



SHS One-Act Team Statebound

Stapleton High School's one-act play is statebound for the third year in a row. "The Boy in the Striped Pajamas," by John Boyne, took first place at the NSAA District D1-5 play production, Monday, November 28 at Holdrege.

Second went to Bertrand's "Everyone Gets Eaten By Sharks," and third to Brady's "After Hours." Rounding out the eight schools were Loomis, "Ghost House," fourth; Overton, "Hood, of Sherwood," fifth; Hitchcock County, "A Canterbury Tale From the Wife of Bath," Sumner-Eddyville-Miller, "We're Not Making This Play Up As We Go - Honest!," seventh; and eighth to Wauneta-Palisade, "Ella Cinder's Blues."

Outstanding acting awards went to Arena Fetty, Elizabeth Fetty, Caleb Burnside, and Jared Trimble.

"The team has been

driven to do their best the entire year," said Coach Deanna Klosen. "We shortened the movie script to make the play and the team has worked hard to improve. It culminated in us taking the district championship. Thank you to everyone for their support all season long and we want to make our community proud and do well at state."

Coach Klosen is assisted by Coach Melody Hansen and Polly Burnside helps with stage set-up.

Stapleton received runner-up honors two years ago and finished fifth last year.

Cast members are:
Bruno (German Boy): Jared Trimble
Shmuel (Jewish Boy): Caleb Burnside
Elsa (German Mother): Arena Fetty
Ralf (German Father): Tad Dimmitt
Gretel (German Sister): Elizabeth Fetty

Pavel (Jewish Prisoner): Daniel Zuniga
Tutor: Cayson Johnston
Maria (Nanny): Tessa Hansen
Lieutenant Kotler: Cameron Berliner
Guard: Cooper Layher
Guard: Kempton Florea
Guard: Kyle Kramer
Jewish Prisoners: Kelsey Amos, Rhayana Bruns, Mariah Duran, Jaylen Dimmitt, Ellexis Hagan, Peyton Moore, Praylee Moore, Emmalee Nicholson, Abigale Nicholson.
Sound: Marianne Zuniga and Rhyoshykee Bruns
Lights: Allie Trimble
Spotlight: Haylee Dimmitt and Ani Trimble
Stage Crew: Jon Gaites
Stage Crew Director: Polly Burnside
Directors: Deanna Klosen and Melody Hansen

Stapleton will perform at 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 7, at Norfolk.



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Stapleton High School's one-act play cast, front row, l-r: Caleb Burnside and Jared Trimble. Second row, standing, l-r: Mariah Duran, Lexi Hagan, Rhayana Bruns, Emmalee Nicholson, and Praylee Moore. Third row, seated, l-r: Kelsey Amos, Jaylen Dimmitt, Abigale Nicholson, Tessa Hansen, Arena Fetty, and Tad Dimmitt. Back row, l-r: Ani Trimble, Peyton Moore, Cooper Layher, Cameron Berliner, Kempton Florea, Daniel Zuniga, Kyle Kramer, Cayson Johnston, Elizabeth Fetty, Marianne Zuniga, Jon Gaites, Allie Trimble, Rhoshykee Bruns, and Haylee Dimmitt.

Annual Chamber Membership Drive In January

The annual membership drive, daycare update, and reports on recent Chamber events were on the agenda of the November 22 regular Stapleton Area Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Tricked out Trunks and "There's No Place Like Local for the Holidays" were both deemed successful with businesses reporting great turnouts for the November event and a good number of booths and trick-or-treaters downtown on October 31.

The Chamber Blitz Drawing will continue through December 19 and receipts will be

drawn up to \$500.00. Keep shopping Stapleton and depositing receipts at participating business places.

The annual membership drive was set for January 30 and the Junior Chamber members suggested having a variety of local talent perform that evening.

Victory Underground will be playing for the July 7 street dance.

Mr. Regier gave an update on the daycare that was on the agenda at the recent Stapleton Public Schools board meeting. Discussion centered around liability, obtaining staff thoughts and

opinions, and where the daycare would be located in the school. Grants are available for opening new day care centers.

Chamber membership to date stands at 53.

It was reported Kosee Fire Family Properties has purchased the former Stapleton Meat Market building and they have plans to renovate and restore the building.

The next meeting will be December 27 at noon at the Stapleton Community Center.

Chamber meets the fourth Tuesday of every month and your help and input is appreciated.

Public Feedback Sought On R-Project Transmission Line Crossing Portion Of Sandhills In North-Central Nebraska

On November 18, 2022, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service or FWS) published a Notice of Intent in the Federal go Register and opened a 30-day public scoping period, beginning November 18, 2022, and ending December 18, 2022, to prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for an anticipated incidental take permit (ITP) application associated with the R-Project Impact Statement (SEIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for an anticipated incidental take permit (ITP) application associated with the R-Project transmission line.

Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) is preparing a revised habitat conservation plan (HCP) in support of NPPD's anticipated ITP application to authorize take of the federally threatened American burying beetle that may result from construction and operation activities associated with the proposed 226-mile long, 345-kilovolt transmission line in north-central Nebraska.

The SEIS will evaluate the impacts related to the

proposed issuance of the ITP and implementation of the revised HCP, including addressing the issues identified by the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado in its 2020 remand of the previous ITP that the FWS issued on June 12, 2019.

The Service is seeking feedback during the public scoping period on the effect of the potential action on the human environment, including the issuance of a permit authorizing incidental take of a covered species in association with covered activities, and revised Habitat Conservation Plan implementation. Input received during the scoping period will be incorporated into the draft SEIS.

How to Participate in Public Meetings:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) will host two virtual public scoping meetings on December 8, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. and 6:50 p.m. CST.

Registration for the public meetings can be completed on the project website, www.fws.gov/project/r-project-transmission-line, and direct

links to the virtual meetings will be posted on the project website the day prior.

To ensure accessibility, a recording of the public meeting presentation will be available online at www.fws.gov/project/r-project-transmission-line and at the following library locations:

- North Platte Public Library, 120 W 4th St, North Platte, NE 69101;
- Thomas County Library, 501 Main St, Thedford, NE 69166;
- Taylor Public Library, 106 William St, Taylor, NE 68879

How to Submit Comments:

There will be two methods available to submit public comments:

Online at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FWS-R6-ES-2014-0048>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments on Docket No. FWS-Ry-ES-2014-0048.

By U.S. mail: Public Comments Processing; Attn: Docket No. FWS-R6-ES-2014-0048; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Headquarters, MS: PRB/3W; 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803

Stapleton Market & Deli Needs Your Help

Cindy Houlden, Cooperative Business Development Specialist with the Nebraska Cooperative Development Center, facilitated a very informative and insightful meeting Thursday, November 17 at the Stapleton Community Center.

Stapleton Cooperative Market & Deli is looking to expand the reach of the cooperative and generate additional revenue. Following the meeting the board of directors would like to form committees to develop each of the following areas:

• **Marketing.** This group will create an advertising plan for the store. This

plan will make shoppers be aware of current specials and services available at the store. Suggestions include flyers, Facebook posts, and Facebook live.

• **Volunteers.** This group will engage members and community members in assisting with store operations through volunteer efforts. This could include stocking, cleaning, and special events.

• **Shopping Experience.** This group will develop ways to enhance the shopping experience at the Stapleton Cooperative Market & Deli. Ideas include recipes with shopping lists, meal plans with

ingredients, personal shoppers, and delivery.

• **Alternative Ventures.** This group will evaluate services that could be offered through the Stapleton Cooperative. This could include cleaning, lawncare, handyman services, and snow removal.

A sign-up sheet has been posted on the Stapleton Cooperative Market & Deli Facebook page and sheets will be available at the store.

Committee sign-up sheets should be returned by December 30, 2022, and work will begin in earnest in the new year.

Weather

DATE	HI	LOW	MT.
25	52	19	0
26	62	19	0
27	59	24	0
28	48	24	0
28	53	19	.09
30	30	-2	.02
Dec. 1	30	-1	0
2	53	14	0

Observations: Wind chill was -5 degrees on Nov. 29 @ 10:20 p.m. and -11 degrees at 7:38 a.m. on Nov. 30. Snow was recorded on Nov. 29 with 1.2" and Nov. 30 with .3". Total November moisture was .14" and total November snow was 1.7". Moisture to date is 13.81".

Event Calendar

Mon., Nov. 12: American Legion & VFW meeting.
Wed. Nov. 14: Rural Fire Board meeting; Banner Mothers; Village of Stapleton, 7:30 p.m.

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- **Over The Hills**
- **Graphic Files**
- **Time Poem**
- **Paxton Family Thanksgiving Reunion**

Notices

- Request For Qualifications Energy Finding Contract
- School District #90 Public Notice
- Logan Co. Ag Society Public Notice
- McPherson County School Commissioners Public Notice
- Stapleton Rural Fire Dt. Public Notice
- Village Of Stapleton Public Notice
- A. Maxine Lovitt Inheritance Tax

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Christmas Greetings of the Season

Creative Printers is working on their annual Christmas pages and if you have not had a greeting and would like to be included, please call us at 308-636-2444 or email stapleton@byt.net.

We will have an early deadline for the December 29 and January 5 issues of *The Stapleton Enterprise/McPherson County News* and *Thomas County Herald*.

The deadline will be noon Thursday, December 22 and Thursday, December 29 for the holiday issues.

We are working on the community birthday and anniversary calendars. Please call 308-636-2444 or email us at creativeprinters@gpcom.net if you have additions, deletions, or changes.

Creative Printers and Herbie's Speakeasy will be hosting a customer appreciation Thursday, December 29 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. This will be a thank you to our subscribers, advertisers and shoppers for their support in 2022. Please join us for free refreshments and food samples.