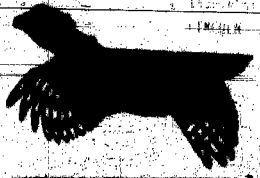


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## Vehicles to be taxed differently in 1998

Beginning Jan. 1, 1998, the motor vehicle tax will be lower for most motorists, said Alvin Abramson, Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

LB 771 enacted by the legislature in 1997, replaced the old ad valorem tax. The new tax is based on the manufacturer's suggested retail price (MSRP) for all personal vehicles.

The base tax is a percentage of manufacturer's suggested retail price.

For example, the base tax is \$60 for cars with a MSRP below \$10,000; \$100 for those below \$12,000, etc. Each year the base tax goes down a percentage until it reaches zero at 14 years.

LB 771 also implements a new motor vehicle fee of up to \$30. The current registration fee and wheel tax (if applicable) will remain.

Abramson said the legislative intent was to simplify the valuation, which is why the tax is based on the MSRP rather than the actual price paid for the vehicle.

Although most Nebraskans will see some savings under the new system, some Nebraskans may see an increase, as in the case of a standard utility trailer. Most trucks and trailers will be taxed according to their registered weight.

LB 771 also provides an avenue to protest the valuation, which was not an option under the previous law.

The forms to protest will be available after Jan. 1, 1998 from the Legal Division, Dept. of Motor Vehicles, 101 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Neb. 68509 or (402) 471-9393. The objection must state in writing why the MSRP determination is incorrect.

## Area Girl Scouts begin annual cookie sales

Prairie Hills Girl Scout Council's annual Cookie Sale begins Jan. 9, 1998 and continues through Jan. 26. This is the only time of year these special cookies are available.

The annual Girl Scout Cookie Sale is an event that works in two ways.

It raises funds for an organization that supports girls with fun, informal learning activities and it teaches important life skills such as goal setting and money management.

Wynne Hansen, spokesperson for Prairie Hills Girl Scout Council said that girls in Lincoln, Neb. 10 which includes Wayne, Wakefield and Winfield will be "teaming up to sell as they seek together to reach their troop and council goal" for the cookie sale.

The year continues will be given a Thank You for Your Support for which can be placed in a variety

of ways, signifying their support of the Girl Scout Cookie Sale.



Profits from the Cookie Sale are used by the troops for program activities they have planned and by the council to fund services and programs made available throughout the year to Girl Scouts in its jurisdiction.

This year there are eight varieties of cookies available, including sugar free, chocolate, cookies and low fat mixes.

For more information contact Sue Schroeder at 375-1194, Linda Murray at 375-1584 or Terry Headley at 375-1160.

## Carbon monoxide dangers

The arrival of colder winter weather brings increased dangers of carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning for persons living in homes with faulty fuel-burning appliances according to an air quality safety expert.

Basil Swasthyna, director of product sampling for Underwriters Laboratories, says that improperly operating appliances that use natural gas, kerosene, oil, coal and wood can produce deadly amounts of CO. These appliances include many furnaces, stoves, fireplaces, clothes dryers and space heaters.

Carbon monoxide poisoning claims the lives of more than 200 people each year and sends about 10,000 to the emergency room for treatment, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). These deaths and injuries can be avoided by proper appliance maintenance and use of an effective CO detector.

Carbon monoxide is a colorless, odorless gas produced by the burning of any fuel. The initial symptoms of CO poisoning are similar to the flu and include headache, fatigue, shortness of breath, nausea and dizziness. The CPSC recommends that home

owners have a qualified person such as a plumber, heating contractor or gas company technician perform an inspection of appliances each year. This inspection should include chimneys, flues and vents for potential blockage.

Swasthyna, an electrical engineer involved in air quality studies since 1964, urges home owners to install a CO detector approved by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. (UL). UL approved detectors are recommended by the CPSC. UL estimates that effective CO detectors have saved thousands of lives from CO poisoning within the past few years.

UL approved CO detectors are designed to sound an alarm before most people would begin experiencing symptoms of CO poisoning, said Swasthyna. Before purchasing a CO detector, make sure that the UL mark when the package.

If the CO detector's alarm sounds, home residents should immediately open windows and doors for ventilation. The burner should be evaluated and the fire department contacted if anyone is experiencing symptoms of CO poisoning, Swasthyna advised.

A qualified technician should check inspect heating systems and appliances before continuing CO operation.

## Chamber to hold luncheon

The monthly general membership meeting of the Wayne Area Chamber of Commerce will be held Wednesday, Jan. 7 at the Women's Club Room.

Bob W. Sava will cater the lunch which consists of chicken, macaroni salad, strawberry fluff, cheese cake and coffee or tea. Cost is \$5.

The guest speaker for this month's lunch will be Karen Kucera with the Nebraska Business Development Center at WSC. Her

will speak on the Midwest Business Consulting Program.

Kucera has been Director of the Nebraska Business Development Center (NBDC) at WSC since April 1994. Prior to that he had worked in the wholesale division at Bluebird Nursery in Clarkson.

Reservations for the lunch are needed and should be called in by the Chamber by Tuesday, Jan. 6.



## First of two-part series

# Events of 1997 highlighted

A summary of events occurring in the Wayne area have been compiled and is listed below.

**Building notes:** The results of activities of 1997 will be divided into two parts. The first of which is published in monthly papers. The second half of the story will be printed in the first 1998 issue of the Herald.

**January:** The Wayne County Red Cross was rechartered according to national standards.

Blake Burdell, former owner of the Red Knight Inn in Wayne.

Green and Pam, founders of Chicago announced acquisition of Great Plains Builders.

Renovations of the remaining wall of the Black Knight was completed. The building was destroyed by fire on June 26, 1995.

Blizzard like conditions hit the Wayne area causing business and school closures. Veterinarians urged livestock owners to take safety precautions with their animals.

Being fast facts was the topic of the Wayne School Board January meeting.

Wayne Area Chamber of Commerce presented Dr. Donald L. Mash, president of Wayne State College, their Citizen of the Year Award for 1996. Dr. Mash, Blomkamp, Chemistry and math teacher at Wayne High School, was selected as Educator of the Year for 1996.

The Wayne Chamber sponsored an Agriculture Community of Opportunity Board of Nebraska Department of Agriculture spoke on the responsibilities of his department. Paul Depp of FARM, Inc. discussed the responsibilities of the agency to what the area experiences lately.

The former Wayne Care Center could be occupied again under a proposal presented by Gary Danner to the city council. The city council meeting at the Wayne Municipal Airport was sponsored by the Nebraska Department of Agriculture as the Project of the Year for 1996.

The U.S. Army presented Louis Priddy medals to several while serving as a technician (E1E) from the Army nearly 50 years after his discharge.

February: Several meetings of Northeast Nebraska Economic Development Council area city administrators and business development officers gathered at WSC to take part in a nationwide teleconference on higher education role in economic development.

February was chosen as heart month by the American Heart Association.

Natural gas prices have dropped despite the cold weather expected. Early February prices are 75 percent below January prices.

Concerned Wayne property owners voiced their opinions on Homer

Wayne's late 1970s plans during the Thursday City Council meeting.

The Wayne community, through Matt Meyer and Justin Thode represent Wayne High Blue Devils, Bryan Stangley, Andy Bone and Vince Ward represent Laurel (Council Bluffs, B.)

Worley had taken over the business only five months ago.

Wayne State women's basketball team closed out their 1997-98 season by beating Grand Island 87-49.

The Wayne City Council rejected a request by Gary Danner to rezone the former Wayne Care Center facility after listening to discussion for and against the project.

The Wayne Junior Wrestling Tournament was held at the high school. Many area wrestler's placed on the top four of their respective weight classes.

Bill Richardson retired from The Wayne Herald as General Manager after many years of employment.

Heidi Knight was named the Nebraska Small Business of the Year for 1996 by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

The Wayne Basketball season began with both teams finishing sixth. The boys scored 14 points and the girls scored 28.

April: Wayne State College hosted a campus wide Open House Celebration on April 5 for prospective students and their parents, general public, alumni and anyone interested in WSC.

The annual Wayne Herald All Area

Boys' Basketball Team was announced with 11 athletes competing the team. Paul Blomkamp, Matt Meyer and Justin Thode represent Wayne High Blue Devils, Bryan Stangley, Andy Bone and Vince Ward represent Laurel (Council Bluffs, B.), Hansen and Justin Blomkamp represent Wakefield and Chad Coe, Jason and Jimmy Hobbart represent Winfield and Michael Blom represent Allen.

The Highway 17 widening project has been delayed by the Nebraska Department of Roads two days as to increase that you had seen, the cost estimate.

A Bow-Wow was held at WSC with several hundred showing up for the event.

The Providence Medical Hospital Foundation received a gift of \$67,543 from The Gardner Foundation of Wakefield.

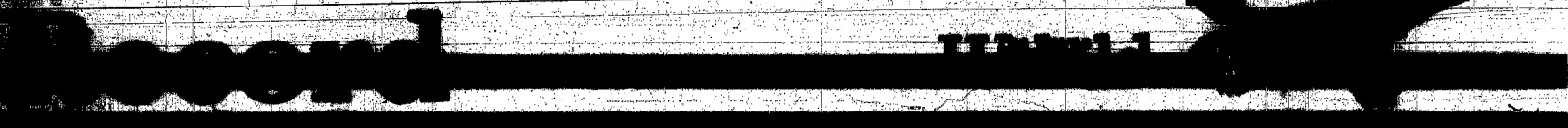
Wayne individuals, churches, businesses, local food bank and cost clothes combined to send a big care package to victims of the recent flood in South Dakota.

The Wayne State Commencement was held on May 19 with 183 graduates receiving degrees.

Pearl Hansen, professor of fine art at WSC, received the Board of Business Teaching Excellence Award for 1997 during ceremonies held on May 18.

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# Happy New Year from The Wayne Herald!



At a Glance

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**Thought for the day:**  
If you don't climb the mountain, you can't see the view.

**Places to meet**  
WAYNE - The Wayne Leash Walkers will hold a regular monthly meeting on Monday, Jan. 5 at 7 p.m. in the fourth floor meeting room of the Wayne City Office building.

**Chamber coffee**  
WAYNE - This week's Chamber Coffee will be held at the Wayne City Chamber office on Friday, Jan. 2 at 10 a.m. Announcements will be made at 10:15.

**Tutoring offered**  
AREA - The Adult Basic Education program of Northeast Community College provides tutoring at your own pace and free of charge to anyone who is 16 years of age or older and not currently enrolled in school. To enroll, call Barb Heier at 373-1422.

**SHARE Sign up**  
WAYNE - The January SHARE sign-up dates will be Sunday, Jan. 4 from 3 p.m. and Monday, Jan. 5 from 1 p.m. at St. Mary's Rectory in Wayne. The delivery date for the food for those signing up is Saturday, Jan. 24.

**Dance scheduled**  
WAYNE - The Wayne Recreation League Service Department will sponsor a Junior High Dance on Saturday, Jan. 10. It will be held at the Wayne City Auditorium from 8:30 p.m. to midnight. Admission will be \$10.00. Raffles for prizes will be held throughout the evening. For more information contact Jeff Carr at 373-4001.

Obituaries

Leona Longe

Leona Longe, 86, of Wayne died Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1997 at Faith Regional Health Center in Norfolk.

Services were held Saturday, Dec. 27 at Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne. The Rev. Jeff Anderson and the Rev. Brian Rohr officiated.

Leona Louise Longe, daughter of William H. and Caroline (Hess) Echtenkamp, was born Oct. 24, 1911 on a farm in Dixon County. She was baptized and confirmed at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wakefield. On Feb. 17, 1935 she married Arthur Longe of Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne. The couple farmed in the Wayne area until 1973 when they moved into Wayne. She was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne.

Survivors include two sons, Dallas and Mary Longe of St. Paul, Minn., and Edwin Longe and special friend Bonnie Ringle of Fremont; one daughter, Lynn and Robert Krueger of Berke; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Arthur in 1977; five brothers and seven sisters.

Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery in Wayne. Schumacher Funeral Home in Wayne was in charge of arrangements.

Olga Amend

Olga Amend, 85, of Hosking died Saturday, Dec. 27, 1997 at her home.

Services were held Tuesday, Dec. 30 at the Howser-Fillmer Mortuary in Norfolk. Pastor Jack Nitz officiated.

Olga Amend, daughter of Louise (Hochstetler) Haffke, was born June 19, 1912 in Omaha. She attended school in Omaha and beauty school in Omaha. On Dec. 2, 1930 she married John Amend in Omaha. The couple moved to a farm east of Hosking.

Survivors include a daughter, Karen Amend of Hosking; three brothers, Glenn of Hosking, Carl of Omaha and Oscar of St. Worth, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, John on Dec. 2, 1950 and three brothers.

Burial was in Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery in Norfolk. Howser-Fillmer Mortuary in Norfolk was in charge of arrangements.

Lynn Roberts

Lynn Roberts, 74, of Carroll died Monday, Dec. 29, 1997 at the Wayne Care Center in Wayne.

Services were Wednesday, Dec. 31 at the United Methodist Church in Carroll. The Rev. Gary Kline officiated.

Lynn J. Roberts, wife of Earl and Gladys (Jones) Roberts, was born April 17, 1923 on a farm near Carroll. He was baptized at the Carroll Methodist Church. He graduated from Carroll High School in 1940 and served in the U.S. Army during World War II. On May 26, 1950 he married Frances Lee Branch at the Congregational Church of Great Carroll. She died Dec. 19, 1980. On Nov. 11, 1981 he married Patricia (Tucker) Johnson at the Carroll Methodist Church. He lived all of his life on the family farm near Carroll.

He was a member of the Carroll Methodist Church, former member of the Congregational Church near Carroll, was on the Wayne Carroll School Board from 1959-74 - serving as president for 10 years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, Carroll Rural Fire Board, American Legion Post #175 and the Wayne County JHSA committee.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Roberts of Carroll; two sons, Terry and Eugene Roberts and Wendell and Lena Roberts, all of Carroll; daughter, Victoria and Daniel Beckmeyer of Traphub, Texas; step son, Mark and Pamela Johnson of Lee's Summit, Mo.; step daughter, Martha and Michael (children of Edmundina, seven grandchildren, five step-grandchildren, seven and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Frances and one sister, Milton Tucker.

Honorary pallbearers were Harold Morris, Dean Owens, Alvin Yarbrough, Frank Krietz, Gordon Light, Paul Johnson, Wayne Kerstine, Alan Morris, Russell Hall, Earl Bechtelmeier, Harry Helton, Dean Ferguson, Louis Ferguson and Milton Matthews.

Active pallbearers were Roger Fester, Bill Landstinger, Gordon Bechtelmeier, Lowell Olson, Charles Morris, Jim Keady, Bill Mark and Ed Morris.

Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery in Carroll. Schumacher Funeral Home in Wayne was in charge of arrangements.

Myrtle Henegar

Myrtle Henegar, 87, of Norfolk, formerly of Wayne, died Wednesday, Dec. 24, 1997 at St. Joseph's Nursing Home in Norfolk.

Services were held Monday, Dec. 30 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Wayne. The Rev. Donald Henry officiated.

Myrtle Bernice Henegar, daughter of James William and Cora Belle (Lower) Henegar, was born Aug. 26, 1910 at Adams, MO. She attended school at Wakefield and Wayne. On Oct. 18, 1932 she married Joseph Henegar at Wayne. She was employed at the Wayne Public Schools in the cafeteria. She lived in Wayne until 1969 when she moved to Elkhorn, NE. In 1971 she moved to Norfolk. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Wayne and then St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Omaha, NE.

Survivors include two sons, James and Eugene Henegar of Bella Vista, Ark. and Robert and Karen Henegar of Norfolk; daughter, Marilyn and Joe Hammen of Omaha; 11 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; three brothers, Ray, Hogan and Elmer; and five granddaughters, all of Sioux City, Iowa; and James Henegar of Sacramento, Wash.; nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; two brothers and five sisters.

Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery in Wayne. Schumacher Funeral Home in Wayne was in charge of arrangements.

Edna Echtenkamp

Edna Echtenkamp, 90, of Wayne died Friday, Dec. 26, 1997 at the Wayne Care Center.

Services were held Monday, Dec. 29 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wakefield. The Rev. Brian Hinderhoffer officiated.

Edna Elizabeth Echtenkamp, daughter of Carl and Anna (Hevaman) Lyle, was born April 30, 1907 in Dixon Township in Dixon County. She was baptized and confirmed at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wakefield. She attended parochial and rural schools. On Jan. 19, 1931 she married Ernest Echtenkamp at Immanuel Church. The couple farmed in the area of Wayne. Following her husband's death, she moved to Wayne, NE in 1941 and was a resident of the Wayne Care Center. She was a life-long member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church and was a 60 year member of the Junior League.

Survivors include a son, Carl Echtenkamp of St. Joseph, Mo.; and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; Ernest on Aug. 20, 1974; two brothers and one sister.

Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery in Wayne. Schumacher Funeral Home in Wakefield was in charge of arrangements.

Verlie Cleveland

Verlie Cleveland, 88, died Saturday, Dec. 26, 1997 at the Wayne Care Center in Wayne.

Services were held Wednesday, Dec. 31 at Concordia Lutheran Church in Concordia. The Rev. Eugene Harbinger officiated.

Verlie C. Cleveland, daughter of Clarence and Anna (Hickson) Lohde, was born Jan. 29, 1908 on a farm north of Dixon. She was baptized and confirmed at Concordia Lutheran Church in Concordia. She attended school in Concordia. On Sept. 21, 1927 she married John Lyle Cleveland. The couple owned a grocery store in Concordia, Iowa through 1935. They moved to Concord where they started an employment dealership. The employment store and office a new employment dealership north of Wayne in 1957 until their retirement in 1967. She was a member of Concordia Lutheran Church and the Thurgood Cottage Club of America.

Survivors include a son, Carl, and Patricia Cleveland of Spirit Lake, Iowa; a daughter, Gladys and Jerry Weston of Wayne; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband Lyle in 1996.

Honorary pallbearers were grand-children, Cynthia Chalk, James Cleveland, Edward Cleveland, Vernon Weston and James Weston.

Active pallbearers were Bud Weston, Bud Weston, Donny Weston, Keith Weston, Gene Fredrickson and Fred Carlson.

Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery in Wayne. Schumacher Funeral Home in Wayne was in charge of arrangements.

Miriam Morris

Miriam Morris, 91, of Wayne, formerly of Carroll died Monday, Dec. 29, 1997 at the Wayne Care Center in Wayne.

Services will be Friday, Jan. 2, 1998 at 2 p.m. at Bethany Presbyterian Church in Carroll. Rev. Carl Aasen will officiate. Visitation was scheduled until 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 1.

Miriam Anna Morris, daughter of William Henry and Laura (James) Morris, was born Aug. 28, 1906 at Carroll. She was baptized and confirmed at the 26th Congregational Church west of Carroll. She attended high school at Bethany and Carroll. She was a homemaker for the family, helping to care for her younger brothers and sisters. She was a member of the 26th Congregational Church of Great Carroll.

Survivors include one brother, Howard and Margaret Morris of Wayne and sister, Catherine Willingham of the Concordia area.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers and one sister.

Burial will be in Bethany Cemetery at Carroll. Schumacher Funeral Home in Wayne is in charge of arrangements.

Wayne County Court

**Civil Proceedings**

Keith A. Adams, d/b/a Adams Credit Services, p/f, vs. Rhonda Webb, Wayne, del. \$116.88 and costs.

Adams Credit Services, Inc., p/f, vs. Rhonda Webb, Wayne, del. \$116.88 and costs.

Adams Credit Services, Inc., p/f, vs. Robert L. Lopp, d/b/a Lopp Body and Paint, Wayne, del. \$333.01 judgment for the p/f, \$129.49 and costs.

Keith A. Adams, d/b/a Adams Credit Services, p/f, vs. Jean Lopp, Wayne, del. \$23.99 and costs.

Keith A. Adams, d/b/a Adams Credit Services, p/f, vs. Ann Marie Lutz, Wayne, del. \$112.76 judgment for the p/f, \$132.76 and costs.

**Traffic Violations**

Channing Swenson, Wayne, p/ing, \$11; Holly Latta, Sioux City, Iowa, p/d, \$36; Gene Lopp, Wayne, p/d, \$280; Jay, \$46; Heather Christensen, Omaha, p/d, \$46; Peggy Miller, Durbin, p/d, \$46.

Board elects new members

Gail J. Gilliland, Executive Director for Wayne Industries, Inc., announced the newly elected members of the Wayne Industries Board of Directors.

The new directors, who will serve a three-year term, include Don Ehlert of P.O. #1246, York Park of Ogawa Valley Equipment, Carl Faye of Wayne State College, Reggie Latson of Edward Jones, and Larry Hanson of Great Plains Tractor.

The board will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 7 at 10 a.m. at the Wayne Industries Board of Directors meeting.

The Wayne Industries Board of Directors meets the third Wednesday of each month.

Memberships is open to those who are interested in obtaining, expanding, attracting, retaining and enhancing the economic vitality of the Wayne area.

For more information, contact Gail Gilliland at 373-2448 or e-mail: gilliland@wayneindustries.com



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# Guard proposes change

The Nebraska Army National Guard's 67th Infantry Brigade could be converted to a combat service organization in the near future if a plan proposed by the Nebraska Guard is accepted by National Guard Bureau in Washington, D.C. Combat service support units provide primarily logistic and administrative assistance to combat units.

According to Major General Stanley M. Heng, Nebraska National Guard Adjutant General, the plan was developed to make the 67th Brigade more relevant to the nation's post-Cold War military requirements. "It will position us well into the next century to be a viable and relevant force in this country's military structure."

The Brigade is comprised of a Lincoln headquarters and three Nebraska battalions: 1st 14th Infantry, headquartered in Omaha; 1st 195th Armor, headquartered in Kearney; and the 62th Forward Support Battalion, headquartered in Omaha.

Over 1,400 soldiers serve in 67th Brigade units, that figure is over 40 percent of the Nebraska Army National Guard's total strength. The battalions, subordinate units are located throughout the state, with the heaviest concentration located in eastern and central Nebraska. Units affected by the reorganization include:

- 1st 14th Infantry, Omaha
- Wayne, Norfolk, Columbus

Nebraska City, Falls City, O'Neill and Sidney.

"1st 195th Armor, Kearney; Broken Bow, Ogallala, McCook, Lexington, Scottsbluff, Gering and Grand Island."

67th Forward Support Battalion, Lincoln, Omaha and York. Nebraska's proposal is a result of the Army National Guard's Division Redesign Study, which was conducted to develop alternatives for the use of the Army Guard in order to enhance Guard relevance to the National Military Strategy.

The conversion proposal calls for the 67th Brigade to become an Area Support Group, an element that would command several battalion-sized and smaller combat service support units. The exact type of mission the organization would receive is to be determined.

Heng says the brigade has a long and proud tradition by the nation's defense needs are changing and the Nebraska National Guard must lean forward to meet those needs. "Our proposal gives us a chance to get in the front row, if you will, to be on line to receive missions with more relevance to the needs of the Army."

Because of the organization's increasing relevance in the total Army it would also become a high-priority unit, which will improve its levels of staffing and funding. Lower priority units are not staffed at 100 percent of their authorized

strength and are normally funded at less than 100 percent. Funding and maintenance are the higher priority units.

Major Gen. Heng has briefed Governor Ben Nelson, who serves as

commander-in-chief of the Nebraska National Guard and received his concurrence on the proposal. Heng said that, as has been the case with previous Guard structure changes, soldiers may have to undergo additional training but there will still be jobs available for all Nebraska National Guard soldiers. He added that the Guard does not anticipate any army changes because of the mission change.

Heng said the state's priorities are critical to the Guard's state mission of providing emergency services throughout the state.

Another positive feature of the proposed conversion is that it would open many more jobs for females and will provide training that is more closely related to civilian occupations.

"It provides a better menu of job skills outside of the combat world, we could be talking about medical, transportation, chemical defense, fuel transport or communications occupations, those are all skills that could relate better to people's civilian world as opposed to the infantry or artillery," Heng said.



## Holiday promotion

Gary Dunner, owner of the Ampride store on North Main Street in Wayne, accepts the donations of hams from Tracy Bassett. The hams were a part of Ampride's "Helping Hands" holiday promotion, by which a part of the company's proceeds were used to purchase hams for the Food Pantry located at Grace Lutheran Church.

## WSC joins scholarship program

The Wayne Area High School Association (WASHSA) is proud to announce the addition of the Wayne Area High School Scholarship Program to its list of programs. The program is designed to provide financial assistance to high-achieving students from Wayne Area High School.

The criteria for application include: a minimum 3.0 GPA, a minimum 1000 SAT score, and a letter of recommendation from a teacher. Applications are due by January 15th.

Wayne Area High School is proud to be a part of the Wayne Area High School Scholarship Program. The program is a testament to the school's commitment to academic excellence and community service.

For more information, contact the Wayne Area High School Office at 300 North Main Street, Wayne, NE 68791. Phone: 402-775-4100.



Mandy Furberberg

Mandy Furberberg, a freshman from La Vista, was the first Wayne Area High School scholar to attend WASHSA.

Furberberg said she decided to come to WASHSA because she heard about the outstanding teaching here. She wanted to visit the campus and everyone was so friendly. "I knew Wayne State was where I wanted to go to college."

Furberberg said she appreciated the ability to attend and earned such national awards. She also mentioned her involvement in an already existing program at Wayne State. According to the book, she is an assistant vice president for graduate studies. The Honors Program at Wayne State has been growing for several years and currently has more than 100 students enrolled.

"I think the fact that the members in the Honors Program have increased significantly in the last few years is a great indication of the quality of students and the level of academic preparation students come to Wayne State with," Mandy said.

## Edward Jones to host broadcast entitled 'Outlook 98' on Jan. 6

Edward Jones, the nation's largest investment advisor, will host a broadcast entitled "Outlook 98" on January 6, 1998. The broadcast will discuss the economic outlook for the year ahead.

The broadcast will be held at 10:00 a.m. on January 6, 1998, at the Wayne County Courthouse. The broadcast will be free of charge.

For more information, contact Edward Jones at 402-775-4100.

Edward Jones is a leading investment advisor and financial planner. The broadcast will provide valuable insights into the current economic environment and the outlook for the future.

The broadcast will cover a wide range of topics, including the state of the economy, interest rates, and investment opportunities. It is a must-attend event for anyone interested in the financial markets.

For more information, contact Edward Jones at 402-775-4100.

"Outlook 98" will feature a four-hour round-table discussion between Edward Jones, Richard Perry, consultant and former president of the regional management firm Edward Jones & Co., and Edward Jones, stock and bond expert.

The broadcast will also feature a panel discussion on the current state of the economy and the outlook for the future. The panel will include representatives from the business and financial communities.

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## Events

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Top 1997 news stories retold

Farewell 1997

Construction and building are the two words that best describe the most prominent overall activities in Wayne during the preceding 12 months.

There may never have been a previous year to match the tearing down, remodeling and/or the erecting of new structures. Much of the activity is changing the geographical face of the community.

City records show 55 building permits were issued in 1997. Those figures, for a community the size of Wayne, represent a great amount of dollar activity, which in turn reflects positively on the community's financial health.

Goodbye to a terrific year of productivity, and "welcome" to a new year promising continued advancement. All the hustle and bustle emphasizes once again that Wayne is a good place to live, work and shop. Welcome 1998!

Public forum slated

Enjoying a government "of, by and for" the people necessitates all residents becoming involved in government affairs. Regardless of agenda items before the Wayne City Council, Council members appreciate hearing opinions prior to voting on any issue.

Too often Council members hear comment on issues that have already been decided. Obviously, the tardy opinion is ineffective. Renovation of the city auditorium is a forthcoming and important project, one which is likely to draw the interest of all residents.

Citizens will gather inside the auditorium to join Council in a period of discussing the issues involved in updating the building.

As the hub of numerous activities, the auditorium is an important facility, serving the entire community. Renovation is recognizably overdue, but now that the time is here to get the job done, interested citizens can and should voice their concerns as a spearhead to the much needed project.

Omaha meeting planned

According to the latest Nebraska Monthly Report on Labor Force and Unemployment, the statewide unemployment rate is 2.3 percent.

For Wayne County, the figure is slightly higher at 3.0 percent. In October, there were 178 unemployed persons in our county.

Business in Nebraska has been good. Businesses have been re-evaluating and expanding within the state in recent years, putting more people than ever to work. Reports indicate that starting wages are at higher levels.

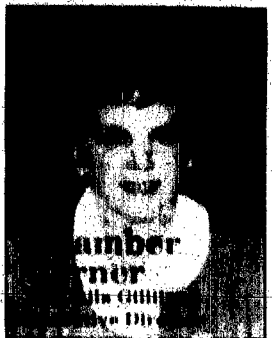
Looking at these numbers and considering these business and employment facts, the state recognizes the dilemma we're currently experiencing, labor availability.

While many Omaha's labor availability will be the focus of a Jan. 7 meeting at the Peter Kiewit Conference Center, 1101 and Farmington Streets in Omaha, all business and interested persons will benefit by attending. The meeting will run from 8:00 a.m.

Fernando "Butch" Encina, commissioner of the Nebraska Department of Labor, Stu Miller, deputy director of the Nebraska Department of Economic Development (DED) and Charles Lamphair, director of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Bureau of Business Research will discuss the issues. Discussion will include ways to address labor availability problems, as well as new

for participant feedback on new programs targeting labor needs.

Andy Beasly of the Nebraska Job Service will demonstrate American Job Bank and America's



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This meeting is one of several which will focus generally on the results of the quarterly Business Conditions Survey and more specifically on the labor availability problem.

The survey is conducted jointly by DED, the Department of Labor and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Bureau of Business Research.

Contact Jane Gauthier at 402-338-2376 or 402-338-2377 for more information.

If you would like to attend the meeting on labor availability, call Beasly at the Chamber/Industries office at 472-7240.

By Melvin Paul, Statehouse Correspondent, The Nebraska Press Association

The year of 1997 fast comes to a close and a thoughtful person must pause for reflection.

What were the events that shaped our lives this past year? What hopes have we for 1998?

This final column of the year is especially poignant to me, because I must say good-bye to my identity as Melvin Paul.

For some, it may be as shocking as learning there is no Santa Claus, but there is no Nebraska Statehouse reporter named Melvin Paul. The name is a pseudonym used by the latest in a series of reporters who have written this weekly column for the Nebraska Press Association, which recently voted to end the tradition of the pseudonym.

I will not yet reveal my identity. I will save that cliffhanger for a future column. I will say that I have played the part of "Mel" - as we in the press corps affectionately call him - for about six months. I personally know at least three other reporters who have served as Mel during some point in their career. Some throw themselves into the role, creating a whole lifestyle for our boss, complete with pickup truck and boat, all subject to our own fashion whimsy.

My own view has been that Mel is the professional Nebraskan and I tried to write from that perspective.

In the spirit of cliffhangers, here are a few of the top 1997 news stories "to be continued" into 1998.

Property tax relief - State Sen. Jerome Warner of Waverly died in April, long before his property tax relief plan came to fruition. In up-coming months and years, law makers will continue to try "Warner's vision" as they wrestle with property tax rate plans spending time and increasing prop-

erty valuations. Problem is, they all offer different versions of what Warner had in mind.

Football - 1997 brought the end of an era in Nebraska football with the death of former coach Rob Devaney and Coach Tom Osborne announcing his retirement. Will Frank Storch be able to carry on the tradition?

Agriculture - The USDA forced a recall of a record 25 million pounds of beef processed at the Hodson Food plant in Columbus, resulting in the plant's sale and raising lots of questions about the modern meat industry. Meanwhile, plans for more hog confinement operations in the state prompted cries for the Legislature to do something to balance the envi-

ronmental and economic issues raised by the mega-pork producer.

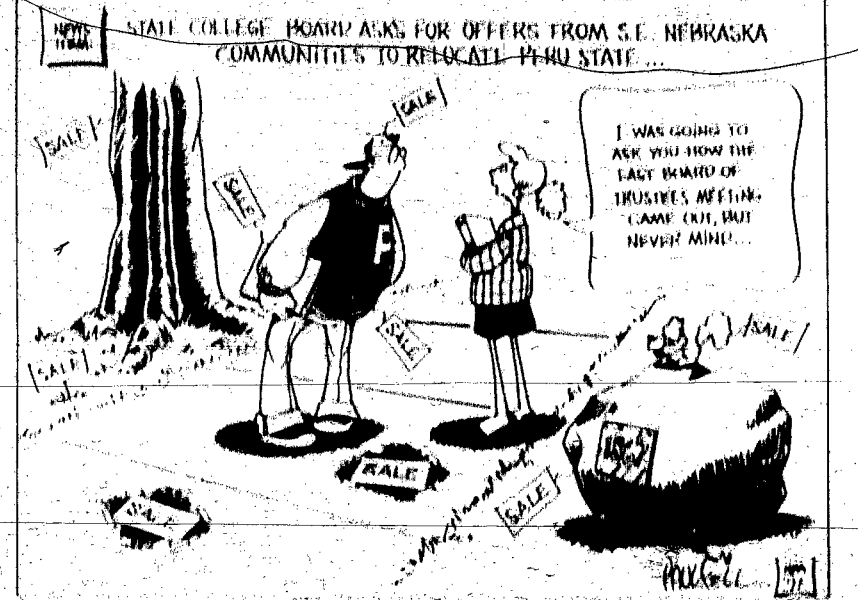
The state of matrimony - First State Sen. Ernie Chambers of Omaha introduces a bill to sanction marriage between people of the same sex. Then State Sen. Jim Jensen offers a bill to ban it. Meanwhile, the Rev. Jimmy Creach, a United Methodist minister in Omaha, is suspended for performing a lesbian union ceremony. Will the Legislature be itself in knots over tying the knot?

Death penalty - Robert Williams is put to death after spending 19 years on death row for a murder he committed in 1977. Those on both sides of the issue raised questions about the

purpose served by capital punishment after such a long wait. Death penalty proponents want the 1998 Legislature to enact a limit on appeals.

The governor's race - More fun than a barrel of Republican John Breslow spends wads of cash, Jon Christensen proposes to Miss America, Mike Johanns stands to the side trying to look virtuous and sane. On the other side of the ticket, Kim Rubak says no, Jim McFarland jumps in and Bill Hoppper's looking better, and better all the time. Just wait until campaign season begins!

The views expressed in Capitol News are those of the writer and not necessarily those of the Nebraska Press Association.



Will 1998 be a circus?

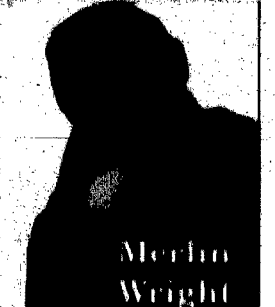
Step right up, ladies and gentlemen! You're just in time for 1998!

It's political-circus time for 1998. It's down and dirty, but it's up and over here is your tip-of-the-iceberg White House of Elections. With our House of Mirrors, Ladies and Gentlemen, and our Virtual Reality Internet Virtual Division.

Watch people bid for federal monies before you've even bid for drinking for dollars, folks to start by looking. Step right up and see if a knocky would with someone trying to stage the raid!

Yes, folks, watch politicians watch their checkbooks waiting for something in the Clinton bid until. Even the congressional show in 1998 has new plays for taking your money and making it disappear.

Political challenges are coming.



Merlin Wright

All you can always find your way in reality, insight and understanding through the media, right? Watch how the media lobbyists are waiting to be first with the word advice must come even before the court trial. Television pundits and seers are amazing, exhibiting more alchemy monkey than Barnum and Bailey. Plus they'll likely add another billion right after these messages!

How much of Washington is a mirage is difficult to measure against the illusion. Campaign Washington's established smoke and mirror has long ago become the biggest rabbit from the federal treasury and levitate the treasury. Remember what he said about boys and their toys. Don't miss the slow stopping wizardry of making tax money evaporate into thin air!

It's time to change politicians? Are we now a "government of the cash, by the cash, and for the cash?" Can government be bought? Or need you only ask "How much?"

Watch out for the leaks in the ship of state! An unending litany cracks from an honest seaman.

All citizens need colorful clothes. And America has its share! But how do they get elected?

Cynical? Perhaps! But a healthy skepticism by the electorate will keep politicians jumping through opinion hoops. For some, will say anything at anytime to please the gods for a vote.

Step right up, ladies and gentlemen! Watch 1998's greatest show on Earth!

Get your tickets early for the triumph and the trial!

Letters

Questioning value of Waste Management to city

Dear Editor:

I have been wondering what Waste Management services really bring to the city of Wayne.

Do they pay any taxes to Wayne? Lueders and Moxey Sanitation Services do.

Do they buy any fuel to Wayne? Lueders and Moxey Sanitation Services do.

Do they buy any food to Wayne? Lueders and Moxey Sanitation Services do.

Do they buy any clothes to Wayne? Lueders and Moxey Sanitation Services do.

Do they help to educate our children? Lueders and Moxey Sanitation Services do.

Will Waste Management Services be cheaper than Lueders and Moxey when they first break out of business? Just inquire where they are established in business.

Does Waste Management pa-

yonize any of our financial institutions for any of their equipment needs? Lueders and Moxey Sanitation Services do.

Wake up, people of Wayne!

When our city employees start using Waste Management Services, it is kind of like a dog biting the hand that feeds him. Just food for thought.

Lee Youngmeyer, Wayne

Sara Kinney selected for U.S. Air Force

U.S. Senator Chuck Hagel has selected Sara Kinney of Wayne as an appointee to the United States Air Force Academy.

The appointees were judged on high school transcripts, academic achievement, ACT/SAT scores, extra-curricular and community activities and an autobiographical essay. The applicants were required to meet with one of three regional academy selection committees in Nebraska. Each committee had nine members that asked each applicant the same pre-approved questions. The committees judged the applicants on career motivation, self-assurance and leadership.

The selection committees were formed by Hagel and included educators, journalists, business leaders, farmers, professionals, veterans and a cross-section of community leaders.

The four academies will make their selections for the class of 2002 from these appointees.

"I am proud to announce these academy appointees from Nebraska. These outstanding young people will be our nation's leaders in the 21st century," said Hagel. Kinney attends Wayne High School and is the daughter of Vaughn and Jean Kinney.

The Wayne Herald advertisement including address, contact info, and subscription rates.

Something needs to change in Clinton's plan

Dear Editor:

Clinton has done it again only, this time Congress is helping him.

In August, Congress and the President passed a law to ration health care for everyone over age 64. This new law goes into effect Jan. 1, 1998.

The law in effect says you can not use personal funds to pay for your health care if you are eligible for Medicare. In other words, if Medicare says they won't pay for a medical need you have, you can't have it, even if you want to pay for it personally and even if you need it to save you life.

President Clinton insisted that a section be added to the recent federal budget law that prevents doctors from accepting any form of private payment from anyone

over 64 years of age.

The government did this by adding a portion in the recent federal Budget that prevents doctors from treating any Medicare patient for 100 years if they accept private payment from anyone over 64.

Almost All doctors treat Medicare patients.

Clinton is doing in parts what he could not get Congress to do in 1994. All by his Clinton is forcing socialist medicine which always includes rationing on Americans.

Every person who doesn't want the federal government to have total control over every action and decision that their doctor makes on their behalf must quickly take action.

If people don't quickly unite to

fight this outrageous law it will stay the law of the land and for the rest of your life, government bureaucrats will hold your life in their hands!

Call the White House at (202) 456-1111 or write House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20506.

Call members of Congress at (202) 224-1121 or write your Senators at U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510 and your Representative at U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Also, you can call USA toll-free at 1-800-887-3873 if you want to be more involved in the grassroots mobilization efforts.

Kathy Peter O'Neill

# Leola News

Blaine Hansen  
402-887-8848

**ATTEND FUNERAL**  
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Nelson attended the funeral services of Ruby Prauner of Norfolk on Dec. 24 at Cross Lutheran Church in Norfolk.

**HOLIDAY GUESTS**  
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Nelson and Tiffany Glover, Courtney and Hope, were Christmas Eve guests in the Lil Tidrow home.

Christmas Day supper guests in the Albert Nelson home were Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Nelson and family, Craig Nelson, Lil Tidrow, Tiffany Glover and girl, and Mr. and Mrs. Gary McNeil and family of Holdrege who were also overnight guests. The third birthday of Brooke McNeil was also celebrated on Christmas night.

Gertrude Ohlquist and Mary Alice Utech joined guests for supper Christmas Day in the Lila Barber home.

Andrew Glover of Sioux City visited in the Albert Nelson home on Dec. 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hansen, Robbie and Nicholas of Fort Scott, Kan., spent the holidays in the Leola Hansen home. Joining them for Christmas Eve in the Hansen home were Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hansen and Brad, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baker, Twila Baker of Tigard, Ore., Phyllis Rhodes of Orlanah, Fla., Marce Muller of Tecumseh, Mo. and Mrs. Cliff Baker and Leola Baker.

Christmas Day supper guests in the Leola Hansen home were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hansen and family of Fort Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hansen and Brad, Marce Muller of Tecumseh and Leola Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baker and Twila Baker of Tigard, Ore., joined relatives in the Bill Baker home in Norfolk on Christmas Day. They visited in the Cliff Baker home on Dec. 28. Twila spent the holidays in the Kenneth Baker home and with other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baker and Twila Baker of Tigard, Ore., visited in the Evelyn Hoeman home in Winslow on Dec. 27 and visited with Evelyn's family.

Christmas Eve supper guests in the Bob Hansen home were Mr. and Mrs. Kerby Dowling and family of Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hansen and family, Rex Hansen and children, Jean Ferndick and children and Arnold Brudigan.

Christmas Day dinner guests in the Bob Hansen home were LeVell Baker of Omaha and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hartz of Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Schweigert of Lincoln spent the weekend in the Bob Hansen home. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Howard of Seattle, Wash., also visited in the Hansen home. On Dec. 28 Gertrude Ohlquist and Arnold Brudigan joined the Schweigerts for dinner in the Hansen home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Grove attended the Pender Elementary School program on Dec. 22 and were guests in the Roger Leonard home.

Christmas Eve guests in the Bill Grove home were Mr. and Mrs. Roger Leonard and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wes Grove and Joel, and Mr. and Mrs. Rod Gilliland and Ashley.

Christmas Day dinner guests in the Bill Grove home were Mr. and Mrs. Morley Thompson, Marilyn Spath, Mr. and Mrs. Wes Grove and Joel, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Leonard and family, Mr. and Mrs. Morley Grove, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Grayson of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth

Thomson, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thomson of Sturgis and Amy Thomson of Norfolk, joining them in the afternoon were Mrs. Kim Prauner and girls of Prairie Village, Kan., and Mr. and Mrs. Rod Gilliland and Ashley.

Guests in the Bill Grove home on Dec. 28 were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bartels, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Ronipies of Pierce, Carol Grove and Lyla Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Krusemark hosted Christmas dinner on Dec. 28 with thirty family members present. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Krusemark and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stuart, Megan and Sarah, all of Omaha, were the 27 overnight guests.

Don Sammelson, Eric and Casey of Grand Island were weekend guests in the Arvid Jonsson home. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gaten Sammelson and Blarina joined them on Dec. 27, and were supper guests.

Guests in the Cliff Baker home on Dec. 27 were Phyllis Rhodes of Orlanah, Fla., Marce Muller of Tecumseh, Mo. and Leola Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Kat, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Kat, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Kat and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Shawn Kat and family were Christmas Eve guests in the Marvin Baker home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Kat attended the wedding of Jennifer Steinhoff and Robert Richardson in Greenwood Iowa on Dec. 27.

Family in the Clark Kat home were Terry Kat, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Kat and family, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Kat and family and Mr. and Mrs. Shawn Kat and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Steinhoff of Valida, Colo., were guests in the Clark Kat home on Dec. 29.

# Concord News

Evelina Johnson  
402-884-2495

**CHRISTMAS SUPPER**  
A family Christmas supper was held in the Jim and Doris Nelson home on Dec. 30.

Guests were James Worskemper and family of Norfolk, Kevin Diederik and family of Dakota City, Tom and LaRee Harmon and Brock of Lincoln, Todd Nelson and family, and Dan Nelson of Laurel.

The Worskemper family and Dan Harmon were overnight guests joining them for Sunday dinner were Evelina Johnson, Todd Nelson's, and Dan Nelson's family and sister Johnson. They were in the evening to help Jim Nelson celebrate his 65th birthday.

**CHRISTMAS VISITORS**  
Bruce and Vicki Johnson, Joel and Joyce of Moorhead, Minn., spent a few days during Christmas week in the Evelyn Johnson home.

The Johnson/Swanson Christmas was held at Evelyn Johnson's home. Guests were Ernest and Lyla Swanson, Reggy Swanson and family from Tecumseh, Tom Swanson and family of Overland Park, Mo., Steve Schultz and family of Newport Bluffs, Doug Krie's family, Brent Johnson's family of Concord, Don Hoeske's family, Kay Eide, Helma Mullback of Huntington, Reggy Swanson's and Tom Swanson's spent a few days during Christmas week in the Evelyn Johnson home.

Bruce and Vicki Johnson, Joel and Joyce of Moorhead visited Evelina Johnson on Dec. 22.

Nearly 60 family members gathered at Evelina Johnson's home on Dec. 21 for their annual Christmas Eve Supper. The guests came from

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Concord, Mo., Hugo City, Harlingen, Laurel, Washburn, Wayne, Dakota City, Allen, and Concord. Greetings from sons in California and Missouri came by mail and by phone.

Christmas Day dinner guests in the Marlen and Lyle Johnson home were Pearson families: Dean and Nava Pearson, Cindy and Craig of Phenixia, Art, Verdel and Alysie Erwin, Brad Travis, Rex Rastels of Council, Jerry and Lori Erbenkamp, Dwight and Pam Anderson and Beards of Wayne, Eugene and Marga Rastels of Council Bluffs and Terry Johnson and

family of Columbia, Mo., Leona and Wanda Johnson of Hugo City. Several of the guests were Clarence Pearson of the Wayne Hospital in St. Louis. At 10:00 p.m. on Dec. 21, Mr. and Mrs. Arlyn Carlson attended the wedding of Angela Nelson and Raymond Birds at Cooper, Wyo., on Dec. 20. They were overnight guests of Don Pearson's at Evansville, Wyo. They returned home on Dec. 21.

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**  
The Concord/Dixon Senior Citizen Potluck dinner will be held on Jan. 7 at noon at the Senior Center in Concord.

**Briefly Speaking**  
**Ivy Junck hosts Happy Workers Club**  
CARROLL - The Happy Workers Club of Carroll met Dec. 17 with Ivy Junck as hostess. All members were present. Ten-point pitch was played with prizes going to Leslie Jenkins, Phyllis Frahm and Gladys Rohde. The January meeting will be at the home of Evelyn Hall.

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# Poster contest being planned

A statewide poster contest will bring awareness to pet overpopulation and animal abuse, a University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension youth specialist said.

Headline for the second Mickie Bush Neuter/Spay poster contest is Jan. 15, said Janet Loe. The contest is open to kindergarten through grade 12 students.

Winning posters will be displayed at the Nebraska State Office Building during February, which is Neuter/Spay Awareness month. Spay Day USA is Feb. 28.

Contest coordinator Annette Hall, a representative of the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA), said youth can educate the public about pet overpopulation and the contest is a beginning step toward increasing empathy for animals. Posters will be judged on accuracy

as well as message relevance. Posters are to be submitted on unfolded 12 by 18-inch paper to: Leona Mauer Neuter/Spay Poster Contest, P.O. Box 24657, Nebraska State Office Building, Lincoln, Neb. 68509. Group entries may be submitted together. Winning boards valued at \$100, \$50 and \$25 will be awarded in each of two categories: kindergarten through sixth grade and 7th through 12th grades.

For more information, contact the Mickie Bush Neuter/Spay Fundational at (402) 488-2864. The contest is sponsored by the Mickie Bush Neuter/Spay Fundational in partnership with Lincoln Animal Control, 411 American Ave., Lincoln; AVMA and Cooperative Extension, Inc., P.O. Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

# Hoskins News

Mrs. Hilda Thomas  
402-606-4669

**COMUNITY CALENDAR**  
Thursday, Jan. 8, Zion Lutheran Ladies Aid (WMA) 7 p.m.

**Committee formed to plan centennial**  
The Hoskins Centennial Committee met recently. Among topics discussed was how to get the community more involved in planning for the centennial. A tentative date of Sunday, Feb. 15 was set for a community fund-raising event. The group also decided to hold monthly meetings on the first Monday of each month. The next meeting will be held Monday, Jan. 25 at The Tregal Shopping at 7 p.m.

**HOSPITAL WORKERS**  
Nurses, Langenberg and Loe, State are the scheduled hospital workers for Thursday, Jan. 8. Lofanaye Langenberg and Loe, Langenberg are the scheduled hospital workers for Saturday, Jan. 10.

# Wakefield News

Mrs. Walter Hale  
402-287-2728

**BLOOD BANK**  
The Springfield Blood Bank is scheduled to visit Wakefield twice in January.

It will be at the K.C. Wallbaum Co. on Monday, Jan. 5 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. to accept donations from employees only.

The Blood Bank will return on Wednesday, Jan. 7 to accept donations from the community. Blood Bank personnel will be at the Legion Hall from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**HOME LIGHTING AWARDS**  
The home decorating efforts of Kirk and Mary Ann Byrne earned the first place prize of 50 Wakefield Dollars in the Christmas Lighting Contest. They live at 306 Johnson Street.

The other two winners were at the other end of Winter Street in the new addition at 1094 Winter, the home of Don and Pat Paulson was chosen for second place.

Donna and Michelle Nelson at the corner of Third and Winter Streets were third place winners. The couples also received Wakefield Dollars in the amounts of 25 and 15, respectively.

**DRAWING WINNERS**  
Winners in the Wakefield Community Club drawing were Jan Schut, \$12, Cass Lundin, \$11, Eph Johnson, \$10, Kathy Schmeider, \$10, Nancy Froelichson, \$23, Marvin Paulson, \$10, Maucha Johnson, \$20, Becky Swanson, \$7,

Gary Cummings, \$11, Gloria Oborg, \$23, Jeanne Odery, \$12, Vivian Davis, \$8, Maggie Johnson, \$9, Betty Miner, \$12, Vivian Olson, \$20, Ruth Peters, \$20, Julie Dales, \$25, Melva Kraemer, \$14, Vivian Dayle, \$6, Marilyn Paulson, \$18 and Margaret Kay, \$41.

Winners of Orion Bookkeeping were Betty Bixler, \$25 and Marvin Paulson, \$25. Betty Miller won 25 Wakefield Dollars from the Wakefield Community Foundation.

Maucha (Allan) Keagle and Young Leiske each were 25 winners from the Nebraska State Bank. Winners from Anderson Five Value were Sheldon Bakk who won the Super-Extraz Christmas Shopping and a sled was presented to John Olmka and Kelly Ruffineller.

Katie Beiss was the winner of a bike in a drawing sponsored by the Fair Store and Marilyn Spath received a Christmas stocking full to give away.

Timothy Mottel was the winner of the child's furniture set donated by the Fellowship Club at the Wakefield School.

Maucha Johnson received an additional \$10 as one of her counting registration slips was signed at the Republic Office.

**DINNER GUESTS**  
Walter and Dorothy Hale were Christmas dinner guests in the Merrill Hale home in Smithtown City.

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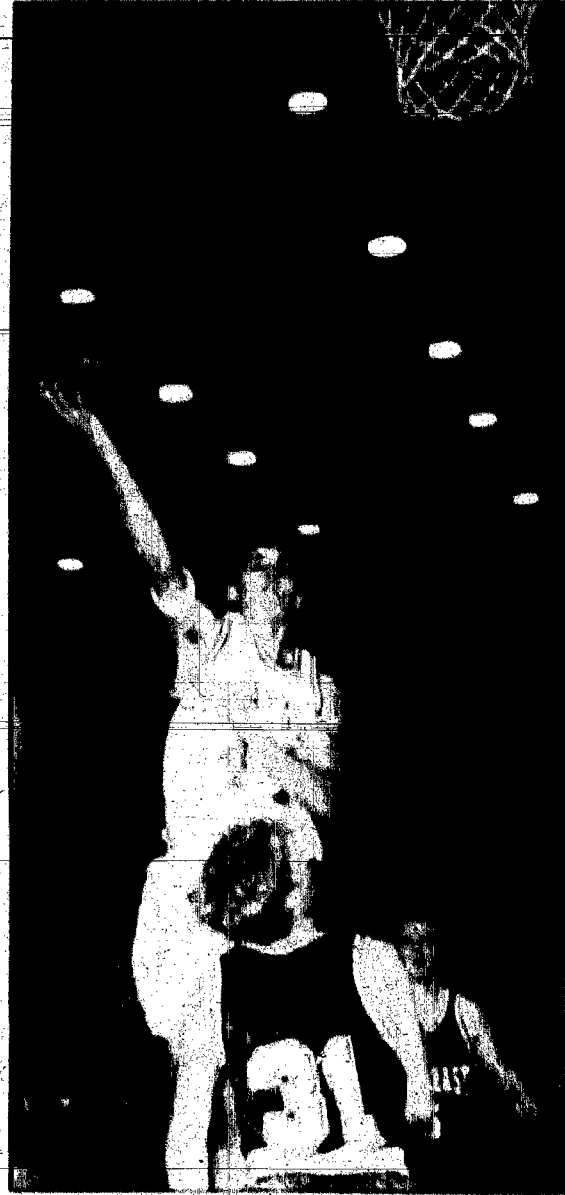
# Sports

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## Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout

# Area teams go 1-5 on day one



Wayne's Justin Thiede finger rolls a shot off the glass during the Blue Devils' 70-point win over Lyons Decatur Northeast. The Wayne center poured in a game-high 26 points.



Wayne freshman point guard Minnie Novak penetrates two Lyons Decatur Northeast defenders before dishes off to an open player during action, Monday night.

The Annual Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout got underway on Monday at Wayne State College with eight games.

Due to deadlines and the Jan. 1 Holiday, the Wayne Herald was only able to get the first day's results in this week's paper with second and third day results appearing in next week's edition.

Only one of the Wayne Herald's area teams was victorious on Monday in its contests.

Bucky Ruhl's Wayne boys won a 72-52 decision over Lyons Decatur Northeast in the final game of the day.

The Blue Devils used a 16-0 run in the first quarter after leading by a 6-5 margin to surge ahead of the Cougars for good.

Wayne led 23-8 after the first quarter and 41-25 at the intermission.

Justin Thiede paced the winners with 26 points while John Magnuson poured in a career-high 17 points including a pair of 3-pointers.

Ryan Dahl followed with nine points, with Matt Meyer, Khron Keller and Chris Tyler scoring five each. Eric Mun and Ryan Mollenberg rounded out the attack with three and two points, respectively.

Thiede and Magnuson also led Wayne on the boards as each hauled down six rebounds.

THE WAYNE GIRLS were led by Lyons Decatur Northeast, 42-40 in a closely knit game throughout.

The Blue Devils led 15-10 after one quarter of play and 20-19 at the intermission. The game was still a one-point ball after three quarters of play at 31-30 in favor of Wayne.

The winning basket came with 1:11 remaining in regulation from Kristina Kemp. Wayne had a chance to tie the game in the final seconds but Heidi Johnson's shot with six seconds remaining missed in and out.

Molly Foster led all scorers with 15 points while Johnson added nine and Taylor 10. Liz Breake Parker added five points and Erica Haveling scored four while Jenni Hylton's rebound led the attack with a free throw.

IN THE TOURNAMENT opener, Wakefield's girls were defeated by

Norfolk Catholic, 19-16.

Wakefield had a chance to tie the game late, but Erin Salomon's 3-pointer with 11 seconds remaining drew them.

The trojans got a 19-point performance from Maggie Brownell which was game high. The two teams had identical scoring periods in all but the third when Norfolk Catholic out-scored Wakefield, 4-11.

Susan Brudigan added eight points for the trojans with Kristin Preston scoring five. Jenny Sandahl and Jennifer Simpson each added two.

Freshman Shannon Puskeman led Norfolk Catholic with 11 points while Katie Merchant scored six.

THE WAKEFIELD BOYS were blasted by 40 points by Norfolk Catholic, 40-40.

The trojans fell behind 21-11 after the first quarter and things did not improve from there with Mike Clay steady trailing 40-21 at the half and 68-15 after three quarters.

Aaron Kallhoff led all scorers with 20 points to lead the knights. He also hauled down nine rebounds, dished out eight assists and recorded four steals. Dusty Kueber poured in 14 points and Paul Hughes added 10 to go along with six assists.

Bill Hansen tossed in 18 points to lead the trojans while Ross Gardner added eight and Jim Busk, six. Eric White and Heath Klein tallied five points each and Kevin Johnson added four with Austin Brown and Josh Hight each adding one.

BOTH THE LAUREL CATHOLIC girls and boys suffered first round losses to Stanton as the girls fell by a 52-15 margin while Clayton Steele's boys team put a heart-breaking 51-40 contest.

The Early Bears fell behind 13-9 after one quarter of play and trailed 40-20 at the half before being out scored 25-13 in the second half.

We came out flat offensively and defensively," coach Steve Kofanda said. "We need to come out aggressive and play with emotion for 32 minutes of every game."

Wesley Travis poured in a game-

high 22 points with Laurie Schroeder adding five and Amber Thompson four. Melissa Thompson

and Ken Stewart each added two.

Schroeder hauled down seven rebounds to lead Laurel and the Bears.

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Wakefield senior Kristin Preston is intent on getting to the hoop as she drives around a Norfolk Catholic defender. The trojans fell to the knights, 19-16.



It was a scramble for positioning for this rebound between Wakefield and Norfolk Catholic on Monday morning. Heath Klein and Jim Busk battle for the trojans.

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# Team

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Missed all four free throw attempts. The Laurel boys fall victim to Ted hot shooting by Stanton's Jason Dooliver in the final eight minutes as the Bears were out scored 21-7 down the stretch to fall by three points, 51-48.

Dooliver scored 15 of his 23 points in the final stanza including 11 straight with a run of three, 3 pointers and a short jumper.

Laurel led 13-6 after one quarter of play but trailed 22-19 at the half. The Bears went on a 14-0 run toward the end of the third quarter and into the beginning of the fourth quarter to lead, 40-31 before Stanton rallied.

Nick Kvols led the Bears with 20 points while Andy Ross and Wyatt Fessenden scored nine each. Chad Jorgensen and Nathan Beckman each netted four points and Eric Smith added two.

THE FINAL TWO CONTESTS not mentioned was Hartington Cedar Catholic's victory over Madison.

Tragedy struck Cedar Catholic's teams late last week when Eric McLaughlin, a junior on Bob Geary's boys team was killed in an automobile accident.

The Trojans showed tremendous courage in their performance after

attending their classmates and teammates' funeral, Monday morning.

In a show of complete sportsmanship and kindness, Madison offered to forfeit the girls and boys contest to Cedar Catholic to give the Trojans the day off.

Cedar Catholic officials showed appreciation for the gesture but decided to play the contests.

The Trojans girls team under the direction of Joe Schneider won, 42-14, while Geary's boys captured a 49-42 decision.

In the girls game the Trojans overcame a 17-15 deficit at the half with a 27-17 scoring run over the final two quarters of play.

Fernando Hochstein pointed in 24 points to pace the winners while Joe Givens added seven and Bridget Ayres, 10.

Amanda Sanderbaum led Madison with 16 points.

The Cedar boys overcame a 26-18 halftime deficit to post the seven point win.

Cedar out scored Madison, 31-16 in the second half led by freshman Matt James and Neil Woffmann who combined for 22 points to lead the winners. Monte Zambek also added 10 points.

Brad Wolverton led Madison with 11 points while Ross Ramsey had nine.



Wakefield's Maggie Brownell drives to the hoop during the Lady Trojans contest with Norfolk Catholic.



Laurel Concord senior Nick Kvols shoots over an Stanton defender for two of his team high 20 points during the Bears first round game, Monday afternoon.



Wayne's Heidi Johnson drives to the hoop during her nine points during the first round of the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout. The Blue Devils were defeated by Lyons Decatur Northeast in first round action, 42-40.

# Youth Rec results

The Wayne 8th and 6th grade girls and boys recreation league continued last week. The following results from two weeks of play are in turn, ends the season.

## BOYS PLAY:

White, 45 - Navy, 37  
White: C. Nissen, 18, J. Paulian, 12, W. Javel, 8, J. Nelson, 7, Navy: A. Jorgensen, 18, J. Jelds, 7, K. Riggs, 4, T. Knigman, 4, J. Tamme, 2, J. Rowe, 2.

Red, 22 - Maroon, 21  
Red: E. Bertie, 8, N. Tamme, 8, A. Wieland, 2, J. Johnson, 2, B. Fessend, 2, Maroon: H. Dickel, 12, A. Leightly, 6, M. Nelson, 3, L. Grove, 2.

Royal, 56 - Black, 17  
Royal: C. Gavitt, 22, R. Hix, 16, A. Munter, 12, J. Rasmussen, 8, C. Stuber, 2, Black: A. Weinbach, 8, B. Muelok, 2, H. West, 2, A. Leightly, 2, H. Hickey, 2.

Team 2, 44 - Team 4, 29  
Team 2: C. Carvin, 10, R. Hix, 6, J. Rasmussen, 4, A. Munter, 2, C. Stuber, 2, Team 4: J. Stares, 10, B. Fessend, 8, D. Bertie, 8, A. Wieland, 2, H. Tamme, 1.

Team 3, 11 - Team one, 24  
Team 3: C. Nissen, 16, J. Paulian, 12, S. Peterson, 2, W. Javel, 2, J. Nelson, 1, One: A. Leightly, 9, H. Dickel, 8, M. Nelson, 4, D. Hoffeld, 2.

Team 5, 18 - Team 6, 22  
Five: A. Jorgensen, 16, J. Jelds, 8, D. Milderer, 4, T. Knigman, 4, K.

Triggs, 4; J. Tamme, 2. Six: A. Steinbach, 16; B. Koll, 4; J. Nelson, 3; B. Muelok, 2.

## GIRLS PLAY:

Navy, 26 - White, 17  
Navy: C. Sturm, 8, M. Hill, 8, J. Johnson, 4, S. Hoernan, 4, D. Jensen, 2, White: A. Carroll, 8, A. Kemp, 5, K. Hochstein, 4, S. Hank, 2.

Maroon, 29 - Red, 27 OT  
Maroon: M. Weber, 10; S. Stauffer, 6; L. Pickingough, 4; A. Adkison, 4; S. Meyer, 1; K. Kothok, 2; Red: J. Ravelling, 18; J. Backstrom, 5; J. Gagner, 2; K. Langerfeld, 2.

Royal, 36 - Black, 23  
Royal: A. Hansen, 22, M. Brader, 6, M. Ronney, 4, D. Karleil, 2, B. Jensen, 2, Black: J. Wardenian, 15; S. Hoernan, 6; J. Backstrom, 2.

Team 4, 30 - Team 2, 38  
Four: M. Boehle, 20, J. Ravelling, 8, S. King, 2, Two: A. Hansen, 6, R. Jensen, 6, D. Karleil, 5, S. Jensen, 5, K. Duray, 4, M. Brader, 2.

Team 1, 17 - Team 1, 25  
Three: K. Hochstein, 12, A. Kemp, 8, A. Carroll, 6, H. Owens, 4, S. Hank, 2, One: R. Kothok, 5, L. Pickingough, 6, M. Weber, 4, S. Meyer, 2, K. Olson, 2, C. Sturm, 2.

Team 6, 26 - Team 3, 19  
Six: J. Backstrom, 12, J. Wardenian, 6, M. Jensen, 2, C. Brader, 2, J. Tamme, 2, K. Pickingough, 2, Five: J. Hansen, 6, D. Jensen, 5, M. Hill, 4, C. Sturm, 2, S. Hoernan, 2.

# WSC cagers lose to San Francisco

The Wayne State men's basketball team was surprised by San Francisco State University Monday night in California, 58-57.

Greg McDevitt's team fell to 8-4 for the season. The Cats of WSC had a 54-50 lead with a minute remaining in regulation.

WSC's Dallas Moller hit a short jumper to cut the gap to two points before Eric Henderson pulled the lead back to four at 58-54.

Tyler Johnson hit a long 3-pointer to make it a 58-57 lead but WSC never got the ball back for a last second shot.

The game was tied at 28 at the half but WSC had dominating points from scoring in the past nine of 13 field goal attempts from the floor.

The Cats would connect on four 3-pointers for the contest, in 20 attempts.

Abdler led WSC with 19 points while Johnson added 11 and Greg Moller, 10.

WSC won the battle of the

boards, 46-38 as Eric Henderson handed down a game-high 18 rebounds with Jon Dooliver grabbing seven rebounds and Tyler Johnson, 18.

WSC however, committed 18 turnovers in the contest compared to 12 by the host team.

The Cats will return home to host Northwest State at Minnetonka on Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m.

## WSC, 57 - SF 58

WSC: Dallas Moller, 19, Tyler Johnson, 11, Greg Moller, 10, Jon Dooliver, 8, Eric Henderson, 5, Tony Ostergren, 2, Jayce Hartlake, 2, Pts: 20-61 15%, Fty: 11-20 55%, TEAM RECORD: 8-4

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All funds for the scholarship program come from the annual Ab-Sar-Ben Coronation Ball. Eight additional scholarships will be awarded this year.

To members of The American Legion, Irwin L. Sears, Post #43, many thanks for your patience while I slowly got your renewal cards processed. Now that I'm caught up, I ask each "not renewed" for 1998 to mail in your renewal by Jan. 14. Your 1997 membership expires Dec. 31, 1997.  
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The scholarship is a \$4,000 annual award for four consecutive years of full-time study subject to annual review by Ab-Sar-Ben.

For more information contact Jean Chaplin, Knights of Ab-Sar-Ben, Omaha, Neb., at (402) 554-9608.

## Boy Scouts will meet on Jan. 5

Boy Scout Troop 174 invites interested fifth and sixth graders to an introductory meeting on Jan. 5 at 7 p.m. at the Savior Center of the Our Savior Lutheran Church.

The troop will explain the different summer camps available to Scouts and for interested newcomers will discuss what it means to be a Boy Scout.

Scouting is a program open to all boys who are interested in learning skills and doing what they learn to help the community.

The troop welcomes new members. Parents of all units and prospective units are invited to the meeting. Refreshments will be served.

For 40-year-old Lesa Jensen of Wakefield, walking across the stage at Rice Auditorium on the Wayne State College campus to receive her bachelors degree marked the end of a 20-year journey.

She began her college studies in 1978, taking one or two classes per semester. Jensen completed her journey when she received her bachelors of business degree during WSC's Winter Commencement.

The winter commencement was held on Dec. 19 at the Northwest Nebraska regional public college. One fourth of the graduates in the fall semester from Wayne State college were non-traditional students, or lifelong learners.

Lifelong learners, or students who return to college after being out of school for awhile, are increasing in number nationally.

Generally, these students are over 25 years old, are raising a family and have been in the work force for several years. At Wayne State, they have been an integral part of the student body for some time.

Jensen is one of 41 students who received bachelors degrees and are over 25 years of age. In all, 171 bachelors degrees were conferred during the WSC commencement ceremony.

For Jensen the journey to graduation took her just a little longer than

most students take to complete their degree.

"I guess you could say I am a lifelong learner," said Jensen, who began her course work about the time many of their graduating classmates were toddlers. "I have always felt education was important and getting a degree has always been a goal of mine."

Mash said that returning learners are a key element to the future success of Nebraska.

"We talk about brain drain in Nebraska, but they say the only phenomenon affecting us. We should also be concerned about brain waste, a situation where bright adults, who are capable of



Wayne State College students received their degrees at winter commencement on Dec. 19. The number of bachelors degrees conferred was 171 with 41 students being over the age of 25.

bring more through education don't have access to education for a variety of reasons related to geography and circumstances.

one a key aspect of the college's work to fulfill its role and mission as a regional public college.

Jensen, who works as the vice president and dean of students office at WSC, says she will be the first to return her family to receive a

four year college degree, something she puts great stock in.

"I think that Texas is a nice indication of our experiences with returning learners. The puppies work family time responsibilities and study as a matter of course. Her efforts are not without sacrifice but she determined early that graduation was her goal and stuck to her plan," said Mash, vice president and dean of students at WSC. Mash is also Lesa's supervisor.

As her supervisor, Mash appreciates what the learners do to help work setting. Additionally, she has a positive rapport with students who frequent her office because she can empathize with their classroom experiences," he said.

She also said that the faculty and staff at Wayne State have been a major part of her success. "I have had wonderful instructors over the years. They have all been helpful and available," Jensen said.

Jensen said she should encourage anyone who has been thinking about finishing their degree to do so.

"It's a balancing act between work, family and school, but it is well worth it," Jensen said.

"I know that if you asked Lesa about the length of time she took to finish her program she would respond, 'That's not the issue. The degree is the issue,'" Mash said.

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# Rural Power Districts to merge

# Winside News

Of local interest on the agenda of the Nebraska Power Review Board's (NPRB) regular monthly meeting held on Dec. 19 in Lincoln, was the discussion and vote on the joint consolidation/merger application of Northeast Nebraska Rural Public Power District (NNRPD) in Emerson and Wayne County Public Power District in Wayne to form Northeast Nebraska Public Power District (NNPPD).

A hearing on the consolidation application was held during the Nov. 14 meeting of the NPRB. Because not all of the board members were present for the hearing, the discussion and vote on the application was carried over to the Dec. 19 meeting to allow review of the material and testimony presented at the Nov. 14 meeting. No one testified in opposition to the consolidation at the hearing.

At the Dec. 19 meeting, a motion was made by NPRB member Ray

Mejick of Columbus authorizing NNPPD Executive Director, Gary Gustafson, to issue an order which would authorize the consolidation/merger of NNRPD and Wayne County Public Power District into NNPPD effective Jan. 1, 1998, and that all current service areas of each district in rural Dakota, Elston, Pierce, Thurston and Wayne counties, including the villages of Carroll and Thurston be assigned to the newly created district.

Following discussion of the motion and issues addressed and presented during the hearing process, the NPRB voted unanimously in favor of the motion granting the consolidation effective Jan. 1, 1998.

According to Edward "Sam" Schroeder, manager of both rural electric districts for the past three years, the consolidation will provide

benefits to the combined 5,600 customers in cost savings, projected to be in excess of \$2,500,000 over a nine year study period.

In addition, it is expected that by combining the availability of specialized equipment and skills of highly trained personnel, customer access to utility specific services will be enhanced.

The general office and customer service center of the newly formed NNPPD will be located in the current office of Wayne County Public Power District in Wayne.

The Emerson office of NNRPD will continue to be staffed by the same personnel to also provide customer service and will be the central processing location for monthly billings.

Maintenance and operation crews located in Wayne, Emerson, Thurston and Pierce will continue with no change.

The NNPPD tentatively scheduled to hold an organizational meeting of directors and officers on Tuesday, Jan. 27, 1998, in Wayne. The current directors from each district will continue to serve as directors of the new district until their present terms expire. The board of directors is responsible for the setting of policy, rates and budgets and oversight of monthly financial and operating statement and conditions.

Current directors include: Northeast Nebraska Rural P.P. District: Verlyn Rostler, Emerson, Sy Enright, Newcastle; Paul Brubak, Emerson; Tom Gustafson, Wakefield; Lowell Siskley, Jackson; Omer Jorkins, Homer.

Wayne County P.P. District: Willis Mayes, Wayne; George Jaeger, Wakefield; Vernon Carstensen, Dunsmuir; Donald R. Larsen, Wayne; Dan Leberg, Carroll; Kirk Weyfel, Dunsmuir.

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**FINOCNLE**  
Marjyn Nelson hosted the Dec. 19 C.T. Pinovide Club with prizes going to Henrietta Jensen and Marjyn Nelson.

The next meeting will be Jan. 2 at Henrietta Jensen's.

**NO NAME KARD KLUB**  
Dale and Ruth Jaeger of Pierce hosted a Christmas cooperative supper on Dec. 20 for the No Name Kard Klub.

Cards were played with prizes going to Bob and Lynne Wacker, Erna Jaeger and LeNeil Schwedler.

The next meeting will be on Jan. 17 at Mike and LeNeil Schwedler's.

**OLD SETTLERS**  
A meeting of the Wayne County Old Settlers Committee will meet Jan. 8 at the Winside Firehall at 7 p.m.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

**SIX SISTERS MEETING**  
Members of the Winside Area Six Sisters will meet in the Winside Firehall on Jan. 8 at 8 p.m.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

**SCHOOL CALENDAR**  
Saturday, Jan. 3: Little Kids Basketball, 11 a.m.-noon.  
Monday, Jan. 5: ACT Registration Deadline; Second Semester Begins.  
Tuesday, Jan. 6: Basketball at Wakefield, 8 girls at 5 p.m.; V-girls at 6:15 p.m.; V-boys at 8 p.m.  
Wednesday, Jan. 7: Adult Education Computer Class, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.  
Thursday, Jan. 8: Girls Basketball here, Beemer, 6:15 and 8 p.m.  
Friday, Jan. 9: Boys Basketball at Beemer, 6:15 and 8 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 10: Boys JV Basketball tourney at Allen, to be announced. Winside Wrestling Tourney, 10 a.m.

## Beef Council plans meeting

The first Nebraska Beef Council Board of Directors meeting of 1998 is scheduled for Jan. 7.

The meeting will be held at the Nebraska Beef Council office, which is located at 1319 Central Avenue in Kearney.

The meeting will begin at 1 p.m. on Jan. 7 with adjournment anticipated for noon on Jan. 8. The public is invited to attend.



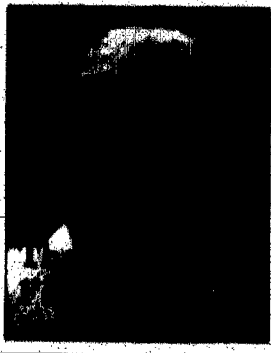
The Board of Directors will meet officers for 1998, review annual reports and consider several funding requests for the promotion of beef.

The Nebraska Beef Council is a non-profit organization served by a nine-member Board of Directors. These voluntary directors represent Nebraska's beef checkoff and the 60 off-farm beef producers. Programs for marketing and promotion of beef are funded by the \$1 beef checkoff.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please call the Nebraska Beef Council at 1-800-441-5326.

# Thoughts on Tom Osborne's career

It's Sunday evening and the Big Farmer and I are watching the sports wrap for the week. It's a rerun of the atrocious events of the week, with lots of flash backs. When T.O. gets tearful, I do, too. I didn't think his resignation as head coach would be a national day of mourning, but it has given me pause. As a friend told me last night, "For a man who never wanted to be a coach, he certainly has affected many lives."



The status, after thought, his book, got halfway through and couldn't even finish it. I did finish it. I find this point, thoughtful man fascinating. For the third time this week, I saw Tom become tearful as he hugged his wife. I concluded that Tom must be a saint. When he described his work week, I stood silent. And these lines continued for a very long time that those folks who idolize their hero from their hearts.

One fellow at our table on Saturday told a different version of

the telephone joke. The high school football recruit started Colorado and saw a gold phone on Coach Osborne's desk. He was told it had a direct line to heaven. He asked if he could call heaven. He was told that he could, but

that it could cost him \$50. Well, he did not have the money, so he didn't call.

The next week, he was visiting Penn State. There was a gold phone on Coach Paterno's desk, too. Same conversation, same charge. Again, he decided not to call heaven, \$50 was too big a spend on a phone call.

Obviously, calling the best for last, he finally came to Nebraska. Lu and Lebold, the same phone, got on Coach Osborne's desk. But this time, he was told the charge was only 25 cents. When he asked how it could be so low, they explained it was a local call.

Another story was floating around the office last week. Those NCAA coaches were on a plane that crashed and all were killed. They found themselves in front of God, sitting in a large chair. One by one, they were to approach the chair and tell who they were, what they had done, and what folks thought of them.

The first said, "Tom Bill Snyder. I've taken a team that was at the bottom and turned the program around. We won nine games consistently and got to Louisville. Kansas fans love me." God told him to stand at his left.

The second coach said, "Tom Steve Spurrier. I'm the coach of a very successful team. We were national champs last year and Florida fans think I'm great." God put him on his right.

The last coach, same forehead, "Tom Tom Osborne. I'm the current winningest coach around. I had back to back championships in 1994 and 1995. I've just had my 250th win, have been head coach for 25 years and the folks in Nebraska believe you are sitting on my chair!"

And as one good friend observed as I passed that story off to him, "Tom would never say that." I wish him well and thanks for the memories.

# Wayne-Carroll Schools JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Christian Vacation	2 Christian Vacation	3 Christian Vacation
4	5 (9) BR/CR HARL CC A 6:30 pm	6 S.B/BR Seward H 6:15 pm Varsity Tennis Only	7	8 BR Norfolk Catholic A 6:15 pm WR Creighton H 7:00 pm	9 6:30 Act. Rd. Pts. Due GB Pierce A 4:45 pm	10 WR Wisner Inv 10:00 am
11	12 (2)C/BR/WR Wisner A 6:30 pm School Bd Mtg 7:00 pm	13 C.B/BR Laurel H 4:00 pm	14 Financial Aid Workshop WVS Community 7:00 pm 4th Gr. Bazaar	15 MS Band Concert 11:15 WR So Moriah City A 6:30 pm 2nd Gr. Field Trip to WVS Planetarium	16 GB Norfolk Catholic H 6:15 pm BR Stanton A 6:15 pm End 2nd Qtr. (47) End 1st Semester (91)	17 9/10 Band Olympics 5:30 Moriah City 9/10 WR Bender Inv Barn WR Albion Inv 9:00 am
18 Knights of Columbus Free Home Comp - HV Gym - 1:00 pm	19 Staff Inservice 7:00 pm Dismissal 9:00 Laurel H 4:00 pm	20 GB Crofton A 5:00 pm (9)	21	22 Adviser/Advisee Session M.S. Choir Concert 7:30 pm LH WR Albion A 6:30 pm	23 BR Harrington CC A 6:15 pm Report Cards Sent Home	24 GB O'Neil H 1:15 pm WR Wisner 9/10 Inv 10:00 am
25	26	27 9BB-Norfolk H 4:00 pm BB-Wakefield A 6:15 pm GB-Tekamah H 6:00 pm	28	29 GB Harrington CC A 6:15 pm WR Ponca H 7:00 pm	30 BB West Point A 5 pm (9)	31 WR Albion Inv 10:00 am

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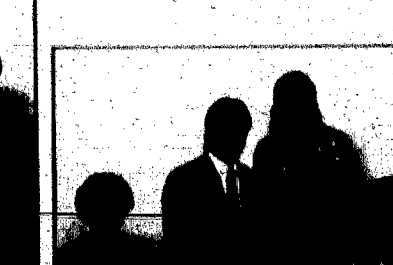
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