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2021 Awards & Recognition - Congratulations

The Auburn Chamber of Commerce hosted their 2021 Annual Chamber Banquet and General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, October 12th at the Eagles Club. The banquet included Auburn's new City Administrator/Economic Developer Crystal Dunekacke as the keynote speaker. Dunekacke reiterated that Auburn business voices are deserving of a seat at the table, and hopes that businesses take advantage of the opportunities to partner with the community. She said it best when recognizing that those in attendance are the experts and we need their input to continue to grow by working together.

President Heather Rowell extended an invitation to the members to contact her, a board member, or Executive Director Tonia Greiner and bringing their ideas about how the chamber could better serve their business and the community.

The banquet recognized the following: Past Presidents in attendance: Annie Thomas (1985), Marty Fattig (2008), Laura Osborne (2015), Deb Koerner (2018), Logan Merz (2019).

Auburn Ambassadors in Attendance: Alex Greiner, Bobette

Guenther, Sonia Kistner, Elaine Knapp, Chris Koperski, Pastor Ken Miller, Wendy Rowell and Annie Thomas.

All the nominees for the awards were recognized as follows (winners in bold):

Community Development Award: PinPoint, A1 Cellular.

Volunteer Group of the Year: Neighbor to Neighbor, Nemaha County Giving Hope Cancer Fund, Nemaha County Gives Back, **Auburn Volunteer Fire & Rescue.**

Youth Development Award: Calvert PTO, Auburn Backpack Program, **Auburn 2021 Football Team**, Penny Gerking "Little Gerkins"

Community Spirit Award: Happy Life Nutrition, **Auburn Design Shop**, Auburn Sports Boosters, Auburn FBLA

Community Wellness Award: **Southeast District Health Department**, Auburn Ambassadors.

Individual Volunteer of the Year: Pastor Ken Miller, **Marty Hughes**, Individual Staff of Union Bank & Trust.

Ambassador of the Year: All members are nominated. **Alex Greiner** (continued page 4)

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Since its founding in 1990, the mission of the Brownville Concert Series has been twofold: (1) to bring nationally and internationally renowned musical performers to a rural, underserved area of Nebraska and (2) conduct student or community outreach events (required as part of every performer's contract) which may include visits to schools, churches, nursing homes, etc. and free master classes or music workshops.

As to the first part of their mission, it is well known that they have been successful in attracting highly notable artists and forging a Brownville/Broadway connection. They received the 2010 Governor's Arts Award for Organization. The recent PBS Centennial Celebration of Leonard Bernstein at Tanglewood featured 3 performers who had played Brownville. Tony Yazbeck (Tony Nominee for *On the Town*) in 2017, NY Met Mezzo Soprano Jennifer Johnson in 2010 and NY Met Soprano Nadiene Sierra in 2008. There are many more examples if you look at their past performers roster online.

More importantly and probably lesser known is the extent of their student and community outreach. Every performer is required to conduct an outreach activity including visits to schools or nursing homes (gifting 20 free tickets with each visit), giving free master classes (including free tickets) or workshops. Although they are a mostly volunteer non-profit, the few persons paid are the Technical Crew, primarily area high school and college students who assist backstage and with sound and lighting and all things relating to production.

One rural student success story would be David Von Behrends of Falls City who attended our master classes for several years and stayed in correspondence with the classical artists who also helped him apply to music schools including Julliard. He was accepted by Julliard and the Cleveland School of Music plus five other music schools but decided on the Cleveland School of Music. He continued his graduate studies at the Stanford School of Music and appeared on NPR's *From the Top* with Christopher O'Reiley (a past Brownville performer).

Another is Nora Baker of Shubert who had worked for several years as a Stage Tech, attending our master classes and playing with the Omaha Youth Symphony, she won a full scholarship to the University of Iowa School of Music.

In February of 2017, the Concert Series showcased its talented Tech Crew in a free concert entitled "Tech Crew & Friends" to a packed audience. This was orchestrated by their Lead Tech at the time, Sheila Murphy of Auburn High School.

Other activities include school visits and community outreaches such as the following: Jazz Class taught at Rockport High School, Performances at Nebraska City Middle School, Auburn Middle and High School, the Good Samaritan Society in Auburn and many more, while also giving away free tickets.

In June 2019, the Concert Series donated the Hall and Steinway piano for Auburn Music Student and BCS Stage Tech Trace Moody to hold his Senior Music Recital enjoyed by approximately 80 students and family members.

There continues to be more and more outreach activities and events as the Brownville Concert Series continues to pursue its mission to bring professional live performance to a rural, underserved area of Nebraska. The program is varied and includes classical instrumental, Cabaret performances based on the American Songbook, Jazz, Rock and Roll, Bluegrass, Voice Recitals, Opera and a specially commissioned Christmas Gala. "The People you are hearing are the top artists available in New York and other large cities—the music you are hearing in Brownville is as good as it gets".

November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Senior Day & Village Designs	2 Military Discount @ Orscheln's 12p: Rotary Club 7p: PSC VB	3 Senior Day @ Glenn's, Orscheln's & SunMart 5p: Annual Harvest Soup Supper 5:30p: Hometown Christmas Committee Meeting	4 12p: Auburn Ambassador Meeting 6p: PSC Fall Bands Concert	5	6 9a-3p: PSC Fall Craft Festival 12p: PSC FB- Senior Day
7 1:30p: Concert Series-Drive On	8 5:30p: School Board Meeting 7p: City Council Meeting 7p: PSC WBB	9 Military Discount @ Orscheln's 12p: Rotary Club	10 Senior Day @ Glenn's, Orscheln's & SunMart 8p PSC JV MBB	11 9a-6p: Lifetime Vision Open House & Frame Show(pg10)	12 12p: Feeding 44 Distribution	13 7a-11a: Pancake Feed (pg10) 4p: PSC WBB
14 2p: BCS: Beethoven & Beyond (pg10) 4p: PSC JV WBB	15	16 Military Discount @ Orscheln's 12p: Rotary Club 6:30p: PSC: The Disco Citizens Ride Again (Play)	17 Senior Day @ Glenn's, Orscheln's & SunMart 11:30a: Board of Public Works Meeting 6:30p & 9:30p: PSC: The Disco Citizens Ride Again (Play)	18 CHRISTMAS OPENING (pg 4) 5:30p: UB&T Tree Lighting 5:30p: PSC: The Disco Citizens Ride Again (Play) 7p: Ambassador Shop and Walk 7p: Optimists Meeting 8p: PSC JV WBB	19 8p: PSC MBB	20 6p: PSC MBB 7:30p: PSC: The Disco Citizens Ride Again (Play)
21	22	23 Military Discount @ Orscheln's 12p: Rotary Club 5:30p: PSC WBB 7:30p: PSC MBB	24 Senior Day @ Glenn's, Orscheln's & SunMart	25	26	27 Small Business Saturday
28	29	30 Military Discount @ Orscheln's 12p: Rotary Club				

2021 Awards & Recognition - Congratulations

(cont from pg1) Other recognition was given to continued businesses, new businesses, and some first dollar and membership plaques were given out. The meeting continued with discussing some old and new business as well as the presentation of your proposed 2022 Board of Directors which was approved as the following:

Heather Rowell, President

Tyson Wessels, Vice President

Jan DeBuhr, Secretary

Blayne Behrends, Treasurer

Derek Hemmingsen

Kaci Jones

Shae Neumeister

Wendy Rowell

Logan Merz completed his two terms for serving and will continue to serve as the past president advisor.

Thank you again to all of our members for their continued support of the chamber and the community. We look forward to continue working together.



SENCA Weatherization - Energy Saving Solutions

To create more awareness of the Weatherization Assistance Program, and the energy saving benefits the program provides to qualifying households, October 30th is recognized each year as National Weatherization Day. SENCA has been weatherizing homes of eligible, low-income households since 1975.

With above normal temperatures throughout much of October most of us are not ready, or even thinking about, freezing temps and higher utility costs that will soon be a reality. While this is an inconvenience for many households, the colder winter months are more challenging for low-income households who fear they won't be able to pay the higher utility costs.

Thankfully Southeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership, Inc. (SENCA) provides a Weatherization program to qualifying residents throughout the seven county service area of: Cass, Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Richardson and Sarpy. Weatherization enables low-income families, whether they own or rent their home, to reduce energy costs by helping to make their homes more energy efficient.

Potential Weatherization services may include: insulation to the attic, walls and/or floors; replacement of broken glass in primary windows; installation or adjustment of door weather-stripping, thresholds and/or door sweeps; in addition to an efficiency inspection on natural gas, propane and fuel oil furnaces, or boilers. Hot water heater repair and/or replacement is also available. After improvements are completed households generally experience an increase in comfort, reduced drafts, more even temperatures throughout the home

and a reduction in heating and cooling costs. A typical residence who has benefitted from Weatherization services may experiences an average of 18.7% reduction in heating costs. Additional savings can also be achieved in cooling costs. Energy conservation helps reduce Nebraska's dependence on imported energy in addition to being a major contribution to the self-sufficiency of low-income households. A reduction in energy costs can help economically challenged households stretch their available income to better meet the family's basic needs. During the 2021 fiscal year, October 1st – September 30th, SENCA provided 29 adults, residing in 24 homes, with energy saving improvements and energy conservation training, thereby improving lives and strengthening southeast Nebraska communities.

To receive free weatherization services combined household incomes must fall below 200% of the federal poverty level, which is revised annually. In 2021 a family of four could earn up to \$53,000 and qualify for assistance. Households with persons receiving either ADC (Aid to Dependent Children) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) are automatically eligible for weatherization services.

**For more information
on Weatherization
and Housing Programs
contact Housing Director
Gin Christiansen
402-862-2411 ext. 110**

**www.senca.org
www.facebook.com/Senca/**



DISCOUNT DAYS

**Every Tuesday is
Military Discount Day
at Orscheln's Farm &
Home**

SunMart

Senior Day 55+

Receive 10% off
regularly priced items
every Wednesday.

Village Designs

Senior Day

Monday, November 1

Glenn's Corner Market

Every Wednesday is
Senior Citizen Day!
5% Discount (60 years +)



Feeding 44

Mobile Food Pantry for
Nemaha County

Friday, November 12

Distribution Starts at Noon
Al Wheeler Activity Center
(600 Hoyt St, Peru, NE)

Auburn Senior Center

Meals on Wheels Lunch M-F

59 and under: \$5.50

60 and over: \$4.00

RSVP Day Before 274-4677

Community Wellness Walk & SHOP!

November 18 7pm-8pm

Downtown Businesses

Does your business have a discount day? Do you know of a similar reoccurring event that you think should be listed on this page.

Email auburnchamberofcommerce@gmail.com to share your information and reserve your Monthly Newsletter Reminder Box.

City Council Chambers:

City Council Meeting
Monday, November 8 @ 7:00p



Board of Public Works Meeting

Wednesday
November 17 @ 11:30a

Auburn
Ambassadors
November 4
12pm
Auburn Senior
Center

Upcoming Events
*Christmas
Opening
Thursday,
November 18th

Chamber Board
of Directors
TBD

entertainment

Auburn State Theater

1221 J Street 402-274-4096

“Dune”

Through November 4

“Cry Macho”

Nov 5-11

Stay tuned to [Facebook](#)
for updates and show times.

Bowldog Alley

@BowldogAlley 402-274-1310

Kitchen Hours

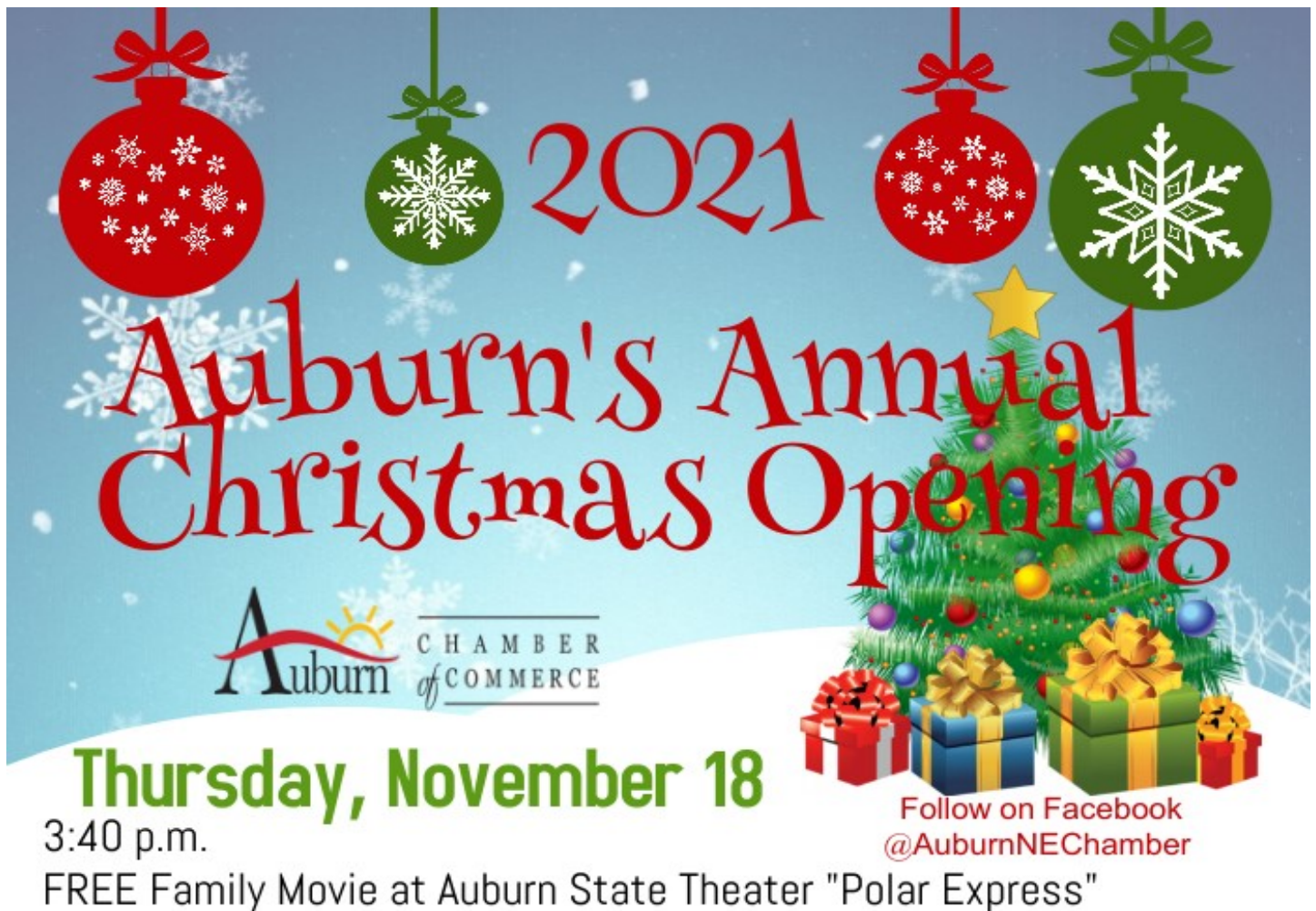
Tuesday thru Friday
11am-2pm then 5:30pm-9pm
Saturday 3pm-9pm

Open Bowling Hours

Tuesday thru Thursday 11am-3:30pm
Friday 11am-9pm
Saturday 3pm-9pm

Closed on Sundays & Mondays

**Follow on Facebook for any
changes or updates!**



A festive poster for Auburn's Annual Christmas Opening 2021. The background is a light blue sky with white snowflakes. At the top, four Christmas ornaments are hanging: two red with white snowflakes and two green with white snowflakes. The year "2021" is written in large, red, stylized letters. Below it, the title "Auburn's Annual Christmas Opening" is written in a large, red, cursive font. To the right of the title is a small, decorated Christmas tree with a yellow star on top and several wrapped gifts at its base. The Auburn Chamber of Commerce logo is on the left, featuring a stylized "A" with a sun and the words "Auburn CHAMBER of COMMERCE". The date "Thursday, November 18" is written in large, green, bold letters. Below the date, the time "3:40 p.m." is written in black. At the bottom, the text "FREE Family Movie at Auburn State Theater 'Polar Express'" is written in black. To the right of the date, the text "Follow on Facebook @AuburnNEChamber" is written in red.

2021

Auburn's Annual Christmas Opening

Thursday, November 18

3:40 p.m.

FREE Family Movie at Auburn State Theater "Polar Express"

Follow on Facebook
@AuburnNEChamber

5:30 p.m.

Union Bank & Trust's Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

- Hot Chocolate and Cake Balls!
- Santa on a Fire Truck!
- Ambassador Charity Drive-Bring a Buck for the Backpack Program
- Win a swag bag from Union Bank & Trust

Extended Holiday Shopping Hours and more!

Follow on Facebook: 2021 Auburn's Annual Christmas Opening

CHAMBER BUCKS

ON SALE NOW

*Buy \$25 get
entered to win \$150*

One entry for every \$25 purchased before November 17th.
To purchase Call or Email Auburn Chamber: 274-3521
auburnchamberofcommerce@gmail.com



CHRISTMAS OPENING SPENDING MONEY

The Hairitage Salon & Day Spa
Thursday, November 18

9:00 am to 7:00 pm

20% off storewide



Drawings, goodies & additional
in salon sales



HUNGRY FOR DONATIONS

BRING YOUR CASH TO FILL A BACKPACK



Support the Auburn Backpack Program

**\$7.35
COVERS
COST FOR
ONE BAG!**



BRING YOUR
BUCK\$ TO
FILL THE BAG\$

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 18 5:30
AT UNION BANK & TRUST

MONEY FILLS A TUMMY

MORE INFORMATION CONTACT AUBURN CHAMBER: 402-274-3521

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Annual Frame Show & Open House

11.11.2021

Thursday, 9 am - 6 pm



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Other items giving away include: Kate Spade purses and wallets, Yeti Cups, a Fossil Smartwatch, Local Gift Cards, water bottles and MUCH MORE!

Pancake Feed

Saturday, November 13th, 2021

7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

4-H Building

To-Go Orders Available!



Free Will Donation

Proceeds go to:

- *Project Purple (Pancreatic Cancer) and
- *Nemaha County Giving Hope Cancer Fund

****Serving pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, milk, and coffee****

Beethoven & Beyond

Great music for cello and piano

Cellist Jennifer Kloetzel has concertized throughout the United States, Europe and Asia. A founding member of the Cypress String Quartet, Ms. Kloetzel has toured the world. Pianist Robert Koenig has established a reputation as a much sought-after collaborative pianist and chamber musician.



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**BROWNVILLE
CONCERT
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November 14th AT 2:00pm **Concert**



WALK-IN CLINIC - NEBRASKA CITY

Pfizer, Johnson & Johnson, and Moderna

Saturday, November 6th, 12 pm - 4 pm

Located at: **SCC- Learning Center**

1406 Central Avenue, Nebraska City.

Enter through the east door. Wear a Mask.

Individuals who plan to attend, please advise:

- Be at least 90 days past receiving a monoclonal antibody infusion as a treatment for COVID-19.
- Bring your vaccine card if you're receiving the 2nd or 3rd boost.
- Be at least 6 months since your 2nd dose (Pfizer & Moderna).
- Be at least 2 months since receiving your Johnson & Johnson dose.
- If under the age of 19, a parent/legal guardian must be present at the clinic for consent. (Pfizer)
- Bring your insurance card to submit a claim. No insurance? We can still help you receive the vaccine. No out-of-pocket expense/cost to receive a COVID-19 vaccine.

Questions? Please call, 402-274-3993.

The Disco Citizens Ride Again

The Peru Theatre Company presents The Disco Citizens—student written work that contends with the idea: “Don’t write that down!” (ironic, no?)

30 original plays are presented in random order each night based on audience suggestions! Every night is different! Every show is different! Come and see it more than once! Time is of the essence and the ensemble is racing the clock.



Can they perform all 30 plays in 60 minutes? If they can, they get to eat pizza! If they can't, the AUDIENCE gets to eat pizza! It's win-win! All plays are written and directed by the student ensemble.

Audience participation! Original Plays! Pizza!

Tickets are free for PSC students, staff & faculty. \$20 general admission, \$10 students & seniors.



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OF SOUTHERN NEBRASKA

**2021 HOLIDAY
PROGRAMS
AUBURN OFFICE**

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

- Call 402.327.6242 to make your request today!
- Orders filled as food basket supplies last.
- Pick-up on Friday, November 19th between 10 am - 2 pm at our office (1020 Central Ave. Auburn).

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

- Starting on Monday, November 29th, call 402.327.6242 to request your Christmas basket.
- Orders filled as food basket supplies last.
- Pick-up on Friday, December 17th between 10 am - 2 pm at our office (1020 Central Ave. Auburn).

Please note: our offices will be closed on the following dates:

NOVEMBER: Mon 11/1 & Weds 11/24 - Fri 11/26
DECEMBER: Weds 12/8 & Fri 12/24 - Fri 12/31



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Christmas

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Musical Arrangements by:
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December 3rd at 7:30pm
December 4th at 2pm and 7:30pm
December 5th at 2pm

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Information on
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Christmas!