

## Area News Digest

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**Taken from news columns of area newspapers.**

### **Career Fair spotlights many areas of interest**

COZAD—Numerous job opportunities and professional pathways were highlighted recently during the annual DAD and ABLE-sponsored Career Fair at the Dawson County Fairgrounds in Lexington. Students from across the Tri-City area were focused upon the many booths and displays offered to peak their particular interests. Areas of interest displayed for students ranged from landscaping to aircraft engines with representatives on hand to help guide and answer questions.—reported in the Tri-City Trib.

### **Telephone scam hits Broken Bow residents**

BROKEN BOW—Residents of Broken Bow were slam dunked with a phone scam the previous week, and there were lessons to be learned. The calls started on a Sunday and came first into local cell phones and followed with calls over land lines pretending to originate from the Nebraska State Bank in Broken Bow. By the following Tuesday morning the bank phones were ringing off the hook and the lobby was full of concerned people. The bank has been doing everything they can to stop the transactions believing that some 100 individuals gave out their personal information. First and foremost, the lesson is to never, ever give personal information out over the phone.—reported in the Custer County Chief.

### **Rain and snow close Keith County roads**

OGALLALA—A person doesn't know whether they will need a snorkel or snowshoes on some Keith County roads lately. White caps and water fowl greeted travelers on county roads west of Ogallala where lagoons turned into mini lakes for migrating ducks and geese. The nearly

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two-inches of rain and snow that fell recently caused much lowland flooding in the areas. Roads were closes as some portions were underwater and others were damaged with water runoff causing deep cracks. No one was reported as being stranded or needing assistance during the affected times.—reported in the Keith County News.

### **Easter Pageant celebrates 50 year**

CURTIS—The Curtis Easter Pageant is celebrating its 50th anniversary performance this year. Every year the pageant is performed in the afternoon on Palm Sunday with at least 150 people volunteering their time and talent. The pageant also involves a large cross-section of the community helping from choir members, actors, costume and wig helpers, ushers and parking attendants to groups providing food and drink. The first performance of the Curtis Easter Pageant was held in 1958.—reported in the Frontier County Enterprise.

### **Chili Cook-off and entertainment a success**

ARNOLD—Arnold's annual Chili Cook-off was deemed a success for participation and entertainment. The Nansel Welding team of Bryce Nansel and Jim Daly took the first prize describing their chili as "Smokin' Baby." Attending at the event was one of the best numbers with some 250 people turning out for public serving. The entertainment portion included a game show called "Are You Smarter Than a Kindergartner?" The game ended with only two adults answering questions right, and all the rest went to the kids. The event netted over \$1,000 in free-will donations.—reported in the Arnold Sentinel.

### **Spring plant sales raise funds for pool**

CALLAWAY—Members of the Callaway Pool Board are sponsoring a spring plant sale which will include vegetables, flowers and grasses as well as annuals and perennials. Funds from the spring plants are to be utilized to help the pool board replace Callaway's aging swimming pool. Patrons can place orders through April 9 with pickup April 23-24. The plants will be supplied by Janet's Jungle, a company specializing in catering to helping fund-raisers.—reported in the Callaway Courier.