H1N1 Flu Threatens Population

An apple a day keeps the doctor away is no longer true since H1N1 is spreading. According to reported cases, the H1N1 virus is spreading rapidly and is expected to get more severe. A vaccine against H1N1 is being produced and will be available in mid-October, but vaccine makers have already reported problems with the ingredients. That means it will take longer to produce and the doses that may be needed.

Due to the School District of Crete has stepped up its illness prevention to make sure the illness doesn’t spread. The elementary has been experiencing the most student absences. On August 31 there were a total of 43 absences at the elementary.

Surprisingly, the high school and middle school buildings have very low absences per building per day.

“The elementary has taken the most aggressive approach due to the number of illnesses involved. All of the buildings are conducting extra cleaning, hand sanitizers exist in every classroom, and teachers are supposed to be emphasizing hand washing, coughing into their sleeves and other safety procedures.” Superintendent Kyle McGowan said.

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New Hoodie Rule Outlined in Fashion Show

To Wear a Hoodie or Not to Wear a Hoodie...

Allowed: Crete hoodies, sweatshirts with no pockets and no hood, sweaters or shirts with only a hood, fleece sweatshirts with no pockets or hood, cardigans, and game gear that is to be worn only on a game day.

Not Allowed: Any hoodie without the Crete Cardinal logo, coats, zip-up hoodies or jackets, letterman jackets.

That is the Question.

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Changes in Parking Add Space, Make New Route for Busing

by Will Veguilla
Staff Reporter

“Our first intent was to add a drive at the west end of the middle school,” Superintendent Kyle McGowan said as he discussed the big changes that were made to the parking lot system this summer. That, however, wasn’t possible.
So, in response to the traffic concerns at the middle school, the northern drive formerly used by buses is now available to parents. Meanwhile, the buses currently cut down around what used to be the junior parking lot and drop off the students there. Teacher parking was subsequently moved to the junior lot for safety reasons, which opened up the previous teacher parking lot to students. Approximately 36 student spots were taken away when the faculty parking was relocated. This move only made up 40 spots.
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There has been some worry about the 90 degree parking being tougher to deal with, especially with new student drivers. McGowan assured that the straight parking places were actually wider than the standard spots found at other places, such as SouthPointe in Lincoln. Along with that, 60 slanted spots will be offered to students who are still rather uncomfortable with straight parking.

This innovative parking lot has definitely taken a bit of getting used to by students and faculty alike. Math teacher Kyle Royuk has admitted at walking over to the former teacher lot after school on several occasions, searching in vain for his car until he ultimately realized he had parked in the old junior lot. Some students expressed their feeling of being cheated out of the “reward” of having a parking lot all to themselves once they become seniors.
For his part, Kyle McGowan has taken to the “wait and see” policy regarding this experimental system.

New AP Classes Create Student Opportunities

by Renzo Martel
Staff Reporter

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Braintics have more options.
The Social Studies department has three new classes available to take at the AP level. These classes are AP Government, AP Human Geography, and AP World History. Horn’s American Studies is also on a 5.0 scale, but isn’t yet counted as AP.
One new class has also been added to the current AP classes. This class is Intro to Business. AP means advanced placement. This year there are currently 12 AP classes available at CHS.
The Career Academy, classes which are taken at Doane Campus, include Intro to Business, Intro to Education, Intro to Medical, and BNA. AP classes are counted as out of the regular 4.0 by which all the other classes go. These classes could be really helpful to increase one’s GPA.
Four of the AP classes require an AP exam: the cost of each test is $38. The classes that require an AP exam are AP World History, AP Human Geography, and AP Government. In Spanish four, Statistics, Calculus and AP Biology the test can also be taken, but it is optional.

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Students of Crete Public Schools load the school buses after the day has ended. $140,000 was used to accommodate the new has drop-off to help with traffic before and after school. The new parking spaces allowed for 19 extra for student parking. To add more space, 90-degree parking was also added.

Over $100,000 were spent within the Crete Public Schools this summer to solidify the technological infrastructures including adding wireless internet access.
That doesn’t even include how much CNS spent to get smart boards, flat screen computers, and minis, (a device that turns a regular white board into a smart board).
Students don’t realize that getting new technology isn’t as easy as going to Best Buy and pulling out a credit card. There is way more to take into account for. The high school was built in 1967. Back then they had three or four computer stations, according to Principal Tan Conway.
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Opinion

Veguilla Ponders Society’s Oppression of Loners

by Will Veguilla
Staff Reporter/Columbian

It was once said that we are all a part of a society. In this society, there are certain rules that we all should strive to follow. However, sometimes these rules are not fair to everyone. This is the case when it comes to the issue of loneliness.

Loneliness is a problem that affects many people. It is a feeling of being alone, even when physically surrounded by others. Loneliness can be caused by a variety of factors, including social isolation, lack of support, and feeling disconnected from others.

In the context of the Crete High School, the issue of loneliness is of particular concern. The student council has implemented a dress code that prohibits students from wearing hoodies. This is seen as a way to limit the expression of individuality and create a sense of uniformity. However, this has caused a backlash among the student body.

The dress code is intended to promote safety and security. However, it has also been criticized for being overly restrictive and not taking into account the individual needs of students. Some students feel that the dress code is too strict and limits their ability to express themselves.

The issue of safety is an important one. However, it is important to strike a balance between safety and personal expression. The dress code should not be seen as a way to limit the freedom of students. It should be evaluated to ensure that it is necessary and proportionate to the risk it is intended to address.

Students’ rights to personal expression should be respected. The dress code should not be used as a way to suppress individuality or limit the ability of students to express themselves.

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The Crete High School newspaper will continue to cover this issue and report on any developments. We encourage students to voice their concerns and to participate in the conversation.

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FFA Experiences Busy Month

Sophomore Nikki Muff is kissed by a lonely camel at Husker Harvest Days. FFA goes to the Husker Harvest Day every year to experience new farming products and technology and to speak with others about FFA-related activities and issues.

Director fills vacant spot, cast set and practices up and running

by Amber Kress

Senior Mikey Johnson said, “I am theatre,” Senior Mikey Johnson said. “I have been involved in theatre this entire year and I plan on participating in it next year as well.”

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 Clubs and Activities Calendar

September 30
NHS- After School
room 407

October 1
Early Dismissal
1:30 pm

October 2
No School

October 3 & 4
Fall Play

October 5
Prizm Club Meeting
7 pm

October 6
FFA Meeting
7 pm

FBLA Meeting
7 pm

October 7
Booster Club Meeting
7 pm

HS Picture Retakes

October 10
Homecoming
Coronation
7 pm

Homecoming Dance

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October 16
End of First Quarter

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Cardinal Community Connection

by Jake White
Staff Reporter

Have You Ever Had a Nightmare About School?

Freshman Alex Wolfe
“I walked into English class one day and the teacher was an octopus with homework on each tentacle.”

Sophomore Shane Kreza
“I was walking down the hallway and all of the sudden, the doors were open. The teachers were hiding behind them because they wanted to take my money. I just barely got away.”

Junior Luz Avalos
“About School? I was in science and my experiment blew up. It turned my boyfriend into the teacher... and he was not hot.”

Senior Mark White
“You can’t ask me that. School is a nightmare.”

Language Arts Teacher Julie Schumacher
“At a choir concert, I was playing the really hard piece on the piano. Mr. Shumacher was conducting the choir from on top of the piano. Every time I would mess up, he would jump off the piano and stamp on my fingers.”

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In golf, numbers going up is normally a bad thing; however, to Head Girls’ Golf Coach Scott Johnson, it’s actually a good thing. The girls’ golf team has eight members this fall.Compared to last year’s start with two members, this is a jump. “Golf is an individual sport with a team aspect,” Johnson said. At a meet, the girls add up the top four scores to make up the team score. The girls placed third at last week’s Crete Invite, with a team score of 385. None of the girls included, but Sophomore Megan Shewbury scored the lowest score with 115. Junior Abby Defaney was next with 142. Last year was Shewbury’s first year. Her inspiration is learning a sport, not just that her family plays, but also one that she can play for a long time. Also leading her is the fact that she knows she can improve and doesn’t want to give up. “I know I can do a lot better than I did last year. My goal is to place at the meets this season,” Defaney said next year with 142.

Girls Make Goals of Placing, Bettering Scores at Meets

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The girls know they have to believe in their teammates as well as coaches. “We are a young team lead by one senior and many sophomores and trainees to be filled,” Ottman said. “We are working hard every day in practice to be as successful as we can be.”

Improvement On Their Minds

“Having a young team doesn’t mean they will struggle with success, however. The girls have good skills and they have to continue working to get better.”

Senior Amanda Betke passes the ball in the game against Tri County. The Cardinals won the second set.

by Nicole Reetz
Staff Reporter

There is one remaining. With the season starting and changes being made, the one and only senior is stepping up to the line to take the challenge. Amanda Betke has taken the opportunity to be a leader for the 2009 Volleyball team. “Amanda has stepped up with being the only senior,” it shows in practice as well as in games, said Coach Jill Ottman. “In practice, she will partner up with a new person everyday. She has shown a lot of room unity this year.”

The season began with a tough match against Grand Island Northwest, a game that Head Coach Jill Ottman looked forward to after preparing the girls in pre-season. After being a JV coach for six years, Ottman is excited about being at the helm of the Cardinal volleyball squad. Her goal for the team is that they keep competing match after match. Nothing will be cleared, as she has taken all the experience that she got from the previous years into consideration with her choices with this team. With the underclassmen stepping up and fulfilling the jobs that need filling. Freshmen Karlin Bradley, Alex Edwards and Morgan Hill have joined the varsity squad.

“I was put in to work on my back row defense on varsity,” Hill said. “Stepping up to that level will help me, as well as the team, in the long run.”

“Since we’re a really young team, everybody is getting moved around to try it out so when I’m moved around I do my best at the spot and try to do what the coaches ask,” Brad- ley said.

“I hate that I have to get up so early and drive. But it’s worth it because I can tell already we are improving,” Williamson said.

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Junior Jacob Wollam committed to playing football for the University of Nebraska. Reeves was the first to be chosen for the Huskers’ recruiting class of 2011.

Following the return of members and finishes at recent meets, Royuk described both teams as “getting better with each game.”

At the Seward meet both teams combined to place eighth overall.

The meet at Aurora was cancelled, but the Cardinal runners used the day off to continue working on their work and ended up at the Lincoln East meet with five runners placing.

Head Cross Country Coach Kyle Royuk thinks that at least one team will make it to state this season, either the boys or girls team, and hopefully both.

While some members have been on the team for as long as five or more years after competing in middle school, others are in their first year.

Kemper is one of the members of the team out for her first year. Kemper is unique because she chose her senior year to get running and represent the Cardinals.

“I like it. I am really glad I went out, because I really wanted to get in shape,” Kemper said. “It was the best choice.”

While some of the members of the team are making improvements and enjoying their marks, other members tend to look at their times and use the resulting negative feelings as motivation for future meets.

“All kinds of bad words,” Jon Wollam said when asked about his final time as a Cardinals runner and what it takes to motivate him.

Royuk pointed to new members of the team who give a fresh perspective and those who are returning after injuries who can help motivate their teammates to better finishes each week.

Arita is in cross country for the first time while Junior McKenna Thiem has been in cross country for five years, but this is only her fourth year running, because of an injury the girl was out for her junior year. The team ran at their home invite yesterday, the results were unaccurate as of press time.

The Cardinals are looking for upcoming runs at the Aquinas Invite in David City followed by Conference at Aurora.

“We want to do our best and represent Crete well,” Thiem said.

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Reeves Commits to Huskers Squad

By Taylor Reetz
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Senior Connor Smith takes down a player from Adams Central. The Cardinals lost the game with a score of 43-17.

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Junior Jacob Wolam committed in the Seward invite, Wollam placed with a time of 19:26. The Cardinals combined to place eighth. The boys placed tenth and girls placed fourteenth.

Team Builds Foundation With Wins

By By Tanna Nitzel
Staff Reporter

Head Softball Coach Shawn Carr said the team is going back to the basics, and starting with the fundamentals.

He also said everything is getting changed, including practices and warm-ups.

“Our first gamemang Norris shook the soft- ball team’s new foundation with a 6-0 loss, but now their construction of a solid program has officially taken off, with a record of 12-3.”

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He said the girls are putting “I” aside and re- ally working well together as a team.

The Cardinals played Millford on Tuesday and came out with a 17-4 win, showing their search for improvement.

“We came to- gether, played well as a team, and domi- nated," Nerd said.

Last night, they played Seward; results were unavailable as of press time.

The ladies look forward to meeting up against confer- ence contenders Seward, currently ranked No. 3, Beau- trice at No. 4, Columbus Lakeview at No. 8 and Waverly at No. 9 in recent Omaha World Heralds statistics.

The Cardinals play in the conference tour- nament October 3 in Fairbury, followed by dis- tricts. The team is slotted to play in what could be a tough districts. The team is slotted to play in what could be a tough district.

“We really need some wins in these coming games in order to get wild card points,” Junior Emily Hatz said.

“I think we need to let each other know that they are the ones important to make it to state.”
Dirty Dancing Not Allowed At Further CHS Dances, Per Administration

No If’s, And’s or Butts... About It

Students’ Experiences Abroad Bring Perspective

by Christina Jackson
Staff Reporter

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Q: What made you decide to become a foreign exchange student here?
A: I wanted to get out of Germany to take a break from my everyday German life. I would love to college in Europe and many German who are here are from Germany’s. We have two breaks during our school, but that doesn’t mean our house, and I had to hit that up.

Q: How’s it going living with Junior McKinke, from Germany?
A: I really like the school; it’s very different from Germany. We have two breaks during the same time, “I personally thought it was kind of out of hand. That was more like club dancing than what a dance at a high school should be.” This decision was met with varying opinion from students.

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A: The people are nicer. I talk to my friends on Facebook, though. And it’s quieter in Egypt.

Q: What are you enjoying so far about being here?
A: Making friends and football. The main sport in Egypt is soccer which we call football. It’s a new experience for me.

Q: Are you going to join any clubs?
A: World Language Club. It’s interesting to me because it’s about different cultures and languages.

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Q: How do you like school here? Is it different from Egypt?
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