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THURSDAY • MARCH 4 • 2010

2nd annual Library book sale

The 2nd annual Mound City Library book sale will be held Friday and Saturday, March 5 and 6, at the McRae Community Building (The Klub) in Mound City, MO.

Friends of the Library pre-sale will be Friday, March 5, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., with the public sale being on Friday, March 5, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and Saturday, March 6, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Kiwanis to host pancake breakfast

The Mound City Kiwanis Club will be hosting an all you can eat pancake breakfast on Saturday, March 6, from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., at the Mound City Nutrition Site.

The breakfast will also consist of sausage and scrambled eggs. Admission will be \$5 a person. All proceeds will go to the site.

Refuge habitat workday scheduled

A habitat workday for the Squaw Creek Refuge will be held on Saturday, March 6, 2010.

Equipment will be loaded at the refuge headquarters at 8:30 a.m. The goal is to clear out brush near the Mike Callow memorial.

All volunteers are welcome.

Graham Lions Club fish and chicken fry

The Graham Lions Club will be sponsoring a fish and chicken fry on Saturday, March 6, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at the community building in Graham, MO.

The all you can eat dinner is \$9.50 for adults and \$4.00 for children.

Last chance for Aruba vacation

The Mound City Community Building will be holding the drawing for the 2010 Aruba vacation giveaway today, March 4, at The Klub in Mound City.

The vacation includes a week's accommodation at a privately owned townhome at Gold Coast Aruba. It also includes two round trip airline credits.

Funds from this raffle will be used to paint the building and make improvements to the deck.



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Conference Champs

The CFX Hornets- Secured their conference title position this week after claiming victories over the Nodaway-Holt Trojans and the Mound City Panthers. In similarly close contests, they defeated the Trojans 52-49 and the Panthers 55-51. The championship is the first conference title in 33 years at Craig and in 15 years at Fairfax. Conference champs left to right, front row: Jordan Stoner, Tristan Ray, Wyatt Drewes, Thauan Andrade, Tyler Brandt, Jacob Beck and Nathan Hinrichs. Back row: Assistant Coach Ryan Madden, Alex Roland, Kevin Dodson, Graham Scarbrough, Jordan Sipes, Spencer Barnes, Garrett Hinrichs, Jordan Showalter and Head Coach Terry Petersen.



Mound City elementary "Olympic Athletes"- From Team Burge, Team Brandon, Team Edwards and Team Mauderly's classes are pictured above competing in an afternoon of curling, hockey and bobsledding events. The friendly competitions were planned by Brooke Crawford, PE teacher, and Ms. Berg, her student teacher.

Mound City Elementary holds Olympic competitions

The Mound City Elementary students got into the "spirit" of the Olympics by holding their own Olympic events during the two-week event.

Lisa Caton, preschool teacher, inspired by the Olympic games, decided to incorporate the games into the classroom curriculum, creating many opportunities to teach and learn new and interesting lessons. The idea spread, becoming elementary team competitions.

Each classroom became a team and competed against the other teams in a number of "Olympic Games".

The teams had to create their own chant or cheer, write an Olympic size poem, design an Olympic mural and participate in an Olympic trivia contest. They did Olympic Speed Skating- skating through a course on paper

plates while showing reading knowledge; Olympic Sports in Action- teamwork on deciding how specific sports were played; Olympic Oreo Stacking (self explanatory); Olympic Snowball Throw- create a snowball with any non-harmful classroom material and see how far it would fly, and the Olympic Reading Challenge- number of books read per class.

The two weeks of activities culminated in fun Olympic games in the gym on Friday, February 26. The teams played hockey, and did curling and bobsledding.

Earning the gold medal in the two-week long Olympic events was Team Caton (preschoolers). Team Noble (kindergarten) won the silver medal and Team Forehand (first grade) won the bronze.



Bobsledding teams- Were having fun competing in the gym on Friday, February 26. Two teams of two each raced around the "track" for time. Pictured above are students preparing to make the first turn from Team Edwards and Team Mauderly. The team members left to right include Robin Wilcoxson, Madison Hopkins and pushing the other bobsled is Trevor VanHoutan.



Ethan Sickels, left, and Rita Carroll, right

New principals for Nodaway-Holt

The elementary and high school principal positions will change this coming year at the Nodaway-Holt schools, but the faces will still be familiar.

High school principal, Jenny Saunders, resigned after being at Nodaway-Holt for four years. Ethan Sickels, Nodaway-Holt Elementary Principal, will become the new high school principal for the 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Sickels has been the elementary principal for two years. His other duties have also included boys high school basketball coach, junior high football coach and special education director.

The elementary principal's position will be filled in house by 25 year veteran,

Mrs. Rita Carroll. Mrs. Carroll has worked at the Nodaway-Holt District in many capacities for over 25 years. She has been a substitute teacher, Title I Math Teacher, Teacher of the Gifted Program, PAT Parent Educator, Kindergarten teacher for 14 years and most recently the Reading Coach.

"I am enthusiastic about working with the students, staff, parents and community members at Nodaway-Holt," commented Mrs. Carroll.

Rita completed her specialist degree in elementary administration in December of 2009 at Northwest Missouri State University, where she had previously acquired her bachelor's and master's degrees.

Diana White to retire from Mound City School District

Mrs. Diana White, 30-year business teacher at Mound City R-2, recently turned in her resignation and is set to retire at the end of this school year.

Diana spent the first four years of her career at her alma mater, Rock Port, where she taught her sister as well as Shelly Eaton, who later came and student taught with Diana in the business department.

Diana started teaching in Mound City in the fall of 1980. She has worn many hats during her three decades of service to the district. She has been junior sponsor, concession stand manager, Academic Bowl Coach, classroom teacher, served on the State Advisory Committee for Academic Bowl and was a "mom to a bunch of kids".

As a business teacher, Mrs. White has had to continually evolve as technology advanced. On her first day of class, Diana walked into a room with 12 manual typewriters. In 1983, Diana recalled getting "Baby", the school's first computer, that in later years was trans-



formed into a classroom plant holder. That year, she taught 13 kids how to program a computer, with only "Baby". In 1988, Diana got a master's in teaching computers to be able to keep the computers in her classroom. Now her classroom has evolved to 20 computers, a smartboard, projector and scanner.

"I've never been able to stop learning," Diana commented. "As a business teacher, you are constantly being challenged with new technology."

When asked how one decides to come back year after year, for 30 years, Diana

said, "The kids - It was fun to watch the kids begin my class knowing very little about a subject and watch them grow throughout the year."

One of the rewards has been the students returning to her saying, "You were right Mrs. White, I'm really using what you taught me in class in - life - college -- etc." or "I use that 'stupid notebook' all the time at college, even my roommate asks to borrow it".

Claiming two state championships in Academic Bowl and being named Coach of the Year are among Diana's career highlights. Her classroom walls are clad with plaques of business contest winners as well as other academic bowl trophies.

Many memorable moments have left their mark indelibly on her mind, memories which she will cherish as she begins her retirement years. These retirement years will be filled with travel, substituting, quilting and taking care of a new grandbaby.



The Preschool Olympic Mural- Was proudly displayed in the lower hallway at Mound City School. The preschool class spearheaded the Olympic Events and ended up winning the gold. Preschool students pictured with their gold medals are left to right: Quinton Brandon, Jazmine Talbot, Rhylan Hall and Shailea Panning.



Louise Kerns

Mrs. 'Bobbie' Louise Kerns, 85, Mound City, MO, passed away Friday, February 26, 2010, at a Mound City healthcare center.

Bobbie was born May 1, 1924, in Mound City, where she attended the former Bellevue School north of Mound City.

She worked as a waitress for numerous years at various restaurants in the Mound City area, including the former Kee Café, the former Robinson Café, Schoonover's, The Klub and the Big Lake Lodge to name a few. She loved flowers, gardening, watching birds and collecting bird figurines.

Bobbie married Claude H. Diggs and they were later divorced. Later, she married Thomas Kerns and he preceded her in death in 1965.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Cecil and Sylvia (Smith) Nauman; her sister, Dorothy Duncan; two brothers, Russell Nauman and Virgil Smith; and twin grandsons, Cash & Cole Kerns.

Survivors include her daughter, Tammy and her husband, Patrick Long of Mound City; two sons, Danny and his wife, Beverly Diggs of Mound City, Tom and his wife, Janelle Kerns of Mound City; six grandchildren, Hope Radley, Chandra McCarty, Stephen Long, Kalab Long, Melisa Allan and Wyatt Kerns; seven great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Services were held Tuesday, March 2, at 2:00 p.m. by the Pettijohn & Crawford Family Funeral Service. Interment was held at New Liberty Cemetery in Mound City.

The family suggests memorial gifts to Kendallwood Hospice.

Mary Louise (Andrews) Hubbard

Mary Hubbard, 87, went to be with the Lord on Sunday, February 21, 2010, at McAllen Medical Center, McAllen, TX, after a lengthy illness.

Mary was born in Holt County, MO, to Walter and Maryann Andrews on February 25, 1922. She married Manning Eldon Hubbard on December 8, 1950, to whom she was faithfully married for 54 years. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and a sister, Betty Yocum.

Mary is survived by her children, SuzAnne Albright

and her husband Gary of McAllen, TX, and James Manning Hubbard and his wife Jean of Allen Park, MI; her loving grandchildren, Jacob Albright of McAllen, TX, Jessi Albright of Edinburg, TX, Jeffrey Albright, McAllen, TX, Joshua Hubbard and his wife Cassandra of Taylor, MI, and Jonathan Hubbard and his wife Kelly of Allen Park. She is also survived by her brother, Ted Andrews and his wife Elizabeth of Wichita, KS, and her sister Marjorie Yocum of Mound City, MO, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Raised in Missouri, Mary moved to Michigan with her new husband, John, in 1950. After the birth of their children, they began attending Inter-City Baptist Church in Allen Park, MI. Upon hearing the Gospel, she recognized her need of a Savior, realized Jesus Christ had paid the penalty for her sin and accepted His free gift of salvation. Because of her decision, we know she is with the Lord today- absent from the body and present with the Lord.

Mary was a faithful member of Inter-City for over 50 years. She used her talents in many areas of church life: 2nd grade Sunday school superintendent, cook for visitation suppers, banquets and weddings, Jr. Church worker and maintenance supervisor. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother who kept the home running smoothly while John worked shift work for 40 years; cooking meals at all hours to accommodate John's work schedule; and sewing clothes for the children and others, while rarely missing a church service. Her example of faithfulness, perseverance and humility are a testament to God's refining work in her life. She was dearly loved and will be greatly missed.

Dena Rae Evans

Dena Rae Evans, 66, St. Joseph, MO, passed away Sunday, February 28, 2010, at Heartland Regional Medical Center.

Dena was born on July 30, 1943, in New Point, MO, to Dale and Blanche (Cochran) Bender.

Survivors include her two daughters, Dee Ann Evans-Conner and her husband Eric and Donna Evans-Cox and her husband James, all of St. Joseph, MO; grandchildren, Katelyn and Bryson Conner, and Jamie and Jackie Cox; one brother, Viron K. Bender, Oregon, MO; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be held on Thursday, March 4th at 2:00 p.m. at the Heaton-Bowman-Smith & Sidenfaden Chapel. Interment at New Point Cemetery in New Point, MO.

Holt County Arrest report

Christopher R. Fancher, 36, of Oregon, MO, was taken into custody on March 1 at 5:57 p.m. for possession of a loaded firearm while intoxicated-Class B, operating a motor vehicle in an intoxicated condition - Class B, and speeding. He was taken to the Holt County Jail on a 24 hour hold.

News from Tiffany Heights

Residents enjoyed the afternoon on Monday, March 1, by playing a word game. This month they played the game using information about presidents. Residents were asked questions about the presidents and their lives both private and political. The resident to answer five correct questions was the winner of the game. Frances Martin was our smartest fact person. There was also an open question time that was just about fun and more common known facts.

The residents held their great pancake races on Tuesday afternoon, using real pancakes. Residents played the first race as a group. They divided into teams and were asked to pass the pancake, on a spatula, and not to touch it. If it fell, it was replaced by the team leaders, which were Cindy Heck and the speech therapist. Cindy Heck's team was the fastest. They then played pancake toss and everyone had to toss and catch the pancake. Cindy's team won again but by the end of this game, they needed to make new pancakes. The third game was to flip and catch the pancake on the spatula. Winners of this game were Lucyle Benne, Helen Gomel, Alice McCartney and Frances Martin.

Residents were then given a brief history of the pan-

Keenagers Club

The Keenagers Club met Monday, March 1, at the Senior Center in Maitland, MO.

Six members and two guests attended. The two guests were Beverly Graham, who is a driver for the group, and Evelyn Haeffele. Both ladies are from Mound City, MO.

Inez VanOrman was hostess for the day. A delicious potpie meal was enjoyed by the group.

After lunch, the group played cards. The high score at pinocle was Jeanette Smock, with second high going to guest, Evelyn Haeffele.

The next meeting of the Club will be March 15 with Eileen Wyman as hostess.

American Legion district meeting

The American Legion district meeting will be held on Sunday, March 14, 2010, at 1:30 p.m. The meeting will take place at American Legion Post #287 in Savannah, MO.

TOPS meeting

TOPS #1163 met Monday, March 1, at the Concordia Lutheran Church. Leader Nina Boyd called the meeting to order.

Nine members were weighed in and the best loser was Nina Boyd.

Addie Trimmer read the minutes and Peggy Kneale gave the treasurer's report. Everyone drew a secret pal name. Officers were elected.

The next meeting will be March 8. Exercises will be at 3:45 p.m. and weigh in is at 4:30 p.m.

cake, which started out with meats in it. They also were told how other countries made and used this mostly breakfast food. Everyone got a gold dollar to eat, which turned out to be a bite size pancake with butter and peanut butter. They enjoyed this treat in the middle of the day.

Residents are getting excited about the approaching spring weather and spent the afternoon on Wednesday getting ready for this new month.

The F.F.A. celebrated their national founding this week. They were organized in 1928. Among the many fun things they planned during the week was providing prizes and assisting in bingo on Thursday afternoon. F.F.A. members assisting this week were Shelby Culp, Loni Jo Weber, Morgan Burge, Gage Rosier, Ryan Crowley, Laura Schoonover, James Schoonover, Kyler VanSchoiack, Taylor Blevens, Nathan Brickey, Zach Kahle, Miles Jumps, Drew Ireland, Zach Gilland, Prent Eaton, and sponsor Mr. Gomel.

Name Game was played during the afternoon on Friday. "Ground hog shadow" were the words chosen for the month. Residents were able to make only 120 different words from these letters. They decided we really needed an "e" to make this more exciting.

Larry Brickey and family provided Sunday morning services.



2nd annual Mound City Library book sale

The second annual big book sale is this weekend at The Klub. Hundreds of donated books have been added to duplicates and old books culled from the Mound City Library to make room for new books.

Library Director Cindy Grant said more than 2,000 books will be on tables in the Exchange Room at The Klub. CDs, DVDs, movies and books on tape will also be sold at garage sale prices.

A pre-sale will be open to members of the Friends group from noon to 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 5. Annual membership fees are just \$10 for individuals and \$25 for a family. If one wants to get in on the early shopping, pay the dues and get a free

Friends of the Library book bag.

The sale to the public starts at 4:00 p.m. on Friday in the Exchange Room at The Klub and runs to 8:00 p.m. It resumes at 8:00 a.m. Saturday, March 6, and runs until 3:00 p.m., or until everything is sold.

Organized and staffed by Friends of the Mound City Public Library, the book sales raise money for library activities and improvements. Proceeds from last year's sale and other fundraisers held by the Friends group were used to help pay for the new circulation desk and bulletin boards custom-built by Tracy Nauman, and for other new items in the new library space, including interior and outside signs.

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Area Church Information

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213 Lake Shore Dr. • *Karl Forehand, Pastor*
Breakfast, 9 a.m., Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.,
Worship, 10:30 a.m.

CORNING

St. John's Lutheran Church

112 Walters Street • *Pastor W.J. Lowmaster*
9:30 a.m., Bible/Midweek Classes, 10:30 a.m., Holy Communion
Sun. 7, Potluck Dinner

CRAIG

Craig Presbyterian Church

Worship Service, 9:15 a.m. • *Rev. Leland LaRose, Pastor*

Sharp's Grove United Methodist Church

4.5 mi. north of Craig on Hwy. 59 • *Rev. Crystal Karr*
Worship Service, 8:45 a.m.

Craig Community Church of the Nazarene

105 S. Ensworth Street • *Keith Knaak, Pastor*
Sunday School, 10 a.m., Worship Service, 11 a.m.
Wed. Night Bible Study, 6 p.m., Wed. Kingdom Kids, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Church of God

Sunday School, 10:00 a.m., Worship, 11:00 a.m.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church

(Services held at St. John's) • (Mar. 8-12, Meals on Wheels)
Wed. 10, 9 a.m., Women's Bible Study • 10:30 a.m., Quilting
2 p.m., Ladies Aid Mtg. • 7:30 p.m., Lenten Service @ Concordia

FILLMORE

The Lighthouse

Exit 65 on I-29 • *Pastors Tim and Faith Uzzle*
Sunday Worship: 10 a.m., Thurs. Bible Study: 7 p.m.
www.fillmorelighthousechurch.org

GRAHAM

Graham Union Church

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service, 6:30 p.m., Wednesday night, 7 p.m.

United Methodist Church

Connie Ury, Pastor
Sunday School, 9 a.m., Worship, 10:15 a.m.

MAITLAND

First Christian Church

4th and Ash • *Bill Gazaaway, Pastor*
Sunday School, 9:15 a.m., Worship Service, 10 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship, 7 p.m., Wed., Youth Rallies, 7 p.m.

United Methodist Church

217 S. Maple Avenue • *Connie Ury, Pastor*
Worship Service, 9 a.m.

MOUND CITY

Community of Christ

1410 Nebraska Street • *Theresa Mackey, Pastor* 660-446-2048
Sunday School, 10 a.m., Worship Service, 11 a.m.

Christian Fellowship

18080 Hwy. 59 • *Jim Brown, Minister*
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Senior High Youth, 7:00 p.m., www.christian-fellowship.net

Concordia Lutheran Church

1413 Nebraska Street • *Pastor W.J. Lowmaster* 442-3414
9:00 a.m., Divine Worship, 10:15 a.m., Sunday School
Thurs. 4, 7 p.m., Home Bible Study • Wed. 10, 7:30 p.m., Lenten Services

First Christian Church

402 E. 5th Street • *Paul Grant, Pastor*
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m.

First United Presbyterian Church

307 East 6th Street • *Pastor, Robert Hoenike*
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Worship, 11 a.m.

Mound City Baptist Church

1308 Savannah Street • *Pastor James Waller*
Sunday School, 10:15 a.m., Worship Service, 11:15 a.m.
Tuesday Bible Study, Larry Brickey, 6:30 p.m.;
Sl@m City Youth Group, 6:30 p.m. - 816-616-0347

Mound City United Methodist Church

312 E. 7th St. • *Pastor Crystal Karr*
Sunday School, 9 a.m., Sunday Service, 10 a.m.

New Liberty Baptist Church

County Road 140 • *Dr. Everett Walden, Pastor*
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m.

New Life Apostolic Assembly

U.P.C.I. - 307 E. 6th, Mound City • *Pastor Scott Jordan*
Currently meeting in the First United Presbyterian Church
Worship Service, 2 p.m., Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.,
Life Night Bible Study & Revolution Youth Group
www.newlifeapostolicassembly.org - 660-442-3441

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Pastor and Parish Administrator

Oregon Church of the Nazarene

207 W. George • *Keith Knaak, Pastor*
Sunday School, 8 a.m., Worship Service, 9 a.m.

New Point Christian Church

24135 Stone Hill Rd. • *Brian Buck, Minister*
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Fellowship Dinner, 4th Sunday of month following church

REGIONAL

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304 East 4th St., Mound City • 442-0197 or 442-6305
Pastor David Showalter
Sunday School, 9:15 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m.

SKIDMORE

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30996 X Avenue, Skidmore, MO
2nd Sundays - 11 a.m., Morning Prayer service by Lay Reader
4th Sundays - 11 a.m., Eucharist Service



Gayle and Lewellen to wed

Robert and Robin Wright of Clarinda, IA, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Shelby Gayle, to Landon Lewellen, son of Randy and Barb Lewellen of Stanton, MO.

Shelby is a 2006 graduate of Stanton Community High School and will graduate from Northwest Missouri State University in May with a Pre-Professional Zoology degree.

Landon is a 2004 graduate of Stanton Community High School and a 2008 graduate of Simpson College in Indianola, IA, where he graduated with degrees in Criminal Justice and Sociology. Landon is employed by Cooper Nuclear Station in Brownville, NE, as an armed security officer.

A June 5, 2010, wedding is being planned in Stanton.



Hunzigers to celebrate 60th wedding anniversary

Thomas and Shirley (Grimes) Hunziger were married March 12, 1950, at the home of Reverend Purdy in St. Joseph, MO. They have lived and farmed in the Oregon, MO, area for their entire married life.

They are the parents of six children: Stephen and his wife Rhonda of Craig, MO; Russell and his wife Sharon of Forest City, MO; Alvin and his wife Marcia of Atchison, KS; Edward of Forest City, MO; Lori Schaeffer of Oregon, MO; and Patricia Schoonover and her husband Bryce of Mound City, MO.

They have 18 grandchildren, 1 stepgranddaughter, 7 great-grandchildren and 2 stepgreat-grandchildren.

Tom and Shirley will be honored at an open house reception on Sunday, March 14, from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the TJ Hall building in Oregon. Friends and relatives are invited to join them with their family as they celebrate this milestone event.

Cards may be sent to the honorees at 30153 Holt 300, Oregon, MO 64473.

Two Private Pesticide Applicator trainings scheduled

Private Pesticide Applicator training will be held on Tuesday, March 9, starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex conference room in Oregon, MO. A second meeting will be held Monday, March 15, at 1:00 p.m. again at the Courthouse Annex in Oregon.

Private Applicator Pesticide licenses are for those who produce agricultural commodities and will be applying restricted use pesticides.

For more information, contact Wayne Flanary at 660-446-3724 or Heather Benedict at 660-425-6424, Regional Agronomist, University of Missouri Extension.

Mound City Public Library's 2nd Annual

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Miller family recognized nationally for angus breeding

Only 2,220 of the nearly 30,000 American Angus Association members are represented in this year's 2010 Pathfinder Report, according to Bill Bowman, chief operating officer and director of performance programs of the association with headquarters in St. Joseph, MO.

The Pathfinder Program identifies superior Angus cows based upon recorded performance traits that are economically important to efficient beef production. These traits include early and regular calving and heavy weaning weights. Over 1.8 million eligible dams and more than six million weaning records were examined to determine Pathfinder status. All registered Angus cows that meet the strict

Pathfinder standards are listed, along with their owners, in the Pathfinder Report that is published annually by the association.

Kurt P. Miller of Mound City and Keith Z. Miller, Kenneth Roy Miller and Jackie Lee Miller, all of Craig, MO, have been recognized nationally by the American Angus Association for their registered Angus cows. Kurt Miller was recognized with one registered Angus cow, Keith was recognized with having eight registered Angus cows, Kenneth was recognized with having 14 registered Angus cows and Jackie was recognized with having 11 registered Angus cows, which were all included in the association's Pathfinder Report.

Hare and McCoppin plan May wedding



from Saint Louis University in 2001 and a Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Missouri – Columbia in 2006. She is currently employed by University Hospitals & Clinics as Chief Resident for the Department of Dermatology in Columbia, MO, and will be the procedural dermatology fellow at Emory University in Atlanta, GA, after the wedding.

The future groom, a 1995 graduate of Smithville High School in Smithville, MO, received a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing from Missouri Western State College, St. Joseph, MO, in 2000 and a Masters of Business Administration from Baker University, Shawnee Mission, KS, in 2004. He is currently the Director of Marketing Project Management at Waddell & Reed Financial Services in Shawnee, KS.

A May 1, 2010, wedding is planned at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph with a reception at the Saint Joseph Country Club.

Another birthday passes for missing Skidmore, MO, man

Branson Perry would have turned twenty-nine years old on February 24. On April 11th of 2001, Branson Perry disappeared under mysterious circumstances and from that point has seemed to have vanished without a trace. In the past years, many attempts to locate Branson have been made by law officials and search teams from the CUE Center for Missing Persons, but to no avail in his recovery.

It's time to remind the public once again, that those who love him and involved in the search have not given up and to ask for that one person in the community who knows what happened to Branson Perry and or may know the location of his remains, to please step forward.

“Missing Person cases are

difficult for families that are left behind that deal daily with the unknown fate. I hope with our continued efforts, we will be able to provide this family with some sort of resolution, that is what we truly hope for,” said Monica Caison, CUE's founder.

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|----------------------------|---|---|-----------------------------|---|---|---|
| 44° 24° Mostly sunny | 46° 31° Breezy with increasing clouds | 51° 31° Rain and drizzle possible | 54° 33° Mostly cloudy | 55° 31° Cloudy, rain possible; breezy | 50° 30° Cloudy with a couple of showers | 50° 29° Colder; a shower in the morning |

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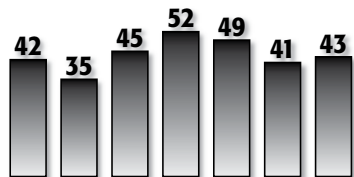
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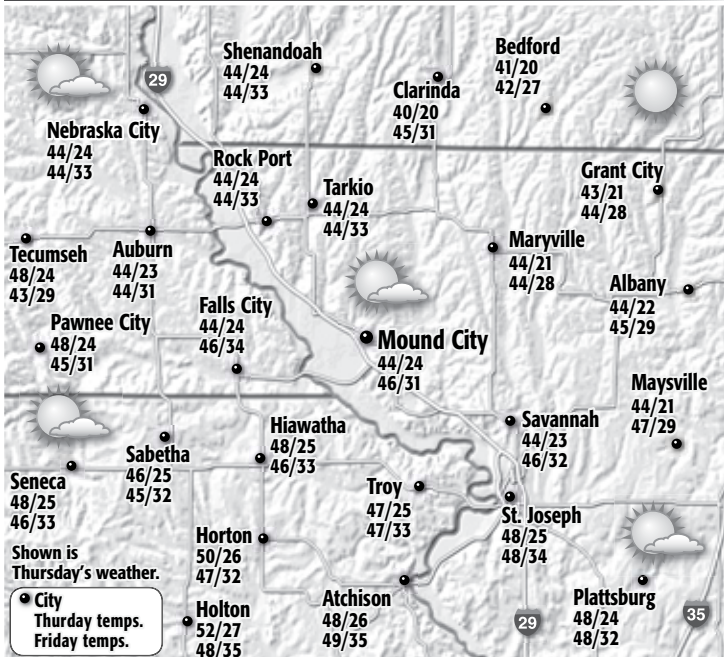
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SUN AND MOON

| Day | Sunrise | Sunset |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Thursday | 6:50 a.m. | 6:16 p.m. |
| Friday | 6:49 a.m. | 6:17 p.m. |
| Saturday | 6:47 a.m. | 6:18 p.m. |
| Sunday | 6:46 a.m. | 6:19 p.m. |
| Monday | 6:44 a.m. | 6:20 p.m. |
| Tuesday | 6:42 a.m. | 6:21 p.m. |
| Wednesday | 6:41 a.m. | 6:22 p.m. |

| Day | Moonrise | Moonset |
|-----------|------------|------------|
| Thursday | 11:34 p.m. | 8:39 a.m. |
| Friday | none | 9:17 a.m. |
| Saturday | 12:40 a.m. | 10:00 a.m. |
| Sunday | 1:40 a.m. | 10:49 a.m. |
| Monday | 2:33 a.m. | 11:44 a.m. |
| Tuesday | 3:18 a.m. | 12:41 p.m. |
| Wednesday | 3:56 a.m. | 1:41 p.m. |

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Tuesday club meets

The February 23, 2010, meeting of the Tuesday Club was held at the home of Linda Creed with eleven members answering the roll call of My Favorite Chocolate Indulgence. Members present were: Leisa Biermann, Patty Davis, Susan Laukemper, Judith Long, Debbie Loucks, Judy McIntire, Jane Meadows, Sheri Meadows, Brenda Ryan, Kay Sitherwood and Linda Creed.

President Brenda Ryan conducted the business meeting.

Sheri Meadows presented an entertaining lesson on Chocolate Adventures. She stated that 99% of all women like chocolate. Two-thirds of the world's chocolate is grown in Africa and America eats 50% of all of the world's chocolate. All real chocolate comes from a cocoa bean and the secret of chocolate appeal is the cocoa butter. The #1 favorite chocolate treat is Russell Stover's Assorted Chocolates. Sheri displayed a variety of candy bars and asked everyone to pick their favorite. Then she told about personality traits with each choice. She concluded her program by displaying chocolate designs and sharing chocolate hearts with everyone.

Delicious refreshments and a social hour followed. The next meeting will be March 9 at the home of Sheri Meadows.

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SWCD Board Chairman- Bruce Biermann welcomed the guests to the workshop.



Earthmoving and tiling contractors- Were guests at the Contractors' Workshop, held on February 24 at Scheib Drainage in Oregon.

Contractors' workshop held

The Holt County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) along with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) held a Contractors' Workshop on Wednesday, February 24, 2010, at Scheib Drainage Products in Oregon, MO.

Earthmoving and tiling contractors from several counties including Holt, Nodaway, Atchison and Andrew were in attendance. Guests were welcomed by opening remarks from

SWCD Board Chairman Bruce Biermann.

Workshop topics included an overview of NRCS Engineering Specifications presented by NRCS Area Agriculture Engineer Brad Schreck. John Ceglinski of TransCanada Pipeline and Derek Leffert of Missouri One Call spoke about the importance of utilizing the Missouri One Call System prior to excavation.

The workshop concluded with

lunch provided by Don Scheib and the staff of Scheib Drainage Products.

Holt SWCD Program Specialist Regina Young said, "The Contractors' Workshop is an effective way to communicate with area contractors regarding current issues." Young added, "Helping contractors stay well informed is important to the success of our State Cost Share program as well as NRCS programs."

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This Week's History

From the *Mound City News* archives

50 Years Ago - 1960

• The resignation of Dean Heck, Holt County ASC office manager, was announced by county chairman, Milan Boswell. Heck, who had managed the office since its inception in October of 1953, planned to devote his full time to farming.

• After 50 years of business, Ray and Roy Carter, owners of the J. H. Carter Store in Mound City, MO, leased their building and sold their stock to the Shopworth Food Stores. Employees Wendell Egbert (new manager), Otto Meyer, Homer King and Marjory Alloway remained with the new organization.

• The Mound City Panthers beat Quitman in first round of the regional tournament at Fairfax. Gary Messick led the team with 18 points. Max Goolsby led them in a second round victory over Maitland with 15 points.

• The Skidmore basketball team won the district tournament, as well as their first state game at Maryville against Sheridan.

• Dave Holland, music instructor, and the Maitland School, hosted Bellevue, Mound City, Craig, Maitland, Oregon and Forest City at the Holt County Music Clinic. 220 band members and 160 mixed chorus members performed at the final program.

25 Years Ago - 1985

• The Burlington Northern Depot in Craig, MO, which had been abandoned for several years, was moved to its new location. A fund drive for the move was organized by City Manager Terry Eaton, a lot was donated by Tom Ward, and Billy Brandon was contracted to move the depot.

• Darrel Yocum was selected by the Mound City FFA Chapter as the Outstanding Businessman of the Year. Darrel had been in the fertilizer business for 18 years and owned his own company since 1978.

• Phil Morris was selected by the Mound City FFA Chapter as the Outstanding Farmer of the Year. Phil raised wheat, corn and soybeans as well as having cows and farrowing sows.

• The 275 Conference incepted the first Brain Bowl activity. Rich Reilly, Sally Bomar, Greta Heck and Nancy Gillis were on the inaugural team.

• The KQ-2 Networkers were obtained for a basketball exhibition against Mound City Lions Club members and volunteers. Funds raised by the Club will assist with Club projects.

• Andy and Tammy Heath presented a special program at the Mound City Community Building. The Dinner Show was a fund raiser for the building.

10 Years Ago - 2000

• Mound City fourth, fifth and sixth graders were set to perform their musical, "Rock Around the Block", at the State Theater. Principal Jan Seitz was the director, while Jason Eggers, music teacher, and Dee-Ann Heck, school food service manager, worked with the music portion of the performance.

• Lions Club members, having volunteered their labor as a community project, worked at the former New Testament Church. The church was remodeled for the new day care and Head Start center.

• A thunderstorm dropped 7" of rain and hail in the area. Tornadoes and funnel clouds were sighted to the west and north.

• Alex Moore, Mound City R-2, won 1st place in the 6th-8th grade category of the Missouri Organ Donation Poster contest and received a \$200 savings bond. Kristen Russell, South Holt R-I, won 1st place in the high school category and received a \$500 savings bond.



Dougherty earns a one rating

Kelly Dougherty, daughter of John and Nancy Dougherty, Craig, MO, received a one rating at the Junior High Music Festival at Northwest Missouri State University on Saturday, February 13. Kelly performed a vocal solo, titled "Sing Me to Sleep", by Edwin Greene and earned the superior rating.

Kelly is an 8th grade student at Craig R-III School. She is the granddaughter of Dan and Janice Dougherty, Mound City, MO, and Betty Johnson, Fairfax, MO.

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Driving around a CFX defender- Carson Long headed down the floor toward the Trojan basket. The Nodaway-Holt Trojans played the CFX Hornets on Wednesday, February 24. The Trojans fell to the Hornets, 49-52.

Trojans wrap up regular season with four home games

The Trojans had a fun-filled week of basketball, having to make up a game along with their regular schedule.

In their first game of the week, the Nodaway-Holt Trojans hosted the Albany Warriors on Tuesday, February 23.

The Lady Trojans fell to the Lady Warriors, 28-44. A slow start in the first quarter left the Lady Trojans down 4-6. The Lady Warriors put up 15 points in the second quarter to take a 21-11 lead at the half and finished with the win over the Lady Trojans.

Amanda O'Riley led the

Lady Trojans with 10 points. Alycia Keith had eight points, Jodi Holmes had six points and Brittany Shipps and Darcy Brown had two points each.

The Nodaway-Holt Trojans jumped out to a 15-10 first quarter start over the Albany Warriors. Tough defense kept the Warriors to four second quarter points giving the Trojans a 30-14 lead at the break.

A 16-point Trojan third quarter kept the Warriors at bay and Nodaway-Holt went on to win 55-37.

Eleven Trojans added to the scoring in the win. Carson Long led with 12 points,

10 rebounds, three assists and six steals. Michael Brown had eight points, three rebounds, four assists and a steal. Zach Lemar had eight points, two rebounds, two assists and three steals. Patrick O'Riley had seven points, three rebounds, an assist and a steal. Blake Shamberger had five points and six rebounds. Cody Ridler had four points and three rebounds. Mason Wakely had three points, three rebounds and a steal. Aric Gazaway had two points, a rebound and an assist. Josh Schafer had two points, four rebounds and an assist. Nick Christian had two points and two rebounds. Marc Rosenbohm had two points four rebounds, two assists and a steal. Brandon Saxton had a rebound and a steal.

The Trojans hosted the Craig/Fairfax teams on Wednesday, February 24, having been rescheduled from Friday, February 19. The home teams suffered two losses. The girls fell 59-23 and the boys lost a close one 52-49.

The Nodaway-Holt Trojans took a 17-14 lead over the CFX Hornets, but after a scoring drought in the second period, trailed 21-24 at the half.

That same margin prevailed for the duration of the game as the Trojans and Hornets scoring was flipfopped in the final two quarters, with the Trojans finishing with a 52-49 loss.

Michael Brown led the Trojans with 12 points, three rebounds, three assists and four steals. Carson Long had seven points, nine rebounds, six assists and three steals. Brandon Saxton had seven points and two rebounds. Cody Ridler had six points, six rebounds, an assist and two steals. Patrick O'Riley had six points, five rebounds, three assists and four steals. Zach Lemar had five points, a rebound, three assists and three steals. Blake Shamberger had four points, 11 rebounds and an assist. Marc Rosenbohm had two points.

The Trojan teams hosted the Worth County Tigers in their third game in as many nights on Thursday, February 25.

In the girls' game, the Lady Trojans poured out 15 points to take a 15-10 lead at the end of the first quarter. Worth County outscored Nodaway-Holt in the second quarter to finish out the half with the Lady Trojans up 22-21.

The Lady Trojans scored seven points in the third period to leave them down 29-35, and finished with a 51-37 loss.

Alycia Keith led the Lady Trojans with 10 points, Jodi Holmes had nine points, Amanda O'Riley had eight points, Darcy Brown had six points and Brittany Shipps had four points.

The Trojans failed to make their mark in the first quarter, scoring only five points. A better second quarter still had them behind 18-24 at the half.

Despite outscoring the Tigers 12-11 in the third quarter and 13-16 in the fourth quarter, the Trojans suffered a 46-48 loss.

Carson Long led the Trojans with 16 points, seven rebounds, three assists and 11 steals. Patrick O'Riley had 11 points, seven rebounds, one assist and one steal. Michael Brown had seven points, two rebounds, two assists and three steals. Zach Lemar had four points, five rebounds, three assists and three steals. Blake Shamberger had four points, four rebounds, an assist and a steal. Cody Ridler had two points, a rebound, an assist and a steal. Brandon Saxton had two points, an assist and a steal.

In the final game of the week, the Nodaway-Holt Trojans were host to the West Nodaway Rockets on Friday, February 26.

The Lady Trojans were blown away by a phenomenal West Nodaway 23-10 first quarter showing, and unable to recoup, fell to the Lady Rockets 54-27.

Alycia Keith had 11 points, Amanda O'Riley had eight points, Brittany Shipps and Jodi Holmes had four points each.

In the boys' game, the Trojans went on a 28-16 scoring spree in the first quarter, of which the Rockets could not recover. The Trojans persisted in scoring to come away with an 87-61 win over the Rockets.

Patrick O'Riley led the team with 22 points, seven rebounds and three assists. Carson Long had 15 points, nine rebounds, eight assists and seven steals. Michael Brown had 11 points, one rebound, three assists and three steals. Blake Shamberger had 10 points, five rebounds, five assists and a steal. Cody Ridler, Mason Wakely and Zach Lemar had six points each. Cody added a rebound, an assist and three steals. Mason added five rebounds and an assist. Zach added four rebounds, six assists and five steals. Brandon Saxton had five points, two rebounds and an assist. Josh Schafer, Nick Christian and Marc Rosenbohm had two points each. Josh and Marc also had a rebound apiece and Nick had four rebounds and two steals. Aric Gazaway had four rebounds, an assist and four steals.

The Lady Trojans finished their season with an overall record of 0-21 and were 0-7 in the conference.

The Trojans finished regular season play with a 14-11 record overall and a 3-4 record in the conference.



Trojan Zach Lemar- Snatched this bucket over the CFX defender in the Trojans game against the CFX Hornets on February 24.



Lady Trojan Alicia Keith- Drove past CFX Lady Bulldog Ashton Lewis in the Trojans game at home on Wednesday, February 24.

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Darien Fouts- Does a cross-over to avoid the Tarkio defender in the Lady Knights' game against Tarkio on Friday, February 26. The Lady Knights finished regular season play at 11-13.



With a firm grasp on the ball- Lady Knights' Toshia Jones went up for a layup in the game at Tarkio on Friday, February 26. Toshia had nine points in the Lady Knights' 40-64 loss to the Lady Indians.

South Holt finishes season

The South Holt Knights hosted the West Nodaway Rockets in South Holt's last home game of the season on Tuesday, February 23.

The Lady Knights showed strong offensively in their game against the Lady Rockets. With eight Lady Knights scoring, they secured a 51-41 win over the Lady Rockets.

Toshia Jones led the surge with 14 points, 12 rebounds, two assists and six steals. Blair Million and Cami Scroggins each added 13 points. Blair also had three rebounds, an assist and a steal. Cami added four rebounds, five assists and three steals. Alex Ripley had three points, four rebounds, an assist and a steal. Darien Fouts had two points and two rebounds. Rilee Eaton had two points and four rebounds. Chelsea Acton had two points, two rebounds and an assist. Darien Kurtz had two points.

The Knights put out a commanding 19-7 performance in the first quarter, while the remainder of the game was played on a more even scoring level. The 31-21 halftime lead was carried over for a 67-56 South Holt win.

Cameron Radley had 18 points, Tyler Costello had 15 points, Keiffer Buckles had 14 points, Toby Prussman

had 13 points and Coldin Noellsch had seven points.

The Knights were hosted by the Indians in Tarkio on Friday, February 26.

The Lady Knights tacked up 10 points in the first quarter, but trailed 16-28 at the end of the half.

The Lady Indians came out strong in the third quarter outscoring the Lady Knights 25-11. The Lady Knights finished with a 40-64 loss.

Cami Scroggins and Toshia Jones led the Lady Knights with nine points each. Cami had two rebounds, six assists and two steals. Toshia had 10 rebounds and three steals. Darien Kurtz had eight points, three rebounds and a steal. Chelsea Acton and Blaire Million had six points each. Chelsea added four rebounds, an assist and a steal. Blaire added a rebound and three assists. Alex Ripley had two points, a rebound and two assists.

The Lady Knights finished their season with an overall record of 11-13 and 4-3 in the conference.

The South Holt boys lagged behind Tarkio in the first quarter 7-16. The Knights outscored the Indians in the next two quarters to sit at a 34-34 tie at the end of three quarters.

A 16-point fourth quarter by each team had to be fin-

ished in overtime. The Indians prevailed 6-3 in overtime to grasp the 56-53 win over the Knights.

Cameron Radley had 16 points, Keiffer Buckles had 14 points, Tyler Costello had 9 points, Coldin Noellsch had seven points, Toby Prussman had four points and Kylvnn Sisk had three points.

The Knights finished their season 19-5 overall and 4-3 in the conference.



Looking for an opening- Alex Ripley prepared to pass in South Holt's game against the Lady Indians at Tarkio on Friday, February 26.



Boys take third

The Mound City 5th grade boys- Took third place in the Tarkio Elementary Basketball Tournament on Saturday, February 27, in Tarkio, MO. Members of the team from left to right, front row, are: Tucker Schwebach, Sean Shephard and Austin Acton. Back row: Coach Jeff Holstine, Blake Shifflett, Riley Holstine and Ben Shifflett.

Dental Health Month

February is Children's Dental Health Month. This month, school nurse Susan Lentz, provided dental education for students in Mound City, Craig and South Holt in grades preschool through sixth grade.

Second grade students participated in the Missouri Dental Association coloring contest. Students were to draw posters illustrating the theme, "Remember to Brush and Floss Every Day".

The first place posters from each of the schools listed below have been sent to compete at the state level. Class winners were: Skyler Hufford, Craig R-III; Sianna Meadow, Mound City; and Chenoa Hunziger, South Holt.

Additionally, Northwest Health Dental Services will provide dental screenings for students at Mound City on March 9 and at Craig on March 23. Registered Dental Hygienist, Ms. Bertie Cronbaugh, will be conducting the screenings.



Mound City takes first

The Mound City 6th grade girls- Took first place in the West Nodaway Tournament in Burlington Junction on Saturday, February 20. Members of the team include, left to right, front row: Emily Wedlock, Mae Sanders, Hillary Russell and Kendey Eaton. Back row: Coach Ken Eaton, Montana Kunkel, Kenzie Ashford, Jessica Johnson and Tasha Ritchie.

Craig-III staff renews certifications

The Craig R-III staff spent their February 10 in-service time in class to renew their certification for cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automated external defibrillators (AED).

Twenty-one staff members took the American Heart Association Heart Saver CPR Course and are now certified for two years in Adult/Child CPR and use of Automated External Defibrillators.

Instructors for the course were Susan Lentz, John Morrison and Brynda Howell, all of the Atchison-Holt Ambulance District.

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Mound City’s tornado drill set for March 9

March is Severe Spring Weather Preparedness Month in Missouri

March is Severe Spring Weather Preparedness Month in Missouri because the weather transitions from snow to rain, tornadoes and flooding. The National Weather Service, the State Emergency Management Agency and local emergency management offices will conduct the 36th annual state tornado drill at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 9. The weather service will initiate the drill. If Missouri is experiencing statewide severe weather conditions, the drill will be moved to Thursday, March 11, at 1:30 p.m. Mound City is planning on participating.

“The state tornado drill reminds citizens, schools and businesses to practice taking shelter when a tornado warning is issued. Last May, 38 Missouri counties were included in a federal disaster declaration for severe weather and tornadoes. Those storms were responsible for seven fatalities and 21 serious injuries,” said State Emergency Management Agency Director Paul D. Parmenter.

He noted that a May 2008 tornado was responsible for 16 fatalities and more than 200 injuries in Newton, Jasper and Barry counties. An April 2006 tornado destroyed and heavily damaged struc-

tures in Caruthersville, Braggadocio and Deering in Pemiscot County.

The entire drill can be completed in 15 minutes. Once Missourians hear broadcast drill messages or outdoor warning sirens, they should practice seeking shelter. The safest shelter location is an interior room without windows in the lowest level of the building. Other school or business safe locations are basements, hallways, under staircases and designated tornado safe rooms. Once everyone is accounted for, the drill is over.

Remember:

- Tornado watch means watch the sky. A tornado may form during a thunderstorm.
- Tornado warning means seek shelter immediately.
- An interior room without windows on the lowest floor is the safest shelter location.
- Do not seek shelter in a cafeteria, gymnasium or other large open room because the roof might collapse.
- Immediately leave a mobile home to seek shelter in a nearby building.
- Overpasses are not safe. An overpass’ under-the-girder-type construction can cause a dangerous wind tunnel effect.
- If you are driving, you

should stop and take shelter in a nearby building.

- If you are driving in a rural area, seek shelter in a roadside ditch. Protect yourself from flying debris by covering your head with your arms, a coat or a blanket. Be prepared to move quickly in case the ditch fills with water
- Never drive into standing water. It can take less than six inches of fast moving water to make a slow moving car float. Once floating, a vehicle can overturn and sink.

CFX Hornets claim 275 Conference title

Hornets notch 3 wins to finish regular season

points to put the game out of reach.

CFX had a balanced scoring attack led by Kevin Dodson with 19, Spencer Barnes and Jordan Showalter with 18 apiece, Jacob Beck 11, Jordan Sipes 6, Graham Scarbrough 3, Alex Rowland 3, and Nathan Hinrichs 2.

Playing their second game on the road in as many nights, the Hornets had just enough to get past a determined Nodaway-Holt team by a score of 52-49 on Wednesday.

The host Trojans were a step quicker at the outset of the game and took an early lead that prevailed throughout the 17-14 first quarter.

The Hornet defense, however, would stiffen in the second quarter, limiting the Trojans to just four points in the frame. Meanwhile, Nathan Hinrichs connected on two three-point field goals and CFX was able to take a 24-21 lead into the locker room at the break.

Turnovers and poor shooting would plague the Hornets in the second half. Although Kevin Dodson tallied 8 third quarter points, Nodaway-Holt was able to reclaim the lead behind the scoring of Zach Lemar and Brandon Saxton. Each player connected for five points in the period and the Trojans led by one at the end of three quarters of play at 37-36.

The Hornets quickly reclaimed the lead and led 50-42 with just over four minutes to play. Tightening their defense and forcing numerous turnovers, Nodaway-Holt then mounted a gutsy comeback and pulled to within one point at 50-49 with half a minute left to play. Jacob Beck hit two clutch free throws with 9 seconds left



With a nice shot from the baseline- Garrett Hinrichs connected for a three in the Hornets’ game against the Mound City Panthers. Garrett scored eight in the win.



Hornet Jordan Showalter- Finished this layup with two points for the Hornets in their conference win over the Trojans in Graham on February 24.

Connecting on this jump-shot- Nate Hinrichs added two points for the CFX Hornets in their 52-49 win over the Trojans on February 24.

CRAIG COMMUNITY CALENDAR

(ITEMS MUST BE AT THE MOUND CITY NEWS BY NOON MONDAY)

March 1-6 - CFX basketball at District Tournament at NE Nodaway

March 6 - Elementary basketball tournament

March 8 - Craig City Council meeting - 6 p.m.

March 9 - Sectional basketball at NWMSU - Girls, 6 p.m. - Boys, 7:45

March 13 - Quarterfinal basketball at MWSU - Girls, 1 p.m - Boys 2:45

March 15 - Craig R-III School board meeting - 7 p.m.

March 15-16 - Craig hosts 275 Conference Academic Bowl

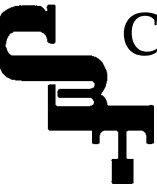
March 19 - Craig R-III dismisses at 12:45 p.m.

March 23 - Craig hosts 275 Conference Spelling Bee - 4 p.m.

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MARCH BREAKFAST MENU



| MON. | TUES. | WED. | THURS. | FRI. |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | | 4 Scrambled Eggs Toast Juice Milk | 5 Breakfast Pizza Juice Milk |
| 8 Breakfast Burrito Tator Tots Juice Milk | 9 Cereal or Yogurt Toast Juice Milk | 10 Scrambled Eggs Toast Juice Milk | 11 Sausage Gravy on Biscuit Juice Milk | 12 Breakfast Pizza Juice Milk |
| 15 Pancakes Sausage Juice Milk | 16 Cereal or Yogurt Toast Juice Milk | 17 Sausage Gravy on Biscuit Juice Milk | 18 Breakfast Burrito Hash Brown Juice Milk | 19 Breakfast Pizza Juice Milk "12:45 DISMISSAL" |
| 22 Scrambled Eggs Toast Juice Milk | 23 Cereal or Yogurt Toast Juice Milk | 24 Sausage Gravy on Biscuit Juice Milk | 25 Sausage Patty/Toast Hash Brown Juice Milk | 26 Breakfast Pizza Juice Milk |
| 29 Pancakes Canadian Bacon Juice Milk | 30 Cereal or Yogurt Toast Juice Milk | 31 Scrambled Eggs Sausage Patty Juice Milk | | |




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MARCH LUNCH MENU



| MON. | TUES. | WED. | THURS. | FRI. |
|---|---|--|--|---|
| | | | 4 McRibb Sandwich Jo-Jo's Fruit Cake | 5 Chicken Nuggets Hash Browns Pineapple No-Bake Cookie |
| 8 Burrito w/Cheese Mexican Rice Cinnamon Apples Sugar Cookie | 9 Country Fried Steak Whipped Potatoes/Gravy Carrots Apricots | 10 Cheese Pizza Lettuce Salad Peaches Chocolate Cake | 11 Spaghetti/Meat Sauce Peas/Carrots Pears Garlic Rolls | 12 Chicken Patty on Bun Tator Tots Baked Beans Fruit Cocktail |
| 15 School Boy Sandwich Potato Rounds Strawberries Cake | 16 Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans Rosey Applesauce Bread & Peanut Butter | 17 Hamburger on Bun French Fries Fruit Cookie | 18 Chili w/Crackers Dill Spear Cheese Slice Cinnamon Bar | 19 Hot Dog on Bun Potato Chips Carrot Sticks - Fruit "12:45 DISMISSAL" |
| 22 Cheese Quesadilla Corn Mandarin Oranges Oatmeal Cookie | 23 Chicken Strips Hash Browns Mixed Vegetables Fruit | 24 Taco Salad Corn Apple Crisp | 25 Turkey Sandwich Chicken Noodle Soup Crackers - Carrots Rosey Applesauce | 26 Lasagna Green Beans Fruit Cocktail Cheese Bread |
| 29 Ham & Cheese Cross. Potato Chips Carrot Sticks/Ranch Pear Halves | 30 Corn Dog Nachio Chips w/Cheese Mixed Vegetables Pineapple | 31 Chilli Crispito Cheese Sauce Corn Blueberry Cobbler | | |




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Final 275 Conference standings

| Rank | Team | Overall | Conference |
|--------------|--------------|---------|------------|
| GIRLS | | | |
| 1 | Rock Port | 13-10 | 6-1 |
| 2 | Mound City | 17-7 | 5-2 |
| 3 Tie | Tarkio | 13-10 | 4-3 |
| 3 Tie | South Holt | 11-13 | 4-3 |
| 3 Tie | West Nod. | 10-11 | 4-3 |
| 6 | CFX | 11-14 | 3-4 |
| 7 | North Nod. | 8-16 | 2-5 |
| 8 | Nodaway-Holt | 0-21 | 0-7 |

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| BOYS | | | |
| 1 | CFX | 22-3 | 7-0 |
| 2 | Tarkio | 13-9 | 5-2 |
| 3 Tie | South Holt | 19-5 | 4-3 |
| 3 Tie | Mound City | 14-10 | 4-3 |
| 3 Tie | Rock Port | 11-13 | 4-3 |
| 6 | Nodaway-Holt | 14-11 | 3-4 |
| 7 | North Nod. | 6-16 | 1-6 |
| 8 | West Nod. | 2-17 | 0-7 |



Astrongjumpshot-Earned Tori Ingram two more points in the Lady Panthers win over the CFX Bulldogs. Tori had seven points in the win.



Lady Panther Emilee Messer- Added two points to the score in the Lady Panthers 44-24 win over the CFX Bulldogs on Friday, February 26.

Panthers face Blue Jays

The Mound City Panthers were hosted by the Rock Port Blue Jays on Thursday, February 25, in a makeup game from Friday, February 19.

A junior varsity boys' game began the evening, as the Panthers started with a 14-6 first quarter lead. They had a tough time scoring in the second quarter, but maintained a 19-12 lead at the half.

Another lively half followed after the break, as the Panthers outscored the Blue Jays 10-7 in the third quarter. They went on to win, 31-28.

Ben Luna had seven points. Hayston Wilson and James Walker had six points each. Jeff Atkins had four points. Scoring two points each were Brett Johnson, Spencer Staples, Jake Reilly and Kase Newcomb.

In the girls' contest, the Lady Panthers started off in high form behind 12 of Abby Haer's first half points. They led 15-10 in the first quarter and 22-21 at the break.

The Lady Panthers lagged behind in the third quarter as Makayla Vette and Allison Lawrence both drained a three to start the period for the Lady Blue Jays, who outscored the Lady Panthers 13-6 in the third frame. Making 11 of 15 free throws in the final quarter, the Lady Blue Jays outscored the Lady Panthers and won, 49-38.

Abby Haer led the Lady Panthers with 19 points, three rebounds, an assist and four steals. Tori Ingram had six points, six rebounds, four assists and nine steals. Whisper Parrish had six points and three rebounds. Emilee Messer had five points, eight rebounds, an assist and two steals. Taylor Miles had two points, six rebounds, an assist and a steal. Loni Weber had three steals and Morgan Burge had three rebounds.

The Panthers came out hot and had the Blue Jays down 18-8 in the first quarter. With 26 first half points from Dan Montgomery, Lucas Schawang and Gage Rosier, the Panthers held a 35-26 lead going into the break.



Senior Laura Schoonover- Returned to the floor following an injury to her hand that caused her to sit out for several weeks. The senior saw some minutes in her first game back against the Lady Bulldogs on Friday, February 26.



Whisper Parrish- Made this shot in the Lady Panthers game against the Lady Blue Jays at Rock Port on Thursday, February 25.



Dribbling past defenders- Panther James Schoonover made an attack on the basket in the Panthers win over Rock Port on Thursday, February 25.



Mound City Panther Prent Eaton- Looked to his teammates for the assist. The Panthers beat the Rock Port Blue Jays 76-59 in Rock Port on Thursday, February 25.

Panthers split with CFX

The Mound City Panthers travelled to Fairfax on Friday, February 26, to play their final regular season game with the CFX Bulldogs and Hornets.

The Lady Panthers and Lady Bulldogs were slow in getting any offense going in the first period, but the Lady Panthers ended the quarter with an 8-4 lead. With a large number of turnovers from both teams, the score at half showed the Lady Panthers to be up 17-10.

The second half proved better offensively for the Lady Panthers and their man-to-man defense helped extend their lead to 30-18 in the third quarter. The Lady Panthers went on to win, 44-24.

Whisper Parrish had 11 points and four rebounds. Tori Ingram had seven points, six rebounds, two assists and two steals. Abby Haer had seven points, two rebounds and five assists. Morgan Burge had five points and six rebounds. Taylor Miles had four points, a rebound and an assist. Loni Weber had four points, a rebound and four steals. Emilee Messer had two points, five rebounds, an assist and three steals. The Lady Panthers saw the return of senior, Laura Schoonover, who added two points and three rebounds. Haylee Clifton had two points.

The Lady Panthers finished their regular season with a 17-7 record and were 5-2 in the conference.

With the Mound City Panthers playing persistent defense and their offense bolstered by nine Lucas Schawang first quarter points, the Panthers had a 17-13 first quarter lead.

The Hornets tightened their defense in the second quarter and held the Panthers to only six second quarter points. The teams left the floor with the Panthers in the lead 23-22.

At a blazing pace of 19 points apiece, the two teams started the final period with Mound City having a slight 42-41 edge.

The nailbiter continued as Mound City kicked into gear in the fourth quarter, taking a six point lead with four and a half minutes to play. The Hornets forced a

Panther turnover and added seven points in the next two minutes to take a one point lead with two and a half minutes on the clock. A three by Hornet Graham Scarbrough pushed the Hornets before Mound City's Lucas Schawang converted a three point play to bring the Panthers back to within one. The Hornet press forced turnovers and in the end the Panthers fell, 55-51.

Lucas Schawang led the Panthers with 21 points, eight rebounds and two assists. Dan Montgomery had 10 points and five rebounds. Gage Rosier had six points, three rebounds, six assists and a steal. James Schoonover had six points, five rebounds, two assists and a steal. Ryan Crowley had two points, an assist and a steal. Prent Eaton had two points and four rebounds. Miles Jumps had two points, a rebound and an assist. Josh Owens had two points and three rebounds.

The Panthers finished their regular season with a 14-10 record and were 4-3 in the conference.

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March 1-6 - Mound City basketball (Varsity only) at District Tournament at N. Andrew - TBA

March 8 - Mound City Public Library Board meeting - 5 p.m.

March 9 - Pre-reader Story Time at the Mound City Public Library - 10 - 10:30 a.m.

March 9 - Ask a Doc Health Forum at the First Christian Church - 11:30 a.m.

March 9 - Omega Club meeting - 7:30 p.m.

March 9 - Sectional basketball at NWMSU (Maryville, MO) - Girls at 6 p.m. - Boys at 7:45 p.m.

March 11 - End of 3rd Quarter at Mound City R-II

March 13 - Quarterfinal basketball at MWSU (St. Joseph, MO) Girls at 1 p.m. - Boys at 2:45 p.m.

March 15-16 - 275 Conference Academic Bowl at Craig

March 16 - Pre-reader Story Time at the Mound City Public Library - 10 - 10:30 a.m.

March 17 - Mound City R-II dismisses at 12:30 p.m. and no school March 18-19 - March Madness

March 21 - HCHS 'A Look Back at Mound City History' at the Christian Fellowship Church

March 23 - 275 Conference Spelling Bee at Craig - 4 p.m.

March 24 - Mound City R-II dismisses at 12:30 p.m. - In-Service

March 26-27 - Mound City Middle School play "That'll Learn Ya!" performances at the State Theater

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Concordia Lutheran Church, Mound City

Deadline for Calendar Items is Monday Evening

Lobby Hours: Monday thru Thursday 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Friday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

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Mound City beats Stewartsville

The Mound City Panthers started their final regular season week on Tuesday, February 23, by travelling to Stewartsville. Both teams came home with wins.

The Lady Panthers were slow getting started, but had a 13-10 lead over the Lady Cardinals at the end of the first quarter. The Lady Panthers picked up their game defensively and held the Lady Cardinals to only three points in the second quarter, establishing a 26-13 halftime lead, behind 10 of Morgan Burge's first half points.

The Lady Panthers scored 22 points in the third quarter to take a 48-16 lead. With all players seeing action in the second half, the Lady Panthers finished with a 54-20 win.

Morgan Burge led the Lady Panthers with 12

points, 10 rebounds and an assist. Emilee Messer had 10 points, four rebounds, an assist and four steals. Abby Haer had eight points, four rebounds and five steals. Taylor Miles had six points, two rebounds, two assists and two steals. Whisper Parrish had six points, 12 rebounds and three steals. Haylee Clifton had five points, a rebound and an assist. Jordyn Pankau had four points and two rebounds. Tori Ingram had three points, three rebounds, four assists and three steals. Loni Weber had two rebounds and two steals. Alex Phillips had two rebounds and Josie Bomar had a rebound and a steal.

In the boys' contest, Mound City was led to a 15-11 first quarter start, behind 10 of Gage Rosiers' points. With less scoring, the Panthers were still able to extend their

lead to 26-18 by the half.

A scoring drought in the third quarter gave the Cardinals an opportunity to close the gap to two points. The Panthers began pulling away in the fourth quarter and went on to win 49-38.

Gage Rosier led the Panthers with 16 points, eight rebounds, two assists and two steals. James Schoonover had 10 points, a rebound, three assists and four steals. Lucas Schawang had 10 points, three rebounds, four assists and five steals. Dan Montgomery had seven points and three rebounds. Ryan Crowley had two points, three rebounds and a steal. Prent Eaton had two points, two rebounds, an assist and a steal. Josh Owens had two points, two rebounds, two assists and two steals.

Mound City Board of Aldermen minutes

City council holds special meeting to discuss siren project

These minutes are unofficial until approved at the next board meeting

Alderman Stan Seitz called the Mound City Board of Aldermen meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, February 22, with Jim Krueger, Stan Seitz and Bob Heck present. Alderman Nauman joined the meeting shortly thereafter.

Pre-bid Meeting: Siren Project – Alderman Seitz first questioned the protocol for activating the warning sirens. Fire Chief J.R. Rother said the most common practice is to sound the alarm for three minutes followed by ten minutes of silence and then repeat until the danger has passed. The siren is generally activated when a tornado warning is issued, not necessarily when one is spotted.

The pre-bid meeting was called in order to hear recommendations from siren vendors for coverage and equipment options. An omni-

directional siren is the most common used siren which emits sound 360 degrees. Mound City's Thunderbolt siren on Nebraska Street is a rotating directional style. Most units have 30-minute battery backups, some are expandable, some have voice messaging capabilities, either with a pre-recorded message or through a microphone, and some have solar powered batteries.

KCP&L has offered to provide 45' Class 3 poles, but all vendors recommended 50' Class 2 poles which are better quality. The selected vendor will recommend where to place the sirens but that decision is ultimately up to the Council.

Steve Cearlock, Outdoor Warning Consulting LLC, recommended three 4-cell omni-directional sirens to provide coverage or two 6-cell sirens which are ex-

pandable. He also discussed a voice messaging option.

Bruce Fisher, Blue Valley Public Safety, offered to bring a truck-mounted siren to town in order to gather information on proper placement, spacing and range. He had proposed a Federal Signal 2001-130 rotating directional siren when the council was first looking at only replacing the siren at City Hall Park (with the USDA grant), but he can provide any style. Both of the city's current sirens were manufactured by Federal Signal and have been virtually maintenance free.

Fred Engelbrecht, Storm Sirens Inc., recommended two Sentry Siren 16VIT-B omni-directional sirens which he says are maintenance free except for the battery. He also discussed adding their Storm Sentry option which monitors for weather advisories and can send out text messages, emails and phone calls, as well as activate the siren.

Monica Bailey, NW MO Regional Council, asked the Council to consider what it wants to include in the siren bid specifications. Most were inclined to go with the omni-directional type siren and felt the upgrades for voice, text, solar and extra remote activation should be done as options. Mr. Fisher was asked to schedule the truck-mounted siren to do testing in town. Council members agreed to wait before declining the USDA grant which was for 55% funding of one siren. This FEMA/SEMA grant is for 75% funding of 2-3 sirens.

Annexation/Sewer Service West Of I-29 – Alderman Seitz stated a decision on what properties to annex has to be made fairly quickly if the Council wants to have it on the ballot this year. Alderman Nauman was not in favor of annexing prop-

erty south of town but felt the area west of town would generate some income.

Alderman Seitz and Clerk Patsy Smith have been putting together information to submit to Congressman Sam Graves for possible funding of sewer service west of I-29. Snyder & Associates is also doing more research for cost estimates that are needed for any funding applications. Seitz felt residents should be encouraged to accurately fill out their census forms. Census information is used by federal and state agencies in awarding funding for city projects.

Appointment: Planning Commission – Tabled until the Council can consider potential candidates to serve on the Commission.

Banner Brackets – Council reviewed a quote of \$1,136 to build sixteen brackets for the banners being provided by Squaw Creek Wildlife Refuge. Alderman Nauman will ask if the Kiwanis will contribute to the cost.

Delinquent Merchant Licenses – A few businesses have neglected to obtain their merchant licenses. Council members agreed to wait until the March meeting before taking further action on enforcement.

Sesquicentennial Funds – Wava Duncan contacted the Clerk to report that Mayor Duncan's intent was to donate the remaining funds in the Sesquicentennial account to local non-profits such as the museum, theater and library.

Misc. – Park Mowing: Council members discussed requesting bids for mowing of city parks including how often or at what height they should be mowed and offering a 3-year contract.

Adjournment – Alderman Heck moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m., Krueger seconded. Approved unanimously.



Pictured above- Is Tiffany Kunkel (left) of Mound City High School who job shadowed Representative Thomson on February 24.

Local students participate in legislative shadowing project

Sarah Kahle and Tiffany Kunkel, students at Mound City High School, participated in the Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Legislative Shadowing Project on February 23 and 24 in Jefferson City.

Tuesday afternoon the students toured the Governor's mansion and the capitol building. That evening the students attended a banquet at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in their honor. Representative Mike Lair spoke to the students about their opportunities in life and encouraged them to get involved in political decision-making. Representative Lair is a former teacher and coach.

On Wednesday, the students spent most of the day shadowing their assigned legislators to see politics in action. By participating in this project, Sarah and Tiffany have developed a better understanding of the political process and its impact on Missouri families.

Sarah Kahle, daughter of Paul and Linda Kahle, spent the day with Representative Will Kraus of Lee's Summit and Tiffany Kunkel, daughter of Mark and Kristy Kunkel, spent her day with Representative Mike Thompson from Maryville. Both legislators were very gracious hosts to the students and allowed them to accompany them on a variety of tasks and meetings throughout the day. Sarah and Tiffany were allowed to observe budget and health committee meetings. Sarah was able to observe Representative Kraus as he met with constituents. Tiffany was able to participate in

budget meetings involving school funding.

"This was a great experience and I encourage next year's juniors and seniors to participate in this program," says Sarah.

Tiffany said, "It was a wonderful opportunity to learn how our government works and I would highly recommend this program to other students."

Sarah and Tiffany were just two of fifty FCCLA members from across Missouri chosen to participate in this project. Approximately 90 FCCLA members applied for this honor and Mound City was privileged to have two members selected.

Missouri FCCLA sponsors the activity to give its members the opportunity to expand their capabilities in understanding and interpreting public policy focusing on family, work and social issues related to building strong communities. FCCLA is the only in-school student organization with the family as its central focus. Participation in activities such as the Legislative Shadowing Project help members become strong leaders in their families, careers and communities.

Their chapter adviser, Karlene Harrison, and student teacher, Tenique Hays, accompanied the two students on the trip. Mrs. Harrison is the Family and Consumer Sciences teacher at Mound City High School, and Mrs. Hays attends Northwest Missouri State University and will graduate on May 1 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Family and Consumer Sciences.

LEGAL NOTICES

REQUEST FOR BIDS

Mowing City Parks

The City of Mound City will accept sealed bids until 5:30 p.m., Thursday, March 11, 2010, for mowing and trimming three City Parks for the 2010 season with options to extend for two more years. Bids should include all equipment, labor, material, supplies and expertise to complete the work. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a certificate of insurance of general liability, property damage and worker's compensation wherein the City is named as an additional insured. For further information and park locations contact City Hall, 660-442-3447. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities therein, to determine which is the lowest and best bid and to select its option in awarding the contract. 34/1tc

NOTICE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY GRANTED

(Supervised Administration - Non-Resident Fiduciary)

In the 4th Judicial Circuit Court of Holt County, Missouri, Probate Division, Case Number: 10HO-PR00002

In the Estate of DONALD L. GRIFFITH, Deceased.

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Donald L. Griffith, Decedent: On February 2, 2010, the last will of the decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individual was appointed personal representative of the estate of DONALD L. GRIFFITH, decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Holt County, Missouri. The name, business address and phone number of the personal representative are:

DIANE M. LINHART, 8404 LAKEVIEW DR, OMAHA, NE 68127.

The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number are:

STEPHEN JAMES BRIGGS, PO BOX 364, 400 JULES ST. STE 320, ST. JOSEPH, MO 64502, 816-232-8411.

The personal representative's designated agent's name, business address, and phone number are:

STEPHEN JAMES BRIGGS, PO BOX 364, 400 JULES ST. STE 320, ST. JOSEPH, MO 64502.

All creditors of said decedent are notified to file claims in court within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or if a copy of this notice was mailed to, or served upon, such creditor by the personal representative, then within two months from the date it was mailed or served, whichever is later, or be forever barred to the fullest extent permissible by law. Such six-month period and such two-month period do not extend the limitation period that would bar claims one year after the decedent's death, as provided in Section 473.444, RSMo, or any other applicable limitation periods. Nothing in Section 473.033, RSMo, shall be construed to bar any action against a decedent's liability insurance carrier through a defendant ad litem pursuant to Section 537.021, RSMo.

Date of the decedent's death: December 6, 2009.

Date of first publication: February 11, 2010.

Receipt of this notice by mail should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient necessarily has a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, can be determined from the files and records of this estate in the Probate Division of the above referenced Circuit Court.

Karen L. Frede, Clerk of the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Holt County, Missouri

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

For default in the payment of debt secured by a deed of trust executed by Jay Dee Reynolds and Paula R. Reynolds, dated September 28, 2001, and recorded on September 28, 2001, in Book No. 339, at Page 712, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Holt County, Missouri, the undersigned Successor Trustee will on March 26, 2010, at 4:30 p.m., at the North Door of the Holt County Courthouse, Oregon, Missouri, sell at public venue to the highest bidder for cash:

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Sensors aid in nitrogen application

The Agricultural Research Service along with University of Missouri researchers have been working on using sensors to measure the light reflected from corn as it is growing in the field to determine the amount of nitrogen to apply since 2004. This research is focused on applying nitrogen only where it is needed in the field. The corn plants' early season color is the best indicator of nitrogen needs.

There are a number of sensors that are commercially available for use in crop production. The two most popular brands are NTech's GreenSeeker which uses a red sensor and Holland Scientific's Crop Circle which is an amber sensor. Each of these instruments uses their own light energy.

These devices can be mounted to a tractor or applicator and then as the equipment passes through the field, the sensors measure on the go and this information is used to change application rates of nitrogen products.

The University of Missouri and Ag Research Service of USDA have worked together to develop algorithm which is used to interpret the sensed data and use this information to determine the amount of nitrogen that should be applied to the growing crop. The calculated fertilizer rate is sent to the variable rate controller and then the recommended nitrogen rate is applied to the growing crop. This process is repeated every second which allows the grower to apply the precise amount of nitrogen as required by the crop.

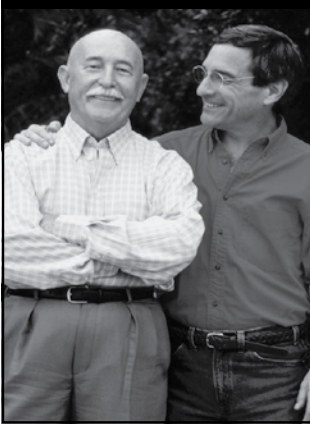
For more information, contact Wayne Flanary at 660-446-3724 or Heather Benedict at 660-425-6434, Regional Agronomists, University of Missouri Extension.



Area corn growers visit Capitol

Northwest Missouri area corn growers met with Sen. Brad Lager during a visit to the Capitol this past week. While in Jefferson City for board meetings, members of the Missouri Corn Growers' Association met with legislators to discuss issues affecting agriculture across the state. Pictured above, left to right, are Sam Creed of Fairfax, Gene Millard of St. Joseph, Kevin Hurst of Tarkio, Sen. Brad Lager and Morris Heitman of Mound City.

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Holt County Commission minutes

The Holt County Commission met Tuesday, February 16, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., with Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner Don Holstine present.

After review, Commissioner Gordon made a motion to accept the minutes as written by County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel. The motion passed unanimously.

Bill Metzgar, rural Mound City; Phil Schrick, McDonald & Warger, Liberty; Rick Kingery, MoDOT; and Road and Bridge Supervisor Daryl Biermann met with the commissioners to discuss BRO-29, a bridge replacement project on Ironwood Road, north of Mound City. Mr. Metzgar is one of four landowners at the project site. Mr. Schrick is the county's engineer for the project, and Mr. Kingery serves as MoDOT liaison. Mr. Metzgar has several times since 2007 expressed his unwillingness to allow the project to go forward and has refused to allow an easement on his property. He told the commissioners that he will sign the easement and allow the project to proceed if they will either place \$1,000 in escrow until the project is completed to his specifications, or provide a performance bond in the sum of \$1,000 to be released at the completion of the project; or the county can purchase the property needed for the easement. The commissioners declined to purchase the property. Discussion was held on the options. The commissioners agreed to look into the performance bond and a third-party appraiser to determine the condition of the property prior and following construction. Mr. Schrick and Mr. Biermann agreed to flag the current right-of-way and necessary easement needed for the project so that all parties can determine visually what land exactly is impacted by the construction. Project engineering showed that .11 acres are needed for right-of-way and .06 acres are needed for a temporary easement. Commissioner Sitherwood stated that the project will go forward.

The commissioners reviewed final invoices and documents for BRO-30, which was completed in 2009 on Raintree Drive. The commissioners also reviewed plans for BRO-31 on Holt 130, commonly known as the Powell Ranch. That project is slated for construction in two years, if federal funds are made available.

Commissioners Sitherwood signed a letter requesting payment from the Missouri Department of Conservation for \$10,131.52 as reimbursement through a cost-share program for County Aid Road Trust rock on county roads that directly access Conservation Areas.

Sheriff Scott Wedlock joined the commission to discuss a generator grant project for the 911 system and the potential moving of the Probation and Parole office from the Sheriff's building to the courthouse.

Commissioners met with Circuit Clerk Vicki Book and Judge Bill Richards to discuss moving equipment from the Judge's chambers on the east side of the building to make room for Probation and Parole.

Being no further business, Commissioner Sitherwood adjourned the meeting until Monday, February 22, 2010, at 9:00 a.m.

February 22

The Holt County Commission also met Monday, February 22, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., with Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner Don Holstine present.

Commissioner Sitherwood reported on the county's enrollment in the National Association of Counties (NACo) prescription drug plan. County residents are eligible to use the card which has no fee and

offers discounts on prescription drugs. The cards are targeted to people who otherwise do not have prescription drug coverage, or who take a medication that is not covered on their plan. There is no cost to the individual or to the county for the use of the card and the card is accepted at neighborhood pharmacies throughout the region.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Daryl Biermann met with the commission to discuss repairs and equipment problems while grading snow. He also reviewed a letter from MoDOT outlining their fiscal concerns with federal funding. Bridges in our area may not be replaced as scheduled do to the lack of funding.

Circuit Clerk Vicki Book and Prosecuting Attorney Bob Shepherd approached the commission to discuss the recent move of Probation and Parole to the east side of the courthouse judge's office. They would like the office to remain in the Sheriff's buildings for various reasons including se-

curity and the proximity of probation and parolees sitting with juveniles at the courthouse. The commissioners agreed to take up the matter with Sheriff Wedlock.

Collector Billy Paul Sharp appeared before the commission to present the Annual Drop List from the tax rolls. The drop list contains persons who are deceased, have left the county, or whose taxes remain uncollectible from 2004 at a total of \$3,639.35.

Commissioner Holstine made a motion to nominate Hugh Wallace of Mound City to the Transportation Advisory Board. The motion is passed unanimously.

Wayne Flanary, University Extension Agronomist, joined the commission to present the annual report of the Graves-Chapple Farm and the University Extension Office. Commissioners reviewed the reports. In another matter, the commissioners discussed the need for a sidewalk on the south side of the annex building for property and landscaping

ideas for the spring.

Sheriff Scott Wedlock met with the commissioners to discuss Probation and Parole. His main concerns for maintaining the office in the Sheriff's building is that the building is attached to the jail and children may not be in the jail. Probation and Parole persons have been bringing their children to appointed visits. There is no seating for persons waiting. There are times when the restroom is made unavailable to employees for required drug testing.

Judge Bill Richards joined the discussion and said he believes these issues should be solved with Probation and Parole and that the meetings should remain in the Sheriff's building. Commissioner Sitherwood agreed to call Tom Seipel, Director of Probation and Parole, and set up a meeting.

Being no further business, Commissioner Sitherwood adjourned the meeting until Monday, March 1, 2010, at 9:00 a.m.



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Counselor’s report

By Ethan Miller

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Seniors and/or parents are encouraged to get taxes completed promptly. To obtain Missouri state aid, students and parents must have their free application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) mailed and received by April 1, 2010. Remember to check with your school because some colleges have earlier deadlines than the state. You can get help filling out and filing your FAFSA by attending area FAFSA Frenzies: Saturday, March 6 at MWSU, St. Joseph, MO, from 2:00-4:00 p.m., on Thursday, March 11, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. or Sunday, March 21, at MWSU from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

You can receive FREE on-site professional assistance filling out the FAFSA. Bring federal 2009 1040 tax returns and W2 forms, social security numbers and your federal PIN number (if you have one).

Scholarships will be coming fast and furiously from now until the end of the year. Many scholarships are available, however, finding the ones that you are eligible for

can be frustrating. There are many free scholarship search programs available. There are also lists of scholarships on www.prephq.com. Here are some of the scholarships available: The dates beside the scholarship indicate the day the scholarship is due.

- March 1-** FCS Financial Marine Corp. Scholarship Foundation Mutual Insurance Scholarship Wm. & Ann Grace Foundation Scholarship
- March 6-** Got Milk?
- March 7-** Peru State College Band/Music Scholarship
- March 13-** MFA
- March 15-** Clodfelter Insurance David Duncan Memorial Health Scholarship Lee Russell Memorial Jared Loucks Memorial Jennie Cardinell Memorial Lion's Club Scholarship Exchange Bank Scholarship Nodaway Valley Bank Scholarship CTA Scholarship FCCLA Scholarship Harold Homedale Memorial Mutual Ins. Local Scholarship Kiwanis Scholarship Ta Ya Tu Scholarship Beta Sigma Phi Farm Kids for College Scholarship NWMSU Everett Brown Freshman Scholarship MCCBC Scholarship

FFA week celebrated at Mound City

By Prent Eaton

Future Farmers of America is an organization to engage students in agricultural education programs. FFA week is a tradition across the nation. Last week was FFA week at Mound City. The FFA members participated in many activities throughout the week.

Each day of the week was a dress up day: Monday was Hats, Shades and Ha-

waiian Shirt Day, Tuesday was Farmer Day, Wednesday was Camo/Tractor Day, Thursday was FFA Spirit Day and Friday was Sports' Day. The FFA members hosted an appreciation breakfast for all the Mound City staff and farmers. The breakfast was a success with many people attending. The students also went to the nursing home to play bingo with the residents.

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Mike Thompson plans to visit fourth grade

By James Schoonover

On March 8, 2010, at 11:00 a.m., Missouri State Representative - District 4, Mike Thompson, will be visiting the fourth grade class. He will be explaining to the students the responsibility of being a citizen. He will also explain the different types of committees he is involved in. The students have currently been learning about Missouri history in class. Mr. Thompson will also take the students through the process of passing a bill. The session will be wrapped up by the students asking him any questions they might have on Missouri legislation.

Students attend legislative shadowing

By Tiffany Kunkel

Two students were selected to attend the Missouri FCCLA legislative shadowing program in Jefferson City. Sarah Kahle and Tiffany Kunkel were chosen to attend out of the 87 students who applied for a position.

Tiffany Kunkel was selected to shadow Representative Mike Thompson and Sarah Kahle was chosen to shadow Representative Will Kraus.

While shadowing Mike Thompson, Tiffany was able to listen in on a budget meeting for school funding. Sarah got the opportunity to listen in on a committee meeting with Will Kraus.

After a long day of shadowing, the students met to discuss their day with their representative or senator and then they were free to go home.

Elementary and middle school awards

By Taylor Belvins

The students that received the "Terrific Kids" award sponsored by the Mound City Kiwanis Club for honesty were Kindergarten, Danielle VanHoutan; Mrs. Forehand's First grade, Dominic Gardner; Mrs. Burge's First grade, Keagan Shepherd; Second grade, Rhett Hall; Third grade, Wyatt Kerns; and Fourth grade, Alex Carver.

The students that were selected for the February Principal's Lunch with Mrs. Seitz included Kindergarten, William Rother and Kishia

Panning; Mrs. Forehand's First grade, Addy Lewis; Mrs. Burge's First grade, Conner Derr; Second grade, Sianna Meadows and Kaitie Selleck; Third grade, Victoria Naudman and Destiny Grover; Fourth grade, Robin Wilcoxson and Jacobi Tunnell; Fifth grade, Kimberly Corbin and Riley Holstine; Sixth grade, Hillary Russell and Rebecca Wheeler; Seventh grade, Grace Newcomb and Randy Smith; and Eighth grade, Jordan Miller and Eryn Acton.

Word of the month-Cooperation

By Ryan Crowley

The word of the month is cooperation. The definition of cooperation is an act or instance of working together for a common purpose or benefit (www.dictionary.com). Cooperation means to be very patient and caring towards other people.

Blast from the past

By Sarah Kahle

1953- Board of Education members included Russell Stroud- President, Paul Crouse- Vice-President, S. P. Allen-Secretary, and members Lawrence Marrs, Wilson Lawrence and Fred Burks

1972- Homecoming King and Queen- David Wright and Vicky Matthews

1996- 8th grade officers were President- Breanna Noland, Vice president- Lindsay Brown, Secretary- Nicole Salfrank, Treasurer- Zeke Hughes and Barnwarming King and Queen were John Stedman and Pam Collins

Panther question of the week

By Jessica Gillenwater

Question: What are your plans for March Madness break?

Justyn Hall, Grade Three- "If I get a four wheeler, I plan on riding it."

Riley Holstine, Grade Five- "I will have friends over, shoot baskets, play football, play with my brother, and go camping."

Jessica Johnson, Grade Six- "Hang out with friends."

Kyler Miles, Grade Six- "My plans are to go down to state basketball and watch Mound City WIN!"

Taylor Coker, Grade Seven- "Stay home and watch college basketball."

Lily Grant, Grade Eight- "I might fly to Florida to visit my great-grandma who's 94! If not, I'll just hang out with friends and enjoy the break!"

Patrick Hurst, Grade Nine- "Watch the NCAA Men's Basketball tournament and hang out with my friends. Rock Chalk Jayhawk!!!"

Tori Ingram, Grade Ten- "I plan on going to Columbia and watching the state basketball Final Four."

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THANK YOU- We want to say thank you for all the love and concern you have shown for our father and grandfather. We especially thank Pastor Paul Grant for the beautiful service and music that he rendered and the delicious luncheon that was provided for our family by the ladies of the First Christian Church. Thanks to the Oregon Care Center for the excellent care provided for our dad. We thank you for the beautiful flowers and plants, the many calls, cards and food that was received. Thanks to the ambulance service for getting our dad to the hospital. We appreciate the care and concern given to our dad by Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain. A special thanks to Avery's sisters-in-law, Evelyn Sims and Ruby Davis, and dad's neighbors. Mound City was our Dad's home and he enjoyed his family and his many friends. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you.
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SNC project underway in Falls City, NE

"Crystal clear," said Beth Sickel and Chuck Whitney of Southeast Nebraska Communications (SNC). And, the capacity of data will be "virtually unlimited," Mrs. Sickel added.

Beth, the Vice-President and General Manager, and Chuck, the Marketing Director at SNC, were talking about Fiber To The Home (FTTH), a huge SNC project underway in Falls City.

In all of Nebraska, Falls City will be the largest town to provide FTTH technology to all homes and businesses. That, according to Whitney, includes 2,366 homes and businesses. Only four percent of homes in this country are connected to FTTH technology.

Of 460 cities and villages in Nebraska, only 11 have FTTH. Seven, including Falls City, are in the midst of an FTTH upgrade.

The upgrade will result in "no cost to any customer," Beth said. "This is an internal upgrade" that includes no new rates or fees. SNC customers will use the same phones, the same computers and the same electronics in their communications.

"Your bills will be the same," Whitney said. "There is no cost to our customers."

Ray Joy, SNC Operations Manager, said SNC customers will be "touched" no more than four times during the installation process. Most of the city has been canvassed, Joy said, while many homes and businesses have had fiber optic cable buried and ready to be installed.

When completed, 4,116 fiber optic cables will enter the SNC Central Office, replacing the copper cable that was installed by SNC just 25 years ago. "It was time to upgrade to the new technology," Mrs. Sickel said.

In the early 1980s, SNC converted from aerial lines to buried cable. "Copper served us a great life," Mrs. Sickel said, "but it was time to replace. We could have tried to repair the copper lines, but the new fiber optic cable provides a "great opportunity for Falls City."

The economic development windows provided by fiber optic cable are enormous. "It could be a decision-maker,"

Mrs. Sickel said, for a business that relies on communication. In addition, those who might work from home will find the technology fast, friendly and green.

In fact, all SNC customers will benefit from the fast, friendly and green technology. Mrs. Sickel said the capacity of the fiber optic cable is "350 times greater" than copper. That translates into "crystal clear" phone communication, hugely expanded Internet (through SENTCO) services and "future services — we will be able to deliver all future needs," said Mrs. Sickel. She described the major improvement as "an investment and commitment to Falls City" as the community moves forward.

Joy said the construction phase of the project will be completed by August of next year. That means all cable will be installed in the ground to every home and business in Falls City. The lines are direct, linking homes and businesses to Southeast Nebraska Communications.

Fiber To The Home will provide incredible capability, Mrs. Sickel said. "Down the road, in 10 or 20 years, the Internet's capacity will be 10-fold compared to today." FTTH will "deliver all future needs," including phone, Internet and future services.

According to Joy, the conversion will take place by late spring or early summer, 2011. He said each home/business will be fitted with a new "box" outside. Internet DSL modems will be replaced. None of these additions will be of cost to customers.

Joy said the new Community Medical Center has been a priority for Southeast Nebraska Communications. The hospital has been equipped with fiber optic cable, which will vastly expand its capabilities.

The new system, Whitney said, will provide "crystal clear voice" communications by telephone and the capability of vastly greater Internet speed. "This is a state-of-the-art system," Mrs. Sickel said, that will be virtually trouble-free. She described FTTH as "future-proof", in that it is secure and able to provide all services now and in the

future. "Fiber can handle" a huge amount of traffic, Joy said. "With copper, we were limited in what we could provide."

Work will continue through the winter months, Mrs. Sickel and Joy said. Telcom Construction of Clearwater, MN, and subcontractors, including Thomas Georges' CCS, are doing the work.

"We're very pleased with the quality of people they (see above) have brought to town," Mrs. Sickel said. She noted that the work crews "stay here, shop here, eat here and purchase here," which is great for the economy of Falls City.

Joy said the project is "on schedule", thanks in large part to RVW Inc., Columbus, a firm that specializes in telecommunications engineering that designed the system and is in charge of quality control.

The system will include 26 miles of mainline fiber, Joy said, and 64 miles of "service drop" from outside of homes/businesses to the mainline fiber. More than 4,100 fibers will enter the SNC central office.

All of this at no cost. Whitney stressed that "bills will be the same. There is no cost to our customers."

With its capability, the fiber system has "expansion built in," said Whitney. That will translate into excellent economic possibilities in areas such as Falls City's Industrial Park.

"We're really excited," Mrs. Sickel said. "We want our new system to benefit all in Falls City." She said the construction phase has been "the least invasive as possible."

Fiber optics are long, thin strands of very pure glass about the diameter of a human hair. They are arranged in bundles called fiber optic cables and use light instead of electricity to carry a signal. The light signals represent data, which is capable of traveling the speed of light.

"One bundle of fiber cable, not much thicker than a pencil, can carry ALL of the world's current communications traffic," Whitney said.

Homes with direct fiber communications experience an increased value of \$5,000. The U.S. ranks eighth among the world's economies in terms of FTTH penetration.



The Mint closes its doors

The Mint in Forest City, MO, owned and operated by Francis Scroggins until his untimely death on June 6, 2009, has closed its doors for business. Francis opened The Mint in 1988. The past few months, Frances' daughter Christie has been operating the family business.

The Mint's name came from the building which was formerly the First State Bank of Forest City. The original building still houses the vault and bank teller stations with marble tops.

A bar and dance floor were added to the back of the building. In recent years, the Whistle Stop, next door, was purchased and added for a casual dining experience.

The longtime entertainment and dining venue closed its doors on February 28.

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