



The Bluejay Bulletin

**Newman Grove
Public Schools**

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## Board of Education Meeting Summary February 9, 2015

- Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
- The agenda was approved as published; minutes of the [January 12<sup>th</sup>](#) meeting were approved as printed.
- The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.
- Claims were approved for payment: \$28,239.99 (General Fund), \$1,090.90 (Depreciation Fund), and \$1,141.75 (Building Fund).
- Heard report from Biology II students regarding their summer trip plans.
- Received curriculum reports from Rhonda Rother and Nolan Vandenberg (Language Arts/Foreign Language) and from Elementary faculty on their programs.
- Report was presented by Principal Darrell Barnes: Homecoming activities/survey; [Saturday](#) School; Kala Rast and Evelyn Estrada selected to Class D All-State Band; completion of NeSA writing tests; and other testing to begin in March.
- Report was presented by Superintendent Shalikow: Mark Hudson of Ravenna has been hired as football coach for the Boone Central/Newman Grove program; greenhouse is completed; replacement of elementary refrigerator; 8-period day/block scheduling discussion; health challenge – 26 staff members participating; NRCSA Spring Conference scheduled for [March 19-20](#); possible change in April meeting date; and discussion on breakfast program.
- Approved contract of Superintendent Mikal Shalikow for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school terms.
- Approved 2015-16 ESU #8 contracts for distance learning services, e-rate application assistance, nursing services, art supply, and special education.
- Approved the 2015-2016 school calendar (176 student days; 185 teacher days).
- Approved School Counselor job description and evaluation form.
- Waiting for results to recent federal visit/safety evaluation of Head Start/preschool program.
- Adopted/approved revisions to the following policies: 2007 (Reimbursement and Miscellaneous Expenditures); Policy 3016 (Smoking and Tobacco use); Policy 6024 (Student Discipline); Policy 3034 (Disbursements); Policy 3035 (Chain of Command); Policy 3036 (Purchasing/Credit/Card Program); Policy 4039 (Employment of Classified Staff); Policy 4026 (Internet Searches Regarding Potential Employees); Policy 4058 (Confidentiality in Counseling and Guidance); Policy 5001 (Compulsory Attendance and Excessive Absenteeism); Policy 5016 (Student Records); Policy 5044 (Safe Pupil Transportation Plan); Policy 5049 (Firearms and Weapons); Policy 5055 (Enrollment in Kindergarten); Policy 5057 (Parental Involvement in the Title I Program); Policy 5065 (Early Graduation); Policy 5035 (Student Discipline); Policy 6031 (Emergency Exclusion Procedure); and Policy 6034 (Concussion Awareness and Return to Learn).
- Tabled action on Policy 5004 (Option Enrollment).
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- Jason Bollig and Mariely Estrada-Gonzalez on being selected as our Winter Homecoming royalty.
- Howells-Dodge Speech Invitational medalists: Emily Strong (7th Place –Poetry-Varsity Division), and Abbie Pieke and Rebecca Stone (7th Place –Duet Acting-Junior Varsity Division).
- Evelyn Estrada-Gonzalez who was selected to the Class D All-State Band (mallet section).
- Mariely Estrada-Gonzalez for her third place finish in Poetry at the Osceola Invitational.
- Kala Rast who made the Class D All-State Wind Ensemble (the top honor band for Class D).
- The Junior Livestock Judging Team (Cody Nelson, Connor Rankin, Caden Ranslem, Levi Krueger, Abbie Pieke, Payton Nelson, Rebecca Stone, Jacob Potmesil) for finishing 8th in the Jr. division. Connor Rankin had the team high, finishing 21st.
- The Senior Livestock Judging Team (Mya Donelson, Joe O'Brien, Andy King, Nolan Wondercheck, Parker Wallin) for finishing 9th in the senior division—Parker Wallin had the team high, finishing 20th.
- Andy King and Hannah Haase for being selected for the FFA Agricultural Issues Academy at State Convention in April. There were 30 individuals selected to participate out of 150 applications.
- Girls and boys bowling teams for winning Districts and making it to State.

**Grab Your Hat and Read  
With the Cat**



**Read Across America Day  
March 2nd**

## No School Announcements

Friday, February 20 NO SCHOOL PK-12  
**Wednesday, Feb. 25 NO SCHOOL PK-12**  
(Note this is a change in schedule)

Friday, March 6 NO SCHOOL PK-12  
Thursday, March 12 NO SCHOOL K-5  
Friday, March 13 NO SCHOOL PK-12  
Friday, April 3 NO SCHOOL PK-12  
Monday, April 6 NO SCHOOL PK-12  
Wednesday, April 8 10:00 AM K-12 Late Start



## From the Desk of Superintendent Mikal Shalikow

Weather in Nebraska is great, in February we have had two snow days, and on the other end of the extreme we've had a couple days in the 50's and 60's. This time of year weather can definitely be unpredictable, with Spring approaching we are already making plans for the next school year. Your students have spoken with Mr. Rudloff, our guidance counselor and have started to talk about what classes they will be taking next year.

My goal as the district superintendent is to be able to offer as many courses as possible to the students of Newman Grove. This year we have asked the students to request different classes they may be interested in taking, even though we currently do not offer them.

You may have heard of the chances of the Newman Grove Public School going to an (8) period day versus the current block scheduling. As we develop the schedule next year we will be looking at this possible change. We have been researching this possibility and will continue to do so until the best decision can be made for our students. I welcome any input you have regarding your student's schedule. Please feel free to come discuss this with me.

Welcome Coach Mark Hudson

It is with great pleasure we announce Mark Hudson as the new Boone Central / Newman Grove Head Football Coach. Coach Hudson is currently a Social Science, P.E. Teacher and Head Football Coach at Ravenna Jr. & Sr. High School. Coach Hudson is coming to BC/NG with over 15 years of coaching experience, 11 of those seasons as Ravenna's Head Coach. Mr. Hudson has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology, with a minor in Sociology from the University of Nebraska – Kearney. He also holds an Educational Specialist Degree in School Psychology from UNK. Mr. Hudson will teach Social Sciences at Boone Central, as well as provide School Psychologist services for the Boone Central Public Schools.

## FROM THE OFFICE OF PRINCIPAL DARRELL BARNES



### Saturday School is Back at Newman Grove

In an attempt to help students keep up with their homework and improve their overall grades in classes where they are struggling, Saturday School has been reinstituted at Newman Grove. The following criteria are reasons a student can be assigned to Saturday School and the consequences of not attending:

6<sup>th</sup> tardy within a particular class period or excessive absences/tardies (administrative discretion)

Consistently turns in incomplete or late homework

Continual inappropriate behavior

Behavior that is disruptive or detrimental to the learning environment, depending on severity.

Any student failing two or more classes may be assigned

Students who are outwardly disrespectful to any staff member

Rules:

- ◆ Saturday School will consist of three and a half hours, from 8:00 through 11:30 a.m. Doors will be open from 7:45 through 8:00 a.m. Any student arriving after 8:00 a.m. will be refused admission and will be considered truant.
- ◆ The only exception for attendance at Saturday School will be illness. Calls for illness should be made between 7:45 and 8:00 a.m. on that Saturday to 447-6294.
- ◆ **Students who are truant from Saturday School will be suspended out-of-school for the next day that school is in session and will be assigned to two days of Saturday School.**
- ◆ **Students who violate Saturday School rules will be required to leave the school grounds, resulting in out-of-school suspension and reassignment of two days of Saturday School.**

Any student may choose to come to Saturday School to get work done but they must arrive by 8:00. Please have a parent call the school so we know to expect someone not assigned.



## COUNSELOR'S

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Matt Rudloff  
K-12 Counselor  
mrudloff@esu8.org

Another month has flown by and graduation is in sight for the seniors. I am reiterating last month's information on tasks that seniors should be starting to complete. The first task is obtaining a PIN number for the FAFSA. This is done at the web-site [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov). Both the student and parents need a PIN. Your PIN is an electronic access code that serves as your personal identifier and can be used every year to electronically apply for federal student aid and to access your U.S. Department of Education records online. Parents; if you have already obtained a PIN for previous children, then you do not need another one. Students must have their own. Most seniors have obtained a pin in senior careers class. Do not lose your PIN as you will need it through all your college years.

After receiving your PIN, you should apply for federal student financial assistance by completing the FAFSA. Even if you do not need assistance, everyone should fill out the FAFSA because colleges use this information in helping with many other things such as scholarships. Federal student loan interest rates are lower than any other loans so you are encouraged to fill out the FAFSA to see what you qualify for. The fastest way to fill out the FAFSA and to get results back is to do it online electronically. The web-site is [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). A FAFSA on the Web Worksheet is available online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) or [www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov/pubs](http://www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov/pubs) for you to print and write down your information prior to completing the online submission of the FAFSA. You can obtain printed copies of the worksheet by calling 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243). Apply for the FAFSA between Jan. 1, 2015 and June 30, 2015. The sooner the better as colleges may have their own deadlines which usually can be as early as February. You need to have your income tax information finished or close to finished to apply. There is a tool at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) called the FAFSA4caster that can help students and families prepare financially for college before officially applying for federal student aid. It provides an estimate of federal student aid eligibility by instantly calculating an estimated Expected Family Contribution\* - the indicator used to estimate a family's or student's ability to contribute toward the cost of an education after high school.

Information that you will need to fill out the FAFSA

- Social Security #
- 2014 W-2 forms and other records of money earned by student and parents, if you're a de-

pendent student

- 2014 Federal Income Tax Returns and W2's
- A PIN number for both parents and student ([www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov))
- The Education Quest website ([www.educationquest.org](http://www.educationquest.org)) gives great tutorials for filling out the FAFSA. It goes over each question and helps answer any questions you may have.
- A link to the FAFSA and Education Quest websites are posted on our school website.
- 2014 untaxed income records – examples include Social Security benefits, welfare benefits such as Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) and veteran benefits.
- Current bank statements, business and investment mortgage information; business and farm records; and stock, bond and other investment records.
- Alien registration number (if you are not a U.S. citizen).

## Other important information

- ♦ You should never pay to fill out the FAFSA. Check the web address to make sure it ends in gov.
- ♦ I have a booklet "Funding Education Beyond High School" that students or parents can pick up.
- ♦ A link to the FAFSA and Education Quest websites are posted on our school website.
- ♦ Northeast Community College is offering free assistance through their Financial Aid Office at the College Welcome Center on Fridays from 1pm -4pm between February and June 2015 with no appointment necessary (excluding days the college is closed). You will need: 2014 Federal Tax returns and W2's and a PIN number for both parent and student ([www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov))
- ♦ Seniors should visit and then apply to colleges they are seriously considering.

## Scholarships

- An updated list of scholarships is available in the counseling office for students to pick up. There is also a link on our school web-site. Bluejay Foundation and local scholarship packets will be distributed to all seniors soon. All these scholarships have an April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.
- **Please notify me of any scholarships earned so that proper recognition can be given at graduation. This includes all scholarships earned, even those not accepted.**





## REBELLING AGAINST LOW EXPECTATIONS

By Tim Elmore – President of Growing Leaders  
View article at: [www.growingleaders.com](http://www.growingleaders.com) under Tim's blog

Five years ago, I read a book by two teenagers named Alex and Brett Harris. Maybe you read it too—it was called *Do Hard Things*, and it challenged their peers to not settle into the lifestyle of a typical high school or college student, getting lost in selfies, video games, Facebook updates and narcissism. They gave credence to the idea that we become the best version of ourselves when we “do hard things.”

I love it. “There are so many ways in which doing hard things as a teenager and in college prepared me for what I’m doing today,” Alex says, who is in his last year at Harvard Law School. He is an editor of the prestigious *Harvard Law Review* and plans to clerk for the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals next year in Colorado. The hard choices weren’t always big ones—opting to read rather than watch TV, to study rather than play video games, to join the debate team rather than the basketball team. <http://therebelution.com/about/alex-brett-harris/#.VL65E1sTne0>

“Doing hard things in one season prepares you to step into the next with momentum and purpose,” he wisely points out. Their books and their challenge ([the \*Rebelution\* movement](#)) was launched by teens, for teens, and frankly, I believe that’s far more effective than a challenge from some Baby Boomer or Gen Xer. Everything these guys do is counter-cultural and counter intuitive in our current world of speed, comfort, and convenience... and it’s really working for them. “That’s because rebelling against low expectations and doing hard things is a mindset that grows with you,” his brother Brett affirms.

### What This Means Today

Now here’s the clincher: Brett still works with their *Rebelution* movement but has spent most of the past two years caring full-time for his wife, Ana, who suffers from Lyme disease. A tick-borne illness, Lyme disease has serious implications if left untreated. Ana was probably bitten when she was 10 but wasn’t diagnosed until a few months after their marriage. Along with maintaining doctors’ appointments and medical options, Brett cooks for her, bathes her, carries her up the stairs, and, during her sickest months, helped her manage the panic attacks induced by the bacterial infection in her brain. Wow... talk about a whole new application for “doing hard things.” It now surrounds caring for his disabled wife—nothing glitzy or glamorous, nothing the media wants to cover or photograph. But listen to Brett’s rationale for how he handles his current hardship: *If I’d spent my teen years running away from responsibility and difficulty, what would I do now? I could have zoned out, played video games, and found ways to escape. I could have pushed the responsibility onto her parents instead of taking that on myself.*

### Our Take Away

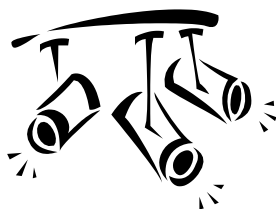
As I mused about these two guys in their mid-twenties now, I was challenged in my own parenting, teaching, coaching and training of students. These guys “got it” when they were teenagers. Somehow, the adults in their life weren’t consumed with “preventing” tough things from happening, but preparing the boys for life. Let me offer some principles we must buy into if we’re to do the same with our students:

- We must communicate that everything they do now either prepares or ill-prepares them for the future. Each stage is a rehearsal for the next stage.
- We must enable them to see the long-term ramifications of their actions.
- We must teach them to check their motives for what they do. Is it all about getting noticed or famous... or is it about their development?
- We must equip them to take on difficult challenges, knowing this acts as a workout for future challenges.

I love the advice Alex and Brett have for parents today: “We can’t shield our kids from hardship and then hope to release them into a suffering-free existence in adulthood. Loving your children means preparing them for hardship by allowing them to engage with the world, deal with the consequences of their actions, and work through inevitable disappointments and failures.”

Great way to enter 2015, don’t you think?





# Senior Spotlight



## **Sandra (Mariely) Estrada-Gonzalez**

Parents:  
José Estrada & Maria Gonzalez

Other Family Members:  
Leslie, Evelyn

Favorite Pastime:  
Writing, watch movies, play & watch soccer, help people

Senior Activities:  
Softball, ISR, Drama, Speech, Shell Creek, Beaver Creek,  
ONP, NHS, Student Council, Yearbook, FFA, FBLA,  
Dance, Show Choir, Hispanic/Latino Summit

Plans After Graduation:  
Go to UNL to major in Psychology and minor in  
creative language and a pre-major in child development

## **Shyanne McCuiston**

Parents:  
Marion McCuiston & Barb Johnson

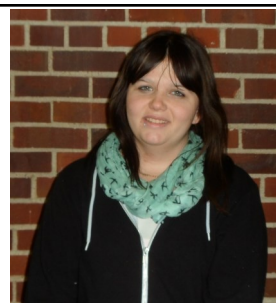
Other Family Members:  
Troy McCuiston & Mindy Enriquez

Favorite Pastime:  
Biology 2 trip and hanging with friends while shopping

Senior Activities:  
Dance, Student Council

Part-time Employment:  
Pizza Hut in Madison

Plans After Graduation:  
Attend UNO to study Psychology,  
Earn a doctorate & become a Criminal Justice Psychiatrist



## **Emily Strong**

Parents:  
Tim & Kathy Strong

Other Family Members:  
Brandon, Aubrey, Serenity

Favorite Pastime:  
Missoula Children's Theater and other plays

Senior Activities:  
Speech, Bowling, One-Act

Part-time Employment:  
Certified Nursing Assistant at Mid-Nebraska Lutheran Home

Plans After Graduation:  
Attend college for a degree in Psychology or Social Work,  
or head to California or New York to pursue a career  
in the performing arts

**If your son or daughter still doesn't know what to do, they can go to NCIS and explore careers, colleges, etc.**

Plan Your Career with Nebraska Career Information System (NCIS) via the Internet

- Check out more than 500 occupations.
- Match occupations to your interests.
- Learn about colleges and universities.
- Discover where to get an apprenticeship or degree.
- Find scholarships and financial aid.



Your access for the 2014-2015 school year is provided by Newman Grove High School. The CIS web-site address is : <http://necis.intocareers.org> Your user name is: 09newmanhs. Your password is: H021209 (Your Password is case sensitive). Enjoy exploring careers through CIS!

Junior High Students have the same opportunity with: Plan your career with the Countdown (612 for CAREERS) via the internet! The Countdown Web site address is: <http://necis.intocareers.org> Your user name is: 09newmanjh. Your password is: J105409 (Your Password is case sensitive). Enjoy exploring careers with Countdown!



## Preschoolers Go Bowling

By Meghan Flood

On January 13, the preschoolers and their dads went bowling at the Newman Grove Bowling Alley. Each child got to bowl several times, with the help of their dads and then they were treated to ice cream courtesy of Tim, the owner of the Bowling Alley. This is just one of our fun family activities in preschool. Throughout the year we have four family activities, one motherhood activity and one fatherhood activity. This is a great way for our preschool families to get acquainted with one another, as well as build friendships outside of school.

This year we have gone to the Wallin Farm to look at animals, sang and danced with moms and bowled with dads. Our upcoming activities include family movie night and a scavenger hunt with a potluck supper.

If you are interested in pre-school, contact Kathi McIntyre at (402)447-6051.



## Keep Calm and Speech On

By Kristen Grant



Since December, the Newman Grove speech team has been working hard to memorize pieces, write speeches, and create visual aids. Attending only two meets so far due to the weather, the students have improved tremendously throughout the past few weeks. Members of the 2015 speech team include: seniors Mariely Estrada and Emily Strong, junior Joe O'Brien, and freshmen Payton Nelson, Abbie Pieke, and Becca Stone.

The season officially began at the Jaguar Jabber at Howells on [January 28](#). With 17 schools and over 350 entries to compete against, the team held their own. Emily received seventh place in poetry, while the duet girls, Abbie and Becca, also took seventh place.

Saturday, [January 31](#), Newman Grove traveled to Osceola. This meet focused on providing experience and critiques from multiple judges; both varsity and novice were combined in the same rooms, and there were no finals. Mariely earned third place in poetry.

With many upcoming meets in the next two months, the students have adopted the motto: keep calm and speech on. The team will perform at Lindsay Holy Family on Friday, [February 13](#). See the students at the home meet on Wednesday, [February 25](#), beginning at noon. The final regular season competition is Saturday, [February 28](#) at Elgin Pope John. The team will then compete at districts, which will be held at Howells on [March 17](#), to vie for the state competition in March.

Everyone is welcome to see the team perform at the Community Performance Night the Monday before districts, [March 16](#) at 6 p.m. in the high school library.

Left to right: Emily Strong, Joe O'Brien, Rebecca Stone, Abbie Pieke, Payton Nelson, and Mariely Estrada.



## WINTER SCHOOL CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following radio and television stations will be contacted should it become necessary to cancel school due to inclement weather:

Television: Channel 8 or Channel 10/**11** (Lincoln)  
Website: [www.newman.esu8.org](http://www.newman.esu8.org)

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|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Radio: 94 Rock (94.7 FM) | US 92 (92.7 FM) |
| WJAG (780 AM)            | KEXL (106.7 FM) |
| KZEN (100 FM)            | KKOT (93.5 FM)  |
| KLIR (101 FM)            | KJSK (900 AM)   |
| KTTT (1510 AM)           | KPNO(90.5 FM)   |

**NOTE:** Little Jays Preschool will follow the K-12 weather related time changes.

Late Start- NO MORNING

Early Out- NO AFTERNOON.

Cancelled Preschool will be made up on a Friday.



# Music Notes



by Tami Texley



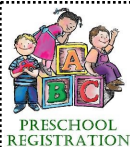
Pictures are from Boone Central Choral Clinic, Heartland Honor Band and Show Choir Festival

MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOL MONTH WE'RE WILD ABOUT MUSIC!!!!

| ◀ February                                         |     | ~ March 2015 ~                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                    |                                                                      |                                                                                                                | April ▶ |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Sun                                                | Mon | Tue                                                                                                   | Wed                                                                                                                                                | Thu                                                | Fri                                                                  | Sat                                                                                                            |         |
| 1                                                  | 2   | 3                                                                                                     | 4<br>WEAR<br>MUSIC<br>T-SHIRTS                                                                                                                     | 5                                                  | 6<br>NO<br>SCHOOL<br>MUSIC<br>STUDENTS<br>TO STOMP<br>LIED<br>CENTER | 7                                                                                                              |         |
| 8                                                  | 9   | 10<br>Pictures<br>turned in by<br>3:30 p.m.                                                           | 11<br>WEAR<br>MUSIC<br>T-SHIRTS                                                                                                                    | 12                                                 | 13<br>NO<br>SCHOOL                                                   | 14                                                                                                             |         |
| 15                                                 | 16  | 17<br>Lockers<br>judged at<br>4 p.m.                                                                  | 18<br>WEAR<br>MUSIC<br>T-SHIRTS                                                                                                                    | 19                                                 | 20<br>Music Super<br>Hero Day<br>(Dress as a<br>Music Super<br>Hero) | 21                                                                                                             |         |
| K-5 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE Music COLORING CONTEST     |     |                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                    |                                                                      |                                                                                                                |         |
| 22                                                 | 23  | 24<br>"Give it a<br>REST DAY"<br>PJ DAY                                                               | 25<br>WEAR<br>MUSIC<br>T-SHIRTS                                                                                                                    | 26<br>PRE-<br>BRAINARD<br>PERFOR-<br>MANCE 4<br>PM | 27<br>K-5 <sup>TH</sup><br>GRADE<br>TALENT<br>SHOW 2-3<br>PM         | 28<br>BRAINARD<br>5 <sup>TH</sup> -8 <sup>TH</sup><br>MUSIC<br>CONTEST<br><br>CLASS D<br>HONOR<br>BANDS<br>UNK |         |
| 6-12 <sup>TH</sup> Locker Music Decorating Contest |     |                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                    |                                                                      |                                                                                                                |         |
| 29                                                 | 30  | 31<br>Dress in<br>Music<br>Attire<br>(Music<br>T-Shirts,<br>Concert<br>Shirts,<br>Music Ties,<br>etc) | Notes: Music Facts Daily An-<br>nouncements<br>Hidden Music Note (both Element-<br>ary & HS Bldg) throughout the<br>month. Turn in note for prize. |                                                    |                                                                      |                                                                                                                |         |
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## Little Jays Preschool Registration



We are accepting applications in March for next year. When registering, you will need the following items to complete the application: birth certificate (raised seal only), current immunization record, proof of income (tax return, public assistance, child support, etc.), birth dates of all family members, Medicaid/insurance info., and documentation of a disability (MDT, IFSP or IEP). Your child must be 3 by July 31, 2015. The AM/PM time slots will be filled based on completed applications. If interested please contact: Kathi McIntyre at 447-6051.





## Boone Central/Newman Grove Wrestling

By Dale Bonge



### 2015 Gibbon Bill Foster Invite 1-17-15

1st-Gibbon (194.5), 2nd-Mitchell (183.0), 3rd-Southern Valley (155.0), 4th-Ord (135.0), 5th-Kearney Catholic (132.5), 6th-Wood River (119.5), 7th-Franklin (111.0), 8th-Boone Central/Newman Grove (88.0), 9th-Thayer Central (82.0), 10th-Ravenna (69.0), 11th-Elwood (42.0), 12th-Harvard (32.0), 13th-Grand Island JV (20.0).

The big guys lead the team with a one-two finish. Jacob Krings had a great day winning the title with 3 straight pins. Isaac Sullivan also advanced to the finals with a pair of quick pins. His finals opponent caught Isaac on a takedown to his back for a pin.

Our next highest finishers were Jesse Osantowski and Joel Meyer who each placed 5<sup>th</sup>. Jesse went 2-2 while Joel was 3-2.

Our other medalists were sixth placers Ty Groth and Trey Schafer. Trey had the comeback of the day when trailing 1-15, just one point from losing by tech fall, he reversed the guy to his back and pinned him. The moral of that story is "never give up".

Also winning matches but not making the medal stand were Andy King, Nolan Wondercheck, Sam Stopak, Andrew Rasmussen, and Ryan Thiem. Andrew was 2-2 with the others all 1-2.

### Aquinas Catholic Dual @Newman Grove 1-22-15

Boone Central/Newman Grove 45 Aquinas Catholic 19

It was unfortunate that Aquinas had a lot of injuries and illness as there were only 5 contested matches on the night. Steven started us out on the right foot with a win. Levi was wrestling well, completely controlling the match with a 4-0 lead, made a mistake, and it was over. Joel looked a bit off in his loss. Jake wrestled perhaps one of the best wrestlers in the state in #1 rated and unbeaten Reimers. One good thing about wrestling Aquinas is we always pick up something that will help us down the road.

### Madison Invitational 1-23-15

1st-Logan View (235.5), 2nd-Madison Varsity (158.0), 3rd-Columbus Lakeview/Twin River (135.5), 4th-Friend (130.5), 5th-Boone Central/Newman Grove (128.0), 6th-Wakefield (120.0), 7th-Conestoga (94.0), 8th-Crofton (93.0), 9th-Pender (91.0), 10th-Norfolk JV (80.0), 11th-Wisner-Pilger (62.0), 12th-Stanton (52.5), 13th-Grand Island JV A-Team (50.5), 14th-Columbus JV (46.0), 15th-Hartington CC (33.0), 16th-Grand Island JV B-Team (1.0), 17th-Madison JV (0.0).

Except for one disastrous round, the team wrestled the best we have all year. In that bad round we went 0-12. We were the underdogs in 11 of the 12, so in retrospect, we only lost one match in the round that we were favored to win. Heading into the final 10 seconds of 2 of those matches things looked positive but we got pinned in the final 6 seconds in both of them while leading. Either of those two wins happen and we jump to third place in the team standings. Of course there were several other things throughout the day that could have propelled us to third place as well.

Our top finishers were **Andy King**, Joel Meyer, Jacob Krings, and Isaac Sullivan who all placed third. **Andy** had a stellar tournament with 4 pins against his one loss to the eventual champ. Joel also had a 4-1 day with 2 pins, a tech fall, and a sudden victory overtime win in his final bout. The big boys each had their only losses of the day to the eventual champs who are rated 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> in state respectively. Jake lost by a major while

Isaac lost by pin. Both won their other three matches with Isaac pinning all 3.

Ty Groth, **Steven Arreguin**, and Cody Shanno each placed 4<sup>th</sup>. Ty was 2-2 with 2 pins. **Steven** was also 2-2 with one pin. Cody was 3-1 with a pin, a major, and a tech fall before forfeiting his last match due to an injury. **Nolan Wondercheck** won his first two matches by pin and by major before a semifinal loss. **Nolan** forfeited out to 6<sup>th</sup> place after that due to illness.

Though not medaling Trey Schafer, Andrew Rasmussen, **Levi Krueger**, and Jesse Osantowski all missed placing by just one match with identical 2-2 records for the day.

### Boone Central/Newman Grove Triangular 1-29-15

Boone Central/Newman Grove 15 - Columbus Scotus 46

Boone Central/Newman Grove 25 - Columbus Lakeview 41

We opened the night with #7 rated Columbus Scotus. Win or lose our young men competed as well as we have all year against this highly rated opponent. In our second dual we again competed well but not quite to the level of the first dual. Our smallest and biggest guys both pinned both of their opponents to lead the team. Also picking up wins were Andrew Rasmussen, **Steven Arreguin**, **Nolan Wondercheck**, and Jacob Krings. Many of the guys that did not get in the victory column tonight still showed marked improvement and in many cases closed the gap on people they have faced before.

In the JV matches **Bryton Fowlkes**, **Isiah Weverka-Haddix**, Sam Stopak, and Ryan Thiem all picked up a win with Trey Schafer getting a pair of victories.

### Boone Central Invite 1-31-15

1st-David City (204.0), 2nd-Ashland-Greenwood (196.0), 3rd-O'Neill (180.5), 4th-Kearney (157.5), 5th-Bayard (116.0), 6th-Neligh/Oakdale (96.0), 7th-Malcolm (89.0), 8th-Omaha Westside (85.0), 9th-Aquinas Catholic (82.0), 10th-Pierce (59.5), 11th-Boone Central/Newman Grove (59.0), 12th-Elkhorn Valley (57.0), 13th-Nebraska Christian (13.0), 14th-Elgin/Pope John (9.0), 15th-Guardian Angels Central Catholic (7.0).

Our Invitational featured a strong field including four state rated teams and around 35 rated individuals. The teams include Class "C" #1 and #2 teams - David City and O'Neill, Class "B" #4 Ashland-Greenwood, Class "D" #7 Neligh/Oakdale. The Cardinals managed 8 place winners with Cody Shanno leading the way at 4<sup>th</sup>. In the semi-finals Cody had #1 rated Jon Marvin tied at 5-5 and in trouble with a nice throw and nearly pinned him before Marvin turned the tables and pinned Cody. Ty Groth, **Steven Arreguin** and Joel Meyer placed fifth. Steven battled a #4 rated to a scoreless first period before falling late in the second. Joel majored a kid that had pinned him earlier in the year.

**Nolan Wondercheck**, Andrew Rasmussen, and Jacob Krings placed sixth and **Andy King** placed eighth. Jesse Osantowski also picked up a win. **Levi Krueger** was injured in his first match and could not continue. The young men all wrestled hard but mental mistakes cost us opportunities in several matches.

In the JV division 4 Cardinal wrestlers won their brackets which was a definite smile. Garrett Cornwell, Sam Stopak, Trey Schafer, and Ryan Thiem all pinned each of their opponents. Niklas Pohl was second with only a 6-7 loss to go along with joining our four JV champs in pinning his other guys. **Bryton Fowlkes** and **Isiah Haddix** battled hard and showed improvement in each of their matches.





## Boone Central/Newman Grove Wrestling Continued

By Dale Bonge



### Mid State Conference Tournament 2-6-15 & 2-7-15

1st-O'Neill (196.0), 2nd-Battle Creek (186.0), 3rd-Norfolk Catholic (148.0), 4th-Boone Central/Newman Grove (111.0), 5th-Crofton (63.5), 5th-Hartington CC (62.0), 7th-Wayne (57.0), 8th-Pierce (50.0), 9th-Gaurdian Angels (4.0)

One week ago at our tournament we finished behind Pierce by a half a point. This week we out score them by 61. The young men did that without the services of some of our regular varsity line-up who were out of the meet trying to heal up for districts. I believe that looks like improvement. While we did wrestle better than last week, we still have some tweaking to do before district this weekend.

Ty Groth led the team as our only Conference champion. In the finals he and his opponent had identical records and each had beaten the other once this season. Ty controlled most of the match and held off a late comeback attempt for a 13-6 win.

Isaac Sullivan was our other finalist finishing as runner-up. Isaac made short work of his first two opponents before getting caught in a wicked headlock in the finals.

Joel Meyer was our lone third place finisher going 3-1. In the process Joel beat a pair of wrestlers he lost to earlier in the year. Moving the right direction.

Four Cardinal wrestlers, **Nolan Wondercheck**, Cody Shanno, Andrew Rasmussen, and Jacob Krings earned 4<sup>th</sup> place medals, all finishing with identical 2-2 records at the tournament.

Jesse Osantowski showed great improvement scoring 3 pins to help out the team cause. In his last match Jesse had just taken a 3 point lead, got out of position, got reversed and pinned with 15 seconds left in the match against a wrestler with a 23-12 record.

**Andy King** went 1-1 in the meet scoring a tech fall in his second match. Unfortunately Andy was injured in that match and had to withdraw from the tournament.

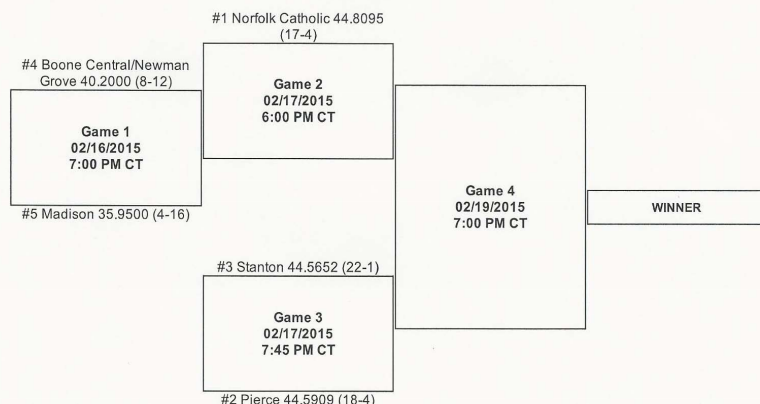
District wrestling meet begins Friday, February 13th at 3:30 p.m. in Aurora and continues Saturday at 9:30 a.m.



## Alumni Basketball Tournament March 19-21st

Brackets and Concessions will be posted in next month's newsletter. Please plan to attend.

### Girls Basketball Subdistrict C1-8 at Norfolk High School



## National FFA Week February 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>

### Monday:

- ◆ FFA T-shirt Day
- ◆ FFA Emblem Hide & Seek
- ◆ Daily FFA Trivia

### Tuesday:

- ◆ Redneck Day
- ◆ Drive Your Tractor to School

### Wednesday:

- ◆ No School

### Thursday:

- ◆ Barnyard Day – Dress like a farm animal
- ◆ Petting Zoo in Ag Shop

### Friday:

- ◆ Teacher Appreciation Breakfast @ 7:30 AM
- ◆ Official FFA Dress Day
- ◆ Ag Olympics in Gym – 2:30-3:00 PM
- ◆ Kiss the Pig Contest





## Boys Junior Varsity Cardinals

By Matt Rudloff



On Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup> the Cardinal Boys Junior Varsity team hosted traveled to Stanton to play the Mustangs. Both team got out to a slow start with the Cardinals edging the Mustangs by 2 points in quarter 1, 6-4. The Mustangs found their scoring ways in the 2<sup>nd</sup> with 18 points to the Cardinals 6 to take a 22-12 halftime lead. The Cards found some points in the third scoring 14 to the Mustangs 10. Both teams scored 11 in the fourth. The Mustangs won with a final score of 43-37. The Cards fought hard to try to overcome the 10 point deficit and 12 point first half, but just came up a little short. The guys never gave up and fought hard all game. Scoring for the Cards: Dalton Wagner 12, Derek Stuhr 8, Damian Backus 5, Connor Johnson 4, Caden Ranslem 3, Will Dyer 2, Jessie Sullivan 2, Tanner Schafer 1.

On Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, the Cardinal JV boys hosted Guardian Angels Central Catholic out of West Point in Newman Grove. The first quarter scoring woes continued with the Cards only scoring 2 points to the GACC's 12. GACC also won the second quarter with 16 points to the Cardinals 14 to take a 28-16 halftime lead. The Cards came out in the second half and won the high scoring third quarter 24-21. GACC won the fourth 18-8 to win the game 67-48. The Cards again fought hard all game. We struggled on defense at times stopping GACC, thus the 67 points given up. Scoring for the Cards: Dylan Gentrup 13, Dalton Wagner 8, Caden Ranslem 7, Derek Stuhr 6, Connor Johnson 6, Damian Backus 3, Jessie Sullivan 2, Jacob Potmesil 2, Cody Nelson 1. With these two losses the Cardinal JV team moves to 4-6 on the year.

On Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> the Cardinal Boys Junior Varsity team traveled to Columbus to play the Scotus Shamrocks. The Shamrocks came out of the gate fast with a 22 point first quarter and 21 point second quarter to the Cardinals 8 and 2 point first and second quarters. The Cards struggled breaking the Scotus press and turned the ball over too many times in the first half. Score at half was 43-10. The Cards produced a better second half of basketball winning both the third and fourth quarters 10-9 and 13-9 to lose the game 61-33. Scoring for the Cardinals: Damian Backus 11, Dalton Wagner 8, Connor Johnson 5, Derek Stuhr 4, Dylan Gentrup 3, Caden Ranslem 2.

On Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Cardinal Boys Junior Varsity hosted Ord in Albion. Ord outscored the Cards 13-8 and 13-9 in the first two quarters to take a 26-17 lead at half. The Cardinals fought back in the third and scored 13 points to Ord's 6 to cut the deficit to two points going into the fourth quarter. In the fourth quarter the Cardinals took a two point lead with around two minutes remaining but then Ord retook the lead with 13 seconds left. The Cards had a nice look at the end of the game to tie but fell just short. Scoring for the Cardinals: Dalton Wagner 13, Cody Nelson 7, Dylan Gentrup 7, Derek Stuhr 6, Connor Johnson 3, Caden Ranslem 3, Tanner Schafer 2, Jessie Sullivan 2, Damian Backus 1.

On Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup> the JV Cardinal Boys Basketball team traveled to Battle Creek to take on the Braves. The first quarter was near even with the Cardinals edging the Braves 13-11. In the second quarter the Cards struggled to score with only 5 points to the Braves 14. Score at half favored the Braves, 25-18. The Braves won the last two quarters 13-9 and 11-4. The final score was 49-31. The Cardinals struggles to score continued, especially at the free throw line in which the Cards only hit 6 of 25 free throws to the Braves 17 of 22 from the line. Scoring for the Cardinals: Cody Nelson 9, Connor Johnson 6, Jessie Sullivan 4, Will Dyer 3, Tanner Schafer 2, Damian Backus 2, Dylan Gentrup 2, Derek Stuhr 2, Todd Berger 1.

On Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> the JV Cardinal Boys Basketball team traveled to Grand Island to take on the Northwest Vikings. The Cardinals struggled to score in the first half with both quarters going to the Vikings 15-6 and 8-5. Halftime score was 23-11 in favor of the Vikings. The Cards came out in the second half and outscored the Vikings 14-10 and 13-11 to lose by six points 38-44. The Cardinal players never gave up and played tremendous full court defense in the fourth quarter in which the Cards had a chance to cut the lead to 4 points. As coaches we were proud of the guys to never give up and fight to the end. Playing for the cards were: Todd Berger, Tanner Schafer, Damian Backus, Will Dyer, Cody Nelson, Jacob Potmesil, Caden Ranslem, Jessie Sullivan, Dylan Gentrup, Derek Stuhr, Connor Johnson, Dalton Wagner.

The Cardinal JV team's record now sits at 4-10 on the year. Next game will be on Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at Ainsworth.



## Varsity Girls Basketball

By Andy Imus



Our girls have an 8-11 record as we head into the final week of the regular season. The girls opened conference vs O'Neill in the bunny bracket and beat them 52-35 in a hard fought game. Our girls competed well in the second half to open up on their 25-24 halftime lead. We ran into an extremely good Crofton team in the next round as their full court aggressiveness and athleticism caused us fits. We moved into the consolation bracket and played vs Wayne. We had a slow first half and scored 12 points to Wayne's 25 points. Wayne shot the ball very well and we had trouble finding the hoop. The second half our girls continued to compete and outscored Wayne 28-27. I liked the way our girls battled in the second half against Wayne. We continue to talk about being a consistent team as the season moves along. We are improving and seeing some great things from the team. I really appreciate the effort and hard work these girls bring to practice everyday.



## Boone Central/Newman Grove 8th Grade Boys Basketball

By Jeff Hayes



BCNG vs. Columbus Scotus 1/19/15  
7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> B game

We got off to a rough start in this game. Scotus was very good in their transition basketball and we gave up too many scores at the beginning. We did not match their scoring and fell behind. We settled down in the second half and out scored them 11 to 8 but we could not make up the first half deficit.

| Score: | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
|--------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| BCNG   | 2               | 4               | 4               | 7               | 17    |
| Scotus | 15              | 13              | 6               | 2               | 36    |

Scorers: Nicholas Langan 4, Jett Stuhr 2, Tyson Haddix 6, Dylan Korth 4, Logan Hodges 1

BCNG vs Columbus Scotus 1/19/15  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade A game

This was a great game for our boys to play in. Scotus has a very good fundamental team. Scotus got off to a better offensive start than we did and that may have been the difference in the game. Our team played with great intensity but could not always finish scoring opportunities. It was a game where we had to compete hard throughout the game. We need to continue to play with the type of intensity we played with in this game.

| Score: | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
|--------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| BCNG   | 3               | 4               | 4               | 10              | 21    |
| Scotus | 6               | 10              | 4               | 10              | 30    |

Scorers: William Frey 6, Carter Henry 11, Brenden Beierman 4

BCNG vs. Twin River 1/24/15  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade B game

We got off to a great start in this game. Nick Langan led the way with 10 first quarter points. We built a good lead by half. In the second half we did not move the ball quite as well and missed some shots but continued to make it hard for Twin River to score. It was our only win of the day and was very pleased for the effort of this team.

| Score: | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
|--------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| BCNG   | 13              | 4               | 3               | 3               | 23    |
| TR     | 4               | 1               | 8               | 0               | 13    |

Scorers: Nick Langan 11, Jett Stuhr 2, Jon Merten 3, Garret Niewohner 2, Weston Choat 2, Tyson Haddix 3

BCNG vs. Twin River 1/24/15  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade A game

This was another very close game for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade team. We got off to a slow start in the first half and fell behind. We came out great in the third quarter and eventually took the lead in the game. We missed a couple of opportunities to score and ending up falling one point short. The team did a good job on defense but we were not able to convert enough shots into baskets. This was a very competitive game for the team.

| Score: | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
|--------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| BCNG   | 2               | 4               | 14              | 5               | 25    |
| TR     | 7               | 6               | 5               | 8               | 26    |

Scorers: William Frey 4, Carter Henry 11, Brenden Beierman 4, Trey Zoucha 2, Zach Reicks 2, Weston Choat 2

BCNG vs. St. Paul 1/29/15

We had a good first half against St. Paul. We were able to create offense by moving the ball quickly and then converting shots into points. We played well defensively but sometimes had trouble with our intensity and gave St. Paul some open looks. The second half was a different story. We lost our lead and had to really fight to hang on for the win. We had trouble converting our shots into points and our ball security was not as good.

| Score:   | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| BCNG     | 11              | 11              | 4               | 6               | 32    |
| St. Paul | 6               | 7               | 3               | 7               | 23    |

Scorers: William Frey 2, Carter Henry 14, Trey Zoucha 2, Ethan Dozler 3, Zach Reicks 5, Weston Choat 6

Extra Quarter

We fell just a little short in the extra quarter. St. Paul was able to out score us 7-4. We struggled with our ball security, which led to turnovers. Nick Langan scored our 4 points.

Score: BCNG 4 St. Paul 7

BCNG vs. Fullerton 2/5/15

We started out this game doing a very good job on defense and were keeping the game competitive. Fullerton hit a couple of shots and took a 12 to 4 first quarter lead. We just could match them offensively. I thought we got some very good looks this game but could not convert the shots into points. We need to do a better job as a team on the defensive boards to limit second shots.

| Score:    | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| BCNG      | 4               | 4               | 3               | 4               | 15    |
| Fullerton | 12              | 9               | 10              | 5               | 36    |

Scorers: Carter Henry 4, Brenden Beierman 2, Ethan Dozler 7, Zach Reicks 2

BCNG vs. Central City 2/9/15

The 8<sup>th</sup> graders got off to a good start this game and built an eight point 1<sup>st</sup> quarter lead. Our press created turnovers and we were able to convert them into baskets. We still need to work on ball movement and ball security. We did find ways to score this game. It was great to see us put points up on the scoreboard after struggling to do so last game.

| Score: | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Final |
|--------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| BCNG   | 14              | 17              | 10              | 9               | 50    |
| CC     | 6               | 2               | 4               | 6               | 18    |

Scorers: William Frey 14, Carter Henry 8, Brenden Beierman 2, Trey Zoucha 10, Ethan Dozler 4, Weston Choat 12

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Extra Quarter

In the extra Quarter we were able to out score Central City 10 to 2. We missed some shots but got many offensive rebounds and were able to convert them. The team made it difficult for CC to get open looks at the basket.

BCNG 10 CC 2

Scorers: Tyson Haddix 2, Matthew Rast 2, Ty Nissen 4, Garrett Niewohner 2





## Boone Central/Newman Grove 7th Grade Boys Basketball

By Kris Pestel



### BCNG vs. Columbus Scotus 1-19-15

The boys were able to get their first win of the season against Columbus Scotus. We had difficulties remembering our offenses and defensive spacing. In the second half we were able to get a few steals which led to easy baskets. We also rebounded the ball very well on both ends of the floor. We have made some positive improvements, but we must get better each week!

| Score: | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Total |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| BCNG   | 4   | 5   | 3   | 10  | 22    |
| Scotus | 5   | 2   | 3   | 6   | 16    |

Scorers: Tommy Case 4, Dylan Korth 2, Ty Borer 4, Christopher Thiem 3, Logan Hodges 4, Chase Thieman 5

### BCNG vs. Twin River 1-24-15

In both games we ran into a very good 7th grade team at Twin River. In the B game, Twin River pressured us into several turnovers. The kids tried hard, but we simply didn't get enough shots. In the A game, Twin River was able to full court press us into several turnovers in the first half which led to many turnovers. They also switched defenses which caused us several problems. We were not able to get to the basket or get enough shots in this game either. We have to continue working hard to improve daily in practice.

#### 7th Grade B game

| Score: | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Total |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| BCNG   | 2   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 2     |
| TR     | 4   | 11  | 12  | 8   | 35    |

Scoring: Drew Thompson 2

#### 7th Grade A game

|      |    |   |    |    |    |
|------|----|---|----|----|----|
| BCNG | 2  | 4 | 3  | 9  | 18 |
| TR   | 18 | 8 | 10 | 13 | 49 |

Scoring: Tommy Case 6, Dylan Korth 1, Logan Hodges 3, Chase Thieman 8

### BCNG vs. St Paul 1-29-15

The game started out with both teams turning the ball over a lot, but then both were able to settle down and play pretty well. Even though we did not get the win in this overtime game, we played the best game of the season. We played solid on defense and were able to play team basketball on the offensive end. We still need to continue to develop all areas and really work on rebounding and jump stops! We are proud of how the boys played.

| Score:  | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | OT | Total |
|---------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-------|
| BCNG    | 8   | 6   | 5   | 7   | 3  | 29    |
| St Paul | 4   | 6   | 8   | 8   | 5  | 31    |

Scoring: Tommy Case 4, Dylan Korth 6, Logan Hodges 15, Chase Thieman 4

In the extra quarter, we were able to outscore St Paul 5-2. The boys did a great job of hustling and playing defense.

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| BCNG     | 5 |
| St. Paul | 2 |

Scoring: Nathan Schmitz 1, Christopher Thiem 2, Quintyn Pollman 2

### BCNG vs. Fullerton 2-5-15

Fullerton is a very talented team and played very aggressive at both ends of the court. They were better than us at all parts of the game. Because of the layoff from the snow day and parent-teachers, we had trouble remembering the things that we have learned both offensively and defensively. Fullerton's defensive pressure caused us to turn the ball over a great deal. We simply need to get back to work in practice and play better in the next game.

| Score:    | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Total |
|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| BCNG      | 0   | 3   | 6   | 2   | 11    |
| Fullerton | 18  | 16  | 17  | 6   | 57    |

Scoring: Tommy Case 3, Dylan Korth 2, Logan Hodges 2, Chase Thieman 4

### BCNG vs. Central City 2-9-15

We started out really slow, but we were able to make up the difference and win the game. After the first quarter, the guys did a pretty good job of playing defense and getting the ball to the open person. The kids worked hard in this game and really played great defense in the 4th quarter.

|              |   |   |    |   |    |
|--------------|---|---|----|---|----|
| BCNG         | 0 | 6 | 10 | 7 | 23 |
| Central City | 7 | 0 | 10 | 4 | 21 |

Scoring: Tommy Case 2, Kayden Olmes 2, Dylan Korth 4, Christopher Thiem 2, Logan Hodges 9, Chase Thieman 4

In the extra, quarter we were beat in the last few seconds. We had hit a shot with less less than 15 seconds to go and then Central City went the length of the court and scored a 2-point basket for the win.

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|--------------|---|
| BC-NG        | 5 |
| Central City | 6 |

Scoring: Dillon VanMeter 2, Christopher Thiem 3



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| 1                                                           | 2<br>BBB: District Finals<br>Spring Practice Begins<br>2:30pm: NECC Representative<br>6:00pm: Jr Wrestling Practice | 3<br>7:15am: CILT Mtg<br>9:00am: FFA: District CDE @ CCC<br>6:30pm: Play Practice                        | 4<br>7:00am: Dance Team Practice                                                                         | 5<br>GBB: State Tourney (Lincoln)<br>7:15am: Show Choir Practice<br>6:00pm: Preschool Family Activity (movie night/auditorium)                                   | 6<br>No School PK-12<br>GBB: State Tourney (Lincoln)<br>7:30am: Play Practice<br>7:30pm: "Stomp" (Lied Center/Lincoln)                                         | 7<br>GBB: State Tourney (Lincoln)                                                                      |
| 8<br>Daylight Savings Time Begins (set clocks ahead 1 hour) | 9<br>9:00am: 9th Career Day @ NECC<br>6:00pm: Board of Ed Mtg<br>6:00pm: Jr Wrestling Practice                      | 10<br>Honor Society Mtg (lunch)<br>6:30pm: Play Practice                                                 | 11<br>7:00am: Dance Team Practice<br>8:00am: Spring Pictures                                             | 12<br>No School K-5 (1/2 Wkday; 1/2 Staff Dev)<br>End of 3rd Qtr<br>BBB: State Tourney (Lincoln)<br>7:15am: Show Choir Practice<br>6:00pm: Jr Wrestling Practice | 13<br>No School PK-12<br>BBB: State Tourney (Lincoln)                                                                                                          | 14<br>BBB: State Tourney (Lincoln)                                                                     |
| 15<br>District Speech Contest Week<br>NRCSA Conf (19-20)    | 16<br>6:00pm: Jr Wrestling Practice<br>6:00pm: Speech Team Performance<br>7:00pm: FFA Mtg                           | 17<br>Student Council Mtg (lunch)<br>9:00am: Speech: District Contest @ Howells<br>6:30pm: Play Practice | 18<br>Junior Class Mtg (lunch)<br>Sr Class Mtg (lunch)<br>7:00am: Dance Team Practice<br>3:45pm: RTI Mtg | 19<br>7:15am: Show Choir Practice<br>6:00pm: Jr Wrestling Practice                                                                                               | 20<br>ACT Test Registration Deadline<br>Sr Careers Class (Per 2)<br>Alumni Basketball Tourney<br>7:30am: Play Practice<br>6:30pm: Spring Sports Rally (Albion) | 21<br>Alumni Basketball Tourney                                                                        |
| 22<br>Alumni Basketball Tourney                             | 23<br>JB ACT Test Prep Begins<br>6:00pm: Jr Wrestling Practice                                                      | 24<br>FBLA Mtg (lunch)<br>6:30pm: Play Practice                                                          | 25<br>7:00am: Dance Team Practice                                                                        | 26<br>7:15am: Show Choir Practice<br>4:00pm: Pre-Brainard Concert<br>6:30pm: Play Practice                                                                       | 27<br>Speech: State Contest (Kearney)<br>Sr Careers Class (Per 2)<br>GNSEF @ Nebr City<br>2:00pm: Talent Show<br>7:30pm: Honor Society Induction Ceremony      | 28<br>Class D All-State Honor Band (UN-K)<br>East Butler Music Contest @ Brainard<br>GNSEF @ Nebr City |
| 29                                                          | 30<br>2:30pm: Spring Play to Elem<br>7:30pm: Spring Play                                                            | 31<br>12:30pm: G/BTR: Madison Triangular (A)                                                             |                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                        |





# NEWMAN GROVE SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

*(milk served with each meal; salad bar or fruit bowl available to 6-12 students)*

| MONDAY                                                                                                                     | TUESDAY                                                                                                                                   | WEDNESDAY                                                                                                                          | THURSDAY                                                                                                                    | FRIDAY                                                                                                              |
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| <b>March 2</b><br>Chicken Nuggets<br>Cheesy Green Beans<br>Broccoli<br>Baby Carrots<br>Mixed Fruit<br>Milk                 | <b>March 3</b><br>Turkey Sub/WG Bun<br>Baked Beans<br>Green Pepper Chunks<br>Grape Tomatoes<br>Mandarin Oranges<br>Fruit Slushy/Milk      | <b>March 4</b><br>Tatertot Casserole<br>Peas<br>Romaine Lettuce<br>Pears<br>WG Breadstick<br>Milk                                  | <b>March 5</b><br>Breaded Beef Patty<br>Mashed Potatoes<br>w/Gravy/Cauliflower<br>Peaches<br>WG Dinner Roll<br>Milk         | <b>March 6</b><br><br><i>NO SCHOOL</i>                                                                              |
| <b>March 9</b><br>Hotdog/WG Bun<br>Baked Beans<br>Celery Sticks<br>Green Pepper Chunks<br>Applesauce<br>Milk               | <b>March 10</b><br>Chicken WG Noodle<br>Casserole/Peas<br>Broccoli<br>Fruit Slushy<br>Mandarin Oranges<br>WG Biscuits/Milk                | <b>March 11</b><br>Chili Soup<br>Green Beans<br>Cheese Slice/Cracker<br>Baby Carrots/Pears<br>WG Cinnamon Roll<br>Milk             | <b>March 12</b><br>Breaded Pork Patty<br>Mashed Potatoes<br>w/Gravy/Cauliflower<br>Peaches<br>WG Dinner Roll<br>Milk        | <b>March 13</b><br><br><i>NO SCHOOL</i>                                                                             |
| <b>March 16</b><br>Chicken Br. Rice<br>Casserole/Green Beans<br>Red Pepper Chunks<br>Mixed Fruit<br>WG Bread Slice<br>Milk | <b>March 17</b><br>Cheeseburger WG Bun<br>Baked Beans<br>Sliced Tomatoes<br>Romaine Lettuce<br>Fruit Slushy/Banana<br>No Bake Cookie/Milk | <b>March 18</b><br>Nachos w/Gr. Beef<br>WG Tortilla Chips<br>Refried Beans/Salsa<br>Cucumbers/Tomatoes<br>Mandarin Oranges<br>Milk | <b>March 19</b><br>Salisbury Steak<br>Mashed Potatoes/Gravy<br>Broccoli/Cauliflower<br>Applesauce<br>WG Dinner Roll<br>Milk | <b>March 20</b><br>Egg Patty<br>WG Pancakes<br>Tri Taters<br>Baby Carrots<br>Juice/Peaches<br>Milk                  |
| <b>March 23</b><br>Chicken Strips<br>Carrots<br>Cauliflower<br>Cantaloupe<br>WG Breadstick<br>Milk                         | <b>March 24</b><br>Mini Corndogs<br>Baked Beans<br>Tomatoes/Cucumbers<br>Applesauce<br>Fruit Slushy<br>Milk                               | <b>March 25</b><br>Cheeseburger Casserole<br>WG Pasta/Pears<br>Green Beans<br>Green Pepper Chunks<br>WG Bread Slice<br>Milk        | <b>March 26</b><br>Breaded Chicken Patty<br>Mashed Potatoes<br>w/Gravy/Broccoli<br>Peaches<br>WG Dinner Roll<br>Milk        | <b>March 27</b><br>Cheese Pizza<br>WG Crust<br>Corn/Celery Sticks<br>Romaine Lettuce<br>Frozen Strawberries<br>Milk |
| <b>March 30</b><br>Chicken/Br. Rice<br>Casserole/Peas<br>Broccoli<br>Mixed Fruit<br>WG Breadsticks<br>Milk                 | <b>March 31</b><br>Hotdog/WG Bun<br>Baked Beans<br>Cucumber/Tomatoes<br>Fruit Slushy<br>Peaches<br>Milk                                   |                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                     |

(menus are subject to change without notice)

**St. Patrick's Day**





# Winter Homecoming 2015



Royalty Court pictured are back row (l-r): Savannah Wiese, Celine Dunlap, Shyanne McCuiston, Kleo Edgell, King Jason Bollig, Parker Wallin, Will Dyer, Andy King. Front row: Rachel Rudloff, Queen Sandra (Mariely) Estrada-Gonzalez, Henry Hull.



The Winter Homecoming ceremony was held on Saturday evening, January 24th at 7:30 p.m. The evening began with freshmen through senior classes proceeding in by introduction with a spot light for the crowd to see and applaud with the introduction of the royal court soon following.

Kleo Edgell, daughter of Danette & Larry Edgell and Jason Bollig, son of Peter & Rachelle Bollig, were selected as homecoming Queen and King. This year's maid of honor was Sandra (Mariely) Estrada-Gonzalez, daughter of José Estrada & Maria Gonzalez.

Other royalty candidates included Shyanne McCuiston, daughter of Marion McCuiston and Barb Johnson.

Carpet rollers were Will Dyer, son of Clint Dyer and Pete & Jessica Matson, and Andy King, son of Steve & Betty King. Candle lighters were Celine Dunlap, daughter of Bryan & Shelley Dunlap, and Savannah Wiese, daughter of Alan Wiese & Doni Armagost. The flower girl was Rachel Rudloff, daughter of Matt & Stephanie Rudloff. The crown bearer was Henry Hull, son of Howard & Kara Hull.

A dance followed coronation ceremonies. Tim Rossow and the FBLA organization were in charge of Winter Homecoming arrangements.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to provide a safe environment where all students can develop academically, socially, physically, and emotionally. Students will be provided the opportunity to acquire skills needed to participate in, and contribute to, society.

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