# ${ }^{\text {Tre }}$ Huskies Leader 

From Brad Best, Superintendent...

## To our parents and supporters,

$\mathbf{S}_{\text {mall schools in }}$ Nebraska look for ways to provide as many opportunities for their students as is possible within the restraints of budgets and the numbers of staff and students that support those programs. Our numbers are holding relatively steady, but there is no way to predict where they will be 5 -Io years from now. Hampton Public School has asked if we would be interested in forming a co-operative agreement that would combine our students for extra-curricular activities. This is not a merger or a consolidation of schools - that has not even been discussed. It would simply be an agreement relative to how our students may participate together in activities while still maintaining our own schools. Some districts in the area that have these types of agreements are ExeterMilligan and Fillmore Central or Bruning, Davenport, and Shickley (BDS).
The initial consideration is to combine students for $j$ r. high football this coming fall. About io years ago, the same agreement was in place with Hampton for a period of time and it worked well. We have also talked about combining jr. high students for other activities. Our school boards will discuss and possibly take action on jr. high activities at the April $3^{\text {th }}$ board meeting.
Looking forward, the question is whether we would combine our students for high school activities, as well. Our numbers of students are not likely to increase over the next couple of years and combining students for activities would expand opportunities for all of our students. Hampton has a strong speech program; we don't offer speech. We offer golf; they do not. Neither of us offers cross-country. Expanded opportunities for our students make it intriguing to consider.
We will provide multiple opportunities for the public to receive information and provide input prior to making any decisions related to high school activities. We continue to focus on the tenant of what is best for our students. This is not about us; it's about them. If you have questions or comments related to a possible co-operative agreement for activities, please give me a call at school at 723-4434. Additional information will be shared as the conversations progress.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Included in the newsletter is a Census Form for Heartland Community Schools. Please complete \& return this form to the school office by May 15, 2015 even if your children do not attend Heartland Community Schools.
It is important that you fill out this form and return it to the school office.
Thank you for your cooperation!


EDUCATION TO THE FUTURE, FOR TOMORROW BELONGS TO THE PEOPLE WHO PREPARE FOR IT TODAY. - Malcolm X -

## All School Musical to be held on April 17 \& 18, 2015

The songs of Elvis Presley form the backdrop for this musical about a leather-jacketed roustabout who shakes up a small Midwestern town in the 1950s. Librettist Joe DiPietro's tale of mistaken identity and romance that ensue was inspired by Twelfth Night and other Shakespearean comedies. Be sure to catch this production by HCS students on April $17-\mathrm{I} 8$ at the Heartland Community Schools Theater. The Friday and Saturday performances will take place at 7:00pm. Tickets are available at the High School Office. They are \$i2.0o for adults and \$9.00 for students.

## Junior-Senior Banquet \& Prom

On April 25, 2015, we will hold the Junior-Senior Prom. There will be a meal for the Juniors and Seniors and their guests at 6:30pm in the old gym. The cost for the meal is $\$ 15.00$ for juniors and $\$ 15.00$ for a guest and complimentary for seniors. After the meal, the students will do a walkthrough from the cafeteria to the theater starting at $7: 45 \mathrm{pm}$. The $9^{-12}$
 student body, parents and guests are invited to the Royalty ceremony held in the school theater starting at 8:15pm. The prom dance will be held in the South (Old) Gym starting at 9:0opm. Students will need to purchase a $\$ 5.00$ ticket to the dance and post prom activities from the High School office. All activities are chaperoned by parents. Any students leaving the prom early will need sponsor permission and parents will be called.


## Heartland Preschool Taking Applications for 2015-16 School Year

Heartland Preschool is now taking applications for the 2015-16 school year, which will begin August 18,2015. There will again be two sessions, each running four days a week, Monday through Thursday. Mornings will be for 3 -year-olds and the afternoons will be for $4 \& 5$-year-olds. Children can attend two, three, or four sessions a week. The current cost for students to attend preschool is $\$ 65.00$ per month for 2 sessions a week; $\$ 97.50$ per month for 3 sessions a week; $\$ 130.00$ per month for 4 sessions a week. A cost increase may go into effect for the 2015-16 school year, pending approval by the Heartland School Board. Tuition can be paid by the month, quarter or semester, and is due prior to the start of each pay period. Reduced or free tuition is also available for those families who qualify. Please let the school office know if you want to apply for tuition assistance. Children who are verified for special education services attend at the cost of the district, with no charge for the parents. Their schedule is determined by their Individual Education Plan (IEP).

Interested parents can pick up an application form at the Heartland School office and then return the form after completing it. Parents will be contacted in early June concerning their child's application. Parents can contact Dot Quiring, Heartland Preschool teacher, with questions.

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## Honor Roll Students Not Pictured in the March Newsletter



2nd 2uarter Honor Roll: Front row- (L to R): Shauna Spencer, Jade Hiebner \& Olivia Casper. Back Row- (L to R): Josh 2uiring, Cade Oswald, Peyton Ott, Tyler Lear, Andrew Fhuere, fose Romo, Dylan fohnson \& Ben Winter. Not pictured: Delaney Siebert.

ist Semester Honor Roll: Front Row-(L to R): Kristina Rowe, Shauna Spencer, Fade Hiebner \& Olivia Casper. Back Row-(L to R): Josh 2uiring, Peyton Ott, Fesse Mason, Tyler Lear, Andrew Fhuere, Roy Mason, Dylan Fobnson ơ Ben Winter. Not Pictured: Delaney Siebert.

## Junior High Students Compete in First Annual Cupcake Wars!

The 7th and 8th grade Family and Consumer Science students researched various cooking sites on the internet to come up with what they thought would be the winning cupcake. They broke into teams of boys vs. girls and created delicious and professional looking cupcakes. They gave a presentation about their cupcakes to the judges and a winner was chosen. During the process students were taught food safety, kitchen safety, and professional preparation techniques.



Heartland inducted thirteen new members at the annual Heartland National Honor Society Banquet on March $17^{\text {th }}$. Fourteen senior members were congratulated for their leadership in National Honor Society. Next, the outgoing officers handed their leadership roles over to the new officers that were selected prior to the banquet. The banquet concluded with Junior members presentation of a speed dating skit highlighting the high standards of scholarship, leadership, service and character that National Honor Society students strive to uphold.

Outgoing officers: President Tierney Casper; Vice President Rachelle Allen; Secretary Haley Huebert; Treasurer: Paige Mest1; Committee Representative: Kaitlyn Quiring. 2015-2016 Officers: President: Bailey Monnier; Vice President: Eve Vanderneck; Secretary: Haley Huebert; Treasurer: Clay Bergen; Publicity: Owen Wurst; Committee Representative: Leslie Braun.


Sr: Members: Front Row-(L to R): Sheppard Ruybalid, Paige Mestl, Rachelle Allen, Kaitlyn Quiring, Tierney Casper, Lydia Quiring o Kaeli Lundstrom. Back Row-(L to R): Fordan Heinrichs, Cody Kroeker, Colton Siebert, Parker Goertzen, Cole Nickels \& Tyler Brown. Not pictured: Gina Grady.

New Members: L to R: Leslie Braun, Mark Perez, Kori Siebert, Ellie Steingard, Kristine Goertzen, Brooke Weisheit, Ethan Hall, Bailey Ulmer \& Megan Kroeker. Not pictured: Austin Stuhr \& Addie Swartzendruber.


Jr.Members: Front Row-(L to R): Haley Huebert, Owen Wurst, McKenna Friesen, Vanessa Hiebner of Bailey Monnier. Back Row-(L to R): Katelyn Fanzen, Camryn Dick, Eve Vanderneck, Clay Bergen ơ Rebekah Larson.


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The Junior High Students competing in the homeroom frisbee challenge.

## February Students of the Month

Maverick Hiebner were selected as the overall Elementary Student of the Month and the February Teachers of the Month were Cindy Goff and Sherry Thiesen. Interviews with Maverick, Cindy and Sherry can be found on the HeartlandBEAT.


Front Row-(L to R): Kdgt.-Peters: Emma Ott \& Dakota Shirley; KdgtThiesen: fimmy Neely; ist Gr.-Steever: Lane Farrall; ist Gr::Ratzlaff Brayden Ogorzolka; 2nd Grade-Goff: Ava Epp. Back Row: (L to R): 3rd Gr:-Crouch: Ryan Hiebner \& Hendric Switzer, 4th Gr,-Hiebner: Owen Mierau; 5th Gr:-Maltsberger-Kale Wetjen; 6th Gr:-Veerhusen: Maverick Hiebner. Teachers: Kdgt-Sherry Thiesen of 2nd Grade Cindy Goff.

## Girls On The Run (GOTR) of York County $\mathbf{5 K}$ <br> Sunday, May 3, 2015 2:00 p.m. <br> York High School Track Area <br> 1005 Duke Drive <br> York, Nebraska <br>  <br> For more information about Girls on the Run and to Iregister, visit our website: <br> http://www.gotryorkcounty.org/gotr- 5 k.html

## Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair was held February 16-21 at Heartland Community Schools. Thank you to everyone who purchased books! We were able to get over $\$ 2,200$ in free books for our Preschool-I2th grade classrooms. Happy reading!



## American Mothers $5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Essay Contest

Karla Cool was chosen as a top io finalist in the Nebraska division of the contest. Karla and her family will attend a recognition ceremony at the State Capital in Lincoln on April io ${ }^{\text {th }}$. She will receive a plaque and recite her essay in front of the other finalists, members of American Mothers, and possibly the Governor. First place will be announced at the event and be sent to the National competition. There were 297 essays from 26 different schools from across Nebraska judged by 3 senior college English/literature/education majors. Karla will also read her essay at the April school board meeting. Congratulations, Karla!


2014-15 SNC Boys Basketball All Conference and SNC Girls Basketball All Conference


Boys Golf Team 2015


Front Row-(L to R): Colton Siebert, Hayes Oswald \& Jaden Regier. Middle Row-(L to R): Matt Buller, Cody Kroeker, Fose Romo dv St.
Manager-Heath Perez. Back Row: Coach Susan
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## 2014-2015 HEARTLAND BOY'S GOLF SCHEDULE

| Type | Date | Time | Opponent | Location | Hest |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quadrangular | Tuesday, Mar 31, 2015 | 4:00PM | Sutton/D-T/Harvard | Galaway Creek Golf Course | Heartland |
| Imitational | Thursday, Apr 2, 2015 | 9:00AM | Superior | Superior Country Club | Superior |
| Quadrangular | Tuesday, Apr 7, 2015 | 4:00PM | Thayer Central/E-M | Galaway Creek Golf Course | Heartland |
| Imitational | Wednesday, Apr 8, 2015 | 9:00AM | Friend | Friend Country Club | Friend |
| Invitational | Tuesday, Apr 14, 2015 | 10:00AM | Fillmore Central | Hidden Hills Country Club | Filmore Central |
| Imvitational | Wednesday, Apr 15, 2015 | 9.30AM | Milford | Thornridge Golf Course | Miford |
| Imvitational | Wednesday, Apr 22, 2015 | 9:30AM | David City | David Ciny Goll Course | David City |
| Invitational | Tuesday, May 5, 2015 | 9:00AM | Sutton | Fox Hollow Golf Course | Sutton |
| Conference | Thursday, May 7, 2015 | 9:00AM | SNC Schools | Galaway Creek Golf Course | Heartland |
| Invitational | Wednesday, May 13, 2015 | 9:30AM | Thayer Central | Hebron Country Club | Thayer Central |
| Ditericts | Monday, May 18, 2015 | TBA | et. al. | Indianhead | Heartland Lutheran |
| State | May 27-28, 2015 | TBA |  | TBA | NSAA |

## Heartland Basketball 2014-15 Season

After four months of a wonderful season, it has come to an end. A few of the accomplishments of this 2014-2015 Heartland Boys Basketball team include:

## - 23-5 overall season record

- Holiday Tournament Champions
- Southern Nebraska Conference Tournament Champions
- Won all 10 games against Conference teams
- Qualified for the State Tournament
- Won a first round game at the State Tournament for the $I^{\text {st }}$ time in 29 years.
- $4^{\text {th }}$ place at the State Tournament

The foundation for the success of this season started long ago. I'd like to thank the parents and previous youth and junior high basketball coaches who put in the effort and sacrificed the time to give the boys the skills and desire to compete. Thanks to Joe Leinan for being a loyal assistant. Lastly, thanks to all 23 players, who sacrificed personal accolades, and dedicated themselves to playing 'team first' basketball. It was a delight to coach you all this season. -Clark Ribble


Front Row, (L to R): Fordan Heinrichs, Cole Nickels, Cody Kroeker, Keshawn Camacho, Colton Siebert \&o Tyler Brown. Back Row, (L to R): Ass't Coach: Joe Leinan, Lane Huebert, Austin Stubr, Ben Driewer, Parker Goertzen, Ty Spickelmier, Aaron Buller, Clay Bergen, Coby Steingard do Coach: Clark Ribble.


## Artchurs

Coming up in April and May, art club will be hosting two art shows. The Elementary Art Show is on Wednesday, April I5 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ from $2: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ to $4: 30 \mathrm{pm}$. The High School Art Show is on Tuesday, May $5^{\text {th }}$ from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Several awards will be chosen by judges, including Best of Show in 2-D and 3-D, as well as Honorable Mentions in both categories. Also, along with the High School Art Show the art club will have a Silent Auction again this year. These activities will be located in the theatre hallway. Please come and bid to purchase your favorite piece of artwork done by the high school students.

Art Club is continuing to sell Ash \& Ash Company bracelets. Ash \& Ash is proud to be a small custom-made jewelry company. Located near Lincoln, they focus on the satisfaction of their customers through the use of quality leather, and Swarovski gemstones. Through teaming up with Heartland Community School's Art Club, we are able to offer proud patrons, customized Husky and Husker bracelets. Proceeds go towards funding Art Club's trip to art museums in Denver, CO. Order forms and images are available from art club members, in the school office, and through the website. Make checks payable to Heartland Community Schools. Please note there have been revisions to the order form. If you have any questions contact Ms. Renz at brenz@heartlandschools.net.

## NEEDED: <br> ART ROOM: Empty Containers from Clorox and/or Wet Ones. <br> Small Containers with lids.



PROM COMMITTEE: Still needs gently used stuffed animals.

MRS. STEEVER: Pringle cans with lids



## Boys Track Team 2015



Front Row-(L to R): Tyler Brown, Coby Steingard, Keshawn Camacho, Parker Goertzen Cole Nickels, Yanik Luebbert $\begin{gathered} \\ \text { Jordan Heinrichs. Middle Row-(L to R): Austin Stuhr, }\end{gathered}$ Brendan Ortiz, Mark Perez, Dillon Scheil, Ben Driewer \& Clay Bergen. Back Row-(L to R): Noab Boyd, Aaron Buller, Connor Boehr, Lane Huebert \& Kyle Ott..

## Girls Track Team 2015



Front Row-(L to R): Philippa Kern, Ylva Strand, Kaitlyn 2uiring, Rachelle Allen, Paige Mestl, 也 Tierney Casper.. Second Row-(F to B): Camryn Dick,Vanessa Hiebner, Eve Vanderneck, Haley Huebert, Destiny Bloxton \& McKenna Friesen. Third Row-(L to R): Leslie Braun, Ellie Steingard, Kori Siebert,MaKayla Windle do Angelica Bassett. Back Row-(L to R): Brittany Quiring, Isabelle Vanderneck, Taylor 2uiring, Bailey Peters, Sadie Carr, Kyra Dick \& Karab Foyner.

## Upcoming Dates

April 3 \& 6, 2015
NO SCHOOL-Spring Break
April 8-10, 2015
FFA State Convention-Lincoln
April 9-11, 2015
FBLA State Convention-Omaha
April 10, 2015
Meridian JH Honor Choir/Band
April 13, 2015
School Board Meeting @ 8:00pm
April 15, 2015
Elementary Art Show @ 2:30pm
April 17 \& 18, 2015
All School Musical @ 7:00pm
April 18, 2015
ACT Test
April 20, 2015
FFA Banquet @ 6:30pm
April 23 \& 24, 2015
District Music Contest @ Sutton
April 25, 2015
Prom-6:30/Dance-9:00pm
April 30, 2015
Awards Night @ 7:00pm

April 2015


## CENSUS DATA

Once again, Heartland Community Schools will be conducting a school census during the month of June. In order to get the most accurate and complete number and names of persons living within our district, we are asking the patrons to complete the attached questionnaire. It is important for one form to be filled out for each household that has children aged birth to 21 years, even if you're children do not attend Heartland Community Schools. Please return the completed questionnaire to the school office or mail to the Superintendent's Office, 1501 Front Street, Henderson, NE 68371.

This information affects our state funding, so it is very important that we have current and accurate data.

FAMILY NAME: $\qquad$
FATHER: $\qquad$ MOTHER: $\qquad$
ADDRESS:
Street No.
$\overline{\text { P.O. Box }}$
PHONE: $\qquad$
LOCATION OF RESIDENCE BY COUNTY: $\qquad$
City, State, Zip Code
NAMES OF ALL CHILDREN FROM BIRTH TO 21 YEARS (Include children attending college who are living away from home or serving in the Armed Forces)

| NAME | DATE OF BIRTH | PLACE OF BIRTH | GENDER | GRADE |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Month/Day/Year | TOWN/STATE |  | $(2015-16)$ |


(Not attending school 0; Preschool P; Kindergarten K; Grades 1-12; Graduated G)
PLEASE COMPLETE \& RETURN THIS FORM
BY MAY 15, 2015
EVEN IF YOU'RE CHILDREN DO NOT ATTEND
HEARTLAND COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

## May Calendar Changes

May 13 - NO SCHOOL due to hosting the District Track Meet

## May $19-L A S T$ DAY OF SCHOOL-due to the 2 snow days in February

Volunteer Recognition Week is
April 12-18, 2015
A special thank you to all those who volunteer in so many ways to help the students and staff at Heartland. We sincerely appreciate everyone who helps out, whether it be assisting in an elementary classroom, in the lunch room, and at athletic events. Each person is a valuable


## May Reminders

May 5, 2015
Art Club Silent Auction- 12:00pm
Art Show Silent Auction-12:00-7:30pm
Vocal 7-12/Band 9-12 Concert @ 7:30PM
May 6, 2015
Elementary Field Day @ 12:30pm
May 10, 2015
Commencement @ 2:30PM
May II, 2015
School Board Meeting @ 8:00PM
May 13, 2015
NO SCHOOL-Due to hosting District Track
May 19, 2015
Last Day of School-Dismiss @ II:30AM
May 20, 2015
Teacher Professional Day

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