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Halloween Parade Draws Lots of Kids

A young wrangler checks out the selection of candy while costumed kids wait in line, during the annual downtown Halloween Parade, sponsored by Arnold Chamber. Dressed as princesses, the A.H.S. cheerleaders led the large group of children and their parents to 19 participating businesses, guaranteeing full sacks of candy for the holiday.

Veterans Day Program Scheduled

The local Legion Post and V.F.W. will host a Veterans Day program, Wednesday, November 11, at 10:00 a.m., in the Arnold School auditorium. Special speaker will be Duane Detering.

During the program, kindergarten students will recite the Pledge of Allegiance, first and second graders will fold the American flag, third graders will march with Mr. Halstead, seventh graders will recite poems and eighth graders will read their winning essays.

Callaway Hospital District Fall Fundraiser

Plans are once again underway for the annual "Go Big Red" Callaway Hospital District Foundation Fall Fundraiser, to be held on Saturday, November 14, 2009, at the Callaway Community Center. Doors open one hour prior to kickoff of the Nebraska at Kansas football game.

As the Callaway District Hospital and Medical Clinics serve a large area, they are seeking help from the businesses and individuals to make the fundraiser a success and ultimately assuring the continuation of the many services provided.

Some of the activities planned for the "Go Big Red" party will include a silent auction, a live auction, trivia contests, door prizes, a "Tailgate" meal including burgers, brats and all the fixin's, a chance to win seats in the "Comfort Zone" and of course, the Nebraska-Kansas football game projected on several big screens.

Please contact Marvin Neth (extension 11), Barb Rohde (extension 64) or Jo Chesley (extension 14) at 308-856-2228 with any questions.

Week-long School Book Fair Begins November 11

The annual Book Fair at Arnold Public School will be held November 11-18, with several changes in store from last year.

The school's new media specialist, Debra Moninger, will hold the fair in the school board meeting room (formerly Mr. Peterson's room). Finch Memorial Library director Darlene Rimpley and friends of the library will help run the fair and split the profits with the school.

On Thursday, November 12,

from 4:00 until 5:30 p.m., Teens Against Drugs and Alcohol (TADA) will be sponsoring a Fall Carnival for students in grades K-6. TADA students have planned bobbing for apples, games, face painting and cookie decorating activities. While students are at the carnival, Mrs. Mills will be at the Book Fair to provide suggestions for parents who would like to choose books for their child. She will be able to suggest books that are at the child's interest level, reading

level and will encourage student reading skills. There will be cookies and apple cider for Book Fair visitors, provided through the Title One program. Mrs. Mills will also be ready to share the Read Naturally and the Accelerated Reader programs with interested parents.

At 4:00 p.m., on November 16, the Book Fair will hold its open house for the public. This would be a great time to stop in before serving starts for the soup and pie supper

that is a benefit for After Prom. Serving begins at 5:00 p.m. At 5:30 there will be a financial aide meeting for senior parents (senior students may attend) in the DL room. Arnold, Callaway and Stapleton students will present their One-Act plays starting at 6:30 p.m.

Come support the Book Fair, get some scholarship information, eat some supper and enjoy some fantastic entertainment.

Housing Tour Tickets on Sale

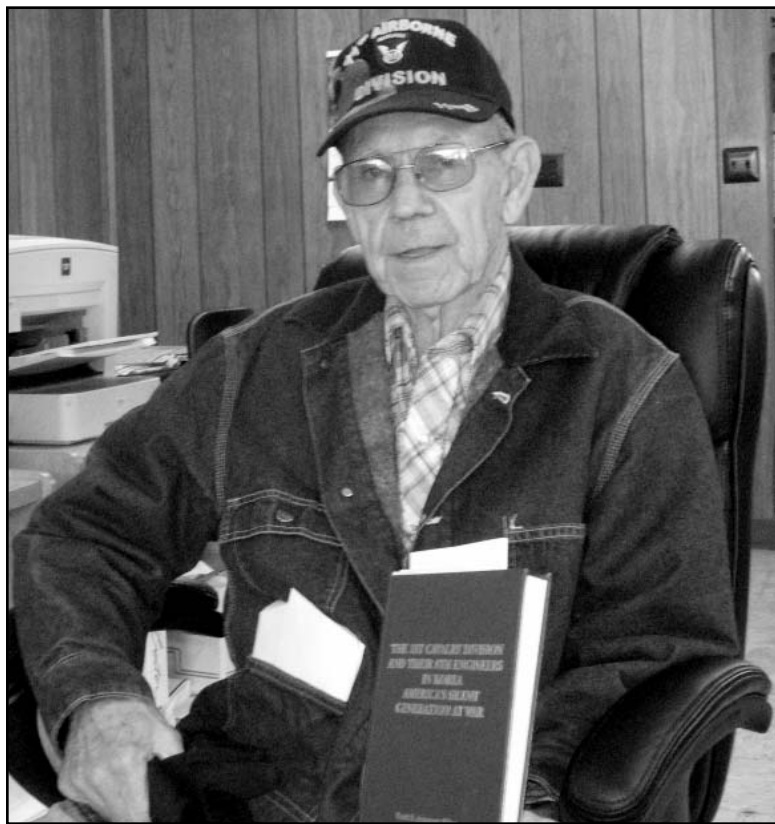
The annual Fall Housing Tour is set for Saturday, November 14. A salad luncheon will be held at 12:00 noon at the Arnold Community Center and the tour starts at 1:00 p.m.

Featured homes include those of: Ron and Nancy Cool, Al and Ruth Bishop, Dave and Berni Crow, Keith and Jodi Carlson, and Allen and Angie Crow.

Tickets are \$12.00 and may be purchased in advance at Classic Coyotee or Nebraska Farmhouse Antiques. Tickets may also be purchased at the luncheon.

The tour is sponsored by Arnold Chamber.

Arnold Veteran Fitz Harris Part of DPMO Effort to Find Remains of His M.I.A. Brother



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Arnold veteran Fitz Harris holds the book *The 1st Cavalry Division and Their 8th Engineers in Korea - America's Silent Generation at War*, where his M.I.A. brother, SFC Wayne E. Harris, is mentioned.

By Janet Larreau

On November 2, 1950, Fitz Harris was just 17 and living with his parents on a farm outside of Rolla, Missouri, when the telegram came. His brother Sergeant First Class Wayne E. Harris, a member of C Company, 8th Engineer Combat Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, serving in North Korea, had been declared

Missing in Action.

"My sister was living in town and she got the telegram. She said I should show Mom and Dad," said Fitz. "My Aunt Pearl went with me. When my mother saw that, she came out of the house screaming. I gave the papers to Aunt Pearl and went for a walk. I needed to get away."

On December 31, 1953, SFC



COURTESY PHOTO

In this photo dated August, 1950, SFC Wayne E. Harris receives the Silver Star from Gen. Gay, commander of the troops.

Harris' status was moved to Presumptive Finding of Death by the War Department.

Fitz said he was ticked off. Ticked off at the Chinese and North Koreans, and angry at a government that sent soldiers in without the proper equipment and very little cover.

"I wanted to join the paratroopers and fight, but Mom wouldn't sign. I didn't know what I was asking," Fitz said.

Fitz's mother had good reason not to let her son sign on. She already had one son who was M.I.A. and another who was fighting in North Korea. And she had already endured having three other sons serve during World War II.

They all came home, but Wayne never did.

At the age of 18, Fitz joined the army, serving from 1951 to 1954. He was trained as a paratrooper, combat construction foreman and in demo, but he was never sent to Korea.

Almost 60 years later, Fitz and his sister are now involved in finding Wayne's remains through the Defense POW/Missing in Action Office (DPMO), formed by the U.S. Government in 1993.

"I received literature from (the DPMO) all the time. Two months ago they asked me to come to St. Louis, Missouri, and I told them I would be there," said Fitz.

Fitz was flown round trip to St. Louis, where he spent two days listening to DPMO speakers and receiving information. He was in the company of hundreds of other relatives of missing servicemen who had been invited to attend.

At that time, both Fitz and his sister were asked to give D.N.A. samples in the event Wayne's remains will some day be found.

Fitz returned home to Arnold with a blue folder filled with information about the DPMO and an account of what happened to his brother that fateful night. Excerpts follow:

"On the evening of 1 November 1950, 1st Battalion was hit by rockets and mortars followed by Chinese infantry probing attacks. Through the night of 1 November the Chinese hit both the 1st and 2nd Battalions, infiltrating the lines in several places and causing 1st Battalion to nearly run out of ammunition. In

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August Sales and Use Tax

The Village of Arnold's 1 percent sales and use tax for the month of August was \$3,707.71. The motor vehicle sales tax for August was \$949.56.

Arnold Public School Honor Roll

FIRST QUARTER

	A	B
Seventh Grade		
Treavor Halstead	2	3
Grace Magill	3	2
Racheal Smith	3	2
Ninth Grade		
Hannah Magill	4	2
Tenth Grade		
Haley Jacobson	6	1
Eleventh Grade		
Cassandra King	2	3
Dayna Larreau	6	0
Sarah Magill	6	0
Twelfth Grade		
Shandell Gunther	6	1
Jonathan Magill	8	0
Natasha Wagner-Sage	4	2