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Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, noon, Chapter 5 Club, Fremont.

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Narcotics Anonymous It Works Group, 6:30 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church East Building, west of the church, 1440 E. Military Ave., Fremont. Enter through the rear door.

Bingo, 7 p.m., Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8223, 742 N. Main St., North Bend. Everyone is welcome.

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Alcoholics Anonymous women's heart to heart group, noon, Chapter 5 Club, Fremont.

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Narcotics Anonymous open meeting, 7:30 p.m., United Faith Church, 218 W. Gardiner St., Valley.

Narcotics Anonymous Lie Is Dead Group, 8 p.m., Care Corps, 723 N. Broad St., Fremont.

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## YORK | DICTIONARIES GET NEW HOMES



News-Times/Steve Moseley

York Rotary member Jay Colburn (back to camera) explains the gift of a dictionary each of these third graders is about to receive. Rotarians have been giving dictionaries to third graders for more than a decade.



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Craig Vincent of the York Rotary Club gives third graders Crew Collingham and Mishaela Lute their very own dictionary. For more than 10 years local Rotarians have made sure each and every third grade student gets a fee dictionary and the encouragement to use it.

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# Outside partnerships are valued

**T**oday's libraries are ever changing and ever evolving. What were once the dark, quiet places we used to know as libraries are becoming robust, busy, fresh, new spaces. These changes are occurring because libraries have been subtly undergoing transformations over the past decade.



**TINA WALKER**

If you were to travel back to your public library that you visited 20 years ago, you would likely find many changes have occurred. Libraries are not static because they evolve and change with the demands of the communities.

At Keene Memorial Library, one of the most important initiatives we have been developing over the past 18 months is the desire to create and foster valued partnerships and collaborations with agencies and businesses outside the library. As Nancy Dowd (2013) wrote for her article in the Library Journal, "libraries that are valued by their communities involve the people, local groups and government agencies in developing services and programs". Libraries have so many skills and resources that can be beneficial to other organizations and businesses in our community. Collaborating with others strengthens our community and creates more education and assistance for all community members. Bringing resources and skills together can develop brighter outcomes and stretch much further for the dollar. Sometimes the partnerships are just opening up space for others to disseminate messages and education and others are grants that have enabled additional outreach.

Some of the partnerships we have fostered include: Fremont Area Art Association, Keep Fremont Beautiful, Polymath Café, Kiwanis, Fremont Mall, local nursing homes and assisted living facilities, daycares, Nebraska Department of Labor, Fremont Family Coalition, The Bridge, The Jefferson House, The Hope Center, Fremont Public Schools, Rotary Club, Midland University, Dodge County Humane Society, and the Fremont Tribune.

All of these partnerships are essential to the library's role as a community resource and community hub. In our 2017 Strategic Plan, some of the "Community Needs" we identified include: difficulty attracting new businesses, lack of tools for small businesses and entrepreneurs, lack of support for unemployed/disabled community members, and a disproportionate increase in poverty. To meet these community needs, we have identified several goals and steps including: increase partnerships with community organizations, create three new partnerships, participate in three community events, increase outreach, more communication with schools, provide spaces for community services, and increase on-location library services.

Most of the partnerships we have established have come from attending events, lunches, activities, etc... and after having a brief discussion, the planning just snowballs from there. Finding the partnerships is often the easier part—developing and maintaining partnerships is the hard part. But we are always willing to entertain ideas and evaluate possibilities!



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### TODAY

- **Lewis Township Trustees** — 7 p.m., Lewis Township Fire Hall, Cypress Avenue and Highway 92.
- **Missouri Valley Alzheimer's Support Group** — 10 a.m., Rand Community Center, 100 S. Fourth St., Missouri Valley. Call Cindy at 712-642-9264.
- **Overeaters Anonymous** — 6 to 7 p.m., Broadway Christian Church, 2658 Ave. A. Call Janie at 712-328-8482.
- **HIV Counseling and Testing** — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Council Bluffs City Hall, 209 Pearl St. For an appointment, call 712-328-4666.
- **Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS)** — 10 a.m. meeting with weigh-ins beginning at 9:30 a.m. First Church of the Nazarene, 2600 Ave. A. Call Bonnie at 402-850-1013 or Deborah at 402-208-1313.
- **Overeaters Anonymous** — 7 p.m., Unity Church, 3424 N. 90th St., Omaha. Call Marcy at 402-571-6843.
- **Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 104 Bingo** — 7 p.m., North 16th Street and Avenue F. Public welcome.
- **Alcoholics Anonymous** — 8:30 p.m., 410 S. 16th St.

### WEDNESDAY

- **American Red Cross Blood-pressure Screening** — 10 to 11 a.m., Oard-Ross Drug Store, 701 16th Ave.
- **Meal and a Message** — 6 p.m., Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church.
- **Bluffs Center Dance** — 7 to 10 p.m., The Center, 714 S. Main Street.
- **Rotary Centennial Club** — 7 a.m., Madison Avenue Hy-Vee by Mall of the Bluffs.
- **Breastfeeding Support Group** — 9:30 a.m., CHI Health Mercy Hospital Lactation Clinic in Mercy 2 Professional Center, Room 206. Call 712-328-5252.
- **Lewis & Clark Study Group** — 9 to 11 a.m., 2 Huron Circle, Salem United Methodist Manawa Center. Find out what happened to the explorers.
- **Carter Lake VFW No. 9661 Hamburger Night** — 5 to 7:30 p.m., 100 Locust St., Carter Lake. 712-347-6969.
- **Greater Communicators Toastmaster Club** — 6:30 p.m., The Center, 714 S. Main. Call Floy at 712-326-9332.
- **Water Exercise Program** — 7 to 8 p.m., Lewis Central Pool.
- **Carter Lake Optimist Club** — 7 p.m., Carter Lake Senior Center, 626 Locust St.
- **Debtors Anonymous** — 7 p.m., Community of Christ Family Life Center, 150 W. Kanessville Blvd. Call 712-325-6788.
- **Gamblers 12-Step Program** — 8 p.m., 12-Step House, 7306 Grant St., Omaha. For 24-hour hotline, call 402-978-7899.
- **Wednesday Night Live Al-Anon** — CHI Health Building, 622 S. Fourth St.

### THURSDAY

- **Citizens Police Advisory Board** — 7 p.m., Council Bluffs Public Library, 400 Willow Ave. Open to the public.
- **Southwest Iowa Amateur Radio Club** — 7:30 p.m., American Red Cross, 16th Street and Avenue G. All amateur radio operators and anyone with an interest in amateur radio welcome. Call 712-328-0107.
- **Optimist Club of Council Bluffs** — 7 a.m., Madison Avenue Hy-Vee.
- **Al-Anon Family Group** — 10 a.m., The 500 Club, 410 S. 16th St.
- **Council Bluffs Rotary** — Noon, The Center, 714 S. Main St.
- **Tops Iowa 1263** — 5 to 6 p.m., Harmony Court. Use east door. Call Shirley at 712-642-3530 or Donna at 712-325-1783.
- **Council Bluffs MAD DADS** — 7 p.m. Call 712-328-0302.
- **Gamblers 12-Step Program** — 7 p.m., Pacific Hills Lutheran Church, 90th and Pacific Streets, Omaha. For 24-hour hotline, call 402-978-7899.
- **All Acoustic Music Jam** — 1 to 4 p.m., Western Historic Trails Center.
- **White Elephant Bingo** — 12:30 p.m., The Center.
- **Teen Gaming** — 3:30 to 7:30 p.m., Council Bluffs Public Library's Teen Central. Mix of board and video games for students in sixth through 12th grade. Call 712-323-7553.

### ONGOING

- **NRG Energy Ice Rink** — The Capitol District, 1022 Capitol Ave, Omaha. Hours are 6 to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 6 p.m. to midnight Fridays, 1 p.m. to midnight Saturdays and 1 to 10 p.m. Sundays. Admission is \$8 plus tax, which includes skate rental. A portion of the proceeds will go toward the Food Bank for the Heartland. The Conagra Brands Foundation is matching ice rink admission up to \$100,000 to support the Shine the Light on Hunger campaign. Those skating are encouraged to bring nonperishable food items to donate. For more, go to [capitoldistrictomaha.com/ice-rink](http://capitoldistrictomaha.com/ice-rink) or find the Capitol District on Facebook.
- **UNMC Ice Skating Rink** — University of Nebraska Medical Center, located east of 42nd Street, midway between Emile Street and Dewey Avenue on the north side of the Michael F. Through Feb. 4. Sorrell Center for Health Science Education building in Omaha. Wednesdays noon to 8 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays noon to 10 p.m. Sundays noon to 8 p.m. Admission is \$7, includes skates. Cash or credit card only. No checks or debit cards. For more, check Facebook, call 402-559-0697 or go to [unmc.edu/cfhl/activities-events/skating.html](http://unmc.edu/cfhl/activities-events/skating.html).
- **The Ice Rink at Midtown Crossing** — 3409 Farnam St., Omaha. Through Feb. 25. Open Thursdays and Fridays, 4 to 10 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays, 1 to 10 p.m. Closed to the public Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. \$5 admission fee with proceeds going to The Salvation Army. For more, go to [midtowncrossing.com/4102](http://midtowncrossing.com/4102).



## Three people are now in race for Dist. 40 seat

CROFTON — A Crofton man has become the third person to throw his hat in the ring in the Dist. 40 Senate race.

Keith Kube, Crofton, announced this week he will once again seek the Dist. 40 Senate seat.

Republican Shane Greckle, Bloomfield, and Democrat George Holm, O'Neill, are also running in the 40th District.

The men are seeking to replace current Dist. 40 Sen. Tyson Larson, O'Neill, who is term-limited and cannot seek another term in office.

Kube faced off against Larson in 2014, but only managed to garner 33 percent of the vote in that race.

Candidates have until March 1 to file either with the Secretary of State's office or with their County Clerk's office.

Kube has worked as a process engineer in energy and environmental areas and also as an investment banker and international management consultant. He has authored

two books on business and has a weekly commentary on WJAG radio, Norfolk.

Kube said he is a fiscally conservative, pro-life candidate. He is member of the Crofton Community Club and chaired the Q125 History Book Committee. He is also a member of St. Rose Catholic Church, Crofton. He has served on boards of the Salvation Army, Rotary International, Yankton Area Concert Association and The Energy Committee for the National Association of Realtors.

Kube said if elected, his top priority will be the property tax problem in the state.

Holm has been an active business owner and community leader in O'Neill for several years. He has owned the O'Neill Dairy Queen since 2005. Holm was inducted into the O'Neill Hall of Fame in 2016.

The Hall of Fame nomination for Holm noted that his "passion for the success of O'Neill has been evident daily in his presence, involvement,

friendliness, generosity, sense of humor and strong commitment to having satisfied customers in his business. DQ soon became the 'go to' place for many people."

He is a member of the O'Neill Chamber of Commerce and served on the board of directors. He also is a member of the O'Neill Rotary Club. He was instrumental in starting and raising funds for the Irish Walk of Fame, and involved in the Toys for Tots at Christmas. Holm is a member of and supports St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

Holm is originally from Alabama, but has deep roots in Nebraska. His grandparents were raised in the Wakefield and Bancroft area. His father was born and raised in Ainsworth, but moved to Huntsville, Ala. to work as an aerospace engineer after graduating with an engineering degree from UNL. Holm attended Wayne State College and owned and operated a dry cleaning business before buying the DQ in O'Neill,

and making O'Neill his home.

Greckel announced in June his intention to run for the Unicameral to replace Sen. Larson.

Greckel, a fifth-generation farmer, is the owner/operator of his family farm enterprise Greckel Farms LLC, Bloomfield.

As well as farming, Greckel represents the public in the Nebraska Information Technology Commission. NITC members are appointed by the governor to promote the use of information technology at all levels of public service.

"I've always been interested in politics," Greckel said.

As well as being well-versed in the farming lifestyle, Greckel attended Northeast Community College and later Mount Marty College, Yankton, S.D., to study computer programming before returning to his hometown.

Greckel said his combined background in both technology and agriculture will be a good fit for rural Nebraskans.