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School board reviews audit, talks election

Tonight's meeting starts at 5:30

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At 5:30 p.m. tonight, the school board will meet to review an audit of the school district's financial records for the year ended in June 2013. The audit was conducted by the State Auditor's Office and found that the district's financial records were generally accurate, but there were some areas of concern.

Union objects to state's school experiment

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Dillons grand opening

Celebration set for newly renovated Dillons in Liberal

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A grand opening celebration is set for the newly renovated Dillons grocery store in Liberal, Mo., on Friday, Dec. 20, at 10 a.m. The store has been completely renovated and features a new layout, improved lighting, and a variety of fresh produce and meats.

Lady Sabers remain in top 7

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The Lady Sabers girls' basketball team finished the season with a record of 15-5, earning a spot in the top 7 of the state tournament. The team will compete in the first round of the tournament on Saturday, Dec. 21, at 7 p.m.

Phil Robertson off 'Duck Dynasty' after gay comments

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Phil Robertson, one of the original cast members of the reality show "Duck Dynasty," has been removed from the show after making homophobic comments on the program. The show's producers stated that Robertson's comments were "inappropriate and offensive" and that he would no longer be allowed to appear on the show.



The Robertson family has a long history in the duck hunting industry. Phil Robertson, the patriarch, has been a prominent figure in the industry for decades. The show "Duck Dynasty" has become a major success story for the family, but the controversy surrounding Phil's comments has caused a significant rift between the family and the show's producers.

Woman pleads guilty to stealing from co-workers

By MICHELE CROCIANO
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A woman has pleaded guilty to stealing from her co-workers at a local business. The woman, who is in her late 20s, was charged with multiple counts of theft. She is currently facing charges in court.

Idaho wildlife advocate pleads guilty to poaching

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An Idaho wildlife advocate has pleaded guilty to poaching. The individual, who is in their late 30s, was charged with multiple counts of poaching. They are currently facing charges in court.