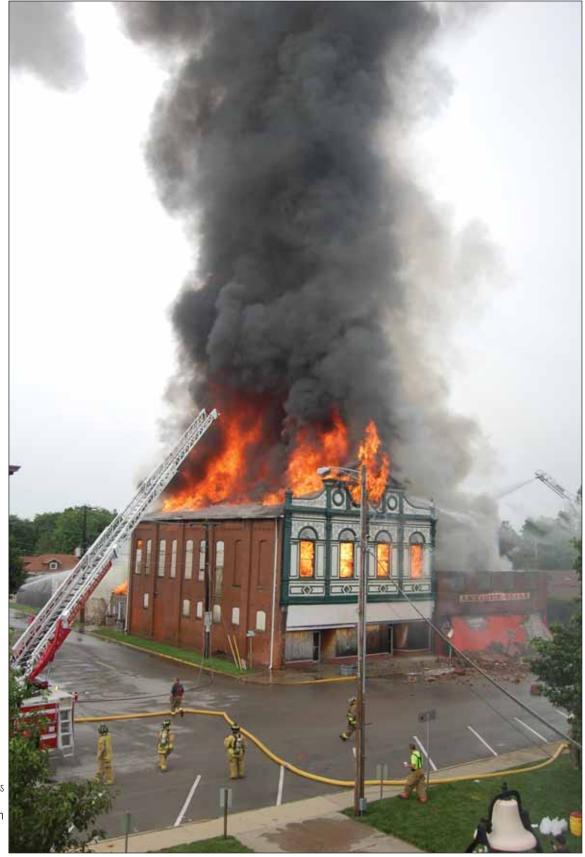
Pub Aux Photo Contest First Quarter 2012



JEFF EGBERT/PINCKNEYVILLE (IL) PRESS OPERA HOUSE FIRE—Fire claimed at least one-quarter of the downtown area. (NEWS)



JAY BELL/EAST ARKANSAS NEWS LEADER, WYNNE, AR THE FAIR IS IN TOWN—Children and their family members enjoy the miniature roller coaster during the Poinsett County Fair. The fair began on Tuesday, Aug. 23 and ended Saturday, Aug. 27. (NEWS)



APRIL BLANKENSHIP/THE CLEARWATER PROGRESS, KAMIAH, ID VETERANS—Joyce Crawford whispers encouragement to husband Jim Crawford of Kooskia after he was presented a Quilt of Valor made by Cathie Orr (far right). The gift was presented during a Veterans Day assembly at Clearwater Valley High School. The emotional presentation brought a smile to Iraq War Veteran Patrick Long (background). (NEWS)



BOB EVANS/THE FREE PRESS STANDARD, CARROLLTON, OH

FUNERAL—The dog tags of LCpl. Terry Wright swing silently from a handle on his casket as it is removed from the hearse at Sweeney-Dodds Funeral Home in Carrollton. Wright's body returned home Wednesday. He was killed while serving in Afghanistan. (NEWS)



VICKEY BOYD/MOULTRIE NEWS, MOUNT PLEASANT, SC

BIRDS—Wando Marching Band won the 2011 SCBDA State 5A Marching Band Championship in Orangeburg on Saturday night with a score of 96.65. This is their seventh consecutive win for this coveted award. The band will travel to Indianapolis this weekend to compete in Nationals. As the show reaches its climax, Icarus (Noah Kelly) leaps to freedom from his island prison, assisted by his father, Daedalus (Alex Shchetkov). (NEWS)





TERESA SHUMAKER/FORT BRAGG (CA) ADVOCATE-NEWS

RESCUE—— Sea lion rescues continues despite some unhappy endings. (NEWS)



RODEO—It was a barrel riding, calf roping, steer wrangling, bronc bucking, hide flying, mutton bustin' good time for all at the 2011 Shoreline Riders Rodeo, July 23 and 24. (SPORTS)



BUDDIES—Grace Kelly of Mount Pleasant and Wando Student Chandler Davis run through the waves at the Buddy Olympics. This is the fourth year that Wando High School students have hosted the Buddy Olympics. One hundred and ninety special education students from 11 Charleston County schools spent a day with their Wando High School "buddy". (SPORTS)



JAY BELL/WYNNE PROGRESS, WYNNE, AR TUNNEL—Juniors Xavier Stringfellow (89), Dominique Davis (20) and the rest of the Yellowjackets prepare to take the field in Friday's homecoming game against Beebe. Wynne was led by the Delta Swarm defense to a 12-0 victory in front of an estimated 6,000 fans. (SPORTS)



VICKEY BOYD/MOULTRIE NEWS, MOUNT PLEASANT, SC

BAND—Seventeen bands competed at the 2011 Lowcountry Marching Band Festival in Mount Pleasant. The Bands of Wando Boosters sponsors this event, which provides a national-level music education and adjudication experience for close to 1,500 musicians and visual artists. Summerville brought home awards in best color guard and best drum line. They won their division AAAAA and brought home the trophy as the overall winner, grand champion award with the high score of 86.275, a superior rating. (FEATURE)



DODIE HOOK/THE AKRON HOMETOWNER, AKRON, IA

SURPRISE—These young visitors to Gavin's Point Dam in Yankton, SD, received a surprise while looking at the water coming through the dam. A large wave of water made its way over the fence and drenched the onlookers. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers raised the release of water to 160,000 cubic feet per second last week from the dam. (FEATURE)



JAY BELL/EAST ARKANSAS NEWS LEADER, WYINE, AR MEMORIES—Trey Hoffman, right, and Regina Stacy share memories following the Trumann Rotary Club meeting on Thursday, Sept. 1. Hoffman, a local radio personality and Poinsett County native, was the featured speaker at Thursday's meeting. Hoffman's mother was Stacy's fifth grade teacher and his grandmother was her first Sunday school teacher. (FEATURE)



ALEXANDRA MIHALE/JACKSON HOLE NEWS & GUIDE BRUSH YOUR TEETH—Jean Austin of Santa Fe, NM, brushes her dog Murphy's teeth with chicken flavored tooth paste during their stay at The Virginian RV Park in Jackson, WY. A lot of travelers enjoy taking their pets with them while on vacation. (FEATURE)



STATUE—Snow sticks to the bronze statue in front of the National Museum of Wildlife Art after the season's first winter storm system moved into Jackson Hole in early October. (FEATURE)



AMANDA SMITH/THE GLENROCK BIRD, GLENROCK, WY

COW MUNCHER—A big rig heading out towards a Converse County oil field site moves through a herd of cows being pushed down Hwy 93 just outside of Glenrock, WY. This trucker had a snack or two while mooooo-oooving through the cattle. Several times during the year cattle are pushed on the various open range areas of Wyoming's roadways, while being moved from pasture to pasture.

(FEATURE)



LUNAR ECLIPSE—Adventures of a lunar-tic. (FEATURE)

TONY REED/FORT BRAGG (CA) ADVOCATE-NEWS