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## City, school to cooperate on construction

### Board OK's request to store materials

By CLARA OSTEN  
Of The Herald

Wayne Community Schools and the City of Wayne will provide easements to each other and work together to provide the safest area possible during the construction of a new city swimming pool at the Community Activity Center.

Wayne City Administrator Lowell Johnson and City Planner Joel Hansen discussed the new pool issue with school board members during the regular meeting of the Wayne Community Schools Board of Education on Monday.

The city requested permission from the school to use an area near the Wayne Community Activity Center where the former Wayne Elementary School and playground were located to store materials being used during the construction process. Also requested was an access road to the construction site through the area of the former school.

Hansen told the board that a secure fence would be put around the construction site and the construction equipment.

The board granted superintendent Mark Lenihan and board president Dr. Carolyn Linster permission to work with the city to sign the necessary documents.

The board also took action to amend the 2014-15

budget. The action was necessary due to the refinancing of bonds used for renovation of the former middle school. Lenihan told the board that the action will not change the district's levy, but will save the taxpayers \$379,000 over the course of the bonds.

The last day of school for Wayne Community Schools will be either Tuesday, May 19 or Wednesday, May 20, depending on the results of the NeSA test scores for the district. The original last day was set for Monday, May 18, but the district used two snow days, so the date was pushed back to May 20. However, if the students score an 85 percent or better on the state test, they will earn an extra day of summer vacation.

Information was also shared with the board on the track building project, which will include an April 26 pre-bid conference prior to bids being opened on Tuesday, May 5. Work is scheduled to begin June 8 and should be substantially completed by Aug. 21.

Lenihan also presented information to the board on

AQuESTT (Accountability for a Quality Education System Today and Tomorrow), a student accountability system being implemented by the Nebraska Department of Education.

Lenihan said the program includes six components designed to provide college, career and community readiness, including two that support the need for an early childhood education program at the school.

He added that the program is "much better than just having the results of an assessment."

More information on the program and its implementation at Wayne Community Schools will be provided at the board's next meeting.

Board members approved the purchase of curriculum materials for the early learning center at a cost of \$7,961.14.

The Board of Education will next meet on Monday, May 11 at 5 p.m. in the junior-senior high library.



Lenihan



(Photo by Clara Osten)

### Rainbow World honors Week of the Young Child

A variety of activities are taking place this week at Rainbow World Childcare in observance of Week of the Young Child. On Wednesday, students and staff listened to a guest reader and then posed for a group photo.

## School foundation awards grant requests through IDEA Project

The IDEA (Inspiring Development through Educational Achievement) Project is a classroom grant program that provides an opportunity for Wayne Community Schools faculty and staff to receive a grant through an application process.

"Thanks to our matching donors, Herman Chiropractic and PacNSave, the WCS Foundation is able to help fund projects that are not funded by district funds through The IDEA Project," said foundation director Lindsay McLaughlin.

The Foundation encourages faculty and staff to apply for projects, materials, and/or programs that will be used directly by students.

"The IDEA Project is a great way to inspire educational excellence and enhance learning within the classroom," McLaughlin

added.

During the 2014-2015 school year four grants were awarded and the following are comments from the teachers who received the grants:

Diana Davis and Annette Rasmussen were awarded a grant for their project – Surface 2 "Everything we need . . . right on the Surface."

The Surface 2 is similar to an iPad except it comes loaded with the Microsoft package as well as applications available for purchase through the Microsoft store.

Mrs. Davis said, "It's great to have the opportunity to show students another example of mobile technology. Tenth-through-12th graders have Chromebooks, but the Surface is just different enough to give them an opportunity to use a Microsoft de-

vice rather than a Google device.

"We've used the video feature in class. Most of them have iPhones or smart phones so they've seen and used apps, but taking video and then downloading it was a new dimension. We downloaded the video into Google and then inserted the video into a Google website they had created for me ear-

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## State senators set for annual visit to legislative forum

By MICHAEL CARNES  
Of The Herald

For the 24th straight year, members of the Nebraska Legislature will visit Wayne for the community's annual Legislative Forum.

District 17 state Sen. Dave Bloomfield of Hoskins is one of three Unicameral members scheduled to visit the Majestic Theatre in downtown Wayne on Friday for a 10:30 a.m. discussion of statewide issues, sponsored by the Wayne Area Economic Development government affairs committee.

Scheduled to join Bloomfield on the stage is Sen. David Schnoor of Scribner, representing District 15; and Sen. Paul Shumacher of Columbus, representing District 22. The trio will answer questions from moderator Chuck Parker, who will take questions from the audience via note cards.

Wayne Area Economic Development director Wes Blecke said that the forum, which is usually held on the Wayne State College campus, was moved downtown this year due to a scheduling conflict at the college.

"We generally like to do it on campus to show off the college to the senators from outside the area, but scheduling didn't work out so we're holding it this year at the Majestic," he said.

Blecke said the government affairs committee worked hard to get the state representatives to commit to a visit to Wayne, and he feels there will be a good conversation between the senators and those in at-



Shumacher



Schnoor



Bloomfield

tendance.

"Sen. Bloomfield has been here every year he's been in office, and Sen. Shumacher has been here before and is fun to listen to," Blecke said. "This is Sen. Schnoor's first time, and it's good to have 3-4 senators here to give us a good mix of conversation and make for a good forum."

Blecke said area high school students from Wayne, Winside, Ponca and Madison are expected to be in attendance, and that should make for some interesting questions. He expects questions about everything from tax relief and Medicaid to medical marijuana and the recent spat between Sen. Ernie Chambers and his fellow senators regarding controversial remarks Chambers made recently.

"Whatever the current issues are, it's fair game," Blecke said.

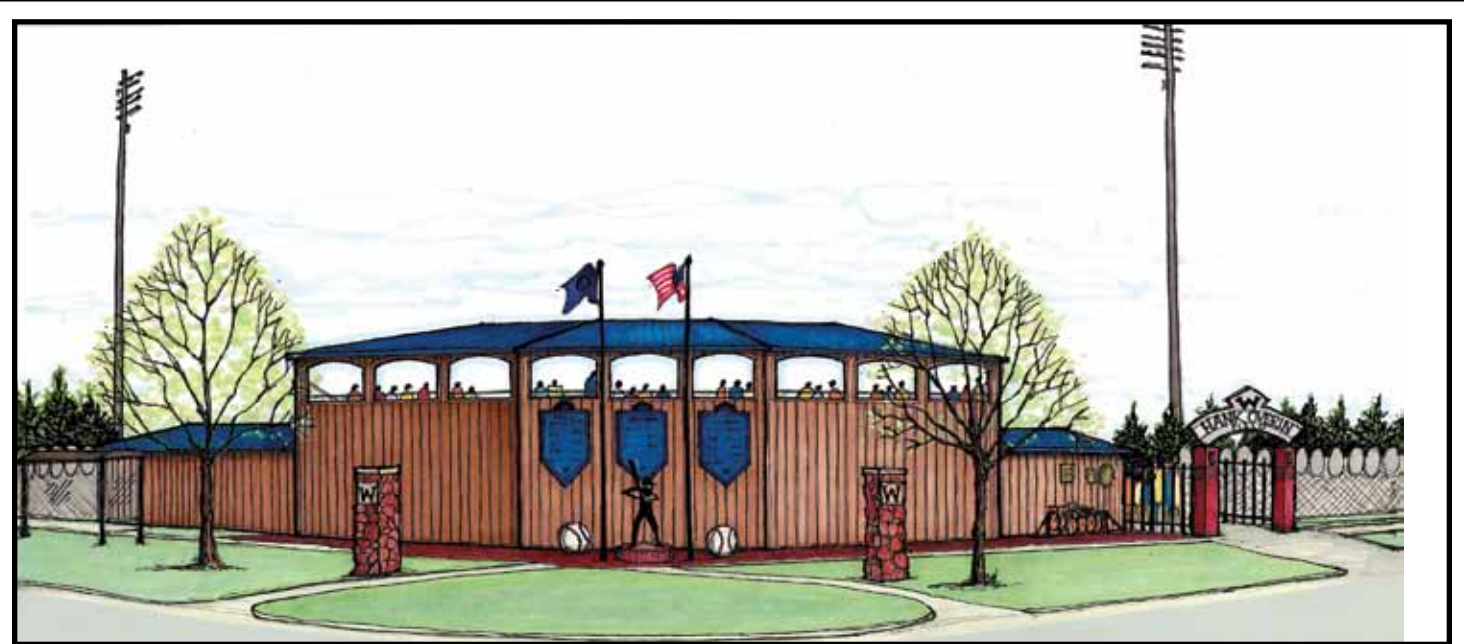
The moderator format – with attendees writing down questions on note cards for Parker to read to the senators – is one that has worked well over the years with this forum, Blecke said.

"It's a non-threatening forum for the state senators," he said. "We like to keep this civil and make sure it's good for everybody, which is part of the reason why this forum has been so successful the last 24 years."



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Emily Sims, a third grade teacher at Wayne Elementary School, uses the document camera she received from her IDEA grant money to reinforce learning with her students.



(Rendering courtesy Jill Brodersen)

### Overin Field to combine old, new

The Rebuild Hank citizens committee that has been overseeing reconstruction of the grandstand at Hank Overin Field has a good idea of what the grandstand will look like once it is complete. Final details, including construction costs, are still being compiled, but plans are to replace the old wooden grandstand, which was damaged in a wind storm last summer and torn down over the winter, with a new wooden grandstand. Final plans are expected to be approved soon, with construction to start later this summer. For information on donating to the project, call Pat Melena at (402) 369-0880.



(Contributed photo)

## Sen. Sasse visits

Sen. Ben Sasse (right) visits with Wayne Mayor Ken Chamberlain and Rod Tompkins during a tour Heritage Homes/Industries. He used a Congressional recess to tour Nebraska and learn about the economy and businesses around the state. Sasse and his 11-year daughter visited Norfolk and toured Affiliated Foods before heading back to his home in Fremont. Sasse plans additional hands-on tours in the future.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Kiara Krusmark was all smiles after being awarded the Nebraska State Essay Award for her DAR essay on "A Child's Journey Through Ellis Island." Making the presentation was Donna Liska, a member of the Nancy Gary Chapter of DAR.

(Photo by Clara Osten)

## Coffee time

Steve Sothan, Branch Manager with Aventure, spoke of the services provided by his company during Friday's Chamber Coffee. The staffing company, with other offices in Norfolk and South Sioux City, provides a variety of employment services for both job seekers and employers. The Wayne office was celebrating one year of being in Wayne.

## Wayne fifth-grader wins statewide essay contest

By CLARA OSTEN  
Of The Herald

After being named the winner of the local Daughters of the American Revolution essay contest, Wayne fifth-grader Kiara Krusemark has been notified that her essay received the Nebraska State Essay Award and will be moving on to regional competition.

Donna Liska, the American History Chair for the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) chapter in northeast Nebraska, presented Krusemark with a certificate and medal during Monday's meeting of the Wayne Community Schools Board of Education.

Liska explained that each year the DAR sponsors an essay contest for fifth, sixth and seventh-grade students and this year's topic was "A Child's Journey through Ellis Island." She said that 2015 marks the 125th anniversary of Ellis Island as an immigration station.

The DAR, founded in 1890 and headquartered in Washington, D.C. is a non-profit, non-political volunteer women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history and securing America's future education through better education for children.

The Nancy Gary Chapter, of which Liska is a part, brought the American Revolution to life for the fifth grade students at Wayne Elementary School recently with a presentation on the Boston Tea Party.

DAR members volunteer millions of service hours annually in their local communities, including supporting active duty military personnel and assisting Norfolk Veterans Home veteran patients, awarding thousands of dollars in scholarships and financial aid each year to students and supporting schools for under served children with annual donations exceeding one million dollars.

The objectives of the group, laid forth in the first meeting, have remained the same for 125 years. They include: historical (to perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American independence; educational (to carry out the injunction of George Washington in his farewell address to the American people "to promote, as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge, thus developing an enlightened public opinion" and patriotic (to cherish, maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom, to foster true patriotism and love of country, and to aid in securing for mankind all the blessings of liberty).

As one of the most inclusive genealogical societies in the country, DAR has 177,000 members in 3,000 chapters across the United States and internationally. Any woman 18 years or older, regardless of race, religion or ethnic background, who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution, is eligible for membership.



## Wayne High receives donated tools from business

By CALYN DUNKLAU  
Of The Herald

Roughly 60 tools have been generously donated by Norfolk's Tractor Supply to area schools, including Wayne.

"They were changing tool lines, so they had display and floor models to get rid of," said industrial technology teacher Anthony Cantrell.

Each year, Tractor Supply goes through a reset on various product lines. Last year, the three resets included paints and rope. This year has included a tool reset.

The manufacturer of the products decides whether they want the product shipped back to them or

if they would prefer to have it donated. Often, donation is chosen for multiple reasons, including meeting the needs of local schools. Another bonus is that the manufacturer doesn't have to incur the costs of shipping and buying back the product.

"Even though we're the ones doing it, it's really the manufacturer's choice," said Tractor Supply manager Ron Christ. "We're the facilitators."

The donation previous to this one went to Northeast Community College, so the business felt it would only be fair to donate to area high schools next. They proceeded to contact local schools asking about the

needs in the school, and finally decided to donate the tools to Wayne, Madison and Norfolk.

"We try to give the donation to organizations we feel will best use it," Christ said. "Sometimes it can be challenging depending on the products."

The tools will be utilized in Cantrell's manufacturing classes as well as Dave Hix's construction classes as the donation included grinders, drills and saws - tools both can use.

Cantrell said he was greeted with two carts full of tools when he went to pick up the donation from the store.

"It was a pretty nice gesture on

their part," said Cantrell.

Tractor Supply prides itself on its green practices. They recycle and reuse as much as possible. The company is not only a business but an involved member of the community, hosting events including pet adoption days where they pair with local rescues to help strays find a home.

Christ remarked that they have received letters from schools and parents alike, some including pictures of the items built using the tools and materials donated by them.

"It just gives us a good feeling when we can do these things," said Christ.



(Contributed photo)

Wayne High School industrial technology students show off some of the tools that were recently donated to the school by the Tractor Supply store in Norfolk.

## Area pharmacists to speak at annual convention April 24

Wayne pharmacists Rebecca Barner, Kimberly Bentjen and Mark Patefield, and Elizabeth Boals from Pender, will be speaking at the Annual Pharmacists' Convention on Friday, April 24 at 3:15 p.m., at the Cornhusker Hotel in Lincoln.

They will be speaking on "Disasters - Pharmacy Lessons Learned" about the tornado in October 2013. Pharmacist Dana Griess from Sutton will also be sharing her pharmacy story about the storm last May.

Friday's continuing education sessions will also include two other topics of interest - "Medical Marijuana - New Opportunity for Pharmacy?" presented by Algis Domeika, RPh, Dispensary Manager, Connecticut; and "Prescription Drug Abuse," presented by Joseph Rannazzisi, Deputy Assistant Administrator, DEA.

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# IDEA Project

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lier this semester.

"I can't wait to use the Surface for junior track. It is so light-weight and easy to use. I can videotape anything the athletes are doing and be able to show them right away what they are doing wrong. I think it will be a real asset for the track team."

"Thank you to the Foundation for the opportunity to receive a grant to enhance the classroom along with the athletics at Wayne Community Schools."

Mrs. Rasmussen echoed Davis' comments by saying, "I believe having the Surface, which a different technology device than what is currently available in our district, gives the students an opportunity to become aware of and familiar with a technology tool he/she may be utilizing in the workplace. This grant has provided an opportunity for Wayne students to become more successful in college and the work force."

Courtney Maas received grant money for her project, "iPad Integration in Language Arts and Math for Differentiated Instruction."

She said, "It has been wonderful to have a third iPad in my classroom. I had two that were used for Listen to Reading. The third iPad has allowed me to do individualized interventions for students who may need extra help, or challenge students who are above grade level by using challenging activities."

Terry Bear received funding for a SPARK P.E. curriculum and said, "With the money from the Foundation grant, we purchased the SPARK High School PE curriculum. This allows us to be completely aligned with the elementary and the junior high. I am very pleased with the materials and I see an improvement with the willingness of students to participate in physical education activities. Thanks for everything."

Emily Sims received grant money

for "SMART Technology = Smart Students" Document camera.

Several of her third-grade students commented on the use of the camera:

"The document camera helped us with math - to learn the age of pennies." - Braxton

"It's really good so that we can see what our homework looks like and we can check Mrs. Sims' handwriting." - Genevieve

"Any object can be zoomed for students who need it bigger." - Mason

"It helps so I can see what Mrs. Sims is teaching." - Israel

"It's cool that it can zoom in, and it helps us see the writing better so we know what we're doing." - Caiden

"We used it for Science to make really awesome origami frogs." - Katelyn

Mrs. Sims said of the camera, "I love that I can instruct my class without having my back to the students. It allows me to check in with them often and see the 'I Got It' or 'Help' looks on their faces as we go through the lesson. It has been an excellent addition to my classroom and makes it easier to 'zoom' in and concentrate on specific skills and concepts."

(Photos by Clara Osten)  
**(top right) First grade student Aidan Bohnert likes to use the iPad to watch Book Flix and do math games. He is pictured with Courtney Maas, his classroom teacher. (right) Jessica Schultz, Bailey Kudrna and Brittney Hunke work with the Surface device to complete a classroom assignment for Mrs. Davis.**



# Wayne Eagles Pool League Winners



The Deputy Chris Johnson team won the Wayne Eagles Pool League team championship. Team members are (from left) Kerry Langemeier, Doug Hank, Matt Claussen, Kasey Otte and Ryan Wheeler.



Trophy winners in the Paul Thomsen Memorial Top Shooter Tournament were (from left) Heath DeWald, fourth; Scott Brummond, third; Chad Bruns, first; and Danny Bruns, second.



Jim Riedel was the winner of the Overall Top Shooter trophy.

# O'Leary benefit concert set for April 26 at Majestic

The Wayne State College Wildcat Big Band, Northeast Area Jazz Ensemble and Crazy Eight Brass Band will present a concert to raise money for the Jed O'Leary Memorial Scholarship Fund on Sunday, April 26 at 6 p.m. at the Majestic Theatre in downtown Wayne.

James "Jed" O'Leary graduated from Wayne State College in 1994 with a degree in Fine Arts and was an adjunct music instructor for Wayne State in addition to his job as a music teacher in

Fremont.

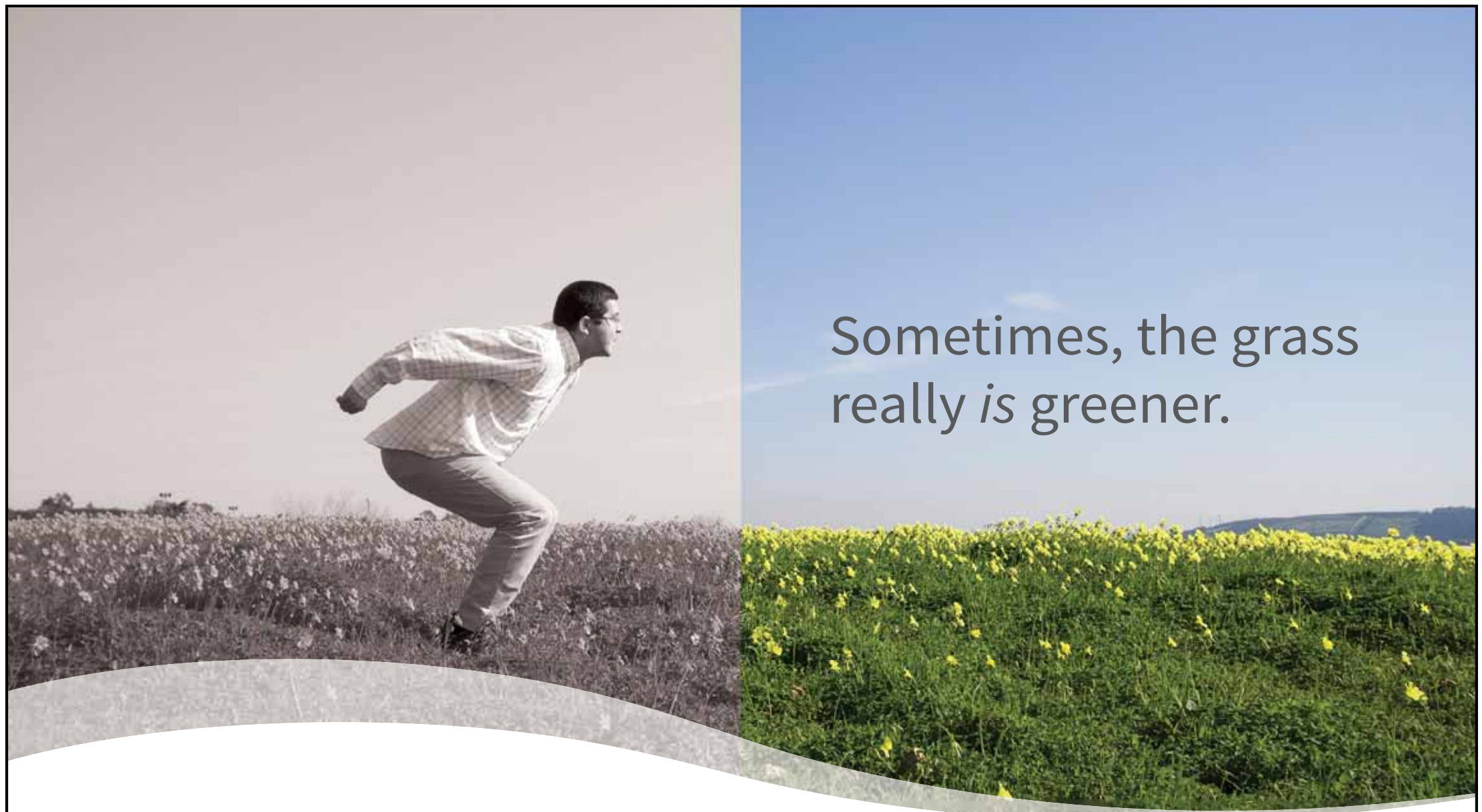
His father, Dr. Jay O'Leary, was a professor of music at Wayne State College for many years. O'Leary was Fine Arts division head at Wayne State College for 20 years. Dr. O'Leary and his son spent many summers devoted to the Wayne State music camp.

Jed O'Leary was killed in an automobile accident in March, and the music faculty at Wayne State College wish to honor his memory and

legacy of outstanding music education by establishing a scholarship fund in his name to benefit Wayne State music majors.

The concert is free and open to the public with a reception to follow, and free-will donations will be taken to benefit the Jed O'Leary Memorial Scholarship Fund.

For further information, please contact Josh Calkin at (402) 375-7599 or e-mail [jocalk1@WayneStateCollege.edu](mailto:jocalk1@WayneStateCollege.edu).



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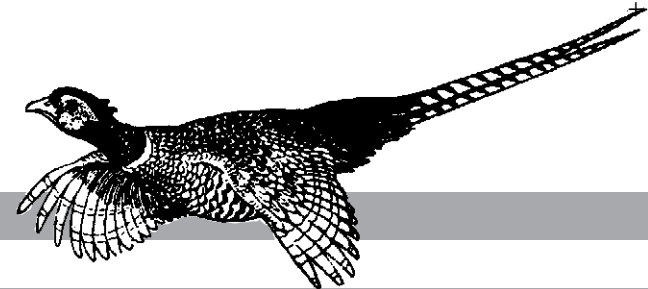


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# Sports

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## From The Bleachers

Michael Carnes



## Local kids putting up the numbers

Let's have some fun with numbers this week, shall we? Here's a "Bits And Pieces" file – completely by the numbers.

– How would you like to be a .300 hitter? Maybe .325? How about .350?

You could be hitting .365 right now, and you still wouldn't be in Lexie Loos' neighborhood at the plate right now.

To say the junior outfielder is swinging a hot stick right now would be like saying it occasionally snows in Bismarck every winter. Most girls wear batting gloves when they swing a bat – Loos has had to upgrade to oven mitts.

After Tuesday's big day in Sioux Falls, Loos is swinging at an amazing .486 clip with 71 hits in 146 at bats. The leadoff hitter for Shelly Manson's Wildcats has 10 doubles and four triples and has a .630 slugging percentage and a .519 on-base percentage.

When your leadoff batter is that proficient at the plate, it should be of little wonder that Loos has scored almost one-fourth of Wayne State's 195 runs through the first 40 games.

– Another number that pops out in Wildcats country: the number 13.

That's the number of dingers junior Nate Ackerman has hit for Alex Koch's baseball team so far this season, including three on Sunday in a doubleheader split at Minnesota Crookston.

Ackerman has made himself at home quite nicely since coming to Wayne State as a transfer from College of Southern Idaho. The outfielder has an .850 slugging percentage and also has 11 doubles and four triples. His .367 batting average is the highest among the team's full-time starters (John Roberts has a .404 average in only 52 at bats compared to Ackerman's 120).

Ackerman is getting things done at the plate this season. He has more than half of the team's 21 total home runs so far this season and more than a third of the team's total extra-base hits.

– How about this for a number: the number two. That accounts for the number of school records Sara Wells has been assaulting this spring in the throwing pits for the Wayne State women's track team.

The senior from Albion doesn't seem to be content with that indoor national title she won in the shot put a month ago. She's turned her attention to the outdoor throwing record books and not only has the school record in both the shot put and the discus, but is the runaway leader in all of NCAA Division II in the shot put.

Last week in Seward, she added more than a foot to her best mark in the shot put with a throw of 53 feet, 4 1/2 inches. Not to be outdone, she put a killer mark up in the discus as well, with her best effort of 169-5 going more than four feet over the previous school mark of 165-1. That mark has her ranked third in the country in the discus.

Wells is one of only two Wayne State athletes to win individual NCAA championships. If she keeps this up, she could add another national title or two and leave quite a legacy for future Wildcats to live up to.

– How about these two numbers: four and five.

Those are the number of players expected to sign national letters of intent to play women's and men's basketball, respectively, next year at Wayne State.

The press was cranking out this week's edition before the announcement came from the athletic department, but conversations I've had with Chris Kielsmeier and Brian Dolan left me with the impression that both coaches are bringing in some young athletes with a boatload of potential. From what I'm hearing (and seeing) of the athletes who are expected to join the Wildcat family, the next few years on the hardwood in Rice Auditorium should be very interesting.



(Photo courtesy Marlon Brink)

Senior Sara Wells bettered her school records in the shot put and discus at last week's Concordia Invitational in Seward.

## Wells continues attack on WSC record book

Senior leads D-2 in shot put, third in discus at 169-1

SEWARD – Senior Sara Wells set new school records Saturday in the discus and shot put with NCAA automatic qualifying marks to lead the Wayne State track and field teams at the Concordia Invitational.

Wells improved on her NCAA Div. II-leading throw in the shot put with a mark of 53 feet, 4 1/2 inches, over one foot better than her old school record of 52-1 3/4 set last Saturday at the UNK Loper Invitational. She also won the discus with a new school record mark of 169-5, over four feet better than last Saturday's throw of 165-1 that was the previous school record.

Sophomore Michaela Dendiger came in fifth in the shot put (45-5 3/4) and ninth in the hammer throw (171-0) while freshman Shandan Platt was sixth (177-5) and Sara Wells seventh (174-6).

Other top finishers included Ellen Wulf placing third in the long jump (17-6 3/4), Mary Alderson fifth in the 200-meter dash (26.33), Megan Svitak was fifth in the 100-meter hurdles (15.00) and eighth in the long jump (16-7), Rebecca Davenport placed ninth in the 400-meter

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(Photo courtesy Marlon Brink)

Braxton Adams won the 100-meter dash to lead the Wayne State men at last week's Concordia Invitational in Seward.

## Eagles Club to host state poker tourney

By MICHAEL CARNES  
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The clicking and shuffling of the chips. The flip of the final card. The thinking and rethinking of past hands played and calculating pot odds for a decision to win – or lose – a big hand.

Is it Vegas?

No – it's Wayne, America.

The Eagles Club will host more than 70 poker players from across Nebraska this Saturday for the Free Poker Network's Nebraska State Poker Championship, with a trip to the national championship tournament next month in Las Vegas on the line.

Approximately seven of the 77 expected players from as far away as Gering and Scottsbluff will qualify for the national tournament on Friday, May 29, and one of the lucky seven coming out of the Wayne Eagles Club this Saturday could find themselves playing in the World Series of Poker this summer.

The poker tournament that will take place here Saturday is part of the Free Poker Network, a North Dakota-based entertainment company that offers free poker tourna-

ments at a number of bars and restaurants in 15 states, according to Rod Lovig, area sales director and a frequent visitor to one of the area poker tournaments held each week in Wayne, Winside, Yankton and Norfolk.

"We've been doing tournaments here in Wayne for about 10 years, and it's free to play," Lovig said, adding that the company makes its money through league fees paid for by the host sites. The Wayne Eagles Club has hosted the weekly tournament the last three years, with past local leagues hosted at Riley's, the Max and Melodee Lanes (now Wildcat Lanes).

Players competing in the local league get points just for showing up, and earn bonus points depending on how many players start each week and where they finish overall. The top scorers each month qualify

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## W/W baseball gets first two wins of season

After an 0-8 start, the Wayne/Wakefield baseball team put two notches in the win column on Tuesday with a doubleheader sweep of Thurston/Cuming County in Pender, winning 6-2 and 12-2.

In the opener, Wayne/Wakefield was down 1-0 in the second when they tied the game on a Brook Bowers sacrifice fly, scoring Noah Braun, who had led off the inning with a walk.

Wayne/Wakefield broke the game open with four runs in the third inning. Jose Sanchez drew a bases-loaded walk to score Jack Belt, Tucker Nichols singled home Alex Conley and Adam Bentjen, and Sanchez scored on a wild pitch to make it 5-1.

Wayne/Wakefield added another run in the fourth on a Conley sacrifice fly, scoring Payten Gamble, and that was enough for Bentjen, who tossed a complete-game two-hitter, striking out seven and walking four.

Nichols had two of Wayne/Wakefield's five hits in the win, while Conley, Bowers and Sanchez added hits.

In the nightcap, Wayne/Wakefield broke a 2-2 tie with a nine-run outburst in the fifth inning to finish off the sweep.

Wayne broke a scoreless tie in the fourth with two runs, thanks to an RBI double by Isaac Camarena and an RBI double by Bowers.

Thurston/Cuming County answered with two in the bottom of the fourth, but they had no answer for Wayne/Wakefield's fifth-inning explosion, which came despite just two hits in the inning. Sanchez had a bases-loaded RBI single to start the rally, Nichols reached on a fielder's choice, Bowers was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded and Gamble drew a bases-loaded walk to make it 6-2.

Two passed balls and a wild pitch made it 9-2 before Sanchez singled home Belt and later came home on a single by Conley to end the big inning for Wayne/Wakefield. Bowers closed out the scoring in the sixth with an RBI single, scoring Sanchez.

Wayne/Wakefield had 10 hits in the game, with Sanchez, Bowers and Conley each recording two hits. Sanchez had three RBIs in the game, and Camarena, Conley and Bowers each had doubles.

Conley went the distance for 2-8. Wayne/Wakefield, striking out a season-high 13 and allowing four hits and one walk.

Wayne/Wakefield could only muster four hits and committed nine errors as they dropped an 11-0 decision to Norfolk High in baseball action Friday at Hank Overin Field.

Norfolk scored two runs in the third and three in the fourth to break a scoreless tie, but none of the runs were earned. Caden Korth allowed six runs, three earned, in three innings of relief work.

Getting hits for Wayne/Wakefield were Camarena, Belt, Gamble and Zane Jackson.

Blair scored 11 runs in the first inning and posted 22 hits on the day in a 25-5 blowout of Wayne/Wakefield in high school baseball action Saturday in Blair.

Wayne/Wakefield finished the day with six hits in the contest, with Gamble and Nichols each having two hits. Nichols drove in three runs while Gamble had a pair of RBIs. Camarena and Bowers also had hits.

Camarena was touched early for six runs on four hits and took the loss for Wayne/Wakefield.

Wayne/Wakefield is back in action Thursday, facing Platteview in Springfield.

## Wayne athletes have good day at Wisner

WISNER – Wayne High's track and field teams got some quality performances in both varsity and JV action Saturday at the Wisner Lions Club Invitational.

In varsity action, the Wayne girls placed fourth in the nine-team field and had a pair of first-place finishes, while the boys came away with one runner-up effort in placing fifth out of nine teams.

"We spread kids out as thin as we could to get everyone a great workout and to find out where we stack up at this time of the season, both against strong competition and within our squad," coach Dale Hochstein said. "The wind was a challenge, but the warmer, clear weather lead to some great improvements. Our athletes really responded today."

In girls action, Rachel Rauner had a hand in both first-place finishes. The senior sprinter won the 200-meter dash and joined Cassie Heier, Tarah Stegemann and Keanna Swanson on the winning 400-meter relay. Rauner also finished second in the 100-meter dash.

Stegemann and Heier both had third-place finishes for Wayne. Stegemann was third in the 200 and also medaled in the long jump and high jump with fifth-place finishes. Heier finished third in the triple jump and added a sixth in the 400-meter dash. Lexi Sokol also placed third as part of a 3-4 finish with Danica Schaefer in the shot put, and Mandy Stabler was third in the 3,200-meter run.

On the boys side, seniors Tayib

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(Photo by Michael Carnes)

No-limit Hold 'Em is the game at the Eagles Club every Wednesday thanks to the Free Poker Network. The club is hosting the state championship this Saturday.



# Area athletes medal at Wayne Invite

Compared to last week's Blue Devil Invitational, the weather was simply beautiful for Tuesday's Wayne Invitational at the Kern Track.

Athletes from Wayne, Winside and Laurel-Concord-Coleridge joined Wisner-Pilger, Stanton and Lutheran High Northeast in the six-team meet, and several area athletes came away with first-place performances on the day.

Wayne High competed with mostly their younger athletes and finished fourth in the boys race and fifth on the girls side.

The Wayne boys did win three events in field competition. Nolan Reynolds put together a personal best in the pole vault with a winning leap of 11 feet, 6 inches. Will Anderson was a winner in the triple jump with a best mark of 38 feet, 1 1/2 inches, while Jack Evetovich won the high jump at 5-8.

LCC won two events on the day, including an exciting finish by Aaron Haahr in the 1,600-meter run, where he ran down two Stanton runners in the final 100 meters, catching the second one right at the finish line to win the race by less than three-tenths of a second.

Jordan Reifenrath had the other area win on the boys' side of the ledger, taking top honors in the long jump.

Winside's best finish on the boys side came in the shot put, where Cory Shoff was the runner-up with a best throw of 42 feet, 1 inch.

In girls action, LCC accounted for five of the six area first-place finishes, led by the senior trio of Ellie Arduser, Audra Corbit and Sadie Petersen.

Arduser was a double winner for the Lady Bears, winning the triple jump (34-3) and breaking the tape in the 400-meter dash with a nice run of 1:01.8. Corbit won the high

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(above) LCC senior Audra Corbit soared to a first-place finish in the girls high jump at the Wayne Invitational. (below left) Alex Bargstadt takes the baton from Carly Schwager in the 400-meter relay. (below right) LCC's Aaron Haahr earned a win in the 1,600-meter run.

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# Allen girls second at Krumwiede

HOMER - It was a good day for the Allen track teams Friday at the Krumwiede Invitational.

The Lady Eagles posted a strong second-place finish out of 10 teams, and the boys came away with third-place honors among the 11 teams competing in a tough boys division.

Laurel-Concord-Coleridge made the most of two seniors' work to tie for sixth on the girls side, while medaling in three events on the boys side to finish 10th overall.

"Not bad, considering we were the smallest school in the field," coach Dave Uldrich said of the Allen effort. "The weather cooperated with us, and the kids took advantage of it and things looked really good today. If the athletes improve weekly on some technical things, this could be a very special year."

The Lady Eagles won three events, led by Gabby Sullivan's win in the high jump and wins in the 400 and 1,600-meter relays.

Sullivan had a had in the 400-meter relay win, joining Courtney Reuter, Lindsey Sullivan and Bri Hingst, and also set a school record in the triple jump with a leap of 33 feet, 1 1/4 inches, that was good for third place.

Allen's 1,600-meter relay team of Hingst, Sullivan, Lexi Oswald and Rachel Kneiff won their event with a time of 4:29.9.

Courtney Reuter had a good day in the hurdles, placing as runner-up in both the 100 and 300-meter events. Oswald was runner-up in both the 800 and 3,200.

Tyler Kumm had a huge day for the Allen boys, dominating the distance events and running a leg on the winning 3,200-meter relay team to bring home four first-place finishes. Kumm won the 800, 1,600 and 3,200-meter runs to have a hand in 40 of Allen's 53 points on the day.

For LCC, two seniors accounted for all of the Lady Bears' points, as Ellie Arduser and Sadie Petersen both won two events.

Arduser broke the tape first in the 100-meter dash finals and also was successful in the triple jump with a winning leap of 35 feet, 5 inches. Petersen led the field in both the 1,600 and 3,200-meter runs, easily winning both events. She won the 1,600 in 5:46.6 and just missed the 12-minute barrier in the 3,200, finishing in 12:00.8.

Aaron Haahr scored all but one point for the Bears on the boys

side Friday, finishing as runner-up to Kumm in the 1,600 and placing third in the 3,200. Jayden Reifenrath added a point for the LCC boys with a sixth-place finish in the 200-meter dash.

### Krumwiede Invitational Girls Team Standings

Oakland-Craig 110, Allen 75, Ponca 72, SB-Luton 70, Homer 43, Scribner-Snyder 40, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 40, Hartington CC 24, Randolph 11, Emerson-Hubbard/Pender 10.

### Area Medalists

100: 1. Ellie Arduser, LCC, 12.9. 800: 2. Lexi Oswald, Allen, 2:35.9. 100 hurdles: 2. Courtney Reuter, Allen, 17.1; 6. Kaylen Smith, Allen, 18.6. 1,600: 1. Sadie Petersen, LCC, 5:46.6. 300 hurdles: 2. Reuter, 52.3. 3,200: 1. Petersen, 12:00.8; 2. Oswald, 13:02.8; 6. Alexis Johnson, Allen, 15:56.1. High jump: 1. Gabby Sullivan, Allen, 4' 11". Long jump: 4. Bri Hingst, Allen, 15' 0 1/2". Triple jump: 1. Arduser, 35' 5"; 3. Sullivan, 33' 1 1/4". 400 relay: 1. Allen (Reuter, Lindsey Sullivan, Bri Hingst, G. Sullivan), 53.3. 1,600 relay: 1. Allen (Hingst, L. Sullivan, Oswald, Rachel Kneiff), 4:29.9. 3,200 relay: 6. Allen, 12:41.5.

### Boys Team Standings

Oakland-Craig 143.5, SB-Luton 94.5, Allen 53, Lawton-Bronson 50, Hartington CC 43, Winnebago 33, Emerson-Hubbard/Pender 29, Ponca 20, Randolph 18, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 15, Scribner-Snyder 14.

### Area Medalists

200: 6. Jayden Reifenrath, LCC, 24.5. 800: 1. Tyler Kumm, Allen, 2:11.1; 3. S.T. O'Keefe, Allen, 2:15.1. 1,600: 1. Kumm, 4:58.7; 2. Aaron Haahr, LCC, 5:02.8. 3,200: 1. Kumm, 10:45.5; 3. Haahr, 10:55.7. Triple jump: 3. Wade Connot, Allen, 38' 2 1/2". 1,600 relay: 6. Allen, 4:04.1. 3,200 relay: 1. Allen (Kumm, Nick Brahmsteadt, O'Keefe, Bud Kneiff), 8:57.2.

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## WSC baseball 3-3 as road trip advances

After losing a couple of tough games at Winona State, the Wayne State baseball team bounced back by winning three of four at Minnesota Crookston over the weekend.

Junior Eric Browning fired a three-hit shutout in the opener Saturday while the Wildcats needed a four-run ninth in the second game to sweep Minnesota Crookston 6-0 and 7-6.

The story of the first game was the pitching by Browning, who struck out eight and walked three while throwing his first shutout and first complete game of the season to improve to 2-4 on the season.

Offensively, Wayne State had 10 hits in the contest, and all nine starters had at least one hit. Sophomore Quinn McGill was 2-for-4 with a pair of singles and one run scored.

The second game saw Wayne State score four runs in the top of the ninth, then hold off a Crookston rally in the bottom of

the ninth, to hang on for a 7-6 win.

The Wildcats trailed 5-3 entering the top of the ninth, but Wayne State scored four runs on just one hit, two Crookston errors and two walks to take a 7-5 lead.

Crookston put together a two-out rally and used back-to-back singles to pull within one at 7-6 with the tying run on third base, but junior reliever Connor Keating came in and struck out the final batter to notch the save.

Four unearned runs in the bottom of the seventh inning of the opener kept Wayne State from a sweep as the Golden Eagles recorded a miraculous rally for a 7-6 win in the opener before Wayne State came back to win the second game 8-4.

The Wildcats seemed well on its way to a win in the opener as Ackerman belted a pair of solo homers with Johnson adding a two-run blast in the top of the seventh to give Wayne State a 6-3 lead.

Crookston opened the seventh

with a leadoff runner reaching base on a Wildcat error. Wayne State was one out away from a Wildcat win, but the Golden Eagles used a single and three-run homer to knot the score at 6-6, then got a double and game-winning single from Patrick Higgins to get the dramatic win.

The second game saw Ackerman homer again, going a perfect 3-for-3 with three RBI's, to power the Wildcats.

On Wednesday, Winona State used a three-run homer in the bottom of the sixth inning in the opener and a three-run blast in the bottom of the ninth in the second game to hand Wayne State heart-breaking 5-3 and 5-4 losses in Winona, Minn.

Wayne State (15-17, 10-10 NSIC) will continue their 16-game road trip this weekend with doubleheaders at Augustana College Saturday (1:30 p.m.) and Sunday (12 p.m.).

## Wayne State softball team goes 4-4 on recent road trips

Wayne State's softball team went 4-4 on the road this past week to improve to 25-15 overall and 11-9 in Northern Sun Conference action.

On Wednesday, a late rally in the first game by Southwest Minnesota State cost Wayne State College a sweep. Southwest won the first game 4-3 before the Wildcats came back to win 5-2 in a doubleheader that was moved from Wayne to Marshall, Minn., due to wet grounds.

Despite being outthit 10-7 in the opener, Wayne State appeared to be on their way to victory. The Wildcats built a 2-0 lead in the third thanks to an RBI double from Kaiti Williams and a run-scoring single by Lexie Loos.

After Southwest got within 2-1 in the top of the fourth, Wayne State took a 3-1 lead in the sixth thanks to a solo homer from Williams. Before the Mustangs shocked Wayne State in the top of the seventh with three runs on three hits, two Wildcat walks and a passed ball to rally.

Williams finished 2-for-4 with a homer, double and two RBI's, while Loos was 2-for-4 with a pair of singles. Cassy Miller took the loss in the circle in relief of Sara Scheffert.

In the second game, Loos' bat stayed hot at the plate, going 3-for-4 with a pair of triples. Kelcie Bormann tossed a complete game three-hitter and hit a solo homer as part of her two-hit effort.

On Saturday, Bemidji State held Wayne State to one run in each game as the Beavers recorded a 2-1 and 4-1 sweep in Bemidji, Minn.

Wayne State had one more hit than Bemidji State (14-13) in the doubleheader, but Bemidji made the most of their hits as the Beavers had five doubles and a home run to win the low-scoring twinbill.

The Wildcats rebounded nicely on Saturday's disappointing effort by winning two games Sunday at Minnesota Crookston, 9-3 and 9-4.

Statistics from the first game were not available, although one highlight for the Wildcats was a grand slam home run by junior shortstop Sam O'Brien.

The second game saw sophomore first baseman Melanie Aleya hit a three-run homer to lead a balanced hitting attack. Her dinger came as part of a four-run fifth inning that helped the Wildcats break a 3-3 tie.

Bormann pitched a complete game win for the Wildcats, improving to 13-7 on the season. She gave up four runs, one of them earned, on six hits with six strikeouts and one walk.

On Tuesday, the Wildcats were involved in a 5-hour, 50-minute marathon that saw them gain a split at University of Sioux Falls, winning the opener 13-7 and losing the nightcap 3-2 in eight innings.

The first game saw the Wildcats produce a season-high 19 hits while matching a season-high with 13 runs. Sioux Falls led 5-2 after three innings before Wayne State took the lead for good with a four-run fourth inning, highlighted by a two-run homer from King, a solo homer by Williams and an RBI triple from Loos.

Wayne State took an 8-5 lead in the fifth thanks to a two-run single by King. Bormann hit a solo homer in the sixth inning to put the Wildcats in front 9-5.

After Sioux Falls scored twice to get within 9-7, the Wildcats added four insurance runs in the top of the seventh. Bormann and Aleya each accounted for two-run singles.

Loos went a perfect 4-for-4 with four runs scored to lead Wayne State's 19-hit barrage. King was also 4-for-4 with four RBI's and three runs scored, Bormann ended up 3-for-4 with a homer and four RBI's while O'Brien finished 3-for-5 with a double. Miller was the winning pitcher in relief of starter Sara Scheffert. She struck out eight batters in the final four innings, allowing just two runs on six hits. Scheffert worked the first three innings, charged with five runs on five hits with four walks and one strikeout.

The second game saw Sioux Falls starter Alyson Netty out-duel Bormann.

Wayne State will host Washburn in a 2 p.m. doubleheader Thursday and hosts St. Cloud State Saturday and Minnesota Duluth on Sunday in 12 p.m. doubleheaders at the Chapman Complex.

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## LCC golfers third in tri-meet

Laurel-Concord-Coleridge finished behind Randolph and Creighton in a golf triangular Monday in Laurel.

The Bears shot a 213 on the day, led by Ethan Gubbels with a nine-hole score of 49. Nolan Casey and Trey Erwin both shot 54, Billy Barelman had a 56 and Bradley Steffen shot a 64.

Randolph won the triangular with a 169, with Mason Stubbs and Cade Linville both shooting 42. Creighton, with a 175, was led by Chase Largen, who had the low round of the day with a 40.

Among JV golfers for LCC, Logan Hansen shot 53, Connor Cross had a 64 and Zach Dietrich shot a 71.

LCC will host their own invitational on Thursday.

## L&C superintendent honors go to nine area students

Nine area students were honored by the Lewis and Clark Conference recently as recipients of the Superintendent's Award.

This award is given only to juniors and seniors who have a composite score of 28 or higher on the ACT test and must be involved in one conference activity.

Area students honored include:

- Allen** - Caleb Thomas.
- LCC** - Chayce Hirschman, Michaela Nitz.
- Wakefield** - Josephine Peitz, Alex Conley, Tim Anderson, McKenzie Rusk.
- Winside** - Victoria Doffin, Zane Jensen.

## Wayne

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jump at 5 feet, 3 inches, while Petersen won the 3,200-meter run in a time of 12:11.6.

Alex Bargstadt of Winside claimed the other area win on the day, taking top honors in the long jump.

Wayne High's younger runners posted their best finish in the 3,200-meter relay with a runner-up effort.

**Wayne Invitational Boys Team Standings**  
Stanton 128, Lutheran High Northeast 115.5, Wisner-Pilger 115.5, Wayne 65, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 57, Winside 24.

**Area Medalists**  
100: 2. Jayden Reifenrath, LCC, 11:58; 5. Malik Knox, LCC, 11.84. 200: 2. Reifenrath, 23.73; 5. Knox, 24.5. 400: 5. Brandon Watters, Winside, 58.91. 800: 4. Nolan Reynolds, Wayne, 2:19.5; 6. Collin Dirks, LCC, 2:24.22. 1,600: 1. Aaron Haahr, LCC, 4:56.11; 5. Cole Leonard, Wayne, 5:20.08. 3,200: 3. Haahr, 11:06.01; 5. Leonard, 12:02.9. 110 hurdles: 2. Jacob Daum, Wayne, 18.76; 5. Will Anderson, Wayne, 20.31. 300 hurdles: 3. Hayden King, Winside, 46.81; 5. Anderson, 48.38; 6. Daum, 49.22. 1,600 relay: 4. Winside, 4:03.99; 5. Wayne, 4:06.13. 3,200 relay: 2. Wayne, 9:50.0. Long jump: 1. Reifenrath, 19'; 5. Knox, 18' 3". Triple jump: 1. Anderson, 38' 1 1/2"; 6. Wyatt Martian, Wayne, 33' 8". High jump: 1.

Jack Evetovich, Wayne, 5' 8"; 2. Dirks, 5' 8". Pole vault: 1. Nolan Reynolds, Wayne, 11' 6"; 4. Jasen Davis, Wayne, 8'. Shot put: 2. Cory Shoff, Winside, 42' 1". Discus: 4. Shoff, 99' 7".

**Girls Team Standings**  
Wisner-Pilger 159, Stanton 111, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 86, Lutheran High Northeast 60, Wayne 50, Winside 43.

**Area Medalists**  
100: 2. Ellie Arduser, LCC, 12.86; 4. Jade Hogencamp, Winside, 13.75; 5. Alex Bargstadt, Winside, 13.89. 200: 5. Bargstadt, 28.3; 6. Kennedy Maly, Wayne, 29.1. 400: 1. Arduser, 1:01.8; 5. Candice Rastede, LCC, 1:08.2. 800: 3. Marissa Munsell, Wayne, 3:01.0; 6. Victoria Buresh, Winside, 3:08.6. 1,600: 2. Sadie Petersen, LCC, 5:36.5; 3. Callie Finn, Winside, 5:52.0; 4. Abbie Hix, Wayne, 6:11.5; 6. Fauneil Olander, Winside, 6:47.9. 3,200: 1. Petersen, 12:11.6; 2. Mandy Stabler, Wayne, 13:41.96. 100 hurdles: 4. Caitlin Janke, Wayne, 18.75; 6. Kaitlin Stanton, LCC, 20.4. 300 hurdles: 5. Janke, 57.0; 6. Stanton, 58.8. 400 relay: 2. Winside, 54.3; 3. LCC, 55.9. 1,600 relay: 4. LCC, 4:56.9; 5. Wayne, 5:05.2. 3,200 relay: 2. Wayne, 12:42.71. Long jump: 1. Bargstadt, 15' 5 1/2"; 4. Keanna Swanson, Wayne, 14' 6 1/2"; 6. Hogencamp, 14' 2 1/2". Triple jump: 1. Arduser, 34' 3"; 4. Kaci Groene, LCC, 29' 3 1/2"; 6. Shania Anderson, Wayne, 28'. High jump: 1. Audra Corbit, LCC, 5' 2". Pole vault: 1. Bayley Holloway, LCC, 7'; 5. Stabler, 5' 6". Shot put: 4. Kelly Tweedy, Winside, 30' 10"; 5. Hix, 30'. Discus: 3. Hix, 91' 6"; 4. Tweedy, 91' 5".

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# Active Minds walk set for Saturday at WSC

Wayne State College students of the Active Minds group welcome the public to join a walk effort, "Step Against Stigma," in the Willow Bowl on the Wayne State College campus on April 18 at 4 p.m. There is no entry fee for the walk. Free food will be available. To help support the cause, individuals may order an Active Minds T-shirt for \$10 when you sign up for the walk. Luminaries are also available for purchase as a reminder of those we

know who have suffered or are suffering from a mental disorder. Airbrush tattoos will also be available. The walk will start in the Willow Bowl at Highway 15 and 10th Street, continue north to 11th Street, west to Sherman Street, south to First Street, east to Highway 15, north to Seventh Street, east to Pine Heights Road, north to 10th Street and west to the Willow Bowl. The purpose of the walk will be to

reach campus, community and surrounding towns with the hopes to make mental health a topic for discussion. The student leaders of the organization are working to raise mental health awareness, raise funds for critical mental health education and resources, promote positive mental health and educate peers about the signs and symptoms of mental health disorders and encourage students to reach out for help when needed.

Active Minds is a non-profit organization dedicated to reducing the stigma that surrounds mental health. With more than 400 student-led chapters across North America, Active Minds is the only organization working to utilize the student voice to change the conversation about mental health on college campuses.

By developing and supporting student-run mental health advocacy groups on college campuses, Active Minds is increasing students' awareness of mental health issues; providing information and resources regarding mental illness; and bridging the gap between students and mental health professionals.

The chapter is dedicated to changing the conversation about mental health to make sure that no one suffers alone in silence. Any contribution will help Active Minds reach its ultimate goal of having a chapter on 4,000 college campuses across the country.

For more information, go to the web at [www.activeminds.org](http://www.activeminds.org) or see the Active Minds at Wayne State College Facebook page where there is a link to the sign-up page. You can also e-mail [activemind.wsc@gmail.com](mailto:activemind.wsc@gmail.com).

As of June 1, we will no longer accept aluminum cans. All Accounts need to be paid out by June 15. As of July 1, the Boy Scouts will be picking them up at the Recycling Center.



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## Chamber president visit

Barry Kennedy, president of the Nebraska State Chamber of Commerce (center) visited Wayne Friday and spoke during the Chamber Coffee. He told those in the audience that citizens should consider seeking the Nebraska Unicameral seat for District 17 currently held by Senator Dave Bloomfield who will be term-limited out of office.

## G&P Family Nature Club in Norfolk

Family Nature Club aims to engage Norfolk-area families in unstructured natural play. The Outdoor Classroom, located at the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission's Norfolk district office, offers fort building, tree climbing, water play, music, dancing, a chance to get muddy and much more. Each month, a new family-led activity will be featured. Family Nature Nights will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. on the following dates:

- May 21: All about birds, International Migratory Bird Month
  - June 11 and 25: Tracks
  - July 9 and 23: Nature art
  - Aug. 6 and 20: Insect collection
- The Outdoor Classroom is located at 2201 N. 13th St. For more information, contact Jamie Bachmann at (402) 370-3374 or e-mail [jamie.bachmann@nebraska.gov](mailto:jamie.bachmann@nebraska.gov).

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## Ag grants available to support rural businesses

Agriculture Under Secretary Lisa Mensah has announced that USDA is seeking applications for grants to support rural businesses and help create jobs.

"This USDA funding will ensure continued investments in rural businesses," Mensah said. "Too often, rural businesses and the communities they serve lack access to the capital and resources they need to grow and thrive.

These grants will help remedy that and allow all Americans the chance to share in the nation's economic recovery."

Approximately \$3.7 million Native American earmark funding is expected to be available under the Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG) program. Eligible applicants include public bodies, government entities, Indian tribes and non-profit organizations.

Applications for projects benefiting Native American communities must show that at least 75 percent of the benefits of the project will be received by members of an Indian tribe on a Federal or State reservation or other Federally recognized tribal group.

RBDG funds can be used for technical assistance, establishment of small business revolving loan funds and the acquisition of land, buildings, and infrastructure to enhance business development.

In addition funds can be used to support business incubators, feasibility studies and business plans, long-term strategic business planning, leadership and entrepreneurial training.

For instance, the Village of Walthill received \$50,000 funding to complete a renewable energy feasibility study and a library strategic plan which will allow the Village to determine the next phase of their economic development plan for an energy park and library expansion.

Funding in the amount of \$195,169 will allow First Ponca Financial, Inc. to provide technical assistance, education and financial assistance to entrepreneurs for business development.

Applications for national competition for the Native American earmarked funds are due by close of business, 4:30 p.m., Friday, May 1.

All applications are to be sent to Diane Pavel. One copy by e-mail to [diane.pavel@ne.usda.gov](mailto:diane.pavel@ne.usda.gov), and one copy by mail (to include original signed forms) to USDA Rural Development, Attn: Diane Pavel, 4009 6th Ave., Suite 1, Kearney, Neb., 68845-2386.



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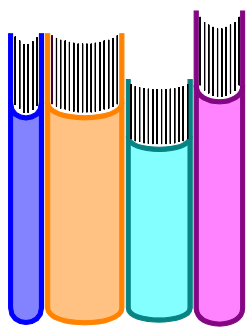


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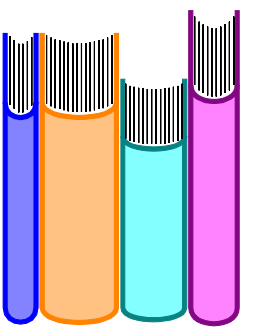
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*We at Elkhorn Valley Bank care about the future of Wayne Community Schools. To do our part, we are going to donate \$1.00 each quarter for every student in Grades 7-12 who make the Honor Roll during the 2014-2015 school year. At the end of the year, the money earned will be used toward the purchase of materials to enrich the academic program at their schools. Below are the names of the students making the third quarter Honor Roll!!*

### WAYNE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

**SENIORS**

Jackson Belt  
 Jackson Blankenau\*  
 Jade Bottger  
 Brook Bowers  
 McKenna Brugger\*  
 Brooklyn Brunken  
 Annabelle Cole  
 Jameson Collier  
 Kaydee Dunker  
 Tyler Echtenkamp  
 Cornelio Espino, Jr.  
 Emma Evetovich\*  
 Olivia Ficke-Anderson\*  
 Madison Frevert  
 Holly Grosz\*  
 Austin Hammer  
 Cassandra Heier  
 Abigail Hix\*  
 Sabrina Hochstein  
 Justin Hodge  
 Kimberly Holt  
 Benjamin Hoskins  
 Zachary Jorgensen  
 Zachary Keating  
 Hannah Kenny\*  
 Holly Kenny  
 Joseph Kielty

Bailey Kudrna  
 Emma Loberg\*  
 Wyatt Martian  
 Sydney McCorkindale\*  
 Gabriella Miller\*  
 Riley Nichols\*  
 Brady Ping  
 Luke Pulfer\*  
 Rachel Rauner  
 Tahlia Reynolds\*  
 Anya Roberts  
 Alyssa Schmale\*  
 Jessica Schultz  
 Takiyah Scott-Hamik  
 Lexi Sokol  
 Justen Stahl  
 Joshua Stenka  
 Keanna Swanson  
 Reed Trenhaile\*  
 Samuel Vazquez, Jr.  
 Kendra Veik  
 Shawntel Wacker\*  
 Christopher Walker\*

**JUNIORS**

Mickayla Armell  
 Mikayla Bartos

Mikyla Bartos  
 Tabitha Belt  
 Noah Braun  
 Morgan Carson  
 Jordan Cliff  
 Kaitlyn Colvard  
 Jacob Daum  
 Drew Davie  
 Jasen Davis  
 Michaela Fehringer\*  
 Sylvia Jager  
 Jenessa Kardell\*  
 Colby Keiser  
 Jewel Kneiff  
 Cole Koenig  
 Cole Leonard  
 Anna Loberg  
 Kaitlyn McAllister  
 Thorin McBride  
 Meg Osnes\*  
 Mason Reynolds  
 Peyton Roach  
 Danica Schaefer  
 Amanda Stabler\*  
 Schuyler Schweers  
 Micah Sprouls  
 Amelia Stabler  
 Tarah Stegemann

Jacob Torres\*  
 Jack Tyson  
 Makayla Walker  
**SOPHOMORES**  
 William Anderson  
 Morgan Barner\*  
 Claire Barnes  
 Joseph Bart  
 Hannah Belt\*  
 Adam Bentjen  
 Rylee Bessmer  
 Amelia Blankenau\*  
 Kelsey Boyer  
 Olga Cabrales  
 18Hernandez  
 Emily Claussen  
 Talesha Conner  
 Tanner DeBoer  
 Allison Echtenkamp  
 Lathan Ellis  
 Taylor Gamble  
 Ashten Gibson  
 Daniel Greenwald\*  
 Ty Grone  
 Brady Henderson  
 Devan Henschke  
 Kiara Hochstein

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 Caitlin Janke  
 Felicity Jech  
 Delaney Jensen  
 Morgan Keating  
 Steven Keiser  
 Kortney Keller  
 Caden Korth\*  
 Shanda Lambert  
 Maria Lenihan  
 Robert Liska  
 Melinda Longe\*  
 Cara Lubberstedt  
 Gabriella Lutt\*  
 Tyler Lutt  
 Emily Matthes\*  
 Luis Martinez  
 Grayson McBride  
 Logan Milligan  
 Tucker Nichols  
 Sydnie Niemann  
 Tyler Pecena  
 Jacob Powell  
 Marta Pulfer\*  
 Michael Reyes  
 Garret Reynolds  
 Nolan Reynolds  
 Lindsey Roberts

Christian Rogers  
 Lindy Sandoz  
 Morgan Sievers  
 Brian Sinniger  
 Brenna Vovos

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 Beau Bowers  
 Callie Brown  
 Samuel Bruckner  
 Nathan Burrows  
 Halie Chinn\*  
 Jack Evetovich  
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 Taylor French  
 Jamie Gamble  
 Kylie Hammer  
 Grace Heithold\*  
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 Sean Hochstein  
 Kendra Holt  
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Zane Jackson  
 Ethan Jareske  
 Trey Jareske  
 Hunter Jorgensen  
 Elizabeth Junck\*  
 Marcella Jurotich\*  
 Breanna Kallhoff\*  
 Megan Keiser  
 Ky Kenny  
 Mason Lee  
 Lizette Lomeli Venegas  
 Isaiah Longe  
 Kennedy Maly  
 Brennen O'Reilly  
 Jack Osnes  
 Garrett Schafer  
 Keica Schenk  
 Colton Spahr  
 Madison Stenka  
 Jaci Torres  
 Jenna Trenhaile\*  
 Adalberto Vergara-Meza  
 Amy Walker  
 Sarah Wibben  
 Karlee Woehler

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### WAYNE 7TH & 8TH GRADE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

**EIGHTH GRADE**

Kaleb Anderson Fisher  
 Abigail Ankeny  
 Meghan Battles  
 Sidney Biggerstaff  
 Ashton Boyer  
 Jonah Brodersen  
 Katherine Brown  
 Brandon Brugger-Isom  
 Drew Buck  
 Allison Claussen  
 Skylar Cooper  
 Cameron Davis  
 Maysn Dorey  
 Aaron Doring  
 Sara Duncan

Elizabeth Fertig  
 Marcus Fertig  
 Mariah Frevert  
 Owen Frideres  
 Tyler Gilliland  
 Sarah Greenwald  
 Katelyn Grone  
 Madison Hamik  
 Darrian Hewitt  
 Ethan Hill  
 Symphony Jareske  
 Madison Jenkins  
 Kade Jensen  
 Avianna Jones-Doring  
 Kaden Kneiff  
 Vivianne Kniesche

Nolan Kruse  
 Hannah Leeper  
 Hannah Leonard  
 Grace Lindsay  
 Maura Loberg  
 Marrison Lutt  
 Carlos Magana  
 Daniel Maxson  
 Jaime Mayhew  
 Gabrielle Meyer  
 Karen Morales Serrato  
 Cameron Muhs  
 Hana Nelsen  
 Aaron Reynolds  
 Logan Riesberg  
 Maria Robinson

Jessica Schenck  
 Kate Schultz  
 Jacob Sherman  
 Terran Sievers  
 Josie Thompson  
 Adriana Vargas-Reyna  
 Juan Vergara  
 Brandon Wacker  
 Emma Walling  
 Harley Wheeler  
 Angelica Zavala Fernandez

**SEVENTH GRADE**

Harlee Allen  
 Erik Alvarez Andres  
 Emily Armstrong

Allyson Avery  
 Autumn Avery  
 Hailey Backer  
 Blake Bartos  
 Madison Bear  
 Isaac Braun  
 Micah Carson  
 Alyssa Chinn  
 Isaac Cliff  
 Ian Collier  
 Trevor DeBoer  
 Alex Echtenkamp  
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 Gunnar Jorgensen  
 Faith Junck  
 Madison Kaup  
 Kevin Kielty  
 Victoria Kniesche  
 Casey Koenig  
 Megan Lambert  
 Savannah Leseberg  
 Joshua Lutt  
 Cassidy Manz  
 Mitchell Martindale Leise  
 Chase Mecseji

Madeline Meyer  
 Hagan Miller  
 Korrina Niemann  
 Erin O'Reilly  
 Samuel Perry  
 William Roberson  
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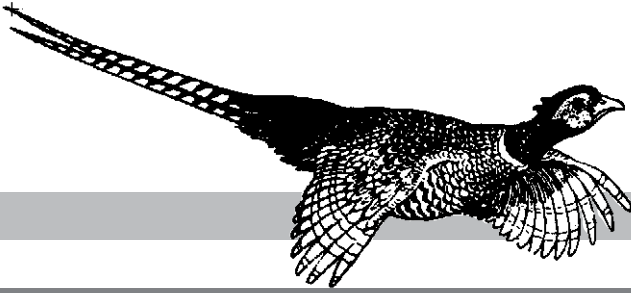
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## Don't get me started

By: Michael Carnes  
Managing Editor



## Enjoying this grandparent gig

Ask me about my granddaughter. No, seriously – ask me. Have you got a minute? Of course you do – let me tell you about her. Little Emmie just turned three weeks old earlier this week, and she's already growing like the proverbial weed. She's got a full head of jet-black hair, her big, dark blue eyes are bright and she smiles every time Grandpa Carnes kisses her cheek. She's a beauty, all right. I did something I rarely ever do during the school year and took a personal day off to hang out with the next generation of my family. Most of her grandparents live in Omaha, so I've got to make sure and spend as much time with her as I can so she can remember which of her grandparents is the fun-and-goofy one.

(I should note that the former spouse is the front-runner for the overbearing-in-a-sweet-way grandma . . . I'm seeing a side of her that I'm not sure I ever saw when we were married. Then again, that was 20 years ago and I'm having trouble remembering what I ate for breakfast this morning, but it's really special to see her fuss over her little grandbaby.)

Of course, you can't talk about your grandkids without photos, so I've included a couple from my last visit. The cross-eyed pic (below) is a classic family photo – we can't take a picture without having at least one "goofy face" shot (although, in her case, I'm pretty sure this look is completely unintentional, since most 3-week old kids don't have much control over any muscle movement). The other is my first attempt at properly warping my granddaughter's mind when it comes to watching sports on TV. We laid on the floor in the living room and watched some of The Masters golf tournament, so the groundwork for her being a passionate sports fan – just like mommy and Grandpa Carnes – is being cast in granite. (We'll be doing some subversive work on making her a Seahawks fan once the NFL season starts, but don't tell my daughter – who is an unapologetic Saints fan and hates the Seahawks with a near-psychotic passion).

Speaking of the new mom – she's doing fine and is recovering from the experience. The last couple of months were particularly challenging for her, and the doctors decided that the physical stress was cause for concern, so now she's recovering from surgery after the C-section she had.

The new dad is the epitome of the doting father – some guys get dragged kicking and screaming into parenthood, but he's so excited about being a daddy and it was fun watching him cuddle her and take care of her when she cried. It was a lot of fun watching my daughter and son-in-law dive into the challenges that come with being a parent for the first time – although not near as much fun as spending some quality Grandpa time with Emmie.

This weekend, she gets to go on her first road trip to visit her great-grandma in Norfolk. All the clothing stores in a 100-mile radius have been notified to be on the lookout for my mother, who will be toting a fully-loaded Master Card and will very likely be adding to my granddaughter's closet. The fight for quality time between the great-grandparents, the great-aunt and uncle and Grandpa Carnes should be an interesting one to watch as well.

So am I enjoying this grandparent gig? Ummm, yeah . . . you could say that.



## Capitol View

# Tax cut talk lingers in Lincoln

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

It's one thing to talk about tax cuts. It's another to vote them up or down.

Fitting discussion for April 15, the day the Internal Revenue Service has set as a deadline for rendering unto Uncle Sam that which is due to Uncle Sam. That personal showdown aside, it'll soon be time for the Nebraska Legislature to stare property tax decisions in the face.

The Appropriations Committee has said it has tentatively found a way to provide more tax cuts by adding \$15 million in property tax cuts in each of the next two years through the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund. The committee has included the plan in its budget, which is expected to be presented to the full Legislature April 28.

Committee Chairman Sen. Heath Mello of Omaha says that means that \$400 million could go back to Nebraska taxpayers in the upcoming two-year \$8.7 billion budget. The question remains if this will be enough to avoid partisan conflict – Mello is one of 13 Democrats in the officially non-partisan Legislature – and appeases a Republican governor who promises tax relief almost every time he opens his mouth. Of course, just about every governor we can remember has promised that.

The showdown comes with a bill to raise the tax Nebraskans pay at the gas pump by 6 cents per gallon over the next four years. That proposal awaits second-round approval and is touted by supporters as a way to balance the desire for tax relief with the desire for services.

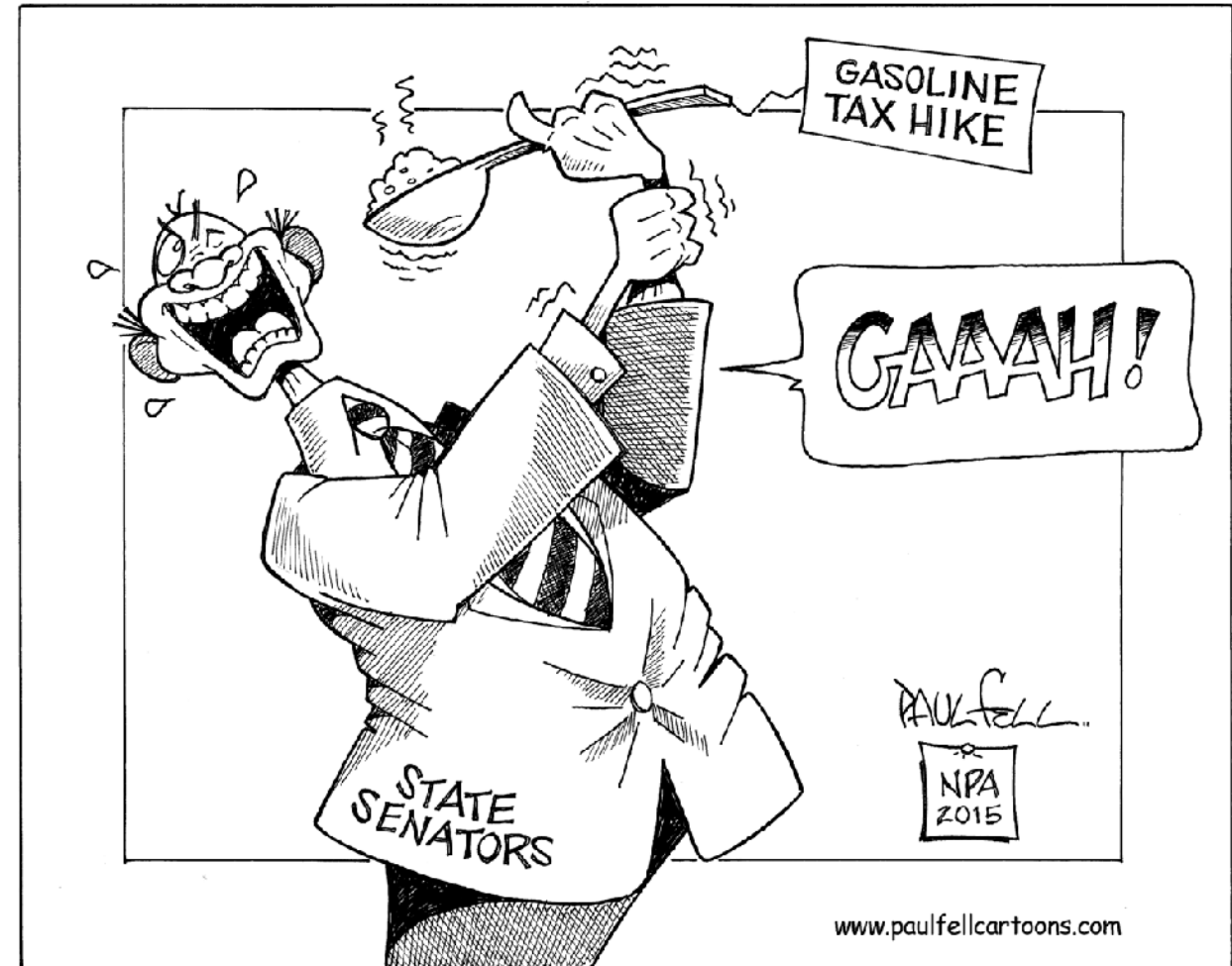
Speaker of the Legislature Galen Hadley of Kearney, a longtime chair of the Legislature's Revenue Committee, has framed the issue perfectly. "It's easy to cut taxes," he said. "But it's not easy to say, OK, we're going to cut taxes, and here is where we're going to cut spending." Hadley says there have been \$450 million in tax cuts over the past five years and he doesn't remember his colleagues raising taxes.

## Legislative Update

# Defending stance on Chambers' comments

While I do not usually use this column to defend a position that I have taken, I do feel the need to clear the air a little on a certain issue.

Most of you are aware that there was a "flare up" about some things that Sen. Ernie Chambers of Omaha said during a public hearing a while back. I have been criticized by a number of people for defend-



The Open Sky Policy Institute recently released a report that said tax bills have shrunk over the last decade by nearly \$580 million. The report cautioned that cuts over the next decade could result in the state getting nearly \$845 million less in revenue. Executive Director Renee Fry cautioned that such cuts could leave Nebraska in a pretty difficult situation in the out years. She noted that massive tax cuts in Kansas have led to massive budget shortfalls. She calls Nebraska's tax credit fund a Band-Aid.

Omaha-based Platte Institute for Economic Research spokesman Adam Weinberg said it's silly that the Kansas comparison continues. He said the proposed tax cuts currently before lawmakers -- which the Platte Institute helped craft -- are extremely affordable and the comparisons to Kansas don't mesh. Ricketts founded the Platte Insti-

tute in 2007 but no longer serves on its board.

He said, she said.

On the subject of a gas tax increase, Ricketts said he was exceptionally disappointed in the 26 senators who gave it a first-round nod. Matt Litt of the Americans for Prosperity Nebraska said it was frustrating to see legislators disregard the wishes of their constituents to lower taxes. Others have said the gas tax is regressive and would punish those with low and limited incomes.

Proponents have said the tax hike is a form of property tax relief since about two-thirds of the money raised would go to counties and cities to help pay for their infrastructure needs. The remaining one-third would go to the state Department of Roads. The state's gas tax is currently 25.6 cents. Under the bill, it would rise by 1.5 cents

per year over the next four years, eventually generating about \$76 million annually, according to the Legislative Fiscal Office.

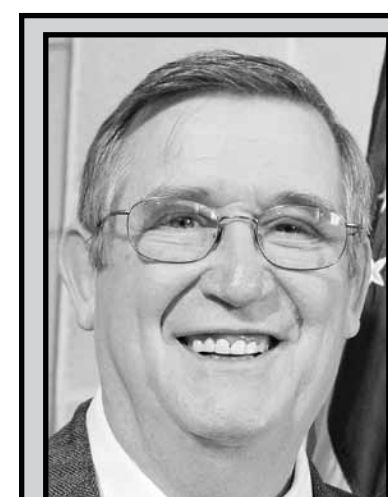
The money Appropriations proposes for property tax relief comes from prior unspent appropriations to agencies. During the recession and state budget shortfalls over the past six years, many agencies created cash reserves through employee vacancies, lapsed programs and contract cutbacks. Some of those reserves are now available for return to the general budget fund for use in the property tax credit fund.

When it comes to taxes, it has always been an issue of whose ox is getting gored. Many of us grew up with mothers who said "it's all fun and games until somebody gets hurt."

Let's hope that we don't run out of Band-Aids, or worse yet, need a tourniquet.



"WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THE SAYING, 'AN ARMED SOCIETY IS A POLITE SOCIETY,' WAS REALLY ABOUT CAMERAS?"



## Legislative Update

By Dave Bloomfield  
State Senator, District 17

ery right to that opinion and the right to print the same. What he may have overlooked or forgotten is that the First Amendment to the U. S. Constitution was not intended for only the media, but for all of us. Each of you also have the right to

say what you will even though you may or may not suffer some "blow back." There is also additional protection for we elected officials in the Nebraska Constitution. In Article III Section 26 it states: "No member of the Legislature shall be liable in any civil or criminal action whatever for words spoken in debate." You do not have to like what Senator Chambers said, but you will not take away his right to say it without a fight while I am here. Four of the last five generations of my family have served in combat situations to protect our rights. As I said in reference to the motorcycle helmet repeal bill, I will never give up on freedom.

I do not intend to make a habit of attempting to "hit back" in this weekly update. I will however occasionally use it to clarify my thoughts.

As always, if we can be of any assistance, contact our office at (402) 471-2716 or e-mail dbloomfield@leg.ne.gov. You can find my current as well as my previous Newsletters on my Legislative Blog at news.legislature.ne.gov/dist17.

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The Wayne City Council meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Meeting times are at 5:30 p.m. at the City Council chambers, located in the Wayne City Offices at 306 N. Pearl St.

# Wayne Public Library to take part in 'Dash for the Stash'

Wayne Public Library is participating in the DASH for the STASH investor education/protection program and contest taking place from April 15-May 15 as part of Financial Literacy Month.

Research shows that the four focuses of DASH for the STASH – financial fraud, building a nest egg, selecting financial advisers, and the cost of investment fees – are all topics about which many investors need to learn more.

A DASH for the STASH winner in each of the five participating states and the District of Columbia will be awarded \$1,000 to open or add to an Individual Retirement

Account (IRA), thanks to the non-profit Investor Protection Institute (IPI), the Connecticut Department of Banking, the District of Columbia (DC) Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking's Securities Bureau, the Office of the Illinois Secretary of State's Securities Department, the Iowa Insurance Division's Securities Bureau, the Office of the Missouri Secretary of State's Securities Division, and the Nebraska Department of Banking and Finance.

The DASH for the STASH contest works much like a scavenger hunt. But instead of collecting objects, players gather information and leave answers to quiz questions. To play, participants will go to Wayne Public Library to find four posters. They will read each poster, access the quiz question and choose an answer.

IPI President and CEO Don Blandin said: "Our goal is to impart some financial knowledge – in a fun way – on how to save, invest, and protect your nest egg. Everyone will learn something. Getting people to focus on investing for retirement is not a game, but DASH for the STASH is

a great way to engage participants who might not otherwise pay attention to this crucial part of their overall financial picture."

There is no purchase necessary to play. A winner will be chosen in a random drawing of eligible participants who log the correct answer for all four posters. The winner will receive a prize of \$1,000 to open or add to an IRA, sent directly to the winner's bank or brokerage firm for the express purpose of opening or making a 2015 contribution to an IRA. Winner must provide proof of eligibility to contribute to an IRA for 2015 and will not receive cash, nor any other form of payment in lieu of the IRA contribution. For IRA eligibility, check www.IRS.gov.

This investor education and protection program and contest is open from April 15 to May 15. IPI will randomly select contest winner(s) in early June 2015 from entries with all correct answers in each participating jurisdiction. The IPI and all participating states provide independent, non-commercial investor education and protection material.

For more information, visit www.invest.org.

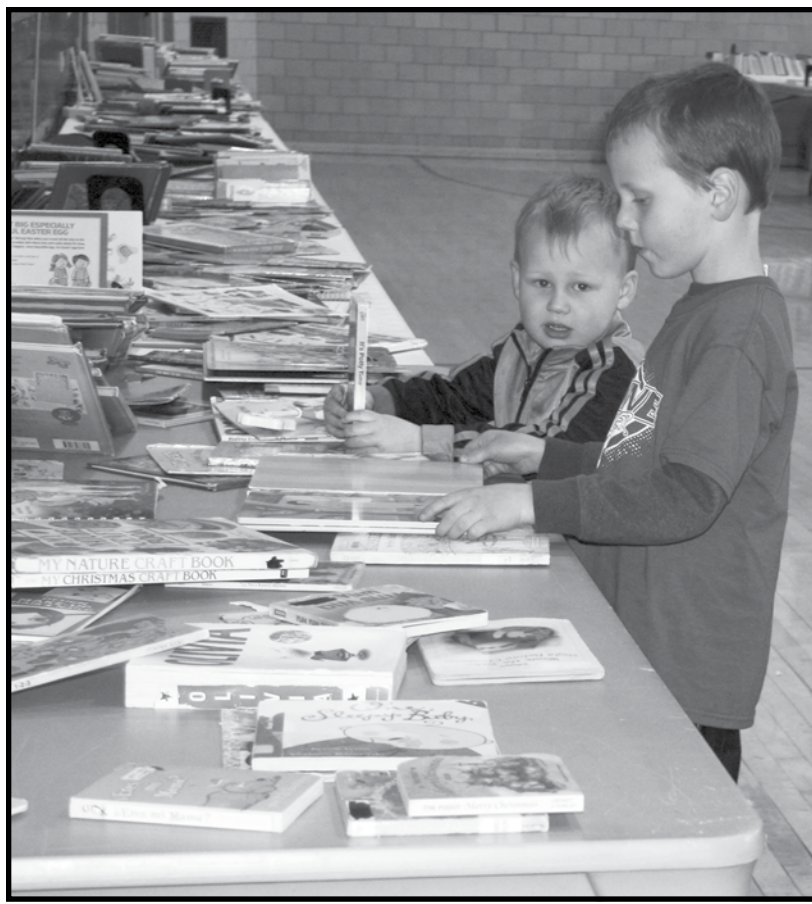


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## Kinnaman Wellness Walk scheduled

The eighth annual Trisha Kinnaman Wellness Walk will be held Sunday, May 3 at the Pender City Park, at 1 p.m. The walk will be held rain or shine.

There is a \$10 entry fee that includes a t-shirt. Those who register by Monday, April 21 will receive a T-shirt. Residents may sign up the day of the walk also.

The event is a one-mile walk to remember Trisha, a physical therapist at the Pender Community Hospital for 12 years. While at the hospital, Trisha was very active in promoting health and wellness. She helped organize and lead many wellness activities on a regular basis. She died in car accident in January of 2008.

A memorial balloon release will set the day off. A one-mile walk will follow. After the walk, food and beverages will be served.

Those who pre-register in time will be able to receive and wear the t-shirt the day of the walk.

For more information or to register, call Mary Tonjes at the Pender hospital at (402) 385-4026.

## Difficult choices

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## Top scientists

Earning blue ribbons at the Northeast Nebraska Junior Academy of Science Fair were (left) Katie Bathke, Cole Woodward, Alyssa Boese, Treyton Blecke, Terran Sievers and Sarah Greenwald. The event was held on the Wayne State College campus on April 2.

## LaPorte cemetery history lesson for Acme club

Members of the Acme Club met at the Grace Lutheran Church Fellowship Room on April 6 with six members present.

A mystery trip had been planned to visit the LaPorte cemetery but was cancelled due to rainy weather. Instead, various compilations of the LaPorte cemetery history were read and viewed.

Sandy Moriori, Delores Utecht's daughter, compiled a booklet and each member received a copy. Following discussion about LaPorte, a carry-in dinner was served.

The next meeting will be Guest Day on Monday, April 20. Jennifer Utecht will be telling about her trip to Korea.

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I am new business owner and everyone says to start by writing a business plan. I am struggling with this. Any helpful tips? – Lincoln

Writing a business plan can be challenging. If this is your first attempt in writing a business plan, mistakes will be made, but that is ok. I always suggest a few things when writing a business plan for the first time.

First, identify why you are writing business plan and who will be using it. I assume you searched on the internet "business plan templates" and discovered there are hundreds of variations of the structure of a business plan.

Determining exactly who will be using the business plan and why

they will be using it should help in constructing the information needed for it. If you are writing a business plan for a lender or investor, it may require different information than a business plan written for yourself.

Second, try to identify the primary reason you are starting this business and then the business plan can conform to that goal. If you are starting a business to make as much money as possible, the business will be structured differently than if your primary goal is to obtain more flexibility in your life. Identifying that primary aim for your business will help in explaining the structure.

Finally, remember the primary purpose of a business plan is less about the product and service and more about the process of how this product or service will be delivered to the customer.

Explaining this process in detail will allow the reader to fully understand how the business will work and if the business is sustainable.

A detailed explanation of how the business delivers its products or service is much more valuable in the analysis of a business than just a simple description of the product or service.

**What business licenses do I need before I open my business here in Nebraska? – Omaha**

It really depends on what you mean by a "business license." Theoretically, if a customer wants to pay you for a product or service you are delivering, when you accept the money, you would be considered a sole proprietor.

There is no formal business licenses required for a sole proprietor in the State of Nebraska. That does not mean there aren't business licenses required for your product or service in the county or city the business resides, but this depends on your specific area.

The State of Nebraska requires businesses to file Form 20, if sales tax applies to the product or service. This form can be found on the online by searching "Form 20 State of

Nebraska."

If you would like form a business entity, the State of Nebraska requires specific information. There is no formal application, but the process for filing can be found on the Secretary of State's website. if you would like to protect your name, you may want to trademark your name.

Again, there is process to follow for trademarking your business name that is listed on the Secretary of State's website, but there is no formal business license required in the State of Nebraska.

Zack Zimmerman is the Associate Director of the Nebraska Business Development Center located at Southeast Community College's Entrepreneurship Center in Lincoln, Nebraska.

The NBDC is a State and Federal funded agency dedicated to assisting small business in Nebraska. If you have a question for Zack please contact him at [zzimmerman@southeast.edu](mailto:zzimmerman@southeast.edu).

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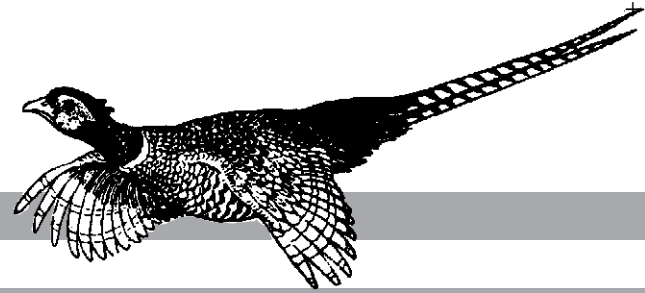
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## How do you change emotional eating? Engagements

It's been a bad day at home or work and you reach for a high calorie food to eat. Emotional eating is habit, and like any habit, can be broken.

It may be difficult, especially if you've been doing it for a long time, but it is possible. Below are some tips to help you and your family curb emotional eating:

**1. Set up a Healthy Home Environment.** If there are no junk foods in the house, you can't binge on them. Instead, keep unprocessed, low-calorie, low-fat foods, such as fresh fruits and vegetables, hummus, and unbuttered popcorn available for munching.

**2. Be a Good Role Model for Healthy Eating.** Kids learn by watching adults, so parents need to create a healthier food environment. Before going grocery shopping, heading to a restaurant, or calling for a pizza delivery, take a breather, go for a walk, and wait until your emotions are in check.

**3. Identify Triggers That Cause Emotional Eating.** The next time you reach for comfort food, ask yourself, "Why do I want this cookie? Am I really hungry?" If not, try to identify what emotions you are feeling. Are you stressed,



angry, bored, scared, sad, or lonely? Keep a food diary; a written record of what, how much, and when you eat may help you to see binge eating patterns or connections between mood and food.

**4. Talk With Your Children.** Find out what's going on in their personal lives. Ask about school, friends, and general attitudes. Do they have a positive or negative view about the way life is going? Being aware of the underlying social and emotional issues will help you guide them to make better lifestyle choices.

**5. Get Help When Needed.** "Aha" moments can create the path for change. If you're having trouble controlling your emotional eating, don't be afraid to seek the help of a mental health professional. Professional counseling or psychotherapy can help adults or older youth figure out what's motivating them to

overeat or choose unhealthy foods.

**6. Find Satisfying Alternatives.** Once you figure out why food makes you feel better, you can come up with alternative behaviors that can help you cope with emotional eating. If you find yourself frustrated because you have no control over circumstances, try going for a walk. If you have been hurt by a co-worker's mean comments, get to an exercise class and get rid of the emotional energy and then talk it out with the co-worker.

**7. Think Moderation.** Denying yourself of all treats can lead to cravings and binge eating. Instead, allow yourself to have your favorite foods occasionally and in smaller portions. Limit the amount of chips by putting a few in a small bowl, instead of mindlessly eating them out of the bag.

**8. Keep the Emphasis on Fun and Feeling Good.** Healthy habits are easier to adopt when people are in a positive mood.

**9. Celebrate Success.** Focus on the positive changes you are making, one small step at a time. You'll get better results with positive encouragement rather than harsh criticism. Movement will sometimes go backward, so acknowledge it when it goes in the opposite direction and use the experience to help with future plans.

*Source: Small Steps to Health and Wealth, Monthly Health Message, April 2014, Karen Ensle Ed.D., RDN, FAND, CFCS; Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County.*

### Backstrom-Dunn

Jamie Backstrom and Travis Dunn of Thurston are planning a May 30, 2015 wedding at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Wayne.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Perry and the late Lesa Backstrom of Wayne. She is a 2004 graduate of Wayne High School and graduated from Wayne State College with a degree in K-12 Health and Physical Education. She is currently employed at the Bankard Center in Wayne in the quality assurance department.

The future groom is the son of Wes and Charlene Dunn of Thurston. He is a 2006 graduate of Pender High School and graduated from Northeast Community College with a degree in construction management. He currently is the owner of TJD Construction. Travis farms on the family farm as well.



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### Senior Center

### Congregate Meal Menu

**(Week of April 20-24)**  
Meals served daily at noon.  
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All menus subject to change.  
**Monday:** Tuna noodle casserole, rotini noodles with peas and carrots, frozen Prince William blend, cottage cheese, whole wheat fresh bread, Promise, cherry gelatin with canned pears.  
**Tuesday:** Turkey cutlet, mashed potatoes with skins, turkey gravy, frozen Key Largo blend, canned apricots, whole wheat fresh bread, Promise.  
**Wednesday:** Ham salad sandwich, whole wheat fresh bread, home made pea salad, home made tomato soup, crackers, Promise, applesauce.  
**Thursday:** Beef tips with mushroom soup and onions over mashed potatoes and gravy, frozen green beans and whole wheat bread, shredded lettuce and carrots, Dorothy Lynch, sliced peaches.  
**Friday:** Broasted chicken quarters, red roasted potatoes, frozen cauliflower, mandarin fluff with mandarin oranges, whole wheat fresh bread.

### Senior Center Calendar

**(Week of April 20-24)**  
**Monday, April 20:** FROG Exercises and Morning Walking, 9:15 a.m.; Quilting; Pool; Hand and Foot; Pitch.  
**Tuesday, April 21:** Morning Walking; Quilting; Volunteer Luncheon; Afternoon Bridge Club; Pitch.  
**Wednesday, April 22:** Morning Walking, 8:30 a.m.; FROG Exercises, 9:15 a.m.; Phil Pfaltzgraff, "Spotlight on Promise," 11:40 a.m.  
**Thursday, April 23:** Morning Walking, 8:30 a.m.; Quilting; Downtown Abbey, 10:30 a.m.; Afternoon Bridge Club; Pitch.  
**Friday, April 24:** FROG Exercises and Morning Walking, 9:15 a.m.; Quilting; Providence Bingo; Pitch; Hand and Foot.

### New Arrivals

**HOESING** — Kris and Amanda Hoesing, Hartington, a son, Connor Emery, 6 lbs., 3 oz., 19 1/4 inches, born April 3, 2015. Grandparents include Neil and Denna Schneider of Allen, Clark Hoesing of Davenport, Iowa and Kathy Hoesing of Concord. Great grandparents include Dean and Marion Dressler of Hubbard, Al and Fern Schneider of Pierce, Roberta and the late Emery Hoesing of Coleridge and Derald and the late Marlys Rice of Concord. Connor previously had a sister, Kimberly Dawn, who went to be with the Lord at birth.

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### School Lunches

**ALLEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (April 20-24)**  
**Monday:** Breakfast — Poptart. Lunch — Chicken and cheese quesadilla, salsa, refried beans.  
**Tuesday:** Breakfast — Donut. Lunch — Crisпитos, cheese sauce.  
**Wednesday:** Breakfast — Pancake. Lunch — Fajita chicken, rice, tea roll.  
**Thursday:** Breakfast — Uncrustables. Lunch — Lasagana roll ups, meat sauce, tea roll.  
**Friday:** Breakfast — French toast. Lunch — Fiestada pizza, corn.  
Most breakfast meals include: Choice of cereal or oatmeal. All breakfast meals include: 8 oz. milk, fruit or fruit juice. All lunch meals include: 8 oz. milk and salad bar. Salad bar may include the following options: fresh lettuce, fresh spinach, carrots/celery, tomatoes, diced eggs, bean variety, cucumbers, fruit variety.

**Tuesday:** Breakfast — Cinnamon rolls, grapefruit. Lunch — Italian dunkers, lettuce, peaches.  
**Wednesday:** Breakfast — Cake donuts, grapefruit. Lunch — Sloppy Joes, tater tots, lettuce, pears.  
**Thursday:** Breakfast — Waffles, pears. Lunch — Pork chop patty, baked beans, cucumbers, homemade bun, oranges.  
**Friday:** Breakfast — Cereal choices, juice. Lunch — Vegetable beef soup, grilled cheese, celery, carrots, grape juice.  
Milk and juice served with breakfast and lunch. Juice or fruit offered everyday.

**LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (April 20-24)**  
**Monday:** LC Breakfast — Sausage and scrambled eggs. LC Lunch — French dip. MS Breakfast — Sausage and scrambled eggs. MS Lunch — Taverns.  
**Tuesday:** LC Breakfast — Coffee cake. LC Lunch — Ciabatta pizza. MS Breakfast — Coffee cake. MS Lunch — Turkey Alfredo.  
**Wednesday:** LC Breakfast — Breakfast bar. LC Lunch — Taco salad. MS Breakfast — Breakfast bar. MS Lunch — Ravioli.  
**Thursday:** LC Breakfast — Pancake wrap. LC Lunch — Hot ham and cheese. MS Breakfast — Pancake wrap. MS Lunch — Sub sandwiches.  
**Friday:** LC Breakfast — Biscuits and gravy. LC Lunch — Chicken strips. MS Breakfast — Biscuits and gravy. MS Lunch — Eighth grade choice - BLT sandwiches.  
All menus subject to change.  
Orange juice, skim milk, fruit, yogurt and salad bar are available daily. All breads and pasta are whole grain.

**WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (April 20-24)**  
**Monday:** Breakfast — Pop tart. Lunch — Chicken and cheese quesadilla, salsa, refried beans.  
**Tuesday:** Breakfast — Donut. Lunch — Crisпитos, cheese sauce.  
**Wednesday:** Breakfast — Pancake. Lunch — Fajita chicken, rice, tea roll.  
**Thursday:** Breakfast — Uncrustables. Lunch — Lasagna roll ups, meat sauce, tea roll.  
**Friday:** Breakfast — French toast. Lunch — Fiestada pizza, corn.  
Fruit and vegetable bar available for K-12.  
Fruit served with every breakfast. Chef salad is optional.  
Milk served with every meal.

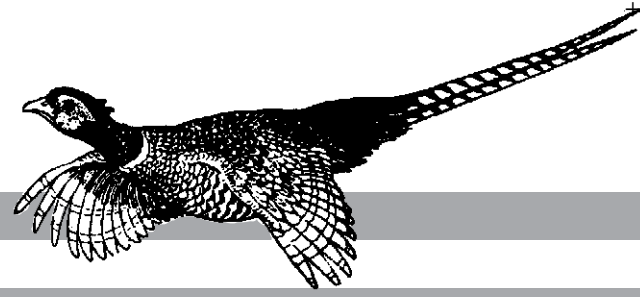
**WAKEFIELD SCHOOLS (April 20-24)**  
**Monday:** Breakfast — Late start. No breakfast. Lunch — Scalloped potatoes and ham, green beans, wheat roll, mixed fruit.

**WINSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (April 20-24)**  
**Monday:** Breakfast — Skillet frittata. Lunch — Chicken strips, corn, peaches, roll.  
**Tuesday:** Breakfast — Egg taco. Lunch — Stromboli, green beans, fruit cocktail.  
**Wednesday:** Breakfast — Cinnamon glazed toast. Lunch — Sloppy Joe on bun, sweet potato fries, pears.  
**Thursday:** Breakfast — Pancake. Lunch — Hot dog on bun, broccoli, mandarin oranges.  
**Friday:** Breakfast — Scrambled eggs. Lunch — Cheese pizza, lettuce, pineapple.  
Milk served with all meals.  
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**Friday — Saturday** Rummage sale. **Sunday:** Third Sunday of Easter. Native American Ministries Sunday. Worship Service at 8:15 and 9:30 a.m. **Monday:** Newsletter deadline. **Tuesday:** Friends in Fellowship, 2 p.m. **Wednesday:** Service at The Oaks, 3:30 p.m.; King's Kids, 3:45 p.m.; Gospel Seekers, 5:30 p.m.; Bells, 5:45 p.m.; Choir, 6:45 p.m.; Praise Band, following. **Saturday:** Food Pantry, 10-11:30 a.m.

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cos & More, 6:45 a.m.; Bible Study at The Oaks, 10:30 a.m.; Worship at The Oaks, 3:30 p.m.; Men Who Love Beef, 6 p.m. **Wednesday:** Joyful Noise, 6 p.m.; Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.; FLoC, 6:30 p.m.; Choir, 7 p.m.

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**Friday:** Fr. Beran's day off. **Saturday:** No Mass at 8 a.m.; Mass, 6 p.m. **Sunday:** Mass, 8 a.m.; Mass, 10 a.m. with First Holy Communion; Mass at 9 p.m. Spanish Mass has been moved to Emerson on Sundays at 10 a.m. For more information contact Sacred Heart Parish at (402) 695-2505. **Monday:** Ecumenical Prayer group, 3 p.m. at Providence Medical Center Chapel; Adoration, 4:30-5 p.m.; Mass, 5:15 p.m.; Hispanic Prayer Group and Rosary at church, 6 p.m. **Tuesday:** Adoration, 4:30-5 p.m.; Mass, 5:15 p.m.; Mass, 9 p.m. **Wednesday:** Mass, 8:15 a.m.; Mass, 5:15 p.m.; Catechist meeting, rectory, 6 p.m.; Confirmation meeting for next year's eighth grade students and parents, at church, 7 p.m.; Religious Education for seventh and eighth grade and W.I.N.G.S. **Thursday:** Adoration, 4:30-5 p.m.; Mass, 5:15 p.m. **Friday:** Fr. Beran's day off.

#### Allen

**FIRST LUTHERAN**  
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**Sunday:** Worship service, 9 a.m. **Wednesday:** Community Kids 4 God, 3:30-5 p.m. at First Lutheran Church.

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**Sunday:** Worship service, 9 a.m. **Wednesday:** Community Kids 4 God, 3:30-5 p.m. at First Lutheran Church.

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**Sunday:** Worship Service with Communion, 8 a.m.

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
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**Sunday:** Third Sunday of Easter. Native American Ministries. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. **Tuesday:** Carroll Advisory Board meeting, 7 p.m.

#### Concord

**CONCORDIA LUTHERAN**  
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**Sunday:** Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN**  
 East of town  
 (Willie Bertrand, pastor)  
**Sunday:** Communion Sunday. Worship service, 8 a.m. **Tuesday:** LWML Spring Rally at Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

**EVANGELICAL FREE**  
 (Pastor Todd Thelen)  
 (Pastor Scott Kahn)  
**Friday:** Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. **Sunday:** Prayer Time, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Evening Bible Study, Axiom, Praying Kids - Mighty in Power, 7 p.m.

#### Dixon

**ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC**  
 (Fr. David Liewer, pastor)  
**Saturday:** St. Michael's, Coleridge, 6 p.m. **Sunday:** St. Mary's, Laurel, 8 a.m.; St. Anne's, Dixon, 10 a.m.

#### Hoskins

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**Sunday:** Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship with Communion, 10:30 a.m.

**TRINITY EVANG LUTHERAN**  
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# Martyrdom still happening today

I admit that I have purposefully avoided looking at the images and especially watching the video of the event: 21 young Egyptian men in orange jumpsuits – like common criminals in prison – being led out by masked murderers for execution along a beach on the Mediterranean Sea. It's just too disturbing and gory for me. When I see a still shot of the video, I shudder and quickly switch to another mental image.

As you may know, on Feb. 15, the Islamic State in Libya released a video showing the beheading of 21 Egyptian Christians who had previously been kidnapped in Libya. They were killed simply because they were Christians. In the brutal, five-minute video, the victims are heard calling out to Jesus in their final moments. Apparently hoping to instill fear into the hearts of all Christians and Westerners, the barbarians called their video, "A Message Signed with Blood to the Nation of the Cross."

Christian leaders were quick to condemn the attacks.

Pope Francis, while visiting with a leader of the Church of Scotland (Presbyterian), commented on the beheadings. "The blood of our Christian brothers and sisters is a witness that cries out to be heard," the Pope said. "It makes no difference whether they be Catholics, Orthodox, Copts, or Protestants," the Pope continued. "They are Christians! Their blood is one and the



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By Ray McCalla  
Pastor, First Presbyterian Church

same. Their blood confesses Christ."

Coptic Orthodox Pope Tawadros II said that the names of the 21 martyrs will be inserted into the Coptic Synaxarium, the Oriental Church's official list of martyrs, a procedure similar to canonization in the Roman Catholic Church. Normally there is a 50-year waiting period before someone can be declared a martyr for Christ, but in this case, the criterion was waived.

It may be hard for us to fathom such violence, all in the name of religion – although each time terrorism is committed in the name of faith, it further desensitizes us. In addition, it all seems so far away from us, complicated by ethnic clashes, muddled by politics between Egypt and Libya, and shrouded in obscure religious labels. Some Christians in the West have publicly distanced themselves from the unfortunate souls in Egypt, asserting that they are not really "true" Christians, since

they are actually Coptic Orthodox Christians.\* But that is a case of Christians simply shirking their responsibility to stand in solidarity with Christians in other parts of the world who are being murdered for their faith in Christ.

Sadly, we probably have not thought of those martyrs in Egypt as our brothers in Christ either. We have most likely pushed the whole incident from our consciousness and burrowed farther into our insular, first-world bubble. Our concerns since Feb. 15 have probably revolved mostly around our March Madness brackets, Zayn Malik's departure from One Direction, and Jon Stewart's replacement on "The Daily Show." No time to think about such unpleasant things when Major League Baseball is about to begin!

But martyrdom still happens, even today. The 20th century saw more people die for their Christian faith than any other century

before. And the 21st is on track to break that record. And whether we like it or not, those poor men who lost their heads are our siblings in Christ. And whether we like it or not, we need to burst our bubble and pray for those who are persecuted and stand in solidarity with those who call out to Jesus for help.

I'm not advocating retaliation or violence or war (Jesus said something about resisting evil doers in Matthew 5:39). And I'm certainly not advocating watching the video or even looking at screen shots of the video. In fact, if you want a substitute mental image, meditate on the new icon of the 21 martyrs, recently written by Tony Rezk to honor their memory. And as you meditate on the image of Jesus crowning the martyrs with eternal life, think about Jesus' words (especially Matthew 5:10-12, or God's words in 1 Peter 3:14) and pray for Christians who are persecuted because they belong to Jesus.

The image can be seen on the web at [fpcwayne.files.wordpress.com/2015/02/21-martyrs-icon.jpg](http://fpcwayne.files.wordpress.com/2015/02/21-martyrs-icon.jpg).

*(I could explain to you how Copts are different than, say, standard Orthodox Christians, but it would be a long, complicated, historically conditioned, nuanced lecture, and your eyes would probably glaze over anyway. Suffice it to say: Coptic Christians believe in historic Christianity as much as – if not more than – us Western Protestants.)*

## St. Paul's Ladies Aid, LWML meets

Winside St. Paul's Ladies Aid and LWML met April 1 with 12 members, Pastor Goodman, and two guests, Dawn Peter and Sally Pichler, present. Sally was welcomed as a new member.

President Daisy Janke opened the meeting, welcomed the guests, and then everyone recited the LWML pledge.

Mrs. Janke had a reading on Lenten devotions and then the hymn 'I Know My Redeemer Lives' was sung by everyone present.

Pastor Goodman had Bible study on 'The Bible We Study'.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved.

Mrs. Janke reported on visiting the shut-ins in March. Lorraine Prince will visit them in April.

Old business included: Daisy reminded everyone about the Wayne Zone LWML Spring Workshop to be held on Tuesday, April 21 at Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne.

New business included: The Ladies Aid will help with the pot luck dinner on Sunday, April 26.

Get well cards were sent to LaJeane Marotz, Carmie Marotz, Paul Dangberg and MarFaye Marotz.

The birthday song was sung for Faye Mann and Pastor Goodman.

Mrs. Prince took roll call.

The meeting was closed with 'The Lord's Prayer' and table prayer.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 6, with Pat Janke and Janice Mundil as hostesses.



Awana Trophy winners included (front) Jordan Metzler, Brayden Burris, Cody Kempf, Jaelyn Kempf, Megan Forsberg, Trace Naeve.(middle) Ethan Vance, Skylar Rahn, Eli Barner, Rebeka Lipp, Katie Reynolds, Sam Junck, Laura Duncan, Stephanie Gonzalez-Navarro, Trinity Surber, Patrick Young, Axel Chavez. (back) Caleb Lipp, Frantzie Barner, Sierra Mutchler, James Torres, Miles Forsberg, Shane Benson, Aaron Bloom, Zack Mitchell, Trevin Boysen and Kalin Olson.

## Awana clubs hold Grand Prix

The Concord Awana Clubs held their annual Awana Grand Prix on April 12 at the Evangelical Free Church in Concord.

Twenty-seven boys and girls, grades 3-6, participated in the car race. Awards were presented as follows:

**Design:** First Place, Jaelyn Kempf; Second Place, Megan Forsberg; Third Place, Trace Naeve.

**Speed:** First Place, Cody Kempf; Second Place, Brayden Burris; Third Place, Jordan Metzler.

Clubbers received ribbons and trophies for their efforts.

Participants drew their initial car design on a plain

block of wood in late February. Cars were cut out and clubbers finished them off with paint and/or other detailing in late March. Volunteers attached the wheels and also made sure that each car weighed 5 oz.

The Grand Prix began with a welcome from Awana Commander Bill Dickey. Pastor Todd Thelen also gave a welcome and brought a message after the race. Approximately 100 children, parents, grandparents, and Awana volunteers were in attendance. Refreshments were served.

For more information on Awana, call (402)584-2396 or (402)375-2469.

## Joy Circle holds April 8 meeting

The women of Our Savior Lutheran Church, Joy Circle, met on April 8, 2015. President Phyllis Rahn opened the meeting by welcoming everyone. She gave announcements and reported on the Spring Gathering held in West Point which nine women from the church attended.

For the program, greeting cards were made which will be sent to church members throughout the

year to let them know we remember them. Dorothy Wert based her devotion "Thoughtful Notes" on this theme.

We encourage others by thoughtful notes sent to them. The notes may include an invitation to a family gathering, a newsy letter with words of wisdom. St. Paul said in 2 Corinthians 3:2, "You, yourselves are our letter, written on our

hearts, known and read by everybody." Thoughtful notes become an extension of the sender.

We show thoughtfulness by the way we live for Christ each day. Jesus Christ's death and resurrection is God's love letter to us.

The next meeting will be May 13, 2015, with Jan Dinsmore speaking on the Holocaust and Dorothy Wert as hostess.

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# Master Gardener Plant Fair and Market planned

Spring is here which means the 23rd annual Plant Fair and Market has arrived.

This fun and educational event will be held Saturday, April 25 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. with early plant sales Friday, April 24 from 6-8 pm. The event is held at the Northeast Community College, Chuck Pohlman Ag Complex, 2301 E. Benjamin Ave. in Norfolk.

Nearly 30 vendors have registered to attend. In addition to nursery and garden decor supplies other items available will be jewelry, kitchen tools, skin care, crafts, quilts, collectables, candles, toys, home decor and gourmet food.

The Master Gardener plant booth will have plants provided by Bluebird Nursery Inc of Clarkson NE. Master Gardeners will be available to answer questions and help attendees with their selections.

Experts in their field have been asked to talk on various topics. Friday's featured speaker will be Butterfly Habitat for Town and Country by Kim Brannen, a Missouri

Valley Master Gardener from Yankton S.D.

Saturday's educational speakers and times are Growing Up to Bee Smart by Kathy Goodwater, Adjunct Instructor at Northeast Community College at 9:30 am; Nebraska, The Next Napa Valley by Paul Read, Professor of Horticulture and Viticulture at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln at 11 am; and Country vs City Trees - The Different Life of Each by Dr. John Ball, Professor of Forestry and Extension Specialist at South Dakota State University at 1 p.m.

There will be ongoing demonstrations by Red Road Herbs on Your Path to Health and Harmony and four Northeast Nebraska Master Gardener Talk-Abouts on Planting and Care of Plants Offered at the Master Gardener Booth, Herbs, Collage of Gardening Tips, and Growing Sedums. The public is encouraged to come and learn from the experts and peruse the numerous vendor booths.

A Gardener's Cafe will be avail-

able to eat and sit.

Admission is free and children's activities including two Kids Make & Take activities will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., educational sessions, numerous vendor booths, and hourly door prizes make this a must attend event. Plenty of parking is available at the paved parking lot south of the complex.

The Plant Fair is coordinated by

the Northeast Nebraska Master Gardeners with proceeds in part to support Horticulture Scholarships to Northeast Community College and Educational Speakers.

For more information, please call the Nebraska Extension office in Madison County at (402) 370-4040 or in Wayne County at (402) 375-3310. Visit madison.unl.edu/the-plantfair.

## Allen News

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**Allen Senior Center**  
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**Tree City USA**  
Allen was among the 101 Nebraska towns to be named a 2014 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management.

This is the 22nd year Allen has received this designation by meeting the program's four requirements which are having a tree board, a tree care ordinance, annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per resident, and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

The Arbor Day program this year will be on Arbor Day, Friday, April 24, at 2:45 p.m. in the school gymnasium. Everyone is invited to the program.

**Driver's Ed**  
Drivers Education will begin approximately May 20 with Mr. Cliff Wiseman as the Driver's Education Instructor.

All students who would like to take Driver's Ed must be age 14 by May 20, 2015 to qualify. The charge is \$210 per student who attends Allen, and \$260 for a student from another district. This fee must be paid before classes begin. There is a sign-up sheet in Stephanie Sullivan's office. Please call the school with any questions (402) 635-2484.

**Spring Clean Up**  
The community spring clean-up day is Wednesday, May 13. Volunteers are to meet at the school parking lot at 1 p.m. with pickups and trailers.

Items are to be placed on the curbside as no one will be allowed to go into homes to carry out items. Everyone is encouraged to clean up their property so the town looks good for the July 3-4 alumni reunion. Spring is here and time to clean up your property and get rid of unwanted and unneeded items free on community clean-up day on May 13. Volunteers are to meet at the school parking lot and accompany junior high students in picking up the trash.

**Kindergarten Round-Up**  
The Allen Consolidate School will be hosting Kindergarten Round Up on Friday, April 24 from 1-3 p.m. Anyone who has a child who will be 5 years old before July 31 and who has not enrolled please contact the school at (402) 635-2484.

Currently we have listed: Ayden Campbell, Ben Coughlin, James Kneif, Hailey Millard, Dominick Ortiz, Derek Pederson, Michael Chase-Surber, Sara Surber, James Warner and Tucker Anderson.

**Allen School Menu**  
Friday, April 17: Breakfast — Pancake. Lunch — Cheese pizza, coleslaw.  
Monday, April 20: Breakfast — Pop Tart. Lunch — Chicken and cheese quesadilla, salsa, refried beans.  
Tuesday, April 21: Breakfast — Donut. Lunch — Crisitos, cheese sauce.  
Wednesday, April 22: Breakfast — None. Lunch — Fajita chicken, rice, tea roll.  
Thursday, April 23: Breakfast: Uncrustables. Lunch — Lasagna roll ups, meat sauce, tea roll.  
Friday, April 24: Breakfast — French toast. Lunch — Fiestada pizza, corn.  
All breakfast meals include: 8 oz.

milk, fruit or fruit juice. All lunch meals include: 8 oz. milk and salad bar. Salad bar may include the following options: fresh lettuce, fresh spinach, carrots/celery, tomatoes, diced eggs, bean variety, cucumbers, and fruit variety.

**Senior Center Menu**  
Friday, April 17: Brunch, 8:30 a.m. Overnight French toast, sausage links, cranberry juice, pears.  
Monday, April 20: Marinated chicken, breaded tomatoes, peaches, mashed potatoes.  
Tuesday, April 21: Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, baked beans, pears.  
Wednesday, April 22: Brats, macaroni salad, pea salad, plums.  
Thursday, April 23: Lasagna, garlic bread, broccoli salad, pineapple.  
Friday, April 24: Brunch, 8:30 a.m. Breakfast casserole, sausage links, tomato juice, mandarin oranges.  
Milk, bread and butter offered daily. Meals subject to change.

**Community Birthdays**  
Friday, April 17: Jeff Hoch, Connie Roberts, Jeff Grone.  
Saturday, April 18: Jody Martinson, Missy Sullivan, Jude Renour, Zander Roth, Kassara Jump.  
Sunday, April 19: Mallory Geiger, Jerry & Donna Schroder (A).  
Monday, April 20: Greg Boeshart, Joey Kinzey.  
Tuesday, April 21: Blake & Terry Coughlin (A).  
Wednesday, April 22: Paulette Kumm, Jim Johnson.  
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Friday, April 24: Richard Olesen, Jill Peterson, Letha Stewart, Seth Malcolm, Lindsey Jones, Jacob Stewart, Destina Martell, Dallas & Teresa Angle (A), Dwight & Ronnie Gotch (A).

**Community Calendar**  
Friday, April 17: Brunch at the Senior Center, 8:30 a.m.; Spring-bank Library hours 8 a.m.-12 p.m.; Decorating for Prom - All day in gym; NE State Science Fair in Lincoln; NeSA Testing Grade 5 and Make up testing all grades.  
Saturday, April 18: Springbank Library hours 8 a.m.-12 p.m.; Grand March for Junior-Senior Prom, 6:30 p.m.; Junior-Senior Prom Dinner, 7 p.m.; Junior-Senior Prom Dance, 8-11:30 p.m.; Post Prom, 11:30 p.m.-4:30 a.m.  
Sunday, April 19: First Lutheran Church, 9 a.m.; United Methodist Church, 9 a.m.; St. Paul Lutheran, 8 a.m.; St. Anne's Catholic, 10 a.m.  
Monday, April 20: C Junior High Track at Hartington, 1 p.m.; NeSA testing for fifth grade; Allen Community Club at Fire Hall, 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 21: Laurel Invite at LCC; MAPS Testing for seventh and eighth grade.  
Wednesday, April 22: Kids 4 God at First Lutheran Church from 3:30-5 p.m.; 11 a.m. Late Start for K-6/9-10/12 NO SCHOOL Pre-K; NeSA Testing for grades 7, 8 and 11 from 8:15-11 a.m.  
Thursday, April 23: MAPS Testing for seventh and eighth grade.  
Friday, April 24: Senior Center Brunch, 8:30 a.m.; Springbank Library Hours 8 a.m.-12 p.m. District Music Contest at South Sioux City; NO SCHOOL FOR KINDERGARTENERS ONLY; Make up Testing if needed 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Fifth and sixth grade Fishing Trip 1:30-3:30 p.m.; Kindergarten Round-up 2 p.m.; FFA Students (not in music) Plant trees in Wakefield; Arbor Day assembly in gym, 2:45 p.m.

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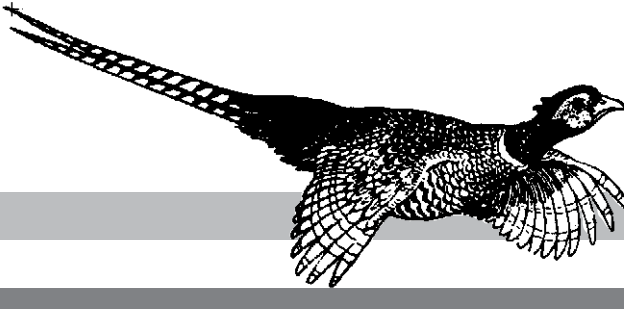
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## Reminiscing about trips to the parts store

Well, besides helping us keep track of our kids, I learned of another use for phones. And this was in the Successful Farming! A farm wife from Minnesota says before she leaves to get parts for her husband, she begins shooting pictures. She takes a picture of the part, where exactly it goes on the machine, and any pertinent machinery model numbers. I thought to myself, surely that would solve many problems!

There is nothing I hated so much as going to town for parts! Fortunately, since the Big Farmer like red tractors, we could just go to Winside to Wackers IH. But then I had to describe the darn thing, as not all had parts numbers. Don Wacker was just about the most patient "parts guy" I ever knew. He even got into our TV show on energy, when NET televised Sue taking a small motor in to him to be fixed.

But I was usually not dressed for going to town, and they always needed that part FAST! And, if I was going to make the five mile trip, I might as well have stopped for a few groceries, too, but the guys did not think much of that idea. As I said, they always needed it fast.



**The Farmer's Wife**  
By: Pat Meierhenry

I think this is universal among farm wives; it was true for me thirty years ago, and here, in the current Successful Farming magazine, is one still writing about it. Invariably, it was a guessing game for the parts guy as I stood there and tried to describe what was broken, or missing. Often, I got back with the wrong thing. Or, I took two potential items and then had to take one

back, necessitating another trip, either way.

As farm wives go, I was one of the lucky ones in that my farmer did not yell! He may have gotten a little sarcastic, or acted like he wondered how I could be so dumb, but he never yelled at me. His cousin's wife tells me her guy "snarls"; now, that would be bad! And I'm not sure I would stand for that.

I think the solution that worked best was what the gal who spoke at the annual Farm Wives' dinner in Wayne told us one time. She had her share of fruitless trips to the implement parts store. One day, she was sure she had the right numbers for the hose that needed a new end. She went sauntering in and rattled it off. That's when the fellow simply asked, "male or female?" With that, she had had it, and she answered, "Oh, well, give me one of each and I'll raise my own!" The audience howled at that; I think we could all relate.

So, here's this smartie from Minnesota who has solved the problem. Pretty soon, they won't have anything left to complain about; how fun is that?

## Advice shared for pruning raspberries and grapes

We are still in pruning season but a little late for shade trees and fruit trees.

You can still get at summer blooming shrubs, grapes and raspberries. It is also a good time to prune evergreens like Japanese yew, Junipers, Arborvitae, and spruce. Wait to prune pines until they begin to grow, called candling, typically in late May or early June.

Hold off on pruning roses until mid to late April to avoid additional winter injury on these plants. When pruning, use sharp pruning tools, make correct cuts, and avoid over pruning which stresses plants and leads to sucker growth. The exception is when renovating overgrown, multi-stemmed shrubs. To do this, the shrubs are severely pruned to about one foot tall in February or March.

When it comes to fruiting plants, like grapes and raspberries, it is important to understand on what age wood fruit is produced for each crop or cultivar. All grapes produce fruit only on new growth that occurs each spring from buds on one year old canes or last years' new growth. This is why grapes are pruned severely each spring if they are grown for fruit production.

Due to this fruiting habit, most grapes are trained to a specific system. If interested in producing good yields of quality grapes, learn more about grape training systems. One resource to use is Missouri Ex-



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tensions Home Fruit Production: Grape Training Systems at <http://extension.missouri.edu/p/g6090>.

Understand that while grapes need severe pruning each spring, this does not mean cutting them close to the ground as is done with some other vines and for shrub renovation. If this were done, one year canes from which shoots that produce fruit grow would be removed.

How and when to prune raspberries depends on what type and cultivar of raspberry you have. The roots and crowns of all raspberries live from year to year. The canes or stems can live for up to two years. Red raspberries are divided

into two groups, summer-bearing and fall-bearing. Summer-bearing plants produce one large crop of fruit in early summer on second year canes.

Fall-bearing plants, sometimes called everbearing raspberries, produce a small crop of fruits in summer on the lower portion of one-year old canes and then a larger crop in late summer on current year canes. Many growers manage fall-bearing raspberries to produce only one large fall crop. To do this, simply prune all canes of fall-bearing raspberries back to three to four inches tall each March.

For summer-bearing raspberries, pruning at this time of year consists of removing only the canes that produced fruit last summer since these canes are dead. If these fruiting canes were removed after harvest last summer; no pruning may be needed at this time of year on summer-bearing plants.

For summer-bearing plants, leave the one year old canes on which fruit will be produced this year. If the patch is quite dense, a few of the one year old canes could be removed now to thin the patch. This allows for better light penetration and air movement.

See Missouri's Pruning Raspberries, Blackberries, Gooseberries, Currants and Elderberries at [extension.missouri.edu/p/g6000](http://extension.missouri.edu/p/g6000) for more pruning information.

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

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**Minimum Requirements:** Level II Librarian Certification-High School diploma or GED and 60 semester hours (90 quarter hours) of college credit and fulfillment of the Basic Skills Requirements.

Experience desirable. Salary based on qualifications. A job description is available at the City Office at 402-695-2662. Applications available at the City Office 511 North Main.

Do you have health care experience but are tired of lifting, bathing, and feeding but want to stay in the helping people business? Would you like to be a Medication Assistant but can't get the time off or afford to take the class?

You may be interested in working for R-Way where there is no charge for the MA class and you are reimbursed for the time spent in the class.

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Please email your resume to [jbressler@r-way.org](mailto:jbressler@r-way.org) or call Jeannia @ 402-375-2532 for more information. E.O.E.

**NOW HIRING**  
**PART TIME SECURITY GUARD**

(Saturday and Sunday)  
11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.  
Also cover hours for Full-time guard's vacation, holidays or illness

Must have a high school diploma, good communication and people skills, and be dependable, trustworthy, and use good judgment in emergency situations.

Interested parties should apply in person at:  
**Great Dane Trailers**  
1200 North Centennial Road  
Wayne, NE 68787  
EOE

**Help Wanted**

Employment Works, Inc. is seeking to fill a full or part-time Skills Training Specialist position in the Wayne area to provide support services for people in the areas of independent living and employment.

Hours available include 8:30 am to 2 pm and evenings 4 to 8:30 or 9 and one or two weekends per month. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent. Some post secondary education preferred but not required. Must be fluent in English. Applicants must have a valid driver's license, insurance, registration, excellent written and verbal communication skills, a professional appearance, positive attitude towards work, strong work ethic, and a desire to help others succeed. We conduct thorough background checks and drug testing. Starting wage is \$9.50.

If you are interested please call Employment Works, Inc. at (402) 371-1011, Ext. 103 and speak with Jodi Ronspies.

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**Housekeepers**  
Full Time

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3 Shifts Available: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.,  
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**REGISTERED NURSE**

This part-time RN position is for Tyson Foods' Madison, Nebraska, location. The successful candidate will be responsible for providing primary and emergency care for occupational and non-occupational injuries and illnesses, as well as conducting screening tests, maintaining Team Member, state, and OSHA records, assisting in health promotion, and identifying and documenting workers' compensation cases. The position hours will primarily be 3:30-11:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and Saturday, if the plant is running; however, hours may vary as needed.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

- Must have a degree from a school with an accredited nursing program
- Must be a licensed registered nurse in Nebraska
- Must have current CPR/first aid certification
- Knowledge of occupational nursing preferred
- Strong problem-solving, organization, and written and verbal communication skills
- Must have basic computer skills
- Must be able to walk throughout the plant, which includes steps and ladders

**CONTACT:**  
To apply for this opportunity and view all current opportunities with Tyson Foods, please visit [www.tysonfoodscareers.com](http://www.tysonfoodscareers.com).

Tyson Foods is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All qualified applicants will be considered without regard to race, national origin, color, religion, age, genetics, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability or veteran status.

**MICHAEL FOODS**

**JOB FAIR**

**Michael Foods Wakefield, NE**

**Michael Foods Main Office**  
105 N Main St, Wakefield, NE  
•April 17th 10:00am-1:00pm  
•April 24th 10:00am-1:00pm

Now hiring for the following:

Maintenance Mechanics	Quality Assurance
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General Production	Refrigeration Mechanics
Jockey Drivers	

Michael Foods Egg Products Company  
ATTN: Tricia Luber  
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Wakefield, NE 68784  
EOE/AAP

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- Must have a valid Driver's License
- Must be able to lift at least 45 lbs
- Must be able to read, write and comprehend the English language
- Must be able to attend all required trainings
- Must be able to pass background checks (APS, CPS, Sex offender, etc)
- Must be able to work weekends and some Holidays

TRAINING WAGE starts at \$10.14 to \$10.45 with increase after completion of required training

Serious applicants should apply at:

**NORTHSTAR**  
Supporting People In Reaching Their Goals

**NorthStar Services**  
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**HELP WANTED**  
**Swine production workers needed, no experience necessary. Please contact Tony at 605-421-0917.**

**New Listing!**  
716 Jaxon Street  
**\$125,000**

**New Price!**  
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**New Price!**  
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Send resume or apply at:  
Heritage Industries, Attention: General Manager,  
P. O. Box 37, 905 Centennial Rd., Wayne, NE 68787.

**CAREGIVER NEEDED** for handicapped young man. Hours may vary. Call 402-369-2175.

**HELP WANTED:** Swine production workers needed, no experience necessary. Please contact Tony at 605-421-0917.

**WANTED: TRUCK** driver. Local hauling. Must have CDL and credentials. Full-time. Ph. 402-369-2534 or 402-369-0946.

**JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**  
If your passion is to make a difference in someone's life, NENCAP's Family Services Program can show you how. Working as a **Family Services Coordinator** you'll serve low income families and individuals within a radius of Pender helping to identify needs and find solutions through available services and referrals. You will be reaching out to our communities to bring awareness of our organization. This is a full time position located in Pender, NE. 40 hours per week M-F, hourly wage plus benefits. The full job description and agency job application are available at [www.nencap.org](http://www.nencap.org) under the jobs link or contact Mary Reeson, HR Director at 1-800-445-2505 or 402-385-6300 Ext. 286. To apply submit a completed agency application. No resumes accepted. Applications must be received to Northeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership, PO Box 667, Pender, NE 68047-0667 by 4:30 PM on Friday, April 24, 2015. EOE Non-Profit Agency

## Features of the Week!

**309 South Windom Street**  
Now at \$55,000

**502 West 1st Street**  
5 Bedrooms

**1467 Linden Street**  
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Historic Charm

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## LOST & FOUND

**Cleaning out your closets? Finding things that you forgot were in there?**

If you find a paper route carrier bag that belongs to the Wayne Herald/Morning Shopper, please bring it back - We miss it!  
**Thank you - Circulation Department**

**PROPERTY EXCHANGE PARTNERS**  
112 W. 2nd Street - Wayne, NE 68787  
(402) 375-2134 office - (402) 375-2134  
**802 Lincoln Street, Wayne \$65,000**

**4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2028 sq ft**  
LARGE square footage with a detached 2-car garage! You will be amazed with the potential and character throughout the entire home. Relax on the back deck in your private backyard! Located less than a block from Bressler Park

**220 W. 2nd Street, Wayne \$80,000**  
**4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 1762 sq ft**  
Take a seat and relax on the front porch swing! Currently used as an investment, but can easily be converted into a single-family home. Large 2-car garage and main floor laundry! Located close to dining and shopping!

**ALSO FOR SALE:**  
608 Logan Street  
TBD Bressler Court  
312 Pearl Street  
View all the homes for sale at:  
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## HHC/Hospice/Personal Care Certified Nurse Aide - Part Time (24 hours a week)

PMC seeks an excellent certified nurse aide. Must have a valid driver's license and able to travel within a 45 mile radius of Wayne. Great communication skills, assessment skills required. Computer experience is preferred. PMC offers an excellent wage and benefit package.

Please contact:  
**Jackie Backer - VP of Human Resources**  
[jabacker@providencemedical.com](mailto:jabacker@providencemedical.com),  
call 402-375-7618, or apply  
online at [www.providencemedical.com](http://www.providencemedical.com)

PMC is an Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer.  
EE/AA/VETS/DISABILITY

**HELP WANTED:** Cashier. Pick up an application at the Corner Mart in Laurel. 402-256-3165.

**WANTED: LIVE-IN** Assistant Manager and Caretaker for apartment building in Wayne. Send a letter or resume to: Apartment Manager, %The Wayne Herald, P.O. Box 70, Wayne, NE 68787.

**NOW HIRING:** Rural carrier associates for Wayne and Carroll. Call the Wayne Post Office, 402-375-2485.

**HELP WANTED: OTR drivers**  
\$1500 sign on bonus, .38-.41 per mile, health ins, dental and vision, retirement, vacation, possible \$1000 yearly safety bonus. Plenty of miles, home most weekends and we work with our drivers on their home time needs. We need drivers with 2 yrs or more experience with good MVRs.  
**Call Rose's Transport at 402-369-0580.**

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Make your snap ad in the Morning Shopper or Herald really stand out, add a dingbat! Several to choose from. Call Jan at the Wayne Herald for all the details! 402-375-2600 or 1-800-672-3418.

**READERS BEWARE!** Job opportunities being offered that require cash investment should be investigated before sending money. Contact the Better Business Bureau to learn if the company advertised is on file for any wrong doing. The Wayne Herald/Morning Shopper attempts to protect readers from false offerings, but due to the heavy volume we deal with, we are unable to screen all copy submitted.

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**ARCHITECTURAL DRAFTER**  
Full time AutoCAD Architectural Drafting opportunity to design & draw custom homes for a premiere home builder that builds homes for customers in 7 states. Benefits include excellent pay, family health insurance, paid vacations & holidays, 401k retirement plan & profit sharing. Send resume to Jeff, Drafting Supervisor, at Heritage Homes, PO Box 37, Wayne, NE 68787 or email to [jeff@heritageind.com](mailto:jeff@heritageind.com) or call for more information at (402) 375-4770.

**HELP WANTED**  
• **Part-Time Cashiers**  
**Could work into full-time. Highly motivated. Apply in person at Cubby's in Pender or online at cubbys.com**  
**701 So. 4th Street Pender, NE**

**MICHAEL FOODS INC**  
Egg Products Company  
Wakefield, Nebraska  
**IMMEDIATE DRIVER OPENING!**  
•Scheduled hours allow you to be home each night  
•New higher Pay Scale  
•Advancement opportunities  
•Excellent benefits

This person will be responsible for allocating and spotting all trailers for loading and unloading, coordinating trailers for pre-trip inspection and repairs, weighing trailers, starting loaded reefers and routinely checking reefer temperatures.

This position requires an OTR/Class A CDL with a tanker endorsement, experience driving truck, experience operating reefer units and the ability to work with minimal supervision.  
**Additional \$0.65/hr. shift differential for 2nd shift.**

For immediate consideration, qualified applicants can apply at our office or call for an application:  
**Michael Foods Egg Products 402-287-2211**  
Attn: Tricia Luber  
105 N. Main Street, Wakefield, NE 68784  
[tricia.luber@michaelfoods.com](mailto:tricia.luber@michaelfoods.com)  
EOE/AA

**MICHAEL FOODS INC**  
Egg Products Company  
Wakefield, Nebraska  
**SUPERVISORY AND TECHNICAL POSITIONS AVAILABLE TODAY!**

Michael Foods Egg Products Company, the largest processor of eggs in North America, has the following openings:

**PROCESSING SUPERVISOR**  
This individual will be responsible for producing the highest quality product at the lowest possible cost by requesting and directing services necessary to achieve the desired level and quality of production, keeping accurate production and employee records, effectively managing department personnel and providing a safe work environment.

**MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR**  
This maintenance supervisor will manage a crew of mechanics who are responsible for providing production support, creating work orders/PMS, installing new equipment and troubleshooting problems with equipment.

**MAINTENANCE MECHANIC**  
1st, 2nd and 3rd shifts  
These individuals would be responsible for mechanical repairs on plant equipment including minor electrical repairs. Ideal candidates should have excellent mechanical aptitude, welding skills, good written and verbal communication skills and can work with minimal supervision.

**ELECTRICIAN**  
The ideal individual would have excellent electrical maintenance skills; have 1-2 years of electrical experience and knowledge of motor controls and industrial wiring. This individual must have good written and verbal communication skills, have abilities in basic math and be able to work with minimal supervision.

**REFRIGERATION MECHANIC 3RD SHIFT**  
This individual would be responsible for maintaining the engine room and boiler equipment. Ideal candidates should have excellent mechanical aptitude, welding and electrical skills as well as good written and verbal communication skills and be able to work with minimal supervision.

Qualified applicants should submit their application or resume to:  
**Michael Foods, Inc.**  
Attn: Carol Kratke  
[Carol.Kratke@michaelfoods.com](mailto:Carol.Kratke@michaelfoods.com)  
105 N Main St  
Wakefield, NE 68784  
FAX 402-287-5003  
EOE/AA

**New Listing!**  
**202 Adkins, Laurel**  
Lovely Ranch style home with 4 bedrooms, 3 bath areas and main floor laundry. Large family room in the finished basement. The home has many updates and is located on a large lot with a country view.

**New Listing!**  
**103 Wakefield, Laurel**  
2 bedroom, 1 bath, Townhouse, built in 2007. Spacious open living and dining area. 2 car attached garage, plus storm shelter. Must see!!!  
**Feel at Home..In this!**

**504 Cedar Street, Laurel**  
Well kept and maintained 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Kitchen, flooring, furnace, AC, roof and many more updates! Finished basement with family room. 2 car garage with separate workshop. Private backyard. Just Waiting For You!

**Don't Pass this One By:**  
**102 W 5th Street, Laurel**  
3 bedroom, 1 bath, Brick ranch. Partial finished basement. Price Reduced! \$119,750  
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**FOR SALE:** Chopped wheat silage. Will haul. Ph. 402-369-2534.  
**FOR SALE:** 2006 Crownline boat 20.5 ft. 178.8 hours, 260 hp 5.0 mercruiser. Excellent condition, Like New. \$30,000 OBO Emerson, NE Contact Al Gentrup 712-490-4170.

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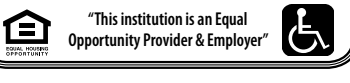
## FOR RENT

### NOW AVAILABLE Leisure Apartments

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**FOR RENT:** Nice 5-BR house. Off street parking. Available June 1st. Ph. 402-369-0383 or 402-369-0966.

**FOR RENT:** Nice, large, 2-BR apartment. Available now. Mid-City Apartments, Wayne. Call 402-375-7818.

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**FOR RENT:** 2, 3, and 4-bedroom apartments at 918 Main St. One block to campus. New high efficiency heat pumps with central air. Appliances furnished. Washer/dryer. Soft water. Paved parking. Rent starting at \$250 per person. Single semester terms available. No pets. No parties. 712-899-0505.

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**FOR RENT:** 3-BR house, 2 blocks from college. Available June 1. Ph. 402-375-4909.

**FOR RENT:** Across the street from WSC campus. Ideal for couples. Large, one-plus bedroom apartment. Heat included. \$450/mo. PLUS: 2-BR apartment, 3 blocks from campus. \$450/mo. You pay heat and electricity. Ph. 402-494-3712 or 712-253-5381.

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## FOR SALE

# AUCTION

May 2, 2015 • 11:00 AM

202 Main Street • Emerson, Nebraska  
Legal: Lots 10 and 11 Block 7 OT Emerson

1.5 Story home. Approximately 1,528 sq. ft. with 3 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms, and Family room. 512 sq. ft. unfinished basement. Forced air furnace and central air. Sits on 10,000 sq. ft. lot. Composition roof in 2011. Taxes: \$647.44  
**Terms and conditions:** 10% down day of auction. Balance due at closing. Closing to be on or before June 3rd. Title insurance to be split 50-50 between buyer and seller. This sale is subject to all easements, covenants, restrictions of record. Property sold AS IS with no warranties. Bidders are encouraged to inspect the property and bid accordingly. **Disclosure:** it is understood that the agents involved are acting as sellers agents. Sellers are our clients, and the buyers are customers. The information contained on this sheet was obtained from various sources and while believed to be true, the agent assumes no responsibility for accuracy.



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Bruce Robertson, Tekamah, NE. Phone # 402-374-2545  
Nancy Mackling Emerson, NE. Phone # 402-695-2767  
Jan Schuetze, West Point, NE. Phone # 402-380-0563

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**SUNNYHILL VILLA APARTMENTS**  
900 Sunnyview Drive • Wayne  
Seniors age 62+ and/or disabled age 18+ SECURITY DEPOSITS ONLY \$250  
Spacious 1 Bedroom Apartment Available for Immediate Occupancy. Rent Based on Income. Rental Assistance Available for those who qualify!

Call Mary for details  
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**SERVICES**

**CAREGIVER SERVICES** provided to allow Seniors or people with disabilities to stay in their homes. Have references. Call Cyndee, 402-375-5036.

**WILL DO** garden tilling in Wayne area. Must be able to get into your garden with a Bobcat. Ph. 402-518-0067.

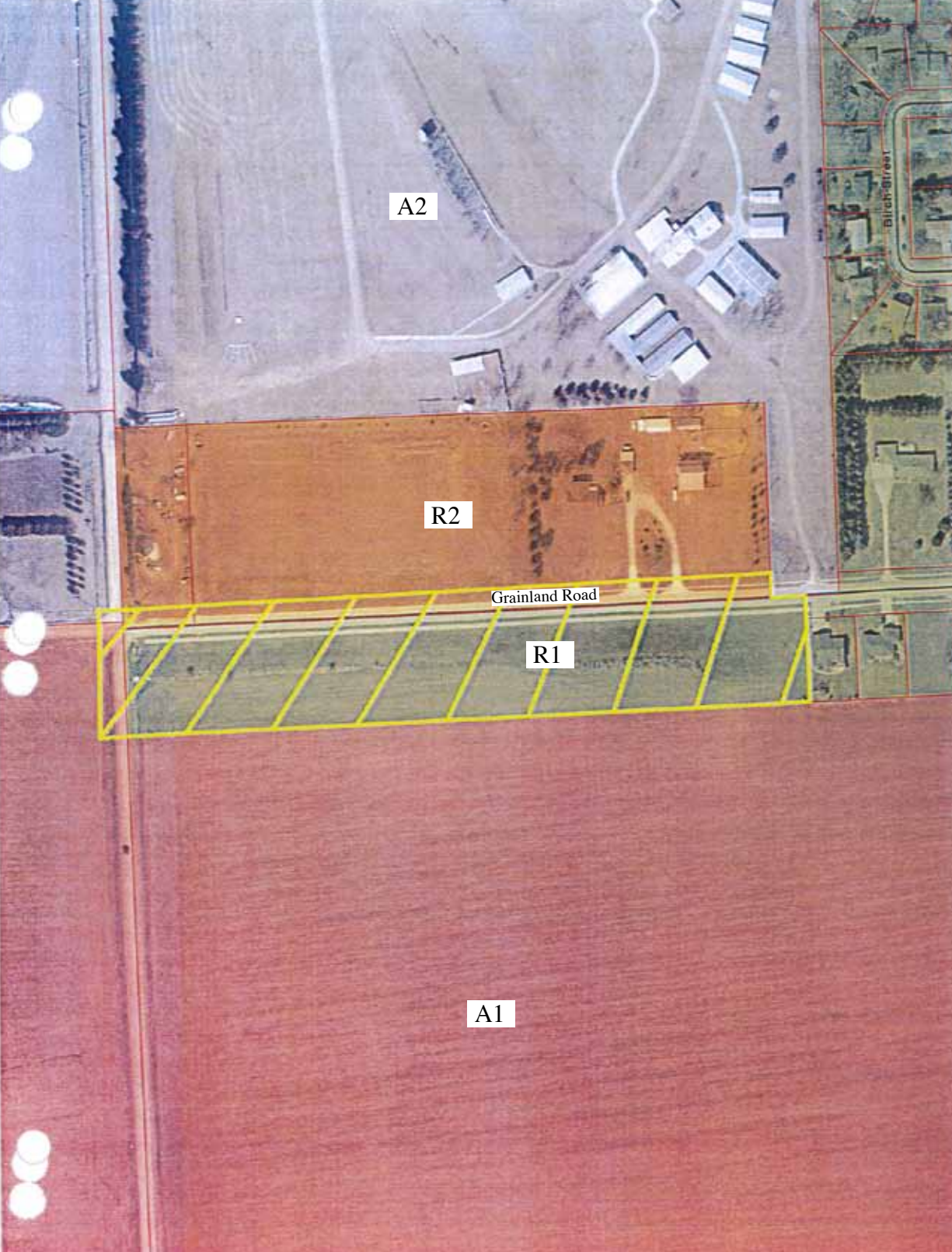
# Legal Notices

**ORDINANCE NO. 2015-11  
AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN REAL ESTATE TO THE CITY OF WAYNE AND EXTENDING THE CORPORATE LIMITS IN THE SOUTHWEST QUADRANT OF THE CITY OF WAYNE TO INCLUDE SAID REAL ESTATE.**  
BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Wayne, Nebraska:  
Section 1. The City of Wayne does hereby find and declare that the following described real estate:  
A tract of land located in the North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 and the South 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 13, T26N, R3E and the North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 and the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 14, T26N, R3E of the 6th P.M., Wayne County, Nebraska, more particularly described as follows:  
Beginning at the Northwest corner of

the Southwest 1/4 of Section 13, T26N, R3E of the 6th P.M., Wayne County, Nebraska; thence N 87°38'08" E on an assumed bearing on the North line of said Southwest 1/4, 1259.64 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence S 02°21'52" E and perpendicular to said North line, 190.00 feet to the Southwest corner of Lot 10 of Beckenhauer Estates; thence S 87°38'08" W and parallel to said North line, 1294.77 feet to a point on the West Right-of-Way line of 575 Avenue; thence N 01°43'25" W on said West Right-of-Way line, 223.01 feet to a point on the North Right-of-Way line of Grainland Road; thence N 87°38'08" E on said North Right-of-Way line, 1292.27 feet; thence S 02°21'52" E and perpendicular to said North Right-of-Way line, 33.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 6.62 acres, more or less,  
is immediately adjoining and contiguous to the corporate limits of the City of Wayne, Nebraska.

Section 2. The above described real estate is annexed to the City of Wayne, Nebraska, and is declared to be within the corporate limits of the City of Wayne, Nebraska, pursuant to Section 19-916 (R.R.S. 1943).  
Section 3. The corporate limits of the City of Wayne, Nebraska, are hereby extended to include said real estate.  
Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.  
Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval, and publication or posting as required by law.  
PASSED AND APPROVED this 7th day of April, 2015.  
The City of Wayne, Nebraska  
By: Mayor

ATTEST:  
City Clerk  
(Publ. April 16, 2015) ZNEZ



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## GARAGE SALE SCHEDULE

May 29 & 30  
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June 26 & 27  
Ad deadline is June 17 at 5:00 p.m.  
August 28 & 29  
Ad deadline is August 19 at 5:00 p.m.  
October 2 & 3  
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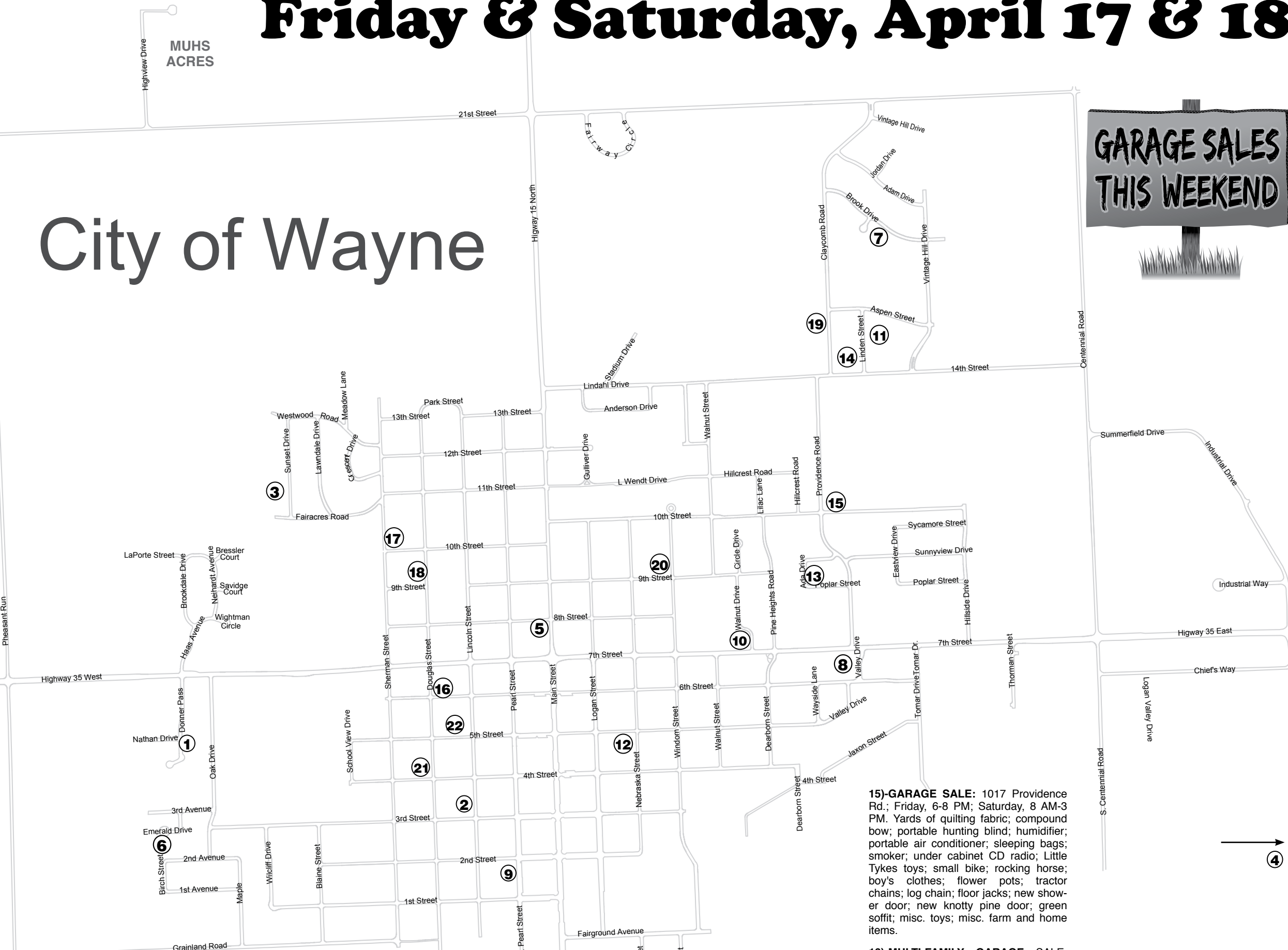




# Community-Wide Garage Sales

## Friday & Saturday, April 17 & 18

### City of Wayne



**1)-4-FAMILY GARAGE SALE:** 503 Donner Pass; Friday, 5-8 pm; Saturday, 7 am-noon. Girl's clothes, sizes 4T-14/16; Junior clothing, sizes 10-12; Large to X-large women's clothing; men's S-XXL clothing; white flower girl dress, size 8; Homecoming dress, size 5-6; antique chairs; Adirondack deck chairs; oak Bentwood rocker; book shelf; drum set; clarinet; juicer; kitchen items; DVD's; toys; kid's board games; roller blades, many sizes; kid's book shelves; toy boxes; Legos; wooden and waffle blocks.

**2)-GARAGE SALE:** 308 Lincoln in alley; Friday, 4-9 pm; Saturday, 7 am-? Fishing poles; reels and weights; depth finder; TV; lantern; shooting stick; lawn mower; storm windows; also a number of weights and handmade clocks; 24' pontoon boat; tomato, pepper and squash plants; lots of household items; lots of misc. items. Guess the number of weights in a jar for a chance to win a prize.

**3)-GARAGE SALE:** 1100 Sunset Drive Friday, 10 am-6 pm. Friday only! Couches; table with chairs; foosball; bikes (Gary Fisher and Trek - need to be serviced); porch furniture; games; men's and women's clothing; kitchen stuff; old serger; yarn; king-sized bedding; sheets of all sizes; kid's violin; nice toys; planters. All priced to sell!!!

**4)-MULTI-FAMILY SALE:** 5 miles south, 1 1/2 miles west of 7th & Main on 851 Rd.. Watch for signs. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 8 am-? Due to tornado damage to our home, we will be selling: doors, Pella windows, oak flooring, etc. (If there's something you can use, we'll sell it. Ford 5th wheel tailgate (2008 and newer); many automobile parts; some clothes; nice oak kitchen cabinets; treadmill; garage door openers; old sewing machine; kitchenware; and toys.

**5)-UNITED METHODIST WOMEN ANNUAL SALE:** 6th and Main, North Door; Friday, 2-7 PM; Saturday, 8 AM-noon. Couch; TVs; crib mattress; car seats; twin/single strollers; full mattress & frame; toddler's bike; steel trunks; electronics; small appliances; antiques & collectibles; luggage; books; decor; housewares; candles; baskets; bedding & linens; seasonal; puzzles; games; craft supplies; dolls; toys. **HUGE SELECTION!**

**6)-GARAGE SALE:** 222 Emerald Dr.; Friday, 8 AM-8 PM; Saturday, 8-11 AM. Spring cleaning has happened in three households. All sizes ladies' clothing; youth boxing stand; home decor items; small, hand power tools; bar stools; self-propelled lawn mower; many more items.

**7)-GARAGE SALE:** 1005 Brooke Dr.; Friday, 4-7 PM; Saturday, 8 AM-noon. Boy's and girl's, Newborn-9 mo. clothes; women's clothes, size 3-10; winter coats; maternity clothes; Eureka floor steam cleaner; treadmill; razor; electric scooter; lots of misc. household items.

**8)-HUGE MULTI-FAMILY SALE:** Located in west side of old Bomgaars; Friday, 10 AM-6 PM; Saturday, 9 AM-1 PM. Stroller; high chair; exersaucer; bumbo; girl's clothes, sizes NB-5/6 and 14-16, lots of Justice brand; women's clothes, S-XL; shoes and accessories; Pampered Chef items; household items; kid's toys; games; books and movies; boy's clothes, sizes 5-8.

**9)-LARGE MULTI-FAMILY SALE:** Across the street from the Post Office, 120 N. Pearl St.; Friday, 3-7 PM; Saturday, 8 AM-1 PM. High chair; stroller; baby swing and other infant items; mid-size girl and boy bikes; youth golf club set; boy's golf shoes; queen size headboard; dresser; shelving; gas stove; Christmas items; toys; household items; home decor; bedding; ceiling fan; light fixtures; clothing and much more!

**10)-GARAGE SALE:** 712 Walnut Dr.; Friday 2 PM-?; Saturday, 9 AM-? Kid's clothes; single and double stroller; lots of toys; maternity clothes; adult clothes; steam mop; kitchenware; antiques; glassware; cups and saucers; salt & pepper sets; vintage suitcases; oak chairs; TV's; Christmas items. Still digging. Lots of stuff. Don't miss this!

**11)-GARAGE SALE:** 1467 Linden St.; Friday, 10 AM-6 PM. Kid's clothes; tools; wicker shelf; large, red, barn wood; corner hutch; old Sports Illustrated magazines; books; baseball cards; new GoreTex boots (11 1/2); knick knacks; round picnic table; some antiques; puzzles.

**12)-GARAGE SALE:** 215 East 5th St.; Friday, 2-6 PM; Saturday, 8 AM-noon. Boy's clothes and shoes, 0 to 4T; toys; crib mattress in good condition; various household items, including dishes and bowls, some like new; various holiday decorations; purses and bags; stroller; nuts and bolts; car seat bases; many more items too numerous to mention.

**13)-GARAGE SALE:** 806 Poplar; Friday, 1-7 PM; Saturday, 8 AM-noon. Tables; lamps; TV; vacuum cleaner; shelves; blanket; towel; electric scooter; Michael Jackson doll; Barbie dolls in box; toys; misc. items.

**14)-GARAGE SALE:** 1422 Linden St.; Friday, 10 AM-6 PM; Saturday, 8 AM-noon. Mother's Day, Father's Day items and cards; costume jewelry; clothing, infant to adult 4X, boys to XL; children's sweatshirts, jackets, Nebraska clothing, t-shirts; flower pots; swim toys; stationary items; books; toys; puzzles; baby accessories; linens; China dishes; household housewares; plus more.

**15)-GARAGE SALE:** 1017 Providence Rd.; Friday, 6-8 PM; Saturday, 8 AM-3 PM. Yards of quilting fabric; compound bow; portable hunting blind; humidifier; portable air conditioner; sleeping bags; smoker; under cabinet CD radio; Little Tykes toys; small bike; rocking horse; boy's clothes; flower pots; tractor chains; log chain; floor jacks; new shower door; new knotty pine door; green soffit; misc. toys; misc. farm and home items.

**16)-MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE:** 320 W. 6th St.; Friday only, 2 PM-? Youth to adult name brand clothing; Homecoming and prom dresses; basketball and volleyball shoes; life jackets; kid's golf clubs; Little Tykes table; chairs; kitchen; train set; trumpets; books; movies; GE convention/convection oven; dishwasher; Polaris Viper70 4-wheeler; and much more. Cash only.

**17)-HUGE ESTATE SALE:** 1005 Sherman; Friday, 3-7 PM; Saturday, 9 AM-?; Sunday, 1-5 PM. Many antiques: milk glass; dishes; furniture; birds; lamps; corner cabinet; linens; kitchen utensils; pictures. 4-piece king size bedroom set; computer desk; washer and dryer; lift chair; wheel chair; many items too numerous to mention. Come see it...you won't believe it!

**18)-GARAGE SALE:** 920 Douglas; Friday, 1 PM-?; Saturday, 9 AM-? Antique baby bed; cedar chest; dressers; TV's; kitchen items; holiday decorations; women's and men's clothes; coolers; Kent Feed toys; Budweiser glasses; iron bed; many more items.

**19)-GARAGE SALE:** 1418 Claycomb Rd.; Friday only, 4:30-7:30 PM. Everything 50¢! Name brand girl's and boy's clothes; men's and women's clothes up to XXL; Wayne apparel; holiday items; home decor; bedding and misc. These items prices as marked: pool table; couch; snowblower; microwave stand; Playstation and games; TV.

**20)-MOVING SALE:** 312 East 9th St.; Friday, 3-6 PM; Saturday, 9 AM-1 PM. Tables and chairs; Hoover rug cleaner; Toro weed eater; humidifier; bicycles; lawn chairs; swing; fertilizer spreader; prom dresses; box spring and mattress; shelves; tractor sprinkler; light with fan and hood; Big Wheel; Hibachi; and more.

**21)-GARAGE SALE:** 414 Douglas; Friday, 3:30-7:30 PM. Lots of clothing. Other stuff too.

**22)-GARAGE SALE:** 314 West 5th St.; Thursday and Friday, 7 AM-6 PM. Recliner; desk; library table; pillows; coffee makers; cups; glasses; lamps; flower pots; blankets; curtains; men's, women's and children's clothing; pictures; chair; wine bottles; vases; knick knacks; pressure cooker; Bissell spot lifter; Little Green Machine; old records and more.

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## How to reduce home improvement project waste

The home improvement industry has grown considerably over the last several decades, as homeowners increasingly took steps to turn their homes into personal oases. But such projects often produce substantial amounts of waste, negatively impacting the environment as a result.

According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency, an estimated 170 million tons of building construction, renovation and demolition-derived wastes were generated in 2003, a year when the housing market was thriving and homeowners were not shying away from costly home improvement projects. With the housing market once again on the rebound, the home improvement industry figures to benefit once again. There are steps eco-conscious homeowners can take to reduce waste while improving their homes.

•Save salvageable materials. Some materials simply must be discarded when making improvements to a home. But many more materials can be salvaged. When making renovations to a home, separate materials like lumber, hardware, fixtures, and even appliances that can be salvaged from those materials that must be discarded. Many communities are home to organizations that collect salvageable materials, and these materials can be reused by fellow homeowners or other organizations down the road.

•Speak to contractors about recycling. Contractors working on a home typically know which materials can be recycled in a given area. When discussing prospective projects with contractors, homeowners can mention their willingness to recycle materials. Wood is a versatile material that can be turned into reclaimed or composite wood products, including decks or other items used around the home.

Old wood being removed from a home may even work as mulch, which homeowners can spread around their yards to add aesthetic appeal and protect plants on hot summer days. Even asphalt and concrete can be recycled into new products, and homeowners should discuss their wishes to recycle as many materials as possible.

•Choose recycled content building materials. Another way to reduce home improvement project waste is to make use of other homeowners' discarded materials. Recycled content building materials are products that include

materials recycled from previous projects. These once-sparse materials are now commonplace, and labels often include the percentages of postconsumer and recovered materials used in each product. Materials such as drywall, insulation, kitchen countertops, glass tiles, carpeting and carpet padding may include recycled content, and the growing popularity of such products has made them relatively simple for homeowners to find. When working with contractors, homeowners should emphasize their desire to use materials made from recycled content. Such materials are both pleasing to the eye and the environment.

•Embrace adaptability when designing a new home. Rarely do homeowners design their homes with renovations in mind. When building a dream home, homeowners do not consider the likelihood that they will one day move out or even outgrow the home. Estimates vary considerably with regard to how long the average homeowner stays in his home, with some suggesting as little as seven years. Data collected from the United States



Census Bureau within the last decade suggests that roughly half of all homeowners had lived in their homes for at least 10 years.

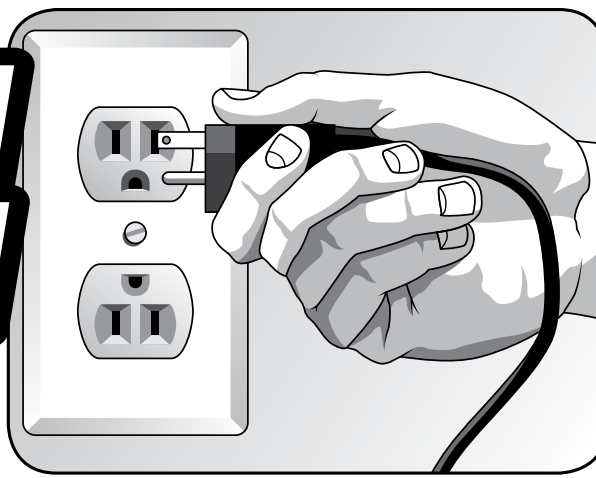
Homeowners building new homes should expect to one day move, and ensuring their new homes are easily adaptable is both financially sound and eco-friendly. When a home is built with adaptability in mind, prospective buyers won't have to make costly overhauls. In addition, homes built to facilitate future renovations won't produce the same amount of waste as homes that are less easily adapted.

Many homeowners embrace home improvement projects as opportunities to turn their homes into private sanctuaries. But those who do so with the environment in mind can significantly reduce waste and still end up living in luxury.

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# Handy Safety Tips



## When you're preparing to do work around the house, it's a good idea to review some basic safety precautions.

- Special projects around the house keep millions of people busy every weekend. When doing this work, use your power tools safely. That means using electrical outlets with a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter, or GFCI. A GFCI is a device that can protect you from electrical shock. They cut off power in less than a second if there is a problem. Have them professionally installed in kitchens, bathrooms and outdoor outlets.
- Thousands of fires are caused by faulty electric cords and plugs, resulting in hundreds of deaths and thousands of injuries each year. Take time to check your home for electrical safety. Make sure outlets are not overloaded. Make sure electrical cords are not damaged or placed under rugs or carpets. Follow safety instructions when using appliances. Test your smoke detectors and replace the batteries regularly.
- Electricity helps keep our modern lifestyle going. But if the electrical system in your house is outdated, you may be headed for trouble. Watch for these symptoms of electrical problems: replacing fuses or re-setting circuit breakers frequently; switch plates, outlet covers, cords or plugs that are warm; cut, broken or cracked insulation on electric wiring. If these symptoms are present, you need a safety inspection by a licensed inspector.
- Water and electricity. Two things that make our lives easier, and better. But as valuable as each one is, together they can be deadly. Water is a conductor of electricity, and if you're standing in water or wet while using an electrical appliance, you could be shocked or electrocuted. Keep all electrical appliances away from water and make sure your hands are dry when using appliances.

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## What is a building permit and do I need one?

Often when a homeowner is considering a renovation or construction project, he or she may be unaware of the necessary documentation needed before the project can begin.

Joel Hansen, Wayne City Planner/Inspector, provided the following information to help make those planning such projects aware of what is needed to comply with city of Wayne regulations.

### What are building codes?

A building code is a set of rules that specify the minimum acceptable level of safety for buildings and structures. The purpose of building codes is to protect public health, safety, and general welfare as they relate to the construction and occupancy of buildings and structures.

### Do I need a building permit?

A building permit is required for all new construction. If you are remodeling an existing building, you will need a permit if you are relocating existing or adding new plumbing elements or fixtures, dividing floor space by adding new walls, replacing existing windows or doors with a different size than those that are existing, or you are putting in new duct work or gas lines. You do not need a permit to build an accessory structure that does not exceed 120 square feet, reroof, reside, replace drywall or plaster with new drywall, replace existing plumbing fixtures without changing the location, or replacing windows or doors provided the replacements are the same size and in the same location. If you are unsure about needing a permit you should contact the City of Wayne Building Department at (402) 375-1733.

### Where do I get a building permit?

You may obtain an application from the Building Department. The office is located on the third floor of City Hall, 306 Pearl Street. The office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

### What do I need to get a building permit?

- A building permit application, completed either by the contractor or the owner;
- A drawing detailing the project, a site plan if the project is new or if an addition is being added;
- The estimated value of the project, as this will determine the amount of the permit fee;
- The contractor, electrician, plumber, architect, and/or engineer involved in the project.
- A proposed completion date of the project as permits become null and void if the work or construction is not commenced within 180 days or if the work is suspended or abandoned for a period of 180 days after work has

begun.

For work such as adding a deck or building a garage there are specification sheets included in the packet that help explain the information that should be included on any drawings and may even be used in lieu of a drawing in some cases.

### What does a building permit cost?

The cost of the permit is based on the value of the work being performed. The fees are set by Ordinance 98-19. After your application is approved, the City will contact you to let you know you need to submit payment in order to get the permit.

### Do I need to contact anyone if I want to dig in my yard?

Yes, you will need to contact Diggers Hotline of Nebraska. Diggers Hotline will walk you through a set of questions including where, when and why you plan to dig. Diggers Hotline will then notify all City utilities, the cable company and the gas company as to where and when you plan to dig. The appropriate entities will then come to your property and mark for any utilities present. You may contact Diggers Hotline at (800) 331-5666 or visit their website at <http://www.ne1call.com/>.

### What inspections will I need to have completed?

After the City approves your application for a permit you will be issued a Building Permit Card that will list the inspections required for that particular job. The inspections listed are: footing, building rough-in, building final construction, electrical rough-in, electrical final, plumbing rough-in, warm air heating rough-in, warm air heating final, warm air heating air conditioner, State Fire Marshall rough-in, and State Fire Marshall final.

Not all of the inspections listed are required for each building permit. The Building Official will determine what inspections are conducted. All inspections, especially footing inspections, are required to give a 24-hour advance notice to the Building Official. You may call the Building Department at 402-375-1733 during normal business hours to schedule the inspections.

### What happens if I complete the work without getting any inspections?

When you submit payment for the permit you are also required to pay a deposit of \$100 for all projects valued at \$50,000 or less and \$250 for any project valued over \$50,000. If the permit holder fails to obtain the necessary inspections they forfeit the deposit and the City will not issue an occupancy permit. If work is covered prior to inspection the Building Inspector has the right to require the

See PERMIT, page 3

## Plant right to save water and money

Many communities endure harsh summers characterized by high temperatures and infrequent rainfall. In

gardens in the dog days of summer are not necessarily those owned by the most obsessive homeowners. Instead,

from the ground to improve drainage and water penetration. Operating an aerator in the yard can be challenging,

homeowners can consult a local lawn and garden professional to determine the best time to plant in their specific region.

• Lay mulch around bushes, plants, shrubs and trees. Mulch serves many purposes, from the practical to the aesthetic. Many homeowners find laying mulch around their property adds to the property's visual appeal. But mulch also is practical, helping soil to retain its moisture and reduce evaporation. In addition, mulch helps curtail the growth of weeds, which compete with existing plants for water.

• Choose the right season to plant. Some plants thrive when planted during certain times of the year, but many plants should not be planted during the summer-time. When planted in the summer, plants typically

need more water to establish themselves because the temperatures are hotter. Spring or fall tend to be the best seasons to plant, but



Strategically planted trees can provide shade for a lawn and protect it from potentially harsh weather.

such locales, local governments typically institute water restrictions on local landowners. These restrictions limit the amount of water homeowners can use to maintain their properties, and some homeowners choose to install new irrigation systems in an effort to help their lawns and garden survive the potentially harsh summer weather.

While new irrigation systems can be effective, homeowners looking for alternatives to such systems can find ways to save both water and money. Planting right is a great way to conserve water and save money, and homeowners need not be veteran landscapers to ensure their lawns and gardens survive and even thrive during warm weather.

• Learn about native plants and grasses. The most beautiful lawns and

these homeowners might just have chosen grass and plants native to the local climate and therefore more capable of handling the ups and downs of that climate. When choosing grass and plants for your lawn, consult with a local lawn care professional if you're hesitant to choose your own grass and plants. If you don't want to work with a consultant, do your homework on both your property and the region where you live before making any decisions. For example, if your home is located in a region where summer drought is commonplace, then grass and plants that do not need much water might be your best option.

• Aerate the soil. Healthy soil can help to protect grass and plants forced to cope with harsh conditions. Aeration is a process by which soil is punctured with spikes or cores of soil are removed



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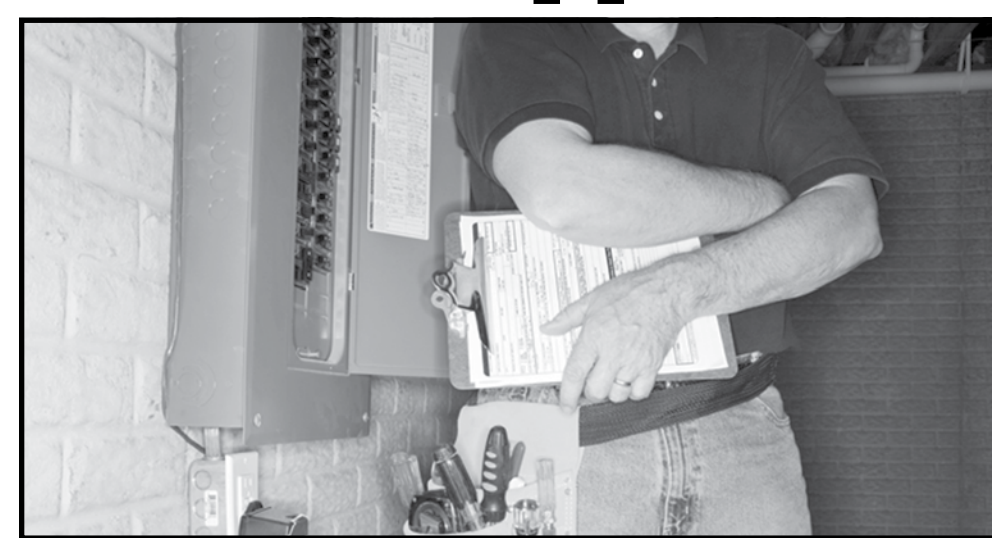
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# Make the most of your home appraisal

When homeowners think about renovating their properties, many first need to secure some funding to finance such projects. Some may tap into the equity of their homes by refinancing an existing mortgage, while others may apply for home equity loans. Taking the latter approach may require certain steps, including an assessment of how much the home and property is worth. Home appraisals compare your home to neighboring properties to determine

your home's current market value. Homeowners can facilitate the process by having certain information readily available for the appraiser. When preparing for appraisers, homeowners should consider and collect the following information:

- If your home was built on the largest lot in the community.
- If you have made significant upgrades since it was last appraised, such as installing a new roof or siding. Don't overlook smaller renovations,



like extra insulation added or sealing drafty windows, which can increase a home's value.

- Proof that you have used sustainable resources or if you participated in any energy-savings programs.

Naturally, any expansion projects, such as adding another bedroom or extending the footprint of the home, should be mentioned.

A real estate appraiser is a certified, licensed professional who will do his or her best to determine the value of your home. The appraisal provides banks with information that can tell loan officers if the house is worth the loan amount. Expect to pay a fee for the appraisal, which is generally included in your closing costs.

The appraiser gathers information for the appraisal report from a number of sources, but the process often begins with a physical inspection of the property, both inside and out. He or she also will compare your home against a few others in the neighborhood, which are known as comparables, or comps. Appraisals will be based on recent prices of comparable properties as well as other factors.

Apart from the improvements done to the home, there are other ways to get a higher appraisal amount. The appraiser may consider the overall maintenance of the home and property. It is wise to consider curb

appeal and ensure the home is clean and maintained when the appraiser arrives. Minor repairs or common maintenance can impress the appraiser. Removing clutter and cleaning up the home's interior can make the home appear larger, possibly increasing its value as a result.

It may be worth it to invest some more money into the property before having an appraisal done. A study sponsored by the National Association of Realtors says wood floors, landscaping and an enclosed garage can lead to a more favorable appraisal.

An appraiser will spend roughly 30 minutes in a home. Try to give that person space to do his or her job. Following the appraiser around during an inspection can raise a red flag that something is wrong with the house that you don't want to be seen. Turn lights on throughout the house, make sure the heating or cooling system is functioning at full capacity and keep pets locked away. Move items that can impede access to basements or attics.


An accurate assessment of the value of your home will give banks the information they need to determine loan amounts for future renovation projects. Providing background information on the home and having a well-maintained property can improve the chances of a favorable appraisal.

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# Permit

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**Would the City ever require me to**

**make repairs even though I have not requested a building permit?**

The City has adopted the 2006 International Property Maintenance Code. The Council also established a Problem Resolution Team representing the Mayor's office, a City Council member, the Building Department, the Police Department, the County Emergency Manager, Wayne State College, Private Utilities, and the Landlord Association to address complaints regarding property maintenance.

City staff does not initiate any complaints unless they see an issue that

is potentially life threatening to the public. Complaints must be in writing and will be kept confidential. City staff will then contact the property owner to let them know of the alleged complaint and begin the process of investigating the complaint.

If the complaint is found to be valid,

the Building Department will work with the property owner to establish the work required and a reasonable timeline for the work to be completed. The City has the legal ability to require repairs when they are determined to be reasonable or to require the building be demolished.

## Advice offered on spring lawn care

**By Keith Jarvi,**  
UNL Extension Educator

Warm weather brings lawn work, but don't be in a hurry to apply fertilizer just yet. It is more important now to clean up the yard and reseed damaged areas. It may be worth is to wait a couple of weeks to see if your stressed areas green back up. Bluegrass is tough and can recover through underground rhizomes. If you decide you have to re-plant, seed as soon as possible. Do not apply any herbicides prior to reseeding or within two or three mowings unless allowed on the label.

It's too early to apply fertilizer to your lawn now. Heavy spring fertilization should be avoided. Cool-season turf needs little additional encouragement to grow and applying too much fertilizer in late March and April causes excess shoot growth at the expense of root growth and uses up valuable storage products needed for summer performance. Early spring fertilization should be reserved for the professionals, while most homeowners should wait until after the first growth flush

to apply fertilizer.

Once emerged, grasses grow from their crown and thus it greens up from the base in the spring. The end result is that even though the turf looks brown from above, it may be green and growing underneath. Now is the time to check your mower's mowing height, sharpen the blade, and start the mower to guarantee it is ready to go when needed. Lawns eventually should be mowed at 3 to 3.5" throughout the year and ideally often enough to remove no more than 1/3 of the leaf blade. This will keep the lawn at optimum thickness to provide enough height to shade itself in the summer and provide competition for weeds. For the first couple of mowings you can lower the blade a bit but bring it up to 3-3.5 inches when the lawn begins to grow quickly. It is better to mow too often than not enough and return the clippings unless they are composted or used on the garden. Weed control can also wait a while, so stay ready but hold off for now. Crabgrass control should not go on until late April at the earliest.


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# Practice garage and workshop smarts

Completing home improvement projects on your own can be both rewarding and financially responsible. A growing number of homeowners are dabbling in do-it-yourself projects, recognizing both the personal and financial rewards of such undertakings.

If machine guards are provided, they should be used and never removed.

### Wear safety gear

Eye, ear and breathing protection are key in any workshop environment. Dust and chemical gases may be present when working with certain products, and debris can be kicked up and enter the eyes, causing irritation or even blindness. Loud power tools can damage sensitive ears, especially when used in a contained room. Always wear goggles, sound-muffling earphones and dust masks when working.

Assess physical well-being  
Do-it-yourselfers should never work with machinery if they are feeling sick or fatigued or while taking medication that can affect concentration or alertness. All it takes is a moment of distraction to cause an injury.

Never surprise anyone who is working with power tools and keep unnecessary people out of the workshop, where they might chat and distract others from the tasks at hand.

### Factor in ergonomics

Failure to work in comfortable conditions can result in repetition injuries or muscle strain. Make the workshop as comfortable as possible. Ensure the work table is at the right height. Use a rubber mat on the floor to reduce standing fatigue. Have a stool or chair available for taking breaks.

### Keep a clean shop

Power cords strewn around the workshop present a tripping hazard. They also make it possible to drag sharp or heavy tools off of tables and workbenches if the cords are pulled or tripped over. A neat workshop is

a safer workshop. Pay attention to where tools are kept and keep cords manageable.

### Dress appropriately

Loose clothing and hair can become tangled or lodged in equipment. Do not wear jewelry. Dress comfortably but appropriately for the workshop, being sure to wear sturdy shoes.

### Lock it up

Children and pets are curious and may wander into a workshop to explore. They can become seriously ill

or injured by the bevy of chemicals and tools used for common projects. Some items are flammable and sharp and should always be out of reach. Locking cabinets and drawers can keep tools inaccessible. Also warn youngsters against entering the workshop unattended.

As more people engage in do-it-yourself projects, homeowners should reacquaint themselves with safety procedures.



## Remodeling spending increases as renovations are on the rise

In the not-so-distant past, home improvement projects all but came to a halt, as homeowners were weary about investing any money into fixer-uppers. But the tides have changed dramatically in recent months, and homeowners are again ready and willing to invest big dollars into home renovations.

Renewed confidence in the economy and an upswing in the real estate market have contributed to the remodeling

2014, a greater number of remodelers reported higher business activity than during the previous quarter. Remodeling spending has been gradually climbing back up from the all-time low it reached in 2009.

This growth in home renovations has led to more jobs for carpenters, plumbers, painters, electricians, and other construction workers. In Massachusetts alone, a recovery in overall construction employment has led to a gain of about 18,000 jobs during the past four years.

The Home Improvement Research Institute expects an additional 5.8 percent sales growth in home improvement spending in 2015. States that showed the highest levels of home improvement spending in 2014 are likely to continue to hold the top spots through 2015, and the National Association of Home Builders says these areas include the District of Columbia, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland, Massachusetts, and areas of southern California.

Americans are not the only ones increasing their home spending. According to reports released by Moneris Solutions Corporation, Canada's largest credit and debit card processor, purchases at home improvement stores rose by 8.49 percent over the same period last year, and spending on plumbing and heating equipment and electrical contractors climbed by 5.14 percent and 5.08 percent, respectively. Spending patterns indicate that homeowners are investing in DIY projects as well as seeking specialized work provided by professional contractors.



### Consumers are no longer leery about investing money in home projects.

frenzy. In early 2014, the Joint Center for Housing Statistics of Harvard University forecasted nearly \$150 billion in major remodeling spending over the year. JCHS said as homeowners gain more confidence in the housing market, they're more likely to undertake home improvements they would have avoided in recent years.

While the numbers do not yet match pre-recession remodeling spending, the number of construction projects has steadily trended upward. According to the National Association of Home Builders, as of November

Now is a good time for the real estate and home improvement sectors, as homeowners have renewed their fervor for making home renovations, both to increase comfort in their homes and make their homes more buyer-friendly.

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# Home additions: Whether to build up or out?

Homeowners hoping to expand their homes are faced with a number of choices. One of the first they will have to make is which direction to take their expansion. Homeowners can choose to

expand horizontally, increasing the footprint of their homes, or vertically. Professionals urge prospective remodelers to consider the pros and cons to each expansion option, includ-

ing which direction to build. One of the first considerations is land space. Building horizontally will cut into yard space that you may have already earmarked for a pool, shed or another feature. Proximity to neighbors and the dimensions of your property will also help to determine if expanding horizontally is a good idea. Building codes and neighborhood requirements also must be considered before making any renovations. Some municipalities may have rules in place that govern renovations. Add-ons may not be allowed to exceed certain height limits, nor may structures be built within a certain number of feet of property lines.

Homeowners who choose to build upward will have to contend with work crews and other staff being in their homes. Raising the roof may require vacating the premises at a certain point. Also, extensive renovation work will be needed on the lower level of the home, whether it's to shore up the structure, clean up after the renovation or repair ceilings, drywall and other components where levels meet.



It may seem easier to expand outward, but this requires laying additional foundation for the new building structure. Bringing in digging equipment and masons can be costly. When you build vertically, such foundation work may not be necessary if your home is structurally sound and can bear the weight of the addition.

Building out typically involves the least disruption to your life and the existing space. Homeowners should keep in mind that any renovation will require permits or variances. In addition, if the project increases the value of the home, home insurance costs and property taxes may rise. Only after all considerations have been weighed should a project begin.

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## Tackle home maintenance projects to save money

Much like the upkeep on your car, tackling home maintenance on a regular basis will prevent problems from developing and save you from larger repair costs down the road. Some projects should be left to the professionals, but there are plenty of weekend jobs that any homeowner can easily handle, like these:

Inspect your roof and make minor repairs. Winter can be especially hard on a roof. Look for ice, hail or water damage. Replace any cracked or missing shingles and clear any debris.

Clean your gutters. It's not glamorous work, but your home's gutters play an essential role in moving water away from your home and preventing damage. Consider installing gutter guards to ensure your gutters remain functional and free from debris.

Inspect windows and doors and recaulk where necessary. Because a proper seal is essential in both heating and cooling seasons, this job should be performed twice a year to protect against drafts and moisture, and to keep insects out. Worn weather stripping should also be replaced.

Check your insulation. Attics should be insulated to R50, which can usually be achieved with an insulation depth of at least 16 inches. Top off with an insulation product that is water repellant and fire resistant. Don't forget to ensure that your basement headers are insulated properly to prevent overworking your furnace and air conditioner.

Other simple jobs include fixing leaky faucets, repairing and resealing decks, inspecting the foundation and scheduling a check-up for your HVAC system. The key is being honest about what you can handle and, when in doubt, call in the pros.

# Tackle spring cleaning with the environment in mind

Spring is a time of year when many people resolve to give their homes or apartments a thorough cleaning.

Spring cleaning projects help people revitalize their homes for the warm months ahead, when windows are once again opened, fresh air pervades homes and items that might have accumulated over a dark and dreary winter have become a distant memory.

Many families have spring cleaning rituals that allow them to efficiently clean their homes in a single weekend. But it's just as important for spring cleaners to place as great an emphasis on the environment as they do on efficiency when cleaning a home. Eco-friendly spring cleaning practices produce less waste and rely on less chemicals to rejuvenate a home and get it ready for those seasons when huddling inside under the covers takes a backseat to lounging around the house as fresh air washes into the home. The following are a handful of ways to efficiently clean a home while also protecting the environment.

- Clear out the clutter. Clutter is an enemy to homeowners and the environment alike. That's because addressing clutter is often an inef-

ficient process in which homeowners methodically go through items that have accumulated over the years, individually choosing which items to keep and which items to discard. Clutter can also prove harmful to the environment because rooms filled with clutter tend to collect dust, reducing air quality and leading to more indoor air pollution that can prove harmful to human health.

When sifting through clutter in a home, discard those items that have gone ignored for years, as they likely have little or no financial value and it's safe to assume they serve no practical purpose as well. Once clutter has been cleared out, prevent more of it from accumulating by making a conscious effort to discard items once they no longer serve any practical purpose. This includes old newspapers and magazines, as well as any other items that are likely to sit in a pile or on a shelf for months on end. Preventing the buildup of clutter reduces the amount of time you need to spend spring cleaning next year while also improving indoor air quality.

- Use cleaners only when windows are open. Many people get a head start on spring cleaning in late winter,

when the weather might have started to warm up but has not yet warmed to the point when windows throughout the home can be opened. Though there's nothing wrong with starting early, avoid using cleaning products on days when you can't open the windows. Many cleaning products contain ample or even just trace amounts of chemicals that can compromise indoor air quality and may exacerbate existing medical conditions like respiratory ailments. When using cleaning products, try to do so only when the windows are open and fresh air can enter the home.

- Ensure appliances are working at peak efficiency. Spring cleaning is a great time to inspect appliances to make sure they are operating efficiently. Clean or replace filters on window air conditioning units. Dusty or dirty filters will force the air conditioner to work harder and use more energy to cool a room. In addition, dirty or dusty filters make units less efficient, which means rooms won't cool as quickly on those scorching summer afternoons. Appliances forced to work harder also cost more money, and those costs can be considerable.

When checking appliances, be sure to check the refrigerator as well. Refrigerators are plugged in all day

long, and those that are not operating at peak efficiency can cost you a lot of money in the long run. Periodically clean the coils on the back of your refrigerator so it can operate more efficiently, saving energy and money.

Vacuum cleaners should also be inspected before each use to make sure reels are not covered in hair, which can make it nearly impossible for the machine to collect dirt and dust from the floors.

- Use reusable cloths. Another way to turn spring cleaning into a more eco-friendly affair is to forgo using paper towels in favor of reusable cloths. Reusable wash cloths can be just as effective at wiping down counters as paper towels, which require more and more trees to be cut down and eventually end up in landfills. If you are feeling especially eco-friendly, you can go the extra mile and create your own reusable cleaning cloths out of old clothes or linens, saving you money and making use of items that might otherwise have been headed straight for a landfill.

Spring cleaning can rejuvenate a home after a long winter. Emphasizing eco-friendly techniques when cleaning can ensure your home's revival is as beneficial to the environment as it is to the home's inhabitants.



Homeowners should periodically inspect their appliances, including vacuum cleaners, to ensure they are working at peak efficiency and not expending excess energy.

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# How to repair and replace window screens

Window screens can let fresh air into a home while preventing insects and outdoor critters from making their way inside. But screens are far less effective at keeping critters out of a home when they're damaged.

Addressing such damage is typically an easy do-it-yourself project, one that begins with gathering the right materials, including:

- new screening, either synthetic or aluminum
- a rubber spline

- a screen rolling tool
- a razor knife or sharp scissor
- measuring tape
- masking tape
- a screwdriver or an awl

After those materials have been gathered, the process of replacing or repairing damaged screens is rather simple.

1. Measure the area of the window to determine how much replacement screening you will need. Remember to leave extra room in your measure-



ments so you have slack to make the new screen fit taut. The measurement will also help you determine how much spline you will need.

2. Remove the screen from the window frame. Some windows do not have removable screen frames, and you will have to work on the screen in its upright position.

3. Use the screwdriver or awl to pry the edge of the existing spline that holds the screening material in the frame. Pull out the old spline and remove the damaged screening.

4. Measure the new screening from a replacement roll. Lay the screening down on the frame, ensuring there is overhang on all sides. If necessary, use masking tape to temporarily secure the screening to the frame while freeing up your hands. This also works if you must replace screening vertically and cannot remove the window frame and make repairs on a flat surface.

5. Take a new piece of rubber spline and push it into the edge of the screen frame, securing a corner of the new screening to the frame. Continue to press the spline around the perimeter of the screen frame firmly into the groove with the screen rolling tool, which looks like a small pizza cutter.

This effectively secures the screen into the frame.

6. Continue around the edge of the frame, pulling the new screening taut as you go. This helps to keep it free of wrinkles.

7. Once you have inserted the spline all the way around, cut it off from the spline spool and push in the edge.

8. Use a razor knife or sharp scissor to cut off the excess screening, being careful not to dislodge it from behind the spline when cutting.

9. Replace the screen in the window. In the case of small tears in a screen, a complete replacement may not be necessary. Home improvement stores sell screen patch kits. Some work by cutting out a piece of patch that is attached to an adhesive backing and sticking it over the hole. Other patches are small, woven wires that can be threaded through the hole in the screen. A really small hole can be mended with a drop of clear-drying glue.

The same method of screen replacement can be used to replace screens on screened-in porches, aluminum doors or sliding patio doors. Just be sure to purchase replacement screening that will fit the dimensions.

# The potentially harmful effects of mold in your home

The presence of mold in a home is a sight few homeowners want to see. In addition to being unsightly, mold found in a home can be unhealthy.

While certain cleaners may prove effective at removing mold, homeowners who want to remove existing mold growths and prevent future growths may benefit from gaining a greater understanding of mold and why it grows inside homes.

## What is mold?

Mold is a blanket term used to describe fungi that can be found both

because molds grow best in certain conditions. Warm, damp and humid conditions, such as those found in poorly ventilated bathrooms and basements, make ideal breeding grounds for mold.

## What are the effects of mold exposure?

Molds are a natural and resilient part of the environment, but mold growth indoors should be addressed and avoided. Mold spores are tiny and invisible to the naked eye, and when these spores attach to wet surfaces, they begin to grow. Once these spores begin to grow, they can then affect people in various ways. Roughly a decade ago, the Institute of Medicine found sufficient evidence to support a link between exposure to indoor mold and respiratory tract issues, such as coughing and wheezing in people who were otherwise healthy. The same report found that mold may trigger asthma symptoms among people with asthma and hypersensitivity pneumonitis, a disease in which the lungs are inflamed when a person breathes in certain



## Poorly ventilated bathrooms are susceptible to mold growth.

indoors and outdoors. Many species of mold exist, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention notes that some estimates suggest there may be more than three hundred thousand different species of mold. Common indoor molds include cladosporium, penicillium, alternaria, and aspergillus.

## Which conditions promote mold growth?

Homeowners may notice that mold tends to grow in specific areas of their homes but not in others, and that's

because molds grow best in certain conditions. Warm, damp and humid conditions, such as those found in poorly ventilated bathrooms and basements, make ideal breeding grounds for mold.

Some people who do not have a preexisting condition can still be sensitive to molds. When exposed to mold, such people may experience symptoms like nasal stuffiness, eye irritation, wheezing, or skin irritation.

## How can exposure to mold be decreased at home?

Adequate ventilation is arguably homeowners' best friend with regard to reducing mold exposure at home. Control humidity levels in areas of the home that tend to be warm and humid, such as the kitchen and bath-

room. Install an exhaust fan in the kitchen and bathroom and a window in the bathroom if yours does not already have one.

The CDC recommends that humidity levels be no higher than 50 percent throughout the day, and an air conditioner and dehumidifier can help you keep indoor humidity levels in check, especially during the summer when humidity levels tend to be their highest of any time during the year.

When renovating your home, remove

any existing carpeting from bathrooms and basements and toss out soaked carpets or upholstery as well. If painting will be part of your home renovation projects, add mold inhibitors to paints prior to application.

Mold that grows inside a home is unsightly and potentially unhealthy. But concerned homeowners can take several reactive and proactive steps to reduce existing mold growths and prevent them from returning in the future.

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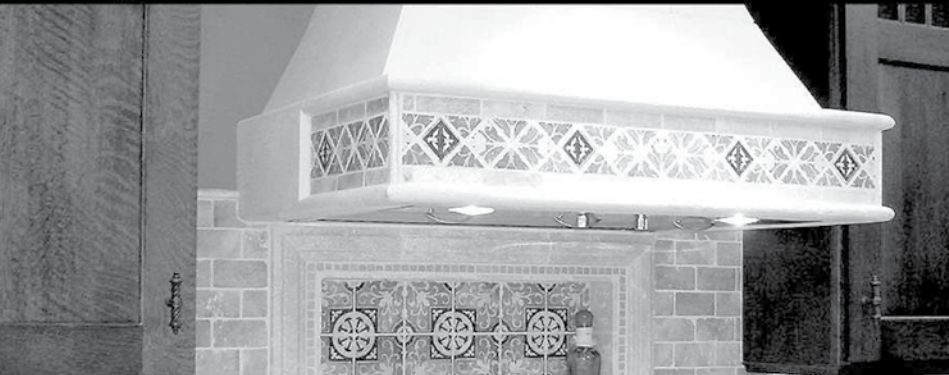

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# The many benefits of hiring a professional landscaper

The flowers are blooming, and the grass has begun to grow anew, making spring a great time for homeowners to once again turn their attention to landscaping. Those who aren't looking forward to dusting off their lawnmowers and rethreading their string trimmers may want to hire professional landscapers to tend to their lawns and gardens.

A recent joint study by the National Gardening Association, Residential Lawn and Landscape Services and

the Value of Landscaping found that homeowners spend roughly \$45 billion per year on professional lawn and landscape services, as nearly 30 percent of all households across the United States use at least one type of lawn or landscape service. The rising use of lawn care services is indicative of homeowners' appreciation of the convenience and craftsmanship professional services can provide. While the impact professional landscapers can have on a property's aesthetic

appeal is considerable, homeowners also benefit from working with profes-

sionals, which costs additional money. Inexperienced homeowners may incur



Time saved and a professional job are just two of the reasons homeowners hire lawn care companies.

sional landscapers in various other ways.

- **Time savings:** One of the biggest benefits of leaving lawn care to the professionals is the amount of time it will save for the average homeowner. Lawns generally need to be mowed once per week during the spring and summer seasons and, depending on the size of the property, that can take an hour or more. Add the time it takes to clean up clippings, mulch landscaping beds and edge the property, and homeowners can expect to devote a significant chunk of their weekends to caring for their lawns. Lawn services employ a few workers who make fast work of the job, leaving homeowners time to enjoy their weekends however they see fit.

- **Reduced risk for injury:** Maintaining a landscape is hard work, and those unaccustomed to this type of activity may find themselves winded or at risk of injury. Improper use of lawn equipment also is a safety hazard. Leaving the work to professionals can help homeowners avoid strained backs, lacerations, pulled muscles, sunburns, and any other dangers that can result when tackling landscaping projects.

- **Financial savings:** On the surface, hiring a landscaping service may seem like a costly venture. However, after crunching some numbers, many homeowners realize that doing the work themselves may cost more in the long run than hiring a professional landscaping service. Homeowners who decide to go it alone must purchase expensive equipment, and those lawn tools will require routine mainte-

extra fees to "fix" mistakes that occur during the learning process. Each year, new seed, fertilizer, mulch, pesticides, and other supplies also must be purchased. But professional lawn care services typically charge a set fee per month, and that fee covers the maintenance of both your property and the equipment needed to keep that property looking great.

- **Know-how:** Many professional landscapers know how to address lawn care issues that may arise throughout the year. They will know how to deal with dry patches of lawn or poorly draining areas, and they also can make recommendations on plants that will thrive under certain conditions.

- **One-stop shopping:** Certain landscaping services provide many different options for prospective customers. Basic lawn cuts may be one package, but there also may be services for seasonal seeding, weeding, leaf clean-up, and winterizing.

- **Consistent maintenance:** Homeowners who frequently travel or spend much of their summers away from home often find that lawn care companies are a wise investment. Established weekly schedules ensure the landscape always will look its best whether homeowners are home or out of town.

Spring is a great time for homeowners to decide if hiring professional landscaping services is in their best interests. The time and money saved, as well as impact professional landscapers can have on a property, makes landscaping services a great investment for many homeowners.

# Find the best method of treating warm weather insects

Homeowners know that the arrival of spring also marks the re-emergence of insects. While not every insect is harmful, if an infestation grows considerably or if insects begin to move from the outdoors into a home, it may be time for homeowners to call in a professional.

The Entomological Society of America points out that homeowners cannot count on bitterly cold winters to help control the numbers of insects in their yards. Insect ecology is affected by various factors and is

Other insects may come out of hiding if a homeowner is doing a lot of yard work or construction around a house. Practice a wait-and-see approach to determine if you really have an insect problem or just have stirred up activity.

Homeowners also must decide if it is bearable living with the insects. If insects are not doing any damage or if they can be controlled relatively easily, then you might be able to avoid calling in the professionals. However, if critters like termites and certain

species of wood-eating insects are invasive and damaging your yard, you may need to take action.

Anyone concerned with the side effects of pesticides and insecticides can first try to remedy the problem naturally. Sometimes it's just a matter of making a yard less hospitable to insects. Remove leaves and clean up debris close to the house, as these can both encourage infestations. Piles of rotting wood or leftover firewood can be a food or shelter source for a number of insects.



not solely dependent on temperature. Furthermore, what occurred one year certainly may not be repeated the next, as homeowners who have had various insect infestations in their yards can attest. One year a yard may be overcome with ants, while the next year it may suffer through an earwig infestation.

The first step homeowners looking to curtail insects in their yards can take is to determine if the insects they see are genuine threats to their lawns. Some bugs emerge and swarm early in the season, but then gradually disappear as spring turns into summer.

Inspect water spigots for leaks and improve suspect drainage on your property, as these things can be welcoming to bugs that like moist surroundings. Remove standing water whenever possible to eliminate spots for mosquitoes to incubate larvae.

Natural remedies also may do the trick. Mint, bay leaves, catnip, and garlic can repel insects like roaches and ants. Citrus can be a natural flea deterrent. Some homeowners have had success planting marigolds around their yards to serve as a natural bug repellent because the flowers produce a scent that many insects find repul-

sive. Thai lemon grass plants also can be used to keep mosquitoes at bay.

Remember, natural predators, such as birds, bats, spiders, and larger insects, feed on nuisance bugs. Keeping these helpful predators around may be an effective and natural way for homeowners to control annoying pests.

If an insect problem seems out of control or if you need a professional opinion about the damage being done to your home or landscape, consult with an exterminator. Licensed exterminators have the training and exper-

tise to assess insect concerns and create a plan of action that will minimize the risk to inhabitants of your home and nearby wildlife. An exterminator will know what it takes to treat insects and maximize the chances of removing the problem promptly and effectively. Warm weather is synonymous with many things, including the return of insects. Homeowners may be able to treat unruly bugs on their own, but especially problematic infestations may require the help of experienced exterminators.

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# Make home projects a family affair

Tackling home improvement projects with kids in tow can be challenging. But if kids are old enough, moms and dads can enlist their youngsters' help when working on projects around the house. Not only can adults keep closer tabs on kids' activities, but involving kids in home projects also lets parents instill important and practical lessons at the same time.

When asked to pitch in on home projects, young kids may feel proud they

can lend a hand with such a "grown-up" task. With the right instruction, children of all ages can get involved with fix-up projects and learn new skills in the process.

•Include children from the start. When beginning a project, parents can make their kids a part of the design and planning process, welcoming the input of younger members of the family, especially if renovations will impact spaces they use directly. Draft a list of



supplies and ask questions of the kids regarding what supplies they think will have to go into completing the project.

•Shop as a family. Although it may slow you down, take children along to the home improvement store so you can purchase supplies together. Let youngsters help you as you choose materials for the project. This way they can see how the raw materials will turn into the finished renovation.

•Emphasize safety. Children should understand that tools serve a distinct purpose and that they are not toys. Identify and explain the dangerous pieces of equipment and instruct children that they should not touch or turn on tools without an adult nearby. Go over the proper ways to handle the tools and explain the purposes of each device. Make sure everyone is wearing safety equipment, including eye protection, gloves and ear protection, while handling the tools.

•Demonstrate and then let kids try. Children will not have the skills to perform more intricate tasks, but older kids can hammer some nails, mix paint or even cut wood with supervision. Assign tasks based on the child's age. For example, a preteen will be able to saw wood, while a kindergartener can hand over nails and tools. Illustrate the correct way to get things done and then have children mirror your actions.

•Attempt an easy project first. Painting a room, building a planter box, or another less complicated project can help parents gauge their kids' abilities.

Involving children in home improvement projects can teach them new skills, give them a greater appreciation of the work that goes into maintaining a house, instill a sense of pride in youngsters, and provide a great chance for kids and their parents to spend quality together.

# Renovating an historic home is labor of love

Living in an historic home can be a labor of love. The history and the distinct architecture of historic homes draw buyers to such properties, but what historic homes have in regard to history they often lack in the conveniences of modern life, forcing many historic-home owners to make renova-



Historic-home renovations require additional planning and a bigger budget than newer homes.

Renovating an aging structure can be fulfilling and help to make a home more functional. But make no mistake, such a renovation is a major undertaking. Before beginning, it pays to hire a professional consultant with expertise in renovating historic properties. He or she can inspect the property to determine which areas of the home are safe and which will need to be upgraded. A professional inspection also can determine if any deficiencies lie hidden in the structure. Potential concerns can be toxic paints and other substances, building code issues, rotting, and structural settling. Professionals will know what to look for and guide homeowners accordingly.

Homeowners also may want to consult with a preservation association, community restoration group or general owner-builder group. These people can refer homeowners to the craftspeople and materials that will be needed for a job. Homeowners can request to see other historic properties in the area and learn what those owners did to maintain the integrity of a home when using newer materials.

tions to bring their homes into the 21st century.

Historic-home renovations differ from other types of modifications. According to the Victorian Preservation Association, renovation is getting a home back to where it may have been when originally built, but making concessions for today's lifestyle. Preservation is the act of maintaining a structure in its current historic state, and restoration is returning a home to its original state. Unless a homeowner plans to use an outhouse or live without electricity, the majority of work done on historic properties is likely to fall into the category of a renovation.

Before any work is started, homeowners should find out if their home is listed with the National Register of Historic Places. According to the United States National Parks Service, property owners can do whatever they want with their property so long as there are no federal monies attached to the property. However, the property owner should also contact his or her state's historic preservation office, or SHPO. The SHPO is the state agency that oversees historic preservation efforts in each state, and there may be state or local preservation laws that the owner should be aware of before renovating a historic property.

Craftspeople should have experience with historic homes and a sensitivity and appreciation of renovating

older properties. Homeowners always should see examples of a craftsman's work and verify references from each contractor before hiring anyone to work on the property.

Homeowners who want to include traditional hardware and other period details in their homes may be able to find quality replicas of historic milling materials, while others may want to scour antique shops or salvage yards for era-appropriate materials.

Historic renovations can be costly

and have a tendency to go over budget because of unforeseen damage and hazards that have to be repaired so the building is up to code. Going into the project with this in mind can help soften the blow of extra costs down the road.

Historic homes can be beautiful and appeal to buyers who appreciate the one-of-a-kind nature of older properties. Renovating historic homes may take time and money, but the results may be well worth the effort.

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# Five signs your home insulation is not working

Some insulations can lose performance over time, sustain damage or simply no longer meet updated building codes. It's an issue that can be costly, because if your home's insulation isn't doing its job, you could be wasting money and resources.

You don't have to be a trained professional to know you have a problem. Here are several signs that your insulation is lacking:



1. Energy bills — High energy bills are the biggest red flag, especially relative to the size, age or condition of the home. If you have a run-away energy bill, your insulation may need to be upgraded. This can be the case, even in a newer home.
  2. Drafts — Do you need to put on a sweater even with the heat on, or does your air conditioner run incessantly without making enough of a difference? That's a sign of a deficiency in your building envelope.
  3. Inconsistent temperatures — Is it warm in one room, but cold in another? Are your walls or interior closets cold to the touch? It's possible that while your whole home may not need attention, certain rooms may need to be addressed.
  4. Condition of insulating materials — Consider the age of your insulation. Would it stand up to today's building codes? Is it in good shape or is it crumbling? If your insulation has degraded or isn't performing, it's time for an upgrade. But be careful, as certain types of older insulation, such as Vermiculite insulation, may contain asbestos. If you're unsure, do not disturb it and hire a professional to conduct testing and/or removal. This should not be a do-it-yourself job.
  5. You detect pests and/or moisture — Insulation — and your building envelope — can be compromised by the presence of pests. Moisture is an even bigger obstacle to optimal thermal performance, as some types of insulation can sag or collapse when damp, leaving voids and causing air to flow in and out of the building envelope.
- While some solutions may be more complicated, requiring the opening of the existing wall cavities, others can be addressed more easily. The best way to improve thermal performance and increase energy efficiency is to upgrade attic insulation. Laying insulation over existing material to achieve a minimum depth of 16 inches, or an R-value of R50, is a simple DIY project that can generate immediate results. To fully assess your home and explore remediation solutions, consider hiring a professional home energy auditor to evaluate your home's energy performance. Even in a new home, the results may be surprising.

# How you can finance your home improvement projects

Many homeowners recognize that improving and maintaining a property makes a home more livable for its inhabitants and more attractive to prospective buyers when the time comes to erect a "For Sale" sign in the front yard.



But a well-maintained home also provides additional benefits. According to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, home improvements not only raise the values of individual homes, but they tend to raise neighborhood standards as well. Home improvements can create jobs and help local communities flourish economically.

Maintaining a home can be a costly undertaking. Home improvement projects can be expensive whether homeowners hire professionals or tackle renovation projects on their own. The following are a handful of options homeowners can consider as they look for ways to finance renovation projects.

- Paying outright: Paying for the renovations upfront and in full is perhaps the simplest way to finance a project. Homeowners who have the cash to pay for renovations outright won't have to worry about interest rates or balloon payments.
- Mortgage refinancing: Some homeowners tap into their home equity to cover home remodeling projects. Refinancing a mortgage means paying off the debt owed and starting over with a completely new loan. Refinancing comes with various fees and can cost between 3 and 6 percent of the loan's principal.
- Home equity loans and lines of credit: Both of these options are commonly referred to as second mortgages. When homeowners apply for home equity loans or lines of credit, they are borrowing against the equity value in their homes. A home equity loan is a term, or closed-end, loan. It is a one-time sum that will be paid off over a set amount of time with a fixed interest rate and the same payment

each month. This is a one-time loan from which a person cannot borrow further. A home equity line of credit, or HELOC, is like having a credit card. It's possible to borrow a certain amount for the life of the loan, which is a set time specified by the lender. During this time, homeowners can withdraw money as it is needed up to the value of the line of credit. HELOCs typically have a variable interest rate that fluctuates and payments can vary depending on the amount of money borrowed and the current interest rates.

- Title I property loan: Residents of the United States with limited equity in their homes may qualify for an FHA Title I loan. Banks and other lenders are qualified to make these loans from their own funds, and the FHA will insure the lender against a possible loss. Title I loans can be used for any improvements that will make a home more useful and livable. They cannot be used for renovations deemed luxury expenses.
- Borrow against retirement funds: Some people opt to borrow against a 401(k) plan, IRA or another retirement fund. If the retirement plan allows a loan without penalty, it can be another way to secure funds. Because it is the homeowner's money, there will be no credit check required and less

delay in getting the funds. Borrowers should keep in mind that taking a loan against a retirement account will usually result in a lower retirement balance than it would have been had they not borrowed money from the account — even after the funds have been repaid.

- Credit cards: Credit cards are an option when improvements are not expensive. Individuals with excellent credit ratings may qualify for cards

with a no-interest introductory periods of several months or more. These cards can be a good way to pay off moderate improvements in a short amount of time.

Many home renovation projects require homeowners to develop a home improvement budget. Homeowners are urged to explore all options and find the least costly loan method and the one that will present the best possibility for avoiding debt.

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# Common mistakes made on home renovation projects

Home improvement projects can turn a house into a home. Homeowners plan scores of renovations to transform living spaces into rooms that reflect their personal tastes and comforts.

Homeowners going it alone may find things do not always go as planned. In fact, a Harris Interactive study found that 85 percent of homeowners say remodeling is a more stressful undertaking than buying a home. But homeowners about to embark on home improvement projects can make the

process go more smoothly by avoiding these common pitfalls.

### Failing to understand the scope of the project

Some homeowners don't realize just how big a commitment they have made until they get their hands dirty. But understanding the scope of the project, including how much demolition and reconstruction is involved and how much time a project will take can help homeowners avoid some of the stress that comes with renovation

projects. For example, a bathroom renovation may require the removal of drywall, reinforcement of flooring to accommodate a new bathtub or shower enclosure and the installation of new plumbing and wiring behind walls. So such a renovation is far more detailed than simply replacing faucets.

### Not establishing a budget

Homeowners must develop a project budget to ensure their projects do not drain their finances. If your budget is so inflexible that you can't afford the materials you prefer, you may want to postpone the project and save more money so you can eventually afford to do it right.

Without a budget in place, it is easy to overspend, and that can put you in financial peril down the line. Worrying about coming up with money to pay for materials and labor also can induce stress. Avoid the anxiety by setting a firm budget.

### Making trendy or overpersonal improvements

Homeowners who plan to stay in their homes for the long run have more free reign when it comes to renovating their homes. Such homeowners can create a billiards room or paint a room hot pink if they so prefer. However, if the goal is to make improvements in order to sell a property, overly personal touches may make a property less appealing to prospective buyers. Trends come and go, and improvements can be expensive. If your ultimate goal is to sell your home, opt for renovations that will look beautiful through the ages and avoid bold choices that may only appeal to a select few buyers.

### Forgetting to properly vet all workers

It is important to vet your contractor, but don't forget to vet potential subcontractors as well. Failing to do so can prove a costly mistake. Contractors often look to subcontractors to perform

certain parts of a job, and it is the responsibility of homeowners to vet these workers.

### Expecting everything to go as planned

Optimism is great, but you also should be a realist. Knowing what potentially could go wrong puts you in a better position to handle any problems should they arise. The project might go off without a hitch, but plan for a few hiccups along the way.

### Overestimating DIY abilities

Overzealous homeowners may see a renovation project in a magazine or on television and immediately think they can do the work themselves. Unless you have the tools and the skills necessary to do the work, tackling too much can be problematic. In the long run, leaving the work to a professional may save you money.

Home improvements can be stressful, but homeowners can lessen that stress by avoiding common renovation mistakes.



# Dos and don'ts of kitchen remodels

According to Remodeling magazine's "2014 Cost vs. Value Report," a major kitchen remodeling project should enable homeowners to recoup 74.2

percent of their initial investments.

Kitchen renovations have long been a safe way to improve the functionality and value of a home. But not every kitchen project is a guaranteed winner. Homeowners may inadvertently make changes that end up sticking out like a sore thumb rather than improving the space. Take a look at these kitchen remodeling dos and don'ts to guide your next undertaking.



percent of their initial investments.

DO consider the way your kitchen will look with the rest of the home. Keep architectural integrity in mind when designing the space. A farmhouse sink and country cabinets can look out of place in an ultra-modern home.

DON'T overlook the importance of a seasoned designer or architect. These pros will know the tricks to maximizing space and achieving the ideal layout of appliances and may be able to recommend local contractors and vendors.

DO look beyond surface details to the structural integrity of the design. The kitchen should be functional, long-lasting and beautiful.

DON'T design just for today, but look to the future as well. Unless you are willing to spend \$50,000 every five years, look for styles and materials that will last for the long haul. Older homeowners may want to make adjustments now that address poten-

tial mobility issues down the road.

DO work with what you have. A complete demolition and renovation is not always necessary to achieve the

desired results. Only invest in major changes if something is not working (such as having to walk across the entire kitchen to access the stove) or is unsafe. Otherwise, minor upgrades may do the trick.

DO make sure you can afford the project. Plan for some unexpected purchases and plan out the renovation according to your budget. Skimping on materials or design because of lack of money may leave you feeling dissatisfied afterward.

need an industrial hood and indoor pizza oven. When you make excessive improvements, you may not be able to recoup as much of the money spent because your home will not be on par with the values of homes in the neighborhood.

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# Garden-inspired decor brightens spaces and mood

Many homeowners take up gardening to transform their homes with beautiful flowers and foliage, while others do so to yield fresh fruits and vegetables. But gardening can be more than just a weekend hobby. In fact, it may be especially beneficial for homeowners to surround themselves with more plants and natural decor, whether in the yard or in the home.

Studies have indicated that gardening can be good for the mind and body. In addition to improving mood and reducing stress, plant life and gardening also may help people have a more hopeful outlook on life. If reaping the benefit of a beautiful landscape is not reason enough to get into gardening, elevating your mood and coping with depression or illness may be even further motivation to start developing your green thumb.

Home-design trends seem to be following suit, offering individuals more opportunities to surround themselves with potentially therapeutic plants. Explore these emerging and established garden décor trends to try in and around your home.

• Living wall planters: A living wall planter can add greenery to any décor without taking up floor or table space.



**Fire pits and outdoor fireplaces are increasingly popular in backyards.**

Ideal for outdoor structures, these planters also can be used indoors if you safeguard against leaks and dripping. A living wall planter is a framed device that houses plants in a manner that enables them to be vertically mounted to a wall surface. While there are commercially available models,

you can create your own design and paint or stain it to match the existing décor. Use a soil-free potting substrate to avoid the mess that regular soil may create.

• Combining fish with gardening: Enjoy the best of two relaxing worlds by installing a water feature in your yard. Garden retailers offer ready-made kits that can make fast work of establishing a pond or other water feature in the backyard. Otherwise, there are plenty of water garden companies and installers who can suggest a design and put in your desired water features. Add fish suitable for outdoor life to your pond. These include koi and certain goldfish varieties. Game fish are discouraged because they can destroy pond plants. If an outdoor pond is more maintenance than you desire, consider an indoor aquarium with a combination of fish and live aquarium plants.

• Creative furniture designs: Maybe you're a person who appreciates the unique and whimsical? Tables, benches and chairs can be built with plant-

ing channels that enable you to have greenery and garden décor in one piece. Envision a picnic table with a cutout down the center for a thin row of plants or decorative grasses. This is a project the entire family can get behind, as the more creative ideas the better.

• Improved outdoor lighting: People who like to spend time in their gardens and yards may not want to be limited by sunrise and sunset. By incorporating different lighting sources, you can create a retreat that is welcoming at any hour. Although flood lights and overhead lights can illuminate a space, consider ambient and decorative lighting to create the desired ambiance.

• Functional fire pits and places: A blazing fire creates a cozy spot to gather on chilly evenings, but fire pits and fireplaces also can be used as impromptu cooking spots for s'mores or frankfurters on a stick. You can purchase a stand-alone fire pit from any number of retailers or build your own with patio pavers and fire bricks to line the interior of the fire pit. Outdoor fireplaces require more work, and you want to hire a mason to ensure proper installation.

• Enjoyable yard additions: While plants and seating may take center stage, some people still want to have fun in their yards. There's an increased demand for yard designs and décor that can put the fun in backyard living. Bocce courts, ring- or horseshoe-toss setups, as well as bean bag-toss boards, can be incorporated into landscape designs, giving you yet another reason to spend a few hours in the great outdoors, where you can experience a few healthy laughs in the process.

Gardening and spending time outdoors are great hobbies and may even boost your mood. Homeowners can explore the popular trends in garden décor and natural elements that they can enjoy inside and outside of their homes.

# Tips for homeowners on their first renovation projects

Home renovations are typically exciting, as homeowners get to see the visions of their dream homes come to light right before their very eyes. Turning an outdated bathroom into a modern oasis or an empty basement into the ultimate man cave strengthens the sense of attachment homeowners have with their homes.

But few home renovation projects go from start to finish without experiencing a few bumps in the road along the way. Such bumps can be difficult to handle for homeowners working on their first renovation projects, but there are many ways for novices to navigate the sometimes murky waters of home improvement projects and come out relatively unscathed on the other end, where a newly renovated home awaits.

• Plan well and know what to expect. When working with contractors, get all agreements in writing and spell out exactly what you desire in a home renovation. Photo references can help guide contractors and architects. Ask for the full picture of what can be expected with the work, from demolition to the punch list. Knowing what lies ahead can keep you grounded throughout the project.

• Discuss work each day and set payment schedules. Make payments contingent on work completed. This can help keep contractors on schedule.

Paying for all work upfront leaves homeowners at a disadvantage, as it does not provide incentive for workers to be timely and efficient. Check in with workers to get daily progress reports.

• Have reasonable expectations. A renovation project may exceed its budget and take longer than initially

improvement projects. Going without a kitchen can make it difficult to enjoy meals at home, while a bathroom remodel may require you to navigate water shutoffs. If your project is scheduled to take several months, establish a contingency plan to deal with the consequences of your renovation project. Speak with family members about using some of their home amenities, and prepare and freeze meals in advance so you can reheat them later on when you don't have access to your stove.

• Plan your escape. Sometimes the constant work and mess of construction is too much to bear. Afford yourself time away by visiting relatives or staying at a hotel. Even a single night away can provide the relief you need. A home that is undergoing a remodel can be a less than comfortable environment. But homeowners who have never before lived through a renovation project can take several steps to make the process go as smoothly as possible.



expected. Understanding that these potential setbacks might be part of the process will make it easier to handle them when the foreman speaks to you about any issues that arise.

• Accept the mess. Construction work is messy. There's no way to maintain a pristine house when contractors are entering and exiting all day. Dust is bound to be generated, and tools can fill up rooms. A home in disarray can be stressful, but continue to visualize the end result and the mess won't bother you so much.

• Establish a contingency plan. Bathrooms and kitchen renovations are typically the most disruptive home

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Construction is taking place in all areas of Wayne and varies from single family homes to multi-unit apartments. Clockwise from below, a home in Western Ridge is nearing completion; several new homes are being built in Angel Acres; one of the homes in Angel Acres is now occupied and additional lots are for sale; the framework is in place for a new home in the northwest corner of Western Ridge; the Wayne water tower is a backdrop to a new home in Western Ridge; the second apartment building is being constructed on 13th Street, just west of Wayne State College; a multi-unit apartment complex is being constructed at the corner of Sixth and Windom Streets in Wayne. In addition, a number of renovation projects have recently been completed, creating additional housing in Wayne.

## Recognizing termite damage in your home

Home ownership can be an unending series of adventures, especially for those homeowners who love good home improvement projects. Some projects are fun and improve the value of a home instantly, while others are undertaken to address a potentially serious issue.



Discovering that termites are taking up residence where you live can be disconcerting, but termites are a very common occurrence. Understanding termites and recognizing the signs of termite damage early on can help homeowners reduce the havoc that such critters can wreak on their homes. Termites are social insects that live together in colonies. These colonies eat nonstop, dining on wood and other cellulose plant matter. They also eat materials made from plants, like fabric and paper.

work damaging a home. Swarming, winged termites form in a mature, established colony. Winged termites emerge and fly off looking for mates. Afterward they will locate a new breeding site and form another colony, potentially spreading infestations through multiple locations. Winged termites are attracted to light and can be seen by windows and doors in spring.

According to the National Pest Management Association, termites cause more than \$5 billion in property damage a year. Studies show that queen termites can live up to decades under ideal climate conditions while workers and soldiers live approximately one to two years.

Other signs of termites include accumulation of soil or dirt at the base of wood structures or the foundation of a home. There also may be fissures or cracks near wood surfaces. Sometimes "frass" or termite droppings can be seen. They appear as rough, granulated sawdust.

While there are many varieties of termites, all are silent destroyers capable of chewing undetected through housing structures. To eradicate termites, homeowners must first identify the insects and then contact a termite management specialist to address the pest problem.

Covered mud tubes, or channels of mud leading from the soil up the foundation of a home, are indicative of the presence of termites. Even if termites are no longer present in these tubes, that does not mean the termites have moved on. They simply may have chosen a new path to your home. Keeping termites away

#### Spotting termites

Termites may not always be visible. Subterranean termite homes are usually formed in soil, where the termites build elaborate tunnel systems that channel through to above-ground food sources. Drywood and dampwood termites may live within the wood they consume and be undetectable until the wood collapses or rots away. Homeowners often realize they have a termite problem when they witness swarming termites. At this point there already may be a mature colony at

Once termites have been identified, it is time to eliminate them. This means getting rid of water and food sources that are close to a home.

- Repair leaky faucets and other water drips in and around the house.
- Keep gutters and downspouts clean.
- Seal entry points around water and utility lines or pipes.
- Divert water away from the foundation.
- Keep lumber, firewood or paper away from the foundation of the home.

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Depending on the species of termite, the exterminator will suggest various treatments. These may include the application of pesticides and making areas around the home less hospitable to termites. Severely damaged wood may need to be removed and replaced. Termites are problematic in many areas of the world. These insects often stay hidden and do serious damage that can cost homeowners a fortune. Treating termites promptly is essential.

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