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## **Health**

#### -Perkins County Health Services Holds Grand Opening

Perkins County Health Services held their Grand Opening, January seventh in Grant. A fifteen point four million dollar expansion and renovation project which includes twenty eight thousand, eight hundred and eighty four square feet of construction and approximately twenty private rooms with numerous comforts for guests and family. The new facility also has two new labor, delivery, recovery, and postpartum rooms. In addition to the new rooms, there will be upgraded heating and cooling systems. The emergency department features two new bays. There is an expanded rehabilitation services department with an aquatic therapy pool, a cardiac rehabilitation area, a conference center, and an information technology center equipped with a training area for employees. The completion of the expansion is part of a multi-phase renovation project for Perkins county Health Services.

Daily News Break; 1-19-16; 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P; :30

#### **Education**

#### -Civics Class a Requirement for Graduation

Students attending Elm Creek High School will soon be required to pass civics or a U.S. Citizenship test before receiving their High School diploma. Elm Creek becomes the first school in Nebraska to require a student to pass the U.S. citizenship test to graduate from High School. Last week state senator Bob Krist of Omaha introduced a measure known as LB eight sixty-eight that would require Nebraska students to pass an American civics test before they can graduate from High School.

Daily News Break; 1-19-2016; 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :30

#### -Chris Vieyra to Retire, Replacement Announced

Dr. Ron Hanson, superintendent of schools will recommend to the North Platte Public school board the hiring of Peggy Romshek, to replace Chris Vieyra who formally held the special services position and will soon retire.

Daily News Break; 1-27-2016; 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :15

#### <u>Government</u>

#### -Commissioners Meet to Discuss

At the commissioners meeting this morning, a public hearing open for public comment about the South Platte River Road and many felt the river would eventually wash away the foundation to a road at the same location. Emergency response, access to North Platte from residents and safety were the concerns of the residents.

Daily New Break; 1-4-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P:15

#### -Possible End of Gravy Train

Senator Ernie Chambers introduced a resolution to prohibit lobbyists from providing free meals in the Nebraska State Capitol. Nebraska caps the gifts senators or their immediate family members may accept at fifty dollars per month from lobbyists. The law does not place any limits on meals or beverages. Garvin Geis, executive director of Common Cause Nebraska said his organization has long called for meal limits in Nebraska. At the very least the group would like to see senators disclose the value of the meals they accept. The lobbyists aren't doing this out of the goodness of their hearts so says Mr. Geis. Garvin Hadley of Kearney defended the longtime practice of setting up a serving line in the senators' lounge during crunch time of each session. It saves time during the final three weeks, when time is the most precious resource.

Daily News Break; 1-21-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :30

## **Agriculture**

#### -Right to Farm Bill Moves Forward

The Nebraska state legislature's Agriculture committee has voted to send the so-called "right to farm" bill before the full legislature for debate. Those who want the bill to pass say it would provide constitutional protection for the state's farm and ranch operations, Laura Field. Legislative director for the Nebraska Cattlemen Association, says Right to Farm needs to be in the constitution to protect against those who attack agriculture, Nebraska's number one industry. John Hansen president of Nebraska's Farmer's Union says his group opposes the measure and calls it a bad idea. Hansen says a problem with the amendment is it helps larger ag operations at the expense of smaller ones. Hansen brings up the problematic legal definition of "passing new regulations affecting agriculture without a compelling state interest". While the Nebraska Farmer's Union opposes the legislation, the Nebraska Farm Bureau has taken a neutral position.

Daily News Break; 3-8-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5PM :30

#### -Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria Found Naturally On Prairie

Researchers with the University of Nebraska Lincoln and United States Department of Agriculture say they found naturally occurring antibiotic-resistant bacteria at twenty isolated prairie sites in southwestern Nebraska. The team reports forty eight percent of the soil samples tested, showed resistance to two or more common antibiotic drugs. Lisa Durso USDA Agricultural research service microbiologist, says the findings show agriculture production is not creating antibiotic resistance. She says quote "and now we have solid evidence from natural, un-grazed, native prairie soils, right here in Nebraska, that the antibiotic resistance bacteria and antibiotic-resistance genes are naturally present in the environment. She goes on to say "There's pressure to reduce resistance, but what's the target going to be for reduction? How long can we go? Is it realistic to think that resistance can be eliminated completely? And the short answer from the research is no. You can't eliminate it."

Daily News Break; 2-22-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, 30

#### **Finance**

#### -Rickets Urges to Consider Tax Relief

Governor Ricketts wants the state legislature to again consider property tax relief as well as other measures to cut taxes. Ricketts plans to work closely with the Chairs of Revenue committee and the education system on property tax revenue could be reduced. The governor says the states top two industries, agriculture and manufacturing, need a twenty first century infrastructure. Governor Ricketts says he knows lawmakers better entering this legislation session than he did a year ago, he says he is excited about getting started.

Daily News Break; 1-7-2016, 7A, 8A. 12P, 5P, :30

## **Community Activities**

#### -Fundraiser for Deb Morgan

A Fundraiser auction will start at seven this evening at Steele's construction shop at seventeen-twenty-one east Sixth Street, food will be available, water and soda will be there, view the auction items at five and prepare for a fun community get together, this will benefit our family member and friend Deb Morgan.

.Daily News Break; 3-1-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :15

#### -Radio Guest: Deborah's Legacy Members

Topic: Previewed upcoming April Fundraiser, reviewed history of organization The Morning Remedy; 8:00A, 2-10-2016; 7 Minute Interview

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## <u>Industrial</u> <u>Development</u>

#### -Nebraska Business Needs Workers

Nebraska business need workers, State Chamber of Commerce President Barry Kennedy says the low state unemployment rate makes Nebraska the envy of the nation, but also makes it hard for businesses to find qualified employees. Kennedy says there is a broad range of jobs that are available. The Nebraska department of labor reports the state unemployment rate held steady at two point nine percent. Kennedy says one Nebraska businesses recruits the right people, it must work to keep them.

Daily News break, 1-4-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :30

#### -Trans Canada Sues President, Claims Denial is Without Merit

Trans Canada will challenge President Barack Obama's denial of its permit to build the Keystone XL oil pipeline in federal court. Trans Canada has sent out a news release saying it has filed a chapter eleven challenge under the North American Free Trade agreement in which it asserts the Obama administration's decision to deny the permit was arbitrary and unjustified. The company has also filed a fifteen billion dollar lawsuit alleging President Obama exceeded his constitutional powers in denying the permit and intruded on the power of Congress to regulate intestate and international commerce. The lawsuit has been filed in federal court, it claims the denial is without merit and that no further presidential action is necessary before construction of Keystone XL can begin. Trans Canada claims it has been unjustly deprived of the values of its multibillion dollar investment by the president's decision.

Daily News Break: 1-8-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :30

## **Crime/Law Enforcement**

#### -Meth Bust Utilizes Several Law Enforcement Offices

A multi agency sweep was conducted Tuesday in southwestern Nebraska, multiple warrants were served with the help of several law enforcement agencies headed up by the U.S. Attorney's office in Omaha including agencies in Colorado, Almost sixty arrests were made, following a yearlong investigation, a press conference by law enforcement will be held in North Platte Friday.

Daily New break; 2-24-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :15

#### -Body Cams on Cops, Bill Advances

State Legislators advance a bill that would how policed departments use bodyworn cameras. Senator Heath Mello of Omaha tells colleagues the bill doesn't require Nebraska police to wear cameras, but directs the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice to develop a model policy for their use. Nebraska police departments will not have to use body worn cameras, but if

they do, they must have a written policy for their use. They can use the model policy developed by the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement of their own stricter policy. Each agency would retain footage for at least ninety days, longer when footage could be used in open cases.

Daily News Break; 3-31-2016: :30

## **Social Services**

#### -Call for Type O

The Red Cross has put out a call for type "o" negative blood, the next blood donation opportunity is Friday March twenty fifth, in Lincoln county, starting at eight in the morning.

Daily News Break; 3-24-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :15