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New Owner Takes Over Arnold Exchange

With daughter Layla, Mandi Rosentrater returns “home”

By Pepper Werner

Although the last seven years have been spent in Kearney, Nebraska, with Platte Valley Chiropractic, Mandi Rosentrater and her daughter, Layla Rivera, are home to stay.

The wisdom of children is truly remarkable. When Layla approached her mother in August of 2017 with a request for simplicity in her life, something had to change. Layla wished to return to Arnold to live with her grandparents and attend school. Mandi wasn't about to let Layla leave without her, and she had no desire, at that time, to return to Arnold. This is when the earnest prayers began. Mandi prayed for a change of heart and an opportunity.

Many of the following weekends were spent in Arnold so the family could be certain that Arnold was the right place for them to be permanently. You see, Mandi spent most of her formative years in Arnold. With a few detours along the way, the Nebraska Sandhills have been her home. Safety, security, small-town atmosphere - those were things that Mandi wanted for Layla. Things she wasn't experiencing in Kearney. The prayers were answered, beginning with the change of heart about leaving her employer and friends. The opportunity soon followed.

Since arriving January 1, 2018, Mandi has worked side by side with Kris and Blaine Hagler at The Arnold Exchange learning the ropes of the business. Although Mandi had previous convenience store experience, had managed three Subway locations, and always been in the field of customer service, she had a lot to learn.

“All of the events pulled together to prepare me for this time of my life. The Haglers have built an incredible, thriving business. It is a great opportunity for me to be handed the torch. I created a company

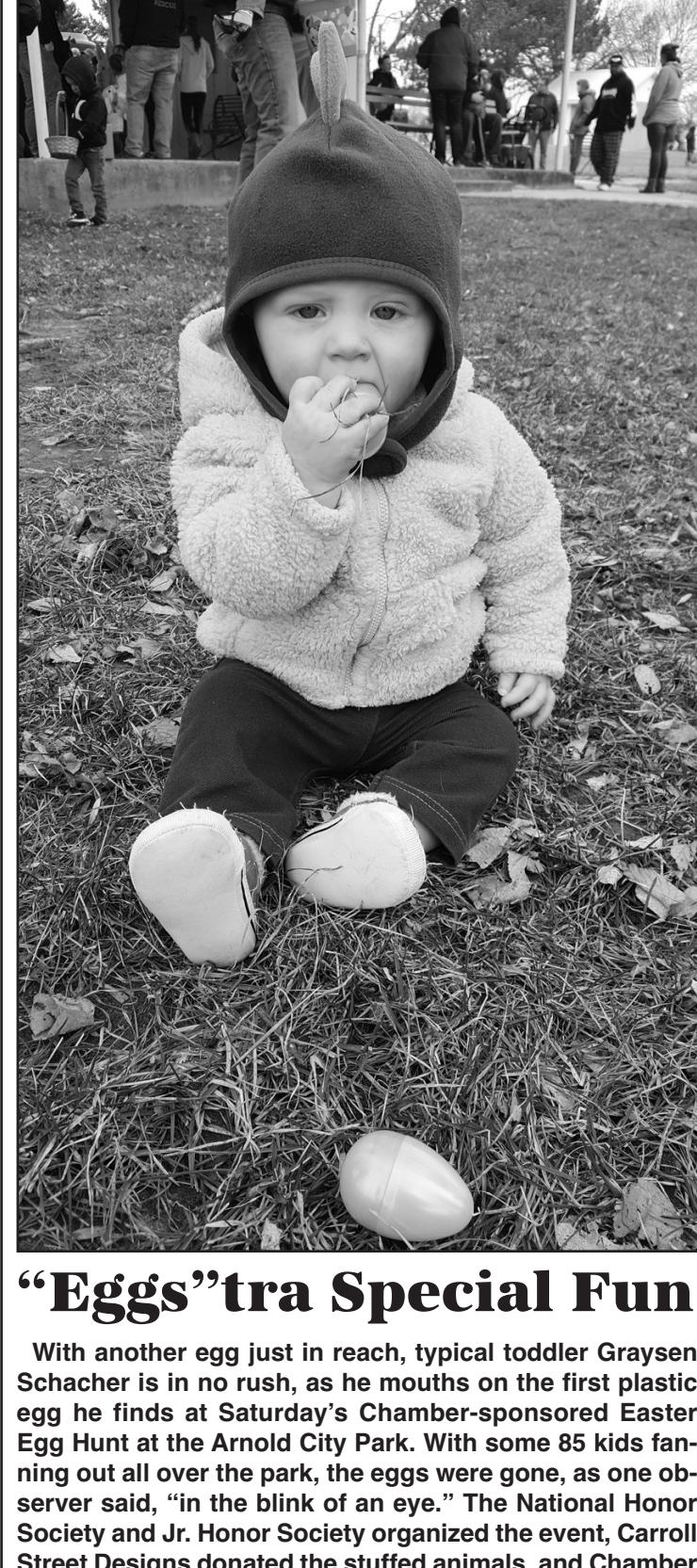
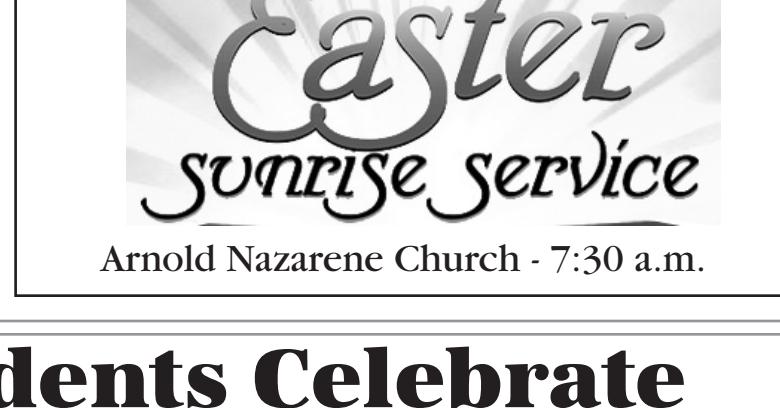


Effective March 20, Mandi Rosentrater became the new owner of The Arnold Exchange, purchasing the business from Blaine and Kris Hagler. (Pepper Werner photo)

motto: ‘To provide the highest level of customer service to our community and beyond, with integrity, efficiency and grace. That's exactly what we intend to do at The Arnold Exchange,’ Mandi stated.

Effective March 20, the business officially changed hands. Mandi is excited to implement

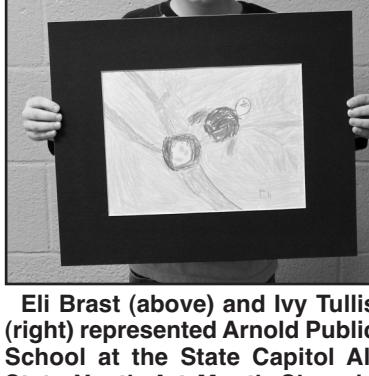
changes for the years to come. She is looking to hire crew members, all shifts, all positions. The Arnold Exchange is open seven days a week 6:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. They are located at 104 East Arnold Avenue, Arnold, Nebraska and can be reached at 308-848-3354.



“Eggs”tra Special Fun

With another egg just in reach, typical toddler Graysen Schacher is in no rush, as he mouths on the first plastic egg he finds at Saturday's Chamber-sponsored Easter Egg Hunt at the Arnold City Park. With some 85 kids fanning out all over the park, the eggs were gone, as one observer said, “in the blink of an eye.” The National Honor Society and Jr. Honor Society organized the event, Carroll Street Designs donated the stuffed animals, and Chamber provided the eggs and treat bags. Winners of the special eggs and prizes received are pictured inside this issue. (Debbie Connelley photo)

APS Students Celebrate Youth Art Month



Eli Brast (above) and Ivy Tullis (right) represented Arnold Public School at the State Capitol All State Youth Art Month Show in Lincoln. (Courtesy photos)



Third grade: Elijah Cool, Josie Christensen, Piper Strasburg, and EvaLynn Wonch.

Fourth grade: Crew Witthuhn, Hayden Myers and Gabe Smith.

Fifth grade: Stokely Lewis, Jamie Tickle, Alex Mills, Ella Cool and Ivy Tullis.

MNAC Art Show

Arnold jr. high and high school students showed well at the conference art show.

Junior High

Silas Cool (seventh grade) placed 4th with his water color, and Stella Lewis (eighth grade) received honorable mention in Photography.

High School:

Cecilia Wonch: 5th place - pencil; Shaylee Jones: honorable mention - pencil; Angelina Harter: 5th place - photography; Toni Oberg: 5th place - mixed media; Grant Jones: 5th place - water color; and Madison Reed 4th place - Acrylics.

Students Place in State Scholastic Art Show

Arnold high school artists have placed in the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards - the nation's longest-running and most prestigious recognition program for creative teens in grades 7-12.

This year, students submitted nearly 350,000 works of visual art and writing to the Scholastic Awards.

Gold Keys were awarded to Juniors Leighton Bubak and Toni Oberg. Leighton's entry

was of a bale fire at their farm.

Silhouetted is Leighton's father, Ted. Toni's photo is of a corn cob frozen to the ground after harvest.

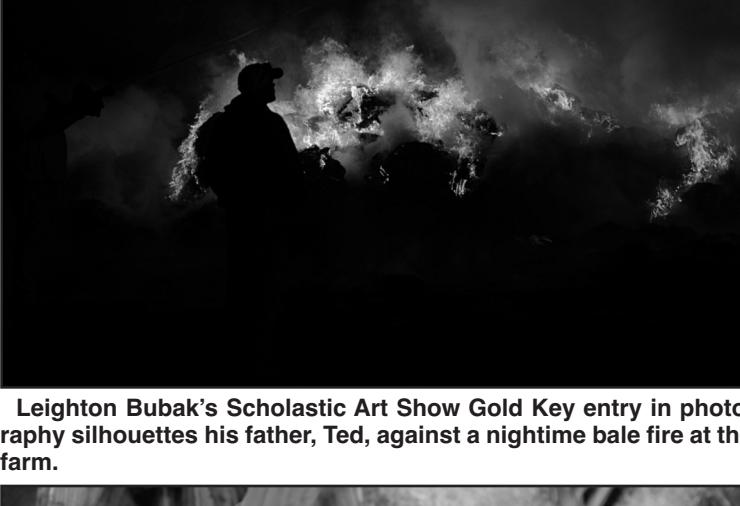
Cecilia Wonch won a Silver Key for her drawing of old tubes from TV's and radios titled “Glass City.”

Tatum Cool was awarded Honorable Mention for a photo of an old grain bin foundation titled “Center of My World.”

Gold Key works are automatically considered for national-level recognition.

Silver Key are stand-out works submitted to local programs that demonstrate exceptional ability.

Honorable Mention are accomplished works submitted to



Leighton Bubak's Scholastic Art Show Gold Key entry in photography silhouettes his father, Ted, against a nightime bale fire at their farm.



Toni Oberg's photo of a corn cob frozen to the ground after harvest was a Gold Key winner in the Scholastic Art Show.

local programs showing great skill and potential.

The State Scholastic Art Show is now showing in Omaha. These award winning pieces of art will be on display at the school in April.

Kindergarten: Parker Stras-