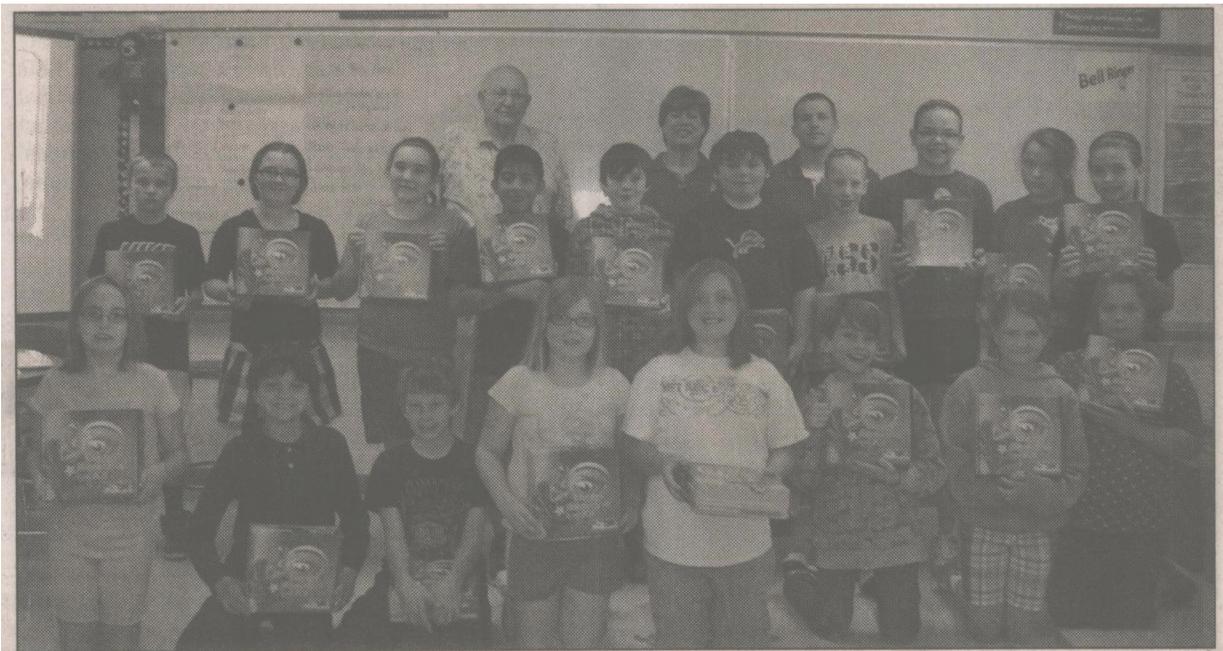




# Energy Detective Kits Presented to Calvert Elementary Fifth Graders



**FIFTH GRADERS** of Susan Pease at Calvert Elementary School show their Energy Detective Kits received from the Auburn Board of Public Works (BPW). In no particular order, the fifth graders are: Eli Banta, Carolyn Billings, Caden Chapin, Haley Clark, Alexis Clifton, Darrien Costello, Emily Gill, Amber Hestermann, Kyalynn Kramer, Noah Kreifels, Precious Maybee, Christian Milke, Bailey Moore, Kaelyn Noel, Faith Santana, Katelyn Taylor, Rhianna Wake, Charlotte Welsh and Nathan Wright. In back are Dick Hahn, BPW board chair; Melissa Sierks, BPW accounting and finance manager and in charge of community outreach activities and Kellen Conroy, who teaches science to Calvert fifth graders.

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Auburn Board of Public Works (BPW) representatives presented Energy Detective Kits to fifth graders of Susan Pease at Calvert Elementary School. Kellen Conroy teaches fifth grade science at Calvert.

The kits included a student guide, student workbook and information on how parents/guardians can save money on their utilities. The kits are designed to help students conserve energy and use energy more efficiently. The fifth graders will also learn how much it costs to use electricity, said Melissa Sierks, BPW accounting and finance manager. She is also responsible

for community outreach activities.

Materials presented to the teachers included Kill a Watt, an energy usage monitor.

### Johnson-Brock Elementary Also Benefited

Sierks said that BPW officials obtain credits from the Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) to sponsor certain programs and activities. The programs are a partnership between BPW, NPPD and the Nebraska Energy Office. Part of the credits were used to provide the kits to students at Calvert and Johnson-Brock elementary schools.