

- The Health Dept. is holding a TDAP Vaccination Clinic July 22-26th.
 (Adult Diptheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis). Free for ages 11 and up.
 Call for appointment 665-8491.
- We are working on a corporate membership with SAM'S Club. More information on that is coming soon. Thanks for that idea, Rhonda Noe!
- We're starting our Employee Contributed-Motivation Fund (completely voluntary, of course. Employees who are interested can drop off their \$2 donation toward the funds to Beth, or call me and I'll come get it. At the time of this update, we have \$32. (June 27) You still have 1 week to enter. However, I will be on vacation for 3 days this coming week (July 2-4), so come see me Monday or Friday. We'll draw

for some sort of gift or gas card for July. Our committee will decide what to give away. Right now, the committee members are:

- -Sandy Collop
- -John Axsom
- -Brenda Capps
- -Pam Tarr
- -Vera Willis
- -Karen Hammons
- -Beth Platz We'll switch out members every 90 days or so. I would love volunteers for this!

Workplace/Sexual Harassment Training, Take 2

For anyone who didn't make it to Workplace Harassment training on May 29th, there will be another one on August 29th, with the entertaining Cornell Dillard as the speaker. Make plans to be there if you were not present on the 29th. This training is mandatory. (August 29th, 10 a.m., Annex Buildiing)

Let's talk about the CERF 457 Savings Plan

I just want to make sure that employees know what this retirement plan is all about, because it's truly a great way to contribute toward retirement. It just gives you free money! I know, I know....nothing is really free in this world, but wait....THIS REALLY IS! Here's how it works:

- -Employees make a voluntary contribution through regular payroll deductions
- -Amount can be up to 6% of gross pay, or a minimum flat dollar amount of \$10. (You can contribute more than \$10 of course,

that's just the minimum). In my case for example, I only contribute 3% I believe.

But here's what makes it GREAT:

-Every year, there is a .50 cent match for every dollar that you contribute to the CERF 457 Savings Plan (up to first 6% of pay). Just free money, BAM!!! Just like that. And, you are vested in this plan after 5 years.

It's easy to get signed up for it, so if you're interested, come see me. ☺

Reimbursable Deductible Forms

I haven't had hardly any requests for forms/faxes to GBS. Don't forget about your \$500 back from GBS! (or \$1000 family, whichever comes first). If you've gone to the doctor this year, or paid off a bill this year, bring your receipt and we'll get some of your money back. ©

Recipes:

Wonderful Summer Drink Recipe!



- 1 c. Countrytime lemonade mix
- 2 c. cold water
- 1 can chilled pineapple juice (46 oz.)
- 2 cans chilled sprite

Brown Sugar Baked Beans with Bacon



2 cans (29 oz each) of good quality baked beans (Bush's Country Style is great) 4 slices thick-cut bacon, cooked and crumbled

3 TB brown sugar

2 tsp mustard powder

3 TB ketchup

2 TB onion powder or dried minced onion 1/4 tsp freshly ground black pepper

DIRECTIONS

Set oven to 350F.

Combine all ingredients, except for bacon, in a serving dish of your choice. Stir to fully incorporate ingredients. Sprinkle crumbled bacon evenly on top. Cover and place in oven for 15-20 minutes or until dish is hot. Serve warm

Oven Fried Pork Chops



4 – 6 pork chops, about ½-inch thick Lawry's garlic salt Black pepper Ground red pepper Flour – plain or self-rising ½ stick butter, melted Cooking spray

Directions: Preheat oven to 400 degrees and line a shallow baking pan with foil. Rinse pork chops and shake to dry. You want to leave just a little dampness on the chops. Sprinkle the pork chops on both sides with garlic salt, black pepper, and red pepper. Rub the seasonings into the meat. Shake the seasoned chops in flour. Set the chops on a plate to rest.

Pour the melted butter in the baking pan and tilt the pan to make sure the entire cooking surface is coated with melted butter. Shake the pork chops in the flour again. Arrange the chops in the baking pan and bake for 20 minutes. Remove pan from oven and spray the upturned side of the chops with baking spray. Turn chops over and continue to bake pork chops for about 20 more minutes, or until meat is no longer pink.

Strawberry Upside Down Cake



- 1 (18 ounce) package yellow cake mix, batter prepared as directed on package
- 2 cups crushed strawberries
- 1 package Strawberry Jello (6 oz)
- 3 Cups Mini Marshmallows

Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 Degrees F
- 2. Spread crushed strawberries on the bottom of a 13×9 inch baking pan.
- 3. Evenly sprinkle strawberries with the dry jello powder, and top with mini marshmallows.
- 4. Prepare the cake mix by the directions on the box and spread evenly over the marshmallows & strawberries.

- 5. Bake in the preheated oven until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean, about 40 to 50 minutes.
- 6. Cool in the pan for 15 minutes. Run a knife around the pan to loosen the sides, and turn the cake out onto a serving tray.
- 7. Store cake in the refrigerator.

Just in case you were wondering, "what is up with the marshmallows?" This is why: The marshmallows melt in the baking process creating little pockets in the cake for the strawberry to fill. I didn't have mini marshmallows so I just chopped up the big ones and it worked perfect. Trust me...use the marshmallows! YUM!

Trivia Challenge #1

Who gave their first Olympic medal to their old high school teacher who had previously said "you ain't never gonna be nuthin?"

- a) George Foreman
- b) Oscar de la Hoya
- c) Muhammed Ali
- d) Sugar Ray Leonard
- e) Michael Jordan

Trivia Challenge #2

Who once gave a widow who housed him enough money to pay off her debt collector and then robbed the debt collector as the man left the widow's home?

- a) Jesse James
- b) "Babyface" Nelson
- c) Billy the Kid
- d) John Henry "Doc" Holliday

Trivia Challenge #3

According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the World's Most Fearless Creature is:

- a) wolverine
- b) lion

- c) panther
- d) honey badger
- e) polar bear

Trivia Challenge #4

The first toy advertised on TV was:

- a) Easy Bake Oven
- b) Mickey Mouse Guitar
- c) Mr. Potato Head
- d) Chatty Cathy Doll
- e) Little Doctor Kit

Trivia Challenge #5

Who was the first President to be impeached?

- a) Bill Clinton
- b) Richard Nixon
- c) Calvin Coolidge
- d) Andrew Johnson
- e) Rutherford B. Hayes

Trivia Challenge #6

The first ready mix food to be sold commercially was what?

- a) Bisquick
- b) Aunt Jemima Pancake Flour
- c) Betty Crocker Cake mix
- d) Krusteaz Cornbread mix

Trivia Challenge #7

What is the most money making crop in the state of Missouri?

- a) soybean
- b) corn
- c) wheat
- d) cotton
- e) rice

Trivia Answer #1: c Trivia Answer #2: a Trivia Answer#3: d Trivia Answer#4: c Trivia Answer #5: d **Trivia Answer #6**: b **Trivia Answer #7**: a

Facts you didn't know.....

Only female mosquitoes will bite you

Duncan Hines was a real person. He was a popular restaurant critic who also wrote a book of hotel recommendations.

When Coca-Cola announced the return of Coke's original formula in 1985, ABC News interrupted *General Hospital* to break the story.

Michael Jackson's 1988 autobiography Moonwalk was edited by Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis.

Dr. Ruth was trained as a sniper by the Israeli military.

John Wilkes Booth's brother once saved the life of Abraham Lincoln's son

Birds have the right of way on all Utah highways.

Because of the rotation of the earth, an object can be thrown farther if it is thrown west

Weatherman Willard Scott was the first original Ronald McDonald

Super Glue effectively closes wounds, and was credited with saving many lives in Vietnam

The closer you get to the toilet, the harder it is to hold it in.

The red cape used during a bullfight is red in order to hide the bull's blood, not to anger it. Bulls are colorblind

When a person cries and the first drop of tears comes from the right eye, It's happiness, when it's from the left, It's pain.