

The Knight Times

Life is a journey; Education is the roadmap and compass.



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A/M HS Quiz Bowl @
 Merna 9am

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HS MNAC Quiz Bowl
 in Halsey 9am

March 13

END 3rd Quarter

Spring Break - NO
 SCHOOL

NOTICE

END 3rd Quarter March 13th

NO SCHOOL - Spring Break



**March 26th State Patrol - 1pm (Roll
 Over Demonstrator Program) SHS**

On January 16th, Kids on the Block Presentation, sponsored by the Nebraska Elks Foundation. They spoke to the students on autism and respecting the elderly.



March 17

ACT Test for Juniors ONLY

February 13

NO SCHOOL

BB vs Cody-Kilgore @ Thedford 6:30pm

District Wrestling in Elm Creek - TBA

March 19

Parent Teachers Conferences

Early Dismissal: Elem 2:45 & HS 2pm

District Speech in Thedford: TBA

March 20

MAP Testing - 9th grade

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MNAC Instrumental Music Clinic Cody/Kilgore/Ansley

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State Patrol - 1pm (Roll over demonstrator program) SHS

March 28

Track St. Pats/Hershey Invite @ Hershey 10am

**Sandhills Public School
Board of Education Regular Meeting
2/9/15**

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with all members present. Also present: Suellen Koepke, Valerie Harris, Miranda Stull, Cynthia Guggenmos, Bryan Zutavern, and Dale Hafer.

Verification of Publication and Notification

Motion by Martindale, second by Bass to verify meeting notice and publication of minutes in the Custer County Chief. Motion passed 6-0.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Bass, second by Teahon to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed 6-0.

Administrative Report:

- a. Supt. Hafer discussed the following:
 1. Representatives from Healing Hearts and Families were in attendance to share available resources and programs to the district.
 2. The board was updated on the date for the installation of the final roof top unit at the HS building on 2/12/15. The buildings and grounds committee will reschedule a meeting with CG Architects due to the snow day cancellation February 4th.
 3. Board President Anderson updated the board on the 2003 Suburban purchase.
 4. The board held a discussion of proposed short and long term goals related to all areas of the district for 2015. A finalized copy of the goals will be available at the March regular board meeting.

New Business:

- a. There were no patrons present to address the board.
- b. Motion by Martindale, second by Cox, to accept the resignations of Patty Johnston and Jill Lander with regret. Motion passed 6-0.
- c. Motion by Milleson, second by Teahon to approve the classified contracts for 2015-16 as presented. Motion passed 5-0 with Anderson abstaining.
- d. Motion by Martindale, second by Bass to approve the non-supervisory certified contracts for 2015-16 as presented. Motion passed 6-0.
- e. Motion by Cox, second by Bass to approve the activity driver hourly wage rates for 2015-16 as presented. Motion passed 5-0 with Anderson abstaining.
- f. Motion by Milleson, second by Martindale to authorize Supt. Hafer to hire 2 students for summer 2015 custodial help. Motion passed 6-0.
- g. Board President Anderson adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Official Meetings Notice: March Regular Board Meeting 3/9/15 7:30 p.m. at the Sandhills High School Lecture Hall and is open to the public. Agendas are kept continually current and available for inspection in the Supt's Office w/ reasonable notice.

Respectfully Submitted: Dale J. Hafer, Recording Secretary

Sandhills Public Schools

February 2015 Expenditures

2/16/15 2:11 PM

Check Date	Check Num	Payee	Description	Amount
02/09/2015	27682	Ace Hardware	Supplies	\$ 29.11
02/09/2015	27683	Arthur County Schools	Spanish	\$ 3,477.15
02/09/2015	27684	AS Central Services	Dist. Learning	\$ 236.79
02/09/2015	27685	Broken Bow Public School	College Comp	\$ 150.00
02/09/2015	27686	Brown County Clerk	Election Costs	\$ 108.55
02/09/2015	27687	Cash-Wa Distributing	Supplies	\$ 594.23
02/09/2015	27688	Coach Master's, Inc.	Repairs	\$ 636.25
02/09/2015	27689	Consolidated Telephone	Phone & Fax	\$ 182.13
02/09/2015	27690	Corporate Payment Systems	Credit Cards	\$ 1,071.99
02/09/2015	27691	Custer County Chief	Minutes	\$ 100.46
02/09/2015	27692	Custer Public Power District	REA	\$ 3,235.80
02/09/2015	27693	Dale Hafer	Health Ins Ded Reimb	\$ 780.97
02/09/2015	27694	Dana F Cole & Company, LLP	Consulting Services	\$ 725.00
02/09/2015	27695	Hodges	Gas	\$ 1,617.27
02/09/2015	27696	Hometown Leasing	Printers/Copiers	\$ 595.52
02/09/2015	27697	Island Supply Welding	Cy Rental	\$ 8.68
02/09/2015	27698	Joshua Deines	Driving to Practice	\$ 105.00
02/09/2015	27699	Justin Bradley	Mileage Reimb	\$ 407.15
02/09/2015	27700	K C Electric	See Invoices	\$ 2,097.71
02/09/2015	27701	Kent Sierks	Mileage Reimb	\$ 936.70
02/09/2015	27702	Lea Essman	Reimb Supplies	\$ 32.24
02/09/2015	27703	Mark's Plumbing Parts	Supplies	\$ 48.65
02/09/2015	27704	Masek Construction	Parts for Urinal	\$ 153.66
02/09/2015	27705	MCI	Long Dist.	\$ 27.35
02/09/2015	27706	National Ice Beverage Cooler	Rent	\$ 85.00
02/09/2015	27707	Nebraska Public Health Environmental Laborato	Well Testing	\$ 15.00
02/09/2015	27708	Norm's Auto	Fuel, Repairs	\$ 1,985.29
02/09/2015	27709	Oper Reimb	Reimb	\$ 1,995.75
02/09/2015	27710	Patty Johnston	Health Ins Reimb	\$ 218.68
02/09/2015	27711	Presto X Company	Service Contract	\$ 99.00
02/09/2015	27712	Quill	Supplies	\$ 318.86
02/09/2015	27713	Sandhill Oil Company	Repairs, Pizza	\$ 187.13
02/09/2015	27714	Sandhills Education Coop	SPED	\$ 5,067.06
02/09/2015	27715	Two Rivers Wellness	Weight Room Rent	\$ 150.00
02/09/2015	27716	Village of Thedford	Elem Trash	\$ 260.00
02/09/2015	27717	Voss Lighting	Supplies	\$ 347.47
02/09/2015	27718	Wenquist	Parts	\$ 104.86
02/09/2015	27719	Western Nebraska Bank	DD Payroll	\$ 52.50
			Vendor Total	\$ 28,244.96
			Payroll & Payables	142284.06
			TOTAL	\$ 170,529.02

Total Resources Available	\$	3,426,505.00
Total Budget Available for Expenditures	\$	3,051,505.00
February Beginning Balance	\$	2,275,659.96
Less: February Expenditures	\$	170,529.02
Plus: Checks thru 9000	\$	-
February Ending Balance	\$	2,105,130.94
Balance of Expenditure Budget	\$	2,105,130.94

GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS

Received to Date (01-01-15)	\$	524,453.64
01/05/15 Mid-Plains Comm College	Ready Math Class	\$ 282.00
01/07/15 State of Nebraska	HHS MPC	\$ 53.32
01/07/15 State of Nebraska	HHS MPC	\$ 51.67
01/14/15 Logan Co Treas	Local; Co Fines	\$ 12,140.33
01/14/15 Chris Christie	January 2015 Rent	\$ 250.00
01/14/15 NE Community Foundation	Copies BCACF	\$ 180.00
01/14/15 Cash Box	Cash	\$ 929.00
01/14/15 State of Nebraska	HHS MPC	\$ 275.34
01/14/15 Patrons	Activity Bus	\$ 52.00
01/14/15 Jim Swisher	Hotel Holiday Tourn	\$ 83.00
01/15/15 Custer Co Treas	Local	\$ 45,870.51
01/16/15 Thomas Co Treas	MV; Local; Co Fines; MVPR	\$ 51,820.95
01/16/15 Brown Co Treas	Local; MVPR; Co Fines	\$ 19,659.20
01/16/15 State of Nebraska	SPED	\$ 10,292.00
01/20/15 Blaine Co Treas	MV; Local;MVPR; Co Fines	\$ 325,128.87
01/20/15 Loup Co Treas	Local	\$ 7,684.18
01/27/15 School Speciality	Credit Reimb	\$ 11.21
01/27/15 NASB ALICAP	Adj. Premium	\$ 1,668.00
01/27/15 Dale Hafer	Hotel Holiday Tourn	\$ 83.00
01/27/15 UNB Bank	Credit Reimb	\$ 224.80
01/27/15 Broken Bow PS	MIPS Admin	\$ 223.53
01/27/15 ESU 10	Sub Reimb	\$ 100.00
01/27/15 Patrons	Activity Bus	\$ 100.00
01/27/15 Houghton Mifflin Hardcourt	Credit Reimb	\$ 26.30
01/27/15 Richard Jameson	Hotel Holiday Tourn	\$ 83.00
01/30/15 State of Nebraska	State Aid	\$ 2,227.39
01/30/15 WNB	Interest	\$ 40.93
	<i>January Total</i>	\$ 479,540.53
	<u>Total to Date</u>	\$ 1,003,994.17

BANK BALANCE FOR GENERAL FUND

BALANCE 01-01-15	\$73,598.03
Receipts	\$479,540.53
Expenditures	\$178,318.71
	\$2,056.59
BALANCE 01-31-15	\$372,763.26

Certificate of Deposits

CD #10114, \$107,263.76
CD # 9867 \$ 101,188.14

PLEASE NOTE! The date of the receipts do NOT necessarily reflect the date in which it was received by the office or the date that it was deposited. If you have any questions feel free to call the office.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY NEBRASKA!



Renea Hunt

“Children on the Trail”

Monday

March 2, 2015

2:00 p.m.

Sandhills Elementary School Gym

Halsey, NE

(sponsored by the Nebraska Humanities Council)



The Third graders welcome Clara Baruth to our class! Clara comes from Kearney. Welcome Clara!!!!

Third graders drew Mr. Deines at 100 years old .





SORTING 100
SNACKS IN PILES
OF 10!



CREATING A CHAIN OF
100 LINKS!



The 1st
Graders
wrote 100
words!



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Scholarships

For More Information, Please See Mrs. Rodocker

Reminders

ACT TEST DATES

ALL JUNIORS will be taking the ACT test on March 17th.

April 18th, register by March 13th. Sandhills is a testing site for this date.

Register at <http://www.act.org>.

Practice questions and tips for taking the test are also provided at this website. Testing fee is \$37.50

NWEA MAP Testing

7th and 8th Grade: March 18th

9th Grade: March 20th

10th and 11th Grade: March 24th

SENIOR PARENTS

It is to complete the Free Application For Federal Student Aid or FAFSA form. This process is for CURRENT college students and those going to be attending college for the first time, GRADUATING SENIORS. This process is necessary in order to receive Pell Grants and Student loans.

EducationQuest in Kearney is a great resource to use when filling out the FAFSA! Call for an appointment!

Senior Scholarships

* Blaine County Farm Bureau Scholarship: March 1st

* American Legion Scholarships: March 1st www.legion.org/scholarships

* 2015 Maynard Jensen American Legion Memorial Scholarship: March 1st

* Independent Insurance Agents of Nebraska Foundation Scholarship: March 1st

* Nueman and Mildred Harris Scholarship Sponsored by the Broken Bow Elks Lodge: March 1st

* Consolidated Companies Community Scholarship: March 2nd

* Nebraska One Box Pheasant Hunt Scholarships: March 5th

* Cabela's Women in Leadership Scholarship: March 7

* Osmond Family Entrepreneurial Scholarship: March 20th

* 2015 AK-SAR-BEN Community Scholarship Program: April 1st

Scholarships

Local Scholarships

- *Noah Treer Memorial Scholarship: March 20th
- *ST Wrestling Club Scholarship: March 28th
- *Sandhills Alumni Scholarship: April 1st
- *Terry and Pam Rodocker Memorial Scholarship: April 5th
- *Sandhills Community Scholarship: April 8th
- *Dunning Youth Rodeo Scholarship: April 10th
- *Mabel Lamprecht Memorial Scholarship: April 10th
- *Halsey Service Club Scholarship: April 12th
- *Western Nebraska Bank Scholarship: April 13th
- *Lee Miller Memorial Scholarship: April 15th
- *Haven and Virginia Smith Scholarship: April 15th

Graduate Scholarships

- *BCEA Education Scholarship: April 15th
Please email for application. SHS graduated must be declared as an education major. Email Mrs. Rodocker for the application. trodocke@esulo.org
- *Mabel Lamprecht College Memorial Scholarship: April 10th. Please email trodocke@esulo.org for application.

University and College Scholarship Deadlines

University of Nebraska Lincoln:
January 15th

Chadron State College: January 15th

Northeast Community College: February 1st

University of Nebraska at Kearney:
February 1st

Southeast Community College: February 22nd

Mid-Plains Community College: March 1st

Central Community College: March 1st

The college deadline is a priority date. STILL apply for the college scholarships even if the date has passed!

Senior Parents: Have you joined Schoology? Great way to see the applications that your students are working on! Contact Mrs. Rodocker if you have lost your instructions!

This is not a complete list of upcoming scholarships. Please continue to check Mrs. Rodocker's board and Schoology for new scholarships.

MNAC Art Show

Mid Plains Community College, in North Platte, was the location for the 2015 MNAC Art Show held on Saturday, January 31. The participating schools were: Sandhills, Mullen, Stapleton, Litchfield, Sargent, Thedford, Brady, Arnold, Arthur County, Loup County, Cody-Kilgore, Anselmo-Merna, Hyannis, Callaway, Ansley, and McPherson County. The show changed from previous years because of the blending of the Sandhills Conference and the Loup Valley Conference. The number of entries was limited to 1-3 pieces per student because of the larger number of schools and the limited amount of display area.

Isaac Ganoung won “Best of Show” for a pencil self-portrait and Logan Hernandez was awarded “Reserve Best of Show” for a hand built sculpture in the Junior High division.

Anthony Hernandez won the High School “Best of Show” with a pencil drawing.

Ribbon Winners:

Logan Hernandez – 1st Printmaking

Tyler Guggenmos – 1st Pencil Drawing

Alan Rooney – 2nd Colored Drawing, 4th Black and White, and 5th Pencil Drawing

Dylan Lister-MMcIntyre – 2nd Mixed Media

Dixie Kennedy – 3rd Pencil Drawing

Keesha Albrecht – 3rd Hand Built Pottery

Andrew McLean – 4th Pencil Drawing

Carlie Collier – 4th Wheel Thrown Pottery

Heidi Saner – Honorable Mention in Black and White

The Junior High students won Reserve Best Artistry for the number of points earned through the ribbons the students were awarded.

The Senior High tied for second with Stapleton for the Reserve Best Artistry award.

Tyler Guggenmos, Kyra Kennedy, and Keesha Albrecht helped Mrs. Simonson out on Saturday with the display, packing of art work, and recording of results.



COLOR POEMS

The 8th grade students came in and taught the 3rd and 4th grade students how to create color poems using our 5 senses.

GREEN

by Brayden Guggenmos, Emily Leach, Isaac Ganoung

Green sounds like grass moving on a windy day.
Like the wind whistling through the trees.
Green sounds like a forest in the deep of night.
Green is like deer head-butting each other.
Green sounds like a man sounding his battle cry.
Green sounds like whistling birds.
Green sounds like whistling trains.
Green smells like flowers blooming on a warm summer day.
Green smells like the inside of a tent.
Green smells like people drawing in a notebook.
Green smells like life beginning.
Green smells like a shedding cedar tree.
Green smells like dewey grass and a fresh-cut lawn.
Green feels like ocean waves.
Green feels like a fish wriggling in your fingers.
Green looks like dew on grass.
It looks like stems of blooming flowers.
Green looks like spring is coming/here.
Green looks like camouflage.
Green looks like St. Patrick's Day.



Yellow

by Jacy Hafer, Charlsie Teahon and Samantha Scriptor
Yellow is like the sun in the distance.
Yellow is the smell of lemons.
Yellow is like the sound of golden bells
Jingling.
Yellow tastes like juicy pineapple and sour lemonade.
Yellow feels like the crunch of yellow leaves beneath my feet.



Pink

By Andrew McLean, Luke Christie and Samantha Wonch

It tastes like fluffy cotton candy at a fair on a warm day. It looks like hearts on Valentines Day. It feels like petals floating. It smells like your moms perfume while cooking cupcakes. It sounds like sprinkles hitting the frosting.

Red

By Rhett McFadden, Hayden Stump and Ty Bass

Red tastes like smores on a cold fall night as I watch the flames glowing in the fire. I can feel the heat coming from the wood as I light the fire. As it rises, I can smell the smoke and burnt marshmallows. Soon after the fire starts crackling and popping.







Bugs

by the kindergartners

(in the style of Margaret Wise Brown)

I like bugs.
Beetle bugs,
Wing bugs,
Stinging bugs,
Golden bugs,
Fluffy bugs,
Fuzzy bugs,
Any kind of bug.

A bug in a glass
A bug on a rug
A bug in the grass
A bug in the closet
A bug in a cage
A bug in my milk—
I like bugs.

Squished bugs,
Green bugs,
Blue bugs,
Black bugs,
Stinky bugs,
Red bugs,
I like bugs.

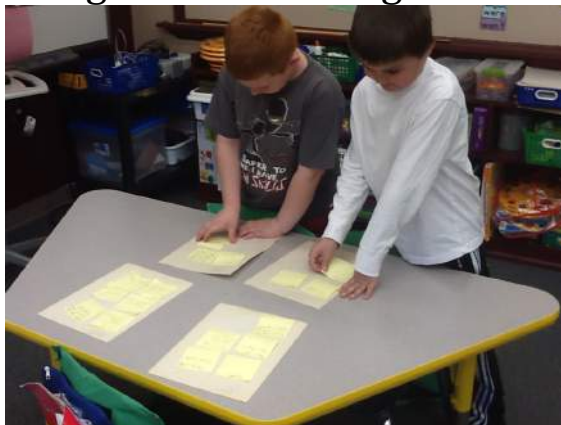








In January, the second graders celebrated the 100th day of school. We had all sorts of 100th day activities including making a book, drawing what we would look like at age 100, and painting 100 gumballs.

In February, we focused on Penguins. We

learned all about the process of research and the time it takes to find accurate information. We used books and the inter-net to find our facts. Then they sorted out the facts into 4 categories to begin making their chart for their oral presentation. Our next project will be all about physics. They will be presented a problem at the beginning of the unit. Once all the lessons are learned, they will have to solve the problem using their knowledge.



March 2015 Breakfast

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Milk, Juice & Water served with every meal	2 Breakfast Tornadoes Yogurt Cereal Fruit	3 Choc. Chip Muffins Yogurt Cereal Fruit	4 Biscuit w/ ham patty & cheese slice Yogurt Cereal Fruit	5 Breakfast Burrito Yogurt Cereal Fruit	6 Early Risers Yogurt Cereal Fruit	7
	9 Pancake on a stick Yogurt Cereal Fruit	10 Egg Omelet Toast Yogurt Cereal Fruit	11 Donuts string cheese Yogurt Cereal & Fruit	12 Sausage Gravy over a biscuit Yogurt Cereal Fruit	13 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK!!!	14
5	16 English Muffin w/ egg patty & cheese Yogurt Cereal Fruit	17  Coffeecake Cereal Yogurt & Fruit	18 French Toast Tornado Yogurt Cereal Fruit	19 Brkfst Pizza Yogurt Cereal Fruit	20 Cinnamon Rolls Yogurt Cereal Fruit	21 
2	23 French Toast Sticks Sausage Links Yogurt Cereal Fruit	24 Hot & Cold Cereal Pop Tarts Yogurt Cereal Fruit	25 Egg Omelet Toast Yogurt Cereal Fruit	26 Long Johns string cheese Yogurt Cereal Fruit	27 Scones Yogurt Cereal Fruit	28
9	30 Bagel w/ sausage egg & cheese Yogurt Cereal Fruit	31 Blueberry Muffins Yogurt Cereal Fruit				

March 2015 Lunch

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Fruit & Vegetable Bar Water & Milk Served with every meal</p>	<p>2 Pork Chop Mashed Potatoes Gravy Green Beans</p>	<p>3 Tacos w/ toppings Peanut Butter Bars</p>	<p>4 Hot dogs - ES Pig in a blanket- HS Corn</p>	<p>5 Chicken Strips Tator Tots Mixed Vegetables</p>	<p>6 Chicken Fajitas Rice Beans</p>	<p>7</p>
	<p>9 Chicken Patty on a WG Bun Tri Taters</p>	<p>10 Pizza</p>	<p>11 Goulash Green Beans</p>	<p>12 Baked Potato Bar Diced Ham Broccoli</p>	<p>13 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK!!!</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>16 Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Gravy Mixed Vegetables</p>	<p>17  Italian Dunkers Green Beans</p>	<p>18 Chicken Nuggets Tri Taters Corn</p>	<p>19 Mac-N-Cheese with Ham</p>	<p>20 Beef Burrito Rice</p>	<p>21 </p>
	<p>23 Hamburger on a WG Bun French Fries</p>	<p>24 Spaghetti Meat Sauce Italian Rolls</p>	<p>25 Turkey Wraps Chips</p>	<p>26 Runza Nacho Chips w/ cheese</p>	<p>27 Pizza</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>30</p>	<p>Chicken Nuqaets Tator Tots</p>	<p>31 Walkina Tacos with toppings</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>31</p>		<p>31</p>

March

2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	MNAC Speech Contest - @ Mullen TBA	Learning Walks with esu10	A/M HS Quiz Bowl @ Merna gam			
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8	HS MNAC Quiz Bowl in Halsey @ gam	9	10	11	12	13
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		ACT Test for Juniors Only	HS Esu 10 Regional Quiz Bowl @ 9am UNK Student Union MAP Testing - 7th and 8th Grades Safety Committee	District Speech in Theford TBA PT conferences: Early Dismissal : Elem 1:45 & HS 2pm	MAP Testing - 9th Grade	
22	MNAC Instrumental Music Clinic Cody-Kilgore/Ansley	23	24	25	26	27
		MAP Testing - 10th and 11th Grades	HS Callaway Quizfest in Callaway @ 9am	State Patrol - 1 pm (Roll Over Demonstrator Program) SHS	State Speech TBA	Track St. Pats/Hershey Invite @ Hershey 10am
29	30	31				
		MNAC Music Contest Anselmo-Merna (changed) TBA				