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## RISE: Adults, juveniles referred to program

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Often they need to complete their high school education before anything else. For some, they may wish to try to get into college after that, and for others they may move on to the employment track, which attempts to remove any road blocks to employment.

For the juveniles, the focus is on education. Carman has access to their grades and attendance and tries to be another set of eyes on them, keeping after them to make sure they are making an honest effort in school.

Carman will serve an eight-month term (from January through August), and is supposed to work 25 hours per week, but says he frequently works more hours than that. He says that he doesn't mind the extra hours because he enjoys helping the probationers, and in many ways his duties relate to his chosen major of education.

In fact, although it is not required, he intends to check up on his released probationers periodically to see how they are doing and offer his assistance or advice if needed.

Carman said that he has received 20 referrals since his start date, but since this is a pilot program for the

### Book drive for ServeNebraska

From March 17 through May 3 the RISE Program is facilitating a book drive for ServeNebraska, a Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission.

Sam Carman, the RISE program specialist, said he has also partnered with his fraternity brothers at the Phi Alpha Theta Fraternity at Peru State College to

get a little extra help gathering books.

A drop box is located outside the Probation Office. Books for children, young adults, and adults are accepted. Some of the adult books will be used to update the jail's library.

Carman said he would pick up books if needed.

county, he had no way of knowing what kind of growth to expect.

He said he thinks enrollment will pick up as judges and probation officers learn more about the program.

Meanwhile, the RISE Program rules have been loosely based enough that he has been able to adapt them at his discretion to fit the needs of his probationers.

While he is technically only funded to cover Otoe County, he does have some probationers coming from Cass and Nemaha counties, too, as they don't have a local program specialist. Carman doesn't see this as a problem, though,

just an opportunity to help more people who need it.

In conjunction with ServeNebraska and other programs like Partners for Otoe County, Carman is trying to find ways that his probationers can provide community services and volunteering, too, in addition to the other skills he is teaching them.

Carman said community support for his program has been outstanding, and he's happy to have people care enough about these kids and adults that they want to find ways to help them succeed.

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3. Shipley .....70-50
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5. Bishop P+H .....62-58
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7. 3 Fingers.....60-60

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Bob Angus .....265  
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Marc Harker .....254

**Men's high series**

Marc Harker .....722  
Gregg Bauer.....679  
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**Team high series**

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**LEAGUE: Merchants**  
Thursday, March 27

1. 1st Class .....107-33
2. Farbke Lanes .....92-48
3. Rubber Arms.....74-66
4. R Novel App .....71-64
5. Cuse .....56-74

**Men's high games**

Marc Harker .....246  
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Jody Barton .....241

**Men's high series**

Marc Harker .....678  
Andy Griepenstroh .....663  
Floyd Neumeister .....620

**Team high series**

1st Class.....2759

## Concession stand bids sought

The Nebraska City Parks & Recreation Department is taking bids for the operation of the concession stand at the Steinhart Municipal Pool for the summer season.

Bids should be for a straight dollar amount (not a percentage). Included in the responsibility of the winning bidder is the clean up of certain areas of the facility. Permits, insurance and other expenses are the responsibility of the winning bidder.

Bids will be taken until 4 p.m. Friday, April 18, at the Recreation Office at the Public Properties Building, 1902 Fourth Corso. Bids will be opened at 4:10 p.m. For information, call 402-873-5248.

## Fundraiser breakfast

A fundraiser breakfast of pancakes, biscuits and gravy and a drink will be held with proceeds from the free will donation going toward the purchase of playground equipment for the park in Percival.

The event is sponsored

by the Percival Hometown Pride Committee in collaboration with the youth of Percival, the Benton Township Trustees and the fire department. The event is 7-10 a.m. Saturday, April 5, at the Percival Fire Station.

## TeamMates fundraiser

On Tuesday, April 8, Runza Restaurants will donate 10 percent of all proceeds to the TeamMates Mentoring Program. The effort is part of Runza's belief that it takes more than food to serve a community.