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Welcome to the City of Alliance Activity Report

- The Knight Museum and Sandhills Center has been named as one of seven locations throughout the state chosen to premiere a new film entitled, “Scrapers: How the Heartland Won World War II” which features the 1942 Nebraska Scrap Metal Drive that supported the World War II war effort. The film will premiere at the Knight Museum and Sandhills Center on Sunday, May 23rd at 2:00 p.m. Admission will be free, but donations are always appreciated with proceeds going to benefit the museum. Those who participated in the 1942 Scrap Metal Drive are urged to attend and will be recognized.
- Final bids will be taken tomorrow at noon for the Read Around the Posies silent auction sponsored by the Alliance Public Library Board Foundation. Auction proceeds will be used to enhance library technology. Don’t miss this opportunity to purchase a beautiful flower pot arrangement to give as a gift or enjoy on your own patio!
- Mark your calendars to attend the Spring Affair West plant sale which will be held today from noon to 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 22nd 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the former Alco building located at 1327 W. 3rd Street. Annual and perennial plants, hanging baskets, vegetable plants and rain barrels will be available for sale.
- Registration for the Summer Reading Program at the Alliance Public Library will begin on Monday, May 24th. The theme for children 1st through 6th grade will be “Make A Splash @ Your Library!” The summer reading program will run from June 2nd through July 14th. All students entering grades 1 through 12 may participate in the program and will be eligible to earn weekly pizza prizes from Pizza Hut.
- The City of Alliance is inviting the public to tour part of Alliance that hasn’t been seen for years! The Historic Main Street Alliance will be hosting tours of the underground vaults located along Box Butte Avenue Saturday, June 5th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:40 p.m. Tours will run every 20 minutes and will cost \$5.00 per person. Advance reservations may be made by contacting Box Butte Development Corporation at 762-1800.
- Have you ever aspired to become a writer or share something that you have written? The Knight Museum and Sandhills Center will be hosting the Read-Around Group on Tuesday, June 1st at 9:30 a.m. in the Heritage Room. Bring something along that you have written to share with the group. For more information, please call 762-2384.
- The Knight Museum and Sandhills Center as well as Carhenge, have been chosen to participate in the Nebraska’s Byways Passport Program. Anyone wishing to travel in Nebraska can win prizes if they see enough of the state’s tourism attractions this summer. Travelers pick up a souvenir passport at any of the 27 participating locations and then receive a passport stamp at each attraction they visit. Eight of the 27 locations

are located in the panhandle along state designated scenic byways. For more information log on to the State of Nebraska website at www.visitnebraska.gov.

- The Alliance Police Department will be participating in the nationwide Click It or Ticket Mobilization Campaign from Monday, May 24th to Sunday, June 6th. The City of Alliance received a grant from the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety which will allow additional officers on the street during the Memorial Day holiday. The purpose of the grant is to increase both seat belt and child restraint usage among Nebraska motorists. Please remember that all driver's and front seat passengers are required to wear seat belts. Children age 0-6 years of age are required to use a child passenger restraint system approved by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Children 6 to 18 years of age are required to use a seat belt no matter where they are seated in a vehicle.
- City crews are in the process of routine spring time maintenance of the Central Park Fountain. The fountain will be turned on during the Memorial Day weekend for the summer season.
- Decorations may be placed on graves at the Alliance Cemetery for Memorial Day beginning Friday, May 28th and should be picked up by Sunday, June 6th. Items not removed will be picked up on Monday, June 7th and disposed of.

This concludes the Activity Report brought to you by the City of Alliance and KCOW. Please call the City at 762-5400 to share suggestions, comments or questions. Have a great weekend!

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