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The Magic of Reading- Book Fair
By Kylee Lee
The book fair is back in the Library from September 22- October 4 during school hours. You can visit Mrs. Lee and the library and get all your favorite books. From Dog Man to Big Nate and other books for those bigger kids we have it all. All purchases through the Book Fair benefit our school. It also supports the kids and how much we all want them to read. For more information, you can contact Mrs. Rice or, you can go to the Hyannis Area Schools Facebook page for more information.


## Longhorn Post

## What an ACE of a Team!

By Kylee Lee

Coming into the month of September, the girls were on a hot streak. They started off the month heading up to Gordon-Rushville for a round-robin. They ended up 3rd in the round-robin after losing a tough battle against Hays Springs, and Gordon Rushville, but battled back to beat Crawford. They traveled back over west the following Tuesday to visit Hay Spring and Cody-Kilgore for a triangular. They lost in 2 sets to Hay Spring by a close one, but they went into a 3 -set kill to have that beloved win over Cody. That Friday was the Homecoming game. The Lady Longhorns went in strong against one of their biggest rivals but ended up not getting the win 0-3. After Homecoming, the Lady Longhorns traveled to North Platte to play in the annual NPCC Fall Tournament. They went 1-2 on the day, Losing to Cody-Kilgore and Hi-Line, but getting a successful victory against Dundy-County Stratton. The next week, the girls traveled to Sandhills-Thedford for their homecoming, and they came in hustling. They had the hustle in the focus on trying to give Thedford its first conference loss of the season but unfortunately came up short 0-3. Our Lady Longhorns are fighting hard to get those wins, and becoming an amazing team to watch.


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## Crossing the Finish Line

By: Morgan Spurlin
There are two students who run cross country with the Alliance Bulldogs. Evan Merrihew runs with the high school varsity team and Levi Merrihew runs with the junior high team. Both athletes have worked really hard this season and have exciting things coming their way. Last Friday, September 29th, Levi and Evan competed in the Western Conference meet. The high school team placed 2nd as a team. Evan placed 15th with a PR of 19:00 flat 5K. The Junior High boys also placed second as a team. Levi got a 7th place medal with a time of $11: 33$ in the 3 K . With the season winding down they only have one regular season meet left. Good luck Levi and Evan on the rest of your season and good luck to Evan at districts. Keep working hard!


Photography by: Erin Merrihew

## LONGHORN FOOTBALL STAYS STRONG THROUGH SEPTEMBER <br> By Parker Provost

This month, the Longhorn Football team played a total of 4 games. To start off the month they went to Morrill where they would face the Lions. The Longhorns got off to a strong start jumping to a 38-0 lead at the beginning of the first quarter. They kept their foot on the gas with the halftime score being $53-0$. The JV was able to get lots of good playing time in the second half and the final score ended up being 53-20.

On the 8th, the Longhorns traveled to Hemingford for the 3rd game of the year. After going down 12-0, the Longhorns responded to get back on top with a score of 14-12 by halftime. The second half was back and forth but was ultimately won on a kick return touchdown late in the fourth quarter by Cash Davis to put the Longhorns on top and win the game.

The 15th was Homecoming in Hyannis and the Longhorns would be taking on the Mullen Broncos. After a tough, hard-fought game, the Longhorns did not come out on top.

On the 21st, the Longhorns traveled to Thedford for their fifth game of the season. As heavy weather rolled in, including heavy rain and lighting, the game was postponed to the next day. Finally, on the 22 nd, the game was able to be played but the Longhorns would sadly be defeated 68-6.

On Thursday, the 28th, the South Loup Bobcats came to Hyannis for a district matchup. The Bobcats went up early but the Longhorns bounced back with a kick-return touchdown by Beau Rice. Ultimately, the Longhorns were not able to catch the win and lost 58-18.

We would like to wish the Longhorn Football team good luck for the remainder of their season!


Photography by: Robin Jones
The Longhorn Football team huddles before playing the Mullen Broncos on Homecoming Night.

## Stomp The Broncos

By Kylee Lee
Homecoming Week came and went yet again. Here's the recap, on Monday it was Patriot Day. Students and teachers alike dressed in their best red, white, and blue. Also on Monday, we crowned our Homecoming King and Queen with Cash Davis being your king and Regan Anderson being your queen. Tuesday, it was time to throw it back in time, with Decade Day sure to please anyone. Anything But A Backpack was perfect for a beautiful Wednesday afternoon. From Forrest Gump and Lieutenant Dan to the Sandlot bunch, we saw it all on Movie Character/ Superhero Day on Thursday. We wrapped up by wearing the best Longhorn gear we could find for the game on Friday. Friday night, the Broncos came into town to face the Lady Longhorns and the football team, for what would be an awesome showdown of strength and skill.


Photo by: Robin Jones

## Glow Ball

By: Ben Connell
On September 16, community members and people from all around the area met Pelican Beach Golf Course for the yearly Glow Ball Tournament. The glow ball tournament is a golf tournament that starts in the afternoon and goes late into the night. All the contestants play with glow-in-the-dark golf balls so they can see as the tournament moves into the night. The tournament cost $\$ 110$ dollars to enter, and if participants returned all of their golf balls they got $\$ 10$ back. The winners got $\$ 100$ and second place got a family pass to all activities or two singles passes to Hyannis activities. All proceeds from the tournament go to the Hyannis Area Schools Foundation, which is currently saving to upgrade our marque and our playground area. The tournament was split into three flights with 23 teams total. There were 8 teams in each flight with 4 contestants at each hole and 6 at some. The teams played all afternoon from 4:00 P.M. to 11:30 P.M. When the tournament came to a close the winners of flight one were Cody Kostman and Lauren Hollenbeck. The flight two winner was the team of Brian Sczacks. Finally, the winners of flight three were Jesse Heffner and Lacy Billingsly. The tournament was a great fundraiser for the school and we are excited to see it happen again next fall!


# New Teacher Spotlight: Randy Hiemstra 

By Gary Brennamann

A new addition to the Hyannis Area School staff is Mr.Hiemstra. Mr.Hiemstra has been an educator for over 40 years. In Hyannis, he is the director of student services as well as the weights and conditioning trainer. Hiemstra attended Northern State in Aberdeen, South Dakota. He then graduated with his master's degree in secondary administration from Chadron State. Mr. Hiemstra's favorite part of education is hands down, the students. He is also looking forward to being a part of the Hyannis community. One of Mr. Hiemstra's favorite jobs at Hyannis High is running the door in the mornings. Mr. Hiemstra enjoys seeing everyone as they come to school to have a great day! However, Mr. Hiemstra really enjoys teaching weight training and conditioning. Among other jobs such as coaching Football, we are very pleased Mr.Hiemstra walks our halls.


## New Student Spotlight: <br> Billingsley Siblings

By Kilee Parks

Harper Billingsley is a very energetic 6 -year-old. She always has a smile on her face. Harper's favorite colors are pink and purple. We asked her what she wanted to be when she grows up. Her answer was to be a doctor and then be a teacher when she can. Her favorite animals are a cheetah and a mountain lion. She loves the monkey bars and she was very excited that she could make it to the other side. For vacation, she would really like to go to the beach since they have never been. Her favorite food is macaroni and cheese with hot dogs. Harper's best friends are Nora, Jasper, and Margo. We then asked her what she liked best about our school. She said recess because it's always fun and she gets to play with her friends.

Treton Billingsley is 11 years old. His favorite color is blue. When he grows up he wants to be a saddle bronc rider. He loves riding horses because they are also his favorite animal. We ask Trenton and his sister Harper what they would do if they had 1 million dollars. Harper said she would buy the biggest stuffed animal. Treton's answer was to buy the biggest ranch possible. Trenton and Harper's pets are dogs, cats, horses, and fish. Harper loves her fish; she claims that it is really fat. Tretons's favorite thing about the school is going to band. His favorite food is steak.


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## SENIOR SPOTLICHT: <br> Rylee Anderson

By Kylee Lee

Rylee Anderson was born in North Platte, and then raised in Whitman. He is 17 years old as of March 17th, and plans on ranching the rest of his life. His parents are Rosemary and Kevin, and has 5 siblings, Gavin, Myles, Henry, Dagny, and Saoirse. Rylee's favorite class is weights because he says, "It gets me buff.", and he squatted 385 for three on September 5th. When asked what he would like in this article Rylee stated "I'm 6 '6", 205 lbs, I play football, basketball, and track, I am also on the rodeo club, and I used to wrestle in junior high." His most prized possession is a very nice trailer with tack from THE Lary Cleveland. His friends would describe him as a porcupine, hard to reach on the outside, but has a loving heart on the inside. In his free time, he likes to ranch and he aspires to be himself.

Photography by: Audrey Poweles Photography


## SENIOR SPOTLICHT:

Cash Davis
By Kylee Lee

Cash Davis was born and raised in Kansas, by his loving parents Tim and Amanda Davis with his sister Kaylee. When he graduates he wants to attend Kansas State University and master in Ag Business, with the hope that one day he can become a banker or a loan officer. In 5 years he sees himself successful and loved by the ladies. His favorite class is AG class because he says, " I learn a lot about the Ag industry and animal science and get to see my loving and very huggable father every day." In his free time, he likes to participate in many sports and activities, such as Football, Basketball, Track, and FFA. He also says he enjoys spending time outdoors hunting and working on his trucks. His friends would describe him as a Proboscis Monkey because he is fun and full of adventure but has a wit that is better than others.


Photography by: Megan Andersen Photography

## KINDERGARTEN SPOTLIGHT: <br> Clarissa, Ransom, Makenna

By Anna Anderson, Jillian Taylor, and Hunter Cover
Clarissa's favorite food is Chimichangas and she loves the song This Girl is on Fire. If she had one million dollars she would buy Legos. Her favorite animal is a cheetah. Clarissa wants to be a rancher when she grows up and she has a dog named Tippi to help her with it. You go, Clarissa!

Makenna Macy Wants to help pets and animals when she is all grown up. She is very passionate about P.E.. Makenna thinks the color purple is very beautiful. She just loves little kittens and the way they snuggle up next to you. If Makenna were to win a million dollars she would buy a mansion to host all of her family and friends.

Ransom Retzlaff likes to eat sandwiches and he wants to go on vacation at the waterpark. He wants to be a cowboy and ride a horse when he grows up. He likes to eat snacks and watch his favorite movie Bull Riders.

Ransom Retzlaff
Makenna Macy



## Missoula Children's Theater in Hyannis

By Austin Casper

Missoula Children's Theater presented The Princess and the Pea at Hyannis Area Schools on Saturday, September 23rd at the conclusion of their 2023-2024 school year residency week. 27 kids took the stage after working hard to learn the show, including lines, songs, and staging in just 20 rehearsal hours. Nearly 100 people attended the show in the lecture hall with dozens more viewing the live stream on Striv.

All students at Hyannis Areas Schools participated in workshops with tour directors Stevee and Dylan throughout the week. Students worked on acting, improvisation, and non-verbal storytelling and the skills associated with each.

I'd like to thank all who helped through the week with meals and supervising kids as well as those who gave financially to support the meals and program!


## LUNCH MENU

OCT. 2 - CHICKEN STRIPS, MASHED POTATOES \& GRAVY, CORN, DINNER ROLL, FRUIT OCT. 3 - SLOPPY JOE ON BUN, SMILEY FRIES, GREEN BEANS, FRUIT
OCT. 4 - BEEF STICKS, MASHED POTATOES \& GRAVY, CARROTS, DINNER ROLL, FRUIT
OCT. 5 - MACHO NACHO WITH FIXINS, POTATO
SALAD, LETTUCE SALAD, FRUIT, COOKIE
OCT. 6 - PHILLY STEAK ON BUN, CURLY FRIES, FRUIT, JELLO CUP
OCT. 9 - CHICKEN ALFREDO, COOKED
CARROTS, GARLIC KNOTS, FRUIT
OCT. 10 - PIZZA ROLLS, SMILEY FRIES, MIXED VEGGIES, FRUIT
OCT. 11 - FRENCH DIP SANDWICH, CURLY FRIES, CORN, FRUIT
OCT. 12 - BEEF TACO, POTATO OLES, LETTUCE \& CHEESE, FRUIT, BROWNIE
OCT. 13 - SHREDDED BEEF SANDWICH, CHIPS, CALIFORNIA BLEND, FRUIT
OCT. 16 - BBQ MEATBALLS, MASHED POTATOES
\& GRAVY, GREEN BEANS, MUFFIN, FRUIT
OCT. 17 - ITALIAN DUNKERS, MEAT SAUCE,
LETTUCE SALAD, TATER GEMS, FRUIT
OCT. 18 - CHICKEN NUGGETS, MASHED
POTATOES \& GRAVY, CORN, DINNER ROLL, FRUIT
OCT, 19 - CAVATINI, LETTUCE SALAD, HASH BROWN ROUNDS, GARLIC TOAST, FRUIT
OCT. 20 - PIZZA BURGER, CHIPS, PICKLES, FRUIT
OCT. 23 - SAUSAGE GRAVY OVER BISCUITS, GREEN BEANS, FRUIT
OCT. 24 - HAY STACKS, LETTUCE SALAD, CALIFORNIA BLEND, FRUIT
OCT. 25 - CHICKEN STICKS, MASHED
POTATOES, GRAVY, CORN, DINNER ROLL, FRUIT
OCT. 26 - HAM \& CHEESE ZOMBIE, TATER GEMS, CARROTS, FRUIT
OCT. 27 - PULLED PORK SANDWICH, BBQ
BEANS, CHIPS, FRUIT
OCT. 30 - CHICKEN FAJITA, RICE, LETTUCE \&
CHEESE, CORN, FRUIT
OCT. 31 - MINI CORN DOGS, MAC \& CHEESE,
SMILEY FRIES, FRUIT
This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

## October Schedule

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | $3$ <br> 4th grade field trip | 4 | 5 <br> JH VB@ Mullen (1:00 pm) JH FB@Mullen (2:00pm) <br> VB TRI @ Arthur Co. (4:00pm) | $\stackrel{V}{\text { VFB @ Anselmo-Merna }}_{(6: 00 \mathrm{pm})}^{\text {and }}$ | 7 |
| 8 | 9 <br> JH FB@ Home (2:00pm) | 10 <br> VB TRI @ Hay Springs (5:00pm) | 11 | 12 <br> V FB @ Home (7:00pm) Senior Night | 13 | $\begin{gathered} 14 \\ \text { VB Tournament @ Hay } \\ \text { Springs } \end{gathered}$ |
| 15 | 16 NILE Meats Contest @ Billings, Montana | 17 <br> VB TRI @ Home (4:00pm) Senior Night NILE Meats Contest @Billings, Montana | 18 <br> PSAT <br> NILE Meats Contest <br> @ Billings, Montana | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 22 | $\begin{aligned} & 23 \\ & \quad \text { VB Subdistricts @ } \\ & \text { TBD @ TBD } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 24 \\ & \quad \text { VB Subdistricts @ } \\ & \text { TBD @TBD } \end{aligned}$ | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 | 30 <br> National FFA Convention | 31 <br> National FFA Convention | National FFA Convention | National FFA Convention | National FFA Convention |  |

