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Welcome to the City of Alliance Activity Report

The 19th annual Christmas Tree and Wreath Festival will begin on Saturday, November 29th at the Knight Museum and Sandhills Center! This year's festival will feature over 70 two foot trees and 30 twenty two inch wreaths all decorated by local individuals and businesses. The trees and wreaths are available for purchase by using a bid process in a week long silent auction. Bids will be taken until 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 6th. There will be live entertainment nightly at 6:30 p.m. with a 2:00 p.m. matinee on Sunday, November 30th and a 3:00 p.m. matinee on Saturday, December 6th along with refreshments. The hours of the festival are 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Saturday, November 29th; 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Sunday, November 30th; 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday, December 1st through Friday, December 5th and 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 6th when the silent auction concludes. Don't forget to bring your pocket change to vote for your favorite tree and wreath!

The Alliance Landfill will be open for business on Saturday, November 29th from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

Box Butte County RSVP has set up a Tree of Love at Thiele's Gifts and More for residents of Highland Park and Good Samaritan Care Centers and at Bank of the West in Hemingford for residents of the Hemingford Community Care Center. The trees are decorated with ornaments offering gift suggestions for each of the residents.

The Alliance Public Library will host a Brown Bag program in the Community Meeting Room of the Alliance Learning Center on Friday, December 5th at noon. Sarah Polak, Director of the Mari Sandoz High Plains Heritage Center at Chadron State College will read selections from the Mari Sandoz story, "The Christmas of the Phonograph Records" and will discuss how the Sandoz family would have celebrated Christmas. In conjunction with the Brown Bag program, the Sandoz Center exhibit entitled "Old Jules Country" is on display.

The Alliance Public Library Book Club will meet on Tuesday, December 9th at 1:00 p.m. in the Community Meeting Room. The book club will be discussing Old Jules by Mari Sandoz. Copies are available at the circulation desk and everyone is welcome to attend.

The Alliance City Council will conduct a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 2nd at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Education meeting room. Complete agendas and minutes are available on the City's webpage at www.cityofalliance.net.

This concludes the Activity Report brought to you by the City of Alliance and KCOW, working together to **"Build the Best Hometown in America!"**

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Have a great weekend!