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Christmas Around Town Draws Big Crowd



Photo/Jessica Tickle

Seated in their decorated sleigh, Mrs. Claus and Santa smile as they visit with 3rd grader Quentin Dailey outside of the community center during Christmas Around Town. All of the kids received a bag of treats courtesy of Arnold Chamber.



Photo/Debbie Connolly

It was almost like a scene from “The Grinch that Stole Christmas” as a smiling Lylah Medich of North Platte makes a new friend.

Good planning on Chamber's part makes everything go smoothly

The weather cooperated beautifully, as hundreds of people turned out last Wednesday to enjoy Christmas Around Town in Arnold. The annual Chamber-sponsored event included shopping at local businesses, a free appreciation supper, and appearances by Santa and Mrs. Claus, Buddy the Elf, The Grinch, and live reindeer.

“It was a great night,” said Chamber President April Tickle, who was the chairman of the appreciation supper held at the community center. Around 340 people went through the potato bar that included all the fixins’, including the award winning chili from last year’s cook-off. Cheesecake made by Kathy Daly was a real treat. Meanwhile, kids and their parents went through Candy Cane Lane set up in front of the community center to visit with Santa and his friends while Christmas music played in the background. The Arnold Ministerial Association sat up a fire pit for people to make their own s’mores, and provided a hot cocoa bar.

“Flip” Licking, who brought his reindeer to town courtesy of several business sponsors, said he really appreciated how organized everything was. The reindeer remained calm, with each family coming through one at a time.

Many volunteers helped to make the holiday event a success.



Photo/Jessica Tickle

“Flip” Licking and his helper lead his reindeer through downtown Arnold Wednesday afternoon to warm them up before a large crowd arrived to see them at the community center. There, they joined Santa, Mrs. Claus, Buddy the Elf, and The Grinch.

Hunchback Heads to State

Arnold One-Act Will Compete at State Dec. 11 at Johnny Carson Theatre



By Landyn Cole
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NORTH PLATTE—On Monday, December 2, the Arnold One Act team performed at North Platte High School and took the title for the District D2-5 champions. The team will advance to the Class D2 state competition at Norfolk on Wednesday, December 11.

“The team’s growth as performers has amazed me and their hard work has paid off. The improvement from week to week is remarkable. Our students have created a beautiful, meaningful and entertaining story. The whole thing is magic: the piece, the process, and the cultivation of a supportive and inclusive team environment. I cannot wait to see what unfolds for the Hunchback of Notre Dame at State,” said head coach Lana Cool.

The actors had worked tirelessly up to district day, and they were confident, as they had just won their conference meet and the awards for best actor and actress. Knowing they had the talent, all they had to do was execute and bring the energy.

With costumes on and makeup done, the team took the stage. They performed passionately; they gave all they had for their 30 minutes on stage, refusing to let it be the last time performing the play they had

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The evil Frollo (Dylan Nelson) unleashes his fury upon Quasimodo (Colbi Smith) as his empire begins to unravel when the gypsy clan demands justice. Nelson and Smith have both won numerous acting awards throughout the competition season for their outstanding characters and performances.

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