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Area businesses ready to open doors



By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

A new name, a new location and new ownership are helping to scare up some business this Halloween season.

Final work is being done on each of the businesses in preparation for openings later this month at the newly-named Shopko (formerly Pamida), a new Bomgaars store and the renovation of Melodee Lanes, and managers of each of the businesses are all looking forward to their respective opening days.

Pamida now Shopko

Although the store has reopened, a grand opening ceremony for the new Shopko store is planned for next Thursday, Oct. 18, at 8:45 a.m., prior to the store's normal 9 a.m. opening that day.

The business formerly known as Pamida "closed" up shop on Saturday, Sept. 15. The store's pharmacy remained open during the transformation process, and Shopko began offering new brands to customers a little more than a week later, and more inventory is being added to the floor daily as the business gears up for next week's grand opening.

Store manager Dan Wibben said the changeover from Pamida to Shopko has been a long process in the making, but he's excited about the changes.

"It's gone pretty well," he said of the process. "It's

definitely been challenging, but it's exciting to see the new merchandise coming in. It's been a lot of hard work, but we have a great team here and it's gone pretty well."

During the week the store was changed over, company-designed "plan-o-grams" were used to map out each aisle with specific locations for each piece of merchandise. Once the shelves and hooks were put in place, the inventory filled up the shelves as truck started bringing new inventory into the store a couple of weeks ago.

Learning a new system has probably been the biggest challenge Wibben and his co-workers have faced during the changeover.

"One of the biggest challenges is teaching the employees the new technologies with the registers and the portable scanners," he said. "We're using the same machines with the registers, but the software is different."

Another new challenge has been the introduction of a stock locator system that helps employees on the floor find stock in the back.

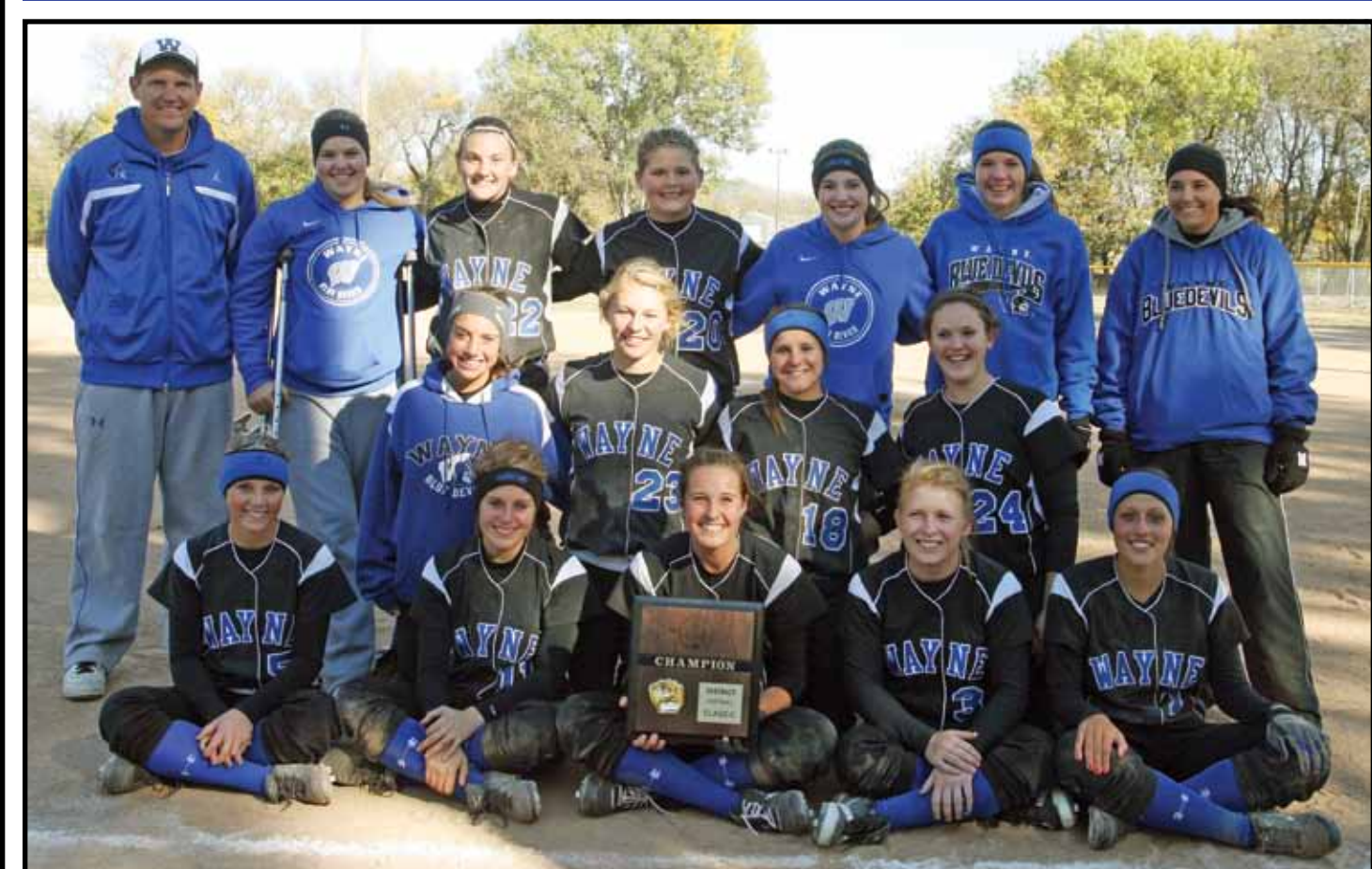
"We can scan an item on the floor and see if we have it in stock and where it's located in the back, which will be a big help for us," Wibben said. "It will be quick and easy for us to check."

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The new Bomgaars building on the west edge of town along Highway 35 has been a work in progress for about a year. Ground was broken for the new 28,000-square-foot facility last fall, and construction of the new building began this past spring.

DESTINATION: HASTINGS – ANOTHER TRIP TO STATE



(Courtesy photo)

District champs again

For the 10th time in 11 years, the Wayne High softball team qualified for the State Softball Championships, and the Blue Devils are the top seed for the eight-team Class C tournament that got underway Wednesday. Team members are (front) McKenna Gibson, Emily Leeper, Sydney Harris, Hannah Gamble, Megan Hoffart, (middle) Maddie Morris, Victoria Kranz, Jalyn Zeiss, Lauren Gilliland, (back) coach Rob Sweetland, Abbie Hix, Danica Schaefer, Nicole Craft, Kendall Gamble, student assistant Hannah Belt and assistant coach Ashley Belmer.

Building, enrollment discussed by board

By CLARA OSTEN
Of The Herald

Discussion on lighting in the Wayne High School Lecture Hall, the status of the building projects and enrollment numbers were among the items on the agenda when the Wayne Community Schools Board of Education met Monday.

Tracy Anderson and Terri Hypse spoke to the board on the need to update lighting in the Lecture Hall and spoke of estimates received for the needed improvements.

The board indicated a willingness to make the needed updates and noted that the Wayne Community Schools Foundation has made the lighting project a priority in this year's fundraising. A commitment of \$17,000 from the Foundation has been received for the upgrades.

A bid of \$24,017 from Heartland Scenic Studio, Inc. was approved by the board. The quote includes the materials to complete a Phase I of updates, with an estimate \$7,500 to \$15,000 in labor needed to complete that portion of the project.

Progress continues to be made on the renovation/construction projects at Wayne Elementary School and Wayne Junior/Senior High School, but both Jon Carlson of Carlson West Povondra Architects and Ed Cable of Holtze Construction expressed some frustration with several of the sub-contractors on the project.

Also discussed by the two men and Travis Meyer, head of maintenance at the school, was the work being done to regulate the heating and cooling system in the newly constructed areas.

It is hoped that, by the November board

meeting, the items on the punch list will be taken care of and the remaining work completed.

The board publicly thanked Jon Carlson and his firm for the donation of a mural that is located on the wall joining the high school and junior high. It represents a timeline of events in the school's history and was put together in part by several students in Mrs. Amy Jackson's Graphic Design class.

Enrollment has remained stable at the Wayne Community Schools for the 2012-2013 school year. As of Sept. 24, there are a total of 851 students in grades K-12.

Superintendent Mark Lenihan said that while the total number of students is down by six, he feels when taking into consideration 70 students graduated with the class of 2012 and this year's kindergarten class has 55 students. Lenihan noted that one reason for the slightly smaller kindergarten class is the change in age requirements for entering kindergarten.

Other items on the board's agenda included the fact that Wayne will be hosting the district speech meet on Monday, March 11, 2013.

Lenihan told the board that due to this event being at the school, there will be no school for all students that day. He said that the date falls at the end of the third quarter and the current calendar calls for no school on Friday, March 8. There will now be school on March 8 and the students will have March 11 off instead.

Lenihan also presented updates on work being done in the special education room at the high school and the elementary school playground. He said fencing should be in-

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People will get a rise out of balloons at Wakefield festival

The ninth annual Balloon Festival will take place in Wakefield Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 19-21.

The majority of the activities will take place on school grounds at Wakefield Community Schools; however, several events are scheduled for other areas of the community.

The weekend kicks off with Grandparents Day at Wakefield Public School and activities throughout the school day.

At 2:30 p.m., a ballooning informational presentation will be held at the school, and will be followed by a Balloon Launch at 4:30

p.m. New this year is a Legion Steak Fry, beginning at 5 p.m. at the Legion Hall at 211 Main.

Saturday's events begin with an Omelet Feed (free will donation) from 7-10 a.m. and a Balloon Launch, also at 7 a.m.

A Fun Run will be held at Graves Park. Registration is at 7:30 a.m. with the run beginning at 8:30.

From 9 a.m.-2 p.m. a Craft Fair will be held at the school. Due to the fact that Wakefield will be hosting a volleyball tournament that same day, vendors will be located in hallways of elementary school building.

Kids games, under the direction of Wakefield art students, will take place in the locker area of the high school.

The Wakefield Museum/Depot will be open from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

This year's Car Show has been expanded and moved to Third and Main streets. It will take place from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The Spirit Walk will be held at the Wake-

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Providence not connected with tainted epidural drugs

The recent outbreak of fungal meningitis tied to epidural injection drugs manufactured by the New England Compounding Center is not a concern for Providence Medical Center, according to a recent release from the local medical center.

"Providence Medical Center in Wayne does not order any drug from this New England company. The drug in question is not used in epidural injections at Providence Medical Center."

"We, nor any of our patients at Provi-

dence Medical Center, are involved in this unfortunate incident" said Todd Luedeke, CRNA, and Dr. Kimberly Bentjen, pharmacy director at Providence Medical Center.

Patients who have received epidural injections at Providence Medical Center are in no way affected by the recent outbreak of fungal meningitis.

Anyone with questions is encouraged to call the hospital and ask for Bentjen or Luedeke.

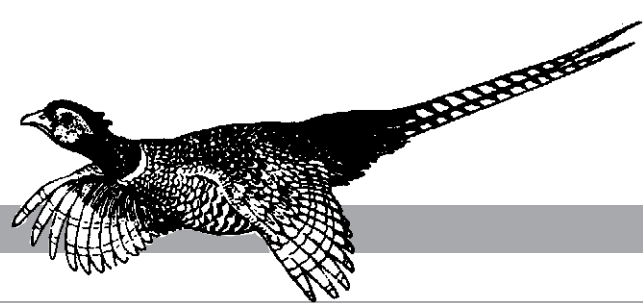


(Herald file photo)

Balloon enthusiasts will light up the sky in and around Wakefield next weekend for the community's annual Balloon Festival. A variety of activities are scheduled for Oct. 19-21, including a "night glow" balloon show and other activities. Balloon pilots from all over the Midwest are expected to take part in the annual event.

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Looking Ahead in Wayne

By **LOWELL JOHNSON**,
City Administrator

City Council Meetings
Regular City Council meetings are at 5:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month in city hall at Third and Pearl Streets.

Sewer System
Sludge
A contractor is in Wayne to begin pumping most of the remaining sludge out of the lagoon through a long hose to cropland along the highway east of the airport and be knifed into the soil.

The sludge is mostly made up of colloidal clay, and other non-settling from the treatment plant that have accumulated since the 1960's. The organic portion of the sludge has long ago broken down and dispersed by bacteria.

The new Aquarius treatment plant is producing about 90 percent less sludge and no longer generates enough flow to keep the 26 acre lagoon filled. The water that used to carry all the sludge from the old treatment plant is now clear water flowing into South Logan Creek.

Odor
There shouldn't be much additional odor from this process. The new plant should generate little odor. A small holding tank may be needed for some sludge over time depending on the operation of the new treatment plant.

Your Basement Floor Drain
Check your household insurance policy. The city sewer lines are generally deep enough to avoid back-

up of sewage in through basement floor drains. We also have a rotation schedule to flush different sections of city sewer line annually to keep them open.

However, it still happens that a city sewer line has backed up because of lift station failure, rags and other objects that got into a sewer line, or an individual sewer connection from the house to the city sewer got plugged. Regular household insurance, household flood insurance and city liability insurance don't cover the damages from these backups unless there is evidence of negligence by the city. You can add this coverage to your household insurance policy.

Your Toilet
Make sure your toilet tank and water softener aren't leaking water constantly before December.

Why? We average the monthly water usage for each house for December, January and February and use that average monthly water use to bill you for your sewer charge for the next 12 months. A leaking toilet flapper or water softener valve can run 1,000's of gallons per month down the drain. If you're losing water in December through February, you'll pay a higher sewer bill for all next year

Good ideas can come to anyone. Pay attention!

Questions or comments?
Call Lowell Johnson, City Administrator at 375-1733 or email me at cityadmin@cityofwayne.org.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Living above the line

Over 30 bags of clothing was collected by students at Wayne Elementary School in recent weeks. The clothing drive was spear-headed by the fifth grade students in Mrs. Diane Long's home room. The project was part of the students' goal of "Living Above the Line." The clothing items were donated to Micah's Closet in Wayne. The fifth grade students in Mrs. Long's class are pictured here with Pastor Pete Phillips, Pastor of First United Methodist Church, which sponsors Micah's Closet, and Matt Vawser, manager of the store. Anyone wishing to make a clothing donation may do so during store hours, Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

MusicAbility group to meet Oct. 14 in Wayne

The Music Therapy Group, "MusicAbility," which is designed for individuals with language needs will come together on the second and fourth Sunday of each month.

The second Sunday is geared toward a younger audience and the fourth Sunday is geared towards adults.

In October, MusicAbility will meet Oct. 14 and Oct. 28 at the Wayne Public Library in Wayne, beginning at 2 p.m.

Jamie Young, MA MT-BC, board certified music therapist, will host these MusicAbility sessions to allow

individuals with language needs to experience music and find out how music can help them with particular challenges in their day-to-day lives.

Interested persons who missed the last session are reminded that they are welcome at any time to the gatherings. Anyone with an interest in music is encouraged to attend and take part in this exciting group for the Wayne area. There is no admission charge.

For more information, please call (402) 833-8035 or jymtbc@gmail.com

A Quick Look

Date	High	Low	Precip	Snow
Oct. 4	81	33	—	—
Oct. 5	52	31	—	—
Oct. 6	51	26	—	—
Oct. 7	45	21	—	—
Oct. 8	57	21	—	—
Oct. 9	74	44	—	—
Oct. 10	54	32	—	—

Recorded 7 a.m. for previous 24 hour period
Precip./mo. — 0"
Yr./Date — 14.04"

Chamber Coffee

WAYNE — This week's Chamber Coffee will be held Friday, Oct. 12 at the Wayne Fire Hall in conjunction with Fire Prevention Month. The coffee on Friday, Oct. 19 will be held in the lower level of the Wayne County Courthouse and will be hosted by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension Office. The coffee begins at 10 a.m. and announcements at 10:15 a.m.

Fall Vocal Concert Oct. 16

AREA — The Fall Vocal Music Concert will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 16 at 7:30 p.m. at Ramsey Theater on the campus of Wayne State College. Groups performing include the seventh and eighth grade Choir, the Wayne High Jazz Choir, High School All-State Auditionees, and the Wayne High Concert Choir. Students should report to the basement of the Peterson Fine Arts Center at 7:10 p.m. Seventh and eighth Choir will wear their blue polos and khaki pants. High School Choir members will wear their assigned uniform. The public is invited to this event and there is no admission charge.

Customer Appreciation Day

AREA — The Wayne Farmers' Market will hold a Customer Appreciation Day on Saturday, Oct. 13 from 9 a.m. to noon. In conjunction with the event, Story Time at the Wayne Public Library at 10:30 a.m. that day will include a cooking demonstration and those attending will be able to build an edible campfire with bread donated by Mollie Spieker. Coffee, compliments of The Coffee Shoppe on Main will be served and a raffle will be conducted.

Halloween Costume Dance

AREA — The annual Halloween Costume Dance, sponsored by the Carroll Volunteer Firemen's Association, will be held Saturday, Oct. 20 at the Carroll Auditorium in Carroll. Music will be provided by The Back Forty. Doors open at 8 p.m. and the dance starts at 8:30 p.m. Cash prizes will be awarded for costumes in various categories. Raffles will be held for several cash prizes. All proceeds will go toward the purchase of a grass rig for the department.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Brad Weber, Color Guard Captain Lauren Mecseji, and Drum Majors Victoria Kranz, Rachel Waddington and McKenna Gibson listen as results are announced at the Pierce Marching Contest.

Marching band earns superior rating

Congratulations have been extended to the Wayne High School "Pride of the Blue Devils" Marching Band for receiving a "Superior" rating and trophy and receiving the 2nd Place Overall Trophy at the Pierce Marching Band Contest on Oct. 6.

Brad Weber, Director of Bands at Wayne High School said, "A special thank you to Jeryl Nelson, Josh Johnson, Carrie and Chad Jensen for driving the equipment van and truck to and from the contest and another special Thank You to all the wonderful people who volunteered as bus sponsors for this contest. All their time, effort and support are greatly appreciated. We could not do these events without all your help."

The band will perform again on

Candidate forum planned, voter registration deadline near

Wayne County residents are being encouraged to attend two Candidate Forums prior to the 2012 General Election.

A District 17 Legislative Forum involving Sen. Dave Bloomfield and challenger Van Phillips will be held Wednesday, Oct. 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Majestic Theatre in Wayne.

This forum is being co-hosted by the Nebraska State College Professional Association-Wayne and Wayne Area Economic Development's Government Affairs Committee.

Those in attendance will be able to ask questions vis postcards through Moderator Dr. Chuck Parker.

A City Council Forum will be held Monday, Oct. 22 at 6:30 p.m. at the First National Bank of Wayne Community Room at Sixth and Walnut Streets.

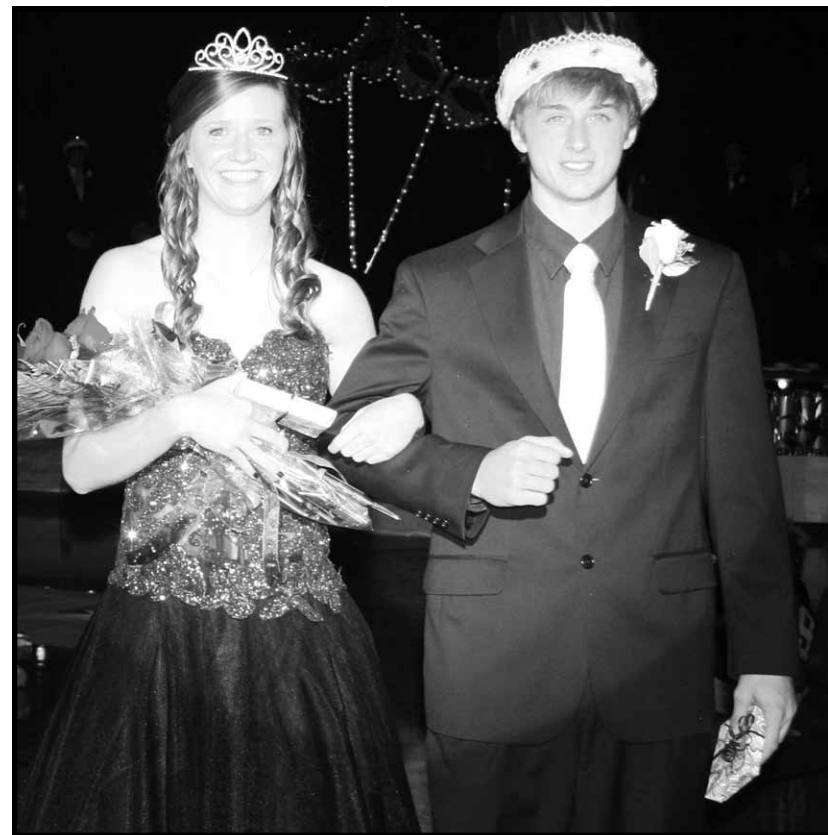
Saturday, Oct. 13 at Schuyler. The band buses will leave Wayne at 11:45 a.m. with a performance time of 3:20 p.m. Students are expected to return by 7:45 p.m.

On Saturday, Oct. 20 the marching band will participate in the NSBA State Marching Band Festival at Seacrest Field in Lincoln. The buses will depart from the high school at noon with the band performing at 6 p.m.

"We are in dire need of adult sponsors for these marching band contests. If there are not enough adult sponsors, the Blue Devil Marching Band will not be able to participate in these competitions. Your time, effort and support would greatly be appreciated," Weber said.

Anyone interested in being a sponsor for any one of these events

is asked to contact Brad Weber at Wayne High School, (402) 375-3150.



(Contributed photo)

Homecoming royalty

Kylie Thompson, daughter of Doug and Lisa Thompson and Kyle Kardell, son of Dave and Karla Kardell, reigned as this year's Homecoming Queen and King at Laurel-Concord/Coleridge High School. Crown bearers were Jacob Anderson and Chloe Sohler. Other Queen candidates included Katie Gubbels, Sammie Camenzind, Cassie Camenzind and Erica Brandow. King candidates included Justin Saunders, Zach Shear, Austin Roach and Jason Kneif. Junior attendants were Cameron Eddie and Brett Haisch. Lauren Cunningham and Mitchell Hartmann were Mistress and Master of Ceremonies.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Eagle Scout project

Colin Webster was responsible for organizing a number of improvements at the Izaak Walton Lake as part of his Eagle Scout project. Last week, during a Scout Court of Honor, members gathered at the lake for a picture near one of those improvements, a new fire pit. Taking part were (left), Peg Webster, Jeff Simpson, Colin Webster, Scott Brummond (representing the Izaak Waltons), Jacob Abraham, Mark Klaussen, Parker Wren, Austin Frideres, Bob Liska, Steven Keiser, Logan Abraham, Mike Reyes, James Simpson, RJ Liska, Andrew Simpson and Scott Abraham.



(Photo courtesy Luke Virgil, Laurel Economic Development)

Workers from the City of Laurel help lower one of the large transformers onto a concrete pad outside the new Laurel BioComposite building.

Transformers installed at Laurel BioComposite

Two transformers were put into place in the future home of Laurel BioComposite Monday morning at the Laurel Industrial Park.

With the help of employees from the City of Laurel and in cooperation with Cedar-Knox Public Power District, the two 2,500-KVA transformers, each weighing more than five tons, were placed on a cement slab outside the building Monday morning. A special concrete pad and firewall were designed specifically for the transformers so they could be located near the building.

Laurel BioComposite, which is expected to go online later this year, is expected to become one of the larger electricity customers on the grid, and the new transformers will help the City of Laurel provide electricity to the plant.

Jailbirds help raise money for MDA

The Muscular Dystrophy Association issued fun "arrest warrants" for local business and civic leaders on Oct. 4. The community-minded residents were put "behind bars" for MDA's signature Lock-Up fundrais-

er at Godfather's Pizza. Accused of having big hearts and being heavily armed with kindness, these "jailbirds" helped raise more than \$14,000 for families affected by neuromuscular diseases in Ne-

braska and southwest Iowa.

Overseeing the jailbirds was this year's MDA Ambassador for Nebraska, Zach Jorgensen. Jorgensen assisted in the "booking" of the criminals by taking a mug shot of each upon their arrival.

In order to be released, each jailbird's "bail" was set at \$1,600, and the money was raised by encouraging friends, family, co-workers and business contacts to make contributions to MDA. Over 60 jailbirds attended the event and enjoyed the terrific jailhouse grub generously provided by Godfather's Pizza.

MDA would like to congratulate and thank the hardest working Jailbirds: Kimberly Neiman, Pilger City Hall; Linda Gilliland, RainTree Liquors, C&H 2nd Hand Kids Closet and Wayne Herald and Morning Shopper; and Shelly Perez, Thurston County Sheriff. A special thanks was extended to Julie Schultz, manager of Cubby's in Wakefield. She was the highest bail raiser at the event.

The funds raised will help MDA assist hundreds of local individuals and families living with muscular dystrophy, ALS and related muscle diseases throughout Nebraska and southwest Iowa.

The Lock-Up also will help send Nebraska youngsters to MDA's summer camp at Camp Comeca in Cozad, where all activities are designed for kids with limited mobility, and many volunteers provide the one-on-one assistance needed to optimize participation. Some activities include horseback riding, swimming, sports, and arts and crafts.



MDA is the nonprofit health agency dedicated to curing muscular dystrophy, ALS and related diseases by funding worldwide research. The Association also provides unparalleled health care services; advocates for the families it serves; and invests significant resources educating the medical and scientific communities, as well as the general public, about neuromuscular diseases affecting more than 1 million Americans.

MDA maintains a network of some 200 hospital-affiliated clinics – 38 of which are designated as MDA/ALS centers – throughout the country. In Nebraska, families can receive excellent care for progressive muscle diseases at the MDA clinics in Lincoln and Omaha.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

MDA Ambassador Zach Jorgensen gets Jason Mrsny's mug shot during last week's Lock Up for Muscular Dystrophy at Godfather's Pizza in Wayne.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

The green flag drops on the Wayne Fall Rally. One of the Wayne Power Drive team's cars finished second in the 90-minute competition.

Wayne Power Drive team finishes second

The Wayne High Power Drive team finished second in the 2012 Wayne Fall Rally.

Car 39 completed 125 laps or 29.375 miles during the 90-minute competition, which was held at the First National Bank Service Center parking lot.

Car 107 was also on an award-receiving pace until it was caught up in an accident. Hard work in the pits got Car 107 back on the track to finish with 98 laps.

"Although it was a cold day for competition, many teams through-

out the state had strong performances," said Tony Cantrell, Wayne High School Power Drive advisor.

Cantrell noted that the Wayne Fall Rally was made possible through the generosity of the City of Wayne, First National Bank Card Center, Heritage Industries, Anderson Graphics, Wayne Kiwanis Club, Wayne State College, Greg Vander Weil and Wayne High School.

For more information about Power Drive, please see the Wayne High School website.



(Photos by Clara Osten)

Chamber coffee

Jared Reese, Territory Manager for Viaero, above, talks about services offered by the wireless company during last week's Chamber Coffee. At right, Duane Schroeder was the winner of a Kindle Fire at the coffee. Making the presentation was Nick Hawthorne, store manager.



Area farmers encouraged to prevent wildfires

The Nebraska Forest Service says farmers, ranchers and homeowners should take extra precautions to prevent fall wildfires. The extremely dry conditions that spurred an unusually active wildfire season, the lack of rain and an increase in the amount of dead and dying foliage could pose a higher risk of wildfires.

"The drought has left much of Nebraska's landscape prone to fires, not only in forested areas but also in farm fields and around homes," said Don Westover, wildland fire protection program director. "We're urging Nebraskans to take steps to prevent dangerous wildfires this fall."

Forestry officials encourage taking extra precautions, since large fires in Nebraska are not limited to the summer months. Last October, 154 wildfires burned more than 6,000 acres; 88 of those fires were related to equipment use.

"It's not unusual for a harvest operation to start wildfires," Westover said. "Corn and soybeans are not harvested until they are dry, which creates dry fuel for a fire."

Farmers are urged to take steps to help prevent wildfires:

- Maintain harvest equipment. Make sure it is in good operating condition so that it will operate as cool as possible.
- Keep crop residue from accumulating on farm equipment – manifolds, ledges and other areas that become hot.
- Start harvesting on the down-wind side of the field. If a fire breaks out, it will burn the crop stubble rather than the unharvested crop.
- Keep a fire extinguisher on board farm equipment. Fires start small, and many can be stopped before becoming a damaging wildfire.
- Carry a cell phone and keep the local fire department's phone number programmed in your phone. The sooner you notify the fire department, the sooner a fire can be contained.

Homeowners in both urban and rural areas also need to be aware of how drought conditions have affected their landscapes. Emphasis should be placed on creating a defensible space around

homes and buildings. Reduce the amount of flammable vegetation surrounding the home by removing dead vegetation, including branches, leaves, needles and twigs that are still attached to plants. Vegetation and other fuels burning near the house produce flames that contact the home and ignite it. Keep plants located near the house healthy, green and irrigated during fire season.

The publication "Living with Fire," a homeowner's guide to reducing the risk of wildfires, is available on the Nebraska Forest Service website. Separate guides are available for eastern and western Nebraska homeowners; each guide is focused on regional areas of concern. The guide includes no-cost ways to make a home fire wise. Visit nfs.unl.edu for more safety tips. The Nebraska Forest Service is an affiliate of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Insulating homes can save money

You might be enjoying the last warm days of summer by finding the temperature just right and opening windows. Or, summer might still be smiling a little too warmly for your comfort, prompting you to turn on the air conditioner. In any instance, it will not be long before Nebraska comes around to our longer season: winter.

So what will it take to keep the heat "in" when snow is swirling outside your windows? Insulation! While you may think your home is adequately insulated, recently, the president of the Council of the North American Insulation Manufacturers Association stated that an estimated 45 million American homes have inadequate amounts of insulation.

According to the U. S. Census Bureau, about two-thirds of all homes in the Midwest are more than 30 years old. That is important to note because, unless these homes have added insulation after their original

construction, they likely could realize huge energy efficiency savings by adding insulation.

In fact, after weatherizing your home by caulking, weather-stripping, and installing appropriate vapor barriers, adding insulation is usually the most cost-effective energy improvement you can make. Could your home be needlessly costing you hundreds of dollars in energy costs each year?

Insulation is any material that restricts heat flow through the home's envelope, keeping heat in during winter and out in summer. Even though insulation materials themselves do not use energy, or heat or cool, they have a big impact on home energy bills and comfort.

In most Nebraska homes, almost half of the home's energy use goes towards heating and cooling, so improvements involving insulation are often good investments.

To help make insulating affordable, your local electric utility provides the residential EnergyWise attic insulation program. If you have little insulation in the attic (six inches or less on average), have a heat pump or electric furnace or electric heat (baseboard, radiant, etc.) and add at least six inches or R-19, you may be eligible for an incentive of up to \$300 per existing residential dwelling.

For more information, visit with your local electric utility or go to www.nppd.com/save-energy.

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Businesses

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Those attending the grand opening next week will have a chance to win prizes that include a \$100 gift card, a \$1,000 shopping spree and free prescriptions for a year. They will also see a lot of new brand names, particularly in athletic apparel with brands such as Nike and adidas.

"We have a lot of apparel brands that we didn't have before, and we'll also carry more branded home merchandise for the kitchen and other areas," Wibben said.

Newer, bigger facility

The tight aisles customers experience while shopping at Bomgaars will soon be a thing of the past once the business moves from its current Valley Drive location to its brand new building on the west edge of town next to Glen's Auto Body on Highway 35.

Moving from its current 12,000-square foot facility to its spacious, 28,500-square foot building is one that manager Ken Fegler is looking forward to, but not near as much as some of the people he has talked with about the move.

"I think the employees are excited, and a lot of the customers I've talked to are really looking forward to the new store," he said. "There will be wider aisles, more parking and a wider selection, and the customers are really, really excited to see the new store."

Ground on the new facility was broken last fall, and work on the building began in the spring. Bomgaars was looking for a newer, bigger facility because the business, which started there 10 years ago, had outgrown its smaller confines.

"The company had been looking for property that was available that was big enough to build on, and this new building will be great for us," Fegler said, adding that the building was designed with the option to add another 8,500 square feet as the need for more space comes about.

Bomgaars customers won't have to wait much longer to check out the

new facility. Fegler said the company plans to start moving everything out of the old facility the last Sunday in October, with plans to open the new store on Halloween.

"We'll be moving our inventory out of the old store and into the new, and we'll have trucks coming to bring more inventory to help fill the store," he said. "We'll have a bigger tool selection, a bigger boot and clothing selection, and we'll have the opportunity to do more than we're able to do here now."

Bowlers excited for opening

When Melodee Lanes closed this past summer, local bowlers were left wondering where they would be able to go to continue competing in leagues this fall and winter.

They'll get a late start this fall, but Ric Barner said he plans to run a shorter season for a men's, women's and college league when the doors open later this month.

Barner was approached by the building's owner, Adeline Kienest, about buying the business. The paperwork on the ownership transfer is almost complete, and Barner worked in earnest, with a lot of volunteer support, in refinishing the lanes and getting things ready to open the doors for area bowlers.

"Adeline is getting up in years, and she just didn't know what she wanted to do, so she called me and made an offer, and we were able to work it out," Barner said.

He began work on the renovation in late July, and credited the support of a lot of local bowling enthusiasts with helping him get ready to reopen the city's bowling alley.

"There was tons of volunteer work, especially with the Bowling Association members and some of the bowlers and their families," he said. "There has been a lot of cleaning and getting things in order and in working condition."

For now, the alley will continue to use eight of the 12 lanes that are in place. Barner said he is contemplating a number of ideas with the area where the other four lanes are located



(Herald file photo)

Ric Barner applies finish to one of the alleys at Melodee Lanes as work continues on the bowling alley. Barner hopes to open the bowling center by the end of this month.

on the south side of the building, including removing the lanes and setting up some type of bar area.

"I may leave them in place and do something with them, or I may remove them and put in a different bar area, but that's something that will be down the road," he said.

Local bowlers are scheduled to meet next week to start making plans for starting leagues at the bowling alley later this fall, and Barner hopes to build on the league offerings and continue to work with

the high school's club bowling team.

"There were a couple of teams that went ahead and went to Norfolk, but now that they've found out what's going on here, they have expressed interest in having a team here as well," he said. "I plan on building on the league structure, get the college involved and continue working with the high school kids. I'm hoping we can continue all of that and expand on it."



ArtsWalk

Wayne State College students Adrian Campos of Alliance and Brandon Ormsher of Valentine perform in Hoffbauer Plaza during the annual ArtsWalk event throughout campus, Sept. 27. ArtsWalk is a concept of celebrating the Arts and Humanities disciplines by highlighting activities taking place in public settings not normally thought of as venues. The days sometimes include poetry readings, pottery throwing, dance, musical ensembles, theatre performances, individual musical performances such as guitar and often the public creation of temporary sculptures.

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field Cemetery at 1:30 p.m. Six "spirits" are scheduled to be a part of this year's festival. They include Cliff Busby, Philo Graves, Clarence Swanson, Rena Milligan, Gertrude Kimbell and Skiv Carlson. In case of inclement weather, the Spirit Walk will take place at Little Red Hen Theatre at the same time.

A Chili Cook-Off will take place at 302 Main Street from 1-4 p.m. and a Pumpkin Carving event will occur at the same time at 225 Main Street.

School

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stalled around the playground in the near future, swing sets will be installed and grass has been planted.

The board will next meet in regular session on Monday, Nov. 12 at 5 p.m. at Wayne High School. That meeting will also include the first Honor Coffee of the 2012-2013 school year.

Quilt enthusiasts can take part in the Quilt Show at 301 Main Street from 1-4 p.m.

Another new activity at this year's Balloon Festival will be Water Fights, hosted by the Wakefield Volunteer Fire Department. They will take place near the Fire Hall at Fourth and Main streets at 2 p.m.

Another balloon launch is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, and the popular Night Glow is scheduled for dusk.

Entertainment has been scheduled for Sidelines from 8 p.m.-12 a.m.

The final activity of the three-day event will be another balloon launch at 7:30 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 21.

All events and balloon flights are weather dependent.

For more information or registration forms, call (402) 369-2165 or visit wakefieldballoonfestival.com. Check the website for vendor and Fun Run registration forms.

The event is funded in part by a grant from the Dixon County Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Stand For The Silent taking food pantry donations

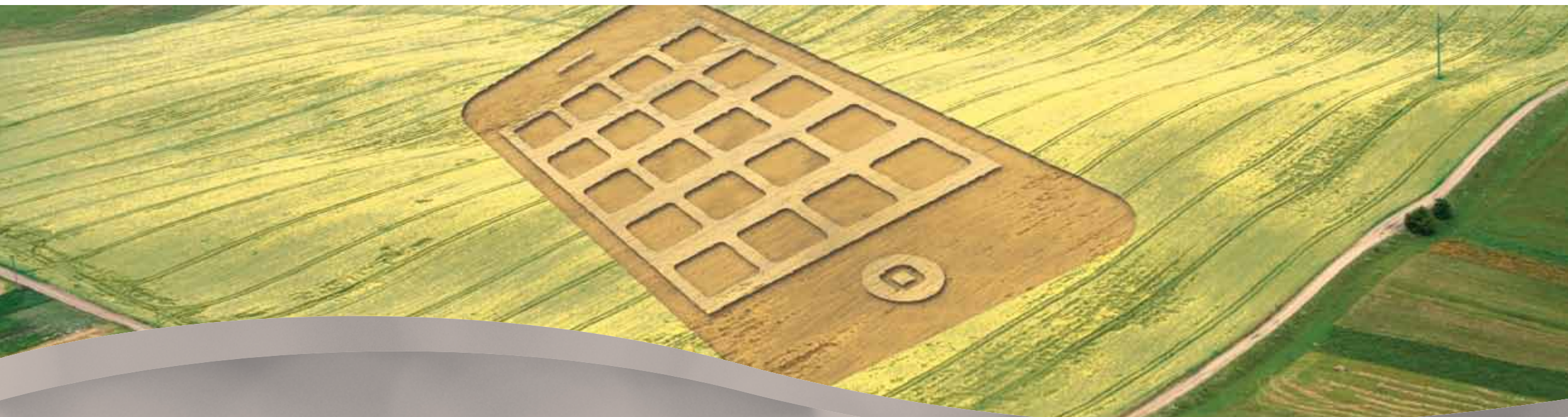
The Wayne Stand For The Silent group is holding a food drive at both Wayne Elementary and Wayne Junior-Senior High School to help out the local food pantry during the month of October

Parents can send non-perishable food items to school with their kids. For the elementary students, the class with the biggest donation will

win a pizza party, while the goal at the junior-senior high school is to collect 500 pounds of non-perishable food items between now and Thursday, Oct. 25. Each day a student brings in a donation, they can put their name into a drawing for a chance to win a gift certificate for a free large pizza. A winner will be drawn and announced at the Thursday, Oct. 25 band concert.

The group is also collecting donations of non-perishable food items during the remaining home sporting events this fall season. All food collected will go to the Wayne Food Pantry, with the group helping to stock the pantry on National Make A Difference Day, set for Saturday, Oct. 27.

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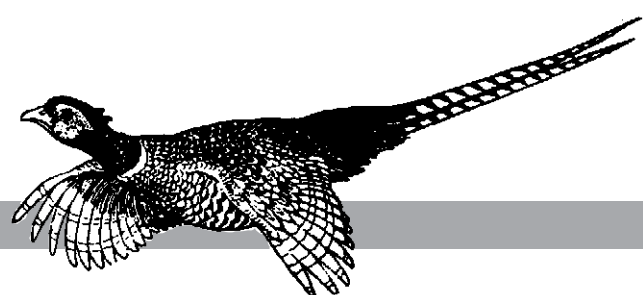


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Sports

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From The Bleachers

Michael Carnes



Softballers are 'Miss Octobers'

Call them Miss Octobers if you will.

Longtime baseball fans remember legendary slugger Reggie Jackson being called "Mr. October" by late New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner for his ability to rise up and lead the team to the World Series.

The equivalent here in Wayne is the Blue Devil softball team, which has made competing in the state tournament during the second weekend in October almost an annual ritual for the past decade.

In the last 11 years, the only time a Wayne High softball team wasn't playing at state was in 2006. There have been two state championships, two state runner-up finishes and, with Thursday's win, nine district championship seasons for the Blue Devils.

When the season started, there were a lot of question marks about whether or not this year's team would be able to carry on that tradition of making the journey to the Smith Softball Complex in Hastings for this week's state tournament. After losing several key elements from a team that went undefeated in the regular season and earned a trip to the Class B state tournament, one couldn't help but wonder if this year's team, even with the move back to Class C, would be able to make it back to Hastings.

This year's team has more than met those expectations. Consider that, of their four losses in a 25-4 season, half are to state tournament teams (Guardian Angels in Class C and Blair in Class B) and the other two are to an O'Neill team that went 24-5 and just missed making it to state.

And this team does it AS a team — you never know which one of the nine girls on the field is going to come up with the key hit or make a play defensively to kill an opposing rally or finish off a game. They've relied almost exclusively on the right wing of pitcher McKenna Gibson, who doesn't bring the fury and intimidation of the power pitching of her predecessor, Cassy Miller, but does a fantastic job of throwing strikes, mixing up her pitches and relying on a stout defense to get batters out.

This team has had its share of adversity this year. Starting third baseman Abbie Hix went down with a season-ending knee injury, and backup pitcher Kendall Gamble developed muscle problems in her leg that have kept her from taking the circle, leaving the lion's share of pitching duties to Gibson, who is battling through some "owies" of her own. Freshman Danica Schaefer has filled in nicely in an infield full of veterans with Jalyn Zeiss at short, Emily Leeper at second, Megan Hoffart at first and backstopper Victoria Kranz.

Outfield was a concern at the start of the year, but it hasn't been much of a concern this year. Sydney Harris moved over to center field and has done a great job anchoring the outfield along with dependable veteran Hannah Gamble and the solid glove of Lauren Gilliland.

There isn't much left sitting on the bench, but youngsters Maddie Morris and Nicole Craft are both dependable players that can come in and lay down a bunt or contribute in other areas. This was a team that was already thin in numbers before the loss of Hix and the younger Gamble, but what this team lacks in quantity, it more than makes up for in quality.

And that's part of the reason why this team is so successful, year in and year out. The kids that are a part of this team "buy in" to the demands that, coach Rob Sweetland says, are required for this team to compete at a high level and earn that trip to state every October.

It's getting more and more difficult to get kids to grasp the long-known truth that anything worth having in life takes hard work. You

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(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Wayne senior pitcher McKenna Gibson threw three complete games to help lead the Blue Devils to the state softball tournament for the 10th time in 11 seasons.

Back on top Blue Devils steamroll in C-4 district

By MICHAEL CARNES Of The Herald

WISNER — The Masters golf tournaent dubs itself "a tradition unlike any other."

Wayne High's softball team has developed a rather unique tradition of its own in these parts, as the Blue Devils secured their 10th trip to the state softball tournament in the last 11 years with a three-game sweep through the C2-4 district tournament Thursday and Friday at Wisner River Park.

The Blue Devils handled Wisner-Pilger 9-0 and posted wins of 9-4 and 18-2 over Twin River to secure the team's ninth district title and the top seed for this week's Class C State Softball Championships at the Smith Softball Complex in Hastings, taking a 25-4 record into this week's double-elimination state tournament.

For coach Rob Sweetland, it was a matter of the girls answering a challenge he set forth after the team lost to O'Neill in the finals of the Mid State Conference tournament a couple of weeks earlier.

"I challenged the girls a couple of weeks ago after conference, and it wasn't their performance so much as their approach," he said. "We were kind of in the same position last year and talked about finishing things this year, and I think we've approached each situation a lot better the last couple of weeks and they have performed really well and worked really hard."

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(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Sydney Harris hit an inside-the-park home run in one game and had six RBI's in the championship game for the 25-4 Blue Devils, who will be the top seed in this week's state tournament in Hastings.

Area runners prep for districts at Bloomfield Invite

By MICHAEL CARNES Of The Herald

WAUSA — This week is a big week for area cross country runners, and all three area schools made their final preparations with a good showing Friday at the Bloomfield Invitational.

Wayne High, Laurel-Concord/Coleridge and Winside cross country teams all competed well at Rolling Hills Country Club on a sunny and breezy afternoon near Wausa, and all three area coaches like what they see out of their teams as they get ready for district action this week.

The Bloomfield Invitational combined with the Mid State Conference meet, and Crofton's boys and girls swept all the hardware, winning team titles in both meets. Wayne's boys were fifth and the girls were fourth in both meets, with the LCC boys finishing ninth out of 15 teams and the Winside girls tying for eighth out of 14 teams in the Bloomfield meet.

There were some good individual efforts by area runners, as eight area runners finished in the top 20 of their respective races and positioned themselves well for this week's district meets.

Wayne High girls runner Cassie Heier ran up near the front of the pack throughout the girls race and was in a battle with the second-place runner until the final 50 meters, settling for a third-place finish with a time of 15:44.



(left) Miranda Long and Martha Mitiku keep the pace for Wayne at Friday's Bloomfield Invitational. (right) Brothers Aaron and Adam Haahr try to get out among the leaders during the start of the boys race.

"Cassie ran well today," coach Rocky Ruhl said. "Early in the race, she kind of settled back and maybe got back a little too far, but she ran an awesome race and finished really well."

Angie Nelson also ran well, finishing 13th in a time of 16:21; and Miranda Long came home 30th in

17:38 with Martha Mitiku finishing 38th to account for Wayne's scoring runners.

"The girls ran a great race today," Ruhl said. "I think most everybody hit their personal best today and ran a super race. The temperatures were kind of a concern, but they came through it and ran their best



(Contributed photo)

Marissa Wiese watches her putt roll toward the hole during action at the Class C State Golf Championships in Columbus. The Blue Devil junior tied for 33rd in the 96-player field.

Wies ties for 33rd at state golf tourney

COLUMBUS — Marissa Wiese finished strong on the back nine of the second day of the Class C State Golf Championships and just missed finishing in the top third of the individual field.

Wiese fired a 47 on the back nine to finish the second day Tuesday with a 101, three shots better than her performance during a first-round 104, and came away tied for 33rd in the 96-player field at Quail Run Golf Club.

Coach Josh Johnson said the Blue Devil junior gave a good effort on both days of the tournament.

"She was pretty relaxed the first day, and the second day she played fantastic in some cold and windy conditions," he said.

Playing with a familiar golfer from Norfolk Catholic on the first day helped calm some first-tournament jitters, Johnson said, and she played a better round on Monday than the score indicated.

"She had a few bad breaks on a couple of holes and got up against the edge of a pot bunker that forced her to take a big number, but other than that she played re-

ally well," Johnson said.

Wiese struggled on the front nine on Tuesday, shooting a 54, but came back with a solid round on the more-challenging back nine to shoot a 47 and just miss breaking into double digits.

"She struggled a little on the front nine, but she was really able to bear down on the back and had a 47, so it was a great way to end the year," he said. "I know she wanted to break 100 the second day, but she still played really well."

Wiese is one of five Wayne varsity players who competed at districts that will be back in 2013, and Johnson said her experience at state and the growth of a young team this year will pay off next season.

"That whole group that came together for districts will have an opportunity to draw on that experience next year, and that's really crucial when you're trying to accomplish something on the golf course," he said. "The girls definitely earned that experience this year, and with everybody back next year it should be a lot of fun."

Trojans outlast Gators, secure C2 playoff spot

WAKEFIELD — It wasn't pretty but it was still a big win for Wakefield on Friday as they hung on for a 12-8 win over Wisner-Pilger Friday at Eaton Field.

The win secured a winning season for the Trojans, something that Wakefield hasn't had since 2008.

And while it wasn't the team's best effort of the season, it's a win coach Mike Hassler is happy to have in the books.

"It wasn't pretty, but we'll take it," he said. "Mistake-wise, we

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(Photos by Michael Carnes)

race of the year."

Winside sophomore Mackenzie Gray had to hold off Heier at the end to take runner-up honors to lead the Wildcat runners on the day, drawing praise from coach Jennifer Kesting.

"Mackenzie ran really well today," she said. "She was gone for

four days last week to watch her sister graduate from basic training in Texas, and she did a good job of keeping up with her workouts while she was down there. She ran very well today."

Laurel-Concord/Coleridge's two girls runners, Sadie Petersen and

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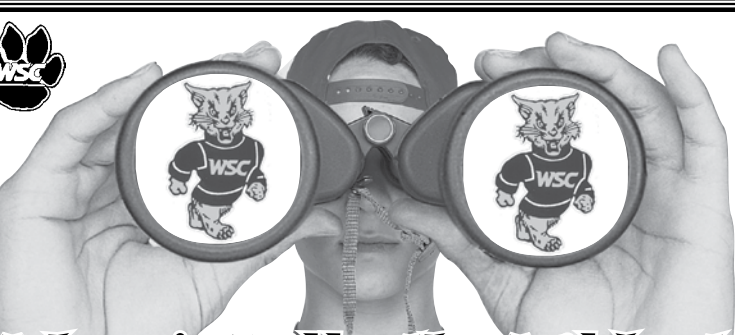
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- WSC Mens & Womens CROSS COUNTRY**
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District

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 Sweetland said he felt each player was trying to do too much, rather than relying on their teammates and contributing when called upon.
 "We were putting too much pressure on ourselves, and I think since then we've been more patient and increased our chances of being successful," he said. "We've tried being more patient at the plate and have a quality at bat, and a lot of them have turned into hits for us."

The Blue Devils were certainly hitting on all cylinders in the district tournament, pounding out 36 hits in three games, almost half of them coming in the championship blowout of Twin River.

Wayne got the hit parade started on a chilly Thursday afternoon, cranking out nine hits and riding the two-hit pitching of senior hurler McKenna Gibson to a 9-0 win over Wisner-Pilger.

The Blue Devils scored two runs with two outs in the first inning when Hannah Gamble scored on a

"Right now, it's going to come down to who plays well over the long haul."

- Rob Sweetland
 Wayne High softball coach

Sydney Harris single and Victoria Kranz came home on a wild pitch. They doubled their lead in the second when Jalyn Zeiss doubled Gibson home and later scored on another wild pitch.

Wayne took command of the game in the third with three runs, highlighted by an RBI double by Megan Hoffart and RBI singles by Gibson and Lauren Gilliland, then scored two more in the fourth to end the game after five innings on the eight-run rule.

Kranz and Harris both went 2-for-3 in the game, while Hoffart had two hits and three RBIs.

Wayne overcame its only deficit of the tournament, turning around a 2-1 Twin River lead with a five-run third inning to beat the Titans 9-4 and advance to the championship game.

An error, two singles and a bases-loaded walk highlighted the key rally of the game. Kranz had a two-run single, scoring Zeiss and Emily Leeper, and later scored on a Gibson single.

Kranz drove in three runs in the win, including an inside-the-park home run, and Gibson scattered five hits and two walks while striking out five for another complete-game win in the circle for the Blue Devils.

Twin River made it back to the championship, but any hopes of a third game with Wayne evaporated in a 13-run fourth-inning massacre that helped the Blue Devils punch their ticket to state with an 18-2 win.

Wayne sent 16 batters to the plate and knocked out nine hits in the pivotal fourth inning, one inning after breaking a 1-1 tie with a four-run third, highlighted by Harris' inside-the-park home run.

Wayne got a bases-clearing double by Gamble and a two-run double by Zeiss to highlight the inning, and Gibson shut down Twin River in the bottom of the fourth to end the game on the 10-run rule.

Harris had a huge game in the finals, going 4-for-4 with six RBIs, while Gamble was 3-for-4 with five RBIs and Kranz had three RBIs. Zeiss had three hits and scored four runs, while Leeper and Gilliland each had two hits. Gibson tossed a complete-game five hitter, striking out four and walking two.

The win sends the Blue Devils



(Photo by Michael Carnes)
Emily Leeper makes a play at second base to end an inning for the Blue Devil defense during their 9-0 win over Wisner-Pilger.

into the state tournament with the No. 1 seed and puts them in the first round against Milford, who comes in with a 15-14 record playing several Class A and B schools.

For Sweetland and the Blue Devils, it doesn't matter who is next.

"We're approaching it that we're one of eight teams, and our focus right now is on Milford," he said. "We've been the No. 1 seed before and sometimes it's worked out while other times it hasn't. Right now, it's going to come down to who plays well over the long haul."

Playing last year in the Class B state tournament should be a good experience for this year's team, Sweetland said.

"We talked about that past experience and how it can help us, and I think we'll feel comfortable down there," he said. "I think our confidence will be high and we'll be able to control our emotions since we've been there before. These girls have played a lot of big games and big tournaments, and the seniors have been here for four years, so they can all draw on that experience."



(Photo by Michael Carnes)
Blue Devil senior Megan Hoffart heads for home to score a run during the Blue Devils' run to a ninth district title, winning the C-4 crown Friday in Wisner.

Octobers

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 can't just walk on to a field and expect to win without putting in the time and effort in practice in-season, and in the weight room in the off-season, and seeing the results of that work pay off. Sweetland said Monday that it takes a lot of dedication to have the kind of success this program has had over the past decade. There's a lot of time these girls spend in the batting cage and in the weight room that they could easily spend doing other things that teenage kids do, but they choose to put in the work that helps them be a part of the success that this program continues to enjoy, even a decade later.

Will this team bring home the program's third state title in 10 years this week? It's hard to say at this writing - Wayne is the top seed in the eight-team, double-elimination tournament, but all eight teams have played well and worked hard to reach this point. The team that wins this tournament is the one that will play the best over the course of three days, get a little luck and execute better than anybody else.

If what I've seen the past two months are any indication, it wouldn't surprise me in the least to see the Blue Devils hoisting the hardware on Friday afternoon. It's something Miss Octobers love to do.

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Playoff

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 played our worst game of the year. The boys just had a lot of untimely mistakes that killed drives for us and kept drives alive for Wisner. On the other hand, effort-wise it was right up there with one of their best games of the year and was a real character builder."

The Trojans managed just 221 yards in total offense and one first-half score on the night, but the big play of the game came on the second-half kickoff, when Josh Dolph returned the kick 84 yards for a touchdown.

"I told the boys, before the game, that we needed one big play on special teams, and Josh delivered it," Hassler said. "Taking that second-half kickoff back for a touchdown put us up by two scores, and that was huge and proved to be the difference."

That special teams score proved to be important, as the Gators answered later in the period with a 27-yard pass for a touchdown and a two-point conversion. Other than that, the Wakefield defense was solid in limiting the Gators to 226 yards.

"I thought it was one of our bet-

ter performances of the year," Hassler said. "Wisner is a scrappy team, and they spread you out and try to get you one-on-one in the open, and I thought the boys did a great job of assignment football the whole night."

Hassler said he was a little disappointed with the offensive effort, as Wakefield fumbled the ball four times, losing one, and threw an interception.

"Even though we were lucky enough to recover a majority of the fumbles, they were just drive-killers," he said. "Our offense depends on gaining three-plus yards every play, and when you get no gain or a loss because of a fumble, it puts you into a hole. We've done a good job of handling the ball all season, so this was uncharacteristic of this team and we'll need to get it cleaned up before we play Ponca."

Defensively, Heath Greve had 17 total tackles and a fumble recovery for the 4-2 Trojans, while Jacob Lunz had 14 tackles, Daniel Muller had 12 and Alex Conley had nine.

"I think this game just shows even more how far we've come since last year," Hassler said. "Last year, we wouldn't have handled the mis-

takes and would have hung our heads, and I think our boys just got more determined to come back and play harder and make up for their mistakes."

The Trojans have an unscheduled bye this week with a forfeit by Homer, which means next week's matchup with Ponca could go a long way to determining a district champion.

"The Homer forfeit gives us an opportunity to heal some bumps and bruises and work some things out and plan for Ponca," Hassler said. "I know the guys are excited about the opportunity to play for a district title, and this is right where we wanted to be all season long. It will take our best effort in all phases, and if we can win, we'll possibly be looking at a first-round playoff game at home. There's a lot on the line in two weeks, and we'll be ready to roll."

Wakefield 12, Wisner-Pilger 8					
Wakefield	0	6	6	0	- 12
Wis.-Pil.	0	0	8	0	- 8

Scoring Summary					
WAKEFIELD	-	Josh Dolph	21 run	(PAT failed)	
WAKEFIELD	-	Dolph	84 kickoff return	(PAT failed)	
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Runners

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Sammie Camenzind, also put out good efforts and finished in the top 20, with Petersen taking 14th and Camenzind 19th.

"I thought the girls ran well, considering the conditions," coach Megan Virgil said. "This was the first meet where the weather conditions had really changed, but the competition was fierce and I think they ran really well and put themselves in position to make it to state."

LCC's Aaron Haahr and Wayne runners Ben Hoskins and Jacob Reynolds were the only area runners to finish in the top 20, but all three coaches felt their respective boys runners competed well on the Rolling Hills course.

"Ben has been our No. 1 runner all year and he did an excellent job finishing the race, and I think everybody ran their goal time and some beat their time by 30 seconds, so it shows we're getting better as a team," Ruhl said of the Wayne boys' efforts.

Virgil said the younger of the two Haahr brothers has been a little quick out of the gate this season, but has performed well and battled to be among the area's best as a freshman.

"I was a little concerned, because Aaron is notorious for starting off a little too quick and we're still trying to find that happy medium," she said. "When he has tough competition, though, he wants to do better and he's really shined for us. He didn't have quite enough at the end to catch the kid from Osmond, but he still ran really well for us."

Colin Hansen, who has been battling illness for a good chunk of the season, finished 28th and has some room to improve, Kesting said.

"Colin ran pretty well today and I'd like to see him run a little harder, and the other kids are continuing to improve as well," she said.

Wayne will compete in Class C district action Thursday at Albion Country Club, while the LCC and Winside teams will run again at Rolling Hills Country Club in a Class D district. All three coaches feel good about getting individual runners to state, and are hopeful that one of their teams can earn a trip as well.

"I think we're in the top half, but it's a very competitive district," Ruhl said of the Blue Devils' upcoming meet. "There are a number of good teams in there, and if we can go out and have a great day, I think we can sneak in (for state). We have a good shot for three individuals with Ben, Cassie and Angie, and if the teams go out and run hard, it will give us a chance (to qualify as a team)."

"I think our two girls and Aaron will qualify, and if we play our cards



(clockwise from above left) Wayne High's Jared Peterson and Luke Pulfer helped the Blue Devil boys finish fifth. Winside's Breanna Lemke-Elznic continued to show improvement for the Wildcats. LCC senior Sammie Camenzind posted a top-20 finish for the Lady Bears. Winside's Alex Davis saw an improved effort at the Bloomfield Invitational on Friday.

right and practice hard, we might qualify the boys as a team," Virgil said of the Bears' hopes. "We've won NENAC this year, so it's in them to qualify and we just have to show some mental toughness this week and keep working hard."

"I feel pretty good about Mackenzie's chances, and I hope our girls can do well," Kesting said of Winside's hopes. "Hopefully, we can see Colin move up and run better and get back down to state for us as well."

Bloomfield Invitational Boys Team Standings
Crofton 37, Boone Central 48, O'Neill 62, Pierce 76, Wayne 82, Chambers-Wheeler Central 102, Norfolk Catholic 107, Madison 155, Laurel-Concord/Coleridge 164, Hartington 165, West Boyd 180, Neigh-Oakdale 195, Plainview

205, Niobrara/Verdigre 254.
Area results
WAYNE - 8. Ben Hoskins, 17:52; 20. Jacob Reynolds, 18:24; 25. Luke Pulfer, 18:42; 34. Jared Peterson, 19:09; 45. Cornelio Espino, 19:44; 48. Grant Anderson, 19:55.
LCC - 5. Aaron Haahr, 17:38; 47. Jordan Jansen, 19:53; 64. Adam Haahr, 20:27; 65. Ethan Gubbels, 20:32.
WINSIDE - 28. Colin Hansen, 18:48; 77. Alex Davis, 21:25; 91. David Greunke, 26:13.

WAYNE JV (In reserve race) - 4. Bryce Sebade, 19:39; 14. Jacob Bear, 21:09; 20. Parker Wren, 21:45; 24. Mason Reynolds, 22:38; 33. Max Roberts, 24:38.

Girls Team Standings
Crofton 26, Boone Central 47, Norfolk Catholic 52, Wayne 73, O'Neill 103, Pierce 116, Chambers-Wheeler Central 150, Randolph 177, Winside 177, Creighton 186, Hartington 196, Bloomfield 203, West Boyd 225, Stuart 244.

Area results
WAYNE - 3. Cassie Heier, 15:44; 13. Angie Nelson, 16:21; 30. Miranda Long, 17:38; 38. Martha Mitiku, 17:58; 64. Hannah Kenny, 19:33;

75. Dulce Torres, 20:18; 102. Lydia Pflanz, 26:38.
LCC - 14. Sadie Petersen, 16:26; 19. Sammie Camenzind, 16:53.

WINSIDE - 2. Mackenzie Gray, 15:43; 56. Breanna Lemke-Elznic, 19:10; 90. Victoria Doffin, 21:46; 96. Brienna Wurdeman, 21:46.

Mid State Conference (Times from Bloomfield Inv. used)
Boys Team Standings
Crofton 29, Boone Central 40, O'Neill 51, Pierce 64, Wayne 69, Norfolk Catholic 89, Madison 119, Hartington CC 121.

Wayne Results
5. Ben Hoskins, 16. Jacob Reynolds, 20. Luke Pulfer, 28. Jared Peterson, 33. Cornelio Espino, 35. Grant Anderson.

Girls Team Standings
Crofton 22, Boone Central 40, Norfolk Catholic 44, Wayne 62, O'Neill 78, Pierce 93.

Wayne Results
2. Cassie Heier, 11. Angie Nelson, 23. Miranda Long, 28. Martha Mitiku, 39. Hannah Kenny, 40. Dulce Torres.

Wildcats go on the road, lose pair to ranked conference foes

Wayne State dropped a pair of matches to highly-ranked opponents in volleyball action on the road over the weekend.

"It was a tough road trip, no doubt about it," coach Scott Kneifl said. "We played two top-10 teams in their environment. I thought we played really well Friday night, and Saturday I think we were just gassed from playing five sets the night before and Concordia controlled the ball well. The kids got their eyes opened up to some top 10 competition, and hopefully we can learn from it."

On Friday, No. 10-ranked Minnesota State rallied for a 25-21, 20-25, 14-25, 25-22 and 15-12 win. Cori Hobbs led the Wildcats with 19 kills and 13 digs in the losing effort, while Katie Hughes had 14 kills and 31 digs.

Melanie Placke had nine kills and five blocks, setter Leisa McClintock had 43 assists and Courtney VanGronigen had 16 digs. Tatum Wroblewski served up three aces on the night.

"It was such a close call, and it's almost a coin flip when you go to a fifth set," Kneifl said. "It's frustrating because we felt we played well at times, but we made too many errors at the end to win that match."

On Saturday, five-time defending national champion and sixth-ranked Concordia-St. Paul swept the Wild-

cats 25-19, 25-18 and 25-23 in St. Paul, Minn., dropping the Wildcats to 13-5 overall and 6-3 in the NSIC.

"They're good, no doubt about it, and I think our kids were uncomfortable at first, but we were in a position to do some good things at the end," he said. "It's a learning process, and they need to see what it's like to play against the top teams in the country, and they're getting that chance."

Hobbs paced the Wildcats with seven kills, followed by Alex Armes with six kills and a team-high six blocks. Placke contributed six kills and four blocks, McClintock had 21 set assists while Katie Hughes and Courtney VanGronigen had 12 digs apiece. VanGronigen also had three service aces.

Wayne State will be at home for two conference matches this weekend. The Wildcats will host St. Cloud State Friday evening at 7 p.m. and third-ranked Minnesota Duluth Saturday at 4 p.m.

"St. Cloud is much improved, and Duluth is as big and physical as you can get," Kneifl said. "Every team we're playing seems to be ranked, but we just need to keep growing as a team. This team has come a long way, and I feel like now that we've hit the conference schedule we're competing and playing at a higher level and just need to keep working to get better."

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Murphy's Law kind of game in 40-24 Wildcat defeat

MARSHALL, Minn. - It was a Murphy's Law kind of Saturday for the Wayne State football team. Mistakes and turnovers seemed to be the rule of the day for the Wildcats, and that helped Southwest Minnesota State snap a seven-game losing streak to Wayne State Saturday evening with a 40-24 win in a Northern Sun Conference South Division matchup.

According to coach Dan McLaughlin, there was no doubt about it - Saturday's effort was not what he was looking for out of his team.

"There's no other way to dress it up. We played really poorly," he said. "You can't put it in any better terms. Every time something good happened, three bad things would happen."

The Wildcats were able to take the opening drive of the game and travel 71 yards on seven plays, with redshirt freshman quarterback Brian Kent finding Chad Koch on a five-yard touchdown pass to make it 7-0.

The Mustangs, however, came back to score 23 unanswered points

as Wayne State's offense seemed intent on shooting itself in the foot for much of the first half. Max Martin kicked a 43-yard field goal with 1:51 to go in the first half to make it 23-10, and when the Wildcats forced a Mustang punt, McLaughlin said he hoped his team could get it down to a one-possession game and take some momentum into the halftime locker room.

"We called time outs to get the ball back, and I thought if we got it back and got into our NASCAR offense, we could go in the locker room and have the momentum," he said. "We got the ball back, and then we threw an interception."

Even after stopping the Mustangs on their first drive of the second half, McLaughlin felt the team would snap out of their mistake-induced funk, but a fumbled punt and an interception resulted in 10 Mustang points that made it 33-10,

and the Wildcats weren't able to recover.

"It was just a comedy of errors all night long," he said. "In the fourth, we need to get a stop and we got one, and then we roughed the punter. We had two fumbled punts, two fumbled kickoff returns and we missed over 30 tackles. It was almost like Halloween, and it just had a snowball effect."

The Wildcats got a pair of second-half touchdowns from senior running back Nick Pulscher, who finished with 82 yards on 19 carries to lead the Wayne State offense, while Adam Stark had three receptions for 69 yards.

Southwest Minnesota State racked up more than 500 yards in total offense against the Wildcat defense. Austan Pomajzl had a team-best 15 tackles, while Jeff Pokorny added 10 stops for the 4-2 Wildcats.

Wayne State will look to bounce

back at home this weekend against a very good Winona State team in a 1 p.m. game Saturday at Cunningham Field. Winona State has an outstanding running back in Rayon Simmons that McLaughlin says is the best running back in the NSIC.

"He's better than pretty good, he's the best in the league," he said. "We're going to have to tackle a lot better this Saturday than we did last Saturday. Winona State has been at or near the top of the NSIC every year since I've been here, and they'll bring a good team to town Saturday. Hopefully we can bounce back, and I think the kids will."

SW Minn. St. 40, Wayne State 24

Wayne State	7	3	7	7	-	24
SW Minn. St.	10	13	10	7	-	40

Scoring Summary

WSC - Chad Koch 5 pass from Brian Kent (Max Martin kick)
 SWMS - Lan Schuvelier 39 field goal
 SWMS - Abe Kos 30 pass from Tyler Peschong (Schuvelier kick)
 SWMS - Warren Matthews 38 run (PAT failed)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING - WSC: Pulscher 19-82, Paulsen 3-17, Davidson 5-11, Kent 5-10. **SWMS:** Moore 26-157, Matthews 22-150, Peschong 5-18, Team 2(-1).

PASSING - WSC: Kent 5-9-1, 62; Most 4-9-1, 82. **SWMS:** Peschong 9-17-0, 185.

RECEIVING - WSC: Stark 3-69, Trouba 2-41, Calhoun 1-13, Paulsen 1-11, Kent 1-5, Koch 1-5. **SWMS:** Kos 4-77, Matthews 1-72, Moore 1-13, Dean 1-11, Olson 1-6, Condon 1-6.

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Trojan netters see tough competition

On Thursday, the Trojans played well while finishing third at a four-team quadrangular in West Point, losing to Class D1 No. 1-ranked Guardian Angels Central Catholic and defending Class C-2 state champion Lutheran High Northeast before beating Wisner-Pilger.

"Overall, we had a good night of volleyball," coach Timarie Hansen said. "This is a very tough quad with some great competition."

In the first match, the Trojans fell to the Bluejays 25-11, 25-23. Lehmkuhl had seven kills and two blocks, Puls added three kills and Rose had six digs and shared honors in digs with Gnat at six apiece.

"We came out a little slow in the first set, but we battled in the second. We just weren't able to capitalize and keep the lead in the end," Hansen said.

Wakefield played Lutheran High

Northeast well and took them to three sets before the Eagles held on for a 25-22, 26-28, 25-16 win. Lehmkuhl had 17 kills and two blocks and Puls added nine kills to lead the Wakefield net effort. Rose had 31 assists and a team-high 18 digs, while Gnat had 12 digs, Lehmkuhl had 11 and Echtenkamp picked up 10.

"The girls came out ready to play against Lutheran High, and we knew it would be a tough battle," she said. "They're a strong team and I was proud of the effort. The girls showed that we can compete with some of the top teams in the state. Lauren had a good game for us. She is a smart player and she was able to put the ball down at critical times."

Wakefield salvaged a win against the Lady Gators, coming up with a 25-18, 25-19 win. Lemkuhl had 11 kills, Rose had five and Puls added four for the Trojans. Rose had 17 assists and 10 digs, while Echtenkamp had five digs and two service aces.

"We were able to finish the night strong against Wisner. The girls did a nice job of finishing after a long night of volleyball," she said.

Winside falls at Wynot, 54-20

WYNOT - Winside put up 273 yards in total offense, but three turnovers made for a tough night for the Wildcat defense, which allowed Wynot to break out to a big lead and cruise to a 54-20 win Friday in a district matchup here.

The Blue Devils' Jason Sudbeck caught a pair of touchdown passes from Cody Stratman and ran in a third to stake the hosts to a 20-0 first-quarter lead, and they extended that advantage to 41-6 by halftime to take control of the game.

Dylan Tweedy got the Wildcats on the board late in the first half with an eight-yard run, the first of three touchdowns on the night for the Winside senior running back. He added a one-yard dive in the third period, then scored on a 34-yard run in the fourth quarter.

Winside turned the ball over three times on the night and didn't have an answer for Wynot's passing attack, as Sudbeck was 11-of-19 for 277 yards and six touchdowns in the matchup.

Caleb Lienemann led the Winside offense with 122 yards on 18 carries, while Gage Main added 74 yards on 18 tries and Tweedy had 62 yards on 10 carries.

Lienemann and Brian Greunke each had eight tackles to lead the Wildcat defense, while Main added four stops.

The 0-6 Wildcats are at home Friday, as they take on Stuart.



(Photo by Michael Carnes) Demetrius Alexander tries to get past a Pierce defender to pick up a first down for Wayne High in their 48-0 loss to the Bluejays.

Bluejays shut out Blue Devils, 48-0

Wayne coach Terry Bear said the Blue Devils' 48-0 loss to Class C1 top 10-ranked Pierce on Friday was a learning experience for his team, which still finds itself in the playoff hunt with two weeks to go.

"Pierce was a good team, and it was good for us to be in a game like this," he said. "It did make us better in being able to see the areas we need to work on, and I thought we stayed together as a team."

The Bluejays racked up 300 yards on the ground against the Blue Devil defense in building a 35-0 halftime lead. Nate Meier scored three touchdown runs and Dillon Ronspies had a nice 49-yard run to help the Bluejays take control of the game.

"Our defense really had problems stopping their ground game," Bear said.

Wayne, meanwhile, struggled to get things going on offense. Demetrius Alexander led the Wayne ground attack with 56 yards on 15

carries, while Malix Knox had 24 yards on three tries. Jalen Barry completed just three of 11 passes for 35 yards.

"We just really struggled in getting anything going offensively," Bear said.

The Blue Devils fell to 2-5 on the season, but still find themselves in contention for a playoff spot. They should secure a playoff bid Friday if they can win on the road at David City.

"We'll need to continue the hard work and playing together that we've done, and hopefully we can take care of some of the things that need work," Bear said.

Pierce 48, Wayne 0

Wayne	0	0	0	0	-	0
Pierce	14	21	6	7	-	48

Scoring Summary

PIERCE - Nate Meier 15 run (kick good)
 PIERCE - Dillon Ronspies 49 run (kick good)
 PIERCE - Tyler Pettit 21 run (kick good)
 PIERCE - Meier 58 run (PAT failed)
 PIERCE - Lucas Osborn 3 pass from Lane Rorich (Larsen pass from Rorich)
 PIERCE - Trent Spieker 1 run (PAT failed)
 PIERCE - Meier 1 run (kick good)

Wayne Middle School football teams close season with victories

The Wayne Middle School football teams closed out their seasons with wins over Pierce.

In eighth-grade action, Wayne defeated Pierce 38-8. The Blue Devils trailed early 8-0, but came storming back on a long Tyler Pecena touchdown run, one of five he had in the game. Christian Rogers scored on a long reverse of 65 yards. On defense, the Blue Devils were sparked by a Grayson McBride interception. The tackle leader was Lucas Longe.

The eighth-graders finished 5-0

for an undefeated season. They are the first Wayne junior high team to win five games in a season.

In seventh-grade, action the Blue Devils overcame an eight-point halftime deficit to defeat Pierce 28-22 and finish 4-1. Mason Lee scored two touchdowns, Gage Schultz scored and Beau Bowers connected with Daniel Greenwald on a 20-yard pass for the final score. On defense, Hunter Jorgensen and Seth Miller each recovered a fumble, while Zane Jackson was the leader in tackles.

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Winside's Bridget Gray reaches to dig a Bloomfield attack as libero Carly Schwager backs up the play during the Wildcats' straight-set win over the Queen Bees in a Saturday triangular.

Winside wins five-set thriller at Wynot

It was like two games in one for the Winside volleyball team after winning a five-set thriller in Wynot on Thursday.

The Wildcats came out sluggish in the first two games against the Blue Devils, but fought back to force a fifth set and won an exciting finale to take the match, winning 12-25, 14-25, 25-23, 25-22, 15-10.

"We were slow to start and couldn't get in a rhythm," Winside coach Teresa Watters said. "As the third set played on, we started to get our confidence back with hitting, serve receive and defense, and our serving and front-row play became more aggressive. The whole team did a great job persevering to come back and win the

last three sets." Nazya Thies had a big night at the net with 22 kills and nine blocks, and also contributed on defense with 26 digs. Dana Doffin added five kills, while Bridget Gray and Carly Thies each had four.

Shannon Gray put up 30 assists and Jayd Roberts added four. Brittany Janke had five blocks, while Doffin and Carly Thies each had three. Bridget Gray had 27 digs, Roberts added 20, Shannon Gray had 17, Carly Schwager picked up 14 and Morgan Jensen had 11.

On Saturday, the Wildcats had no problems with Bloomfield and Randolph in a triangular, beating the Queen Bees (25-22, 25-23) and Car-

dinals (25-15, 25-18) in straight sets to improve to 13-8 on the season.

In the Bloomfield game, Nazya Thies had eight kills, four ace serves and 11 digs to lead Winside. Doffin, Carly Thies and Bridget Gray each had four kills, Doffin had six blocks, and Shannon Gray had 15 assists and nine digs. Jensen picked up six digs in the back row.

In the Randolph win, Nazya Thies had seven kills, Janke and Carly Thies each had five and Bridget Gray had four. Shannon Gray had 18 assists, Bridget Gray had 18 digs, Nazya Thies added 12 digs and Roberts and Shannon Gray each had eight.

Winside will host Allen on Thursday.

Allen netters go 1-2 at Wisner Fall Classic

The Allen Lady Eagles went 1-2 in the Wisner Fall Classic on Saturday at Wisner-Pilger, beating O'Neill and losing to St. Paul and Neligh-Oakdale.

In the O'Neill game, the Lady Eagles had a balanced attack and took care of O'Neill in straight sets, winning 25-11, 25-10. Lindsey Jones and Brittany Sullivan each had seven kills, while Rachel Finnegan had three. Lindsey Sullivan had 15 assists, Finnegan had six ace serves and eight digs, and Brittany Sulli-

van had eight digs. Candice Rastede had five digs and Lexi Oswald added four.

The Lady Eagles lost a close two-set match to St. Paul, losing 26-24, 25-23. Brittany Sullivan had 10 kills and 13 digs to lead the Lady Eagles. Jones and Vanessa Klug each had three kills, Lindsey Sullivan had 16 assists and Finnegan had 10 digs.

Allen took the Warriors to three sets before Neligh-Oakdale came out on top, 18-25, 25-18, 25-22.

Jones and Brittany Sullivan had seven kills apiece and Finnegan and Klug each had four. Lindsey Sullivan had 17 assists, Brittany Sullivan had four ace serves and shared dig honors with Jones with 16 apiece. Finnegan added 14 digs and Oswald had nine.

On Thursday, the Lady Eagles came up on the short end of a 25-20, 25-23, 25-15 decision against Hartington, but coach Cheryl Greve felt her team played well in a losing effort.

"I felt we played hard," she said. "(Hartington has) some big blockers that gave us a little trouble and we came up short."

Jones led the offensive attack with nine kills and four blocks, while Klug had four kills. Lindsey Sullivan had 14 assists, Rastede had four ace serves and Klug added three. Brittany Sullivan had 17 digs and Lindsey Sullivan added 13.

Allen, 14-11, plays at Winside on Thursday.

Wildcats fall one spot in coaches poll

Wayne State stays in the top 20 in the latest AVCA Div. II coaches poll despite a pair of road losses to top 10-ranked opponents.

The 13-5 Wildcats are ranked No. 19 in this week's poll, dropping one spot after a five-set loss to Minnesota State and a three-set loss to five-time defending national champion Concordia-St. Paul.

Three of the top six teams in the country hail from the Northern Sun conference. Southwest Minnesota State, Minnesota Duluth and Concordia-St. Paul are ranked second, third and sixth, respectively, maintaining their positions in this week's poll. Minnesota State fell three spots to No. 13.

Nebraska-Kearney is still the No. 1 team in the country. Other Central Region schools in the poll includes Washburn at No. 4 and Central Missouri at No. 7.

The top 25 is as follows:

1. Nebraska-Kearney
2. Southwest Minnesota State
3. Minnesota Duluth
4. Washburn
5. Tampa
6. Concordia-St. Paul
7. Central Missouri
8. West Texas A&M
9. Indianapolis
10. BYU-Hawaii
11. Angelo State
12. Colorado School of Mines
13. Minnesota State
14. Western Washington
15. Fresno Pacific
16. Grand Canyon
17. Wheeling Jesuit
18. Regis
19. Wayne State
20. Metro State
21. Ferris State
22. Central Washington
23. West Florida
24. Adams State
25. Northwood (Mich.)

Fast start helps Pirates to 52-28 district win over Allen Friday

EMERSON – Allen got off to a slow start and Emerson-Hubbard was quick out of the gates, resulting in a 52-28 win for the Pirates in a district matchup here Friday.

The Pirates scored four first-quarter touchdowns and raced to a 27-6 halftime lead, and the Eagles were never able to recover, falling to 1-5 on the season.

"We were poor defensively all night," coach Dave Uldrich said. "We were slow to the ball and had broken assignments, and it wasn't from the scheme. We just need to do our jobs."

The Eagles offense had trouble getting going until the second half. Zach Crom threw a touchdown pass and Brian Boese and Jacob Stewart each had touchdown runs.

"Offensively, we missed our blocks too much," Uldrich said. "We

always have something to work on, and we will keep working on those things."

The Eagles finished with 277 yards in total offense and were led by Stewart, who had 60 yards on 15 carries and scored a touchdown. Crom threw for 147 yards and a touchdown and added a short touchdown run of his own, while Boese had 44 yards on seven carries. Austin Connot led the receiving corps with 70 yards on eight catches.

Defensively, Boese led the Eagles with 15 total tackles and two interceptions, while Caleb Thomas had 13 stops and Connot had 11 tackles.

The Eagles are back on the road Friday for a district matchup at Pender.

Emerson-Hubbard 52, Allen 28					
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Wildcat soccer team plays well in defeats

Wayne State's soccer team dropped a pair of games on the road this weekend, falling to 1-10-1 overall and 1-7-1 in the Northern Sun Conference.

On Friday, Chloe Moore scored two goals and added one assist to lead Concordia-St. Paul in a 3-1 win in St. Paul, Minn.

"We asked our back line to make some big changes against Concordia, and they did it and put us in a position to win or tie the game," coach Molly Grisham said. "I think we played better than what the score reflects."

Concordia scored a pair of goals in the first half before Wayne State cut the margin to 2-1 in the 51st minute on a Kayli Hopper goal, scoring off an assist from McKenna Adams.

Concordia-St. Paul, which had a 15-6 edge in shots, scored again on a goal by Moore in the 68th minute to put the game out of reach.

Adams had a team-high four shots in the losing effort, and freshman goalkeeper Courtney True picked up six saves.

On Sunday afternoon, the Wildcats dropped a 1-0 decision at Minnesota State in a matchup at Mankato, Minn.

The Mavericks scored the game's only goal in the 13th minute on a header by Nicole Doohar off a corner kick. Wayne State was outshot 28-1 in the contest, thanks to a suffocating Maverick defense.

Adams had the only shot of the match for the Wildcats. True was solid in goal, picking up 14 saves.

The Wildcats will be at home this weekend, hosting Minot State Saturday at 11 a.m. and the University of Mary Sunday at 1 p.m. in a pair of Northern Sun Conference contests at the Wayne State Soccer Complex.

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Bears' struggles continue in 41-16 loss at West Holt

ATKINSON - Laurel-Concord/Coleridge's gridiron woes continued on Friday, as they couldn't stop seventh-ranked West Holt's solid ground game and suffered a 41-16 setback.

West Holt running back Josh Coyle went over 200 yards once again on Friday night, racking up 222 yards on 18 carries with four touchdown runs, three coming in the first half as the Huskies staked themselves to a 21-0 lead.

The Bears were able to break the ice in the fourth quarter when Cory Peterson caught a 20-yard pass from Dillan Wolfram, and added a second score late when Brad Steffen returned a fumble 40 yards for a touchdown.

West Holt's pass defense gave the Bears fits, as LCC threw four interceptions on the night and limited Kyle Kardell to 115 yards on 6-for-13 passing.

Offensively, Justin Saunders had 63 yards on seven carries and Brett Haisch had 36 yards on nine tries. Zach Shear was the leading receiver with 72 yards on six catches.

Defensively, Brett Haisch led the 0-6 Bears with 10.5 tackles. Calvin Casey added five tackles, Wolfram had 4.5 tackles and Kardell, Austin Gothier and Mitch Hartman each had four.

The Bears will look for their first win Friday when they play at Wisner-Pilger.

Blue Devils fall in four sets to Crofton

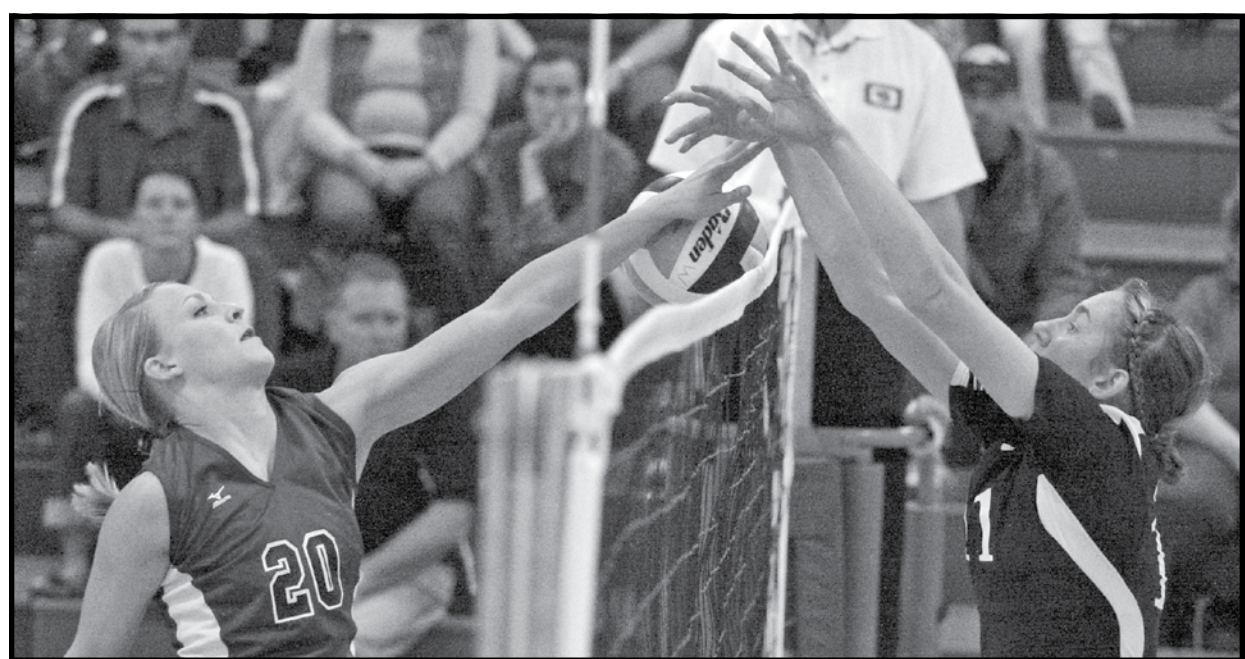
The Wayne High volleyball team showed signs of improvement and played well at times, but key errors hurt the Blue Devils' hopes Thursday as Crofton came away with a four-set win.

The Warriors escaped Wayne High School with a 25-19, 17-25, 27-25, 25-20 triumph, and coach Traci Krusemark said her team played well at times, but made some key mistakes that let the match get away from them down the stretch.

"We played really well during the second set, and we eliminated many of our unforced errors that seem to be plaguing us this year," she said. "I thought our girls fought hard during the third and fourth sets, and we even won some of the long rallies that we hadn't in previous games. We keep improving in some aspects of the game, but we just make too many errors at critical times."

The Blue Devils got a balanced attack at the net, led by Sydney Burke's 11 kills. Madison Frevert had nine kills and two blocks, Lexi Sokol added nine kills and a block, Sarah Maxson and Jaci Jenkins each had eight kills and Emma Evetovich had seven kills and a block.

Sydney McCorkindale had 21 assists and Evetovich added 20. Meagan Backer had two ace serves and a team-best 28 digs. Also noting



(Photos by Michael Carnes) (above) Madison Frevert battles with a Crofton player at the net. (right) Libero Meagan Backer makes a pass for the Blue Devils in their four-set loss to the Warriors.

double digits in the digs department were Burke and Jessica Biermann with 17 apiece, Maxson with 14 and Evetovich with 10.

The 13-11 Blue Devils are on the road Thursday at Battle Creek.



LEAGUES ARE STARTING

MEN'S & WOMEN'S ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE
 Women's League will be held Tuesday nights starting November 6th & continuing for 6 weeks with a league tournament December 18th. Men's League will be held Wednesday nights starting November 7th & continuing for 6 weeks with a league tournament December 19th. All participants must be out of high school. Teams will be draft picked. Registration is \$10 and forms are due by Friday, October 26th.

ADULT CO-ED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE
 The first league night will be November 4th, continuing every Sunday until the league tournament on December 16th. Each team can register up to 10 players. There must be 3 male players and 3 female players on the court at all times. Registration fee is \$125. If all team members are members of the WCAC you receive a \$25 discount. Registrations are due by October 26th.

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Wayne Middle School Football 2012



The Wayne Middle School seventh-grade football team went 4-1 this season. Team members are (front) Seth Hochstein, Zane Jackson, Seth Miller, David Vergara, Berto Vergara, Mason Lee, Gage Schultz, Brennen O'Reilly, Ryan Jaixen, coach Jeff Zeiss, (back) coach Matt Zoucha, Garrett Schaffer, Edgar Ficke-Anderson, Sam Bruckner, Hunter Jorgensen, Beau Bowers, Justin Dean, Daniel Greenwald, Matt Frevert, coach Dave Wragge.



The Wayne Middle School eighth-grade football team completed an undefeated 5-0 season with a 38-8 win over Pierce. Team members are (front) Caden Korth, Adam Bentjen, R.J. Liska, Lathon Ellis, Grayson McBride, Christian Rogers, Gage Schultz, Jacob Kalese, Daniel Greenwald, (back) Tucker Nichols, coach Brian Loberg, Michael Kniesche, Joe Bart, Lucas Longe, Ty Grone, Steven Kaiser, Mike Reyes, Tyler Pecena, Devan Henschke, Tyler Lutt, coach Matt Schaub, coach Jordan Gall.



(Contributed photos) Greg Tracy (left) and Molly Kingsley showed improved efforts for Wayne State at the Briar Cliff Invitational.

Lual, Lippman lead WSC at Briar Cliff

The Wayne State men finished 10th and the women placed 13th in the Briar Cliff Invitational cross country meet held Saturday in McCook Lake, S.D.

Garang Lual ran a personal-best time of 25:59 over 8,000 meters while finishing 14th out of 174 runners to lead the Wayne State College men.

Lual was followed by Greg Tracy in 51st place with a time of 26:59. Other Wayne State runners include Misael Azpeitia in 130th place at 29:05, Nathan Boggess was 144th in 29:59 and Jared Meister finished 165th with a time of 32:56.

University of Sioux Falls captured the team title with 27 points followed by Morningside in second place at 61 points. Wayne State finished with 311 points.

Skyler Lippman was the top runner for the Wayne State women, finishing 59th in a time of 19:56 on the 5,000-meter course. Molly Kingsley followed in 86th place at 20:33. Also running was Makael Lanum, finishing 113th at 21:16; and Laura Camacho placing 119th at 21:30. Other Wayne State runners included Holli Erickson (21:48, 129th), Natasha Jensen (21:52, 131st) and Amber Hurlbert (23:22, 153rd).

Nebraska-Omaha captured the women's team title with 40 points, followed by Dordt College in second at 68 points. Wayne State finished with 354 points.

The next meet for the Wildcats will be Saturday, Oct. 20, when they compete in the Northern Sun Conference Championships at St. Paul, Minn.

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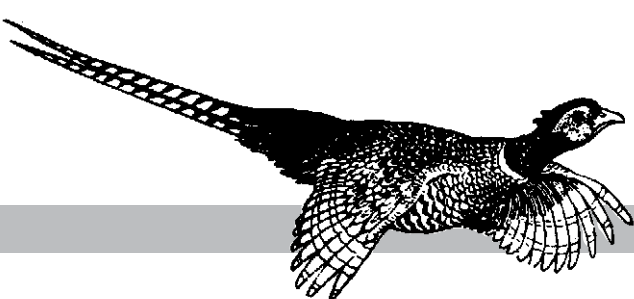
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Don't get me started

By: Michael Carnes
Managing Editor

Burger King found soliciting at McD's

It's less than four weeks before the election, which means it's time to talk about some REALLY important issues - like these items from the "Bits and Pieces" file:

- From the "And later, they found Jared hanging out by the Blizzard machine at Dairy Queen" department: Police in Rome, Ga. were called to a local McDonald's to answer a rather unusual disturbance call.

According to authorities, the disturbance involved a man who was handing out free hamburgers to customers and taking pictures with kids - while dressed as Burger King.

A McDonald's employee confronted the "king" and asked what he was doing, and he said he was collecting money for charity.

If that's not a "whopper" of a story, I'm not sure what is.

- You can tell a lot about a guy's political affiliation by the beer he drinks.

Scarborough Research recently interviewed 200,000 beer drinkers and found a strong correlation between a drinker's choice and his or her political participation.

Conservative-minded drinkers love Samuel Adams, as well as Coors Light and Miller Lite, while left-leaning drinkers are more into Corona and Budweiser Select. Drinkers of Miller High Life, Bud Light and Natural Light drew interest from both sides of the political aisle.

If all of this is true, we should have a good idea of who the next President will be by counting the number of empties in the dumpster out behind the White Dog Pub on election night.

- Speaking of beer drinkers, I think I've found a new team-bonding event for The Wayne Herald's annual Christmas party.

Later this month, the North American Wife Carrying Championship will be held in Newry, Maine. (Wife carrying, believe it or not, is actually an international sport and is part of the World Alternative Games.)

Contestants must carry their wife along a 278-yard alpine-style course, complete with wooden hurdles, beer barrels, sand traps and a water hazard known as "The Widow Maker."

The "sport" originates in 19th century folklore, where a Finnish character chose people for the band of thieves based on how well they could carry wives away as they plundered villages. The modern-day equivalent has a little different reward - the winner wins a cash prize and his wife's weight in beer.

- From the "Hey, the new kid looks like an ostrich" department: Three high school students in Greta face trespassing and animal cruelty charges after sneaking a 6-foot emu into the commons area at the local high school.

According to authorities, the students bought the bird from a farmer in Iowa for \$30 and had originally planned to turn it loose on the school's football field (presumably, during the marching band's halftime performance). Those plans, evidently, changed when they snuck it into the school.

A janitor and Sarpy County Sheriff's deputies were able to corral the bird and take it to a veterinarian, and the bird now is in the hands of a local company that puts on wildlife shows for parties and schools.

The two students, however, will go to court to have their geese cooked.

- OK, guys . . . here's a little item for you to mention to your beloved spouse the next time she complains about doing all the cooking and cleaning.

A study in Norway found that couples who share housework duties have a higher risk of divorce than couples where the woman does most of the chores.

According to the study, about 70 percent of women in Norway handle most of the household duties and are more happy with their marriages than women who share the cooking and cleaning with the hubby.

If I ever remarry and my wife whines and moans about the dirty dishes in the sink, she'll know I'm not leaving them for her because I'm lazy . . . but because I love her.

- Today's evidence that the First Amendment gives you the inalienable right to make a fool out of yourself: a backup quarterback at Ohio State offered his opinion via Twitter on the idea of being a scholarship player who actually is required to go to class to keep playing football for THE Ohio State University (NOTE - the following quote is the unedited version, offered for emphasis).

"Why should we have to go to class if we came here to play FOOTBALL, we ain't come to play SCHOOL, classes are POINTLESS"

If I were a betting man (and, in some areas, I am), my money would be on this young man's only involvement in football after he "graduates" from Ohio State will be in the Arena League . . . as a popcorn vendor.

- Annnnd finally, here's your "Great moments in sports: Dog Division" moment: Professional golfer Paul Casey was lining up a putt during a golf tournament in Scotland recently when a dog ran on the green and stole his golf ball.

The dog had been following Casey's group during the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship and was following the group when he made off with the ball. A spectator was able to stop the dog on the 13th tee and recovered the ball, and a tournament official inspected the ball and allowed Casey to continue to play with the ball.

The bad news in all of this? Casey missed his putt for "beagle."

Capitol View

What makes an effective legislator?

By J. L. Schmidt
Statehouse Correspondent
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With more than half of the seats in the nation's only one-house Legislature up for grabs in less than a month, let's consider what an effective Nebraska State Senator looks like.

Term limits has exacted a painful toll on the Unicameral with the departure of a popular Speaker of the Legislature and five committee chairs among nine veteran incumbents. Does that mean there will be a leadership void in the next session? Can a number of one-term senators step up to the plate? And what kind of pressure does the whole scenario put on the nine newbies?

It's a question that begs advice from the "experts," former state senators who stepped away from the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber some years ago and have had time to reflect.

Tops on former Senator Sandy Scofield's list is broad experience. The Panhandle native who represented some of the most beautiful and sparsely populated parts of the state (she lived on Deadhorse Creek southwest of Chadron) said that many times a senator has to call on what they know from personal experience to know how to vote on an issue. Two county fairs and a rodeo may not be enough.

That is followed by being ready to go toe-to-toe with the Governor. She said the Legislature should ideally serve as a check-and-balance for the sometimes-goofy ideas brought up by governors. But that's not always the case.

An effective legislator should also be articulate, able and willing to spend time studying issues and



quick on his or her feet. Scofield says a senator has to represent his or her constituents and speak their language. But they also need to speak and understand the languages of other senators. Bottom line, it's great to be able to speak Sandhills, but you also have to be able to speak Lincoln and Omaha to be really effective.

The late George Coordsen, a former state Senator from Gilead in south central Nebraska, once said all rural senators had at least been to Omaha and Lincoln and thus

had some idea of their issues. But, it's possible for an urban senator to never have been very far off of I-80.

It wasn't that many years ago that the late Gene Mahoney, a senator from South Omaha, was making a plea for votes from rural senators for a bill that was being considered. As he closed on the bill and watched the green "yes" votes light up on the board, he said that Omaha senators vote their own conscience just like rural senators. He said there were no caucuses or collusion to unite the senators in one vote.

Just then the doors to the Rotunda opened and fellow Omaha Senator Tom Fitzgerald came down the center aisle into the chamber. In a loud voice he asked, "Hey Gene O, how are we supposed to vote on this one?"

Veteran observers say they have never seen a tote board change colors, from green to red, "yes" to "no," faster. The suddenly red-lighted tally board seemed to be reflected in Mahoney's red face.

NEXT WEEK: Thoughts from a veteran former Omaha Senator.

Legislative Update

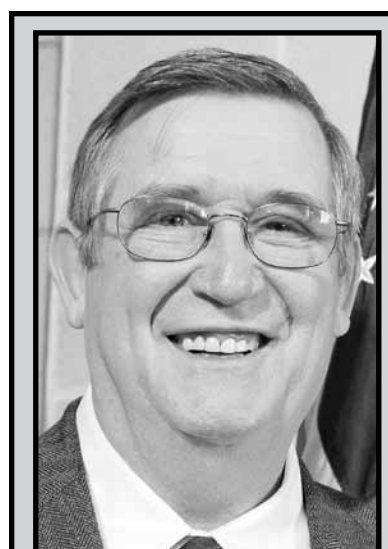
Farm Bill's future uncertain until 2013

A while back, my newsletter focused on the Agriculture Reform, Food and Jobs Act of 2012, otherwise known as the Farm Bill.

On Sunday, Sept. 30, the current Farm Bill which was passed in 2008, expired. It is difficult to know which programs will be immediately affected by the lapse in the bill because some programs are tied to crop years, some funding is mandatory and some is discretionary. Since Congress has left Washington for its "presidential break," no action will be taken on the bill until after the election, leaving the lame-duck Congress to fight it out. While this does create some uncertainty for the agriculture industry, the current farm and nutrition programs will not be affected until Jan.

1, 2013 and by then we should know what the 2012 Farm Bill provides, or see an extension of the current law.

To update you on another matter I've discussed in a previous newsletter, Gov. Heineman has announced the minimal plan option for Nebraska when, or if, Obamacare goes into effect in 2014. The plan selected for Nebraska was a high-deductible health savings option. If you use an in-network provider, the deductible will be \$4,000 for an individual and \$8,000 for a family. This was a blueprint, if you will, that was submitted to Secretary of Health and Human Services Kathleen Sebelius for approval. By mid-November, the state will have to notify the feds if we are accepting a federal insur-



Legislative Update
By Dave Bloomfield
State Senator, District 17

ance exchange, designing our own health exchange or if we are joining a regional health exchange. We are moving toward compliance, albeit reluctantly.

There are, within the rules of the Legislature, as in business and in life in general, a few quirks that sometimes get in the way of how things should probably work. I mention this to explain a little why our office in Lincoln is currently staffed only in the afternoon. I am going to go a little more into detail than I have in the past.

When I was first appointed by Gov. Heineman (December 2010), I hired Linda Schmidt as my legislative aide. Linda has a great history in the Capitol and was a terrific asset. Shortly after hiring Linda, I convinced Beverly Neel from Wayne County (formerly from South Sioux City) to come to Lincoln and serve as my administrative assistant. I was set with a great team blessed with experience and dedication to their duties. Both served me and by extension you very well.

In July of this year, Linda had the opportunity to go to work for her long-time friend, Sen. Tony Fulton, and with my full blessings did so. Beverly continued with extra duties until later that month when I was able to hire Jessica Shelburn

to serve as my legislative aide. Jessica, another great find with much experience, was and is working in Sen. John Wightman's office. We agreed that in order to save money that she would work for Sen. Wightman in the morning and for me in the afternoon until November when things start to get busy in the Capitol.

Two unforeseen events soon followed. The day before Jessica started, Beverly fell and severely broke her ankle, from which she has not yet recovered. Jessica decided to forgo her lunch break to spend a little more time in our office and set it up so our phone would ring to her cell. Problem pretty well solved, right?

Not quite. In mid-September, Sen. Wightman suffered a stroke, which has kept him out of the office and put still more responsibilities on Jessica.

Now comes the quirky part. The legislative rules do not allow us to hire temporary help. If I decide to hire someone to fill in the time needed to staff the office all day, I would have to fire one of the two great people that now fill the positions. I refuse to do that. I, like my colleague, Sen. Bob Krist, who steadfastly refused to remove one of the best in the business, Rod Krogh, after Rod's near-fatal auto accident last year, will muddle through this until the right people can be back in place on a full time basis. (Rod, who hails from South Sioux City, is at work again every day and doing the fantastic job that everyone has come to expect from him.)

I do think this is something that should be brought to the Executive Board to see if we can make some modifications to this policy. I don't think it would be out of line for us to be able to hire some part time help during an emergency. For now, these are the rules and we will live with them. I ask your prayers for Sen. Wightman and Beverly, and for understanding if Jessica or myself can't get to your issue as soon as you might like.

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Broadband access no longer a luxury

When 167 Katrina refugees arrived in Omaha, state health officials were able to access their immunization records electronically and update children's shots quickly and efficiently.

"Deputy Darci" helps students at her tiny parochial school stay safe online by tracking their activity and nipping inappropriate language and potential bullying in the bud. And it's possible to electronically monitor aging parents to allow them to stay in their homes and avoid a nursing home.

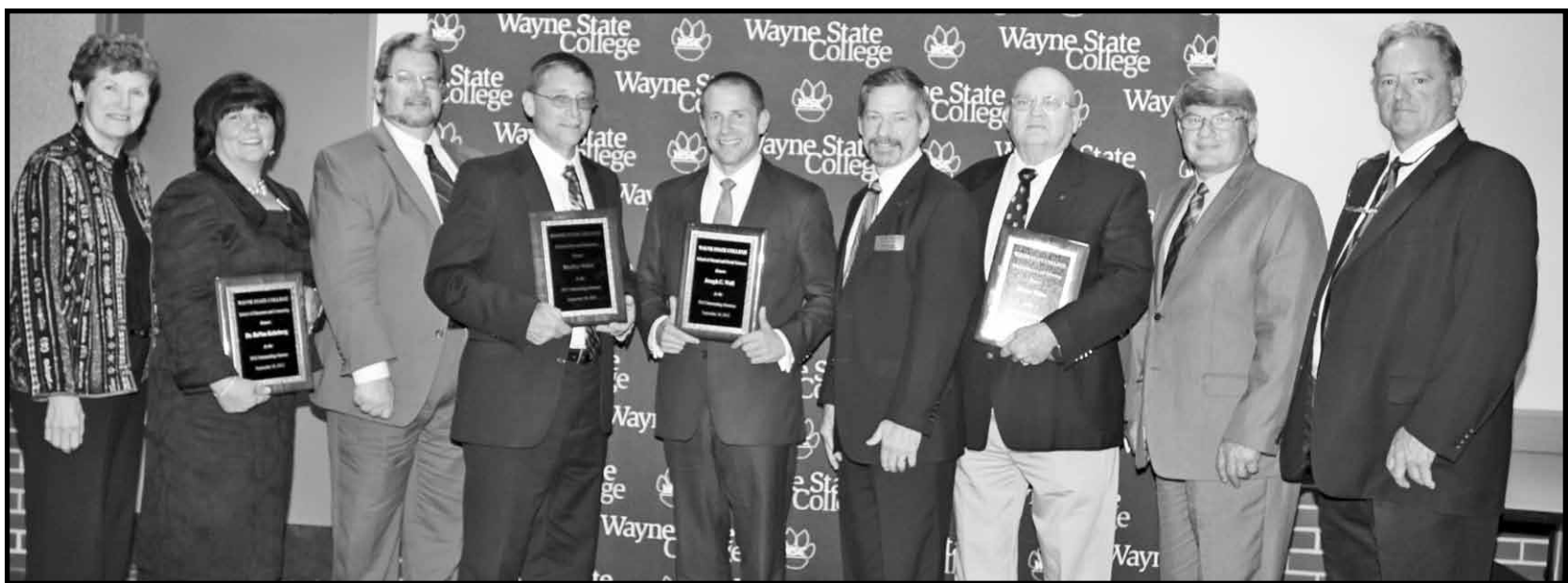
These are a few ways broadband Internet access is transforming modern life. The examples were shared recently at the annual Broadband Connecting Nebraska Conference in Lincoln.

Broadband access no longer is a luxury; it's a must-have, said Brian Scaffidi, senior director of project management and quality for Broadmap, a company hired by the Nebraska Public Service Commission to collect, verify, report and map the availability, speed and location of broadband internet access across the state.

Breakout sessions throughout the day gave conference participants a chance to learn how broadband is changing government, business, health care, education, human resources and agriculture.

For example, Darci Lindgren, computer technology coordinator for Lindsay Holy Family School, said broadband access has opened up a variety of possibilities for her tiny, 100-student school. Before the school hired a Spanish teacher, students took Spanish online from a teacher in another area school. Students also go on virtual field trips; collaborate on projects with students in other states, even Canada; and take classes from Central Community College.

The ramifications of increased broadband access in health care are also significant, said Dr. Joann Schaefer, chief medical officer in Nebraska. The state now has immunization records available online and is one of just three states that allows parental access to them, meaning the days of keeping track of immunizations on a paper record are over.



From left are Dr. Jean Blomenkamp, Interim Dean of the School of Education and Counseling; ReNae Kehrberg '81 - awarded by the School of Education and Counseling; Dr. James O'Donnell, Dean of the School of Arts and Humanities; Brad Weber '77 - awarded by the School of Arts and Humanities; Joseph Wall '04 - awarded by the School of Natural and Social Sciences; Dr. Jon Dalager, Dean of the School of Natural and Social Sciences; Rowan Wiltse '83, MSE '86 - awarded by the School of Business and Technology; Dr. Vaughn Benson, Dean of the School of Business and Technology; and Dr. Michael Anderson, Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Wayne State College recognizes alumni

Wayne State College Outstanding Alumni from each of the college's four schools were honored at a banquet on Sept. 28. They include:

Brad Weber '77 - School of Arts and Humanities. Weber received a degree in music education from WSC. He earned a master's degree in music from the University of Wyoming in 1992. He began his instrumental music career in the Emerson-Hubbard schools in 1977 and has taught instrumental music in the Wayne Community Schools since 1986. Weber has served as an adjunct instructor of music at WSC since 1984. Throughout his career, Weber's strongest interest has been that of teaching and providing exceptional musical experiences for all interested students at all levels of talent. He began in 1977 and continues to serve as an active adjudicator and clinician throughout Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota.

Weber and his wife, Deb (who is employed at WSC in the Counseling Center), are parents of three grown daughters.

Rowan Wiltse '83, MSE '86 - School of Business and Technology. Wiltse is a lifelong resident of Wayne. He attended WSC for two years prior to graduating from WSC in 1986. He earned a master's degree in industrial technology in 1983. He continued at WSC as a graduate assistant while attaining a master's degree in industrial technology in 1986. He was an adjunct instructor in applied science at WSC and became director of Cooperative Education, a position he held until his retirement

in 1997. Wiltse and his wife, Twila (Heier, WSC '67) are parents of two grown children.

ReNae Kehrberg '81 - School of Education and Counseling. Kehrberg graduated from WSC with a degree in education. She earned a master's from University of Nebraska-Omaha and a doctorate from University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She serves as the assistant superintendent for the department of Curriculum and Learning in the Omaha Public Schools. She leads the district action plan to raise student achievement for 85 schools. She started her career in art and social studies classrooms as a teacher for the Omaha Public Schools. Prior to her present position, Kehrberg served as an award-winning and nationally recognized principal at the Alice Buffett Magnet Middle School, Omaha. She received the Region VII Midwest Principal of the

Year Award in 2010 and her school was cited as one of the top 15 in the nation based on the school's standardized middle grade assessment scores.

Joseph Wall '04 - School of Natural and Social Sciences. Wall graduated from WSC with a degree in political science. He serves as vice president in the Office of Government Affairs at Goldman Sachs. Prior to joining the firm in February 2010, Wall was senior director of federal government relations at the Independent Insurance Agents and Brokers of America. Previously, he served as deputy assistant to Vice President Dick Cheney for legislative affairs and worked as floor assistant for Rep. Roy Blunt (R-MO) in the Office of the Majority Whip of the U.S. House of Representatives. Joe was a four-year letterman in baseball at WSC. He resides in Arlington, Va.



(Contributed photo)

Taking part in the first junior high state cross country meet on Saturday were coach Rocky Ruhl, Garret Reynolds, Jack Evetovich, Marta Pulfer, Nolan Reynolds and Dawson French.

Pulfer finishes eighth in junior high state meet

Wayne Middle School eighth-grader Marta Pulfer earned an eighth-place medal during the first-ever Nebraska Junior High State Cross Country Meet held over the weekend in Lincoln.

Pulfer finished eighth overall in a time of 12:29, finishing about a minute behind the winning runner from Papillion Junior High. There were 90 runners competing in the girls race.

The top Wayne Middle School male runner was Nolan Reynolds, finishing 29th out of 127 boys with a time of 11:59. Jack Evetovich was 75th in 13:03, Dawson French placed 83rd in 13:16, and Garret Reynolds was 124th in 15:34.



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Marta Pulfer leads a group of runners on her way to an eighth-place finish.



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Winside homecoming candidates

Winside High School will crown its Homecoming royalty during halftime of Friday's football matchup between the Wildcats and Stuart at Jim Winch Field. Homecoming candidates include (front) Shannon Gray, Nazya Thies, Shailynn Mundil, Bridget Gray, (back) Colin Hansen, Levi Lange, Brian Greunke and Gatlin Jensen.

On The Web - www.mywaynews.com

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ACCOUNTANT
NorthStar Services Central Office in Wayne is accepting applications for the position of Accounts Payable Accountant. This position will be responsible for A/P, A/R, A/JE's, assisting with annual budgets and an annual audit. A working knowledge of accounting principles as well as experience with Microsoft Word and Excel are required. A job description is available upon request. Starting annual salary: \$25,792.

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Farmers can help prevent area wildfires

The Nebraska Forest Service says farmers, ranchers and homeowners should take extra precautions to prevent fall wildfires. The extremely dry conditions that spurred an unusually active wildfire season, the lack of rain and an increase in the amount of dead and dying foliage could pose a higher risk of wildfires.

"The drought has left much of Nebraska's landscape prone to fires, not only in forested areas but also in farm fields and around homes," said Don Westover, wildland fire protection program director. "We're urging Nebraskans to take steps to prevent dangerous wildfires this fall."

Forestry officials encourage taking extra precautions, since large fires in Nebraska are not limited to the summer months. Last October, 154 wildfires burned more than 6,000 acres; 88 of those fires were related to equipment use.

"It's not unusual for a harvest operation to start wildfires," Westover said. "Corn and soybeans are not harvested until they are dry, which creates dry fuel for a fire."

Farmers are urged to take steps to help prevent wildfires:

- Maintain harvest equipment. Make sure it is in good operating condition so that it will operate as cool as possible.

- Keep crop residue from accumulating on farm equipment - manure, folds, ledges and other areas that become hot.

- Start harvesting on the downwind side of the field. If a fire breaks out, it will burn the crop stubble rather than the unharvested crop.

- Keep a fire extinguisher on board farm equipment. Fires start small, and many can be stopped before becoming a damaging wildfire.

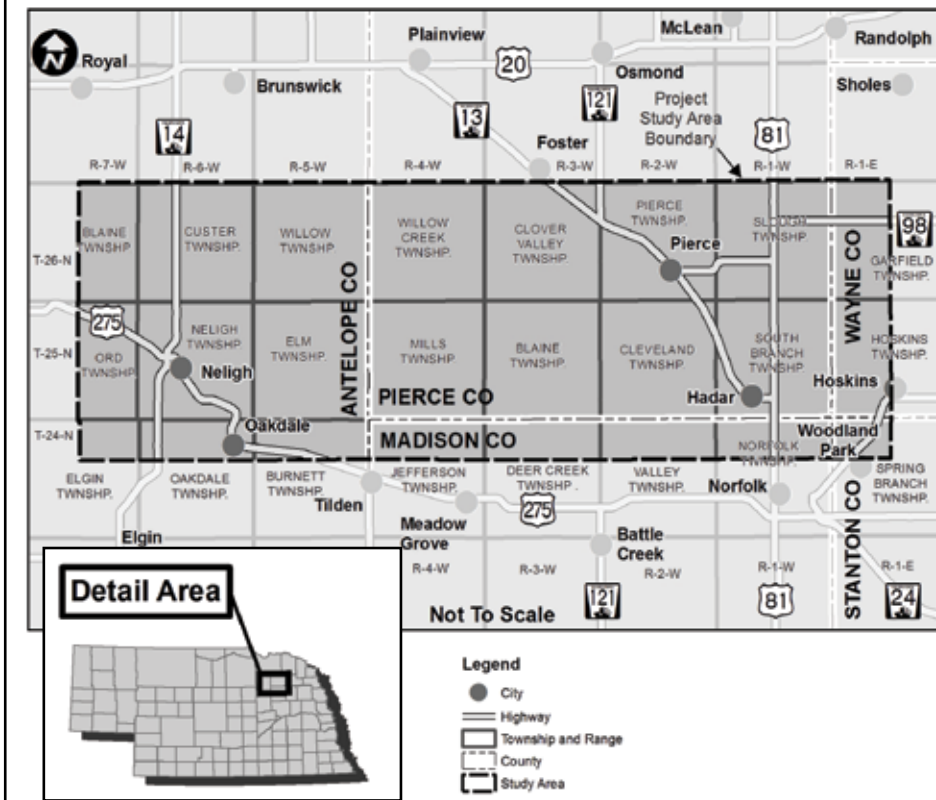
- Carry a cell phone and keep the local fire department's phone number programmed in your phone. The sooner you notify the fire department, the sooner a fire can be contained.

Homeowners in both urban and rural areas also need to be aware of how drought conditions have affected their landscapes. Emphasis should be placed on creating a defensible space around homes and buildings. Reduce the amount of flammable vegetation surrounding the home by removing dead vegetation, including branches, leaves, needles and twigs that are still attached to plants. Vegetation and other fuels burning near the house produce flames that contact the home and ignite it. Keep plants located near the house healthy, green and irrigated during fire season.

The publication "Living with Fire," a homeowner's guide to reducing the risk of wildfires, is available on the Nebraska Forest Service website at nfs.unl.edu.

NPPD's Hoskins to Neligh 345,000-volt Electric Transmission Line Project

OPEN HOUSE



Nebraska Public Power District will host open house meetings in Norfolk and Neligh to receive public comment on a 345,000-volt transmission line from NPPD's Hoskins Substation west to a substation site yet to be determined in the Neligh area. This transmission line is being built to enhance transmission system reliability and provide opportunities for additional renewable energy generation.

Public comment is a key component of choosing a route for this line. Landowners in the study area are encouraged to attend an open house and provide NPPD with information related to their property (irrigation, buildings, environmental, future plans) that will play a role in determining a route for the transmission line. Informal open house meetings will be held from 2-8 p.m. at these locations.

For more information, call 1-888-677-3412.

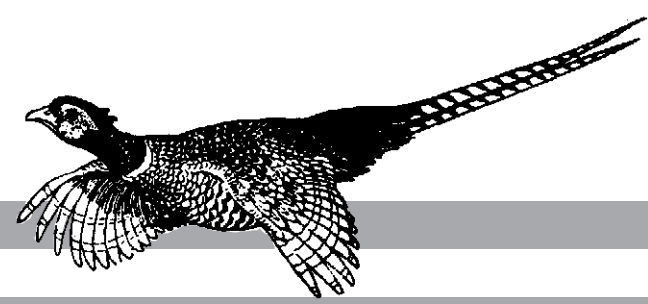
Tuesday, October 23
2-8 p.m. in Norfolk
Northeast Community College
Lifelong Learning Center
801 E. Benjamin Avenue

Thursday, October 25
2-8 p.m. in Neligh
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Tips for saving money for rainy day School Lunches

Maintaining an emergency savings account may be the most important difference between those who manage to stay afloat and those who sink in debt. An emer-

gency savings fund consists of a small amount of money, usually in a savings account, that you do not have easy access to. Keeping \$500 to \$1,000 of savings for emergencies can allow you to easily meet unexpected financial challenges such as:

- repairing the brakes on your car;
- paying for a visit to the doctor when your child ill;
- covering the dental expense of filling a cavity;
- repairing a water heater that isn't working.

Five Ways to Save \$500 to \$1,000 for Emergencies
1. Save Automatically. Have part of your paycheck automatically deposited into a savings or share account or set up regular transfers from your checking to your savings account.

2. Save your loose change. Putting aside 50 cents a day over the



Sandy Preston
Dixon County

course of a year will allow you to save nearly 40 percent of a \$500 emergency fund.

3. Make your monthly credit card payment on time. The \$30-35 you save by not being charged a late fee each month on one card would save you most of the money you need for \$500 in emergency savings.

4. Save a portion of your tax refund. Use tax form 8888 to split your return.

5. Bring lunch to work. If buying lunch at work costs \$5, but making lunch at home costs only \$2.50, then in a year, you could afford to create a \$500 emergency fund and still have money left over.

Where to Keep Emergency Savings

It's usually best to keep emergency savings in a savings or share account. These types of accounts allow you to access to your money when you need it. Keeping your money in a savings account makes it much less likely that you will use these savings to pay for everyday, non-emergency expenses.

Are you ready to set your goal? AmericaSaves, a non-profit that encourages individuals and families to save money and build personal wealth, can help you develop your goals and take action. Check it out at www.AmericaSaves.org. When you join as a saver, you'll receive the following benefits:

- Free subscription to the quarterly American Saver newsletter.
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Don't raid the savings for non-emergencies. The savings are there to keep the roof over your head, the utilities on and food on the table. Continue to ask yourself if what you are spending money for is a want or a need and you will find ways to always have the emergency fund available for true emergencies.

Source: America Saves.

Close to Home



Here are 5 tips to make sure your house is ready for sale this fall.

1. Clean out the summer's dried up flowers and trim any overgrown bushes. What may have looked wonderful this summer may need some attention now.

2. Decorations can be fun, but don't overdo it if you are selling your house. Some buyers can't see past a lot of goblins and even Christmas decorations can be overwhelming.

3. Make sure your rooms are well lit. It's getting dark earlier and it is well worth it to have some extra lights on. Dark rooms do not show well. Try buying "warm" light bulbs instead of "cool" types for better lighting.

4. Change out the summer pillows for a quick "warmth" update. Pillows and throws can change the look of a room fast without a lot of expense. You can also take these with you!

5. Wash the windows! After a long year of changing temperatures and seasons, the windows can look dull and dirty. Sparkling clean windows show off a wonderful view or neighborhood.

What other real estate topics would you like to know more about? Requests can be emailed to: Wendy@mwlc.net.

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Senior Center Calendar

- (Week of Oct. 15-19)
- Monday, Oct. 15:** Morning walking; Quilting and cards; Pool, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.; Board meeting, 1 p.m.; Hand & Foot, 1 p.m.; Chicken Foot Dominoes, 1 p.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 16:** Morning walking; Quilting and cards; "Protecting Seniors," with the Better Business Bureau, 12:45 p.m.; Afternoon Bridge Club.
- Wednesday, Oct. 17:** Morning walking; Quilting and cards; Health Screening, 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.; Bev and Cyril Hansen on piano and organ, 11:30 a.m.; Special Luncheon, 12 p.m.; Hand & Foot, 1 p.m.; Chicken Foot Dominoes, 1 p.m.
- Thursday, Oct. 18:** Morning walking, "Spotlight on Promise," Dinner music with Phil and Wayne State College students, 11:40 a.m. to 12:10 p.m.; Quilting and Cards; Afternoon Bridge Club.
- Friday, Oct. 19:** Morning Walking, Quilting and Cards; Pool, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.; Bingo, 1:15 p.m.; Chicken Foot Dominoes, and Hand & Foot, 2 p.m.

Seven members attend Acme Club meeting

Seven members of the Acme Club met at Tacos & More on Oct. 1 for dessert with Delores Utecht as hostess.

Roll call was about the National Parks each member has visited. Ruth Victor gave he Thought for the Day, "Words Unsuitable in Schools." The following words have been banned by New Your City Department of Education — dinosaur, birthday, pepperoni, dancing, Halloween, divorce, disease, home computers and terrorism.

New Arrivals

JUDD — Daniel and Rachel Judd of Wayne, a son, Maxon William Earl, 9 lbs., 15 oz., 22 1/2 inches, born Aug. 27, 2012. Siblings are Kinsley, 10, Daniel, 7, Gabriella, 6 and Cecilia, 1. Grandparents are Lynn and Kerri Stallbaum of Martinsburg, Neb. and Fredrick and Linda Judd of Martinsburg, W. Va. Great-grandparents are Mary Cornelius of Martinsburg, Neb., Roselyn Kenkel of Omaha and Eloise Judd of Hollywood, Fla.

ALLEN (Oct. 15-19)

- Lunch prices: grades K-6 - \$1.85; grades 7-12 - \$2.10; breakfast: \$1.35**
- Monday:** Breakfast — Fruit choice and breakfast pizza. Lunch — Mandarin orange chicken, rice, strawberries, sliced apples, broccoli, carrots.
- Tuesday:** Breakfast — Oatmeal, juice, egg tagos. Lunch — Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, salad bar, beets, plums, mandarin oranges.
- Wednesday:** Breakfast — Cereal, fruit choice, Pop Tart. Lunch — Turkey melt, California vegetables, salad bar, grapes, applesauce.
- Thursday:** Breakfast — Oatmeal, juice, pancakes. Lunch — Walking tacos, tomato, refried beans, lettuce, apricots, peaches.
- Friday:** Breakfast — Biscuit, gravy, juice. Lunch — Breaded chicken fillet, green beans, salad bar, pineapple, pears, tea roll.
Milk served with breakfast and lunch. Menu subject to change.

LAUREL - CONCORD/COLERIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Oct. 15-19)

- Monday:** LC Breakfast — Muffins. LC Lunch — Burrito, refried beans, pear, cake. MS Breakfast — Pancake on a stick. MS Lunch — Tavern on a bun, Doritos, baked beans, peaches.
- Tuesday:** LC Breakfast — Biscuits and gravy. LC Lunch — Creamed turkey over mashed potatoes, dinner roll, corn, grapes. MS Breakfast — Muffins, cheese stick, 1/2 banana. MS Lunch — Turkey Alfredo, steamed carrots, dinner roll, pineapple.
- Wednesday:** LC Breakfast — Egg, TacGo. LC Lunch — Mini corn dogs, macaroni and cheese, green beans, strawberries, cookie. MS Breakfast — Omelet, toast, mixed fruit. MS Lunch — Super nacho bar, corn, cinnamon bread.
- Thursday:** LC Breakfast — Cereal. LC Lunch — Tater tot casserole, fresh bread, broccoli salad, mandarin oranges. MS Breakfast — Donuts, dried fruit. MS Lunch — Oven baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, cheesy broccoli, dinner roll, pears.
- Friday:** No School - Fall Break. Orange juice, skim milk, fruit, yogurt and salad bar are served daily. All menus subject to change.

WAKEFIELD (Oct. 15-19)

- Monday:** Breakfast — Two hour late start - No breakfast. Lunch — Scalloped potatoes and ham, green beans, whole grain roll, mixed fruit, cantaloupe.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Pancakes and sausage, grape juice. Lunch — Sloppy Joes, tater tots, lettuce mix, diced pears, oranges.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Egg sandwich, applesauce. Lunch — Italian Dunkers, Romaine lettuce, frozen peaches, fresh fruit salad.

Thursday: Breakfast — Egg casserole, orange juice. Lunch — Pork chop patty, lima beans, cucumbers, homemade bun, apricots, oranges.

Friday: Breakfast — Fruedels, apricots. Lunch — Chili, cinnamon roll, baby carrots, celery, cauliflower, orange juice, applesauce.
Milk and cereal served with breakfast. Juice or fruit offered everyday. Milk is served with every meal.

WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Oct. 15-19)

- Monday:** Mini corndogs, whole grain bread sticks, tomato sauce, broccoli, orange.
- Tuesday:** Whole grain stromboli, Romaine lettuce, corn, grapes.
- Wednesday:** Whole grain spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, cucumbers, peaches.
- Thursday:** Chicken nuggets, whole grain dinner roll, baby carrots, Texan Caviar, apple.
- Friday:** No School.
Chef salad is optional. Milk served with every meal.

WINSIDE (Oct. 15-19)

- Lunch prices: K-6 - \$2.35; 7-12 - \$2.60; milk and juice - \$0.35**
- Monday: Grandparents breakfast.** Breakfast — Elementary students will be hosting grandparents beginning at 7:30 a.m. Lunch — Mini corn dogs, potatoes.
- Tuesday:** Breakfast — Scrambled eggs. Lunch — Orange chicken, rice, green beans.
- Wednesday:** Breakfast — Egg taco. Lunch — Soft taco, tortilla chips, corn, pineapple.
- Thursday:** Breakfast — Waffle. Lunch — Hot ham, cheese, carrot sticks.
- Friday:** Breakfast — Omelet. Lunch — Pork steak, broccoli, mashed potatoes, applesauce, bread.
Milk served with all meals. Menu may change without notice. Fresh fruit daily. Side salad daily. Grades 4-12 may have salad bar. Grades K-3 may have salad plate.

Delores Utecht presented the program about the Andersonville National Historic Site located in Georgia.

It preserves the former Camp Sumter (also known as Andersonville Prison), a Confederate prisoner-of-war camp during the American Civil War. The site also contains the Andersonville National Cemetery and the National Prisoner of War Museum.

During the war about 445,000 Union prisoners were held at Camp Sumter with 12,913 dying due to starvation, malnutrition, diarrhea, disease and abuse.

The prison opened in February of 1864 and was liberated in May of 1965. Originally, it covered about 16.5 acres, enclosed by a 15-foot high stockade in the shape of a rectangle with two entrances. In June of 1864 it was enlarged to 26.5 acres. A light fence known as "the dead line" was erected approximately 19 feet inside the stockade wall. It was called a 'no-man's land' that was to keep the prisoners from the stockade wall. Anyone crossing

or even touching this line was shot by sentries.

The Andersonville National Cemetery is the final resting place for the Union prisoners who died while being held at Camp Sumter. It contains 13,714 graves of which 921 are marked 'unknown.'

The National Prisoner of War Museum opened in 1998 as a memorial to all American prisoners of war. Exhibits use art, photography, displays and videos to focus on the experiences of American prisoners of war in all periods.

An interesting part of Mrs. Utecht's program was a book titled "500 Days in Rebel Prisons." the book is a keepsake of Delores' husband, Mel, that was passed on to him by his mother. The book was written 125 years ago and published by a friend of her father's. It tells about the days he spent in the prison at Andersonville.

The next meeting of the Acme Club will be a mystery meeting on Monday, Oct. 15.

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Sam Wolfe and the conservation officers watch his rocket launch at the Environmental/Conservation contest at Gilman Park in Pierce.

Winside science students take part in Worldful World of Water

Six sophomores and four freshmen students from Winside Public recently accompanied Biology Instructor Paul Sok to the 2012 Wonderful World of Water competitions at Gilman Park in Pierce.

Sixteen schools from across north-east Nebraska competed.

The Winside group was split into two teams when they arrived, with each group competing in a separate track.

The students then proceeded to listen to a series of five speakers. After the speakers completed their presentation, the students had to complete a quiz on the topic.

Team One included Sam Wolfe, Zane Jensen, Laura Greunke, Taylor Anson and Victoria Doffin. They had the opportunity to listen to topics on Hydrology, Soil Conservation, Aquatic Insects, Nocturnal Birds of Prey and Wildlife Habitat.

Team Two was made up of Marlowe Kampa, Sophie Milenkovich, Shelby Pesek, Breanna Elznic-Lemke, and Jami Jaeger were occupied with Tree Identification, Groundwater Chemistry, Wetland Management, Bubble-ology, and Healthy Waters.

After the morning sessions the groups enjoyed a sack lunch and then participated in a jeopardy contest featuring questions over a variety of environmental topics.

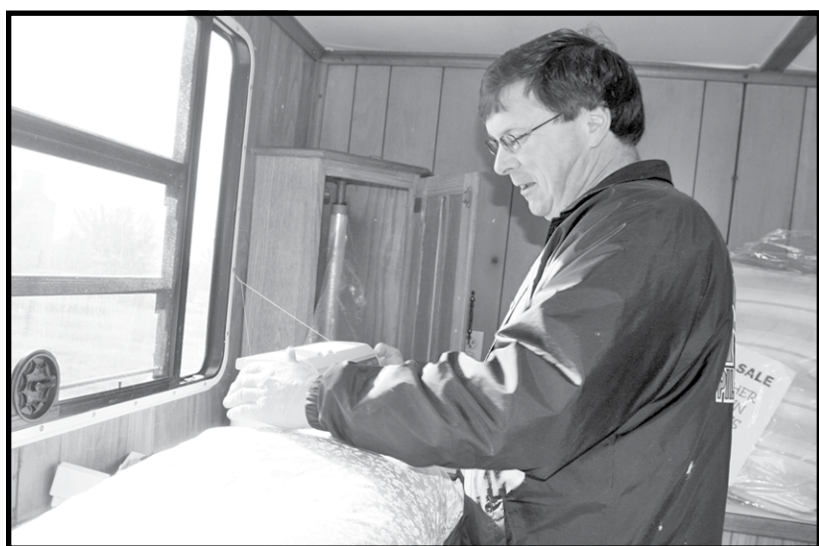
The final activity of the day found the groups competing in a bottle rocket contest. The rocket from Team No. 1 attained the highest altitude of all the rockets in the contest.

Final results for the day found Team One finishing in fourth place in their track, while Team Two tied for third place honors in their track.

The Winside science students have been competing at Pierce for over 20 years.

The contest is sponsored by the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resource District. The LENRD is also one of

the Winside Public School sponsors for the Great Western Biology Tour during which the junior students travel to western Nebraska and the Blackhills in the springtime with Mr. Sok.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Good as new

Doug Kraft of Kraft Pillow Service in Kingsley, Iowa sews a new covering on one of the pillows brought to this year's Pillow Cleaning event hosted by the Wayne VFW Auxiliary.

Briefly Speaking

Bridge played at Senior Center

AREA — Bridge was played at the Wayne Senior Center on Tuesday, Oct. 9 with 12 ladies attending. Bridge was played at three tables.

Hostesses were Lorraine Johnson and Anita Fuelberth.

Bridge will be played again on Tuesday, Oct. 16. Hostesses will be Lucille Peterson and Margaret Kenny. For reservations, call (402) 375-1858 or (402) 585-4558 by Sunday, Oct. 14.

Winside St. Paul Women meet Oct. 3

President Lorraine Prince presided over the Oct. 3 meeting of Winside St. Paul's Ladies aid and LWML meeting. There were 12 members present.

President Prince had a reading entitled "Painting the Hills." "All Things Bright and Beautiful" was sung.

Pastor Steckling had the Bible Study on 1 Samuel, Chapter 18. He

closed with prayer.

Faye Mann will be visiting in October. The Bible Institute will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church in Wakefield on Oct. 28.

Birthday cards were sent to Emma Willers who was 95 years old on Oct. 5 and LuAnna Westerhaus. A get-well card was sent to Gloria Evans.

Daisy Janke will be the new Pres-

ident and Esther Carlson will serve as the new treasurer.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, Nov. 7.

Political signs not allowed on right-of-way

The Nebraska Department of Roads reminds Nebraskans that it is against the law to erect political campaign signs, or any unpermitted signs, on state highway right-of-way.

Various sizes of signs usually appear along roadsides around national and local election time. Maintenance crews of the state DOR will remove signs that are improperly placed within the state highway rights-of-way. These signs will be stored for a brief period of time in State Roads Department maintenance yards across the state, where they can be reclaimed by the owners.

This state right-of-way reminder applies to any errant plantings or harvesting operations, parked equipment or salvage items; commercial sales or private business stands, and debris.

According to State of Nebraska statutes, no physical or functional encroachments upon right-of-way of State highway are permitted without written consent of Department of Roads.

Senior Center Congregate Meal Menu

(Week of Oct. 15-19)

Meals served daily at noon.

For reservations, call 375-1460

Each meal served with bread,

2% milk, skim milk and coffee.

Monday: Beef tips with mushrooms and onions on egg noodles, frozen green beans, shredded lettuce with carrots and Dorothy Lynch dressing, whole wheat dinner roll and Promise, sliced peaches.

Tuesday: Tuna casserole with Rotini noodles, Key Largo blend vegetables, whole wheat fresh bread and Promise, cottage cheese with peaches.

Wednesday: Ham salad sandwich on whole wheat bread, homemade pea salad, homemade tomato soup with stewed tomatoes, crackers and Promise, lemon meringue pie.

Thursday: Sliced turkey, red roasted potatoes, peas and pearl onions, whole wheat dinner roll and Promise, canned pineapple chunks.

Friday: Barbecue beef sandwich, baked beans, potato salad, bun, Promise, mandarin fluff.

Wanted ... Church news

The Wayne Herald would like to print information and schedules from area churches.

All information submitted to the Herald by Monday at 5 p.m. (delivered to the Herald office) or emailed by 8 a.m. on Tuesday will be included in that week's edition of the paper.

Articles may be mailed to P.O. Box 70, Wayne, Neb. 68787 or emailed to clara@wayneherald.com

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Home health services compared

Whoops! Our home health care aide just left and it dawned on me that it is Tuesday morning, and I had better hammer something out for the paper.

The aide has given me something to write about. When I'm going to be gone, or incapacitated, we call a local staffing agency for daily a.m. visits for the Big Farmer. He needs assistance in bathing, dressing, and such.

Today was visit number nine, and the ninth different lady! However, she informs us that she will be back the rest of this week, praise the Lord. Plus, she's been in this business for 27 years, and experience shows.

The first thing she did, after taking off her coat, was to pick up a small tube of lotion that has been on the floor by my chair for a few days. Every young thing, no matter how capable, has ignored this, and I have, too, for that matter.

Then, she helped Mike to dress, and then; miracle of miracles, she stated, "I'm scheduled here for an hour, and I like to clean!" So, I gave



The Farmer's Wife
By: Pat Meierhenry

her the supplies and she did both bathrooms. What a mental boost.

We have noticed a huge difference in auxiliary health personnel, depending upon age and maturity. At the facility where my mother resides, as long as she was in the assisted living side, she had excellent

care, provided by women who are at least past fifty.

But, the minute she went to the nursing home side, things have changed. As the saying goes, "the devil is in the details." Little things do mean a lot. Toothbrushes, toothpaste, and denture cups tend to get mixed up. Pillows under the legs while in the wheelchair may be there, or they may not. Food from the last meal may be washed off the face, or may not. You get the picture.

The total care is adequate, but boy, my sis and I could write a book about all the small items that make a difference. What is it about the present generation? They are all kind and pleasant enough, but nobody seems to go the extra mile.

We realize we are from the "old school", but is that so bad? Oh, well, I just had to vent a bit. Otherwise, my only comment about my recuperation would be, "why can't all bodily functions be on hold while we recuperate from surgery."

Sure would make life simpler. Stay warm!

Control thistles this fall

Timing is everything.

That's particularly true with thistle control. And October to early November is one of the best times to use herbicides for thistle control. Despite the drought, it is likely that thistles survived and are trying to get established on your pastures and other areas. With pastures in rough shape, lack of control this fall may cause greater than normal problems next year. The drought has been tough on all sorts of vegetation this year but weeds always seem to make it through.

Here are some tips from forage specialist Bruce Anderson.

Walk out in those suspected infested areas this week. Look close. There will probably be many thistle seedlings. Most thistle seedlings this fall will be small, in a flat, rosette growth form, and they are very sensitive now to certain herbicides. So spray this fall and thistles



Ag Happenings
Keith Jarvi
Extension Educator
Nebraska Livestock

will not be a big problem next year. Several herbicides are effective

and recommended for thistle control. Maybe the most effective is a newer herbicide called Milestone, or a combination of Milestone and 2,4-D called Forefront. Two other very effective herbicides are Tordon 22K and Grazon. But be careful with Tordon and Grazon, since they also can kill woody plants, including trees you might want to keep. 2,4-D also works well while it's warm, but you will get better thistle control by using a little less 2,4-D and adding a small amount of Banvel or dicamba to the mix.

Other herbicides also can control thistles in pastures - like Redeem, Cimarron, and Curtail. No matter which weed killer you use, though, be sure to read and follow label instructions, and be sure to spray on time. Next year, avoid overgrazing your pastures so your grass stands get thicker and compete with any new thistle seedlings.

RC&D celebrated during annual association Conference held in Wayne

The Northeast Nebraska Resource Conservation & Development (RC&D) Council hosted the annual RC&D State Association Conference during National RC&D Week Sept. 24 - 28.

Thirty-five people from across Nebraska participated in the three-day event held in Wayne. The conference theme was "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle" which provided a perfect opportunity to share local successes of the Northeast Council. It also gave new meaning to the sites visited on the motor coach tour.

Gill Landfill, the first stop, was an eye-opener for many. It was started in 1981 with 270 acres, but has expanded to include 1200 acres making its' capacity large enough to last 40 years. A total of 600-900 tons of garbage is brought in each day from a radius of 90 miles. In recent years they've added methane capture to their ventures and serve the ethanol plant near Jackson with 10 percent of their energy needs.

Ponca State Park Superintendent Jeff Fields provided a hayrack ride tour of the park. Four different kinds of geothermal systems are in use in their facilities. Straw bale cabins are very "green" in their construction and offer a look at an alternative type of building. All park guests and staff are encouraged to recycle everything possible.

The Laurel Recycling Center has been in operation

since 2004, but continues to expand to meet consumer needs. This facility is open 24-hours a day with an easy-to-use drop off system for all wishing to recycle. They take everything except glass and TVs. Security Shredding is also located there, but operates as a private enterprise. This mobile business grew out of a need to protect consumer identity.

Awards for the year had the Northeast Nebraska RC&D Council bringing home the Outstanding Council honor. Plainview FFA received Outstanding Youth Involvement, Outstanding Executive Director went to Bobbi Meints of the Five Rivers RC&D, and Darol Ellwanger of the PrairieLand RC&D took home the Outstanding Volunteer award. The Panhandle RC&D received the Program Support Assistant award for Joyce Mick and the Top Project Award for the Intertribal Gathering.

New officers elected for the Association were President Dan Hruza from Ord with Loup Basin RC&D, and Vice-President Twila Phillips, Mullen, of the Sandhills RC&D. Continuing to serve as Secretary is Jessica Jones from the Five Rivers RC&D at Tecumseh and Treasurer Norm Hanson of the Great Plains RC&D. All 12 RC&D Councils in Nebraska are continuing their efforts to meet local needs across the state.

Livestock Market Report

The Nebraska Livestock Market conducted a fat cattle sale on Friday.

The market was higher on fat cattle. Cows were steady. There were 400 head sold.

Strictly choice fed steers, \$117 to \$120.25. Good and choice steers, \$115 to \$117. Medium and good steers, \$110 to \$115. Standard steers, \$95 to \$105. Strictly choice fed heifers, \$117 to \$119.75. Good and choice heifers, \$115 to \$117. Medium and good heifers, \$110 to \$115. Standard heifers, \$85 to \$95.

Beef cows, \$70 to \$75. Utility cows, \$75 to \$85. Cannors and cutters, \$62 to \$72. Bologna bulls, \$80 to \$95.

The fed cattle sale was held on Thursday at the Nebraska Livestock Market in Norfolk.

There were 150 bred cows sold. Good bred cows and heifers, \$1,000 to \$1,250.

Medium bred cows and heifers, \$800 to \$1,000.

The sheep sale was held Saturday at the Nebraska Livestock Market.

The market was \$10 higher on fat lambs and steady on feeder lambs ewes.

Fat lambs, 125-150 lbs., \$82 to \$85.50.

Feeder lambs, 40-100 lbs., \$70 to \$85.

Ewes: Good, \$60 to \$100; medium, \$35 to \$60; slaughter, \$25 to \$35.

The dairy cattle sale was conducted Saturday at the Nebraska Livestock Market.

The market was steady on the 20 head sold.

Crossbred baby calves, \$150 to \$300.

Holstein calves, \$50 to \$100.

Butcher hogs were sold at the Nebraska Livestock Market on Saturday.

Prices were \$4 to \$5 higher on butchers and steady on sows. There were 181 head sold.

U.S. 1's + 2's, 230-260 lbs., \$54

to \$55.50; 2's + 3's, 230-260 lbs., 300 lbs.-over, \$35 to \$45.
\$53.50 to \$54.50; 2's + 3's, 260-280 lbs., \$52.50 to \$53.50; 2's + 3's, 280-300 lbs., \$50 to \$52.50; 3's + 4's, Sows — 350-500 lbs., \$28 to \$31. 500-650 lbs., \$31 to \$35. Boars — \$11 to \$20.

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2. Gun control: I believe that the 2nd amendment to the U.S. Constitution makes it clear, we as Americans have a fundamental right to keep and bear arms. We can not allow state or city laws to infringe on those rights.
3. The death penalty: I think that the number of appeals should be limited, there is no deterrent factor when the criminal is allowed to live 15 or twenty years while their case is endlessly appealed.
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OPEN HOUSE WHEN: Sunday, October 14th TIME: 1:00 to 3:00pm WHERE: 708 Haas Dr Wayne

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If you've brought in pictures in the last 6 months for us to scan and use in the Wayne Herald, please feel free to stop in and pick them back up!

THANK YOU to Viaero Wireless for the Kindle Fire I won at the drawing during Friday's Chamber Coffee. We had been considering purchasing one, so winning one is even better. Duane Schroeder



Michael and Cheryl Rutherford pose with Bev Beeson outside the Beeson home during the Rutherford's recent visit to Nebraska.

Beesons host Australian guests

Michael and Cheryl Rutherford with Stanford Polled Herefords in Bathurst, New South Wales, Australia recently spent time in Wayne. The couple visited the farm of Jack and Bev Beeson and discussed cattle raising. The Australian couple had at-

tended the World Hereford Conference in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. This event is held every four years and always in a different country. Following the conference, Rutherford's toured various parts of Canada and met with friends of the Beesons. They also saw a bull in

Canada that the Beesons had sold to a producer there in January of this year. At that point, they made the decision to come to Nebraska and visit the Beesons.

While in the United States, the Rutherford's also visited in Kansas and two locations in Nebraska. They noted that while Nebraska was having a hot summer, it was winter in Australia, although the temperatures generally don't fall below 20 degrees and snow doesn't last long.

"We spent approximately eight hours with the couple. They were very interesting to visit with and very interested in Beeson cattley," Jack said.

The Australian couple runs a 500 cow/calf operation and spent time discussing and comparing their operation to that of the Beesons.

From Wayne, the couple planned to fly to Dallas, Texas to visit friends before returning home.

Jack note that he and his wife have been attending the World Hereford Conference since 1960 when the event was held in Kansas City, Kan. and Des Moines, Iowa. They were in attendance at this year's event in Calgary, although they did not meet the Rutherford's there.



On a positive note

Pianos were donated to both Wayne and Stanton Public Schools by the Lyell B. Clay Foundation in support of rural music education initiatives. The donation was made because the Wayne State Foundation spent \$230,000 acquiring pianos from Yamaha for Wayne State College, that allow faculty to provide outreach to rural areas of Nebraska. Pictured are (from left) Tracy Anderson of Wayne Public Schools Music Department, Rachel Duncan of Wayne, Tahlia Reynolds of Wayne, Rachel Waddington of Wayne, Dillon Wieland of Wayne, Dr. Linda Christensen of Wayne State College Music Department and Brad Weber of Wayne Public Schools Music Department.

Poll notes positive change in rural areas

A higher percentage of rural Nebraskans this year said they've seen positive change in their communities than in any year since 1997, according to the 2012 Nebraska Rural Poll.

The 17th annual University of Nebraska-Lincoln poll was sent to 6,350 households in Nebraska's 84 nonmetropolitan counties in March and April. Results are based on 2,323 responses.

Thirty-four percent of respondents said their community had changed for the better in the last year, 20 percent said for the worse and 46 percent said there had been no change. The changed-for-the-better percentage is highest since 1997's 37 percent. As recently as 2009, only 23 percent said their community had changed for the better.

Members of the Rural Poll team said that optimism might be a reflection of a strong agricultural economy that largely has bucked nationwide economic trends. "We're on a confidence uptick," said rural sociologist Randy Cantrell. "Now, what the drought does to that is a question" that likely will be reflected in next year's poll.

The poll also explored residents' involvement in their communities. It found: 79 percent have belonged to a local group or organization; 77 percent have donated money to a lo-

cal organization, charity or cause other than a church; 74 percent have donated to a local church; and 71 percent volunteered time to a local organization.

Also, 35 percent said they had held a leadership role in a local group in the past year and 11 percent have held a public office or served on a government board in the last year.

Those percentages are generally down from 2002, the last year these questions were asked. The poll shows that those with incomes above \$60,000 and those in agriculture or management/professional and education are likelier than oth-

er income and employment groups to get involved in and lead organizations.

In another area, most rural Nebraskans said they have access to various goods and services within 15 miles, including: post office, 94 percent; gas station, 89 percent; bank, 82 percent; church, 81 percent; grocery store, 78 percent; auto repair, 78 percent; and restaurant/café/bar, 77 percent.

However, only 43 percent said they had critical medical care within 15 miles.

Complete results are available online at ruralpoll.unl.edu.



Playing with the band

Sawyer Jager, a 2012 graduate of Wayne High School and a Wayne High Alumni Band member (center), is now a member of the Cornhusker Marching Band this fall for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He is a computer engineering and business major at UNL.

Wayne State College Drama Club hosts Haunted Trail or Ghost Tour

The Wayne State College Drama Club will present the Haunted Trail or the Ghost Tour, Oct. 28 - 31 on the WSC campus from 9:30 p.m. to midnight. Tours start in the Fine Arts Lobby, located in Peterson

Fine Arts Building on campus.

"The Haunted Trail features scares and terrors beyond your wildest nightmares. Centered around our completely outdoor venue, this venture into the haunted realm of mythical and legendary monsters is filled with folklore terrors mixed with horrors from your worst nightmares," Dr. Gwen Jensen of the Wayne State College Theatre Department. "Get the feeling you're being watched? You probably are by a creature worse than you can imagine. Come and try to tame your fears at the WSC Haunted Trail. Come hear tales of haunts. A great tour for the paranormal enthusiast."

The Ghost Tour is a walking tour on campus and includes ghost stories.

This event raises funds for the WSC Theatre Department. Admission will be: \$3 for either the Ghost Tour or the Haunted Trail or \$5 for a combo tour. Group discounts on groups of eight people or more are available. All members must be present at the time of purchase. Please limit groups to 12 people maximum.

For more information, please contact: Dr. Gwen Jensen at 402-375-7422.

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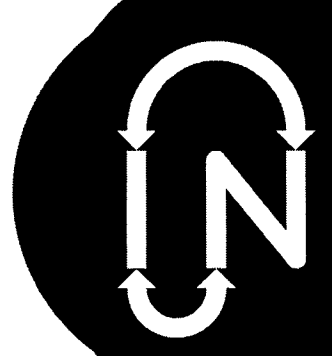
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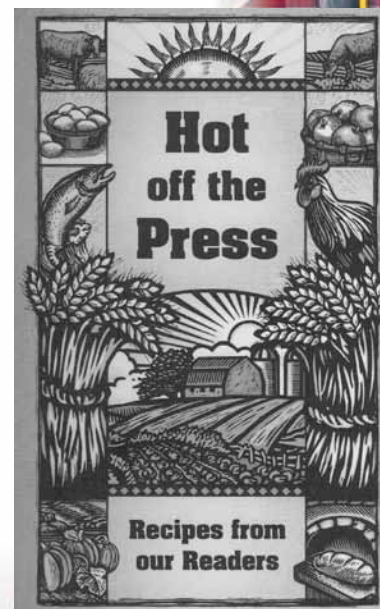
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