



Rock Creek Station, Jefferson County
(photo courtesy Fairbury Chamber of Commerce)

and Pawnee to the brave boys that fought in the two world wars, it's a very exclusive look on the town's history.

Six miles west of **Genoa** on Highway 22 lies Loup Power's Headworks. Camping, swimming, fishing, and other amenities are available at their campground. The Headworks is also home to Weir Park. It is a favorite of ATV and dirt bike riders. It features many of the same things as the rest of the Headworks like restrooms and power outlets. Weir Park is also home to the biannual celebration put on by the Nebraska Off-Highway Vehicle Association.

If you ever find yourself in our small town, never worry about not having anything to do. With our two museums, park, shops, restaurants, and the Headworks, you will never run out of things to do. You'll be welcomed as family to our quaint town and have an experience you will never forget. So come visit us! You will be pleasantly surprised at what you find.

HEMINGFORD

Come home to Western Nebraska where Good Food, Friends and Memories are Made...

Hemingford, USA; established in 1885 by Canadian immigrants.

Hemingford is a thriving community; population 958 and located in the western Nebraska Panhandle. **Hemingford** is located at the intersection of Highway 87 and Nebraska Highway 2.

Hemingford is known as an agricultural community with a variety of crops produced; potatoes, sugar beets, dry edible beans, wheat and corn are predominant crops. Burlington Northern Santa Fe is one of the largest employers of the community. The Hemingford Public School system serves families covering 700 square miles. **Hemingford** is nationally known for the outstanding pheasant and deer hunting along with dove, grouse, coyote and prairie dog.

Box Butte Reservoir is located 9 miles north of **Hemingford** is a

fresh water Dam and boasts Year Round Master Angler Fishing, fish cleaning stations, RV Pads/Electric Hookups, Boat Docks, water sports and family camping!

Hemingford is home of the Box Butte County Fair; the longest running fair in the state of Nebraska held every August. **Hemingford** boasts one of the only 9 Hole Sandgreen Golf courses in the entire state!

The Hemingford Diorama is a life size Nativity Scene the length of two football fields. The display opens on Thanksgiving evening and is lit every night until the second week in January.

The Avenue of Flags is displayed on Independence Day, Memorial Day and Veterans Day. The first burial flag was donated in 1987 to the American Legion Post #9 to pay homage to **Hemingford's** American Veterans. To date over 200 flags are displayed.

Recreation in **Hemingford** includes a new Swimming Pool, Sanction approved Softball and Baseball Complex; Playground, Sand Volleyball and outdoor basketball court.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

For 4,262 current residents and thousands before them, **Jefferson County**, Nebraska is home. A place to work, live and play. A place to raise a family and make friends. A place to get an education about all life has to offer. A place secure enough in its past to plan for the future. These ideas and a hundred others help describe the life so many have chosen to build in southeast Nebraska.

Take a look at all **Jefferson County**, Nebraska has to offer. Looking for a quiet getaway, check out the state recreation parks, campgrounds and the water sports, fishing and fun that go with this. Looking for excitement, catch the races at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds or experience the thrill of the hunt during quail, pheasant and deer season. Join in some good old-fashioned fun at a local festival like the Wild West Weekend "Rails and Trails", Diller Picnic, the Steele City Flea Market,

Jansen Fun Days and the Shriners Annual 4th of July Flea Market in the Fairbury City Park. Live history for a day by taking in Rock Creek State Historical Park, the Rock Island Depot, Fairbury City Museum or the Living History Weekends in Steele City's historical district.

Jefferson County offers plenty of entertainment for those looking for a quick getaway or a longer more leisurely stay. A cluster of nine small, rural communities provide the nucleus for the best in small town living. Whether you are looking for a great antique find, exploring the regions history or settling in for a quiet weekend of camping, **Jefferson County** provides an excursion for almost everyone.

Hunting and Fishing – Outdoorsmen find abundant wildlife year-round. Deer and pheasant hunters from around the country return each fall. Quail, wild turkey and rabbit compliment the wildlife available. Plentiful fishing draws sports enthusiasts to the Little Blue River and numerous lakes around the county.

Fairbury downtown

With buildings dating from the turn of the century, Fairbury's downtown earns its historic reputation honestly. With the courthouse as the centerpiece of a quaint downtown square, the area highlights small town America at its best with antique stores, an art gallery, service and professional businesses and a variety of miscellaneous shops and restaurants. The downtown area draws visitors with its original brick streets, detailed building facades and the courthouses plethora of shade trees. Side streets also offer their own bits of history relived with the renovated Bonham Theatre, a modern art mural on the Globe Rexall Pharmacy and some of the oldest buildings in the business district.

Take a look at what the area has to offer. While you are at it make sure to check out these features. Jefferson County Courthouse located in Fairbury and constructed in 1891 of hand-cut limestone this historic building

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