

# Banks Council told that city has lots of potential

At the April 14 Banks City Council meeting, Mayor John Kinsky, as a proxy for Tree City USA presented a Tree City flag, cap, stickers, pin and plaque to Councilor Craig Stewart, who was standing in for the Tree Board. This is the third consecutive year that Banks has received this honor.

After the presentation, Kinsky read the city's 2009 Arbor Day Proclamation, noting that 2009 is the 137th anniversary of the first Arbor Day, which was observed in Nebraska, and congratulating the City of Banks numerous and beautiful trees that enhance the community, increase property values and have special importance in urban areas as an environmentally responsible way to cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen, reduce the erosion of topsoil by wind and water, and benefit the global environment. Mayor Kinsky then proclaimed April 25, 2009 as Arbor Day in the City of Banks, and invited citizens to a tree planting ceremony at Greenville City Park.

Kinsky presented another

proclamation, setting May 3-9 as National Water Week, noting that water is our most valuable natural resource and observing the many values of safe water. He then called upon the citizens of Banks to renew efforts to conserve water, protect water resources from pollution, and maintain home water systems in tip-top condition.

Bill Reid of Johnson & Reid, Inc. presented the finding from the Banks Economic Opportunities Analysis (EOA). Banks, Cornelius, Forest Grove, Hillsboro, and North Plains are included in the five-city Western Washington County Economic Development Analysis (EDA). According to Reid, Hillsboro has some serious land constraints near Highway 26; North Plains and Banks have adequate land available. Reid commented that with Banks' direct freeway access, the city has a lot of potential, depending on their aspirations.

Following Reid's presentation, Kinsky requested council to review a resolution of sub-regional cooperation with Cor-

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## Play Hold'Em, help wrestlers

A No Limit Texas Hold 'Em Tournament will be held Friday, May 15, at Schlegel Hall as a fundraiser for the Banks High School Wrestling program. Doors will be open from 6:00 to 6:45 p.m. for check-in and refreshment before the tournament starts at 7:00 p.m. Buy-in is \$50.00 and first prize will be a \$600.00 Visa Gift Card.

Only 50 seats will be available. Must be 21 to play and 18 to be present. To pre-purchase your seat, call 503-705-1822. And, there is a bounty on the coach's head, can you take him out?

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