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Time goes by fast for Majestic's five years



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Melanie Loggins, manager of Majestic Theater, said it seems like only yesterday, not five years, since the theater reopened its doors.

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

For Melanie Loggins, sometimes it feels like the Majestic Theater just opened its doors.

Other days, it feels like it's been forever since that first ticket was bought at the newly-renovated theater.

More than 100,000 moviegoers have walked through the doors of the theater since a community effort led to the renovation and re-opening of Wayne's movie house back in 2010, and time has flown by for the theater's general manager.

"It really does (seem like yesterday), and then it feels like I've never done anything else," she said during Friday's Chamber Coffee hosted by the theater in honor of its fifth anniversary. "I think back to a movie that we showed here three or four years ago and then I think, 'Wow, it HAS been a while.'"

Loggins said she still has the stub of the first ticket purchased for the first paid movie shown at the theater in December 2010. The cartoon movie "Despicable Me" unofficially opened the doors of the refurbished theater, and "Tron Legacy" was the first paid movie that played to what, more often than not, is a full house every weekend at the downtown movie theater.

Loggins said that the theater has become a fun go-to place for people in the community, something she often wondered about as the first movies were being shown.

"Going in, we didn't know how it would turn out, because I'd never run a movie theater before," she said. "We just had to get it going and see what happens, and it's just evolved from there. It doesn't feel like an experiment anymore – it feels like we're part of the community."

Loggins said it has been a great vehicle for her to get to meet new people in the community.

"I didn't realize at the time how much a part of the community we were going to be," she said. "I didn't realize how much people were going to take us into their lives, and how grateful I would be to so many people."

A lot of those people are the volunteers who work in the concession stand and help with cleanup after the movie each night. Having those volunteer groups not only helps the theater give back to the community – groups receive a percentage of concession revenue raised for helping out – but help the non-profit theater keep costs down.

"We have hundreds of volunteers help out, and sometimes I feel guilty when a group comes in that hasn't been here for a while and I forget some of their names," she said, laughing. "We literally meet a bunch of new people every weekend, and it's staggering how many people here have volunteered. It's a fun place to be, and it's interesting that they want to be a part of that."

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(Photos courtesy Wayne State College)

Final Four Wildcats get welcome home

It was a whirlwind week for the Wayne State volleyball team as they made their first appearance in the Elite Eight of the NCAA Div. II Volleyball Championships in Tampa, Fla. The Wildcats reached the Final Four before losing to Palm Beach Atlantic in the semifinals on Friday night, and the team got a warm welcome home from the community, getting an impromptu parade ride up Main Street to Wayne State College in the Wayne Fire Department's 1936 fire truck (above). Once they reached campus, they were greeted by fans of all ages and signed plenty of autographs. (Katie Hughes, at top right, signs mini volleyballs for some of the younger fans in attendance). While the Wildcats were a success on the court, they were also honored for their efforts off the court. (right) Leisa McClintock was honored with the NCAA Elite 90 award, presented to the athlete with the highest grade-point average in each sport at each of the organization's three levels. The Wayne State senior setter carries a Div. II-best 3.99 grade-point average in exercise science. For more highlights of the Wildcats' efforts in the tournament's final rounds, check out the Sports section on Pages 1-2B.



City joins county, signs NRIN deal

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

The City of Wayne is following Wayne County's lead in signing an agreement to be part of the Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network and, like the county, are doing so with a lot of reservations and unanswered questions.

At Tuesday's meeting, the council unanimously approved a resolution that puts the City of Wayne in the northeast region of the NRIN, a statewide network that links 911 centers and government agencies across the state and allows them to share data and information for use in emergency or disaster situations.

The Wayne County Commissioners approved a similar agreement during their Dec. 1 meeting, and the city shares a lot of the same questions county officials had when they reluctantly approved the measure at their previous meeting.

Wayne Police Chief Marlen Chinn said there have been a number of questions that have been raised about the network, primarily concerning who is responsible for

upkeep and repairs. The agreement states that the government entities who enter into the agreement are given the equipment needed to put the network in place, but would be responsible for any repair work or upkeep of equipment.

There have also been concerns about where the microwave equipment would be installed, Chinn added.

"Our tower can't handle it because of the other equipment that is up there," he said. "We already have fiber running in several locations, but they're trying to move away from (fiber) because of the expense."

Northeast Nebraska was the last region to get set up on the network, which started out in western Nebraska five years ago. The network has been used extensively among some 911 centers in Platte, Boone and Butler counties, but Brian Kesting, the city's technical coordinator, said that those centers have experienced "growing pains" in making the network work for them.

Wayne County Emergency Manager Nick Kemnitz told the Council that Wayne Coun-

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(Courtesy photos)

Daddys, daughters dance

The Wayne Elementary Boosters held a "Night in Wonderland" father-daughter dance Friday at Wayne Elementary, raising over \$4,000 for the school. (above) Adrienne Anderson and Kenna Blecke have fun on the dance floor. (right) Scott and Charlie Sievers share a dance together.



County board freezes salaries

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

Being near the top isn't always a good thing, which is why the Wayne County Commissioners voted Tuesday to freeze their salaries for 2017 and 2018.

Beginning in 2016, each of the three representatives on the county board will make \$44,000 a year, a \$1,500 increase over their current salary. That amount puts them second among the state's 93 counties – trailing only Madison County – in commissioner salaries, a trend board chairman Randy Larson said needs to be looked at.

County boards are required under state law to set their salaries two years in ad-

vance. The current salary of \$42,500 and subsequent raise to \$44,000 for 2016 was approved back in 2013, according to Wayne County Clerk Deb Finn.

Larson said that the county board's workload has decreased somewhat in recent years with the hiring of Mark Casey as the county's road and bridge manager, and he believed it was a good idea to not give the board a raise as a result.

"Part of our workload has been reduced because of Mark's work," he told the board. "He's shouldering part of our load, and we are probably the second highest-paid county in the state, so with those thoughts in mind, I personally am recommending that we do that."

Larson said the county's increase for 2015 is about 3 percent, which he felt doesn't fall in line with cost of living increases in other areas.

"There is not a cost of living raise for Social Security, so what are we doing if we artificially create one," he said.

Larson said that he would rather give salary increases to some of the county's road crew to get their salaries more in line with other county employees.

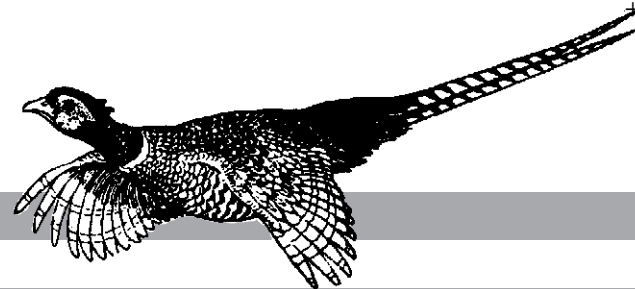
"They're not even on level with some in the courthouse, so I'd much rather raise road worker wages," he said.

The board discussed two road projects, tabling one while moving ahead on another.

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Obituaries

Clarence Giese

Clarence M. Giese, 94, of Fremont died Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2015 at the VA Hospital in Omaha.

A memorial service was held at Monday, Dec. 14 at Moser Memorial Chapel in Fremont, with military honors. Private family burial will be at a later date.

Memorials may be directed to the family for a charity yet to be determined.

Clarence M. Giese was born Nov. 13, 1921 in Wayne to George and Marie (Brudigan) Giese.

Survivors include his wife, Nettie "Lou" of Fremont; sons, Rick and Diane Giese of Amarillo, Texas, Terry and Barbara Giese of Estes Park, Colo. and David and Connie Giese of Fremont; eight grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren and a soon-to-be-born great grandchild.

Online condolences may be left at www.mosermemorialchapels.com

Arrangements were with Moser Memorial Chapel in Fremont.

Maria Lippman Hewitt

Maria Lippman Hewitt, 95, of Wayne, died Thursday, Dec. 10, 2015 at her farm home near Wayne.



Services were held Tuesday, Dec. 15 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Wayne. The Rev. Jeanne Madsen officiated. Burial was in the Pilger Cemetery at Pilger.

Memorials may be directed to Our Savior Lutheran Church in Wayne and the Nebraska Veterans Home in Norfolk.

Maria Hewitt was born Dec. 3, 1920, in Flachmeer, Germany to Heinrid and Elizabeth (Meiner) Haase. She completed school in Germany. Maria lived in Papenburg and Bremen, Germany, then came to America in 1951. She married Richard Lippman on Feb. 21, 1952 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Pilger. Maria married Richard W. Hewitt on Nov. 23, 1974 at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Wayne. The couple farmed north of Pilger. She was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Wayne.

Survivors include her children, Richard (Kaye) Lippman and Ron (Ver-Jean) Lippman of Norfolk, Heidi (Brian) Anderson and Jack (Linda) Hewitt of Pilger, Vernice (Patrick) Schumacher of Lindsay, David (Theresa) Hewitt of Cottonwood, Calif.; siblings, Ella and Christina Krull of Flachmeer, Germany, and Louis Thos of Kerrville, Texas; 23 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husbands, Richard Lippman and Richard W. Hewitt; four brothers, Heinrik, Barnhard, Herman, and Aberhard; two sisters, Elizabeth and Tekla; three step-children, Doris Harker, Linda Beyer, and Patrick Hewitt.

Honorary pallbearers were Maria's grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Active pallbearers were Christopher Lippman, Jeramie Lippman, Nick Sullivan, Dylan Schumacher, Bob Reinhardt, Marty Marx, Roger Wurde-man, Mathew Harker and Josh Buderus.

Arrangements were with Hasemann Funeral Home in Wayne.

Gerald 'Gerry' Langston

Gerald H. "Gerry" Langston, 77 of Pender, died Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2015 at Legacy Gardens Living Facility in Pender.

Per Gerald's wishes, cremation with a private family service will be held at a later date.



Gerald H. "Gerry" Langston was born Feb. 15, 1938 in Topeka, Kan., the son of Ernest and Pearl (Stanley) Langston. He attended school in Mountainburg, Ark., and joined the Air Force at age 17, working in intelligence. He married Marsha Osnow-er in Kansas City, Mo, resulting in four children from this union. They later divorced. After the Air Force, he worked as a head cook and later went into home construction. Gerry also worked as a mechanic and a gas station/convenience store manager until his move to Arkansas, where he retired due to health issues. Gerry and his family lived in Colorado, Missouri and Arizona, later settling in Wayne in 1971 to be near family. He later married Wanda and settled

in Arkansas until his health faltered, moving to Pender, in 2001 to be near his children. Gerry enjoyed model trains, gardening, fishing, cooking, antiques, and restoration projects of both houses and cars.

Survivors include his wife Wanda (Dalton) Langston of Nortonville, Kan.; son Rob Langston and three daughters; Debbie (Gerry) Bennett, Connie (Craig) Gehring both of Sioux City, Iowa, and Jerri Wiles (Tom Perez) of Pender; one brother Donald (Geraldine) Langston of Valley View, Kan.; 18 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

Memorials in remembrance of Gerry may be directed to Legacy Gardens in Pender.

Arrangements are under the direction of Waterbury Funeral Service of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa.

Village of Winside to implement licensing of all-terrain, golf vehicles

Effective Jan. 1, 2016, all persons wishing to drive golf cars, utility-vehicle and all-terrain vehicles on the streets and highways within the corporate limits of the village of Winside will need to have those vehicles licensed.

Licenses may be obtained at the Village Clerk's office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

According to the ordinance, "No all-terrain vehicle, utility-type vehicle or golf car vehicle shall be operated on any street or highway within the Village limits unless the person operating it has a valid Class "O" Operator's license; the owner has liability insurance for the vehicle; all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles shall not operate at a speed in excess of 30 miles per hour or the posted speed limit, whichever is less; a golf car vehicle shall not operate at a speed in excess of 20 miles per hour or the posted speed limit in the village, whichever is less and no person shall operate a

vehicle on the streets or highways within the village without the vehicle being registered."

In addition, these vehicles may only be operated within the village of Winside between sunrise and sunset, and must have a bicycle safety flag extending not less than five feet above the ground.

Cost of the registrations, which will be available after Jan. 1, 2016, will be \$20 per vehicle per year. The owner of each vehicle will receive a license plate for the vehicle when first registering the vehicle, a vehicle registration slip and a date sticker. A renewal fee of \$20 will be charged each year and a date sticker issued at that time.

A complete copy of Ordinance No 489 can be viewed at the Winside Village Clerk's Office.

Anyone with questions regarding the ordinance is asked to contact Village Clerk Carol Brugger at (402) 286-4422 during regular office hours.

Acme Club holds Christmas party

Five members of the Acme Club gathered for a noon meal the Wayne Senior Center on Dec. 7. This was followed by a meeting and Christmas party.

The day's activities were planned by Delores Utecht and Betty Wittig. Everyone brought treats for snacks.

Christmas trivia, provided by Delores Utecht, was played.

Roll call was for each member to tell if she had her Christmas presents wrapped.

The Thought for the Day was decided by the group. It was "Live Abundantly, Love Mercifully, Praise Continually and Rejoice Al-

ways."

Get-well cards was signed for Elinor Jensen and flowers will be taken to her by Bonnadell Koch.

Pat Straight delivered the items from the Wish List that were collected for Haven House.

A Christmas donation was sent to the Nebraska Children's Home in Omaha.

Ruth Victor will take tray favors to Providence Medical Center for Christmas.

The next meeting will be Monday, Jan. 4 at 12 p.m. at the Wayne Senior Center. It will be hosted by Ruth Victor.

Shopko Foundation to donate up to \$2,000 to Wayne Schools

This holiday season, as shoppers seek the ideal gift for their loved ones, the Shopko Foundation is giving back to the Hometown communities it is privileged to serve.

For every signature Shopko Hometown in Wayne receives between Dec. 1-24, the Shopko Foundation will make a \$1 donation to Wayne Community School District (up to \$2,000) as part of its Help Us Give Back initiative, a program that is being run in all 219 store locations across the country. Customers can sign-up once a day, every day, and show their support; no donation or purchase is required.

"At Shopko Hometown, we believe kids count," said Daniel Wibben, Shopko Hometown store manager. "The Help Us Give Back campaign is an easy and free way for local residents to raise money to

support programs that are important to a child's educational experience. Given our community's strong commitment to its children, I fully expect we will quickly reach 2,000 signatures in our store well before the Dec. 24 deadline."

The Shopko Foundation is proud of Shopko's roots as a retail health and optical care provider. To maximize its impact, the Foundation has a narrow focus of giving on areas that support the health of Shopko customers, teammates and communities. Recognizing that education is fundamental to an individual's health and functionality in society, the Foundation has developed the Help Us Give Back program to provide critical support to schools across the country, while raising awareness to the budgetary challenges many districts face.

Looking Ahead in Wayne

City Council meetings

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

Hank Overin Baseball Park

Grandstand: Otte Construction installed the new back stop netting and concrete earlier this year and now they're erecting the wooden grand stand. Our insurance is replacing the grand stand but the new, higher, back stop and the press box/storage area are being built with funds raised by the Baseball Association.

Press Box and Storage Shed: The storage shed will be erected behind the home team dugout and press box will be relocated over the home team dugout. The city Public Works department will assemble the storage shed and press box walls in sections in the shop over the winter and erect them in the spring.

Bio-swale: When we built the transfer station, the high mound was built over the 24" storm water pipe draining Windom and Fourth Streets. The widening of Highway 35 and the extension of Fourth Street over loaded the capacity of the 24" line but it is buried deep under the transfer station mound. In 2007, when we designed the Windom Street project, the engineer

provided two options: 1) build a surge pit to serve as a bio-swale to catch the excess run-off in a storm and release it slowly into the 24" line, or 2) dig a very wide and deep trench through the transfer station property to enlarge that line. We chose the surge pit keeping in mind the likely EPA requirements for holding and reducing contaminants from street storm water run-off. Larger cities are already mandated to do this and our size towns are probably next.

The bio-swale is designed to drain down to 6 inches of water after each storm and the rest will soak away. We continually treat all known standing water in the summer for mosquito larvae with paraffin wafers and we'll add this to our list. When we stop using the large lagoon next summer, we'll use some of that fence to fence this bio-swale.

Quote

"The reasonable man adapts himself to the world, the unreasonable man persists in trying to adapt the world to himself. Therefore all progress depends on the unreasonable man" George Bernard Shaw 1856-1950

Questions or comments?

Call Lowell Johnson, City Administrator at 375-1733 or e-mail me at cityadmin@cityofwayne.org.

Cluck 'n' Roll to be celebrated at 36th annual Chicken Show

Although the event is more than six months away, organizers of the annual Wayne Chicken Show are making plans and seeking input to make the event successful.

The theme chosen for the 36th annual event is "Cluck 'n' Roll" and was chosen at the group's November meeting. It is a play on "Rock 'N' Roll."

Ideas are currently being sought for a Chicken Show shirt design to coincide with this year's theme. Ideas can be delivered to the Wayne Area Economic Development Office or to a Chicken Show Committee meeting.

Information from the Chicken Show archives indicates that a t-shirt has been a part of each of the past Chicken Shows, although there was no theme for the first eight years. There was also no theme in 1991.

Pearl Hansen and Marla McCue

have designed the shirts for a combined 18 years.

In recent years themes have often coincided with events in the community, including road construction, support of the military troops and the Wayne Q125 celebration.

The Chicken Show Committee meets monthly throughout the year and more frequently as the event draws closer.

The next meeting will be held Monday, Dec. 21 at 5:30 p.m. in the South Meeting Room of the Wayne City Auditorium. Anyone interested in being a part of the 2016 event is encouraged to attend.



Pet of the Week

The Pet of the Week this week at Tenderheart Animal Rescue is Booker, an orange tabby who has been with for a while. Very friendly in small groups he doesn't do well in crowded or noisy situations. He is our resident couch - potato as he loves a good lap or soft warm place to curl up. He gets along well with the other cats and pretty much ignores the dogs. As you can see in the picture, he's all about comfort!

For more information or to adopt Booker, please contact Tenderheart Rescue at (402) 369-6030.

A Quick Look



We use newsprint with recycled fiber.

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Date	High	Low	Precip	Snow
Dec. 10	58	32	T	—
Dec. 11	58	31	—	—
Dec. 54	54	34	—	—
Dec. 38	38	35	.26"	—
Dec. 37	37	33	—	—
Dec. 35	35	31	.89"	—
Dec. 38	38	24	—	.20"

Recorded 7 a.m. for previous 24 hour period
Precip./mo. — 1.85" / Snow/mo. — 5.20"
Yr./Date — 28.10" / Season snow — 10.2"

Chamber Coffee

WAYNE — This week's Chamber Coffee will be held Friday, Dec. 18 at State Nebraska Bank. It will be the last Chamber Coffee of the year and include the final drawings for the Stamp Card promotion. The coffee begins at 10 a.m. and announcements at 10:15 a.m.



Coat Closet

AREA — The Wayne Coat Closet, located at the First Presbyterian Church in Wayne, is in need of coats, especially children's coats of all sizes. Gloves and hats are also being accepted. Those in need of a coat should also contact the church, which is located at the corner of Third and Lincoln Street. For more information, call (402) 375-2669.

'I Spy' at Wayne Public Library

AREA — The public is invited to play Christmas "I Spy!" at Wayne Public Library Friday, Dec. 18 through Thursday, Dec. 24. Stroll among the book stacks looking for Christmas and holiday symbols that have been hidden through the Library. Fill out the game card and receive a sweet treat when you check out. When you visit, be sure to pick out books, DVD's and games for the Christmas and holiday break. The Library will close at noon on Thursday, Dec. 24, and will re-open Sunday, Dec. 27 at 2 p.m.

Holiday deadlines

AREA — The Wayne Herald will be observing the following deadlines for upcoming issues - all advertising needs to be submitted by Monday, Dec. 21 at 10 a.m., including legal notices; news articles submitted by noon on Monday, Dec. 21.

Shootout Dec. 28-30 at WSC

AREA — The Wayne Booster Club will host the annual Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout at Rice Auditorium on the campus of Wayne State College Dec. 28-30.

Games start at 9:30 a.m. all three days, with eight teams competing in boys and girls tournament play. Teams scheduled to complete include Wayne High, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge, Norfolk Catholic, O'Neill St. Mary's, Pender, Louisville, Hartington Cedar Catholic and West Point-Beemer.

The championship games are Wednesday, Dec. 30, with the girls' game at 7 p.m. and the boys game at 8:45 p.m.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Chamber Coffee

Dr. Todd Young (left) spoke of the upcoming fundraising effort to support the Majestic Theatre during last week's Chamber Coffee.

WSC president to confer degrees at commencement

Wayne State College will host commencement for graduate and undergraduate students in Rice Auditorium on campus on Friday, Dec. 18 at 1:30 p.m. Degrees will be conferred at the ceremonies by Wayne State College President Marysz Rames.

Allen to receive

Alumni Achievement Award
Greg Allen, a 1974 graduate of Wayne State, is receiving the Alumni Achievement Award. He has served as senior vice president of real estate management with Farmers Mutual of Nebraska since 2013. Allen's first job out of college was with Farmers Mutual of Nebraska. He started his career in the claims department, where he held numerous positions before being promoted to vice president of claims in 1994. He was promoted to senior vice president of operations in 2001. He was elected to the company's Board of Directors in 1998 and continues to serve on the board.

He celebrated his 40th year with the company in 2015. Allen also serves on the Downtown Lincoln Association executive board and is a trustee of the Wayne State Foundation and a member of the Executive Committee.

Allen grew up in the north central Iowa town of Algona. He and his wife, Susan, reside in Lincoln.

Taylor to deliver invocation

Meghan Taylor of Omaha will deliver the invocation during the graduation ceremony. She is the daughter of Mindy Brady and David Michal and James and Amy Taylor. Taylor majored in K-12 Instrumental and Vocal Music Education. She was the recipient of the John G. Neihardt Scholarship, Ardath Conn Scholarship, and Faith Nuernberg-er Endowed Memorial Scholarship.

Her activities included two terms as president of the Wayne State Collegiate Chapter of the National Association for Music Education; Wildcat Marching Band drum major for two seasons; Nebraska State Bandmaster's Association Intercollegiate Band participant; the WSC Wind Ensemble, Orchestra, Concert Choir, Chorale, Clarinet Choir, and several other performing ensembles; Cardinal Key; and Gamma Delta Chapter of the honorary band fraternity, Kappa Kappa Psi.

She was the woodwind studio representative for the WSC Honors Recital in fall 2014 and spring 2015; National Association of Music

Merchants President's Innovation Award Scholarship recipient; and Wayne State College Outstanding Music Major Award recipient.

Taylor plans to pursue a master's degree in clarinet performance after graduation.

Milburn to deliver Commencement Speech

Lindsey Milburn of Rushville will deliver the undergraduate commencement address. Milburn is the daughter of Carol Milburn and the late Leonard Milburn of Rushville.

Milburn, a 2012 graduate of Gordon-Rushville High School, majored in Speech Communication, concentrating in Communication Studies. While at Wayne State, she has served as secretary, then president, for the Mu Gamma chapter of Lambda Pi Eta (national communication honor society); a member of the Philomathean President's Honor Society; an admissions Navigator for prospective students; a Know How to Go Ambassador for Education Quest; certified peer educator for the Wayne State Counseling Center; and section leader for the Black and Gold Show Choir.

She traveled to Italy with the Wayne State music department in the summer of 2014. She was also a member of Wildcat Public Relations Club; Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society; Honors Club; and the Student Activities Board. She also participated in three service-learning projects during her time at Wayne State.

Milburn has presented three research studies for the Central States Communication Association over two years, and was awarded Top Paper Recipient at the University of Nebraska, Omaha undergraduate Lambda Pi Eta Communication Conference.

Milburn will begin graduate work in the field of organizational and political communication in the fall.

Wickersham to speak

Tina Marie Wickersham of Sioux City, Iowa, will deliver the graduate commencement address. She is graduating with a masters of science degree in clinical mental health counseling. She is married to Charlie Wickersham.

Wickersham graduated Summa cum Laude with a bachelor's degree from Wayne State in 2013. She made the Dean's List each semester during her undergraduate and graduate studies at Wayne State. She served as a graduate assis-

tant to the counseling department for four semesters; historian of Chi Sigma Iota National Honor Society (Chi Sigma Lambda chapter); past president of Tau Upsilon Alpha National Honor Society; and was a member of Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society, American Counseling Association, Nebraska Counseling Association, and Alpha Sigma Lambda National Honor Society.

She is obtaining her certified alcohol and drug counselor credentials and plans on working as a licensed mental health counselor, with an emphasis on substance abuse, in Iowa.

Scholarship Honors

Based on the student's cumulative GPA at the end of the semester prior to their semester of graduation. High Honors in the Major - 12 hours of honors courses and completion of a junior/senior honors project. Honors in the Major - 6 hours of honors courses and completion of a junior/senior honors project. Scholar in the Major - completion of a junior/senior honors project.

John G. Neihardt Scholars Program

The John G. Neihardt Scholars Program provides special academic and scholarship opportunities for outstanding students enrolling at Wayne State College.

Each year the Scholarship Council selects a limited number from the qualified applicants to participate in the program, which offers special classes, colloquia, and advisement.

Students accepted into the program, who maintain their eligibility, are awarded a four-year scholarship for tuition up to 128 total credit hours, eight semesters of room waiver, and an annual stipend of \$500.

John G. Neihardt Scholars

Cedar Bluffs: Brianna Sue Kucera, cum Laude with High Honors in the Major Psychology.

Omaha: Meghan Starbuck Taylor, cum Laude with High Honors in the Major Music/Vocal and Instrumental K-12 Education.

Utica: Chelsea Lynn Simmerman, Summa cum Laude with High Honors in the Major Elementary Education.

Honors Program Students

Bruno: Matthew Joseph Ostry, Scholar in the Major Mass Communication/Broadcasting Communication.

Elgin: Chelsea Lynn Eischeid, cum Laude with High Honors in the Major Elementary Education.

Fremont: Brandon George Reese, Magna cum Laude with High Honors in the Major Computer Science.

Rushville: Lindsey Helena Milburn, Magna cum Laude with High Honors in the Major Speech Communication/Communication Studies.

Stuart: Zachary T. Kunz of Stuart, Honorable Mention with Honors in the Major Computer Science.

Tekamah: Megan Ariel Tomaszewicz, Summa cum Laude with Scholar in the Major Mass Communication/Journalism.

Walton: Jana Ruth Punelli, cum Laude with High Honors in the Major Geography.

Windside: Deserah Dee Janke, Magna cum Laude with Scholar in the Major Art/Graphic Design.
Hull, Iowa: Sondra Monique Wellington;

Magna cum Laude with Honors in the Major Early Childhood.

Summa cum Laude

Based on the student's cumulative GPA at the end of the semester prior to their semester of graduation. Cumulative grade point average between 3.90 to 4.00.

Columbus: Cale Douglas Albracht.
Genoa: Jacqueline Rose Engstrom.
Hebron: Megan Carol Pachta.
Laurel: Katelyn A. Lundahl.
Madison: Jaclyn Ann Weidner.
Omaha: Elizabeth Kay Holmes.
Plainview: Katrina Ellen Rosberg.
Ponca: David Eugene Watchorn.
Tekamah: Megan Ariel Tomaszewicz.
Utica: Chelsea Lynn Simmerman.
Wayne: Jillian Elle Pierson.
Dallas Center, Iowa: Ashton Marie Yossi.
Hinton, Iowa: Ashton Jean Moody.
Sioux City, Iowa: Mackenzie Kate Kuchera.

Magna cum Laude

Based on the student's cumulative GPA at the end of the semester prior to their semester of graduation. Cumulative grade point average between 3.80 to 3.89.

Ashland: Elizabeth Anne Barry.
Clarkson: Jaime Jo Stodola.
Fremont: Brandon George Reese.
Laurel: Mallorie Marie Koch.
Norfolk: Tori Ann Ronspies.
Norfolk: Ryan David Wells.
Omaha: Jordan Ann Hobza.
Plainview: Carissa Ann Pollock.
Plainview: Michelle Lynn Zuhlik.
Rushville: Lindsey Helena Milburn.
Ulysses: Taylor Nicole Stara.
Windside: Kathleen Noelle Brummels, Deserah Dee Janke.
Ames, Iowa: Breanna Marie Schoenrock.
Hull, Iowa: Sondra Monique Wellington.
Rockwell City, Iowa: Alex Christian Floerchinger-Herrington.

cum Laude

Based on the student's cumulative GPA at the end of the semester prior to their semester of graduation. Cumulative grade point average between 3.70 to 3.79.

Blair: Michael Edward Mallette.
Bruno: Cecilia Anna Dressman.
Cedar Bluffs: Brianna Sue Kucera.
Elgin: Chelsea Lynn Eischeid.
Hordville: Caleb Lawrence Schulze.
Meadow Grove: Chelsea Nicole Davis.
Oakland: Stephanie Dea Rokusek.
Omaha: Meghan S. Taylor.
Walton: Jana Ruth Wentzel Punelli.
West Point: Anthony Allen Guenther.
West Point: Danielle Johanna Kreikemeier.
Elk Point, S.D.: Taylor Lee Hall.

Honorable Mention

Based on the student's cumulative GPA at the end of the semester prior to their semester of graduation. Cumulative grade point average between 3.50 to 3.69.

Allen: Melissa Ann Osbahr Norris.
Beatrice: Cassie Marie Minor.
Creighton: Shelby Lynn Wiebelhaus.
Fordyce: Jaimi Lee Millage.
Hastings: Emily Elizabeth Streff.
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(Contributed photo)

Among those honored with Service Awards at Providence Medical Center were (seated) Sue Yerger, (back) Loree Echtenkamp, Terri McCraney, Kim Roeber, Joan West, PMC administrator Jim Frank and Kathy Jasa.

PMC presents Service Awards to employees

PMC employees whose employment anniversary dates fell into the second half of 2015 were honored at a Service Awards coffee held recently at the hospital.

"Our employees are the heart and soul of Providence Medical Center. We have a tremendous staff that has dedicated a majority of their careers to serving our patients. I am proud to recognize these individuals for their service and want to thank them for their dedication and commitment to Providence Medical Center," said Jim Frank, PMC administrator.

Human Resources Vice Presi-

dent, Jackie Backer, remarked that "PMC is very blessed to have such longevity in our employees who are caring, compassionate and dedicated to our patients and to all of our employees. They truly stand for our mission of providing healthcare in the Spirit of Christ."

Employees honored were Shannon Sweeney, Lyndi McElroy, Tim Ellis and Hannah Gamble - 5 years; Kim Roeber, Nancy Abts, Kara Heithold and Loree Echtenkamp - 10 years; Betty Greiner, Kathy Jasa, Terri McCraney and Carol Rempf - 20 years; Sue Yerger - 30 years; and Joan West - 40 years.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Michelle Renning, Teri Koenig, Kari Moormeier, Jenny Hammer, Ellen Imdieck, and Rita McLean take a break from packing special backpacks on Wednesday at Wayne Elementary School.

Volunteers gather to prepare backpacks

A group of volunteers gathered this week to put together over 130 packages of food for students involved with the Backpack program. Packages contain a loaf of bread, a jar of peanut butter and a jar of jelly to be used over the holidays.

The money for this project was made available through the City's Trust & Agency Account, and came from the M.E. Way funds. In 1962, the Mary Elizabeth Way estate re-

quested that the money be put in an interest bearing security and the income from the investment to be used by the City of Wayne for the use and benefit of undernourished and underprivileged children of the City of Wayne.

"We thank the City and the Estate on behalf of the children of Wayne," said Jenny Hammer, who is one of the coordinators of the program.

Former governor encourages Albrecht to run



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Joni Albrecht, a candidate for the District 17 seat in the Nebraska Legislature, was in Wayne on Friday and was introduced at the Chamber Coffee at the Majestic Theater.

School board looks at class offerings

By CLARA OSTEN
Of the Herald

Citing the fact that "there has been a lot of staff input," administrators at Wayne Community Schools presented information to the Board of Education on an instructional model being implemented by the district.

Wayne High School Principal Mark Hanson, Wayne Elementary Principal Russ Plager, Wayne Junior High Principal Rocky Ruhl, Special Education Director Misty Bear, Assistant Principal Tucker Hight and Wayne Community Schools Superintendent Mark Lenihan each shared parts of the model and told how the plan incorporates the current APL model the school is using with the Marzano model the school is implementing.

"There are lots of parallels between Marzano and APL and we are blending them together. This means we don't have to do a lot of re-training with our teachers," Mr. Hanson said.

Mr. Plager told the board that having the students engaged, adapting to the learning styles of all students and celebrating success

were among the areas the school is working toward.

The school administration and staff will continue to work on the process over the upcoming holiday break and plan to submit the finished product to the Department of Education this summer.

Karen Schardt, family and consumer sciences instructor, and Tony Cantrell, industrial technology instructor, spoke to the board on new classes they would like to see offered at Wayne Community Schools.

Schardt proposed to the board offering Culinary Skills I, a class that would build on the current Foods and Nutrition class currently being offered, and those taking the class would have to qualify for the upper level course.

Mrs. Schardt told the board that ESU No. 1 would match funds needed to offer the class with a grant of up to \$1,000. She also noted that the class aligns with the state education code.

Cantrell proposed to the board that the school offer a multimedia and digital communication class.

The one-semester course would be available to students in grades

11-12 and offer students an opportunity to develop skills in both the use of technology and public speaking.

Cantrell estimates the course would cost approximately \$1,500 for the purchase of software and hardware. It would also tie into the state's career cluster areas.

The board will continue to take input on the courses and make a decision at its January meeting.

In other action, Lenihan told the board that there will be several changes in the 2015-2016 calendar next semester.

On Wednesday, Jan. 20 school will be dismissed at 2 p.m. to allow teachers to take part in a workshop on social media safety presented by Karen Haase.

There will be no school for the district on Monday, March 14 as Wayne has been asked to host the District Speech Meet. Teachers not involved in the meet will have an in-service at Wayne Elementary School.

The Wayne Community School's Board of Education will next meet in regular session on Monday, Jan. 11, 2016 at 5 p.m. in the Junior-Senior High School library.

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

What would prompt a suburban grandma to get into a rural legislative race?

Answering an ad on FarmersOnly.com helped bring Papillion native Joni Albrecht to northeast Nebraska, and she's hoping her experience in city and county government could be put to use as she runs for the District 17 seat in the Nebraska Legislature.

Albrecht is the second candidate to file for the seat that will be vacated by the term-limited Sen. Dave Bloomfield in 2017, joining retired South Sioux City teacher Ardel Bengston. Albrecht is married to Mike Albrecht, a fourth-generation farmer near Thurston.

Before moving to the area, Albrecht served eight years on the Papillion City Council and four more as a Sarpy County commissioner, and her entrance into politics came after helping then-mayor Donnie Brandt get elected in Papillion.

"I'd taken a sabbatical from work

and Donnie called and said he still had two years (to serve) on his seat on the council and asked if I would be interested, and that was my entrance into politics," she said, adding that she moved to the county position after Tim Gay was elected to the Legislature.

After her father passed away in 2009, Albrecht said her daughters encouraged her to get out and meet somebody, and she met her husband through a personal ad on the FarmersOnly.com website.

"I hadn't dated in 15 years, and I ended up here in the most beautiful part of the state," she said. "I can't want to get out on Highway 9 and drive, where it's nothing but me and the road."

Albrecht said that after talking to former Nebraska governor Kay Orr, she decided to jump into the District 17 race, hopeful that her experience in government and interest in the rural economy will represent the area well down in Lincoln.

"It's been tough with term limits where so many people have to learn a lot of new things before they can really apply themselves, and I'm hoping I can bring my experience and hit the ground running and make something happen," she said.

Albrecht said she is concerned about ever-increasing taxes that have hit farmers hard, particularly in Northeast Nebraska.

"Not only are these problems in town with taxes, but it's even more unsustainable in the rural area," she said. "Just in this area (taxes) have increased over 235 percent over the last two years, and that's not working for a lot of us. There's a lot going on in the farming industry that needs to be recognized in Lincoln, and I'm hoping I can bring my experience and make something happen."

Albrecht said that she knows that what works for people in Omaha and Lincoln doesn't always play well in rural areas, and she wants to use her experience to help get that message across to fellow state senators who represent the state's two largest cities.

"People need to understand that things that are good for Omaha and Lincoln aren't the same for small towns," she said. "I know a lot of people from when I was down in Sarpy County, and if I can go down and make things happen and make them understand our needs here, I think I can make a difference."

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Grandstand construction gets started

Construction of the frame for the new grandstand at Hank Overin Field began this week. Otte Construction is in charge of the project, which is expected to be ready for the 2016 spring baseball season in early March.

Five Years

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One of Loggins' toughest jobs is selecting the movie that will be shown on the Majestic Theater's screen each week. There is a lot more than meets the eye in determining which movie will be shown, she said.

"It can be very difficult," she said of the process. "A lot of times, the financial terms, as far as how much we're going to have to give back from each ticket we sell, isn't the deciding factor . . . it's how long we're going to show it."

Because there is only one screen, showing the same movie for an extended period of time limits the number of movies Loggins can show at the theater.

"That's something that is huge for us," she said. "When the new Hunger Games movie came out, they wanted three weeks with no other movies shown, and we said no to that. When they said we could split the screen the third week, that changed things."

"People don't want to see our screen taken up with one movie for that many weeks," she added. "For the new Star Wars movie, it's four weeks and no split screens at all. That 'length of play' clause is really important, and it's usually a two-week minimum for a lot of those movies and we wouldn't want to do that with every movie."

Loggins said she has developed a

pretty good feel for what local moviegoers are interested in, but it's still an inexact science.

"I watch how movies are doing nationwide, which is where having a two or three-week delay helps us," she said. "If the movie trailer was great and then I see that it's not getting good reviews, then we don't have to get it. If it was No. 1 (at the box office) then I know a lot of people will want to see it."

Even movies that don't have the big media splash of a Star Wars or a Hunger Games are sometimes hit-and-miss.

"Sometimes people will come up to me on the street and suggest a movie and I'll take a look at it," she said. "Sometimes we get a movie I think will do well and it doesn't, and sometimes we'll get a movie I may not be enthusiastic about and we sell out every showing. I'm still learning and it's hard to predict. It's always a mystery."

One thing that hasn't been a mystery is the community's support of the theater. The 100,000th moviegoer walked through the theater's doors earlier this year, a strong sign that the theater has re-established itself as one of the community's best entertainment values.

"Our charge is to be affordable and it's something we are always taking a look at," Loggins said. "We're able to pay our operating costs, but it doesn't give us a lot to

save up for, and we have some huge repairs and upgrades that need to be done in the near future."

The theater's board is starting up a \$100,000 fundraising campaign to address some key needs the theater has, including a repaved parking lot, roof work and upgrade of the theater's server.

"We haven't done any fundraising since we opened because we were in kind of an experiment phase, but we see things on the horizon and this is an old building, so the repairs on it are constant. It's a challenge, but it's something we're up to and we hope the community will buy in on it."

Loggins said she and the theater's board are looking forward to the next five years, with hopes of being even more than a place to enjoy popcorn and a movie every Friday night.

"There are film classes at Wayne State College who come here every week, and I would love to see more of that," she said. "I'd like to start a youth film appreciation club, and how much fun would it be to have a movie lab. We have a lot of big dreams and technical upgrades that we need to do, but things are going to be bigger and better here and it's just a matter of time and money. You give us the time and money, and we'll do something with it."



City

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The county approved the agreement with the understanding it could back out of the agreement at any time.

"The county approved (the agreement) so it could stay in the loop," he said. "We don't know where the technology is going to be the next couple of years, so it's hard to predict the future and whether or not this is a good idea."

Kesting added that a number of agencies in the state who are part of the network have shared in the city and county's concerns about unanswered questions that have been posed to the state regarding costs and upkeep. City attorney Amy Miller said that the language of the agreement allows for a governing body that signs the agreement to back out at any time.

The City Council gave City Administrator Lowell Johnson the go-ahead to work with the Rebuild Hank Committee on finishing work at Hank Overin Field that includes a new storage and press box facility that will be built behind the first-base dugout on the west side of the field.

Johnson said that the Rebuild Hank Committee, which has worked on fundraising to help build a new grandstand to replace the one destroyed by a 2014 summer wind storm, had raised all but \$15,000 to complete the project. He said that committee members came to the city and asked if the city would build the storage shed and press box, provided the committee provided the building materials.

"They have enough money for the materials, but were short on paying the whole contract," he told the board. "I didn't want to finally commit until you said yes."

Johnson said he was assured that city work crews would have time to build the project during the winter and have it ready for the spring baseball season. The

new 1,000-square foot storage area would house mowers, drag equipment, batting machines and other related equipment that once was stored in the basement of the old grandstand.

Committee chair Pat Melena said that construction work on the grandstand started this week, and he said the committee appreciated the city's help with the grandstand construction.

In other action, the Council:

- approved the application of Allen Bacon to join the Wayne Volunteer Fire Department.
- approved a Community Development Block Grant for work in the southeast quadrant of town that will include demolition and removal of old buildings and mobile homes, and rehabilitation of three owner-

occupied homes in the east quadrant.

- approved changes in the city's personnel manual regarding employee benefits.
- approved assessing liquidated damages of \$1,875 to Robert Woehler & Sons Construction regarding delays in the Grainland Road water and sanitary sewer extension project. The board also approved final payments to the company for that project and the Windom Street storm sewer project.
- appointed Jon Meyer and Cale Geise to the Community Redevelopment Authority, and reappointed Lois Shelton to the Civil Service Commission.

The City Council's next meeting is Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council chambers.

Salaries

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The Hahn Bridge project moved forward with the county advising Wayne County Attorney Mike Pieper to move ahead with condemnation action on land that would move the road to the north, a move that would take land from Daryl Hahn to the north of the road.

Hahn has offered land to the south of 859 Road, but said in an ad published in the Dec. 10 edition of The Wayne Herald that the county filed for a permit with the Army Corps of Engineers to move a tributary north of the north side of the road without first acquiring land on the road while failing to address erosion issues on the road.

Larson said the county has not received a response from Hahn concerning offers by the county to buy land, adding that the ad in the paper "is not a response to us."

The board tabled action on assessing paving costs to landowners

along Chief's Way until board members get more information on project costs and have a chance to talk with landowners along the street.

"I would like to have that before we can address this. It would be easier for me to tell these landowners what (costs) they would be looking at," Larson said.

In other action, the Board:

- approved the nomination of Brian Kesting as Wayne County's representative to the Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network.
- opened bids for a new wheel loader. The board will look at the bids to determine the best option for a new loader for District 2.
- gave County Assessor Dawn Duffy their blessing on the purchase of hands-free phone equipment for her office, similar to that used by the county and district court offices.

The board's next meeting will be Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2016 at 9 a.m. at the Wayne County Courthouse.

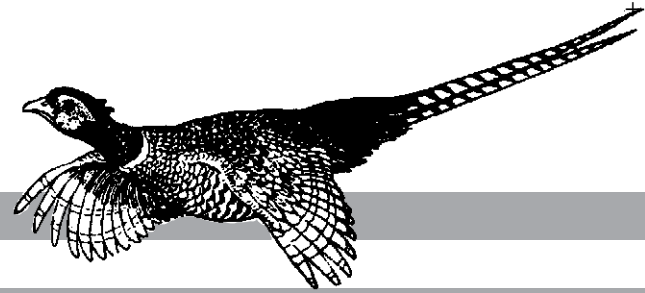
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Sports

From The Bleachers

Michael Carnes



An amazing run ends for Wildcats

Making it to the Final Four was an outstanding achievement for the Wayne State volleyball team – a feat even more remarkable when you realize just how close they were to not even getting a chance to make it that far.

Wayne State plays in the Northern Sun Conference, a conference that has had a team in the national championship match each of the last eight seasons. In fact, since the start of the 2000's, the winner of the Central Regional (of which the NSIC long has been a part of) played for the national championship 12 times in the first 15 years of the 21st century.

Just getting into the Central Region tournament is tough. Consider the fact that two teams ranked in the top six in the final AVCA Div. II coaches poll – Minnesota Duluth and Northern State (two teams Wayne State beat on the road this fall) – didn't make the eight-team field. In fact, four of the seven teams from the NSIC who were listed in the final regular-season poll were outsiders when the NCAA announced the 64-team bracket (Augustana and Winona State also missed the field).

Wayne State was the No. 7 seed in the Central Region, but when you consider that Great American Conference tournament champion Southwestern Oklahoma was the No. 8 seed, the Wildcats were actually the last team selected in the Central Region and one of the last eight teams invited into the tournament. They were "this close" (put your thumb and forefinger about a hair's width apart for a visual perspective) from missing the postseason.

Those in Tampa who were talking about Wayne State being the underdog in this year's Elite Eight, clearly, know nothing about the quality of play that exists in the Northern Sun Conference. Seriously – the NCAA left out a 23-8 team (No. 5 Minnesota Duluth) and a 25-4 team (No. 6 Northern State) out of the toughest region in the country, while teams like New York Institute of Technology reached the Elite Eight in a bracket that was so weak, not a single team in the East Region was even listed among teams receiving votes in the final AVCA poll (and NYIT got a total of four votes and was the last team with more than one vote in the final AVCA poll).

Wayne State an underdog? Hardly – if you use the final regular-season rankings as your barometer, Wayne State was actually the third best team left in the Elite Eight behind Rockhurst (who lost in the Elite Eight) and Wheeling Jesuit (who won the national title), and were listed as such in the final AVCA rankings.

Four years ago, Scott Kneif told me that this recruiting class had the potential to be special by the time they were done. It's not uncommon for coaches to say that about a particular recruiting class – but this one certainly lived up to the coach's hype.

The first things Kneif did actually came a year earlier when he redshirted setter Leisa McClintock and libero Courtney VanGronigen. McClintock took advantage of early graduation and was with the team in the spring semester before her redshirt year, learning the Kneif system and running it better than any setter in school history; while VanGronigen transitioned from being an amazing leaper (who holds the state record for kills in a match with 50 – and, no, that's not a misprint) to becoming something of a human vacuum cleaner who made one amazing save after another this postseason (which, considering she's also the Class D-2 record holder in career digs, shouldn't be much of a surprise).

Next, he brought in two outside hitters in Elizabeth Gebhardt (from up the road in Norfolk) and Katie

Title hopes fall in Final Four

WSC ends best season in team history

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

It was an amazing finish to the 2015 season for the Wayne State volleyball team.

The Wildcats went into the always-tough Central Region as the No. 7 seed, but battled their way to wins over three of the top 10 teams in the country to earn their first-ever trip to the Elite Eight in the NCAA Div. II Volleyball Championships.

The Wildcats took out Carson-Newman in four sets before falling to Palm Beach Atlantic, who swept the Wildcats to end Wayne State's incredible 28-8 season.

The Wayne Herald takes a look back at the Wildcats' effort last week in Tampa, Fla.

Wildcats beat Carson-Newman
Wayne State advanced to the Final Four of the NCAA Div. II Volleyball Championships with a 25-20, 25-22, 18-25, 25-16 win over Carson-Newman Thursday.

The Wildcats struggled in the first three sets and finished the game with 23 attack errors – almost four times as many as they had in beating Concordia-St. Paul in last week's Central Regional championship. But coach Scott Kneif said it had as much to do with what the Eagles put up in defense of the hot-hitting Wildcats than anything else. "The 23 errors was more than we had (against Concordia), and it had a lot to do with what they were doing on their side of the net, but we found a way to win. We had to grind it out a little bit."

The Wildcats got off to a fast start with kills by Elizabeth Gebhardt and Michaela Mestl, but five attack errors helped the Eagles rebound from a 6-2 deficit to take a 9-8 lead.

An Alyssa Frauendorfer kill broke a 13-13 tie, and she followed with a service ace and got a kill from Alex Opperman to give the Wildcats a 16-13 advantage, and a net violation by the Eagles made it 17-13 and forced a Carson-Newman timeout.

The Wildcats struggled throughout much of the first set at the net as they committed eight hitting errors, but managed to finish off the set with a Gebhardt termination to take the 1-0 advantage.

In the second set, Carson-Newman scored the first two points, but Wayne State came right back with back-to-back kills by Mestl and two Eagle errors to make it 4-2. After Carson-Newman tied the game at 5-5, kills by Frauendorfer and Opperman and an Eagle error helped Wayne State retake the lead at 8-5.

Wayne State broke a 10-10 tie with a nice run that forced an Eagles time-out. Gebhardt had a kill, Courtney VanGronigen served up an ace and the Wildcat defense forced three attack errors to give Wayne State a 15-10 advantage,



(Photos courtesy Andy Meng)
(above) Alyssa Frauendorfer was named to the All-Tournament team and had a dominating effort in the win over Carson-Newman with 19 kills. (right) Coach Scott Kneif has built Wayne State into a traditional powerhouse program, and the team's hard work paid off in 2015 with the school's first-ever Central Region volleyball championship and a trip to the Elite Eight.



and Mestl followed with another kill after the timeout to cap a 6-0 Wildcat surge.

Wayne State built a 21-14 lead before the Eagles rallied. They pulled within two at 23-21, but a kill by Mestl put the Wildcats at set point, and Wayne State won the set on a Carson-Newman serving error.

In the third set, the two teams battled back and forth early in the set, with neither team able to get a lead of more than one point on their way to an 8-8 tie before the Eagles scored back-to-back points to take an 11-8 advantage.

The Eagles extended the lead to 13-8 before kills by Gebhardt and Frauendorfer cut the lead to 13-10. Back-to-back kills by Katie Hughes made it 17-16, but Carson-Newman rallied and were able to avoid the three-game sweep and take the third set.

Carson-Newman got out to a 4-2 lead in the fourth set, but Wayne

State battled back with two kills by Mestl, a service ace by Hughes and an Opperman block to take a 10-7 advantage.

Carson-Newman tied the set with three straight kills before giving the serve and the lead back to the Wildcats, and the Wildcats rebuilt their lead with two Frauendorfer kills, a block by Frauendorfer and Mestl and an ace serve by VanGronigen to make it 15-10.

Wayne State continued to roll after the Eagles' second timeout, starting with a solo block and a dink by Frauendorfer to make it 17-10, and Frauendorfer made a block at the net and pushed a free ball into the unguarded back corner to make it 18-10, and the Wildcats were able to finish off the pesky Eagles to take the match.

Frauendorfer had a big night at the net with 19 kills (including a .562 hitting percentage) and five blocks and she credited her team-

mates with putting her in position to have that kind of night at the net.

"My teammates are passing the ball right to Leisa and she sees the block so well and knows where to put the ball, so it's all on my teammates," Frauendorfer said.

"(Carson-Newman) took us out of that a little bit, but into the fourth set we finally settled down and we want to get Alyssa the ball as much as we can," Kneif added.

Mestl and Hughes both had double-doubles, with Mestl recording 14 kills and 14 digs and Hughes adding 12 kills and 18 digs. VanGronigen led the defense with 20 digs and McClintock recorded 48 assists.

Season ends in Final Four
Wayne State's national title hopes ran into a wall that they could not climb over.

Palm Beach Atlantic did a fantastic job of frustrating Frauendorfer, who was limited to five kills and five

errors as the ninth-ranked Sailfish swept No. 8 Wayne State 25-21, 25-21, 27-25 to advance to the finals and end Wayne State's hopes for a national title.

It was a heartbreaking end to an amazing season for the Wildcats, and Kneif praised his team's effort.

"They have a really nice team and I was happy our kids got to experience this tournament," he said. "It's unfortunate that we didn't come out on top. Our kids battled, but it just wasn't our night."

Kneif said the game was going to come down to serving and passing, and the Sailfish did a better job of countering Wayne State's strong serving.

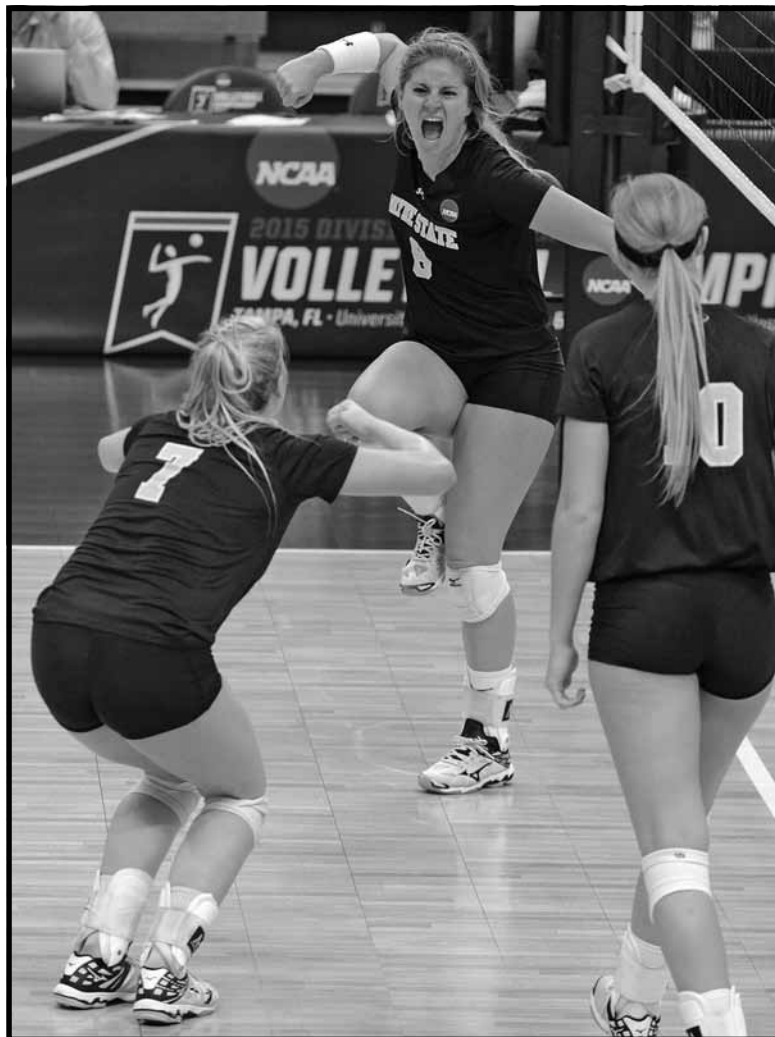
"They have a two-person pattern and we wanted to try and drive them out of system, but they pass the ball well and were able to run their middles," he said. "When you run a 6-2 and have three options, it

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(Courtesy Andy Meng/Amy Bird)

Classy 'Cats

Four seniors led the Wayne State volleyball team to its first ever Central Region title and Div. II Elite Eight appearance this season. (clockwise from left) Katie Hughes was a solid player on both offense and defense and one of the more vocal leaders on the team. Courtney Van Gronigen was the NSIC Libero of the Year and became just the second Wildcat with more than 2,000 career digs. Leisa McClintock rewrote the school records in setting, finishing her four years as the Wildcat quarterback with more than 5,000 career assists. Elizabeth Gebhardt was a solid force at the net, both offensively and defensively. The senior class led the way to the Final Four and a No. 3 final ranking, the best in school history.



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 makes it hard for the opponent. We found some holes tonight, but it was a serve and pass battle for the majority of the night.”

The Wildcats got out to a quick 3-1 lead thanks to kills by Mestl and Frauendorfer, but the Sailfish went on an 7-1 run, thanks to kills by Faith Rohn and Stephany Brown, to take an 8-4 advantage.

Wayne State countered the early deficit with a 7-0 run of their own, highlighted by two kills each from Gebhardt and Hughes and terminations by McClintock and Opperman to take an 11-8 advantage. They extended the lead to 14-10 later in the set on kills by Opperman and Frauendorfer.

The Sailfish chipped away at the Wildcat advantage, however, tying the match at 19-19 on kills by Brown and Rohn. The two teams traded points to 21-21, but a service error and two attack errors helped the Sailfish hang on to take the opening set.

Wayne State got out to a quick 5-2 lead with two service aces, a Geb-



The Wayne State volleyball team celebrates during their run to the Final Four in the NCAA Div. II Volleyball Championships in Tampa, Fla.

hardt attack and two Sailfish errors to open the second set, then led 8-4 after another Sailfish miscue before Palm Beach Atlantic came back to tie the match at 9-9.

The Sailfish built an 18-13 lead when Hughes finished a wild rally with an attack that hit off the top of the net and spun over to make it 18-14, then came back with another kill after a sideout to make it 19-15. McClintock got a solo block on a Faith Rohn attack to make it 19-16. The Wildcats made one last rally with kills by Gebhardt and Hughes to get within 21-19, but Wayne State could get no closer as PBA claimed the second set.

In the final set, Ragland continued to dominate the middle of the net and the Rohn sisters took care of the outside for the Sailfish, helping them build a 10-5 advantage.

Wayne State bounced back with kills by Mestl, Frauendorfer and Hughes to tie the match at 13-13. The teams went back and forth, but Wayne State put themselves in position to force a fourth set. Gebhardt stuffed a Sailfish attack to make it 19-18, and the Wildcats countered a sideout with another Frauendorfer kill and a Sailfish error to make it 21-19.

After trading sideouts, Hughes came through with another kill and the Sailfish made an attack error, burning their final timeout of the set to try and stop the Wildcats. Palm Beach Atlantic scored four straight points to tie the set at 24-24. Mestl came through with a back-row kill, but the Sailfish bounced back to fight off a fifth set point and went on to finish off the three-set sweep.

Hughes led the Wildcats with 17 kills, Mestl added eight and Gebhardt had seven. Frauendorfer was limited to five kills by the Sailfish middle block.

McClintock recorded 33 assists in her final match with the Wildcats, while VanGronigen recorded 20 digs in her final game in a Wildcat

uniform. Hughes and Gebhardt also finished their careers with Wayne State.

Kneifl praised his four seniors, and McClintock and Hughes both said this year's run to the Final Four is something they'll always cherish.

“These kids are great on the court, in the classroom and in the community,” he said. “It stings right now, but one day we'll be able to look back on this and be pretty proud.”

“I've said it once and I'll say it twice — I know we're not No. 1 in the nation, but I think I'm playing

(Photos courtesy Andy Heng)

for the top coach in the nation, not only on the court but for the character he builds off the court,” McClintock said. “Anyone who plays for him is lucky. My fellow seniors and my teammates are sisters, and I wouldn't trade that for anything.”

“The program I play for is the best I've ever played for, and to experience this my senior year, I couldn't have asked for anything more,” Hughes added. “It's been a heck of a ride and this experience has been more than I could have imagined and I didn't take any of this for granted.”

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NCAA Div. II Elite Eight News and Notes

Frauendorfer on All-Tournament Team

Wayne State junior Alyssa Frauendorfer was named to the NCAA Div. II Women's Volleyball Championship All-Tournament Team.

The 6-foot middle hitter averaged 3.43 kills and 1.14 blocks while posting a .346 attack percentage in Wayne State's two matches. She recorded an NCAA Elite Eight-best 19 kills with just one error on 32 attempts for a .562 attack percentage to lead the Wildcats in Thursday's 3-1 win over Carson-Newman of Tennessee. Frauendorfer also had five blocks in the Carson-Newman match and eight total blocks in the two games at the National Championships.

McClintock receives NCAA Elite 90 Award

Leisa McClintock, a senior at Wayne State College, is the recipient of the Elite 90 award for

the 2015 NCAA Div. II Women's Volleyball Championship.

The Elite 90 is presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point-average participating at the finals site for each of the NCAA's championships.

McClintock, from Sioux City, Iowa, is majoring in exercise science and currently carries a 3.99 grade-point average.

Wildcats finish No. 3 in final AVCA poll

The Wayne State volleyball team finished the season with the No. 3 ranking in the final American Volleyball Coaches Association Div. II coaches poll.

The No. 3 finish marks the highest-ever national ranking to end the season for the Wildcats in any sport at the school, and marks the eighth straight year and ninth time in the last 10 seasons that Wayne State ended the season ranked in the top 25.

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Michael's Foods	28.5 27.5	Burns Welding	29.0 27.0
Big Red Country	27.0 29.0	Kelly's cHair	25.0 31.0
Half-Ton Club	26.5 29.5	Wildcat Lanes	22.0 34.0
Vet's Club	23.0 33.0	Deerfield Ghost	12.0 44.0
Tom's Body Shop	21.0 35.0	High Game: McKenzie Sommerfeld, 208. High Series: Stefanie McLagan, 538.	
Bryan's Plumbing	15.0 41.0	High Scores: Lynda Belt 183, Elizabeth Haschke 201, Stefanie McLagan 194/184, Deanna Thompson 185.	
High Team Game and Series: Mikey's Place, 887 and 2464. High Game and Series: Trent Beza, 278 and 748.		High Series: Tina Clevenger 495, Julie Hartung 535, Elizabeth Haschke 486, Angie Rath 488, Renee Saunders 516.	
High Scores: Brad Jones 276/230/217, Trent Beza 246/224, Stef McLagan 238, Trevor Beza 232, Kyle Kempf 228/226, Kent Roberts 225, Jeremy Sebade 220, Doug Rose 215/212, Rich Rethwisch 214, Mike Bentjen 214, Bryan Denklau 213, Kelly Hansen 213/205, Joe Clevenger 211/204, Darin Jensen 208, Joe Dale 204, Keith Bird 203, Michael Denklau 202, Jessi Jensen 185, Tari Clevenger 180.		Thirsty Thursday Week #12 12/10/15	
High Series: Brad Jones 723, Kyle Kempf 625, Joe Clevenger 605, Jessi Jensen 531, Stef McLagan 531.		*-Johnny Chimpo 36.0 12.0	
Splits: John Rebensdorf 3-10, Tari Clevenger (2) 3-10, 4-7-9.		Drinkin' Buddies 26.5 21.5	
		Wildcats Lanes 26.0 22.0	
		Gutter Gang 23.0 25.0	
		Shane's Rich'n Boobs 21.0 27.0	
		Ghost 11.5 36.5	
		High Team Game: Shane's Rich'n Boobs, 585. High Team Series: Wildcat Lanes, 1691. High Game and Series: Brad Jones, 242 and 646.	
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Amazing

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 Hughes, who had to make the transition to becoming a key element in the Wayne State defense after making her name as an outside hitter at Seward High School. These four girls came together almost immediately as one, and by the time they were finished, led this program to a place it had never been before.

Consider that, prior to this year's region tournament, Wayne State had won just three regional games in nine postseason trips. They'd never made it to a regional final, let alone an Elite Eight. They matched that win total in the span of about 75 hours, beating No. 9 Central Missouri and No. 4 Southwest Minnesota State in four sets before putting an improbable three-set beatdown on the No. 1 team in the country, perennial power and regional host Concordia-St. Paul, then won one down in Florida to put themselves somewhere no Wayne State has ever been since joining the NCAA — the Final Four.

This year's senior foursome set one amazing example after another for future teams to build on. McClintock leaves as the all-time leader in career assists with more than 5,000 in four years. VanGronigen is one of two Wildcats to record 2,000 career digs. I'm not sure if Hughes is the all-time leader in double-doubles, but

it could be some time before somebody who is equally adept at back-row play and a consistent go-to player at the net pulls on the black-and-yellow (check that — Michaela Mestl has another year, and she and Hughes seemed to be racking up double-doubles like there was a buy-one, get-one free because we're going-out-of-business sale). And Gebhardt was that solid, humble leader who was part of an amazing blocking scheme whose arms seemed to shoot forever into the sky after blocking an opposing attack.

In a conference full of sharks, Wayne State is the quiet hammerhead that swims silently among the other schools. Being one of the smallest schools in the conference has not stopped Kneifl from building a veritable powerhouse program that, thanks to an amazing senior class and some wonderfully talented underclassmen, finally got a chance to dive into the biggest pool of them all at the Elite Eight.

For a team that had to wait until the very end to find out if they'd even get a chance to dance in Florida's warm waters — this team certainly made the most of it and left us with some amazing memories to look back on.

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(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Dylan Brogren controls the opening tip for Winside during Thursday's matchup with Clarkson-Leigh.

Wildcats hold leads, but can't hang on at home

Winside's boys basketball team held leads in both games last week, but found the first win of the season elusive in losses to Clarkson-Leigh and Bloomfield.

On Thursday, the Wildcats led the visiting Patriots by as many as five points, but the visitors got hot from the outside in the second period and used that momentum to post a 75-56 win.

Three Winside players finished in double figures, with Keith Mundil scoring 13 and Caleb Kampa and Dylan Brogren each adding 11. Brandon Watters and Colton Jensen both had seven points.

On Friday, Winside held a seven-point lead at intermission, but Bloomfield stung the Wildcats with

a 20-2 third-quarter run, then held off a fourth-quarter rally to post a 47-40 win.

Jadon Wagner led the Wildcats with 11 points, while Watters had eight and Jensen scored seven.

The 0-5 will look for their first win Friday at Emerson-Hubbard.

Clarkson-Leigh 75, Winside 56

Winside	18	15	14	9	- 56
Clark-Leigh	15	26	16	18	- 75

WINSIDE - Mundil 13, C. Kampa 11, Brogren 11, Watters 7, Jensen 7, Vyborny 5, Wagner 2.
CLARK-LEIGH - Steffensmeier 6, Harper 2, Paprocki 29, Becker 16, McMullin 22.

Bloomfield 47, Winside 40

Winside	11	12	2	15	- 40
Bloomfield	5	11	20	11	- 47

WINSIDE - Watters 8, Brogren 3, Jensen 7, Mundil 5, C. Kampa 3, Chappell 2, Vyborny 1, Wagner 11.
BLOOMFIELD - Hingst 18, Holz 13, Wagner 7, Mackeprang 9.

Trojan win streak ends in loss

The Wakefield boys basketball team ran their winning streak to three games before having it come to a halt on the road this week.

On Friday, the Trojans got a game-high 21 points from Isaac Camarena, leading three Wakefield players in double figures on their way to a 67-42 home win over Wausa.

Wakefield led by nine at the break and pulled away in the second half. Dylan Hurlbert added 14 points and Jose Sanchez added 10 in the winning effort.

On Tuesday, the Trojans shot a cold 20 percent from the floor and came up on the short side of a 57-16 outcome at Randolph.

Solomon Peitz was the team's

leading scorer on Tuesday, finishing with six points. Hurlbert had four, Julio Sanchez had three and Parker Lehmkuhl had three points and seven rebounds.

Wakefield plays Friday at Stanton and Saturday at Hartington-Newcastle before coming home Tuesday to face Osmond.

Wakefield 67, Wausa 42

Wakefield	15	13	20	19	- 67
Wausa	7	12	12	11	- 42

WAKEFIELD - Camarena 21, Hurlbert 14, Jo. Sanchez 10, Peitz 9, Lehmkuhl 8, Ju. Sanchez 2, Nuno 2, Pommer 1.
WAUSA - Scoring not available.

Randolph 57, Wakefield 16

Wakefield	3	4	7	2	- 16
Randolph	21	20	12	4	- 57

WAKEFIELD - Peitz 6, Hurlbert 4, Lehmkuhl 3, Ju. Sanchez 3.
RANDOLPH - Scoring not available.

Wakefield girls lose matchups

The Wakefield girls basketball team is still looking for its first win after dropping a pair of games this past week.

On Friday, the Trojans battled Wausa early on, but the Vikings used a 17-5 third-quarter run to pull away with a 53-37 victory.

Jamie Dolph led the way for Wakefield with 11 points, while Savannah Nelson had eight and Josephine Peitz put in five points.

On Tuesday, the Trojans couldn't get on track on the road and dropped a 56-25 decision at Randolph.

Wakefield had balanced scoring with Avery Zamzow and Nelson each scoring four points. Briana An-

drade pulled down a team-best seven rebounds.

Wakefield plays at Stanton on Friday and Hartington-Newcastle on Saturday before closing the pre-holiday schedule at home Tuesday against Osmond.

Wausa 53, Wakefield 37

Wakefield	10	11	5	11	- 37
Wausa	16	8	17	12	- 53

WAKEFIELD - Dolph 11, Nelson 8, Peitz 5, M. Borg 3, Delgado 2, J. Borg 2, Andrade 2, Mackling 2, Zamzow 1, Brown 1.

Randolph 56, Wakefield 25

Wakefield	6	9	5	5	- 25
Randolph	15	17	11	12	- 56

WAKEFIELD - Zamzow 4, Nelson 4, Andrade 3, Peitz 3, J. Borg 3, Delgado 2, Muller 2, Dolph 2, Brown 2.
RANDOLPH - Scoring not available.

Wayne wrestlers third at West Point Duals

The Wayne High wrestlers added four more wins to their dual record after a conference win and a 3-2 effort at the West Point-Beemer Duals.

On Thursday, the Blue Devils and Norfolk Catholic split the eight contested matches, but open weights by the Knights gave Wayne a 51-24 victory at Norfolk Catholic High School.

Three of Wayne's four wins came by pin, as Jorge Vergara (152), Garrett Schafer (160) and Cole Koenig (182) won matches on first-period falls. Juan Vergara picked up a big win at 132 pounds, moving up two weight classes and coming away with a 9-8 decision.

On Saturday, the Blue Devils went 3-2 and finished third out of six teams at the West Point-Beemer Duals.

Wayne's two losses were to a pair of tough Class B schools, as they fell to Gretna (70-6) and West Point-Beemer (41-33). The won matches over Fort Calhoun (42-33), Pierce (42-36) and Randolph (54-24).

The Blue Devils host Creighton in a dual on Thursday and wrestle in the Wisner-Pilger Duals on Saturday at Wisner-Pilger High School.

Dual Result

Wayne 51, Norfolk Catholic 24

106: NC open. 113: Both open. 120: NC open. 126: Jonah Heng, NC, pinned Brandon Wacker, :47. 132: Juan Vergara, Wayne, dec. Justin Brek, NC, 9-8. 138: Justin Keller, NC, pinned Johnathon Vick, Wayne, 1:45. 145: Dilon Hupp, NC, pinned Harley Wheeler, Wayne, 1:02.

152: Jorge Vergara, Wayne, pinned Riley Melcher, NC, 1:36. 160: Garrett Schafer, Wayne, pinned Luke Weidner, NC, :30. 170: Avery Alder, NC, pinned Jordan Cliff, Wayne, 3:58. 182: Cole Koenig, Wayne, pinned Ryan Webster, NC, 2:00. 195: NC open. 220: NC open. 285: NC open.

West Point-Beemer Duals Team Records

Gretna 5-0, West Point-Beemer 4-1, Wayne 3-2, Fort Calhoun 2-3, Randolph 1-4, Pierce 0-5.

Wayne Results

Wayne 42, Fort Calhoun 33

106: FC open. 113: Both open. 120: FC

open. 126: FC open. 132: Wayne open. 138: Wayne open. 145: Cole McCormick, FC, pinned Harley Wheeler, :45.

152: Joe Twomey, FC, pinned Jorge Vergara, 4:00. 160: FC open. 170: Cole Welchert, FC, dec. Cole Koenig, 5-0. 182: Wayne open. 195: FC open. 220: FC open. 285: FC open.

Gretna 70, Wayne 6

106: Trevor Fauver, Gretna, pinned Cameron Muhs, 4:20. 113: Wayne open. 120: Tristan Towey, Gretna, pinned Gage Schultz, 5:39. 126: Lance Jarrett, Gretna, pinned Brandon Wacker, :53. 132: Wayne open. 138: Cody Everhart, Gretna, pinned Marlon Sanchez, :34. 145: Tom Kienow, Gretna, pinned Harley Wheeler, :27.

152: Kobe Everson, Gretna, pinned Jorge Vergara, 5:30. 160: Jacob Olson, Gretna, pinned Garrett Schafer, :59. 170: Cannon Ahrens, Gretna, pinned Cole Koenig, 1:54. 182: Both open. 195: Grant Bruner, Gretna, maj. dec. Schuyler Schweers, 10-1. 220: Mikey Reyes, Wayne, pinned Josh Gasper, 3:22. 285: Logan Radik, Gretna, pinned Hunter Jorgensen, :34.

Wayne 42, Pierce 36

106: Pierce open. 113: Both open. 120: Pierce open. 126: Cody Yawn, Pierce, pinned Brandon Wacker, 1:09. 132: Wayne open. 138: Nelson Emerson, Pierce, pinned Marlon Sanchez, 1:01. 145: Pierce open.

152: Jorge Vergara, Wayne, pinned Collin Tinker, 2:00. 160: Ryder Fuchs, Pierce, pinned Garrett Schafer, :27. 170: Alec Price, Pierce, pinned Cole Koenig, 1:37. 182: Wayne open. 195: Pierce open. 220: Pierce open. 285: Pierce open.

West Point-Beemer 41, Wayne 33

126: Riley Berg, WP-B, pinned Brandon Wacker, 3:11. 132: Wayne open. 138: Santiago Perez, WP-B, pinned Marlon Sanchez, 1:23. 145: Dylan James, WP-B, pinned Harley Wheeler, :32. 152: Ronny Petersen, WP-B, tech. fall Steven Keiser, 16-0. 160: Daniel Barrios, WP-B, dec. Jorge Vergara, 7-5. 170: Garrett Schafer, Wayne, pinned Gustavo Villasenor, 1:10.

182: Cole Koenig, Wayne, dec. Robert Kienbaum, 7-3. 195: WP-B open. 220: Braydon Luebbert, WP-B, dec. Mikey Reyes, 4-1. 285: Hunter Jorgensen, Wayne, pinned Abel Rivera, 2:32. 106: WP-B open. 113: Wayne open. 120: Gage Schultz, Wayne, pinned Jake Harriger, 1:09.

Wayne 54, Randolph 24

106: Randolph open. 113: Both open. 120: Alex Schmit (Randolph) pinned Gage Schultz, 5:12. 126: Randolph open. 132: Brandon Bloomquist (Randolph) pinned Brandon Wacker, 3:38. 138: Randolph open. 145: Randolph open.

152: Drew Loberg (Randolph) pinned Steven Keiser, 1:05. 160: Noah Scott (Randolph) pinned Jorge Vergara, 3:00. 170: Randolph open. 182: Randolph open. 195: Randolph open. 220: Randolph open. 285: Hunter Jorgensen, Wayne, pinned Dalton Rath, 1:01.

Blue Devil girls run win streak to four with wins

The Wayne girls basketball team ran their winning streak to four games with a pair of solid wins last week.

On Friday, the Blue Devils won a defensive battle in the closing seconds as Tarah Stegemann hit a running jumper with less than :03 to go to give Wayne a 31-30 win at Wahoo.

"Kylie (Hammer) hit a key 3-pointer to keep it close, and then at the end they gave us two opportunities and we capitalized on them," coach Dave Hix said. "Tarah drove the lane twice and finished both times, the last one coming with 3 seconds left and Wahoo was out of timeouts."

Hix said the Blue Devils didn't shoot the ball well in Friday's win. "Both teams played very tough defense, but we left a lot of points on the floor with some missed close-range shots. Our shooting percentage was a season-low of 28 percent and a really rough night at the line (20 percent)."

On Saturday, the Blue Devils clamped down on Columbus Lakeview's leading scorer, Kayla Schruink, and that helped them breeze to a 64-42 win at Wayne High School.

The Blue Devils outscored the Vikings 22-6 in the second period to break a 12-12 tie, and that advantage propelled Wayne to the win to improve their record to 4-1.

"It was nice to see how we came out after half and put them away," Hix said. "They tried to slow us down a little with a zone press but

we have Kylie to take care of that. Once she gets by the first two or three defenders she creates the advantage for us."

Hix also credited the bench play, which helped give Wayne added depth and put nine players into the scorebook, led by Stegemann's game-high 17 points. Hammer added 11 and Danica Schaefer scored 10 while limiting Schruink to 15 points.

Wayne is home for three games to close the pre-holiday schedule. They host Wisner-Pilger on Friday, O'Neill on Saturday and Guardian Angels Central Catholic on Monday.

Wayne 31, Wahoo 30

Wayne	5	7	11	8	- 31
Wahoo	4	6	7	13	- 30

WAYNE - K. Boyer 8, Keating 2, Stegemann 4, Schaefer 12, Meyer 1, Hammer 4.
WAHOO - Scoring not available.

Wayne 64, Columbus Lakeview 42

Wayne	12	22	15	15	- 64
Lakeview	12	6	14	10	- 42

WAYNE - Sandoz 2, Maly 6, A. Boyer 5, K. Boyer 6, Keating 6, Stegemann 17, Schaefer 10, Meyer 1, Hammer 11.
LAKEVIEW - Scoring not available.

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Winside's Callie Finn makes a break for the basket during the Wildcats' loss to Clarkson-Leigh on Thursday.

Winside girls fall at home

The Winside girls basketball team dropped a pair of games last week to fall to 0-5 on the season. On Thursday, the Wildcats were steamrolled by Clarkson/Leigh, who dominated the home team and claimed a 49-12 win.

Callie Finn led the Wildcats with seven points, Sarah Wolfe had three and Alex Bargstadt scored a basket.

On Friday, the Wildcats couldn't keep up with visiting Bloomfield, as the Queen Bees won 69-16.

Finn paced the Wildcats with eight points, Ellie Jaeger scored four and Halle Brogren and Kelly

Tweedy each had two points. Winside closes the pre-holiday schedule Friday at Emerson-Hubbard.

Clarkson-Leigh 49, Winside 12

Winside	6	2	2	2	-	12
Clark-Leigh	12	7	17	13	-	49

WINSIDE - Finn 7, Wolfe 3, Bargstadt 2.
CLARK-LEIGH - Svehla 9, Kasik 5, Koehn 4, Gerv 17, Paprocki 8, Moore 6.

Bloomfield 69, Winside 16

Winside	5	2	7	2	-	16
Bloomfield	19	10	22	18	-	69

WINSIDE - Finn 8, Jaeger 4, Brogren 2, Tweedy 2.
BLOOMFIELD - Kerbel 11, Nagengast 2, Guenther 2, Jensen 8, Johnson 2, Poppe 5, Bruegman 8, Kauth 5, Castaneda 26.

Blue Devils get first win

After a tough effort Friday, Wayne's boys basketball team bounced back to get their first win of the season.

On Friday, the third quarter was the difference as Wahoo came away with a 71-53 win. The Blue Devil offense struggled to find any consistency early against Wahoo's 1-3-1 defense, and a tough third quarter proved too much to overcome.

Drew Davie led a balanced effort

with 10 points, while Grayson McBride had nine and Ryan Jaixen scored eight.

On Saturday, the Blue Devils won a physical battle over visiting Columbus Lakeview, hitting free throws down the stretch to take a 44-39 win.

McBride scored a game-high 15 points to lead the 1-4 Blue Devils, while Jaixen had nine and Payten Gamble and Ryan Gilliland each scored eight.

Wayne is home this weekend, hosting Wisner-Pilger and O'Neill.

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Wahoo 71, Wayne 53

Wayne	13	14	5	21	-	53
Wahoo	20	17	18	16	-	71

WAYNE - McBride 9, Davie 10, Jaixen 8, Pecena 4, Evetovich 6, Lee 5, Gamble 5, Gilliland 6.

WAHOO - Scoring not available.

Wayne 44, Columbus Lakeview 39

Wayne	11	3	10	15	-	44
Lakeview	7	9	16	12	-	39

WAYNE - McBride 15, Jaixen 9, Gamble 6, Gilliland 8, Keiser 2, Davie 2.
LAKEVIEW - Roth 1, Grotelueschen 3, Mat-ton 10, Lusche 10, Johnson 7, Lichtenfeld 8.

WSC men drop pair

Wayne State had opportunities to pull out a victory on the road Friday, but couldn't get the winning shot to fall at the end in a 70-68 loss at Minnesota Crookston.

The two teams battled back and forth during the first half before Crookston beat the halftime buzzer with a trey to take a 35-32 lead.

Crookston opened the second half with an 18-5 run to take a 53-37 lead, but the Wildcats came back with a 20-4 run, highlighted by three Brian Goodwin treys and a pair of layups by Austin Esters to tie the game at 57-57.

David Andersen hit a free throw to make it 69-68 with :33 left, and after a Golden Eagle turnover, the Wildcats had three chances at the basket that failed before the hosts grabbed a rebound and hit a free throw.

Goodwin and Thomas each scored 13 points to lead the Wildcats. Andersen led the team with seven rebounds and Adam Moon had six.

On Saturday, Bemidji State broke

a 29-29 halftime tie and dropped the Wildcats to 2-7 overall and 1-4 in NSIC play with a 79-69 decision at Bemidji, Minn.

Thomas led the Wildcats with 14 points, while Pauley, Goodwin and Andersen each had nine points. Andersen had nine rebounds and Heesch had six assists.

The Wildcats hit the road Saturday for their final game before the break, facing No. 2-ranked Augustana at 6 p.m. in Sioux Falls, S.D.

Minnesota Crookston 70, Wayne State 68

Wayne State	32	36	-	68
Minn. Crookston	35	35	-	70

WAYNE STATE - Thomas 13, Goodwin 13, Andersen 9, Heesch 8, Esters 7, Cornelius 6, Pauley 5, Moon 4, Zumbrennen 2, Janssen 1.

MINN. CROOKSTON - Critchley 18, Polk 16, Redd 10, Lorenz 7, Grygiel 6, Knickerbocker 5, Smith 4, Warmack 4.

Bemidji State 79, Wayne State 69

Wayne State	29	40	-	69
Bemidji State	29	50	-	79

WAYNE STATE - Thomas 14, Pauley 9, Janssen 8, Heesch 6, Cornelius 4, Andersen 9, Goodwin 9, Esters 8, Burneika 2.

BEMIDJI STATE - Best 28, Womack 12, Anderson 11, Pekarek 8, Harvey 1, Rhodes 8, Harrington 6, Valdez 5.

Wildcats 0-2 on road

It was a rough weekend on the road for the Wayne State women's basketball team, as they came back with a pair of losses.

On Friday, the Wildcats shot 38 percent from the field and lost to the Golden Eagles, 80-64.

Crookston took control in the second period, closing out the half with a 15-6 run to take a 42-36 lead.

In the second half, Wayne State went cold from the floor, going 8-of-31 in the final two periods.

Paige Ballinger led the Wildcats with 13 points and seven rebounds. Kacie O'Connor added 10 points.

On Saturday, the struggle continued for the Wildcats as Bemidji State held on for a 68-65 win, dropping the Wildcats to 5-5 overall and 3-2 in the NSIC.

Bemidji State jumped out to a 7-0 lead and led by as many as 10 points in the first period. Wayne State got within three early in the

second quarter on a pair of free throws by Sadie Murren, but Bemidji State followed with a 17-7 surge to take a 13-point lead at the half.

Ballinger led the Wildcats with 17 points, Murren added 15 and Schulte had a double-double with 14 points and 10 boards.

Wayne State is on the road Saturday for a 4 p.m. conference matchup at Augustana.

Minnesota Crookston 80, Wayne State 64

Wayne State	19	17	13	15	-	64
Minn. Crook.	18	24	21	17	-	80

WAYNE STATE - Ballinger 13, Moore 9, Schulte 7, Murren 4, Martensen 4, O'Connor 10, Larson 9, Bretoi 2, Reiner 2, Davis 2, Lowe 1, Peterson 1.

MINN. CROOK. - Nordick 24, Thielman 23, Noga 12, Hughes 7, Gruber 7, Odoz 7.

Bemidji State 68, Wayne State 65

Wayne State	14	13	22	16	-	65
Bemidji State	21	19	16	12	-	68

WAYNE STATE - Ballinger 17, Murren 15, Schulte 14, Moore 2, O'Connor 8, Peterson 5, Larson 4.

BEMIDJI STATE - Sheley 22, Pelzer 16, Zerr 8, Senske 8, Cordes 5, Knuti 4, Durand 3, Miller 2.

LCC boys get road wins

The LCC Bears ran their win streak to four games before coming up short at home Tuesday.

On Friday, the Bears dominated Emerson-Hubbard on the road, pulling away in the second half for an 84-52 triumph.

Dillan Wolfgram led all scorers with 25 points, Jayden Reifenrath added 18 and Jordan Jansen scored 15.

On Saturday, the Bears gutted out another road win, posting a 59-53 victory at Randolph.

Wolfgram again had the hot hand, scoring a game-high 28 points. Reifenrath was the only other LCC player in double figures, finishing with 12 points.

On Tuesday, LCC's win streak was stopped by a fourth-quarter

comeback from Ponca, who claimed an 80-70 triumph.

Wolfgram had a game-high 31 points and Knox and Jansen each had eight for the 4-1 Bears, who host Plainview on Friday.

LCC 84, Emerson-Hubbard 52

LCC	16	25	15	28	-	84
Emerson-Hubb.	13	15	10	14	-	52

LCC - Erwin 4, Forsberg 6, Spahr 5, Reifenrath 18, Jansen 15, Gubbles 5, Eddie 6, Wolfgram 25.

EMER.-HUBB. - Scoring not available.

LCC 59, Randolph 53

LCC	20	10	14	15	-	59
Randolph	17	15	11	10	-	53

LCC - Forsberg 4, Reifenrath 12, Knox 5, Jansen 6, Eddie 4, Wolfgram 28.

RANDOLPH - Scoring not available.

Ponca 80, LCC 70

LCC	21	18	16	15	-	70
Ponca	15	16	20	29	-	80

LCC - Erwin 2, Forsberg 4, Reifenrath 6, Knox 8, Jansen 8, Gubbles 4, Eddie 7, Wolfgram 31.

PONCA - Scoring not available.

Wildcats third at NBC

NORTH BEND - Winside's wrestlers came away with two champions and seven medalists on their way to a third-place finish at Saturday's North Bend Invitational.

The Wildcats were led by Marcos Escalera and Cory Shoff, both of whom dominated their respective brackets to take top honors at 132 and 220 pounds.

Winside held their own as the smallest school in the 15-team tournament, finishing with a pair of runner-ups in Koby Ellis (106) and Colby Erickson (126). Hayden King was the consolation champion at 182, while Mason King (113) and Jon Escalante (195) both placed fifth.

Winside is at the Stanton Quad on Thursday and the South Sioux City Invitational on Saturday.

North Bend Invitational Team Standings

North Bend 174, Logan View 172.5, Winside 131, Columbus Lakeview 111, Arlington 99, Louisville 98, Wisner-Pilger 61, Tri County 58, Lincoln Christian 42, Niobrara-Verdigre 32, Johnson County Central 31, Twin River 31, Shelby-Rising City 25, Winnebago 10, Freeman 0.

Winside Medalists

106: 1. Sam Saldivar, JCC, maj. dec. Koby Ellis, Winside, 8-0. 113: 5. Mason King, Winside, pinned Diego Reyes, JCC, 2:26. 126: 1. Armando Valencia, LV, dec. Colby Erickson, Winside, 4-0. 132: 1. Marcos Escalera, Winside, pinned Tristin Lowry-Berlin, W-P, 3:15. 182: 3. Hayden King, Winside, pinned Jacob Denton, W-P, 1:56. 195: 5. Jon Escalante, Winside, pinned Jordan Juracek, Louisville, :52. 220: 1. Cory Shoff, Winside, pinned Joe Dickey, Louisville, 3:19.

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Area wrestlers medal at Stanton

STANTON — Wakefield's wrestlers finished fifth and Laurel-Concord-Coleridge brought home an individual champion to highlight the area effort at Saturday's Stanton Invitational.

The Trojans put three wrestlers into the finals and finished the day with five medalists, led by runner-up efforts from Cody Thomas (170), Efrén Godínez (182) and Moises Barboza (220).

While Wakefield was unable to get a win in the championship round, they did win two consolation medal matches, as David Olvera finished third with a pin at heavyweight and Charlie Lopez claimed fifth place at 113 pounds with a first-period pin.

LCC sent just three wrestlers to the meet, but did come away with an individual title as Billy Barelman claimed top honors at 195 pounds. Barelman dominated Austin Lampkin of Scribner-Snyder to post an 11-5 victory in the first-place match.

LCC wrestles in a quadrangular at Stanton on Thursday, while Wakefield competes in the Osmond Invitational on Saturday.

Stanton Invitational Team Standings
David City 267, Battle Creek 234, Plainview



Wakefield's Cody Thomas claimed runner-up honors at 170 pounds during the Stanton Invitational.

160.5, Madison 138.5, Wakefield 106, Pender 95, Clearwater/Orchard 90, Elgin Public/Pope John 65, Norfolk Catholic 64, Stanton 61, Scribner-Snyder 50.5, Osmond 50, Oakland-Craig 46.5, Guardian Angels Central Catholic 35, Hartington CC 28, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 24.

Area Medalists
113: 5. Charlie Lopez, Wakefield, pinned

Justin Noel, S-S, 36: 170: 1. Drew Lanman, BC, dec. Cody Thomas, Wakefield, 6-2. 182: 1. Ryan Worm, DC, pinned Efrén Godínez, Wakefield, 4:18. 195: 1. Billy Barelman, LCC, dec. Austin Lampkin, S-S, 11-5. 220: 1. Raymond Fuller, DC, maj. dec. Moises Barboza, Wakefield, 10-2. 285: 3. David Olvera, Wakefield, pinned Thai Thompson, BC, 3:41.

Sports Shorts

Parents Night for wrestlers Thursday

Wayne High School will be honoring the wrestling team and their parents on Thursday, Dec. 17.

Parents should be at the Wayne High School gym by 6 p.m. They will be introduced prior to the 7 p.m. matchup with Creighton.

Eighth-grade girls win recent games

Wayne's 8th grade girls finished second at their own tournament Saturday to highlight a busy week.

Wayne opened the day with a 29-27 win over Cedar Catholic, getting 11 points from Emily Armstrong and six apiece from Hailey Backer and Kayla Fleming. Tori Kniesche added five and Erin O'Reilly had one.

Lady Eagles go winless

The going has been rough lately for the Allen Lady Eagles, as they dropped three games this past week.

On Thursday, the Lady Eagles were outscored 38-13 in the second half as Ewing came away with a 61-34 victory.

Bri Hingst led the Lady Eagles with nine points, Gabby Sullivan added eight and Mariah Keiser had seven.

On Friday, Allen battled Homer tough, but the Lady Knights came through in the fourth quarter to come from behind for a 44-41 win.

Sullivan had 16 points, Kaylen

In the finals, Wayne lost a close one to Guardian Angels Central Catholic 30-27. Kniesche led the team with 11 points, O'Reilly had eight, Armstrong scored six and Backer had two.

In other action, Wayne lost to Battle Creek 37-13. O'Reilly and Megan Lambert each had four points, Fleming had three and Backer had two in the losing effort.

They also lost to Norfolk Catholic 33-18, with Fleming scoring six to lead the team. Kniesche had four points, O'Reilly and Armstrong had three apiece and Lambert added two.

Seventh graders see action, go 1-2

The Wayne seventh-grade girls basketball team went 1-2 in action last week, defeating Battle Creek

while losing to Guardian Angels Central Catholic and Hartington Cedar Catholic.

Against GACC, Wayne lost 20-13. Peyton French and Nicole Fertig had four points each. Emily Longe had three and Lauren Pick had two.

Wayne dropped a 22-9 decision to Cedar Catholic. Fertig had five points and Longe had four for Wayne.

Wayne defeated Battle Creek 26-9. Longe and Fertig each had eight points, Pick had four, and French, Natalie Bentjen and Lindsey Kallhoff each had two.

Baseball Association signups in January

The Wayne Baseball Association will be having 2016 player sign-up and fee payment at the Wayne Community Activity Center on the following dates:

— Saturday, Jan. 9 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

— Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 11-12, from 3:45 - 6 p.m.

The sign-ups are for boys ages 9-16 as of Dec. 31, 2015.

Lady Bears still seek first victory

The Laurel-Concord-Coleridge Lady Bears are still seeking their first win of the season after three losses last week.

On Friday, the Lady Bears ran into a tough road opponent as they dropped a 61-24 decision at Emerson-Hubbard.

The Pirates ran out to a 26-2 first-quarter lead and weren't threatened after that.

Katie Leapley led the LCC attack with 10 points, while Bryn Schutte added five points.

On Saturday, Leapley had a big game with nine points and 16 rebounds, but host Randolph was able

to hang on and claim a 44-35 win over the Lady Bears.

Schutte led the LCC attack with 15 points and Lorna Maxon added four. Madysyn Holloway picked up three steals in the losing effort.

On Tuesday, LCC tried to come back from a 16-point halftime deficit, but the comeback fell short in a 51-41 home loss to Ponca.

Schutte scored 12 points, Maxon had nine and Bailey Holloway scored five for the 0-5 Lady Bears.

LCC hosts Plainview on Friday to close out the pre-holiday schedule.

Emerson-Hubbard 61, LCC 24

LCC 2 9 8 5 - 24

Emer.-Hubb. 26 11 12 12 - 61

LCC - Kardell 3, Leapley 10, Cook 3, Schutte 5, Hangman 3.

EMER.-HUBB. - Scoring not available.

Randolph 44, LCC 35

LCC 12 12 6 5 - 35

Randolph 11 13 4 16 - 44

LCC - Leapley 9, Wolfgang 1, Maxon 4, Holloway 2, Cook 3, Schutte 15, Hangman 1.

RANDOLPH - Bermel 4, Nordhues 7, A. Thies 6, Backhaus 6, C. Thies 18, Andrew 2, Fink 1.

Ponca 51, LCC 41

LCC 8 9 12 12 - 41

Ponca 15 18 11 7 - 51

LCC - M. Holloway 3, Schutte 12, Leapley 4, Wolfgang 1, Maxon 9, B. Holloway 5, Cook 1, Hangman 6.

PONCA - Scoring not available.

Allen boys earn season's first triumph

The Allen boys basketball team got their first win of the season this past week with a 42-33 win Thursday at Ewing.

The Eagles held Ewing to eight points in the first half, then held off a second-half comeback to get in the win column for the first time this season. Tayler Kumm and Nate Bausch led the Eagles with 16 and 15 points, respectively.

On Friday, the Eagles returned home and found the going tough against Homer, as the Knights quieted the Allen offense in a 45-16 vic-

tory. Austin Crom was the leading scorer for the Eagles, finishing with six points. Kumm added four points.

On Tuesday, the Eagle fell at home again, dropping a 43-26 decision to Hartington-Newcastle.

The Eagle battled the Wildcats through the first half, but were outscored 26-10 in the final two periods to fall to 1-4 on the season. S.T. O'Keefe had seven points to lead the way, while Bausch and Chase Johnson each had five.

Allen is at Lyons-Decatur on Saturday.

Allen 42, Ewing 33

Allen 9 9 11 13 - 42

Ewing 2 6 15 10 - 33

ALLEN - Bausch 15, Brentlinger 3, O'Keefe 1, Crom 2, Kneiff 2, Jacob 3, Kumm 16.

EWING - Summers 11, Wright 4, Richter 2, Reynolds 9, Brummels 7.

Homer 45, Allen 16

Allen 4 3 5 4 - 16

Homer 10 14 9 12 - 45

ALLEN - Bausch 3, Nelson 3, Crom 6, Kumm 4.

HOMER - Scoring not available.

Hartington-Newcastle 43, Allen 26

Allen 11 5 8 2 - 26

Hart.-New. 2 15 12 14 - 43

ALLEN - Bausch 5, Johnson 5, Kumm 4, O'Keefe 7, Crom 1, Williams 4.

HART.-NEW. - Scoring not available.

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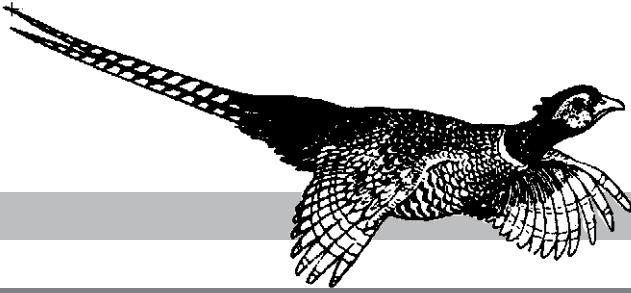
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Don't get me started

By: Michael Carnes
Managing Editor

New traditions ruining old ones?

One of the blessings of having a "mixed" family is that Christmas comes a lot more than once a year.

Then again — depending on how you look at it, having multiple family holiday gatherings can be more of a pain in the backside than it's worth.

This time of year, we try to make time with our families and share in the joy of the Christmas holiday season. Food, presents, ugly sweater contests, spiked drinks of all flavors . . . there's just so much to do during this season and — if you have enough branches on your family tree — not near enough time to spend with the people you love.

What's even more migraine inducing is when you are questioned about the schedules of those whom you have absolutely no control over — like adult children.

My oldest daughter, Kylie, announced this summer that she was going to start her own Christmas tradition, making sure that my granddaughter slept in her own bed on Christmas morning so that she could enjoy a visit from Santa Claus.

When she told me this, I completely embraced the idea and encouraged her to go ahead and do what she wanted with the holiday. This, of course, was in direct conflict with other family members, who are suddenly dealing with the fact that THEIR holiday traditions are being sacrificed in the name of the new generation's desires to "do their own thing."

My mother LOVES the Christmas season. It's like her Super Bowl when it comes to cooking and baking. Cookies, apple pie, all the trimmings with the holiday meal — it's in your best interest to avoid the kitchen when she gets going this time of year, because you might actually get a body part sauteed, rolled in flour or sliced off if you're not paying attention.

Mom's holiday mecca, though, is the opening of gifts on Christmas Eve. The ENTIRE family must be there, or — in her mind — it's just not Christmas. So you can imagine the phone call I got when word got back to Gramma that Kylie wasn't going to be there for Christmas Eve.

"You need to have a talk with your daughter," I was told in an authoritative tone. "She is ruining Christmas for EVERYBODY."

My response, of course, was that special laugh that comes only when you just heard a loved one say something ridiculous, and yet can't quite bring yourself to believe they actually said it. Somehow, I assured my mother, Christmas will be just as special as it always will, and that we need to come to the realization that this is another branch in our family tree that wants to grow and make its own way in the world.

It's especially funny for me to hear all this kerfuffle about new and old holiday traditions, because the only thing traditional about my Christmas is that I spend it on the road. There is Christmas Eve at my mother's, Christmas Day with my grandbaby (and her parents, I suppose), and then the weekend with my dad's side of the family. If ANYBODY has room to whine about holiday traditions, it should be the guy who spends most of it on the highways.

Don't worry, though — this guy isn't about to complain. I'll be too busy enjoying mom's cooking, Emmie's giggles and a whole lotta holiday cheer.

Letters

Museum Friends Say thanks for home tour support

The Wayne County Museum Friends would like to thank everyone who purchased tickets and/or donated to our Holiday Tour of Homes in November. WOW!

It was a huge success - nearly doubling ticket sales of the previous tour. Even though we had to cancel Friday evening's tour because of the snow storm, Saturday's extended hours gave everyone a chance to see all of the homes at a leisurely pace and not be crowded. Unfortunately, the wine trolley was unable to come from Sioux City Friday evening or Saturday because of the weather, so portions of those higher-priced tickets were refunded. We hope to try it again next time.

We extend a huge thank you to our hosts (and their helpers) - Matt and Melissa Eischeid, Casey and Shona Junck, Mark Kanitz and Lukas Rix, Adam and Lanie Severson and Dana and Sonya Tompkins - for graciously opening their lovely decorated homes. We heard many favorable comments about this year's homes.

Thanks goes to our Museum decorators - Tracy Keating, Kate Lutt, Chele Meisenbach, Lois Shelton and Lorita Tompkins. We also appreciate all who donated cookies and cider for refreshments at the Museum.

We cannot forget to thank all the Wayne banks, the Chamber Office, Rustic Treasures and Bailey's Hair and Nails for helping us sell tickets. Altogether, they sold three-fourths of the tickets. They were a tremendous help to us.

Again, a big thanks to all of you in the community for your enthusiasm and generous support. With your help, the museum will continue to be a great asset to our community. We look forward to the next tour in two years. We already have one home offered. If anyone else is interested, please contact one of our members. (Ladies, this would be a great way to get those "Honey-do" things done.)

Wayne County Museum Friends (Marlene Broer, Natalie Endicott, Donna Ewing, Kaki Ley, Jan Magnuson, Chele Meisenbach, Joann Proett, Lois Shelton, Lorita Tompkins)

Capitol View

Corrections head knows challenge

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

Corrections Director Scott Frakes has his work cut out for him. He inherited a mess. He inherited an employee base operating under a culture of fear. He was tested with a costly Mother's Day uprising that left two inmates dead at the state's most secure facility.

A special investigative committee of the Legislature examined him with hours of questions about a number of things that happened in his department under a previous administration and before he was even hired.

His boss and the attorney general involved him in ordering death penalty drugs which have yet to be approved by the FDA and have not been shipped even though \$54,000 was paid up front to a dealer who some have called unscrupulous.

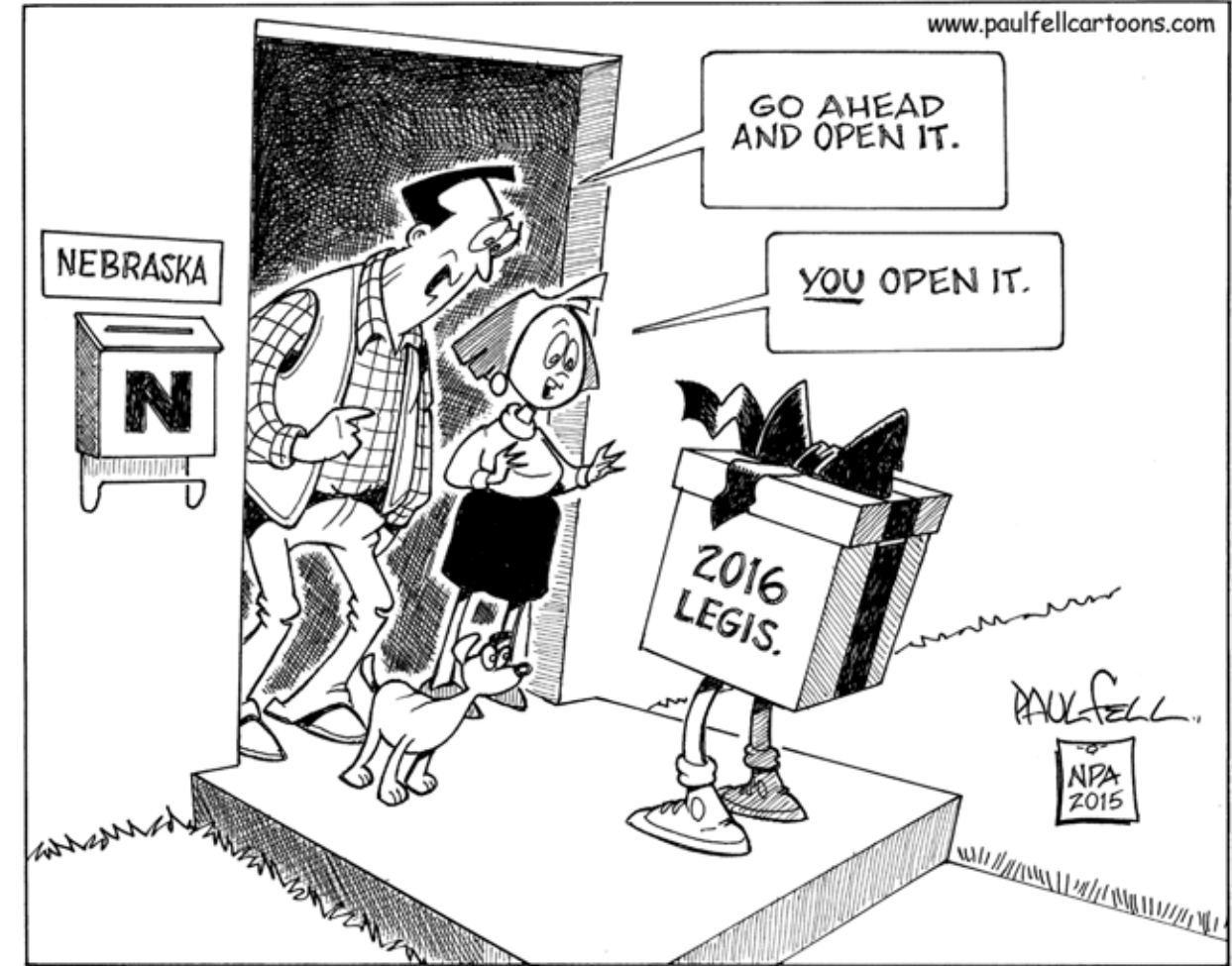
Now he says he wants to turn an inverted pyramid right-side-up. It's right there in a chart on the wall of his office. The broad base shows 31 percent of the 5,400 inmate population is in maximum security. Another 30 percent is in medium security and 28 percent in minimum. The pointy peak of the pyramid is the 11 percent (about 579 inmates) in community corrections facilities.

Frakes would like to see the broad base contain those in community corrections with the other numbers tapering to a peak that would be the maximum-security inmates. The pyramid right-side-up as intended. He admits it will take time and is simply one of many things on his plate. But the desire is there and the strategic plan is a step in the right direction.

It will take a shift in thinking about alternative sentencing. It will require prosecutors and judges to change the way they categorize various offenses. It will have to appease those who worry that anything less than the status quo means going soft on crime. That is perhaps the biggest challenge, changing the minds of some lawmakers, the governor and the attorney general.

The Director acknowledges that Nebraska's prisons are over capacity. But, he is adamant that prisons are more than just warehouses for criminals. Inmates have to sleep and eat and attend classes and have some place for physical activity. They have to do that in a place that offers a good quality of life and is a safe place to operate and safe for both inmates and staff. One of the lessons from Mother's Day in Tecumseh.

Among the points of the strategic plan is Frakes' desire to retain employees, listen to them and train them to remain safe. He envisions



an employee council of representatives from each facility meeting with him to discuss concerns. He'd like to similarly engage inmates sometime in the future.

The plan calls for data driven performance through measurable goals to improve operations and a culture of transparency and accountability. That includes welcoming oversight from the Legislature as well as the media and is obviously aimed at preventing some of the past mistakes, which have plagued the system and made headlines.

A bold move calls for creation of collaborative community relationships by focusing resources on community corrections, encouraging staff to engage their community through volunteerism, and fully understanding the role of the NDCS within the criminal justice system. This could be a hard sell with the "get tough on crime" bunch as well as the "not in my back yard" folks. But Frakes is the new guy and it's worth another shot.

Remember that culture of fear? The Director hopes to change that to a culture of "Re-entry and Rehabilitation" that focuses on inmates re-entering their communities. A big part of that, he said, is creating an individual re-entry program as soon as the inmate begins his incarceration. It is important to make sure that needs are met to that end.

Putting the plan in action will require key activities such as improving core services offered at existing

facilities and expanding community custody resources by adding beds and repurposing existing beds.

Frakes also proposes a risk-needs assessment that measures the individual inmate's risk to reoffend, history of violence, and specific needs to determine what programming

the person needs. He also wants to work with staff to measure and improve their performance.

I like this guy's vision and goals. I hope he can survive the politics of it all and truly change the culture and future of corrections in Nebraska.

Legislative Update

Keep eye on NSAA transgender policy

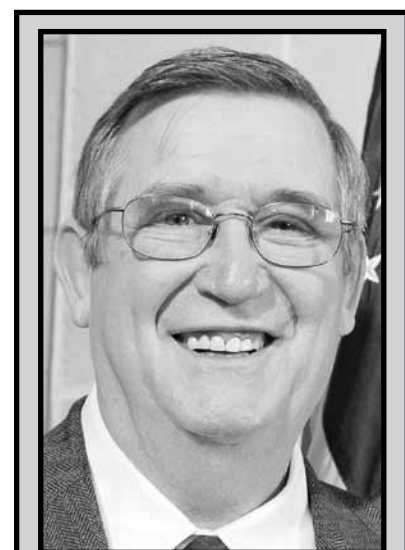
It is time for an update on issue that I have mentioned several times over the last few years — the Nebraska School Activities Association (NSAA) has advanced a transgender participation policy.

On Wednesday, Dec. 9, the NSAA Board of Directors met in Norfolk and advanced the draft policy that they have been working on for months behind closed doors. The draft policy that they advanced to final reading will be voted on at their January meeting.

The advanced policy allows schools to have their own policy regarding transgender students with the option of allowing administrators to ask the NSAA if a specific student can participate.

I do not know all of the guidelines that NSAA will use when advising the schools. The policy does require transgender students to use locker rooms and bathrooms according to their biological gender. Additionally, a student transitioning from male to female would have to have at least one year of hormone therapy to participate in high school sports. The policy also lays out the process for families, schools and the NSAA when deciding on the participation of a transgender student.

While this is an improvement over what they attempted a couple



Legislative Update

By Dave Bloomfield
State Senator, District 17

of years ago, you still need to watch and be involved. Bad things happen when "we the people" are not vigilant. All the proof you need of that can be seen by just looking at Washington D.C. and what is going on throughout our nation.

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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.

Students offer ways to make 'The Grinch Grin'

Kindergartners at Wayne Elementary School worked with their fourth grade pals to devise ways to make the infamous Grinch, grin. The following are the results of their efforts.

Mrs. Meyer's class wrote:
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him hearts.
Kindergartner Caleb and fourth grade pal Braxton.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Let him know how Christmas goes.

Kindergartner Lilly and fourth grade pal Liberty.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him ice cream.
Kindergartner Kayla and fourth grade pal Leah.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Bake him cookies and give him a present.
Kindergartner Alexsa and fourth grade pal Harlie.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... make him smile.
Kindergartner Gregorio and

fourth grade pal Donovan.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Tell him stories.
Kindergartner Tucker and fourth grade pal Jefferson.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... I would take him balloons.
Kindergartner Bryce and fourth grade pal Caiden.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... First, I would tickle him until he laughed. I would also give him a really evil idea.
Kindergartner Theo and fourth grade pal Mason.

your green hair. I would like to give you food.
Kindergartner Josie and fourth

Mrs. Heikes a present.
Kindergartner Angel and fourth grade pal Parker.

grade pal Caitlyn.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Tickle him, throw snowballs at him and tell jokes to him.
Kindergartner Mackenzie and fourth grade pal Maya.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Pull his hair, kiss him, hug him. Ask for a piggy back ride. Tickle his toes.
Kindergartner Via and fourth grade pal Frantzie.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Spreading love, give him presents, jokes, songs, getting food for him.
Kindergartner Karla and fourth grade pals Alondra and Claire.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Spreading love, give him presents and jokes. We would sing him songs and we would give him lots and lots and lots of very sweet and sour sweets.
Kindergartner Karla and fourth grade pals Claire and Alondra.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Tickle the Grinch.
Kindergartner Lilly and fourth grade pal Kortney.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Tell him jokes and play with him.
Kindergartner Andro and fourth grade pal Alex.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Tell him jokes, tickle his feet, steal Christmas for him. And I would teach him how to read. I would also color him a picture and I would give him money. And the best one yet, I would get him shaving cream and a shaver.
Kindergartner Hunter and fourth grade pal Kaleb.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Make a funny I's. Make a funny body. Tickle his feet. Get some better shoes. Make him brush his teeth. A Christmas hat. Do funny jokes. Have him meet Santa. Make a lot of ice.
Kindergartner Jahiem and fourth grade pal Caden.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Tell him very funny jokes like why did the pig cross the road ... because he was pigstied for a party on the other side!
Kindergartner Caleb and fourth grade pal Harrison.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Tickle his feet. Make a funny joke. Read him a funny story. Make funny faces. Show him a funny video. Should make the Grinch laugh for Christmas.
Kindergartner Brennan and fourth grade pal Brayden.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Tickle his feet and give him a big smile.
Kindergartner Nolan and fourth grade pal Mia.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Tell him jokes.
Kindergartner Emilia and fourth grade pal Andrea.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him a candy cane.
Kindergartner Whitney and fourth grade pal Jayla.



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Kindergartner Addison and fourth grade pal Jersi.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Hug him.
Kindergartner Kyler and fourth grade pal Laythin.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Make a cake for him.
Kindergartner Ethan and fourth grade pal Sam.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... I would hug him.
Kindergartner Kyla and fourth grade pal Katelyn.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him presents.
Kindergartner Lupita and fourth grade pal Alexa.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Tickle him.
Kindergartner Ajay and fourth grade pal Noah.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Make his heart bigger.
Kindergartner Francisco and fourth grade pal Axel.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would...
Kindergartner Brooklyn and fourth grade pal Jazmin.
Mrs. Rockhill's class wrote:
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... I will help him play the guitar. I will take him to a fun place, help him get a Christmas tree. I will help him eat some food.
Kindergartner Jaxson and fourth grade pal Giovanni.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Bake some cookies to give him.
Kindergartner Andrea and fourth grade pals Israel and Andy.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him food. And a house and a coat and a bone for the dog.
Kindergartner Urijah and fourth grade pal Adrian.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him a pet. Have a feast with him. Tell him that you like him. Play with him.
Kindergartner Sidney and fourth grade pal Grant.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him a shirt. Tell him a joke. Give him lots of food.
Kindergartner Brody and fourth grade pal Garrett.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him a cake and show him tricks.
Kindergartner Courtney and fourth grade pal Saray.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Say nice words. We like

grade pal Kierah.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him a high five.
Kindergartner Dilan and fourth grade pal Devin.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him a joke, read a book, give him a semi truck - a real one, give him cookies, 1,000,000 egg nogs.
Kindergartner Noah and fourth grade pal Miles.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him hot chocolate.
Kindergartner Maria and fourth grade pal Gabbi.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him a present like let him live in Whoville.
Kindergartner Spencer and fourth grade pal Drue.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Let him have some of my presents.
Kindergartner Kamden and fourth grade pal Elizabeth.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him a present.
Kindergartner Grady and fourth grade pal Devin.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him a cake.
Kindergartner Kinley and fourth grade pals Delany and Ana.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him some presents.
Kindergartner Yosmar and fourth grade pal Joseph.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Read him a nice book.
Kindergartner Hannah and fourth grade pal Trinity.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Fill his stocking! Give him lots and lots of CANDY!
Kindergartner Alivia and fourth grade pal Raegan.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him a girl he likes.
Kindergartner Callen and fourth grade pal Nate.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him presents. Give him a tree.
Kindergartner Samuel and fourth grade pal Jesus.
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him bacon.
Kindergartner Hudson and fourth grade pal Joseph.

Mrs. Heikes class:
To make the Grinch Grin, I would... Give him cheese tacos, Santa is at Disneyland, give him a red car, give him candy canes. Give

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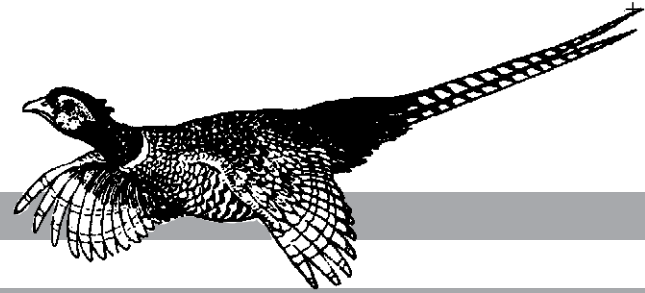
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Take care of tools this winter

We wash our hands after working in soil; however we often overlook cleaning garden tools after using them to work in soil. With a little maintenance, garden tools can be kept looking and working like new for many years.

Routine maintenance begins by removing excess soil from tools with a wire brush and/or by washing. If rust is present, remove with sandpaper or an electric drill with a wire brush or sanding attachment. Be sure to wear protective eyewear.

For winter storage, apply a light

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coating of oil such as WD-40. Store tools in a clean, dry place like a rack, shelf, or a hook on the wall. Tools with wooden parts should not be stored with the wood in contact with soil or concrete.

During the growing season, it is helpful to keep a five gallon bucket of sand on hand. One quart of engine oil can be thoroughly mixed

into the sand. After each use, insert the tool into the bucket a few times to help clean and oil it.

Sharpen tool blades to make the work of gardening easier. Tools like shovels are made of hard steel and require a file to sharpen. When sharpening, push the sharpening tool the length of the blade and away from the blade.

Don't overlook sanding wooden handles to repair or help prevent cracking and splinters. After sanding, treat the wood with linseed oil or paint handles to make them easier to see. Use spray paint or leftover paint from another project. The brighter the color, the easier it is to find tools left on the lawn or in the garden; and avoid accidentally tripping over them.

Pruning tools also need maintenance to work well and make pruning jobs easier. Rubbing alcohol or turpentine and steel wool can be used to remove sticky sap residue on cutting blades. Prior to storage, apply a light coating of oil like WD-40 on joints and exposed metal.

Sharpen pruning tools so they cut with less effort and make clean cuts that promote faster wound closure. Hand cutting tools such as pruners, loppers and hedge clippers are made of soft steel and can be sharpened with a file or hand stone.

Sharpen pruning tools assembled or disassembled. Either way, clamp the tool securely before sharpening. If the blade moves while being sharpened, severe injury could occur.

Know how to sharpen the type of pruning tool you have. Sharpening tools correctly takes some experience. Check out this on-line fact sheet from Oregon State Extension on sharpening tools. www.emastergardeners.org/10-Minute%20University/documents/2014SharpeningGardenTools.pdf

You can also watch a short video from Nebraska Extension's Sarah Browning on cleaning and sharpening tools. This can be found at extensiontv.unl.edu/v/799.

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Those taking part in the Saturday recital were (front) Brooklyn Bierbower, Faith Junck, Kate Schultz, Savannah Leseberg, Andrea Torres, Sean Hochstein, Anna Lundahl, Emily Longe, James Tompkins, James Torres, (back) Sarah Tompkins, Cole Hochstein, Sarah Wibben, Owen Frideres, Ky Kenny, Gabi Lutt, Lindy Sandoz, JoAnne Lundahl, Sylvia Jager, Kate Lundahl, Lorna Maxon, Elisabeth Torres and Emily Matthes.



Playing in the Sunday recital at Brookdale Wayne were (front) Addison Frank, Kennasyn Blecke, Will Leseberg, Sophia Spieker, (second row) Andy Wibben, Nyamalo Kantai, Alex Frank, Parker Kesting, Grace Junck, (third row) Easton Blecke, Candace Heggemeyer, Jesse Lundahl, Avery Herman, Samuel Junck, (fourth row) Kelsey Heggemeyer, Ethan Wibben, Treyton Blecke, Lepiro Kantai, Liam Spieker, (back row) Orion Spieker, Ben Sandoz, Kallan Herman and Ella Leseberg. Sedjro Agoumba was not present for the picture.

PEO Chapter meets

PEO Chapter AZ met Thursday, Dec. 3 in the home of Jean Bloomenkamp. Hostesses were Michelle Harder and Anne Liska.

A silent auction was held and many different holiday appetizers were enjoyed. Monica Jensen led the group in Christmas carols.

The next business meeting will be before the Founders Day lunch at 9:30 a.m. with the brunch/social to follow at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 23 at Miss Molly's. Chapter ID and Chapter CZ have been invited.

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Uken piano students play at two Christmas recitals

Several piano students of Mrs. Marcele Uken piano took part in Christmas recitals recently.

A recital was held at the Presbyterian Church on Saturday afternoon and a second recital was held Sunday afternoon at Brookdale Wayne.

Students playing in the Saturday afternoon recital held at the Presbyterian Church were Brooklyn Bierbower, Owen Frideres, Cole Hochstein, Sean Hochstein, Sylvia Jager, Faith Junck, Ky Kenny, Savannah Leseberg, Emily Longe, Anna Lundahl (Wakefield), JoAnne Lundahl (Wakefield), Gabi Lutt, Emily Matthes, Lorna Maxon (Laurel), Lindy Sandoz, Kate Schultz, James Tompkins, Sarah Tompkins, Andrea Torres, Elisabeth Torres, James Torres and Sarah Wibben.

Duets were played by Brooklyn Bierbower and Faith Junck, Savannah Leseberg and Emily Longe, Emily Matthes and Lindy Sandoz, James Tompkins and Sarah Tompkins, and Andrea and Elisabeth Torres.

A two piano, eight hands quartet was played by Emily Matthes and Lindy Sandoz and Andrea Torres and Elisabeth Torres, and another two piano quartet featured Faith Junck and Ky Kenny and Emily Matthes and Kate Schultz.

Sylvia Jager, Ky Kenny and Elisabeth Torres read the narration of a Christmas story.

Students playing in the Sunday recital held at Brookdale Wayne were Sedjro Agoumba, Easton Blecke, Kennasyn Blecke, Treyton Blecke, Addison Frank (Carroll), Alex Frank (Carroll), Candace Heggemeyer, Kelsey Heggemeyer, Avery Herman, Kallan Herman, Faith Junck (Carroll), Grace Junck (Carroll), Samuel Junck (Carroll), Lepiro Kantai, Nyamalo Kantai, Parker Kesting, Ella Leseberg, Will Leseberg, Jesse Lundahl, Ben Sandoz, Liam Spieker, Orion Spieker, Sophia Spieker, Andy Wibben and Ethan Wibben.

Duets were played by Easton Blecke and Treyton Blecke, Candace Heggemeyer and Kelsey Heggemeyer.

Narration of a Christmas story was read by Faith Junck, Emily Matthes and Lindy Sandoz.

Senior Center Calendar

Monday, Dec. 21: Morning Walking, 8:30 a.m.; FROG Exercises, 9:15 a.m.; Quilting; Pool; Nutrition visit with Poehلمان, 11:45 a.m.; Board meeting, 1 p.m.; Hand and Foot; Pitch.

Tuesday, Dec. 22: Morning Walking; Quilting; Deb Dickey on the piano, 11:30 a.m.; Afternoon Bridge club; Pitch.

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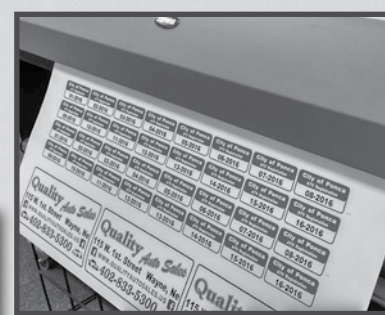


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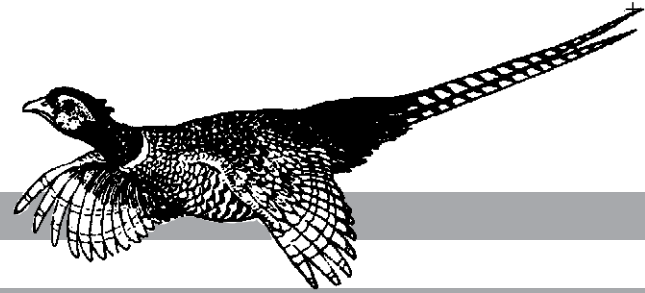
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day: Office closed. Christmas Eve
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a.m.; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Bi-

ble Class, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School
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day: Coffee Hour, 9 a.m.; Worship
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p.m. Tuesday: Bible Study at Ta-
cos & More, 6:45 a.m.; Bible Study
at Brookdale Wayne, 10:30 a.m.
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6 p.m. Sunday: Mass, 8 a.m. and
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seventh grade through W.I.N.G.S.
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mas Eve Mass, 5 p.m.; No R.C.I.A.
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mas Day Mass, 9 a.m. Parish office
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Youth Group at Allen United Meth-
odist Church for grades 7-12, 6:30-
7:30 p.m.

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mas Service, 8 a.m.

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vice, 11 a.m. Thursday: Christmas
Eve Candlelight Service, 6:30 p.m.

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Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.

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9:30 a.m. Sunday: Worship ser-
vice, 8 a.m. Tuesday: Bible Study
with Jensens at Careage in Wayne,
9 a.m. Wednesday: No Midweek
Classes. Thursday: Christmas Eve
Children's program and worship,
"Come to Bethlehem and See," 5
p.m. Friday: Christmas Day Wor-
ship, 8 a.m.

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p.m. Sunday: St. Anne's, Dixon, 8
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Saturday: Christmas Practice, 9:30
a.m. Sunday: Communion Sunday,
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day School, 10:30 a.m. Tuesday:
Bible Study with Jensens at Care-
age in Wayne, 9 a.m. Wednesday:
No Midweek Classes. Thursday:
Christmas Eve Children's Worship,
"Children Sing of Christmas," 7
p.m. Friday: Christmas Day Wor-
ship, 9:30 a.m.

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Sunday: Fellowship time, 10 a.m.;
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ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN
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Saturday: Christmas Practice,
9:30 a.m. Sunday: Morning Wor-
ship, 11 a.m.; Children's Christmas
Program, "Children Sing of Christ-
mas," 5 p.m. Tuesday: Bible Study
with Jensens at Careage in Wayne,
9 a.m. Wednesday: No Midweek
classes. Friday: Christmas Day
Worship, 11 a.m.

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Saturday: Worship with Noisy Of-
fering, 6:30 p.m. Sunday: Adult
and Youth Sunday School, 9 a.m.;
Worship with Noisy Offering, 10:30
a.m.; Worship at Wakefield Health
Care Center, 1:15 p.m.; MOP
Christmas Party, 6 p.m. Monday:
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p.m. Wednesday: Bell Choir Prac-
tice. Thursday: Salem Video on
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Christmas Eve Worship, 5 and 8
p.m. Friday: Christmas Day. Sat-
urday: Worship, 6:30 p.m.

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munion 10:30 a.m. Wednesday:
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day: Christmas Day Service, 10
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"Comfort, Comfort My People" Isaiah 40

Because of the birth of Jesus our Savior there is hope in the middle of life's trials!

You are invited to attend the Blue Christmas Service at Grace Lutheran Church Monday, December 21, 2015 7:00 P.M.

Anyone from the Wayne or surrounding communities is welcome to come to the service and light a "remembrance candle" for your loved one/trouble, receive gift prayer shawl, visit with Stephen Ministers, and fellowship with others over refreshments!

Open House for Pastor Dale Topp 70th birthday Beemer Ballroom Saturday, December 19 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. No gifts please

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Making this an 'Oasis of Mercy' in 2016

I don't know if many of you have heard this yet, but Pope Francis has declared this the year of mercy. It officially began Dec. 8, this year's Catholic feast of the Immaculate Conception. It will close on Nov. 20, 2016, the day celebrated as the feast of Christ the King.

Pope Francis has powerfully called on the entire Catholic church to refashion itself as a place not of judgment or condemnation, but of pardon and merciful love. He has said that "Perhaps we have long since forgotten how to show and live the way of mercy – the time has come for the Church to take up the joyful call to mercy once more. It is time to return to the basics and to bear the weaknesses and struggles of our brothers and sisters. Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."

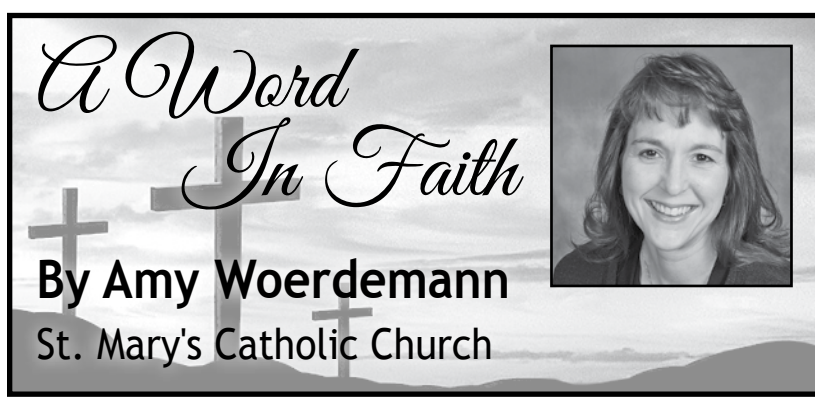
I will admit that I have somewhat of a Pope crush. I absolutely love this man! He is truly about showing love and compassion to everyone no matter where they are in life. I have had many non-Catholics say to me that they really admire Pope Francis and all that he has done and said.

Ok, so many of you may be thinking well this is great that the Pope and the Catholic church have declared this a year of mercy, but what does this really mean for those of who aren't Catholic – how does it really affect us? I truly believe that Pope Francis wants all people to come together as one somehow, and I'm going to do my best to give some ideas on how all of us can embrace this declared year of mercy.

Love and Forgive

First, we need to set time aside each day to reflect on ourselves. We cannot "love our neighbors as ourselves" until we can truly love and forgive ourselves.

I know that, for myself, this will be the toughest journey for me. I know that I need to look inward to



ward the pain and guilt of all I feel I have done wrong and instead of beating myself up – I need to turn to Jesus. I need to imagine standing before Jesus and pouring out all of my pain and hurt, and then imagine his response. I need to visualize his loving eyes of compassion – ones without condemnation or judgment. I know that he isn't telling me that I can continue to make mistakes and do wrong everyday, but he sees what is in my heart. He sees that I want to be a good person.

Once I can start to love and forgive myself, I need to try and pour the love Jesus has shown me toward others. If all of you could try to do one thing this year in communion with people around the world – would you try to love and forgive yourself and then pour that love out toward others?

Mending Fences or Building Bridges

How many of us have people in our lives that we have hurt or wronged? How many of us feel that we have people who have hurt or wronged us? Let us take this year and try to mend fences with those who we have hurt or who have hurt us.

It isn't easy to ask for forgiveness or to forgive, but somehow we have to try. The longer we harbor grudges against others, the darker our hearts become. I know it isn't easy to imagine what Jesus would do –

please try.

We can do this in baby steps. Perhaps each month, think of someone who you have wronged or who you believe has wronged you and try to mend fences with them. This will not be easy, and it can be the most humbling of all experiences, but once those walls of resentment are broken down – I truly believe we can all feel better in our hearts.

Pope Francis describes mercy as a bridge. "Mercy is that bridge that connects God and all humanity, opening our hearts to the hope of being loved forever despite our sinfulness." Perhaps a motto for the year could be to "build a bridge and get over it."

I know that I am going to have to read this article again and again to try and "get over" the wrongs of the past, but if I am ever to have a brighter and healthier future I must build those bridges of mercy with myself, others and God.

Helping Those in Need

Pope Francis stated "It is my burning desire that, during this Jubilee, the Christian people may reflect on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. It will be a way to reawaken our conscience, too often grown dull in the face of poverty. And let us enter more deeply into the heart of the Gospel where the poor have a special experience of God's mercy. Jesus introduces us to these works of mercy in his preaching so that

we can know whether or not we are living as his disciples. Let us rediscover these corporal works of mercy: to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, heal the sick, visit the imprisoned, and bury the dead. And let us not forget the spiritual works of mercy: to counsel the doubtful, instruct the ignorant, admonish sinners, comfort the afflicted, forgive offences, bear patiently those who do us ill, and pray for the living and the dead."

What are some ways that we can all embrace these works of mercy? We have many opportunities just in our community that we can help those who are in need. We have several food banks, coat closets, etc. We also have a ministerial association (WACAM) that provides monthly financial support to those who need help with utilities, rent, medication, etc. If you want to help with any of those I encourage you to contact your local church and find out how you can help or donate your time.

What about visiting people at the nursing homes? You would be amazed at how just a few moments with someone will brighten their lives but brighten yours even more.

I am excited to see what fruits can come of this year of mercy. We are fortunate to live in a town that is so loving and compassionate, but unfortunately not all of the world is like this. Will you help me in showing love, compassion, and mercy to everyone you encounter? We won't know the true impact that this will have, but I know in my heart that only good will come from it.

I will leave you with some more beautiful words from Pope Francis: "In our parishes, communities, associations and movements, in a word, wherever there are Christians, everyone should find an oasis of mercy."

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Blue Christmas service at Grace Lutheran

A Blue Christmas Service will be held at Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne on Monday, Dec. 21 at 7 p.m. Following the service, there will be snacks and fellowship time.

The service, focusing on the promises of God, is more quiet and meditative than traditional Christmas Services. There is a time during the service when anyone can light a remembrance light in memory of

a loved one or other item of sorrow, and at the conclusion of the service, home-knitted prayer shawls are given as gifts.

For those who have suffered the loss of a loved one or other loss, the words of Elvis Presley's classic "Blue Christmas" express a very real pain that is felt during a season marked by joy and celebration. The feeling of loss, during the time

when the world says "to celebrate and party", makes the season extra difficult for many, and that is why the Stephen Ministers of Grace are sponsoring this Blue Christmas Service.

This is the 10th year that the service is being sponsored by the Stephen Ministers of Grace Lutheran Church. Each year the service and fellowship time has touched specif-

ic people in a special way as God's promises are heard and people make a connection with others who care.

The service is open to the public, and for anyone feeling "blue" this Christmas there is a special invitation to come. Stephen Ministers will be available at the conclusion of the service to offer encouragement.

Anyone who has a friend or relative who is "blue" this Christmas, is asked to invite and bring them to the Blue Christmas Service on Dec. 21 at 7 p.m.

Children poisonings rise during holidays

The holiday season is a wonderful and exciting time of the year but it can also be a dangerous time.

Research shows that the number of poisoning incidents involving children rises during the holiday season. During the hustle and bustle of the holidays it is easy to overlook items in the home that could cause a poisoning. The Nebraska Poison Center would like to offer a few tips on how to make this "the most wonderful time of the year."

– Visiting relatives may bring their medications. Over 50 percent of the calls to the Poison Center involve medications. NEVER leave medications on a nightstand – make sure to store them up and out of reach.

Grace Lutheran Ladies' Aid conducts Christmas Luncheon

On Dec. 9 President Rhonda Sebade welcomed 14 members, 15 guests and Pastors Feldmann and Lilienkamp to the annual Christmas Luncheon.

Pastor Feldmann gave a brief devotion, based on a small bag of snacks, called Christmas Blessings. A bounteous meal was enjoyed by all present.

After eating, the LWML pledge was recited in unison followed by the monthly Mission Grant story while mites were collected. Vice-President Ellen Heinemann led a Christmas devotion entitled "Serving a Cup of Christmas" by Julie Bettencourt. Four members shared on Cups of cheer, love, memories

– Disc batteries may be found in games, watches, remotes and musical greeting cards. If swallowed they can become lodged and cause serious injury or death if not removed. In 2014, poison centers were consulted on nearly 94,000 cases of foreign body and/or disc battery ingestion.

– Alcohol is found in holiday drinks and in gifts such as perfume and cologne. It is important to clean up immediately following all holiday parties. Remove all items that may contain alcohol and keep out of reach of small children. Last year, poison centers managed approximately 11,000 cases of alcohol exposure in children under six years of age. Remember to empty all ash-

and hope.

Bonnadell Koch played the piano as the group sang their favorite Christmas hymns.

The birthday song was sung for Bonnadell Koch (November) and December birthday members Rhonda Sebade, Esther Brader, Milly Thomsen and guest Arlene Bennett while lighted cupcakes were presented to those present.

Next month's meeting will be Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2016 at Brookdale Wayne with Rhonda Sebade as hostess.

After a closing prayer, cookie trays were packed up to deliver to shut-ins.

trays and keep e-cigarette devices and refills out of reach of children – it only takes a small amount to send a child to the hospital.

– Lamp oil in candle lamps is frequently used this time of year. These fuels look like pretty beverages to small children but can cause serious consequences if swallowed. Aroma and fragrance oils commonly used during holidays smell good and attract small children, but can cause vomiting and seizures in large amounts.

– Keep small children and animals away from seasonal plants such as mistletoe, holly berries, yew plants and poinsettias. Poinsettias are not toxic but in large amounts may cause an upset stomach.

– Be mindful of icicles or tinsel as both can be a choking hazard if swallowed. Snow sprays help with holiday décor, but the pressurized container may cause eye damage if sprayed directly in the eye. Older tree ornaments may contain lead paint – be sure to keep these out of reach of small children. Last year, poison centers managed roughly 6,500 cases involving toys and ornaments.

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Community Club Calendars
 Although we are a small town, it is surprising how many changes are made in just two years. The last calendar was printed in 2014 and many new names have been added while others deleted.

Keep up with birthdays, anniversaries, business hours, and meetings by purchasing a 2016 community calendar. The calendars are available at a cost of \$10 at the gas station, bank, and village office.

This project is sponsored by the Allen Community Club. A new year will soon be here, and a new 2016 community calendar with many new names is an ideal gift.

Trash Pick Up
 Due to the upcoming holiday season, trash pick-up with be on Thursday, Dec. 24 instead of Friday, Dec. 25. Also there will be trash pick-up on Thursday, Dec. 31 instead of Friday, Jan. 1. Any questions is asked to call the Village Office.

School Lunch Menu
 Friday, Dec. 18: Breakfast —

Pancake & sausage. Lunch — Hot & Spicy chicken patty on a bun, baked beans.

Monday, Dec. 21 - Friday, Dec. 25: NO SCHOOL.

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, salad bar. Salad bar may include the following options: Fresh lettuce, fresh spinach, carrots/celery, tomatoes, diced eggs, bean variety, cucumbers, fruit variety.

Senior Center Menu
Friday, Dec. 18: Brunch at 8:30 a.m. Biscuits and gravy, ham slice, grape juice, peaches.
Monday, Dec. 21: Hot beef, baked fries, peas, oranges, cheese slice.
Tuesday, Dec. 22: Goulash, garlic bread, corn, lettuce salad, apple-sauce.
Wednesday, Dec. 23: Brunch at 8:30 a.m. — Biscuits and gravy, ham slice, tomato juice, pineapple.
Thursday, Dec. 24: Closed for holiday.
Friday, Dec. 25: Closed for holiday.

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Saturday, Dec. 19: Norma Warner, Abby Rastede, Joyce French.
Sunday, Dec. 20: Brian & Rebecca Johnson (A), Darwin & Judy Nice (A).
Monday, Dec. 21: Marcy Roeber, Dale Smith, Haley Stapleton, Jennifer Moore, Michael Bock.
Tuesday, Dec. 22: Mark Coenen, Tori Lubberstedt, Barb Uehling, Chase Kallsen, Sherry Stallbaum, Rachel Angle.
Wednesday, Dec. 23: Kris Gensler, Austin Connot, Devin Reinert, Harold & Chris Isom (A), Densil & Muriel Moseman (A), Donald & Brenda Graves (A), Steve & Susan Von Minden (A).
Thursday, Dec. 24: Mariah Kramer, Daniel Sullivan, Jim Cutting.
Friday, Dec. 25: Shari Black, Joshua Haislip, Kevin Hill, Kathy Wilmes.

Community Calendar
Friday, Dec. 18: Brunch at Senior Center, 8:30 a.m.; Blood Pressure Checks, 8:15 a.m.; Springbank Library hours 8 a.m.-12 p.m.; End of first semester; no school for elementary; semester tests; early dismissal, 1 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 19: Springbank Library hours 8 a.m.-12 p.m.; Variety wrestling at Osmond Tournament, 10 a.m.; NO JVG/JVB (2 QUARTERS)/VG/VB at Lyons-Decatur Northeast, 2 p.m.; St. Mary's Catholic Church (Laurel), 6 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 20: St. Paul Lutheran Church, 8 a.m.; St. Anne's Catholic Church (Dixon), 8 a.m.; First Lutheran Church, 9 a.m.; United Methodist Church, 9 a.m.; St. Michael's Catholic Church (Coleridge) 10 a.m.
Monday, Dec. 21: Exercise Class at Senior Center, 9 a.m.; No School - Christmas break.
Tuesday, Dec. 22: No School - Christmas break.
Wednesday, Dec. 23: Springbank Library hours 2-6 p.m.; Exercise Class at Senior Center, 9 a.m.; No School - Christmas break, NSAA practice moratorium.
Thursday, Dec. 24: No school - Christmas break; NSAA practice moratorium; Senior Center closed.
 Friday, Dec. 25: Christmas Day; No school - Christmas break; NSAA practice moratorium; Senior Center closed.

Martinsburg minister to lead trip to Germany

The Rev. Klaus Raab will lead a trip to Germany in the summer of 2016 that will trace Martin Luther's steps during the Reformation 500 years ago.

Rev. Raab is the pastor of Martinsburg's Trinity Lutheran Church and a lecturing professor at Wayne State College in Wayne. He hopes to get 30-40 people to sign up for the trip, which will trace some of the events that led to the beginnings of the Protestant Church.

Among the stops on the trip will be to Wittenberg, the town where Luther nailed his famous "95 Theses" to the door of the Castle Church. Luther started the Protestant Reformation when he questioned the teachings of the Catholic Church.

In addition to the historical sites connected to the Reformation, the tour will allow those attending to view European architecture, including castles; take German cuisines and explore the city of Berlin.

The Rev. Raab will serve as the local host of the tour and share information on the different churches and castles of Luther's time.

Tostad Tours is the organizer of the tour and a brochure on the trip can be downloaded from rostad.com

The tour is set for July 21-Aug. 2.

VFW Auxiliary holds December 8 meeting

The VFW Auxiliary Post 5291 met Dec. 8 at the Wayne Senior Center meeting room.

President Glennadine Barked called the regular meeting to order. Opening ceremonies were conducted according to ritual and open prayer was read by Chaplain Janet Fuoss.

The November minutes were approved as read. The treasurer's report was filed for audit.

Communications were read, including excerpts from the December 2015 "Batter Up!" including the official Nebraska visitation of National President Francisca Guilford. The department per capita will increase on Jan. 1, 2016 and holiday greeting were received from the Department Officers. A thank you was received from the Nebraska Veterans Home and information was shared from the VFW National Home.

Everyone was encouraged to remember a veteran during the Christmas holidays.

Members presented donated items for the Wayne Food Pantry.

The Mid-Winter Conference is scheduled for Feb. 4-6, 2016 in Lincoln.

Closing ceremonies were conducted according to ritual. Chaplain Janet Fuoss read the Closing Prayer.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8, 2016.

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From volleyball to Christmas concerts - December is busy

First, I have to comment on the fact that the Final Four Volleyball Tournament returns to Omaha this week, and Nebraska will be there. Plus, there is no team from the West Coast in it; Kansas effectively took care of that on Saturday night.

Then, I have to comment on the fact that Wayne State gals got past their old nemesis, Concordia-St. Paul, and got to the semi-finals for the first time ever, as did Creighton. It's been an exciting month for us fans, especially when we reflect on how many Nebraska gals play on those teams.

When Terry Pettit first came to NU to start a volleyball program, the girls on the team put up the nets and got out folding chairs for parents and a few other interested people to sit on. Now, they play on Terry Pettit Court, in front of 7,000 fans! And the Century Link Center is sold out. Thank goodness for television.

Speaking of that, we watched both Dani's and Jace's games on the



The Farmer's Wife
By: Pat Meierhenry

computer on Friday. All of Norris High's games will be on YouTube this year. And some of the three Norfolk schools are video streamed, courtesy of the Norfolk Daily. We even get an announcer, and can see

the clock and the score board. What a treat for grandparents.

Last week, our church choir joined with the bells, the brass, and the praise band to present a Scripture and Song service; I guess it's like the traditional Carols and Verse. But what a thrill to sing Joy to the World accompanied by ALL of that, including the percussion. One person told us it was the perfect antidote to all that was happening in the world today. We need more antidotes!

On Saturday, about thirty of us broke into small groups to carol to our shut ins; there are 28 people our visitation pastor sees on a regular basis. One member likes to ask them what their favorite memories of Christmas are; that day, every one mentioned the sacks that were handed out on Christmas Eve after they had performed for the congregation. In those sacks were peanuts, a few walnuts, an apple, an orange, and some chocolates. I wonder of this tradition is carried out any-

where anymore? Of course, someone pointed out that we certainly could not put peanuts in; where do all these allergies come from?

And last night, I heard the Norris High School band and choir sing all kinds of Christmas music, even the funny Twelve Days After Christmas! If you have not heard this cute little ditty, put it in your search engine, it will make you laugh.

The tradition there is to end with the Hallelujah Chorus, and inviting all those who want to sing along to do so. I still have trouble singing that without music, mostly because I learned the alto part & want to sing the soprano! It was goose bumpy to hear a great crowd of young voices, accompanied by a huge symphonic band. It's the power of music to really help us feel the Christmas spirit. I'm playing my Mannheim Steamroller CD right now! And, if you are seeing the new Star Wars movie this weekend, may the Force be with you!

Reinke Recognizes Grossenburg Implement with Gold Pride Award

Reinke has recognized Grossenburg Implement, with locations in Wayne and Bloomfield, with a Gold Reinke Pride award in recognition of the company's marketing year success. The Reinke dealership was honored during Reinke's recent annual convention held in November in Dallas, Texas.

"We congratulate Grossenburg Implement on this well-deserved award," said Reinke Director of Marketing Tom Palmertree. "We appreciate their ongoing commitment to Reinke and to their agricultural community."

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Meetings scheduled, ice removal important

This is a heads up to remind you that the University of Nebraska cooperates with a lot of agencies regarding certification for, among other things, Private Pesticide and Commercial Pesticide Applicator certification, and Chemigation Certification. These training-certification meetings usually occur in or around late January through early March, so be aware that shortly you will be receiving letters from Nebraska Extension, the State Department of Agriculture, or the State Department Environmental Quality regarding these meetings.

If you are already licensed and your certificate is about to expire, you will get a reminder from the state of Nebraska. We will also be sending out reminders from our county offices. Please save the private pesticide applicator letter from the state. It has a bar code that will exempt you from filling out the dreaded blue form, which for many, is the most difficult part of the training. If you are a first timer interested in becoming certified, contact your local extension office for more information. More information will be coming in the next few news articles.



Ag Happenings
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ing above and below the freezing point. This is a stressful situation for landscape plants, lawns, and trees, which would prefer a situation where temperatures would remain below freezing so they could go into full dormancy for the winter. Our climate appears to be getting warmer overall, so we need to be thinking about how we change our practices in the future.

Here are a few things about keeping your landscape a little healthier through the winter months. With

little or no snow on the ground it is tempting to walk or park on turf during the winter. Foot or vehicle traffic on frosted or frozen turf can cause cosmetic damage; resulting in foot prints, pathways or tire tracks across the turf that may not recover until late in the spring. Remember that unlike actively growing grass, dormant grass does not have the capability to recover until growth resumes. Even now when we still have green grass the temperatures are too low for recovery. So keep off the grass as much as possible where you want to have the best view.

We are inevitably going to get some more ice, but be aware that de-icing salt applied to surfaces may run off and enter soil or be splashed onto nearby vegetation. I am anti-salt and prefer to shovel my driveway thoroughly and wait for the sun to help me out. However, I know there are certain areas that need to use de-icers for safety reasons.

In soil, salts reduce the availability of water to plants, and significantly increase water stress during spring and summer. This effect has been referred to as chemical drought. Salts splashed directly on foliage may burn and kill the affected parts, or entire plants. This is often observed where salts from

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Alvin & Janet would like to thank our friends and family for the cards, gifts, food and flowers received for our anniversary and for attending our party. A great big thank you to our children, grand children and great grand children. It was a wonderful day.
Alvin & Janet Anderson

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE WAYNE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
The Community Redevelopment Authority will meet at 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday, December 29, 2015, in the Council Chambers, 306 Pearl Street. An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office.
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Betty A. McGuire, City Clerk
(Publ. Dec. 17, 2015) ZNEZ

VILLAGE OF WINSIDE BOARD PROCEEDINGS
December 7, 2015
Winside, Nebraska
The Board of Trustees of the Village of Winside, Nebraska met in regular session on Monday, December 7, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in the library meeting room. Present were Chairperson Watters; Trustees Peter, Carlson, and Lemke with Edwards arriving later. Visitors were Kevin Cleveland and Patty Wurdemann.
Action taken by the Board included:
1. Approved November Special meeting minutes
2. Accepted November Treasurer's report
3. Approved adding of vision & dental to ins options
4. Appointed JEO Consulting Village engineers for 2016
5. Appointed Terry Mead of JEO Consulting Village Street Supt
6. Verified that Terry Mead of JEO Consulting was Street Supt for 2015
7. Approved the utility easements drawn up by JEO & Jeff Hrouda
8. Property at 408 Whitten was to be repaired by May 1st
The following claims were approved for payment: Payroll, 6,608.15; Wayne Herald, ex, 83.53; Backus Sand & Gravel, ex, 1,481.28; NNTC, ex, 398.86; Dept of Energy, ex, 5959.30; Post Office, ex, 66.95; Farmers Coop, ex, 355.05; Creamer Auction, ref, 120.00; Schmader Electric, ex, 15,650.00; Western Office, ex, 3.99; Wayne Herald, ex, 129.54; Platte Valley Communications, ex, 110.00; Menards, ex, 585.54; Dearborn National, ex, 106.64; NAPA Auto, ex, 457.79; Jeffrey Hrouda, ex, 1,698.72; Farmers Coop, ex, 630.28; Feld Fire, ex, 70.00; Bomgaars, ex, 190.85; Carharts, ex, 12.12; City of Wayne, ex, 126.67; DnT Repair, ex, 147.00; Source Gas, ex, 222.00; Warnemunde Ins, ex, 8,789.25; Utility Fund, ex, 1,708.73; NNTC, ex, 481.36; City of Norfolk, ex, 521.35; Dept of Energy, ex, 7,151.09; Waste Connections, ex, 2,788.40; Murphy Tractor Equipment, ex, 1,162.75; Cornhusker, ex, 115.43; Sargent Drilling, ex, 225.00; Schmader Electric, ex, 12,293.00; The Store, ex, 36.02; Northeast NE Public Power, ex, 8,386.88; DHHS, ex, 115.00; Petty Cash, ex, 31.76; NE DEQ, ex, 67.26; Kevin Gothier, reim, 851.72; Citizens Bank, ex, 196.67; MCI, ex, 26.51; JEO Consulting, ex, 5,487.50; NE PHE Lab, ex, 15.00; Carol Brugger, reim, 621.43; Acco Invoice, ex, 135.00; Kevin Cleveland, reim, 798.62; Madison Co. Bank, ex, 66.38; Wayne Co. Bank, ex, 59,285.72; IRS, tax, 3,015.93.
The meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.
The Board of Trustees of the Village of Winside, Nebraska will meet in regular session on Monday, January, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the library meeting room. The meeting will be open to the public and an agenda for such meeting kept continuously current is available for inspection at the office of the Village Clerk of said Village.
Teresa Watters, Chairperson
Attest:
Carol M. Brugger, clerk
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