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“Community of the Year Award”



Pictured back row from left: Dan Shundoff, Joe Ferguson, Scott Williams, Lee Klein, Mark Zimmerer, and Jim Scheer. Front row from left: Courtney Dentlinger, Mayor Sue Fuchtmann, Governor Dave Heineman, Kim Kwapnioski and Candace Bossard.

Covidien expansion; increase of the community’s natural gas capacity by 50%; successful collaboration of groups in the community; and a new industrial highway northeast of Norfolk.

“Economic development is a group effort and groups in Norfolk work well together in building Norfolk and making it a great place for people to establish homes and businesses,” said Courtney Dentlinger, City of Norfolk Economic Development Director.

The Diplomats hosted company representatives from Belgium, California, China, Colorado, Illinois, Japan, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, Ohio, Spain, and Texas over the weekend.

Norfolk was recently awarded the “Community of the Year Award” at the 7th Annual Nebraska Diplomats Passport Weekend. The Nebraska Diplomats Inc. is the largest economic development organization in Nebraska with a membership of 286 business executives and community leaders.

Governor Dave Heineman presented the award to Norfolk officials in Lincoln at the awards ceremony Friday, September 5.

The community’s economic development highlights include the announcement that Tejas Tubular

will be opening a facility soon in Norfolk with an investment exceeding \$100 million and employing 200 people; a \$70 million Nucor expansion; a