

# He Is Risen

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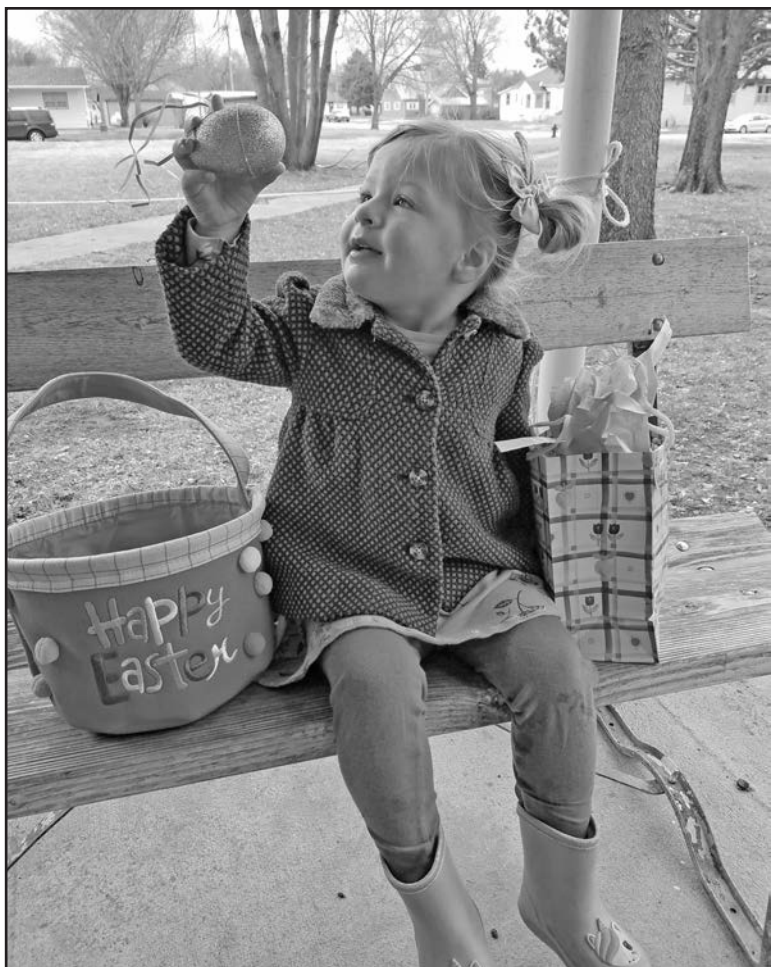
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## "Egg"stra Special Hunt



Photos/Debbie Connelly

With last year's hunt cancelled due to the pandemic, kids ages 2 & under needed some instruction as they participated in their first community Easter egg hunt at the city park on Saturday morning. A good crowd turned out to meet the Easter Bunny and to enjoy the Hunt, sponsored by Chamber and organized by the N.H.S and J.H.S.



Holding her prize, Maeli Blecha's eyes twinkle as she admires the gold egg she found during Saturday's Easter Egg Hunt. Prizes were donated by Mills Hardware, Nails for Starz, and Debby Moninger from the book fair. The remaining Gold and Silver egg prize winners in their age division are pictured inside this issue.

## COVID -19 Vaccination Clinic Scheduled at Arnold

Burwell, NE - Loup Basin Public Health Department (LBPHD) and its partners have opened scheduling for COVID-19 vaccination clinics to all individuals 18 years old and older. To be vaccinated by LBPHD or one of our partners, please register via [vaccinate.ne.gov](https://vaccinate.ne.gov). Invitations for vaccination clinics will be made utilizing the statewide system. If you do not have access to the internet, individuals may call the DHHS COVID hotline (833) 998-2275 to be assisted with the registration process.

Upcoming vaccination clinics that are being scheduled through the statewide system include:

**April 1 - Arnold Community Center - Johnson & Johnson**

New clinics are being added into the system daily. By scheduling through the system, you will see the most up to date list of clinics with available spots.

### Update

There have been no documented cases in Nebraska of anyone getting the disease after being fully vaccinated.

The Pfizer vaccine was 95% effective and the Moderna vac-

cine 94% effective in phase three clinical trials. Comparatively, the flu vaccine is generally 40 to 60% effective. Two doses are needed to reach full effectiveness against COVID-19, and the same brand of vaccine must be administered for both doses. The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine has been approved for those 16 and older, and the Moderna vaccine approved for those 18 and older.

A phase three clinical trial showed the Johnson & Johnson/Janssen Pharmaceutical vaccine had 85% efficacy in the U.S. at preventing any severity of COVID-19 (while being studied in regions with new variant strains of COVID-19), and only requires one dose. Comparatively, the flu vaccine is generally 40 to 60% effective. Each of these three authorized COVID-19 vaccines had 100% efficacy against COVID-19-related hospitalizations and deaths. Since each of these COVID-19 vaccines works extremely well against the virus, individuals should feel confident they are reducing their risk when they choose to vaccinate. Moreover, every person who gets vaccinated is doing their part to help

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## Clean Up Day Scheduled for April 19

Volunteers from Arnold Rotary, Arnold Chamber, Arnold Public School, American Legion and village personnel will be helping make Arnold shine on Monday, April 19. After last year's clean-up day was cancelled due to the pandemic, the town will need an extra sprucing up.

To have your name placed on the list, call Patty Lamberty at 848-2228 (cell 308-520-4495) or Becky Dailey at 848-2522.

Legion members will be available to pick up almost any type of metal. Call Mike Harvey at 308-530-1065 to schedule a pick up.

The entire month of April has been designated as community clean up month. A roll off container has been placed at the village street shop for your convenience when cleaning up your property. There is no charge for village residents to use the container during April. **Not accepted** in the container will be tires, construction rubble, appliances, batteries, computers and household hazardous waste.

A rain date of April 26 has been scheduled in case of inclement weather.



## Era of dealership in Arnold is gone

After 80-plus years of vehicles being sold in downtown Arnold, carpools surrounding Sandhills Motors's property in downtown Arnold sat empty on the evening of March 21st, as about 40 vehicles were moved out quickly in a single day.

"We started Sunday morning and were done by about 3:00

that afternoon," said Sandhills Motors General Manager Chad Garcia.

The dealership - purchased in October of 2017 - has been moved to a temporary location in Broken Bow. Groundbreaking for the new Bow dealership is set for today, April 1st.

Garcia said the move came

from a push by Chrysler to move the dealership to a larger community to make it work. With the transition, Sandhills Motors was able to obtain a Jeep franchise that wasn't allowed in Arnold.

Contents of the shop - which remained temporarily open - will be moved on April 5. Five

current employees will now be working at the new location and new positions will be added in the future.

Garcia said the dealership's Arnold properties are for sale.

"We're pretty hopeful. It would be nice to see the buildings full. Community drivers will fill the void. We're still in

the process," said Garcia. "We want to thank everyone for their support and hope we can continue to work with them."

The dealership was established in 1960 by Bob Forrester, and in its day drew customers from all over Nebraska and several states.