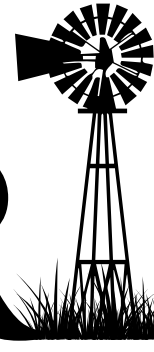


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Weather



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24	36	12	0
25	35	9	0
26	42	18	0
27	40	17	0
28	41	14	0
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Observations: .2" of snow was measured on January 23 and .1" on January 29

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Community First announces \$1,000 winner



KENDRA CUTLER PHOTO

The Logan County Ag Society received \$1,000 to be used for their new concession stand at the fairgrounds, from Community First Bank representatives, Thursday, January 18. Pictured, l-r: Stacy Layher, Scott Salisbury, Mickie Florea, Russ Barnum, Pam Schaeffer, Amberlee Martin, Toby Kinderknecht, Veronica Neal, Kevin Seevers, Nathan Weems, Bart Harris, and Cord Boland.

Community First Bank offered a \$1,000 "give-back" to your community promotion during December. Customers were asked who they would like to see receive a charitable donation and were asked to vote in bank lobbies in their locations.

Logan County Ag Society was the recipient of Stapleton's drawing.

Community First representatives, Nathan Weems, Veronica Neal, Amberlee Martin, and Mickie Florea, were on hand at the regular Logan County Fairboard meeting, Thursday, January 18, to present the check. The money will be used for the new concession

stand to be erected this year at the Logan County Fairgrounds.

Fairboard officers were elected at this meeting and are Russ Barnum, president; Kevin Seevers, vice president; Scott Salisbury, secretary; and Pam Schaeffer, treasurer. Directors are Cord Boland, Toby Kinderknecht and Bart Harris.

The old concession stand building has been sold and will be moved, and the storage building will be torn down, to make way for the new stand that will bill constructed by Walz Construction of Stapleton.

Process begins to start FFA chapter

The Logan County Farm Bureau met for their regular meeting Tuesday, January 2, in the senior friendship meeting room in the Stapleton Community Center.

Jon Walz, president, has contacted Stapleton Public Schools Superintendent,

Howard Gaffney, to begin the process of starting an FFA Chapter locally.

Tammy Fiechtner is obtaining resources for Ag Week. These items will be given to teachers to be used in their classrooms and share with students.

Logan County Farm Bureau is working on a legislative forum to be held in Stapleton. Area counties will be invited to attend and Senator Erdman and Senator Brewer have been contacted to see if they would be able to speak.

The next regular meeting has been set for Monday, February 5, at 7:00 p.m. in the senior friendship room located in the Stapleton Community Center.

Be watching for more information on the legislative forum.

Little Broncos Preschool receives high marks

Stapleton Public School's Little Bronco Preschool was recently evaluated by the Early Childhood Environmental Rating Scale-3rd revision.

Last year the preschool scored a 3.27 out of a possible 7. Syd Rundback, preschool instructor, is pleased to announce the preschool scored a 4.47 out of 7, with some scores being in the 6's.

"It is nearly impossible to receive a 6 or higher, so we are pleased with our program," Mrs. Rundback said. "Our score of 4.47 compares to a statewide average of 4.32."

Little Broncos Preschool did not hit a level 5 score and another observation will be completed in March.

"We scored a one out of seven on our newly constructed outdoor play space because the lawn was being sprayed that day and we were unable to go outside," Mrs. Rundback stated.

The score in that area should definitely go up if preschoolers are able to show off the area, complete with newly installed fencing and playground equipment.

Language Arts, communication, teacher-student interaction, social-emotional support, and some of the interest areas received a rating of 6.

Ratings of 6 plus are considered excellent, and 4-5 are good.

Early childhood programs at a glance in Nebraska:

- 18,558 children are being served in district operated prekindergarten programs - this equals 14% of Nebraska children, birth to five, based on 2016 U.S. Census data.
- 75% of children being served fall into at least one at-risk category.
- 86% of Nebraska school districts provide pre-kindergarten programs for children ages birth to five. This includes four ESU's that provide services for seven districts.
- 13,939 children ages 3 to 5 are served by Nebraska public school districts. Children receive their care and education from certified teachers. Classrooms are observed using tools to measure the quality of the environments and interactions. 78% of children met or exceeded widely held expectations for kindergarten.

Stapleton School Foundation Gala Event... Saturday, February 24

Burnside knows where it's located

Caleb Burnside, a 7th grader at Stapleton Public Schools, has been crowned the school's geography bee winner.

Caleb is the son of Rich and Polly Burnside of Stapleton.

Runner-up was Keali Florea, daughter of Dale and Kami Florea. Keali is an 8th grader.

Caleb will now be taking a test to see if he qualifies for the state competition scheduled for April 6.

State qualifiers will compete in the National Geographic Bee to be held in Washington, D.C.

The national winner receives a \$50,000 scholarship, a lifetime subscription to *National Geographic* magazine, a trip, and \$500 cash. The second place winner receives a \$10,000 scholarship and \$500 cash. Fourth through tenth place winners each receive \$500 in cash.

The Bee is open only to students in grades four through eight.

Caleb received a medal, a certificate, an inflatable globe, and a map for placing first at the local level.



STAPLETON PUBLIC SCHOOLS PHOTO

Winter storm cause of fatal accident; crashes

Most Nebraska roadways became covered with snow and ice during the large winter storm, which included blizzard conditions across much of the state, Monday, January 22. There were numerous accidents on Nebraska's major highways Monday and potentially hazardous road conditions continued in many areas through Tuesday, January 23.

The Logan County Sheriff's office reported no damage accidents. There was one accident on Highway 92 and two on Highway 85. These were calls for vehicles stuck in snow and slide-offs.

A weather-related accident resulted in two fatalities in Kimball County at approximately 4:45 p.m. Monday. A car driven by Frankie Back, 30, with passenger Joshua Hack, 33, both of Kimball, lost control because of poor weather conditions while driving southbound on Highway 71 approximately two miles north of the Colorado border. The 2004 Chevrolet Trailblazer crossed the center line and struck a northbound semi. Back and Hack were pronounced deceased at the scene. The driver of the semi, Abraham Lamas-Cuevas, was transported to the Kimball Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

In addition to that accident, weather was to blame for many more accidents throughout the state. Two accidents on Interstate 80 resulted in pile-ups of more than ten vehicles each. One of those accidents, near the Goehner exit, sent four people to area hospitals with non-life-threatening injuries. The other accident, near the Greenwood exit, did not result in any significant injuries.

The Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) responded to around 75 accidents during the storm and made 375 motorist assists. Many of those motorist assists were for drivers who had become stranded.