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Cook-off Will Heat Things Up on Saturday

The Arnold Community Center will be the scene of the 28th Chili Cook-off set for this Saturday, March 12. As of last Friday, ten teams had officially entered, and there's still time for more teams to enter, said Patty Lamberty, organizer, who is assisted by decorating chairman Cheryl Carson.

Public tasting of the chili and serving of potato and chicken noodle soup will start at 5:00 p.m., and end at 7:00. As a fundraiser, the Arnold fourth grade class will be selling pies.

At 7:00 p.m., emcee Deb Brosius will present the awards for first, second and third place Best Chili, Mr. and Ms. Congeniality and Best Decorated Booth.

Teams that had officially signed up by March 3 were:

• Sponsor: Jim's Bar.

Team Name: Jim's Chili Chili Bang Bang.

Chief Cook: Liz Brown.

Assistants: Jason Wehnes and Amanda Koubek.

• Sponsor: Sandhills Classic Arms, Inc.

Team Name: Sniper Chili.

Chief Cook: Jeff Bowers.

Assistant: Debbie Bowers.

• Sponsor: Sue's Beauty Shop.

Team Name: The Singing Trio.

Chief Cook: Kent DeLosh.

Assistants: Pam Long and Sue DeLosh.

• Sponsor: Touch of Grace

Massage.

Team Name: Fiesta Chili!

Chief Cook: April Tickle.

Assistants: Andrew Tickle, Zeva and Zoelle Tickle.

• Sponsor: Homemade Goodness Inside.

Team Name: Rowdy Rott BBQ.

Chief Cook: Lori Rossman.

Assistant: Chris Rossman.

• Sponsor: A-1 Auto Repair, Inc.

Team Name: Bowls of Steel.

Chief Cook: Josh Bernt.

Assistants: Renee Bernt, Aubrey Brown, Dillon Brown.

• Sponsor: Aurora Meat Block (Brent and Andrea Winfield).

Team Name: Chillin Chili.

Chief Cook: Harvey Foran.

Assistants: Amanda Lopez and Eric Winfield.

• Sponsor: Kirk Nansel.

• Team Name: Zone 45.

Chief Cook: Tyann Nansel.

Assistants: Nicole Witthuhn and Jeff Witthuhn.

• Sponsor: Homegrown Kids.

Team Name: Mauna Loa Chili.

Chief Cook: Heather Hagler.

Assistants: Melissa Bierman, Denisse Zuniga and Carma Edwards.

• Sponsor: Hagler Farms.

Team Name: Hagler Farms.

Chief Cook: Zach Hagler.

Assistants: Wayne Bierman, Edgar Zuniga, Tony Miller.

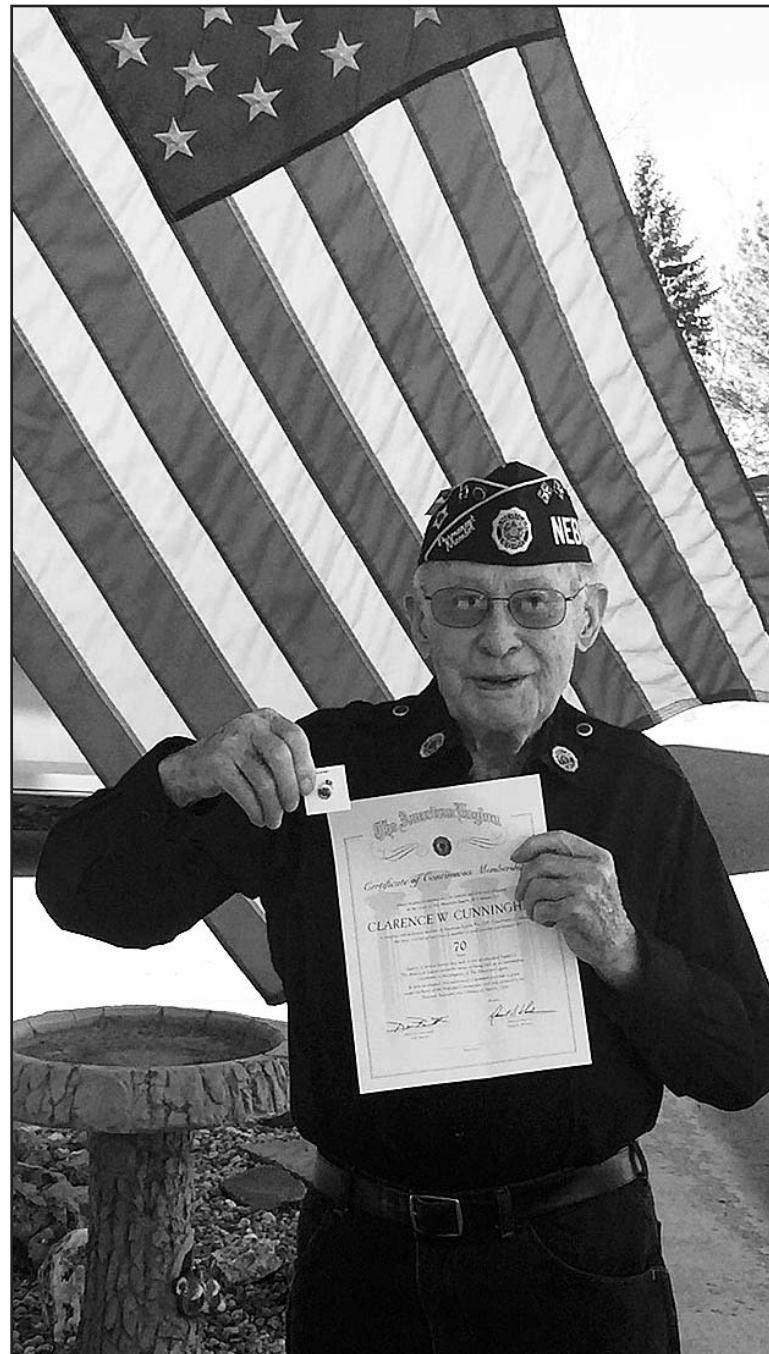
Entry forms are available at www.arnoldne.org. For more information or to enter in person, call Patty Lamberty at 848-2228 (cell 308-520-4495).

Solar Eclipse Meeting March 15

Residents are reminded that a solar eclipse meeting will be held at the community center on Tuesday, March 15, at 7:00 p.m. At the meeting, residents will learn what to expect in August of 2017, as solar eclipse chasers from across the country and world come to this area for the one of the longest totalities of the eclipse.

AEDC Director Cheryl Carson said the number of people who turn out for the meeting and are willing to volunteer will determine how far Arnold will be able to go with planning and preparing for this event.

Solar eclipse chasers will be seeking a place - especially wide open land - to view the eclipse.



Wayne Cunningham holds his certificate and pin presented to him by American Legion Post 130 of Arnold for 70 years of continuous membership. (Courtesy photo)

70 Years of Membership

Wayne Cunningham Honored by Legion Post 130

American Legion Post 130 recently recognized Clarence Wayne Cunningham, age 97, with a certificate and pin for his 70 years of continuous membership.

Then a resident of Arnold, Clarence was drafted into the Army on January 29, 1942, to fight in World War II. He started his service in Alaska, traveling down the Allusions to participate in the Battle of Attu.

The Battle of Attu, which took place from May 11-30, 1943, was fought between forces of the United States, aided by Canadian reconnaissance and fighter-bomber support, and the Empire of Japan on Attu Island off the coast of the Territory of Alaska as part of the Aleutian Islands Campaign during the American Theater and the Pacific Theater and was the only land battle of World War II fought on incorporated territory of the United States. It is also the only land battle in which Japanese and American forces fought in Arctic conditions.

The more than two-week battle ended when most of the Japanese defenders were killed in brutal hand-to-hand combat after a final banzai charge broke through American lines.

Wayne then fought in the Philippines, where he was wounded in action on July 20, 1944, by machine gun fire. The bullets entered his stomach and out the back next to his spine. In the dark of night, Wayne re-

members crawled to a first aid station, but he had lost too much blood and passed out. When he was found, he was taken to a bombed out church on the Island of Layte, then transferred to a hospital ship in Hallandia, New Guinea. Again, he was transferred to a Dutch ship with a Japanese crew and landed at Seattle, Washington, where he was taken to a hospital at Tacoma, Washington. He was then transferred to a hospital at Spokane, where he remained until he was sent to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and discharged on July 10, 1945.

Wayne received many medals and ribbons for his service to our country, including the Purple Heart, Campaign Medal, World War II Medal, the Bronze Star, Philippines Liberation ribbon and several combat medals.

He said he still carries a bullet in his leg to this day.

Born on November 4, 1918, west of Fullerton, Wayne moved to Arnold with his parents in February of 1937, where they purchased the Gambles store from Robert Jackson. Wayne became a partner with his dad in 1940, and Bob May bought into the business in 1946. In 1957, Bob and Wayne formed a partnership. They sold the business to Roger and Sharon Bombeck in 1951. All totaled, Wayne was in business in Arnold for 44 1/2 years. He and wife Marilyn moved to Loveland, Colorado, in 1985.

March is Youth Art Month

Young Artists Recognized for Artistic Achievements



Jarret Buchholz (left) and Leighton Bubak (right) hold their award-winning art. Jarret's self-portrait "My Cat'sterpiece" earned first place and Leighton's photograph "Motion" earned second at the Conference art show. Leighton's photograph moved on to earn a Gold Medal at the National Scholastic Art Show, and is now being judged in New York City. (Julie Mohr photos)

Arnold Public School's best artists are being recognized this week as part of Youth Art Month, which is celebrated during the month of March.

Freshman Jarret Buchholz earned first place in Graphic Arts at the MNAC Art Show with his self portrait entitled "My Cat'sterpiece." Freshman Leighton Bubak won second place at conference, with his photograph entitled "Movement."

At the National Scholastic Art Show, Leighton won one Gold, three Silvers and one Honorable Mention - all in Photography. He earned the Gold Key with his work titled "Movement," Silver Keys with works titled "Kitty Cowboy," "Bright Beauty," and "Frozen in Time." Another photograph titled "Milkweed" earned Honorable Mention.

Leighton received his awards at the Nebraska Region Awards

ceremony February 27 in Omaha, where his work was recognized by a panel of creative professionals as the most outstanding work submitted among his peers. His Gold Key work is currently being reviewed at the national level in New York City by panels of creative professionals. National medalists will be announced on March 14.

Art instructor Julie Mohr said that in all of her years of teaching, no art student has earned this many awards at the National Scholastic Art Show, adding that Leighton should have a bright future if he keeps working.

Elementary

The Council for Art Education (CFAE) administers Youth Art Month at the national level. Festivities take place annually, traditionally each March, to celebrate visual arts for grades K-12. The Youth Art Month

Program emphasizes the value of art education for all children, encourages support for quality school art programs and promotes art material safety.

Youth Art Month also provides a forum for recognizing skills developed through visual arts experiences that are not possible in other curriculum subjects.

Nebraska's State Capitol Youth Art Month Celebration will feature a K-12 art exhibition. Participating students will be recognized during the reception and ceremony at the State Capitol on Saturday, March 12, 2016, at 2:00 p.m.

Arnold is being represented by Kindergartner, Anna Coleman, with a crayon drawing entitled "At the Ranch" and by Third Grader Riata Redmund with a colorful drawing entitled "The Baby Cardinal."

The halls of the elementary school are filled with art work



Riata Remund's colorful drawing "The Baby Cardinal" is on display in Nebraska's State Capitol.



Anna Coleman's crayon drawing entitled "At the Ranch" is also on display at the Nebraska State Capitol.

by the students in honor of "Youth Art Month."

Outstanding Artist awards were earned by students in the following grades:

Kindergarten: Adalei Tullis, Alexis Stutzman, Brody Green.

1st: Malachi Neth, Jade Bierman, Sophie Lewis, Josie Christensen.

2nd: Crew Witthuhn, Eli Hunt, Luke Tullis.

3rd: Ethan Furne, Ivy Tullis.

4th: Tahna Nokes, Marianne Zuniga, Charli Vickers, Madison Smith, Grace Bierman

5th: Silas Cool, Chester Oberg, Devin Peterson.