

**THE NEMAHA COUNTY STEP FOUNDATION AWARDS \$10,000 TO ALBANY  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND CITY OF CENTRALIA**

The STEP Foundation Board of Directors has announced recipients for the first round of grants for 2015. These grants are awarded for charitable purposes to enhance and improve the quality of life for the residents of Nemaha County.

President of the Albany Historical Society, Alex Dawdy, stated that the requested funds will be used to preserve and restore the Summit School that was moved to the Albany grounds for use by a 4-H club. The Society is also planning to roof the Bern Depot replica building. The STEP Foundation will provide \$4,000 to help with these projects that will be completed this summer.

A \$6000 grant was also awarded to the City of Centralia to help with upgrading equipment for their city park. The committee has secured additional grants and the community is working together on fundraising to help with this large project. The plans are to complete the park this summer.

Grants are awarded twice a year through the STEP Foundation, with the next deadline being July 15, 2015. More information may be obtained from the STEP Foundation, PO Box 165, Seneca, KS 66538 or by visiting [www.nemahastep.org](http://www.nemahastep.org) or by calling Leslie Scoby at 785-285-1765.