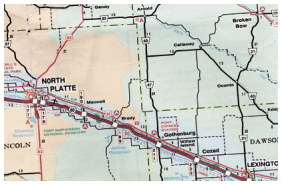

Taken from the news columns of area newspapers.

Remembering Veterans with sculpture art

COZAD—New sculptures were unveiled during the Cozad Veteran's Day ceremonies. Fundraising efforts for the art was spearheaded by Cozad Financial Institution and their employees to salute all fallen soldiers and Veterans who have served in the Armed Forces. Funds raised purchased a pair of statues that were unveiled at the Cozad High School, which depicts a soldiers empty boots with a gun and helmet. One statue will be permanently displayed at Veterans Park in Cozad and the second statue will be placed at the Cozad VFW building.—reported in the Tri-City Trib.

'Field of Dreams' is cash crop for BBPS

BROKEN BOW—More than 150 people of all ages and walks of life recently converged on a corn field northeast of Broken Bow with one common goal—helping their school. The project was called Field of Dreams, and was a fundraiser for the Little Feet Big Dreams, a capital fundraising campaign of the Broken Bow Public Schools Foundation. Farmer Frank Govier offered to donate all of the corn left in his field to the school project—all that was needed were hands to pick it up. The community responded with volunteers and equipment donations as well as grilled hamburgers and more.—reported in the Custer County Chief.

City to host electric car charging device

OGALLALA—Those who drive electric cars will soon have access to a public charging station at Ogallala. City manager Bruce Smith informed members of the Ogallala City Council that the city had received a grant from Coulomb Technologies, Inc. for a free Charge-Point charging

station. “There’s a big push right now across the state of Nebraska to have charging stations for all electric vehicles placed across the state to allow someone with an electric car to get across the state,” said Smith. In addition to Ogallala, six other communities across the state, including Kimball, Lexington, South Sioux City and Grand Island also received the devices.—reported in the Keith County News.

New businesses host grand openings

CURTIS—Two ribbon-cutting ceremonies have recently boosted residents of Eustis. A ribbon-cutting ceremony was conducted for the community grocery store H&J Grocery & Beverage. Investors and Eustis Chamber members were represented at the ceremony. Door prizes were given away as well as a free lunch. During the evening a wine and beer tasting with samples of prime rib were served. Another ribbon-cutting took place for the Station Salon and Spa, owned and operated by Kayelon Schurr, located on the corner of Railroad and Windom Streets. The Schurrs remolded the old Standard Gas Station into a modern-equipped and decorated business.—reported in the Frontier County Enterprise.

Arnold recognizes two philanthropists

ARNOLD—The Arnold Community Foundation Fund (ACFF) recently honored two local philanthropists at its second annual fundraiser dinner and auction at the Arnold Community Center. Becky Dailey was recognized as Philanthropist of the Year-individual. Dailey serves as the president of the Arnold Chamber of Commerce and president-elect for the Rotary Club, state secretary for the High School Rodeo Association and secretary/treasurer for the Sandhills Open Road Challenge. Also honored were Dena and Terry Mills, owners of Mills Hardware as Philanthropist of the Year-business, entity or organization. The couple operate their business in the fashion of true philanthropists, always believing in providing for the good of others above themselves and inspiring others.—reported in the Arnold Sentinel.

Conference proposal splits into two divisions

CALLAWAY—A proposal to consolidate the Loup Valley and Sandhills conferences took another step forward with a recent meeting of LVC activities directors. South Loup AD Jarod Rush reported of doubts because of the travel distances between the eastern and western

schools, as far west as Cody, for fans and students alike. The problem was addressed by splitting the proposed super conference into east and west divisions. East Division would comprise Anselmo-Merna, Ansley, Arcadia, Arnold, Brady, Callaway, Litchfield, Loup County and Sargent. West Division would comprise of Arthur, Cody, Hyannis, McPherson County, Mullen, Sandhills, Stapleton and Thedford.—reported in the Callaway Courier.