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## Notable Quote

Where the press is free, and every man able to read, all is safe.

- Thomas Jefferson

## Western Riders/Tail Twisters to Host 4-H Horse Show

By Kacee Dvorak

The Western Riders and Tail Twisters 4-H clubs are co-hosting a 4-H horse show. This show will take place at the Seven Valleys Arena at Callaway on Saturday, July 13. The arena is located south of Callaway on Highway 40.

Registration starts at 7:00 a.m. and the show starts at 8:00 a.m. Nebraska 4-H Horse Show and Judging Guide 4-H 373 will be used at this show. Competitors are to follow the 4-H dress code. Advance entry fees are \$5.00 per class and must be post

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## Taylor Part of Youth Tour to Washington, D.C.

Thursday, June 20, 2019, chaparones from the Nebraska Rural Electric Association (NREA), along with 17 high school students from across Nebraska returned from its annual Youth Tour of our Nation's Capital.

Each year the NREA hosts the Tour providing rural high school students, representing their public power districts and electric cooperatives, the opportunity to see the sites of our Nation's Capital first-hand. While on the Tour, students visited Gettysburg Battlefield, Mount Vernon, Arlington National Cemetery, and numerous historical sites and monuments around Washington, D.C. Participating students also met with members of the Nebraska Congressional delegation and came together with 1,800 other rural high school students from across America for the annual National Rural Electric Cooperative Youth Day where they learned about political engagement, leadership, and the pressing issues facing the electric industry today.

James Dukesherer, Youth Tour Director, stated: "Most of the rural students that we take on the Youth Tour have never been to Washington, D.C. and

would not have had an opportunity like this if not for the NREA Youth Tour program and the sponsorship of the participating electric cooperatives and public power districts. Youth Tour is a unique opportunity for these students to see first-hand our democratic government in action while at the same time visiting some of our Nation's most historic sites."

Representing Custer Public Power District was Eli Taylor from Arnold. Assistant Operations Manager Cindy Lindner went as a chaperone. To attend the Washington, D.C. Youth Tour, the students must first attend the NREA Halsey Leadership Camp. Custer Public Power District pays for students in the Custer Power service territory to attend the NREA Halsey Leadership Camp. This year there are three students attending the camp in July. They are Keegan Strohl from Taylor, Sophia Doyle from Oconto, and Trey Hurlburt from Broken Bow. The NREA Camp is the second week of July, so mark your calendars for 2020 if you have a camper that would like to attend. For more information call Custer Public Power District at 308-872-2451 and ask for Tarin.



Courtesy photo

Eli Taylor of Arnold (pictured with chaperone Assistant Operations Manager Cindy Lindner), represented Custer Public Power District on the Youth Tour of Washington, D.C.

# Happy 4th of July!

## How to Start a Business: 101 Community showing support of young entrepreneurs



Courtesy photos

Staying busy making and selling their own products locally this summer are: (left to right) Ella Cool displaying her Independence Day cupcakes, Ryker Atkins with his Woolf Bones and Macy Atkins with her current selection of fleece blankets.

By Janet Larreau

What are some kids up to these days? Well... Ella's making cupcakes, Ryker's making dog treats and Macy's making blankets.

Who are these young entrepreneurs from Arnold? Ranging in age from 8 to 13, they are creating and marketing their own products, and making some extra cash.

### Ella's Cupcakes

If you want to find Ella Cool, try her family's kitchen first. There, she has her very own KitchenAid mixer plugged in, and is dreaming up what fun ingredients to decorate with and put in her next batch of cupcakes. She's been making cakes and cupcakes for her family for holidays and birthdays, and for school events and friends for a few years. Her small business, "Ella's Cup-

cakes," was born when people started asking her if they could pay her to make cupcakes for parties.

"I have enjoyed baking for a long time. In fact, I asked my parents for a KitchenAid mixer when I was 10 years old. It was the best Christmas gift ever because I use it almost every day," said Ella.

She has her own baking area in the kitchen where all of her supplies are together and easy for her to reach. She uses the internet to look for new ideas and recipes, but she has also come up with several recipes that are her own.

"Sometimes, when I try a new recipe, it doesn't turn out just the way I want it to. It can be stressful at first, but I start tweaking until I come up with a result that I'm happy with and - viola! - I have a new recipe that usually turns out even bet-

ter than I imagined," she said.

One of her more interesting flavors is a raspberry white chocolate frosting where she learned how to puree fresh raspberries and mix it with melted white chocolate.

"It's a unique flavor, and so delicious!" she said. "My favorite cupcake to eat is probably Boston Creme Pie because it's filled with vanilla pudding and has a chocolate ganache frosting. Any chocolate flavor is the hot seller, and I've been experimenting with using different candy bar flavors. Those always sell fast."

Another fun cupcake Ella makes is the Starbucks Mocha Caramel Frappuccino. She said it has a lot of extra steps, but the end result is worth it.

How many cupcakes Ella makes and sells in a week depends on the week. Some

weeks, she sells 5 to 6 dozen. Lately, though, it's been 10-13 dozen. And there's a reason.

Blaine and Kris Hagler, owners of The Exchange, happened to taste Ella's cupcakes at her sister's graduation reception. They thought The Exchange customers would also enjoy them, so the next week, they met with Ella, and came up with a plan.

"They had a lot of good advice about selling and pricing. They have been extremely encouraging and supportive," said Ella. "The community has also been so supportive. I have had many orders for parties, family reunions and lots of 'just because' orders. It's so exciting and fun."

And what does Ella do with the extra cash she is making? Well, she's reinvesting.

"I just earned enough money

to buy a second bowl for my KitchenAid mixer! I would never have been able to afford that before selling cupcakes," she said.

Ella doesn't let baking four to five days a week get in the way of having some outdoor summer fun.

"As I get more orders, I try to use my time wisely and get as much baking done in the mornings so I still have time to go to the pool in the afternoon with my friends," she said.

### Ryker's Woolf Bones

Anyone who has a dog companion knows all natural is best. People are endlessly searching the internet for treats, but there's no need. Eight-year-old Ryker Atkins is also busy in the kitchen, and selling them right here in town.

"I was wanting to make

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