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LB840 Funds Help Business Start-up



Above is an aerial view of Watkins ranch northwest of Arnold, taken by Andrew Tickle of Quad Cloud Photography with his DJI Inspire 1 Drone. Quad Cloud Photography is one of Arnold's newest businesses. (Courtesy photo)

Quad Cloud Photography Already Drawing Business From 120-Mile Radius

Remote control drone aerial photography is currently exploding in popularity around the world. Arnold resident Andrew Tickle is among those enthusiasts who are not only enjoying taking photos from the air as a hobby, but making it a business, as well.

A drone is simply an aircraft - relatively small - piloted either autonomously by onboard computers or by a remote control on the ground. Drones have been used for military and special operation applications in recent history, but modern technology has allowed companies to manufacture commercial versions for consumer use.

After purchasing a DJI Inspire 1 Drone at a cost of \$2,900.00, which included one battery, Tickle says his business, Quad Cloud Photography, is taking photography to a new point of view.

"I like taking photos and enjoying God's beautiful creation!" said Tickle. "I always thought using a drone would be a great opportunity to show off the beautiful land around us, from a different point of view. I saw and had looked at drones for awhile and thought that this would be the prime time to get into it. I have always loved driving and flying RC things, so I thought it would be a good op-



Pictured is the DJI Inspire 1 Drone that Tickle purchased to start his new business, Quad Cloud Photography.

portunity to do something I love, as well as help pay for it." An Arnold Economic Development LB840 loan of \$3,900.00 and a grant of \$2,000.00 helped

Tickle not only finish paying for his drone, but also enabled him to purchase a computer and editing software, and five more batteries, which cost \$199.00 each.

With the drone, Tickle takes aerial photos of farmsteads, pivots, golf courses, scenery, football games, control burns, buildings, roads and Arnold activities, including SORC, the annual bike rally, festival and the tractor show. Really, the "sky's the limit" in what Tickle can provide his customers. He said he respects the laws, and people's privacy when using the drone.

Although a young business, Tickle said he and wife April have gotten business in Arnold and all surrounding towns in about a 120-mile radius.

The DJI Inspire 1 Drone has many capabilities, including taking 4K video and 12 meg pictures. The camera lens has nine elements in nine groups, a 360 degree Gimbal, and live HD viewing. The drone can fly indoors using a vision positioning system, and can fly up to 18 to 22 minutes on one battery. Outside, it can fly up to 40 to 45 miles per hour and up to 2.75 miles or about 14,500 feet away. There is a live HD to the controller and it flies with GPS, "along with a lot of other cool stuff," Tickle said.

The photos Tickle takes can be put on canvas or developed as regular photos. Each customer is given a jump drive with their photos on it to then purchase as they wish.

Cloud Fire Photography's pre-made canvas photos can be purchased at Mills Hardware, or customers can talk to Tickle and he can place an order. If anyone has questions or wants to know about acquiring a photo, they can e-mail him at andrew.quadcloudphotos.com or check out the business's facebook page.

"We are also working on a website and hope to have it up and going soon," said Tickle.

Arnold Community Foundation Fundraiser November 21

The annual Arnold Community Foundation Fundraiser is set for November 21 at the Arnold Community Center. Last year's fundraiser drew some 187 ticket holders, with some 97 items donated by area businesses and individuals auctioned off to the highest bidder. The 2014 event raised over \$50,000.00 for the fund that helps build a community savings account that contributes to many projects and entities in the town.

The social hour will be held from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., and the meal will be served at 7:00 p.m.

Presentation of two categories of Philanthropy Awards - one for an individual and one for a group - will follow. The auction starts at 8:00 p.m.

Tickets are available for \$25.00 per person, including sales tax. Tickets are available at First State Insurance in Arnold or any of the following individuals: Shane Cool, Becky Dailey, Dean Weinman, Austin Snyder, Cory Peterson, Gary Blevins, Holly Hornung-Remund, Carolyn Bowers or Kris Hagler.

Orders Being Taken for Children's Memorial Tree

Orders for new star ornaments for the children's memorial tree placed in the Arnold Community Center each holiday season are being taken now through November 30. The stars are for children who have died, and who have parents, brothers or sisters living in the area.

The stars will have the name, date of birth and date of death of the child. Each star is \$10.00 and will be permanent and placed on the tree every year on the second Sunday of December, which is the Worldwide Candle Lighting for the Compassionate Friends organization.

If you would like to remember your loved one with a star, contact Barb Varney at 848-2246 or Karla Nansel at 848-2520. Deadline for ordering is November 30.

A tree lighting ceremony will be held at the community center on December 13 at 6:30 p.m. You may bring a photo of your child and a candle for the ceremony, which you will take home with you. If anyone has a special poem or reading, please let Barb or Karla know, and they would love to include it. They hope to see you there.

Please remember to put a candle in your window on December 13 at 7:00 p.m., to help continue the wave of light that goes around the world in memory of all children who have

Weather Summary

Kendra Veirs
Cooperative Weather Observer
WEATHER STATION
LOCATED AT MILLS' SHOP,
ACROSS FROM
ALL POINTS CO-OP

DATE	H	L	M
27	64	39	0
28	66	34	0
29	55	24	0
30	51	24	0
31	45	34	.40
1	67	37	0
2	75	37	0
3	78	34	0
4	71	43	0
5	74	43	0
6	47	31	.75
7	49	23	0
8	55	21	0
9	61	35	0

October's high temperature was 93 degrees and the low was 24. Total precipitation was 1.05 inches.

New Cross Mirrors Old



Early Tallin Table homesteader Sven Nelsson's iron cross marker (above) was made in 1889 and placed in the Tallin Cemetery the year he died in 1890. A new marker of the same design (pictured, right) was placed directly in front of the old marker at a ceremony held in June or July of last summer, with his ancestors in attendance.

A new marble headstone was recently placed directly in front of one of the oldest markers in Tallin Cemetery, established in 1885, southeast of Arnold. The new headstone, carved from Georgia marble in the same design, suddenly appeared in the cemetery last summer, said Don Olson, a member of Tallin church, which is nearby the cemetery.

"We saw some activity at the cemetery one day," but didn't know who it was," said Olson.

Through internet research, *The Sentinel* has solved the mystery of who placed the new

headstone there.

The name Sven Nelsson and the dates 1831-1890, are engraved on the original iron marker. The new marker has the same engraving, with a plaque that reads:

"Given in Admiration,
Gratitude, and Love
by his Great-Grand
Daughter 2015."

Abby Buley, who is an assistant for Nelsson's great-granddaughter, Sandy Lerner, of Virginia, who had the new headstone made, said the old cross was made in 1889, the year Lerner's great-grandfather



died, likely out of iron by his best friend, Ole Olsson, who was the town blacksmith.

The repair to the old cross was done by Ray Hunt in early October of 2014.

"Ray did a great job," said Buley, who added that Hunt was honored as the Blacksmith of the Year at the 2011 Annual Convention of the Nebraska Blacksmiths, Welders & Machinists Association.

Lerner had the new cross made by Nebraska Memorials, Inc., out of Broken Bow, in honor of Sven, and it was placed at the cemetery at a ceremony during the first Kruger-

Nilsson family reunion, held in Broken Bow. Sven's ancestors came from Nebraska, nearby states and Sweden for the ceremony.

Sven was related to Lerner through her mother, but the spelling of the name has since changed.

"Sandy just wanted to do it as a gift to her great-grandfather," said Buley. "He was the first in the Kruger family line to immigrate to the United States."

In 2016, the Kruger-Nilsson reunion will be held in Europe to hopefully allow more of the Swedish/Norwegian family members to attend, said Buley.