

Banks & Bankers

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Bankers in the News

Tori Bartels, Lincoln Federal Savings Bank (Hastings) celebrated her 35th year of service at the bank this year. She is a customer service supervisor. *(pictured right)*



Tori Bartels



Patricia Mau

Patricia Mau, Heartland Bank (Geneva) recently celebrated a milestone anniversary of 40 years with the bank, where she is an ACH Accredited Professional and senior operations associate. *(pictured right)*

Banks in the News

Adams County Bank (Sutherland) recently donated \$5,000 to the Sutherland Public School Foundation to help fund extracurricular activities and future school improvements. *(pictured right)*



From left: Amanda White, Nicki Brennemann and Jenny Cribelli from Adams Bank & Trust presented a check to Sutherland Public School Foundation.

Community First Bank (Maywood) recently opened an in-school savings bank at Maywood Elementary School. The bank, along with the Nebraska Council on Economic Education, held a ribbon cutting ceremony at the school for the grand opening. *(pictured right)*



Melody Jensen (right) from Community First Bank helped launch Maywood's in-school savings bank.

First State Bank & Trust Co. (Blair) recently donated \$50,000 to the planned Generations Park in Blair. The park will be built on seven acres next to the Blair Public Library and Technology Center. *(pictured below)*



First State Bank & Trust Co. Market President Randy Lock (middle) and President and CEO Chuck Johannsen (right) presented a check to Rick Paulson (left), Chair of the Generations Park Committee.

Midwest Bank (Creighton) delivered breakfast pizza to Manion's Drug Store in Creighton for National Pharmacists Day on Jan. 12 in appreciation for all they do to help the community.

NebraskaLand Bank (North Platte) hosted the Community Connections Mentoring program Phone-A-Friend on Jan. 11 at the bank. The event was a recruitment effort to gauge individuals' interest in becoming a mentor to a child in kindergarten through seventh grade.

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U.S. Bank (Norfolk) recently presented the U.S. Bank Great Performer Awards to four employees of Northeast Community College for their outstanding contributions to the College. These awards have been presented by the bank, or its predecessor institutions, since 1993. (pictured right)



Norfolk U.S. Bank Vice President Kathy Soik (right) presented the Great Performer Awards.

Promotions and Appointments



Fremont:
Esmeralda Hernandez,
assistant vice president –
consumer lender, First
State Bank & Trust Co.



Fremont:
Renen Sahr,
assistant vice president –
investment advisor, First
State Financial Services.



La Vista:
Summer Sargent,
mortgage loan originator,
Northwest Bank.



Omaha:
Ron Nebbia,
board of directors,
Arbor Bank.



Omaha:
Mark Quandahl,
board of directors,
Arbor Bank.



York:
Julie Cast,
assistant vice president,
personal & residential loan
operations and assistant
S.A.F.E. act officer,
Cornerstone Bank.



York:
Brittney Poppe,
human resources officer,
Cornerstone Bank.



York:
Marj Steever,
vice president and chief
operating officer,
Cornerstone Bank.

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Retirements

Patty Gorecki, Pathway Bank (Cairo) recently retired after 39 years with the bank. She most recently served the bank in the IT and operations department. *(pictured right)*



Patty Gorecki



Mardell Stoltenberg

Mardell Stoltenberg, The Tri-County Bank (Stuart) retired on Dec. 31, 2021, after 36 years of service with the bank. She served as the vice president of operations. *(pictured right)*

Deaths

Steve Krueger, (Blue Hill), age 68 passed away on Jan. 9. He worked at the former Commercial Bank, now named South Central State Bank, in Blue Hill from 1976 until his retirement in Dec. 2019. He most recently served the bank as a vice president, loan officer and compliance officer. *(pictured right)*



Steve Krueger



Steve Sallenbach

Steve Sallenbach, (Wahoo), age 68 passed away on Jan. 15. He began his banking career in Omaha, working for two banks prior to joining FirstBank of Nebraska (Wahoo) in 1986 as controller. He was named president and CEO in 1991 and as of 2021 was serving as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors. *(pictured right)*

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