

Blue's News

The Cat's out of the Bag!!

First Grade Gingerbread Houses

Every year, the first grade makes their gingerbread houses in Mrs. Miller's classroom. This year, that took place on December 16th. They get to cover them with frosting and various types of candy, to make it their own unique creation. Shown below are some of these amazing artists and their wonderful work!





Elementary Christmas Under the Stars

By: Brittany Trumbull

On December 8th, preschool all the way through 6th grade had their Christmas concert. The night began with second and third graders singing "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer", "Silver Bells", "We Three Kings", and "A Holly Jolly Christmas." Once They finished singing their songs, the Pre K through 1st grade sang "One a Wintry Day", "S_A_N_T_A", which is based off of the song "BINGO." They also sang "All I Want for Christmas" and "O Christmas Tree." They were then joined by the 2nd and 3rd graders in "Auld Lang Syne." "Auld Lang Syne" is a song saying goodbye or farewell. This song is usually sang at church or funerals and it was chosen since this was the last elementary concert. There was a short intermission after the final song with Pre K through 3rd graders in order to give 4th through 6th graders ready for their songs. Once the intermission was over, the concert jumped right into 5th and 6th graders singing "O Christmas Tree", "Good King Wenceslas", and "Here We Come A-Caroling." After those songs were sang, the 4th graders were able to solo three songs which were "The Holiday Season", "Go Tell It On The Mountain", and "Winter Wonderland." The concert then switched gears over to band. The 5th grade band played "Jingle Bells" solo and the 6th grade band played "Deck the Halls" solo. Then the two bands joined together and played "Not So Silent Night." It was "not so silent" because the drummers were able to go crazy with their parts and be loud, just like most drummers are known for. "Amazing Grace" was then played on guitars and sung by the 4th graders. Abby Stallbaumer played "Jolly Old St. Nick" as a solo on her violin. The concert finished with 4th through 6th graders singing "Auld Lang Syne."



★ Jr and Sr High Christmas Under the Stars ★

By: Brittany Trumbull

Exactly one week after the preschool and elementary concert, on December 15, junior high and high school had their Christmas concert. The night was kicked off with a piano duet between Vayle Berger and Mikayla McFate. Together, they played "Carol of the Bells." After that, the high school band played "Joyful Rock," which is an upbeat rock song, hence the word "rock." After that song was over, the junior high took charge and played "Angels We Have Heard on High." Then, the two bands joined and played "Cantique de Noel." They went back to the senior high who played "A Nutcracker Spectacular." The last song that the junior high band played solo was "Good King Nutcracker." The last song for the band was played by both the junior high and senior high. The song they played was African Bell Carol. Brittany Trumbull then played her flute solos which consisted of "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen", and "Angels We Have Heard On High." After that, It was time to change to the choir side of the concert. That part of the concert started off with the junior high choir with their three pieces which were "Various Themes on Fa-La-La", "Cantate: Latin Settings", and "A Jubilant Christmas." Vayle Berger then sang a solo which was "Breath of Heaven (Mary's Song)." A quartet which consisted of Vayle Berger, Mikayla McFate, Brett Hidle, and Isaac Stallbaumer sang "Angel We Have Heard on High." The high school choir then sang "Sing We Now of Christmas", "White World of Winter", "Still the Holiest Night", and "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer." After that, a slightly different quartet consisting of Mikayla McFate, Kaitlyn Pflaster, Brett Hidle, and Isaac Stallbaumer sang "Mary Did You Know." Lastly, the high school choir finished off the concert with "Count Your Blessings Instead of Sheep."



SOUTH LOUP BOBCATS BOYS BASKETBALL

The South Loup Bobcats started out ok against Amherst, until they started to be pressure South Loup a lot. When they started to do that, it caused South Loup to turn the ball over a lot, which Amherst turned into points. South Loup needs to work on handling pressure and needs to keep on getting better at rebounding the ball. According to Coach Weverka, they need to work on attacking the rack, improving week by week, game by game. We will do fine this season. South Loup is starting out with a 1 and 1. That is not a bad start to the year. Amherst is a C2 team that is rated third in the state. South Loup knew what they were going to bring, they just needed to handle the ball a little bit better. South Loup won against Twin Loup, which was a good win against a physical and athletic team. If South Loup buckles down and does what they are capable of, they can get some good wins down the road.

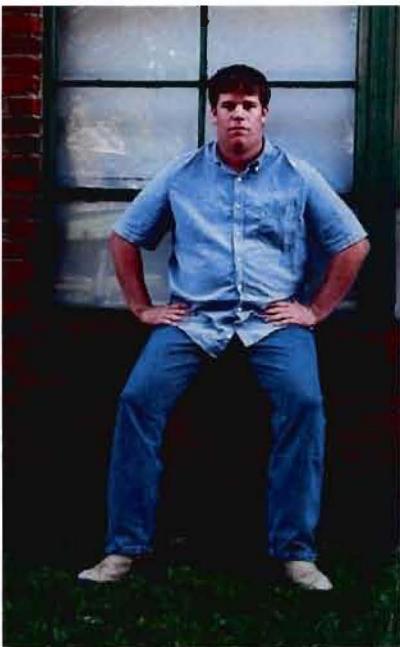
Girls Basketball

By: Matti Stout

Basketball season has begun. The girls' team has already played 4 games. The first game was against Twin Loup. The score was 27-33. We may have lost that game, but the team played together and worked hard. We didn't hang our heads, because we knew that it was a tough battle and we will see them again. The second game was against Amherst and had a better outcome than the Twin Loup game, with the final score being 35-25. We still worked our hardest, without giving up. The third game was against Stapleton. The score of that game was 59-12. The fourth game was against Pleasanton and that game has been the most difficult game of the season yet. Everyone fought their hardest and never gave up. We didn't get too down about this game either, because we all knew that we played to our full potential and we will see them again down in the season. We will be at the top of our game when we see them and hopefully, it will be a totally different outcome. I am so excited to see where this basketball season takes up. The starters for this season are Savannah Weverka, Madison Reed, Vayle Berger, Shaylee Jones, and Jessie Sallach.



Senior Bio



Ty Bonde

Birthday: December 10, 1998

Extracurricular Activities: wrestling

Favorite Food: pizza

Favorite music: country

Favorite TV shows/movie: person of interest

Favorite author/book: Chris Lynch

In my spare time, I: farm

Best memory so far: winning my first wrestling match

Best thing about being raised in a small community: knowing lots of people

Best advice my parents gave me: "Work hard no matter what"

My greatest talent (or trait): making people laugh

Motto, inspiration or favorite quote: "Champions aren't born, they're made"

I think the most important issue in America today is: politics

What did you want to be when you were little: football player

Future plans: go to college and come back to work for my dad



Lenny Johnson

Birthday: December 3, 1997

Extracurricular Activities: Wrestling

Favorite Food: steak

Favorite music: AC/DC

TV shows/movie: NCIS

Favorite author/book: Vietnam Series

My spare time, I: study the marines

Best memory so far: My baby girl being born

Best thing about being raised in a small community: not having much trouble

Best advice my parents gave me: "Finish what you started"

My greatest talent (or trait): U.S. Military History

Motto, inspiration or favorite quote: "Semper Fi"

I think the most important issue in America today is: The president

What did you want to be when you were little: a marine

Future plans: Join the marines or be a farmer



By: Laney Willis

Exploring history with the 6th Grade By Wryleigh Doyle

In December 2016, the 6th grade was tasked with reading a biography about a famous person and to create a poster about them with five facts about their lives. I got the pleasure to talk to several 6th graders about their projects and the people they did their projects on.

6th grader- Elijah Eggleston

Who did you do your project on? - "Peyton Manning and Tiger Woods"

Why did you choose Peyton Manning and Tiger Woods? - "I've loved football ever since the 4th grade, and tiger woods because of a video game I have."

What did you learn from this project? - "I learned that Tiger woods was one of the best golfers and peyton manning won the MVP award."

6th grader- Ava Pandorf

Who did you do your project on? - "Princess Diana"

Why did you choose Princess Diana? - "To learn more about the royal family."

What did you learn from this project? - "That she married Prince Charles,

had 2 kids, William and Harry. That she was much younger than Charles, they

split up because he cheated on her, and she had many sibling because her father wanted a boy."

6th grader- Taylor Ross

Who did you do your project on? - "Annie Oakley."

Why did you choose Annie Oakley? - "I like reading books about the wild west and she was an excellent markswoman"

What did you learn from this project? - "I learned that she was born into poverty, and she had to go to a foster home."

6th grader- Abby Stallbaumer

Who did you do your project on? - "I did mine on Betsy Ross"

Why did you choose Betsy Ross? - "I wanted to learn more about the history of the American flag"

What did you learn from this project? - "The evolution of the american flag and about Betsy Ross, obviously."

6th grader- Nadeema Haidle

Who did you do your project on? - "Jesse Owens"

Why did you choose Jesse Owens? - "I know that it was hard for black people back then and hitler didn't want him being in the olympics"

What Did you learn from this project? - "That no matter what you look like or how fast you are to always do your best."



Bobcat of the Month



Cale Potter

“Cale is a very polite young man who is always willing to help others. Cale always has a smile on his face, a positive attitude, and his smile is contagious, which always helps brighten the room and makes a good day even better!”

~Mr. Birkel



Jacob King

“I nominate Jacob King for Bobcat of the Month because he shows kindness. A new student came to our classroom. He has been helpful showing this student where things belong. He chooses kind words to help him complete tasks. Jacob is a good friend with a great heart. Keep up the GREAT work!”

~Mrs. Ross

What people are thankful for in 2016...

For this month's newspaper, I decided it would be good to find out what some of the kids in Callaway High School are thankful for. Me, personally, I am thankful for friends and family. Here are some people I chose to interview:

Kalen Dockweiler: He is thankful for God's grace and his ability to heal injuries. He is also thankful for prayers. He's also thankful for the game of basketball.

Gavin Robertson: He is thankful for a fun filled year of sports and his lovely family.

Sydnee Sallach: She is thankful for her loving family, friends and sports.

Mattisen Stout: She is thankful for friends, family, and her athletic abilities.

Wryleigh Doyle: She is thankful for food, sleep, and family.

Wyatt kunkee: He is thankful for his family, friends and rodeo.

Marshall still: He is thankful for friends, family, his love for rodeo. and sports.

Cassy coons: She is thankful for family and friends.

Weston kunkee: He is thankful for friends, family

Dane Rynearson: He is thankful for friends, family and food.

By:

Jake Hildebrandt



Santa's Wish List

By: Sandy Oliver



This year, we asked the Kindergarten class what they would like for Christmas. Their ideas ranged from electric eels, to tractors, to pogo sticks and more. Listed below are the names of the Kindergarten class and what their special requests are this year from Santa. We are sure that all of them will have a fabulous Christmas and appreciate them showing us a peak at their lists. Ho, Ho, Ho, Merry Christmas!

Gracie Brennan would like a new purple pogo stick and a pratter blocks

Landen Paulsen is asking Santa for a Minecraft bow and arrow, Minecraft scooter, snake, Minecraft video game, and an electric eel

Bristol Kubert would like Santa to bring a new dirt bike and a basketball court

Remi Flynn would like new cars

Jacob King is asking for a new firefighter set, play set, cars, and an EMT set

Callen Hickenbottom's request is for a new tribine, orange grain cart, and an orange tractor

Isaiah Ortiz would like new Minecraft Legos, action figures, glow-in-the-dark stickers, Linkin Logs, and a WWE set

Jayden Rendon would like Santa to bring a new Barbie Doll and candy

Trenton Haynes has on his list a phone, Ipad, Lego Minecraft, and a bow and arrow

Tasia Trotter would like a new stuffed animal cheetah, the whole family to be together, a rainbow outside, pet bird, and letter X



New Year's Resolutions

By Suzy Heusman

What is a New Year's resolution? It is a tradition, most common in the Western Hemisphere but also found in the Eastern Hemisphere, in which a person makes a promise to do an act of self-improvement or something slightly nice, such as opening doors for people beginning on New Year's Day. I had one person from 2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th, Sophomore, a Senior, and a teacher to do a New Year's resolution. Braxton Anderson in second grade says that he will be more responsible by buying a horse and taking care of all of its necessities. From fourth grade, Greeley Hrupek's resolution is to do a roundoff, two back handsprings and a back tuck for the first pass in gymnastics and an aerial. In sixth grade, Eli Eggleston wants to lose more than ten pounds. From sixth grade, Anthony Kratzer wants to gain one-hundred subscribers on youtube. Laney Badgley from eighth grade says she wants to focus on her grades because it's important for her to be able to get accomplished. Sophomore Brittany Ellison wants to stick to her last years resolution which is to not have a new year's resolution. The senior, Autumn Murphy, wants to earn money, find a good job that will stick with her and to live a happy life. The teacher that I chose was Bob Keeney. He wants to not procrastinate, eat healthier food, walk more, go to bed earlier to get up earlier, read more books, and spend less money. Whatever your New Year's resolution is I hope you're 2017 is great!

One Acts

By: Sydnee Sallach

The Callaway Play Production DaNA placed 3rd at their district competition November 28th in Paxton. There was many honorable mentions that were awarded to the cast. Here are all the cast members that got awards Savannah Weverka, Wryleigh Doyle, Marshall Still, Vayle Burger, Laney Willis, Atlynn Witthuhn, Spencer Bloomer, Brett Hidle Dane Rynearson, and Spencer Johnson.



Wishes to Santa from the First Grade.

Mariana Beavers

- Real Kitten
- Big teddy bear
- Sparkly Belt
- Crayons

Emma Stallbaumer

- Treasure Box
- Farm Set
- Crayons
- Teddy bear
- Computer

Hawkins Hamilton

- Collection
- Robots
- Laptop
- Snowboard

Kylee Kubert

- Present for Bella
- Tablet
- Big Tiger
- Crayon Box

Chloe Bloomer

- Tablet
- Treasure Box
- Lipstick
- Crayons

Patrick Eggleston

- Toy car
- Elf
- Crayons
- Pencil Box

Olivia Fitzgerald

- Toy Car
- Teddy Bear
- Computer
- Real Kitten

Lilly Rigler

- Lipstick
- Crayons
- Pencil Box
- Sparkle Belt

Payton Thompson

- Elf
- Computer
- Toy Puppy
- Lipstick

Rebecca Scott

- Doll
- Crayons
- Toy Puppy
- Playdough

An Open Letter to My Dad, Who Made Me Want to Quit Sports

Dear Dad,

I was afraid to say this to your face after the game today, but I was thinking that maybe you could stop coming to my games for a while. It doesn't seem that fun for you anyway, and I know it's not fun for me when you are there.

I used to love when you watched my play when I was younger, but now, I wish you weren't there. I think I am starting to hate playing soccer. I might quit. I bet you are wondering why.

I heard you in the stands today during my soccer game. I was going to say I heard you cheering, but that wasn't really what you were doing. You were coaching.

You were yelling about the other team, the other coaches, and at the officials. I also heard you yelling at me every time I got the ball.

I believe you think you are helping, but you are not. You are confusing me.

It's confusing when you coach me from the sideline. When I play soccer, I feel like I have to make so many decisions at a time. Should I dribble or pass? Should I cross or shoot? Should I step up or stay back? Where are my teammates?

Where are the defenders? I am trying to figure all these things out while out of breath, and fighting off defenders. With all this going on, you want me to listen to you, too? It seems no matter what I do, whether good or bad, you continue to yell at me. It is impossible to listen to you and play the game at the same time.

It is confusing when you and the coach shout instructions at the same time. I can't listen to both of you. Many times the things you say contradict what the coach teaches me at practice. My coach is trying to get me to pass it out of the back, but you keep yelling at me to kick it long.

My coach encourages me to dribble past players, but you tell me to get rid of it when I try to dribble. My coach tells me to pass the ball to feet, but you tell me to kick it over the top and our forwards will chase it down. I either get yelled at by my coach, or by you.

To make matters worse, sometimes the other parents join in and yell, too! I am so stressed out there. It's not a very good feeling.

It's confusing to me when you yell at the officials, especially since you teach me to respect teachers, coaches and my elders. Dad, some of these referees are kids that go to my school. I see them at lunch and in the halls and I am so embarrassed.

Would you yell at me like that if I was a new referee? Even when the officials are right, and you are standing 50 yards away, you yell at them. I wish you would just let the game play out and let me and my coach handle what is going on.

It's confusing when you are still upset about the loss hours after a game. How long is it appropriate to be sad and angry? I mean, I am the one who played, right?

We are supposed to win some and lose some if we play good teams, right? We got beat, but now we have to move on and get ready for the next game.

I am not sure how staying angry will help me get better for the next game. I certainly don't feel like learning much immediately after a loss.

The best thing you can do after a game is tell me you are proud of me for competing, and showing good sportsmanship, and that you love to watch me play.

What are we going to eat is helpful too. But that's all. I can get better next practice.

It's confusing when you talk badly about my coach in front of me. You tell me to respect my coach and listen to what he says, but then I hear you and other parents say he doesn't know what he is doing.

My friends say that their dads tell them not to listen to the coach, and they don't know who to listen to anymore. No wonder our coach gets so frustrated with us.

Callaway HS (South Loup) - January 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
1	2 Teacher In-Service 12:00-4:00	3 School Resumes for Students	4	5 2:00 PM B JH BKB Sandhills Thedford Knights 2:00 PM G JH BKB Sandhills Thedford Knights 4:00 PM G JV BKB Sandhills Thedford Knights 5:00 PM B JV BKB Sandhills Thedford Knights 6:00 PM G V BKB Sandhills Thedford Knights 7:30PM B V BKB Sandhills Thedford Knights	6	7 10:00 AM B V WR @ Amherst High School 3:00 PM G JV BKB Bertrand High School 4:00 PM B JV BKB Bertrand High School 5:30 PM G V BKB Bertrand High School 7:00PM B V BKB Bertrand High School
8	9 7:00 PM Board Meeting	10 1:30PM B JH BKB @ Anselmo-Merna High School 1:30PM G JH BKB @ Anselmo-Merna High School	11	12 FFA All Member Meeting during lunch	13 1:00 PM B V WR @ Sumner-Eddyville-Miller High School 4:00 PM G JV BKB Maxwell High School 5:00 PM B JV BKB Maxwell High School 6:30 PM G V BKB Maxwell High School 8:00PM B V BKB Maxwell High School	14 10:00 AM B V WR @ Shelton High School 2:00 PM G JV BKB Brady High School 3:00 PM B JV BKB Brady High School 4:30 PM G V BKB Brady High School 6:00 PM B V BKB Brady High School
15	16 1:00 PM B JH BKB @ CO-OP Ansley-Litchfield 1:00 PM G JH BKB @ CO-OP Ansley-Litchfield	17	18	19 4:00 PM G JV BKB CO-OP Ansley-Litchfield 5:00 PM B JV BKB CO-OP Ansley-Litchfield 6:00PM G V BKB CO-OP Ansley-Litchfield 7:30PM B V BKB CO-OP Ansley-Litchfield	20 No School- Winter Break 12:30 PM B V WR South Loup Invite	21 TBA Broken Bow Speech Meet TBA Little Kids Wrestling Tournament in Callaway
22	23 TBA B V BKB Conference Round 1 TBA G V BKB Conference Round 1	24 TBA B V BKB @ Conference Quarter Finals Basketball Tourn. TBA G V BKB @ Conference Quarter Finals Basketball Tourn.	25 FCCLA District STAR	26 TBA B V BKB @ Conference Basketball Semi Finals at N. Platte TBA G V BKB @ Conference Basketball Semi Finals at N. Platte	27 10:00 AM B V WR @ Medicine Valley High School	28 MNAC Art Contest at N. Platte TBA Ord Speech Meet TBA B V BKB @ Conference Finals/Consolation at N. Platte TBA G V BKB @ Conference Finals/Consolation -at N. Platte
29	30 1:30 PM B JH BKB Stapleton Public High School 1:30 PM G JH BKB Stapleton Public High School	31				

Callaway HS (South Loup) - February 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Mid Quarter - 3rd Quarter TBA B V WR @ Conference Wrestling at Mullen 4:00 PM G JV BKB @ Mullen High School 5:00 PM B JV BKB @ Mullen High School 6:00PM G V BKB @ Mullen High School 7:30PM B V BKB @ Mullen High School	4 little Cheer leaders in Arnold TBA Gothenburg Speech Meet 5:30 PM G V BKB Mc Pherson County High School 7:00PM B V BKB Mc Pherson County High School
5	6 1:00 PM B JH BKB @ CO-OP Twin Loup 1:00 PM G JH BKB @ CO-OP Twin Loup	7 3:30 PM G JV BKB Anselmo-Merna High School 4:30 PM B JV BKB Anselmo-Merna High School 6:00 PM G V BKB Anselmo-Merna High School 7:30PM B V BKB Anselmo-Merna High School	8 TBA FFA- District Career Development Events #1 1:00 PM B JH BKB Maxwell High School 1:00 PM G JH BKB Maxwell High School	9 12:00 Dismiss for Students. Parent Teacher Conferences 1:00-8:00	10 No School TBA B V WR @ Wrestling Districts 3:00 PM G JV BKB @ Eustis- Farnam High School 4:30 PM B JV BKB @ Eustis-Farnam High School 5:30PM G V BKB @ Eustis-Farnam High School 7:00PM B V BKB @ Eustis-Farnam High School	11 TBA North Platte Speech Meet TBA B V WR @ Wrestling Districts
12	13 Girls Sub Districts 7:00 PM Board Meeting	14 Girls Basketball Subdistricts	15 Teacher In-Service 1:30 dismissal	16 Girls Basketball Subdistricts State Wrestling	17 State Wrestling little Cheer leaders in Callaway 3:00 PM Booster Club Hoop Shoot 6:00 PM B JV BKB Sumner- Eddyville-Miller High School 7:30PM B V BKB Sumner-Eddyville- Miller High School	18 State Wrestling TBA Loup City Speech Meet
19	20 FFA All Member Meeting during lunch	21 Boys Basketball Subdistricts	22	23 Boys Basketball Subdistricts	24 Girls Basketball District Finals	25
26	27	28				

January 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Long john Chicken nuggets	4 Sausage biscuit Nacho beef	5 Pancakes Hot dog	6 Bk burrito Baked potato bar	7
8	9 Tornadoes Lasagna	10 Donut Chicken Quesidilla	11 Eggstravaganza Burrito	12 Bk combo bar Stomboli	13 Bk pizza Ham	14
15	16 Mini cinnis Chicken strips	17 Long john Pulled pork sand.	18 French toast Pigs in a blanket	19 Waffles Tacos	20	21
22	23 Tornado Chicken patty	24 Donut Chili	25 Turnover Pork patty	26 Omelet Chicken alfredo	27 Bk burrito Pizza cheese sticks	28
29	30 Mini cinnis Turkey sandwich	31 Long john Chicke fajitas				
		Notes: Lunch K-6 \$2.40, 7-12 \$2.55, Adults \$3.75, Breakfast \$2.05, Extra Juice \$0.25, Milk \$0.40, Seconds \$0.40 USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.				

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