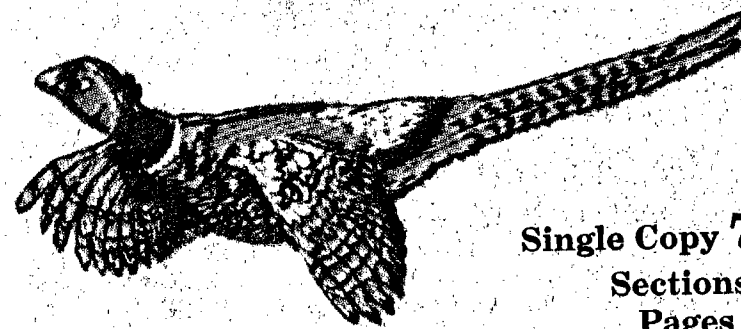


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A Quick Look



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Chamber Coffee

WAYNE — This week's Chamber Coffee will be held Friday, Jan. 30 at Grace Lutheran Church.

The coffee begins at 10 a.m. and announcements at 10:15.

Fund raiser

WAYNE — The Wayne High School FBLA group will be raising money for the March of Dimes.

They will be selling baby hospital bands at basketball games, which can be dedicated to a baby or other member of the community. The group's goal is to sell enough bands to span the length of the basketball court.

Anyone wishing to contribute but unable to attend a game is asked to contact Annette Rasmussen at (402) 375-3150.

Winter Story Time

AREA — This week's Winter Story Time at the Wayne Public Library will focus on a Penguin theme. Story Time is held on Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. and is designed for preschool and early elementary age children. All are welcome.

Soup supper

AREA — The St. Mary's Youth Group, WINGS, will be holding a soup supper on Saturday, Jan. 31 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at Holy Family Hall.

Chili, chicken noodle soup, beef vegetable soup, homemade rolls and desserts will be served.

A free-will donation will be accepted with proceeds going toward future projects.

Vocal concert

AREA — The Wayne Middle School students will be presenting a vocal concert on Thursday, Jan. 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the Middle School. The students are under the direction of Cheryl Kopperud and Deneil Parker.



Weather

Anna Kruger, Wayne Schools

FORECAST SUMMARY:

Cold weather continues with chance of snow on Sunday.

Day	Weather	Wind	Range
Thurs.	AM flurries	N 10	-10/0
Fri.	Occ. snow	Light	-11/5
Sat.	Mtly cloudy	SE 20	3/18
Sun.	Ch. of snow		8/15
Mon.	Mtly cloudy		0/15

Wayne weather forecast is provided by

Date	High	Low	Precip	Snow
Jan. 22	46	9		
Jan. 23	NA	NA		
Jan. 24	56	17		
Jan. 25	23	14	.03	
Jan. 26	20	14	.47	6"
Jan. 27	14	-11	.05	1"
Jan. 28	8	-13		

Recorded 7 a.m. for previous 24 hour period
Precip./mo. — .68" Snow/ mo. — 10.1"
Year/Date — .68" Snow/season — 15.8"

Council debates rate increases

By Clara Osten
Of the Herald

Increases in electric rates and increases in insurance premiums were among the topics of discussion at Tuesday's meeting of the Wayne City Council.

Garry Poutre, head of the Electric Distribution Department, presented the results of an electric cost of service study completed by Western Consulting.

Poutre told the council that the

results of the study were similar to those from last year's study and that they indicated that an increase would be necessary to return the city's reserves to the levels they were in 2001. He said that a 5.5 percent increase this year and in each of the following two years was recommended.

Council member Dennis Linster raised questions about raising costs each year at a rate above the rate of inflation. He noted that the high costs of utilities, combined with the high cost

of housing in Wayne, could result in people moving to towns other than Wayne.

Linster also questioned the city's methods of investing revenues and noted that a change may result in higher rates of return on city money, and make rate increases unnecessary.

Following Poutre's presentation, the council asked to see different spreadsheets with different rate increases to compare before making a decision on a rate increase for this year.

Carter Peterson, with Northeast Nebraska Insurance, was at the meeting to discuss possible changes in the city's property and casualty insurance.

Peterson reviewed the city's current coverage and costs associated with each of the coverage categories.

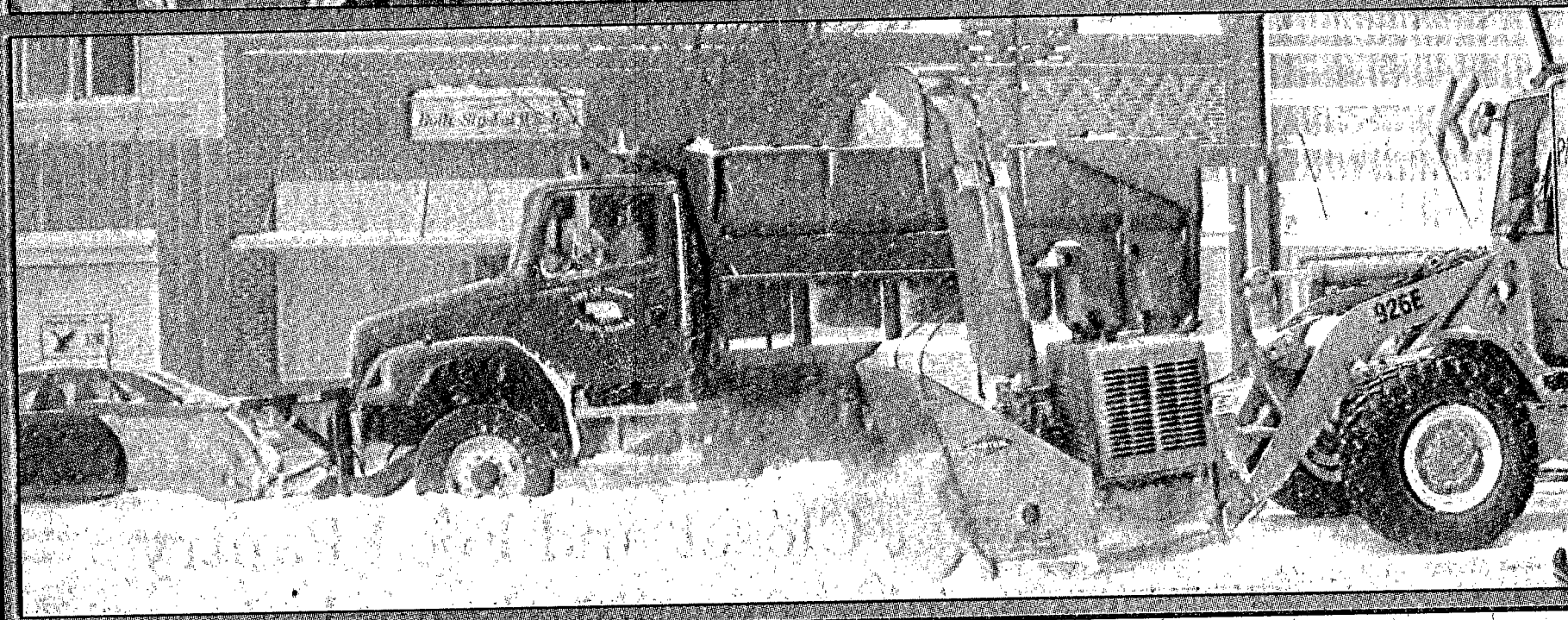
He noted that worker's compensation insurance premiums make up approximately one-third of the total premium. He also explained how the insurance

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Happy New Year?

Although most people celebrated New Year's a month ago, the Chinese New Year was observed last week at Wayne Middle School by sixth grade students in Mrs. Jill Pickinpaugh's Social Studies classes. Below, the students also had something to celebrate this week as they were granted two days off by Mother Nature as seven inches of snow and winds created blizzard conditions Monday and Tuesday.



Program provides home for Wayne family

By Clara Osten
Of the Herald

For Charles and Malisa McCoy, the past six months have been a dream come true.

The couple and their six children moved into a newly constructed home on June 1, 2003, thanks to the work of the Wayne Area Chapter of Habitat for Humanity and hundreds of volunteers.

Even before the house was built, the family had accumulated more than the 500 hours of sweat equity required by Habitat for Humanity.

The family is still active with Habitat, folding flyers, attending parades and other activities. Malisa also serves on the Selection Committee which will decide who receives the next home built by the Wayne Chapter of Habitat for Humanity.

The McCoy home includes a living room, kitchen and five bedrooms.

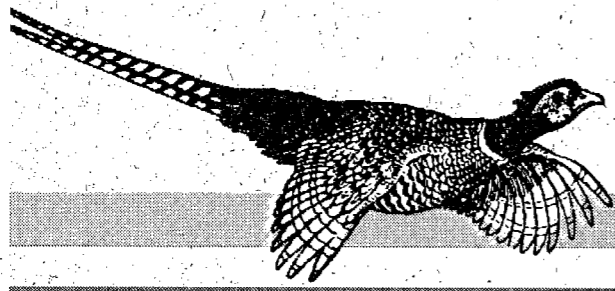
The two youngest children, Dillion, 6, and Christian, 8, share a bedroom as do daughters, Kim, 12, and Lucritia, 14. The oldest children, Ashely, 17, and Cacy, 16, each have their own bedroom.

Charles and Malisa and their daughter, Ashely, are employed at Wayne State College. Charles

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The McCoy family stands in the kitchen of their new home. They include, left to right, Kim, Cacy, Dillion, Christian, Charles, Malisa and Lucritia. Ashely was not present for the photo.



Editorials

Great truths in life

I was sent this by a friend of mine when they heard one of my stories of everyday life at my house. With a lovely wife, daughter, 10, going on 24 and a son, 9, going on 17, plus two dogs who believe they are the alpha male, things get interesting at times. So here are my versions of:

Great truths you learn in life!

1. No matter how hard you try, you can't baptize cats.
2. When your mother is mad at you, don't let her brush your hair.
3. If your sister hits you, don't hit back. I always catch the second person.
4. Never ask your 9-year-old brother to hold a tomato. He might throw it at you.
5. You can't trust dogs to watch your food.
6. Don't sneeze when someone is cutting your hair.
7. Never hold a Dust-Buster and a dog at the same time.
8. You can't hide a piece of broccoli in a glass of milk.
9. Don't wear polka-dot underwear under white shorts.
10. The best place to be when you're sad is Grandpa's lap.
11. Never hold your head low to light a gas stove.

Great truths that adults have learned:

1. Raising teenagers is like nailing Jell-O to a tree.
2. Wrinkles don't hurt.
3. Families are like fudge...mostly sweet, with a few nuts, if you like nuts.
4. Today's mighty oak is just yesterday's nut that held its ground.
5. Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside.
6. Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fiber, not for the toy.

Great truths about growing old:

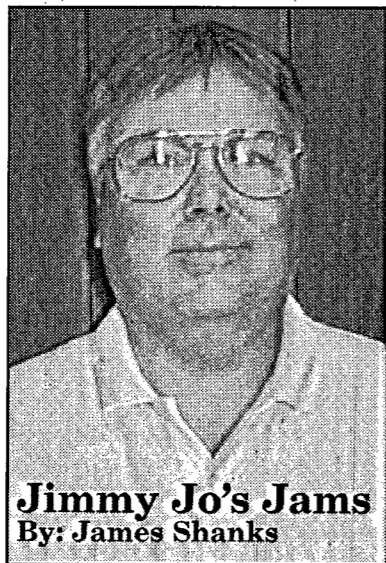
1. Growing old is mandatory; growing up is optional.
2. Forget the health food. I need all the preservatives I can get.
3. When you fall down, you wonder what else you can do while you're down there.
4. You're getting old when you get the same sensation from a rocking chair that you once got from a roller coaster.
5. It's frustrating when you know all the answers but nobody bothers to ask you the questions.
6. Time may be a great healer, but it's a lousy beautician.
7. Wisdom comes with age, but sometimes ages comes alone.

The four stages of life:

1. You believe in Santa Claus.
2. You don't believe in Santa Claus.
3. You are Santa Claus.
4. You look like Santa Claus.

Success:

- At age 4, success is...not wetting in your pants.
- At age 12, success is...having friends and listening to your parents.
- At age 16, success is...having a driver's license and listening to your parents.
- At age 35, success is...having money.
- At age 50, success is...having money.
- At age 70, success is...having a driver's license.
- At age 75, success is...having friends.
- At age 80, success is...not wetting in your pants. I hope you have a nice day.



Jimmy Jo's Jams
By: James Shanks

Capitol View

Governor must make tough decisions

By Ed Howard
Statehouse Correspondent
The Nebraska Press Association

Situations arise where there are no legitimate policy choices that are likely to be politically popular. The state's fiscal problems have confronted Gov. Mike Johanns with such a situation.

What's the guy gonna' do? He has the state's financial problems on one hand, and the financial problems of local governments to consider on the other.

It is very difficult for any governor of any party in any state to look like a shining star when the country is still in something of a dark economic night.

Johanns, with a duty to work toward a balanced state budget, has proposed cutting the amount of money the state sends to local school districts -- by \$166 million.

Such a move could lead some school districts to boost their local property tax rates. When the local politicians get an earful, if the cuts are enacted, you can bet they will point upstream to Lincoln.

The other choice for the governor and the Legislature would be to boost state sales and income tax rates. Doing such a thing in an election year is about as likely as Frank Solich nominating Steve Pederson for Man of the Year.

Johanns' predicament is reminiscent of a scene from Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid. It's the one where this big, ugly, mean guy is telling Butch that they must fight to the death.

"What'll it be Butch? Guns or knives?"

Butch looks up and says: "Neither!"

In the movie, the hero resolves the situation by kicking his antagonist below the belt, then knocking him unconscious while the fellow contemplates the agony subsequent to such a violent trespass.

Unfortunately, neither governors nor lawmakers can resolve policy challenges with comparable reactions. If they could, steel-toed boots would be all the rage around and

about the Capitol. Instead, the question put to them is the political equivalent of: "Well, do you want to kick your constituents in this shin, or that shin?"

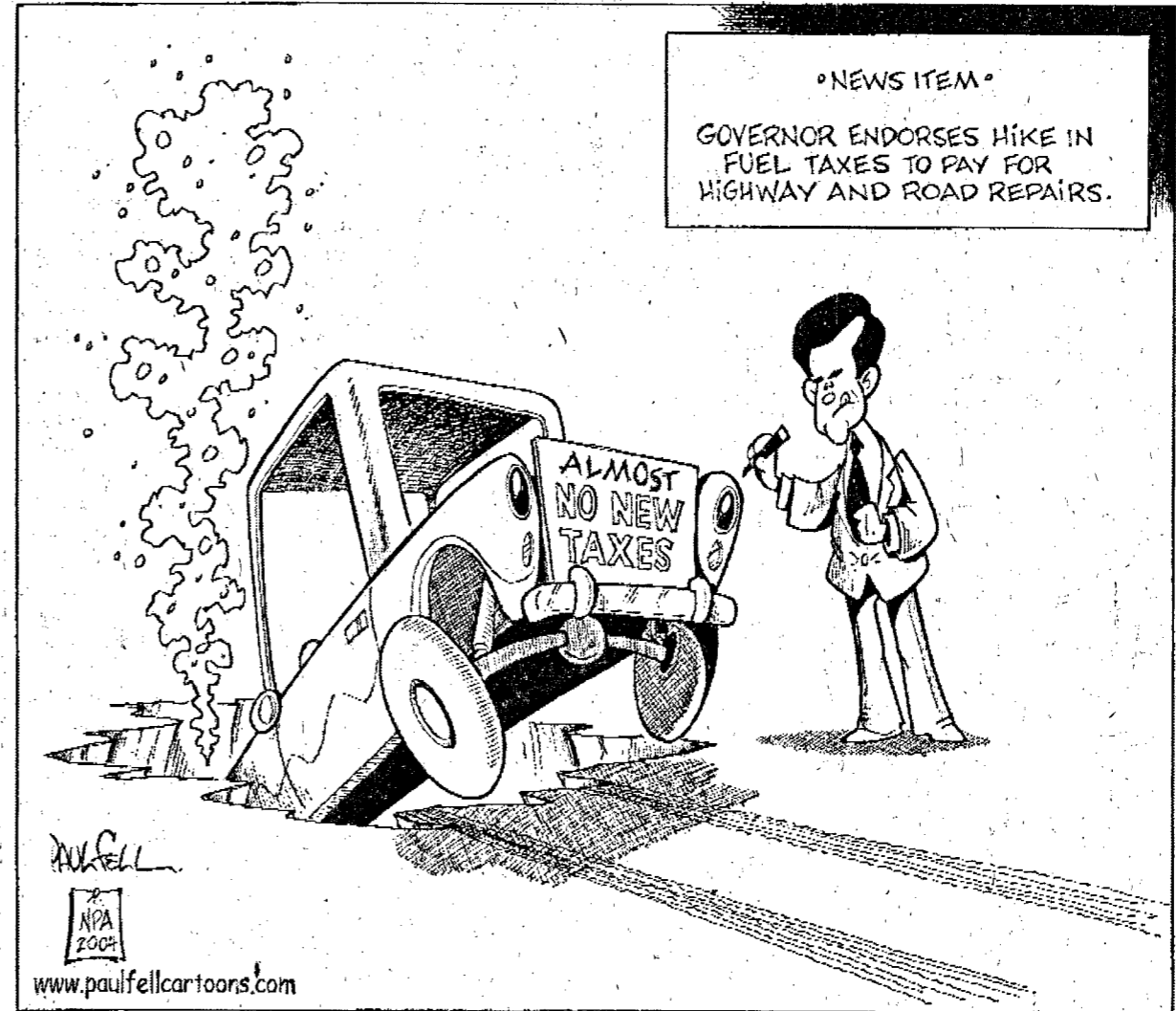
Lots of local, elected officials should credit Johanns with the gumption he showed in endorsing

a boost in the state tax on gasoline. The revenues would go to cities and counties for road work.

The governor said that, as a former mayor of Lincoln, he fully understood the value of and the need for decently maintained streets. They are important to a community's economic viability as

well as to safety, Johanns said.

In supporting the proposed hike in the gasoline tax (2 cents on the gallon) Johanns showed that he had not forgotten what it was like to be downstream from state government.



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NEW BEGINNINGS!

2004 has gotten off to a running start for the Main Street Program. I hope that it's just the start of another exciting and successful year for us and a prosperous year for all businesses.

One project that the Main Street Program has been involved with is providing some technical assistance for the restoration of the old Trio Travel building on the corner of First and Main Streets.

Jill Brodersen of Homestead Homes is leading the charge of the buildings' renovation. They are taking the building back to its original look inside and out. The original 'tin' ceilings are being redone, along with other major work inside. Outside, they are opening up windows that have been covered for sometime. In addition, they will, in the future, be removing the paint from the outside brickwork, along with replica replacement of some of the cornice on the building.

Our congratulations to Jill, and to Mr. Rod Tompkins, for their commitment to that project. A Main Street Program is an economic based preservation program and we are most pleased to play a small part in that endeavor.

Other early 2004 good news was a recent announcement that the Nebraska Lied Main Street Program, obviously which we are a member, has been approved by the Transportation Enhancement Selection Committee and the Department of Roads, for Fiscal Year 2004 funding as a Set-Aside in the amount of \$100,000. We believe we have projects that will be making an application for some of that funding for Wayne.

The 2004 Nebraska Lied Main Street Spring Conference date and place have been announced. The

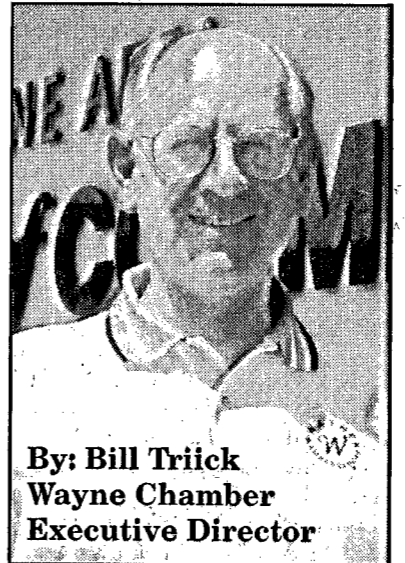
conference will be held in Kearney on March 31-April 1. Part of the program will be a presentation by Valeria Crisafulli of the National Main Street Center. Her program

State College Relations Office, that a press release will be available soon, about a partnership (Wayne State College and the Main Street Wayne Program) grant in conjunction with the Lewis and Clark celebration in Nebraska. That is all I am allowed to say at this time but the news will be a real feather for the college and the community.

The community Highway 15 reconstruction taskforce, T.E.A.M., met again recently and continued discussions and preparation of events and projects for that major project through downtown in 2006. The Main Street Wayne Program is pleased to be represented on a number of committees that are making preliminary plans for 2006.

This would be a good time to thank Jim Shanks and the Wayne Herald for allowing us space for this bi-weekly column... and to KTCH and the sponsors of the Main Street Report weekly on Tuesdays on "The View from Wayne America" at approximately 9:10 a.m. The media is extremely important to this community and to the Main Street Wayne Program.

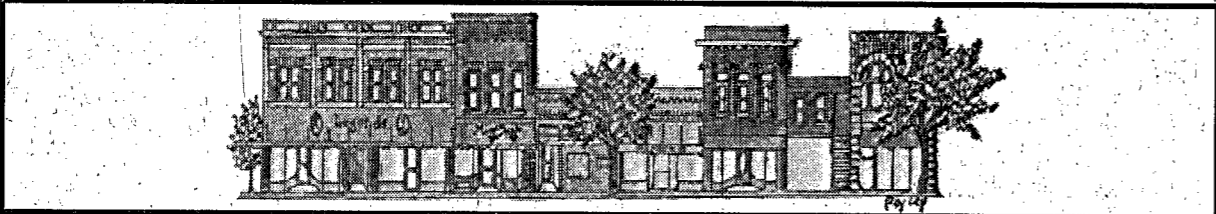
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By: Bill Triick
Wayne Chamber
Executive Director

will be on business retention, expansion and recruitment, specific to downtown revitalization. This conference is open to the public. I will have details for you at a later date.

If that wasn't already enough good news to start the year, we were recently informed by Judy Johnson, Director of the Wayne



Main Street Focus

The Annual Meeting of the Main Street Program is scheduled for Feb. 10, here at the Main Street Office, 208 N. Main, beginning at 8 a.m. The agenda will be published in the Wayne Herald this week and next week.

The most important item to be finalized at the meeting will be the election of new board members. Three positions will be open on the nine member board. Each of the positions, is for a three-year term. Who elects the board members? "Friends of Main Street" vote on the names submitted on the ballot or space also provided for a write-in nomination.

Who are "Friends of Main Street?" A "Friend of Main Street" is anyone who has donated monetarily, in-kind, or with 'sweat-equity' to our program. If that is you, you will be receiving a ballot. We would ask that you vote for three names (or write-in) on the ballot and mail it back in the self-addressed, stamped envelope you'll receive with your ballot. The top three vote getters will be announced publicly on February the 10th.

We make the voting process such a small window of time, because we have discovered that the quicker a person has to get the ballot returned, the larger number of returns we receive. Last year we had 68 percent of our ballots returned. Anyone who has ever sent out a ballot or a survey knows that 68 percent is an extremely high return and we are understandingly appreciative of that.

On Monday of this week, I had the opportunity (along with other people in the community) to meet the four candidates for the Presidency of Wayne State College. My personal comment is

to the search committee, congratulations on the excellent job you did on choosing the final four candidates. It had to be a difficult process. I firmly believe the family



By: Leo Ahmann

of Wayne State College will be pleased with any one of the four chosen. The community will also benefit from the inclusion of the President in its civic activities. The announcement will come very shortly.

I attended a Governing Board/Management Team for the Nebraska Lied Main Street Program in Lincoln last week. As the manager representative for all communities, it's refreshing to hear the progress of the state program as well as to hear of successes of the other communities. Other communities in the state continue to come on board.

The city received news from the Nebraska Department of Roads, that the stoplights at 2nd and 3rd Streets, WILL be included in the proposal for the Highway 15 construction through town in 2006.

Any questionnaires, surveys, press releases to the public, will come out of the community's highway taskforce, T.E.A.M.- 15. The Main Street Program is pleased to be a part of that taskforce and will make sure the business community in particular, and the community as a whole is aided in every way by the work of the taskforce.

Another small step was taken in our task of restoring the old depot (south of Godfather's) this week when we met with Scot and John Carhart. The Main Street Program would like to thank the Carharts for their assistance and co-operation in this rather large endeavor and look forward to continued efforts with them.

The public needs to know that this is going to take some time...lots of time, but most historic preservation projects of this size...take time. The end result will be fantastic. Historic preservation/restoration is a major component of a Main Street Program. Until next time...

Letters Welcome

Letters from readers are welcome. They should be timely, brief (no longer than one type-written page, double spaced) and must contain no libelous statements. We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

Letters published must have the author's name, address and telephone number. The author's name will be printed with the letter; the address and the telephone number will be necessary to confirm the author's signature.

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Lifestyle

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Tips are offered to improve parenting skills

The first rule for setting rules is to see a child as part of the total family.

Giving up everything for your child is probably not a wise idea. As parents you have needs that also must be met. It has been suggested that every child needs to have people "who are really crazy about him — people who love that child with all their hearts." Parents are especially good at this kind of loving and it may be the most important life-long contribution they can make for their child's growth and development.

Present rules in impersonal terms. Then, if your child feels any conflict it will be between themselves and the rules; not between you and your child. Instead of saying, "I don't want you eating in the living room," remind them, "The rule is, food and drinks in the kitchen only," please."

Rules need to be rules or conse-

quences you can live with. Make the rules brief and clear. The more often you repeat the same rule, the more your child will tune you

Amy Topp
Extension Educator
4-H & Youth



out. As your child starts outside for playtime, you need to say only one word: "Coat!"

Set rules before a situation gets out of control. As a parent, you need to stay in control. If you don't approve of something your child does, act before the situation gets out of control — before you become angry and overly frustrated, and before your child's behavior becomes unreasonable. The rule for setting rules is to keep your cool.

What are some rules that you can state clearly and briefly? Are they rules you can live with? What rule did you state in an impersonal manner?

SOURCES: Parenting Your Child Effectively, NF02-536, by Marilyn Fox, extension educator, University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension. Effective Ways to Guide Children, NF93-154, by Pat Steffens, Extension Family Life Specialist.

February Calendar

- Feb. 1 — Teen Supremes meeting.
- Feb. 2 — 4-H enrollments due.
- Feb. 15-21 — Nebraska 4-H Week.
- Feb. 23 — 4-H Council.
- Feb. 28 — Speech/Presentations/ Record Book workshops.
- Feb. 29 — Market beef weigh-in and IDs due.

School Lunches

LAUREL-CONCORD SCHOOLS (Feb. 2-6)
Monday: Breakfast — Waffles. Lunch — Tavern on bun, corn, fruit, chips.
Tuesday: Breakfast — Muffin and yogurt. Lunch — Salisbury steak, potatoes & gravy, green beans, fruit, dessert.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Breakfast burrito. Lunch — Vegetable

beef soup, fruit, bread, dessert.
Thursday: Breakfast — Pancake/sausage wrap. Lunch — Creamed chicken & biscuit, peas, fruit, dessert.
Friday: Breakfast — Breakfast pizza. Lunch — Hamburger on bun, oven fries, green beans, fruit, Milk and juice available for breakfast. Milk, chocolate milk, orange juice available each day.

WAYNE (Feb. 2-6)
Monday: Breaded beef patty with bun, pickles, peas, pears, cookie.
Tuesday: Meatball sub, green beans, peaches, cookie.



Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, wheat dinner roll, apricots, trail mix.
Thursday: Barbecue ribs with bun, corn, applesauce, cookie.
Friday: Pizza, lettuce, raisins, chocolate chip bar.
Milk served with each meal. Also available daily: chef's salad, roll or crackers, fruit or juice, dessert

WINSIDE (Feb. 2-6)
Monday: Breakfast — Scrambled eggs. Lunch — Chicken noodle soup, crackers, pineapple, roll.
Tuesday: Breakfast — Donut. Lunch — Taco burger, lettuce, mandarin oranges, cake.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Waffle. Lunch — Pizza, bread sticks, lettuce, fruit cocktail.
Thursday: Breakfast — Bagel. Lunch — Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll.
Friday: Breakfast — Omelet. Lunch — Hamburger on bun, fries, pears, cookie.
Yogurt, toast, juice and milk served with breakfast. Milk served with each meal. Grades 6-12 have choice of salad bar daily.



Bob Cleveland

Card shower planned for Bob Cleveland

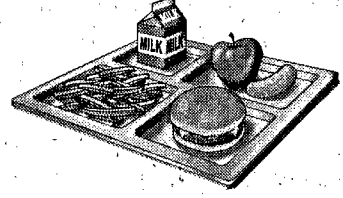
A card shower has been requested for Bob Cleveland on his 80th birthday which is Monday, Feb. 2, 2004.

His family includes his wife, Ella Mae, and four children, Terry and Marlene Cleveland of Woodstock, Ga., Larry and Phyllis Cleveland of Norfolk, Connie and Dan Trowbridge of Laramie, Wyo. and Kevin and Lisa Cleveland of Winside. He also has nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Cards may be sent to him at 306 Vroman, Box #252, Winside, Neb. 68790.

Senior Center Congregate Meal Menu

- (Week of Feb. 2-6)
Meals served daily at noon
For reservations, call 375-1460
Each meal served with, bread 2% milk and coffee
- Monday: Creamed dried beef, broccoli, top hat salad, biscuit, apple crisp.
- Tuesday: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, peas, beet pickle, whole wheat bread, dark sweet pitted cherries.
- Wednesday: Beef vegetable stew, veggies in stew, deviled egg, strawberries, bran muffin, ice cream.
- Thursday: Pork cutlets, scalloped potatoes, beets, banana jello, rye bread, Scotcheroos.
- Friday: Filet of Cod with tarter sauce, hash brown casserole, Oriental blended veggies, Golden Glow salad, whole wheat bread, plums.



Orders now accepted for American Cancer Society Daffodil Days

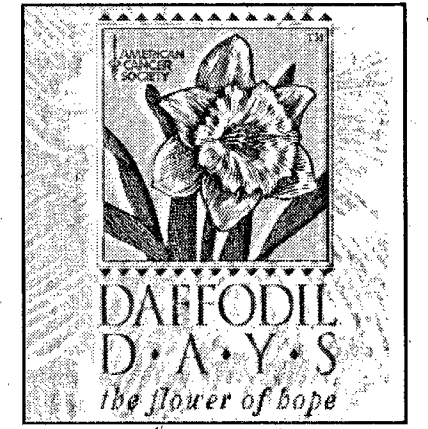
Orders are now being accepted for the American Cancer Society annual fundraiser, Daffodil Days. Money raised during Daffodil Days supports research, education, advocacy, and patient service programs for the American Cancer Society.

The fresh-cut flowers, in bunches of 10, may be ordered in advance for a donation of \$5 per bunch. Cases of 50 bunches are available.

Businesses, employers and individuals are encouraged to place advance orders of the daffodils for distribution to employees and customers or as gifts to hospitals, retirement communities or convalescent and nursing homes. Many churches place bouquets of daffodils on their altars.

Proceeds from the sale of the first flower of spring and the flower of hope will assist local programs of the American Cancer Society, including youth tobacco, nutrition and skin education; breast cancer and prostate cancer awareness programs; patient services; and free materials to physicians and individuals.

Daffodil Days culminates on "Daffodil Sunday," which will be celebrated on Sunday, March 7. To order your daffodils or if you would like to volunteer, call your



American Cancer Society chairperson Vicky Skokan at 402-375-3406. Advance orders will be taken until Friday, Feb. 20.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy and service.

Briefly Speaking

Pauline Merchant hosts Acme Club

AREA — Pauline Merchant was the hostess for the Acme Club when they met for a Jan. 19 meeting at the Senior Center. There were eight members present for the noon meeting.

The members voted to send \$10 to the Nebraska Children's Home for a Valentine gift. The program for the day was everyone sharing jokes.

The next meeting will be Monday, Feb. 2 at noon at the Senior Center with Joann Temme as hostess.

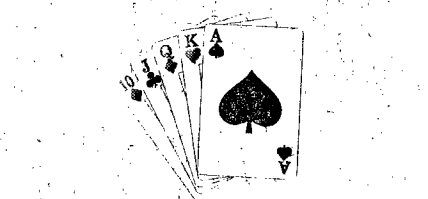
PEO Chapter holds Founders Day luncheon

AREA — PEO Chapter ID met in the home of Rita Keller on Jan. 17. Co-hostesses were Jodi Pulfer and Marilyn Yates. Following their regular meeting they met with PEO Chapter AZ to celebrate Founders Day. Chapter AZ hosted a noon luncheon at Antiques on Main. Chapter ID presented the program titled "PEO Sister Act."

Senior Center Calendar

- (Week of Feb. 2-6)
- Monday, Feb. 2: Shape up, 10:30 a.m.; Cards, quilting and pool, 1 p.m.
- Tuesday, Feb. 3: Cards and quilting.
- Wednesday, Feb. 4: Shape up, 10:30 a.m.; Cards, quilting and pool, 1 p.m.; Pedicure Clinic; Music with Ray Peterson.
- Thursday, Feb. 5: Pitch party, 1:15 to 3 p.m.; Quilting and bowl-

ing.
Friday, Feb. 6: Shape up, 10:30



a.m.; Pool and cards, 1 p.m.; Monthly birthday party with Music by Irvin Schmidt.

New Arrivals

DORCEY — Chad and Jean Dorcey of Wayne, a son, James Matthew, 7 lbs., 2 oz., born Jan. 11, 2004. He is welcomed home by two brothers, Brett and Derick. Grandparents are Jerry and Linda Dorcey of Wayne and Bob and Lois Studnicka of Burwell. Great-grandmother is Mary Dorcey of Wayne.

WALLING — Craig and Jill Walling of Wayne, a son, Tanner Jay, 9 lbs., 3 oz., born Jan. 22, 2004. He is welcomed home by a sister, Emma, 3. Grandparents are Doug and Sharron Hefner and Gary and Ann Walling, all of Bloomfield. Great-grandparents are Elroy and Carol Rae Hefner of Coleridge, Francis Iwan of Albion and Lelia Walling of Genoa.

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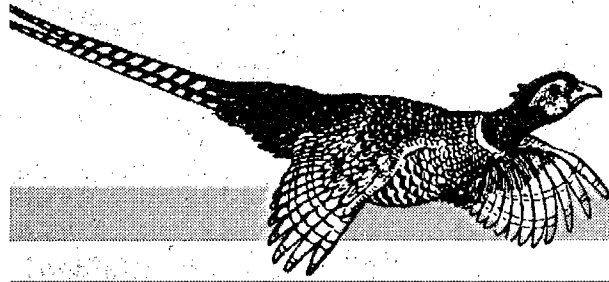
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Students at St. Mary's Elementary School are celebrating Catholic Schools Week, Jan. 25-30. As a kick-off, the school hosted the weekly Chamber Coffee last Friday. The students, under the direction of Monica Jensen, sang several songs to entertain those in attendance. The week's activities included a special Mass on Sunday, a Scholastic Book Fair and an open house. The pastor of St. Mary's School is Fr. Mark Tomaszewicz.

National Guard and Army Reserve families receive beef

The Salvation Army's Heartland Family Fund, in support of families of deployed military persons, has partnered with the Nebraska Cattlemen's Association to provide gift certificates to Nebraska National Guard and U.S. Army Reserve families. The \$10 beef gift certificates are redeemable for select beef products in any local grocery store or restaurant in Nebraska.

The project was initiated by the Nebraska Cattlemen's Association after Maj. Gen. Roger Lempke addressed the group's Annual Convention.

The Salvation Army and its partners hope this gift will give an extra boost to affected families in the New Year. Joanne Bemis, divisional director of development, said "The Salvation Army and our partners want the families of our deployed service men and women to be reassured that we care about their well being during this time of uncertainty. We appreciate the challenges each family faces in

the name of our country's freedom," said Bemis. According to the Nebraska National Guard, over 1,200 families will qualify for assistance.

The special New Year's gift is made possible through donations from the Nebraska Cattlemen's Association, Excel Corp., Nebraska Corn Fed Beef and the Heartland Family Fund. The Salvation Army's Heartland Family Fund gave \$3,000, the Nebraska Cattlemen's Association donated \$5,000, Excel Corporation made a gift of \$3,500 to the project and Nebraska Corn Fed Beef provided a \$1000 donation.

The Nebraska National Guard has identified those families who are most in need. The Salvation Army offices in Omaha, North Platte, Kearney, Hastings, Lincoln and Norfolk and the Service Unit in Scottsbluff will assist the Nebraska National Guard in distributing gift certificates to qualified families in

January as long as the supply lasts.

The Salvation Army's Heartland Family Fund remains available for eligible military families in the state of Nebraska including the Omaha/Council Bluffs metropolitan area. Those seeking assistance should contact The Salvation Army's material assistance department by calling 402-898-5860.

Sarah Jones on fall dean's list

Sarah Jones of Hoskins has been named to the dean's list at Hastings College for the fall 2003 semester.

To be eligible for the dean's list, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.7 to 4.0 and be registered for full-time course work.

Sarah's parents are Michael and Debra Jones.

Winside News

Dianne Jaeger
402-286-4504

SURVEYS

Residents of the Village of Winside should have recently received a one-question survey in the mail. It is very important to the Village that these surveys be answered and returned as soon as possible in the addressed envelope that accompanied them.

The village must receive at least 150 surveys back in order to apply and receive grant funding to be used for renovating the village auditorium with new windows, air conditioning, and handicap accessible restrooms.

BUSY BEES

Five members of the Busy Bee's Club met at Ruby Ritze's on Jan. 21. President Helen Holtgrew presided at the business meeting. Members voted to donate a premium again to the Wayne County Fair. New club books were made. Ruby's birthday was observed.

Chicken Foot Dominos was played with everyone receiving a prize.

The next meeting will be

Dustin Lamb joins Air Force under Delayed Entry Program

Dustin L. Lamb has joined the United States Air Force under the Delayed Entry Program. The program gives young men and women the opportunity to enlist and delay going into basic military training for up to one year.

Qualified men and women are eligible to receive skill training, experience and up to \$20,000 in education benefits.

After completing basic military training, airmen receive specialized technical training in one of more than 125 job career fields.

Lamb has reported to Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas, for basic training.

He is the son of Lisa Holland of Wayne, and Brian Lee Lamb of Wakefield.

Wednesday, Feb. 18 at Bonnie Wylies.

MODERN MRS.

Jackie Koll hosted the Jan. 13 Modern Mrs. Club with Dorothy Troutman as a guest. Bridge was played with prizes going to Esther Carlson, Dorothy Troutman, and Bev Voss.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 17 at Lorraine Prince's.

WELCA

Eight members and one guest of the Trinity Lutheran Church WELCA group met Jan. 14 with Gene Rohlf presiding. A lesson on Women of the Bible was held. Irene Fork was hostess.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 11 at 2 p.m.

NO NAME KARD KLUB

Dale and Ruth Jaeger hosted the Jan. 17 No Name Kard Klub with 14 members present. Thirty point pitch was played with prizes going to Bob and Lynne Wacker, Toni Schrant, and Mike Schwedhelm.

The next meeting will be Saturday, Feb. 14 at Ernie and Dianne Jaeger's.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, Jan. 30: Open AA meeting, fire hall, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 31: Public

library, 9-12 and 1-4 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 2: Public library, 1-6 p.m.; Library board meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 3: Public library, 4-8 p.m.; American Legion, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 4: Public library, 1-6 p.m.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Monday, Feb. 2: Boys conference BB tourney, JV and Varsity at TBA, 6:15 p.m.; Dance competition at UNL (tentative); State Writing Assessment, 4-8-11

Tuesday, Feb. 3: Girls Conference BB Tourney at Wakefield; State Writing Assessment, 4-8-11

Wednesday, Feb. 4: State Writing Assessment, 4-8-11

Thursday, Feb. 5: Boys Conference BB Tourney, Varsity at Hartington; KNEB Quiz Bowl, 10:40 a.m.; State Writing Assessment, 4-8-11

Friday, Feb. 6: Boys and Girls Conf. BB Tourney, Varsity at Hartington; Wrestling at Clearwater Tourney, 1 p.m.; State Writing Assessment, 4-8-11

Saturday, Feb. 7: Boys and Girls Jr. High BB - Newcastle at Winside, 9 a.m.; Wrestling at Creighton, JV Tourney, 10 a.m.; Speech meet at Plainview

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Allen News

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PAV WATER BILLS BY 15TH

Beginning with the January 2004 billing of water, sewer and garbage bill the Village of Allen began enforcing Ordinance 6-11. Water Bills are due on the first day of each month and shall be payable by the 15th of the month.

Bills paid after the 15th day of each month shall have a penalty charge of \$10 added to it. Bills not paid by the 15th of the following month will be deemed delinquent. After deemed delinquent, you will receive written notice from the village clerk that will demand payment immediately. If the bill is not paid within seven (7) days of the notice, it will

be let up to the Village Board to cut off service at any time. There will also be a reconnection fee to hook up the water service again. The fee will have to be paid in advance to the reconnection.

If you have any questions, please contact a Village Board member or the Village Clerk Monday through Friday from 8 am - 2 pm.

TOURNAMENT BEGINS

The Girls and Boys Basketball Conference Tournament begins on Saturday, Jan. 31. The Lewis Division finals will be held on Friday, Feb. 6 with the Lewis & Clark Championship being decided on Monday, Feb. 9. Look for the bracket signs around town to see when the girls and guys play. **SENIOR CENTER**

Friday, Jan. 30: Broccoli-cheese soup, ham and cheese sandwich, celery and carrots, fruit and bar.

Monday, Feb. 2: Oven chicken, boiled potatoes/gravy, peas, cranberry juice, frog eye salad.

Tuesday, Feb. 3: Hot dogs, hashbrown casserole, broccoli, ambrosia, strawberry Bavarian cream.

Wednesday, Feb. 4: Salisbury steak, mashed potato/gravy, tomato juice, English toffee dessert.

Thursday, Feb. 5: Salmon loaf, boiled potatoes, baked beans, pineapple salad, plums.

Friday, Feb. 6: Hamballs, au gratin potatoes, California blend, snicker apple salad, ice cream and cake.

COMMUNITY BIRTHDAYS

Friday, Jan. 30: Tatum Smith, Katie Olesen.

Saturday, Jan. 31: John Werner, Amanda Kumm, Tanisha Isom.

Sunday, Feb. 1: Sheryl Boyle,

Loren Carr, Karen Anderson.

Monday, Feb. 2: Eleanor Jones, Valerie Roberts, Candy Torres, Hugh and Phyllis O'Brien (A).

Tuesday, Feb. 3: Tom Olson.

Wednesday, Feb. 4: Jan Roeber.

Thursday, Feb. 5: Bob Sullivan, Roxanne Wilson, Jerry Roberts, Lori Mishcke.

Friday, Feb. 6: Philip Morgan, Dawn Fahrenholz, Dakota Roberts.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, Jan. 30: JVB/VB at Emerson, 6:15 pm

Saturday, Jan. 31: Science Bowl at UNL- JHG at Ponca Tourney, 9 am- 1st Round Lewis & Clark JVG/VG TBA, 6:15 pm

Tuesday, Feb. 3: Somerset at Senior Center at 1:30 pm

Wednesday, Feb. 4: Bible Study at United Methodist Church

Thursday, Feb. 5: Lewis & Clark Tournament continues

Friday, Feb. 6: Lewis Division Championship finals game played at Emerson

Students are named to dean's list at WSC

More than 750 students at Wayne State College were named to the Dean's List for exemplary academic achievement during the fall 2003 semester.

The list of local students includes *Shane Baack, Dustin Baker, Candace Baldwin, Dawn Bargholz, *Christina Beals, Sarah Bloom, Jayme Blume, Lindsay Buck, Katarzyna Budzynska, Jonathon Carlson, Lawrence Christensen, Elizabeth Cooper, Jodi Coufal, Joseph Dangberg, Kristin Echtenkamp, Sarah Ekberg, Stephanie Elliott, Nikki Field, Kristine Fink, Jeremy Foote, Tiffany Frerichs, Judd Giese, Lioudmila Gorbik, Kristin Hall, *Sara Hall, Amanda

Hansen, Kimberly Hattig, Heather Headley, Heather Helms, *Gail Hochstein, Kristin Hochstein, Nicole Hochstein, Beth Johnson, Patricia Kaiser, Clinton Keller, Eric Kjar, Sara Klaschen, Jacey Klaver, Kallie Krugman, Erin Kucera, Christopher Lord, Ashlee Meyer, Robert Meyer, Wendie Meyer, Tanya Mitchell, Meagen Mudloff, Sarah Mundahl, Joel Munson, Josh Murtaugh, Molly Muir, Monica Novak, Robyn Pavelka, Gregory Peabody, Kelly Peterson, Roger Timperley, Toya Vande Velde, Nathan Wall, Megan Weber, Shanda Weiler, Grega Williamson, Heather Young, and

Sarah Zelenda, all of Wayne. Erin Boeckenhauer, Lori Brand, *Brandon Bruckner, Jennifer Bruckner, Ami Hampl, Lisa Potter, Michelle Schwarten, Debra Snyder, Brenda Tello, and Jennifer Victor, all of Wakefield. Michael Clay, Samantha Deck, Crystal Jaeger, Jared Jaeger, Jennifer Sudbeck, Anthony Thompson, Trista Vogt, all of Winside. Melissa Brewer, *Melinda Fleeer, *Kimberly Nathan, *Jennifer Schwede, Jami Talbot, and Ashley Van Deventer, all of Hoskins. Christine Duda, Michael Jacobsen, Shane Kraemer, Candace Patefield, Jason Perry, *Lila Preston, Lani Recob, *Erin

Troyer, Audrey Victor, all of Laurel. Gary Brownell, Justin Paulson, Jeffery Robinson, all of Allen. Justin Davis, Kirby Hall, and Kathryn Roberts, all of Carroll. Katie Bohlsen, *Kate Harder, Kelli Huetig, all of Concord. Daniel Rasmussen, *Jeremy Rasmussen, and Sarah Stark, all of Dixon.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and be enrolled as a full time student.

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Child development - the first six months

By Jean Grove, director, Northeast Nebraska Child Care Resource & Referral Agency. Children grow physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially from the day they are born. Children develop at their own rate; parents and caregivers should encourage the development but let them progress at their own pace. One child may sit up before rolling over and one may stand before crawling. It's important to learn all forms of development but not important to do it in any specific order. The first six months of development include varying his/her cry to indicate need, reacting to touch

with movement, lifting his/her head off a surface, visually following an object, making throaty sounds and single vowel sounds (oo,ah,ee). Then a baby will learn to squeal, laugh, roll over and grasp a rattle. The goals of the parent and caregiver should be to help the child develop trust (affection and love), and to be independent in thoughts and actions. How can you help? Place a child in a safe open space; on a blanket on the floor, for example. Let them explore their hands and feet and their environment. Place objects within view to encourage reaching and kicking. When you think he/she might be able to reach or

roll over, place a toy a distance away and they will find a way to get to it. Be sure to give a child plenty of "tummy time." Laying a child on his/her stomach to play is important for their development. But they should always be supervised and not allowed to sleep on their stomach. Infant swings, infant seats, and exersaucers should be used at a minimum. They are restraining and slow the development stages. Both parents should start reading and singing to a baby at birth. Babies are soothed by their parents' voices, develop security, and a general feeling of well being.

The rhythm of music and singing will encourage positive learning skills as the child gets older. Musical toys, mobiles, and activity centers should be introduced to a child early, then squeaky toys, chime balls, nursery rhymes, and bubbles. Tactile (touching) development should start with activity quilts, soft blocks, teething toys, and texture mats. Reinforce a child's enjoyment of interaction by responding with hugs, smiles, sympathy, and laughter. A child will grow emotionally healthy with parents and caregivers who openly show caring and love towards the child.

Free E-file tax preparation services offered

Free E-file tax preparation services are available through Goldenrod Hills Community Action. VITA/TCE (Volunteer Tax Counseling Assistance/ Tax Counseling for the Elderly). Services are available from Feb. 1, 2004 to April 15, 2004. This service is available only to low-income filers whose income is mainly from wages or salary. If your income was from your own business or farm, they regret that they are not qualified to help you. If you think you qualify for this service, the following items are

required to allow their volunteers to complete your return:
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*Social Security cards for each of your dependent children
*Form W-2's for you and your spouse from every employer during the year
*Unemployment compensation (form 1099G)
*Form 1098 (Tuition Payments Statement) for you and your spouse and/or dependent children
*Total of payments made for child care expenses and the name,

address and tax identification number to whom child care expenses were paid
*Total amount of student loan interest paid
*If requesting direct deposit of tax refund check, provide account number and a check and/or a deposit slip
For more information you may call Peggy Mlady, family services director, or Krista Heineman, family services assistant director at 1-800-445-2505 or call your nearest family services coordinator at: Wayne, Cedar, and Dixon County: Brandy Frevert, Family

Services Coordinator, 112 East 2nd Street, Wayne, (402) 375-1111.

Local students perform in Dana Honor Band

Sam Barg, Brittany Gruenke, and Shawn Story, all students at Winside High School, were among high school students chosen to perform in Dana Honor Band. Dana College hosted a high school honor band on campus, Jan. 16. Barg plays the tuba, Gruenke, flute and Story, percussion.

Approximately 60 band members from eight local high schools met and rehearsed on the 16th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and then presented a concert in Dana's new state-of-the-art Gardner-Hawks Center at 7 p.m. that evening.

High School represented included Blair, Lyons-Decatur, West Harrison, Arlington, Norfolk Catholic, Millard North, Millard West, and Papillion-LaVista North.

Music selected for the concert included: *Cenotaph* by Jack Stamp, *Heatherwood Portrait* by James Barnes, *Prelude and Fugue in B-flat Major* by Johann Sebastian Bach, *Hambone* by Libby Larsen, and *La Banda Nascente* by Sbraccia.

On dean's list

Several local students were among 274 students named to the fall 2003 dean's list at Midland Lutheran College. They are Heidi Dickes of Wayne, Kala Henschke of Wakefield, and Angela Sullivan of Allen.

Students named to the dean's list must earn a minimum grade point average of 3.5. All students must complete a minimum of 12 credit hours on the A-F grading system during the semester to qualify.

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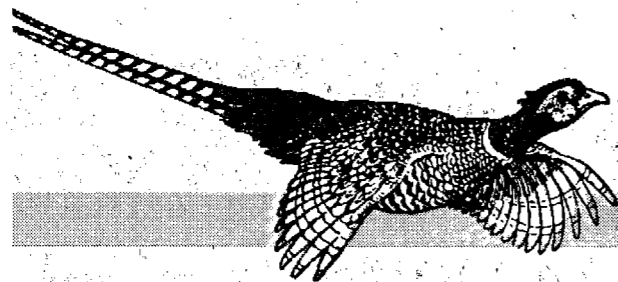
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Agriculture

Day at spa turns out to be a fun experience

This morning, 12 inches of the white stuff covers our world. The sun is out, there is traffic on Church Road, and we just have to wait for the neighbor with the blower on his tractor.

We had a boarder last fall whose home is actually in Montana. But, while her husband worked on a project in northwest Iowa, she decided to become an aesthetician in Ralston at the Xenon College of Hair Design.

I had to ask, "what's an aesthetician?" Well, folks, it has to do with skin: microdermabrasion, facials, body wraps, waxing. Apparently, no one wants body hair anymore, anymore. And this seems to be the case for many men as well as women.

Vicki seemed to enjoy it all, and entertained us with details as the students practiced on each other.

Eventually, her husband transferred closer to the school, and she didn't need her room here. She'll graduate in two more weeks.

So, I visited Xenon to participate in the activities last week.

It's a huge building, with a huge parking lot. There are all kinds of



The Farmer's Wife
By: Pat Meierhenry

swivel chairs, staffed by all kinds of cosmetology students dressed in all styles of lab coats.

I could see why Xenon is called the school for hair design. I would describe a lot of the cuts as "geometric" and I know now where all those cuts with hair sticking out

in back come from. There is also a lot of coloring going on, employing a lot of foil. Amazing!

Vicki works in the back, behind a curved wall that says Day Spa. Here, there are cubicles with cots, low lights, and soft music.

I undressed in a locker room, swathed in a big towel, and started out face down on the cot. Vicki applied some kind of sea salt, I turned over, had more salt, and was wrapped in plastic and a sheet that looked like something from space.

Hot stones were applied in the small of my back and under a sore knee. While I steamed, Vicki worked on my face.

This involved various lotions, a battery-operated facial brush, and hot, moist towels.

She finished the whole process with a wipe-off of the salt, hot lotion that smelled like lemon, and a vigorous massage.

The whole deal took two hours, and all the ablations resulted in an exfoliated, detoxified grey-haired lady. It was fun! And it's been kind of hard to get back to my

Pig handler's clinic will help reduce pig and producer stress

A University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension program will offer producers and employees techniques to consider for reduced loading stress on pigs and their handlers.

Pig Handler's Clinic will be from 1-4 pm. Tuesday, Feb. 24 at the Lifelong Learning Center at Northeast Community College, 201 E. Benjamin Ave. in Norfolk.

Ideas presented at this clinic will be helpful to pig handlers, and have been proven to reduce death loss and the number of non-ambulatory pigs, resulting in improved profits, said Duane Reese, a university swine specialist.

"You have to understand the pig if you want a better chance of

moving and loading success," Reese said.

The clinic will focus on handling pigs, loading and unloading pigs, transporting pigs and biosecurity.

"Demand for quality pork products is increasing worldwide," Reese said. "Yet, every year the American pork industry loses tens of millions of dollars because of

poor quality pork products that are the result of mishandling and bruising during transport. You can help change things and enjoy the increased profits the pork industry can generate by delivering a healthy and safe load of pigs that will generate better quality pork products."

The workshop is presented by Reese and Mark Klassen of Elanco Animal Health.

Trucker Quality Assurance Certification from the National Pork Board also can be obtained. Participants who pass a written test will earn certification, which demonstrates they have the knowledge and skills to ensure pigs are transported and handled properly as they move into market.

For more information, contact Reese at (402) 472-6425, e-mail dreese1@unl.edu or e-mail Klassen at Klassen_mark_a@lilly.com. To register, call (800) 767-5287.

This free program is sponsored by Nebraska Cooperative Extension, Nebraska Pork Producers Association and Elanco Animal Health.

Livestock Market Report

The fat cattle sale was held Friday at the Norfolk Livestock Market. There was a run of 1,200 fat cattle. Prices were generally \$2 to \$3 higher on fat cattle and higher on cows.

Strictly choice fed steers were \$83 to \$86. Good and choice steers were \$67 to \$75. Strictly choice fed heifers were \$83 to \$86. Good and choice heifers were \$80 to \$83. Beef cows were \$46 to \$53. Utility cows were \$46 to \$53. Canners and cutters were \$38 to \$46. Bologna bulls were \$57 to \$65.

The Stocker and Feeder Sale was held Thursday at the Norfolk Livestock Market. The market was steady to lower on cows.

Good and choice steer calves were \$100 to \$120. Choice and prime lightweight calves were \$120 to \$135. Good and choice yearling steers were \$90 to \$100. Choice and prime lightweight yearling steers were \$100 to \$110. Good and choice heifer calves were \$90 to \$100. Choice and prime lightweight heifer calves were \$100 to \$120. Good and choice yearling heifers were \$84 to \$94.

Due to the weather, there were no afternoon sales at the Norfolk Livestock Market on Monday.

Butcher hog head count at the Norfolk Livestock Market on Tuesday totaled 76. Butchers were \$2 higher. Sows were untested.

U.S. 1's + 2's, 230 to 260 lbs., \$44 to \$44.75; 2's + 3's, 230 to 260 lbs., \$43.50 to \$44; 2's + 3's, 260 to 280 lbs., \$43.50 to \$44; 2's + 3's, 280 to 300 lbs., \$43 to \$44; 3's + 4's, 300 lbs. +, \$30 to \$40. Sows: untested.

Drought planning tips offered

The dry weather that entrenched itself in northeast Nebraska in 2003, should cause concern for 2004 because the soil



Del Hemsath
Extension Educator

has been thoroughly dried out to the depth of the full root zone for the crop grown on that field in 2003.

There might be winter precipitation to replace some of the soil water similar to what occurred with the wet spring experienced in 2003.

The other major concern directly related to the drought is the drop of the water table as irrigation has been used to make up the shortage of natural precipitation. Conservation of the water should be a major concern for all farmers and ranchers as well as the urban dweller because Nebraskans depend upon groundwater for a majority of the water used for drinking purposes. Larger cities are trying to find new wells far outside their own area to have adequate water supplies for future years.

How does a farmer plan for dry weather if he depends on grain crops for his economic survival? That is a hard decision to make and is complicated more because of borrowed money and the holder of the loan wanting to know how he is going to get his money back. One of the considerations in drier than normal situations, is to look at crop water demands and select a crop that has less water requirements.

A corn and soybean rotation is good for insect, disease and weed control plus helps in water conservation. Soybeans use from 21 - 24 inches of water per year. Having about six inches of irrigation water available for the crop will normally get profitable yields. Corn will require up to 28 inches of water for optimum yield which will require about 8 - 10 inches of irrigation water in eastern Nebraska.

Corn uses more water to produce

a bushel of grain so it is less efficient and requires more irrigation water. If there is only six inches of irrigation water available, corn yields will be less than fully irrigated. This creates a dilemma for the farmer.

One alternative for drought planning is to reduce the number of acres of corn and plant more soybeans or rotate with another crop such as grain sorghum which is well adapted to reduced water conditions.

If the producer has cattle, forage sorghum can be planted as a spring crop, harvested in mid-summer or later, or planted mid-summer and harvested as a fall crop. The forage sorghum tends to wait for adequate moisture and

grow very rapidly to produce a crop.

There is research being conducted to look at a "skipped row planting" system which doesn't sound like a good use of land, but, research in other countries has indicated that under dryland conditions, the yields are more reliable than under the traditional every row planting. Recent research began in 2003 in western Nebraska using a skipped row planting technique provided some surprising yield benefits as compared to the every row type of planting.

There are many management considerations to look at before using this system but may provide another alternative.

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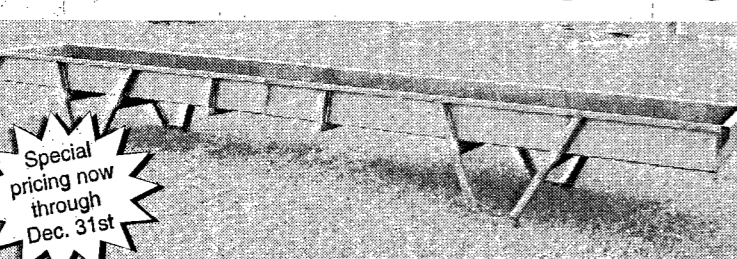
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Members of the Sewers and Growers 4-H Club met on Jan. 18 and elected officers for the year.

They will be: President - Courtney Petzoldt; Vice President and news reporter - Nathan Janke; Secretary - Brandon Wurdeman; Treasurer - Andrew Wurdeman.

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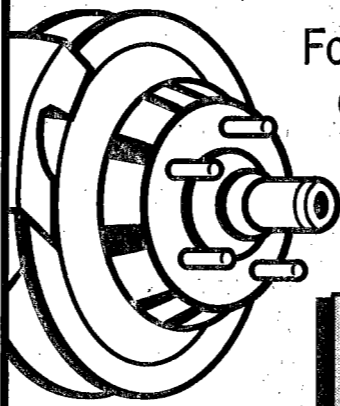


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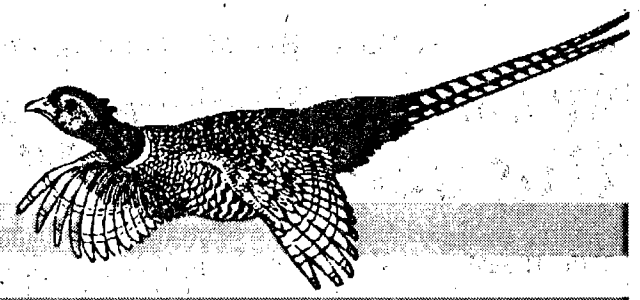
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Sports

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Wayne boys top O'Neill, Hartington CC

by Mike Grosz
Of the Herald

The Wayne boys basketball team returned to action last week-end following a nine-day layoff, posting wins at Hartington Cedar Catholic Friday evening and at home Saturday against O'Neill.

The Blue Devils opened the busy weekend with a 55-47 win at Hartington Cedar Catholic.

"Anytime Wayne plays Cedar, it is a great battle in an intense atmosphere," stated Wayne head coach Rocky Ruhl.

The game was close throughout with the host Trojans grabbing an 11-8 lead after one quarter. Thanks to a lengthy three-pointer just before the buzzer by Chris Nissen, Wayne grabbed a 27-26 lead at the intermission.

Wayne led 42-40 after three quarters and slowly built an eight point lead in the fourth quarter by making key free throws (9 of 12) to come away with a 55-47 win.

"I thought our team did a good job of playing to their strengths as the game went on," added Ruhl. "We've been stressing on making the next pass to create a better opportunity and that allowed us to get everyone involved in our attack."

Caleb Garvin and Nissen scored 12 points each to lead Wayne with Bryan Fink and Heath Dicks adding 10 apiece. Ryan Hix contributed five points, Adam Munter four and Josh Ruwe two.

"Getting 24 points out of the post position really gave us another dimension," commented Ruhl. "I was happy with the guys coming in off the bench. Ryan Hix, Wade Jarvi, Josh Ruwe and John Whitt gave us quality minutes while they were playing."

Wayne made 17 of 39 shots in the game (43.6 percent) compared to Hartington Cedar Catholic's 20 of 53 for 37 percent. The Blue Devils canned 19 of 25 free throws to Cedar's 5 of 7.

Hartington CC outrebounded Wayne 26-24 despite eight boards by Garvin. Dicks, Fink and Nissen added four boards apiece. Nissen led Wayne in assists and steals with four and two respectively.

Coach Ruhl expected Saturday's game with O'Neill to be a tough assignment and it was.

"We were ripe for an upset and

being a little flat after a tough road game the night before and a late afternoon game against a team who had the night before off," Ruhl said.

The visiting Eagles held a 13-12 lead after one quarter and was up 27-21 at halftime. But Wayne regrouped and came out strong in the third quarter, outscoring O'Neill 16-9 to take a 37-36 lead. The Blue Devils held a 19-15 scoring edge in the fourth quarter to win the game 56-51.

"They zoned us and we kind of set back and did not attack them," added Ruhl. "We finally shut them down by not giving up offensive rebounds and we did a better job of attacking on offense and playing intense defense in the second half."

Fink scored 19 of his team-high 23 points in the second half to propel Wayne offensively. Garvin contributed 15 points and Nissen finished with 12. Dicks was the only other player to score, producing six points.

Both teams hit 22 of 45 field goals in the game (48.9 percent). Wayne converted 7 of 11 free throws while O'Neill was 1 of 4.

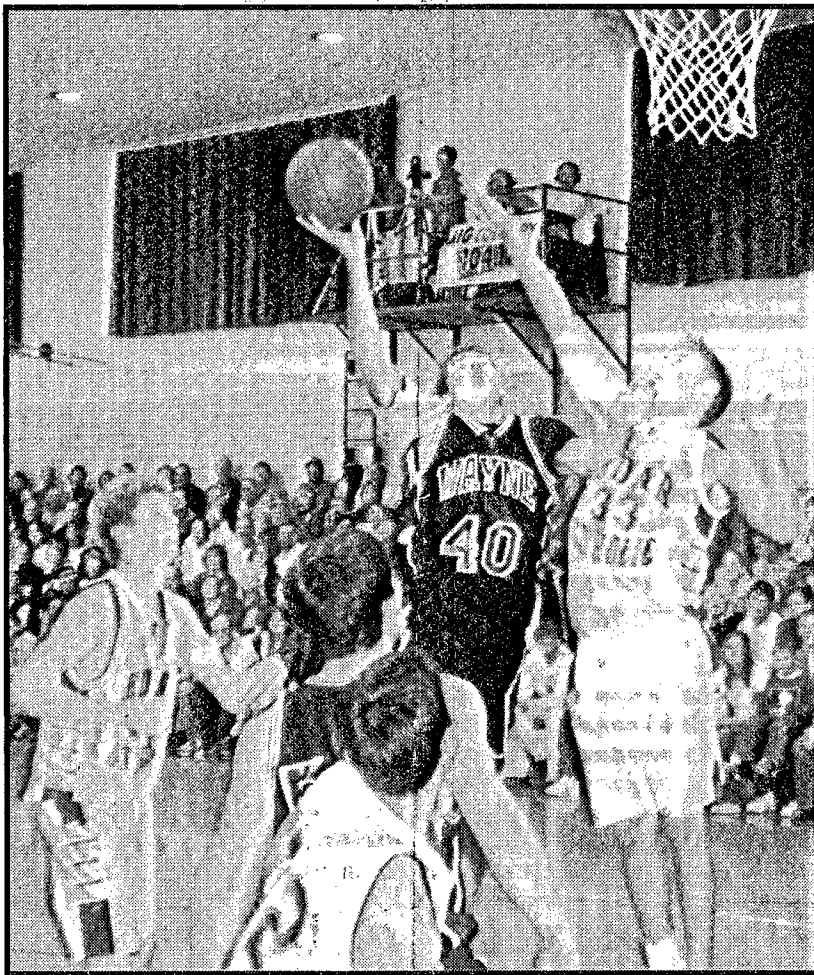
The Blue Devils held a 28-17 rebounding advantage in the game. Garvin reeled in 10 boards for Wayne with Dicks adding six. Nissen distributed a team-high seven assists.

Wayne, now 12-2 on the season, will travel to West Point High Friday evening, then face Battle Creek in the opening round of the Mid States Conference Tournament in Norfolk Tuesday evening at 7:45 pm at Norfolk Catholic High School.

The Wayne JV team notched two wins, improving to 10-2 on the season.

The Blue Devils edged Hartington Cedar Catholic Friday evening in Hartington 55-53. Ben Mohl accounted for 15 points, John Whitt had 13, Josh Rasmussen, Jared Jehle and Brian Mohl finished with seven each, Josh Ruwe had six and Tyler Johnson one.

Wayne topped O'Neill 49-34 Saturday afternoon. Brian Mohl produced 18 points for the Blue Devils with Rasmussen scoring 12 and Whitt adding 11. Jehle finished with three, Wade Jarvi two and John Temme, Ruwe and Ben Mohl with one apiece.



Blue Devil senior forward Heath Dicks puts up a shot over Jarryd Schieffer of Hartington Cedar Catholic during Friday's matchup in Hartington.



Wayne junior guard Adam Munter dribbles around Chris Becker and Michael Griess of Hartington Cedar Catholic.

Allen boys post wins over Walthill, Wausa

The Allen boys basketball team stayed unbeaten with an 81-27 Lewis and Clark Conference win over the Walthill Bluejays last Friday evening in Allen.

The Eagles started the game at a high pace and kept that level throughout the evening, leading 21-3 after one quarter, 48-11 at halftime and 66-15 after three quarters. Allen's starters played just over two minutes in the third quarter before the reserves took over the game.

"We really played well considering this was our third game in four days," said Allen head coach Dave Uldrich. "Our intensity on defense got us going down the floor for transition and gave us a great start. The reserves off the bench did a very good job of maintaining intensity for the time they played."

Leading the scoring for Allen on the evening was senior Scott Blohm with a career-high 21 points. Corey Uldrich also hit double figures with 19. Others who scored were Andrew Sachau with eight, Brett Koester, Derick Nice and Luke Sachau with six each, Andrew Gensler five, Nathan Sturges and Bart Sachau with three apiece and Aaron Smith and Duane Rahn with two each.

The Eagles drained 31 of 71 shots from the field and 14 of 22 at the charity stripe. Walthill was 11 of 48 from the field and 4 of 17 at the free throw line.

Allen won the rebounding battle 37-28 thanks to 10 caroms by Uldrich. Rahn followed with six. Koester paced the Eagles in steals and assists with four and three respectively.

In a rematch of last year's district final, the Allen Eagles avenged a loss to Wausa last Thursday evening with a 61-44 win over the Vikings in Wausa.

The Vikings came out hitting six of their first seven shots, but Allen countered the fast Viking start by having five players contribute to the scoring as the Eagles led 15-14

after one quarter. The defense of the Eagles took firm control in the second period, limiting the Vikings to just one basket and seven points.

Meanwhile, a pair of Bart Sachau three-pointers sparked the 15-point period for Allen to put the Eagles up 30-21 at halftime.

The Eagles ended any hope the Vikings had in the third period by pressing the Wausa squad into numerous turnovers. Allen outscored the Vikings 21-10, extending their lead to 51-31 at the end of three periods.

Reserves took over in the fourth period and the Eagles finished the game on top 61-44.

"Wausa gave us a very competitive first half," stated coach Uldrich. "We did play more of our style of basketball in the second half. Our perimeter people, especially Bart Sachau, shot the ball well and that opened the play for our post players even more."

Sachau finished with a game-high 20 points, including five three-pointers, to pace Allen in scoring. Uldrich and Koester also hit double digits by dropping in 15 and 10 respectively. Rahn contributed seven points, Smith four, Andrew Sachau three and Blohm two.

Allen connected on 23 of 55 field goals in the game compared to Wausa's 20 of 47. The Eagles were 9 of 14 from the free throw line with the Vikings hitting 3 of 6.

Wausa won the rebounding battle 24-21. Uldrich led Allen rebounders with six. Uldrich also dished out four assists with Koester adding four steals.

The Eagles, now 13-0 on the season and 4-0 in the conference, travel to Emerson-Hubbard on Friday evening, then compete in the Lewis and Clark Conference Tournament next week. Allen received a first round bye and will play the winner of the Winnebago and Bancroft-Rosalie game on Thursday (Feb. 5) in Emerson.

Winside basketball teams split with Wausa

The Winside boys basketball team rallied from a 10-point deficit in the fourth quarter to earn a 56-54 win at Wausa Friday evening.

The 5-7 Wildcats trailed the entire game, falling behind 22-11 after one quarter, 37-25 at halftime and 48-38 after the third quarter. Winside outscored the host Vikings 18-6 in the final stanza to come back for the win.

Adam Pfeiffer poured in 19 points to pace Winside in scoring. Nate Wills added 12 points, Taylor Suehl had nine, Russ O'Connor seven, Mark Hawkins five and Justin Nathan four.

The Winside girls were defeated by Wausa 63-40. The Wildcats stayed close for the first half, trailing 9-8 after one quarter and 28-22 at halftime. However, the host Viqueens outscored the Wildcats 21-10 in the third quarter to take a 49-32 lead to put the game away.

Junior Melyssa Deck had a big game for Winside, scoring 19 points and grabbing seven rebounds. Katie Behmer added nine points, Rachel Peter scored four, Jessica Hansen, Lisa Oberle and Claire Elworth had two apiece with Jessica Janke and Annette Boelter contributing one each. Peter led the 2-11 Wildcats in rebounding with 11. Behmer, Boelter, Oberle and Janke added four rebounds each.

The Wildcats are scheduled to play a doubleheader tonight (Thursday) at Hartington High. The Winside boys will also host Homer Friday evening.

Both teams will then compete in the Lewis and Clark Conference Tournament with the Winside girls visiting Wynot for a first round game Saturday evening while the Winside boys visit Wakefield Monday evening in a first-round encounter.



Wayne senior guard Ryan Hix makes a move to the basket against Hartington Cedar Catholic's Tyler Dendinger.

WSC men outlast Southwest State

by Mike Grosz
Of the Herald

Listening to Wayne State Men's Basketball Coach Rico Burkett talk after Saturday's game with Southwest State, you would have thought his club lost.

Comments like "I didn't think we played great" and "I was disappointed with our energy level and effort" aren't expected when a team wins 80-66 like the Wayne State men did Saturday evening in front of a nice crowd at Rice Auditorium.

But Burkett has set the bar high for the Wildcats, now 12-7 overall and 6-2 in the NSIC. WSC trails first-place Bemidji State by just one game after the Beavers lost at Minn-Duluth Saturday 87-83.

"Our shooting bailed us out," added Burkett. The Wildcats, first in NCAA Div. II in three-point shooting (.466) and eighth in overall field goal percentage (.502), connected on 25 of 45 shots from the field (.556), including 7 of

15 three pointers in the game. After trailing early in the game, the Wildcats used a 14-3 run over the final 4:00 of the first half to take a 35-22 halftime lead.

Southwest State cut the Wayne State lead down to six, 48-42 with 10:29 remaining, but the Wildcats slowly pulled away from the Mustangs for the 80-66 win.

"The game had a weird flow to it," commented Burkett. "I didn't think we were that energized or played very hard."

The Wildcats had four players score in double figures, led by Derek Archer and Brett Watson with 16 points each. Brett Cain and Dusty Smith both contributed 14 points apiece.

Wayne State held Southwest State to 44 percent field shooting (24 of 54) in the game. The Wildcats were 23 of 33 from the charity stripe (69 percent) while the Mustangs hit 12 of 21.

The Wildcats won the rebounding battle 33-29. Tim Gesell and Colin Tague hauled in six boards each to lead Wayne State. Dusty

Smith contributed six assists. Wayne State had just nine turnovers in the game while handing out 15 assists. Southwest State had nine assists and eight turnovers.

Wayne State will be at home again this weekend, hosting Northern State Friday evening

and MSU-Moorhead Saturday with game times set for 8 pm both nights.

WSC-80 Southwest St.-66
WSC: Derek Archer 16, Brett Watson 16, Brett Cain 14, Dusty Smith 14, Dallas Hodges 8, Colin Tague 8, Tim Gesell 4.
FG's: 25/45 55% FT's: 23/33 69%



Wayne State senior forward Colin Tague drives to the basket against Southwest State's Jeremy Van Klompenburg during Saturday's game at Rice Auditorium. The Wildcats won the game 80-66 to move within one game of first place Bemidji St.



WSC sophomore point guard Dusty Smith dribbles the ball against a pair of Southwest State defenders.



Wildcat freshman guard Dallas Hodges puts the moves on Southwest State's Sam Wiener.

Wayne High releases honor roll

The second quarter honor roll has been released for Wayne High School for the 2003-2004 school year.

Those students receiving a 4.0 grade point average included seniors Karissa Dorsey, Amy Gangwish, Brady Garvin, Allison Hansen, Kari Hochstein, Karissa Hochstein, Amy Kemp, Charity Kroeker, Trevor Krugman, Sheila Meyer, Michelle Murray and Sara Stauffer; juniors Ashley Gentrup, Molly Hill and Adam Munter; sophomores Scott Baier, Pariss Bethune and Emlyn Mann; and freshmen Emilie Osten and Regan Ruhl.

Those named to the honor roll with grade point averages between 3.5 and 3.99 include:

Seniors: Mary Boehle, Deron Connolly, Heath Dickes, Brad Frevert, Caleb Garvin, Mat Habrock, Ryan Hix, Chad Jensen, Megan Jensen, Brent Jones, Dena Kardell, Jacob Kay, Austin Leighty, Jeffrey Meyer, Jessica Monahan, Brett Morlok, Chris Nissen, Katie Osten, Leah Pickinpaugh, Grant Powell, Matt Roeber, Kyle Schmale, Cari Stumm, Brianna Theobald, Carrie Walton and Bryan West.

Juniors: Summer Bethune, Lacey Bromley, Ashley Carroll, Amber Costa, Natalie Fendrick, Bryan Fink, David Gangwish, Katij Heggemeier, Eric Holt, Amy Hypse, Jessica Jammer, Wade Jarvi, Rachel Jensen, Sarah Jensen, Allyson Karel, Lesa Lutt, Blake Lyon, Erin Magnuson, Nathan Milander, Ben Mohl, Brian Mohl, Manon Muemelt, Todd Poehlman, Josh Rasmussen, Jenny Ravelling, John Temme and Alex Wieland.

Sophomores: Emily Brufat, Jessica Dickey, Jesse Dunklau,

Brandon Foote, Cale Giese, Kayla Hochstein, Kelli Kwapnioski, Kyle Kwapnioski, David Loberg, Molly Mitchell, Jenny Nolte, Jean Pieper, Stefanie Snead, Brittini Sprouls, Jessica Volk, Carly Wacker, Adam Wert and John Whitt.

Freshmen: Corissa Arickx, Elizabeth Baier, Luke Gentrup, Brooke Jones, Nicholas Klassen, Alex Knezevic, Amanda Nevala, Jacob Nissen, Jon Pieper, Megan Powell, Deniz Rudin, Kourtney Schmale, Michael Schwarten, Nate Summerfield, Spencer Witt and Jason Youngmeyer.

Those students achieving grade point averages between 3.0 and 3.49 include:

Seniors: Jamie Backstrom, Sean Buckels, Megan Dunklau, Ashley Hall, Kelli Heinemann, Stacie Hoeman, Katey Hoffman, Jessie Nelson, Matt Nelson, Sean Peterson, Sarah Pieper, Dan Reinhardt, Rachel Robins, Marisa Rose, Jessica Thomsen and Kyle Triggs.

Juniors: Alexander Austin, Jennifer Brummond, Ashley Burke, Katie Calhoun, Chad Claussen, Katie Echtenkamp, Tyler Johnson, Amanda Ketelsen, Katie Langenfeld, Dustin Lutt, Jeff Mundahl, Bryce Owens, Keely Reinert, Marissa Roney, Adem Rudin, Jillian Schramm, Dana Schuett, Nathan Shapiro, Andrew Snead, Micaela Weber, Todd Wical and Joshua Widner.

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Fink, Nate Finkey, Kara Hoeman, Megan Kardell, Stephanie Kay, Taylor Nelson, Casey Otte, Benjamin Poutre, Adam Reinert, Kelyn Roberts, Matthew Sharer, Brendan VanderWeil, Tonya Wical and Sam Wilken.

SRA offers two statewide communications scholarships

Swanson Russell Associates (SRA) announces the third annual Gus Swanson Memorial Communications Scholarship, available to one high school and one college student for the 2003-04 academic school year. The college scholarship is worth \$1,000, while the high school recipient will receive \$500.

The scholarship honors the late Gus Swanson; the Nebraskan who co-founded what has become the state's largest marketing communications firm. A scholarship will be awarded to a Nebraska college/university student with a communications-related major who is of at least a sophomore standing, and a Nebraska high school senior who plans to pursue a communications-related degree in college.

A communications-related major includes advertising, marketing, communications studies, public relations, journalism, graphic design and desktop publishing.

"The Gus Swanson Scholarship is a statewide scholarship designed to help foster continued excellence in marketing communications," said SRA President Steve Russell. "Our growth and success over the years can be attributed in large part to our talented, hard-working employees, many of whom grew up and studied in Nebraska."

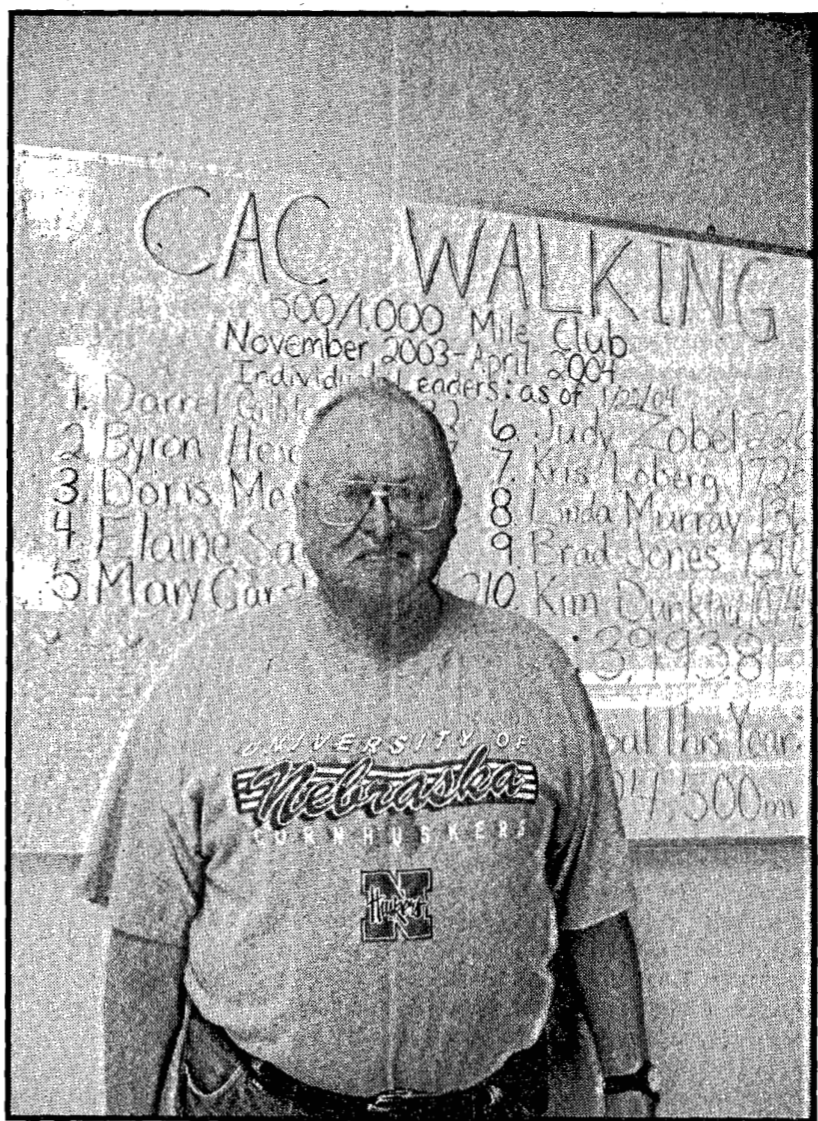
To apply for the scholarship, students will be required to fill out an application and write an essay on a marketing communications campaign of their choice. High school and college students must submit an application by March 12, 2004. Information and applications are available on SRA's website, www.sramarketing.com.

For more information about the scholarship, contact Nathan Odgaard at 402-437-6411 or nathano@sramarketing.com.

Local students inducted into the national honor roll

A number of students from the area qualified for induction into the spring National Honor Roll.

The National Honor Roll recognizes high-achieving high school and middle school students.



First to reach goal

Darrel Gilliland is the first person this year (2003-04) to reach 500 miles in the Community Activity Center Walking Club. Gilliland also reached his goal last year. He has over 1,300 miles since last December. Byron Heier was first to reach goal last year.

Those students are Erin Bartels of Wakefield, Wakefield Community Schools; Katie Behmer of Hoskins, Winside High School; Andrew Contreras of Wakefield; April Darnall of Hoskins; Jenna Erickson of Wakefield, Wakefield Community Schools; Nathan Henderson of Wakefield, Wakefield High Schools; Luke Hoffman of Wakefield, Wakefield Community High School;

Rachel Kaufman of Wakefield, Wakefield Public High School; Tanya Kay of Wakefield, Wakefield Community School; Erica Miller of Laurel, Laurel-Concord Public; Marion Miner of Wakefield, Wakefield Community, Vanessa Nelson of Wakefield, Wakefield Community Schools; Keri Odens of Wakefield, Wakefield Community Schools; Jenna Paulson of Allen, Wakefield Community Schools; Kami Roberts of Allen, Wakefield Community High School; Blake Rosmussen of Laurel, Laurel Concord Public School; Kimberly Stenwall of Winside, Winside Public School; Scot Surber of Concord, Laurel Concord High School; Angie Wagner of Winside, Winside Public High School; Sara White of Wakefield, Wakefield Community School; Sara White of Wakefield, Wakefield Community Schools.

The National Honor Roll offers several benefits which can contribute to the success of its student members. By taking advantage of National Honor Roll's college admissions notification service, high school inductees can notify the admissions offices of as many schools as they wish that they have been inducted into the National Honor Roll and that they are interested in obtaining information about those colleges. (A copy of the student's biography is sent to the colleges along with that letter).

Each state governor and U.S. Senator receives a complimentary copy of the National Honor Roll Commemorative Edition, along with a list of the students who have been inducted in their states, and their mailing addresses. And, complimentary copies of the book are sent to selected school libraries across the country.

The National Honor Roll contacts potentially qualifying students after reviewing information about their academic performance. Each student is asked to submit information about his/her GPA, interests, activities, and future goals.

Only students with a B or better average are eligible. Sixty-one percent of the inductees in the spring 2003 National Honor Roll averages an A- or better; Thirty-nine percent averaged B through B+. Twenty-seven percent were seniors (class of 2003); Thirty-eight Juniors (class of 2004); Twenty-two percent sophomores (class of 2005); Twelve percent freshmen (class of 2006); and five percent (middle school).

For more information, visit www.nationalhonorroll.org.

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THE WEEK AHEAD... NATIONAL SUMMARY

Wet weather will cover the southern Plains and lower Mississippi Valley during the period. Cold air will remain entrenched over the Northeast and northern Plains. Temperatures in these regions may average 5 to 15 degrees below normal. High pressure will bring dry weather to the Southwest.

THE WEEK AHEAD... PRECIPITATION

City	Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Atlanta	48 32 c	44 34 s	52 34 pc	48 28 c
Boston	28 16 pc	24 18 pc	28 20 s	28 20 c
Chicago	14 2 pc	20 14 c	24 12 c	24 12 c
Cleveland	14 4 s	12 11 s	28 23 pc	28 15 s
Denver	49 26 pc	39 12 c	29 9 c	37 16 s
Des Moines	9 0 c	10 5 c	10 1 c	8 5 c
Detroit	19 8 s	19 10 pc	26 18 c	25 14 c
Houston	64 46 pc	70 52 s	68 46 pc	52 32 c
Indianapolis	16 7 s	23 20 pc	33 20 c	22 10 c
Kansas City	23 14 c	28 14 c	20 2 c	16 8 c
Los Angeles	68 50 pc	68 48 s	70 50 s	70 50 s
Miami	76 60 l	75 65 s	77 65 pc	78 60 c
Minneapolis	31 11 c	9 5 c	7 4 pc	9 3 c
New Orleans	65 47 pc	65 50 s	69 43 c	53 35 pc
New York City	27 23 pc	28 20 pc	31 25 s	29 24 c
Omaha	14 12 c	22 8 c	18 8 c	17 9 c
Phoenix	70 46 s	69 44 pc	68 44 s	70 46 s
San Francisco	56 44 c	56 44 pc	58 44 pc	55 46 c
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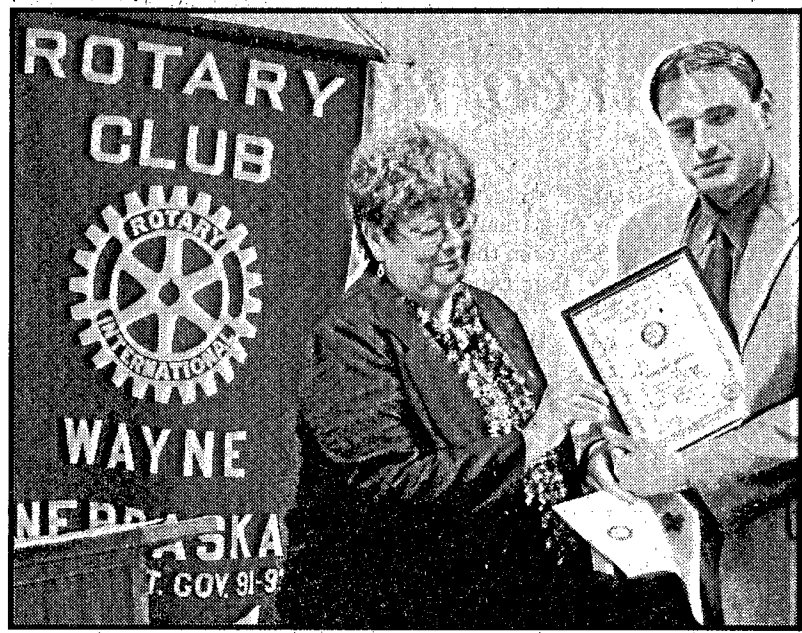
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Receives award

John McClarnen, Wayne Middle School principal, recently received the Friend of the Rotary award from the Wayne Rotary Club. He was chosen because he has been instrumental in helping develop and continue the seventh and eighth grade Rotary Student of the Week awards program. The Friend of Rotary award is given, on occasion, to Wayne area individuals who support the ideals of Rotary through their actions, words, and deeds. Presenting McClarnen the award is Carrol Baier, Wayne Rotary Club president.

Water shortage still is a major concern for 2004

Drought continues to be a concern for agriculture, recreation, wildlife and domestic water supplies, but the jury's still out how serious the problem will be this year, the University of Nebraska state climatologist said.

Moderate to extreme drought conditions cover most of Nebraska, and long-term forecasts don't provide clear precipitation trends for the Midwest, said Al Dutcher, state climatologist in the university's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

One thing's for sure, though: water supplies still will be limited, he said.

Even if we get ample spring rains to fill up the soil (moisture) profile, given drought patterns the last few years, even a full soil profile won't help," he said. "It took us several years to get into a drought, and it will take several years to undo these problems."

Monday's snow storm should improve moisture conditions in areas that received more than eight inches of snow, Dutcher said. However, it won't help western parts of the state, which saw little if any snowfall.

"There was ample snow and wind that deposited snow into low-lying areas," Dutcher said. "This is the kind of activity that we like to see. If we would get two to three more snow storms like this out west, we could see some easing of the conditions."

Dutcher said southeastern Nebraska received good moisture last fall, which gives it a good chance of getting a full soil moisture profile before planting season begins.

However, these areas stand a good chance of being overwhelmed by the broad area of drought to our west if the weather patterns of the last few years appear once again during the growing season," he said. "Last year, northeastern Nebraska had a good soil profile, but got hammered as summer rains stopped. When Mother Nature shuts off the water, it doesn't take long to use it up."

Areas of drought continue to expand around the country, particularly in states to the south and west of Nebraska, said Mike Hayes, an IANR climate impacts specialist with the National Drought Mitigation Center at the university.

"In the past couple of years, we've really noticed how big a factor it is locally when the south-

western United States becomes very dry," Hayes said. "This apparently can have a big impact on the Central Plains."

This year also will show how dependent Nebraska is on other states for its water supplies, he said.

The mountain snow pack in Colorado and Wyoming, which is important for Nebraska's river flow, has been falling behind, he said.

"Things started out great, but now snow pack has fallen to about normal to slightly below normal," Hayes said. "There is still a lot of winter left, though. It could go back up, but it also could fall behind."

Even if snow pack in the mountains is good, water systems and reservoirs are so stressed, it's unclear how much water will be available to Nebraska.

Lake McConaughy near Ogallala, will have to go up more than 15 feet just to reach its maximum level for last year, Hayes said.

"At the current rate it's filling, that's not going to happen, unless something happens snow pack-wise or we get heavy rains during the spring and summer," he said. "Western Nebraska has received less than an inch of moisture since Oct. 1, Dutcher said.

Harlan Reservoir, near Alma, also is in an extremely bad situation. Water deliveries are likely to be significantly impacted and it's possible no water will be delivered unless significant improvements in the Republican River stream flows develop during the next three to four months.

"You're looking at 26,000 acres of farmland without water if Harlan shuts down," Dutcher said. "That means yield losses could potentially total 4 million bushels if corn isn't irrigated and dryland crops fail."

It's even worse for smaller reservoirs in southwestern Nebraska, he said.

Also, record low water levels on the Missouri River may soon start affecting barge travel from Kansas City to Omaha and Sioux City, Hayes said.

More drought information, including the U.S. Drought Monitor that charts drought nationally, is available on the National Drought Mitigation Center's Web at <http://drought.unl.edu/> or visit the IANR drought Web page at <http://ianrhome.unl.edu/drought/>.

Northeast Nebraska Resource Conservation & Development (RC&D) Council holds meeting

On Jan. 19, the Northeast Nebraska RC&D's meeting dealt with their focus for 2004. Following a PowerPoint presentation by Jan Jorgensen on the background and history of the Resource Conservation & Development program, President Bob Porter of Wayne led the group in discussion on future plans. The plan of work and budget for 2004 were approved with the addition of hosting a grant writing workshop.

A committee will work to enhance packaging and sales of the wildflower postcards. The tourism marketing project with South Dakota Badlands RC&D was tabled. Barb Hayford, leader for the Bazile Creek stream monitoring project is writing a grant to secure an intern. She also

announced that several volunteers, adults and students, want to help with the project. A DEQ grant was submitted for a scrap tire collection that would gather up to 125 tons if funded.

Carmen Shaffer encouraged everyone to attend the 9-4 workshop with Ernesto Siroli on Thursday, Feb. 5th at St. Mary's Hall in Laurel. There is no fee and Ernesto will explain his model of rural economic development that works with entrepreneurs through mentoring and one-on-one assistance.

The Council committed funds toward the sponsorship. Julie Joyce explained the focus, community promotion and marketing of the application for a summer intern through the Nebraska

Rural Initiative program.

The USDA Husker Ag Value-Added grant was funded for \$226,850. A \$40,000 request to USDA for feasibility studies and business plans for an online store and five rural retail storefronts was submitted in January. Janet Eckmann, Coordinator for Food, Land & People is planning an Earth Day event at Creighton elementary schools in conjunction with Keep Creighton Beautiful.

Bob Porter told the Council that the RC&D State Association agreed to support a methamphetamine awareness and education program in conjunction with Congressman Tom Osborne's office. It will be up to each Council to work with their local communities on how best to assist

in this effort. Jim Einrem, Verdigre will be the Council's voting delegate to the Western RC&D Association conference in Bismarck, North Dakota.

It was announced that Sandy Patton received the National NRCS Earth Team Individual award for her work with the Council. Merlin Frevort of Wayne said the Lower Elkhorn NRD and others have joined together to keep the Pilger rest area on U.S. Hwy 275 open. They hope to have staff and provide traveler information.

The next meeting will be Monday, Feb.23 at 7:30 at the RC&D office. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Area native scheduled to read at NECC

A native of northern Nebraska will open the spring 2004 Visiting Writers Series sponsored by the English Department at Northeast Community College (NECC).

Poet and fiction writer J.V. Brummels will present a writing workshop on Tuesday, Feb. 17 from 12:35 - 1:35 p.m. in the Cox Activities Center Theater. A reading of his works is that same day from 7-8 p.m. in the Lifelong Learning Center, rooms F and G.

The author of three poetry collections, Brummels was educated at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, and Syracuse University. His collections include *614 Pearl* (by Abattoir Editions, 1982), *Sunday's Child* (by Basfal Books, 1994), and *Cheyenne Line* (The

Backwaters Press, 2001).

His poems and stories have been published in magazines like *Rolling Stone*, *Prairie Schooner*, *Iowa Review*, *Chariton Review*, and *Southwest Review*. He has also been published in the *Kansas Quarterly*, *Quarterly West*, *South Dakota Review*, *Isaac Asimov's Science Fiction Magazine*, *Pebble*, *a Geography of Poets*, and *The Sandhills and Other Geographies*.

Brummels has been awarded a National Endowment for the Arts Literature Fellowship, the Elkhorn Poetry Prize from the *Elkhorn Review*, and the Mildred Bennett Award from the Nebraska Center for the Book.

A member of the Wayne State College English Department since

1977, Brummels has directed the Plains Writers Series and edited *Nebraska Territory*. Along with Jim Reese, he presently operates Logan House Press, an independent publisher of contemporary poetry and short fiction.

Brummels lives with his family

in western Wayne County where they run a horseback cattle operation.

His presentations at NECC are free and open to the public. For further information, contact Neil Harrison, coordinator, at (402) 844-7348.

Nebraskan falls victim to Canadian lottery scam

Attorney General Jon Bruning announced that another Nebraskan has become a victim to the Canadian lottery scam. Last week an elderly Omaha resident received a phone call telling her she won the Canadian lottery and needed to send \$700 to secure the funds. After sending the money, she was solicited later that same day for additional funds. Fortunately, she had alerted a family member who helped her put a stop to the scam.

"These crooks prey on Nebraska's senior population and they're scamming our parents and grandparents out of thousands of dollars," said Attorney General Bruning. "The best defense is common sense. If something sounds too good to be true, it probably is."

Reports of the Canadian lottery scam are on the rise. Last year alone, two incidents in Norfolk resulted in a loss of more than \$90,000.

To prevent from becoming a vic-

tim of this scam:

- Remember, it is illegal for anyone from a foreign country to solicit lottery ticket sales in Nebraska.
- Request written information from any sweepstakes, contest or charitable organization. Many will use names that sound similar to reputable organizations, creating a false sense of credibility.
- Any calls recovering unclaimed property are a scam. All unclaimed property in Nebraska is turned over to the State Treasurer.
- Never call a 1-900 number to claim a prize. You are billed the cost of the call, with charges sometimes reaching as high as \$50 or more.
- Read the fine print. Very few consumers actually win a prize worth more than the cost to acquire it, almost all "prize winners" end up losing money.

For more information on how to protect yourself from sweepstakes scams, or to submit a complaint, please contact the Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General's office at 800-727-6432, or online at www.ago.state.ne.us

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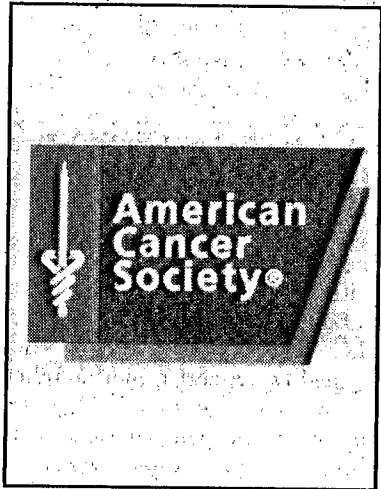
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•Assistance with free air transportation: your American Cancer Society works with AirLifeLine, a charitable organization that provides free flights for patients who can not afford commercial airfare when traveling to their medical facilities.

•Information for cancer patients and their families: www.cancer.org, 1-800-ACS-2345; 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

•www.mobileclassroom.org:

a web site exclusively for kids that promotes healthy living.

•Cancer Survivors Network: this network, available through www.cancer.org or 1-877-333-HOPE, helps patients, survivors and caregivers communicate with others who have experienced cancer.

•Cancer profiler: available through www.cancer.org, this is a personalized "tool" to help cancer patients keep track of appointments.

•Scholarships for youth: the Young Cancer Survivor's Scholarship Program provides an opportunity for young cancer patients and survivors to receive

financial assistance when they move on to higher education.

•Camps for kids: even though a child has cancer, they can still enjoy many childhood activities. Camps are available throughout the Heartland Division for children ages eight and older.

•Specific cancer information about your community: the American Cancer Society collects cancer information about each county. This information is regularly updated and made available to staff and volunteers.

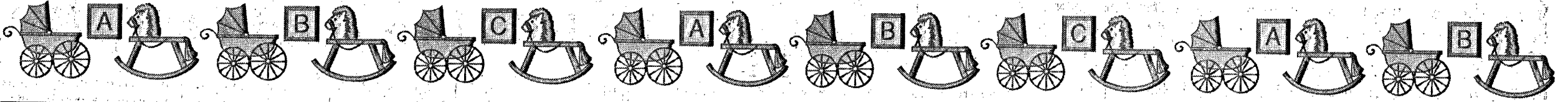

•Look good...feel better, self-help: this program assists women undergoing treatment learn to cope with appearance-related side effects of treatment and regain self-confidence. Teens

going through treatment can gain this information as well as social and nutritional information through www.2bMe.org.

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For more information on cancer, call your American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit their Web site at www.cancer.org.





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