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A river barge maneuvers the cold Missouri waters near Brownville, Nebraska.

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## **BE UNIQUE IN CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS**

Dorothy Rieke

Charles Dickens portrayed the true meaning of Christmas and its celebrations in his story, "The Christmas Carol." Scrooge who scorned Christmas as a waste of time magically changed after certain revelations. He became the very spirit of Christmas helping those less fortunate and celebrating with others.

Have we, too, lost the true meaning of this very special holiday season? Today, we are besieged with advertising, pressured by time, and overwhelmed with Christmas preparations. The pressure to create a "perfect" Christmas with just the right gifts, a feast of well-prepared food, and decorations that delight and inspire build to a crescendo of nervousness and anxiety for many.

Actually, trying to meet expectations and demands of this season is next to impossible and once the celebrations are over, feelings of disappointment and disillusionment often surface. At this time, a belief may surface that the true significance of Christmas has been buried in the expensive decorations, mounds of gifts, and fattening food.

If you experience the following, it is time to make changes:

Are you constantly trying to catch up with Christmas preparations?

Have you stopped enjoying Christmas because of the stress?

Are you feeling tired and depressed?

Has family togetherness been lost in preparations for Christmas?

Have you any quiet time for reflection and enjoyment of Christmas?

Several solutions may help in making Christmas celebrations what they should be:

1. Rid yourself of unrealistic expectations. Be realistic keeping to family traditions and using common sense.
2. Don't be intimidated by glossy magazine pictures of the "real" Christmas with elaborate decorations and difficult-to-prepare foods. "Do your own thing."
3. Stop budget-breaking activities. Paying for Christmas during the months of the next year is not a good practice.
4. Practice "Peace on earth good will toward men" by helping others.
5. Stop eating excessively because of nervous frustration.
6. Create your own family traditions in keeping with interest and expectations.
7. Forgive others during this season. Exhibit love and caring.

Demonstrate your love during this season. Love is the commodity that makes this season what it is.

Always set aside a quiet time for reflections and thought.

Christmas is a special time which is of special significance. It must be, in all instances, a demonstration of love and caring. How we spend this day should reflect our own preferences. How can others possibly determine how we should celebrate? It is true that we are often influenced in what we buy, what we eat, and how we spend the day. However, our celebrations must be based on our own practices, traditions, and creativeness. They must involve the true spiritual meaning of Christmas. That is what makes this day so special.



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Lady Cardinal; more Winter birds on page 6.

## The Mouse: A Wee Tale

Marty Peregoy

Last night after dark, which is pretty much any time after 4:30 p.m. now that we've "fallen back," I was deep into Diana Gabaldan's fifth book in the Outlander series. Suddenly the dogs and I heard a strange noise coming from upstairs. It sounded like something running around on the landing, with intermittent stops and starts. We all paused simultaneously, heads cocked to one side, listening. Boo woofed, "Chickens!" convinced once again that they were trying to kill me. Buddha, who is a 135-pound doggy guest at the moment, barked, "Burglars?" in a deep, uncertain voice. And I thought, "Cat playing?" And then, "What does she have to play with?"

In mid-September, when I padded out to the kitchen for my first coffee of the day at dark-thirty, I found Boo and Cinders, the cat, watching the stove as if it were television and United Kingdom was on. I knew from previous experience living in houses next to pastures, that nothing good could come from such a situation. However, confident in the herding/chasing skills of a Sheltie and a cat, I poked a yard stick under the stove, sweeping it back and forth a few times. Within seconds, a mouse popped out and ran as fast as his legs could carry him, heading north. "Get him!" I cried. And Boo and Cinders sat watching as he flattened his little body to the thickness of a pancake and slipped underneath the dishwasher.

So you know what was in my head as I headed for the stairs to discover the "toy." Boo, ever the faithful watch dog, streaked past me in an attempt to head the chickens off at the pass. The second our heads were level with the 2nd floor, we came to a stop. Cinders was tormenting a mouse. When it ran toward the closed linen closet door, she let it get almost underneath before swatting it in the opposite direction with a well-aimed paw. When it ran toward the west bedroom door, she gave chase and swatted it again, just missing the open staircase. And when she saw Boo and I standing there, mouths agape, she picked it up in her mouth and just stared at us, "MINE!"

A few ideas of what I should do to capture the mouse began running through my head, before realizing Cinders had things well in hand, or is that paw? "Go ahead and play wi' your wee toy," I told her, "But dinna be puttin' the thing on me pillow as a present when you're done with it!" After several hours of reading *The Fiery Cross*, I was thinking with a Scots accent. Boo and I headed back downstairs, and I immersed myself in the world of Claire and Jamie once again.

What could have been no more than ten minutes later, I heard Cinders call, "Mra Reow?" which is Cattish for "Uh-Oh." I'd learned a bit of her language by taking her to the vet several times. "Mra Reow?" she repeated. I marked my page carefully, scootched off the bed, and entered the hallway. She was sitting on what must have been the tenth or eleventh step of the staircase. "Where's your wee plaything?" I asked her. She looked down. I looked down, too. And there it was; one wee mouse, belly down in the hallway, not moving. "Are ye dead?" I asked it, as I began deciding just how to go about catching it. Should I trap it under a trash basket? Grab it by the tail? What if it moved? And then I realized that the one-inch tall mouse had plummeted, either accidentally or on purpose, what must have been 92 times its height. Chances of it moving would be similar to chances of my moving after falling off a 45-story building.

I grabbed a couple of paper towels from the kitchen and scooped it up. No wonder the September mouse had been able to lick all the peanut butter from the plastic cheese and nasty wire of the mouse trap without setting it off five days in a row! The mouse was so light I had to peek into the towel to see if I had picked it up or missed it. I briefly considered putting it in the garbage can in the garage, but it was 25 feet to the garage, 34 degrees, six days till trash day, and I was barefoot. Then I considered tossing it out into the backyard. The thought of two dogs with morning mouse-breath convinced me that was a bad idea as well. Humming, "The Circle of Life" from the Lion King, I launched the poor thing off the deck to the north, where marauders of the night might find it. I would have hummed a Scots ballad, but despite being on page 500 of the 979-page book, I hadn't yet learned any.

This morning, Cinders approached her food bowl with a look of pride still fiercely stamped upon her features. She was a hunter! She had caught a mouse! I took it, and now she wanted breakfast! I slipped her a bit of salmon with her Meow Mix. "That's for you, lassie," I told her, quoting Mrs. Bug from the book. "Dinna fill your wame too full, though – stay hungry for the wee moosies, aye?" She purred her agreement.

Since this morning, I have been doing some math. If I discovered the first mouse in September, and the second mouse in November, then chances are none will be appearing for Thanksgiving or Christmas. Chances are I can count on another one in January. And March. And... Oh well. The score is still Me: 2, Moosies: 0.

## Caffeine Musings

Merlin Wright

It is the middle of the month and the deadline is approaching for this article. I have said it is time to quit writing this column. I googled the word [drivel] and Google said an example is Caffeine Musings. Friends at coffee hesitate to finish a sentence when they see me listening. They wonder if their name will be used along with the joke being told. In the coffee shop there is a long table with three or four conversations going at the same time. If you want to visit about sports then grab a chair at that end of the table. The status of corn harvest and price of combines is the topic for those in the middle and complaints about the recent election come from the other end. Some people can listen to all three topics and can join in to make a comment by speaking a bit louder than others.

What are you angry about today? This month the mood seems negative and it might be that the residents of this asylum have not yet recovered from the change back to standard time. It usually takes a week for working people to adapt both in spring and fall. My drinking friends are retired and we have learned that all things take longer than when regular eight to five hour days were observed. Even the normally cheerful mail carrier was grumpy as he now has to use the dome light toward the end of his delivery route.

Perhaps the season of thanksgiving will bring my friends back to their usual cheerful mode. We certainly have many reasons to be thankful. Many in our group wear hearing aids and the complaint is that the devices do not work as well as expected. The top of the line devices have top of the line prices but having three loud conversations in a small room is just too much for good results.

We retired guys have difficulty standing up after an hour of sitting but do agree that at least we can still walk. It does not take long to find someone in poorer physical condition or poorer financial condition. During thanksgiving season it is good to think about some simple freedom such as travel from home to the coffee shop without asking the government for permission. It is good to be thankful for cheap clean drinking water that is so easy to obtain. At our house we pay just over \$40 monthly for two thousand gallons which is about two cents per gallon. The flip of a switch almost always gives us light and a refrigerator is a blessing compared to the antique icebox of the good old days. Having a microwave oven makes it easy to produce a cup of instant coffee and a couple scrambled eggs for breakfast. We sure have it good.

For better coffee just use the recipe in the Nemaha County Herald of November 15. The article was written by Chip Johnson and the process uses an egg along with the grounds.

Until next month, keep the coffee perking. Remember, a bit of sugar makes it better.



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# Poetry

by Devon Adams

## CAT NAPS

Winter sun slants  
through a dusty  
window, falling on  
bodies sleeping  
soundly snuggled  
on stacks of hay.  
Wrapping each other  
in comfort, the cats  
don't know about  
the mouse below.  
He was sleeping  
too, but now he's  
creeping toward the  
dish of chow just  
inside the big barn  
door, with just a few  
more steps to go.  
But Jack the cat woke  
up in time to catch  
the thief, and now  
he'll be having chow  
for his dessert.

## RELATIVELY SPEAKING

Dozens of cousins  
hide inside the album,  
smiling at us when  
we open the pages.  
They are always  
waiting for company  
to come and visit.  
Moms and dads,  
aunts, uncles, and  
gramps and grams  
are also there.  
Every day we're  
busy living and  
doing and thinking,  
sleeping, laughing  
and crying, and  
getting older.  
But back inside the  
photo book are all  
the times we love,  
waiting for us to  
come back and be  
there once again.

## A GIFT OF JOY

He was asking  
for so much  
that his parents  
told him not to  
plan on getting  
anything.  
Of course that  
made him mad.  
But they were  
holding firm this  
time, instead of  
giving in to all  
his wants and  
wishes.  
Tantrums, tears  
and pouting  
didn't help him  
get his way.  
So, as the days  
creeped by, and  
Christmas got  
closer and closer,  
he began to notice  
all the things he  
already had. The  
shelves and closet  
and floor of his  
room were piled  
with toys he never  
touched. One day  
he took a big, tough  
truck outside and  
filled it with dirt  
from his mother's  
garden patch. He  
hailed and dumped  
and dumped and  
hailed until the day  
was almost done.  
Then he realized  
that he had enough  
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him joy every day!

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Down they fall,  
the lazy, looping  
bits of icy lace  
that come from  
dark gray clouds.  
The wind is hiding  
on this lovely day,  
and all is still,  
except the busy  
flakes that swirl  
and swirl until  
they sit down on  
the frozen ground.  
Lighter than the  
smallest feather,  
they kiss each  
other as a blanket  
forms. Soon the  
earth is snowy  
white, and the fox's  
tracks follow him  
through the trees.  
His feet don't talk  
as he walks on the  
soft cushion that  
muffles sounds.

## SNOW VELVET

There are white  
statues standing  
in the snow  
beside the barn.  
Life breathes  
inside them  
though, as their  
breath makes  
foggy clouds.  
The horses are  
wearing winter  
coats with hair  
so thick that  
snow stacks on  
their backs won't  
melt. The  
blizzard whirls  
and swirls,  
coating every  
surface in a  
fantasy. Ned  
and Jeb blink  
patiently, snow  
velvet coated  
on their lavish  
lashes, waiting  
for the storm  
to go away.

## BIG RIVER BUCKS

They're as elusive  
as the scarves of  
fog that wrap  
around the huge  
cottonwoods on  
the banks of the  
raging river that  
is the Missouri.  
Seeming to shift  
shapes in the  
drifting vapors,  
they appear with  
sudden stillness,  
stately statues of  
poured metal. A  
quiet breath of air  
erases them, and  
they re-appear in  
another direction,  
beckoning you to  
follow further into  
a dreamscape.  
As the damp cold  
aches in your body,  
your mind begins  
to wonder if what  
you see is alive.  
Could it be a shadow  
from another time, or  
only your imagination?

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## Diary of a Part-time Housewife

Merri Johnson

Dateline: Savannah, Georgia

How pleasant, on a mid-November morning, to be sitting beside an open window, with a view through the tops of live oaks and American holly trees, four stories down to the brick streets of Savannah's Historic District. So what if it's cloudy right now; the sun is working up its courage to break through any minute. Later, I'll be on our rooftop patio, admiring the multiple "church and state" spires visible from the other side of our penthouse apartment.

Don't let the word "penthouse" give you the impression we're in some glamorous, modern, New York City-style, high rise condo. I wouldn't take that setting over this one. Give me the gentility of a Southern city; the intimacy of the historic squares; the canopy of huge live oaks draped in Spanish moss; and a shabby-chic apartment sectioned out of a 150-year old brick house, sharing a courtyard with the equally charming apartment house next door.

We have taken day trips into Savannah from our daughter and son-in-law's home just north of the city for a number of years now. But this is our second annual extended stay in the Historic District. When you spend two weeks in a place, you begin to feel at home. On subsequent visits, you get to re-discover the familiar along with the new. With little to do in the way of real chores, you have plenty of time for wandering and just soaking up the ambiance. I love to sit in the Squares and visit the bookstores and library; Hubby is always on the lookout for coffee houses. There's plenty of anything your heart desires within walking distance, so it's all good.

Travel is all about discovery, after all. One typically thinks of discovery in the physical sense: the architecture, historic sites, restaurants, and natural features of a place. Without those things, travel would seem pointless, I suppose. But there is also discovery in the sense of how one relates to a complete change of scene and pace. Little things take on significance and can become magnified, for good or ill.

Take for example, the matter of daily routines. Hubby likes his morning paper and TV programs. He can read the World-Herald on-line here, so that's not a big deal. But, the TV is another matter altogether. At home, Hubby wears his TV ears when I don't want to have to hear the programs he likes. No TV ears here. I have to just block it out.

The combination parlor/dining room is nicely furnished....but no recliner. This could prove to be a breakthrough in my quest to acquire a classy sofa and jettison the bulky recliner in our own living room. Hubby is getting used to having just a sofa and foot stool here. I've consented to allowing him to nap or watch TV lying on the sofa at will during the day, so long as he makes room for me when I want to watch TV in the evening.

We have a full kitchen here and could prepare every meal. But, there are oodles of cafes and world-class restaurants here, so eating out once a day is pretty much a given. As I write this, directly across the street from our apartment, people are lined up around the corner to eat at Mrs. Wilkes' Kitchen. It's open from 11:00 to 2:00 and standing in line for at least an hour is a point of honor, apparently. The fried chicken must be sublime to garner customers with that kind of willingness to wait.

Doing laundry is a bit different as well. The apartment-size washer-dryer is adequate, but you have to wash twice as many loads to get it all done. Plus, the dryer seems to start and stop every five minutes. Not sure if that's normal. But I keep having to check it to be sure. With only an armoire for hanging clothes, we are hooking hangers all along the bedroom fireplace mantle to supplement. I can't imagine living in an apartment full time, let alone one of those "tiny houses."

I'm sure I'll be ready to return to the Midwest and our relatively spacious house at the end of this trip. But for two weeks, we're living – and mostly loving – the cozy life.



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## Window On Fifth Street

Stephen Hassler

If you had looked through my Window on Fifth Street last month, you would have seen me getting all geared up for Thanksgiving; I roasted some turkey, registered for the annual “Turkey Trot” 5K in Omaha, and had begun to wish friends “Happy Thanksgiving”, when suddenly I smelled Christmas.

You know how certain smells can take you back to a time almost out of memory and trigger corresponding sights and sounds, assembling a vivid feeling or image of an event forgotten. Well, this time for me, it was chocolate. I don’t remember if it was one of my granola bars or a few chocolate chips, but right there in the kitchen I felt an awareness from my childhood that was a feeling of Christmas. A dreamy cloud of colored lights and pine needles, toys in store windows and cookies with sprinkles. And then it was gone, but it made me realize that ahead, in just a few weeks or so, the dreamy cloud would be triggered again and again, by bits of pageantry, or snowfalls, Santa Clause stories, and Christmas songs; Silent Night, Silver Bells, Little Drummer Boy. And Christmas shopping!

Christmas shopping with our loved ones and for our loved ones. Someone to shop for, someone to walk through the snow with, a lover to hold hands with while watching a Christmas movie like “*You’ve Got Mail*”. A special someone makes the holiday more joyous, more complete.

There have been lovers who didn’t quite make it work. It seemed as if it would be so perfect, but then, one was distracted by another, or by work, or fame. In any case, each went their separate ways. One or both had created a different life. A “what-might-have-been” story. But what is worse is marrying the wrong person, requiring a mid life correction later on, and dividing a family. Later, even if you get it right the second time, one wonders what might have been... if I had not leaped, if I had only recognized the signs, if I had not needed, wanted, expected. But then, what would have happened to “today”? Some tragedies allow something better to evolve, finally getting it right.

So with this in mind, the approaching holidays bring hope with the realization that tragedies and wonders, triumphs and disappointments exist in our lives, and the sight of a frosty morning or the scent of cookies baking are mystical reminders of what has been and of what could be. The “best parts” of our past can be repeated, enhancing the new “best parts” of our present. There are new opportunities for something better, allowing joys rather than sorrows. But both joys and sorrows can, and probably will happen again with time. There is still time. A time for every purpose. Merry Christmas!!

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One of several presentations by Peru State College Cheerleaders during Women’s and Men’s basketball games.

## Christmas Tree Goes on a Diet

By Janet Sobczyk, 2012

When Tom and I first got married we bought a big, white pine for our first tree. He loved the soft needles and scent. I enjoyed decorating it. Every year that's the type of tree we got... for 16 years.

As time passed, I grew tired of hunting for the perfect tree, wrestling it into the stand, and vacuuming up dry needles. So, I surprised Tom with an artificial tree. It was much easier to assemble. Even the kids could do it, which was a great help.

That tree graced our Christmas morning photos for 10 years. But the top branch (the angel's perch) broke. And it had seemed to outgrow our living room, even though it remained the same girth.

Instead of reverting to skinny real trees, we shopped for a new, thinner fake one. It fit into one small box. Amazing! Seeing how much different it looked made me think of different human shapes, which inspired this poem.

Dressed in green  
bedecked in red bling  
white lights, white angel  
carols in the air  
eggnog for sweet sipping  
multi-colored presents  
invited children to shake and peek.



Years passed  
angel perch broke  
children grew  
long legs needed space  
a tree so full and fat  
hardly fit the room  
time to buy a new one.

Brought it home  
dressed it the same  
stood back, admired  
new tree was much thinner  
seems over the summer  
dear old tree  
went on a diet!



# Merry Christmas



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## Peru State to Add Four Junior Varsity Athletic Programs

The Peru State athletic department will be providing more opportunities for student-athletes to showcase their talents by adding four junior varsity athletic programs starting in the fall of 2019. Recruitment will begin immediately.

Peru State president Dr. Dan Hanson and Bobcat athletic director Wayne Albury, who also is the head baseball coach, announced that the College will be adding men's and women's basketball, baseball, and softball junior varsity programs.

The College has engaged in a strategic enrollment management (SEM) process for the past 18 months and determined the addition of junior varsity athletic programs would be among the best use of resources to bolster enrollment.

Hanson said, "Peru State College's mission includes providing access to higher education -and all it means to provide a personal and engaging education." Continuing, Hanson added, "As a former college coach and athlete, I know athletics can be an important part of the college learning experience. Adding junior varsity athletics at Peru State gives more students this experience across Nebraska and the region."

Head women's basketball coach Joan Albury commented, "We are excited to have the opportunity to develop the basketball skills of young players in our system for a year or two in a junior varsity setting. It will be exciting to see the impact that this could potentially have on our varsity program and will allow our older players to mentor the younger ladies both on and off the court."

In addition to the four programs adding junior varsity programs, the College has football, women's cross country, women's golf, and volleyball. All of the programs compete in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). In addition, while announcing the addition of the four junior varsity programs, the College will be moving its cheerleading program to varsity/competitive status next fall as well.

Athletic director Albury noted much research went into the SEM process. He stated, "This decision was not made without a thorough review of the College's current resources and the ability to adequately fund these additional programs." Albury continued, "We are confident that the addition of these junior varsity programs will also enhance our current varsity teams."

"We are really excited about both adding to our roster as well as giving incoming freshmen more opportunities to compete and develop," noted head men's basketball coach Bob Ludwig. "I believe it will have a positive impact on our program and campus."

The NAIA does provide some guidelines for its member institutions which offer junior varsity programs. It does allow student-athletes to compete at both the junior varsity and varsity levels as long as they comply with scheduling limitations.

Bobcat head softball coach J.L. Thomason stated, "The potential to add additional student-athletes who could assist our program is a plus by adding a junior varsity program."

Peru State competes in the Heart of America Athletic Conference (Heart) which has member schools in Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, and Nebraska. In addition to playing Heart schools, the athletic department will also look to play other NAIA schools in Nebraska, as well as playing area junior college athletic teams.

Potential students interested in athletics at Peru State are encouraged to visit [www.pscbobcats.com](http://www.pscbobcats.com) or speak with an admissions representative or coach. To express an interest, potential athletes can complete the College's inquiry form at <http://my.peru.edu/athletics/inquiryform>

## Town Hall Meeting Held In Peru

The groups collaborating under "ImPERUving as One" hosted a town hall meeting to discuss survey results and input from previous focus group discussions. The group of City of Peru officials, Peru State College officials, city residents and friends of the College began meeting over the summer to develop a vision and possible plan for collaboration between the City and College.

Darrin Reeves, mayor of the City of Peru, said in August, "From infrastructure to housing to economic development, the City and College have shared needs. Creating a shared vision is the first step to meeting those needs."

The surveys and focus groups were conducted by the University of Nebraska-Extension Office, with the goals of identifying ways the community can move toward positive change and better understand Peru's unique characteristics, community assets and potential opportunities.

The town hall meeting was held on Wednesday, November 14 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in Peru's City Hall. A brief summary of results was provided at 6:30, followed by discussions and ways to become involved in the areas of interest. Refreshments were served.

Questions about the town hall meetings can be directed to Vanessa Sherman at (402) 414-0448.

## Deisley named 2018 Physical Education Teacher of the Year

Becki Deisley, a Peru State College alumna, was named the 2018 Physical Education Teacher of the Year by the Nebraska Society for Health and Physical Education (SHAPE). She has taught for 17 years, including 16 as the Crete Middle School Physical Education Teacher.

Deisley told The Crete News, "My dad was a PE teacher, and I basically came from a line of family members in education in general. My experiences in volleyball in college... my coach was a big fitness fanatic. She was a big role model and influence on me going into physical education."

After completing her bachelors at Peru State, Deisley earned a master's in health and physical education, dance and recreation from the University of Nebraska in Omaha.



# '18-'19 BOBCAT BASKETBALL

## MEN'S

11/26	Graceland Univ.	Peru, NE	7:30 p.m.
12/1	Evangel Univ.	Springfield, MO	4:00 p.m.
12/4	Grand View Univ.	Des Moines, IA	7:30 p.m.
12/8	William Penn Univ.	Oskaloosa, IA	4:00 p.m.
12/15	<b>Culver-Stockton College</b>	<b>Peru, NE</b>	<b>2:00 p.m.</b>
12/29	Dakota Wesleyan Univ.	Mitchell, SD	8:00 p.m.
12/30	Dakota State Univ.	Mitchell, SD	2:00 p.m.
1/2	<b>MidAmerica Nazarene Univ.</b>	<b>Peru, NE</b>	<b>7:30 p.m.</b>
1/5	Mount Mercy Univ.	Cedar Rapids, IA	4:00 p.m.
1/10	<b>Benedictine College</b>	<b>Peru, NE</b>	<b>7:30 p.m.</b>
1/12	<b>Clarke Univ.</b>	<b>Peru, NE</b>	<b>2:00 p.m.</b>
1/16	<b>Grand View Univ.</b>	<b>Peru, NE</b>	<b>7:30 p.m.</b>
1/19	Central Methodist Univ.	Fayette, MO	4:00 p.m.
1/24	Graceland Univ.	Lamoni, IA	7:30 p.m.
1/26	<b>William Penn Univ.</b>	<b>Peru, NE</b>	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>
2/2	<b>Evangel Univ.</b>	<b>Peru, NE</b>	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>
2/6	Mid-America Nazarene Univ.	Olathe, KS	7:30 p.m.
2/9	Culver-Stockton College	Canton, MO	4:00 p.m.
2/13	<b>Missouri Valley College</b>	<b>Peru, NE</b>	<b>7:30 p.m.</b>
2/16	<b>Mount Mercy Univ.</b>	<b>Peru, NE</b>	<b>2:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Senior Day</b>			
2/20	Benedictine College	Atchison, KS	7:30 p.m.
2/23	Clarke Univ.	Dubuque, IA	2:00 p.m.
2/27	Missouri Valley College	Marshall, MO	7:00 p.m.
3/2	<b>Baker Univ.</b>	<b>Peru, NE</b>	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>



## WOMEN'S

11/26	Graceland Univ.	Peru, NE	5:30 p.m.
11/29	UMKC	Kansas City, MO	7:00 p.m.
12/1	Evangel Univ.	Springfield, MO	2:00 p.m.
12/4	Grand View Univ.	Des Moines, IA	5:30 p.m.
12/8	William Penn Univ.	Oskaloosa, IA	2:00 p.m.
12/15	<b>Culver-Stockton College</b>	<b>Peru, NE</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>
12/19	Augustana Univ.	Sioux Falls, SD	5:30 p.m.
1/2	<b>MidAmerica Nazarene Univ.</b>	<b>Peru, NE</b>	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>
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