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Lexington breaks new ground on YMCA project

COZAD—The start to a new YMCA facility has been in the works in Lexington for at least five years, but through the hard work, determination and will of many volunteers and donors, the work paid off on Tuesday, Oct. 23, when ground was broken at a ceremony just north of the current Lexington Middle School. The YMCA building project will include one large gymnasium that can be divided into three courts, a suspended indoor walking track, a 5,000 square-foot wellness center with cardio equipment and weights, a game room, a child watch area, locker rooms with showers and a fitness room to offer classes.—reported in the Tri-City Trib.

Coach honored for dedication, 600 wins

BROKEN BOW—Ansley-Litchfield volleyball coach Pat Hoblyn was honored as she crossed a hallmark recently with 600 victories. The 39-year-old coach, and breast cancer survivor, has five state championships to her name and 14 appearances at the state competition. Her Spartans are currently ranked fifth in the state. The volleyball court has now been renamed the Pat Hoblyn Court in recognition of her 600 career wins. She continues to move forward marking her 601st win over Pleasanton at a home triangular.—reported in the Custer County Chief.

Angel investment possibilities in area

OGALLALA—Entrepreneurs and small businesses looking to expand at Ogallala may soon have access to an increasing popular funding source as a Minnesota-based firm has selected Ogallala in which to start an angel investment group. An angel investor or investment is an individual or group of individuals who pool investment capital for business start-ups or

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improvements for qualified projects. Rain Source Capital of Minnesota has 23 to 24 qualified angel investment groups across the country with approximately \$40 million in those groups, and proving successful.—reported in the Keith County News.

Curtis State Bank to change name, identity

CURTIS—Curtis State Bank announced that effective Jan. 1, 2013, the bank's present locations in Curtis, North Platte and Purdum will be changing their name to Western Nebraska Bank. The name change will bring all banking locations under one name and allow them to represent the same identity and brand. Customers can expect to notice a new logo on bank correspondence, debit cards and checks as well as a new user-friendly website. The growth will help to insure the community of Curtis will have a locally owned bank for many years to come, according to Curtis Heapy, bank president.—reported in the Frontier County Enterprise.

Halloween events to raise spirits and funds

ARNOLD—The Halloween season is in full swing meaning events for school and community. A kids' costume contest and trick-or-treat parade would take place at the Rialto Theatre complete with prizes. Also, a fun time at the community center for sixth through 12th grade students where there would be mini glow-in-the-dark golf, refreshments and more. The Arnold Economic Development Corporation is sponsoring an adult costume contest for a good cause. Money raised will go towards Arnold's new playground project. The event will take place at the AEDC office with cider and donuts served.—reported in the Arnold Sentinel.

Callaway Good Life Center official Nov. 1

CALLAWAY—Ownership transfer of Callaway's nursing facility from Good Samaritan Society to Callaway Good Life Center Inc. (CGLC) would be official on Nov. 1 with preparations reaching a fever pitch. Rural Health Development of Lincoln, which will manage the facility, announced that 27 year employee Vicky Hendricks of Oconto has been appointed as facility administrator, and Jan Barnes of Broken Bow will take over as director of nursing. With leadership in place, logistics will move into high gear as Good Samaritan Society will be moving out what belongs to it including computers, bookkeeping systems and files.—reported in the Callaway Courier.

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