

Charter Day Celebration At Peru State College

**(KLZA)-- Tuesday, June 20 marks the 150th anniversary of Nebraska's first institution of higher education by the Nebraska Legislature.**

**A daylong celebration is planned at Peru State College to mark this historic event.**

**Deborah Solie, Director of Alumni Relations for the Peru State College Foundation tells MSCNEWS that its symbolic for Nebraska's first and oldest college, to be able to celebrate the sesquicentennial the same year as the State of Nebraska. Solie says Peru State's History and Nebraska's history mirrors the growth of the state.**

**Tuesday's events begin with Pioneer Day at the Normal School, which includes children's activities for those in kindergarten through 8th grade.**

**There will be Charter Day Speakers making presentations on the hour from 1 – 5:00 p.m. There is an art program focusing on Nebraska artists and a 5 o'clock reception on the lawn of the T.J. Majors Hall.**

**The Peru State College Charter Presentation will be at 5:45 p.m. followed by a number of Chautauqua speakers.**

**The Peru State College Charter Day Celebration Banquet with guest speakers and music will begin at 6:45 p.m. in the Peru State Student Center.**

**Peru State President Dan Hanson will provide his vision for the future of Peru State College. Neil Clayburn with the Nebraska Education Association, also celebrating 150 years will speak as will First District State Senator Dan Watermeier who will talk about the impact of Peru State College on Southeast Nebraska.**

**For more information about the Peru State College Sesquicentennial Celebration, log onto [peru.edu](http://peru.edu) and click on the sesquicentennial button.**

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