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## Bearcat Football Championship game watch party at The Klub

The Northwest Missouri State University football team is playing in the Division II National Championship Football game this Saturday at noon.

This is the fourth straight year Northwest has played in the title game. For those that cannot attend the game in Florence, AL, Brian and Cindy Boultinghouse have agreed to open The Klub in Mound City for a "watch party".

The Klub doors will open at 11:30 a.m. Saturday to prepare for the noon kick-off. Special music at halftime will include local favorites Paul Grant, Johnny Miller and Ray Neiderhouse.

Everyone is invited to share the excitement and help cheer for the Northwest Missouri State University Bearcats.

## Volunteers help make Eagle Days a success

Eagle Days is an annual event at the Squaw Creek Wildlife Refuge.

For some in Holt County it comes and goes without notice. However, it is one of the largest events to take place in this county attracting people from quite some distance away.

With almost 7,000 visitors in one weekend, it's an event that demands notice and demands help.

Volunteers come from all areas to help make Eagle Days a success. They manned educational booths in the headquarters building, assisted with guided bus tours and even spent time in the cold wind manning eagle viewing stations along the auto tour loop.

Seven Mound City Kiwanis members donated time on Saturday to ride buses from the Eagle's Nest restaurant/Truck Plaza to the refuge. They let people know what there was to see and do during Eagle Days.

This year there were around 20 Missouri Department of Conservation employees and their volunteers helping each day. This event also brought Fish and Wildlife Service employees from refuges in Ohio, Minnesota, Illinois and Iowa to assist. In all, the refuge had 17 Fish and Wildlife Service employees and volunteers assisting.

Organizations get involved

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**High Bald Eagle numbers-** Made for good viewing this weekend. This mature eagle was fighting over a Snow Goose carcass near the auto tour loop on Friday.

## Eagle Days has excellent turnout

Despite a chill in the wind, large numbers of people turned out for Eagle Days at Squaw Creek National Wildlife Refuge.

The sun was an encouragement to many and also lent good viewing of eagles and other migratory birds. Approximately 7,000 visitors took the auto tour loop and almost 3,500 visited the headquarters building.

Refuge biologists took new counts of birds on Friday and numbers had significantly increased over the week.

Eagle counts were at 266 birds with the Snow Goose numbers reaching 225,000.

The extraordinary amount of traffic on the auto tour loop did keep the Snow Geese out feeding during part of the weekend, but a good number were still around for viewing.

The eagles were busy through the weekend though. With a temperature drop into the single digits Thursday night, the Snow geese and other migratory birds lost a few of their numbers. That kept the eagles close by while feeding on carcasses.

If viewers missed a closeup of a Bald Eagle on the auto tour loop, one could be seen up close during the World Bird Sanctuary program held every hour. Over 2,000 visitors took the opportunity and were rewarded with views of three different species of eagles.

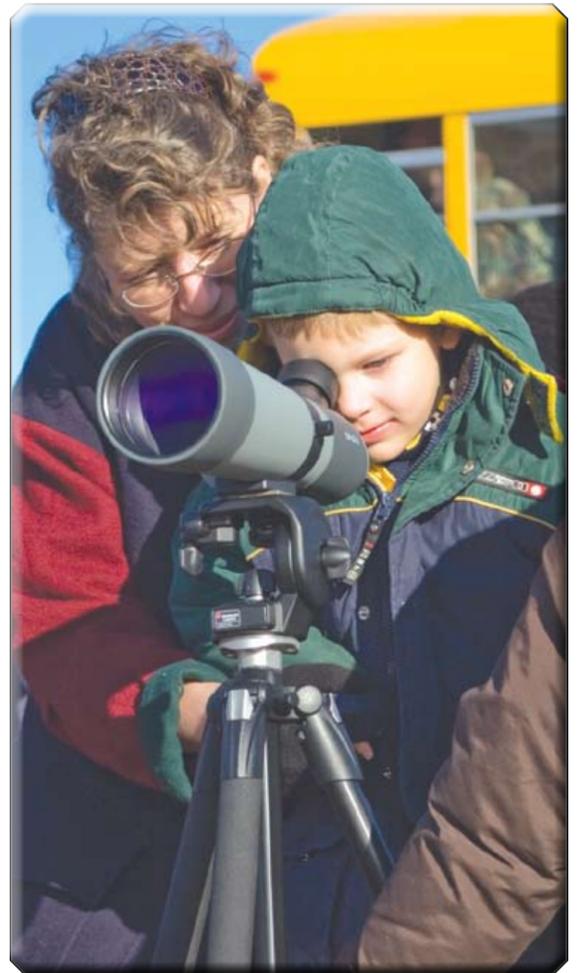
The World Bird Sanctuary is a returning program that brings live eagles to display for the public and also presents an educational program.

Visitor numbers were so high that parking was limited on Saturday and by midday the refuge headquarters was quite crowded.

The Friends of Squaw Creek run the food booth yearly and reported about \$1,500 in food sales. Members reported that hot dogs were quite popular with 700 sold this year, compared to only 200 last year. A popular item was cinnamon rolls from Josephine's in Mound City. Members said that Josephine's was very generous to the fund raising booth and many remarked the quality of her cinnamon rolls was exceptional.

Youth were numerous this year and refuge volunteers and staff worked hard to give them good opportunities to learn about the wildlife at the refuge. Special stations set up in the headquarters building let them get a firsthand look or feel in some cases- of the local wildlife.

Although most of the ducks have headed farther south, a new display case



**Viewing stations-** Were set up along the auto tour loop for Eagle Days. Jeannie Trimmer and her son, John Q. took advantage of a scope focused on Bald Eagles to get a closer look. Volunteers manned these stations throughout the auto tour loop helping visitors get a closer look.



**The Mound City Lady Panthers took first place-** In the Mound City Tournament, beating CFX 44-32 in the championship game. They are from left to right, front row- seniors Kallie Schoonover, Synthia Murphy, Kelsey Davis, Jenny Jackson; back row- Coach Brooke Hogue, Laura Schoonover, Emilee Messer, Tori Ingram, Abigail Haer, Loni Jo Weber, Morgan Burge, Taylor Blevins, Shelby Culp and Assisant Coach Corey Miles.



**The Mound City Panthers took first place-** In the Mound City Tournament, beating Oregon 52-46. Team members are from left to right, front row: Willy Walker, Prent Eaton, Lucas Schawang, James Schoonover, Ryan Crowley, Gage Rosier; back row- Assistant Coach Jason Tenney, Cole Rosier, Dan Montgomery, Patrick Treece, Michael Whitman, Miles Clifton, Jacob Parker and Coach Corey Miles.

## Panthers sweep tournament

### First time in the 50 year tournament history

The 51st Mound City Invitational Tournament was won by both the Mound City boys' and girls' team. This was the first time in the 50 year history of the tournament that both host teams have ever accomplished this goal.

The Mound City Lady Panthers won first place on Friday night in their contest against the Craig/Fairfax Lady Bulldogs. They beat the Bulldogs 44-32.

The Panthers led at the end of the first quarter 15-11 and extended their lead to 24-17 by half. A 10 point lead at the end of the third quarter helped the Panthers hold on to the win.

Kallie Schoonover led the Panthers by scoring 17 points, 10 rebounds,

two steals and two assists. Kelsey Davis added 15 points and eight rebounds. Abigail Haer had five points, six rebounds, a steal and two assists. Synthia Murphy had three points, two rebounds, three steals and an assist. Jenny Jackson and Laura Schoonover had two points, two rebounds and a steal each. Tori Ingram had a rebound.

The Mound City Panthers clinched their win against the South Holt Knights in an exciting game that had everyone on the edge of their seats. The Panthers' 52-46 win came after trailing the Knights the entire first half and being down by 12 points midway through the third quarter. The Panthers rallied back playing good

defense, stealing the ball and scoring needed points. Shooting seven of thirteen from the line in the fourth quarter, the Panthers outscored the Knights 21-4 in the final period.

Miles Clifton led the Panthers with 13 points, six rebounds, seven steals and three assists. James Schoonover who helped spark the fourth quarter run had 10 points, four rebounds and four assists. Cole Rosier had eight points, five rebounds, five steals and three assists. Jacob Parker had eight points, four rebounds, two steals and an assist. Patrick Treece had seven points, five rebounds, two steals and an assist. Gage Rosier had six points, a rebound, four steals and three assists.

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# Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,  
 To our families, friends, and the entire Mound City community -  
 We would like to thank all those who supported us this season as well as those who made the trip with us to St. Louis. We appreciate you giving up your family time and Thanksgiving to support us. The crowd in the dome was awesome and your cheering and encouragement made a real difference in the game. We want those who were unable to make the state game to know that we are grateful for your thoughts and support as well. We feel truly blessed to play football for and represent Mound City High School and our community. You have made us feel valued and important all year, and we hope we have made you all proud. We could not have done it without you.

Signed,  
 The 2008 Mound City Football Team

- Rex S. Blaylock SR #91
- Coach Gornel
- Coach TENNEY
- Coach Muson
- Josh Hable Fr #24
- Patrick Treese Sr. #41
- CJ Staples Fr #25
- Tyler Wilcoxson Jr. #95
- Hayden Rasmussen Jr. #9
- Her Van Schoorack So. #22
- James Johnson #45 SO.
- Jacob Parker Sr. #23
- Montana Schawang #31 SO.
- Colin Parris Sr. #7
- Mitch Edinger Sr. #10
- Ryan P. Kelly Jr. #34
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- Trevor Boyd Fr. #90
- Dan Montgomery Jr. #42
- Andrew Chubal #88 #60
- Frederick L. Edman SO. #16.
- Jimmy Hurst SO #16
- Paul Grant Fr #28
- Katie Portman (water girl)
- Lucas Schawang #87 Fr
- Dayne Messer Mgr
- Jeff Atkins #17 Frsh
- Miles L. Mgr

*Thank you!*

## Nutrition site news

Volunteers the week of December 1 were Bill and Donna Golden, Loren and Barb Flint, Darrel Voltmer, Cindi Heck, Juanita Brickey, Paul Rother, Anna Derr, Yogi Swymeler, Shelly and Dan Graupman, Gailen Robbins, Judy Scroggins, Walter and Pat Groves, Jim Brown, Alan Yocum, Virgil Miles, Virginia Oppenlander, Paul and Lois Deatz, Bonnie Scarbrough, Addie Trimmer, Ruth Lange, Linda Elton, Ava McCarthy and Karen Gilland.

Delivering meals the week of December 15:  
**Craig-** Monday and Tuesday- Open, Wednesday- Herb and Mary Ann Beggs, Thursday and Friday- Gordon nad Sandra Robbins

**Mound City-** Monday and Tuesday- Methodist Church (Susan Laukemper), Wednesday- Mound City school, Thursday and Friday- Larry and Carol Brickey

The site recycles cell phones, ink cartridges, newspapers, magazines and aluminum cans for cancer. There is a drop box for donations for the food pantry and for labels and box tops for the school.

The December product of the month is green beans. A drawing will be held December 31.

Everyone is welcome to come in and check out the "Hillbilly Hoedown" mural. The artist Lee Aquil was fea-

## Tiffany Heights news

A rush of decorating was the theme of the day on Monday as staff and residents prepared for the holiday season.

Esther Haynes played piano during lunch on Tuesday. During the afternoon residents held their monthly Resident Council meeting. They were reminded of the upcoming family Christmas party that will be held December 19.

This month they chose Dorothy Bolanbaugh as Employee of the month. Dorothy works in the nursing department and has worked at Tiffany Heights just over one year. In her spare time Dorothy enjoys fishing and reading. Dorothy is from the Mound City area.

December holds many other facts, also. Residents enjoyed trying to guess

tured in the St. Joseph News Press Monday, December 1.

If you can volunteer preparing or serving cinnamon rolls and donuts, please call Addie Trimmer at 442-5889.

**Site Schedule**  
**December 15-** Exercises 8:30-9:30 a.m.; Kendlewood Hospice- blood pressure screenings 11:30 a.m.

**December 17-** Exercises 8:30-9:30 a.m.; Community Hospital- blood pressure screenings 11:00-12:00 p.m.

**December 18-** Quilting classes 2:00-5:00 p.m., instructor Ava McCarthy, cost \$4

**December 19-** Cinnamon rolls and donuts 8:30 a.m.

**Site Menu**  
**Monday, Dec. 15-** Ham, sweet potatoes, green beans and fruit salad.

**Tuesday, Dec. 16-** Chili or ham and beans, mix vegetable salad, juice, crackers, cheese slice and oatmeal/chocolate chip bars.

**Wednesday, Dec. 17-** Christmas and birthday party; Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, California blend, hot bread, raspberry and applesauce gelatin and cherry dump cake with topping.

**Thursday, Dec. 18-** Beef stew, lemon vegetable salad, cornbread, cheese slice and apple crisp.

**Friday, Dec. 19-** Fish portions, hash browns, coleslaw, corn bread and peaches.

these facts in the afternoon of "Did you know?". Residents remembered Pearl Harbor Day on December 7, and recalled their experiences of the day. They also enjoyed the fact that there is a National Cotton Candy Day and if that isn't to everyone's liking there is a National Brownie Day. Frank Sinatra was born in December and in 1892 the bowling ball debuted. Residents enjoyed many other facts before the afternoon was over.

Bingo volunteers on Thursday were Shirley Jackson, Lucille Stull and Inez VanOrman.

Larry Brickey and family conducted Sunday morning services. Afternoon church was provided by River of Hope Fellowship.

## Scholarship applications due by December 31

Students pursuing a career in healthcare are encouraged to apply for Community Hospital-Fairfax's Development Council and Auxiliary Healthcare Educational Scholarship Program. This program provides assistance with healthcare education at any approved educational institution.

The amount of scholarship money available is based on Development Council funds and the financial need of the applicant.

Students with academic achievement and high standings, who are currently enrolled in or accepted to a healthcare program, are eligible.

Applicants need two references, one educational and one personal (non relative).

Applications are available at the Community Hospital-Fairfax Development Office, (660) 686-2211, ext. 259, or online at www.fairfaxmed.com and are due by December 31, 2008.

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## Charles Davis

Charles W. Davis, 80, passed away Friday, December 5, 2008 at Heartland Regional Medical Center.

He was born January 28, 1928 in Mound City, MO to Emra and Flora (Frazier) Davis who preceded him in death.

He was also preceded in death by his brothers, John C. Davis, James E. Davis, and Frazier Cooperider; sister, Nellie Kline; and son-in-law, Terry Bishop.

Mr. Davis married Norma Jean Hecker on February 23, 1949. She survives of the home. The first years of their marriage were spent farming in Mound City, MO.

He owned and operated the Davis Bus Service in Northwest Missouri for 38 years and sold Superior bus bodies for Superior Coach Corporation.

Mr. Davis was a member of Central Christian Church, Charity Lodge #269, A.F. & A.M., 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Temple, Moila Shrine Mason, Hi-Twelve, and the Lionis Club.

For 48 years he enjoyed fishing in Minnesota during the summer and spent the last 18 years living in Texas during the winter.

He is survived by five daughters, Linda Bishop, St. Joseph, MO; Diana Flora (Emmett), St. Joseph, MO; Cynthia Stone (Bill), Savannah, MO; Charla Graves (Phil), Fairfax, MO; and Susan Hatten, Chicago, IL; ten grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Services were held December 9, at Central Christian Church. Interment was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Meierhoffer Funeral Home and Crematory was in charge of arrangements.

## Mary 'Kay' Bruner

Mrs. Mary Catherine 'Kay' Bruner, 89, Mound City, MO, passed away Friday, December 5, 2008, at a Mound City healthcare center.

She was born July 9, 1919, in Holt County in the same house her father was born in. This house was purchased by her great grandparents in the middle of the 19th century.

Kay attended grade school at the former Bellevue School that sat on land donated to the community by her great-grandparents. When she was twelve, her parents moved to another farm closer to town. She graduated eighth grade from the former Summit School and graduated from Mound City High School on May 12, 1937.

She married John S. Bruner, Sr. on October 28, 1945 in Highland, KS. He preceded her in death on June 5, 1987.

From June of 1937 through August of 1942, she worked for the *Mound City News-Independent* as a bookkeeper, society editor, and proof-reader. Kay went to Detroit, MI, with her sister, Glendora (Kennish) Derr, and worked as a riveter on B-12 bomber planes. After the war, in 1945, she returned to Mound City where from 1945 to 1952, she was employed by the United Telephone Company as a cashier and chief operator. In 1951, she and her husband, John, founded Bruner's Sinclair Oil Company. She kept books for the company until they sold the business in 1976.

Kay joined the Presbyterian Church in Allendale, MI. In 1943, she transferred her membership to the Presbyterian Church in Mound City, where she served several years as Elder and Deacon. She was also a member of the Order of Eastern Star, the Omega Federated Club, and secretary of the former I.O.O.F. Lodge.

Kay was also preceded by her parents, Robert and Genevieve (Means) Kennish; and sister, Darlene Scott.

She is survived by John S. Bruner of Chino Hills, CA; granddaughter, Jamie Ann Bruner of Beeville, TX; sister, Glendora Derr of St. Joseph, MO; and brother, Robert Kennish of Jefferson City, MO.

Services were held December 10 at the Pettijohn and Crawford Family Funeral Service in Mound City, MO. Interment was in Mount Hope Cemetery, Mound City.

The family suggests memorial gifts to the Make-A-Wish Foundation of America or the American Red Cross.

## Eva Pauline Steeby

Eva Pauline (Fansher) Steeby, 90, of Oregon, passed away Sunday, Dec. 7, 2008, at her Oregon home.

Born in Holt County in 1918, she was a lifetime resident of the area. She was married to Beauford Steeby in 1938. He preceded her in death.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Daniel Boone and Nellie Marie (Bradley) Fansher; daughter, Loretta Pauline Steeby; and sisters, Gladys Scheib and Mildred Pittsenbarger.

She is survived by son, Clifford Steeby of Oregon, MO; daughters, Phyllis Morrison of Cameron, MO, Bernadine Meyer of Oregon, MO; Virginia Hicks of New Point, MO, Louella Riley of Oregon, MO, and Katheryn Hurst of Savannah, MO; brother, Ivan F. "Sonny" Fansher of Savannah, MO; sisters, Vera Curtin of St. Joseph, MO, and Mary Steeby of Amazonia, MO; 24 grandchildren; 52 great-grandchildren; nine great-great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

Services were held December 10, 2008, at the Oregon Christian Church. Interment was at Maple Grove Cemetery. Chamberlain Funeral Home in Oregon directed the services.

Memorials may be directed to Kendallwood Hospice or to the Oregon Christian Church.

## Ina P. Swaim

Ina "Dovey" P. Swaim, 91, Maryville, MO, died Friday, December 5, 2008, at her home in Maryville, MO.

She was born February 28, 1917, in Mound City, MO, to Louie and Jetta (Ashlock) Potter.

She married Harold Byron Swaim on June 11, 1941, in Plattsburg, MO.

Ina was a homemaker and was a member of First United Methodist Church, Maryville, MO.

She was preceded in death by husband, Harold Byron Swaim, on March 21, 1990; her parents; brothers, Roy Potter, John Potter, and Keith Potter; and a sister, Christine Potter.

Survivors include her son, Steven Swaim, Maryville, MO; sisters, Lois Davidson, Canon City, CO, and Clarice Kuhn, Mound City, MO.

Funeral services were held December 9, 2008, at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Burial was in Mount Hope Cemetery, Mound City, MO.



## Kellys welcome home a daughter

Brian and Jennifer Kelly of Rock Port, MO, are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Landrey Ryann Kelly.

Landrey was born on November 24, 2008, at 8:03 a.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces, and was 19 inches long. Helping to welcome her home are big sister, Lauren, age 5, and Brecken, age 4.

## Community Hospital-Fairfax receives BryanLGH Foundation grant

Community Hospital-Fairfax and the surrounding community will benefit from a \$6,000 grant made by the BryanLGH Foundation in Lincoln, NE. At its most recent board meeting, the BryanLGH Foundation Board approved the grant award through its Primary Care Matching Grants Program to Community Hospital-Fairfax to assist with the construction of a new Emergency Services department in the new hospital building project.

Community Hospital-Fairfax intends to build a new hospital replacing the current facility which is nearly 60 years old and no longer sufficient to meet federal regulatory or patient care needs. Funds from the BryanLGH Foundation will be used toward the construction of the Emergency Services Department so that Community Hospital-Fairfax can continue to offer 24 hour emergency care to area citizens.

The BryanLGH Foundation Primary Care Matching Grants Program funds programs or services that improve the quality of health care or increases access to primary health care in an area.

Since the inception of the Primary Care Matching Grants Program in 1997, the BryanLGH Foundation

## Chris Owens graduates from Basic Combat training

Army National Guard Pvt. Christopher P. Owens has graduated from Basic Combat training at Fort Sill, Lawton, OK.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission and received instruction and training exercises in drill and ceremonies, Army history, core values and traditions, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, rifle marksmanship, weapons use, map reading and land navigation, foot marches, armed and unarmed combat, and field maneuvers and tactics.

He is the son of Chris Owens of Mound City, MO, and brother of Annastasia Owens of Maryville, MO.

Owens is a 2008 graduate of Mound City High School.



**DAR Good Citizen award winners-** Were presented at a DAR meeting last week. Those involved were from left to right: back row-Susan Slaughter and Linda Lee, co-chairmen; Billy Brandon, Craig; and Michael Whitman, Mound City; front row-Whitney Harrington, Fairfax; Bridget Clark, Oregon; Madison Fischer, Tarkio; and Leslie Alitz, Rock Port.

## William White honors good citizens

William White Chapter, NSDAR, met December 2, at Sharp's Grove.

The noon meeting was opened by chapter regent, Annamarie Hunziger, with the *Pledge of Allegiance* to the United States of America, singing of the *National Anthem* followed by a prayer given by chaplain, Joan Lehmer.

The women at Sharp's Grove provided a wonderful lunch and decorated the room for Christmas. Six Good Citizens and their families attended the luncheon. Linda Lee and Susan Slaughter were co-chairmen and provided the program.

The program honored the six DAR Good Citizens chosen from the six schools in Atchison and Holt counties. This program is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship. These students were selected by their school's faculty and by their peers as outstanding citizens.

The student selected as their school's DAR Good Citizen must have the qualities of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism to an outstanding degree. The students are eligible to enter the DAR Good Citizens scholarship contest by participating in an essay contest. Madison Fischer, Tarkio, will represent Wil-

liam White Chapter in the state competition.

Regent Hunziger called the business meeting to order with the DAR ritual. The Sunshine report was given. Devotions, National Defense report, Indian Minute and Women's Issues were all read.

The William White chapter attended and led the *Pledge of Allegiance* to the United States of America at the Walk of Honor dedication on Veterans' Day, Tuesday, November 11, 2008 at Rock Port, MO. DAR book markers were provided to those attending.

Dozens of cookies were provided by the members for the veterans in Cameron, MO. A collection of canned goods was also made for the food pantries.

The next meeting will be February 3, with guests from the American History and Christopher Columbus essay winners from the six schools. Reservations should be made with Regent Hunziger at 660-446-3251.

Anyone interested in becoming a DAR member should contact a local member or Regent Hunziger for information. It is an organization open to those who can prove their lineage to an ancestor having an active part in the establishment of this nation.

## Mound City Kiwanis news

The Mound City Kiwanis Club met at The Klub on Wednesday, December 3, with 16 members and three guests present—Morris Heitman, Jim Clodfelter and Holt County Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood.

Commissioner Sitherwood presented a program about the Corps of Engineers Missouri River Mitigation and its effect on Holt County.

A list was circulated for

volunteers to ride the buses from the Eagle Nest Truck Plaza to Squaw Creek on Saturday, December 6, for Eagle Days. Seven members volunteered to do two hour shifts.

Four Earl Collin's Scholarship applications were received—three from Mound City and one from Nodaway Holt. Applications were reviewed by several members to help decide on the selections.

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# Holt County Commission minutes

The Holt County Commission met Monday, December 1, with Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner Don Holstine present.

After review, Commissioner Gordon made a motion to accept the minutes as written by County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Assessor Carla Markt approached the Commission to discuss the purchase of GIS equipment in 2009. She reported that Midland GIS will maintain a quote of \$89,000 from 2008, additional costs for aerial photographs of the incorporated areas of the county are estimated at \$14,000. Mrs. Markt anticipates that various county funds can pool resources to purchase the GIS system. Benefits will include access to the data by the 911 addressing system, Road and Bridge, Assessment and Collection. The Commission took no action on her request.

Mrs. Markt reviewed with the Commission and County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel a letter each had received from Wind Capitol Group's Eric Chamberlain. Mr. Chamberlain invited the officials to attend the first landowner meeting for a potential wind farm in Holt County.

Collector Billie Paul Sharp appeared before the Commission to discuss matters of his department.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Daryl Biermann joined the Commission to discuss the schedule for bridge replacement projects in Holt County. BRO-29, Ironwood Road, is set to continue in 2011, with BRO-30, Raintree Rd, scheduled for 2009. The County has not been approved for future BRO projects due to a lack of federal funding. Mr. Biermann also

reported on work scheduled for Keystone and Trinity Roads from the June 2008 Flooding. FEMA funds are now available to begin road work, weather permitting.

The Commissioners took a conference call from Don Schwartz, Missouri Department of Transportation Railroad Liaison. Mr. Schwartz discussed the County's concerns over the potential closure of Prairie Road in southern Holt County at a BNSF Railroad crossing. Commissioner Sitherwood informed Mr. Schwartz that the Commission will not proceed with the closure until which time as the railroad meets previous agreed upon terms to move parked trains further down the track from the crossing and to cut back brush, both of which obscure the view of motorists as they look down the track for approaching trains. Mr. Schwartz agreed to talk to BNSF Railroad and seek a remedy.

Wayne Flanary, University Extension Agronomist, approached the Commission to provide information regarding an upcoming Winter Wheat Clinic he is hosting.

Sheriff Kirby Felumb joined the Commission to review bills he had submitted for payment. He reported on final budget figures for 2008 as he leaves office. The Sheriff and Jail departmental budgets require amendments to allow for additional expenditures throughout the year. Most of the expenditures are offset by revenues returned to the county from the State of Missouri.

County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel reported she will attend a meeting of the Secretary of State, Elections Division, in Columbia, December 11.

Mrs. Kunkel provided detailed budget figures to the County Commission for General Revenue Funds. Review of the departmental funds

found that the Buildings and Grounds budget was over budget due to the December 2007 Ice Storm debris cleanup. The Commission and Collector's budgets need minor adjustments to allow for actual cost throughout the year. The Sheriff Civil Fees Fund and the Senior Citizens Services Fund are over budget and need to be amended to allow for increased expenditures.

Mick Derr, Derr Insurance Services, appeared before the Commission with final figures for the 2009 group health insurance. Commissioner Sitherwood made a motion to set a maximum cap for the county's contribution to employee group health insurance at \$500 per person, per month; for a total of \$6,000 per person, per year. The employee will be responsible for the balance of the premium. Commissioner Holstine seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Employees will have a choice of PPO or HMO at Level 5 of Community Health Insurance, St. Joseph. The cost to employees will be \$22 per month for PPO or \$53 per month for HMO coverage. The Commission set a meeting of employees and insurance company Monday, December 8, 2008 at 1:00 p.m.

In other matters, the Commission discussed the appointment of Emergency Management Director of Holt County. The position is currently held by Scott Wedlock. When he assumes the position of Sheriff on January 1, 2009, he will be replaced. The Commission considered several nominees and discussed advertising for the position, which pays \$3,000 per year. The matter was tabled.

Being no further business, Commissioner Sitherwood adjourned the meeting until Monday, December 8, 2008, at 9:00 a.m.



# Christmas program at the State Theatre

The State Theater Arts Council announces that Delaware Valley Brass Quintet will perform at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, December 21, for the Dolores Ideker Memorial Christmas Program at the State Theater.

The Delaware Valley Brass Quintet was formed in 1993 by musicians of Northeast Kansas. The group takes its name from the Delaware River that runs through the northeast part of the state. The quintet is a traditional ensemble with a varied repertoire of music, representing music of the Renaissance, Baroque, Classical, Romantic and 20th Century periods.

Members of the group include Mr. David Reiter, Mound City band instructor, on trumpet. Mr. Reiter is one of three co-founders remaining with the quintet. Trained in music education and in addition to teaching, Mr. Reiter remains active in trumpet performance in The Kansas City Wind Symphony, the American Legion Band of Greater Kansas City, and the Atchison Community Orchestra, and Brass Ensemble.

Ruth Reiter, horn, is also one of three co-founders

of the quintet. Trained in music therapy, Mrs. Reiter performs in various community bands in Kansas and Missouri, and sings with the Community Fine Arts Singers of Northeast Kansas. Mrs. Reiter is a Targeted Case Manager for the Northeast Kansas Agency on Aging.

Ron Spalding is trained in music education with emphasis on trumpet performance. Ron began his teaching career in Lincoln, Kansas, then moved back home to Holton, Kansas where he taught in the Atchison County Public Schools for ten years. He now teaches computer repair and networking in Olathe, Kansas. In addition to performing with the quintet, Ron has had performances with the Kansas Bandmasters All Collegiate Honor Band, the Beloit Symphony, the Topeka Big Band, and the Kansas City Wind Symphony. Ron is also a founding member of the group.

Todd Manning has played trombone with various groups throughout the Midwest, including Marshall's Civic Band in Topeka, the Vaughn Bolton Orchestra, Kings of Swing and even the Dallas Brass. He and his wife own Manning Music specializing in band and orchestral instruments in Topeka, KS.

Damian Johnson is in his ninth year of teaching and received training in music education. In 2005, Damian received the Teacher of the Year Award for the Hiawatha USD 415 School District and in October, received the Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year Award for his teaching area. Along with the quintet, Damian currently plays in the Marshall County Community Band, Highland Community Band, the Kansas Brass All-Stars, and the Nutcracker Symphony Orchestra in Topeka. Mr. Johnson is also Director of the Hiawatha Community Summer Jazz Ensemble.

The performance is sponsored by the Ideker family, State Theater Arts Council and Missouri Arts Council. Tickets are \$8 at the door and can be purchased for \$7 in advance from Nodaway Valley Bank in Mound City. The fee for students is \$5. For more information or questions concerning tickets, please call Jonathan at 660-442-5909.

# Graham news

Esther Devault went to Michael and Kenna Toombs' home in Conception Junction, MO, for Thanksgiving Day Dinner. Others present were Cody Toombs of Maryville, MO, and Kathy, Klay and Keri Devault of Graham.

Curt and Doris Lewis went to Branson over the Thanksgiving Holiday to visit her sister Billye Hart of Mountain Home. They saw the show "Noah at Branson".

Eldon and Frances Troth hosted the Progressive Club Christmas party on Wednesday, December 3, in their home. Ladies present were Janet Rosenbohm, Imo Long and Doris Messick. Larry Rosenbohm was a guest. The group adopted five children that needed stocking stuffers. A delicious noon meal was enjoyed and "Phase Ten" was played in the afternoon.

Thanksgiving Day Dinner was hosted by Eldon and Frances Troth for Paul, Heather, Kegan, Kelsey, Karsen and Palmer Troth of Marshall, MO. Friday and Saturday, Jeff, Laura, Amanda and Megan Houts were at the Troths.

Max and Lula Drydale spent Thanksgiving weekend with her sister, Barbara Creager of Warsaw, MO. They and Bob, Kattie, Jace, Mariah, Aubrey and Lilia Gazaway of Maitland had Thanksgiving Dinner at "Maxine's".

The local churches Christmas programs will be held as follows: Bethany Rural Christian Church, Sunday, December 21, at 7:00 p.m.; Graham Union Church, Sunday, December 21, at 5:30 p.m.; Graham Methodist Church, Sunday, December 14, at the 10:15 a.m. worship service.

Thanksgiving Day Dinner was held at Verlin and Linda Long's at Maitland. Guests were Shane Long; Brett, Abby and Gracie Long; Terry, April, Fayth and Braden Schwebach of Maitland, MO; Matt, Ashley, Gage, Caleb, Payton and Ashlyn Long of Maryville, MO; and Imo Long of Graham.

Mark, Josie, Gabriel and Elizabeth Edwards of Clarinda, IA, hosted a Thanksgiving Saturday weekend dinner. Those present were Imo Long of Graham, Lindsey Wagoner of Kansas City, MO; Debbie Wagoner; Jeff, Marcy and Luke Miller; Drew Hall; Greg, Amy, Dalton, Eli, Josiah and Elly Young of Clarinda, IA; Tom and Hailey Smith of Bedford Town, IA; and Chad, Devin and Caden Miller of Lincoln, NE. Some of this group went to church Sunday morning and ate lunch at Pizza Hut in Clarinda, IA.

Santa will be at the Community Building on Saturday, December 20, at 2:00 p.m. This event is sponsored by the Lions Club.

Michelle would like Christmas news items. Call 939-4145 at the Hardware or 939-2375 at home.

## Church Services

GRAHAM	MOUND CITY	CRAIG		
<p><b>Graham Union Church</b> Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m. Evening Service, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday night, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>United Methodist Church</b> Connie Ury, Pastor Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Community of Christ</b> 1410 Nebraska St. Theresa Mackey, Pastor H 660-446-2048 Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Service 11 a.m. Our mission "We proclaim Jesus Christ and promote communities of Joy, Hope Love, and Peace"</p> <p><b>Concordia Lutheran Church</b> 1413 Nebraska St. 442-3414 Pastor W.J. Lowmaster Bible Class 9:15 a.m. Holy Communion Worship 10:30 a.m. Wed. 9 a.m. - Women's Bible Study at (P) • Wed. 6 p.m. - T-P Midweek at (C) • Wed. 7:30 p.m. - T-P Advent Service (C)</p> <p><b>Mound City Baptist Church</b> 1308 Savannah Pastor Virgil Evans Morning Worship, 9 a.m. Sunday School, 10:15 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study, Larry Brickey, 6:30 p.m.; S@em City Youth Group, 6:30 p.m. 816-718-9462.</p> <p><b>Mound City United Methodist Church</b> 312 E. 7th St. Pastor Crystal Karr Sunday School 9 a.m. Sunday Service 10 a.m.</p> <p><b>Benton Church</b> An 1880s Church in the 21st Century Pastor: Jim Broker 1/2 mile south of Eagle's Nest Truck stop on Hwy. BB</p>	<p><b>Christian Fellowship</b> 18080 Hwy. 59 Jim Brown, Minister Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Senior High Youth 7:00 p.m. <a href="http://www.christian-fellowship.net">www.christian-fellowship.net</a></p> <p><b>First Christian Church</b> 402 E. 5th Paul Grant, Pastor Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>First United Presbyterian Church</b> 307 East 6th Street Pastor, Robert Hoenike Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m.</p> <p><b>New Liberty Baptist Church</b> County Road 140 Dr. Everett Walden, Pastor Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>Church of the Nazarene</b> 304 E. 4th St. Dan Donaldson, Interim Pastor Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m.</p> <p><b>New Life Apostolic Assembly</b> U.P.C.I. 307 E. 6th, Mound City Pastor Scott Jordan 660-442-3441 Currently meeting in the First United Presbyterian Church Sunday School, 2 p.m. Worship Service 3 p.m.</p>	<p><b>St. Peter Lutheran Church</b> 15371 Amber Dr. Pastor W.J. Lowmaster "Services held at St. John's" 9:00 a.m. Divine Worship 10:15 a.m. Bible Class Fellowship Potluck Dinner T-P LYF Meeting after Potluck Wed. 9 a.m. - Women's Bible Study at (P) • Wed. 6 p.m. - T-P Midweek at (C) • Wed. 7:30 p.m. - T-P Advent Service (C)</p> <p><b>Craig Presbyterian Church</b> No Worship Service this week.</p> <p><b>Sharp's Grove United Methodist Church</b> Rev. Crystal Karr 4-1/2 mi. north of Craig, just off Rt. 59 Worship Service 8:45 a.m.</p> <p><b>Craig Community Church of the Nazarene</b> 105 S. Ensworth St. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Service 11 a.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Church of God</b> Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m.</p>	
<p><b>MAITLAND</b></p> <p><b>First Christian Church</b> 4th and Ash Bill Gazaway, Pastor Sunday School, 9:15 a.m. Worship service, 10 a.m. Sunday Night Worship, 7 p.m. Wednesdays: Youth Rallies, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>United Methodist Church</b> 217 S. Maple Ave. Connie Ury, Pastor Worship Service, 9 a.m.</p>				
<p><b>SKIDMORE</b></p> <p><b>St. Oswald's-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church</b> 30996 X Avenue Skidmore, MO 2nd Sundays - 11 a.m., Morning Prayer service by Lay Reader 4th Sundays - 11 a.m., Eucharist Service</p>				
<p><b>FILLMORE</b></p> <p><b>The Lighthouse</b> Exit 65 on I-29 Pastors Tim and Faith Uzzle Sunday morning worship: 10 a.m. Thursday Bible Study: 7 p.m. <a href="http://www.fillmorelighthousechurch.org">www.fillmorelighthousechurch.org</a></p>				
<p><b>BIG LAKE</b></p> <p><b>Big Lake Baptist Church</b> 213 Lake Shore Dr. Karl Forehand, Pastor Breakfast 9 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.</p>				
	<p><b>OREGON</b></p> <p><b>New Point Christian Church</b> 24135 Stone Hill Rd. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Dinner, 4th Sunday of month following church</p> <p><b>Oregon Church of the Nazarene</b> 207 W. George Rob Self, Pastor Sunday School, 8 a.m. Worship Service, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>St. Patrick's Catholic Church</b> 303 Grand, Forest City Father Peter Ullrich, OSB Pastor and Parish Administrator</p>			

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# Letters to Santa.....

**Craig Kindergarten, Mrs. Vicky Taylor:**

Dear Santa,  
I need a fake baby that's potty-trained with a bottle, and a book for babies with a picture of clowns on it, and a big book with a little toy clock. I have one more thing - a picture of potty-trained babies.

And I want a Four-Way Bakery and a binky for my baby. I think that's all!

Love,  
Skylar Miller

Dear Santa,

I want a gun so I can go hunting with Ben. I also want a fake duck, and my Grandpa's dog named Sling-shot to hunting with and that's it.

Love,  
Cory Stevens

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas some Transformers and a really cool Superman and a small keychain and a Batman keychain - both with yellow faces and um, I want a Lego Superman mouse and I want every Lego and every Batman and Indiana Jones Lego Set from Raider of the Lost Ark and then Kingdom of the Crystal Skull and I wish for a flying Batman action figure.

I also want flying stuff that is remote-controlled and an Airhawk Superman and Wally and Indiana Jones Play Set that you drive through. I think that's probably all I want.

Love,  
Lukas Allnutt

Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is a new baby a real one, with a baby bottle and a plug and a clock for my bedroom. And I want some new fireworks, too.

Love,  
Angel McCallan

Dear Santa,

I don't want a baby who pees. But I want a radio and CDs. I am going to think of what else I want and I'll let you know later.

Love,  
Sarah Liles

Dear Santa,

I want sparklers and fireworks and a Christmas present. I want a clock for my bedroom. I want it to snow so I can go play in the snow and have fun. I want keys for my house, a little baby one, and a real farm.

I want a brand new Christmas tree and I want it to be summer so I can go swimming. I think that's all I want for now.

Love,  
Trevor Livengood

**Craig First and Second grades, Mrs. Bredensteiner:**

Dear Santa,  
I want a real 4-wheeler and 4-wheeler clothes and 4-wheeler boots and 4-wheeler helmet.

William Miller

Dear Santa,

I want a trampoline. I want a Barbie house. I want a monkey. I want a purse. I want a 4-wheeler. I want a horse.

Can I have a toy cat? Can I have a dirt bike? Can I have an easel?

Love,  
Jordan Twyman

Dear Santa,

I want a dirt bike, please. I want a movie about dinosaurs. I want a lot of cookies. I want a remote control car. I want a remote truck and trailer.

Cody Lundblade

Dear Santa,

I want a diamond necklace and a big make-up set. I want a night gown. I want a fur real lion. I want a pair of red ruby earrings. I want some clothes. I want a Bratz girls really rock doll. I want a golden retriever. How many cookies do you want Santa? I love Christmas. I love you Santa. How is Mrs. Claus? Do you have to know our addresses? I believe in you Santa Claus. Santa, do you have a brother named Fred? Can I have a pink Barbie bike with a pink horn? Can I have a snow globe?

Love,  
Desiree Hufford  
P.S. How are the elves?

Dear Santa,

I like presents for Christmas. I would like some movies. I want Strawberry Shortcake, Dora and Shrek DVDs. I would also like some toys. I want a real four-wheeler, pajamas and other clothes. I will leave you some pizza and tea in the refrigerator.

Love,  
Selena Welch

Dear Santa,

Am I on the good list, Santa? If I am, I want a Hannah Montana doll, a robot that would do anything for me, and a horse that is brown.

Love,  
Kaitlyn Panning

Dear Santa,

I hope that you come by this year. I want a dirt bike. I would like it if you would get me a 4-wheeler. I want a toy rocket that's 100 feet long.

Ryan Lewis

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a pellet gun, a camera, a guitar, and a 4-wheeler.

From,  
Jamison Liles

Dear Santa,

Please, can you give me a big robot horse? I will leave you a big glass of milk and cheese. I would like some toys for my baby brother. I like your reindeer a bunch. I also want a stuffed iguana.

Love,  
Jaelynn Hill

Dear Santa,

I made cookies and milk for you. I want a dirt bike and a 4-wheeler. I want a car and a tractor. I want a house. I want a trailer and truck!

Love,  
Gage McClain

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a ballet set with a crown and a diamond ruby. I also want an e-pet and 1,000 little pet shops. I am good some times. What kinds of cookies do you like?

Love,  
Skyler Mottufford

Dear Santa,

I want a trip to Hollywood. I also want a monkey and an iguana. I want some boots and a reindeer. I want a tarantula. I want an anaconda. I will set out some cookies and milk.

Love,  
Kobe Monroe

Dear Santa,

I would like a 4-wheeler. I would like a trampoline and parrot. I would like a monkey, a pig and a horse. I would like clothes and a rooster. I would like a seal.

Love,  
Paige Stoner

Dear Santa,

I want a jump rope and a make-up set. I want a Barbie doll and a Polly Pocket. I want a bike with no training wheels and a doll house. I want Hannah Montana clothes and Hannah Montana doll. I want a Hannah Montana ball and Hannah Montana hat.

Kyrstin Peters

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a brat doll. I want a real horse. I will have a Barbie and a new Barbie house. I want a 4-wheeler. I want a diamond ring. I will get a dress for Christmas. I have a diamond necklace. I want a dog and a cat.

Love,  
Holly Twyman

**Craig Third and Fourth grades, Ms. Laura Mag-nall:**

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! I would like a bunch of pets. I want a horse, a fish, two dogs, and one cat. Thank you.

Love,  
Alexis Eppens

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! I hope you have had a great year. For Christmas I want a sled and some board games. I also want a stuffed Santa. Thank you for all the gifts you have given me.

Sincerely,  
Brandon Flint

Dear St. Nicholas,

Merry Christmas! I hope you're having a good year. I know I am. All I want is a camp set, a farm set, a four-wheeler, and a tribot.

Sincerely,  
Dylon Faller

Dear Santa,

I want a bike, a cell phone, a Wii, camouflage, a camera and a MP3 charger. That is all.

Love,  
Ashlynn Stone

Dear Santa,

I love Christmas! My favorite part is to give. I really want a bow and arrow with practice tips too. Can you give Kevin a ninja suit like Ryan's. But, can you make the size 4T. Can I have a Play Station 2. Thank you.

Love,  
Stephen Voltmer

Dear Santa,

This Christmas I would like an Xbox 360 Elite with controllers. I would also like the game Halo 3 and an Xbox Live Gold Membership Card. Thanks.

Your Friend,  
Sam Hinrichs  
P.S. I am making you cookies.

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! I want a bow for Christmas. The second thing I want for Christmas is a dog. The third thing I want for Christmas is the game, Uno Flash. The fourth thing I want for Christmas is an Xbox 360 and a Wii. That is all.

Your friend,  
Ryan Long

Dear Santa,

How are you? Good I hope. You probably know what I want for Christmas. But, here is a reminder just in case you forgot. I would like a skateboard, an Ipod, a computer, a car and a dog.

Sincerely,  
Tristan McClain  
P.S. I'll leave milk and cookies.



Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! For Christmas I would like a Play Station portable, some games for the PSP, a four-wheeler, the CDs High School Musical 1,2,3 a CD player, a BB gun, a cell phone, a pink Ipod, and a dog.

Have a great Christmas and New Year. I hope you have a wonderful season.

Please don't run over my grandma when she is walking home from my house.

Love,  
A good girl,  
Hailey Miller  
P.S. Ho! Ho!

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like to have a pink or black Ipod, a better cell phone, a lot of clothes and some camouflage. That is it!

Your friend,  
Jessie Nowling

Dear Santa,

These are a couple of things I want for Christmas. I would like a dog, Ipod, any game and shoes. That is all.

Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely,  
Cayle Nelson



## Julia's best

### Broccoli Rice Casserole

by Julia Gilland

3 cups cooked rice  
1 - 8oz jar of cheese wiz  
Mix these two ingredients together while hot.

Add:  
1 can cream of chicken soup  
3/4 cup milk  
1/2 cup chopped celery  
1/2 cup chopped onion  
1 box chopped broccoli  
3 T. melted oleo (butter or margarine)

Combine all ingredients and pour into a 8x8 or 9x13 pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes to an hour.

## Community Calendar

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- December 12 - Junior Varsity and Varsity Basketball at Fairfax - 5:00 p.m.
- December 13 - Mound City FFA Caroling and Party
- December 13 - State Theater Children's Christmas Program at the State Theater - 10 a.m.
- December 14 - High School Music and Art Show - 2:00 p.m.
- December 15 - Varsity Basketball at Mid-Buchannon - 6:30 p.m.
- December 15 - Mound City Elementary Concert - 7:00 p.m.
- December 15 - Mound City School Board Meeting - 1:00 p.m.
- December 17 - Semester tests at Mound City R-2 (5-8)
- December 18 - Semester tests at Mound City R-2 (1-4)
- December 18 - School Dismisses for Christmas Break - 12:30 p.m. - School Resumes Jan. 5
- December 21 - Dolores Ideker Memorial Christmas Program - Delaware Valley Brass at the State Theater - 2:00 p.m.

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Community of Christ Church, 1410 Nebraska St., Mound City

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS), non-profit,  
non-religious weight-loss support group,  
Mondays, 4:30 p.m.  
Concordia Lutheran Church, Mound City

Deadline for Calendar Items is Monday Evening

Lobby Hours: Monday thru Thursday 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Friday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
Drive-in Window: Monday thru Thursday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Friday 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m.-noon

**CHECK OUT THESE OTHER CONVENIENT NVB LOCATIONS**

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**at Dollar General in Mound City**

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Dollar General will provide all wrapping supplies or you may bring your own.

## Extension county ag updates scheduled

Area growers should plan to attend the County Extension Ag Updates scheduled December 16 through the 19. The meeting will start at 8:00 a.m. and conclude by noon.

The morning will start

with the latest information regarding crops. Fungicide use, new herbicide products, GMO crops and new technology will be just a few of the topics. Attendance at this portion of the meeting will also satisfy requirements for Private Pesticide Applicator training with additional discussion of labeling.

At 11:00 a.m. Jim Humphrey, livestock specialist, will discuss ways to reduce costs of feed rations; Bob Kelly, Ag Business, will discuss high input prices; and Tom Fowler, horticulturalist, will update the group on Emerald Ash Borer.

Please join in one of the following meeting sites: Tuesday, December 16, at the Conley Building in Maysville; Wednesday, December 17, at the Courthouse meeting room in Plattsburg; Thursday, December 18, at the Clabby Building in Savannah; and finally on Friday, December 19, at the Rolling Hills Library located at 1904 N. Belt in St. Joseph.

For more information, contact Wayne Flanary, Regional Agronomist, University of Missouri Extension, at 660-446-3724.

## Need A Good Gift Idea?



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## Ask the Ag Team

**Horticulture tips from University of Missouri Extension**

### Storing bulbs

If you are storing flower bulbs this winter, keep them in a cool place, but where they are protected from freezing. Place them in a container with potting soil, peat moss, or sawdust, and check them from time to time to make sure they are not too dry. If they begin to shrivel, they're starting to dry out, so add a little water to the container, and that should correct the

moisture level.

### Watering Christmas trees

One of the cardinal rules of Christmas tree care is to never let the water in the support stand reservoir to become empty. To do so may cause an air lock to form inside the trunk as the tree tries to take in water. If this happens, it may not take up water again, even when you refill the reservoir. This will greatly shorten the life of your tree.

## Midwest Data offering webcam service for soldiers' families

Midwest Data Center in Rock Port, MO, has a holiday offering for families of deployed troops. Family members will have access to a computer equipped with a webcam that will allow the deployed soldier to see them as well as talk live over the internet. If the soldier has access to webcam equipment on his/her side of the ocean, the family members in Rock Port will be able to see them as they speak also.

If you have a family mem-

ber in the armed forces who is deployed, you can contact Teresa at Midwest Data Center to arrange a time. It would be beneficial if you can find out what sort of communication equipment is available to your soldier and times that would be most convenient for them.

The service will be available Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., until December 23. For more information, please call Teresa at 744-5916.

## Time running short for 2008 tax-related moves

The Internal Revenue Service recently reminded taxpayers they have less than a month to make their final tax-related financial moves for the 2008 tax year. Planning now may save time, and perhaps even money, later.

### Contribute to a Retirement Account

The maximum IRA contribution for 2008 is \$5,000 and \$15,500 for 401(k) employer plans. If you're 50 or older, those numbers increase to \$6,000 and \$20,500, respectively.

The "Saver's Credit" helps workers whose income is generally less than \$53,000 offset part of the first \$2,000 they voluntarily contribute to IRAs and to 401(k) plans and similar workplace retirement programs.

Converting a traditional IRA into a Roth IRA may also be a long-term tax saving solution.

### Charitable Contributions

Make contributions to charity no later than Dec. 31. Non-cash contributions must be in at least good used con-

dition to be deductible and don't forget that the IRS now requires a receipt for any cash contributions.

The Heartland Disaster Tax Relief Act suspends the percentage-of-income limits that would normally apply when taxpayers make qualifying cash contributions to a public charity for disaster relief efforts related to certain areas in Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska or Wisconsin.

### Sell the Losers

Consider a portfolio adjustment, up to \$3,000 can be deducted in capital losses each year.

### First-time Homebuyer Credit and Property Tax Deduction

The Housing and Economic Recovery Act offers first-time homebuyers credit of up to \$7,500. It also has a provision that increases an individual taxpayer's standard deduction by the amount paid for state and local property taxes for those who do not itemize deductions.

### Beware of Scams

The IRS will never send you an unsolicited e-mail. If an e-mail from the IRS unexpectedly shows up in your inbox simply delete it.

For more information and to access IRS news, forms and publications, go to the official IRS website at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). Don't be confused by internet sites that end in .com, .net, .org or other designations.

## 'Grow your Farm' workshops in northwest Missouri

Do you have a creative farming idea? Do you need a little practical guidance to emerge onto the farming landscape successfully?

University of Missouri Extension has announced a series of workshops for prospective farmers, beginning farmers with some experience, and even experienced farmers who want to make a "new beginning" with alternative farming methods.

These workshops are called "Grow Your Farm", and will be conducted in Northwest Missouri via interactive television at three locations: Chillicothe, Maryville, and St. Joseph.

The course will last 8 weeks and meet every Thursday evening beginning January 15, 2009, and continuing through March 5. There will also be a farm tour scheduled on a date that will be determined by participants.

The course is designed to help participants identify a mission for their farm, set goals, plan for profitability, build networks, and study practical legal issues. Those who are thinking about alternative agriculture enterprises will appreciate the course's encouragement of ideas outside the mainstream as well as sustainable practices. Course participants will also learn of resources for technical and other types of advice for their farming enterprise.

Some of the practical lessons that can be learned in these workshops include

## Take control of stress before it takes control of you

By Janet Hackert, Regional Nutrition and Health Education Specialist

The holiday season is officially in full swing. Life seems to get even busier than usual this time of year. There are ways to relieve stress and to take control of stress before it takes control of you.

The signs of stress vary from person to person. Some may feel fatigue, head/chest/back pain, diarrhea or constipation, or change of appetite. For some, irritability, a noticeably negative attitude, or an anxious feeling may be a signal of stress. Identifying one's own signs of stress is the first step toward stress relief.

The next step is learning ways to relieve stress as it arises. One method of stress relief is relaxation. Take a deep breath. Take another one. By filling the lungs with air, blood is oxygenated and the body is rejuvenated.

how to "walk the farm" to assess the land and its facilities. Participants will also learn a process to evaluate the feasibility of particular farm enterprises.

Once a plan is determined for a farm, participants will be taught the components of a business plan and how to create their own. How to understand financial aspects of a business plan and review popular methods to manage financial records and providing a background on a variety of legal issues that pertain to farming enterprises will also be covered.

This course will give individuals a background on different types of agricultural marketing and teach them how to draft a marketing plan once production has been established.

Finally, participants will have the opportunity to network with other farmers. Farmers can learn a lot from each other, and this aspect of the course can introduce them to other farmers with similar goals and aspirations that may provide valuable resources to "grow your farm".

The cost is \$200 per farm business for two people, which includes course materials. Each additional person is \$25 per person. The deadline for registration is January 9th. For more information, contact Tom Fowler at 816-279-1691, or Randa Doty at 660-582-8101.

University of Missouri Extension programs are open to all.

Another relaxation technique is called mindfulness. Lynn Rossy, of the TE Atkins University of Missouri Wellness Program, uses the acronym S.T.O.P. to help explain what mindfulness means. It stands for Stop, Take a breath, Observe the situation, and Proceed. Rossy says, "After following those few steps, you've stopped long enough that you might not continue to do something you'll regret." At her program's web site (<http://www.umsystem.edu/ums/curators/wellness/mindfulness/guided.htm>), you can download guided mindfulness exercises. They are as short as three minutes and as long as 30.

Physical activity is another way to release the tension of stress. Try stretching. Even a little stretch at the computer, at the kitchen table, at the side of the tractor, or whenever the tension is felt in the muscles can help make the situation a bit easier to handle. Aerobic activity is yet another option. For relief of just a little stress, a walk around the block, office or living room, can revitalize and give a new perspective on a task. If stress levels are higher, perhaps more strenuous activity is called for. Running the stairs, cleaning house, shoveling out a calf pen or some other activity might do the trick.

Learn to recognize your symptoms and manage them before stress becomes overwhelming. Find techniques that work for you, use them, and live a less stressful existence.

## Holt County Arrest reports

Steven W. Reynolds, 46, of Mound City, was taken into custody on December 3, at 10:40 p.m.

He was taken to the Holt County Jail with the charges of speeding 41 in a 35 mph zone and a DWI.

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**Land Location:** From Highway 59 in Mound City, MO, go north on State Hwy. N two miles, then east 3 miles on Rt. HH, then north on November Road 1/4 mi. Property is on the east side of November Road, with 1/4 mile gravel road frontage. **Note:** Mound City, MO, is approximately 35 miles northwest of St. Joseph, MO, at the 84 mile marker on Interstate 29.

**Terms:** 10 % non-refundable down payment day of auction and enter into contract. Balance due at closing in 30 days.

**Auctioneer's Note:** This property has much more to offer than just annual farm crop income. If you enjoy hunting...this property has few rivals in Northwest Missouri. Whitetail deer abound here along with many, many turkeys (and mushrooms in the spring!). As an adjacent property owner, I personally have hunted this property 38 years and can attest to the quality opportunities that await the new owner. Many nice large walnut trees are also a nice bonus. Don't miss this opportunity as the owner is very sincere in his desire to sell. For a guided tour, call me or Joe Schuman.....Greg Clement

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## CRAIG COMMUNITY CALENDAR

(ITEMS MUST BE AT THE CRAIG BRANCH BY NOON MONDAY)

- Dec. 12 - Basketball at Fairfax vs. Mound City - 5:00 p.m.
- Dec. 12 - DARE Graduation at The Hangar in Maryville, MO
- Dec. 15-19 - Varsity Basketball at West Nodaway Tournament
- Dec. 15 - Craig School Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- Dec. 19 - Second Quarter/First Semester Ends
- Dec. 22 - School closes for Christmas break
- Jan. 5 - School resumes
- Jan. 6 - Varsity Basketball at Fairfax vs. Osborn - 6:00 p.m.

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## State Champion Football Honors' Assembly

The 2008 8-Man State Football Champions will be honored at a community honor assembly Friday, December 12. The assembly will be held in the Mound City Gymnasium at 3:05 p.m.

Many Mound City Panther fans were unable to make the trip over Thanksgiving weekend to the dome in St. Louis. This will provide an opportunity for the fans to gather in the gym to show the state champions all the support they had behind them and to honor their accomplishments.

## Northwest Missouri Basketball Tournament

The Northwest Missouri Basketball Tournament will be held December 15-19 at West Nodaway. The Nodaway-Holt boys lose they play at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday.

The Craig/Fairfax girls' team plays in West Nodaway at 4:30 p.m. on Monday. CFX girls will play Nodaway-Holt. If they win, they play Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. and if they lose they play Wednesday at 7:30 p.m..

The CFX boys play Albany on Monday at 9:00 p.m. If they win, they play Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. and if they lose they play at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday. Other teams in the tournament not mentioned above include: Northeast Nodaway, North Nodaway, Worth County and South Nodaway.



**Nick Patterson-** Takes the ball down the floor for the Trojans.



**A West Nodaway-** Player looks to defend against Buffie Lance as she prepares to pass.



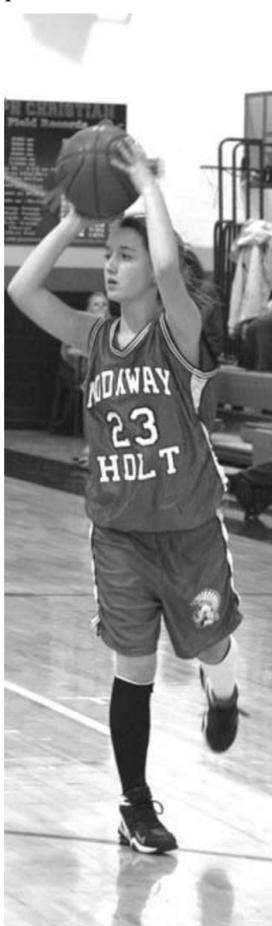
**James Walker-** Finished this drive with a made bucket for the Panthers.



**Becca Osborn-** Grabbed the rebound and looked to score.



**Jaron Hendrix-** Looks to pass.



**Darcie Gallagher-** Looks to pass the ball inside during the game with St. Joseph Christian.



**Haylee Clifton-** Takes the ball to the hole during Mound City's final game against Nodaway-Holt. Haylee finished with 17 points.



**Brett Johnson-** Made this bucket in the final junior high game of the season. Brett had nine points for the Panthers.

### Panthers' Junior High basketball season comes to an end

The Mound City junior high basketball teams finished their seasons on December 8, at Nodaway-Holt.

The girls lost 27-37 to the Trojans. The score was even at five by the end of the first quarter, but turnovers plagued the Panthers and the score was 7-19 by half. The Panthers outscored the Trojans in the third quarter, but still trailed 17-27. The two-week break between games seemed to be a factor in the outcome.

Haylee Clifton led the Panthers with 17 points. Alex Phillips and Becca Osborn added four points each. Nassi Hood had two points.

The junior high boys lost a close 32-36 contest with the Nodaway-Holt Trojans. Mound City had a 11-8 lead by the end of the first quarter, but trailed by one at half. The Panthers were down 26-28 at the end of the third quarter, but couldn't quite catch the Trojans.

Brett Johnson and Luke Sanders scored nine points

each. Hayston Wilson had six points and James Walker had four points. Kase Newcomb added three points and Dayne Messer added one point.

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### Junior high Trojans win again

The Nodaway-Holt Junior High girls played West Nodaway at Burlington Jet. on December 2.

The Trojans jumped out to a 17-2 first quarter lead and coasted to a 41-10 win.

Darcie Gallagher led the scoring with 12 points. Brittany Shipps and Megan Rosenbohm added 10 points each. Amanda O'Riley scored seven points. Also adding two points each were Kalli Devers and Bailee Lance.

The Junior High Trojan girls played Mound City at Graham on Monday, December 8.

The first quarter ended with a 5-5 tie. In the second quarter the Trojans outscored the Panthers 14-2 to take a 19-7 lead at the break. The Trojans forced many Panther turnovers that were converted into points. The second half saw the Trojans hold on to their lead and win 37-27. The Trojans played well and finished their season with a good win.

Leading the scoring for the Trojans was Megan Rosenbohm with 20 points. Darcie Gallagher added 9 points. Amanda O'Riley chipped in 6 points and Kalli Devers made a basket for 2 points.



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**Patrick Treece-** Lays up a nice shot over the Knight defender.



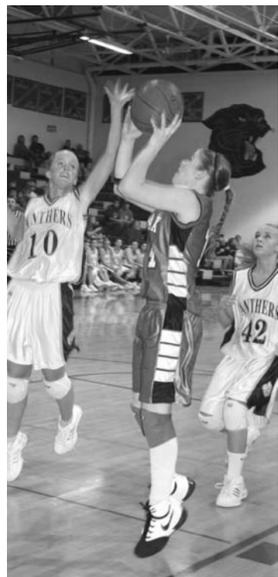
**Kallie Schoonover-** Shoots a jumper for the Lady Panthers. Kallie led the Lady Panthers with 17 points in the first place win.



**Taking the ball to the hole-** Cole Rosier scores on this drive. Cole scored eight points in the championship game.



**Kevin Dodson-** Attempts to tip the ball away from the North Andrew player on this rebound.



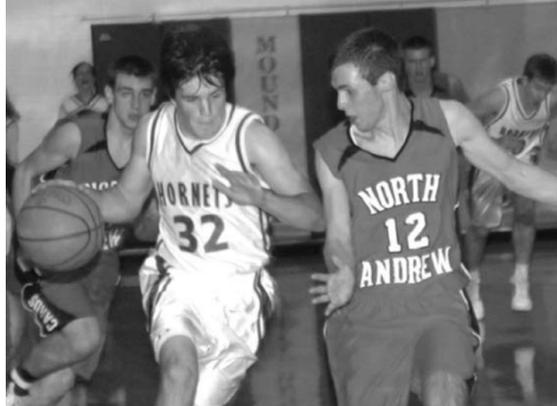
**Deanna Biermann-** Goes up for a shot as Kallie Schoonover attempts to block.



**Kelsey Davis-** Takes the ball up strong against Bulldog Chelsea Miller. Abigail Haer looks for the rebound.



**John Plummer-** Shoots a three pointer over Miles Clifton in the Championship boys' game Saturday.



**Jordan Showalter-** Takes the ball past a North Andrew player during the Mound City Tournament.



**51st Annual Mound City All-Tournament Team**  
**All-Tournament Team** - Back row (left to right): Cole Rosier, Mound City; Miles Clifton, Mound City; John Plummer, Oregon; Tyler Costello, Oregon; Zach Murphy, Rock Port. Front row (left to right): Kallie Schoonover, Mound City; Hanna Vette, Rock Port; Whitney Harrington, Craig/Fairfax; Abigail Haer, Mound City; Denise McEnaney, Tarkio. Not pictured: Kolton Jones, West Nodaway; Micah Boswell, North Andrew; Amanda Geib, Craig/Fairfax; and Lilly Sundermann, West Nodaway.



### Craig/Fairfax takes second

The Craig/Fairfax girls- Took second in the Mound City Tournament losing only in the championship game against Mound City. They are from left to right, front row- Amanda Geib, Whitney Harrington, Deanna Biermann, Amanda Yocum, back row- Becky Geib, Ashton Lewis, Darian Burke, Kelsey Sly, Kourtney Sly and Chelsea Miller. Amanda Geib led the Bulldogs with 12 points. Kelsey Sly had four points, Darian Burke had one point, Kourtney Sly had three points while both Whitney Harrington and Chelsea Miller had six points.

## Mound City Invitational Tournament outcome

### Tuesday games

The Tarkio girls beat the West Nodaway girls 61-53. Denise McEnaney scored 26 for the Indians and Lilly Sunderman led the Rockets with 15.

The Craig/Fairfax boys lost a close contest with the North Andrew boys. With the scores tied at 10 in the first quarter and then again in the third quarter at 31, CFX felt the loss with a 47-51 final score.

Jordan Showalter led the Hornets with 18 points. Jacob Beck added 10 points and Kevin Dodson had nine. Caleb Wright scored six for the Hornets and Graham Scarbrough and Spencer Barnes added two each.

The Rock Port Blue Jay girls beat North Andrew 48-26. Hanna Vette led the Blue Jays with 23 and Amie Gilmore led the Cardinals with seven.

West Nodaway boys beat Rock Port 51-36. Kolton Jones led the Rockets with 24 points while both Zach Murphy and Damond Wennihan each scored 10 for the Blue Jays.

### Wednesday games

The Mound City Lady Panthers defeated the Tarkio Indians 40-37 with a last second shot.

The Panthers trailed 4-7 first quarter and 13-19 by half. They scored 14 points to finish down one at the end of the third quarter.

The score was tied with less than 20 seconds on the clock in the fourth quarter and Mound City had possession. Kallie Schoonover

made her move to the bucket with six seconds on the clock, defense pressured her and she dished the ball out to Jenny Jackson who drained a three from the corner to give the Lady Panthers the 40-37 victory.

Abigail Haer led the Panthers with 14 points, nine rebounds and two steals. Kallie Schoonover had 12 points, five rebounds and three steals. Jenny Jackson scored six points and had two rebounds and two steals. Synthia Murphy and Kelsey Davis each scored four points. Synthia added two rebounds and two steals. Kelsey Davis had three rebounds and a steal. Laura Schoonover had three rebounds and two steals. Morgan Burge stole the ball three times.

The Mound City boys beat the North Andrew Cardinals 47-38. After an outstanding scoring drive, the Panthers led 30-5, but a scoring drought left the Panthers in a much closer game than they had wanted. The free throw touch had not yet been accomplished for the state football champs as they went 13 for 33 from the line.

Miles Clifton led the Panthers with 16 points, six rebounds, a steal and two assists. Cole Rosier dropped in 11 points and had two assists. Jacob Parker had five points, eight rebounds, three steals and an assist. Patrick Treece had five points, led the rebounding with nine and had two assists. Dan Montgomery had three points, six rebounds and two steals. Lucas Schawang had five points. Gage Rosier had two points, three rebounds, seven steals and three assists.

The Craig/Fairfax girls beat Rock Port 40-26. The Bulldogs got out to an early 7-2 lead in the first quarter and led 15-10 at half. Rock Port had a tough time from the field and CFX led 30-14 at the end of three quarters.

The Bulldogs' offense was led by Amanda Geib who scored 19 points. She also had nine rebounds and three steals. Whitney Harrington scored 11 for CFX as well as having three rebounds and four steals. Deanna Biermann had seven points and two steals. Amanda Yocum added three points. Chelsea Miller had three rebounds and two steals. Darian Burke had two rebounds for the Bulldogs.

South Holt blew by West Nodaway 70-44. The Knights

racked up 27 points in the first quarter and led 43-16 by half. The Rockets won the second half of the game 28-27, however the game was lost in the first half.

John Plummer led the Knights with 21 points, had 12 rebounds, a steal and three assists. Cameron Radley scored 15 points, had 11 rebounds, five steals and two assists. Toby Prussman added 14 points, three rebounds, two steals and four assists. Scoot Anderson had eight points, five rebounds and three steals. Jeff Whittington had seven points, seven rebounds and an assist. Shawn Doughty had a point, four rebounds and a steal.

### Thursday games

The West Nodaway girls beat the Nodaway-Holt Trojans 74-20 to advance to the consolation game.

Jodi Holmes had six points, 10 rebounds and two steals for the Trojans. Darcy Brown had four points and Whitney Keith had two points. Crystal Poppa had two points and eight rebounds. Hailey Poppa had two points and seven rebounds. Kelsey Yeager had two points and a rebound.

The Tarkio Indians beat the Craig/Fairfax boys 57-53. The Hornets stayed even at 14 in the first quarter. The score at half was 19-40 and 26-40 after three quarters.

Jordan Showalter led the Hornets with 17 points. Graham Scarbrough had seven points and Jacob Beck added six points. Bobby Agnew, Kevin Dodson and Spencer Barnes each had two points. Caleb Wright added a free throw.

The South Holt Lady Knights fell to the North Andrew Cardinals 35-43. The Knights led 10-4 in the first quarter and were up 16-13 at half. The Cardinals put in 30 points to the Knights' 19 in the second half to win the game.

Toshia Jones led the Knights with 19 points. Cami Scroggins had seven

points and Blair Million added six points. Chelsea Acton had two points and Lucinda Henry had one point.

The Nodaway-Holt Trojans fell to the Rock Port Blue Jays. The Trojans were down 14-27 at the half and lost 42-65.

Michael Brown led the Trojans with 15 points, four rebounds and a steal. Carson Long added nine points, five rebounds and four steals. Cody Ridler and Patrick O'Riley added seven points each and four rebounds each. Cody also had five steals for the Trojans. Nick Christian and Zach Lemar had two points each.

### Girls' Consolation

The West Nodaway Lady Rockets beat the North Andrew Lady Cardinals 56-35 in the consolation game Friday night. Tessah Wood led the Rockets with 14 points and Lilly Sunderman had 11 points for the Cardinals.

### Boys' Third Place

The North Andrew Cardinals beat the West Nodaway Rockets 58-52 to earn third place in the Mound City Tournament. The Cardinal scoring was led by Joshua Pittman with 16 points. West Nodaway's Cody Moore tallied 21 points for the night.

### Boys' Consolation

The Rock Port Blue Jays defeated the Tarkio Indians 48-29 in the consolation game Saturday night. Damond Wennihan led the Blue Jays with 14 points and Zach Murphy added 13 points. David DeBuhr had 11 points for the Indians.

### Girls' Third Place

The Rock Port Lady Blue Jays were beaten in the third place game by the Tarkio Indians. Tarkio took a four point lead in the first quarter that they maintained throughout the game to capture the 39-35 third place win. Denise McEnaney had 17 points for the Indians. Hanna Vette led the Blue Jays with 19 points.

## Compassion

By Jesse Ohlenschlen  
 The word of the month is Compassion.

Compassion is an extremely strong human emotion sparked by the pain of others. It is often the key component in the manifestation of a social context called altruism.

Compassion is the basis

of the golden rule, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." "It is like having a connection deeper than just being friends," says senior Jazmine Knox.

When asked what compassion meant to Ryan Price he said, "I would rather feel compassion rather than know what it means."



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# The Prowl

## Teacher of the week Junior High athletes of the week

*By Kelsey Davis*  
Nichole Hux, Technology Director, has been chosen teacher of the week.

Always on the go and hardworking, her outgoing and fun personality creates a relaxed atmosphere for all high school students.

She attended college at Northwest Missouri State University where she is currently working towards her Master's Degree in Instructional Technology.

After graduating, she started teaching Business Education in August of 2002 at Fairfax, MO. Her passion for teaching drove Mrs. Hux to make a difference in student's lives. Resigning from

Fairfax High School in 2007, Mrs. Hux took the job opportunity of Technology Director for Mound City High School in the fall of 2008.

Starting over again with new students and staff was something she was excited about and truly blessed to be a part of.

She is currently not only Technology Director for Mound City, but is also yearbook advisor, a senior class sponsor, and a prom sponsor.

Mrs. Hux said, "My very first day of teaching was the most memorable moment in the classroom. When the students filled my classroom, I knew I had the right career."



*By Jenny Jackson*  
The girl's junior high basketball player of the week is eighth grader, Alex Phillips.

The main reason Coach Tenney chose Alex is because she had 14 points and was a strong defender against Rock Port.

The junior high girls played the Rock Port Blue Jays at home on Monday, November 24. They won 24-13.

"She played hard on both sides of the court all night," said Coach Tenney.



The boy's junior high basketball player of the week is eighth grader, Brett Johnson.

The reason that Coach Osburn chose Brett is because he has an excellent work ethic and is also a great leader.

The boys played the Rock Port Blue Jays at home Monday, November 24. They lost the game 29-27.

"We lost a close game against Rock Port. The team is looking forward to playing a great game against Nodaway-Holt," said Coach Osburn.



*By Jenny Jackson*  
Hoop Shoot is a free throw program sponsored by the Elks Lodge. Children from different age groups compete against each other and are divided up based on their age to make the competition fair.

Hoop Shoot starts at the school where the kids are from. The students who make the most free throws out of 25 get to advance to the next round, which was held at Northwest.

Mound City kids that advanced were Miles Loucks (10 and 11 year old boys), Taylor Coker (12 and 13 year old boys), Lena Ashford (12 and 13 year old girls), and Bailey Portman (eight and nine year old girls).

Miles Loucks won the contest in his division on December 6. He will compete on January 3, in Cameron, MO.

When asked what Miles liked about the Hoop Shoot competition, he commented, "Competing with all the kids from different schools

was pretty cool and I made friends with a lot of them." When asked what his favorite part of this program was he said, "If you win then you keep going."

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## Coach of the week

*By Michael Whitman*  
First year head coach, Brain Messer, is the coach of the week because he led the Mound City Panthers to another state championship.

The Panthers brought the state title back to Mound City where it belongs for another year.

Coach Messer came to Mound City last May not knowing a whole lot about 8-man football, but he had an idea of what kind of offense he wanted to run.

He gave the team a thick playbook with every play written out and drawn out. He told the team his story, and how much he felt blessed to be able to coach. He also told the team that they could be the best team Mound City has ever seen.

He explained to the team that if they wanted to win state they would have to "TAKE IT" because no one was going to give it to them.

A week before the first game, the team went on a road trip to watch the St. Joe Christian Jamboree. Coach Messer was sitting there with his pen and a notebook writing down everything

he saw Christian run. He was sitting there and was amazed because his players kept on telling him how bad they thought the St. Joe Christian players looked. He thought they looked good. He started to worry because he had not yet seen how great his team was when they faced someone who stood in their way of a win, let alone a state title.

Coach Messer led the Panthers to a 13-0 season. He 'out coached' every coach that came in his way because just like his team he was on a mission. The Missouri 8-man coaches named Messer, "Coach of the Year", for leading his unstoppable Panther train to an amazing season.

We secretly asked Coach Messer what he thought of being Coach of the Year and he replied, "I take it as a compliment and I also appreciate it very much."

On behalf of the 2008 Mound City Football Team, congratulations on the honor of being Coach of the Year. You deserved it and THANK YOU for such a great season.



## Christmas programs planned

*By Sarah Kahle*  
As Christmas is approaching, so is the annual Mound City High School Christmas concert. This year the junior high and high school concert will be held on Sunday, December 14, at 2:00 p.m. in the high school gymnasium.

It has been the tradition to end the first semester with a Christmas concert. The students started preparing many years ago when they first started learning how to play their instruments. The students learned the basics in the fifth and sixth grades, and have continued to perfect their music throughout the years. As it gets closer to the concert they continue to polish their songs to put on a

## Elementary Christmas activities

*By Shelby Culp, Editor*  
Entering a month of giving and celebrating, the elementary students of Mound City will be busy with many Christmas activities.

Mound City Elementary Student Council will be promoting community projects during the month of December. One activity the student council has promoted is the annual canned food drive. The food drive was held the first of December. The elementary student body collected canned foods to help our local food pantry. Mrs. Russell's sixth grade class won, and was treated to a sandwich party by our local Subway restaurant.

Business gifts will also be collected from students to hand out to outstanding businesses in honor of their work

## Custodian of the week

*By Kelsey Davis*  
Nannette Panning, custodian, has been chosen custodian of the week.

She is very hard working and is always doing her job. She started working at Mound City R-2 on September 28, 2004.

Being only 76 steps away from her home, she enjoys the benefit of not having to drive to work. She enjoys working here except during the Mound City Invitational Tournament.

Nannette quoted, "My most memorable moment was when Kyle Staples attempted to keep Prent Eaton from painting the wrong color on the blocks up the "red hall steps" by the band room."

She had previously worked at Tiffany Heights for 11 years, and King Oil for four years.

## Happy Meal party

*By Christopher Buckles*  
Where does every kid dream of eating? McDonald's. Mostly, that's because of the awesome Happy Meals. The fourth grade class got to enjoy Happy Meals on Wednesday, December 3.

The fourth grade class won a Happy Meal party because they had the most people show up at McDonalds during McTeacher Night. The manager of McDonalds and the Hamburglar brought the meal to the fourth grade classroom.

Kaitie Smith commented,

"It was really awesome because everyone got their own four piece chicken nugget meal. The funniest part was when the Hamburglar stole ice cream from one of the students, and the manager of McDonald's had to chase him down to get the ice cream back."

Riley Holstine said, "It was really good because we all got to pick what kind of sauce we wanted for our chicken nuggets. We each got five apple dippers and we even got to have pop in school."

## Question of the week

*By Hailea Miller*

**Question: What is your favorite Christmas movie?**  
**Savanah Derr, Grade Four:** "Christmas Vacation because it is funny and my family enjoys watching it. My favorite parts are when Clark goes up in the attic and boards go in his face, when he day-dreams out the window, when Clark falls off the roof, and when Clark goes into the mall."

**Montana Kunkel, Grade Five:** "A Christmas Story"  
**Lena Ashford, Grade Six:** "How the Grinch Stole Christmas"

**Eryn Acton, Grade Seven:** "A Christmas Story"  
**Haylee Clifton, Grade Eight:** "A Christmas Story"  
**Cheyenne Martin, Grade Ten:** "This Christmas"

## Miles Loucks advances in hoop shoot competition

*By Jenny Jackson*  
Hoop Shoot is a free throw program sponsored by the Elks Lodge. Children from different age groups compete against each other and are divided up based on their age to make the competition fair.

Hoop Shoot starts at the school where the kids are from. The students who make the most free throws out of 25 get to advance to the next round, which was held at Northwest.

Mound City kids that advanced were Miles Loucks (10 and 11 year old boys), Taylor Coker (12 and 13 year old boys), Lena Ashford (12 and 13 year old girls), and Bailey Portman (eight and nine year old girls).

Miles Loucks won the contest in his division on December 6. He will compete on January 3, in Cameron, MO.

When asked what Miles liked about the Hoop Shoot competition, he commented, "Competing with all the kids from different schools

was pretty cool and I made friends with a lot of them." When asked what his favorite part of this program was he said, "If you win then you keep going."

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## Football athlete of the week



*By Michael Whitman*  
Senior football stud of a lineman, Zach Bare, gave it his all to help his dominate team win the state championship game in St. Louis.

Bare earned all district and all conference honors

this year because of his outstanding blocking on every play.

"Zach showed great improvement throughout the year. His blocking in the playoff games and championship game was outstanding and enabled us to make big plays in the running game," quoted Head Coach Brain Messer.

Zach Bare was asked if he was ready to hang up his pads for his last time. Bare commented, "I was not ready to hang up my pads. We had such a great season I could have played all year." He also said it felt great to play in the dome.

## Sixth grade learns power point

*By Ryan Crowley*  
During library time with Mrs. Shelley Eaton, the sixth grade class has been learning to create power point presentations.

The students were given a topic to research for their presentations. They have been researching and creating power point presentations with the information they found in their research. The majority of the sixth grade class is first time users of the program.

This idea of teaching younger kids how to create power point presentations came from Mrs. Cammy Ungles. She told Mrs. Eaton that some of her students didn't know how to make a power point presentation.

"The kids are catching on fast and are really enjoying it," said Mrs. Eaton.

With the new technology in the school the kids are not just limited to using the library, they can go any place in the school to work on power point presentations.

After the kids are finished with the presentation they will be allowed to self assess each other on the quality of each others power points.

When they return from Christmas break, the kids will learn about plagiarism and will still continue on learning about the power points.

In this day in age, most if not all, further education after high school which will require some knowledge of the power point program.

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## LEGAL NOTICES

### Mound City R-2 School Board Election Filing Information

April 7, 2009, Election

The first day for candidate filing is December 16, 2008. The superintendent's office will be open that day from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. School will be closed December 18 at 12:30 p.m. and will resume January 2 at 8:00 a.m. The office will be open occasionally between those dates, but you are encouraged to call ahead of time to make sure someone is in the office (660-442-3737). The last day for school board filing is January 20, 2009. 21/2tc

### NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE

The first date to file for names to appear on the Fortescue Special Road District annual election ballot for board member will be Friday, January 16, 2009. The last day to file will be Tuesday, January 20, 2009, at 5:00 p.m. Candidate's name must be submitted to the Secretary of the Board.

By Order of the Road District Board,  
Tom Bullock

### NOTICE TO BID

The Holt County Commission is seeking price lists for RIVETED Corrugated Metal Pipe (C.M.P.) for Holt County Road and Bridge Department use in 2009. Prices are to be in effect for the year of 2009. Bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m. Monday, December 22, 2008. The Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Contact the County Clerk's Office for specifications.

KATHY J. KUNKEL, County Clerk  
Holt County Commission

### In the Circuit Court of Holt County, Missouri

In re the Marriage of

Julie Kay Sheppard Petitioner Case No. 08HO-CV00063  
-v- Division No. 1  
Michael R. Sheppard Respondent

### Notice upon order for service by publication

The State of Missouri to respondent, Michael R. Sheppard. You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court for the County of Holt, Missouri, the object and general nature of which is for discussion of marriage.

The names of all parties to said action are stated above in the caption hereof and the name and address of the attorney for petitioner is: Jere L. Loyd, 507 Francis Street, Suite 208, St. Joseph, Missouri 64501.

You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleading or shall otherwise appear and defend against the aforesaid petition within 45 days after the 4th day of December, 2008, judgment by default will be rendered against you.

It is ordered that a copy hereof be published according to law in the *Mound City News*, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Holt, State of Missouri.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Circuit Court this 21st day of November, 2008.

Vicki Book, Circuit Clerk  
(Seal)

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Holt County Commission is requesting sealed bids for supplying crushed stone, FOB only, for the 2009 Road Maintenance Program and for other county maintenance needs. Bids will be received by the Clerk of the County Commission at the Courthouse in Oregon, Missouri, until 10:00 a.m., Monday December 22, 2008, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read in the office of the County Commission. The specifications are as follows:

#### SPECIFICATIONS

#### 40,000 Tons 1 1/4" Crushed Stone

Percent		Size
100%	Passing	1 1/4"
60%	Passing	1"
10-20%	Passing	3/8"
3-8%	Passing	#10

#### 4,000 Tons 1" Crushed Stone

Percent		Size
100%	Passing	1"
65%	Passing	3/8"
18-20%	Passing	#10

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Percent		Size
100%	Passing	3/4"
50%	Passing	3/8"
15%	Passing	#10

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The County Commission reserves the right to accept any or all quarry company bids for any size rock they deem to be the lowest, or best, quote. Rock will be checked for quality by Holt County.

Tonnage will be on a more-or-less basis.

A surety bond, or certified check on a Missouri bank or trust company, in the amount of five (5%) percent of bid, made payable to the County of Holt, shall be attached to the bid.

Rock, as specified, shall be available at all times during the year, commencing March 1, through December 31, 2009

Kathy J. Kunkel  
Holt County Clerk

### Craig R-III School Board Election Filing Information

The Craig R-III School District will hold its annual school board election on Tuesday, April 7, 2009. Two members for terms of three years each will be elected. Persons interested may file at the Superintendent's office.

The first day for candidate filing is December 16, 2008, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Filing will end on January 20, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The district's office will be closed from December 22, 2008, through January 2, 2009, and January 19, 2009, and therefore will be unable to accept filings during those times. If school is closed for inclement weather, we will not be accepting filings. 21/2tc

### Seeking Applicants for City Collector Position

The City of Mound City is accepting applications for the position of City Collector/Deputy City Clerk. High school diploma is required. Qualified applicants should have some experience in cash management, accounting and Microsoft Office applications (Word and Excel). The average work week is 32.5 hours with some evening hours required. Salary will be based upon qualifications and experience. Benefits include health and life insurance, retirement, vacation and sick leave. Applications may be obtained at City Hall, 205 E. 6th St., Mound City, MO 64470, during normal business hours. Applications will be accepted until position is filled. The City requires a pre-employment criminal background check, physical and drug screening. EOE. 21/2tc

### Accepting Sealed Bids

The Atchison-Holt Ambulance District will be accepting sealed bids for the old ambulance barn until 2:00 p.m., Friday, January 16, 2009. Bids will be opened and publicly read at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 20, 2009, in the conference room at the Community Hospital in Fairfax, MO. Anyone interested in purchasing the old ambulance barn located at 305 State Street, Mound City, Missouri, should submit their sealed bid at the offices of the Atchison-Holt Ambulance District, 303 South 3rd Street, Tarkio, MO 64491. The Atchison-Holt Ambulance District reserves the right to refuse any and all bids.

Please call the business office, (660) 736-5216, to make arrangements if you would like to inspect the inside of the building. 21/6tc

### Notice of Filing Deadline

The Village of Fortescue will hold an election on Tuesday, April 7, 2009, to elect Two Board Members for a two (2) year term. Anyone wishing to be a candidate for these offices must file the necessary forms at the Village of Big Lake, 481 Lake Shore Dr., Big Lake, MO. You may file Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Filing dates: Starting December 16, 2008, and ending on January 20, 2009.**

Betty Triggs, Secretary/Treasurer  
214 Grant St.  
Fortescue, MO 64437  
660-442-0194

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### Nodaway-Holt R-7 School Board Election Filing Information

The Nodaway-Holt R-7 School District will accept Declarations of Candidacy for any person interested in running for a position on the School Board in the April 7, 2009, election. Persons interested may file at the school district's Superintendent's Office at 318 South Taylor Street, Graham, MO.

Filing will begin on December 16, 2008, beginning at 8:00 a.m. and will continue during district's regular business hours, which are Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Filing will end on January 20, 2009, at 5:00 p.m. The district's offices will be closed on December 19, 2008, at 1:00 p.m. to January 2, 2009, January 19, 2009, and any inclement weather days when school is closed, and therefore will not be accepting candidates filing on those dates. There are two positions available with three-year terms and one position available with a two-year term. 21/2tc

### 2008 Amended Budget Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Holt County Commission will hold a public hearing on the Proposed Amended 2008 Budget Document on Monday, December 22, 2008, at 11:00 a.m. in the office of the County Commission, in the courthouse at Oregon, Missouri.

The proposed amended budget document is available at the office of the County Clerk on weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Kathy J. Kunkel  
County Clerk and Budget Officer  
Holt County, Missouri  
22/2tc

### NOTICE OF FILING DATES CRAIG MUNICIPAL ELECTION

The City of Craig will hold a municipal election on Tuesday, April 7, 2009, for the purpose of electing:

One Alderman - South Ward (Two Year Term)

One Alderman - North Ward (Two Year Term)

The filing period is December 16, 2008, through January 20, 2009 (by 2:00 p.m.) Candidates may file with the city clerk at City Hall, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Kary Nowling, City Clerk  
660-683-5412  
22/1tc & 27/1tc

### Notice of Filing Deadline

The Village of Big Lake will hold an election on Tuesday, April 7, 2009, to elect Two Trustees for a two (2) year term. Anyone wishing to be a candidate for these offices must file the necessary forms with the village clerk. The clerk is in the village office on Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Filing dates: Starting December 16, 2008, and ending at 4:30 p.m. on January 20, 2009.**

Diana Phillips, Village Clerk  
481 Lake Shore Dr.  
Big Lake Village, MO 64437  
660-442-3566

### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF MOUND CITY CANDIDATE FILING FOR APRIL 7, 2009, ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following offices are to be filled at the Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2009:

Alderman - North Ward (Two Year Term)

Alderman - North Ward (One Year Unexpired Term)

Alderman - South Ward (Two-Year Term)

**Opening Date for Filing: Tuesday, December 16, 2008, at 8:00 a.m.**

**Closing Date for Filing: Tuesday, January 20, 2009, at 5:00 p.m.**

Declarations of Candidacy may be filed with the City Clerk at City Hall, Monday through Friday, during normal business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Clerk's office will be open until 5:00 p.m. on the last day of filing.

By Order of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen  
Patsy Smith, City Clerk  
22/2tc & 26/1tc

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### Nominees Selected for University of Missouri Extension Council Members - Holt County

Citizens of voting age in Holt County, pursuant to the provisions of Section 262-577, R.S.Mo. 69, will have an opportunity to vote and elect members to the University of Missouri Extension Council of Holt County in January.

The Extension Council, consisting of elected and appointed members, is the official body within the county to cooperate with the University of Missouri Extension in carrying out the provisions of the Smith-Lever Act of Congress and amendments and acts supplementary thereto and any other acts affecting extension programs. The elected and appointed members of the Extension Council will guide and direct extension work within the county.

The nominees and their districts are as follows:

#### Northern District

Greg Hall (two year term)

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#### Southern District

Joan Lehmer (two year term)

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Elaina Pulliam (two year term)

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Tevin Markt (two year term)

Write in \_\_\_\_\_

Additional nominations may be made within 20 days after the publication of this notice of election. Forms for nominations are available in your county Extension office located at the Courthouse, 100 S Main, Oregon, MO 64473.

Holt County Extension Council Chairman, Karl Noellsch  
County Program Director, Wayne Flanary

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## Nodaway Valley Bank celebrates 140 years

**Staff at NVB helped celebrate 140 years-** By providing treats for patrons throughout the day on Thursday, December 4. Although relatively new to Mound City, Nodaway Valley Bank has been in business in the Maryville area since 1868 and now has branches in Savannah and St. Joseph. Staff helping out with the celebration were from left to right: Herb Turnball, Kathy Davis, Mari Ferguson, Lori Miller, Janet Staples and Larry Thomas.

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**School groups-** Attended Eagle Days on Friday morning. Students watched a program on eagles by the World Bird Sanctuary and then made a trip around the auto tour loop stopping at hands-on stations.



**The Squaw Creek Wildlife Refuge-** Is getting a new introductory DVD. Local families were videoed at various stations around the refuge as a start for the DVD which will take a year to produce. Videographer Brett Billings will be returning again during each season to add to the video.



**Volunteers set the scopes-**For viewing of eagles and other wildlife along the auto tour loop. Volunteers were vital to helping Eagle Days work smoothly and become a success.

## Volunteers help make Eagle Days a success

*Continued from front*  
too. The Friends of Squaw Creek help raise money for special projects at the refuge and has been instrumental in building educational programs such as the Junior Naturalist program.

The Friends of Squaw Creek run a food booth as a fund raiser and it takes several members to keep that functional. Members come

from Kansas City and other areas just to help.

Businesses that donated to the fund-raising booth were: Josephine's, Quik Zone, McDonald's, Eagle's Nest Truck Plaza, Price's Grocery in Oregon, Hy-Vee in both St. Joseph and Maryville, Wal-Mart in both St. Joseph and Maryville and Las Chilis restaurant in Kansas City.

Other organizations that were vital to the success of Eagle Days were Burroughs Audubon Society, Midland Empire Audubon Society, Iowa Tribe, Missouri Department of Transportation, Mound City Kiwanis Club, World Bird Sanctuary and Missouri Department of Conservation.

Amanda Griffin, Friends of Squaw Creek member, stated that they "want local businesses and individuals to understand that there are multiple ways that they can be involved" and extra help can always be used in any form.



**Another eagle-** Seen at Eagle Days on Saturday, December 6, 2008.

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