# ${ }^{\text {The }} 4 \mathrm{H}$ Huskies Leader 

From Brad Best, Superintendent...

As graduation day approaches, it is not difficult to look back and see the gains that all of us have made over the last school year. It is always rewarding to see our young people grow another year, not just in age, but also in maturity and knowledge. Thank you to parents and the community for another great year of gains toward our ever-increasing high expectations.

The school is a busy place over the summer months and this year will be no exception. At last month's board meeting, upcoming projects were finalized and the wheels set in motion to continue our updates within and around the building. The funds used for these projects come from our special building or depreciation funds and can only be used for improvements such as these:

- The elementary and high school libraries will be updated with new furnishings, carpet, and paint. As we move to utilize more technology, we need to update areas in which the technology will be used.
- The old, noisy window air conditioners in the elementary classrooms will be replaced with new "split" units where the compressors will remain outdoors, greatly improving the noise levels and efficiency.
- We will replace the last of the outdated carpeting in several classrooms and offices.
- The theater doors are nearly 30 years old and will be replaced.
- A new building security system will be installed on the entrances to better control access to and safety of our students during the school day.
- A metal building will be erected near the practice fields for storage of football and track equipment, which will free up space in our main building and make it more practical for our students and coaches.
- Signage and lighting will be added to the newer archway entrance to help guide and welcome visitors to school activities.

Have a great summer break and stop up if you have the time. We will be here!

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to help us move books in our libraries for our remodeling project. If you are interested, please call the school office @ 402-723-4434. The dates we need help are: Elementary-May 12 \& 13 \& High School-May 15 \& 16.

## Student Laptop Check-In

Student in grades 7 -II will checkin laptops on their last day of school, Tuesday, May 19. Senior laptops will be turned in on their last day.

Please have your student remove and save any information from their computer prior to handing it in. No files will be carried over to next year on the computer. Students will need to save all of their projects, assignments, FFA SAE books, pictures, any other files they want to keep. Here's a few options where to save items; Dropbox, flash drive, Google Drive, or iCloud.

## List of items to be turned in:



MacBook Air Laptop


Laptop Bag with Clip Accessory Bag


Cord-All Three Parts

## Students attending leadership seminars this summer!



Back Row (L to R): Kaitlyn 2uiring (Girls State), Parker Goertzen (Nebraska Agricultural Youth Institute), Colton Siebert (Boys State), Eve Vanderneck (Nebraska Leadership Seminar), Owen Wurst (Nebraska Leadership Seminar), Sheppard Ruybalid (Boys State). Front row (L to R): Rachelle Allen (Girls State), Bailey Monnier (Nebraska Leadership Seminar), McKenna Friesen (Nebraska Leadership Seminar), Tierney Casper (Girls State), Rebekah Larson (HOBY).

## NINE HEARTLAND FBLA MEMBERS QUALIFY FOR NATIONALS

Nine Heartland FBLA members have qualified for the National Leadership Conference in Nashville, Tennessee. The conference will be held June 28 to July 3. The following students will compete this summer: Allison Braun, Cody Kroeker and Colton Siebert in Entrepreneurship; Tyler Brown and Bailey Carr in Marketing; Kaitlyn Quiring in Business Law; and Leslie Braun and Ethan Hall in Introduction to Business. Alessandra Canetta also qualified but will not be able to attend the conference this summer. Congratulations to these students for qualifying for Nationals!


L to R: Alessandra Canetta, Ethan Hall, Kaitlyn 2uiring, Colton Siebert, Bailey Carr, Tyler Brown, Allison Braun, Cody Kroeker \& Leslie Braun.

## HEARTLAND FBLA MEMBER SINGS NATIONAL ANTHEM

Tierney Casper, a junior at Heartland Community Schools, sang the National Anthem at the Opening Session of the 2014 FBLA State Leadership Conference in Omaha, Nebraska, on April 3. Congratulations Tierney!


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Front Row:(Lto R) Cody Kroeker, Tyler Brown, Colton Siebert, Owen Wurst, fonthan Larson, Sheppard Ruybalid, Ethan Hall, Mark Perez, Dillon Scheil, Ryne Mierau. Middle Row:(L to R) Megan Kroeker, Alessandra Canetta, Sidney Hurlburt, Haley Huebert, Bailey Monnier, McKenna Friesen, Rachelle Allen, Tierney Casper, Kaeli Lundstrom, Gina Grady, Bailey Carr, Leslie Braun. Back Row: (L to R) Morgan Michel, Eve Vanderneck, Rebekab Larson, Camryn Dick, Kaitlyn 2uiring, Aubrey DeBraal, Brooke Weisheit, MaKayla Windle, Sidney Dick, Allison Braun \& Ellie Steingard.


Front Row: Owen Wurst, Ethan Hall, Colton Siebert, Tyler Brown d Cody Kroeker. Back Row: Camryn Dick, Eve Vanderneck, Haley Huebert, Rebekab Larson, McKenna Friesen, Aubrey DeBraal, Bailey Carr, Kaitlyn 2uiring, Alessandra Canetta, Allison Braun \& Leslie Braun.

## HEARTLAND FBLA WINS 27 AWARDS AT SLC

Heartland FBLA members attended the Nebraska FBLA State Leadership Conference in Omaha on April 3-5. Heartland students won 27 awards during the three-day conference. Students attending the conference along with Adviser Kristy Most were: (Seniors) Allison Braun, Alessandra Canetta, Bailey Carr, Aubrey DeBraal, Sidney Dick, Jonathan Larson and Morgan Michel; (Juniors) Rachelle Allen, Tyler Brown, Tierney Casper, Gina Grady, Cody Kroeker, Kaeli Lundstrom, Kaitlyn Quiring, Sheppard Ruybalid and Colton Siebert; (Sophomores) Camryn Dick, McKenna Friesen, Haley Huebert, Rebekah Larson, Bailey Monnier, Dillon Scheil, Eve Vanderneck and Owen Wurst; and (Freshmen) Leslie Braun, Ethan Hall, Sidney Hurlbut, Megan Kroeker, Ryne Mierau, Mark Perez, Ellie Steingard, Brooke Weisheit and MaKayla Windle.

The keynote speaker of the Opening General Session was Layman Hicks. His message was titled "Get Up, Get Out, Go Get It!" Energy, empowerment, motivation and strategy:

Layman led us through the most powerful life principles we need to pursue our dreams and goals. He shared his own unique story-no holds barred -connects with our core and showed us how his personal epiphanies can positively spin our world around and change our lives forever. The Opening Session concluded with the campaign speeches of 17 candidates running for six state officer positions.

The leadership conference was filled with competitive events and workshops. The Second General Session was held Friday evening where Honorable Mention awards were announced recognizing those who placed in the top $4 \%$ of each event.

The Awards Program held Saturday morning announced the top eight winners in each event and revealed who would represent Nebraska at the National Leadership Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, this summer. Only the top three from each event earn the honor to compete on the national level.

Students earning awards were: Allison Braun: ${ }^{\text {st }}$ Word Processing, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Accounting II, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Entrepreneurship, $4^{\text {th }}$ Business Communication, o $^{\text {th }}$ Job Interview, Who's Who in Nebraska FBLA and All-State Quality Member Award; Alessandra Canetta: $3^{\text {rd }}$

Marketing; Bailey Carr: $3^{\text {rd }}$ Marketing; Aubrey DeBraal $5^{\text {th }}$ Digital Design and Promotion; Tyler Brown: $3^{\text {rd }}$ Marketing and $3^{\text {rd }}$ Accounting II; Cody Kroeker: 2 $^{\text {nd }}$ Entrepreneurship; Kaitlyn Quiring: $3^{\text {rd }}$ Word Processing, $8^{\text {th }}$ Business Law and Honorable Mention Business Communication; Colton Siebert: $\mathrm{I}^{\text {st }}$ Accounting II, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Entrepreneurship, $3^{\text {rd }}$ Business Procedures, $7^{\text {th }}$ Word Processing, Honorable Mention Business Calculations and Honorable Mention Business Communication; Camryn Dick: $7^{\text {th }}$ Global Business; McKenna Friesen: $5^{\text {th }}$ Digital Design and Promotion; Haley Huebert: $7^{\text {th }}$ Global Business, Honorable Mention Business Math and Honorable Mention Keyboarding Knowledge; Rebekah Larson: $5^{\text {th }}$ Digital Desgin and Promotion and $5^{\text {th }}$ Public Service Announcement; Eve Vanderneck: $5^{\text {th }}$ Public Service Announcement and $8^{\text {th }}$ Introduction to Business
Communication; Owen Wurst: $5^{\text {th }}$ Public Service Announcement and $7^{\text {th }}$ Global Business; Leslie Braun: $2^{\text {nd }}$ Introduction to Business, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Computer Applications and Honorable Mention Business Math; Ethan Hall: $3^{\text {rd }}$ Introduction to Business Communication, $5^{\text {th }}$ Introduction to Business and Honorable Mention Business Math.

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## March Madness in the Library

Hayes Oswald was the winner of Heartland Community School's Library March Madness Contest. The winning book was Legend by Marie Lu. Hayes will receive a free book of his choice.


On Tuesday, April 8th the Art Club hosted the Elementary Art Show from 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm. On Tuesday, May 6th the Art Club will host the High School Art Show from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm. Several awards will be chosen by judges, including Best of Show in 2-D and 3-D as well as Honorable Mentions in both categories. The award winners will be in next month's newsletter. They will also have a silent auction from $12: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ - 7:30 pm on the same day.

## HEARTLAND SCHOOLS GRADUATION

The Heartland Community Schools Commencement activities will be held on Sunday, May ir, 2014, at 2:30 p.m. in the north gym. Congratulations Heartland Graduates!

## Upcoming Dates

## May I, 2014

Awards Night @ 7:00PM
May 2, 2014
3rd Grade Field Trip-Hastings Museum 4th Grade Field Trip-Heritage Park Ist Grade Field Trip-Lincoln Zoo

May 3, 2014
SNCTrack @ Fillmore Central-9:00am
May 5-9, 2014
Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week
May 6, 2014
Art Show Silent Auction @ 12:00pm
Art Show @ 6:30pm
Fine Arts Festival-Vocal7-I2/Band 9-I2 @ 7:30PM

4th Grade Nebraska Research Projectcafeteria @ 2:30
May 8, 2014
Ist Grade Pal Day @ 2:45pm
May 9, 2014
2nd Grade Field Trip-Morrill Hall @ 8:30am
May 12, 2014
School Board Meeting-8:00PM
May 13, 2014
Elementary Field Day-I2:30PM
May 14, 2014
Track Districts @ Friend-TBA
May 15, 2014
Ist Grade Variety Show-10:00/2:00pm
May 16, 2014
Elementary Field Day-Rain Date
May 19-20, 2014
Golf Districts
May 19, 2014
Last Day of School
Dismiss @ II:30AM

## May 20, 2014

Teacher Professional Development
May 23-24, 2014
State Track Meet @ Omaha
May 28-29, 2014
State Golf Meet

## Heartland Preschool Taking Applications for 2014-2015 School Year



Heartland Preschool is now taking applications for the $2014-2015$ school year. There will again be two sessions, each running four days a week, Monday through Thursday. Mornings will be for 3 year olds and the afternoons will be for $4 \& 5$ year olds. Peers can attend two, three, or four sessions a week. There is a cost for the peers to attend preschool: $\$ 65.00$ per month for 2 sessions a week; $\$ 97.50$ per month for 3 sessions a week; \$130.0o per month for 4 sessions a week. Tuition can be paid by the month, quarter or semester, and is due prior to the start of each pay period. Reduced or free tuition is also available for those families who qualify. Please let the school office know if you want to apply for tuition assistance.

In selecting peer models for Heartland Preschool, the program teacher and administrator have to consider the numbers and individual needs of the students for which the program is designed. The peers who are believed to fit best into the sessions are the ones selected. Peers also need to be ones who will provide good language and social modeling for the children who are receiving specialized intervention. The children not selected as peer models can remain on the waiting list and might be added later in the school year or be considered again the following year if they are not kindergarten eligible by then. Every effort will be made to accommodate all parents who want their child in Heartland Preschool or to recommend other preschool programs in the area if necessary.

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


## Summer Reading Program

Fizz Boom Read is the theme for this year's Summer Reading Program which begins June 17th and ends July 24th. The
 elementary library will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00-I2:00pm, with a story time feature at 9:30am on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students who read ioo minutes per week can bring in their minutes and are eligible for reading incentive prizes and books. Transportation will be provided for students who live in the Bradshaw area. At the end of the school year, information packets will be sent home with the students. Parents of preschoolers may pick up packets at the office or when they first attend.

Volunteers are needed to read, tell, or dramatize a story for the children during the story hour. Stories need not follow the summer library theme but may be on any book or topic appropriate for children. Especially needed are readers who want to share their own writing or life experiences involving stories.

If you would like to get involved in reading to children during the Summer Library Program, please call the school office at 402-723-4434.

The 8th Grade FCS class making rainbow colored cupcakes. They are wearing their aprons they constructed.


L to R: Tyler Lear, Bailey Peters, Lane Huebert, Kyle Ott \& Connor Boehr.
The 7th Grade FCS class preparing foods for the parent/grandparent Spring Tea.

Senior High FCS class making creative snacks their child development class.



L to R: Collin Rowe, Olivia Casper, Shauna Spencer, Brooklyn Epp, Audric Bulin \& Ben Mestl.

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 following students participated in these events: Ben Winter, Paige Mestl, and Jayden Epp in the welding contest, where Ben received a white ribbon for MIG welding. Angelica Bassett, Kristine Goertzen, Kori Siebert and Bailey Ulmer in the Agriscience contest, where Angelica received a white ribbon. Brandon Boardman received a $\$ 1,000$ check from the "I Believe" video contest campaign. Other students spent their time talking to college reps and different ag based businesses, attending sessions given by our State officers, National officers, and motivational speakers, helped with the courtesy corp such as timing speeches, guarding doors and etc. Kristine Goertzen had the honor of providing dinner music for the State Star Candidate, Parent, and Advisor dinner reception.

FFA members received State Degree Awards. L to R: Megan Friesen, Leab Friesen, Olivia Prentice, Kelli Bergen, Brandon Boardman \&o Megan Boardman.


Addie Swartzendruber received a bronze medal at state for Creed Speaking.


L-R: Leab Friesen and Megan Boardman received second and third in the Specialty Crop Proficiency award.

## National Honor Society Banquet



Senior Members: Back Row(L to R): Aubrey DeBraal, Megan Boardman, Fonathan Larson,Brandon Boardman, Kaci Hiebner ©b Sidney Dick. Front Row (L to R): Allison Braun, Bailey Carr, Leab Friesen \& Kelli Bergen.
Heartland inducted thirteen new members at the annual Heartland National Honor Society Banquet on March $19^{\text {th }}$. Twelve senior members were congratulated for their leadership in National Honor Society. The Junior members presented a team competition skit highlighting the high standards of scholarship, leadership, service and character that National Honor Society students strive to uphold. The outgoing officers handed their leadership roles over to the new officers that were selected prior to the banquet.

Outgoing officers: President: Leah Friesen; Vice President: Allison Braun; Secretary: Megan Boardman; Publicity: Sidney Dick; Committee Representative: Tierney Casper.

2014-2015 Officers: President: Tierney Casper; Vice President: Rachelle Allen; Secretary: Haley Huebert; Treasurer: Paige Mestl; Committee Representative :Kaitlyn Quiring.


Junior Members: Back Row (L to R): Cody Kroeker, Shepphard Ruybalid, Fordan Heinrichs, Cole Nickels, Colton Siebert \& Parker Goertzen. Front Row (L to R): Lydia 2uiring, Kaitylyn 2uiring, Rachelle Allen, Paige Mestl, Kaeli Lundstrom of Tierney Casper.


New Members: Back Row (Lto R): Clay Bergen, Rebekah Larson, Camryn Dick, Katelyn fanzen, Vanessa Hiebner b Eve Vanderneck. Front Row (L to R):Desirae Ness, Owen Wurst, McKenna Friesen \& Bailey Monnier.


On March 3ist, the Biology and English Sophomores traveled to the Rowe Sanctuary by Gibbon, Nebraska to view the Sandhill Crane migration. Students arrived at 6:30 AM to view cranes on the river first hand. They received a guided tour and instruction from personal at the Rowe Sanctuary.


## NSA A Academic All State Winners

Football


Cody Kroeker


Colton Siebert

Boys' Basketball


Fordan Heinrichs


Clay Bergen

Girls' Basketball


Allison Braun


Kelli Bergen

Volleyball


Bailey Carr


Leab Friesen

Girls' Golf


Paige Mestl Kaitlyn 2uiring
Play Production


The $8^{\text {th }}$ grade Careers Class has been studying the Architecture and Construction cluster and recently completed their architecture projects. They had to design a floor plan, then construct a house model including interior and exterior walls, trusses and a roof.


L to R: Anna Salisbury, Isabelle Vanderneck, Bailey Peters, Connor Boehr, Noah Boyd, Kyle Ott, Cheyenne Hiebner, Hayes Oswald, Kyra Dick do Kristan Perez.

## FULL TIME CUSTODIAN

 NEEDEDHeartland Community Schools has an opening for fullevening custodian in Henderson. This position would have daytime hours through the summer months and evening hours during the school year. We have competitive pay and benefits. If interested please send a letter of application and/or contact Brad Best, Superintendent, or Matt Quiring, Bus Supervisor, Heartland Community Schools, I50 Front Street, Henderson, NE 6837I. Phone Number is 402-723-4434. EOE

May 2014




## 2014-2015

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School Year Calendar
Heartland Community Schools-Henderson/Bradshaw

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| Professional Development -No School <br> Parent/Teacher Conferences <br> Vacation Day (No School) <br> No School <br> Beginning/End of Semester / End of 9 Weeks |  |  |

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## PLEASE READ:

The last day of school will depend upon the number of snow days used. Currently the earliest last day is May 15th. If we use one snow day, the last day of school will move to May 18th, two snow days, May 19th, etc. Our latest end of the year will be May 22nd. We may need to make other adjustments to the calendar if we need more than 5 additional days.

The First Grade Class with their gravel babies.


## IMPORTANT NOTICE

A Census Form for Heartland Community Schools was included in the April Newsletter. Please complete \& return this form to the school office by May 17, 2013 even if your children do not attend Heartland Community Schools.

It is important that you fill out this form and return it to the school office.

Thank you for your cooperation!

## Heritage Park Summer Kid's Day Camps

Mark your calendars for the following camps to be held at the Henderson Mennonite Heritage Park this summer.

## Christmas in July

Make homemade Denim Dolls " Ned \& Nettie" gifts \& traditional Christmas snacks. Ages 8 - 12
Wednesday, July 9 (Time TBA)
Cost: \$10
Journey from Russia to Henderson
Hands-on learning reenacting the long journey the Mennonite immigrants made from Russia to Henderson in 1874.
Ages 5-12
Wednesday, July 16, 9:30-11:30 A.M.
Cost: \$5

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