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American Legion's monthly meeting now on Thursday due to Independence Day

The American Legion and Auxiliary is delaying their regular meeting date to Thursday due to the first Thursday falling on July 4. There will be cold cuts served beginning at 5:30 p.m. Members to bring side dishes. The regular meeting time is 7 p.m. All members are invited, and prospective members are invited as guests. Call 620-391-1414 or 624-2964 for more information.

THURSDAY

Show off that antique tractor during the Seward County 5-State Fair

The Five State Fair Board is seeking antique tractors to be placed on display from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, during the Five State Fair. There will be a $10 entry fee, but all proceeds will be paid out to the Top 3 favorites.

Your tractors will get great exposure, as they will be displayed across the street from the Seward County Activity Center and the United Wireless Kansas City BBQ contest. The other events that day include the hog show, Kids Day, beef show, Home Grown Talent, Newlywed Game, United Wireless BBQ cook-off awards, exhibits open all day and vendors at the Activity Center. The carnival opens at 6 p.m., followed by the demolition derby at 7.

So be a part of our pioneering traditions and bring that restored (or in progress) antique tractor to the fair and enjoy a full day of wonderful activities with the whole family.

For more information, or to reserve a spot, call Larry Phillips at 620-655-9227.

CALL TODAY

Angels for Animals to help pay adoption, neutering costs this week through Friday

The Liberal Animal Shelter, at 1985 N. Country Estates Road, is having an adoption special that runs now through Friday. Adopt a pet for only $20. Great Plains Angels for Animals will pay the spay/neuter deposit of $60 for dogs and $30 for cats, and the owner will pay the balance of the spay/neuter costs to the vet of their choice.

UNTIL FRIDAY

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New school board members, directors begin work

Newly seated school board member Crystal Clemens sits between board members Nick Hatcher, left, and Steve Helm during her first official board meeting Monday evening. L&T photo/Giselle Arredondo

Meeting sets course for 2013-14 school year

By RACHEL COLEMAN
• Leader & Times

Liberal USD No. 480 school board met at its usual time and place Monday night. This meeting was different, however, as several new faces joined familiar ones around the table.

Newly elected board members Crystal Clemens and Matt Friederich filled the positions of longstanding USD 480 board members Cheryl Louderback, who opted not to run for re-election after 18 years of service, and Dan Diepenbrock, also a long-time board member, who had stepped in to fill the spot left vacant when Reid Petty took office as a state representative in the Kansas House.

Along with new faces, the meeting involved a rearrangement of a few familiar ones.

Paul Larkin, formerly deputy superintendent, assumed his new role as superintendent of schools, following the

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Liberal crossroads of commerce

City discusses robotics grant, bids farewell to Joe Sealey

By VICTORIA CALDERON
• Leader & Times

Last night's brief city commission meeting began with a kind farewell from the commission to Joe Sealey.

Mayor Dave Harrison presented Sealey with a plaque to commemorate all his hard work and dedication to the city of Liberal.

"Joe is much more to this organization than a list of projects," Harrison said before presenting the plaque. "He's a boss, he's a leader, he's a friend. Joe is respected by many, and his opinions are valued."

After each of the commissioners shared memories and their thanks for Sealey, the meeting moved on. The next item on the agenda was the rezoning of platted land.

Ordinance No. 4412 was created to change several blocks and lots in

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RODGERS + HAMMERSTEIN'S CINDERELLA

Cinderella to work its magic July 27

Registrations for theater camp open until Monday

By RACHEL COLEMAN
• Leader & Times

Young theater fans flocked to the first session of Liberal's Broadway Academy of Performing — BAP — earlier this summer. In just 10 days, a second session is about to begin, with a one-week whirlwind of dance, drama and singing to produce Rodgers & Hammerstein's musical Cinderella.

"We're still accepting applications until Monday, July 14," said director Alison Bridget Chambers. "The camp begins at noon on Saturday, July 20."

Chambers, a former BAP camper herself, said the second session is a dream come true for young theater fans.

"When I was a student, BAP was always the first week of June, and when it ended, that was very sad. We'd all go home and spend the summer getting together with friends we made at BAP, and wishing we

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5 State Free Fair Liberal Kansas
It's a Party on the PRAIRIE

Fair's 4-H, open exhibits moving back into remodeled Ag Building this year

By ROBERT PIERCE
• Leader & Times

This year's Seward County Five State Fair is the event's 100th edition, and with that in mind, fair officials are bringing in something new to some people, but county commission chairman Ada Linenbroker said in reality, it is merely a reliving of the past century.

"We have almost completed the remodeling at the Ag Building, and this year with new air conditioning, insulation and a new remodeled interior, we are moving the 4-H and open class exhibits back to the Ag Building," she said. "I can remember years ago spending a whole evening at the fair enjoying checking out all the exhibits in the Ag Building and then splitting a funnel cake before going over to the Activity Center to see the commercial exhibits."

For those who enjoy seeing large quilts in the Activity Center, those exhibits will still be on display, but everything else will be started in the Ag Building.

"We will have quilted items, antiques and collectibles in the west meeting rooms," Linenbroker said. "Open class will be in the rest of the west end building and the 4-H, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts in the main room."

Linenbroker said fair officials are asking everyone to come out and experience the fair's past, but more importantly, participate by bringing out crops, garden produce, flowers and plants.

"If you are a budding chef or baker, bring out that special cookie, pie, bread or cake from a family recipe," she said. "Do you have a special collectible or antique you would like to show off, or maybe you do woodworking or metal work?"

Budding artists and photographers can also participate.

"Get your items put in a mart," Linenbroker said.

Pottery and craft hobbyists can likewise show off their talents.

"Artists come in all ages, from kids to teens to

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