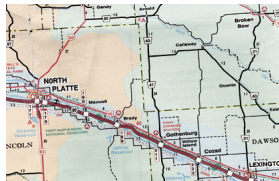


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### **New Cozad School superintendent chosen**

**COZAD**—Joel D. Applegate, 44, an administrator from Kansas, has been selected as the new Cozad Community Schools Superintendent. Applegate comes to Cozad from Dighton, KS, a community with a population of about 1,300. He has grown up around education and began his career as a fourth grade instructor and has taught science and social studies as well as coached junior high football, basketball and wrestling. Applegate was also a principal and an athletic director. He will be arriving in Cozad with his wife, Korlynn, and four children.—reported in the Tri-City Trib.

### **Drug dog helps makes a difference in Bow**

**BROKEN BOW**—Drugs being on the rise in Central Nebraska, the Broken Bow Police Department has a plan, and that plan includes a drug dog named Buddy. A Dutch Shepherd K-9 was part of 70 investigations, either through intelligence gathering or arrests in the city limits of the community last year. Buddy came on duty in 2009 and got called to duty the very next day. Buddy is a black and brindle canine imported from Czechoslovakia and purchased through a distributor from Texas with a Custer County Foundation grant being utilized to help fund the necessary training.—reported in the Custer County Chief.

### **City moving to acquire land for water source**

**OGALLALA**—Ogallala City Council members approved a “best and final offer” for a piece of property south of Ogallala as a first step in a condemnation process the city may have to resort to in acquiring land for a south water source. The city is in negotiations with the trustee of the

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property, which has recently stalled. An engineer has determined the one-acre property about two miles south of Ogallala is the best location for a south water source and the city has entered into a good faith negotiation for the purchase of the property necessary to put in a well.—reported in the Keith County News.

### **Criminals active in Eustis area**

**CURTIS**—Frontier County Sheriff Dan Rupe recently gave an account of criminal activity taking place around the area, specifically in the Eustis area. A recent 911 dispatch of a disturbance in Eustis resulted in several arrests including charges of terroristic threats, possession of deadly weapon while committing a felony, driving during refectation and more. Another Eustis resident was charged with possession of a controlled substance and distribution. A Lexington man was also arrested in Eustis for a traffic stop that resulted in charges of possession of a controlled substance and driving under the influence of drugs.—reported in the Frontier County Enterprise.

### **Arnold grad launches InstaSticker App**

**ARNOLD**—A 2003 Arnold graduate Samantha Peterson, and Denver-based entrepreneur, has released an innovative new photo-sharing app in the Apple App Store with her company, Interjection, LLC. InstaSticker allows customers to use photos from their phone's photo roll to create custom, high-quality photo stickers. There are infinite potential uses for these stickers such as envelope seals for weddings, baby showers, save-the-dates, etc., an innovative idea as most apps exist solely on their phone with no offline component.—reported in the Arnold Sentinel.

### **Tour de Nebraska to overnight at Callaway**

**CALLAWAY**—The 26th annual five-day Tour de Nebraska bicycle ride will be heading to Central Nebraska on its 306 mile round-trip journey June 19-23. Approximately 300 cyclists will leave Doniphan on June 19 and camp overnight in Loup City, Callaway, Holdrege and Blue Hill. Members of the Callaway Chamber of Commerce are busy planning and coordinating the visit and encourage community members to show what they have to offer and to highlight their community spirit, history and friendliness—all unique to Nebraska.—reported in the Callaway Courier.

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