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## Wayne native, coaching legend passes away

### Cancer claims coaching guru Meyer, 69, Sunday

By MICHAEL CARNES  
Of The Herald

One of the legends in the history of college athletics, with a tie to the Wayne community, has passed away.

Wayne native and coaching legend Don Meyer lost his battle with cancer early Sunday morning, dying at his home in Aberdeen, S.D. at the age of 69.

"He won his greatest victory and is now running again and gearing up to pitch nine innings," the Meyer family said in a statement released not long after his passing. "The family appreciates the outpouring of love, prayers and concern."

Meyer was remembered by two former Wayne State coaches, not only as a great coach, but a great teacher of the game and a good friend as well.

"I first met Coach Meyer early in my career at Wayne State when he was back in Wayne to see his family," current Creighton coach Greg McDermott told The Wayne Herald. "I fondly recall the many hours we spent talking basketball. I learned a great deal from him the last 20 years. He was a remarkable human being that always put others first. College basketball lost a giant."

Former coach Rico Burkett added, "It was a pleasure to compete against Coach Meyer during my time at Wayne State. He was an unbelievable teacher, coach and role model for both players and coaches. He not only taught the game of basketball, but - more

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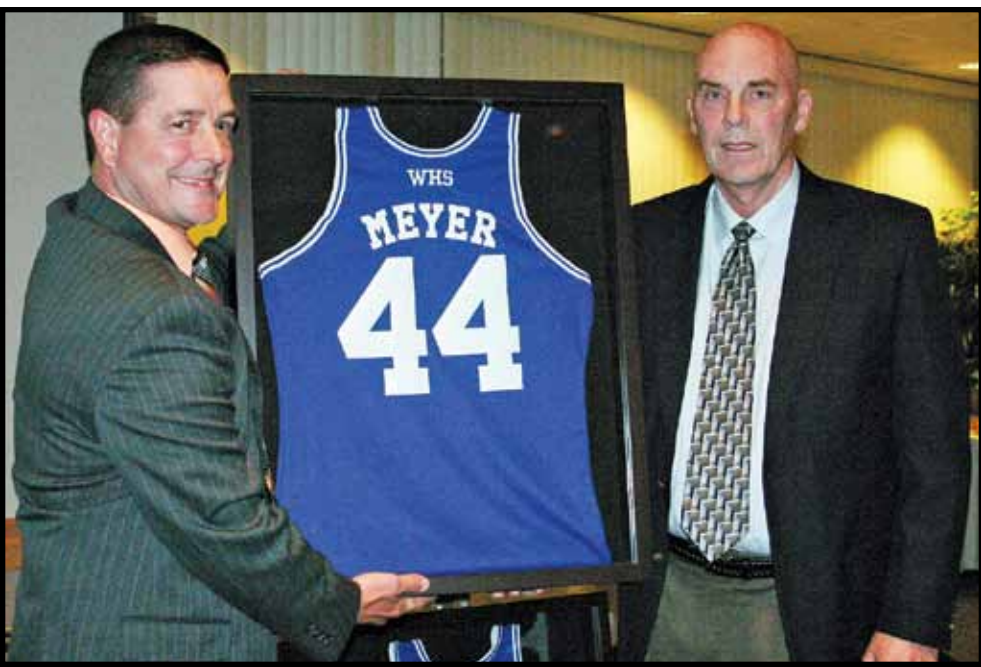
- Greg McDermott  
Creighton coach and former WSC coach

importantly - life skills. His ability to deal with adversity and the courage and perseverance through his own life lessons is a unbelievable guide for all to follow. His presence will be greatly missed!"

Meyer was born in Wayne and grew up on a small farm. A 1963 graduate of Wayne High School, Meyer was a standout in football, basketball and baseball before continuing his athletic career at the University of Northern Colorado. He earned NABC All-American honors during his senior year in basketball and had a 22-2 record as a pitcher in three seasons on the UNC varsity baseball team.

Meyer began his coaching career as an assistant at Western State in 1968 and had a career record of 923-324 during his 37-year career as a head coach, coaching at NCAA Div. III Hamline, NAIA Lipscomb and finishing his career at Div. II Northern State Uni-

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(Herald file photo)

Legendary coach and Wayne High graduate Don Meyer (right), who passed away Sunday at the age of 69, had his high school basketball jersey retired when he was honored at Wayne High's athletic banquet in 2011. Athletic director Rocky Ruhl holds up the framed jersey.



(Photos by Michael Carnes)

### All smiles for graduates

It was graduation day this past weekend for students at Wayne and Wakefield. (above) The last group of Wayne High kids from Carroll who started their education at the old elementary school gathered for a group photo before getting their diplomas in Saturday's ceremony at Wayne State College. From left are Molly Burbach, Derek Davis, Chantel Martin, Kody Frahm and Jaci Jenkins. (right) Kristyna Muller gives her graduation day two thumbs up as she and her Wakefield classmates head down the hall prior to Sunday's graduation ceremonies.



## Public input sought on new pool

By CLARA OSTEN  
Of the Herald

For more than two years, a group of citizens from Wayne and the surrounding area have been meeting and scouring over designs in an attempt to determine what type of swimming facility the city of Wayne should offer to its area residents.

The City Swimming Pool Committee will be conducting an informational meeting on Thursday, May 29 at 7 p.m. at the Community Activity Center, 901 West Seventh St., in Wayne. The public is encouraged to attend to gain additional information and express thoughts on the proposed pool.

Members of the Wayne Aquatic Center Committee include Heather Claussen, B.J. Woehler, Jodi Pulfer, Tammy Evetovich, Jeff Carstens, Jill Walling, Nick Hochstein, Chad Maas, Betty McGuire and Alex Koch.

"During the past two years we have looked at a number of options, including renovating the existing pool and bath house, building a new pool at the location of the current pool, building an indoor/outdoor facility at the Community Activity Center and building an outdoor facility at the Community Activity Center," Claussen, chairman of the committee, said.

After considerable discussion, including presentations to the Wayne City Council, the committee - with assistance from JEO



(Contributed photo)

This engineer's rendering of what the new pool would look like at the Community Activity Center. A public hearing on the new design is set for next week.

Consulting - developed a proposal for a pool to be located near the Community Activity Center with a number of features not currently available at the Wayne pool.

They include a zero-depth entry, toddler slide and spray features in the zero-depth area; a 3-meter diving board; 1-meter diving board; six 25-meter long swim lanes; exterior pool filter and mechanical area; ex-

terior concessions area; shaded deck area; picnic areas and lights and speaker system.

The proposed cost for an outdoor pool is \$2.6 million.

The City Swimming Pool Committee made a new pool recommendation to the city council last December. That committee, and the City Recreation and Leisure Com-

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## Area Memorial Day events to be held

By CLARA OSTEN  
Of the Herald

A number of services have been planned this Memorial Day weekend throughout the area to remember and honor those who have served their country in the military, as well as all those who have gone before us and formed this country into what it is today.

In Wayne, the Memorial Day Program will begin at 10 a.m. Monday, at Veterans Memorial Park in Greenwood Cemetery. All veterans are asked to assemble at 9:45 a.m. to be a part of the program. Music for the program will be provided by the Wayne High School Band, under the direction of Carrie Jensen. This year's featured speaker will be retired Judge Robet Ensz.

Involved in the program will be members of the Wayne Consolidated Veterans group and local auxiliaries.

Following the program, a luncheon will be served at the Wayne Vets Club on Main Street in Wayne. Serving will be from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

In case of inclement weather, the program will be conducted at Wayne High School.

Flags at the cemetery will be put up Thursday, May 22 beginning at 6 p.m., and taken down on Monday, May 26 at 6 p.m.

The 2014 Memorial Day Program at the St. Anne's Cemetery of Dixon, will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, with a program, color guard, and taps.

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(Photo by Michael Carnes)

### Exhausted state qualifier

Allen 3,200-meter runner Lexi Oswald gets some help from assistant coaches Jess Gatemeyer and Zach Wemhoff after she qualified for state during district action last week in Hartington. For information on all the area state track qualifiers, turn to the Sports section.

## May sales receipts down

By MICHAEL CARNES  
Of The Herald

Sales tax receipts for the city of Wayne were down slightly from the same period one year ago, according to numbers released Friday by the City of Wayne.

City finance director Nancy Braden said that May's numbers, based on sales from the month of March, came to \$54,208.63. That's down a little more than \$2,000 from the \$56,329.08 received during the same period last fiscal year.

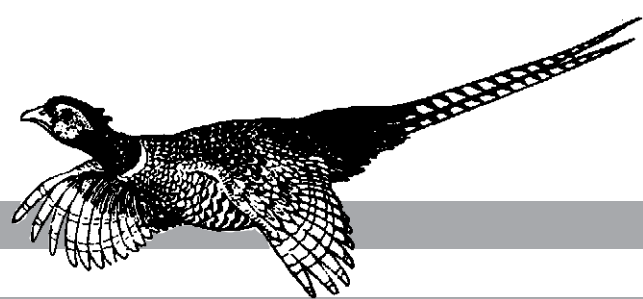
May's numbers were also down slightly from the previous month, but the city is still on track to improve last year's fiscal year total. For the year to date, the city has received \$424,842.22 and is averaging about \$900 per month more than their projected monthly intake.

CITY OF WAYNE SALES TAX RECEIPTS		
Month.....	2012-13	2011-12
October.....	\$58,512.80	\$58,512.80
November.....	51,422.31	51,422.31
December.....	52,655.09	52,655.09
January.....	46,492.88	46,492.88
February.....	55,997.00	55,997.00
March.....	47,852.09	47,852.09
April.....	45,991.79	45,991.79
May.....	\$56,329.08	\$56,329.08
June.....	46,649.10	46,649.10
July.....	54,159.37	54,159.37
August.....	50,983.45	50,983.45
September.....	47,782.19	47,782.19
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$614,827.19</b>	<b>\$614,827.19</b>
Average.....	\$51,235.60	\$51,235.60

- Figures courtesy City of Wayne

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## Obituaries

### Orgretta Morris

Orgretta "Greta" Morris, 90, formerly of Wayne, died Saturday, May 17, 2014 in California.

Services will be held in Wayne at a date yet to be determined. Orgretta Caroline Nielsen was born March 6, 1924 on a farm near Hoskins, to Rasmus and Stella Nielsen. Greta married Howard Morris on Dec. 23, 1940. They lived in Wayne County where Greta served in the Wayne County clerk's office and was Wayne County Clerk until she retired in 1990. She was most recently living in an assisted living residence in Santa Ana, Calif. Greta was a lovely lady, a wonderful wife and mother and will surely be missed.

Survivors include her son Roger Morris of Santa Ana, Calif.; two daughters, Linda Janke of Huntington Beach, Calif. and Marjean Richmond of Des Moines, Iowa; four grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren and a sister, Leila Heusinkvelt of Lincoln.

Greta was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, one sister and one granddaughter.

### Shannon Gray graduates from basic training in San Antonio

Air Force Airman Shannon M. Gray graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Gray is the daughter of Kelly and Pat Gray of Winside. She is a 2013 graduate of Winside High School.

### Briefly Speaking

#### Bridge played at Senior Center

AREA — Bridge was played at the Wayne Senior Center on Tuesday, May 20 with eight ladies attending. Bridge was played at two tables.

Hostess was Margaret Kenny.

Bridge will be played again on Tuesday, May 27. Hostess will be Lucille Peterson. For reservations, call (402) 375-1858 by Sunday, May 25.



### Pet of the Week

This week's Pet of the Week at Tenderheart Animal Rescue is Turks, a young long-haired white male who came from Winside. He came in with battle wounds and a bit on the thin side. He is very friendly to humans and he intends to be top cat among his feline rescue mates. He is on the small side with a very soft, silky coat.

For more information or to adopt Turks, call (402) 369-6030.

### City, county board stories in next week

Stories on the Wayne City Council and Wayne County Commissioner meetings will be published in next week's edition of The Wayne Herald.

This week's edition was laid out early, due to press maintenance.

### A Quick Look

Date	High	Low	Precip	Snow
Apr. 21	69	34	—	—
Apr. 22	60	33	.49	—
Apr. 23	48	46	—	—
Apr. 24	54	49	—	—
Apr. 25	62	50	—	—
Apr. 26	56	54	.03	—
Apr. 27	53	56	—	—

Recorded 7 a.m. for previous 24 hour period  
Precip./mo. — ? / Monthly snow — 0 Yr./  
Date — ? / Seasonal snow — 12"

### Chamber Coffee

WAYNE — This week's Chamber Coffee will be held Friday, May 23 at the Cobblestone Hotel. The coffee on Friday, May 30 will be held at State Nebraska Bank. It will be hosted by Relay For Life. The coffee begins at 10 a.m. and announcements at 10:15 a.m.



### Office closed

AREA — The Wayne Herald office will be closed Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day. The deadline for legal notices for the May 29 edition of the Herald is Friday, May 23 at 5 p.m. and the deadline for advertising and news articles is Tuesday, May 27 at 10 a.m. The Herald staff wishes all its readers a happy and safe Memorial Day weekend.

### Fair passes

AREA — Season passes for the Wayne County Fair are currently on sale for a discounted rate. The price for a season pass for this year's fair is \$30 if purchased by May 31; \$35 if purchased June 1-July 31 and \$45 at the gate July 24. Tickets can be purchased at all Wayne County banks, Iowa-Nebraska State Bank in Wakefield, The Station in Carroll and Jensen's AK Cafe in Winside.

### Food for Fines

AREA — Wayne Public Library will run Food for Fines until May 31, 2014. For every usable nonperishable food item brought in, the library will forgive \$1 in fines. All items brought in will be given to the Wayne Food Bank. This is a great opportunity to clear accounts before the Summer Reading Program while supporting a worthy cause!

## Summer Reading at Wayne Public Library: It's not just for kids!

The focus of the summer reading program for children in our area is a science theme called "Fizz, Boom, READ," but plans have been made for an "experiment" for age 19 and older patrons at Wayne Public Library during the summer months.

"We have prepared a challenge for our adult patrons," said Rita McLean, Adult Services Librarian. The little game involves completing tasks on a BINGO type card. For each task completed, patrons will receive a ticket to enter weekly prize drawings from June 6 through July 31.

If the adult readers complete 12 of 16 challenges, they get a chance to enter the drawing for our grand

prize of a Kindle Fire HD on Aug. 1. For avid readers, additional tickets may be earned for the weekly prizes by writing a review of a book you have read from our collection, either a hard copy, a book on CD or e-reader version.

Library patrons are encouraged to stop in to pick up a game sheet and rules starting Wednesday, May 28, which is also the kick-off for the children's summer reading program.

In addition to the game challenge, adult readers might also be interested in three FREE classes that will be held in June, July and August. There is no charge to participate in the classes; however, reg-

istration is required as class sizes are limited.

"We have scheduled Apple iPad classes June 11 and 18. The two, three-hour sessions will be held from 6-9 p.m. Participants will need their iPad, Apple ID, and password with them to download any Apps (even the free ones). Our instructor has considerable knowledge on this device and will be able to answer your every question," McLean said.

On July 15, patrons will have two opportunities to learn a craft that is very popular in this area. The library will offer "ladder ribbon necklace" classes from 2-4 p.m. and again from 6-8 p.m. that day. Class size is limited to 10 participants in

each session, so sign up early to reserve your spot.

"We will have details about the class and materials you will need when you register to attend. No prerequisite skills are needed to learn how to make the necklace," McLean said.

The August class is "under construction". We are planning a session called, "Climbing Your Family Tree," which will offer tips and ideas for genealogy study. The library subscribes to Ancestry.com, and our instructor will show participants how to use this site to research their family history. We plan to have hand-outs and materials available to show you how to use several ideas for research. Each summer, after family reunions, we get a multitude of questions on how to get started on this project. Date and time will be announced in the near future.

Registration and more information will be available at the library or by calling, (402) 375-3135.

"We're looking forward to a fun summer. Join us!" McLean said.

## Honors, awards presented to Winside Fine Arts students

A number of students at Winside Public School were recently recognized for their accomplishments in the area of fine arts.

Those earning honors included:  
**Seniors**  
David Greunke: John Phillips Sousa Award, Conference Honor Band-second Chair, Jazz Band, University of Nebraska Kearney Wind Ensemble, Wayne State College Wind Ensemble, Class D All-State Wind Ensemble.  
Jays Roberts: Outstanding Band

Member Award, Art Student of the Year  
Dana Doffin: Art Student of the Year

**Juniors**  
Breanna Lemke-Elznic: Honorable Mention NE All-State Band, District Music Contest solo I, Conference Honor Band-first Chair, Wayne State College Wind Ensemble, University of Nebraska - Kearney Symphonic Band, Class "D" All-State Jazz Band, Speech Student of the Year.

Jacob Mann: University of Nebraska - Kearney Symphonic Band, Wayne State College Symphonic Band, Class D All-State Symphonic Band.

**Sophomore**  
Taylor Anson: Honorable Mention NE All-State Honor Choir, District Music Contest solos: I-instrumental, I-vocal, I-piano, Conference Honor Choir, UNK Honor Choir, Conference Honor Band-2nd Chair, WSC Wind Ensemble, Class D All-State Jazz Band.

**Freshman**  
Connor Lemke-Elznic: District Music Contest solo-I, Conference Honor Band-first Chair, Wayne State College Wind Ensemble, Class D All-State Wind Ensemble.

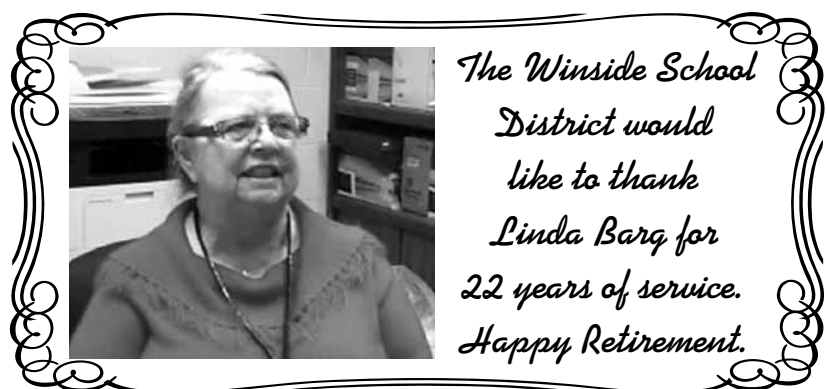
**Junior High**  
Fauneil Olander: Wayne State College Junior High Honor Band, Pierce Honor Band-second chair.

**Sixth Grade**  
Eddie Olander: Pierce Junior High Honor Band.



### Planting project

Several employees of First National of Omaha Bankcard Center assisted with the planting of the flower pots on Main Street recently. Above, Lisa Karel and Sherry Contreras make sure all the flowers are firmly situated in the pot at the corner of Second and Main streets.



The Winside School District would like to thank Linda Berg for 22 years of service. Happy Retirement.



Katie Stoltenberg

### Stoltenberg earns nursing degree

Katie Lee Stoltenberg, daughter of Verlyn and Holly Stoltenberg of Carroll, graduated May 9.

She received her Bachelor of Science Nursing degree from Bryan College of Health Services in Lincoln.

She graduated Summa Cum Laude and has been inducted into Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society. She was the recipient of the Bryan Foundation Walter and Lenora (McConnell) Puckett Memorial Scholarship.

Katie graduated from Wayne-High School in 2010.



Betsy Becker

### Betsy Becker earns doctorate

Betsy (Adkins) Becker graduated with a doctorate in Physical Therapy from the University of South Dakota during ceremonies on May 9 and 10. At the hooding ceremony, Dr. Becker was honored with the Dr. Roy Osborn Lifelong Learner award for graduating with the highest grade point average in her physical therapy class.

Currently Dr. Becker is an assistant professor in Physical Therapy at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha. She also serves as the co-chairman of the National PTA exam development committee based in Washington, D.C.

In 1999 Dr. Becker graduated with a Masters degree in Physical Therapy from the University of Nebraska Medical Center. She is also a certified Lymphedema therapist through the Lymphology Association of North America and has 14 years of clinical experience, including 10 years focused on clients with complex medical conditions related to women's health and cancer. While at Bryan Health LifePoint campus in Lincoln, Dr. Becker developed the on-going cancer recovery and therapy program, Life Spring. For the past 4 years, she served as program director of the Physical Therapy Assistant program at Southeast Community College in Lincoln.

Betsy resides in Omaha with her husband, Dr. Mark Becker. She is the daughter of Rick and Joan Adkins of Laurel and graduated in 1993 from Laurel-Concord High School.

3RD ANNUAL LADIES NIGHT OUT EVENT

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Shopping and Beauty Event

May 29, 2014 5:00-8:30 PM

\$8 Tickets: Purchase at Local Wayne, NE Banks

\$10 Tickets: Day of Event at Moments Portrait Boutique

Call 402-518-0502 for Info

Event funded in part by a grant from the Wayne County Convention & Visitors Bureau

The Wayne County Democratic Party Convention will be held Monday June 9, 2014

Backroom of the Max Bar Grill at 6:30pm for food, drinks and mingling

Convention business will begin at 7:00pm.

Open to everyone interested in the Democratic Party in Wayne Nebraska!!!!

# Meyer

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versity. He won an NAIA national championship during his tenure at Lipscomb, and his basketball clinics and Don Meyer Coaching Academy became one of the most popular venues for players and coaches to learn about the game of basketball and the game of life. His camps at Lipscomb were the largest in the country, and after coming to Northern State, he developed one of the biggest basketball camps in this part of the country.

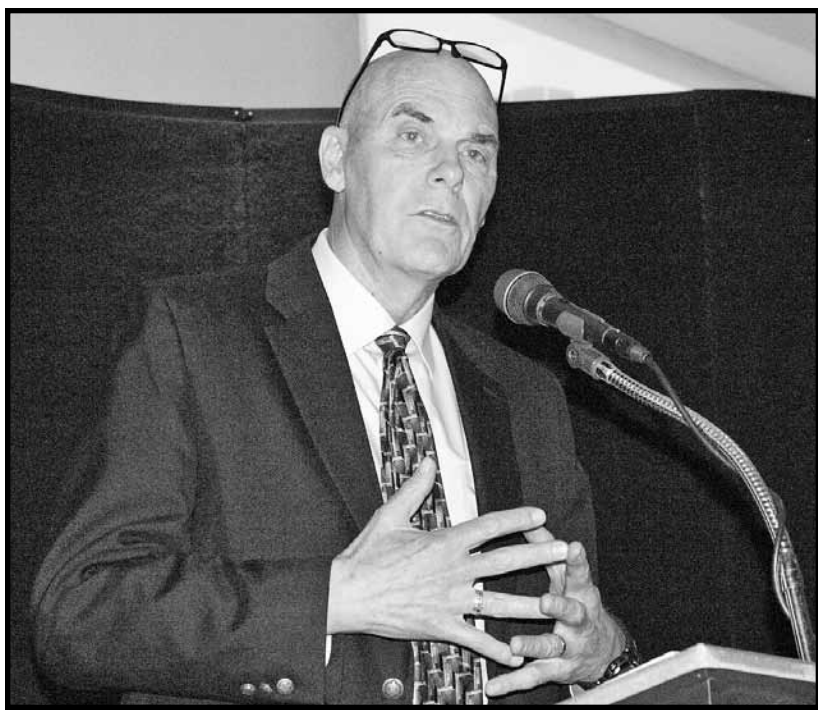
It was during his tenure at Northern State that he was involved in a horrific car accident in 2008 that he survived, only to discover that he had carcinoid cancer.

Meyer fell asleep at the wheel of this vehicle as he led a caravan of players on a team retreat when his vehicle crossed the center and was hit head-on by a semi hauling more than 30 tons of corn. He survived the accident and coached until his retirement in the spring of 2010.

After surviving the accident, he was honored with the Jimmy V Perseverance Award during the ESPY's, an award given to a member of the sporting world who has overcome great obstacles. The award was named after the late Jim Valvano, who died in 1993 after battling cancer. Meyer also received the John W. Bunn Lifetime Achievement Award in 2010 from the Basketball Hall of Fame.

Meyer was well-known for his love of the game and his passion for coaching, and his teaching not only helped him build outstanding programs, but served as an inspiration for coaches across the country at every level who would attend his summer camps at Lipscomb, where he won an NAIA national championship in 1986. He also produced a highly-popular series of instructional videos, hosted a coaching academy and was a very popular public speaker.

He was an inspiration to current Wayne State coach Brian Dolan, who said he took a lot of beatings at the hands of coach Meyer when he coached against him at Upper Iowa, but remembered one occasion



(Herald file photo)

**Even after health issues led to his 2010 retirement as a coach, Meyer was still a highly-sought after public speaker and continued working with coaches and offering his wisdom on both basketball and life until his final days.**

where Meyer was especially helpful. "What I remember most about coach is his willingness to always offer advice and or encouragement to young coaches," he said. "I remember, after one game at Northern State in my second season at Upper Iowa, he sent someone to find me after the game and bring me back to his office. He told me how impressed he was with the 'plan' we had put in place with our recruiting at Upper Iowa, and that he thought we were doing things the right way and we would eventually have success. Then he suggested a few books for me to read that might help expand my basketball mind.

"Later that night, while riding the bus to Bismarck, I remember thinking how fortunate I was to have the opportunity to learn and coach against a legend like Coach Meyer," he added. "He didn't have to take the time to speak with me that night, but he did because that was the man he was. Coach is going to be missed, but never forgotten."

After the cancer was discovered,

he continued to coach through the 2009-2010 season, retiring with 923 wins, a record for men's college basketball that was recently surpassed by Duke's Mike Krzyzewski. He continued to speak until recently, when his health issues progressed to the point where he was no longer able to.

Doctors said he only had about two years to live when the cancer was diagnosed, but he outlived those expectations and continued to be an influence on players and coaches throughout the country.

In 2011, Meyer returned to his home town of Wayne to have his high school basketball jersey retired, a first for the school. The ceremony was held during Wayne High School's annual athletic banquet, where he served as a guest speaker. Meyer is survived by his wife, Carmen, and three children – Jerry, Brooke and Brittny, along with eight grandchildren. Memorial services were scheduled this week at both Lipscomb University and Northern State University.



(Contributed photo)

**EMS personnel at Providence Medical Center include (front) Carrie Fertig, RN; Brooke Hansen, LPN; Abby Holmes, RN; Beth Sievers, RN; Jill Karsky, RN; Linda Young, CNA/EMT; (back) Tom Schmitz, EMT; Ron Wriedt, EMT; Mark Tietz, EMT; Jake Stenka, EMT; Scott Brogren, EMT; Shawn Pearce, EMT; Don Forney, EMT; Terri Davis, RN; Peg Grosz, LPN-C. Not present were Laura Gamble, RN; Erica Diediker, RN; Tammie Thomsen, RN; Gina Buhrman, RN; Valerie Hangman, RN; Karen Kwapnioski, RN; Michelle Simpson, RN; Ellie Heller, RN; Melissa Davis, RN; Sandy Bruns, RN; Kristy Lunz, RN; and Marcia Spahr, RN.**

## Providence recognizes EMS responders during EMS Week

The 40th Anniversary of National EMS Week 2014 is being celebrated May 18-24.

Providence Medical Center (PMC) is proud to recognize all those professionals who consistently give of their time and talents to make a real difference in the lives of everyone living in our communities.

Providence Medical Center responders are always available, 24-7, 365 days a year.

"Each of our EMS employees is highly trained and carries a huge

responsibility of caring for each patient with utmost care," said Laura Gamble, Director of Clinical Services at PMC. "They carry specific medications and equipment in each of our ambulances, have specific skills and are highly trained to take care of each patient during an immediate emergency."

"Providence Medical Center EMS personnel are trained and prepared for unexpected situations," said Mark Tietz, ambulance supervisor.

"We all keep our skills current, we

try to remain flexible and we collaborate with our fellow EMS responders, other healthcare providers, doctors and the families with whom we come in contact."

"You will find PMC responders on the front lines treating you, your family and friends where you are at . . . whether it's at home, at work, or at play. Please join us in saluting the Providence Medical Center EMS responders during EMS Week," Gamble added.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

## Support for Relay

**Mark Cleary, district manager, and Mark Bloomfield, store manager of the Wayne O' Reilly's Auto Parts Store, presented a check for \$200 toward this year's Wayne Relay For Life to Faye Roeber, chair of this year's Relay, and Diane Roeber, treasurer of the event. This year's Relay will be held Friday, June 6 at the Wayne State College Recreation Center.**



## Tree planting expedition

**Fifth grade students from Wayne Elementary School traveled to Dog Town Creek Prairie and Arboretum last week to plant 100 pine trees. Marty Marx with the local Natural Resources and Conservation Service and Steve Rasmussen with Nebraska Forrester Service worked with the students in planting the trees and discussing the importance of proper planting techniques. The students also went on a nature hike, discussing the importance of habitat for wildlife after they planted the trees.**

## Evergreen trees showing brown needles

By STEVE RASMUSSEN  
Nebraska Forest Service  
District Forester

In windbreaks and home landscapes across northeast Nebraska, people are noticing pine, spruce, arborvitae and even cedar trees turning a tan to brown color instead of the spring "green up".

The off-color, dry needles that I have seen in April and early May is most likely due to the drying out of the needles and not caused by a disease or pest. Some of this dry foliage started showing up in early April which is much too early for a fungus or bug to be attacking the tree (an exception could be Scotch pines turning brown due to pine wilt from the previous season).

The dry needles is caused by the tree not being able to replace the moisture that is lost from the thin and sensitive needle tissue during dry and windy conditions with the ground froze or little moisture in the soil to replace that being pulled out of the needles. Do those conditions sound familiar with what we have experienced last year through this spring?

This is called "winter burning" or desiccation. It usually occurs after a dry growing season when evergreen trees have been stressed and have lower than normal moisture content in the needles. This combined with weather and temperature conditions during late winter that keeps the ground cold enough to make it difficult for roots to take up water coupled with dry windy days pulls the moisture out of the needles and they turn brown and dry. Since deciduous trees do not have foliage on during that time, winter burning will not be seen on those trees in late winter or early spring.

Other factors by themselves or combined can play a role on whether certain evergreen trees winter burn: Stressful sites with low soil

moisture reserves, sandy soils or soils with low organic matter that dry out more quickly will be more likely to have trees that winter burn. Spruces, firs and arborvitae will winter burn because these types of trees are not well adapted to dry and windy conditions in the winter. The spruces and firs we plant here on the Plains grow more naturally where there is not the dry winter winds and where snow and consistent cold temperatures stay for three or four months during winter. The way the tree is planted can be a factor in the likely hood of winter drying. Machine or tree spade planted trees may show more chance of needles drying since the roots systems will most likely not be as well developed as a naturally growing tree's root system.

Some times when trees are planted in windbreaks or landscape settings, the roots are twisted, j-rooted, or damaged so they are not as healthy and cannot absorb the limited water when there is dry conditions. When growing conditions are good and not stressful, the tree looks fine, but when there is a drought like the past two years of below normal rainfall, the trees with the poorer roots eventually show the stress and the needles dry out during dry winters.

Exposure to dry winter winds is another factor that can increase the risk of winter burning. The more windy the site, the greater the chance that the limited moisture in the needle tissue will get pulled out of the plant.

The more of these factors that are present on a site, the more likely the chance the tree will suffer from winter burning. The worst problems seem to occur with the dry soils with low organic matter, in areas exposed to dry winter winds and root systems that are not well developed.

The good news is that many times needles will dry and turn brown, but

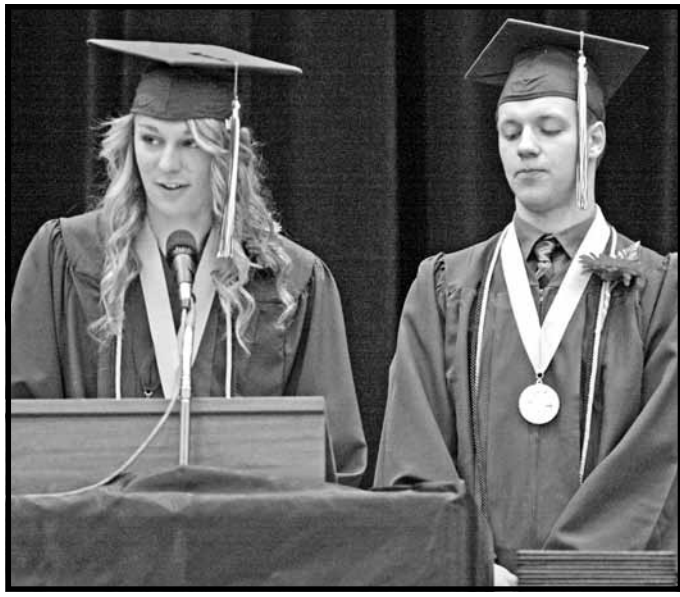
the buds and twigs have adequate moisture to stay green and alive. The buds are where the new growth will happen in the spring as long as the twig is alive and can send water to those buds. The needles may drop off this spring, but hopefully the tree has the green buds that will replace the lost needles with new healthy needles.

What can be done now? Dig into the soil at the drip line (end of the branches) to see if the soil is dry in any of the first 12 inches. Water for the roots is the most important thing for new spring growth. If it is a landscape tree, do not assume the sprinkler system will provide adequate moisture. If possible, mulch with 3-4 inches of wood chips or course organic matter to insulate the soil and keep it cool this summer.

You should not need to fertilize the tree. That actually could do more harm than good. Also at this time, do not try and prune off the branches with brown needles. On those branches with dry and brown needles, there could be green tissue and buds that will grow this spring. Check the tree, and if the branch is dry and brown, then you can prune the branch off.

Many times the winter burning will be more superficial and look worse than what it is for the tree. If the tree has less than 30- 40 wintered needles, it will probably have stunted growth, but should recover if there is adequate moisture during the next growing season. Helping the tree retain its health and vigor is the most important action you can do for the tree, since the loss of the brown and dry needles will limit it's growth potential for a couple of seasons.

In almost all of the situations of winter burning, having adequate moisture the next growing season is the most important factor to improve recovery for the tree.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

## Co-Valedictorians

**Victoria Kranz (left) and Jalen Barry were co-valedictorians for the Class of 2014 at Wayne High School and shared the podium Saturday for their address to fellow students, friends and family members at Rice Auditorium.**

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## Lee talks at Chamber Coffee

Providence Medical Center hosted Chamber Coffee on Friday, and PMC's CEO, Tom Lee, talked about the hospital and some of its recent additions and achievements.

## Memorial Day

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The Veterans from Laurel will assist.

Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and arrive by 2:15 p.m.

In the event of significant rain falling at the time of the service, it will be held at St. Anne's Parish Hall in Dixon.

The Concord-Dixon Cemetery Association will be hosting a Memorial Program on Sunday, at 2:30 p.m. at Concordia Lutheran Church in Concord.

Area veterans are invited to attend and are asked to enter together at the beginning of the program. Laurel Vets Post Color Guard and Taps will follow at the cemetery at approximately 3:15 p.m.

The Allen Memorial Day Program will be held on Memorial Day at the East View Cemetery at 10:15 a.m. (in case of inclement weather, ceremonies will be in the commons at the Allen School). Taps will be played by Jeremy and Taylor Kumm. The Allen Band will play the Star Spangled Banner.

Services will be sponsored by the Floyd Gleason Post 131 of the American Legion and Auxiliary of Allen.

In Carroll, members of the veterans' organizations will conduct a ceremony at Bethany Cemetery

west of Carroll at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, and then move to the Carroll Auditorium for this year's Memorial Day program.

This year's guest speaker will be Earl Fouss.

Following the program at the auditorium, services will conclude at Elmwood Cemetery at Carroll.

The American Legion and Legion Auxiliary are organizing this year's service.

The United Methodist Church will again sponsor a Memorial Day roast beef dinner at the church following the program.

The Memorial Day observance at Laurel will take place Monday, at 10 a.m. at the Laurel-Concord new auditorium.

Troy Pospisil will be this year's speaker during the program.

Pastor Jamie Farias will give the invocation and benediction at the program and will provide a prayer at the service at the Laurel Cemetery following the program.

Patriotic musical selections will be provided by the Marian Mallatt Singers.

In Winside, the Memorial Day program begins at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, at the Winside Auditorium.

The Winside School Band, under the direction of Kathy Hansen will provide music, as will the Winside

School choir, under the direction of LeNell Quinn.

The Memorial Day address will be given by Marcus Janssen, USMC Retired.

Following the program at the Auditorium, the group will process to Pleasantview Cemetery for the decoration of graves, a prayer, 21-gun salute and the playing of Taps.

Prior to the service, Winside Legion members will be visiting area cemeteries, including Theopolis Cemetery, Immanuel Cemetery, Swedish Cemetery, Zion Cemetery, Trinity Lutheran, Hoskins Community Cemetery and Spring Branch (Peace Church) Cemetery.

The American Legion Auxiliary will host a Memorial Day dinner at the Legion Post in Winside following the program at Pleasantview Cemetery.

Wakefield's Memorial Day program is slated to begin at 2 p.m. on Monday, at the Wakefield Cemetery. In the event of inclement weather, the event will be held at the Legion Hall in Wakefield.

Pastor Charity Potter will be this year's featured speaker.

Those attending the program are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs.

A freewill-offering lunch will be served following the program at the Wakefield Legion Hall.

# Thompson is recognized by Sons of the American Legion

Harold E. Thompson, Jr. has been an active member of the Sons of the American Legion for over 35 years, and was recently recognized for his outstanding service to the organization.

At the recent meeting of the National Executive Committee meeting of the group in Indianapolis, Ind., Thompson was named National Assistant Adjutant Emeritus for his "outstanding served as a distinguished National officer."

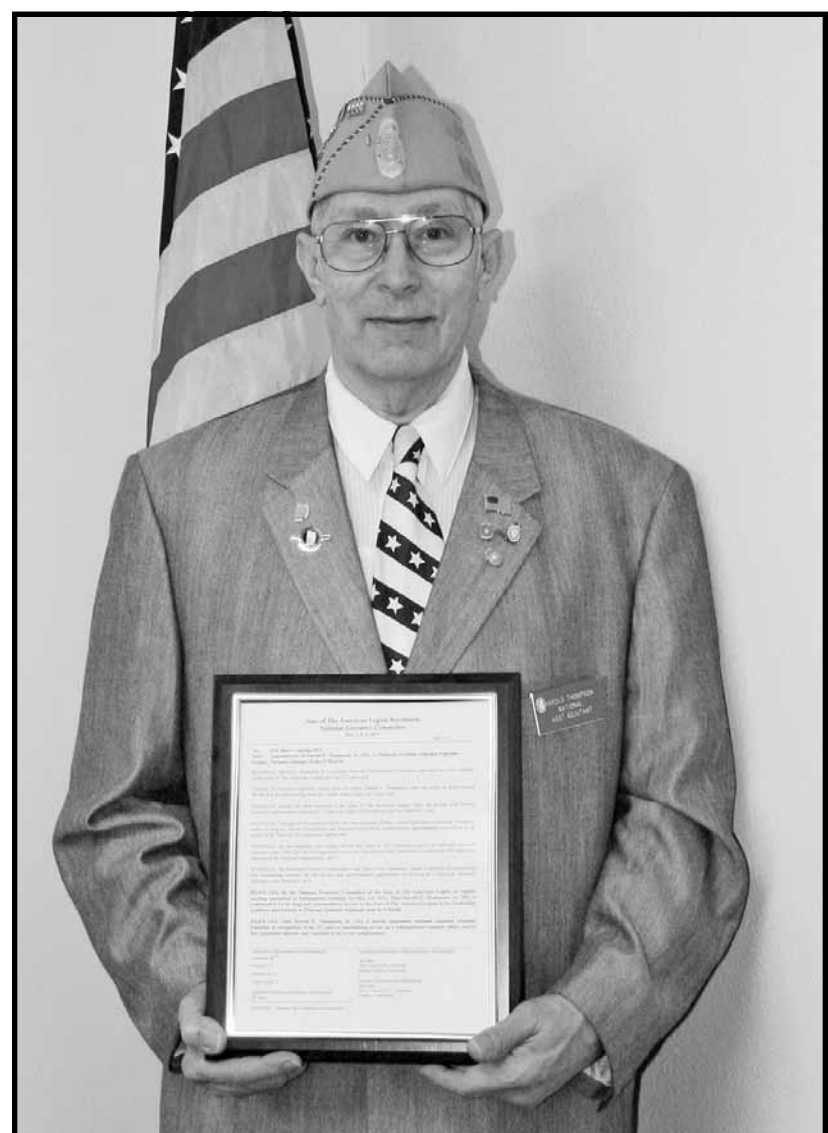
Thompson, a member of Norfolk Squadron 16 in Norfolk, joined the Sons of the American Legion (SAL) in 1979. He obtained eligibility through his father, Harold E. Thompson, who served in the Army Air Force in World War II and was killed in action on Dec. 24, 1945 after serving just over three years in the military.

Thompson said he first joined the SAL after being involved with his mother, Eveline, in the VFW Auxiliary and "helping her when she was District Three President from 1973-75."

"When I went to the National Convention in Miami Beach, Fla. I saw men wearing Sons of the American Legion caps and decided to join," he said. "Also, this is a way to honor my father for his service and my freedom."

Since joining the SAL, Thompson has held a number of offices, including Commander from 1982-84 and 1986-88, Adjutant from 1989 to the present, served as a representative to the Norfolk Veterans Home from 2004 to the present, chairman of the Credential, Resolution Committee, Nomination Committee and has been a part of the Children & Youth and Membership committees.

Thompson noted that his most memorable experience as a SAL member was "my first National Convention in Hawaii in 1981, which was the Sons' 10th National Convention. The convention was small, and I got to know the National officers and Past National Com-



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Harold E. Thompson Jr. was recently honored for his service in Sons of the American Legion over the past 35 years. Thompson joined Sons of the American Legion in honor of his father, who died during service in World War II.

mander."

In addition to being active in the SAL, Thompson joined the Disabled American Veteran Auxiliary in 2005. He has served as treasurer and Adjutant. He was elected treasurer of the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary Department State Treasurer in 2008 and continues to

hold that position.

Thompson, a 1964 graduate of Wayne High School and 1966 graduate of Southeast Community College in Milford, was employed at Carhart Lumber for nearly 27 years. He also started his own business, Thompson Lock and Key Service, in 1979.

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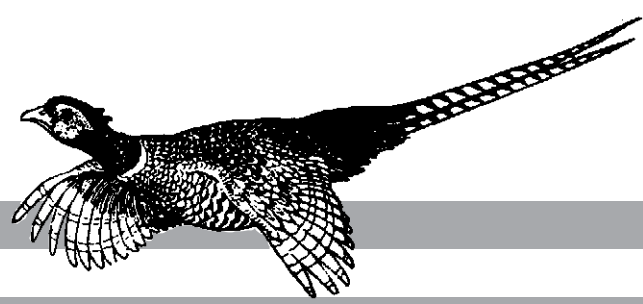
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## From The Bleachers

Michael Carnes



## Never know in track and field events

You just never know when it comes to track and field.

One of the things about this sport that I always find entertaining is that you should always expect the unexpected. Dreams are realized and hearts are broken when district track rolls around, and it's always fun to see it all happen in front of you as high school kids get what could generously be called a first-hand look at what the game of life is really all about.

I spent two days covering the Class C and Class D district meets that involved four of our five area high schools, and the highs and lows that our area kids experienced were plentiful and more than enough to restore my faith in what high school sports is REALLY all about.

Upon my arrival at the Hochstein Sports Complex the first day, I happened by the tent where the Winside athletes were hanging out. Jayd Roberts had just won the discus and was relaxing with her other teammates before getting ready to win the 100-meter hurdles later in the day.

Toward the back was Jade Hogenkamp, who had come on in recent weeks and ran well in the 100-meter dash. Talking with her coach, Mark Tonniges, the previous weekend at Winside's graduation, he seemed optimistic that the junior sprinter had a pretty good shot at finishing in the top two and qualifying for state.

I saw her sitting in the tent and asked if she was ready to qualify for state. Her answer was, shall we say, less than inspiring, as if she didn't share her coach's optimism on making it to the track at Omaha Burke.

Later on, she nudged across the finish line with a look of dogged determination on her face, finishing second and earning the trip to state. She cried as she realized she had reached a goal that, a couple of hours earlier, she appeared less than confident that she would make it. The hug she gave assistant coach Lee Koch afterward said all that needed to be said about the joy she felt in earning a trip to state.

Then there was Allen sophomore Lexi Oswald, who left 99.9 percent of what she had on the track (the other 0.1 percent was deposited on the grass afterward . . . don't ask about the details) and managed to earn a trip to state in the 3,200-meter run. The look of pure exhaustion — which you can see on the front page — was bracketed by the joy and pride shown on the faces of assistant coaches Jessi Gatzemeyer and Zach Wemhoff as they helped hold her up after she crossed the finish line and collapsed on the track.

The following day, a mix of joy and disappointment was found in the efforts of kids from Laurel-Concord/Coleridge and Wakefield, both of whom had some great efforts that helped them earn state trips.

The sense of relief was evident on the face of Wakefield senior Josh Dolph, who punched his fourth ticket to Omaha in the 800 and 1,600. One year ago, Dolph was running, literally, on a bum ankle that would require off-season surgery. If you didn't know about the bad ankle, you'd never see it in his running, because he ran as smooth as I've seen him run the last four years.

There are always moments of disappointment, though, and Wakefield had a couple of them as well.

Anthony Victor was on the verge of a trip to state, but one of the last hurdles he missed on fell into an adjoining lane. Had the hurdle not tumbled sideways, his second-place finish would have qualified for state. As it was, he was disqualified for the wayward hurdle, and his invitation to Omaha was taken back.

This weekend, about 35 area athletes will experience the pinnacle of high school competition, competing in the Nebraska State Track and Field Championships. How will it all shake out for the area athletes? Like it is in life, we'll have to wait and find out.

Because . . . you just never know.

# Seniors lead Blue Devils to state meet

COLUMBUS — Wayne High will be well-represented this weekend at the Nebraska State Track and Field Championships, as the Blue Devils performed well in the B-4 district meet on Thursday.

Wayne will have entries in just about every event on the track this weekend, as the girls posted a fourth-place finish while the boys finished a solid seventh in the 10-team meet at Columbus Lakeview.

"We had some good times and had a number of kids PR in less than ideal conditions," coach Dale Hochstein said. "The kids competed well and we got some good performances that qualified for state."

On the boys side, Demetrius Alexander and Trevor Pecena will both have a busy agenda this weekend. Alexander qualified in two events, Pecena got in on a wild card and both will make up half of the 1,600-meter relay team, along with Tyler Pecena and Cornelio Espino.

Alexander qualified in the 100

and 200, finishing third in both events. Pecena was fifth in the 400, but his time was good enough to earn a wild card spot. Wayne's 1,600-meter relay team finished 14 hundredths of a second behind second-place Pierce, but their time was good enough for a wild card spot to fill out the 16-team field for that event Saturday afternoon.

Leading the way for the Wayne girls will be senior high jumper Ashton Schweers, who won the district meet and is one of the top four leapers heading into the Class B girls high jump competition Saturday morning.

"She's been there before and knows what the atmosphere is like down there, and I know she's looking forward to it," Hochstein said. "She needs to fine tune a couple of things, but I think she has a chance to do very well for us."

Rachel Rauner and Meagan Backer will be the two busiest Blue Devils this weekend in Omaha. See SENIORS, Page 3B



(Photo by Jacki Zeiss)

It's a trio of state qualifiers at the finish line in the 100-meter dash for Wayne. Rachel Rauner (left) and Meagan Backer (center) both qualified in this event, while Jalyn Zeiss will run in the 300 hurdles. All three are part of the qualifying 400-meter relay team.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Wayne State's four qualifiers for the NCAA Div. II national track meet this week are throwers. From left are Michaela Dendinger, Sara Wells, Carly Fehringer and Emily Wells.

## Foursome ready for D-2 Nationals

By MICHAEL CARNES  
Of The Herald

Getting four national-qualifying throwers together for a group photo before the national championships is an entertaining task.

The foursome giggled like sisters during a recent photo shoot in Memorial Stadium, but it will be all business for the Wayne State girls as they compete in the NCAA Div. II National Track and Field Championships this week in Allendale, Mich.

Two of the foursome are, in fact, sisters, and all four hail from Northeast Nebraska. Albion natives Sara and Emily Wells will join Wayne native Carly Fehringer and Michaela Dendinger

of Coleridge in the national tournament, and all four will have teammates to lean on for support when they compete in their events.

"It's really nice, because during practice you know you're competing against one of the best in the nation, so I feel honored to have them with me," Sara Wells said. "They're my best friends, teammates and sisters."

All four throwers have found their way among the nation's best in their respective events this year, and all four have a shot at earning All-American status and — possibly — win a national title.

Both Fehringer and Sara Wells have the best chance at claiming the spot at the top of the medal stand this week. Fehringer is a four-time na-

tional qualifier in the outdoor meet and carries the second-best mark into Thursday's hammer throw competition with a best mark of 205 feet, 10 inches.

Fehringer was a national runner-up in the event last year, and she is excited about the chance to take that last step up the ladder and win the school's first national title in six years.

"There are a lot of great athletes sitting in the top five and anybody can take it home," she said. "This is my third time in the hammer throw, and I'm just going to go in there and have fun and focus on what I need to do and go for a national title."

She'll have plenty of support in the event. Fel-

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## LCC, Wakefield send strong entries into state track meet

By MICHAEL CARNES  
Of The Herald

HARTINGTON — If you're a fan of Laurel-Concord/Coleridge track, you're going to be busy this weekend.

Both the LCC girls and boys fared quite well in C-6 district competition on Thursday. The Lady Bears claimed district runner-up honors while the LCC boys were third in a solid eight-team field, leaving both teams with a number of entries in this week's state track meet in Omaha.

Wakefield made the most of their state qualifying efforts, as they will have a total of five entries in this week's state meet, including a pair of district champions.

The LCC girls made their mark on the track and in the jumps, finishing with seven district champions on the day.

"We've got a great bunch going," coach Nate Sims said. "There were a number that we expected and a couple of surprises, and we had a lot of kids perform well and get personal bests in some conditions that weren't the best."

Both Sadie Petersen and Kelsey Dietrich were double winners individually. Petersen dominated both distance runs, easily taking the



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

LCC's Brett Haisch (left) will be busy at the state track meet, competing in three events.

3,200-meter title and adding the 1,600-meter gold medal later in the day. Dietrich improved her school record and Class C-leading best time in the 100 hurdles, then finished off the 300 hurdles to get her

second win of the day. "Class C is absolutely loaded in the 300, and she's leading the 100 and improved her time," Sims said of Dietrich's effort. "She looked real-

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## LCC boys golfers get state bid

BEEMER — Laurel-Concord/Coleridge punched their ticket to the state golf tournament with a runner-up finish Monday in the C-2 district meet at Beemer.

The Bears shot a 350 and were edged out for the district title by David City, who claimed a 349 to win a tight team race. Hartington Cedar Catholic shot a 356 to take the final team spot in next week's state meet.

For the Bears, it was a return to the top for senior Mitch Klooz. The Liberty recruit has struggled with his short game this season, but put together a nice round of 78, capping the round by chipping in for birdie on the 18th hole to edge out teammate Jamy McCoy by two shots and claim medalist honors.

The Bears' top two golfers went 1-2 in the race for individual honors. McCoy shot an 80 and won a scorecard playoff to take second place in the tournament. The top three teams and top 10 individuals qualify for the Class C State Championships next week in Lincoln.

The Bears' day was rounded out by Cory Peterson, who shot 91; and Brendan Groene, who carded a 101. Nolan Casey also competed for LCC, shooting a 118.

Wakefield finished 12th out of the 14 teams competing in the tournament, finishing with a 464. The Trojans were led by senior Evan Nicholson, who shot a 96. Tim Anderson had a 111, Matt Christiansen shot 122, Heath Greve had a 135 and Zach Pommer scored a 144.

The Bears finished third in last

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(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Wayne High senior Kaje Maly shot an 80 and finished fourth at districts to earn a trip to state.

## Maly scores state bid

By MICHAEL CARNES  
Of The Herald

After nine holes, the home-course advantage was leaving Wayne High golf coach Dave Hix optimistic that his team could sneak in for a trip to state.

It didn't turn out that way for the Blue Devil linksters, but Wayne

was able to get a spot in next week's state tournament in Grand Island as senior Kaje Maly put together a solid round in B-2 district action Tuesday at the Wayne Country Club.

Maly followed up a solid front nine and overcame some late put-

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(left) Winside's Jade Hogencamp finished second in the 100-meter dash to earn her first trip to the state track meet. (right) Allen's Austin Connot will compete in two events, including the 800-meter run and the 3,200-meter relay.

**Allen, Winside earn trips to state meet**

By MICHAEL CARNES  
Of The Herald

HARTINGTON - The last track and field of the meet of the year is usually an opportunity for athletes to come through with their best performances of the season.

Sometimes, those results are actually good enough to extend their season out another week.

Athletes from Allen and Winside competed in the D-3 district track and field meet last Wednesday in Hartington, and both schools came through with some impressive performances to earn trips to this week's state track meet in Omaha.

Allen and Winside finished fourth and fifth, respectively, in the girls team race. Each team qualified four entries for state, a couple of which were a pleasant surprise for their coaches.

Winside senior Jayd Roberts won two events, taking the discus and the 100-meter hurdles. And while she has been a consistent high scorer for the Wildcats this season, it was the efforts of two younger runners that were particularly surprising to coach Mark Tonniges.

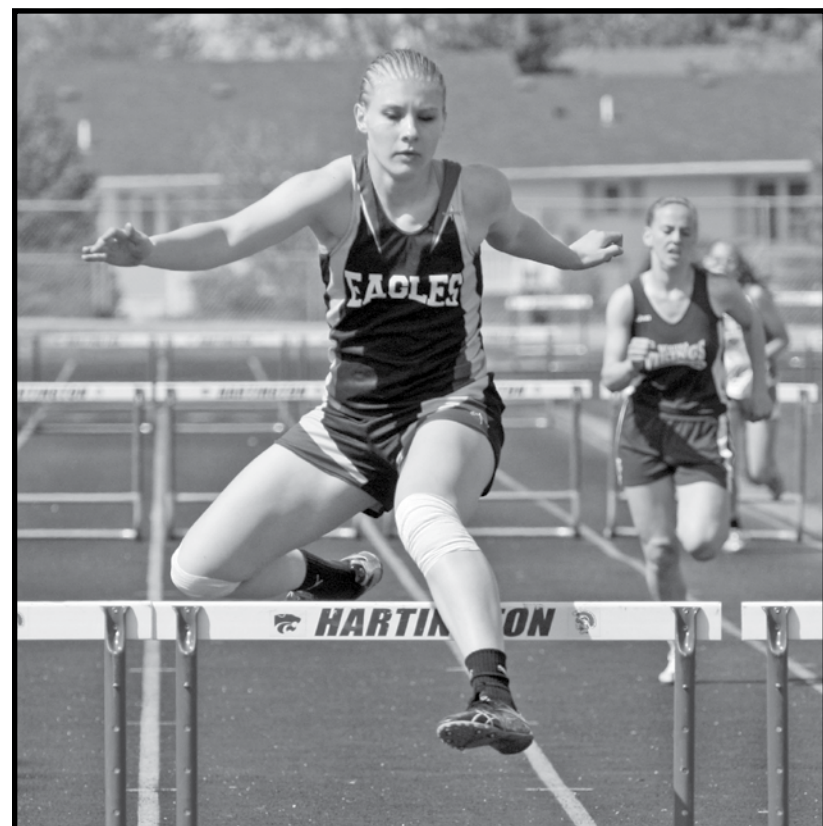
Jade Hogencamp came through with a runner-up finish in the 100-meter dash, and freshman Callie Finn ran a solid race in the 1,600 to earn her first trip to Omaha.

"I told Jade that I'd feed her down at state if she made it and she just ran a super race," Tonniges said. "She had a bad start in the prelims and I'm not sure she thought she'd make it. We made a tweak in her start that paid off and she really came on, and I'm very happy that she was able to make it."

Freshman Callie Finn also made it in the 1,600-meter run, competing stride for stride in the race for first before settling for runner-up honors.



(Photos by Michael Carnes) Winside's Callie Finn (above) and Allen's Cortney Reuter both earned their first-ever trips to state.



"She ran her best race today and just ran out of gas at the finish," Tonniges said. "She ran three great laps and got in for state."

They'll join Roberts, who's been a regular for Winside over the years at state and made it in two events that will run at the same time Friday morning.

"It's unusual for someone to go in the hurdles and the discus, but Jayd's done an excellent job for us over the last four years and helped us out all over the place," Tonniges said. "She's going to have a lot of fun down at state and I think she'll compete well for us."

Allen has a total of six entries in this week's state meet, including two on the boys side.

Allen's 3,200-meter relay team of Austin Connot, S.T. O'Keefe, Tyler Kumm and Nick Brahmsteadt took the district title, and coach Dave Uldrich is hoping the foursome can score in the first action of the day Friday morning.

"The weather wasn't good for it, but they ran a decent time and the kids really left it out on the track for us," he said. "I thought we ran a decent time and hopefully we can go down to Omaha and score with those four."

Connot will also get the opportunity to compete individually, as he'll run in the 800-meter run on Saturday.

**D-3 District Girls Team Standings**

Hartington 156, Wausa 74, Wynot 72, Allen 66, Winside 49, Randolph 38, Bloomfield 35, Osmond 29, Emerson-Hubbard 6.

**State Qualifiers**

100: 2. Jade Hogencamp, Winside, 13.1. 400: 2. Kaylen Smith, Allen, 1:06.6. 300 hurdles: 2. Cortney Reuter, Allen, 52.4. High jump: 2. Gabby Sullivan, Allen, 4-10. 1,600: 2. Callie Finn, Winside, 5:53.1. 3,200: 2. Lexi Oswald, Allen, 12:39.4. 100 hurdles: 1. Jayd Roberts, Winside, 16.5. Discus: 1. Roberts, 117-11 1/2.

**Other Medalists**

200: 3. Lindsey Jones, Allen, 28.1; 5. Sophie Milenkovich, Winside, 29.8. 800: 6. Ellie Jaeger, Winside, 2:52.0. 400 relay: 2. Winside (Hogencamp, Roberts, Carly Schwager, Alex Bargstadt), 53.8. 3. Allen (Reuter, Jones, Smith, Sullivan), 56.9. 1,600 relay: 4. Allen (Smith, Jones, Oswald, Sullivan), 4:46.2. 3,200 relay: 5. Allen (Mona Ehnes, Mariah Keiser, Mollie Bertrand, Alexis Hoelsing), 13:05.2. 1,600: 4. Oswald, 6:25.8. 100 hurdles: 3. Reuter, 18.5. Long jump: 6. Jaeger, 14-6. Triple jump: 4. Jones, 32-3 1/2; 5. Sullivan, 32-1 1/2. Shot put: 6. Kelly Tweedy, Winside, 30-6 1/2.

**Boys Team Standings**

Hartington 152, Wausa 114, Randolph 70, Osmond 57, Allen 45, Bloomfield 40, Wynot 33, Emerson-Hubbard 10, Winside 5.

**State Qualifiers**

800: 2. Austin Connot, Allen, 2:10.2. 3,200 relay: 1. Allen (Connot, S.T. O'Keefe, Tyler Kumm, Nick Brahmsteadt), 8:43.5.

**Other Medalists**

800: 4. Kumm, 2:16.4. 1,600: 5. O'Keefe, 5:21.8. 3,200: 3. Coleman Kneift, 11:40.0. 400 relay: 6. Winside (Zach Morris, Marcos Escalera, Colby Erickson, Hayden King), 51.8. 1,600 relay: 3. Allen (Connot, Brian Boese, Kumm, Wade Connot), 3:47.4. 3,200 relay: 6. Winside (Taylor Anson, Sean Mann, Jacob Mann, Marlowe Kampa), 11:11.1. Shot put: 6. Brady Krakau, Allen, 39-9.

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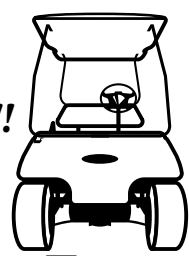
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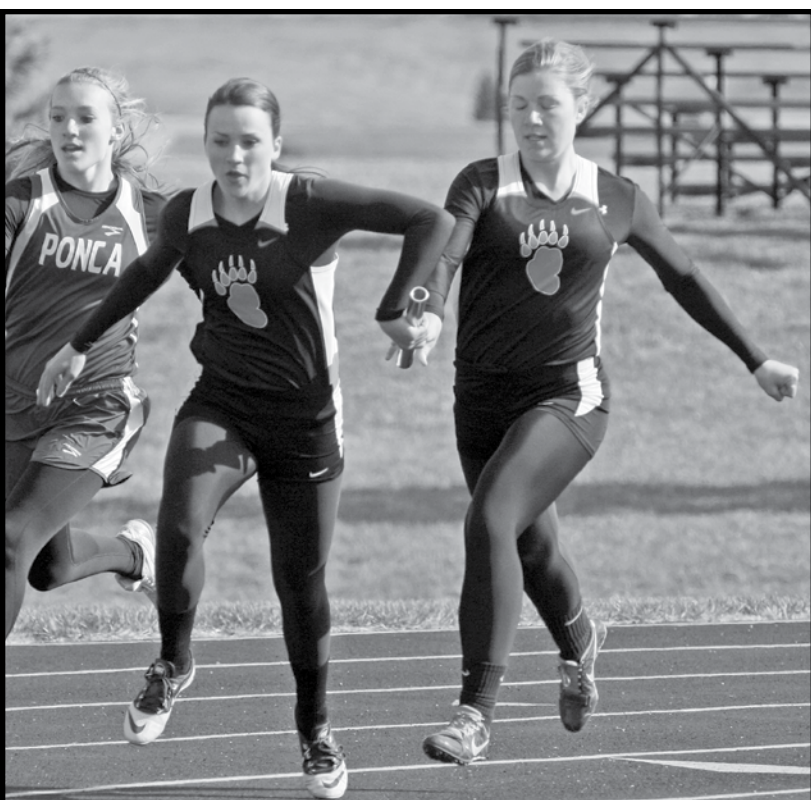
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# On to state

(above) Cameron Eddie hands off to Kelsey Dietrich to get the LCC 400-meter relay team started on their way to a trip to state. (right) Wakefield's Josephine Peitz earned a wild card bid to state with her third-place finish in the 800-meter run.



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# Foursome

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low senior Emily Wells is sitting seventh nationally with a best mark of 187 feet, 9 inches, and younger sister Sara Wells is 22nd at 174-7. Having three of the top throwers in the nation on the same team is a great motivational tool, the younger Wells said.

"It's really nice, because during practice you're competing against one of the best in the nation, and I couldn't ask for any better competitors," she said. "I feel honored to have them with me. They're my best friends, teammates and sisters."

Sara Wells will be the busiest of the three and has the best chance at being a multiple All-American award winner. In addition to qualifying in the hammer throw, she is fourth in the nation in the discus, with a best mark of 164 feet; and is also second in the shot put with a best effort of 52 feet, 4 inches. The marks she has put together helped her earn Central Region Field Athlete of the Year honors and put her in a position to score a lot of points for the Wildcats this weekend.

"I've had good coaches who have helped me with my training, and it's been a really good season overall," she said. "I've got a shot at (winning a national title). It's not the end of the world if I don't get it, but it would be exciting to get one, or both, of them."



Senior Emily Wells is making her third trip to nationals and is sitting seventh in the hammer throw with a best mark of 187-9.

"I'm really excited to do well, since it's my senior year," she said. "I feel like I'm on mark and peaking for nationals, and hopefully my last throw will be my best throw and hopefully I can move up and finish in the top four."

Dendinger is the newcomer to the group, and she's looking forward to the chance at competing in the discus, where she is ranked 14th with a best mark of 155-2.

"It's definitely nerve-wracking going in as a freshman, but I have some great teammates to guide me through it," she said. "I'm just going to go in without any expectations"

*"It's really nice, because during practice you're competing against one of the best in the nation, and I couldn't ask for any better competitors. I feel honored to have them with me. They're my best friends, teammates and sisters."*

— Sara Wells, Wayne State junior thrower  
*On having three teammates competing at nationals*

and try to hit a PR."

The possibility of either Fehringer or the younger Wells winning a national title is something that has the entire program excited, as it would be the first since Katie Wilson won the shot put title as a junior in 2008.

"The opportunity to win a national title doesn't come along that often, and I've realized that a lot more having coached a lot of years," Wayne State coach Marlon Brink said. "It's been a while since Katie won hers, so you have to take those moments and cherish them and

make the most of those opportunities."

Brink said he feels his athletes are doing just that.

"I think it something they're really aware of, and they know that if you do what you did to get to nationals, you're going to do very well," he said. "They already have high goals for themselves, so I don't think I need to put any more pressure on them."

The foursome all point to the coaching they've received from Brink and throws coach Brett Suckstorf, who was an athlete at Wayne

State when Wilson won her national title.

"I was a teammate of Katie's when she won hers and I know how great an experience it was for her," he said. "When you get to nationals, crazy stuff can happen. To coach these girls to a national title would be unreal, and these girls certainly deserve it."

The Wildcat foursome have a shot to do very well in this week's national meet, and they're all excited about the chance.

"It's great to have teammates down there," Fehringer said. "They've pushed me all year and I've pushed them, and it would be awesome if we could all get All-American."

Winning a national title, though — that would make all four of them elated.

"It certainly would mean a lot, and I'd definitely dedicate it to my mom," Wells said of her mother, Lee Ann, who passed away in 2012.

# Seniors

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as both qualified in three events. Rauner will anchor the 400-meter relay with Backer, Jalyn Zeiss and Tarah Stegemann. Both Rauner and Backer will compete in the 100 and 200 as well. Rauner qualified third in both events, while Backer was fifth in both events and earned wild cards for both events.

Zeiss and Marta Pulfer are both slated for two events. Pulfer won the 3,200 and was runner-up in the 1,600 to earn two spots in the state meet, while Zeiss finished third in the 300-meter hurdles to punch her ticket to state individually.

Also earning a trip to state were 800-meter runners Angie Nelson and Cassie Heier. Nelson qualified with a second-place finish, while Heier got in on a wild card after finishing fourth.

"We have a lot of senior experience going down, and that carries over and makes the younger kids hungry to go down and do well," Hochstein said. "The atmosphere down there is something else, so it's good to have a number of kids going down there who have been there before."

Class B runs on Friday morning, with all four classes competing on Saturday at Omaha Burke High School.



(Photo by Jacki Zeiss)

**Cornelio Espino will run one leg of the 1,600-meter relay for Wayne High at the state track meet.**

put: 4. Lexi Sokol, Wayne, 36-0 1/2; 5. Victoria Kranz, Wayne, 33-7.

**Boys Team Standings**  
Columbus Scotus 128, Blair 83, Columbus Lakeview 80, Pierce 61, Boone Central 46, O'Neil 34, Wayne 32, Schuyler 30, West Point-Beemer 26, David City 7.

**Wayne State Qualifiers**  
100: 3. Rachel Rauner, Wayne, 12.7; 5. Meagan Backer, Wayne, 12.89. 200: 3. Rauner, 26.52; 5. Backer, 27.04. 800: 2. Angie Nelson, Wayne, 2:28.5; 4. Cassie Heier, Wayne, 2:28.97. 1,600: 2. Marta Pulfer, Wayne, 5:43.77. 3,200: 1. Pulfer, 12:16.1. 300 hurdles: 3. Jalyn Zeiss, Wayne, 50.07. 400 relay: 2. Wayne, (Zeiss, Rauner, Tarah Stegemann, Backer), 51.56. High jump: 1. Ashton Schweers, Wayne, 5-2.

**Other Wayne Medalists**  
100: 6. Zeiss, 13.05. 1,600 relay: 4. Wayne, 4:24.5. 3,200 relay: 3. Wayne, 10:25.43. Shot

# State

**From Page 1B**  
year's state tournament, and will be in the hunt for a high finish again this week when they compete at Mahoney Golf Course in Lincoln. The two-day competition runs Wednesday and Thursday, May 28-29.

**C-2 District**  
**Team Standings (Top 3 to state)**  
David City 349, Laurel-Concord/Coleridge 350, Hartington Cedar Catholic 356, Guardian Angels CC 359, Stanton 362, Wisner-Pilger 366, Tekamah-Herman 397, Logan View 397, Ponca 400, Oakland-Craig 412, North Bend 460, Wakefield 464, Clarkson/Leigh 475. Homer did not field a full team.

**Individual State Qualifiers**  
1. Mitchell Klooz, LCC, 78; 2. Jamy McCoy, LCC, 80; 3. Tylar Samek, David City, 80; 4. Brook Klinetobe, Stanton, 82; 5. Logan Schumacher, HCC, 84; 6. Caden Doggett, Stanton, 84; 7. Cody Steuter, GACC, 84; 8. Dalton Lam-

mers, HCC, 88; 9. Lucas Bradfield, W-P, 88; 10. (tie) Joseph Beacom, W-P; Noah Kreikemeier, GACC; and Benjamin Danielson, David City, all 88.

**Area Results**  
LCC - Mitchell Klooz 78, Jamy McCoy 80, Cory Peterson 91, Brendan Groene 101, Nolan Casey 118.

WAKEFIELD - Evan Nicholson 96, Tim Anderson 111, Matt Christiansen 122, Heath Greve 135, Zach Pommer 144.

# Area runners post times in Lincoln Marathon

A total of 18 area runners took part in the Lincoln Marathon recently, with three runners completing a full marathon.

Kent Pulfer finished his full marathon in a time of 3 hours, 29 minutes and 26 seconds, which qualified him to run in the Boston Marathon next year. He finished 17 seconds ahead of his son, Jacob, who finished in 3:29:43.

Kelly Polacek also completed a full marathon, running the course in 4 hours, 18 minutes and 54 seconds.

The remaining 15 runners ran a half-marathon on the course. Quentin Jorgensen was the fastest of the local runners in the half-marathon, finishing in 1 hour, 43 minutes and 44 seconds.

Other local runners and their half-marathon times included Robert Sweeney (1:55:46), Shannon

Gibson (1:55:56), Jeffrey Fleming (2:00:12), Sheryl Grone (2:04:25), Shannon Johnson (2:14:23), Kathleen Jorgensen (2:17:42), Jaime Manz (2:18:10), Keely Odell (2:27:26), Katie Sprouls (2:32:37), Becky Sprouls (2:32:37), Michelle Ekberg (2:47:20), Deborah Garwood (2:50:04), Teresa Tiedtke (2:53:33) and Sandi Wachter (3:24:54).

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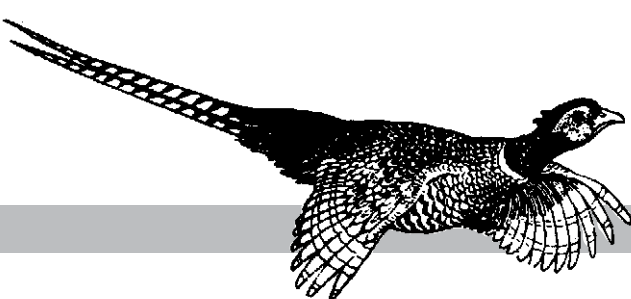
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Celebrations abound in May

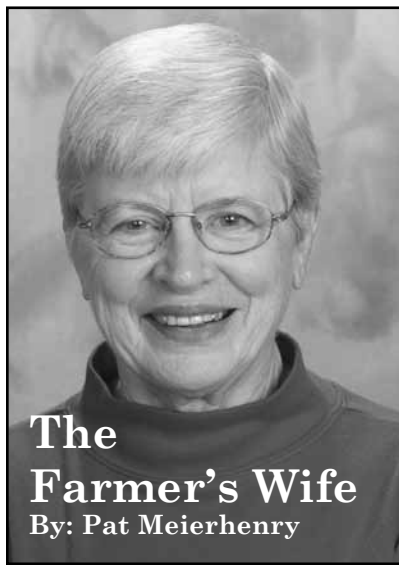
Three of us old retired nurses who had birthdays last week are getting together for lunch today because we were all too busy to do it last week!

I was reflecting on the last month last night and realizing it's been a little more emotionally labile than usual. It began with the death of a former favorite pastor; we knew it was liver cancer and we knew it would happen, but it was still sad to hear. His memorial service was the assurance of the Resurrection, which we had just celebrated the week before.

Then, there was a pot luck farewell at our church for FOUR long-time teachers in our school. (Of course it was a pot luck, we're Lutheran! BTW, a bunch of us also took in the latest Church Basement Ladies musical at the Lied last month. What a hoot!)

The retirees are the principal, his wife, who is a second grade teacher, the music director, who directs almost ALL of the music in the church and school, and the director of the day care, the only one we've had since its beginning, and the best one in town!

As a former First Lady of the Year with a sorority in Norfolk, I am invited to come back each year for the



The Farmer's Wife By: Pat Meierhenry

newest one. This year, it was Eleanor McIntosh, whom I met when she birthed her fifth child. And her husband, Paul, gave a beautiful, moving tribute to her.

The next evening, we were entertained with a party celebrating Myles' graduation from Lutheran High Northeast. Jacey had put together a wonderful video of pictures and music, and I wondered how those 18 years had gone by so fast. The actual graduation ceremony was this past Sunday, featuring good band

and choir music, and cute speeches by the top three students. In fact, almost half the class was in the top of academic recognitions, which I thought amazing and gratifying.

Meanwhile, Thomas graduated from the U! And unlike last year, when the commencement planned for Memorial Stadium was rained out, the Pinnacle Bank Arena was ready for it! It took three hours! We did skip that part, and made it to the dinner at Misty's that evening.

Finally, there was a district track meet in Beatrice where Dani qualified for state in the high jump. It was cold and windy, typical track weather in Nebraska. In between all of this, Paul and Murt Meierhenry were here overnight on their way back to Topeka from seeing their three great granddaughters in Norfolk. They are darling, but I'm not ready for great-grandchildren. I doubt that Mick Jagger is either, but he has one!

And yesterday, the cool weather disappeared, and the AC went on. Very typical, as you well know. Hopefully, this will be a quieter week. Just one more graduation party to attend, on Memorial Day, and our annual Waco High alumni reunion on Sunday. No wonder the store room does not get cleaned!

Livestock Market Report

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

Prices were \$4 to \$5 lower on fat cattle and steady on cows. There were 400 fat cattle sold.

Strictly choice fed steers, \$142 to \$142. Good and choice steers, \$139 to \$142. Medium and good steers, \$135 to \$139. Standard steers, \$125 to \$135. Strictly choice fed heifers, \$140 to \$145. Good and choice heifers, \$142 to \$145. Medium and good heifers, \$135 to \$140. Standard heifers, \$115 to \$125.

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Recent frost, freeze create forage concerns

Frosts and freezes last week are causing some concern for alfalfa and other forages. Warmer weekend temperatures make it possible to now estimate damage and take action if needed.

To assess damage to alfalfa from last week's cold, don't just look for frozen or wilting leaves. You need to determine if the growing point was killed. This growing point, also called the apical meristem, is the initial development source of all new leaves, stems, and branches on alfalfa. It is located inside a dense cluster of unfolded leaves near the top of the main stem.

Because it is inside a cluster of leaves, the growing point is somewhat protected from cold injury. Exposed leaves and stems all around it can be frozen, wilted, and dying while the growing point cluster survives. If the growing points in your alfalfa survived the freeze, just wait for growth to begin again.

When the growing point is killed, however, growth ceases

on that stem. New growth must come from new shoots at the crown or from lower branches. Regrowth often begins a little sooner if plants are cut but it rarely pays to cut and just leave the clippings in the field. However, if the value of the hay that comes from harvesting current growth will pay for the harvest costs, it often is worth taking that harvest. I haven't seen many damaged fields with that much growth so most of you should just wait for plants to come back on their own.

New seedlings of grasses and legumes usually tolerate quite cold temperatures so most of them should be safe unless plants were clearly frozen and killed. Then replanting might be needed.

Don't rush to harvest or replant. Check to see if your plants are truly damaged. Then decide whether to harvest, replant, or just wait.

Written by Bruce Anderon, UNL Forage Specialist.

Assessing damage from late-season frost

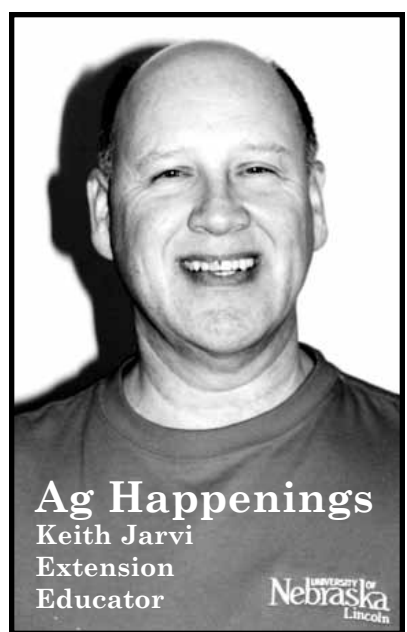
Last week's frost wasn't any fun for anyone, farmers or gardeners.

It's always a little hard for farmers to tell if frost has damaged their crops enough to hurt all or part of the emerging stand. The vast majority of our crops were still in the ground when the cool temperatures hit, but now would be a good time to go out to fields and try to assess whether any damage had been done.

Generally it takes three to seven days to see if new growth is occurring on crops that have been "burnt back" by frost. The growing point of the corn plant is under the ground until about the V6 leaf stage, so even if the corn was toasted a bit it is a good bet that it will come back.

For all of the hype about bigger yields when you plant soybeans early, this late season cold spell is the potential big drawback. The growing point of the soybean is above ground and so is more vulnerable to damage if it is emerged. However, very few of our soybeans were emerged last Thursday night/Friday morning (May 15-16) so most fields should have escaped loss.

Alfalfa was wilted in some northern fields Friday morning but it ap-



Ag Happenings Keith Jarvi Extension Educator

pears that the damage was minimal.

For further information and resources about frost damage go to cropwatch.unl.edu. There are links to discussions and good photographs of damaged crops. Also, most major seed company websites also have pictures and discussions about frost damaged crops for reference.

No-till field day is June 5

No-till on the Plains, Inc. will host a field day for producers to gain a better understanding of the importance of soil health by utilizing continuous no-till cropping systems.

The Whirlwind No-Till Expo will take place on Thursday, June 5, beginning promptly at 8:30 a.m. at the Matt Kathol farm, located at 88192 564 Avenue, Hartington. The day will begin with a Rainfall Simulator demonstration, followed by discussion down in a soil pit on the Kathol farm.

Lunch will be provided at the VFW Hall, followed by a full after-

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Funded through a grant from the Nebraska Environmental Trust and PrairieLand RC&D, No-till on the Plain, the Natural Resources Conservation Service and University of Nebraska Extension Service are pleased to offer this high quality educational event to all interested producers.

A \$30 registration fee is required by Tuesday, May 27 for attendance.

For more information on the Whirlwind No-Till Expo or to pre-register, call (888) 330-5142.

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Assistance is being provided through two USDA Rural Development programs: the Intermediary Relending Program (IRP) and the Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program (RMAP). The 2014 Farm Bill reauthorized both programs through 2018. For Fis-

cal Year 2014, \$18.9 million in IRP loans are available, and \$25.4 million in RMAP loans and grants are available.

Under IRP, USDA lends money to economic development intermediaries (non-profits and public bodies) who re-lend it to rural businesses (ultimate recipients) that might not be able to obtain financing.

For more information, contact Bill Sheppard at (402) 375-5350, ext. 1004, or e-mail bill.sheppard@ne.usda.gov.

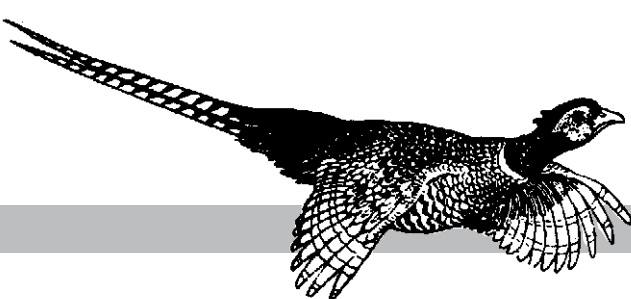
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# Opinion

## Don't get me started

By: Michael Carnes  
Managing Editor

## Time to celebrate an anniversary

This past weekend was something of a special weekend for me, both personally and professionally.

Of course, it was the annual anniversary of my 29th birthday last Saturday. I'm not one of those people who are afraid of birthdays, per se, but I have not had a birthday party that matched the one I had on my 29th birthday. Therefore, I haven't seen the need to tell people I'm 48 years old when it's more fun to tell them it's my 19th annual 29th birthday and let them bother with the math from there.

Why 29, you ask? Well – to be honest, I don't have much recollection of what actually HAPPENED at my 29th birthday party. All of my friends who WERE there, though, said it was a fantastic party and they really hope I never see the pictures that were taken of me – somehow, I have the feeling they could be used against me by BOTH of the major political parties if I decide to run for public office at some point down the road.

(For the record – if I make it that far, I do intend to officially recognize my 50TH birthday in a special way . . . more on that as we get closer to May 17, 2016.)

As far as the professional side goes, this was the fifth area high school graduating class I've had the pleasure of covering during my tenure here at The Wayne Herald. It might seem a little strange, but in more than 30 years in the newspaper business, I've never stayed at one publication longer than I have here, opting for "bigger and/or better" opportunities at some point along the way in my professional life.

It's funny, but the Class of 2014 were still in junior high school when my U-Haul rolled into town. This year's class of high school seniors had yet to play their first varsity high school sporting event, go to their first Homecoming dance or be involved in any high school activity when I first sat down at this desk.

A lot has happened in what seems to have been a short amount of time. I've covered a thousand ball games and almost as many other stories, from city and county board meetings to an EF-4 tornado (there's a joke in there about the similarities between the two stories, but I'll pass).

I've had the opportunity to meet a lot of new people in this town, the vast majority of whom have been good people to work with. (Yes, this area has its share of, shall we say, challenging folk – but we've got a good thing going here so why waste any more ink on them?) I've gained a number of great friendships, rekindled a few from back in the day and have had a blast doing it here in Wayne, America.

My actual five-year anniversary doesn't roll around until the end of July, but after seeing five high school classes come and go, I've got to say it's been an enjoyable experience and one I look forward to repeating here for many more years to come (unless, of course, I win the lottery or am overcome by the charms of a very rich, very single woman – at which point my responsibilities here will change SIGNIFICANTLY . . . and I think we all know what that means).

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Have you noticed the quiet lately?

I sure have – it's been nice to turn on the Idiot Box (TV, for those you still trying to figure out the unique language known as Mikespeak) and not have to endure 30-second soundbites of slimy politicians lying to us about what they'll do in Washington and how much of a scumbag sleazebiscuit their opponent is.

I know we touched on this last week, but I'm really having a hard time trying to understand how those of us who expect REAL change in Lincoln and Washington are going to get ANYTHING by voting for representatives of the same two political parties who have created the problems that exist in state and federal government today.

In my younger days, I had a drinking problem. It wasn't that I NEEDED to drink . . . it's just that when I did, I had the tendency to overdo it and do (or say) things I'd never do (or say) in a sober state of mind.

At no point, in my discovery of the problem, did I think to myself, "You know, maybe if I stopped drinking beer and started drinking, say, vodka . . . I'd be less of an idiot when I got drunk." I actually stopped drinking for two years and discovered that the likelihood of me doing (or saying) something stupid actually fell to near zero (of course, I had a teenager in my life at the time, so absolute zero in the idiot department was just not realistic, but I digress).

Changing how I consumed alcohol at the time led to changes that I made happen in my life. It would only stand to reason, then, that if I changed the way that I VOTED and stopped electing representatives of the parties that were responsible for the problems – that I might be able to actually CHANGE how things are done in our houses of representation in Lincoln and D.C. I wonder how many more elections it will take before the majority of voters – both here in Nebraska and nationwide – come to the same realization I have?

Sadly, the quiet we now enjoy won't be lasting too much longer – by Labor Day, the ads will be starting again in full force and we'll no doubt hear about how Candidate A hates puppies and Candidate B took money from this grandma's rainy day jar.

All I can say is "Thank God for the 'mute' button."

## Capitol View

# Slogan causing controversy

By J.L. SCHMIDT  
Statehouse Correspondent  
Nebraska Press Association

"Nebraska Nice" is Nebraska's new tourism brand.

Nice. The dictionary says: "giving pleasure or joy; good and enjoyable; attractive or of good quality; kind, polite, and friendly." At the risk of sounding snarky, isn't that nice?

The brand is the result of nine months of research and development. A Nebraska Nice brand promotional campaign, coming soon, will showcase some of Nebraska's best assets, says Nebraska Tourism Commission Vice Chairman, John Chapo. He added that research clearly showed that one of Nebraska's strongest assets is its people.

Commission Director Kathy McKillip said the process of branding Nebraska as a destination is more than creating a symbol or slogan. "We set out to find a message that would resonate with Nebraskans and will very quickly communicate Nebraska's strengths to potential visitors," she said. Resonate. The dictionary says: "to continue to produce a loud, clear, deep sound for a long time; to have particular meaning or importance for someone; to affect or appeal to someone in a personal or emotional way."

The loud, clear, deep sound has been one of disbelief and discontent. Nine months of research to come up with a slogan that has previously been used by neighbors Minnesota and Iowa? Some \$75,000 to come up with something that has been labeled everything from lame to innocuous?

There are those who have started a social media campaign to revive "Nebraska . . . The Good Life," which is still on entrance signs to the state but hasn't been the official slogan since 1974. Thank the late Governor Jim Exon for having the foresight to get that one on the



signs. The theme of the disgruntled seems to be, we can do better.

A poll in the Scottsbluff Star-Herald revealed that 63.6 percent of respondents believed that "we could do better" than Nebraska Nice. Only 3.6 percent said they "liked" the slogan and the balance said, "it doesn't matter."

A retired newspaper photographer encouraged Facebook friends to use nice as an acronym. An editor friend commented, "Nebraska: Interstate Construction Endless." That's a reminder of yet another blah Nebraska slogan, "possibilities . . . endless." Another Facebooker offered, "Nearly In Colorado! Exciting!"

On a positive note, one offered this signage to be placed near communities that have Runza Restaurants and Valentino's Pizza Restaurants: "Now I Can Eat."

McKillip said she hopes the new brand will "help spread the word that Nebraska truly is a nice place to be." A commission spokesperson said Nebraska Nice has a dual meaning. It's not only about Nebraskans being nice to visitors and each other, it's also a reference to the nice moments that make the best vacations memorable and special, the special moment that is talked about for years and years to come.

A friend suggests that we not

fault the advertising agency that came up with the brand slogan. After all, they were just doing their job and they DID manage to sell it – recycled or not – to the tourism commission. Another suggests that maybe several ideas should have been floated with an opportunity for Nebraskans to vote.

Sure. Kind of like when we all got to vote for suitable license plates and wound up with a bird and a flower and a color combination that looked like any number of neighboring states.

Sorry. That wasn't nice now, was it!

## Legislative Update

# Turnout for primary was disappointing

The primary elections are over. We are down to one candidate from each party for governor, attorney general, state auditor and the U.S. Senate seat.

While the election cycle is far from over, the field is now narrowed and maybe we will see a break in political ads before the campaigns get in full swing for the general election in November.

I often hear people grumbling and griping about the condition of our state and our country and the way the "damned politicians" are doing things. Then, when we have an elec-

tion, and there is an opportunity to let your thoughts be heard through the voting process, we have a disappointing turnout, this time about 27 percent. That is not acceptable in Nebraska! When three out of four eligible voters sit on their hands (being polite) and don't vote, it is difficult for the elected officials to know just what the public really expects.

For those of you that engage in the many various forms of social media, I would like to let you know that I have a new Facebook page. You can find my page at www.



**Legislative Update**  
By Dave Bloomfield  
State Senator, District 17

facebook.com/pages/Senator-Dave-Bloomfield/473873406021415. I am planning to try to use this site a little more to get the word out about things going on during the session. I will post links to my weekly newsletter on my page, in addition to posting it on my legislative blog site.

My plan is to post on the site events within District 17 that I am planning to attend and other events in the district that my office is made aware of. I would encourage you to go "Like" my page – it will be one more way for you to reach me.

As always, if we can be of any assistance, contact our office at (402) 471-2716 or e-mail dbloomfield@leg.ne.gov.

## Letters

### Help needed for foster care

Teens in our community urgently and immediately need your help. They need families willing to open their hearts to provide a safe and nurturing place they can call home.

May is observed as National Foster Care Month, which recognizes current foster parents while also asking loving families to consider embracing youth who cannot be with their caretaker at this time.

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Research shows that children and teens living in a safe and nurturing home feel good about themselves and are better prepared for the fu-

ture. The challenge for our community is to find citizens willing to step up and mentor and care for a child. Foster parents are necessary to nurture and support the educational and mental health needs of teens, provide normalcy to life, and serve as role models.

In our profession, it is not unusual to hear someone say "I thought about becoming a foster parent once." Unfortunately, too many never follow up to learn more. Now is the time to find out what it takes to become a foster parent.

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# Graduation 2014



There's always time for a quick selfie before Wakefield's graduation ceremony, as Darien Gustafson and Luis Brambilla ham it up for the camera.



The unmistakable smile of a high school graduate as Allen's Austin Connot is followed by Myles Flores.



Some high schoolers think graduation is the day they "get out of jail." We found the entire Winside Class of 2014 behind bars shortly before their ceremony, although they were free to leave after receiving their diplomas – and they did.



Holly Johnson is all smiles as she enjoys her graduation day at Allen High School.



Mom's always got to have a picture of her graduate, as Josh Dolph smiles for his mom, Jane, at Wakefield's ceremony.



Emotions run high during graduation ceremonies and when the seniors at Laurel-Concord/ Coleridge presented roses to their parents, many in the audience could not hide their tears.



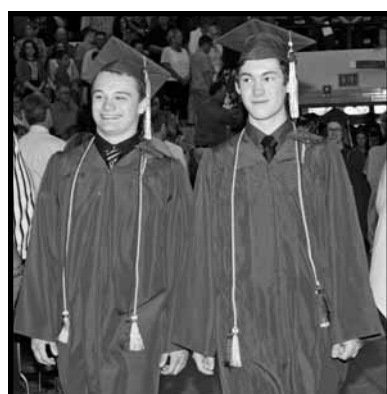
It's always a day full of emotions for the graduates, and Jayd Roberts doesn't hide hers as she gets a hug from a friend after graduation ceremonies at Winside High School.



The last song is always an emotional one for the seniors, as Dulce Torres wipes away a tear after the Wayne High choir sang a song during graduation ceremonies at Wayne State College.



The joy of being a high school graduate is evident on the face of Lauren Lehmkuhl, as she hugs her dad, Jim, following ceremonies at Wakefield.



You can't help smiling when you're taking that walk on graduation day, as Wayne High grads Mike Cliff and Casey Dalager show while walking into Rice Auditorium for their big day.



Everybody's got to have a picture of their favorite graduates, and Bryce Sebade and Samantha Niemann take a moment to smile for the camera after Wayne High's ceremonies.



Coleridge High School Valedictorian Ben Barelman and Salutatorian Cameron Eddie reminisce about their high school days and becoming part of the Laurel-Concord system.



The hug says it all as Caleb Liene-mann hugs his mom, Laurie, who presented his diploma to him at Winside's graduation ceremony.

**Photos by**  
Michael Carnes  
Clara Osten  
Missy Sullivan



Myles Flores receives his diploma from his mom, Patricia, who is on the Allen Board of Education.



Trevor Pecena takes a picture of fellow graduates Sierra Brugger and Dulce Torres before Wayne High's ceremonies.



Among the highlights of graduation at Laurel-Concord/Coleridge High School was the presentation of a rose to each graduate's parents. Here, seniors take turns selecting the flower they wanted.



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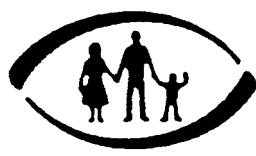
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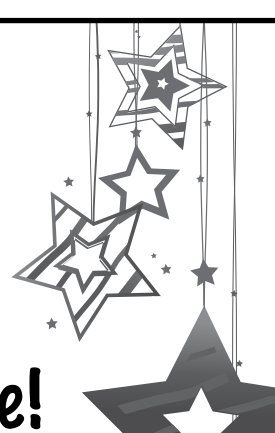
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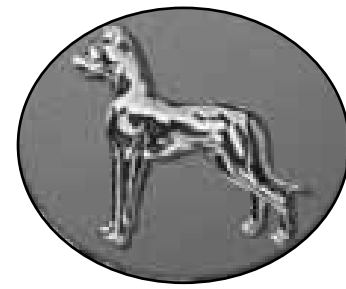
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## REMEMBER









# Internships teach students about child development

“Believe it or not, a room full of five year olds can be intimidating.”  
This was one of Holly Kenny’s observations after completing her Child Development class internship at Rainbow World.

Fourteen Wayne High School students were able to work directly with children in various child care businesses around Wayne throughout the second semester.

Alyssa Schmale had this to say about the experience, “I don’t think there is a better way to get hands on teaching experience with kids. It’s the real deal. We had to plan lessons to do with kids all on our own with minimal help and got a taste of what working with kids is really like. It’s amazing to see how different they all are and how their personalities really show in everything they do.”

The cooperating sites and supervisors were: Amy Duncan, Gina Sandoz, Brenda Swanson, (day cares); Fishers of Kids, Amy Steinmeyer, and New “Bee” Ginnings, Diane Gentrup; Head Start, Christy Johnson and Rainbow World, Shelly Fehringer (preschools).

“The students responsibilities during their experience were to share a variety of children’s literature, plan four lessons that fit the curriculum, apply situations from their observations to application tests, provide guidance for the children and follow all policies and procedures of their work place,” said their instructor, Karen Schardt.

The students who completed the internship along with their favorite children’s book are: McKenna Brugg-



Students enrolled in Child Development class this semester included (front) Jade Bottger, Cassie Heier, Takiyah Hamik, McKenna Bruggger-Isom, Holly Grosz, Anna Cole, Anya Roberts, (back) Chantel Martin, Holly Kenny, Molly Stabler, Alyssa Schmale, Kim Holt and Kayla Janke. Not present is Abby Cudaback.

ger, (Peter Cottontail), Abby Cudaback (No Matter What), Jade Bottger, Holly Grosz, Takiyah Hamik (The Rainbow Fish), Anna Cole (Fox in Socks), Cassie Heier (Barnyard Dance), Kimberly Holt (Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What do you

See?), Kayla Janke (We’re Going on a Bear Hunt), Holly Kenny (999 Tadpoles), Chantel Martin (Then It’s Spring!), Anya Roberts (Easter Surprise), Alyssa Schmale (Pout Pout Fish), Molly Stabler (Penguin and Pinecone).

Martin summed up the experience for anyone in education saying, “I loved being out there with all the kids. It showed me how much patience all teachers must have in order to be successful.”



## Born to be Wild

Winside Elementary School recently held its spring concert, under the direction of band instructor Kathy Hansen and vocal instructor LeNell Quinn. This year’s theme was “Rock, Roll and Remember.” Pictured are the fifth- and sixth-grade boys performing “Born To Be Wild.”

## Grace Evening Circle holds quarterly meeting

The Grace LWML Evening Circle met May 13.

President Lorraine Johnson opened the meeting and read for Christian Growth, “Counting the Cost.”

Roll call showed five members and Pastor Lilienkamp present. December ‘shut-in’ gift was for Valores Mordhorst.

President Johnson read correspondence, including a letter from Lutheran Bible Translators Terry and Janet Borchert.

Secretary Lanora Sorensen read the secretary’s report from the last meeting, which was Nov. 12, 2013. The February meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

Treasurer Lee Larsen gave the treasurer’s report, which was filed for audit. Verna Mae Baier and Bea Kinslow audited the 2013 treasurer’s books in January of this year.

The LWML Wayne Zone will be hosting the Nebraska LWML Dis-

trict event June 20-21 at Lutheran High Northeast in Norfolk. Mary Lou Erleben and Lanora Sorensen will be delegates at the convention.

President Johnson related details of the upcoming convention. Jan Casey will bring six dozen cookies.

The Wayne Zone Fall Rally will be held at St. Paul’s in Winside. Details will be made available at a later date.

The Mites for Missions were collected and dues paid.

The meeting closed with The Lord’s Prayer.

Pastor Lilienkamp gave the lesson on “Grief: Ok or Not?”

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 12 at 7 p.m.

## Winside Trinity Lutheran WELCA gathers May 8

The WELCA from Trinity Lutheran Church in Winside met May 8 with six members answering roll call.

President Kathy Jensen opened the meeting with the reading “Spring House Cleaning.” The secretary’s and treasurer’s reports were read and approved.

PMA Glenn Keithzmann led the Bible Study based on John 14:1-14.

The WELCA will serve refreshments after worship services on June 8 in honor of Pentecost.

The congregation Garage Sale for funds to repair the church’s roof was discussed. It was decided to hold the sale on Friday evening, June 20 and Saturday, June 21. The group will start accepting donations to the sale the Sunday before the event (June 15) from 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Anyone who has items they would like to donate, but who are unable to get them there at that time is asked to contact a WELCA member.

Ladies will set up for the sale on Thursday, June 19. The WELCA will also be holding a bake sale in conjunction with the garage sale.

It was also noted during the meeting that the Methodist Church is going to have a sale that weekend also and there will be many other Q125 fundraising events going on in Winside at the same time.

Vacation Bible School will be held with the Methodist Church Tuesday through Friday, May 27-30. The classes and program will be held at Trinity this year and the WELCA made a donation for supplies. Members will also help serve lunch after the closing program on May 30.

The meeting closed with The Lord’s Prayer. Following the meeting, Mary Ann Soden served lunch for Dorothy Jo Andersen.

The next meeting of the WELCA will be Thursday, June 12 when members will be cleaning cupboards. Mary Ann Soden will serve lunch.

## Wanted: Church news

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Wayne Community Schools is a vibrant organization dedicated to meeting the needs of all students. The district is currently seeking Two Positions, interested candidates to join our team as a General Education Para-Professional. Selected individuals will work with students and support classroom teachers. High School Diploma, Driver's license and good driving record, Ability to pass background check.

Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

Interested Applications should inquire at: Applications will be accepted on the school website www.wayneschools.org. Go to the "District" tab, then click on the "Employment" tab, then go to "Apply for a job with WCS".

Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

**For questions, please contact:**  
**Mrs. Jill Pickinpaugh, Elementary Principal**  
 Wayne Community Schools  
 611 W 7th Street, Wayne, NE 68787  
 402-375-3854 or jpick1@waynebluedevils.org

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**Welders Needed**

Great Dane Trailers is seeking welders for our 1st shift. Primary responsibilities include setting up and operating a Mig welder and a multi-head gantry style automatic welder.

Candidates must be 18 years of age or older. Ideal candidates should have previous welding experience. No welding certification is required. Training will be given on running a multi-head gantry welder. Ideal Candidates are to successfully complete a post job offer drug screen, medical examination, and pass a fit test. Individuals wanting to join a winning team and work for a solid company should apply in person at:

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Send letter of interest, resume, credentials, and references to:  
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