

Area news digest

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Council member wins Cozad's mayor post

COZAD—Nancy Meyer, who has served as a member of the Cozad City Council for 12 years, will become the mayor of the municipality in December. She will fill the position for the next four years, succeeding Greg Tetley who did not seek re-election. Meyer defeated Brian Woldt, the Dawson County Emergency Management director, during the general election 471-405.—reported in the Tri-City Trib.

Ground broken for new Custer Campus

BROKEN BOW—Members of the Custer Campus Board of Directors and Custer Economic Development Corporation officially broke ground on the site of the new seven-acre Custer Campus in Broken Bow on Friday, Nov. 5. Among officials taking part in the ceremony were Sen. Ben Nelson and Lt. Gov. Rick Sheehy. The \$1.5 million campus is located on the west edge of Broken Bow along Highway 2, across from Pamida.—reported in the Custer County Chief.

Third time is no charm for Ogallala school bond

OGALLALA—The third time was not a charm for voters to endorse a bond issue to improve the Ogallala Public Schools. For the third time in 14 months, voters said no to the \$14.5 million bond proposal which would have included an expansion to Prairie View Elementary School, a demolition of the older portion of the Ogallala Middle School, a small addition and the construction of a bus barn. Voters voiced their opinions which would have added 16.7 cents per \$100 of property valuations.—reported in the Keith County News.

Hobby turns to a new business opening

CURTIS—A new business recently opened called Cindy's Place. Cindy Grabenstein is the owner of the business located at 115 N. Main St. in downtown Eustis. The business began as a rubber stamping hobby which has since grown to include making cards, scrap booking and framing and matting as well. Cindy's Place officially opened and hosted an open house Nov. 6.—reported in the Frontier County Enterprise.

Economic Development director is perfect fit

ARNOLD—A new director of the Arnold Economic Development was recently chosen, Jessica (Phillips) Slechten. Slechten replaced Kristi Dvorak who resigned to take on a new line of work. Slechten began work in mid-October, returning to her hometown for the betterment of a community she loves, said Slechten. She graduated from Arnold High School in 1998 and was working in the banking industry in Texas before returning.—reported in the Arnold Sentinel.

One Box Hunt pulls trigger on 50 years

CALLAWAY— Former NFL star Chris Bober, author Stephen Coonts, U.S. Navy Rear Admiral Mark A. Vance and current National Rifle Association president Ron Schmeits joined country music legends John Anderson and Lorrie Morgan as celebrity hunters during this year's 50th anniversary of the Nebraska One Box Pheasant Hunt slated for Nov. 4-7, in Broken Bow. A total of eight five-person teams were to take part in the 2010 competition, which culminates with a competitive pheasant and quail hunt.—reported in the Callaway Courier.