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Cozad church offers a 30-day experience

COZAD—This year at the Cozad Living Hope Assembly, the great stories of the Bible come to life with “The Bible 30-Day Church Experience.” Based on the epic TV miniseries, The Bible, those in attendance will experience the power and drama of the Old Testament and more. This is the first year the exclusive licensed content from The Bible miniseries has been available to churches to use which includes video clips produced by Emmy Award winning husband and wife team of Mark Burnett and Roma Downey.—reported in the Tri-City Trib.

Former Broken Bow teacher found dead

BROKEN BOW—A former Broken Bow music teacher was found shot to death in San Antonio, TX, apparently the victim of a murder suicide. Deanna Tiller, 50, was working as an elementary music teacher in San Antonio at the time of her death. According to a Broken Bow Public School official, Tiller was hired by the district in August of 2007 and served as grades 6-12 choir teacher until May of 2008. She had also previously taught and lived in Loup City. According to reports, Tiller’s body was discovered Feb. 19 in the master bathroom of the home she shared with her 54-year-old boyfriend, whose body was found in the master bedroom with a single gunshot wound to the head. The couple is believed to have died sometime on Feb. 16, as the investigation is ongoing.—reported in the Custer County Chief.

New mixed martial arts business opens

OGALLALA—A new business offering mixed martial arts opened on First Street with a ribbon-cutting ceremony by owners Moises and Angie Montalvo. The Montalvo Martial Arts Lifestyle Center is a mixed martial arts school featuring instruction in karate, jiu-jitsu, kick boxing, cardio kick boxing and yoga. The business also offers martial arts equipment as well as special ordering of needed equipment. It is the only authorized Nebraska business offering Onnit supplements and fitness equipment. Classes are offered Monday through Friday at different scheduled times of the day.—reported in the Keith County News.

Eustis fair building receiving a makeover

CURTIS— The Eustis Agricultural Society Fair Building has been getting a makeover during the month of January. The Eustis Ag Society directors voted in December to move forward with plans to insulate, making the fair building more energy efficient. Other projects moving ahead include a wiring project and building modifications involving replacing a roll-up door and removing another. The inside of the hall has also been completely repainted giving it a new and updated look.—reported in the Frontier County Enterprise.

Local grad wins NAIA national championship

CALLAWAY—Former Callaway High School graduate Rob Keeney recently claimed the 2013 NAIA Indoor National Championship in the heptathlon with 5,379 points at Geneva, OH. Keeney cleared the pole vault at 4.40 meters following the 60 meter hurdles and four other events to secure his lead. The last event of the 1,000 meter run gave him the championship and a school record of 2:48.88. He also plans to attempt another win at an outdoor multi-event title later this year. Keeney is the son of Bob and Marcia Keeney and was a 2009 graduate of Callaway where he set several school and conference track records.—reported in the Callaway Courier.