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Board of Education Meeting Summary March 9, 2014

- Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.
- The agenda was approved as published.
- Minutes of the February 9, 2015 meeting were approved as printed.
- The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.
- Claims were approved for payment in the amounts of \$38,897.63 (General Fund), \$2,187.64 (Depreciation Fund), and \$5,872.68 (Building Fund).
- Curriculum reports were received from Eric Albers (Physical Education/Health), Michele Schmidt (Technology/Computer Education), and Tim Rossow (Business Education).
- Report given on recent Building and Grounds Committee meeting. Members discussed pursing a feasibility study to determine immediate and future needs of the district.
- Principal Barnes reported on the conclusion of the winter sports season, the current speech season, assembly at Boone Central on April 14th, spring sports season underway, and State FFA qualifiers.
- Superintendent Shalikow reported on feasibility study costs, 1:1 technology possibilities, greenhouse storage shed, and resignation by Dan Zoucha as head boys basketball coach.
- The April meeting will be held on Thursday, April 9th at noon.
- Approved the local substitute teaching certificate request of Brittany Pieke.
- Discussed and approved Policy 5004 (Option Enrollment) as written.
- Discussed Policy 5005 (Option Enrollment Transportation). No changes were made to the policy.
- Members approved a motion to continue the preschool program without a partnership with Head Start.
- Approval given to begin breakfast program for the 2015-16 school year a free test period from May 11-20th.
- Accepted the resignation of Laura Nelson at the conclusion of the current school year. Ms. Nelson has taught in the Newman Grove School District for 35 years.
- Approved the summer science enrichment program contracts of Mark Seier, Danielle Amen and Shelley Dunlap.
- Approved the summer elementary reading/math program contracts of Erin Forre and Karla Patzel
- Approved the classified staff salary increases for 2015-16 as presented.
- Entered into Executive Session 8:06 p.m. to discuss personnel and staffing.
- Returned to Public Session at 9:02 p.m.
- Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- Cody Shanno, Joel Meyer, Jacob Krings and Isaac Sullivan on qualifying for the State Wrestling Tournament.
- 8th grade boys basketball team on a 2nd place finish at the Boone Central Tournament.
- Emily Strong on her 1st Place finish in Poetry at Newman Grove's Speech Invitational.
- Pope John Speech Invitational participants. Mariely Estrada -Gonzalez placed second in serious prose; Emily Strong placed third in poetry.
- District CDE participants: Ag Sales Team (Mya Donelson, Hannah Haase, Levi Krueger, Celine Dunlap) - 2nd place. Individuals in Ag Sales-Mya, 2nd place; Levi, Celine, and Hannah-blue ribbons. Agriscience Team (Payton Nelson, Abbie Pieke, Rebecca Stone, Ignacio Pascual, Caden Ranslem, Cody Nelson, Vanessa Arreguin) - 3rd place; Individuals in Agriscience-Payton, 4th place; Rebecca, 5th place; Ignacio, Abbie, and Caden, blue ribbons; Cody, red ribbon; Vanessa, white ribbon. Individuals in Floriculture-Rebecca Stone-blue ribbon; Anne Marie Scofield, Andrea Lloyd, Savannah Wiese, and Payton Nelson-red ribbons; Alexis Kopecky-white ribbon.Livestock Management Team #1 (Joe O'Brien, Andy King, Nolan Wondercheck, Mya Donelson, Hannah Haase, Sadie Wallin) 1st place. Livestock Management Team #2 (Caden Ranslem, Cody Nelson, Connor Rankin, Bryton Fowlkes, Will Dyer) - red ribbon. Individuals in Plant Science-Will Dyer, Jacob Potmesil-blue ribbons; Kyle Stone-red ribbon; Isiah Weverka-Haddix-white ribbon. Individuals in Vet Science-Joe O'Brien , blue ribbon; Nolan Wondercheck, Andy King, Connor Rankin, and Sadie Wallin, red ribbons; Vanessa Arreguin, white ribbon.
- Parker Wallin on his selection as the Norfolk Elks Lodge "February Teen of the Month".

Pre-Brainard Recital

5-8th Grade

Thursday, March 26th

4:00 PM in the Auditorium

No School Announcements



Friday, April 3NO SCHOOL PK-12, Good FridayMonday, April 6NO SCHOOL PK-12, Spring BreakWednesday, April 810:00 AM K-12, Late Start

(402) 447-6294





From the Desk of Superintendent Mikal Shalikow

Bring on the Spring Weather!!! Today's predicted high temperature is 71 degrees. This morning, Logan, a 7th grade student, suggested I cancel school because it is suppose to be so nice outside! Thank you to Logan for the suggestion. Unfortunately for Logan, I think education is extremely important and the NGPS Teachers and Staff continue educating our students even when the weather is nice outside.

At the March 9, 2015 School Board Meeting, the Newman Grove Board of Education made the decision to not renew the district's contract with Head Start. Starting with the 2015-2016 school year the Little Jay's Preschool will no longer be affiliated with Head Start Program. The NGPS will still continue offering excellent Preschool services to the children who attend the Little Jays Preschool in Newman Grove. As a parent of a student in preschool, or a parent who may in the future send a child to preschool in Newman Grove, let me assure you we will continue offering the best preschool program available. As a parent, this transition will be very easy for you, and you shouldn't notice any difference in the programs offered to your children. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me, and I will be happy to discuss this transition with you.

In other news, Laura Nelson will be retiring at the end of this school year. Laura Nelson has been in education for thirtyfive years. We wish Laura Nelson the best as she prepares for retirement. Lorraine Walahoski at 45 years of driving the students of Newman Grove, will also retire at the end of the school year. We wish Lorraine Walahoski the best.

FROM THE OFFICE OF PRINCIPAL DARRELL BARNES





Study Finds Reading to Children of All Ages Grooms Them to Read More on Their Own By Motoko Rich

In a 2014 survey of just over 1,000 children ages 6 to 17, only 31 percent said they read a book for fun almost daily, down from 37 percent four years ago.

There were some consistent patterns among the heavier readers: For the younger children—ages 6 to 11—being read aloud to regularly and having restricted online time were correlated with frequent reading; for the older children—ages 12 to 17—one of the largest predictors was whether they had time to read on their own during the school day.

The finding about reading aloud to children long after toddlerhood may come as a surprise to some parents who read books to children at bedtime when they were young but then tapered off. Last summer, the American Academy of Pediatrics announced a new policy recommending that all parents read to their children from birth.

"A lot of parents assume that once kids begin to read independently, that now that is the best thing for them to do," said Maggie McGuire, the vice president for a website for parents operated by Scholastic.

But reading aloud through elementary school seemed to be connected to a love of reading generally. According to the report, 41 percent of frequent readers ages 6 to 10 were read aloud to at home, while only 13 percent of infrequent readers were being read to.



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COUNSELOR'S



Matt Rudloff, K-12 Counselor mrudloff@esu8.org

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LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The following scholarships are available through the Newman Grove Schools Bluejay Foundation:

- **Bluejay Foundation Scholarship** (1 boy and 1 girl), (\$500 each), The top 5 girls and top 5 boys according to their GPA may apply.
- **Qualset Family Agriculture Scholarship** (\$500), Must be pursuing a career in agriculture.
- **Randy Benson, Jr. Memorial Scholarship** (\$400), Pursuing a degree through any university, community college or technical school. Consideration given to Benson relatives.
- Jennevie (Froistad) O'Reilly Scholarship (\$400), Open to anyone with at least a 3.0 GPA. Financial need considered.
- **Muller Family Scholarship** (\$1,000), Open to anyone. Student's GPA, academic achievement, high achiever, and hard worker will be considered.
- Pauline Engelka (\$400), Open to anyone.
- Clarence and DeLoris Nelson Memorial Scholarship (1-\$1,000 or 2-\$500), Must have a farm background.
- **Oscar "Buddy" and Delores Gustafson Family Scholarship** (\$500), Open to anyone with at least a 3.0 GPA. Financial need taken into consideration.
- NECC/Bluejay Foundation/Wayne Gearhart Memorial Scholarship - (Estimate \$600), Students pursuing a degree through NECC; must file on-line application and submit FAFSA to NECC.
- Matthew London Memorial Scholarship (\$400), Open to anyone.
- NG Community Foundation/Bluejay Foundation Scholarship (1-\$1,000 or 2-\$500), Students pursuing a degree through a community college in an occupational or career field.
- Senator Tom Kennedy Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000), GPA of 3.0 required; intended for student who may not be eligible for other scholarships
- **Donavon T. and Ruth (Romberg) Nelson Education Scholarship** – (\$500), GPA of 2.5 required; students pursuing a degree in science education, preferably in teaching
- Kenneth/Caroline Eng Scholarship (2-\$3,000), GPA of 2.5. 1 scholarship awarded to student planning on attending Wayne State, other to any other college: Any degree pursued.
- Newman Grove Senior Center Scholarship (1-\$1,000 or 2-\$500), GPA of 2.5. Low-Income family. Senior Center trustee to help with selection.
- **R. Craig Nelsen Memorial Ag Scholarship** (1- \$500), GPA of 3.0, farm background)

The following local scholarships are available:

- **Newman Grove Education Association Study Grant**-(\$100), 3.0 GPA or upper 1/3 of the class. Entering the field of education.
- Newman Grove Ministerial Association-(\$100), Planning a vocation in a service to the church, pick up application from the school counselor or a minister.

REMINDER: Local scholarship application forms are available from Mr. Rudloff and most of them have an April 1st deadline.

Newman Grove Masonic Lodge #305-(\$ amount TBD each year. 1-2 scholarships will be given), Two page application. On page one, include name and address of student and parents plus activities while attending NGHS. On page two, write a one page paper telling the lodge of post high school plans and ambitions for future.

- Newman Grove FFA Alumni Scholarship-(varies on amount and #), Pick up application blank and return it to the Agriculture Education Instructor.
- **Boone Central Booster Club Scholarship**-(4-\$250) (2-male, 2female), Scholarship awards to be given to four graduating seniors who have been active in all the "COLORS" at Boone Central to be used within the following year at the college or technical school of their choice.

All scholarship applications are judged not only according to the above criteria but also on academic achievement, activity participation, student's work ethic, and personal integrity.

<u>Unless</u> otherwise stated, the deadline for applications is April 1. <u>Unless</u> otherwise stated, pick up application from the school counselor. <u>Unless</u> otherwise stated, return completed applications to the school counselor.

Other important information

- 1. You should never pay to fill out the FASFA. Check the web address to make sure it ends in gov.
- 2. I have a booklet "Funding Education Beyond High School" that students or parents can pick up.
- 3. The Education Quest website (<u>www.educationquest.org</u>) gives great tutorials for filling out the FASFA. It goes over each question and helps answer any questions you may have.
- 4. A link to the FASFA and Education Quest websites are posted on our school website.
- 5. Seniors should visit and then apply to colleges they are seriously considering.
- 6. Northeast Community College is offering some free assistance through their Financial Aid Office at the College Welcome Center on Fridays from 1pm -4pm starting February and going through June 2015 with no appointment necessary (excluding days the college is closed). Number to call is 1-800-844-7285.You will need to the following information: 2014 Federal Tax Returns and W2's and a PIN number for both parent and student (www.pin.ed.gov)
- 7. 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.
- 8. <u>Bluejay Foundation and Local scholarship packets were distributed to all seniors.</u>
- 9. Please notify me of any Scholarships earned so that proper recognition can be given at graduation. This includes all scholarships earned from colleges, even those not accepted.



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Kleo Edgell

Parents: Danette & the late Larry Edgell

Other Family Members: Demi

Favorite Pastime: Teaching dance to all the girls and boys!

Senior Activities: FBLA, FFA, National Honor Society, Dance

> Part-time Employment: Energize Dance Studio

Plans After Graduation: Join the Air Force and travel the world.

Parker Wallin

Parents: Brian & Christie Wallin



Other Family Members: Chris, Aaron, Kelsey and Derek

Favorite Pastime: Going to get wings on a Thursday night with the guys.

Senior Activities: Football, Golf, FBLA, FFA, National Honor Society

> Part-time Employment: White Star Oil Company

Plans After Graduation: Plans to attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln to major in Ag Engineering & minor in Ag Business.

Freshmen Attend 9th Grade Career Day By Matt Rudloff

On Monday, March 9th, I took the freshmen to a 9th grade career day at Northeast Community College. Over 20 schools and 500 students were in attendance. This day consisted of an opening speech from the president of the college and then the students attended 5 career exploration sessions that they had previously signed up for. Lunch was also provided. This day was a good experience for our freshmen as it

provided a college like atmosphere. It is good to see the freshmen begin to think about their future and what they will have to do to attain their goals.



Know the facts before having a discussion about peer pressure with your teen



In order to prepare your teen to combat peer pres-sure, you have to know what she is being pres-sured to do. A survey by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that teens are often being pressured on the topics of:

- Smoking. Nearly 25% of high school students smoke cigarettes.
- **Drinking.** A whopping two-thirds of teens between 14 and 17 have tried alcohol.
- **Drugs**. A little more than 25% of 14- to 17-year-olds reported that they have used illegal drugs.

• Sex. Just about one in every three teens aged 14 to 15 has had sexual intercourse.

Think about your family values regarding these issues. Then, rather than banning your teen from leav-ing the house, have a conversation with your teen about why you feel the way you feel. Knowing *why* you don't want her smoking, drinking or involved in other risky behaviors may be just enough to encourage your teen to say *no* to her friends.

Source: E. Heubeck, "Teen Peer Pressure: Raising a Peer Pressure-Proof Child," WebMD, www.webmd.com/ parenting/teen-abuse-cough-medicine-9/peer-pressure.





Newman Grove FFA Chapter Celebrates National FFA Week By Hannah Haase, Chapter Reporter



February 22nd-28th was National FFA week. Monday was the beginning of our eventful week. We kicked it off by wearing our FFA t-shirts and playing FFA emblem hide and seek around the school. Tuesday was drive your tractor to school and dress as a redneck day. We came back, after a day off, on Thursday dressed as our favorite barnyard animal. We also had our famous petting zoo for the little ones. The petting zoo included miniature ponies, mule, donkey, alpacas, zebu, sheep, goats, chickens, rabbits, guinea pig, and horse. We also held voting in the office to see who would kiss the pig on Friday. Friday, our final day, we

dressed in official dress as we hosted the teacher appreciation breakfast in the ag room. At the end of the day, the Ag Olympics were held, and also the winner of the kiss the pig competition was revealed. Mr. Shalikow was the winner who got to kiss Chuck, the Ag room's pet guinea pig. Ag Olympics included an obstacle course that required individuals to eat breakfast, dress up in coveralls, load feed in a wheelbarrow, carry eggs, milk a cow, carry feed buckets and drive a peddle tractor. We also handed out signs, magnets, and koozies to thank the local businesses in town who sponsored the FFA chapter. We had a very eventful week, packed with lots of fun.







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Music Notes by Tami Texley



Trip to Lied Center

On March 6th, 19 students and 7 adults drove to Lincoln to see "STOMP" in concert. Upon arrival the crowd was entertained

in front of the venue by a street band from Omaha playing drums. The main attraction inside consisted of a group of 8 performers that make many everyday items such as brooms, lighters, garbage cans and lids, tubing, basketballs and much more into a very unique type of music. It was a very entertaining show and a lot of fun.















Just a few reminders... March is Music in Our School Month. We have a few weeks left to celebrate. Check out either our Facebook page... Newman Grove K-12 Music Education Page or our Web Page: <u>http:/</u> <u>sites.google.com/site/newmangrovemusic/</u> to view pictures and upcoming events.

Wednesday, March 18th-Music T-Shirt Day

Friday, March 20h-Music "Super Hero" Day >>> Wear your capes or dress like your favorite performer. Web page for Easy Super Hero Cape out of a T-Shirt http:// www.joybobo.com/2013/10/diy-superherocape-tutorial.html

Tuesday, March 24th-"Give it a REST" Day
>>> Wear your P.J.'s to school.

Wednesday, March 25th-Music T-Shirt Day

Thursday, March 26th-Pre-Brainard Recital at 4 p.m. in school auditorium

Friday, March 27th-Talent Show at 2 p.m. in school auditorium

Saturday, March 28th-Brainard Music Contest

Mark Calendars*** Spring Program K-5th Grade is May 15th at 1:30 p.m. "I Need a Vacation"

Pictures are from Music in Our School Month locker decorating contest, Tony Petersen-2nd grader working on playing piano keyboard in music class, and one of our elementary students in front of our theme door "I'm Wild About Music!"









Stretching in Mrs. Rother's English and Spanish Classes By Rhonda Rother

"Success is due to our stretching to the challenges of life. Failure comes when we shrink from them." (John C. Maxwell)



As we near the end of third quarter, English and Spanish classes are stretching toward more difficult concepts and skills in reading, writing, speaking, and thinking. And though students sometimes groan with the demands being placed on their "thinking muscles," they are continually achieving new heights.

Eighth graders have been working on the mechanics of writing (for example, punctuation and capitalization), reading skills, and descriptive writing. They have been reading poetry, short stories, and two novels, *Call of the Wild and Number the Stars*. These novels have challenged students to become more active readers, as well as provided them insight about the historical backgrounds of the Klondike Gold Rush and World War II.

Senior Literature and Composition students have studied short stories and several types of poetry. First there was the epic poem about the legendary hero Beowulf. Shortly after, we read excerpts from Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*, a long series of narrative poems that illuminate much about life in the Middle Ages. Next we read several ballads. This is a type of poetry that was originally meant to be sung and was a staple of the Middle Ages. Students learned that ballads are still popular in the rock and country music songs in our contemporary lives. Seniors have also studied love sonnets written by master poets Spenser and Sydney as well as lyric poems written during the Renaissance. In addition, students have just finished reading one of Shakespeare's best-known tragedies, *Macbeth*. The culmination of this semester will be a PowerPoint presentation that features a poet the students have chosen to study extensively.

In speech class, we have been working on speaking skills such as enunciation, body language, vocal variety, and pacing. Students have presented an impromptu speech and a poetry program, and they are currently finishing up research to present in an informative speech. Next they will "tackle" a children's story, a project which will give them a light-hearted break from the seriousness of previous projects. In addition to speaking skills, students in this class develop research, analysis, and writing skills.

Spanish 2 class: what can I say? It's all about the verb! Well, not really, but the verbs are the most challenging aspect of foreign language study. We have worked our way through present and present progressive tenses, reflexive verbs, and preterit (past) tense so far; and we have a looooong way to go before we are done with verbs! To break up the usual textbook lessons, students do several types of projects and presentations throughout the semester. They are currently making posters to illustrate their daily routines.

Yes, students are stretching toward the unknown, reaching higher and higher levels. It's been hard work but worth the effort. As we approach fourth quarter, I would like to commend my students for their hard work. I would also like to remind them of this message from Dr. Seuss: "Oh, the Places You'll Go! Congratulations! Today is your day. You're off to Great Places! You're off and away!" Don't stop stretching, kids.

FREE BREAKFAST

The Newman Grove Public Schools will be offering all students K-12 FREE breakfast starting on May 11 and will go through the last day of school. The Newman Grove Public Schools will be offering a Breakfast Program starting next year. The





FREE Breakfast will serve as a test period for the 2015-2016 School Year. There will be more details released in the April Newsletter.



Changes

By Shelley Dunlap

Huge changes occurred for the sixth graders this year. With a growing preschool and the lack of a classroom, the sixth grade was moved to Room 108 in the high school. Their schedule was adjusted to coincide with the junior high. This was an easy fix since many of their teachers are already in that building. Here are their responses when asked what they thought about the move.

Emma- "I like it because we have more lunch choices. We can do show choir, junior high band, Art, and Ag. We have lockers and got to go to Timberlake."

Paige-"We have the ability to be more involved in activities such as Ag and Art. We also have more learning opportunities and get to move around to other classes. We got to go to Timberlake."

Bethany-"We get more lunch privileges and class choices such as Art and Ag. There are no stairs to climb. We get to move to our classes and have a science room with the equipment. There is a library and we went to Timberlake."

Aaron-"We have more lunch choices and get to move to our classes instead of sitting. We have lockers and get gym class with 7^{th} and 8^{th} grade. "

Chance-"More lunch choices, no stairs to go to recess and lunch. We got to go to Timberlake, and we get more class choices."

It seems that more lunch choices and going to Timberlake are the popular reasons for liking the move to junior high school. The students have adjusted very well to their "new home" and are doing spectacular work.



Kindergarten Roundup 2015-2016

An orientation meeting for parents of incoming Kindergarten students is scheduled for Tuesday, April 21st, at 6:00 p.m. in the Kindergarten classroom. The teacher, principal, guidance counselor and school nurse will be available to answer questions parents may have concerning their child's enrollment.

Kindergarten Roundup has been scheduled for Friday, May 1st from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. This is an important opportunity for parents and their future Kindergarten children to visit the classroom and school staff.

All children who reach the age of five by July 31, 2015 are eligible to enter Kindergarten this fall. Eligible students include Joseph Berney (Eddy/Ashley), Niki Bollig (Peter/Rachelle), Michael Codr (Michael/Nancy), Korben Donner (Enjoli), Carter Dohmen (Justin Dohmen/Amy Anderson), Evan Duhachek (Chris/Shelly), Payton Fehringer (Chad/Kari), Jada Hicks (Lisa Whitfield), Beckett Jorgensen (Tyson/Ginger), Oliver Kaufman (Luke/Tammy), Rylan Munger (Chelsea), Brylee Patzel (Kevin/Delores), Xavier Schumacher (Neil/Mishelle). Please contact the school if your child should be included on this list.

Information regarding Parent Orientation and Roundup will be mailed soon to parents. However, if you should not receive this information, please contact the school office (447-6294). If you are unable to attend the parent meeting, please notify the office so that arrangements can be made for you to receive a Kindergarten information packet.

If you have a child who is eligible but he/she is not listed above, please contact the school.



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Integrating Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) By Braxton Staack & Danielle Amen

For the upcoming school year the math and science department are looking into integrating their curriculum. STEM provides a hands on learning environment that prepares students for multiple career paths. Schools throughout the nation are beginning to rewrite curriculum in this growing area. With this experience students are exposed to wind management, robotics, engineering and much more. We are looking to begin our STEM program with one class. Our hopes are to eventually create more classroom experiences toward stem. There are a tremendous amount of resources and funding for these programs from local and global businesses. These businesses see this as an opportunity to train potential employees as well promote their business through the public education system. We are in the planning process, but

are really excited about the potential of this program.



NHS INDUCTION CEREMONY

The Newman Grove Chapter of the National Honor Society will hold their annual Induction Ceremony on Friday evening, March 27th, in the auditorium at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

New inductees to the organization are Marcela Estrada,

Mya Donelson, Hannah Haase, Ignacio Pascual. Current members include Kleo Edgell, Sandra (Mariely) Estrada-Gonzalez, Parker Wallin, Esmeralda Arreguin, Steven

Arreguin, Celine Dunlap, Destiny Johnson, Joe O'Brien, Nolan Wonderdcheck.

This year's guest speaker is Chad Fehringer. He graduated from Newman Grove High School in 1997. Chad had many different experiences after high school with the last one being an Automatic Engineer for a medical firm before he and his wife Kari returned to our local community to farm and raise their family.

<u>Please show your support by attending this year's</u> <u>National Honor Society Induction ceremony.</u>



Speech By Kristen Grant

Weather prevented the speech meet at Cedar Rapids from occurring in the first week of February, so Newman Grove attended only three tournaments last month. The students walked away empty-handed from the meet at Lindsay Holy Family on Friday, February 13. However, the team rallied together to prepare for the home meet, which was held on February 25. One round determined who would proceed to finals. Senior Emily Strong was awarded the champion of poetry.

Only the seniors, Mariely Estrada and Strong, participated at the Elgin Pope John meet on February 28. Competing in the last regular-season tournament, both seniors had a successful day. Estrada took home a third place medal in serious prose, while Strong received second place in poetry.

The selection of the district team was based on performance during the season and availability to attend the state competition. The district team includes: Estrada in serious prose and poetry, Strong in serious prose and poetry, and Joe O'Brien in entertainment. Districts will be held at Howells-Dodge Consolidated on Tuesday, March 17. Rounds begin at 9:00 a.m.

Read Across America 2015

March 2nd through the 6th was the Read Across America celebration at school. The elementary teachers had a door decorating contest with 1st place going to the 4th grade, 2nd place to the 3rd grade, and 3rd place was 1st grade. The 1st place class got rootbeer floats with the 2nd and 3rd place classes receiving a book for their classroom.

There was also a coloring contest for each classroom. The winners are: Morning Preschool—Kale Nygren; Afternoon Preschool—Payton Fehringer; Kindergarten—Triston Duhachek, 1st Grade—Billy Fyfe; 2nd Grade—Alee Luna-Cadena; 3rd Grade—Austin Wiese; 4th Grade—Lucas Krueger; 5th Grade—Damian LeCompte.

Another contest was dressing up in the theme for each day. We don't have the list of winners but we do have a few pictures to show how much fun everyone had with Read Across America.







Wrestling By Dale Bonge



Districts is almost always bitter-sweet. We are happy for the guys that move on to state, but disappointed for those that did not.

Coming in to the meet we knew it was going to be tough for every one of our guys to advance to the State Tournament next weekend. Only the top four place winners at each weight class qualify. We had only two guys predicted to place that high with Isaac at 3rd seed and Joel at 4th. Many of the rest of the Cardinal wrestlers were predicted to be just out of the money. Predicted finishes were fifth - Cody and Jacob; and in sixth – Ty, Nolan, and Steven. Fortunately for us Joel lived up to his seed while Isaac, Jacob, and Cody each exceeded their seeds by one spot to qualify that foursome for State.

Isaac made his way to the finals with a pair of pins. He hit a sweet single leg takedown on his first opponent then pinned him a short time later. In the semifinals he nearly got caught in a headlock but rolled through it and came out on top. That battle continued until about the middle of regulation match time when Isaac pinned the guy and punched his ticket for the State Tournament.

Our other three qualifiers each finished fourth. For Isaac, Jacob, and Cody this is their first time qualifying for the state tournament while Joel earned his second consecutive trip to the big dance.

Cody Shanno started well upsetting the #4 seed who had majored Cody just a couple of weeks ago. In the semifinals he faced the #1 seed coming up just short. In the heartbreak round Cody squeaked by with a hotly contested 8-4 win to earn Cody his first trip to the State Tournament after just missing qualifying each of his three previous years.

Joel advanced to the semifinals with a pair of first period pins where he was pinned by the eventual champ. In the heartbreak round Joel dominated his man then pinned him. In the consolation finals Joel led 2-0 after the first period but got caught & pinned in the second.

Jacob started the meet by knocking off the #4 seed with a first period pin. In the semi's he was down by 5 points late in the match to the #1 seed. He could have just maintained position and that be the margin of defeat but Jacob attempted the right thing, it did not work, and he lost by 10 points instead. In his heartbreak round match Jacob scored a late takedown to secure a 3-2 win. In his last match Jacob dropped a hard fought 3-2 match.

Ty Groth wrestled well giving the #2 seed all he wanted in a 4-0 loss. He followed that with a pair of pins, one in the first period, the other a come from behind 0-3 in the third period reversal and pin. That advanced Ty to the heartbreak round where his run ended.

Andrew opened with a major decision before getting pinned by the #1 seed. In the wrestle backs Andrew was leading 7-2 in the third period, made a mistake, and got pinned to end his season.

Steven helped the team score getting a pin in his second match. In his next match he jumped out to a 6-2 lead but then got his head down and was pinned to end his season.

Nolan had a tough tournament losing his first match to the eventual runner-up before dropping his next match in overtime to the #5 seed.

Freshmen Jesse Osantowski and Trey Schafer both had tough draws but had good efforts in each of their matches.

NSAA - Class B - District 3 Results for Boone Central/Newman Grove

106 - Ty Groth (16-19) place is unknown and scored 6.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Ty Groth (BCNG) 16-19 received a bye () (Bye). Quarterfinal - Jacob Kubicka (Adams Central) 31-14 won by decision over Ty Groth (BCNG) 16-19 (Dec 4-0). Cons. Round 2 - Ty Groth (BCNG) 16-19 won by fall over Makayla Fletcher (Fairbury) 1-11 (Fall 0:49). Cons. Round 3 - Ty Groth (BCNG) 16-19 won by fall over Harley Beckman (Aurora) 10-23 (Fall 4:29). Cons. Semi - Rodrigo Carvajal (Schuyler) 23-17 won by fall over Ty Groth (BCNG) 16-19 (Fall 2:00).

120 - Nolan Wondercheck (11-11) place is unknown and scored 0.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Nolan Wondercheck (BCNG) 11-11 received a bye () (Bye). Quarterfinal - Scott Fulsos (York) 36-10 won by fall over Nolan Wondercheck (BCNG) 11-11 (Fall 4:43) Cons. Round 2 - Logan Slater (Fairbury) 23-18 won in sudden victory - 1 over Nolan Wondercheck (BCNG) 11-11 (SV-1 8-6). 126 - Steven Arreguin (12-9) place is unknown and scored 3.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Steven Arreguin (BCNG) 12-9 received a bye () (Bye) Quarterfinal -Peyton Brodrick (Adams Central) 33-10 won by fall over Steven Arreguin (BCNG) 12-9 (Fall 3:20) Cons. Round 2 - Steven Arreguin (BCNG) 12-9 won by fall over Clayton Van Horn (Crete) 10-22 (Fall 1:54) Cons. Round 3 -Christian Sandoval (Schuyler) 18-18 won by fall over Steven Arreguin (BCNG) 12-9 (Fall 2:25). 132 - Cody Šhanno (23-16) placed 4th and scored 9.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Cody Shanno (BCNG) 23 -16 received a bye () (Bye) Quarterfinal - Cody Shanno (BCNG) 23-16 won by decision over Chase Lemburg (Columbus Lakeview) 26-17 (Dec 10-5) Semifinal - Layton Mullinix (Columbus Scotus) 38-9 won by decision over Cody Shanno (BCNG) 23-16 (Dec 8-3) Cons. Semi -Cody Shanno (BCNG) 23-16 won by decision over Phoenix Kalinski (Northwest) 20-23 (Dec 8-4) 3rd Place Match - Chase Lemburg (Columbus Lakeview) 26-17 won by fall over Cody Shanno (BCNG) 23-16 (Fall 4:01). 138 - Joel Meyer (25-19) placed 4th and scored 15.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Joel Meyer (BCNG) 25-19 won by fall over Wade Siljenberg (Northwest) 2-8 (Fall 1:36) Quarterfinal - Joel Meyer (BCNG) 25-19 won by fall ovér Hunter Pursley (Aurora) 9-21 (Fall 0:52). Semifinal - Logan Rodehorst (Columbus Lakeview) 30-7 won by fall over Joel Meyer (BCNG) 25-19 (Fall 0:57) Cons. Semi - Joel Meyer (BCNG) 25-19 won by fall over Tyler DeBoer (Fairbury) 16-23 (Fall 1:22) 3rd Place Match - Raymon Mastas (York) 29-16 won by fall over Joel Meyer (BCNG) 25-19 (Fall 1:46). 145 - Andrew Rasmussen (19-21) place is unknown and

scored 3.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Andrew Rasmussen (BCNG) 19-21 won by major decision over Isaac Hernandez (Schuyler) 5-10 (MD 14-3) Quarterfinal - Alec Foltz (Columbus Scotus) 35-5 won by fall over Andrew Rasmussen (BCNG) 19-21 (Fall 2:27) Cons. Round 2 -Jarod Glinn (Aurora) 5-26 won by fall over Andrew Rasmussen (BCNG) 19-21 (Fall 3:20).



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Wrestling Continued

152 - Trey Schafer (0-3) place is unknown and scored 0.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Chris Nelson (Milford -Dorchester) 23-9 won by fall over Trey Schafer (BCNG) 0 -3 (Fall 3:16) Cons. Round 1 - Trey Schafer (BCNG) 0-3 received a bye () (Bye) Cons. Round 2 - Logan Craig (Seward) 28-14 won by fall over Trey Schafer (BCNG) 0-3 (Fall 2:22).

170 - Jesse Osantowski (13-24) place is unknown and scored 0.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Marty Schildt (Milford-Dorchester) 29-12 won by fall over Jesse Osantowski (BCNG) 13-24 (Fall 2:44) Cons. Round 1 - Jesse Osantowski (BCNG) 13-24 received a bye () (Bye) Cons. Round 2 - Josh Martin (Seward) 21-15 won by fall over Jesse Osantowski (BCNG) 13-24 (Fall 1:34).

220 - Jacob Krings (21-16) placed 4th and scored 11.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Jacob Krings (BCNG) 21-16 received a bye () (Bye) Quarterfinal - Jacob Krings (BCNG) 21-16 won by fall over Marvin Lazo (York) 38-11 (Fall 1:39) Semifinal - Kendall Oberheide (Adams Central) 31-10 won by major decision over Jacob Krings (BCNG) 21-16 (MD 14-4) Cons. Semi - Jacob Krings (BCNG) 21-16 won by decision over Nick Weber (Aurora) 17-21 (Dec 3-2) 3rd Place Match - Victor Moyao (Schuyler) 29-11 won by decision over Jacob Krings (BCNG) 21-16 (Dec 3-2).

285 - Issac Sullivan (25-7) placed 2nd and scored 20.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Issac Sullivan (BCNG) 25-7 received a bye () (Bye) Quarterfinal - Issac Sullivan (BCNG) 25-7 won by fall over Dalton Peters (Aurora) 18-20 (Fall 0:44)Semifinal - Issac Sullivan (BCNG) 25-7 won by fall over Caleb Sobotka (York) 16-6 (Fall 2:51) 1st Place Match - Dayne Jaros (Northwest) 9-0 won by fall over Issac Sullivan (BCNG) 25-7 (Fall 0:47).



Boone Central/Newman Grove 7th Grade Boys Basketball By Kris Pestel

BCNG vs. O'Neill 2/16/15

In the game vs. O'Neill, we got off to a very slow start. We couldn't get to the basket and we didn't rebound at either end of the floor. Then in the third quarter we played like we knew we could. We hustled on defense pushing O'Neill to turn the ball over and we rebounded much better. But, in the fourth quarter we simply turned the ball over too much.

BCNG	2	7	13	0	22	
O'Neill	8	11	7	11	37	
Scoring: Tommy Case 6, Kayden Olnes 2, Dylan Korth 2,						
Ty Borer	2, Log	an Hoc	lges 3,	Chase	Thieman 7	

In the extra quarter, we were able to create open shots and play pretty solid on defense. We were able to win the quarter 9-0.

Scoring: Dillon VanMeter 5, Brian Mock 2, Christian Benda 2

The seventh graders finished the season 3 and 5. We learned a lot, but there is much more to the game. In the off-season, each of you 7th graders need to continue to develop your individual shooting and ball handling skills and play as much as possible. Keep working hard and pushing yourselves to get better!



Junior Varsity Boys Cardinals By Matt Rudloff

On Saturday, February 14th the JV Cardinal Boys Basketball team traveled to Ainsworth to play the Bulldogs. The first quarter was close with the Bulldogs edging the Cardinals 15-13. Quarter two went to the Cardinals 13-11 for a tie ballgame, 26-26, at half. The second half was similar to the first in which both teams competed well and was very close. The Cards fought hard to win each second half quarter by two, 19-17 and 15-13, and to win the game by four points, 60-56. The guys executed and played well throughout the whole game.

On Friday, February 20th the JV Cardinal Boys Basketball team hosted the Crofton Warriors. The Cardinals came out of the gates well and outscored the Warriors 13-10 in quarter one. Quarter two went to the Warriors 10-7 for a tie game at half 20-20. The Cardinals struggled to score in the third quarter and were outscored 13-5 finding themselves down by 8 entering the fourth. In the fourth, the Cards cut the lead down to 4 points but came up just short of the comeback and lost 49-44. The guys worked hard and played good defense the whole game. Minus the third quarter scoring drought, the Cardinals probably would have won the game.

Playing for the Cardinals: Nick Pelster, Todd Berger, Tanner Schafer, Damian Backus, Will Dyer, Cody Nelson, Jacob Potmesil, Caden Ranslem, Jessie Sullivan, Dylan Gentrup, Connor Johnson, Dalton Wagner, Matt Schmitz

The Cardinal JV team ends its season at 5 wins and 11 losses. Many of the 11 losses were very close games. We are proud of the hard work the guys put into the year and look forward to next year as many of these players will develop through hard work in the off season.

2014-15 JV Results	5-11	
Hartington CC	39-41	L
Lakeview	57-46	\mathbf{W}
Central City	47-48	\mathbf{L}
Pierce	49-43	\mathbf{W}
Twin River	49-44	W OT
Norfolk Catholic	52-61	\mathbf{L}
Oniell	74-63	\mathbf{W}
Wayne	44-54	\mathbf{L}
Stanton	37-43	\mathbf{L}
GACC	48-67	\mathbf{L}
Scotus	33-61	\mathbf{L}
Ord	44-46	\mathbf{L}
Battle Creek	31-49	\mathbf{L}
GINW	38-44	\mathbf{L}
Ainsworth	60-56	\mathbf{W}
Crofton	44-49	\mathbf{L}

Members of the Cardinal JV team: Nathan Gottier, Todd Berger, Tanner Schafer, Damian Backus, Will Dyer, Cody Nelson, Jacob Potmesil, Caden Ranslem, Jessie Sullivan, Dylan Gentrup, Connor Johnson, Dalton Wagner





Boone Central/Newman Grove 8th Grade Boys Basketball

By Jeff Hayes



BCNG vs. O'Neill 2/16/15 8th Grade

The 8th grade got off to a good start this game. Our press set the tempo and we got many good looks at the basket. We would have liked to convert on a few more of our shots but we continued to play hard throughout the game. Our defense made it difficult for O'Neill to get good looks at the basket. We definitely controlled the rebounds in this game, which was great to see us be so active on the boards.

Score:	1^{st}	2^{nd}	3 rd	4^{th}	Final
BCNG	11	11	8	13	43
O'Neill	6	6	5	0	17

Scorers: Nicholas Langan 3, William Frey 13, Carter Henry 14, Brenden Beierman 5, Trey Zoucha 3, Jon Merten 1, Ethan Dozler 2, Zach Reicks 2

The 8th graders played an extra quarter against O'Neill. The 8th graders did a good job of playing defense. They created many turnovers, which allowed us to score points in transition.

Score: BCNG 14 O'Neill 2

Scorers: Nicholas Langan 2, Jett Stuhr 2, Jon Merten 2, Garret Niewohner 2, Ty Nissen 4, Tyson Haddix 2

BCNG Tournament in Albion 2/21/158th Grade

In the first round we played David City. It was close the first half but we were able to score with consistency to take a half time lead. The second half our press really bothered them and we were able to build a good lead. Our overall defensive pressure kept David City from getting easy baskets. The team really put together two good halves to get the win.

Score:	1^{st}	2^{nd}	3 rd	4^{th}	Final
BCNG	12	12	12	16	52
David City	5	9	9	5	28

Scorers: William Frey 12, Carter Henry 20, Brenden Beierman 6, Trey Zoucha 2, Jon Merten 2, Ethan Dozler 10

We came up a bit short in the final against Ord. We fell behind the first quarter and fought back hard to get in the game. We just couldn't get over that last hurdle to get the win. We played a much more focused 2^{nd} half but did not make enough plays in the final stretch. We finished 2^{nd} in the tournament.

Score:	1^{st}	2^{nd}	3 rd	4^{th}	Final
BCNG	5	6	10	10	31
Ord	16	6	3	9	34

Scorers: William Frey 6, Carter Henry 14, Brenden Beierman 7, Trey Zoucha 4

> BCNG vs Spalding Academy 2/21/15 $7^{\text{th}}/8^{\text{th}}$ Grade team

We finished off the season with a game against Coach Bussey's Spalding Academy team. After starting very slowly in the 1st quarter the team really turned in on. We fought back and got ahead with seconds to go in the game. Spalding Academy was able to tie it up at the foul line. We were able to pull it out by 1 point in Overtime. It was a great effort by the team and I was very proud that they never gave up in the game.

Score:	1^{st}	2^{nd}	3 rd	4^{th}	OT	Final
BCNG	2	11	10	20	4	47
SA	13	11	12	7	3	46

Scorers: Nick Langan 12, Tommy Case 5, Jett Stuhr 3, Jon Merten 1, Garret Niewohner 4, Ty Nissen 6, Mathew Rast 1, Tyson Haddix 7, Logan Hodges 2, Chase Thieman 6

Welcome to

Little Jays Preschool Registration

Preschool! We are accepting applications for next year. When registering, you will need the following items to

complete the application: birth certificate (raised seal only), current immunization record. Your child must be 3 by July 31, 2015. The AM/PM time slots will be filled based on competed applications. If interested please contact: Kathi McIntyre at 447-6051.





1st Round Games start on time all others are approximate

APRIL 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
			1 Local Scholarship Deadline Junior Class Mtg (lunch) 7:00am: Dance Team Practice 1:00pm: Grades 4-5 to Norfolk Arts Center (Flat Stanley)	2 Science Fair (Wayne) 7:15am: Show Choir Practice 10:00am: G/BTR: Mansfield Invite (Albion)	3 Good Friday No School PK-12	4
5 Easter	6 No School PK-12	7 7:15am: CILT Mtg 1:00pm: G/BTR: Wayne Invite (A) 3:00pm: JHG/BTR: BC/NG Quad (Albion) 4:00pm: BGO: Ord (at Albion)	8 FFA: State Convention Junior Class Mtg (lunch) 10:00am: K-12 Late Start (Staff Dev)	9 FFA: State Convention FBLA: State Convention 7:15am: Show Choir Practice 12:00pm: Board of Ed Mtg	10 FFA: State Convention FBLA: State Convention 10:00am: BGO: Ord Invite (A)	11 FBLA: State Convention
12	13 8:15am: NECC Scholastic Contest 7:00pm: FFA Mtg 7:00pm: Foundation Mtg	14 Honor Society Mtg (lunch) 8:30am: 6-8 Assembly @ Boone Central 10:00am: 9-12 Assembly @ Boone Central 3:00pm: JHG/BTR: Boone Central Invite (Albion) 4:00pm: BGO: Fullerton (A)	15 Junior Class Mtg (lunch) Senior Class Mtg (lunch) 7:00am: Dance Team Practice	16 7:15am: Show Choir Practice	17 Mid-Term 2:00pm: G/BTR: Central City Invite (A)	18 ACT Tests 9:00am: BGO: Boone Central Invite
19 District Music Contest Week	20 6:30pm: FFA Banquet & Labor Auction	21 FBLA Mtg (lunch) 6:00pm: 15-16 Kindergarten Parent Mtg 7:00pm: 9-12 Precontest Concert	22 7:00am: Dance Team Practice 3:05pm: Honor Society Practice	23 7:15am: Show Choir Practice 9:00am: BGO: Scotus Invite (Quail Run) 2:00pm: G/BTR: GINW Invite (A)	24 District Music (Norfolk)	25 9:00am: BGO: Conference Meet @ O'Neill 9:00am: JHTR: Conference Meet @ Norfolk Catholic 6:30pm: Prom
26 MAPS Testing Window (Apr 27 - May 8) NDE Data Conference (27-28)	27 3:00pm: JHG/BTR: Norfolk Catholic Invite (A) 4:00pm: G/BTR: Cent NE T&F Championship @ GINW	28 3:00pm: G/BTR (9/10): Pierce Invite (A)	29 No Preschool (P/T Conf) Honor Society Mtg (lunch) 7:00am: Dance Team Practice	30 No Preschool (P/T Conf) 7:15am: Show Choir Practice 10:00am: BGO: Lakeview Invite (Elks Country Club) 10:00am: BGO: St. Francis Invite (JV)		



NEWMAN GROVE SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

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

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
March 30 Sweet & Sour Chicken Br. Rice/Carrots Broccoli Mixed Fruit WG Breadsticks Milk	March 31 Baked Chicken Baked Beans Cucumber/Tomatoes Fruit Slushy Peaches Sliced Bread/Milk	April 1 Spaghetti/WG Pasta Green Beans Baby Carrots Cauliflower WG Garlic Bread Cantaloupe/Milk	April 2 Grill Chicken Patty Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Red Pepper Chunks Pears WG Dinner Roll Milk	April 3 NO SCHOOL
April 6 NO SCHOOL	April 7 Mini Corndogs Baked Beans Cucumber/Tomatoes Fruit Slushy Mandarin Oranges Milk	April 8 Chicken Nuggets Green Beans Celery Sticks Peaches WG Bread Slice Milk	April 9 Breaded Pork Patty Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy/Green Pepper Frozen Strawberries WG Dinner Roll Milk	April 10 Beef Taco/WG Tortilla Refried Beans Romaine Lettuce Tomatoes/Salsa Mixed Fruit Milk
April 13 Gr. Chicken Sandwich WG Bun/Banana Baked Beans Sweet Potato Fries Romaine Lettuce Milk	April 14 Baked Chicken Tater Tots Baby Carrots Fruit Slushy Mixed Fruit Milk	April 15 Goulash/WG Pasta Green Beans Cauliflower Applesauce WG Garlic Sticks Milk	April 16 Teriyaki Chicken Br. Rice/Carrots Radishes Pears WG Dinner Roll Milk	April 17 Cheeseburger/WG Bun Potato Wedges Sliced Tomatoes Sliced Onions Mandarin Oranges Milk
April 20 Chicken Strips Corn Broccoli Frozen Strawberries WG Bread Slice Milk	April 21 Pulled BBQ Pork WG Bun/Baked Beans Romaine Lettuce Cauliflower Fruit Slushy/Peaches Milk	April 22 Lasagna Casserole WG Pasta/Corn Green Pepper Strips Mixed Fruit WG Garlic Bread Milk	April 23 Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy/Broccoli Applesauce WG Dinner Roll Milk	April 24 Chicken Fajita WG Tortilla/Salsa Refried Beans Brown Rice/Tomatoes Mandarin Oranges Milk
April 27 Taco Soup WG Corn Chips Baby Carrots Peaches Cheese Breadsticks Milk	April 28 BBQ Pork Rib Sandwich/WG Bun Green Beans/Cucumber Orange Pepper Strips Fruit Slushy/Banana Milk	April 29 Swedish Meatballs Brown Rice Peas/Gr. Tomatoes Frozen Strawberries WG Bread Slice Milk	April 30 Breaded Chicken Patty Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy/Broccoli Mandarin Oranges WG Dinner Roll Cauliflower/Milk	May 1 Pizzaburger/WG Bun Baked Beans French Fries Romaine Lettuce Applesauce Milk
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EASTER EGG HUNT

Children up to 3rd Grade

Tuesday March 31st 4:15 PM at **City Park**



Sponsored by FFA (In case of rain it will be moved to the high school auditorium.)

Night of the Stars

Come see the speech performances and the spring play...



Good Cop Bad Cop By Ian McWethy & Jason Pizzarello

March 30th at 7:30 P.M.

in the Auditorium

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