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Dear Patrons,

It is hard to believe that this is the last Eagle Express for the year. Graduation is May 15th and the 2010-11 school year is just around the corner. There are many end of the year activities and banquets, and I encourage you to attend as many of them as you can.

The Milford Board of Education has approved the 2010-11 school calendar. A copy is included in this newsletter. Looking ahead to 10-11, the first day for students is Tuesday, August 17th and the last day is scheduled for Tuesday, May 17th. Fall sports will begin practice on Monday, August 9th for softball and football and on Monday, August 16th for volleyball and cross country.

I would like to place a focus on the gold sheet in the newsletter. You will find information regarding the Milford Schools Foundation and their commitment to providing scholarships to our graduating seniors. This can only be accomplished through the generous donations of our patrons and friends. Every year, the Foundation awards thousands of dollars to our graduating seniors. Funds are collected through an annual collection drive and through interest money from several investments and endowment funds. Please review the gold sheets and consider making a tax-deductible donation to the Milford Schools Foundation. Donations can be accepted at any time at the District Office. Please call 761-3321 if you have questions.

I would also like to have you read the information on the blue sheets. This is information on a new program, the Safe Homes Parent Network, that Milford Public Schools, the Milford Ministerium Association, and the Milford Police Department are implementing in Milford. The Safe Homes Network is a national program that encourages parents and community members to work together to discourage and reduce underage drinking and illegal drug use. The packet included gives you information on the program, some frequently asked questions and a sign-up sheet. Please call the District Office if you need more information.

Finally, I would like to thank the Board of Education, staff, parents and patrons for a great year. Thanks also to the outstanding administrators, teachers and staff who make this district such a wonderful school system, and thanks to all the parents and patrons for your support and your involvement in our schools.

Kevin Wingard
Superintendent

- **Musical - Fri & Sat April 16, 17**
- **Prom - Sat April 24**
- **FFA Banquet - Mon April 26**
- **HS Honors Night - Tues. April 27**
- **Athletic Banquet - Thurs April 29**
- **COPA - Tues. May 4**
- **Jr. High Honors - Tues. May 11, 8:30 a.m.**
- **Graduation - Sat. May 15**
- **Last Day of Classes - Fri May 21**
- **Early Dismissal**
- **11:20 Elem**
- **11:30 High School**
- **HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!**

Milford Public Schools
Safe Homes Parent Network
Parent/Community Information

Every two years the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services administers the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factor Student Survey that is designed to assess adolescent substance use. Data from the most recent survey (2007) suggests that in a 30 day span, just over 40% of the seniors in southeast Nebraska had consumed alcoholic beverages – more than just a few sips.

That same survey indicated that 30% of sophomores from Milford (now seniors) consumed alcoholic beverages. For Milford eighth graders (now sophomores) the number would have been just over 13%.

Perhaps more startling, the survey suggests that in a given two week period in 2007, 28% of southeast Nebraska seniors had consumed 5 or more drinks in a row - that is to say, had engaged in binge drinking. For Milford sophomores the number would have been almost 15%. When asked, the overwhelming majority of the children who drank reported that it was parents who were procuring and that their drinking was being done in someone's home. Imagine that, if a class had 60 children in it then nearly 17 of them would have been drunk in the last two weeks in someone's home.

Is that okay? Of course not. But what can be done? Milford Public Schools, along with the Milford Ministerium Association, the Milford Police Department, and the Seward County Sheriff Department is encouraging all parents to band together to stop, interrupt, disallow and discourage underage drinking and illegal drug use in this community. In other words, make our homes safe for our children. We ask you to support and join Milford Public Schools as they form a Safe Homes Parent Network. You can do this by signing a pledge form.

The Milford Public Schools Safe Homes Parent Network is designed after the national Safe Homes substance abuse prevention program developed by parents to support parents.(www.safehomes.org) The program has been successful nationwide in reducing youth alcohol and substance use in communities.

Its mission is to help parents establish a clear “NO USE” message for children in their home when it comes to the consumption of alcohol, tobacco, and illegal drugs. One way it does this is by establishing a community of parents who share the same desire to keep their underage children drug and alcohol free. This network of parents strengthens the message that the illegal consumption of alcohol, tobacco, and drugs will not be tolerated.

Families are the key to sending that message because they are the most powerful influence in a child's life. Our youth face intense societal pressure to use alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. Safe Homes is unique in that it helps bring together parents who share a desire to help their children enjoy their teen years drug and alcohol free. Parents are empowered to join together to give their children clear, consistent messages about underage drinking and drug use.

By signing a pledge, parents agree to cooperate with schools, law enforcement, other parents, and young people to create a safe and healthy atmosphere in which student use of alcohol and other drugs is prohibited. As a Safe Homes Parent, you are enforcing the law and taking a stand against the alarming increase of alcohol and drug use among our youth.

The signed pledge is not asking you, the adult, not to have alcohol in your home but signing the pledge does assure other parents that you are supervising student get-togethers and prohibiting underage drinking and the use of drugs. Parents who sign are making their expectations known to their own children as well as communicating those same expectations to other parents in the network. This communication strengthens both relationships—the child and parent relationship as well as the parent-to-parent relationship.

Many parents are looking for support in setting boundaries for their teens when it comes to socializing and following the law. Too often, parents are deceived into thinking that partying with alcohol and drugs is acceptable so they feel pressured to allow it when they know it's against the law. Safe Homes provides a support system to all parents who wish to abide by the law and keep their children alcohol and drug free. This program encourages parents to openly communicate with other parents about their parenting decisions as well as to seek assistance and guidance from them for their own parenting decisions. As a community of parents setting the same expectations for our children, we strengthen each other as well as the message. Won't you please sign the pledge not only to help your children remain alcohol and drug free, but also to help other parents encourage the same in their children? Together we can reduce the use of alcohol and drug use in Milford.

Safe Homes Pledge

1. I will actively supervise all gatherings of youth in our home or on our property, or ask another responsible adult for help to do so.
2. I will not allow the possession or use of alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs by youth in our home or on our property, acknowledging Nebraska laws governing such activities.
3. I will set expectations for my children by knowing where they are going, whom they are with, what they are doing, when they are to return home and I will visit with them about their activities when they return home.
4. I will invite and encourage contact from other parents whose children are gathering in my home or on my property; additionally, and I will feel free to contact members on the Safe Homes Network if my child(ren) are going to their home.
5. I wish to be informed, confidentially and without judgment, by any parent who has personally observed my child using alcohol or other illegal drugs; conversely, I will make every effort to inform, confidentially and without judgment, the parents of a child whom I have personally observed using alcohol or other illegal drugs.

This is not a legally binding contract, but rather an agreement of concern and intent among members of the Safe Homes Parent Network.

Principally Speaking.....T.J. Meyer

ANOTHER YEAR WINDING DOWN

It is hard to believe that we are already a few weeks into the fourth quarter. From my perspective, it has been another good year at both the junior high and high school. I appreciate the parental support that we have received this year as we have worked with your children.

The end of the year also brings about many special events and a full calendar. Please take time to carefully check the calendar provided in this month's newsletter. We look forward to honoring students for their achievements during this past school year at the banquets and programs that will be held during the next two months.

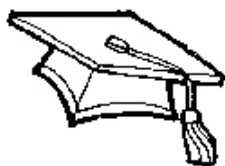
SEMESTER TESTS

Semester tests are scheduled for May 19 and 20. We will run a similar schedule to what we used first semester. Overall, students performed very well on the tests first semester. Following the tests, both students and staff completed surveys to provide feedback to make the process better. We received some great feedback and plan to make changes to the process in the future.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2010

It is that time of year again where we see yet another class finish their careers at Milford Public Schools. The Milford Board of Education and faculty would like to congratulate the graduating class of 2010. Your hard work and involvement in our school is evident in all of your success. We wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors.

	Class of 2010	
Nicole Janee Abold	Paul Arnold Herr	Kylie Jo Schildt
Bryanna Michelle Arena	Preston Rick Horsley	Sarah Ranae Schumm
Courtney Leigh Bashore	Michala Marie Kalkwarf	Keaton Brent Schweitzer
Aleah Deanna Jayn Beranek	Megan Ashley Kremer	Brittni Lyn Shaw
Faith Marie Bledso	Cruze Lee Lauer	Joseph Augustus Shy
Brittany Jo Burianek	Kevin James McNally	Brady Dean Slepicka
Kelsey Marie Burkhardt	Andrew Ronald Nevius	Brody Hunter Stabenow
Sydney Rae Butler	Dylan James Oatman	Caleb James Stahly
Kevin Michael Centamore	Taylor Lynn Oborny	Peter Christian Stahly
Mitchell Raymond Clark	Samuel Steven Rogge	Megan Ann Stauffer
Jordan Reid Curtis	Amanda Christine Rohrer	Olivia Danielle Steckly
Jonathan Carl Davenport	Bryant Alan Roth	Natasha Lea Stutzman
Jacob Wade Ferguson	Jessica Marie Roth	Derek James Tegtmeier
Austin James Ficke	Larisa Marie Roth	Anna Elizabeth Tremmel
Craig Ray Folts	Levi Weston Roth	Dillon James Trojan
Colby Lee Geiler	Meredith Rane Roth	Kurtis Michael Welch
Taylor Marie Graff	Ryndi Dawn Roth	Haley Aleigha Yeackley
Ashley Nichole Havlat	Sarah Marisa Roth	



NeSA-R: The State Reading Test

For the first time ever, the state of Nebraska is administering a statewide reading test. What that means is every student in grades 3-8 and 11 who is enrolled in a Nebraska public school will be measured against their peers using the same assessment instrument. The bulk of the state reading test was developed by Nebraska educators including Audrey Mathiesen from Milford High School and Carrie Maple from Milford Elementary. Teachers from all across the state have been at work on the state test and the passages and test items reflect a variety of genres. Test developers built the test from the newly revised reading standards adopted by the Nebraska State Board of Education.

While there is a paper/pencil version of the test, Milford and Pleasant Dale students will be completing the state reading test online. Using the online version reduces scoring costs and provides immediate results for our students. Many of our students already test in their classrooms using online versions of our teacher tests, so the online format is nothing new for them. The testing window runs from March 29th through April 30th.

At the conclusion of the testing window, the Nebraska Department of Education will assemble a cadre of Nebraska teachers to establish cut-scores. These cut-scores will be used to establish proficiency levels and provide a psychometrically reliable way to determine whether or not a student is deemed to meet the standard. Once that process is completed, scores will be released to the public and included in the annual State of the Schools Report.

Mark Olson



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL

It has been a busy and productive year with the Student Council hosting homecoming, donating gifts to Toys for Tots, and so much more. The Student Council is not done with the year just yet, there are still things to do.

The year started off with something new. The Student Council sponsored class t-shirts designs. Each class created their own t-shirt design and the Student Council assisted with the price on the shirts. These shirts are now commonly seen on the students walking the halls. The year moved quickly onward to Homecoming and setting up the pep rally and dance. At the end of the first semester in December, the Student Council purchased a multitude of gifts for the Toys for Tots program. The program benefited multiple children and families in the Milford area.

With the second half of the school year starting, the Student Council did something new by supporting a community service program. The program recognizes students who participate in outstanding volunteer service. The program has been operating for two months and has documented over 250 hours of volunteer service. Within the next few weeks Student Council will be working to go out and volunteer for the Adopt a Highway project. Also the election for next year's Student Council President is an upcoming and anticipated event. In late April the recipients of the two Student Council Scholarships will be announced at the High School Honors Night. The Student Council would like to thank all those people that made this past year a very fun and productive year.

From Mrs Principal:

Another year! I must admit that I am glad that January and February are over, though it means that we are approaching the end of the school year. We have already begun planning for the 2010-2011 year! The sixth grade students are eager to become "junior high" students! Next year's kindergarten students are eager to start school NOW! ALL are ready for a summer fun time break....or at least some decent weather!

The weather has begun to warm up today as I write, and students have already been wearing flip/flops and shorts. There is a large pile of forgotten sweatshirts, jackets and caps/mittens in the west lost and found area. Please encourage your child(ren) to look for lost clothing. At the end of the year, we bag all the lost items and donate to charity. Please also review the Dress Code found on page 34 of the Student Handbook. Short shorts/skirts and spaghetti strap tops are not appropriate school clothing. Shorts and skirts should be mid-thigh. T-shirts can be worn under spaghetti strap tops.

We will be hosting our annual Step Up Day on Monday, May 10. At 2:15 that day, students will leave their current classroom to meet their teacher and classmates for the 2010-2011 school year. The sixth grade students will go to the Junior/Senior High School, and the new kindergarten students will also visit along with their parents. We always look forward to this activity. It gives teachers an opportunity to provide students a supply list for next year and talk about what students can do over the summer to prepare for the next step in their education. If you have children who are currently being home schooled and plan to attend Milford Elementary School next year, or if you have children who currently attend a private school but will transfer to this school next year, your children are invited to attend. Please call the elementary office to let us know they are coming so that we have them placed in a class, and have the appropriate materials available for them.

Events that you will want to attend before the end of the year include:

- April 16 Milford Gr 6 Science Fair, 1:30, gym
- May 10 Step Up Day, 2:15
- May 19 Milford/PD Field Day, 8:45 a.m.
- May 20 Milford/PD Talent Show, 9:00 a.m.
- May 21 PD Awards Program, 8:30
Milford Awards Program, Aud, 9:15



KINDERGARTEN 2010-2011

The elementary school at Milford is currently in the process of gathering information on the number of eligible children for Kindergarten in the 2010-2011 school year. If your child turns five on or before October 15, he/she is eligible to start school. Please call the school at 761-2408 as soon as possible to make sure your child is included in next year's count. Your call will assist us in preparing a more accurate projected enrollment for next year.

FFA

The Milford FFA has been busy, as always, with battleball in January and the upcoming kickball meeting. The Milford FFA went to districts this March and is excited for the state convention April 9 and 10. The FFA officer elections are underway with many fine applicants for the next FFA year. The FFA banquet is on Monday, April 26 and we are expecting a big crowd since this is Mr. Wesely's last year. These past few months have been exciting and fun but the best is yet to come.



Alumni is welcome to attend the April 26 banquet at the High School at 6:30 pm. Bring a side dish if attending. Please RSVP by Friday April 16 to Kim Riley at the High School 761-2525.



The public is invited to attend a
Retirement Reception
Wednesday, May 12, 2010
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
High School Commons Area
honoring
Jim Wesely



FACILITY RENTAL

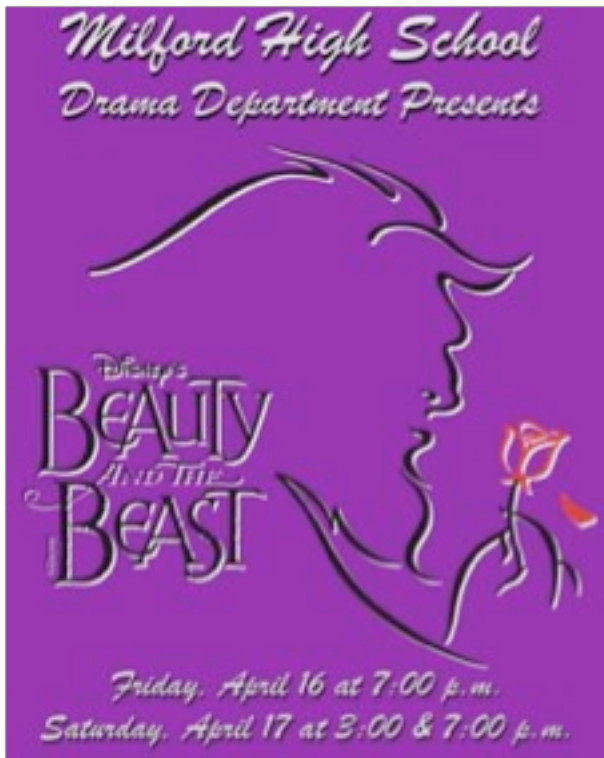
If you are interested in using one of the Milford buildings for an organization, reunion, practice, etc., you can check the availability of the buildings online. The Milford Public Schools Webpage has a gray button on the right side "District Facilities Rental". If you click this button you can check the date(s) that you are interested in. You can call Jackie Roth, 761-3321, at the District Office to make arrangements.

The 2010 Milford High School Prom will be held Saturday, April 24, 2010. This year's prom theme is "I Gotta Feeling" with colors of black, silver and blue. The public is invited to participate in this exciting event by attending the Prom Processional which begins at 5:00 P.M. in the high school auditorium. Prom attendees are asked to arrive between 4:00 and 4:30 P.M. for pictures and hors d'oeuvres prior to lining up for processional. Prom attendees are asked to enter the school via the northeast doors while the public is asked to enter via the north doors (by the bus barn).

The 2010 Post Prom Committee would like to THANK all the businesses and individuals who have volunteered their time and donated to this event. Your assistance and generosity in ensuring the continued success of this event is GREATLY appreciated!



BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

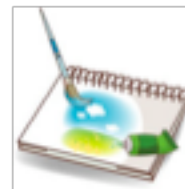


Step into the enchanted world of Broadway's modern classic! Based on the Academy-Award winning animated feature, the stage version of Disney's Beauty and the Beast includes all of the wonderful songs written by Alan Menken and the late Howard Ashman along with new songs by Mr. Menken and Tim Rice. Your audiences will be transported to the heart of provincial life in a lovely French town. When Maurice becomes lost in the woods on the way to the fair, he seeks shelter in an old castle, but the master of the castle is a horrible beast that takes him captive. Maurice's daughter, Belle, must then give up her freedom to save his life. Belle's taming of the unfortunate Beast and his ultimate transformation back into a handsome prince enthralled Broadway audiences for over 13 years. This "tale as old as time" is filled with spectacular costume and sets and offers a great opportunity to bring your entire family to enjoy. The musical features 4 new songs that were written especially for the live stage show. This year's cast features: Amy Jeppesen as Belle, Jon Davenport as the Beast, Jordan Curtis as Gaston, Sam Olson as Lefou, Caleb Stahly as Maurice, Sam Rogge as Lumiere, Jacob Weber as Cogsworth, Bryanna Arena as Mrs. Potts, Bailey Roth as Babette. These performers and a cast of over 40 villagers and enchanted objects will make this a performance to remember. Don't miss out on this chance to enjoy one of life's classic stories.

Performances will be Friday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 17 at 3:00 and 7:00 p.m. Reserved tickets for the evening performances in the center section of the auditorium are \$8.00 and General Admission seating on the sides of the auditorium are \$6.00. To reserve your tickets contact the high school office.

ART

Art Students have had a busy year. Students have won awards in the Scholastic Regional Show in Iowa, Nebraska State Visual Art Competition in Omaha, Seward County Womens Club Show, district and state shows, InSights Exhibit in Kentucky, and the SCC Beatrice High School Exhibit. So far over 50 students have now won 44 awards with more on the way. We will display many of these works at COPA on May 4. 7-12 students will display and receive ribbons for categories they worked in this year.



THANK YOU!

Mrs. Kim Tarr and Mr. Steve Carritt would like to thank all those who donated items for the military packages sent the second week in March. We would also like to thank those Jr. High Student Council and Builder's club members who helped to pack and send the packages off. Special thanks to Jamie Roth and Megan Petsch for their extra help after school.



Drivers Education classes for the 2009-10 school year are filled to capacity. 50 students are enrolled. Classes will begin June 1-4 & 7-11 from 8:00-11:00 am in the HS Lunchroom.

Counselor Notes:

Summer nears! Yet there are still important things to be accomplished during this school year. Honors Night is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium. I, along with many other presenters, will announce scholarship winners that night. Other students will be winning hard-earned awards. Honors Night serves as a reward for students, parents, and faculty members as hard work and perseverance is recognized. It's a fun night!

The middle-level honors program is Tuesday, May 11, at 8:30 a.m. in the auditorium. Awards will be given out that morning as teachers, sponsors, and coaches recognize top students for their hard work during this school year. The enthusiasm runs high that morning, too.

Your 7-12th grader will be receiving his/her schedule before they head home for summer break if all things go as planned. We designed a master schedule and had the students fit their requests according to the schedule. Overall, this has worked very well. Of course, not every student could fit every class they wanted in the schedule. Unfortunately, that happens every year. I hope that your child could take each class for which he/she wanted, but realistically, with such a large number of students in our building, that probably didn't happen.

By changing the scheduling process to students fitting requests into the schedule instead of the other way around, we could plan for staffing and class sections much better. Because the students have seen the schedule and have studied it with you, I won't be making many changes at all to schedules at the beginning of the school year. Hopefully your child has studied the graduation requirements and taken challenging courses. As always, upperclassmen will have priority for classes because of fulfilling graduation requirements. This has been an exciting change to the scheduling process this year.

Thank you for another outstanding school year. I look forward to working with you again next year!

Upcoming important dates:

Summer School Students

Some students will qualify for summer school. You will receive a letter if your child qualifies for summer school. Courses offered this summer are English, World Geography, and Physical Science. Only students who need credit recovery can take summer school; it's not for those students who want to work ahead. Dates have not yet been established, but the hours will be 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 for 12 days. Course rules, expectations, and details will be discussed that day. Summer school payments must be paid to the high school office before May 15.

Counseling manila site:

Thank you for supporting my manila web site over the course of this school year. I will not be updating it over the summer, but will continue to utilize this service for communicating scholarship, financial aid, career services, etc., next school year. That web address is <http://manila.esu6.org/kfields>.

Any time - Selective Service Registration

All males must register within six months after 18th birthday. Males will be denied federal aid for college if they fail to register. Register at www.sss.gov

ACT Deadlines: Test Date - June 12
 Registration - May 7 for June 12 test date

SAT Deadlines: Test Date - June 5
 Registration - May 5 for June 5 test date

From the School Nurse Office:

A physical examination done by a licensed provider for kindergarten, seventh grade, out-of-state transfer students, and all junior and senior high school students participating in athletics is a legal requirement. The physical exam must be within six months prior to entrance into school. Proof of immunizations for all students, including preschool must also be on file. See chart below for required immunizations.

Immunization requirements for the 2010-2011 school year:

2-5 year olds Preschool	Kindergarten out-of-state transfer	7th grade
4 doses DTaP,DTP or DT	3 doses DTaP, DTP, DT, Td one after the 4th birthday	3 doses DTaP, DTP, DT, Td, Tdap 1 dose of Tdap after 10 or 11 yrs of age
3 doses Polio	3 doses Polio	3 doses Polio
3 doses of Hib or 1 dose after 15 months		
3 doses of Hepatitis B	3 doses of Hepatitis B	3 doses of Hepatitis B or 2 doses of adolescent vaccine
1 dose MMR or MMRV given after 12 months of age	2 doses MMR or MMRV	2 doses MMR
1 dose varicella after 12 months or written documentation of the disease	1 dose varicella or MMRV after 12 months or written documentation of the disease	1 dose varicella after 12 mo. and prior to 13 yrs. If 1st dose given after 12, 2 doses are required. or written documentation of the disease

For the 2010-2011 school year Varicella (chicken pox) or written documentation of the disease is required for all students.

All students not in one of the above categories: 3 doses of DTaP, DTP, DT or Td, 3 doses of Polio, 3 doses of pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine or 2 doses of adolescent vaccine if the student is 11-15 years, 2 doses of MMR and 1 dose of Varicella vaccine or 2 doses if the first was given after age 13 or written documentation of the disease.

Visual examination requirements: Kindergarten and out-of-state transfer students must have a visual exam done within six months prior to entrance and proof provided to the school district. A certificate or form stating results of the evaluation must be signed by an optometrist, physician, physician assistant or advanced practice registered nurse. The law will help assure that more students get broader assessment of conditions that could adversely impact their learning ability.

PHYSICALS

Just a reminder that all students grades 7-12 participating in athletics, including dance team, must have a physical on file with Mr. Hingst BEFORE they will be allowed to practice. All seventh graders are required to have a physical prior to entry regardless of participation in athletics.

ATTENTION: ALL NEW KINDERGARTNERS AND 7TH GRADE STUDENTS

Nebraska State Law requires a physical exam and immunizations by August 17, 2010. The student will be sent home if these records are missing. Kindergarten forms are available at the elementary office and Jr/Sr High forms are available in the HS office. You can also download these forms from the website, milfordpublicschools.org.

PROSTART

The Milford ProStart Culinary Team and Plating Team brought home the awards at the state culinary competition at Hastings Community College on March 27. The culinary team of Caitlynn Christensen, Whitney Redler, and Trevor Hartgerink won 3rd place in Knife Skills, 2nd place in Best of Pork, and 1st place in Team Desserts. Julie Roth earned 2nd place and Grai-syn Riley earned first place in Candy Sculpture. Lexie Roth earned 1st place in Fruit Carving. Ashley Oatman earned 3rd place and Sharon Skutchan earned 1st place in Vegetable Carving. Melissa Brhel placed 3rd in Scratch Dessert. Karissa Bernask earned a 1st place in Manufactured Desserts. Sally McCall earned a 1st place in Tapas. Photo compliments of Milford Times.



FCCLA

Whitney Redler, Director of Public Relations will be finishing her term as State FCCLA office at the Nebraska State Leadership Conference in Lincoln on April 12-13. She, along with nine other state officers, have planned an exciting state conference for 1200 members across the state.

Andi Kontor and Landis Slepicka have been selected as candidate finalists for State FCCLA Peer Ed teams. Andi will be running for one of five positions on the Student Body Team and Landis is running for the state Financial Fitness Peer Education Team. If elected at the state conference in Lincoln on April 12 and 13

Kayla Brhel and Semjid Bayanmunkh along with Whitney Redler will be presenting a workshop at SLC on Knife Skills and Plating.

Competing in STAR competitive events will be Meghan Schildt and Brady Shaw in Focus on Children, Sharon Skutchan and Megan Leininger in National Programs in Action; Mekenna Wingard and Katie Fry in Interpersonal Communications, and Ashley Kontor and Alison Walla in the Health and Wellness event.



ENROLLMENT NOW FOR HEAD START

Seward county Head Start is recruiting 3 and 5 year old children for enrollment in the 2010-2011 preschool session. They need to be 3 before October 15, 2010 but not yet 5 on that date. Foster children automatically qualify.

This is a free service to income eligible families. Children's birth certificates, social security number, immunization record and proof of parent's income are required for enrollment.

Children and their families receive education, health, nutrition and social services in our Center Based Program. They attend 4 days a week for 4 hours a day.

For more information, please contact:

Tiffany Shonerd
Supervisor/Family Advocate
Seward County head Start
402-646-6272



6TH GRADE SCIENCE FAIR

Have you ever wondered what time you have the most concentration, or if people can truly tell the difference between diet and regular sodas? If so, you are invited to the 6th Grade Science Fair that will be held at the elementary gym on Friday afternoon, April 16. Forty nine 6th graders followed the scientific method, including asking further questions, that could lead to follow-up experiments. Other experimental results will include what liquids decay teeth the fastest to different techniques in throwing a football, brand name golf clubs, and longest lasting nail polish.

CONGRATULATIONS! Eagle Etiquette Winners By Class

January-Appropriate Restroom Behavior: Mrs. Jones 2nd Grade

February - Entering a Classroom: Mrs. Baack's 4th Grade

March - Saying Please and Thank you: Mrs. Stauffer and Mrs. Kremers' 1st Grades

The skills for April and May are Playground Behavior and Following Instructions. Keep up the good work!

Milford Fine Arts Booster Club



Spring represents the busiest time of year for Music at Milford Schools. April brings this year's school musical, Beauty and the Beast. The show will run April 16th and 17th at 7:00 p.m. with a 3:00 p.m. matinee on the 17th as well. Advanced tickets may be purchased through the high school office.

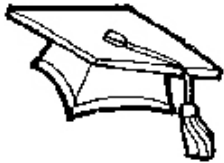
Later this month, 130 high school students will participate in District Music Contest at Fairbury High School on April 22nd and 23rd. These contest performances are free and open to the public. A schedule of these performances may be found in PDF form on the school website.

Right after Beauty and the Beast and District Music Contest, we begin preparations for COPA. This year's theme is 'Music of the World' and, in addition to the Band, Choir, Jazz Ensemble and Show Choir, we will feature several performances from our outgoing seniors. This is always a special concert as we say goodbye to a group of students who have given their talents to school music for many years.

The High School Band will wrap up the year with performances at Graduation on May 15th and Memorial Day services in Milford and Pleasant Dale on May 31st.

As next year approaches, we're gearing up for our big trip to Chicago in April of 2011. We appreciate all of the public support in our fundraising efforts for this very educational and memorable excursion.

Have a great rest of the year and don't forget to... keep playing!



2010
Commencement Service
Saturday, May 15
2:00 pm
Southeast Community College



“Milford Public Schools.....Learning to Live, Living to Learn”

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