

The Huskies Leader

From Brad Best, Superintendent...

There are so many things to celebrate and plan for this time of year, so I am going to highlight a few accomplishments and let you see all of the other activities mentioned within the newsletter. We will be presenting information on a major technology initiative at the board meeting on March 11th. Here are some of the technology projects students have completed already ...



Congratulations to Danile Quiring, Lincoln Ruybalid, and Brent Regier who won **FIRST PLACE** in Nebraska Educational Technology Association's (NETA) Open Class Contest. The students made a video on How a Bill Becomes a Law as part of an assignment for Ms. Mazour's American Government class. Watch this award winning video here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E9TFgVfDry4>



Congratulations to Ms. Mazour's American History class for their **FIRST PLACE** finish in the Nebraska Educational Technology Association's (NETA) Student Web 2.0 Tools contest. The students did a Prezi on how to use Evernote. The students winning this award are: Allison Braun, Bailey Carr, Darrian Chase, Sidney Dick, Brandon Boardman, Megan Boardman, Megan Friesen, Aubrey DeBaal, Kaci Hiebner, Morgan Michel, Lew Marsolek, Jonathon Larson, Kelli Bergen and Leah Friesen. Check out their award winning presentation here: http://prezi.com/kxftzfpml_ur/evernote-tutorial/



Based on her academic achievement and involvement in school and community, Ashley Quiring has been named a National Merit Finalist! She is the first finalist at Heartland in 10 years! Less than 1% of initial applicants are chosen as finalists.

Option Enrollment

Heartland Community Schools is open to accepting more option enrollment students and we feel that we have much to offer! A student from another district may enroll at Heartland when approved through the option enrollment program.

If you know of someone who would be interested in enrolling their children to Heartland, please have them call the superintendent's office at 402-723-4434. High school students must have an option enrollment application filed and approved **before March 15, 2013** in order to be immediately eligible for extracurricular activities in the fall.

Ch.I.L.D. Day Provided by Heartland Community School

Heartland Community School is setting aside a special time for parents of children age 5 and below to participate in **Ch.I.L.D. Day**, which stands for *Childhood Information on Language and Development*. Just as parents take their young children to the doctor for medical check-ups, the school can provide to parents the services of a “*developmental wellness visit*”. The early childhood personnel at the school can provide current and useful information to parents concerning the early development of their baby, toddler, or preschooler.

Ch.I.L.D. Day is a childfind effort conducted by the Heartland Community School District. School districts are required to conduct childfind activities to ensure that young children who need early intervention services are identified. Involvement in Ch.I.L.D. Day is a free, completely voluntary service and is conducted in a confidential manner.

Ch.I.L.D. Day is set for **Thursday, April 4, 2013 from 4:00 – 8:00pm** and will be held in the Heartland Preschool room. Interested parents who live in the Heartland School District can call the school office in Henderson to register for a 45-minute time slot when they can bring their child to the school. Parents will be able to ask questions about their child’s development, complete a developmental checklist, and have their child play and interact informally with adults knowledgeable about young children. Further information may need to be gathered at a later time if the parents and school staff see any concerns. Parental permission is required for any further evaluation.

Heartland Community School wishes to extend this invitation as one way of providing support and information to parents of young children in our district. Again, parents of young children in the Heartland school district are invited to call the school at 402-723-4434 to register for Ch.I.L.D. Day

Ch.I.L.D. Day

Childhood Information on Language and Development

**Thurs., April 4, 2013
4:00-8:00p.m.**

**Call for a 45-min. appointment
in the preschool room**

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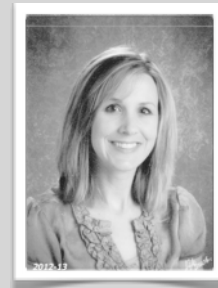


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FCS News

The FCS classes have been doing patchwork quilting projects and will begin individual projects such as gym bags, blankets, and stuffed animals. Students in the classes are Katriina Autio, Solomon Doxtator-Morenberg, Alex Brodrick, Silvina Cruz, Tyler Henry, Kaitlyn Seefeld, and Kiani Schultz.



Tyler Henry with his pillow.



Alex Brodrick, Kaitlyn Seefeld, Silvina Cruz, and Kiani Schultz busy working on their projects.

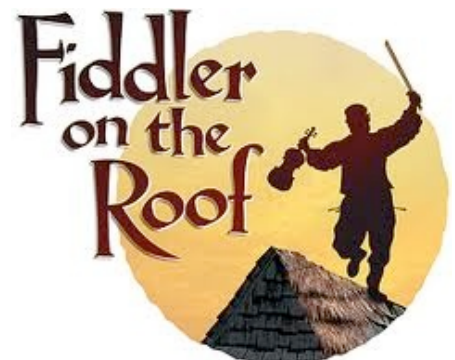


Solomon Doxtator-Morenberg with his patchwork blanket.

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

On April 12 and 13, Heartland music and drama students will present the musical "Fiddler on the Roof." This all-time Broadway classic follows Tevye, a dairyman living during the final days of Czarist Russia, as he tries to find a balance between maintaining his strongly held faith traditions in the midst of rapidly changing world. Tevye's struggle is a story that all - regardless of background - can identify with. This, combined with a famous musical score including favorites such as "If I Were a Rich Man," "Matchmaker," and "Sunrise, Sunset" make for what many feel to be the greatest of all musicals.

Tickets for "Fiddler On the Roof" can be purchased through the school office and will go on sale March 18. Adult tickets will be available for \$8.00 while student tickets will go for \$6.00.



HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

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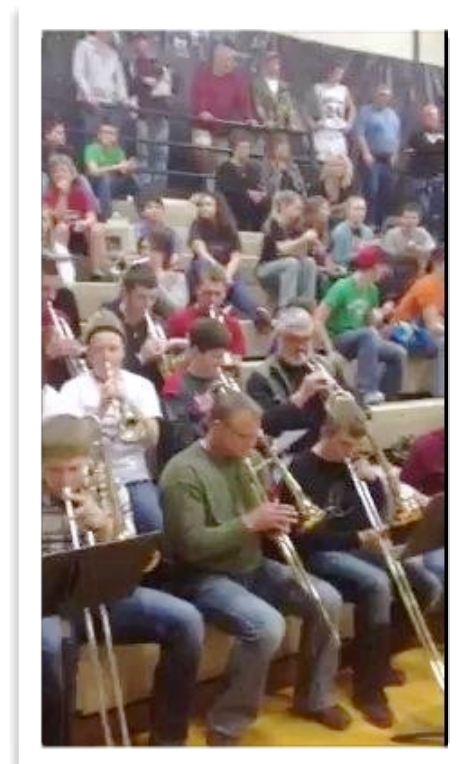
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Easter

*Drums-Lance Hiebner; Guitar-Rick Siebert;
Tuba-Brenan Erb; Trap-Set - Luis Romo.*



*The Alumni Pep-Band Performing at the
Doniphan-Trumbull Basketball Game.*

Community Alumni Pep
Band

There were many all-stars joining the community-alumni pep band Friday, February 15 as Heartland took on Doniphan-Trumbull. With the Heartland Pep Band, Alumni and Community members, the pep band totaled fifty-five people. Thanks for coming to support HCS!

Upcoming Dates

March 1, 2013**NO SCHOOL-Spring Break****March 8, 2013****NO SCHOOL-Spring Break****March 11, 2013**

NHS Blood Drive @ 10:00 AM

School Board Meeting 7:00PM

March 16, 2013

Smorgasbord @ 5:00PM

March 18 & 21, 2013

Parent Teacher Conferences 4:30-8:30PM

March 22, 2013**NO SCHOOL in lieu of Parent
Teacher Conferences**

Class C & D All State Music

March 25, 2013

Sophomores Crane Field Trip @ 5:30AM

March 29, 2013**NO SCHOOL-Good Friday****March 30, 2013**

NE Ambassadors of Music

ELEMENTARY NEWS**Kindergarten Roundup Scheduled for April 12, 2013**

Heartland Community Schools will hold their Kindergarten Roundup on Friday, April 12th, in the Kindergarten Room. Children who will be five years of age by July 31, 2013 are eligible for kindergarten in the fall of 2013 and should consider attending Roundup.



The purpose of Roundup is to provide an opportunity for next year's kindergarten students to meet their teachers, Mrs. Thiesen and Mrs. Peters, and to meet other prospective kindergarteners. Three sessions will be held. The morning sessions will begin at 8:30AM and 10:00AM and the afternoon session will begin at 1:30PM.

Parents will register their children for attendance at Heartland Community Schools in the conference room with Elementary Principal, Cindy Huebert. Parents should bring their child's immunization records with them as well as an original copy of their child's birth certificate.

Birth certificates are available from: Vital Records, PO Box 95065, Lincoln, NE 68509-5065 or call them at 402-471-2871. You can download a form or fill out an online request by going to www.hhs.state.ne.us/vitalrecords/index.htm.

All eligible children residing in the Heartland District whose names are on the current census list will receive an invitation to Roundup by April 1. If you are planning on optioning your child into the district, all option papers must be turned in by March 15, 2013, for the 2013-2014 school year. If you know of a child who will be five by July 31 and for any reason may not have his or her name on the school census list, please call the school office at Heartland Community Schools at 402-723-4434.

Book Fair

The PTO hosted their 4th annual book fair from February 19-23rd. Thank you to all the parents and community members who purchased books. We sold \$2,828.91 in books and our school received over \$1,700 in free books for our library! Happy reading!



A DS was turned in to the school office several months ago. You can claim it by identifying the case and password.

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March 14, 2013

PTO Meeting @ 6:30PM

March 16, 2013

Smorgasbord @ 5:00PM

March 18 & 21, 2013Parent Teacher Conferences
4:30-8:30PM**March 22, 2013****NO SCHOOL in lieu of Parent
Teacher Conferences****March 26, 2013**

4th Grade Field Trip

March 29, 2013**NO SCHOOL-Good Friday****Elementary Principal**

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Ashley Quiring Selected for Honor Band

The Nebraska High School Honor Band/Honor Choir and Honor Chamber Orchestra event was held at Hastings College Saturday February 9, 2013. Ashley Quiring of Heartland Community School was chosen by audition to play clarinet in this Honor Band. The seventy-five piece band was chosen from students from across the state of Nebraska.

The students gathered at Hastings College on Thursday, February 7 and rehearsed through Saturday, February 9. The concert was on Saturday at 3:00 p.m. Each ensemble presented their concert and then for a finale the Honor Band, Choir, and Chamber Orchestra performed together on "America the Beautiful" arranged by Carmen Dragon. The Honor Band was conducted by Dr. Shawn Smith of Texas A.&M. University.



Huskies 7th & 8th Grade Boys Basketball Report

The Heartland boys 7th & 8th grade basketball team is nearing the end of a successful season. Led by an excellent 8th grade class consisting of Austin Stuhr, Spencer Prentice, Ben Driewer, Ethan Hall, and Mark Perez, these young men have worked diligently to improve themselves day by day.

"Coaching this 8th grade class has been a pleasure," says Coach Lee Smith. "In two years of football and this season of basketball, not once has one of these young men (in the 8th grade class) shown up late for practice because of an issue in the classroom. That is a great testament to the character of these young men."

The 7th grade class has also been exemplary in their attitudes and performance.

"We really have an unusual team, in that we have a lot of quality depth. We have a lot of young men that know the game and can play it at a high level," Coach Smith reports. "We have been able to introduce to them a lot of the same offensive principles that our high school team uses. It has been fun to see them grow in their understanding of the game."

The "A" team is currently 3-4, and looking forward to ending their season with a strong showing in the Harvard Tournament. The "B" team sports a record of 5-2. They, also, will look to finish well at the Harvard Tournament. The future of Huskie boys basketball definitely looks bright.

Each team won 2 more games at the Harvard Tournament. The A & B teams earned first place.



Back Row: Coach Lee Smith, Lane Huebert, Ethan Hall, Mark Perez, Ben Driewer, Austin Stuhr, Spencer Prentice & Coach Greg Vanderneck.
Front Row: Caleb Bankston, Noah Boyd, Aaron Buller, Connor Boehr, Jaden Regier, Kyle Ott & Hayes Oswald

**2013 TRACK
VARSITY SCHEDULE**

DATE	MEET	PLACE	TIME
March 14	Doane-College	Crete	12:00
March 19	Wilber-Clatonia Quad	Wilber	4:00
March 26	Wilber-Clatonia Invite	Wilber	3:00
April 2	Sandy Creek Invite	Sandy Creek	1:00
April 9	Heartland Invite	Henderson	1:30
April 16	Centennial Invite	Utica	2:00
April 22	Central Ne. Invite	Grand Island	TBA
April 23	Centennial Quad	Utica	4:15
April 27	Southern Ne. Conference	Hebron	9:00
May 2	Sutton Invite	Sutton	1:00
May 8	Districts	Kenesaw	TBA
May 17-18	State	Omaha Burke	TBA

**2013 TRACK
JUNIOR HIGH SCHEDULE**

DATE	MEET	PLACE	TIME
April 4	Sandy Creek Invite	Sandy Creek	2:00
April 11	Heartland Invite	Henderson	1:30
April 18	Doniphan-Trumbull Invite	Doniphan	1:30
April 22	Centennial Invite	Utica	2:00
April 29	Sutton S-Club Invite	Sutton	2:00
May 4	Southern Ne. Conference	Geneva	9:00

Varsity Boys and Girls Basketball Teams In Action

The Boys finished their season with a 12-11 record and the Girls finished with a 15-8 record. We would like to thank the Heartland Beat for all the photos and for covering the Girls and Boys Basketball season.



Drivers Education 2013

Drivers Education Classes will again be offered to Heartland students through the Nebraska Safety Council. The classes will take place at Heartland Community Schools in Henderson. The fee for the classes are \$299.00 per student for the summer of 2013. You can go online and download a registration form at www.nesafetycouncil.org.

Please send the completed form and registration fee to PO Box 30578, Lincoln, NE 68503-0578. Checks should be made out to the Nebraska Safety Council. Students can also pick up a registration form from the school office. The fee must be paid the first day of class



- **Advanced registration and payment are required.**
- **Students must possess a school learner's permit, a school permit or a learner's permit to enroll.**

Only one session will be offered this summer and will run July 8-11 2013 from 8:00-1:00PM. The behind-the-wheel classes will be arranged during the classroom sessions. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

FFA News

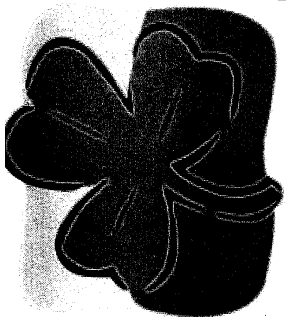
Six FFA members' proficiency awards were chosen to advance to state reviews, which were held February 23. Leah Friesen's proficiency for Specialty Crops was chosen as one of the top three awards in her category. She will go through an interview on April 4th to determine if she is the top proficiency award winner for Specialty Crops in the state of Nebraska. FFA members celebrated National FFA Week February 18-22. Due to inclement weather a few activities were postponed to the week of February 25-28. On Monday, State Vice President Doug Larsen, from Stewart NE, was here to visit and lead workshops. Tuesday morning, chapter FFA officers held a staff appreciation breakfast of pancakes, sausage, and juice. Wednesday, members were asked to drive their tractors to school. They also held a pizza party at lunch. Saturday, Officers manned the booth at the Henderson Homeshow, and proficiency awards were judged at the state level. On Monday, February 25, members were handed candy bars as part of Member Appreciation Day. Freshmen members also read to Mrs. Peters' Kindergarten class. Tuesday, the freshmen read to Mrs. Thiesen's class. On Thursday, the annual FFA Barnyard was held. Upcoming events for the Heartland Chapter include the annual Labor Auction on March 4th. Career Development Contests will be held on March 5th.

FFA Labor Auction and Free Pancake Feed

Where: Heartland Cafeteria
When: Monday March 4, 2013
Time: 5:00 FREE Pancakes
7:00 Labor Auction


















Please come bid on the Heartland FFA members and support the chapter! The money that is raised will go towards State FFA Convention, Leadership Training and community service activities.

****The students will provide 6 hours of labor.****



March 2013



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 NO SCHOOL 	2
3 	4 Taco's Corn Fruit & Veggie Bar 	5 Chicken Strips M.P./Gravy Dinner Roll Fruit & Veggie Bar	6 Philly Sandwich Fries Fruit & Veggie Bar 	7 BBQ Meatballs Cornbread Peas Fruit & Veggie Bar	8 NO SCHOOL 	9
10 	11 Turkey Club Scalloped Potatoes. Fruit & Veggie Bar	12 Chicken Noodle Soup Cinnamon Rolls Fruit & Veggie Bar	13 Sausage, Egg & Cheese Biscuit Breakfast Potatoes Fruit & Veggie Bar	14 Enchilada's Long John (1/2) Corn Fruit & Veggie Bar 	15 Grilled Cheese Potato Stars Fruit & Veggie Bar 	16
17 	18 Hamburgers Fries Fruit & Veggie Bar 	19 Chicken Fajita Blueberry Cake Corn Fruit & Veggie Bar 	20 Steak Fingers M.P./Gravy Dinner Roll Fruit & Veggie Bar 	21 Pig in the Blanket Baked Beans Steamed Broccoli Fruit & Veggie Bar	22 NO SCHOOL 	23
24	25 Grilled Chicken Sandwich Fries Fruit & Veggie Bar	26 Pizza Corn Fruit & Veggie Bar 	27 French Dip Hash Browns Fruit & Veggie Bar	28 Crispos Mini Donut Fruit & Veggie Bar 	29 NO SCHOOL GOOD FRIDAY	30
31 						~MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE~

March 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24	25 Track Spring Practices Begins 7:30 PM 9-12 Vocal/Instrumental Concert	26 B BB District Finals	27 Inservice (2 hr Late Start) Dr. Seuss Day	28 G BB State Championship	1 Spring Vacation (No School)	2
3	4 7:15 AM John Baylor test prep 5:00 PM FFA Pancake Feed and Labor Auction 7:00 PM FBLA meeting	5 8:00 AM Sociology class to prison field trip 8:00 AM FFA Career Development Event @ Columbus 12:00 PM Art Club Meeting	6 7:00 AM FCA Meeting	7 Boys State BB End of 3rd 9 weeks	8	9
10	11 10:00 AM NHS Blood Drive 7:00 PM School Board Meeting 7:15 PM John Baylor test prep	12 8:00 AM FFA Livestock Judging	13 7:00 AM FCA Meeting	14 12:00 PM Doane College Track Meet 6:30 PM PTO Meeting	15	16 5:00 PM Smorgasbord
17	18 7:15 AM John Baylor test prep 10:00 AM 8th Grade field trip to York College 4:30 PM Parent Teacher Conferences 6:30 PM John Baylor test prep	19 4:00 PM Track Quad: Wilber-Clatonia, Sutton, Centennial, Heartland @ Wilber	20 7:00 AM FCA Meeting 8:00 AM Career Academy students to Doane for Interviews 1:00 PM NE Wesleyan Band Performance	21 4:30 PM Parent Teacher Conferences 6:30 PM John Baylor test prep 8:30 PM John Baylor test prep	22 Class C & D All State Music (No School)	23
24	25 5:30 AM Sophomores Crane Field Trip 7:15 AM John Baylor test prep	26 8:30 AM 4th Grade Field Trip-Archway & Rowe 3:00 PM Track Meet Wilber-Clatonia Invite 4:00 PM Henderson Coop Annual Meeting 4:00 PM Boys Golf Heartland, Sutton, Doniphan-	27 7:00 AM FCA Meeting	28 9:00 AM Boys Golf Superior Invitational	29 No School (Good Friday) 4:30 PM NE Ambassadors of music set-up	30 NE Ambassadors of Music
31	1 No School (Easter Vacation) 4:00 PM Boys Golf Quad-Sutton, Thayer Central, Exeter-Milligan	2 12:00 PM Art Club Meeting 1:00 PM Track Meet Sandy Creek Invite	3 FFA State Convention in Lincoln 7:00 AM FCA Meeting 9:00 AM Boys Golf Friend Invitational	4 FBLA State Convention in Omaha 2:00 PM Jr Hi Track Meet Sandy Creek Invite @ Sandy Creek	5	6

HEARTLAND FBLA MEMBERS WIN AWARDS

Heartland FBLA members won many awards at the Peru State College Business Competition on February 13 and the UNK Business Competition on February 19. These two business competitions give Heartland FBLA members the opportunity to take practice tests to prepare for the State Leadership Conference held in Omaha on April 4-6.

Heartland FBLA members earned 9 first place awards, 4 second place awards, 3 third place awards, 4 fourth place awards, 3 fifth place awards and 1 sixth place award for a total of 24 awards.

Individual results for the two competitions are as follows:

SENIORS: Ashley Quiring: 1st Economics, 1st Entrepreneurship and 1st Marketing (Peru) 1st Marketing, 1st Personal Money Management and 2nd Economics (UNK)

JUNIOR: Allison Braun: 1st Business Law (UNK) 5th Business Communications (Peru)

SOPHOMORES: Colton Siebert: 1st Accounting I and 2nd Keyboarding II Production (UNK), 3rd Accounting and 4th Business Math (Peru)

Gina Grady: 3rd Business Law and 6th Spelling (UNK)

Kaitlyn Quiring: 4th Keyboarding II Production (UNK)

FRESHMEN: Haley Huebert: 1st Introduction to Business and 4th Keyboarding I Objective (Peru) 4th Filing and 5th General Business (UNK)

McKenna Friesen: 1st Keyboarding I Production (UNK)

Camryn Dick: 2nd Keyboarding I Speed and 2nd Keyboarding I Production (UNK) 5th Keyboarding I Skills (Peru). **Rebekah Larson:** 3rd Keyboarding I Speed (UNK)



FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA CELEBRATE FBLA WEEK

The week of February 10-15 was designated as FBLA Week. Heartland FBLA planned special activities for each day of the week. The committee members organizing the week were Allison Braun, Morgan Michel, Tyler Brown, Gina Grady and Jason Burhoop. The activities were as follows:

Monday-Friday – Question of the Day (winner announced at the end of each day)

Monday – Member Appreciation Day (locker signs and a treat for each member)

Tuesday – Teacher Appreciation Day (cookies in the office for the teachers)

Wednesday – Business Competition Day at Peru State College

Thursday – FBLA T-shirt Day

Friday – Candy Guessing Jar (winner announced at the end of the day)

The winner of the candy jar was 5th grader, Allison Kroeker. The correct number was 108, and she guessed 110. The FBLA candy jars were won by Haley Huebert and Jason Burhoop.



Allison Braun and Allison Kroeker

Band German Smorgasbord

The annual Band German Smorgasbord will be held Saturday, March 16, 2013. The meal will be served from 5:00PM to 7:30PM and a band concert will be held at 7:45PM. Adult tickets are \$11.00. Children ages 4-12 are \$6.00. Any child under the age of 4 is free. Tickets will go on sale February 14, 2013 and may be purchased from any band member or by calling or stopping by the Heartland School offices. Tickets must be purchased in advance.



April Reminders

- April 1, 2013**
Easter Vacation-No School
- April 3-5 2013**
FFA State Convention-Lincoln
- April 8, 2013**
School Board Meeting-7:00PM
- April 12, 2013**
Kindergarten Round-Up
- April 12 & 13 2013**
All School Musical
- April 24 2013**
Inservice-2hr Early Dismissal
- April 25, 2013**
FFA Banquet @ 6:30PM
- April 30, 2013**
Fine Arts Festival @ 6:30
Spring Vocal/Band Concert @ 7:30PM



March 11th



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