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Wurdeman sues to stop recall

Case to be heard in district court Tuesday

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

Wayne County Commissioner Kelvin Wurdeman isn't taking the effort to oust him from his District 1 seat sitting down.

Last week, Wurdeman filed a lawsuit against election commissioner and Wayne County Clerk Deb Finn, challenging the effort to recall him that was made earlier this fall by resident Kelly Hammer.

In paperwork filed in Wayne County District Court last week, Wurdeman claimed the petition paperwork was defective, saying there was no mention on the pe-

titions as to whether the circulators were volunteer or paid.

Wurdeman also said the election has to be held on Tuesday, Nov. 6, although the time between the filing of the recall paperwork would have been less than the required number of days for a recall to take place.

Additionally, Wurdeman said that circulators failed to state the objective of the petition to each signator, and failed to read the statement of reasons for the recall and the statement of defense submitted by each elected official in full to each signator before they signed the petition.

Wurdeman is asking for the petitions to be declared defective, and seeks an injunction to prevent the Nov. 20 recall from taking place.



Wurdeman

In an interview with The Wayne Herald, Finn said she followed recommendations of the Nebraska Secretary of State's office in setting the date to avoid breaking federal law.

"We decided on Nov. 20 based on the recommendation we received from the Secretary of State's office," Finn said, noting a letter to the county from L. Neal Erickson, deputy secretary of state for elections. "If the (county board) had chosen Nov. 6, the Secretary of State would have had to turn Wayne County over to the Department of Justice, because we would have violated federal law in the ability to get ballots to overseas and uniformed citizens."

The letter from Erickson said that it was likely, if the election were held on Nov. 6, that the United States Department of Justice would seek a consent decree to

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WAYNE COUNTY ELECTION RESULTS

(NOTE: Results do not include write-in votes)

President of the U.S.	Hoskins Bd. of Trust. (Top 2)
Mitt Romney (R)..... 2,493	Nancy Staub..... 79
Barack Obama (D)..... 1,074	Richard Seier..... 59
Gary Johnson (L)..... 73	Dallas Heppner Jr..... 28
Randall Terry (Pet.)..... 19	Sholes Bd. of Trust. (Top 3)
U.S. Senate	Marvin Beardshear..... 4
Deb Fischer (R)..... 2,484	Tom Bauer..... 4
Robert Kerrey (D)..... 1,193	Ronnie Billheimer..... 4
District 3 House of Rep.	NECC Bd. Dist. 1
Adrian Smith (R)..... 2,549	Shirley J. Petsche..... 2,741
Mark Sullivan (D)..... 873	NECC Board At Large
County Comm. Dist. 2	John W. Davies..... 2,759
Dean Burbach (R)..... 834	Lower Elkhorn NRD Sub. 1
District 17 Legislature	Michael Kruger..... 325
Dave Bloomfield..... 2,479	Lower Elkhorn NRD Sub. 5
Van Phillips..... 924	Ed Riley..... 2,360
State Board of Ed. Dist 3	Cuming Co. Pub. Pw. Sub. 1
Rachel Wise..... 1,628	Dennis Weiler..... 4
Tom Schommer..... 1,533	Stanton Co. Pub. Pw. At Lg.
NU Bd. of Regents Dist. 3	James Scherer..... 2
Jim Pillen..... 2,165	Robert Schellpeper..... 2
David Cottle..... 1,026	ESU 1 District 6
Wayne City Council Ward 1	Joy Bock..... 251
Doug Sturm..... 237	ESU 1 District 8
Wayne City Council Ward 2	Rodney Garwood..... 1,660
Jennifer Sievers..... 242	ESU 2 District 2
Kathryn Berry..... 122	Ron Briggs..... 12
Wayne City Council Ward 3	ESU 8 District 4
Cale Giese..... 208	Dan Garner..... 26
Brian Frevert..... 144	Retain Judge Fitzgerald
Wayne City Council Ward 4	Yes..... 2,292
Jon Haase..... 485	No..... 677
Wayne Board of Education	Retain Judge Kube
Ken Jorgensen..... 1,804	Yes..... 2,291
Rodney Garwood..... 1,631	No..... 686
Wendy Consoil..... 1,588	Const. Amendment 1
Wakefield Board of Ed.	For..... 2,863
Julie Rose..... 234	Against..... 558
Mark Victor..... 194	Const. Amendment 2
Tim Bebee..... 185	For..... 2,646
Laurel Board of Education	Against..... 739
Richard Brandow..... 9	Const. Amendment 3
Ryan Van Cleave..... 8	For..... 1,294
Jay Hall..... 7	Against..... 2,202
Bruce Halsch..... 7	Const. Amendment 4
Garry Anderson..... 5	For..... 946
Winside Bd. of Ed. (Top 3)	Against..... 2,577
Carmie Marotz..... 356	Pender School Board
John Thies..... 309	Matt Heineman..... 25
John Mangels..... 301	Connie Felber..... 17
Anna Janke..... 230	Jean Karlen..... 16
Chris Olander..... 196	Jason Roth..... 15
Winside Village Bd. (Top 2)	Aaron Rabbass..... 10
Melissa Lemke-Elnic..... 123	Norfolk School District 2
Two write-in's tied..... 30	Sandy Wolfe..... 125
Wayne Co. Weed Bd. (Top 3)	Arnie Robinson..... 99
Richard Woslager..... 2,309	Bob Waite..... 96
Louis Lutt..... 2,253	Clark Froehlich..... 91
Randy Kleensang..... 2,190	Joel Carlson..... 77
NPPD Subdivision 11	Alfredo Ramirez..... 75
David Dowling..... 1,485	Pierce School District 2
Fred Christensen..... 1,250	Robert Hoffmann..... 22
NE Neb. Pub. Power Sub. 1	Dave Lienemann..... 20
David Loberg..... 156	Dan Unsel..... 18
Dan Gansbom..... 88	Tom Kuether..... 13
NE Neb. Pub. Power Sub. 3	Ted Lohrberg..... 7
Donald Larsen..... 636	Wisner-Pilger School District
Wayne Airport Auth. (Top 2)	Mark Glaubius..... 13
Todd Luedeke..... 1,213	Harlan Sateren..... 10
Carl Rump..... 1,137	Jacki Kalkowski..... 9
Wakefield Ward 2	Travis Hallsted..... 3
Paul Eaton..... 101	Randolph School District
Carroll Bd. of Trust. (Top 3)	Michael Scott..... 62
Michael Staub..... 84	Michael Strathman..... 56
Diana Davis..... 74	Timothy Kint..... 54
Scott Hurlbert..... 69	

(Photo by Clara Osten)

Taking the pledge

Students at Wayne Elementary School deposit pledge cards following a Red Ribbon Week pep rally at the school last week. The Wayne Education Boosters organized the event which included the Wayne High School cheerleaders leading several "say no to drugs" cheers, an introduction of the FRIENDS officers and an appearance by Big Blue. FRIENDS President Brian Sinniger spoke to the students and encouraged them to be kind, honest and "stick their neck out for others." Students were also encouraged to wear red that day. The pledge cards were deposited into a "ghost" which encouraged the students to "Say BOO to drugs." Assisting the students is Sonya Tompkins, WEB President.



American Legion Riders visit veterans in area nursing homes

Sixteen members of the American Legion Riders, Post 16 of Bloomfield recently visited nine nursing homes in northeast Nebraska to honor the veterans at these facilities.

The East Group was made up of 11 riders, including four local riders - Ray Junck, John Rebensdorf, Bill Kraemer and Duane Schroeder. They met in Wayne and visited with veterans who are currently residents of Careage of Wayne.

They presented each veteran with a service pin based on which branch of the mili-

tary they had served in.

The group also traveled to Laurel, Coleridge, Randolph and Hartington.

The West Group traveled to Wausa, Creighton, Bloomfield and Verdigre. The group estimates that they visited more than 50 veterans on their ride. Members of the American Legion Riders, Post 16 from Bloomfield include riders from Verdigre, Wausa, Norfolk, Crofton, Bloomfield, Yankton, S.D., Creighton, Carroll, Coleridge, Hartington and Wayne.



(Contributed photo)

Legion Riders Jerry Uhing and Troy Pospishil visit with Lester Hansen during their stop at Careage of Wayne.

Council takes care of busy agenda

By CLARA OSTEN
Of the Herald

A liquor license application, the sale of several lots to two different buyers and amending the city's housing incentive program were among the items on the agenda when the Wayne City Council met in regular session on Tuesday.

Following a public hearing, the council gave unanimous approval for the issuance of a Class C Liquor License to Malachi, Inc., doing business as Wildcat Lanes. Ric Barner has recently purchased the bowling alley and the council's approval of the license will allow him to serve alcoholic beverages in the establishment.

Acting as the Community Development Agency (CDA), the council approved a proposal brought to them

by Kelby Herman for the purchase of lots in the Western Ridge Subdivision for a discounted rate.

Herman told the council he would like to purchase five lots at the present time and five in the future. These lots would be sold at a 25 percent discount from the current list price and the discount would be given after construction, with a deadline of 30 months to complete construction.

"The discount would be given based on my doing what I say I'm going to do," Herman told the council, noting that if all of the five homes are not constructed, no discount will be given on any of the lots.

The CDA also gave approval for the issuance of TIF bonds for the Progressive Property Inspections, LLL project to construct a duplex on West

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(Photo by Clara Osten)

Jovial judge

Judge Robert B. Ensz shares a laugh with Randy Pedersen during an open house in Ensz's honor last week at the Wayne County Courthouse. Ensz is retiring after 21 years on the bench.

Voters turn out in big numbers

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

Almost three-fourths of the registered voters in Wayne County made their voices heard during the 2012 general election, and the biggest surprise in this year's election was the number of voters who took care of business before Tuesday's elections.

County Clerk and Election Commissioner Deb Finn told The Wayne Herald late Tuesday that more than 70 percent of the 5,279 registered voters in Wayne County filled out a ballot in this year's election. Of those who voted, 785 - about 21 percent - did so via absentee ballot.

Finn said the absentee ballot proved to be very popular in this year's election, allowing voters the chance to vote at their convenience before the election.

"Some people aren't able to get to the polls on the day they are scheduled, and this has been an option for voters to do their voting ahead of time, and it proved to be pretty popular across all demographics this election," she said.

Voting in Wayne County was very strong in all 10 precincts, with no area having less than 61 percent turnout. Wayne's First Ward had the lowest voter turnout by percentage with 61.63 percent, while the Logan/Leslie precinct in the Wakefield area saw almost 80 percent turnout, as 278 of 349 registered voters (79.66 percent) cast a ballot.

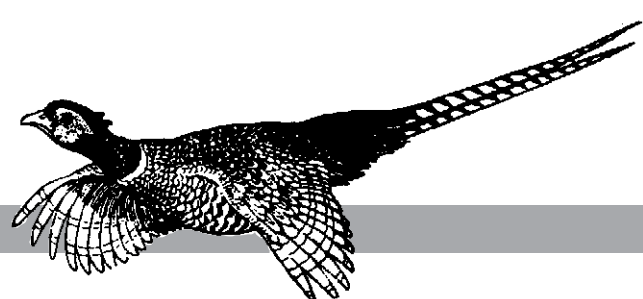
As far as some of the key local races go, the Wayne City Council will take on a new look this December after two incumbents were voted out of office during Tuesday's general election.

Jennifer Sievers won election for the Ward Two seat on the Wayne City Council, beating out incumbent Kathy Berry; while Cale Giese was given the nod over

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Obituaries

Rhoxie Hughes-Cook

Rhoxie Gail Hughes-Cook, 64, of Lewisville, Texas died Sunday, Sept. 30, 2012.



A Celebration of the Spirit graveside service was held Monday, Oct. 29 at the Restland Cemetery in Dallas, Texas. Two recorded songs by the mother of Rhoxie Hughes-Cook were played, as Helen Hughes was an accomplished vocalist and pianist. Rhoxie's daughter Michele, a harpist, played "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" accompanied by a complimentary harpist and guitarist.

She was born in Los Angeles, Calif. to Burrell and Helen Hughes. The family moved to Texas shortly after she was born. Rhoxie married the late Robert Norman Cook on Oct. 21, 1968 in Lubbock, Texas. They moved many times before Robert retired from the Navy. After he passed away, she moved to Lewisville where she was employed at Carlisle's Engraving for the past 17 years.

Survivors include two children: Michael Cook, San Bruno, Calif. and Michele Cook, Lewisville who has been her caretaker for many months; four grandchildren; one sister, Jean Ann Hardy of Lewisville, Texas, and one brother Burrell David Hughes, Southgate, Mich.

The grandparents of Rhoxie were George and Gail Hughes, life-time residents of Wayne.

Family attending from the area were Marlen and Shirley Kraemer, Laurel.

Lions Club Peace Poster winner named

Brandon Wacker, a sixth grade student at Wayne Elementary School, has taken the first step to becoming an internationally recognized artist by winning a local competition sponsored by the Wayne Lions Club.

Wacker's poster was among more than 375,000 entries submitted worldwide in the 25th annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest. Lions Clubs International is sponsoring the contest to emphasize the importance of world peace to young people everywhere.

"Peace should be the wish for all of us," the 13-year old from Wayne said.

The winner poster was selected by Wayne State Instructor Dr. Pearl Hansen's Art Education students for its originality, artist merit and portrayal of the contest theme "Imagine Peace." The judging was held in October at Wayne State College.

Wayne Lions Club President Dwaine Rethwisch said he was impressed by the expression and creativity of the students at Wayne Elementary School. "It is obvious that these young people have strong ideas about what peace means to them. I'm so proud that we were able to provide them with the opportunity to share their visions."

Wacker's poster will advance to stiff competition throughout the district, multiple district and international rounds if he is to be declared the international grand prize winner," Rethwisch said.

One grand prize winner and 23

merit winners will be selected. The grand prize includes a cash award of \$5,000, plus a trip for the winner and two family members to the awards ceremony at Lions Day with the United Nations. The 23 merit award winners will each receive a certificate and cash award of \$500.

"Our club is cheering for Brandon as his poster advances in the competition and we hope that his vision will ultimately be shared with others around the world," Rethwisch said.

Lions Club International is the world's largest service club organi-

zation with 1.35 million members in more than 46,000 clubs in 206 countries and geographic areas. In addition to its efforts toward conquering blindness, the organization has made a strong commitment to community service and helping youth throughout the world.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Involved in the Wayne Lions Club Peace Poster winner presentation were (left) Eddie Bailer, Tail Twiser for the Lions Club, Symphony Jareseke, third place winner; Ashton Boyer, second place winner; Brandon Wacker, first place winner; Byron Wacker, Brandon's father; and Dwaine Rethwisch, Lions Club President.

School, Senior Center to host Veterans Day programs

Everyone in the community is invited to join the students at Wayne Community Schools for a Veterans Day program on Monday, Nov. 12 at 9 a.m. at high school gym.

Area veterans are especially encouraged to be a part of this year's program, which will include the reading of the President's Veterans Day Proclamation and the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner," led by the high school choir.

Jon Wren, with the local National Guard Unit, will be this year's featured speaker.

The high school Optimist-sponsored group, JOOI, will present thank you banners to veterans that will be signed by students.

The Wayne High School band will present a medley of songs representing the various branches of the military. Taps will be played by Dillon Wieland and Colin Webster.

This year's color guard will be

made up of a group of veterans from the community.

The program is expected to last approximately 45 minutes and is being organized by Wayne Elementary School Principal Jill Pickenpaugh.

A second Veterans Day Program will be held Monday, Nov. 12 at the Wayne Senior Center, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Titled "Nebraskans Remember World War II," the program is sponsored by the Nebraska Humanities Council. The program will feature patriotic songs, presentation of colors, Taps, commemorations and a balloon lift-off to honor U.S. veterans.

A cake reception will follow the ceremony.

The public is invited to a Veterans Day dinner at the Senior Center prior to the program. Anyone wishing to eat lunch is asked to contact the Senior Center at (402) 375-1460 to make reservations.

A Quick Look



Date	High	Low	Precip	Snow
Nov. 1	64	27	—	—
Nov. 2	43	31	—	—
Nov. 3	49	26	—	—
Nov. 4	51	27	—	—
Nov. 5	54	27	.09"	—
Nov. 6	43	35	—	—
Nov. 7	54	31	—	—

Recorded 7 a.m. for previous 24 hour period
Precip./mo. — .09"
Yr./Date — 15.07"

Chamber Coffee

WAYNE — This week's Chamber Coffee will be held Friday, Nov. 9 at the Wayne Community Activity Center in observance of the facility's 10th anniversary. The coffee on Friday, Nov. 16 will be held at Wayne Head Start. It will be preceded by a ribbon cutting ceremony at the new Bomgaars location on West Highway 35. The coffee begins at 10 a.m. and announcements at 10:15 a.m.

Blood Bank to be at Grace Lutheran

AREA — The LifeServe Blood Center will be at Grace Lutheran Church, 904 Logan Street in Wayne, on Tuesday, Nov. 13 from 2 to 6 p.m. All eligible donors are encouraged to give the gift of life.

Hat, gloves wanted

AREA — Wayne State College's Phi Kappa Phi and Lambda Pi Eta are conducting a Hats and Gloves Drive until Tuesday, Nov. 13. Collection boxes are located in the community at the Activity Center, Pac 'N' Save, Quality Foods and Shop-Ko and on the WSC campus in the Student Center, Conn Library, Connell Hall, Gardner Hall, Humanities and Carhart Science. The items collected will be divided between Head Start and the Coat Closet/Food Pantry. The drive is looking for gloves, mittens, hats, and scarves of all sizes.

Christmas -N- Carroll

CARROLL — The 19th annual Christmas -N- Carroll Craft Show will be held Friday, Nov. 16 from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 17 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is free admission and hourly door prizes will be awarded. The event is sponsored by the Carroll Volunteer Fire Department.

Pitch Tournament

WINSIDE — The Winside PRIDE committee is sponsoring a five-point pitch tournament on Saturday, Nov. 17, beginning at 3:30 p.m. Contact Jenni Topp at (402) 286-4478 to reserve a spot. Proceeds will go toward park renovation.



A drawing entitled "Fire and Ice" by WSC Art Instructor Marlene Mueller will be part of an art show at Concordia University in Seward.

Marlene Mueller invited for solo show at Marxhausen Gallery

Marlene Mueller of the Wayne State College Art and Design Department has been invited for a solo show of her drawings at the Marxhausen Gallery at Concordia University in Seward.

The show, "Drawing Fire: Then and Now," concludes on Dec. 17. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Initiating the gallery reception she will give a public talk at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 11. Following the reception, which concludes at 4 p.m., Mueller will visit with students about their work.

The artist's drawings reference the interpretation of fire through the manipulation of charcoal and conte' on

paper. Her interest stems from her 13-year membership as a volunteer firefighter.

During training sessions and monthly fire drills, she had the opportunity to witness the elements of fire, steam, smoke and water from a close vantage point.

"The selection of charcoal as a medium approaches an intimacy with the subject that recalls the scent of burnt wood and sensation of heat," Mueller said.

She said she studied in close detail the contours and complexity of the flames in an attempt to render the event as faithfully as possible.

For more information, please call (402) 375-7513.

Smoke Out is Nov. 15

Smoking is one of the rare things in life when it's OK to be a quitter. In fact, it's more than OK; it can add years to your life.

This year marks the 37th American Cancer Society Great American Smoke Out. If you are a smoker or know a smoker, please encourage them to take part in the Great American Smoke Out on Thursday, Nov. 15.

Did you know that tobacco use remains the single largest preventable cause of disease and premature death in the US? Quitting is hard, but you can increase your chances of success with help.

Quit smoking assistance is available at cancer.org, including a helpful guide, downloadable tools, and information on the costs and benefits of quitting.

For example, just 20 minutes after quitting, a smoker's heart rate and blood pressure drop. As always, quit smoking specialists are just a toll-free phone call away at (800) 227-2345. Quitting may take more than one try, and it's not easy, but it can be done. Make the American Cancer Society Great American Smokeout — Nov. 15, 2012 — the date you quit tobacco for good. Setting a quit date allows you to plan how you'll quit and make any necessary preparations. It also lets others know when you're planning to quit, so they help you through the rough spots.

Call (800) 227-2345 or visit www.cancer.org/smokeout for tips and tools to help you quit for good.

(Photo by Clara Osten)

Contest winners

The annual Circle K Halloween Party attracted the usual princesses, ghosts, goblins and Super Heros, but it also brought in a tractor, the Mad Hatter and a washing machine. Children of all ages took part in a number of games and activities prior to the judging of the costumes. Chosen as the winners in their respective age categories were (left) Aidan Bonnert (tractor), Sarah Wibben (Mad Hatter) and Ethan Bonnert (washing machine). This year's event was held at the Majestic Theatre. Members of the Wayne Kiwanis Club assisted with the judging.





(Contributed photo)
Thom Johnson and Jane Stotts, Wide River Technology Extension Center, Lincoln; Britany Peters, PMC Project Manager; Kathy Jasa, PMC Business Office and Medical Records Supervisor; Wendi Dwinell, PMC Project Manager; and Thomas J. Lee, FACHE, hospital Administrator give a thumbs up to the new technology at PMC.

PMC among first hospitals to make use of EHR technology

Providence Medical Center in Wayne is being counted among the initial wave of hospitals to attest to meaningful use of their certified EHR technology under the government's Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive program.

On October 16, PMC successfully attested to its meaningful use, meeting the criteria the Center for Medicare Services (CMS) set out in its EHR Incentive Program for Stage I, putting the hospital in a position to qualify for its share of the \$27 billion in funds coming from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).

PMC's attestation process started with registering PMC in the CMS program in April of this year, and included a 90-day reporting period which began July 3 and ended Sept. 30.

"On Oct. 16, we went online and attested that we indeed met the criteria for passing Stage I of Meaningful Use," says Kathy Jasa, business office and medical re-

records supervisor. "Our next steps involve submitting a cost report with CMS, specific to costs related to implementing the EHR, and continuing with yearly attestations. In 2014, we will be required to attest to Stage 2 of meaningful use.

"Each year, we have the opportunity to be reimbursed by CMS for costs related to the EHR, provided we continue to meet the ongoing requirements for EHR implementation and useage," she added.

"Successful attestation positions Providence Medical Center as a leader, when compared to progress being made by other providers," said PMC administrator Thomas J. Lee. "Our staff has worked diligently for the past few years developing and implementing an extensive work plan with the goal of meeting federal requirements specific to electronic health record technology, connectivity and clinical quality measure reporting. I am extremely proud of their dedication and collaboration efforts."

Pharmacy students to provide screenings in Wayne Nov. 10

Students from the University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Pharmacy will be at Shopko Pharmacy in Wayne on Saturday, Nov. 10 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Students will provide blood pressure, osteoporosis and blood glucose screenings free of charge. They will also provide a cholesterol screen for

a fee of \$20 (at least eight hours of fasting is recommended).

These students are part of an organization called Operation Heart-Healthy HEARTland, which provides Health Education Across Rural Towns. The students travel to rural pharmacies across Nebraska about once a month and are

passionate about educating people about preventative diseases while providing services at little or no cost.

Elizabeth Baier, a UNMC Pharmacy student, and graduate of Wayne High School, will be among the students visiting Wayne on Nov. 10.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Working toward an Eagle Scout award

Austin Frideres (second from right) is working toward his Eagle Scout award by making a number of improvements at the CrossPoint Ministries building on North Main Street. Helping were Parker Wren, James Simpson, Jacob Abraham, Colin Webster and Scott Abraham.

Wreath display planned at library

Wayne Public Library will be hosting the fourth annual Wreath Display and Silent Auction beginning Nov. 24 and running through Dec. 5.

Area businesses, churches, youth groups, social, civic and community organizations as well as individuals are encouraged to participate, create a unique holiday decoration and donate the wreath for display at the Library and Senior Center. Proceeds from the silent auction will be donated to the Wayne Food Pantry.

In 2010, \$718 was raised from bids on the wreaths. The business, organization or individual name will be prominently displayed on the wreaths. Minimum bids of \$10

will be asked for each item on display.

During the week of the wreath display, DVDs, CDs and seasonal books, will be available for check out. Santa will visit the evening of Tuesday, Dec. 4, with special crafts and treats for the children.

The afternoon of Wednesday, Dec. 5, the Library and Senior Center will be aglow with holiday spirit! From 1-3 p.m., Friends of the Library will host an Open House with refreshments and your final opportunity to bid on a wreath. There will be caroling, holiday entertainment and other surprises awaiting your visit that afternoon. Winning bidders will be announced at 3 p.m.

with special holiday treats at the Senior Center at that time.

"What an exciting opportunity to promote your business and the goal or mission of your organization/club/civic group to the community," said Rita McLean, Adult Services Librarian and coordinator of the event. "It will be a great time to get into the holiday spirit and welcome the Christmas Season to our community," she said.

Call the library (402) 375-3135 to reserve a space for your wreath by Tuesday, Nov. 21. The wreaths will be on display during open hours at the Library and Senior Center.

Bohnert, Pfaltzgraff to perform at Grace Lutheran Church Nov. 11

Dr. David Bohnert, Wayne State College Band Director and trumpet instructor, and Philip Pfaltzgraff, staff accompanist at WSC, will present a recital on Sunday, Nov. 11 at 2 p.m. featuring music for trumpet and organ at Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne.

The 90-minute program will feature music by Johann Sebastian

Bach, Claude Debussy and Sergei Rachmaninoff. Bohnert will perform two compositions solo trumpet and organ adapted by David Pettit. He will also perform music by contemporary trumpet composers James Stephensen, Stanley Weiner and Jan Koetsier.

Pfaltzgraff will perform solo repertoire for organ by French com-

poser Jean Alain, three preludes by R.V. Williams and a pedal solo by Joyce Jones. The recital will conclude with the mighty closing movement of the Organ Symphony No. 5 by Widor entitled "Toccata," adapted by Bohnert and Pfaltzgraff for a trumpet/organ duet.

For more information, please call (402) 375-7394.

No plans to share veterans officer with Stanton County

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

A request to share Wayne County's Veterans Service Officer was met with a rather abrupt rejection during Tuesday's meeting of the Wayne County Commissioners.

County Clerk Deb Finn received an e-mail from the clerk in Stanton County, who was instructed by her county board to inquire into the possibility of Wayne County sharing the services of Brad Wieland, who has held the position for about two years.

"They don't think a full-time officer is needed (in Stanton County), and were asking whether or not it was something our county would consider," Finn told the board.

Wieland, who works part time as the county's VSO, said he felt it was the Veterans Administration's decision as to whether or not a county could share it's Veterans Service Officer, but he told the board he would not work for another county beyond what he is already doing.

"In my opinion, Stanton should get a full-time person," he said. "I

won't go down there. I've got enough work helping people here, and I also help out some in Dixon County and have been to Winnebago a couple of times."

Wieland said that Greg Hansen recently left the position in Stanton County for a similar position in Madison County, and he doesn't know why Stanton doesn't use him, since he lives closer than Wieland - an Allen resident - does.

"He's only 16 miles away, and he has all those clients already on his computer," he said. "If someone else goes in there, whether it's me or somebody else, they're going to have to start from scratch."

Wieland said a good VSO can bring some income into the county, pointing to two recent claims he helped veterans in Wayne County receive. A VSO also helps veterans in the area get around and visit places they might not otherwise be able to do, which takes up time as well.

"I'm taking a 91-year-old veteran up to Sioux Falls in a couple of weeks, so there's a lot of driving as it is," Wieland said.

In other action, the county board: - approved lodging tax grant applications for Wayne's Christmas on Main (\$1,000), Wayne Area Economic Development (\$250) and the Christmas-N-Carroll Craft Show (\$200).

- appointed board chairman Jim Rabe as the county's representative in casting votes for election of officers to the Nebraska Association of County Officials.

- approved substitution of securities with First National Bank and withdrawal of securities from State National Bank.

- approved a yearly HVAC service agreement with TRANE of Ralston for \$8,300.

- approved the replacement of a concrete floor in the vault of the county extension storage area. County employees will break up and remove the concrete, and Todd Greunke was awarded a contract of \$640 to pour the new concrete.

The Wayne County Commissioners will next meet on Tuesday, Nov. 20 at 9 a.m. in the county courthouse.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

We need more ribbon!!!

Another ribbon cutting was held Nov. 2 as Wayne welcomed C&H 2nd Hands Kids Closet to the community. Cutting the ribbon was owner Kari Baldwin and making an ambassador welcome presentation was Jason Claussen. The store is located at the corner of Second and Main Streets. Nearly a dozen ribbon cuttings will take place in 2012 in Wayne.

Wayne County Museum gala scheduled for November 17

Friends of the Wayne County Museum announced the upcoming 'Paint the Museum Gala,' which will be held Saturday, Nov. 17 from 7-10 p.m. at the museum, located at the corner of Seventh and Lincoln streets in Wayne.

The Friends are also selling raffle tickets for a dinner for six, to take place next spring; and on the night of the Gala, there will be an auction for special "Christmas Story" items.

Beginning at 8:30 p.m., a leg lamp, basket with Christmas Story items, a Red Rider BB gun and oth-

er items will be auctioned off to the highest bidder.

The theme this year is "A Christmas Story." Decorators of the museum include Jill Belt, Mark Kanitz, Lukas Rix, Tracy Keating and Kate Lutt.

The Friends of the Museum host a Gala every two years to help provide financial assistance for upkeep of the museum. The evening's activities will include, food, refreshments and fun.

Proceeds from this year's Gala will help pay for the much-needed

painting of the exterior of the museum, which is estimated to cost \$20,000 to \$25,000.

Anyone interested in purchasing tickets is asked to call Kaki Ley at (402) 369-1474; Joann Proett, (402) 375-2655; Marlene Broer, (402) 369-2862; Lois Shelton, (402) 375-1278; Donna Ewing, (402) 375-8982; Jan Magnuson (402) 918-2048 or Lorita Tompkins (402) 375-1513.

A limited number of tickets are being sold for the Gala.

Decorating Contest to be expanded

By TONY KOCHENASH
Promotions Committee member

Santa is coming to Wayne, and all the young children in Wayne are hoping the night sky is lit brightly because Santa doesn't want to miss Wayne.

Two dedicated Wayne volunteers, Nancy Jo Powers and Fauneil Bennett, have decided to help the children out and are asking residents of the community of Wayne to help by lighting the sky so Santa does not miss Wayne with its beautifully lit houses and yards.

The two women are co-chairing the Wayne Outdoor Residential Holiday Decorating Contest for the fourth year, having started this during Wayne's Q-125 celebration year.

This year they have named the contest "Front Yard Fantasies and Back Yard Beauties" with the hope of attracting more entries and creating lighting excitement to ensure Santa finds our community. Yes, they did find judges who have said they will venture into backyards to do judging and to also ensure that backyard decorators get a fair chance at one of the five awards being made.

Have we whetted your taste buds yet? Start your planning and make whatever purchases of lights you need to fill the gaps now before your neighbors beat you to it.

Application forms can be obtained in the WAED Newsletter or the WAED office at 108 West Third Street. All entries must be post-marked or received at the WAED office by Monday, Dec. 10.

Prizes of \$50 in Chamber Bucks for first place in each of the four quadrants of the city as divided by Seventh and Main Streets and one rural category that includes any Wayne mailing address outside the city limits will be awarded.

To encourage nominations, there will also be a drawing for prizes to be awarded to those submitting nominations. Winners will be an-

nounced at the Chamber Coffee on Friday, Dec. 21 at the State National Bank.

So let's help Santa find Wayne this year so that all our children won't be disappointed. Let's light up the sky so that Wayne can be seen for miles into the distance. Plan your home and yard decorations now and get started while the weather is favorable.

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Fiscal year off to flying start

City sales tax receipts are best for one month

The 2012-13 fiscal year is off to a good start, as Wayne city sales tax receipts have never been higher than they were, according to the latest figures released by the city.

October's sales tax receipts, which are based off sales during the month of August, were \$58,512.80. The number breaks the mark of \$55,814.95 received in February 2012, and far eclipses the best October the city had when it received \$50,792.65 in the first month of the last fiscal year.

Last year, the city averaged \$49,497.43 per month, receiving \$593,969.16 in city sales tax receipts during the 2011-12 fiscal year.

CITY OF WAYNE SALES TAX RECEIPTS		
Month	2011-12	2012-13
October	\$50,792.63	\$58,512.80
November	48,494.99	
December	40,994.35	
January	47,937.00	
February	55,814.95	
March	43,281.28	
April	45,501.96	
May	51,171.53	
June	50,445.25	
July	49,032.12	
August	55,604.12	
September	54,898.96	
Total	\$593,969.16	\$58,512.80
Average	\$49,497.43	\$48,512.80

- Figures courtesy City of Wayne

Council

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First Street. The action is a requirement for TIF financing and moves the project forward.

Three city-owned lots near the former Scotty Thompson property were sold to Benscoter Development at \$2,000 each during Tuesday's meeting.

Lou Benscoter said the lots were "worthless until I developed the area around them."

Resolution 2012-87 received approval from the council. It will allow for a letter of agreement for professional services with Olsson Associates for the Chief's Way Sanitary Sewer Project. The fee for these services is not to exceed \$29,590 and will be the start of the process to get a sanitary sewer system across Highway 35 to Grossenburg Implement.

A resolution to amend the city's housing incentive

program to include a \$5,000, three year, zero percent interest loan for the renovation of multi-unit homes on a per dwelling basis also received approval from the council, as did the resolution to establish the rules and regulations for reimbursement of expenses and fees for members of the Wayne Volunteer Fire Department.

Council members tabled a resolution that would amend the city's Energy Star Program for fiscal year 2012-2013 and 2013-2014.

Discussion was held on the need to help lower the city's peak energy usage in the summer, promote the city as a "green community" and give incentives to homebuyers to construct energy efficient homes.

The council will next meet in regular session on Tuesday, Nov. 20 at 5:30 p.m. in council chambers.

Voters

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incumbent Brian Frevert by voters in Ward Three.

A third incumbent City Council representative won re-election without opposition, but longtime First Ward Councilman Doug Sturm will not be able to serve the term after taking a position as a dispatcher with the Wayne Police Department. A special election will be held for Sturm's replacement sometime in early 2013.

Joining the two newcomers is Jon Haase, who ran unopposed and was elected to another term as the city's representative in Ward Four.

President Barack Obama earned a second term as the Commander in Chief, but was not a popular choice in Wayne County. Republi-

can Mitt Romney easily carried the county with 67.7 percent of the vote to 29.1 percent for the incumbent Democrat.

Deb Fischer won the U.S. Senate race over Bob Kerrey and carried Wayne County on her way to the win. The Republican former state senator had 67.4 percent of the vote in Wayne County, compared to 32.3 percent for the former Democrat U.S. Senator who moved back to Nebraska to run for the office after living in New York the past 12 years.

In the race for the District 17 Legislative seat, Dave Bloomfield upgraded from an appointed state senator to an elected one. The retired Hoskins farmer easily beat retired South Sioux City superin-

tendent of schools Van Phillips by a margin of almost 3 to 1 in Wayne County, getting 72.7 percent of the vote to Phillips' 27.1 percent.

One of the races in Wayne County was the subject of a recount Thursday morning after two write-in candidates wound up tied for the second seat on the Winside Village Board. Melissa Lemke-Elznic received 78.9 percent of the vote to win one of the two spots, but a tie for the second spot, at 30 votes apiece, between William Burriss and Patty Skokan was to be recounted at the Wayne County Clerk's office Thursday morning. If there is no change in the final recount, Finn said she would have to make arrangements with Burriss and Skokan to break the tie.

Group helps food bank

(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Brittney Hunke (with bags) and Taylor Granquist were among the Stand for the Silent members who helped unload food for the food pantry recently. The group collected more than 730 food items and more than 240 pounds of non-perishable food goods during a recent food drive at the elementary and high school building.



Recall

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hold the election open until those military and overseas ballots met the 45-day deadline. In doing so, the county would then be in violation of state law, which requires certifying the county's election results with the Secretary of State by Nov. 26.

"We were up against either state or federal law, and we used the Secretary of State's interpretation to follow the federal guidelines."

Finn said the petitions that were circulated by Hammer were taken directly from the Secretary of State's website, which had everything that is required to be on the petition. In recall petitions, the issue of a paid or volunteer circulator is not required.

Finn said she couldn't possibly answer as to whether or not signatories had the petition, or Wurdeman's response, read to them prior

to signing. "Did they read to them the reason for the recall and Kevin's response? I can't answer that," she said. "I have no way of controlling that."

The case is scheduled to be heard in district court on Tuesday, Nov.

13, one week before the scheduled recall election. Wayne County Attorney Mike Pieper will represent Finn's office.

Wurdeman referred questions about the case to his attorney, Ron Temple of Norfolk. Temple could not be reached at press time.

Wurdeman fined for improper sale of metal

Wayne County Commissioner Kelvin Wurdeman was fined a total of \$1,000 in Wayne County Court on Monday after pleading no contest to two counts regarding the unauthorized sale of scrap metal to a Norfolk company earlier this year.

The District 1 representative on the board was fined by Judge Donna Taylor on charges of theft by unlawful taking and official miscon-

duct. He was fined \$250 for the first charge and \$750 on the second, and paid the fine Monday afternoon.

Wurdeman faces a Tuesday, Nov. 20 recall election on accusations unrelated to the charges he pled no contest. Resident Kelly Hammer circulated a petition regarding concerns about Wurdeman's removal of property from a landowner in the county.

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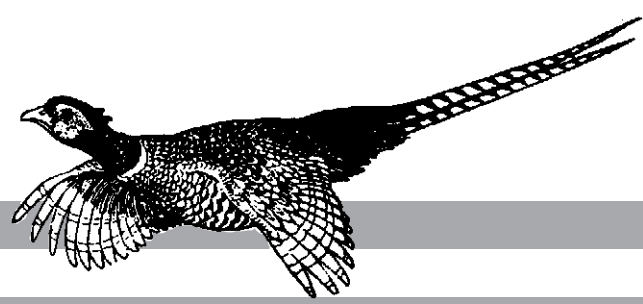
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AREA TEAMS FALL SHORT IN DISTRICT VOLLEYBALL FINALS



(Photo courtesy Mary Rastede)

Lindsey Sullivan (10) sets the ball as Brittany Sullivan (2) and Vanessa Klug get ready to attack during Allen's three-set loss to Howells-Dodge Thursday.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Lexi Sokol (12) and Sarah Maxson (11) try to block the attack of Norfolk Catholic's Lynne Borgmann during the C1-4 district finals Friday at Wisner-Pilger. The Blue Devils dropped a three-set match to the fifth-ranked Lady Knights.

Lady Eagles fall in D1-3 matchup

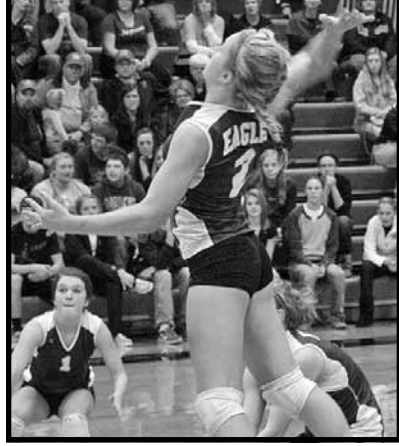
STANTON – Hopes for an upset and a trip to state came up short for the Allen Lady Eagles.

The Lady Eagles played No. 2-ranked Howells-Dodge tough early on, but the Jaguars had too many weapons for the scrappy Allen girls as they ended the Lady Eagles' season with a 25-15, 25-12, 25-15 win in the D1-3 district championship Thursday at Stanton High School.

The Lady Eagles finished the season with a 19-13 record, and coach Cheryl Greve said she was happy with the team's effort this season.

"The girls put their heart into the game and did the best they could," she said. "Howells is a strong, confident team and they played well, but I'm proud of the effort the girls put into the game."

Rachel Finnegan and Lindsey Jones led the Lady Eagles with six kills apiece, while Brittany Sullivan and Vanessa Klug each had four. Lindsey Sullivan had 18 assists in the game.



(Photo courtesy Mary Rastede)

Senior Brittany Sullivan goes up for an attack for the Allen Lady Eagles.

Finnegan led the team with nine digs, while Jones and Lexi Oswald each had eight for the Lady Eagles. Brittany Sullivan had seven digs and Lindsey Sullivan and Candice Rastede each had five.

Blue Devils can't hang on, fall in C1-4 title game

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

WISNER – There is something to be said about the old phrase "play like you've been there before."

Wayne High was making its first appearance in a district volleyball final in a number of years, and had fifth-ranked Norfolk Catholic right where they wanted them in the first game of the C1-4 district finals Friday at Wisner-Pilger High School.

Needing just one point to take the first set, the Blue Devils were unable to close out the set, as the Lady Knights scored the final six points of the set and used that momentum to come away with a 26-24, 25-13, 25-14 win and advance to the state tournament for the second straight year.

The Blue Devils looked to be in position to pull away and take the first set, coming back from a 15-14 deficit to take a four-point advantage and serve for the opening set before the Knights rallied.

"The first set up, being up with a chance to win it, you have to give credit to Norfolk Catholic," coach Traci Krusemark said. "They've been in this situation many times before, and this was a big game for our girls be-

cause none of the seniors had been to a district final before."

Krusemark said she felt her team played the final six points in an effort to avoid losing, rather than going for the win.

"It was like it's game point and let's not make an error, but when you're playing a good team, you can't let your guard down," she said. "After that first game, it really took the wind out of our sails. I think it would have been a lot different game had we taken that first set."

The Blue Devils went on a 7-2 run early in the set to take a 12-8 lead, highlighted by some solid defense at the net by senior Lexi Sokol. The Lady Knights rebounded to retake the lead, but sophomore Madison Frevert ended a Norfolk Catholic rally and senior Sydney Burke added a kill to give the Blue Devils a 16-15 advantage.

Emma Evetovich's ace serve and a kill by Burke helped Wayne take a 19-17 lead, and Sarah Maxson added a kill to help the Blue Devils take a 22-20 advantage. Two Norfolk Catholic hitting miscues put Wayne

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(Photo courtesy Linda Tonniges)

Wayne State's rugby team literally ran away from Bemidji State in the second half to earn their first-ever trip to the NSCRO Final Four later this month in New Jersey.

Final Four-bound ruggers dominate Bemidji State

BEMIDJI, Minn. – The sting of a controversial loss in last year's NSCRO Elite Eight was still fresh in the minds of many of the Wayne State women's rugby players and their coach.

So maybe it was best that the official called off the dogs a few minutes short of time and punched the Wildcats' ticket to its first Final Four after Wayne State stomped Bemidji State 86-0 to win the West Regional finals Sunday afternoon.

For coach Darin Barner, it was almost a perfect way to avenge last year's stunning defeat to eventual national champion Carleton University.

"Today was the first time we played close to a perfect game," he said. "I told them on the bus that if they score first, the game's not over, and if we can get up on them quick, the pressure is all on them."

Barner was hoping his team would get on the board early, and

they went above and beyond his dream by scoring three times in the first 12 minutes to take a 17-0 lead.

Bemidji State's defense stiffened after the initial attack by the Wildcats, limiting Wayne State to a late 35-yard run by junior Maggie Warrick to take a 24-0 deficit into the intermission.

Wayne State had plenty left in the tank coming into the second half, and the Wildcat offense simply exploded and left the outmanned and out-conditioned Bemidji State team reaching for air.

The Beavers used a blitzing package to stop Wayne State's short-yardage attack, but it left things wide open for the wingers, and Wayne State took full advantage in unleashing a 62-point explosion in the final 38 minutes before the referee stopped the match two minutes before time.

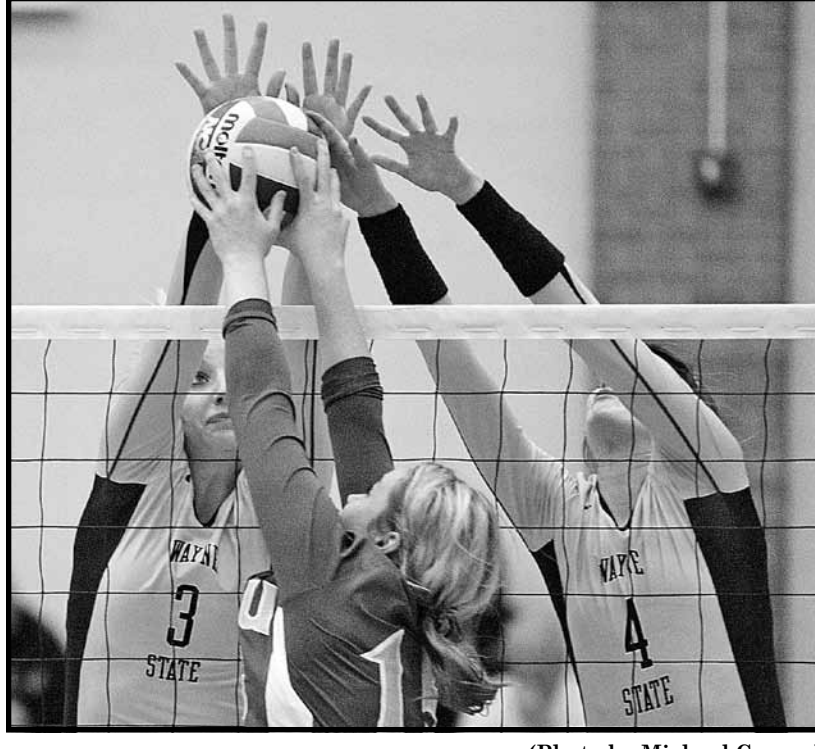
Kelsey Meyer had several solid

outside attack take advantage. She hit Lacy Tonniges in perfect stride on a 60-yard score, and Kaylee Freeze went more than 30 yards on another to help Wayne State run away with the win and the trip to Cherry Hill, N.J. in two weeks for the national championship semifinals.

"Having wins over Notre Dame, Oklahoma, Kansas State and Northwestern really got us a very solid scrum and backline on offense and defense, but we are going to the Final Four with top-end rugby programs," he said. "These are varsity programs loaded with top-notch high school rugby stars."

Jasmine Kovacs had a great day in leading the team with five scoring tries on the day, including long ones of 37 and 55 yards. Tonniges added a pair of scores, along with Warrick, Freeze, Meyer, Tiff Ran-

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(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Lexi Malm (3) and Cori Hobbs (4) team up for a block at the net for Wayne State in Thursday's loss to top-ranked Southwest Minnesota State.

Wildcats bounce back to give Kneifl 200th

The Wayne State volleyball team played well in a losing effort against the No. 1 team in the country and bounced back for a key road win in action last week.

On Thursday, top-ranked Southwest Minnesota State overcame 42 attack errors to defeat No. 16 Wayne State 27-25, 25-22, 16-25 at Rice Auditorium.

The first set saw Wayne State jump out to an early 9-4 lead, but the Mustangs rallied and knotted the score at 13-13. SMSU took a 19-16 lead, but the Wildcats rallied and took a 23-22 lead on a kill by Cori Hobbs. But the Mustangs got back-to-back kills from Devin

Diedrich for a 24-23 lead and SMSU posted a 27-25 win.

The second set was close as well, with Wayne State using back-to-back kills from Katie Hughes for an 11-9 lead. SMSU then scored five of the next six points to take a 14-12 lead, forcing Wayne State to call timeout. After Wayne State pulled within one point at 17-16, the Mustangs rattled off three straight points for a 20-16 lead and Wayne State never got closer than two points as the Mustangs won the second set.

The third set was tight early until Wayne State took advantage of

Late kick gives 'Cats 17-14 win

FAYETTE, Iowa – Senior place-kicker Max Martin booted a 47-yard field goal with 2:13 left to give Wayne State College a 17-14 win at Upper Iowa Saturday afternoon in Northern Sun Conference football.

The game was expected to be a high-scoring affair, as Upper Iowa entered the game with the NSIC's top-ranked offense at 460.8 yards per game. But the Wildcat defense held the explosive Peacock attack to just 294 yards in the contest and held a commanding advantage in time of possession (41:07 to 18:53) to slow down the Upper Iowa offense.

Upper Iowa opened the scoring early in the first quarter thanks to a 77-yard punt return by Keaton Hosch that gave the Peacocks the ball at the Wildcat 10-yard line. Sophomore quarterback Cole Jaeschke then found Shay Gutman on a 10-yard scoring pass to give Upper Iowa an early 7-0 lead.

The Wildcats got on the scoreboard midway through the second quarter with an impressive drive that used 8:06 and covered 86 yards on 15 plays, with junior running back Charlie Davidson hitting paydirt on a seven-yard run to tie the score at 7-7 with 7:21 to play in the half.

After a scoreless third quarter, the Peacocks regained the lead early in the fourth on a 10-play, 75-yard drive. Jaeschke and Gutman teamed up again for a scoring play, this time from six yards out, giving the Peacocks a 14-7 lead with 13:42 to play.

Wayne State responded with a score on the ensuing drive, as red-shirt freshman quarterback Brian Kent capped a 14-play, 77-yard drive that used 7:23 with a 10-yard scoring run, knotting the score at 14-14 with 6:14 left.

The Wayne State defense then forced Upper Iowa into a three-and-out, making the Peacocks punt from their own end zone with the Wildcats getting the ball at their own 46-yard line with 5:22 to play. Wayne State moved the ball to Upper Iowa's 29-yard line before the Peacocks forced a fourth down for the Wildcats, resulting in a 47-yard field goal from Martin that gave the Wildcats a 17-14 lead. It would be Martin's fourth game-winning field goal in the last two seasons for the Wildcats.

Wayne State shut down the Peacocks one last time, getting the ball back on downs at the Peacock 32-yard line as the Wildcats sealed the win.

The Wildcats held a 388-294 edge in total offense over Upper Iowa. Wayne State rushed for 205 yards while gaining another 183 through the air, with the Peacocks netting 115 yards rushing and 179 passing.

Davidson ran for a career-high 150 yards on 36 carries to lead the Wildcats in rushing, his third straight 100-yard rushing effort. Kent completed 19 of 24 passes for 183 yards with two interceptions, completing passes to six different Wildcat receivers. Adam Stark had six catches for 50 yards followed by Cole McDaniel with five catches for 45 yards.

For Upper Iowa, sophomore quarterback Cole Jaeschke was held to 179 yards passing on 17 of 35 attempts. He entered the game leading the NSIC while ranked 11th in NCAA Division II with 325 yards of total offense per game.

Defensively, junior safety Austan Pomajzl led Wayne State in tackles with eight, followed by Richard Daniel and Benjamin Perry with five apiece. Daniel also had a fumble recovery for the Wildcats.

The win by Wayne State, now 6-4 overall, assures the Wildcats of a sixth straight winning season. In the 97th season of football, Wayne State has never had six consecutive winning seasons until achieving the feat Saturday afternoon.

Wayne State, 6-4 overall and 3-3 in the NSIC South Division, closes the 2012 season on the road next Saturday with a visit to No. 17 University of Sioux Falls with kickoff slated for 12 p.m.

Wayne State 17, Upper Iowa 14				
Wayne State	0	7	0	10
Upper Iowa	7	0	0	7
Scoring Summary				
UIU – Gutman 10 pass from Jaeschke (Sandoval kick)				
WSC – Charlie Davidson 7 run (Max Martin kick)				
UIU – Gutman 6 pass from Jaeschke (Sandoval kick)				
WSC – Brian Kent 10 run (Martin kick)				
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After record-setting 32-3 year, Wildcats have high expectations

The 2011-12 season for Wayne State women's basketball was one for the record books.

A second straight Northern Sun Conference regular season title, the school's first-ever No. 1 national ranking, a conference tournament title for the second time in three seasons, the top seed and host for the NCAA Div. II Central Region Tournament, Central Region champions and first-ever trip to Elite Eight, and a school record 32 wins made for a special season.

Despite the loss of four starters and seven letterwinners from last year's record-setting team, expectations are still high for the 2012-13 edition of the Wayne State women's basketball team - not only from fifth-year head coach Chris Kielsmeier, but from fellow coaches and members of the media as well.

Wayne State is nationally ranked in two preseason polls - No. 16 in the USA Today/ESPN Div. II Top 25 coaches poll and No. 24 in the Women's Div. II Bulletin Preseason Top 25. The Wildcats are also picked third in the 2012 NSIC Preseason Women's Basketball coaches poll.

"Last year, we took the next step in the development of our program," said Kielsmeier, who is 99-25 in his four seasons with the Wildcats and 278-69 in 12 seasons as a head coach. "You want the program to go a step further every year, and for four straight years we have done that. Winning regionals last year was a historic moment, but it is on



Kielsmeier

to this year. We need to build off of last year and continue to work hard to make our program better."

After last year's team was loaded with senior leadership, this year's team does not have a senior on the roster and features three juniors, five sophomores and five freshmen. Wayne State returns one starter and four letterwinners from last year, and joining that group this year are three redshirts who have been a part of the Wayne State program, along with a talented group of six newcomers that include one transfer and five high school standouts.

"This is the youngest basketball team I have ever had," remarked Kielsmeier. "I expect every player to contribute in their own way, and our focus just has to be to get better everyday."

Returning starter Ellen Hansen, a 6-foot-1 junior forward, is listed as this year's Wildcat to Watch in the NSIC. Hansen averaged 6.7 points and 6.4 rebounds per game last season, shooting team highs of 50.3 percent from the field and 81.7 percent at the free throw line. She ranked 12th in the conference last season in rebounds per game.

Another key returner for the Wildcats is 5-foot-8 sophomore guard Ashton Yossi, who is the team's top returning scorer from last season at 8.1 points per game coming off the bench. She was named to the NSIC All-Tournament Team last season and ranked ninth in the NSIC in 3-point field goals per game (1.66) and 11th in 3-point field goal percentage (.389). This season, Yossi is expected to start at shooting guard and play a major role in the success of the Wildcats.

Other returners from last year's team are 6-foot-6 sophomore center Whitney Epp and 5-foot-11 sophomore Anna Gerdes. Epp was a defensive presence last season for the Wildcats, ranking third in the NSIC in blocks with 59 (1.90 per game). She averaged 1.6 points and 2.4 rebounds per game and will contend for the starting center spot this season. Gerdes appeared in 12 games last season and is coming off ankle surgery in the off-season.

Juniors Kara Powell and transfer Shantel Lehmann will join Hansen as the "veterans" on the team. Powell, a 6-foot-1 junior forward, has been with the Wildcat program for two seasons after transferring from Mercer University in Georgia, but has yet to play in a game. After redshirting in 2010-11, Powell suffered a season-ending knee injury last November in the final scrimmage before the 2011-12 campaign.

Lehmann is a 6-foot-3 junior center that transferred to Wayne State after playing the last two seasons at Kirkwood Community College in Iowa. She helped Kirkwood to a sixth-place finish at last year's junior college national tournament, averaging 3.7 points and 3.7 rebounds per contest on a team that was 32-4, so she is accustomed to playing on winning teams.

Rounding out the sophomore class are two players who both sat out last season as redshirts, but

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Ellen Hansen (top) and Ashton Yossi (above) look to lead the Wildcat women after a school-record 32 wins and an Elite Eight appearance last season.

gained experience by practicing with the team and getting familiar with Coach Kielsmeier's system. Audrey Holmes, a 5-foot-7 guard, will contend for the starting point guard position this season while Jordan Spencer, a transfer from UNO, will contend for a spot as the starting power forward this season.

The group of incoming freshmen include four talented guards and a local product at the forward position. Addy Roller, a 5-foot-8 guard from Purdy, Mo., comes to Wayne State after setting the Missouri State High School record for career three pointers with 319. She competed in the National High School 3-Point Contest in New Orleans last spring at the NCAA Div. I Men's Final Four and scored 2,392 points in her high school career.

Whitney Olson, a 5-foot-7 freshman guard from Cambridge-Isanti High School in Minnesota, scored 2,020 points in her high school career and was a four-time All-Conference performer. Morgan VanDerSloot, a 5-foot-10 freshman guard from Ida Grove, Iowa (Odebolt-Arthur/Battle Creek-Ida Grove HS) that was Iowa Class 2A First Team All-State last season averaging 16.8 points and six rebounds per game.

Wayne High School graduate Katie Hoskins, a 6-foot-1 forward, was an All-Mid States Conference selection in both volleyball and basketball for the Blue Devils, scoring 1,117 points in her career while averaging 11.3 points and 8.8 rebounds per game.

Rounding out the freshman class is Savannah Banks, a 5-foot-8 guard from Adams-Freeman High School, who started three seasons and earned All-Nebraska Pioneer

Conference honors.

"Our main strengths will be our ability to defend and offensively shoot the ball," stated Kielsmeier. "Our program has been built on defense and will continue to be. We have great shooters and I look for us to shoot the ball real consistent all year."

Under Kielsmeier last season, Wayne State again boasted one of the top defenses in NCAA Div. II, ranking 11th nationally in scoring defense while allowing just 54.9 points per game. Wayne State also ranked third in personal fouls per game, called for just 13.0 per contest. Offensively, the Wildcats ranked second in the nation last season in 3-point field goal percentage (.398) and was 11th in field goal percentage (.447).


"We want to get better at everything that we do every moment we have a chance," added Kielsmeier. "I want each individual player to work hard every day to get better, which in turn will make our team better."

Wayne State opens the 2012-13 season on Tuesday against York College in the friendly confines of Rice Auditorium, where the Wildcats have won 46 straight games and have not lost at home since February, 2009. Wayne State also has non-conference home games in November against William Penn and St. Ambrose of Iowa, along with a Dec. 31 home game against Chadron State.

The Wildcats open Northern Sun Conference play at conference preseason favorite Augustana College on Saturday, Dec. 1. The first home conference game is slated for Friday, Dec. 7 against NSIC newcomer University of Sioux Falls.

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Senior Amry Shelby (left) has been the leading scorer the last three years for the Wayne State men. Sophomore Ryan Rolfzen (right) is looking to be an outside threat for the Wildcats again this season.

(Herald file photos)

Seniors set to lead Wildcat men

Wayne State returns four starters and eight letter winners from last season's 10-17 squad that went 9-13 in the Northern Sun Conference for an eighth place finish to qualify for the post season tournament for the third straight season.

Six new recruits (one transfer, four freshmen and a sophomore) have been brought in by fourth-year head coach Paul Combs to bolster the roster while at the same time giving Wayne State the needed depth to compete in the rugged Northern Sun Conference.

"This year's team is the most experienced team we have had in our four years here at Wayne State," said Combs, who is 37-46 during his tenure at Wayne State. "We return a very solid nucleus of student-athletes who represent Wayne State College and the entire Wayne community in a first-class way. Our biggest challenges in the past have been the back-to-back games and not having the necessary experience and depth night in and night out. We feel confident with returning eight of our top 10, as well as the addition of our solid recruiting class, that we will continue to ride the momentum of last year's late season run."

The Wildcats won six of their last eight games last season and battled with NSIC regular-season champion Bemidji State in the first round of the NSIC Tournament before falling 57-53.

This year's Wildcat squad is picked to finish 10th in the Northern Sun Conference preseason coaches' poll, with 5-foot-11 senior guard Amry Shelby listed as the Wildcat Player to Watch in the NSIC this season.

Shelby has led Wayne State in scoring the last three seasons. He was a first-team All-NSIC selection in 2011-12 after averaging 15.4 points and 1.7 assists per game, shooting 41 percent from the field (.139-.339) and 81.2 percent at the free throw line (95-117) to rank fourth in the league in free throw percentage while also ranking eighth in steals (1.33). "Amry has been a rock for this program for the last three seasons and will be a three-time team captain," remarked Combs. "He is a tireless worker and has the great ability to make everyone around him better. Amry plays the game the right way and is fearless on the court. He is one of the top guards in all of Division II."

The other returning starters are 6-foot-4 senior forward Derrell Williams, 6-foot-1 junior guard Adol Aluong and 6-foot-5 sophomore forward Jordan Holdsworth.

Williams ranked second on the team in scoring last season with 11.8 points per game and was the team leader in rebounds averaging 6.7 per contest while shooting 47.5 percent from the field (112 of 236).

"Derrell plays multiple positions, guards any position on the court and is a leader for us both on and off the floor," stated Combs. "In my 14 years as a head coach, Derrell has squeezed more out of his game than anyone I have ever coached."

The other two returning starters are underclassmen in 6-foot-1 junior guard Adol Aluong and 6-foot-5 sophomore forward Jordan Holdsworth. Aluong is considered the top defender for the Wildcats and had a strong finish to the 2011-12 season, finishing with 3.3 points per game in 14 starts while Holdsworth averaged 1.8 points and 1.5 rebounds per game in 12 starts while appearing in 25 games. Aluong will miss the first part of this season due to an Achilles injury suffered in pre-season drills.

Three other returning letterwinners will have key roles for Wayne State this season as Ayrton Worthington, Ryan Rolfzen and Nick Wuebker all return for the 2012-13 season.

Worthington is a 6-foot-5 senior who averaged 2.2 points per game and recorded 21 steals for Wayne State last year.

"Ayrton has a motor that is contagious to the entire program and really made some excellent strides down the stretch last year," remarked Combs. "We expect Ayrton to play meaningful minutes all season and he will play a major role for us throughout the season," said Combs.

Rolfzen, a 6-foot-7 junior forward, came on strong at the end of last season and became a scoring threat from the perimeter, averaging 2.3 points and 1.2 rebounds per game while shooting 42 percent from the 3-point line.

Wuebker, a 6-foot-10 sophomore center, started nine games last season and was the team's fourth leading scorer at 3.8 points per game to go with 3.1 rebounds a contest. He missed six games due to an ankle injury last season, but when on the court shot 69.2 percent from the floor making 36 of 52 shots mostly inside the paint.

The group of six newcomers is headlined by junior college transfer LaTroy Wright, a 6-foot-4 guard

from Olney Central College in Illinois. Wright helped Olney to a 25-8 record last season, finishing first in the Great River Athletic Conference with a 12-4 league record. He averaged 9.3 points, 4, 8 rebounds and 3.3 assists per game while shooting 51 percent from the field and 73 percent at the charity stripe.

A talented group of four high school signings brings depth to the Wildcat roster with the addition of three guards and one forward.

Ben Galemmo is a 5-foot-11 point guard from nationally-known Moeller High School in Cincinnati, where he was a three-year starter and four-year letterwinner in basketball. He averaged 9.7 points, 4.1 assists and 2.3 steals per game last season and finished as the school's all-time leader in 3-point field goals.

Jake Cipolletti is a 6-foot guard who graduated from Scottsdale Christian Academy in Arizona and played one year at Lajolla Prep in San Diego, Calif., where he averaged 12 points per game and shot 46 percent from three point range.

Deondre White is a 6-foot-2 guard who graduated from Lincoln High School where he competed in basketball and track. White was named Class A All-State honorable mention and First Team All-Conference during his senior season as he averaged 11 points, four rebounds and four assists per game.

Will Nixon is a 6-foot-7, 195-pound forward from Plainfield South High School in Illinois where he was a three-year starter. Last season, Nixon averaged 10 points and eight rebounds per game, shooting 66 percent from the field while helping Plainfield South to the school's first-ever Southwest Prairie Conference

championship and the most regular season wins in school history.

Patrick Kurth, a 6-foot-9 center, joins the Wildcat program as a sophomore at Wayne State and played high school basketball at Sioux City North High School in Iowa where he averaged 8.6 points per game in his senior season.

"With the addition of transfer point guard LaTroy Wright and as tough of a competitor as we have ever recruited in freshman combo guard Ben Galemmo we believe our team has the pieces that will provide us the necessary support," remarked Combs. "Redshirt freshman Curtis Neely and freshman forward Will Nixon will gain valuable experience as well, providing us with depth as we enter conference play."

Wayne State opens the 2012-13 season on this weekend at the Southwest Baptist Tip-Off Classic in Bolivar, Mo. against Southwest Baptist. The Wildcats' first home game is set for Thursday, Nov. 15 when the Wildcats welcome in-state rival Nebraska-Kearney to Rice Auditorium with tip-off set for 7 p.m.

The Northern Sun Conference is loaded again this year with talent, as preseason favorite Winona State along with last year's NSIC Tournament champion from Southwest Minnesota State and St. Cloud State each earned preseason national rankings.

"When you play in the top NCAA Div. II league in the country, every game is big," commented Combs. "The NSIC will be as competitive this season as it has ever been and our program is looking forward to the challenge of taking the next step," stated Combs.

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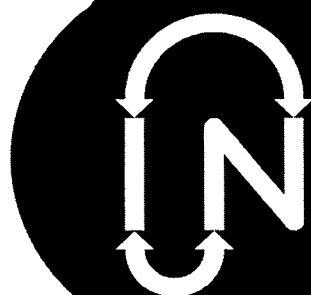
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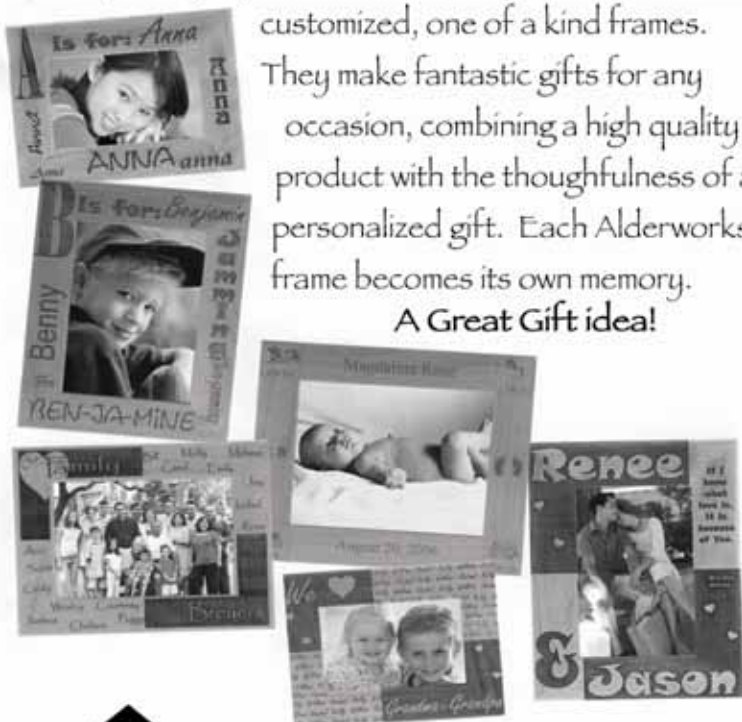
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Wildcats

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16 attack errors by the Mustangs in the third set. SMSU held a 13-12 lead midway through the third set, but Wayne State used four straight SMSU errors to take a 17-13 lead and another run of four straight Mustang attack errors put the set out of reach.

Southwest Minnesota State regained the momentum early in the fourth set, jumping out to an early 9-2 lead. The Mustangs still led 17-11, but Wayne State made things interesting with a late rally knotting the score at 22-22 on a Melanie Placke block. The two teams exchanged four points in a row for a 24-24 tie, but two Wildcat attack errors gave the Mustangs the match.

Hobbs registered her 12th double-double of the season to lead Wayne State with 15 kills and 16 digs while Hughes also recorded a double-double with 14 kills and 15 digs. Courtney VanGroningen notched a team-high 17 digs while Leisa McClintock handed out 34 set assists. Junior middle hitter Lexi Malm had nine blocks followed by Hobbs, Alex Armes and Placke with five apiece.

On Saturday, the Wildcats gave head coach Scott Kneifl his 200th career win with a convincing sweep at the University of Sioux Falls, winning 25-15, 25-19 and 25-13.

Wayne State outit Sioux Falls in the match .321-.079 with the Wildcats recording 45 kills to just 27 for the Cougars. The Wildcats had 40 digs to 25 for USF and held a commanding 10-1 advantage in blocks over the Cougars.

Hobbs had a big day for the Wildcats with 16 kills and 15 digs for her 13th double-double of the season, while Hughes also posted a double-double with 11 kills and 10 digs. VanGroningen added 11 digs while McClintock handed out 35 set assists.

Kneifl recorded his 200th career win in just his eighth season as head coach at Wayne State. He now sports an overall record of 200-68 and needs just 15 more wins to surpass Sharon Vanis (214-213 in 12 seasons from 1993-2004) for the most wins by a Wayne State College volleyball coach.

Wayne State, 20-8 overall and 12-6 in the NSIC, visit Upper Iowa Friday and Winona State Saturday.

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Alyssa Schmale tries to hit past a double block by Norfolk Catholic during Friday's district volleyball finals. (Photo by Michael Carnes)

Devils

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at set point, but the Knights rallied to tie the set at 24-24.

The Lady Knights came through with the play of the game in the first set, making an amazing save after a dig of a Wayne attack bounced off the basketball backboard near the top of the ceiling, and ended up taking the first set with the six-point rally.

After that, it was all Norfolk Catholic.

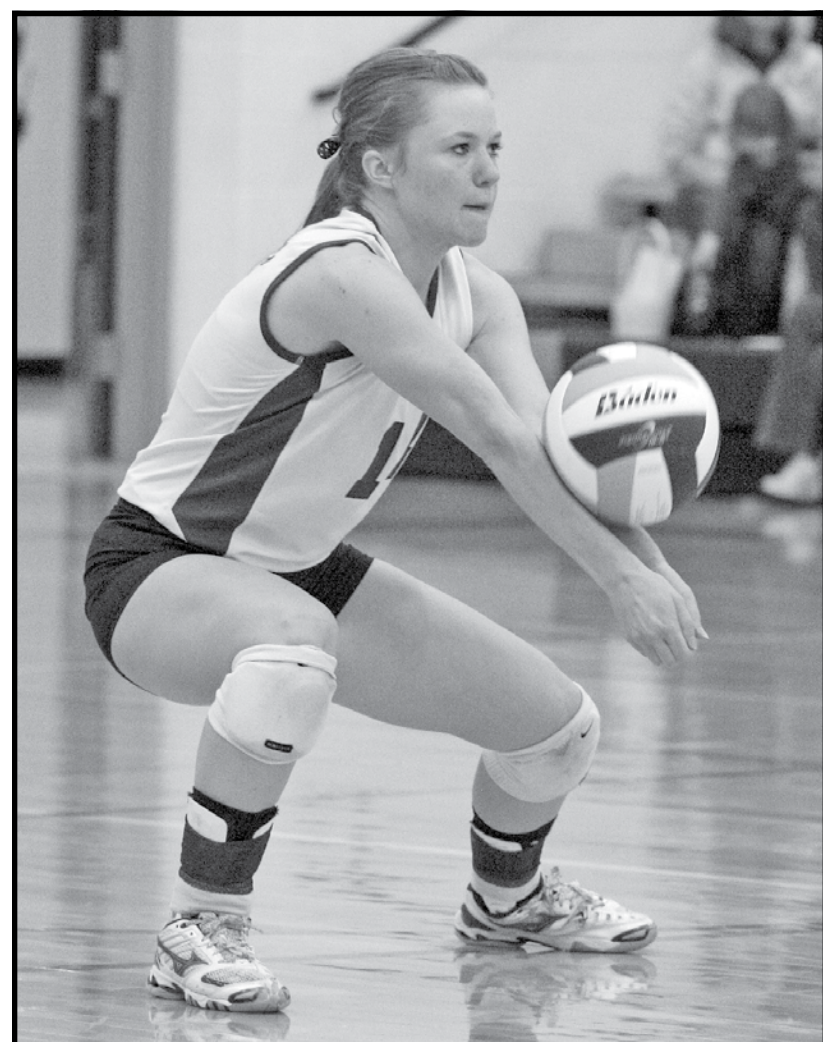
"I think we spent a lot of energy in that first game, but I thought if we take it, the energy's still there," Krusemark said. "Volleyball is really a game of momentum, and they got it at the end and scored the last six points (of the set), and it just takes a lot of energy to get back up after that."

Norfolk Catholic rode the wave of that first-set comeback and never let Wayne get into the match after that, making quick work of the Blue Devils to earn the trip to state and end Wayne's season at 16-16.

Burke led the net attack with five kills, while Sokol had four kills and two blocks, Frevert added four kills, Maxson had three and Paige Wacker put down two. Evetovich and Sydney McCorkindale each had nine assists, Evetovich and Meagan Backer both had two ace serves and Backer and Jessica Biermann each had 16 digs to lead the defense.

It was the final game for Wayne's four seniors – Maxson, Sokol, Burke and Biermann – and Krusemark was proud of the leadership those girls showed.

"All the seniors did a good job for us all year long," she said. "I was proud of how they played on the court and how they tried to get everybody there. Their heart was



Jessica Biermann digs a Norfolk Catholic attack during the Blue Devils' loss in the C1-4 district finals. (Photo by Michael Carnes)

there and it will be sad to see them go."

As for those returning next year, Krusemark said she hoped Friday's experience becomes the standard the team looks for every year in the future.

"We talked to the younger kids

about making this the norm at Wayne High," she said. "They know what the feeling is to get here now, and we haven't been here for a while and we've got to this step, and hopefully next year we can get back here and take that next step."

Ruggers

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dall and Haley Wright as Wayne State improved to 15-1 on the season.

Wayne State will head to New Jersey the weekend of Nov. 17-18 to play in the NSCRO semifinals, and

being a small club program going up against more established varsity programs is a challenge Barner says his team looks forward to.

"It will be work boots vs. Gucci bags, and these girls have been able to rise to the occasion against some

very established programs," Barner said. "We may be outmatched in terms of athleticism, but these are small-town girls playing with a lot of pride and I know those teams are going to be in for a big-time fight in the Final Four."

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Greg Tracy (left) and Sklyer Lippman were the leading runners for Wayne State during the Div. II Central Regional Championships in Joplin, Mo.

WSC runners end season at regional

JOPLIN, Mo. – The Wayne State College men's cross country team placed 23rd and the women finished 24th Saturday at the NCAA Div. II Central Region Cross Country Championships.

In the men's race, junior Garang Lual, who had led the team for much of the season, had to pull out of the race due to injury. Greg Tracy finished as the top Wildcat runner, placing 120th out of 163 runners with a time of 33:39 on the 10,000-meter course.

Other Wayne State finishers included Nathan Boggess (155th, 35:59), Misael Azpeitia (156th,

36:02), Jared Balady (157th, 36:27), and Jared Meister (163rd, 38:53).

Augustana captured the team title with 31 points, well ahead of second place Missouri Southern's 98 points. Other national qualifying teams included Minnesota State (108) and Southwest Baptist (116).

The Wayne State College women's team was led by Sklyer Lippman, who ran the 6,000-meter course in 24:50 to finish 142nd out of 179 runners.

Other finishers for Wayne State were Holli Er-

ickson (149th, 25:08), Elizabeth Holmes (161st, 25:41), Laura Camacho (168th, 25:58), Makael Lanum (169th, 26:05), Natasha Jensen (170th, 26:14) and Amber Hurlbert (177th, 29:05).

Defending NCAA Div. II national champion Augustana repeated as the team champion with 28 points to easily outdistance second-place Winona State with 108 points. Other teams that qualified for the NCAA Div. II nationals included the University of Mary (150), Missouri Southern (160) and Pittsburg State (162).

Sports Shorts

Volleyball No. 16 in coaches poll

The Wayne State volleyball team remained at No. 16 in this week's AVCA Div. II coaches poll.

The Wildcats lost a four-set match to top-ranked Southwest Minnesota State and beat University of Sioux Falls to improve to 20-8 on the season. They are one of nine Central Region teams and five Northern Sun Conference schools in this week's top 25.

Northern Sun Conference schools include top-ranked Southwest Minnesota State, No. 2 Concordia-St. Paul, No. 5 Minnesota Duluth, Wayne State and No. 22 Minnesota State. Other Central Region schools include No. 3 Washburn, No. 4 Nebraska-Kearney, No. 6 Central Missouri and No. 13 Truman.

Martin is NSIC Player of the Week

Max Martin of Wayne State was named the Northern Sun Conference Special Teams Player of the Week following his play in Saturday's 17-14 Wildcat win at Upper Iowa.

A 5-foot-10, 195-pound senior placekicker from Sioux City, Martin booted a 47-yard field goal with 2:13 remaining to give Wayne State the win. It was his second game-winning kick this season, both on the

road, and the fourth in the last two seasons. Earlier this season, Martin connected on a 42-yard field goal with :35 left, giving the Wildcats a 20-17 win at Bemidji State on Sept. 15.

For the season, Martin is a perfect 34-for-34 on PAT kicks and 12-of-17 on field goals. He ranks first in the NSIC in PAT kick percentage, ranks third with 12 field goals made and is fifth in kick scoring with 70 points, averaging 7 points per game.

It's the first time this season and third time in his career that Martin has received NSIC Player of the Week honors.

Gray earns NCA all-state honors

Winside cross country runner Mackenzie Gray was named to the Nebraska Coaches Association's Class All-State girls cross country team.

A sophomore for the Wildcats, Gray earned a third-place medal at last month's state cross country meet. It is her second state medal in as many years, as she finished 10th as a freshman.

Two earn NSIC postseason nods

Wayne State landed two players on the 2012 Northern Sun Conference Women's Soccer All-Confer-

ence team, as McKenna Adams collected third-team honors while Macy Hagen was named honorable mention.

Adams, a 5-foot-6 sophomore forward from Springfield, Mo., led the Wildcats in scoring this season with 18 points on seven goals and four assists. In NSIC games, she recorded six goals and four assists for 16 points to also lead the team in scoring. Adams ranked sixth in league games in shots (47) and shots per game (3.13), was tied for seventh in goals scored with six and was 10th

in points per game at 1.07.

Hagen, a 5-foot-7 junior defender from Bellevue, started all 18 games for the Wildcats this season and had one goal on eight shots from her defender position. She has started all but one game in her three years with the Wildcats and served as co-captain this season recording eight shots with four shots on goal.

The Wildcats finished the 2012 season with a record of 3-14-1 overall, going 3-11-1 in Northern Sun Conference play. Wayne State had no seniors on the 2012 roster.

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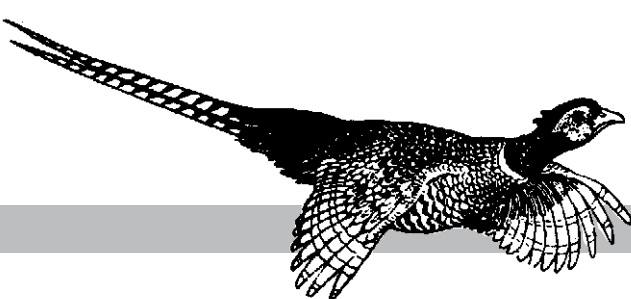
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Opinion

Don't get me started

By: Michael Carnes
Managing Editor

Not a victim, but a survivor

Six months ago, I was in a funk.

I'm not going to lie to you – I was in a state of depression that I had not experienced in quite some time. In fact, since my arrival in Wayne, life for me has been about as upbeat and positive as it has been in a long, long time.

Six years ago, when I had to take a sabbatical from the newspaper business to address some personal issues, getting up and going to work every day was brutal. I had to literally force myself to get out of bed (or get up off the couch on the nights when I just fell asleep there) to go to my job, and the end of the workday couldn't come fast enough for me to go back home, lay back down on the couch and wallow in my black hole.

This most recent experience wasn't THAT bad – but it was heading down that same path.

What was bothering me was the feeling I had that I needed to do something to help people who, like me, have had to live with the memory of being sexually assaulted by another individual. The Jerry Sandusky controversy that took place at Penn State University late last year had rekindled some memories for me, and I wanted to help people realize that there is a way out of the darkness and living with a victim's mentality doesn't need to be a part of their daily lives, as it once was for me.

I took a much-needed vacation this past summer and enjoyed a week's retreat at my best friend's house in suburban Denver. Kevin Dill and I have been best friends since junior high school and have been through a lot in our individual lives, and I knew a few days hanging out with the most creative individual that I know would spark something.

Shortly before I left, the heat wave that gripped the Midwest was beginning to make its presence felt. No-where was it more felt than in Kevin's house – his air conditioning had gone out the day before my arrival, and it would be a while before they could get somebody to come by and fix it (evidently, it was an epidemic in Denver).

Late one night, the heat must have hit me pretty hard, because I was awakened by a voice that demanded something:

"Write the book."

The result of that late-night, heat-induced voice is "Call Me A Survivor," a book I have written about my life and my experience in not only being a victim of sexual assault, but finding a way to change the negative of being a victim of this horrible crime, to being a survivor of it and offering readers some thoughts on how they can make that transformation.

Before my arrival here in Wayne, I was undergoing some major changes in my state of mind. I was tired of living in the aura of negativity, much of which was brought on by my experience as a 9-year-old boy in Newman Grove, when I was attacked behind the local swimming pool.

Kevin helped me change my way of thinking, and over the course of the last few years I have come to accept this event as a part of my life and have learned to view this experience in a manner that can help me benefit others.

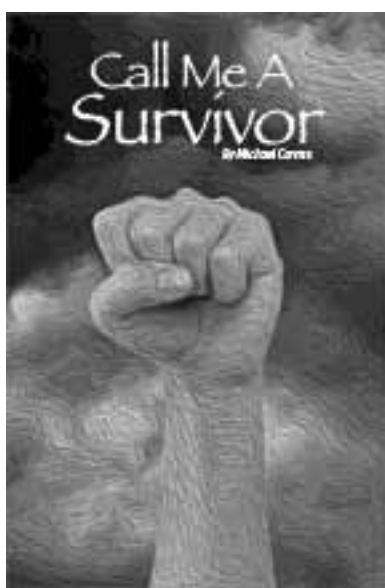
I've written about my experience several times over the years, and it never ceases to amaze me how many people are out there, still hurting years after their own experience. Some have spoken to me in confidence about their experiences, and many have told me that I was the first person, outside their immediate family, that they have mentioned this to.

We all have varying comfort levels when it comes to talking about personal experiences like this, but the one thing I hope this book helps people realize is that, even if you aren't willing to talk about it, it is never anything you should be ashamed of. You are not the one at fault, and the fact that you were able to experience it and come out of it alive proves that you are a survivor and you can rise above the experience.

There's an old saying that God doesn't make any junk, and that's certainly true when it comes to those of us who are survivors of sexual assault. We are not the flawed ones in this moment in our lives, and we should never look upon ourselves in that manner.

"Call Me A Survivor" is available for Amazon Kindle, and print versions are available on Amazon.com or the Create Space website at <https://www.createspace.com/4049673>. It was a challenging experience for me to document my life, but has also been a great opportunity for me to show people that there is a way out of the darkness.

I'm happy to say I'm a survivor, not a victim, of sexual assault. I hope those who read this book and have been through this experience will come to that realization as well.



Capitol View

Means had activity in Nebraska

By J.L. SCHMIDT
Statehouse Correspondent
The Nebraska Press Association

It was mid-January 1973 when a group of American Indians and Latinos gathered at the Southeast Recreation Center in Scottsbluff for a "Unity Conference." The catalyst for the Friday-Saturday event escapes me now, but it seemed like a good idea to the organizers. As a journalist, it was one of those awkward "how is this year going to evolve" times, so I decided to attend.

Dennis Banks, Vernon Bellecourt and Russell Means were there to explain an organization called the American Indian Movement. Folks like Leroy Casados, then of Alliance, and John Twobirds Arbuckle, then of Lincoln, were also there. I met them all and began what would be an oft tumultuous, if not interesting, relationship. Speeches, discussions, debate. Raised voices, accusations, a call for action.

A Saturday night celebration went bad somewhere along the way and Means wound up in the Scotts Bluff County Jail in Gering. He bonded out shortly after noon on Sunday, January 14, 1973, to a jeering crowd that decided to convene again at the rec center. The media asked for a delayed time for a press conference since it was the Sunday of Super Bowl VII and news would have to wait. The Miami Dolphins capped an undefeated season and beat the Washington Redskins 14-7 that afternoon.

Then news broke out. Means and his friends announced they were going to occupy the building. Really, the occupy movement happened 39 years ago? In Western Nebraska? We reported it and it grew. On Monday another media availability was offered. But, at Means' suggestion, I was "thrown out." Actually, a couple of really big scary looking guys told me to leave the building and I did. I don't remember why. Probably something wrong with a headline (that I didn't write) in the paper, or something.

By midweek the occupation was over and the participants had moved on. Rumor had it they went north and pow-wowed somewhere near Calico, South Dakota. Weeks later there was an incident at the courthouse in Custer that was blamed on the group. By March, the movement had solidified and the Second Battle of Wounded Knee was in the works.

Legislative Update

Remembering one of 'God's lights'

By the time most of you read this, the election will be over and I will have won or lost. The outcome of the election will have no bearing on the



But what do we know of Russell Means? He was just over 30 when I met him. Born in South Dakota, raised in San Francisco. He was handsome, almost Hollywood handsome and had the looks and the actions that would later land him a role in two movies and a TV show or two. Means was well-read and well-spoken and said things that made sense to America in the 1970s. He decried the use of Native American names for sports teams – saying that such terms insulted Native Americans. Ironic that the Dolphins beat the Redskins the day this all started to play out.

Means said that AIM was founded in the late 1960s to protest the U.S. government's treatment of Native Americans and demand that government honor its treaties with Indian tribes. Means told the AP in 2011 that before AIM, there had been no advocate on a national or international scale for American Indians, and that Native Americans were ashamed of their heritage. The movement eventually faded away, the result of Native Americans becoming self-aware and self-determined, he said.

I attended a sacred piercing ceremony in Pine Ridge sometime after the series of events that led to the second Wounded Knee incident. Means and other young Native Americans fasted for three days and spent most of their time in a sweat lodge until the Sunday morning piercing. During the actual ceremony, a tribal holy man pierces the skin on the participant's breast with a piece of bone attached to a long thin leather strap that is tethered to a tall pole. Participants then stare at the sun and blow on sage whistles and gradually pull back until they can pull hard enough that the bone pulls out of the puncture.

Most fall to the ground after the ordeal and the holy man heals the wound (with a handful of dirt), which always leaves a fierce scar. It is a purification right of sorts and one in which Means participated. He said he was respecting the native ways.

Although he was a suspect in several murders on the reservation, Means was never convicted. He once ran for the presidential nomination on the Libertarian Party ticket and also briefly served as a

vice presidential candidate in 1984, joining the Larry Flint ticket during the Hustler magazine publisher's unsuccessful bid for the Republican nomination.

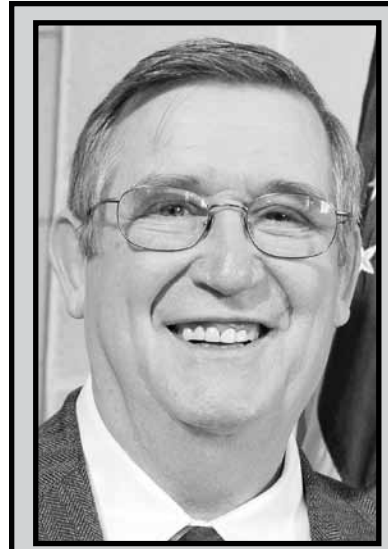
He spent his final days on his ranch near Porcupine, SD, battling throat cancer (using traditional Native remedies) and died on Monday, October 22.

NEXT WEEK: The second battle of Wounded Knee.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Native American activist Russell Means died October 22 at his home near Porcupine, S.D. The 72-year-old was no stranger to Nebraskans and once said he thought it would be safer to be a dog in a Nebraska community that bordered the Indian reservation than to be a Native American. Capitol Correspondent J.L. Schmidt met Means 39 years ago and often reported on incidents involving the flamboyant spokesman for the American Indian Movement. Schmidt takes a look at Means' involvement and what it meant to the Native American culture. One installment will be featured for each of the next three weeks.



"HEY, SHE GOT EVERYONE TO STOP TALKING ABOUT THE ELECTION!"



Legislative Update

By Dave Bloomfield
State Senator, District 17

some point it seems to touch us all.

The world is a little darker this week, one of God's lights has gone out here on earth, but Heaven must be a little brighter.

I believe that I have mentioned before that I was quite young (8 years old and the youngest of five) when my father passed away. I was blessed with an exceptional mother, but also with a neighborhood of fine people who helped mother keep "an eye" on all of us as we grew up. Chief among these, at least to me, was a WWII veteran, the recipient of the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star, a man by the name of Lynn Birkley.

I remember, as a boy, climbing on his lap and Lynn, at that time in his mid-30s, didn't seem to mind. I learned a great number of life's lessons from this kind, gentle war hero. One of the most important lessons I think is that it was OK for

men to enjoy flowers and to learn to and even enjoy cooking.

Other lessons he taught I have strayed from (from time to time), like swearing doesn't really help, raising your voice in a disagreement doesn't make you more right or that winning a fight doesn't necessarily mean that you were correct. I think too, (though mother reinforced it) that is probably where I learned that there are things that are worth fighting and sacrificing for. I remember two items that I received for high school graduation – one was a letter from my brother Dan, who was at that time away from home serving in the Army; and the other was a "button down" collar shirt from Lynn.

Lynn Birkley passed away on Oct. 26, 2012. The last time I had the chance to visit with him and his wife Edna, was at a coffee last spring in Ponca. Lynn told me that he was proud that I was serving as state senator, and I told him again that I appreciated his guidance and support while I was growing up. What I did not tell him, and this is the point of this letter, is that I loved him. I wish I had.

My point to you, and no it has nothing to do with the Legislature, is that if there is someone who means a great deal to you, tell them, don't wait until it is too late. We enjoy a promise from Christ of "life everlasting", but not on this earth. You don't know when you or someone you care for might depart this life, so tell them now, while you can.

The loss of Lynn leads to another subject, which I touched on last week. Sunday, Nov. 11 is Veterans Day. We probably don't pay enough attention to this day. It seems that we have, as a nation, gotten better

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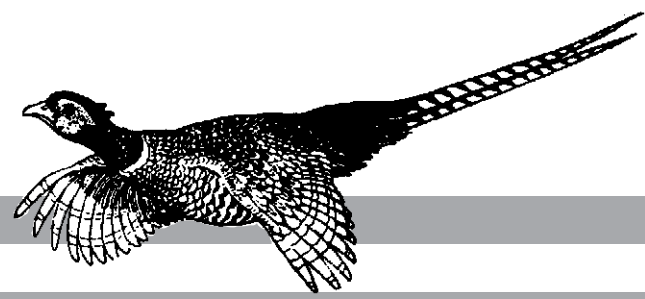


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Family holidays: History or hassle?

It is hard to believe that the holiday season is right around the corner.

Holidays can establish traditions, strengthen family ties, and set milestones in the passage of time. But holidays also contribute to family stress. Routines change, expectations soar, and long-term problems of loneliness, family conflicts, or economic stress can seem worse.

Keeping your holiday simple doesn't mean ignoring your family's traditions. Instead, you may discover and strengthen what is most important about your family history.

As a grandparent, you might feel the pull of wanting to preserve old routines and traditions (we've always met at our house on Thanksgiving and yours for Christmas Eve), even while realizing that new patterns would be better for you and your family (gathering the week before at your daughter's would mean less meal preparation for you and less travel with toddlers for her). Letting go and making changes can be difficult. To manage the hassle and strengthen family ties, consider these ideas.

Talk about feelings. Many families don't really talk about their feelings; they only suppose they know what the other party must be thinking. Have a family discussion by phone, mail, or in person to decide what's important in your holiday traditions. Talk about why some traditions are especially important to each of you.

Cooperate. Consider new ways to



Angela Abts
Dakota County Extension Educator

keep the traditions that mean the most to everyone. A newly married couple may love having a chance to entertain the family at a holiday dinner. Teenagers might organize a family gift exchange drawing.

Pass on a special tradition as a gift such as a family making copies of all the stories, poems, and songs that were part of their family's holiday history for the next generation to continue the traditions.

Create new ways to share old traditions. Consider visits at a new

time. Your family could look forward to a January visit rather than one during the most stressful holiday period. A grandchild might enjoy your pre-holiday visit to attend a special performance.

Use family history in your gift giving. Write stories about your childhood or your children's growing up years. Give a small heirloom with a written history as a gift. Choose a few old photos and accompany them with a story about the events and people shown.

Give the gift of caring; it keeps on giving year round. To have a caring family holiday, consider the changing needs of family members. Keep the best of the old while you build new family history.

Another resource available from UNL Extension with helpful ideas to use during the holiday season to strengthen your relationships is Family Treasures. There are several activities based on the six qualities identified through the American Family Strengths Inventory by Dr. DeFrain and Dr. Nick Stinnett. For more information about strengthening families and resources, please contact the University of Nebraska Lincoln Extension Office in your local county or visit the website at www.extension.unl.edu

School Lunches

ALLEN (Nov. 12-16)
Lunch prices: grades K-6 - \$1.85; grades 7-12 - \$2.10; breakfast: \$1.35
Monday: Breakfast — Breakfast pizza, juice. Lunch — Teriyaki chicken, rice, strawberries, apples, broccoli, tea roll, carrots.
Tuesday: Breakfast — Oatmeal, juice, donut. Lunch — Turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes, roll.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Cereal, apple, toast. Lunch — Breaded pork patty, green beans, spinach leaves, garbanzo beans, pears, peaches.
Thursday: Breakfast — Late Start - no breakfast. Lunch — Hamburger, bun, sweet potato fries, lettuce leaves, tomato slices, onions, applesauce, strawberries, cookie.
Friday: Breakfast — Cereal, fruit, egg patty. Lunch — Pizza, Romaine lettuce, tomatoes, carrots, broccoli, radishes, peaches, grapes, cookie.
 Milk served with breakfast and lunch. Menu subject to change.

LAUREL-CONCORD/COLERIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Nov. 12-16)
Monday: LC Breakfast — Biscuits and gravy. LC Lunch — Breaded pork, potatoes, green beans, peaches. MS Breakfast — Breakfast bites. MS Lunch — Hamburgers, oven browned potatoes, steamed broccoli.
Tuesday: LC Breakfast — Waffle sticks. LC Lunch — Chicken noodle soup, cheese bread, broccoli salad, oranges. MS Breakfast — Muffins. MS Lunch — Corn dog, macaroni and cheese, green beans, fruit.
Wednesday: LC Breakfast — Breakfast bar. LC Lunch — Tacos, lettuce salad, pineapple. MS Breakfast — Cinnamon roll. MS Lunch — Taverns, peas, carrots, tortilla chips, rice krispy bar.
Thursday: LC Breakfast — Cereal. LC Lunch — Thanksgiving dinner. MS Breakfast — Ham and cheese combo bar. MS Lunch — Thanksgiving dinner.
Friday: LC Breakfast — Pancakes. LC Lunch — Hamburgers, seasoned potato wedges, peas. MS Breakfast — Breakfast pizza. MS Lunch — Walking tacos with corn chips, refried beans, fresh orange slices.
 Orange juice, skim milk, fruit, yogurt and salad bar are served daily. All menus subject to change.

WAKEFIELD (Nov. 12-16)
Monday: Breakfast — Late start - no breakfast. Lunch — Rib patty, homemade bun, baked beans, bananas.
Tuesday: Breakfast — Pretzels, cheese sauce, bananas. Lunch — Chili, cheese fries, whole grain roll, apricots.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Pancake on a stick, apricots. Lunch — Chicken noodle soup, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, applesauce.
Thursday: Breakfast — Waffles, orange juice. Lunch — Ham and Swiss casserole, peas, whole grain roll, frozen peaches.
Friday: Breakfast — Fruited apple juice. Lunch — Turkey, mashed potatoes, whole grain roll, pumpkin pie. Milk and cereal served with breakfast. Juice or fruit offered everyday. Milk is served with every meal.

WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Nov. 12-16)
Monday: Chicken patty with whole grain bun, broccoli, squash, peaches.
Tuesday: Barbecue ribs with whole grain bun, baked beans, cauliflower, pineapple.
Wednesday: Creamed turkey, mashed potatoes, whole grain dinner roll, celery, apricots.
Thursday: Whole grain stromboli, Romaine lettuce, cherry tomatoes, apricots. High School - whole grain dinner roll.
Friday: Sloppy Joe with whole grain bun, carrots, green beans, orange. Chef salad is optional. Milk served with every meal.

WINSIDE (Nov. 12-16)
Lunch prices: K-6 - \$2.35; 7-12 - \$2.60; milk and juice - \$.35
Monday: Breakfast — Egg taco. Lunch — Chicken nuggets, green beans, sweet potato fries, pineapple.
Tuesday: Breakfast — French toast. Lunch — Teriyaki chicken, rice, oriental vegetables, fruit cocktail.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Bagels. Lunch — Chili, cinnamon roll, cooked carrots, peas.
Thursday: Breakfast — Pancake. Lunch — Hot dog on bun, broccoli, pepper strips, mandarin oranges.
Friday: Breakfast — Omelet. Lunch — Quesadillas, lettuce, peas, peaches. 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.

Close to Home



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"Why should I list my house for sale yet this fall?" Fall is a wonderful time to list your home. This fall has been especially busy for me with buyers and sellers! Even though everyone, including home buyers and sellers, are starting to become busy with the holiday's activities, here are 5 great reasons why listing and selling a home before the end of the year could benefit you the seller:

1. Home buyers are more serious when looking at purchasing a home in the winter months & you can always ask to close after the holidays. I have had two listings go under contract just in the last two weeks.
 2. Decorations can make even the most basic home more appealing during the holiday season and can attract more home buyers.
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Eagles Auxiliary plan future events at club

The Wayne Eagles Auxiliary met Nov. 5 with President Marsha Roth presiding.

The Aerie announced that starting Nov. 7, a new Poker League will be held at the Aerie. Registration begins at 6:30 p.m., and play starting at 7. This event is open to members and the public, also. This is a free league and will last 13 weeks. Information can be obtained by calling the Aerie at (402) 375-9956 or Scott Brummond at (402) 375-0747.

Thanks were given to the members for their donations and work at the Harvest Breakfast held Oct. 27.

Thanksgiving will be celebrated with a Pot Luck supper on Saturday, Nov. 17 at 7 p.m. Members are asked to bring one meat dish and one other dish. Everyone is encouraged to bring family members and guests. A container will be available for Wayne Food Pantry items to be collected the previous week.

Initiated into membership was Makayla Frye. The auxiliary's goal is to add 12 new members for the year and several more are needed to reach this goal.

Soup suppers will begin on Thursday, Nov. 29 and be held on Dec. 6 and 13. Food donations and workers are needed.

A donation will be made to the Les Keenan Benefit which was held earlier. A generous check was also given to the Diabetes Fund by a member of the auxiliary.

Serving lunch at the meeting was Julie Addison.

The next meeting will be held Monday, Nov. 19 at 7 p.m. Check

out the auxiliary's website on Facebook. Just search Wayne Eagles with the flag emblem, and join the rest of our friends.

Senior Center Congregate Meal Menu

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Monday: Swiss steak with gravy, stewed tomatoes and onion, scalloped potatoes, beets, whole wheat dinner roll and Promise, frozen strawberries.
Tuesday: Turkey stack with turkey gravy, mashed potatoes with skins, frozen broccoli, whole wheat fresh bread and Promise, canned applesauce.
Wednesday: Sliced beef, roasted Russet potatoes with skins, frozen Key Largo vegetables, whole wheat dinner roll and Promise, canned mandarin oranges.
Thursday: Creamed chicken over a biscuit, frozen mixed vegetables, shredded lettuce with carrots and Dorothy Lynch, Promise, apricot halves.
Friday: Tater tot casserole with frozen green beans, frozen peas and carrots, whole wheat fresh bread and Promise, canned peaches, cottage cheese.

Leather and Lace set for Nov. 9

Leather and Lace will dance to Chuck Veldhuizen on Friday Nov. 9 at the Carroll City Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. It will be a Veterans Dance.

All members are reminded to bring snacks for the evening. The hostess for the evening and couple in charge of beverages will be Vernon Bauermeister and Candance Schrag.

Their were 28 dancers and six visitors at the last dance. Split the pot went to Jonathan and Art Escalante, Shery Baer and Candance Schrag. The free pass went to Janet Mansfield. Single Wheelers got their banner back and took Leather and Lace banner. Since the dance, Leather and Lace retrieved their banner to have for the Nov. 9 dance. Spectators are always welcome.

Birthday



Evonne Magnuson

Open house for Magnuson 90th

Evonne Magnuson of Laurel will observe her 90th birthday with an open house on Saturday, Nov. 10.

The event will be held from 2-4 p.m. at the Laurel Senior Citizens Center (lower level of the Laurel City Auditorium). The Husker football game will be on TV.

Hosting the celebration will be her children, Diane and Jim Tindall, Dale and Beth Magnuson and Denise Magnuson. She also has four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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Quilt donation

Members of the Grace Lutheran Church Sewing/Quilting group recently presented 10 quilts to the Northeast Nebraska Chapter of the American Red Cross. Darlene Sieh sewed the majority of the quilts before the group got together to tie them. Involved in the presentation of the quilts were (left) Esther Brader, Milly Thomsen, Ruth Victor, Melvy Meyer, Mary Lou George (Red Cross Volunteer), Esther Baker, Norma Tietz and Lee Larsen (back) Mary Lou Erxleben, Darlene Johnson. The group has also made quilt donations to NorthStar, Haven House, Orphan Grain Train and Rescue Mission and the Norfolk Veterans Home.

WSC students to collect food for pantries

Wayne State College students in a Social Welfare class, under the direction of Dr. Todd Greene, are participating in a Service-Learning project to inform the public about National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness efforts. As part of the project, students will conduct a campus and a community food drive for local food pantries, Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 14-15, from 12-6 p.m..

Students will collect donations from patrons to put in a van at Shopko on Wednesday, Nov. 14 and at Pac 'N' Save on Thursday, Nov. 15. Both days the students will collect donations with the goal of cramming the van full of items to be donated to the local Wayne food pantry.

This project is a Service-Learning effort for students. Institutional funding provides support for Service-Learning at Wayne State College.

The annual "Cram the Van" community collection drive helps local food pantries and Northeast Nebraska Community Action partnership provide food and goods to needy families in the area.

Hunger and Homelessness is a national awareness campaign to address poverty issues. It takes place each year in November.

Dr. Jean Karlen, professor of Sociology, began a WSC Cram the Van to help stock the food pantry several years ago, and this tradition has been carried forward by Greene.

People are urged to help "cram the van" with donations of food, clothing, personal hygiene items, and other household non-perishables. Sociology students will be on hand to distribute information flyers and collect donations.

Monica White, Family Services Coordinator for Northeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership in Wayne is helping organize the event with the sociology class.

For more information, contact Dr. Todd Greene, Assistant Professor of Sociology at Wayne State (402) 375-7296 or Monica White at (402) 385-6300.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Those taking part in packaging of the soap and other supplies were Don and Judy Koenig, Dave Anderson, Pat and Ron Carnes, Darrell and Cynthia Miller, Duane Blomenkamp, Rowan and Twila Wiltse and Barb Heier.

Hundreds donate soap for little hands

Throughout the month of October, churches in Wayne collected soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes for the children in the U.S. who live along the Mexican border in the lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas.

Churches involved included Grace Lutheran, St. Mary's Catholic, First United Methodist, Our Savior Lutheran, United Presby-

terian, Journey Christian, First Baptist, Evangelical Free and Praise Assembly of God.

In the four years this project has been in existence, the local churches have been able to provide soap and other items to more than 900 young people each year.

New this year, the congregation of Our Savior Lutheran Church con-

ducted an Undies Sunday on Oct. 27-28 and collected numerous pairs of new, children's underwear.

Missions that have been served in the past include Meadowlark Ministries, His Hands Ministries and Christo Rey Church and Mission.

All the supplies gathered will be delivered before Christmas.

Winside UMC to host roast beef dinner

Winside United Methodist Church will hold their annual Roast Beef dinner on Sunday Nov. 11 from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the church.

Carry outs are available by calling (402) 286-4914 or (402) 286-4481. The general public is invited to take part in this event.

Baptism

Gracie June Janke

Gracie June Janke, infant daughter of Michael and Cammy Janke of Winside, received the holy sacrament of baptism on Nov. 4, 2012 at Winside United Methodist Church by Pastor Judy Carlson.

Serving as witnesses were Gracie's uncle and aunt, Ryan and Linden DeBoer of Odebolt, Iowa. Rose Janke, Lay Leader for the church, presented her with a prayer shawl and certificate of membership. Patty Skokan, representing the Sunday School, presented Gracie with her first children's Bible.

A family dinner was held afterward at the church. Grandparents are Drexel and Trudy Cushing and Carl and Mary Paustian all of Hoskins and Craig and Tonya Janke of Pilger. Great-grandparents are Rose Janke and Don and Nancy Landanger of Winside. Gracie has a brother Paxton and sister Madilyn. She was born July 3, 2012.

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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.

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