

2008 Events held along the Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway

July 1-31

**Grand Island, Hall County
Art BIG and small**

Prairie Winds Art Center, 112 W. 3rd St Unique art show joining adult artists with children to provide fun adventures for all ages. Artist reception July 11, 5:30pm, Free Charlie Mitchell (308) 381-4001 www.prairiewindsart.com

July 4

**Alliance, Box Butte County
Lunatics Boat Race and Fireworks Display**

Homemade cardboard boat against another - the object is not to sink. Eccentric entrants welcome. Prizes for the winners! Fireworks display in evening. Race begins at 11am, Donation Denise Barker (308) 762-1800 www.boxbuttedevelopment.com

July 4

**Dunning, Blaine County
Jr Rodeo**

Fairgrounds Rodeo for ages 0-18 years. 9am Michelle Milleson (308) 538-2521

July 4

**Grand Island, Hall County
1077 KSYZ/Rock 101.5 July 4th Fireworks
Show at Fonner Park**

700 E. Stolley Park Rd Choreographed to music on KSYZ radio. 10pm, Free Dan Zabka (308) 381-1077

July 4

**Grand Island, Hall County
4th of July Celebration at Stuhr Museum**

3133 W. Hwy 34 Enjoy an authentic slice of Americana! Pie-eating contest, games on the green, patriotic program, band concert and mammoth parade at 2pm. 10am-6pm, \$4-\$6 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

July 5

**Halsey, Thomas County
July Celebration**

City park Events begin at noon with the Suds & Sundae meal followed by games, free BBQ and fireworks at dusk. Free Pam Rodocker (308) 533-2288

July 10-11, 15-20

**Alliance, Box Butte County
Heritage Days Rodeo and Celebration**

Rodeo grounds and Box Butte Ave The rodeo on July 10-11 presents some of the best rough stock in the business! Celebration includes a carnival, vendors, sports tournaments, Alliance Idol, parade and more. Rodeo July 10-11, 7pm nightly., Rodeo:\$4-\$8 Darcy Sutton (308) 762-1520 www.alliancechamber.com

July 10-12

**Broken Bow, Custer County
Crazy Daze**

City-wide Farmers market, live entertainment in the square and more. Events begin at 7am, Free Denise Russell (308) 872-5691 www.brokenbow-ne.com

July 10-13

**Broken Bow, Custer County
DC Lynch Carnival**

Custer County Fairgrounds Denise Russell (308) 872-5691 www.brokenbow-ne.com

July 11-12

**Arnold, Custer County
15th Annual South Loup River Blues Festival**

Old Mill Park This unique blues festival hosts some of the best blues entertainment in the Midwest. Fri show, 8pm; Sat, events begin at noon, \$20 in advance, \$25 at the gate David J Birnie (800) 584-9336 www.southloupbluesfest.com

July 11-13

**Comstock, Custer County
Comstock Rock**

2nd Wind Ranch, HC 68 Box 19 Featuring national acts along with local and regional talent. Bull riding, vendors and assorted activities. Camping available by reservation. 10am-1am daily. Henry Nuxoll (308) 728-3113 www.windmillenterprises.net

July 12

**Grand Island, Hall County
Moo-Claw**

Heartland Events Center Enjoy steak, fresh lobster and live entertainment. 6:30-11pm L isa Huisman (308) 382-2675 www.heartlanduway.com

July 13-17

**Grand Island, Hall County
4-H Horse Show**

Fonner Park More than 600 4-H members participate. Free Bruce Swihart (308) 382-451

Loup City, Sherman County

Sherman County Fair

Fairgrounds, NE Hwy 92 Exhibits, demolition derby, BBQ and more. (308) 745-0430 www.loupcity.com

July 19

Mullen, Hooker County

6th Annual Sandhills Chute-Out Bull Riding
Hooker County Fairgrounds, NE Hwy 2 See bull riders compete for prize money. 7:30pm, \$8-\$10 Val Simenson (308) 546-2754

July 19

**Ravenna, Buffalo County
Mud Fest**

Annevar Park Plenty of food, drink and fun for everyone. Multiple class car and truck mud drags. 3pm Liz Swenson (308) 452-3161 www.ci.ravenna.ne.us

July 19

**Theftord, Thomas County
Hunt, Hack'em, and Hold'em Golf Tournament**

Mark Nutter (308-645-2514

July 20

**Mullen, Hooker County
Couple's Golf Tournament**

Scotch Scramble
Mike Brown (308) 546-2877

July 20

**Grand Island, Hall County
Art in the Park**

Stolley Park Fine arts, performing artists, dancing, children's art activities and more. 9am-5pm, Free Alan Lienert (308) 382-8589

July 25-26

**Cairo, Hall County
CornStalk Festival**

Pool Park Fun run/walk, parade, children's activities, cardboard boat races, car show, road rally, beer garden, celebrity auction and more. Jaci Knuth (308) 390-6686

July 25-26

**Grand Island, Hall County
It's a Cowboy's Life: An Evening Around the Campfire**

Stuhr Museum, 3133 W. US Hwy 34 Meet 'em at the farm for an evening of cooking demonstrations, ropin', cowboy music, watermelon seed spittin' contests and more. 6-9pm, \$4-\$6 Matha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

July 25-27

**Theftord, Thomas County
Thomas County Fair**

Fairgrounds Bull fest, BBQ, parade, night golf, games and more. Alice Hodges (308) 645-2646 www.theftord.net

July 25

**Theftord, Thomas County
Bullfest**

Theftord Fairgrounds,
Professional Bull Riders on Top Bucking Stock Royce Jennings (308) 639-3253

July 30-Aug 3

**Mullen, Hooker County
Hooker County Fair**

Fairgrounds, NE Hwy 2 Exhibits, livestock shows and more. Valerie Simonson (308) 546-2754