

Longhorn Post

The Hyannis Schools Newsletter

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HOMECOMING 2024!

By Yearbook Class

To start the 2024 Homecoming week, each class gathered and decorated a bulletin board to show their school spirit. Monday the theme was "everything but a backpack" day. Kids came to the school with things from little shopping carts to microwaves. Coronation was held after the JV Volleyball Triangular against Mullen, and Arthur. The Homecoming candidates were escorted into the gym by their parents. The 2024 Royalty Court was Gary Brennamann and Ben Connell. Jorja Grover was chosen Queen and the Homecoming King was Parker Provost. After the coronation, they all went out in the parking lot for the burning of the H, and an ice cream social by the Lions Club was served in the Commons.

Tuesday was "twin/dress as your favorite teacher" day. Wednesday was dress as your favorite "movie character" day. We had some kids read off the poems that they wrote for the Poem Night with Georgeann Wearin and Nebraska State Poet, Matt Mason. Finally, Thursday was Spirit Day! Kids decorated their homecoming floats for the parade in the morning. The parade was held at the football field with student floats, business floats, and our community service vehicles.

The Pep Rally games were a lot of fun! Dylan Frye broke an egg on his head for a signed volleyball and Styfle Retzlaff broke an egg on his head for a signed football. The volleyball and football games went down to the "balancing on the wire, and sometimes you fall off", says Ely Van Renan. The energy was high throughout the whole day leading up to great games. The Student Council hosted a fun night of dancing and cornhole to finish off a great Homecoming!



THE BOYS OF FALL!

By: Ely VanRenan

The Hyannis Longhorns are 2-3 as of right now they started their season out strong against Kimball, getting a victory. They traveled to Hemmingford picking up a loss, but played hard. They were home against Morrill picking up another victory by sweeping the Morrill Lions. Traveling to Maxwell they picked up another loss, putting up a great fight... better than the Hemmingford game. The Longhorns have not had a bad season but faced an upset during Homecoming losing to the Mullen Broncos. Bayard will be here for a home game on October 3rd. The Longhorns travel to Brady for Brady's Homecoming. The Longhorns play Thedford to wrap up their season. These boys would like to have an amazing season in the end but it's truly up to them to determine whether their season turns out for the best, and we in the Hyannis community hope for the best.



BUMP-SET-SPIKE!

By Racquel Hunt

The Hyannis Volleyball season is going well for high school and junior high teams. The high school girls have so far played; the Arthur County Wolves, Banner County Wildcats, Hemingford Bobcats, Crawford Rams, Gordon-Rushville Mustangs, Hay Springs Hawks, Cody-Kilgore Cowboys, and the Mullen Broncos. The high school girls' record so far this season is 2:11, they may be falling short, but they are still working hard to get their next win. The coaches of the high school volleyball team are McKenzie Minor and Anita Ferguson. The managers are Helena Vinton, Clara Rice, and Sadie Burgess.

The junior high girls on the other hand have played; Cody-Kilgore Cowboys, Crawford Rams, Sutherland Sailors, and Alliance Bulldogs. The junior high girl's record so far this season is 2:2. Even though they are tied with their winnings and their losings they are still working hard during their practices and making the most out of their time. The coach of the junior high volleyball team is Angie Heimstra. Both high school and junior high girls are pushing hard and making their team better as well as themselves.



CROSS COUNTRY MVP

By: *Racquel Hunt*

Hyannis junior Evan Merrihew is running cross country for the Alliance Bulldogs. Evan has been chosen to represent the Alliance Cross Country as the BBGH MVP student-athlete of the week. He will be featured on their social media and newspaper articles. Merrihew was picked by Alliance to have him represent their district at a Leadership Summit. Merrihew is running on the varsity cross-country team. So far he has been to four meets and the team has placed 2nd in three of the meets and 3rd in one of them. Evan has worked very hard to get to where he is now, he is very much appreciated on the cross country team, and he is very helpful and respectful to the middle school members on his team.



Pictured: Evan Merrihew

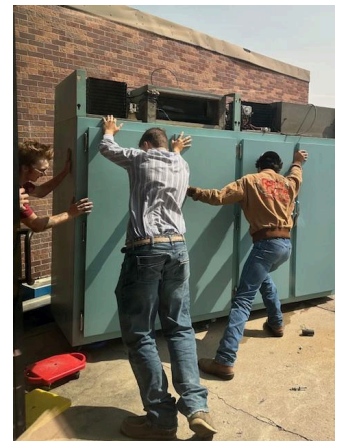


WHAT'S NEW IN THE HHS KITCHEN...

By: *Brennan Donner*

Kym Manseau came to Hyannis Area Schools for the head cook position. Kym grew up in Prescott, Arizona, where the World's Oldest Rodeo takes place every year. Moving to Nebraska in 2016, Kym worked several jobs around Hyannis; she was a cashier at Sandhills Oil Co., she ran a daycare, and lastly, she worked at the Hyannis Coop. Kym loves the kids at Hyannis, that is why she started working here. An interesting fact about Kym is that her grandpa stood up with John F. Kennedy because her grandpa was the Superintendent of Schools for the state of Arizona. Kym loves it here in Nebraska. She loves this job the best out of all the others she had. Kim starts her day by cooking breakfast for all the kids and then making dinner after breakfast.

Out with the old and in with the new. A few of the Seniors helped remove the old refrigerators and installed the new stainless



steel units. Thanks, Trey Brown and Zach Spencer for all your hard work. Also thanks to Chase Huffman, Kutter Acord, and Myles Anderson for getting the old refrigerator out the door!! Kym standing in front of the new refrigerators installed by Trey Brown, Zach Spencer, and the Senior boys.

NEW EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT:

ERIN MERRIHEW

By: Landon Leonard

Hyannis has brought in a new Science teacher, Mrs. Erin Merrihew, who is excited about science and wants the kids to enjoy it too. In her class, you will do art at the beginning of class. Mrs. Merrihew chose Hyannis Area Schools because it needed a science teacher and she is crazy about science. What does she like about her job? Mrs. Merrihew likes her job because she likes helping others understand the "why" behind "why" things happen! "We aren't just bystanders to science. It is happening all around us! I love my time with students and hopefully, we are starting to get to know one another." says Merrihew. "Everyone has a science identity and it feels like a fun challenge to me to help students find out what they are particularly interested in learning." A fun fact about Mrs. Merrihew is that she likes to try new things.



Photo by: Landon Leonard

BRADY FULLMER

By: Ely VanRenan

Mr. Brady Fullmer may be a quiet cat but he has a lot of inspiration in what he does. He graduated from Chadron State College with his teaching degree and was also a quarterback on the Eagle football team. Mr. Fullmer married Ashley Fullmer and they both love the Hyannis culture. I asked Mr. Fullmer what his favorite thing about Hyannis was, and he said, "that he loves that everyone waves at you when you pass them". Mr Fullmer is also the football coach and the 10th grade World History teacher as well as the U.S Sports History teacher. Fullmer also does 3rd and 4th grade P.E. Mr. Fullmer shows up with a smile on his face ready to make the day the best he can. We are so glad that Mr. Fullmer chose Hyannis Area Schools to spend his time teaching, Mr.Fullmer is going to make a great impact here at Hyannis. We are so thankful that Mr. Fullmer and Mrs. Fullmer chose to come here to help us grow and teach us.



Photo by: Ely Van Renan

Welcoming Mrs. Hiemstra

By: Racquel Hunt

This month, we're excited to introduce you to Mrs. Hiemstra, a passionate educator who has recently joined the Hyannis community. Mrs. Hiemstra was drawn to Hyannis because her husband, Randy Heimstra, works here as the weights and basketball coach. She appreciates the warmth of the community, noting that the kids are friendly and open about their interests.

In her role teaching K-2nd grade physical education, Mrs. Hiemstra brings enthusiasm and joy to her students. "They are so funny and energetic," she shares. After spending many years teaching high school students, she finds working with younger kids incredibly refreshing. "I just love them," she adds, highlighting the special bond she shares with her little athletes.

Her college education includes time at Chadron State College and the University of Nebraska, experiences that have shaped her into the dedicated teacher she is today.

Outside of the classroom, Mrs. Hiemstra is a huge fan of the Nebraska Cornhuskers, particularly their volleyball team. "I love watching the girls compete and seeing how competitive they are," she reveals. This passion connects her not only to her roots but also to her community, as she cheers for their success.

We're thrilled to have Mrs. Hiemstra as part of the Hyannis family and can't wait to see the positive impact she'll have on our students!



4th Grades Shining Teacher

By: Raylynn Hunt

Ashley Fullmer is an alumnus of Hyannis, graduating in 2018. Mrs. Fullmer is now married to Brady Fullmer and they both now work at Hyannis Schools. Mrs. Fullmer is teaching in fourth grade. After high school, Fullmer attended Chadron State College and got her degree in Elementary Teaching. After college, she went and taught for two years in Wyoming as an elementary teacher, this is Mrs. Fullmer's third year of teaching. Mrs. Fullmer chose to come back to Hyannis because she wanted to be back in the small community and help her old school out. She loves being a teacher because she loves watching her kids grow up, learning different things, and watching them excel. A fun fact about Mrs. Fullmer is that she gets mistaken for a high school student more than once a week. We are so happy that Mrs. Fullmer came back to teach here at Hyannis.



8th GRADE FIELD DAY

By: Morgan Spurlin

On September 4th the 8th grade traveled to Thedford, NE, to participate in a Science Field Day. The students were able to go to six different stations. The first station that the students went to was forestry. There the students learned different tree identification and tree health. This station was held at the Thedford Arburiom making this station a great hands-on experience. Next, the students went to a wildlife station. During the wildlife station, the students got to feel many animal pelts and look at animal footprint molds. The third station was down at the Middle Loup River. The students talked to water technicians about the water flow rate. Station three was the students' favorite because they got to cool off in the water. The next two stations were hosted by the NRCS where the students learned about soil science and range. During the soil portion, the students had a hole-digging competition. Dillon, Hunter, and Anna dug the biggest hole. The last station of the day was a Geology station. The student felt many different rocks and got to see the different rock beds across Nebraska. We appreciate the NRD hosting the field day and enjoyed our time in Thedford.



SOPHOMORE AT CAREER CAB

By: Randy Heimstra

On Wednesday, Sept. 18th eight Hyannis Area High School students journeyed west to Alliance to partake in the 2nd Annual Sophomore Career Cab Day. The trip began with a large group gathering in the PAC at Alliance High School. There, Jordan Dietrich of Twin Cities Development welcomed the students and gave instructions regarding the career pathway of choice for each group of students.

Buses and vans were available for each group as they departed from the businesses or entities involved in each pathway. Students were given a choice of Business, Health Sciences, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Criminal Justice, Trades, and Education.

Laramie Duffield, Ella Lincoln, Kanen Grant, Paige Vinton, Beau Rice, Georgie Carr, Colin Woerner, and Lydia Smith participated with Mr. Randy Hiemstra as a Career Counselor and sponsor of the trip. The Hyannis Area students represented their school and communities with exemplary attitude and behavior and the overwhelming response from the students was that the experience was very worthwhile and beneficial as they begin preparing for post-secondary plans when they exit HHS in a couple of years.



Photography by:
Randy Heimstra
Georgie Carr was absent

Lunch Menu

October 1, 2024
Elem- Pizza rolls, Corn, Fruit and Milk
HHS-Chicken Enchilada Casserole, Beans, Corn,
Fruit And Milk
October 2, 2024 Super Spuds, Roll, Fruit and Milk
October 3, 2024 Beef and Noodles, mashed
potatoes, Fruit and Milk
October 7, 2024 Beef Stroganoff, California
Blend Veggies, Fruit and Milk
October 8, 2024 Soft Shell Tacos, Beans, Rice,
Fruit and Milk
October 9, 2024 Ham and Scalloped potatoes,
Roll, Fruit and Milk
October 10, 2024 Pork Tenderloin, Mashed
Potatoes, Salad, Fruit and Milk
October 11, 2024 Chicken Strips, Fries, Fruit and
Milk
October 14, 2024 Chicken Alfredo, Garlic bread,
Green Beans, Fruit, Milk
October 15, 2024 Steak Fajitas, Rice, Fruit and
Milk
October 16, 2024 Turkey and Gravy, Mashed
Potatoes, Corn, Fruit and Milk
October 17, 2024 Chicken Patty, Mixed Veggies,
Fruit and Milk
October 18, 2024 Biscuits and Hamburger Gravy,
Side Salad, Fruit and Milk
October 21, 2024 Chicken Bacon Ranch, Corn,
Fruit and Milk
October 22, 2024 Corn Casserole with Bacon, Roll,
Fruit and Milk
October 23, 2024 Turkey Sub with the fixings,
Fruit and Milk
October 24, 2024 Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed
Potatoes, Corn, Fruit and Milk
October 25, 2024 Hot Dogs or Chili Dog, Mac and
Cheese, Fruit and Milk
October 28, 2024 Chili Soup, Corn Bread, Fruit
and Milk
October 29, 2024 Chicken Fajitas and the
Fixings, Fruit, Milk
October 30, 2024 BBQ Beef Sandwich, Salad,
Fruit and Milk
October 31, 2024 Hamburger and Chips, Fruit and
Milk

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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Breakfast Menu

October 1, 2024 French Toast Tornado, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 2, 2024 Sausage Egg and Cheese
Sandwich, Cereal, Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 3, 2024 Tornado sausage egg and cheese,
Cereal, Fruit, Milk and Juice
October 4, 2024 French Toast Sticks, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 7, 2024 Assorted Muffins, Cereal, Fruit,
Milk, Juice
October 8, 2024 Sausage Egg and Cheese
Sandwich, Cereal, Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 9, 2024 French Toast Tornado, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 10, 2024 Breakfast Burrito, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 11, 2024 French Toast Sticks, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 14, 2024 French Toast Tornado, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 15, 2024 Sausage Egg and Cheese
Sandwich, Cereal, Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 16, 2024 Tornado sausage egg and
cheese, Cereal, Fruit, Milk and Juice
October 17, 2024 French Toast Sticks, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 18, 2024 Assorted Muffins, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 21, 2024 Breakfast Burrito, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 22, 2024 French Toast Tornado, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 23, 2024 Tornado sausage egg and
cheese, Cereal, Fruit, Milk and Juice
October 24, 2024 Sausage Egg and Cheese
Sandwich, Cereal, Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 25, 2024 French Toast Sticks, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 28, 2024 Tornado sausage egg and
cheese, Cereal, Fruit, Milk and Juice
October 29, 2024 French Toast Tornado, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 30, 2024 Sausage Egg and Cheese
Sandwich, Cereal, Fruit, Milk, Juice
October 31, 2024 Assorted Muffins, Cereal,
Fruit, Milk, Juice

October Schedule

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 JH VB @ Hemingford (2:00 pm) JH FB @ Hemingford (3:00 pm) Missoula Childrens Theater	2 JH VB @ Thedford (1:00 pm) Missoula Childrens Theater	3 V FB @ Hyannis (7:00pm) Missoula Childrens Theater	4 No School (Parent Teacher Conferences) Missoula Childrens Theatre	5 V VB Round Robin @ Hyannis (10:00 am) Missoula Chidlrens Theatre
6	7 JH VB @ Hyannis (1:00 pm) JH FB @ Hyannis (2:00 pm)	8	9 FFA CDE at Valentine	10 JH VB @ Hyannis (2:00 pm)	11 V VB @ Brady (3:00 pm) V FB @ Brady (6:30 pm)	12
13	14 JH FB @ Benkleman (2:00 pm)	15 V VB Tri @ South Platte (4:00 pm)	16	17	18 V FB @ Thedford (6:00 pm)	19 V VB @ Hemingford PAC TBD
20	21 V VB @ Hyannis (3:00 pm)	22 V VB @ Potter-Dix (4:00 pm)	23 Late Start	24	25	26
27	28 V VB Subdistricts TBD	29	30	31		