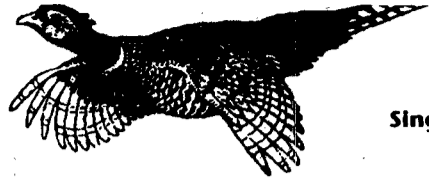


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A Quick Look



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Chamber coffee

WAYNE — This week's chamber coffee will be held Friday, Feb. 2 at St. Mary's Elementary School in honor of Catholic Schools Week. The coffee begins at 10 a.m. with announcements at 10:15.

Humane society

AREA — The Wayne Humane Society will meet Thursday, Feb. 8 at 7:30 p.m. at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Wayne.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend.

Story time

AREA — The Wayne Public Library will hold Winter Storytime on Saturday, Feb. 3 at 10:30 a.m. This week's theme is "Bedtime" and those attending are welcome to come in their pajamas and bring stuffed pets and blankets.

Activities and stories geared toward pre-school and early elementary age children will be held each Saturday morning through April 7.

For more information, contact Peggy Nelson, Children's Librarian at 375-3135.

Soup supper

AREA — The St. Mary's WINGS youth group will be sponsoring a soup supper on Saturday, Feb. 10 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Holy Family Hall in the church basement.

Chili, chicken noodle soup and vegetable soup will be served.

The event is open to the public and a free-will offering will be taken.

Proceeds from the event will go toward the group's ski trip and a retreat trip to Raeville.

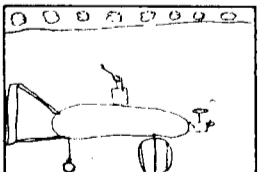
Car seats

AREA — The Wayne Kiwanis Club and First Presbyterian Church of Wayne have available free car seats for toddlers (from 20 to 40 pounds).

For more information or to get a car seat, go to the First Presbyterian Church (216 West Third Street) or call 375-2669.

Izaak Walton's

AREA — The Wayne Izaak Walton's will meet Monday, Feb. 5 at 7 p.m. in the fourth floor meeting room of the City Building. The membership drive will be the main topic of discussion.



Weather

Ryan Burbach, Carroll Elem.
FORECAST SUMMARY: Cold arctic air controls the weather for 36 hours. Warmer conditions return for the weekend.

Day:	Weather:	Wind:	*Range:
Thurs.	Dec. clouds	NW 20	10/13
Fri.	Cloudy	S 20	-4/25
Sat.	Light snow	NW 20	20/28
Sun.	Ptly sunny		16/26
Mon.	Ptly sunny		16/30

Wayne weather forecast is provided by K 3MEG

Date	High	Low	Precip	Snow
Jan. 25	17	0	.11"	1"
Jan. 26	30	3	—	—
Jan. 27	22	4	—	—
Jan. 28	31	10	—	—
Jan. 29	34	24	T	T
Jan. 30	29	26	.74	8"
Jan. 31	31	19	.01	T

Recorded 7 a.m. for previous 24 hour period
Precip./mo. — 1.29" Snow/mo. — 13"
Year/Date — 1.29" Snow/season — 30"

Council discusses activity center

Members of the Wayne City Council listened to a proposal on the site and type of building for the Community Activity Center during Tuesday's meeting.

Jeff Morlok of Otte Construction, project manager, told the council that the cost of the new facility would now be approximately \$4,212,000, up from the original estimate of \$3.7 million proposed by the Community Activity Center committee.

The additional revenue is necessary for two reasons — the first being additional costs for site preparation and approximately \$244,000 in building upgrades. The upgrade will make the center a YMCA type facility instead of using a metal sided building.

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Hazardous conditions

The weather in Wayne during the past week has left many longing for spring. More than eight inches of fluffy white snow fell on the area Monday and Tuesday, causing numerous cancellations and many vehicles, such as the one above, to become stuck. Road crews have been working around the clock to open roads and make travel possible. Drivers are urged to use caution when driving on area streets and highways, especially when following snow removal equipment.

Wayne Police department kept busy

Wayne Police Chief Lance Webster reports that the police department has been busy working with accidents. In December, officers investigated 28 accidents and have investigated 14 so far in January. There were two injury accidents in Wayne last week.

On Jan. 24, Beth Sperry, age 19 of Wayne and Mark Lewon, age 43 of Wayne were involved in an accident at 4th and Logan. Lewon's car was going north when he was struck by Sperry's car that was going east. Neither driver was injured.

On Jan. 25, shortly after 4 p.m.,

Sarah Heensacker, age 18 of Humphrey and Connie White, 42, of rural Wayne were involved in an accident in the 100 block of E 2nd Street. White was going west on 2nd Street when Heensacker backed out of a parking stall. A passenger in White's car was treated and released from Providence Medical Center (PMC).

On Jan. 26, Stephanie Irwin, age 19 of Wayne and Tiffanie Wade, age 27 of Centerville, SD, were involved in an accident at 7th and Windom Streets. Irwin was going south on Windom and was unable to stop at 7th Street due to icy conditions. She slid into Wade's westbound semi truck. Irwin was taken by ambulance to PMC where she was treated and released.

Some of the accidents have been weather related, due to poor visibility or icy street conditions but the majority have been caused by simple driver error.

"Drivers need to realize that their stopping distances on snow and ice are much longer so they need to drive a little slower and anticipate the actions of other drivers further in advance. People also need to clean the snow off of their cars, including headlights and taillights," Webster said. Snow and ice covering or obscuring the lights and windows can both reduce a drivers vision and reduce their visibility.

These are simple driving safety problems that people often don't think about that could lead to accidents.

Sheriff investigates accidents

On Jan. 27, a pickup driven by 64 year old Dwain Schuster of Norfolk, turned too short at the junction of Highways # 35 and # 98, eight miles west of Wayne and struck a pickup driven by 36-year-old John Thies of Winside who was turning east at the time. Moderate damage was done to each vehicle and there were no injuries in this accident.

On Jan. 29, at about 10:20 a.m., a car driven by 16-year-old Malissa Sievers of Norfolk, lost control on the icy and snowy roadway about six miles east of Hoskins on Highway # 35. Her car left the roadway at the west end of the curve, went down

an embankment and then into the field at that location. Sievers received cuts and bruises and was transported to Faith Regional Health Services in Norfolk by the Hoskins Rescue unit. She was treated and released for her injuries.

At about 2:40 p.m., a Ford Explorer utility vehicle driven by 20-year-old Roxanne Paulsen of Hoskins lost control on the icy and snowy roadway and went into the south ditch about seven and one-half miles west of Wayne on Highway # 35. No injuries were sustained in the accident. Both driver and passenger were wearing seat belts.



Pucker up!

Brendan Dorcey, a teacher at Wayne High School, was the "lucky" winner last week in a Kiss the Pig contest sponsored by the Wayne High School Future Business Leaders of America. Dorcey received the most money and was therefore allowed to kiss the pig owned by Tim Hansen. Other contestants included John Murtaugh, Brad Weber, Duane Blomenkamp, Doris Meyer and Miss Hefner. Money raised from the event goes to Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

Senior Center hosts an afternoon of elegance

The Wayne Senior Center hosted their first Victorian Style Show on Jan. 25. Over 125 guests attended and 38 models were present.

According to Tracy Keating, Wayne Senior Center Coordinator, the style show was used as an attraction to promote the Senior Center. Clothes and jewelry for the Victorian Style Show were collected from the Wayne Community Theatre, Little Red Hen Theatre, Antiques on Main, Marge Porter, Marge Armstrong, Leona Magnuson, Opal Wriedt, Helen Weible, Kathy Berry, Genevieve Carmichael, Margerite Janke, and Zita Jenkins. Keating notes that thanks goes out to everyone who attended or helped in any way. "The vintage clothing consisted of high necklines, beautiful lace, and long flowing skirts," Keating said. "Each model's outfit was completed with victorian jewelry, hats, and shawls. I chose a victorian style show as a special event because I felt it would be of great interest to the senior population."

Keating says the show was rewarding to organize; especially the laughing and sharing of memories and heirlooms.

"The stories that go along with



A number of Wayne area residents donned antique clothing to model in a Victorian Style Show at the Wayne Senior Center on Jan. 25.

these clothes and accessories have created several afternoons of conversations around the pool, quilting and coffee tables," Keating said. "Looking back at the victorian era displays how much times have changed. The word corset was mentioned and laughed about in every

conversation." Keating notes that the Senior Center strives to meet the needs of the elderly; physically, emotionally, mentally and socially. The social activities provided are music entertainers, educational programs, board games, bingo, crafts, daily card

games, quilting, computer classes, billiards, bowling, and special events such as the style show.

"We provide a balanced diet and exercise classes to assist people to stay healthy," Keating said. "We also

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Jeremy Phillips

Wayne State College Sports Information Director named

Jeremy Phillips has been named as the Wayne State College sports information director, Todd Barry, WSC director of athletics announced today. Phillips has been serving as interim sports information director since November.

Phillips, who has a bachelor's degree in sports management from Briar Cliff College, served as a graduate assistant in the WSC sports information office prior to becoming interim director. He was also the assistant sports information director for the NAIA Div. II 1998 Women's National Tournament in Sioux City and completed an internship as assistant stadium operations manager at Mile High Stadium in Denver.

A native of Lyons, Phillips was a member of the Briar Cliff basketball team from 1996-99, where he was also a student assistant coach.

"We're pleased to have Jeremy as part of the Wildcat athletic program," said Barry. "We're pleased with the job he has done as interim sports information director, and look forward to having him as an integral part of our program."

Benefit is successful

A benefit meal and silent auction was held Saturday night at Rileys in Wayne for the Rhonda and Levi Webb family who recently lost their trailer and possessions in a fire on Jan. 3. Around 250 people attended the event with \$3,412 being raised from the meal and auction and \$1,585 being raised from an account that was opened at the First National Bank for the family. A.A.L. Branch 1470 and Lutheran Brotherhood Branch 8212 each

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Council

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ing as originally planned. More discussion of the issue will take place at the council's Feb. 13 meeting.

The council passed a number of resolutions during the meeting.

The first two dealt with the payment of weed removal costs on two parcels of land in the city.

Resolution 2001-05 approved the one and six year street improvement program.

Among the projects planned for this year is work on East 10th Street and Providence Road, estimated at \$165,000.

Projects for 2002 and 2003

include maintenance activities within the city.

The city will be involved with a state project in the year 2004 to reconstruct North Highway 15 from 13th and Main Streets to the north. Also planned for that year is an urban project along Main Street in downtown Wayne.

The final resolution passed ordered the publication and set the Board of Equalization Hearing Date of Tuesday, Feb. 27 at or about 7:35 p.m. regarding Sidewalk Improvement District No. 2000-01.

The council took no action on a request from the Wayne-Carroll School District to make Fifth Street a

two-way street between Sherman Street and Schoolview Drive. The issue will be brought back at the council's next meeting.

The council approved an agreement with the Wayne Country Club in regard to the lease purchase of turf equipment for the Country Club. This item was first brought before the council last year and does not involve any city funds.

Bids in the amount of \$140,000 were accepted for materials for the 2001 Electrical Distribution System Upgrades.

A change order was approved in the amount of \$850 to re-compact

the soil before paving the Tomar Drive extension near the new fire-hall.

Mayor Sheryl Lindau made appointments to two committees during the meeting.

Named to the Information Technology Committee were council persons Dennis Linster, Darrell Fuelberth and Don Buryanek and Joel Hansen, Nancy Braden and Lee Reed.

Members named to the Fitness Trail Committee were Ken Kwapnioski, Don Hickey and Joe Blankenau. Mayor Lindau removed herself from the committee.

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Those interested can call for a reservation to 402-375-1460 or stop in and visit any time at 410 Pearl Street in Wayne.

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On the left, Meta Westerman, one of the models, started the Victorian Style Show out by wearing an elegant pink silk dress with a flowing chafonne cape. Tracy Keating, Wayne Senior Center Coordinator, wore a long, black skirt with a button-down velvet jacket. In the background, Gall Armstrong, activities assistant, was speaker for the event.

The Principal's Office

by Dr. Don Zeiss, Wayne High Principal

Legislative Bill 812

Legislative Bill 812, passed in spring 2000, amended state statute 79-760 to require that ... "The state board shall prescribe statewide assessments of writing that rely on writing samples beginning in the spring of 2001 with students in each of three grades selected by the state board. For each year thereafter, one of the three grades shall participate in the statewide writing assessment."

The purpose of the testing is to determine how well students in grades 4, 8 and 11 are meeting the Nebraska Writing Standards. It also will:

- Assist teachers in determining the progress of students in meeting state or local standards for writing.
- Provide each local school district with a report of student progress in meeting state or local standards in writing.
- Through a representative sample, provide a means of determining statewide progress of students in achieving state standards for writing.

• Lead to improved writing by Nebraska students. All public school students in grades 4, 8 and 11 will be assessed. Every student must be accounted for, even those who participate in an alternate assessment or who are absent.

For some students the assessment may be adapted; or there may be students who, for various reasons, may participate in an alternate assessment.

The Statewide Writing Assessment must be administered on two consecutive days between Feb. 5 and Feb. 23, 2001. Wayne Schools will be testing on Feb. 6 and Feb. 7, 2001. It is imperative that 100 percent of the students in grades 4, 8 and 11 are tested. Therefore, it is additionally important that the schools have 100 percent attendance on the Feb. 6 and 7 test dates. In the event that does not happen, the dates of Feb. 12 and 13 have been reserved for make-up testing.

This assessment is administered on two consecutive days. On the first day students are given a writing prompt from which they are to generate preliminary drafts. On the second day, students revise their preliminary drafts to produce a final copy. On both days, students are permitted to use published dictionaries and /or thesauruses that are normally available in the classroom.

Students will be asked to produce writing samples in the following writing modes or genres:

- Grade 4 — Narrative
- Grade 8 — Descriptive and
- Grade 11 — Persuasive

School districts have been assigned to one of three regional scoring sites for the Statewide Writing Assessment based on their Educational Service Unit area. Wayne School's results will be scored at ESU #3 in Omaha.

Individual schools will not receive results of the testing; however, a state report card will be issued indicating how schools performed.

Warning Sirens are explained

The City of Wayne has an emergency alert system to warn residents of potential environmental emergencies and to help notify the members of the Wayne Volunteer Fire Department of a fire or car accident.

The City of Wayne provides an emergency management system 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The emergency management system has several components. The entire system starts with the dispatcher on duty at the Wayne Police Department. In the event of an emergency, the dispatcher pages fire and rescue members, notifies Providence Medical Center of the need for an ambulance and will operate the siren systems when needed. The dispatcher also has the ability to interrupt the cable TV signal and give brief emergency notices over the TV.

The City of Wayne uses three siren tones each with a different meaning. The Fire Siren sounds for up to three minutes and is a continuous high-low sound. The fire siren is used between the hours of 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. to notify firemen of a fire call. Even though the members of the fire department carry pagers,

the siren system is used as a backup. The Attack Siren blows with a wavering tone for three minutes. This siren is a vestige of the old Civil Defense era and is used when an actual nuclear attack against the United States is underway.

The most important siren for Wayne citizens to recognize is the Tornado Alert Siren. This siren will blow a steady tone for three minutes. The siren is blown only when a Tornado Warning is issued. If the siren is blown, it means Wayne is in eminent danger from a tornado or other natural disaster. This siren can also be used to warn of Hazardous Material incidents or any other situation that may cause a direct threat to the life and property of the community.

The siren systems are tested between 10 and 1 a.m. on the first Monday of every month. These tests consist of the dispatcher activating one of the siren tones for a brief period of time. Each individual siren is tested.

"We use six sirens located in various areas throughout the city. These sirens are placed to give audible coverage throughout the community," Chief Lance Webster said.

Snow removal policies discussed

Wayne Police Chief Lance Webster said his officers will be following sidewalk snow removal policies beginning this week.

The Wayne City Council gave final approval to an amendment to City Ordinance 70-44 that better defines when a property owner must have his or her sidewalk cleaned of snow or ice and will allow the City to bill property owners for the cleaning of sidewalks should the City have to clean the walks.

The amended ordinance says that all property owners must clean their sidewalks within 24 hours of the City of Wayne Public Works Department cleaning the streets or roads adjacent to the property. This week, for example, all sidewalks should be cleaned by 5 p.m. on Thursday.

The police department will begin contacting tenants and/or property owners on Friday, Feb. 2 where walks have not been properly cleaned.

Chief Webster said the police department has, in the past, generally handled uncleared sidewalks on a complaint-driven basis. While he still encourages people to call about uncleared sidewalks in their neighborhoods, the new policy will have officers going out posting notices that the sidewalks need to be cleared.

Webster said that if, after proper notice is given, a sidewalk remains uncleared, citations will be issued. He stressed that he would much

rather see voluntary compliance than having officers write a bunch of citations.

In the event that a property owner does not clear their sidewalks after notice, the City will cause the sidewalk to be cleared and bill the property owner for the expense.

"The biggest problem we face is getting the out-of-town property owners to come into compliance," Webster said. His staff will be working closely with the utility billing clerks so property owners can be contacted in a timely manner if the walks are not cleared.

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matched funds up to \$500 (which provided \$1,000 toward the total raised).

Some of Rhonda's fellow Restful Knight employees helped with the benefit. They include: Jim Granquist, chairman, Cindy Sherman, Chris Costa, Mary Jo Anderson, Glenna Armitage, Tippy Johnson, Sandy Anderson, Judy Echtenkamp, and Pam Wells. There were nine volunteers from A.A.L. who helped with the meal. Riley's provided space for the event, table set up and beverages. Many Wayne businesses and several Norfolk businesses donated toward the silent auction providing 79 items.

An account is still open at First National Bank in Wayne for those wishing to give donations.

Storyteller to be in Wayne on Feb. 5

"Once upon a time ..." is often associated with entertaining moments and fairy tale favorites people have come to love; but storyteller Jym Kruse, believes that stories can inspire and educate as well.

On Monday, Feb. 5 the Fremont author and storyteller will bring his world of fantasy and fable to the Wayne Middle School. His presentation will begin at 12:30 and 2 p.m. in the fifth and sixth grade modules at the Middle School.

Kruse has used traditional and personal stories for many years both in the classroom as a teacher and on the stage as a professional storyteller. From statewide festivals to public radio stations across the nation, he has told his stories to preschools and Elderhostels and

every age group in between. A member of the National Storytelling Association, he is also a speaker for the Nebraska Humanities Council.

He has worked with the National Arbor Day Foundation to develop strategies for using storytelling as a tool for environmental education across the curriculum.

His stories have been featured on "The Enchanted Forest," on Washington Public Radio, as well as "The Story Tree," which is heard on public radio stations throughout the country. A frequent speaker at schools, festivals and community gatherings, his stories emerge both from his experience as husband, father and onetime child as well as from the world of traditional folktales.

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Dr. Hal Stearns to speak on Lewis and Clark expedition

Dr. Hal Stearns will speak on the Lewis and Clark Expedition during a First Fridays presentation in the Niobrara Room of the Student Center on the WSC campus Feb. 2 at 9 a.m.

His presentation will cover the stories, recollections, testimonies and successes of the Expedition. A member of the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commissions in Montana and Nebraska, Stearns is a researcher, writer and lecturer on the Great Plains and American West. He is a frequent speaker-historian across the United States. He has served as a historian for a number of groups following the Lewis and Clark Trail.

Although designed for senior citizen appeal, all ages are welcome to attend. There is no admission charge.

During each First Fridays event, a special guest of honor is recognized, birthdays are acknowledged and a talk or performance by a member of WSC's faculty or staff completes the session. The First Fridays event series is co-sponsored by the Visual and Performing Arts Office and the Wayne State Foundation.

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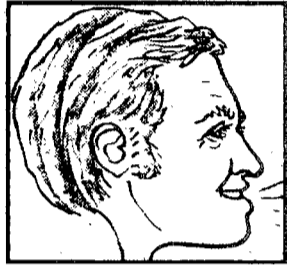
Farm life is changing

Main Street Focus

By Leo Ahmann

Welcome to "Focus and Scope," a new bi-weekly report from the Main Street Wayne Program. What is the Main Street Program? Nebraska is one of 43 states that have Main Street Programs. Wayne is one of 14 cities in Nebraska that is a full time member of the Nebraska Lied Main Program whose offices are in Lincoln.

The Lied Program provides technical assistance, sponsors workshops and conferences and publishes training materials. They set parameters that we "focus" on (in Wayne, it's from Highway 35 south to Zachs and from Pearl to Logan



Streets). Our "scope" however is all of Wayne. Our Program is a comprehensive process. Improving economic management, strengthening public participation, and making downtown a fun place to shop are as critical to the Main Street Program's future, as recruiting new businesses and rehabilitating buildings.

The Nebraska Lied Program does not provide financial assistance to the member cities. Therefore, the Main Street Wayne Program depends upon the "Friends of Main Street." The "Friends" are people that have made monetary contributions or in-kind donations of goods, services and time to our Program. The list includes private individuals, retailers, service oriented businesses from downtown as well as those not located downtown.

The Main Street approach has earned recognition throughout the United States. Four elements (committees, if you will) are combined to

create the program: organization, design, promotion, and economic restructuring. (In following weeks, I will go into detail about these committees).

An insert in the Jan. 15 edition of the Wayne Herald/Morning Shopper, contained a Consumer Survey that we are asking people to complete and return to us. If you did not receive a copy and would like to complete one, stop by our office at 208 N. Main and pick one up. We would appreciate your thoughts, views, and opinions.

"Friends of Main Street," should have received a letter and stamped, self-addressed postcard asking them to rate what they consider the projects/issues that Main Street should address. Please complete and return it to our office. We value your input, because it is your program. "Friends of Main Street" should have also received, under separate cover, a voting ballot for the election of three new officers for the Main Street Board. There are six names on the ballot and a write-in option. Please vote for three officer candidates. Ballots need to be returned to our office by Feb. 9. The Main Street Wayne Program will be holding its annual meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 7 a.m. At that time, the new officers will be introduced.

Let me throw another date at you...Friday, Feb. 9 at 10 a.m. Chamber Coffee, Main Street Office. At that time we will present. The "Main Street Wayne-Mary Burt Memorial-Coffee Cup Award" to the (year) 2000 winner. The award is given annually by Main Street Wayne to a Wayne merchant. The award acknowledges the contribution of Wayne merchants, and honors the late Mary Burt for her contributions to Main Street.

If you have questions or concerns about Main Street, call 375-5062, write Box 43, e-mail: mainstreetwayne@midlands.net or stop by the Office at 208 N. Main. Next time... the committees, what's been done, and a look forward

By Ed Howard
Statehouse Correspondent
The Nebraska Press Association

A standard element of American humor has to do with poking fun at government, at all levels, when it forms a committee and/or orders up a study.

Of course, any analysis is only as good as the information that goes into it. You know the old rule; if it was garbage that went in, it will be garbage that comes out.

And then there is another reality. The fact is that when the folk don't like a particular projection or warning that stems from a study, the folk tend to denigrate it and then ignore it.

A quarter of a century ago (when environmentalists on the Great Plains were not uncommonly suspected of being Commies) there were those in the agricultural sector who scoffed at all manner of warnings based on all manner of studies: The former had to do with what herbicides and pesticides and pretty much unregulated dumping on agricultural land could do, and was doing, to water supplies.

There was also the matter of what, years ago, was referred to as "land use planning," otherwise known as zoning regulations. The folk in Upstream or Outstate (take your pick) Nebraska didn't want to hear about it, let alone see anything put into law that would limit what a person could do with their real estate. And as for warnings about zoning representing a way for a community to protect itself, especially in rural areas, was generally

regarded as piffle. Protect itself from what? From whom?

What has happened to ground-water around and about Nebraska and the rest of the country is a matter of record. And what is happening right now in regards to those whopping big livestock confinement operations speaks for itself, smells, too.

The standard and understandable buzz-phrase hereabouts has, in

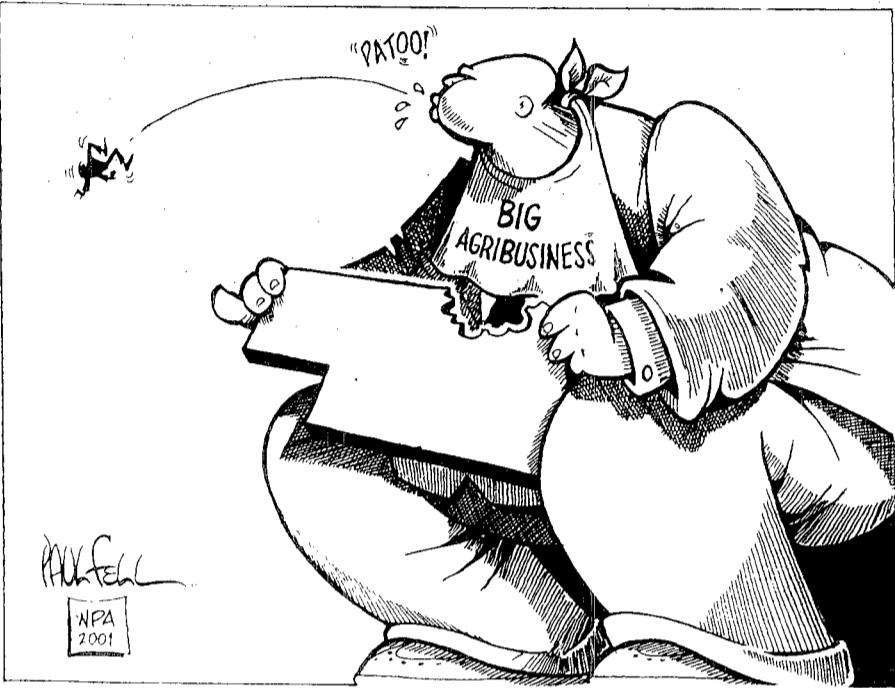
recent years, included the words "economic development." The promotion of economic development has often had to do with tax breaks and other benefits for those who can promise jobs, even low-paying jobs that consist mostly of manual labor.

There is every legitimate indication that big agribusiness is going to keep getting bigger. And bigger. And it will require fewer people.

And without people, who needs towns?

From this perch, it seems altogether reasonable to wonder when we will see the first study that begins to promote rural Nebraska as one great big, comparatively crime free, under-appreciated and under-developed area, just waiting to be transformed in affordable retirement communities.

Think that's funny? Just wait.



Sen. Engel gives legislative update

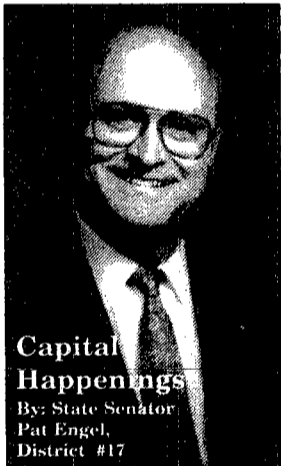
Greetings! The Legislature is in its fifth week of session. We are busy with floor debate, committee hearings and briefings right now.

I want to extend my congratulations to a group in our district. The Walthill group Launching Nebraska Value-Added Cooperatives received a grant for \$73,375 from the Governor last week. Funding for the grants was made possible through the Nebraska Agriculture Opportunities and Value-Added Partnership Act, legislation I supported that passed last session.

The program provides \$1 million dollars for grants each year through 2003. Grant money is used to support projects in research, market development, training, cooperative development and other value-added efforts. The Walthill program was one of 10 recipients of the grants, from a total pool of 30 applications. Congratulations and thank you for making our district proud!

As you may know, many bills addressing teacher salaries have been introduced this session. LB 305 encompasses all of the recommendations of the Teacher Salary Task Force, while several other bills provide different avenues for improving teacher pay. Several different methods of raising revenue to fund pay increases have also been introduced. The Revenue Committee and the Education Committee will be busy hearing many of the bills this week, including LB 305. I will be following the discussion closely in the coming weeks.

Senator Elaine Stuhr has sponsored a constitutional amendment meant to clarify a measure that the voters rejected last year. The amendment (LR 1CA) removes a requirement in the State Constitution that private schools in Nebraska teach in the English language only. In 1924, the U.S. Supreme Court found such a requirement to be unconstitutional, but Nebraska's constitution was never corrected.



Capital Happenings
By: State Senator Pat Engel, District #17

the change is a clarification to existing law and that voting for it would not remove English as the state's official language. The amendment was advanced from the first round of consideration on a 35-8 vote. If passed by the Legislature, the issue will be put to voters again in the 2002 general election.

A bill requiring more training for full-time child-care providers was advanced by the Health and Human Services Committee. Legislative Bill 400, introduced by Sen. Pam Brown of Omaha, would require full-time child-care providers to obtain 22 hours of training each year, instead of the present requirement of 12 hours. It also would establish a three-tiered rating system for child-care homes and providers to let parents know the quality of their provider. A similar bill was introduced last year, but did not pass.

We voted to advance a bill extending incentive payments for schools that consolidate, merge or unify in the 2004-05 fiscal year. The

incentives are scheduled to expire this year. The bill (LB 313) also increases the money for incentive payments to \$5 million through the 2004-05 fiscal year. About twenty-six such mergers are being considered across the state.

The Transportation and Telecommunications Committee held a hearing on LB 165, which would prohibit solicitors from asking for payments from people in order to find out if they have won a prize. Such payments are often described as contributions or processing fees. Sen. Doug Kristensen of Minden introduced the bill.

Another busy week! I will continue to keep you updated. In the meantime, if you have any comments or questions about any matter pending in the Legislature, please do not hesitate to contact me at my office: Senator Pat Engel, District #17, Box 94604, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509; 402.471.2716 or e-mail: lengel@unicam.state.ne.us.

Nominations sought for pioneer farms

The Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben Foundation and the Nebraska Association of Fair Managers has announced that nominations for the 46th annual Nebraska Pioneer Farm Awards are being accepted.

The program honors farm families in Nebraska whose land has been owned by members of the same family for over 100 years or more.

To date, over 6,000 families from Nebraska counties have been honored at various county fairs. Each honoree receives an engraved

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Nomination forms can be obtained from the local County Fair Board Office or by writing the Ak-Sar-Ben Pioneer Farm Awards, 6800 Mercy Road, Suite #206, Omaha, Neb. 68106 or visiting the website at www.aksarben.org. The county fair board office in which the land is found must receive all nominations no later than May 1, 2001.

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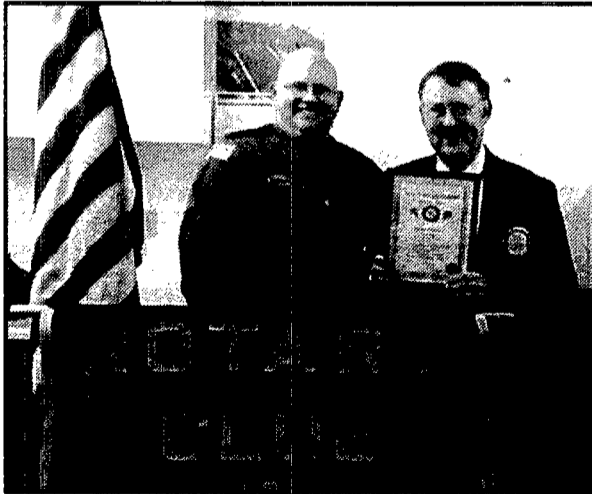
Daffodil Sunday to be held March 4

Mother Nature will be helping the American Cancer Society's Wayne Unit by providing many beautiful yellow daffodils. These flowers of hope will raise money for cancer research, education and service for local residents.

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Anyone wanting more information on Daffodil Days can give Vicky a call.



Wiser honored by Rotary

Galen Wisner, representing the State National Bank and Trust Company, was honored by his fellow Rotarians with the Rotary Business of the Month Award for January 2001. Galen was chosen for this award because of his outstanding leadership abilities. He has a genuine interest in the community of Wayne and has contributed a lot of his time to various projects. The award is given to Rotarians that the club feels exemplify the ideals of Rotary, "Service Above Self." Among the reasons given by his fellow club members were: "Galen has a pleasant and helpful attitude. He is reflective of the whole spirit of the State National Bank." "Galen works with Rotarac and various youth programs." Galen is being presented the award by President Lance Webster. Wisner and his wife, Kathy, have two children, Emily and Jeff Griesch of Lincoln, and Damon of Omaha.

Sports

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Sports Briefs

Junior High cagers compete with Bancroft

WAYNE—The Wayne girls and boys seventh and eighth grade basketball teams swept Bancroft in recent action as the seventh grade boys won, 40-14.

Kyle Straigt led the winners with 14 points while John Whitt added 10 and Derek Carroll, nine. Scott Baier netted four points with Brandon Foote and Jesse Dunklau netting two each and Dustin Bargholz, one.

The seventh grade girls won, 27-7 led by Renae Theobald with seven points while Jessica Volk and Carly Wacker added four each and Emily Mann, three. Jean Pieper, Torrie Rasmussen, Jessica Dickey and Brooke Anderson scored two apiece and Kiley Luhr, one.

Wayne's eighth grade girls won, 36-28 led by Ashley Carroll with 10 points and Tiffany Gagner with seven while Rachel Jensen scored six. Molly Hill and Makayla Braden scored five each and Jenny Raveling added three.

The eighth grade boys won, 65-25 as Bryan Fink led the way with 16 points while Adam Munter scored 10 and Josh Ruve, eight. Jared Jehle tallied seven points Wade Jarvi and Tyler Johnson adding six each and Josh Rasmussen, five. David Gangwish scored four and John Temme, three.

Sixth grade boys down Laurel in overtime

WAYNE—Wayne's sixth grade boys team won a 44-41 overtime decision at Laurel in recent action as Matt Sharer led the way with 23 points while Nate Summerfield poured in 12. Ben Poutre tossed in five points and Josh Fink, two while Ransen Broders and Taylor Nelson scored one each.

Wayne freshman boys drop pair of games

WAYNE—Rob Sweetland's Wayne freshman boys basketball team went 1-2 in recent action with the locals downing Ponca, 58-40. Heath Dickes scored 20 points for the winners with Chris Nissen adding 16. Kayle Anderson and Aaron Jorgensen finished with six each.

Wayne fell to Cedar Catholic, 29-22 with Chris Nissen leading the locals with 11 points. Wayne also fell to Norfolk's freshman, 53-23. Ryan Hix scored seven points and Aaron Jorgensen added six while Chris Nissen scored four.

Wayne freshman girls win tournament

WAYNE—Dale Hochstein's Wayne freshman girls won the Oakland-Craig Tournament recently as the gals downed Wisner-Pfizer in the first game, 28-24. Alison Hansen led the way with 13 points while Mary Boehle and Karissa Hochstein scored four each. Rachel Robins, Brianna Theobald and Jessica Thomsen added two each and Jamie Backstrom, one.

In the finals Wayne downed Pender, 27-22. Hochstein scored nine points with Hansen and Stacie Hoernert adding six each and Carrie Walton, four. Backstrom rounded out the scoring for the winners with two points.

WSC gals move into third place after weekend sweep

Ryun Williams Wayne State women's basketball team took care of business at home last weekend, earning wins over Minnesota-Morris and Northern State to up the season record to 13-5 while improving the NSIC mark to 8-3.

The Wildcats drilled Morris, 87-57 before edging Northern State, 71-69 on Saturday.

In Friday's tilt the Wildcats sprinted to a 13-2 lead over the first six minutes and never looked back as they led 40-25 at the half.

WSC out-scored the Cougars by 15 in the second half as well for the 30-point win.

It was a good night for a trio of 'Cats as senior Krista Bernadt etched her name in the record books as the all-time three-point leader in WSC history.

Bernadt drained her 182nd three-

pointer to break the record. She added one more on Saturday as the tally climbed to 183.

She was one of four players to score in double figures with Karen Hochstein notching a double-double (her sixth of the season) with 22 points and 11 boards.

Sara Miller posted her first career double-double at Wayne State with 12 points and a career-high 10 assists. Christi Williams tossed in 13 points and Bernadt scored 11.

"We got some quality performances and accomplished what we wanted in the way of executing our game plan and staying competitive within ourselves despite the score," Williams said. "I liked our balance on offense."

The 'Cats dominated the boards, 46-26. About the only stat that didn't appear positive was free throw

shooting where WSC was just 7-18.

SATURDAY'S GAME with Northern State was tightly contested throughout as the visiting Wolves jumped out to an 11 point lead in the first half only to have the 'Cats respond with a run of their own, to lead 42-35 at the break.

"I thought early on that Northern did a good job of taking advantage of some mis-matches," Williams said. "They ran a lot of different sets at us. When we switched our defense to a zone I felt we threw them off a little bit."

The Wayne State mentor was pleased with the way his team answered each of Northern's runs.

"We got up by nine in the second half and then we went on a four or five minute stretch where we didn't get many good looks," Williams said. "One thing that remained constant throughout the game however, was our defensive intensity."

The 'Cats, winners of six straight games, were led by Karen Hochstein as she notched her seventh, double-double of the season with 20 points and 15 rebounds.

Sara Miller led all scorers with 23 points with six, three-pointers. "Sara is on a roll right now," Williams said. "She hit some really big shots for us, shots that were

clutch." Krista Bernadt added 11 points and Christi Williams tossed in 10 for the winners.

The 'Cats were out-rebounded, 43-39 despite Hochstein's 15 car-

oms. WSC moved in to sole possession of third place in the NSIC standings. Southwest State remained in first followed by Minnesota-Duluth.

Northern State fell in to a fourth place tie with Minnesota State-Moorhead.

WSC will travel to play Concordia-St. Paul on Friday before playing at Winona State on Saturday.

WSC, 87—Minn.-Morris, 57

WSC: Karen Hochstein, 22; Christi Williams, 13; Sara Miller, 12; Krista Bernadt, 11; Tracy Williamson, 7; Nicole Gesell, 7; Sarah Haag, 6; Maranda Radke, 4; Beth Nelson, 4; Katie Johnson, 1. FG's: 34-65-52%; FT's: 7-18-39%.

WSC, 71—Northern State, 69

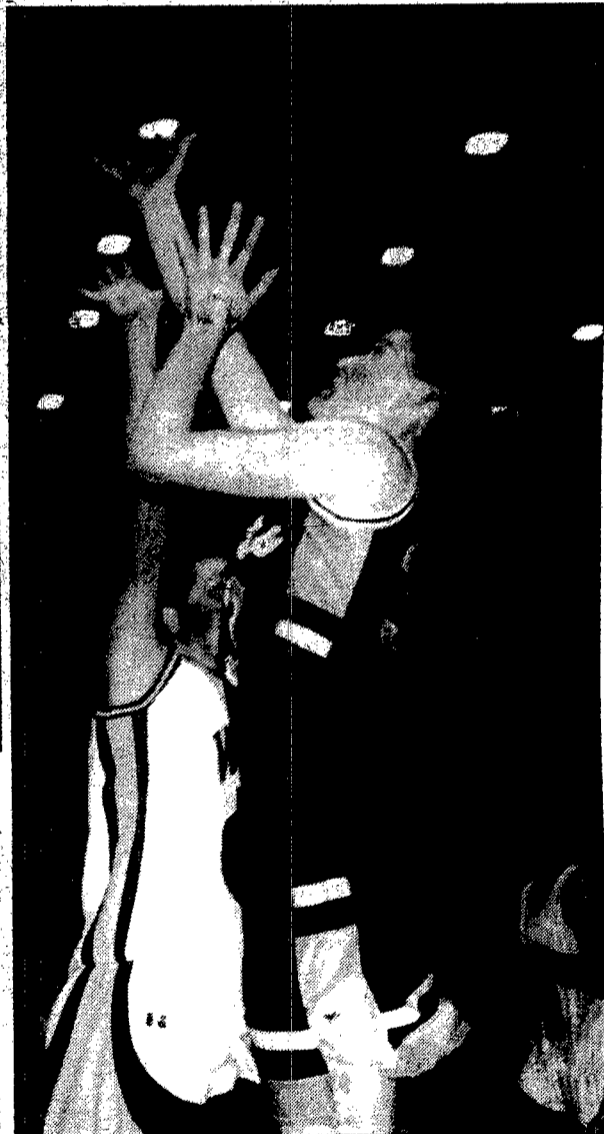
WSC: Sara Miller, 23; Karen Hochstein, 20; Krista Bernadt, 11; Christi Williams, 10; Maranda Radke, 4; Tracy Williamson, 3. FG's: 23-54-42%; FT's: 17-24-71%. TEAM RECORD: 13-5; NSIC RECORD: 8-3.



Christi Williams seeks an open teammate while being heavily guarded by a Northern State player.



Maranda Radke eyes the basket before netting two points for the 'Cats during the win over Northern State.



Karen Hochstein shoots the ball over a defender in WSC's two-point win over Northern State. Hochstein posted back-to-back double-doubles in the weekend sweep for the 'Cats.

Wayne girls defeated by Cedar; Fall to 12-4

The Wayne girls basketball team fell to 12-4 on the season with a 51-40 setback to Hartington Cedar Catholic last Thursday in Wayne.

John McClarnen's team was tied with Cedar at 20 at the half but was out-scored, 18-10 in the third quarter and 13-10 in the final stanza.

"Cedar controlled the tempo and

they were the aggressor in the second half," McClarnen said. "We allowed them to penetrate into the middle of the lane and shoot a lot of easy shots."

April Thede led Wayne with 10 points while Katie Walton and Amy

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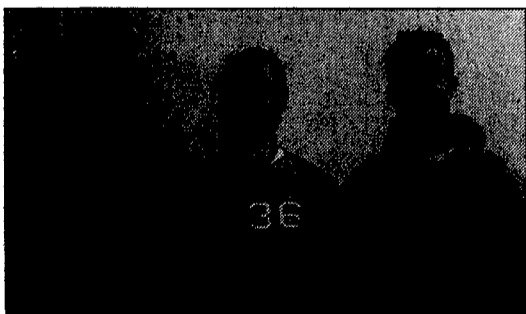
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Wayne State men downed by NSIC foe Northern State

Wayne State's men's basketball team went 1-1 in Northern Sun Conference action last weekend as the 'Cats downed Minnesota-Morris, 91-65 before falling to Northern State, 75-70.

Rico Burkett's squad fell to 8-12 on the season and 7-4 in NSIC play. WSC remained in third place in the NSIC standings but the 'Cats now share that position with Minnesota-Duluth. Southwest State is currently first and Winona State, second.

In last Friday's game with Morris the 'Cats cruised to a 37-16 lead late in the first half before settling for a 43-31 halftime cushion.

The lead never fell below double digits in the second half as WSC opened up a 24-point cushion at 74-50 with 8:55 remaining before

posting the 91-65 win.

"Brad Joens really sparked our run early," coach Rico Burkett said. "He hit some clutch shots. Jason Herlitzke had a solid second half and overall, I felt our bench contributed very nicely."

Burkett also singled out the play of freshman Todd Klostermann who notched his first career double-double with 13 points and 12 rebounds. Tim Gesell also grabbed the spotlight with nine points and nine rebounds.

Joens led WSC with 21 points including four, three-pointers while Herlitzke poured in 16. Kevin Lingenfelter was also in double figures with 11 points.

WSC won the boards battle, 51-

41. The 'Cats went to the foul line 39 times, connecting on 29.

SATURDAY'S GAME WITH Northern State left a sour taste in the mouths of Wildcat fans as the Wolves escaped with a 75-70 win.

The visitors led 41-38 at the half but WSC quickly erased that deficit in the second half as they built a five-point lead of their own.

"We took control early in the second half but we hit a spell where we connected on just one possession in 12 and Northern State regained the lead and built it to nine," Burkett said. "The closest we got after that was three with 12 seconds left but we just simply ran out of time."

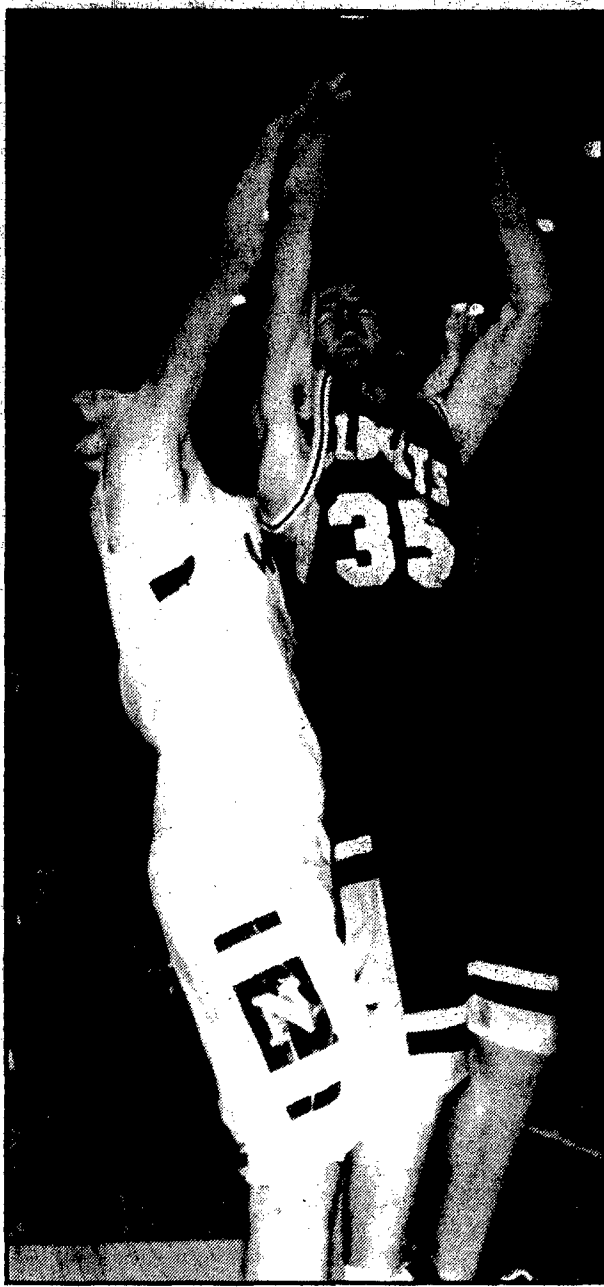
Nathan Mulder paced WSC with 19 points while Brad Joens poured in 17 and Jason Herlitzke, 12. WSC did edge the Wolves on the boards,

37-36 with Herlitzke and Tim Gesell hawking down eight caroms each.

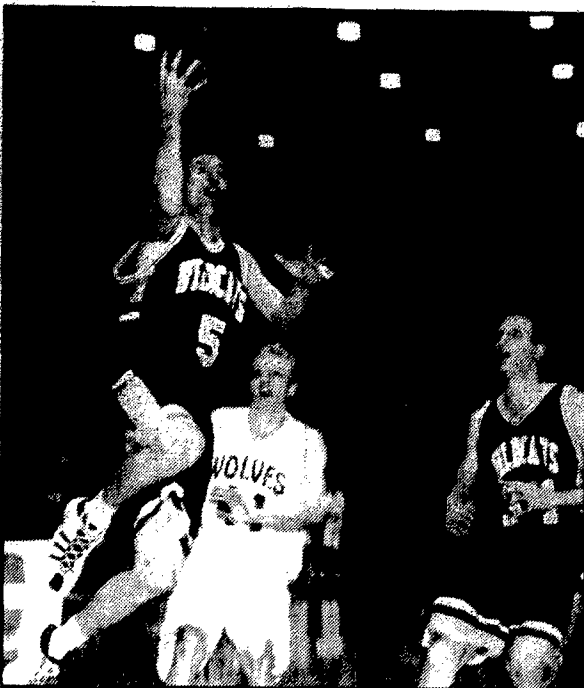
WSC will travel to play Concordia-St. Paul on Friday before visiting Winona State on Saturday.

WSC, 91—Minn.-Morris, 65
WSC: Brad Joens, 21; Jason Herlitzke, 16; Todd Klostermann, 13; Kevin Lingenfelter, 11; Nathan Mulder, 9; Tim Gesell, 9; Kevin Kobs, 8; Justin Sanny, 2; Ryan Dahl, 2. FG's: 27-63-43%. FT's: 29-39-74%.

WSC, 70—Northern State, 75
WSC: Nathan Mulder, 19; Brad Joens, 17; Jason Herlitzke, 12; Kevin Lingenfelter, 8; Tim Gesell, 8; Todd Klostermann, 4; Brad Manley, 2. FG's: 24-62-38%; FT's: 17-22-77%.
TEAM RECORD: 8-12; NSIC RECORD: 7-4.



Wayne State's Tim Gesell powers to the basket and is fouled by a Northern State player during action last Saturday night in Rice Auditorium.



Brad Manley goes in for the layup during the second half of the 'Cats contest with Northern State.



Nathan Mulder shows his versatility by shooting the short jumper with his left hand.

Rocky Ruhl cracks the 100-win barrier; McLagan pours in 29 as Wayne boys blast West Point

Wayne boys basketball coach Rocky Ruhl watched his Blue Devils shake off a stubborn West Point team last Saturday night with a 55-36 victory.

The win left Wayne at 9-5 on the season and for Ruhl—a milestone as he cracked the 100-win plateau.

The Ruhl era began in 1993 with Rocky winning his first career game, 47-46 over Battle Creek.

Wayne trailed the Cadets, 7-6 after one quarter of play but the

Blue Devils used a 13-5 scoring advantage in the second quarter for a 19-12 lead.

Wayne continued its surge in the third quarter with a 22-12 run for an insurmountable 41-24 lead.

"Our defense played well in this typical Wayne-West Point battle," Ruhl said. "I thought we did a much better job of executing our offense in the second half."

Eric McLagan led the winners with a double-double, scoring 19

points and hauling down 10 rebounds.

Brad Hochstein added 10 points and dished out a season-high seven assists. Jeff Pippitt tossed in five points and Ben Meyer tallied four while Trevor Wright scored three. Ethan Mann and Craig Olson added two each.

In JV action Wayne downed West Point, 56-42 as Duane Blomenkamp's squad improved to 9-2

Jeff Pippitt and Luke Christensen shared team honors with nine points each while Brett Parker added seven. Caleb Garvin, Andy Martin and Brady Heithold scored six apiece with Ric Volk netting five.

Jon Ehrhardt finished with four points, and Eric Sturm along with Ryan Schmets scored two each.

Wayne will host O'Neill in action on Thursday before traveling to play Elkhorn Valley on Saturday in Tilden.

Wrestlers last regular season meet is Saturday Wayne medals five at Albion

The Wayne wrestling team finished seventh at the Albion Invite last Saturday, scoring 113.5 points.

Kearney won the event with 225 points followed by David City Aquinas with 214.5 and Lexington at 193. Neligh/Oakdale finished fourth with 133.5 and Albion was fifth at 127.

David City garnered 123 points with the Blue Devils netting 113.5 and O'Neill, 103.5. Madison netted 80 points and York, 72 with Pierce finishing last with three points.

Wayne wrestled in 10 weight classes with seven grapplers earning medals led by Matt Nelson and Lucas Munter as each finished runner-up in their respective weight classes.

Nelson fell to Madison's Shane

Unger in the finals at 119 pounds while Munter lost to Derik Logston of York in the finals at 135 pounds.

Chris Woehler finished third at 152 and Lynn Junck was third at 189 while Danny Roeber placed fourth at 145.

Adam Jorgensen finished fifth at 171 and Josh Pieper was sixth at 160 to round out the placers.

In the JV tournament Wayne's Dan Reinhardt (119) and Andrew Lowe (140) each placed fourth.

"In the past couple weeks our team performance has been inconsistent," Wayne coach John Murtaugh said. "We are looking for our team to have a complete tournament in which everyone wrestles their best on the same day."

Murtaugh said Matt Nelson, Lucas Munter, Chris Woehler and

Lynn Junck wrestled solid throughout the Albion Tournament.

Wayne will wrestle at the Norfolk Catholic Invite on Saturday. The district tournament will take place on Feb. 9-10 at West Point.

Albion Invitational results:

103—OPEN

112—OPEN

119—Matt Nelson (2nd): Won by pin; Won by pin; Won by pin, Lost by pin to Shane Unger of Madison.

125—Matt Roeber (DNP): Lost 7-3; Lost 8-2.

130—Casey Campbell (DNP): Lost by pin; Lost 3-2.

135—Lucas Munter (2nd): Won by pin; Won by pin; Lost 11-6 to Derik Logston of York.

140—Joe Brumm (DNP): Lost by

pin; Lost by pin

145—Danny Roeber (4th): Won 11-7; Lost 11-1, Won 4-2; Lost 5-1 to Travis Buckshire of Kearney.

152—Chris Woehler (3rd): Won 10-8; Lost by pin; Won by pin; Won by pin over Marty Steetz of O'Neill.

160—Josh Pieper (6th): Won by technical fall; Won 7-6; Lost by technical fall; Lost by technical fall; Lost 4-2 to Kelvin Finley of Madison.

171—Adam Jorgensen (5th): Lost by pin; Won by pin; Lost 13-7; Won 13-5 over Ryan Sorenson of Madison.

189—Lynn Junck (3rd): Won by pin; Won by pin; Lost by pin; Won by pin; Won 15-9 over Justin Kucera of Aquinas.

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Chris' comments, "I am pleased with how our younger wrestlers have performed this season. Their contributions have provided us with a well balanced team."



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Laurel-Concord cagers claim first round NENAC victories

The Laurel-Concord girls and boys basketball teams captured first round wins of the NENAC Conference Tournament last Saturday.

The Lady Bears rolled up 99 points in a 48-point rout of Creighton.

Susie Koranda's crew sprinted to a 35-7 lead after one quarter of play and never looked back.

Eleven Bears players scored as Katie Peters led the way with 19 points while Melanie Thompson poured in 17 and Kari Stewart, 16.

Brittany Burns tossed in 11 points and Emily Schroeder tallied double digits with 10 points with Lani Recob adding eight.

Shelby Tyrrell and Susan Pritchard added five each with Maggie Recob scoring four. Jenny Demuth and Kate Harder finished with two apiece.

"We hit 54 percent from the field and everyone got to play a lot of minutes," Koranda said. "You can't ask for anything more than that."

The boys posted a 58-45 win over Plainview in first round NENAC

Tournament play as Clayton Steele's team improved to 11-3 on the season.

Plainview led the Bears, 16-13 after one quarter of play but Laurel-Concord went on a 17-7 run in the second quarter and 17-8 run in the third period to take a 47-31 lead.


Blake Erwin led the winners with 18 points while Matt Schroeder added 14 and Nathan Beckman, nine. Jon Erwin scored eight and Adam Hartung, four while Brent Heikes and Greg Kvol: added two each. Bob Haisch connected on one

free throw.

Schroeder led the Bears on the boards with nine caroms while Blake Erwin dished out seven assists.

EARLIER LAST WEEK the Laurel-Concord girls defeated Wakefield, 53-41 as Brittany Burns led the way with 15 points while Katie Peters and Melanie Thompson added nine apiece.

Kari Stewart and Emily Schroeder each netted seven points and Lani Recob tallied five while Jenny Demuth added a free throw.



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Wildcats boys down Hartington in regular season action Winside girls defeat Newcastle

The Winside girls basketball team won their first round Lewis & Clark Conference basketball tournament game with Newcastle, 45-30 last Saturday but with recent inclement weather, the second round was put off until Thursday.

Marlon Erbst's team led Newcastle 22-15 at the half and opened up a double digit lead in the third quarter.

"We played with more emotion which was needed," Erbst said. "We played solid defense and did what we had to do on offense to get the

win."

Julie Jacobsen led the winners with 11 points with Jessica Wade netting 10. Heather Rabe and Kim Nathan scored eight each as Winside displayed solid balance in the scoring column. Amy Rademacher finished with four points and Jennie Cleveland along with Makayla Marotz tallied two each.

Wade was the leader on the boards with eight caroms with Nathan and Cleveland hauling down five rebounds each. Jacobsen

recorded a team-high four steals.

Last Thursday the Wildcats fell to Hartington, 62-50 after a sluggish start that saw Winside trailing 18-8 in the first quarter.

Jessica Wade led Winside with 13 points while Julie Jacobsen tossed in 11 and Susan Wittler, seven. Kim Nathan scored six with Heather Rabe and Jennie Cleveland adding four each. Amy Rademacher netted three points and Makayla Marotz, two.


The Winside boys defeated

Hartington to avoid the sweep, 47-42.


The Wildcats of Tom Meier trailed 21-18 at the half but a 17-8 third quarter run but Winside on top at 35-29.

Ben Lienemann led the winners with 19 points with Adam Hoffman tossing in 16 and Scott Marotz, eight. Michael Hawkins and Shane Jaeger scored two each.

Winside will host Wakefield in conference tournament action on Thursday night



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Wildcats dual Rushville; compete in Ainsworth invite Winside grapplers in Ainsworth

The Winside wrestling team dropped a 39-24 decision to top ranked Rushville last Friday in Ainsworth.

However, on the mat, Winside won five matches compared to Rushville's four but the Wildcats had four forfeits due to open weight classes.

Stevens lost an 8-3 decision to Doc Lyon while Josh Sok won a 6-0 decision from Mike Johnson at 135.

Justin Koch won a 10-3 decision from Chance Denton at 140 and Sam Stroman lost by pin at 145.

Eric Morris won by pin at 152 and Eric Vanosdall remained unbeaten on the year with a pin at 160.

Tom Schwedhelm lost a 2-1 decision to Ben Marcy. "All five of Tom's losses this season to this point have been by one point," Sok said.

Saturday in Ainsworth the Wildcats finished in a season low seventh place at the Ainsworth Invite.

Rushville won the tournament

with 179 points followed by Gregory, S.D. with 125 and Ainsworth with 124. Gordon scored 121.5 and Cozad netted 115 while Valentine had 105 and Winside, 101. Burke, S.D. netted 73 points and Gothenburg scored 37 followed by Sandhills with 36, Burwell at 23 and Rocky County, 22.

led by Nathan Suehl who placed second at 171, falling by a 13-11 margin in the finals to Mike Verskrna of Gregory, S.D.

Tom Schwedhelm was third at 189, downing Cozad's Dustin Helmuth in the consolation finals and Jared Jaeger placed third at 112, downing Bobby Moore of Rushville, 3-0 in the consolation finals.

Brandon Suehl placed fourth at 103 and Vanosdall placed fourth at 160, falling to Clint Maaske of Cozad in the consolation finals, 9-6.

Winside will compete in the Clearwater Invite this weekend before the district tournament takes place on Feb. 9-10 in Elgin.

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Allen gals split back-to-back games

The Allen girls basketball team played back-to-back games with Emerson-Hubbard last week and the Eagles came away with a split with the Pirates as each team won on their home court.

Allen downed the visitors, 50-44 last Thursday after erasing a nine-point halftime deficit of 27-18.

The Eagles used a 17-11 scoring run in the fourth quarter to post the win. "We were ready to play and the girls played with a lot of pas-

sion," coach Lori Koester said. "It was our most complete game of the season. We did a good job of moving the ball on offense and being patient. The guards showed a lot of poise down the stretch."

Angela Prochaska led the winners with 13 points with Elizabeth Bock adding nine and Melissa Wilmes, eight. Michelle Marks and Alicia Liebsch netted six apiece and Angie Sullivan tossed in four while Jennifer Smith and Danielle Bertrand scored

two each.

Liebsch was in double figures in rebounding with 11 caroms.

The news wasn't so good in the first round of the conference tournament as Allen fell at Emerson-Hubbard just two days later, 57-43.

"We lost Alicia Liebsch with a sprained which forced us to change our game plan," Koester said. "Jennife Smith and Danielle Bertrand stepped up and did a good job of playing that position. We just

didn't take care of ball possession and we sent them to the free throw line 33 times where they hurt us by making 21."

Koester said her team has a two-week layoff now which should aid the Eagles in healing injuries.

Angela Prochaska led Allen with 14 points with Melissa Wilmes scoring eight. Elizabeth Bock and Michelle Marks netted six each and Jennifer Smith scored five. Danielle Bertrand and Angie Sullivan scored two apiece.

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LOTTERY

WSC track teams place at Dordt

The Wayne State College track teams competed at the Dordt Invitational held at Dordt College in Sioux Center, IA. A total of 11 teams competed in the meet. Four Wayne

State College athletes collected wins in their events.

Senior Matt Kneiff placed first in the 55 meter hurdles in a time of 7.62 seconds. The time is a provisional national qualifying mark and is the third fastest time in NCAA Division II this year. His time is also a season and lifetime best mark. Kneiff also won the 200 meter hurdle race in a time of 25.57, which was a meet record as well as a school record. Kneiff was honored as the male outstanding athlete of the meet for his efforts.

Senior Antonio Jackson competing in his first meet of the season won the men's triple jump with a jump of 44 feet 3 inches. Junior Joe DeMilt, also competing in his first meet of the season won the pole vault with a jump of 13 feet 6 inches.

Several other Wildcat athletes placed in the top six in their events. On the women's side, junior Tracie Fehringer placed fourth in the shot put with a mark of 38 feet 4 inches. Sophomore Tracie Bernecker placed fifth in the 55 meter dash in a time of 7.48 seconds. Sophomore April Sachau placed sixth in the 3,000 meter run in a time of

11:31.50, a lifetime best in that event.

On the men's side, the 4 x 800 relay team of James Bruhn, Matt Rosauer, Nick Hansen, and Django Greenblat-Seay placed second in a season best time of 8:27.27. Bruhn also placed fourth in the 600 meter run in a time of 1:26.95. Freshman Eric Havranek placed fourth in the triple jump with a mark of 42 feet 9 inches. He also placed fifth in the long jump with a mark of 20 feet 7 inches.

Freshman Ryan Leriger placed fourth in the long jump with a mark of 20 feet 8 inches. He also placed in the 400 meter dash with a time of 53.61. Sophomore Dana Rider placed fifth in the 5,000 meter run in a time of 16:36.13. Junior Jason Kneiff placed sixth in the high jump with a mark of 6 feet 2 inches.

"Matt ran a very good race today, and accomplished one of his goals by getting a provisional national qualifying mark. His form is looking good and he is running as well as any hurdler in NCAA Division II right now. It was also a nice honor for him to be recognized as the Male Athlete of the Meet. He is definitely one of the hardest workers on the

team, so it is nice to see him rewarded for those efforts."

"Antonio had a great opening meet. He nearly equaled his season best mark of last year. I think we will continue to see improvements in his marks as he is a much stronger athlete than he was last year."


"Joe DeMilt looked good in the pole vault on three attempts at 14 feet 1 inch, which would have been a school record. I think he has an excellent shot at getting over 14 feet very soon."

"April Sachau set a personal best by over 24 seconds, a terrific race for her. She is gaining confidence in her abilities each week."

"Tracie Fehringer got off a decent throw. She should continue to improve as her technique gets better in competitive situations."

"Overall, we had a very good meet. Our athletes competed well in every event we were entered in. We had a few athletes that didn't compete due to injury or illness. Hopefully, we can be back to one hundred percent health for the next meet."

The comments were written by WSC track coach Marlon Brink.



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Wayne

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Harder scored eight each. Leah Dunklau tossed in four with Kallie Krugman, Amanda Maryott, Lindsey Stoltenberg, Alissa Dunklau and Ashley Loberg adding two each.

Harder led the team on the boards with seven caroms. Wayne will play at Elkhorn Valley on Saturday before hosting Stanton on Tuesday.

In the JV game Wayne posted a 43-34 win, improving to 10-4 on the season.

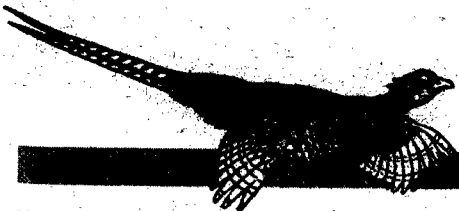
Kari Hochstein led the winners with 10 points with Amanda Munter adding eight and Karla Keller, seven. Alissa Dunklau finished with six with Erin Jarvi and Lindsey Stoltenberg adding three each. Kari Harder and Christina Gathje scored two each with Megan Summerfield and Ashley Loberg netting a free throw each.

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The Wayne Herald

Faith

Eastern Star holds installation ceremony for new 2001 officers

The Wayne Chapter #194 Order of the Eastern Star, met on Jan. 8 for their regular meeting and installation of 2001 officers.

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The office of Ruth and Sentinel will be installed later. Tracy Anderson sang a solo for the installation.



Alicia Harms

Alicia Harms selected to be in honor choir

Alicia Harms, daughter of Missy and Mark Harms of Fremont and granddaughter of Norm and Mary Jensen of Winside, was selected by audition to be in the University of Nebraska at Omaha Heartland Middle School Honor Choir.

Wakefield News

Mrs. Walter Hale 402-287-2728

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

This year, the Wakefield Community School is recognizing students who have perfect attendance and no tardies during a semester.

CONFERENCE HONOR BAND

Six members of the Trojan band participated in the Conference Honor Band Clinic and Concert on Jan. 20.

Melanie Keim and Clinton Roberts were each selected for first chair honors and received medals.

QUEEN COMPETITION

Annette "Annie" Bierbower has been selected as a finalist for Nebraska's 21st annual Homecoming Queen selection.

The selection process will be held April 21, 22 at the Holiday Inn and Conference Center at the Des Moines, Iowa airport.

Annie was chosen as Wakefield High School's Homecoming Queen last fall. She is a senior and is active in a number of school organizations.

The young lady selected as Nebraska's 2001 Homecoming Queen will receive a cash scholarship plus an expense paid trip to the National Finals to compete with queens from other states.

LAMB SCHOLARSHIP

The University of Nebraska Medical Center has announced that Katie Hoffman is the recipient of an Olive Aistrop Lamb scholarship for the 2001 Spring semester.

Katie began in the spring nursing program at the UNMC-Kearney campus. Her on semester award is \$799.

at Kearney. She is the daughter of Terry and Bonnie Hoffman.

MUSIC BOOSTERS

The Music Boosters, in conjunction with the school music department, are busy planning a number of special events during the second semester.

In the past, the music trip has been an annual, mostly recreational trip only for seniors. Beginning in 2001, it will be an educational, bi-annual trip for eligible students in grades 9-12.

Both the band and choir will perform during the trip and possible attend workshops and/or clinics. This year the destination is Minneapolis and the scheduled days are May 11, 12.

This year, in conjunction with the Community Calendar, there is a companion pocket calendar/planner. These planners are imprinted with the same activity dates and birthdays as the familiar wall calendar.

Students are conducting door-to-door sales of the pocket calendar which sells for \$5. The calendars will also be for sale at from music booster officers. If interested, contact Renee Bartels at 287-2708.

The music groups are seeking donations of old jeans to be used in construction of a denim quilt to be raffled. Volunteers are also needed to assist with the quilt construction.

There will be a lasagna dinner in conjunction with the band and choir concert on Saturday, March 17. Tickets for the event will go on sale in February.

The boosters also remind people that they are still accepting items at the clothing drop box on the east third street lot near the water tower. In addition to clothing, curtains and leather goods, shoes and purses are being accepted.

PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Josh Henderson, who is scheduled to graduate from Wakefield High School in May has been named one of more than 2,600 candidates in the 2001 Presidential Scholars Program.

Now in its 38th year, inclusion in the Presidential scholarship Program is one of the highest honors bestowed upon graduating high

school seniors. Scholars are selected on the basis of superior academic and artistic achievements, leadership qualities, strong character and involvement in community and school activities.

The candidates were selected for their exceptional performance on the college Board SAT or the ACT assessment. Further consideration is based on students' essays, self-assessments, descriptions of activities, school recommendations and school transcripts.

The White House Commission on Presidential scholars, a group of some 30 eminent citizens appointed by the President, will make final selection of the scholars. They will select one young man and one young woman from each state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and U.S. students living aboard; up to 20 students from the creative and performing arts, and 15 students at large.

Scholars will be invited to Washington, DC for several days in June to receive the Presidential

Scholars medallion at a recognition ceremony and to participate in activities with their selected representatives, educators, and others in public life.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 1: Corin. Lodge #83 AF & AM, 8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5: Firefighters, 7 p.m.; Wakefield rescue, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6: Eastern star, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 7: Wakefield Health Care Center Auxiliary general meeting, 2 p.m.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 1: Boys and girls varsity basketball conference tourney. Friday, Feb. 2: Boys and girls basketball varsity conference tourney. Saturday, Feb. 3: Girls junior high basketball, Homer tourney; boys and girls varsity conference tourney. Tuesday, Feb. 6: Girls and boys varsity basketball, Newcastle; girls junior high basketball, Homer.

Local medical students will train in cities across the state this semester

Karie Lutt of Wayne and Samantha Felber of Laurel will be fulfilling part of their health care education requirements at the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) by receiving training in communities across Nebraska.

Lutt will be at the Great Plains Regional Medical Center from March 5 to April 26. Her preceptor is Grant Schramm PT.

Felber will be at the Winnebago PHS Indian Hospital in Winnebago from Jan. 29 to Feb. 23. Her preceptor is Bob Brady RPh.

Felber will be at the Hastings Regional Center from April 2-27 with Scott Kirkegaard RPh as her preceptor.

The student rotations are part of the UNMC Rural Health Education Network (RHEN), an innovative program developed to help address the shortage of health care professionals in rural Nebraska.

The students represent the colleges of dentistry, medicine, nursing and the School of Allied Health Professions.

The purpose of RHEN is to change how and where primary care students at UNMC are educated. RHEN was developed to expose students to a rural health setting with the idea that if students receive their training in a rural area, the chances are much greater that they will return to a rural area once they complete their training.

Advertisement for Moostash Joe Tours Presents Nashville & Memphis, 6 days April 17-22, 2001. Includes tour details and contact info.

Advertisement for First United Methodist Church of Wayne, featuring a graphic of a hand holding a lightbulb and text about worship and visitors welcome.

Advertisement for Farm Bureau Insurance, BlueCross BlueShield of Nebraska, featuring portraits of Stanly C. McAfee and Kaye McAfee.

Advertisement for Farmers State Bank, Carroll, Nebraska.

Advertisement for Vel's Bakery, 309 Main Street, 375-2088.

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Advertisement for Wayne Vision Center, 313 Main Street - Wayne, NE.

Winside News

Dianne Jaeger
402-286-4504

NO NAME
Dwight and Connie Oberle hosted the Jan. 20 No Name Kard Klub with 10 members present. Thirteen-point pitch was played with prizes going to Lynne and Bob Wacker, Dianne Jaeger, and Kurt Schrant.

The next meeting will be Feb. 10 at the home of Ernie and Dianne Jaeger.

TRINITY WOMEN

Gene Rohlf, president, conducted the Jan. 10 Trinity Lutheran Church Women meeting with 10 members and PMA Glen Kietzmann present. Irene Fork gave the lesson "Decisions Decisions."

Members discussed using video's for their monthly lesson and the Oak Indian Center in Oklahoma's request for help. A letter from LeNell Quinn was read regarding the Sunday School children's help in Namibia.

Upcoming dates to remember include the Spring Gathering on March 31 at St. John's Church in Randolph. Hostess for the day was Arlene Pfeiffer.

The next meeting will be Feb. 14 at 2 p.m. Lila Hansen will have the lesson and Kathy Jensen will be hostess.

COMMUNITY RUMMAGE

It's time to start planning the

annual Winside Community Rummage Day. Anyone interested in participating should call immediately to indicate a preference for May or June this year. At least 10 locations are necessary to make the event cost effective. Call 286-4504 to participate or for more information.

SENIORS

Fourteen Winside area senior citizens met on Jan. 22 for a Snowball party. Card bingo and cards were played.

The next meeting will be Monday, Feb. 5 at noon for a potluck dinner at the Legion Post.

CRAFTS

The Creative Crafters Club met Jan. 23 at the home of Dianne Jaeger for a belated carry-in Christmas supper. Nine members were present and a gift exchange was held. Afterwards, miniature Christmas trees were decorated.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 20 at the home of Carol Jorgensen at 7 p.m.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, Feb. 2: Open AA meeting, firehall, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 3: Public Library, 9-12 and 1-3 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 5: Senior Citizens, noon, potluck dinner, Legion Post;

Public Library, 1:30-6:30 p.m.; Library Board, 7 p.m.; Village Board, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 6: American Legion, Post home, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 7: Public Library, 1:30-6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 8: Neighboring Circle Club, Dee Deck's

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Monday, Feb. 5: Boys and Girls Conference BB Tourney at Laurel

Tuesday, Feb. 6: Basketball at Wynot, 5:00, Girls JV, girls V and Boys V to follow

Thursday, Feb. 8: Basketball at Osmond, 5 p.m., girls JV, girls V and boys V to follow

Friday, Feb. 9: District Wrestling at Elgin Pope John

Saturday, Feb. 10: District Wrestling at Elgin Pope John; Junior High Boys and Girls Basketball at Coleridge, 9 a.m.; ACT testing

Hoskins News

Hildegard Fenske
402-565-4577

SENIOR CITIZENS MEET

Hoskins Senior Citizens met at the Community Center on Jan. 23 to play cards. Winners were: Ramona Puls, Mary Jochens, and Ione Kleensang. A co-operative lunch was enjoyed. The next get together will be on Feb. 6.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 1: Zion Lutheran Ladies meet for Family Day, noon; Dorcas Society of Peace United Church of Christ meets, 1:30 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 5: Hoskins Saddle Club meets at the Hoskins Firehall, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 6: Senior Citizens meet at the Community Center, 1:30 p.m.

Disaster loans available from SBA for Wayne, Dixon, and Cedar counties

Because of drought and excessive heat that occurred from July 1, 1999 and continuing, Wayne, Dixon, and Cedar counties are among many in Nebraska, South Dakota, and Wyoming that are eligible to apply for low interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

These loans are available to help businesses meet normal operating expenses that cannot be met due to the effects of a disaster. Adverse weather conditions, caused many farmers and ranchers to experience reduced incomes which may have had an adverse economic effect on businesses depending upon these producers.

Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for this loan program but may be eligible for disaster assistance through other Federal agencies. However, nurseries that are victims of drought disasters can apply.

To obtain an application or receive additional information, interested business owners may call the SBA toll free at 1-800-366-6303 to TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired. The deadline for filing an application is Sept. 11, 2001.

Due to the weather, many producers experienced crop losses and were not able to purchase goods and services at normal levels. Businesses that are dependent upon these producers may have experienced decreased sales, reduced gross profit margins, increased accounts receivable or difficulty in moving inventories at normal levels.

The loan can help a business meet installments on long-term debt, accounts payable and overhead expenses that would have been met had the disaster not occurred. Refinancing of long-term debt, however, is not eligible under this program. The loan is designed for those businesses with substantial disaster-related needs and is intended to supplement monies the business owner can provide from other sources.

Loans may be approved for up to \$1,500,000 for actual disaster-related financial needs of the business. Interest rates are four percent (4%) and terms may extend to thirty (30) years, depending upon the repayment ability of the individual applicant. To qualify, businesses must be small by SBA's size standard. Businesses which can meet their financial needs through other sources are not eligible.

SBA Facts-
Did you know that in fiscal year 2000 the SBA-

*backed a record of nearly \$18 billion in financing to America's small businesses?

*approved more than 50,400 loans totaling almost \$12.4 billion?

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*provided more than 28,000 loans totaling approximately \$1 billion to disaster victims for residen-

tial, personal-property and business loans?

*extended management and technical assistance to an estimated 1.23 million entrepreneurs through its resource-partner program?

*responded to almost a quarter million telephone and e-mail inquiries at the SBA Answer Desk?

Did you know that America's 25 million small businesses-

*employ more than 58 percent of the private workforce?

*generate more than 51 percent of the nation's gross domestic product?

*are the principal source of new jobs?

Soybean seed affected by hot, dry weather

Lots of heat and little water last summer means this year's soybean seeds are small in size, lower in quality and short in supply. Farmers switching acreage from corn to soybeans, which require significantly less nitrogen, to avoid skyrocketing fertilizer prices could exacerbate the situation.

"Last year's hot, dry weather was devastating to dryland soybeans, which is the majority of soybeans planted in Nebraska," said Steve Knox, field services supervisor for the Nebraska Crop Improvement Association, based at the University of Nebraska.

The quality of soybean seed is measured by the germination percentage, or the number of seeds per 100 that are viable. Most years, samples sent for testing by NCIA members have germination rates above 90 percent, with 80 percent being the standard. This year the average germination has been 70 percent to 75 percent, the lowest in 20 years, Knox noted.

"We have seen a huge range of germination percentages this year, from above 90 percent to as low as 30 percent," he said. "There are some good seed lots out there, but there is also some seed that will have to be discarded."

Hot, dry weather also produced seeds that are smaller than average. During normal seed cleaning, which is designed to remove the smallest and poorest quality seeds from the mix, a greater number of seeds will be lost this year.

"When you have smaller seeds, a greater number will fall out during cleaning," said Gary Cross, foundation seed manager for NU's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources. "This year we are seeing 25 percent to 30 percent cleanout compared to around 10 percent most years."

Poor germination percentages and increased cleanout means that Nebraska farmers should expect to find shortages when purchasing soybean seed for this season. Many seed sources already are sold out or over-booked and the seed that is available may not be top quality.

"We have about half of the soybean seed that we planned to have available for sale this year," said Ken Anderson, a marketing manager with NC+ Hybrids. "We have lowered our germination standard from

90 percent to 85 percent to increase supplies and we are still short. Some other companies have even lowered the standards to 75 percent or lower."

Prices are high and supplies are short this year for anhydrous ammonia, the most common nitrogen fertilizer for corn. That has some farmers looking to switch some of their acres from nitrogen-needy corn to soybeans, which demand less fertilizer.

"I have heard from some farmers who are going to switch some of their acres from corn to soybeans. With soybean seed supplies already short, more demand for soybeans will make the situation even worse," said Len Nelson, an NU crop variety and seed production specialist. "Farmers who decide to plant more soybeans may find that they don't have as many options in terms of variety or even quality. There will be some limitations to switching."

Farmers considering planting more soybeans now should also consider the impact of oversupply on market prices in the future.

"If this situation also results in an oversupply of soybeans at harvest, it will certainly bring the price down," Nelson said.

Nearby states such as Iowa, Missouri and Illinois that normally might have soybean supplies suitable for use in Nebraska are in the same situation, Cross said. He also warned against looking to warmer, southern states for soybean supplies, because those soybean varieties mature faster and may not work well in Nebraska's longer cold season in spring.

Farmers need to talk with their seed suppliers as soon as possible and find out what is available. While the popular Roundup Ready beans may be sold out, conventional and STS varieties still may be available and are good options for Nebraska farmers, Knox said.

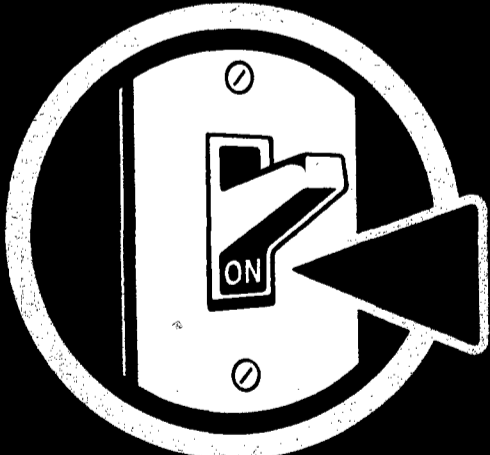
"You will also need to adjust your planting rate to account for smaller seeds and smaller germination percentages," he said. "There are printed materials available as resources for calculating planting rates, and you can talk to local Cooperative Extension educators about adjusting these rates, too."

A planting rate of 150,000 live

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Pizza in agriculture

Students in third and fourth grade at St. Mary's Elementary School participated in a program sponsored by the Wayne Area Chamber of Commerce Ag Committee emphasizing the importance of agriculture in our community. Student were able to identify how the ingredients in pizza all originate from agriculture, learned the nutritional value of pizza and then made their own mini pizzas. The program has been presented to area fourth grade students by Amy Topp, UNL Extension Educator in the Wayne County Extension Office. Above, the students at St. Mary's chose the toppings for their pizzas while Amy Topp assists them. The students are taught by Mrs. Pam Boehle.

Farmers and ranchers are eligible to apply for conservation work funds

Farmers and ranchers have until Friday, Feb. 16, 2001 to sign up for over 4.2 million in Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) funds at their local USDA service center, according to a local official.

Steve Chick, State Conservationist with the Natural Resources Conservation Service said, "This is an annual program so people could have been signing up all along. This Feb. 16 cutoff will allow enough time to work with individuals to identify the conservation work to be done and estimate the costs." "All we need now is a signature to know they are interested in funding assistance," he said.

These funds are used for grazing land improvements and soil and water conservation practices.

NRCS will work with individuals who sign up for this program through the end of April. In May, all the applications will be ranked and those that will return the best environmental benefits for the least cost will receive funding. Last year, over 370 contracts were awarded.

There are two categories of funding. One category is for priority areas and the other is for people not in a priority area. Over \$2.7 million of the funds are directed at 19 priority areas across the state. The remaining nearly \$1.5 million will be for individuals not in a priority area.

"There are 19 priority areas and six of those are new this year," said Chick. The six new projects are Cunningham Lake Water Quality area near Omaha; Middle Republican Irrigation Water Management area in Hayes, Frontier, Red Willow and Hitchcock

counties; the Bruning/ Highland Water Quality area in the corner of Thayer, Filmore and Jefferson counties; the Upper Republican Sandhills area in parts of Perkins, Chase and Dundy counties; Weeping Water Creek-South Branch Erosion Control area in parts of Cass and Otoe counties and the Dakota-NE Eroded Tableland area in parts of Cherry and Keya Paha counties.

The Environmental Quality Incentives Program, created in the 1996 Farm Bill, provides technical, financial and educational assistance for natural resource needs. Fifty percent of the dollars are targeted to livestock related problems like graz-

ing distribution or manure management with the remainder aimed at more general conservation practices like terraces, grassed waterways or pest management.

The program allows for 5 to 10-year contracts that provide incentive payments and cost share dollars, up to 75 percent, for these practices. Contracts have a \$50,000 maximum limit.

Funding for EQIP comes from USD's Commodity Credit Corporation, which funds several other conservation programs. The Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund is also contributing \$400,000 to this program, which is included in the \$4.2 million total available

Seed

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seeds per acre works well for soybeans in Nebraska, said Jim Specht, an NU crop scientist. This leaves a margin of error for plants damaged by pests, bad weather and other variables.

"At harvest, you want to have 100,000 mature plants per acre, so the margin of error is very important since not all of the plants will make it that far," he said. "It is also important to note that the germination percentage shown on the bag is from a warm germination test, not a cold stress test, so it may be a high estimate of the number of seeds that will germinate in cooler field conditions."

To find the correct planting rate, Specht said, divide the desired number of live seeds per acre by the decimal equivalent of the germination

percentage. For example, for seed that has 75 percent germination, divide 150,000 by .75. For 150,000 live seeds per acre with this seed, farmers would need to plant 200,000 seeds per acre.

The good news about poor quality soybeans is that the shortage is less likely to drive up seed prices this year, Knox said.

"You shouldn't charge a high price for a lower quality product," he said. "But sometimes supply and demand does funny things to the market, so it's difficult to tell what will happen at this point."

For more information, consult Cooperative Extension NebGuide G99-1395-A, "Soybean Seeding Rates," which is available at local extension offices or on the web at www.iannr.unl.edu/pubs/field_crops/g1395.htm

At the Farm House

'Family style' observed

The first time I heard the word "presentation" in connection with the way a dish is served, we were at a B & B in Walnut, Iowa. The owner was describing a local restaurant by reporting, "The presentation is okay, but the food lacks a bit." We later ate there, and thought the food was fine. I guess the presentation was, too.

On the farm, food is "presented" in serving bowls and passed around the table. Even when pie is "dished up" on individual dishes, we worry more about the serving size than how it looks on the plate.

In the Farm House, we have continued the same process. Breakfast dishes are placed on the table, and guests served from them. I believe it's known as "family style."

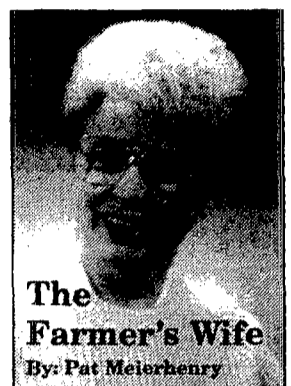
But I have been observing presentation. When I order cheese cake in certain restaurants, it arrives on a large plate with chocolate sauce or raspberry jam swirled beside the cake.

Last year, an old friend called about the possibility of a group of her husband's colleagues and their wives eating here while they were at Mahoney Park. I advised her that the best way for me to do that would be to ask our local caterer to bring her wares here.

Annette has such a busy catering service she has built a separate kitchen from her home, complete with walk-in refrigerators and stainless steel stoves. She gave me her sample menus and I mailed them to my friend. They chose menu #3: chilled sangria soup, fresh greens with raspberry vinaigrette, Italian chicken, parmesan potatoes, steamed vegetables and one of her famous desserts.

I set a pretty table, Annette arrived in her van with the food in heated transporters, and the guests drove across the river to partake. I

learned a lot about presentation that night. My good silver, which is flatware, doesn't even have salad forks. (I do have some now). So we



had to wash in between servings. It was all lovely, but I had to scurry.

But, when they left, I said to Mike, "You know, they are all farmers. I have a feeling they would just as soon have had meat loaf and

mashed potatoes, family style.

Therefore, when another group called to ask for a pre-Christmas meal, I gave them some choices. They did, indeed, choose ham loaf and scalloped potatoes; and it was much easier for me.

When we attended the Mannheim Steamroller concert last month, we decided to eat at the Doubletree Hotel so we could park early. First, we waited to be seated. Then, we waited to have our order taken. Finally, we really waited to be served. Mike had an absolutely huge hamburger, and I had a pasta dish. Both were elegantly presented when they arrived.

But we paid for the privilege of eating in the lovely dining room just a block from the auditorium. And I think we would have been just as comfortable at Country Buffet.

I watched a chef from Austin doing a dish on the "Today Show" yesterday. There was lots of presentation. I guess it's whatever we are willing to pay for. Meanwhile, we will continue to serve country style at the Farm House. It's our style, and there's no need to change it.

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