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Board discusses \$18 million bond issue

Special work session draws crowd to lecture hall

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

About 60 residents sat in on a special work session of the Wayne Board of Education Wednesday in the Hahn Lecture Hall as board members discussed feedback they have received regarding a proposed \$18 million bond issue.

Board members offered their thoughts on the information presented, and while the board expressed appreciation for the comments received from constituents, there was a sense of hesitation at pursuing a resolution that would set a bond issue for a vote during the May 10 primary.

That's not to say there weren't concerns about the current needs of the district, particularly in areas such as locker rooms and a building to bring the recently-opened preschool on to district property.

No public comment was taken at the meeting, as the meeting was called to give board members an opportunity to express their thoughts and concerns in a public setting.

Rod Garwood, who said he was not seeking a third term on the board this fall, said the state of Nebraska is woefully inadequate when it comes to spending money on education, and said he could certainly see where concerned agriculture land owners in the dis-

trict were coming from when they expressed concerns about the financial impact a bond issue might have on their property taxes.

"The problem is, if you look at how education is financed (in Nebraska), Nebraska has almost abdicated that responsibility. We're 49th in spending in education, and it leaves only one way to finance schools or buildings, and that's (through) property tax. It's the only tax we have."

Dr. Jeryl Nelson agreed, adding that he was glad to hear from farmers in the district.

"I do understand that some are having trouble breaking even and that it's a tough time right now. I think the property tax situation is a mess, but it's something that's beyond my control," he said.

Board member Scott Hammer said that he'd like to see the district put together a relations committee that was geared toward agriculture that would give the board a chance to have more discussions with area farmers.

Board members also noted, however, that there are several pressing issues the district needs to face, most notably with its substandard locker rooms.

"I've had two girls go through the system, and we have a con-

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(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Dr. Jeryl Nelson shares his thoughts on the proposed \$18 million school bond issue as board members Ken Jorgensen and Wendy Consoli listen.

LONGTIME WRESTLING COACH RETIRES AT WINSIDE

After 39 years, Sok says it's time

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

Last Monday morning, Sok arrived to school early and sat in his office with a piece of paper and a pencil.

After a super-tough D-2 district tournament, one that included five of the top six teams in the state, left the Wildcats with just four qualifiers for the state tournament, he began to list the pluses and minuses between continuing on in a position he has held for 35 of the last 36 years (minus a one-year trip to teach and coach in Maine) or making the decision to step aside.

"I ended up with way more pluses for retiring," he said.

Wednesday morning, he went into the office of Winside Public Schools superintendent Mike Shoff and informed him of his intention to step down as the longtime coach of the Wildcat program, effective after Saturday's final day of the 2016 Nebraska State Wrestling Championships.

Sok built a traditional wrestling powerhouse in Nebraska during his time in Winside. The Wildcats, well-known for their traditional red and white-pinstriped uniforms that their wrestlers wore in the finals every third Saturday in February were perennial top 10 teams in Class D, winning the state title in 2005 and posting runner-up finishes in 1982, 1990, 1991, 2001, 2003 and 2004.

Sok has also coached the bulk of Winside's 36 state wrestling champions. A total of 27 Wildcats have had their hands raised on championship Saturday during Sok's tenure, starting with Brian Foote's back-to-back state titles in 1980 and 1981. He had a three-time champion in Bo Brummels, who won his third title as part of Sok's lone championship team, and had his last champion in 2014 when Marcos Escalera won a state title.

For all his success on the wrestling mat, Sok always thought he'd be a basketball player growing up on a small farm near Craig.

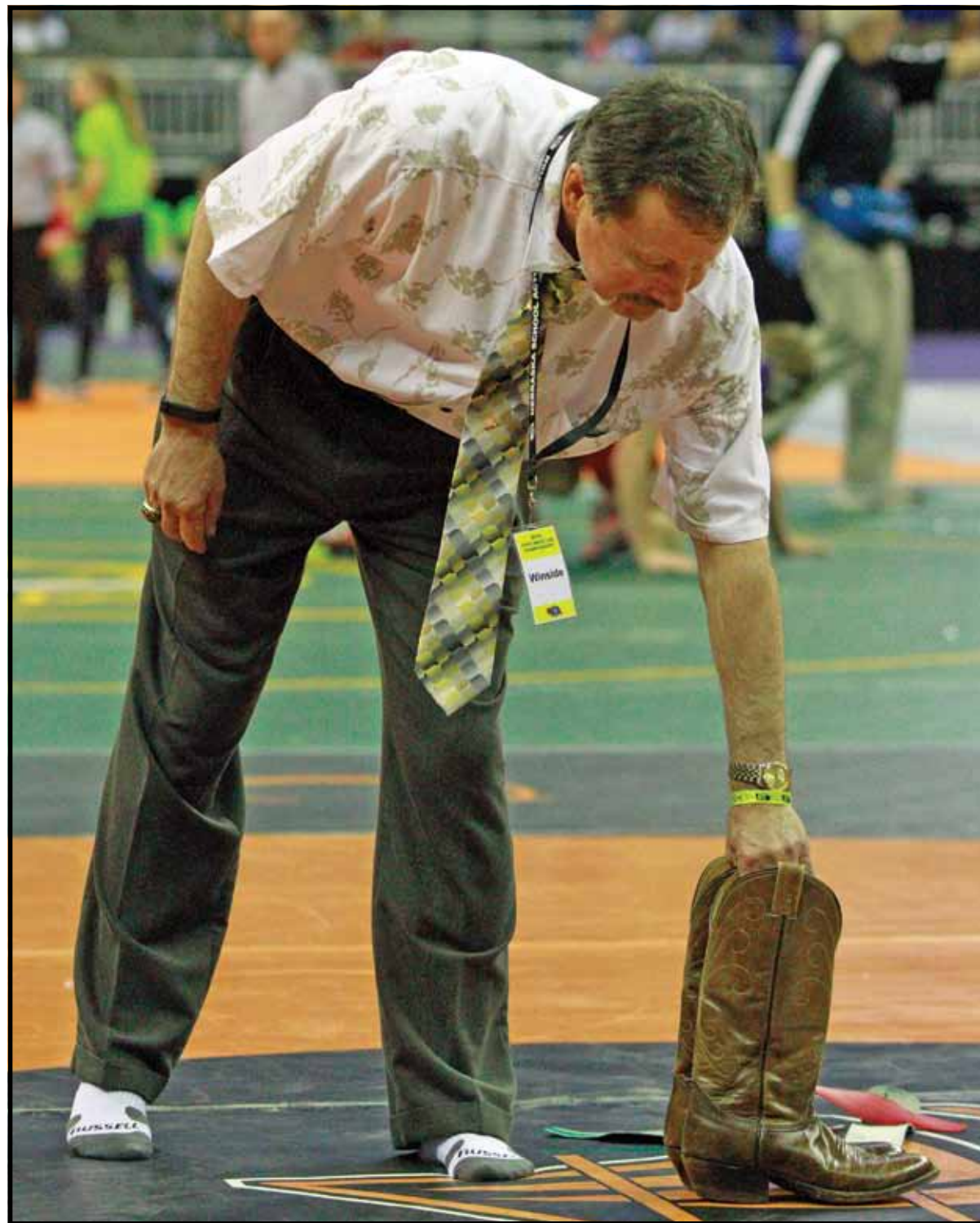
Sok had enjoyed the game of basketball and said he had developed into a pretty good ball handler, but there was one small problem.

"When I was in junior high, I had six classmates who were already over 6 feet tall and I was 4-foot-9 and 90 pounds," he said.

On the advice of his PE instructor, Sok tried wrestling and managed to make the Oakland-Craig varsity roster as a freshman, inheriting the 107-pound spot when the starter broke his arm. After a 6-7 freshman season, he went 19-2 and lost in the first round at the state tournament in the old UNL Coliseum, back in the days when the tournament was a single-elimination format.

After his mom and dad scraped up enough money to send him to an Iowa State wrestling camp, Sok came back and won state titles in 1972 and 1973 and competed in AAU freestyle competition that took him to parts of Central America. He wrestled for two years on scholarship at McCook Community College, then got an offer to wrestle from

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(Photo by Michael Carnes)

In the sport of wrestling, a wrestler leaving his shoes in the middle of the mat signifies his retirement from competition. Winside coach Paul Sok left his boots on the mat at the state tournament to announce his retirement after 35 years as the Wildcat coach.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Local businessman Lou Bencoter has thrown his hat in the ring for the District 17 seat in the Nebraska Legislature.

Bencoter to run for Legislature

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

The race for the District 17 seat in the Nebraska Legislature has become a three-candidate race with a local face entering the race.

Wayne businessman Louis Bencoter told The Wayne Herald that he will be running for the seat that will be vacated by current Sen. Dave Bloomfield, who will be leaving at the end of 2016 due to term limits. Bencoter joins Ardel Bengtson of South Sioux City and Joni Albrecht of Thurston as candidate for the seat, meaning that the District 17 race will be on the ballot for the May 10 primary.

Bencoter, 60, said he had been considering a run for the spot for some time.

"If I'm going to do it, now's the time," he

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(Photo by Clara Osten)

Jim Crandall with the University of Nebraska talks to Wakefield residents about a recent survey regarding a grocery store in town.

Future of grocery store in Wakefield discussed

By CLARA OSTEN
Of The Herald

Stressing the fact that "we have a lot of work to do yet and nothing has been decided," Jim Crandall, Cooperative Developmental Center of Outreach Coordinator with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln spoke to a group of Wakefield residents on Monday evening.

Crandall, who is a part of the Rural Business Development department, has been working with a committee of community members on developing ideas regarding bringing a grocery store to the community.

Approximately 60 residents were in attendance at the meeting in which Crandall shared information on the time line since the closing of the Fair Store late last fall. It included the creation of a volunteer steering committee and the developing of a survey for community residents to indicate what they would like to see in a grocery store in the community.

Surveys were compiled on Jan. 25. A total of 375 surveys were submitted, either on paper or via email.

Crandall shared the list of questions asked on the survey and the responses.

These include: "Is a store important?, How much do you spend at the grocery store per week? How many members are in your household? How much of a commitment do you have to shop locally? What store hours would you like to see? and Where would you like to see the store located?"

In tabulating the survey results, 86 percent of the respondents said having a store is important or very important. Thirty-eight percent said they spend \$50 to \$100 per week on groceries and 38 percent said they would spend 50 to 75 percent of their grocery dollars at a community store while another 25 percent said they would spend 75 to 100 percent at the community store.

Among the items that residents would like to see at a store are a fresh meat counter, a deli and bakery.

There was no consensus on either store hours or having

the store open on Sunday.

The majority (52 percent) of those responding to the survey indicated they would like to see the store on Main Street, while 27 percent said they would prefer a highway location.

Following the sharing of survey information, Crandall presented information on what is next for the community.

He listed five items that the committee will need to complete before moving the project forward.

These include:

1. Creating a financial and written business plan.
2. Dealing with the legal and accounting aspects of the business.
3. Exploring facility possibilities, including looking at updates and changes necessary in an existing building.
4. Establishing marketing and advertising plans.
5. Finding a wholesaler that fits the community's needs.

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Sok Retires

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Nebraska.

"My old high school coach was going to be a grad assistant at Wayne State and they offered me a scholarship, and I thought it would be fun to coach wrestling," Sok said, adding that he changed his major from teaching agriculture to teaching science.

After graduating, Sok landed at Sandhills High School in Dunning, taking over a relatively new program that had yet to win a dual. In fact, only a couple of wrestlers had even won a match.

"I thought I knew a lot about coaching wrestling and was going to come out of college and kick the world's butt, but little did I know there were 200-some other coaches in the state who had the same thing on their minds," he said.

After qualifying his first wrestler for state, Harrison High School encouraged him to move and become their coach. The transition was made easier in the fact that he could teach the classes he was trained to teach - biology - rather than the math classes he was teaching at Sandhills.

In two years at Harrison, Sok had a pair of state champions, one of whom beat a kid from Winside. As fate would have it, that Wildcat - Brian Foote - would become Sok's first state champion at Winside when he took the job in time for the 1979-80 school year.

"I was content out at Harrison, but I'd been working with the AAU team out of Lincoln and I thought it would be nice to move east and be closer to that," he said. "I heard that Larry Bockelman was going to retire at Wisner, so I'd set up an interview there and I'd also heard that Winside had an opening for science, football, volleyball and wrestling."

After meeting with then-superintendent Al Schlueter, Sok was offered the Winside job, knowing that he was all but set to take over at Wisner. When Bockelman reconsidered his retirement and decided to stay, Sok said yes to Winside.

Sok took over a program that had already won two state titles and kept it among the elite in Class D, posting a runner-up finish in 1982 and coaching five state champions. It was a chance look at a pamphlet that had information about a coaching position at a prep school in Maine, however, that got Sok to thinking about making another move.

"I sent some info out there thinking they'd never get back to me, and three days later the director of the school called and all but offered me the job on the phone," Sok said. "Kim (his wife) and I flew out there and they made a tremendous offer, but after we moved out there it wasn't all that it seemed."

Sok said the world of prep schools in the eastern United States was a far cry away from his Midwest roots. Fortunately, after talking with Don Leyton over the holiday break, an opportunity to come back home was offered and he returned to Winside in the summer of 1987.

And he hasn't left since.

Sok's success with the Winside wrestling program can be seen on the walls of the hallway just outside the gymnasium.

Winside's athletic "wall of fame" that includes all-state athletes and individual state champions is dominated by wrestlers who have competed under Sok's guidance. In addition to the 27 state champions are wrestlers who earned medals at state, a tradition that has been an almost constant part of Winside's success.

Six of seven trophies Sok has won at state were runner-up trophies, but the 2005 Class D state championship team was probably the most special of the 35 he coached at Winside.

"I've had some teams that have been really close and some who were really talented, but this bunch stuck together like fleas on a dog, and it was just the ultimate team experience," he said. "They had a bond that wasn't going to be broken, and everybody just fed off the other person. The 1991 team had the season pin record and they've all been fun, but that 2005 team could really compete."

Almost 30 Winside wrestlers won 100 career matches and Escalera became the school's first 150-match winner. As to who the best wrestler in Winside history during Sok's tenure was - that's a question Sok said is impossible to answer.

"I've been blessed with a lot of great wrestlers, and when you're as small a school as we are, that's a pretty good accomplishment," he said. "There have been arguments at the bar downtown (about who the best wrestler is) and my wife had to chase away a couple of wrestlers who stopped by the house late one night to ask me who the better wrestler was."

That there is such discussion



(Photos by Michael Carnes)

Whether he's coaching (top, with Cory Shoff and assistant Jesse Thies), consoling (middle, after a tough loss) or congratulating (above, with Marcos Escalera after winning his third-place match, in 39 years of coaching, including 35 with the Wildcats.

"Wrestling is more than a sport in Winside: it's a passion, and it's nice to tell somebody you're from Winside and they say 'Oh, that's the town that always has good wrestling.' . . . I think I know it's time to go. I think there are people who would disagree, but I'm not leaving anything that I should have done that I didn't do. It's time."

- Paul Sok, Winside wrestling coaching on stepping down after 35 years as the Wildcats' coach

about the sport speaks to the passion the community has for wrestling, something Sok has been proud to be a part of.

"It's a tough sport because you're out there by yourself and you need to make a commitment to work hard to be a success, but people here seem to jump into the conversation and have an interest in the sport, and with the success of the youth program that (former state champion) John Thies runs, there are a lot of things that have pulled this community together and helped make wrestling what it is here. It's a community effort that makes it work."

Sok, 61, said he has been contemplating retirement from the coaching ranks for the last three years, and a combination of events ultimately led to his decision. "I had a hip replaced a year ago, and that bothered me because I like to get in there and get a feel for what the guys are doing on the mat," he said. "I've been doing that for 35 years, but after that I began talking with a few people about maybe giving up the coaching and just focus on teaching."

This year's Wildcat team has suffered more than its share of injuries, and Sok admitted that the frustration that comes with that has taken some of the joy out of coaching for him. "With all the injuries and the district tournament that we had, I just didn't really feel it was enjoyable," he said. "I've enjoyed it, but it's starting to get to be one of those things where I wasn't enjoying it as much."

Sok also said he has second-guessed himself at times during situations in matches. "There were times when we're in a tight match and I'm trying to figure out what the best option is,

and maybe I'm just too self-conscious about it but those situations just weren't enjoyable as they once were," he said.

Sok said telling people close to him has been the biggest challenge in the aftermath of his decision.

"It was tough telling this guy," he said in his hotel room, pointing to his godson and longtime assistant (and 2004 state champion) Jesse Thies. "He's been with me the last nine years, and he wrestled for me, and his dad coaches the youth program, so that was tough. I told the kids today when we took a trip to the zoo, and that was hard as well."

Sok said he's leaving the program in a good situation. Although there will be a dip in numbers for a couple of years, the younger kids coming up will give the coach who replaces Sok a good future to build around.

"Winside is the 13th smallest wrestling school in the state, and it speaks a lot to the interest and the pride the community has in the program," he said. "Wrestling is more than a sport in Winside: it's a passion, and it's nice to tell somebody you're from Winside and they say, 'Oh, that's the town that always has good wrestling.' John Thies makes the elementary program great and really instills the drive in those younger kids and gets them to understand what it takes to be successful."

Sok said he knows the decision will be a difficult one for the Winside wrestling family to handle at first, but insists he's ready to make the change.

"I think I know it's time to go," he said. "I think there are people who would disagree, but I'm not leaving anything that I should have done that I didn't do. It's time."



(Photos by Clara Osten)

Potato Bake a tasty experience

Hundreds of potatoes were topped with chili, broccoli, cheese or onions during the Wayne Rotary Club's Potato Bake on Sunday. The event was also an opportunity for residents to get out and "Think Spring." (above) attendees visit following the meal. (bottom) Wayne Rotary President Irene Fletcher gets a potato ready to be "topped."

Producers can benefit from VAPG program

USDA Rural Development State Director Maxine Moul has announced that Nebraska producers can benefit from the 2016 Value-Added Producer Grant (VAPG) program.

VAPG awards competitive grants that facilitate the creation and development of value-added, farmer-owned businesses. The VAPG program will have additional funding compared to recent years, because of authorizations in the 2014 Farm Bill.

"The VAPG program is USDA's premier rural development tool for producers," said Moul. "We want to continue helping agricultural producers across the state by enabling farmers, ranchers, and cooperatives to grow their businesses through the development and marketing of new and existing products."

The VAPG program contributes to business creation in rural areas, while also enhancing food choices for consumers. Independent agricultural producers, farmer or rancher cooperatives, and producer controlled entities are eligible. VAPG grants may be used for planning activities or working capital expenses related to producing or marketing a value-added product.

Since the inception of the program, Nebraska's USDA Rural Development has awarded 104 Value-Added Producer Grants totaling \$11.8 million. To discuss applicant

and project eligibility or for more information on the VAPG program, please contact the following Business Program Specialists:

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Not guilty plea entered on child porn

A Wayne woman faces an April 11 court date after pleading not guilty to child pornography and child abuse charges in Wayne County District Court.

Jennifer Bailey, 32, entered the plea Wednesday morning in front of District Judge Ross A. Stoffer. She pled not guilty to charges stemming from a December arrest that followed an investigation by the Nebraska State Patrol that found she had allegedly placed a minor child in a situation that endangered a child's physical or mental health, or placed in a situation to be sexually exploited. She was also alleged to have traded, or provided to someone, visual depiction of sexually explicit conduct with a child.



Bailey

Bailey's next appearance in court is for a pre-trial hearing scheduled for Wednesday, March 2. She is currently being held on \$250,000 bond.



(Contributed photo)

Sok earns LENRD award

The Lower Elkhorn NRD recognized Paul Sok, science and biology instructor at Winside Public School, with its Teacher of the Year award. He is in his 39th year of teaching, the past 35 at Winside Public School. For the past 19 years, Paul has taken students on a biology and natural resources field trip across Nebraska and into the Black Hills and Badlands of South Dakota. He has received grants from the LENRD to supplement the cost of the trip for the students. The majority of the trip focuses on groundwater and its uses in different areas. They follow the Elkhorn, Niobrara, and White rivers, and Soldier Creek systems across the northern section of Nebraska and then proceed to the Black Hills. Paul also brings his students to the Wonderful World of Water event, a competition for 9th and 10th graders.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Chamber Coffee

Bud Neel, Chairman of the Wayne County Republicans, spoke during last week's Chamber Coffee. He encouraged all in attendance to become informed on political issues in this election year.

Benscoter

From Page 1A said. "I've had the interest and I've been thinking about it for some time, but the timing wasn't good until now." Benscoter has previous experience serving on the Lower Elkhorn NRD board, and he said water issues, property taxes and health insurance would be key issues for him if he were elected. "There are a lot of issues that need to be dealt with there. I know my priority bill wouldn't be a helmet law," he said. Benscoter's experience in working in water management has made the issue an important one to him. He is involved with a state association for onsite septic systems and has been working with the Department of Environment Quality and testified on some recent bills before the Legislature.

Property taxes are a tough issue, and Benscoter said that while it's unfair to place the majority of the burden on area farmers, he's not sure there is a solution that is going to please everybody. "I know there are a number of things to consider," he said. "The question is how do you equalize it with a wage earner who makes less than \$12 an hour? if you raise property values in residential areas, that affects their spending and hurts the economy. Increasing sales tax disproportionately affects the lower wage earner. There are a number of things to consider." One thing he would like to do is

break through the notion that Nebraska is more than just Omaha and Interstate 80. "Some people down there think northeast Nebraska is Fremont and the state stops at North Platte," he said. "There is more to Nebraska than 30 miles either side of the Interstate." Health care is also an issue for Benscoter. After dealing with his late-wife's medical issues - which included a \$230,000 bill for one of her surgeries, he knows the medical system needs to be looked at. "The (Obamacare) marketplace is a joke, and I have a hard time justifying \$200,000 for a seven-day hospital stay," he said. "If we can keep medical costs down, that will keep our insurance costs down."

Board

From Page 1A diverted art room that has been turned into a locker room without any showers," Nelson said. "Some of the needs we're looking at here are critical needs, and I'm almost offended when I hear people say we're being fiscally irresponsible." Board member Scott Hammer felt the most pressing needs the district have is in updating theater and gymnasium facilities to meet disability concerns, as well as the locker rooms and theaters. "I firmly believe we have four needs, and I would agree that some are more urgent than others," he said. Hammer also felt that maybe now was not the right time to ask for a bond issue, suggesting maybe an early-fall mail-in ballot or putting it before voters in the November general election. "I don't think we're ready for a May bond election," he said. "But I do think we've got to go forward with a bond in the very near future. I think we need to do a very good job of explaining these needs. Today is always less expensive than tomorrow, and with interest

rates where they are, we need to do a bond issue, but I don't think we can do it in May." The topic has ruffled some feathers on both sides of the issue, and board member Ken Jorgensen said that both sides need to remember to keep the kids in the district as the focus on this issue. "We can't have people in the community not talking with one another, or arguing or fighting on this, because the only losers in this will be the kids," he said. "We all need to be involved. I don't want the legacy of the district to be one where a feud develops. We need to talk and work it out." Board chair Dr. Carolyn Linster agreed. "If we can't always bring back what we're discussing and have it be about students, then we're having the wrong discussion," she said. The hour-long meeting ended with no decision on which direction the board will move. More discussion is expected at their regular meeting, set for Monday, March 14 at 5 p.m. in the Junior-Senior High School library.

Wakefield grocery

From Page 1A "The goal is to create this business on paper as accurately as possible before moving toward actual ownership," Crandall said. He then went into detail in regard to what community ownership of a grocery store would require from the community and discussed options, including a cooperative or a limited liability company. "It is critical that the owners of

the store shop at home. Working together as a community shares the talents, skill and resources of the people of the community. Working together also spreads out the financial risks of the business," Crandall said. "You have to make a decision to shop at the store to keep it going." Crandall stressed that no matter which option was chosen, "anyone can shop at the store, whether they own part of it or not."

He said that now that the survey results have been compiled, the steering committee will look at all options available and eventually come to the community with a recommendation for the future of a grocery store in Wakefield. Following the presentation, he answered a number of questions from the audience, including a timeline for moving forward and possibilities for employment at the store.

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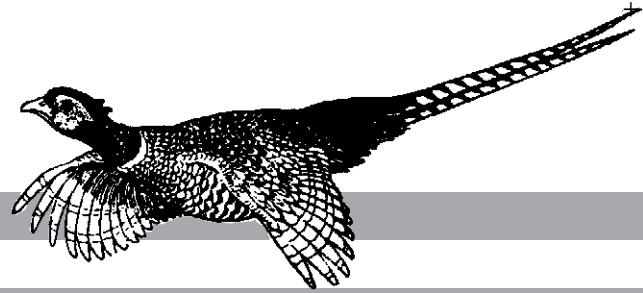
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Sports

Six area wrestlers take home medals

By MICHAEL CARNES
Of The Herald

OMAHA – Six of the 17 state-qualifying wrestlers from the area battled their way to the medal stand during the 2016 Nebraska State Wrestling Championships at the Century Link Center.

Winside led the area medal charge with a trio of medalists, while Wakefield grabbed a pair of medals and Laurel-Concord-Coleridge ending with one medalist. Wayne High had one wrestler get to the heart-break round on Friday night before coming up one match short of securing a spot on the medal stand.

Here's a summary of the three-day tournament for the four area schools:

Wayne High

The Blue Devils took seven qualifiers into the Class B division of the tournament, and three wrestlers came away with at least one victory during the tournament.

Leading the charge was senior 195-pounder Schuyler Schweers, who reached the third round of consolations before being beaten in a battle of district champions on Friday night.

"It was another district champ there, so both district champs had gotten upset in the quarters and had to battle through," coach Dave Wragge said. "Schuyler let it all

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(Photos by Michael Carnes)

Winside senior Marcos Escalera (above) tries to reverse position on his way to a third-place finish in the Class D, 132-pound weight class at the Nebraska State Wrestling Championships. Escalera finished his career as a three-time medalist for the Wildcats. (bottom left) Cody Thomas was one of two Wakefield wrestlers to come away with medals, finishing sixth at 170 pounds in Class C. (bottom right) Nolan Casey represented Laurel-Concord-Coleridge well by posting a fifth-place finish in the Class D, 195-pound class to earn his second state medal.

From The Bleachers

Michael Carnes



A pleasure to work with Sok

As has become a tradition for me during my tenure here at The Wayne Herald, I drag my tired, aging, grumpy body over to Winside on Saturday night after the state wrestling tournament to enjoy a frosty beverage and talk with the Winside wrestling fans about the state tournament.

Having to make a side trip to visit my granddaughter before she had to go to bed, I arrived after the team had returned home from what was an emotional three days in Omaha.

That they even MADE it home, considering all that had transpired in the Century Link Center the previous 72 hours, was probably the second biggest story next to the news that their coach was stepping down.

Paul Sok and I have had a great professional and personal relationship for a lot of years, and after I spoke to his wrestling theory class at Wayne State College prior to the start of this season, we both pondered the future – particularly this, since he's the only one in the conversation who is the legendary coach with the 35-year stay at one school and done so much for so many young men in Northeast Nebraska's semi-unofficial wrestling mecca.

When we had last talked about it in the fall, he told me he was leaning toward going one more year, calling it quits with an even 40 years under his coaching belt.

Then – this year happened. To say that it's been a frustrating year for Sok would be an understatement. Usually, it's overbearing, agenda-driven parents or unruly athletes or cold-hearted administrators who drive coaches out of the sport they've given so much of their life to.

For Sok, it was something different.

The Wildcat program, long known as one of Nebraska's most consistent winning programs among the small-school division, was hit with injuries so often, you wondered if the school was subversively sponsored by Obamacare. You couldn't swing a dead cat without somebody on the Winside wrestling team getting hurt this season.

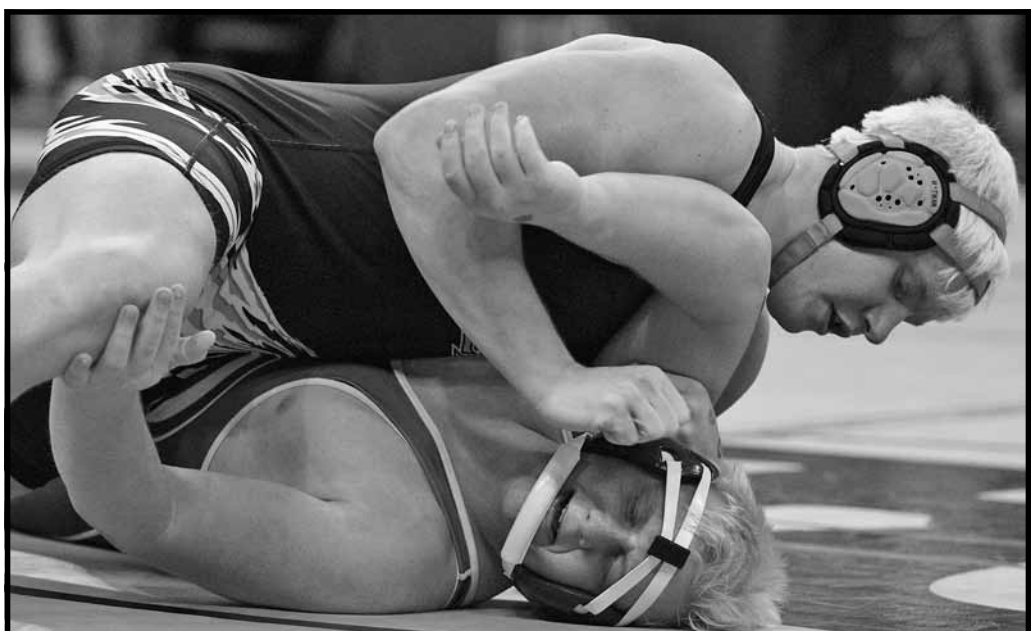
Sok has dealt with all kinds of injuries, from cracked spines to concussions and – fittingly enough, in his final match – a blown ACL. Asclepius, the Greek demigod of medicine, would have succumbed from exhaustion trying to heal the wounded in Winside's wrestling room this season.

Now injuries are a part of the sport and every coach knows that going in. For Sok, though, the combination of injuries – both to the team and himself (he had hip replacement surgery a year ago, which limited the amount of hands-on work he enjoys doing in practice) – and all the other challenges coaches need to deal with helped take some of the joy out of coaching.

A lot of people in the wrestling community will tell you that Sok is one of THE guys in the sport. He was a two-time state champion in high school, wrestled at Wayne State College (back in the days when it was a varsity sport – ahem, President Rames) and has wrestled all over the world. All of that experience helped shape him as a coach and, consequently, helped shape a lot of young small-town boys into championship wrestlers.

Winside has had more than 25 champions in Sok's 35 years. Rare was the third Saturday afternoon in February where a Winside wrestler wasn't battling a kid from Howells, Greeley, Thedford or some blink-and-miss town out in the Sandhills for a gold medal. I've been fortunate enough to have covered some of the recent greats who have donned the classic pinstripes, from three-time champion Bo Brummels to Kalin Koch and his last champion, Marcos Escalera.

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Third time the charm for Wayne girls in overtime upset of Pierce

NORFOLK – If at first you don't succeed, try and try again.

After two close losses during the regular season, Wayne played a little overtime and pulled off the most important win of the season in their matchup with top-ranked Pierce, handing the Bluejays a 39-37 overtime defeat in Thursday's C1-7 sub-district final at Norfolk High School.

Coach Dave Hix said he knew Thursday's matchup would be a low-scoring affair, and praised his team's effort in finding a way to win. "You know you're not going to score a lot against Pierce on the inside because they're so long underneath and we just happened to hit some key shots at key times and hit some key free throws, and we just were able to execute," he said.

The Blue Devils had all but locked

up the game in regulation, but Pierce erased a five-point deficit in the final minute and tied the game on a 3-pointer by Carly Sutherland.

Using that momentum, Pierce scored the first four points of the extra session and appeared to be in command.

"It's such a roller coaster of emotions when you play a tight game like that," Hix said. "We were up five with less than a minute and felt pretty good, and then we go to OT and got down four right away and I didn't know if we'd be able to fight through it."

The Blue Devils did just that as Kelsey Boyer drilled a pair of 3-pointers to help Wayne retake the lead at 37-36. Pierce tied the game with a free throw, but senior Danica Schaefer was fouled with less than 10 seconds left, and at that point Hix felt his team was going to come away with the win.

"That's when I knew we had it," Hix said. "We work on pressure situation free throws and I looked at (Schaefer) and she smiled and I knew she was going to make them both."

Hix credited his team's never-say-die determination in the extra period.

"The girls fought their tails off, laid out for balls and helped out and did everything we asked them to and more," he said. "They get all the credit because they did a heck of a job."

Boyer and Schaefer shared high scoring honors with 11 points apiece. Schaefer had a double-double with a team-high 15 rebounds. Kylie Hammer had nine points, nine rebounds and three steals.

The Blue Devils, 16-10, will play 23-2 Ord in the C1-4 district final on Friday at 7 p.m. at Cross County High School near Stromsburg, and Hix feels the matchup is a good one for his team.



(Herald file photo)

Wayne High senior Danica Schaefer hit the game-winning free throws to help Wayne upset top-ranked Pierce 39-37 in overtime to win the C1-7 subdistrict final. Wayne will face Ord in the C1-4 district finals Friday at 7 p.m. at Cross County High School, located just south of Stromsburg.

"They're not as tall as Pierce, but they have some great shooters and they have a very good inside post presence that we'll need to be ready for," he said. "I feel good about the matchup, and if we play our game and stay in the moment and take care of business, I think we've got a

great shot."

	C1-7 Subdistrict					
	Wayne	39	Pierce	37		
Wayne	6	13	4	8	8	- 39
Pierce	4	12	8	7	6	- 37
WAYNE – Boyer 11, Keating 4, Stegemann 2, Schaefer 11, Gamble 2, Hammer 9.						
PIERCE – Bretschneider 13, Zimmerman 2, Brahmner 5, Race 2, Asmus 2, Car. Sutherland 5, Cas. Sutherland 8.						

WHS boys fall 50-42 in C1-7 sub

NORFOLK – Wayne and Wisner-Pilger hooked up in a back-and-forth affair in the play-in round of the C1-7 sub-district tournament Monday at Norfolk High School.

The Blue Devils held the lead at halftime, but Wisner-Pilger played their way back into the game and hit several key free throws down the stretch to come away with a 50-42 win and end Wayne's season.

The Blue Devils trailed after one period, but limited the Gators to just two baskets and turned the early deficit into a 21-17 halftime lead.

Wisner-Pilger scored two quick baskets to tie the game at 21-21 early in the third period, and the two teams traded scores throughout the rest of the third period and into the early part of the fourth quarter.

Wayne had a chance to get within one score, but good defense by the Gators flustered the Blue Devil offensive comeback, and Wisner-Pilger was able to avenge an earlier loss to Wayne and extend their season.

Payten Gamble threw in a team-high 20 points to lead the Blue Devils, while Grayson McBride added eight points and Drew Davie had four.

In their regular-season finale Friday, the Blue Devils struggled on offense and came up on the wrong end of a 50-30 decision against conference rival Pierce.

The Bluejays, ranked in the top 10 in Class C-1, used a stifling defense to frustrate the

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(Herald file photo)

Tarah Stegemann's defense helped Wayne in their 39-37 overtime win over Pierce in the C1-7 subdistrict finals.

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Wildcats swept in four-game road opener

The Wayne State College baseball team opened the 2016 season with a four-game series at Newman University, coming away empty handed in weekend doubleheaders at Wichita, Kan.

On Saturday, the Jets came away with two wins, winning 4-3 and 6-4.

In the opener, Wayne State was held to four hits and nearly rallied to win the game in the top of the seventh.

Wayne State tied the game at 2-2 with single runs in the second and fourth innings. Alex Kraft delivered an RBI single in the second inning that scored Bodie Cooper (walk) while Cooper produced a solo homer in the fourth to knot the score at 2-2.

a 2-0 lead in the first on run-scoring singles from Nate Ackerman and Albert Johnson. They made it 3-1 in the third when Curtis Bussard tripled and scored on a wild pitch.

Newman plated three runs in the bottom of the third to take the lead for good at 4-3 and scored again in the sixth inning for a 5-3 advantage. Wayne State got within one in the seventh when Tanner Simons doubled and scored on a Krier groundout, but Newman added an insurance run in the eighth to finish with the 6-4 win.

Wayne State had 11 hits in the game. Johnson and Simons each went 3-for-4, with Simons recording a double. Ackerman finished 2-for-4 with a pair of singles. Bussard tripled while Cody Jenkins and Bodie Cooper each singled. Joe Greco was tagged with the pitching loss.

On Sunday, the Jets used strong pitching in the opener and a three-run third inning in the second game to sweep Wayne State 2-0 and 5-4.

In the opener, Wayne State was held to just three hits and committed two fielding errors that led to the two unearned Jets runs.

Bussard and Cody Jenkins were 1-for-2 at the plate for the Wildcats, while Simons went 1-for-3. Starting pitcher Spencer Johnson, one of three Wildcat pitchers in the opener, suffered the pitching loss.

In the finale, Wayne State took the early lead in the second after a Chase Egelston single to left field scored Johnson. Newman was able to answer in the bottom of the frame after a fielding error allowed the tying run to score.

The Wildcats were able to score a two-out run in the top of the third after Cooper reached base on a Newman fielding error, and eventually scored on a Johnson single to right.

Newman came back with three runs in the bottom of the frame to take the lead for good at 4-2, and scored again in the fifth inning for

the 5-2 advantage.

Wayne State rallied in the top of the sixth after a Simons lead-off single, followed by a Egelston single, and a Chris May walk to load the bases with nobody out, but were only able to score one in the inning. Ackerman added a solo home run in the top of the seventh, but were unable to complete the comeback.

Ackerman and Johnson each went 2-for-5, with Ackerman recording his first homer of the season. Simons finished 2-for-3 and Egelston went 2-for-4, each with a pair of singles, while Jenkins added a single as well. Matthew Wood was tagged with the pitching loss.

Wayne State, 0-4, is back on the road next weekend, visiting Oklahoma Panhandle State in a four-game series on Saturday and Sunday, with both double-headers slated to start at 12 p.m. in Goodwell, Okla.

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Track team tunes up for NSIC Indoors

Brady Metz and Kyndra Sturm had the top finishes for the Wayne State indoor track and field teams as they got ready for this week's NSIC Indoor Championships at the Nebraska Tune-up Invitational on Friday at the Bob Devaney Sports Center in Lincoln.

Metz picked up a third place finish in the triple jump with a top mark of 45 feet, 4 1/2 inches to lead the men's effort. Braxton Adams posted a sixth place finish in the 60-meter dash (7.02) while Richard Sweeney registered an eighth place finish in the weight throw at 51-10. The 1,600-meter relay team of Trenton Zink,

Nate Lechtenberg, Brandon Marker and Nick Schmitt placed eighth in a time of 3:28.52.

Sturm had the best finish among the Wildcat women, taking fifth in the weight throw at 53-8 1/2. Other top placings included freshman Rachel Rauner finishing 12th in the 200-meter dash (26.70) and Ellen Wulf placing 13th in the long jump (16-5 3/4).

Wayne State will be in action Friday and Saturday at the Northern Sun Conference Indoor Championships in Mankato, Minn., with Friday's action starting at 12 p.m.

planned to be sent in on Friday, Feb. 26.

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Sports Shorts

WSC youth track meet set for March 4

Wayne State track and field coach Marlon Brink announced that the fourth-annual WSC Youth Track Meet will be held Friday, March 4 at the WSC Recreation Center indoor track. Last year, the event drew over 130 athletes from Wayne, Wakefield, Laurel and Winside.

Backer earns academic honors

Several members of Northeast Community College's basketball, softball, soccer and volleyball teams have earned academic honors for their work in the classroom.

Order deadline for sweats is Feb. 26

Wayne High School will be ordering a new track sweat this year as the former company is no longer in business. Stadium Sports has put together a waterproof outfit for students/parents/athletes to order.

Sweats are available for fitting in Coach Hochstein's room at Wayne Junior-Senior High School. Order forms can be picked up from him, from the office, or gotten from online at the Wayne High Webpage at www.wayneschools.org/index.aspx?NID=195.

The first order of sweats is

through sixth place in each event for each age division.

The Wayne Optimist Club also helps support the event and will be running a concession stand at the meet. If you have further questions, contact Brink at mabrink1@wsc.edu.

Among the thirty-two student-athletes who have been named to Fall 2015 National Junior College Athletic Association Region XI Academic All-Region teams is volleyball player and Wayne High graduate Meagan Backer, who was named to second team honors.

To be named to All-Region First Team, the student-athlete must have earned a 3.5 and above grade point average (GPA). To be named to the All-Region Second Team, the student-athlete must have earned a 3.0-3.49 GPA.

Work With Sok

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Sok has also been an inspiration to this writer over the years. I can count, on one hand, the number of wrestling events I attended

in high school, so my interest and knowledge in this sport has come not from the competition side, but from learning about the sport from coaches like Sok and trying to understand strategy and getting an idea as to what makes wrestlers – and their coaches – tick.

When I started Nebraska Wrestling Illustrated, Sok was one of my biggest supporters. When you have somebody of his reputation giving you props to other coaches, it helps open a lot of doors that might not otherwise open up for a fledgling publication (especially in the early days of the digital age, when about half the wrestling coaches at the time could generously be described as technologically questionable).

Sok is also one of a dying era of coaches who came of age during a time where there was a lot less political correctness and a lot less front-office meddling in high school athletics. Coaches who worked during that period have stories to tell about people, places and events –

both in and out of the athletic arena – that should be documented in a tell-all book about what life as a high school sports coach is REALLY like. There were some legendary characters back in the day whose stories can be best enjoyed over a cold adult beverage at the end of a long, drawn-out season.

A lot of people who are involved with the sport of wrestling are going to find it hard to adjust to looking in the Winside corner and not see Sok, his unusually-crafted mustache and cowboys boots with the quiet, authoritative voice shouting instructions to his pinstriped wrestlers in the circle. I know, as a sports writer, it's going to take me some time for me to come to grips with the fact that a good friend and a fountain of old stories and wise opinions won't be there to lead the Wildcats on the mats.

It's been a pleasure, Paul – hope you enjoy those Saturdays away from the mats.

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WHS boys

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Wayne offense, which was limited to a total of 32 shots in the game.

Gamble led the Blue Devils with 17 points, while Colby Keiser put in four points.

Wayne ends the season with an 8-18 record.

Pierce 50, Wayne 30						
Wayne	9	8	10	3	-	30
Pierce	18	20	6	6	-	50

WAYNE – McBride 2, Jaiken 2, Gamble 17, Kesler 4, Davie 2, Lee 3.

PIERCE – Scoring not available.

C1-7 Subdistrict Wisner-Pilger 50, Wayne 42						
Wayne	8	13	9	12	-	42
Wis.-Pilg.	12	5	13	20	-	50

WAYNE – Gamble 20, McBride 8, Davie 4, Kesler 1. Other scoring not available.

WIS.-PILG. – Godbersen 21, Leisy 11, Troyer 11. Other scoring not available.

City League	Hits and Misses
Week #23 2/16/16	Week #22 2/10/16
Ghost Team 23.0 5.0	Gary's Food Town 18.0 10.0
El Pollo Loco 21.0 7.0	Wildcat Lanes 16.5 11.5
Tom's Body Shop 15.5 12.5	Deerfield Ghost 16.5 11.5
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Wayne Country Club 12.0 16.0	White Dog Pub 11.0 17.0
Michael's Foods 11.5 12.5	Kelly's cHair 5.0 23.0
Vet's Club 10.0 18.0	
Half-Ton Club 5.0 23.0	
High Team Game and Series: Jessi Jensen, 224 and 630.	
High Scores: Jessi Jensen 222/184, Nicolle McLagan 213/209, Stefanie McLagan 208, Deb Moore 190, Dawn Navrkal 180.	
High Series: Nicolle McLagan 555, Stefanie McLagan 546, Deb Moore 528.	
Splits: Deanna Thompson 4-7-10, Deb Moore 4-7-10.	
Thirsty Thursday Week #16 2/11/15	
Sisters 14.0 2.0	Drinkin' Buddies 12.0 4.0
Wildcats Lanes 7.0 9.0	Shane's Rich'n Boobs 7.0 9.0
Johnny Chimpo 7.0 9.0	Gutter Dusters 1.0 15.0
High Team Game and Series: Sisters, 516 and 1519. High Game: Chris Bird, 191. High Series: Dylan Sokol, 497.	

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Wildcat women bounce back, win on Senior Night



Jasmin Bretoi and the Wayne State women's basketball team were to host a first-round game in the Northern Sun Conference Basketball Tournament this week.

Eighth-ranked Winona State used a 21-6 third-quarter run to hold back Wayne State's upset hopes with a 73-55 win Friday at Rice Auditorium.

The visiting Warriors never trailed, taking a 14-4 lead in the first four minutes of the game. Wayne State used back-to-back 3-pointers by Jasmin Bretoi and a basket and pair of free throws from Maggie Schulte to cut the Winona State lead to 20-17 after one period.

Wayne State stayed close with Winona State in the second quarter until late in the quarter. A Maggie Lowe 3-pointer brought the Wildcats within one at 30-29 with 3:36 to play in the half, but Winona State closed the half with six straight points to take a 36-29 lead at intermission.

The Warriors put the game out of reach early in the third quarter, scoring the first five points of the third quarter to take a 41-29 lead, and a 14-2 run later in the period put the game out of reach.



Murren

Schulte was the lone Wildcat in double figures with 23 points, her eighth game with over 20 points this season. Wayne State shot just 30.5 percent from the field, making 18 of 59 shots. Anna Martensen and Schulte each grabbed nine rebounds for the Wildcats.

On Saturday, senior guard Sadie Murren scored a game-high 20 points in her final regular-season game at Rice Auditorium to lead the Wildcats in a 73-49 win over Upper Iowa.

The Wildcats came out strong to start the game, going on a 21-0 run to take control of the game and stake themselves to a 31-7 first-quarter advantage.

Wayne State continued to dominated the Peacocks, shooting 65.5 percent from the field in the first half to build a 47-18 halftime advantage.

Murren's 20 points led three double digit scorers for the Wildcats. Schulte added 16 points while Martensen finished with 10 points. Alisa Peterson snagged a game-high 12 boards for Wayne State.

Wayne State (16-11, 13-9 NSIC) was scheduled to host University of Mary in the first round of the NSIC Sanford Health Women's Basketball Tournament Wednesday. The tournament runs Saturday through

Tuesday in Sioux Falls, S.D.

Winona State 73, Wayne State 55
Wayne State 17 12 6 20 - 55
Winona State 20 16 21 16 - 73
WAYNE STATE - Martensen 2-6 0-0 4, Murren 1-9 0-0 2, Moore 1-2 4-7, Schulte 9-17 4-4 23, Reiner 0-1 0-0 0, Davis 0-0 2-2 2, Lowe 2-8 1-2 7, O'Connor 0-4 2-2 2, Bretoi 3-7 0-0 8, K. Larson 0-1 0-0 0, Peterson 0-3 0-0 0, A. Larson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 18-59 13-14 55.

WINONA STATE - Foley 2-7 0-0 5, Roelofs 2-7 4-4 8, Nagle 7-13 0-0 20, McGlone 5-8 2-2 12, Timmerman 5-13 2-2 12, Evenocheck 0-0 0-0 0, Panning 0-0 0-0 0, Tuttle 0-0 2-2 2, Hocking 0-0 0-0 0, Passint 0-1 0-2 0, Weiland 4-6 0-0 8, Schaefer 1-4 0-0 2, Wirth 1-2 2-2 4. Totals 27-61 12-14 73.

Three-point goals: WSC 6-29 (Murren 0-7, Moore 1-2, Schulte 1-4, Lowe 2-8, O'Connor 0-1, Bretoi 2-6, Larson 0-1), WSU 7-22 (Foley 1-5, Roelofs 0-3, Nagle 6-12, Timmerman 0-1, Passint 0-1). Rebounds: WSC 35 (Martensen, Schulte 9), WSU 40 (Three with 8). Assists: WSC 9 (Schulte 3), WSU 17 (Foley 6). Team fouls:

WSC 16, WSU 16.

Wayne State 73, Upper Iowa 49
Wayne State 31 16 12 14 - 73
Upper Iowa 7 11 14 17 - 49
WAYNE STATE - Martensen 4-7 2-3 10, Murren 7-11 4-6 20, Moore 2-5 0-0 6, Schulte 7-9 1-2 16, Reiner 3-4 0-0 6, Davis 0-3 0-0 0, Lowe 1-1 0-0 2, O'Connor 1-1 1-2 4, Bretoi 0-1 0-0 0, K. Larson 0-0 0-0 0, Peterson 4-7 1-2 9, A. Larson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-49 9-15 73.

UPPER IOWA - Kieffer 7-19 2-2 18, Cleaver 4-11 4-6 13, Ofstad 1-5 0-0 2, Benson 1-4 0-2 2, Pagel 1-3 0-0 2, Grabau 3-8 0-0 6, Fitzpatrick 1-3 0-0 2, Meier 0-2 2-2 2, Martin 1-5 0-0 2, Bergren 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 19-62 8-12 49.

Three-point goals: WSC 6-15 (Murren 2-4, Moore 2-5, Schulte 1-1, Davis 0-3, O'Connor 1-1, Bretoi 0-1), UIU 3-12 (Kieffer 2-3, Cleaver 1-3, Ofstad 1-3, Grabau 0-1, Fitzpatrick 0-1, Meier 0-1). Rebounds: WSC 31 (Peterson 12), UIU 38 (Kieffer 9). Assists: WSC 14 (Murren 6), UIU 6 (Cleaver 2). Team fouls: WSC 15, UIU 19.

Wildcat men continue to struggle

Wayne State's woes continued as the 2015-16 men's basketball regular season drew to a close this past weekend at Rice Auditorium.

Winona State built a 40-27 halftime lead and never looked back as the Warriors defeated Wayne State 75-62 in NSIC action Friday at Rice Auditorium.

Wayne State got off to a good start, building a 13-8 lead thanks to 3-pointers from Matt Thomas, Vance Janssen and Jordan Cornelius. Winona State then held the Wildcats to just two baskets over a stretch of 8:27 as the Warriors built a 20-16 lead.

J.J. Zumbrennen hit a 3-pointer to get the Wildcats within one at 20-19, but the Warriors scored eight straight points to build the lead back to nine, then used a 10-2 run at the end of the half to build the 13-point lead at the break.

Winona State maintained a double figure lead the entire second half with its biggest lead coming at 54-34 with 13:24 remaining. The Wildcats did get as close as 10 at 62-52 on a pair of Cornelius free throws with 5:24 to play, but Winona State scored on the next two possessions to put the game out of reach.

Vance Janssen led Wayne State with 12 points, followed by David Andersen with 11. Austin Esters and Matt Thomas each chipped

in 10 points. Thomas and Jordan Cornelius each had four assists for WSC while Esters had four steals.

On Saturday, visiting Upper Iowa used a 19-2 run over a seven-minute stretch late in the game to claim an 89-77 win.

The visiting Peacocks led for most of the game, but had to fight off a Wildcat rally in the second half to come away with the win.

With Upper Iowa holding a 17-14 lead at the 8:30 mark of the first half, the Peacocks scored 10 of the next 12 points to take their biggest lead of the first half at 27-16 at the 6:41 mark.

Wayne State battled back at the end of the half and got within two at 38-36 with 1:16 left on a pair of Tyler Nagy free throws before finishing the first half trailing 40-36.

Upper Iowa opened the second half strong, taking a 48-38 lead 1:40 into the second half. But Wayne State stormed back, using a 16-3 run over the next 4:16 and took their biggest lead of the game at 54-51 with 14:04 to play.

The Peacocks countered with their own scoring surge, using a 12-2 run to take a 62-56 advantage be-

fore the Wildcats rallied to tie the game on two Cornelius free throws with 9:54 to go.

Upper Iowa put the game out of reach with their 19-2 run and the Peacocks held a double digit lead the rest of the night.

Brian Goodwin poured in a season-high 17 points to lead Wayne State, followed by Thomas with 16 points. Adam Moon and Andersen also hit double digits with 10 points apiece. Moon had eight rebounds.

The Wildcats (5-23, 3-19 NSIC) will travel to Moorhead, Minn. Wednesday to face North Division champion No. 10-ranked MSU Moorhead in the first round of the NSIC Sanford Health Men's Basketball Tournament, with tip off set for 8 p.m.

Winona State 75, Wayne State 62
Wayne State 27 35 - 62
Winona State 40 35 - 75
WAYNE STATE - Moon 1-3 0-0 2, Janssen 4-10 2-2 12, Thomas 4-12 1-1 10, Esters 3-5 3-7 10, Cornelius 1-6 3-4 6, Nagy 0-4 0-0 0, Burneika 0-0 0-0 0, Goodwin 2-6 2-2 6, Zumbrennen 2-4 0-0 5, Andersen 3-4 5-6 11. Totals 20-54 16-22 62.

WINONA STATE - Jeffs 1-6 0-0 3, Masberg 5-10 2-2 15, Bambenek 4-12 2-2 13, Bauman 4-9 3-6 11, Blacklock 0-0 4-4 4, Domask 0-1 0-0 0, Koontz 2-4 1-2 5, Mongan 1-3 0-1 3, Gray 6-9 1-2 15, Arenz 1-2 0-0 2, Flack 0-0 4-4 4.

Shanks 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 24-56 17-23 75.

Three-point goals: WSC 6-22 (Janssen 2-4, Thomas 1-7, Esters 1-2, Cornelius 1-4, Nagy 0-2, Goodwin 0-1, Zumbrennen 1-2), WSU 10-33 (Jeffs 1-6, Masberg 3-8, Bambenek 3-10, Bauman 0-1, Domask 0-1, Mongan 1-3, Gray 2-4). Rebounds: WSC 33 (Andersen 7), WSU 39 (Koontz 6). Assists: WSC 13 (Thomas, Cornelius 4), WSU 14 (Bambenek 4). Team fouls: WSC 14, WSU 21.

Upper Iowa 89, Wayne State 77
Wayne State 36 41 - 77
Upper Iowa 40 49 - 89
WAYNE STATE - Moon 4-9 2-2 10, Janssen 3-7 0-0 7, Thomas 7-21 1-2 16, Esters 3-7 1-1 7, Andersen 4-8 2-4 10, Nagy 0-0 2-2 2, Burneika 0-0 0-0 0, Goodwin 6-13 2-2 17, Cornelius 1-3 4-4 6, Zumbrennen 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 28-69 16-19 77.

UPPER IOWA - Lenhart 9-14 6-6 30, Parker 1-5 3-4 6, Hughes 6-10 1-1 16, Roth 5-7 5-8 17, Gamble 0-3 0-0 0, Wentzien 0-0 0-0 0, Kane 1-3 0-0 2, Hanna 2-3 2-2 8, Austin 1-1 0-0 2, Weeber 2-4 2-2 8, Schabel 0-0 0-0 0, Eighth 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-50 19-23 89.

Three-point goals: WSC 5-20 (Janssen 1-3, Thomas 1-6, Esters 0-2, Andersen 0-1, Goodwin 3-8), UIU 16-29 (Lenhart 6-10, Parker 1-2, Hughes 3-6, Roth 2-3, Gamble 0-1, Hanna 2-3, Weeber 2-4). Rebounds: WSC 33 (Moon 8), UIU 35 (Lenhart, Austin 6). Assists: WSC 7 (Thomas, Cornelius 2), UIU 16 (Parker 5). Team fouls: WSC 22, UIU 20.



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Six area wrestlers are state medalists

hang out for us and has nothing to hang his head about.”

Schweers opened the tournament with a 7-1 decision before losing to eventual runner-up Jake Bos of Columbus Scotus. He got a pass to the third round of consolations after this opponent was injured and could not continue in the second round, but his hopes of being Wayne’s first medalist since 2010 were derailed in a dominating effort by Lexington’s Josue Ayala, who posted a 17-0 technical fall to end Schweers’

medal hopes. Despite coming up a match short, Wragge said the three-time qualifier performed well. “He’s a kid who started (wrestling) in junior high and is going up against some guys who’ve probably been wrestling before they learned how to walk, so for him to come as far as he did, I’m really happy for him.” Two first-time qualifiers were able to come away with consolation wins, as freshman Cameron Muhs

(106) and junior Mikey Reyes (220) both experienced success in their state tournament debuts. After losing in the opening round Thursday, both wrestlers earned decisions in the first round of consolations. Muhs posted a 6-2 win over Grayson Fries of Northwest, while Reyes was an 11-5 winner over Wahoo’s Cole Krecklow. Both came up short in the second round of consolations. Muhs was defeated by major decision by Tom Bossert of Omaha Skutt, while Reyes let an 8-3 advantage get away as McCook’s Kaleb Taylor came back to beat the Blue Devil junior, 11-10.

“It was a tough lesson for Mikey to learn there, but he’s a junior and he’ll be back next year,” Wragge said. “Cameron and Mikey both wrestled well and both got a win, so we’re excited for both to come back and see what they can do next year.” Four Blue Devils went 0-2 in their respective brackets, as two-time qualifiers Gage Schultz (120) and Cole Koenig (182) and first-timers Juan Vergara (126) and Hunter Jorgensen (285) all went two-and-out in the tournament.

“I was happy with how they all competed,” Wragge said. “Three of those four kids are coming back next year, and hopefully they learned a lot from this experience and that will stick with them next year.” Wragge praised the efforts of both his seniors, including Koenig, who faced a tough draw in both of his trips to state.

“Wrestling as the fourth-place kid out of the district, he’s had a couple of tough draws at state, but he left a lot more on the program than just wins and losses,” Wragge said. “He had a great work ethic and set a great example for the younger kids.”

AREA STATE WRESTLING RESULTS

Class B Top 10 Team Standings
Omaha Skutt 162, Plattsmouth 160.5, Gret-na 126, Scottsbluff 104.5, Columbus Scotus 98, Bennington 90.5, Ashland-Greenwood 74, Adams Central 70.5, Nebraska City 66, Sidney 61. Wayne was 30th with 7 points.

Wayne Results
106 - Cameron Muhs: pinned by George Hernandez, Scottsbluff, 5:22; dec. Grayson Fries, Northwest, 6-2; maj. dec. by Tom Bossert, Omaha Skutt, 9-1.
120 - Gage Schultz: pinned by Celvin Lopez, Schuyler, 5:10; pinned by Devin Gilliland, Adams Central, 1:34.
126 - Juan Vergara: pinned by Mario Ybarra, Scottsbluff, :32; pinned by Blake Sears, Crete, 2:26.
182 - Cole Koenig: tech. fall by Tyler Zeigler, Adams Central, 16-0; dec. by Chris Nelson, Milford/Dorchester, 10-6.
195 - Schuyler Schweers: dec. Curtis McMann, Chadron, 7-1; pinned by Jake Bos, Columbus Scotus, 5:05; def. Garrett Rediger, York, injury default; tech. fall by Josue Ayala, Lexington, 17-0.
220 - Mikey Reyes: dec. by Cole Krecklow, Wahoo/Cedar Bluffs, 11-5; dec. Cody Hofrock, Sidney, 1-0; dec. by Kaleb Taylor, McCook, 11-10.
285 - Hunter Jorgensen: pinned by Marvin Lazo, York, 2:29; pinned by Genaro Gurrola, Scottsbluff, 2:35.

Class C Top 10 Team Standings
David City 159, Valentine 97, Aquinas 86, Wilber-Clatonia 74, Battle Creek 73, O'Neill 71, Kearney Catholic 67, North Bend Central 63, Raymond Central 61.5, Central City 58. Wakefield finished 27th with 22.5 points.

Wakefield Results
170 - Cody Thomas: tech. fall Anthony Tebbe, David City, 15-0; dec. by Abe Hernandez, Mitchell, 7-2; pinned Sergey Parry, Twin River, 2:03; pinned Josh Puncocchar, GICC, 4:16; dec. by Drew Lanman, Battle Creek, 5-3; dec. by Justin Hall, Raymond Central, 4-0 - 6th place.
182 - Efrén Godínez: pinned Jared Curlo, Arcadia/Loup City, 1:03; pinned by Jack Duffy, Shelton/Kenesaw, 3:02; dec. Riley Smith, Arlington, 5-3; dec. Wyatt Svava, Bishop Neu-

mann, 4-3; dec. by Cade Svoboda, Ord, 6-1; pinned by Sam Simpson, Conestoga, 2:40 - 6th place.
220 - Moises Barboza: maj. dec. by Evan Welsh, Bishop Neumann, 11-2; dec. Zachary Space, Chase County, 3-2; pinned by Raymond Fuller, David City, 1:35.
285 - David Olvera: pinned by Ozzy Rodriguez, Gibbon, 1:16; pinned by Jacob Hiebert, Raymond Central, 3:30.

Class D Top 10 Team Standings
Amherst 121, Burwell 96, Elkhorn Valley 92.5, North Platte St. Patrick’s 84.5, Sutton 80, Plainview 77, Friend 69.5, Bayard 64, Franklin 61, Creighton 57. Winside tied for 16th with 39 points. LCC tied for 33rd with 17 points.

Winside Results
120 - Sean Mann: maj. dec. by Kaden Guerrero, Sotuhwest, 17-7; pinned Jacob Johnson, Bergan, :59; maj. dec. by Mitchell McKibbin, Bayard, 9-0.
126 - Colby Erickson: dec. Brett Riggs, NPSF, 5-4; won by medical forfeit over Dillon Micheel, Sandhills/Theoford; forfeit to Christian Miller, Plainview; injury default to Riggs; injury default to Dalton Bohac, East Butler - 6th place.
132 - Marcos Escalera: pinned Peter Spilker, Tri County, 1:27; pinned Seth Simants, Stapleton, 5:49; pinned by Connor Conscheski, Palmer, 2:11; dec. Jeffrey West, Elm Creek, 4-0; pinned Chandler Stone, Sutton, 3:59 - 3rd place.
220 - Cory Shoff: dec. Gabe Vanengen, Freeman, 2-0; pinned by Robert Muensch, Sutherland, :49; dec. Patrick Cure, Elm Creek, 4-0; dec. Polo Ramirez, SEM, 5-2; dec. by Houston Hornby, Palmyra, 8-5; pinned by Jacob Sahulka, Weeping Water, :55 - 6th place.

LCC Results
182 - Billy Barelman: dec. by Gideon Monette, Mullen, 8-4; pinned Hunter Stratmann, Axtell, 3:29; dec. by Zack Kerner, Arapahoe, 6-4 (SV).
195 - Nolan Casey: dec. by Wyatt Rowe, Hyannis, 6-4 (UTB); pinned Travis Likens, Tri County, 2:01; pinned Anthony Starr, Southwest, :58; dec. Kage Jaspersen, Hemingford, 2-1; dec. by Jesse Wells, Friend, 1-0; pinned Alex Olivan, Clearwater/Orchard, 3:28 - 5th place.

going in, so it was unfortunate for that to happen to him in the semis.” The final blow came when junior 220-pounder Cory Shoff suffered a knee injury while trying to prevent a takedown by Jacob Sahulka of Weeping Water in their fifth-place match. Sahulka won the match by pin, giving Shoff a sixth-place medal. “Cory wrestled well and wrestled some tough competition,” Sok said. “He got caught in an unfortunate situation there and had an unfortunate break, but he wrestled well for us this season.” Sean Mann went 1-2 in the tournament, and Sok felt the junior 120-pounder did well to overcome some early-season injuries. “He got a concussion the first meet of the season and just really started to get a feel for things the last few weeks,” Sok said. “Coming out of finishing fourth in districts puts you in a tough spot to start, but he battled for us.”

Wakefield
The Trojans brought home a pair of medals, with junior Cody Thomas

and senior Efrén Godínez matching sixth-place medals to go with their identical records.

Both wrestlers finished the season 43-6 and placed sixth in their respective weight classes. Thomas placed sixth at 170 pounds in Class C losing a 4-0 decision to Justin Hall of Raymond Central, while Godínez closed out his high school career with a second-period pin by Sam Simpson of Ogallala to take sixth at 182 pounds.

Two other Trojans competed at state. Moises Barboza went 1-2 at 220 pounds, getting a consolation win over Zachary Space of Chase County before bowing out of the tournament. David Olvera was 0-2 at heavyweight, suffering a pair of pins, including one to eventual state runner-up Ozzy Rodriguez of Gering.

LCC

The Bears had two qualifiers competing and came away with one medal, and coach Don Maxwell said both wrestlers competed well enough that the outcome could have been better. “I think if Nolan wins that first match, we would have seen him in the finals, and I think if Billy could have won his first one, he’d have gone a long way as well,” Maxwell said.

As it was, Casey was the lone Bear to make the medal stand, taking fifth-place honors at 195 pounds. He overcame an overtime loss in the opening round to win three straight matches on Friday. After losing a 1-0 decision in the consolation semifinals, he capped his career with his second fifth-place medal in Class D competition, getting a third-period pin over Alex Olivan of Clearwater/Orchard to close out his career.

“I knew Nolan could do well for us, and he became our first two-time placer,” Maxwell said.

Barelman also lost his first-round match to eventual state champion Gideon Monette of Mullen at 182 pounds, but came back to get a pin before losing a close overtime decision.

“Billy got a bad draw in that first round, but he did a great job coming back as well,” Maxwell said.

The LCC coach said it would be tough replacing both seniors next year. Barelman set a number of team records, including career wins, wins in a season and fastest pin. Casey was a 100-match winner and had the third-fastest pin in team history.

“They were both excellent leaders, and the kids coming back have some big shoes to fill,” he said.

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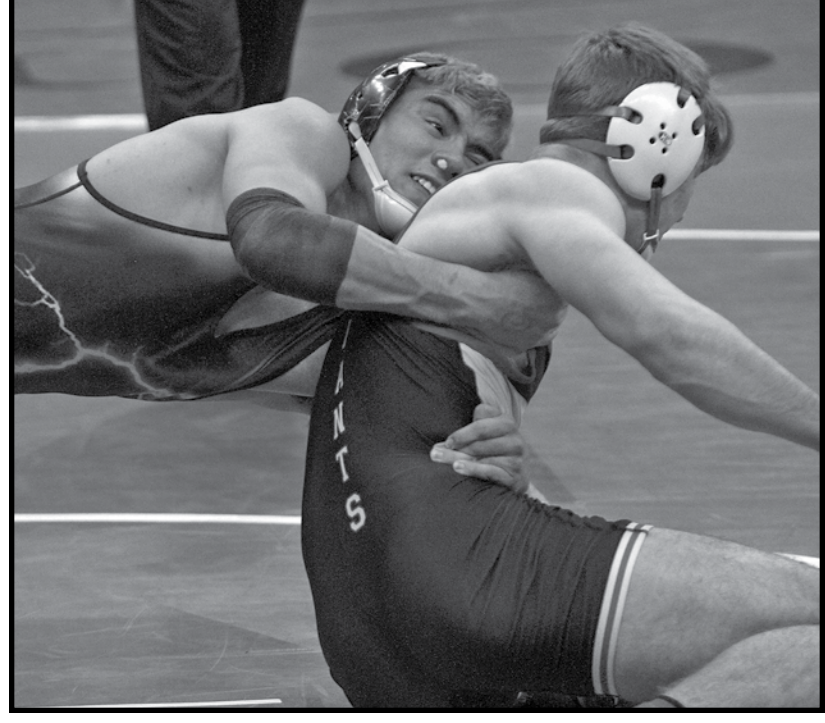
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Winside

The Wildcats led the area medal haul with three, but were it not for some unfortunate injuries, the team’s finish might have been better. Misfortune seemed to be Winside’s calling card this year, as injuries followed the team around and took some of the wind out of the Wildcats’ sails, leading to a 16th place finish in longtime coach Paul Sok’s final state tournament as the Winside coach. “I thought the kids wrestled well, but you throw in some of those unfortunate instances and it kind of takes away from it,” he said. The trouble started for Winside during Thursday’s quarterfinals when 126-pound senior Colby Erickson was thrown on his head by Dillon Micheel of Sandhills/The-



Wayne High senior Schuyler Schweers (left) just missed out on a medal, going 2-2 and losing in the third round of consolations. Efrén Godínez (right) of Wakefield matched teammate Cody Thomas’ final record and sixth-place finish.



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Winside falls in D2-5

HARTINGTON – The Winside boys basketball team's season has been one of the best in some time, but it came to an end for the Wildcats Tuesday in the D2-5 subdistrict at Hartington Cedar Catholic.

The Wildcats opened the tournament by getting their third win of the year, avenging an earlier loss to Wausa with a 50-32 win on Monday night.

Winside's defense was solid in the first half as they built a 23-9 half-time lead on their way to the easy win.

Keith Mundil led the Wildcats with 12 points and Dylan Brogren added 11. Colton Jensen put in nine points and Caleb Kampa had eight.

On Tuesday, the Wildcats hung with top-seeded Wynot early on, but

a 21-2 second-quarter run by the Blue Devils helped them pull away with a 64-35 win to end Winside's season.

Mundil scored 10 points for Winside, while Brogren, Jensen, Kampa, Brandon Watters and Jashaun Vyborny each had five.

Winside ends the season with a 3-18 record.

**D2-5 Subdistrict
Winside 50, Wausa 32**
Winside 12 11 16 11 - 50
Wausa 7 2 10 13 - 32
WINSIDE – Watters 6, Brogren 11, Jensen 9, Mundil 12, Vyborny 4, Kampa 8.
WAUSA – Scoring not available.

Wynot 64, Winside 35
Winside 9 2 13 11 - 35
Wynot 10 21 21 12 - 64
WINSIDE – Mundil 10, Watters 5, Brogren 5, Jensen 5, Vyborny 5, Kampa 5.
WYNOT – Scoring not available.

Allen falls to Pender

PONCA – The Allen boys basketball team saw their season come to an end Monday in the play-in round of the D1-5 subdistrict at Ponca High School.

The Eagles played Pender tough in the subdistrict opener, but the Pendragons held on down the stretch to post a 43-35 win and end Allen's 1-19 season.

Taylor Kumm had the hot hand for the Eagles, hitting six 3-pointers and finishing with a game-high 24 points. Chase Johnson added

five points, Garrett Brentlinger had four and Austin Crom put in two.

In their regular-season finale Thursday, Allen dropped a 58-38 decision to Omaha Nation.

Omaha Nation 58, Allen 38
Allen 18 8 7 5 - 38
Omaha Nation 23 4 14 17 - 58
ALLEN – Kumm 14, Johnson 3, Brentlinger 13, Williams 6, Riffey 2.
O. NATION – Scoring not available.

**D1-5 Subdistrict
Pender 43, Allen 35**
Allen 4 10 7 14 - 35
Pender 6 17 2 18 - 43
ALLEN – Kumm 24, Johnson 5, Brentlinger 4, Crom 2.

Trojans end season

The Wakefield boys basketball team closed out the regular season Friday with a 50-40 win at home against Homer.

The Trojans jumped out to a big lead early against the visiting Knights, and maintained a double-digit for much of the rest of the game to come away with the win.

Parker Lehmkuhl scored a game-high 19 points and Solomon Peitz had a double-double with 15 points and a career-high 22 rebounds for the Trojans. Isreal Gardea and Dylan Hurlbert each had four points.

In subdistrict play Tuesday, Wakefield dropped an 85-45 decision to top-ranked Winnebago in the C2-3 subdistrict at Pender.

Wakefield ends the season with a 6-16 record.

Wakefield 50, Homer 40
Wakefield 21 6 9 14 - 50
Homer 7 8 12 13 - 40
WAKEFIELD – Lehmkuhl 19, Peitz 15, Gardea 4, Hurlbert 4, Godinez 3, Lamprecht 3, Equihua 2.
HOMER – Scoring not available.

**C2-3 Subdistrict
Winnebago 85, Wakefield 45**
Wakefield 15 7 15 8 - 45
Winnebago 23 29 27 6 - 85
WAKEFIELD – Hurlbert 21, Peitz 13, Gardea 9, Godinez 2.
WINNEBAGO – Scoring not available.

LCC upended in C2-4

In their regular-season final on Friday, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge dropped a 71-54 decision to Wynot in a matchup of Lewis & Clark Conference foes at LCC High School.

The Beras got out to the early advantage, but Wynot used a 21-11 second-quarter surge to take a six-point lead, and they pulled away in the second half for the win.

Jayden Reifenrath had a game-high 20 points and had eight rebounds and seven blocked shots for

the Bears. Jordan Jansen added 13 points and Dillan Wolfgram put in 12.

The Bears dropped a 57-46 decision to Hartington Cedar Catholic in the C2-4 subdistrict Tuesday at Randolph. Statistics and highlights were not available at press time.

LCC finished the season 17-7.
Wynot 71, LCC 54
LCC 19 11 15 9 - 54
Wynot 15 21 19 16 - 71
LCC – Reifenrath 20, Knox 3, Jansen 13, Edie 4, Wolfgram 12, Forsberg 2.
WYNOT – Scoring not available.

Local working group meeting is March 10

A local working group that provides advice on the priorities for many U.S. Department of Agriculture conservation programs will meet Thursday, March 10 at 5 p.m. at the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District.

The public is encouraged to attend and express their natural resource concerns. Ideas generated from the public will help the U.S. Department of Agriculture tailor their natural resource programs to meet the needs identified locally.

There is a local working group in each Natural Resources District (NRD). Membership on the local working group includes federal, state, county, tribal or local govern-

ment representatives according to Robin Sutherland, district conservationist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), whose agency guides the local working group.

“The local working group recommends to the NRCS State Conservationist how conservation programs like the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQ-IP), Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), or Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP) would be used most effectively in their area. This recommendation can include special target areas, cost share rates on conservation programs, which conservation prac-

tices should have cost assistance, or how many dollars could be needed,” said Sutherland. This work group allows local input into how Federal dollars are spent, she said.

Typically, Nebraska NRCS obligates anywhere between \$45 million to over \$75 million dollars to farmers and ranchers statewide through NRCS conservation programs. These programs helped landowners and operators make

natural resource improvements to their land, water, or wildlife. This funding was allocated according to the priorities set by the local working group.

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Wayne WIC clinic to be held March 1

Wayne will hold the Wayne WIC and Immunization clinic on Tuesday, March 1 from 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, 516 N. Main Street in Wayne. For an appointment or for more information regarding the WIC or Immunization Programs please call (402) 385-6300.

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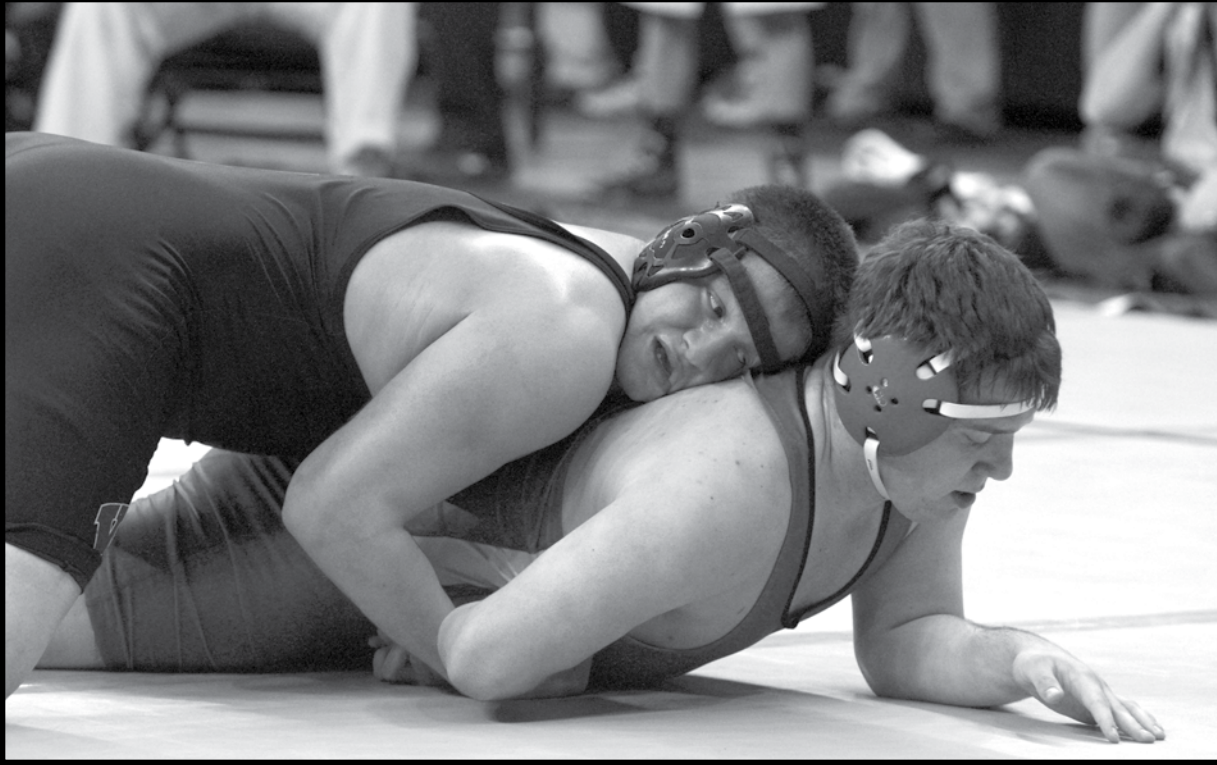
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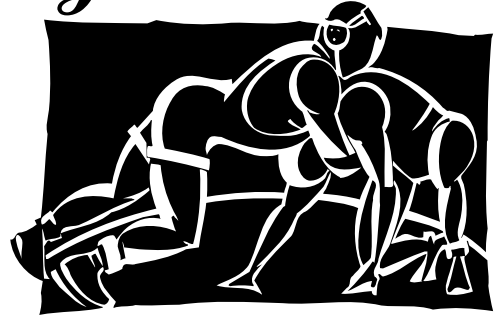
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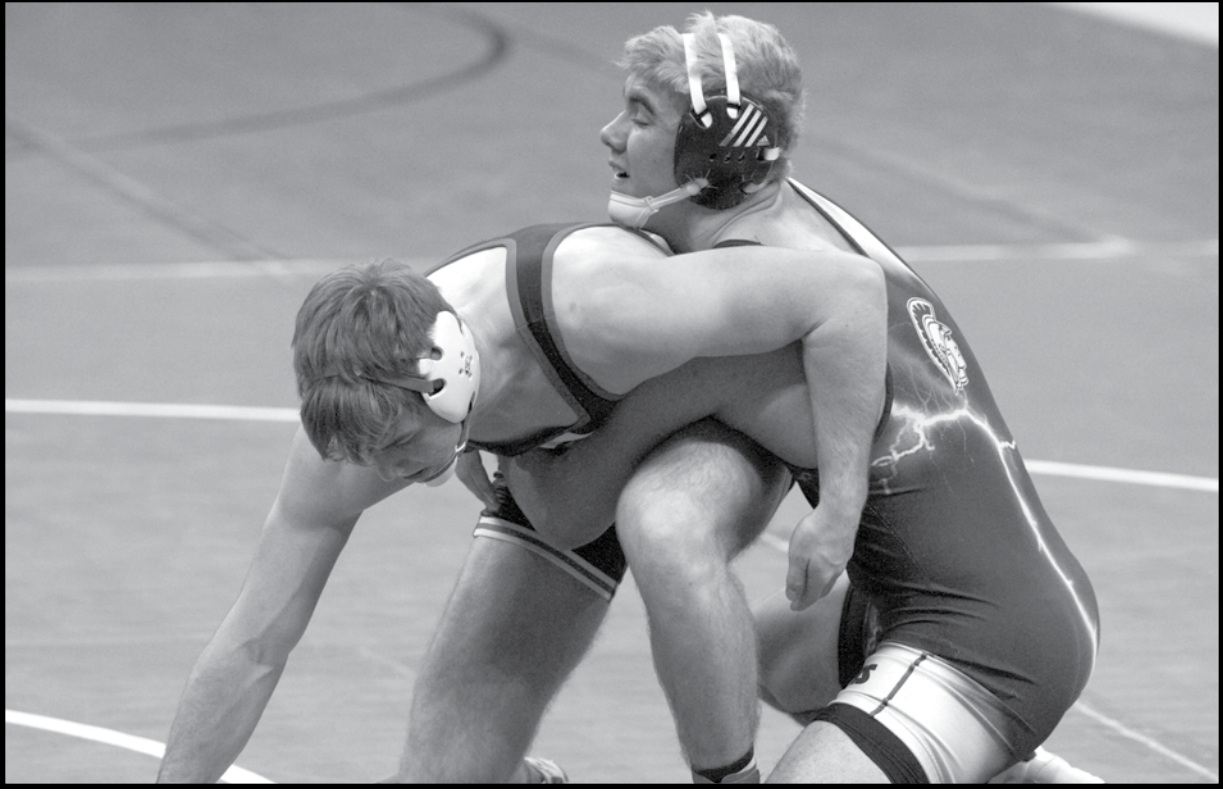




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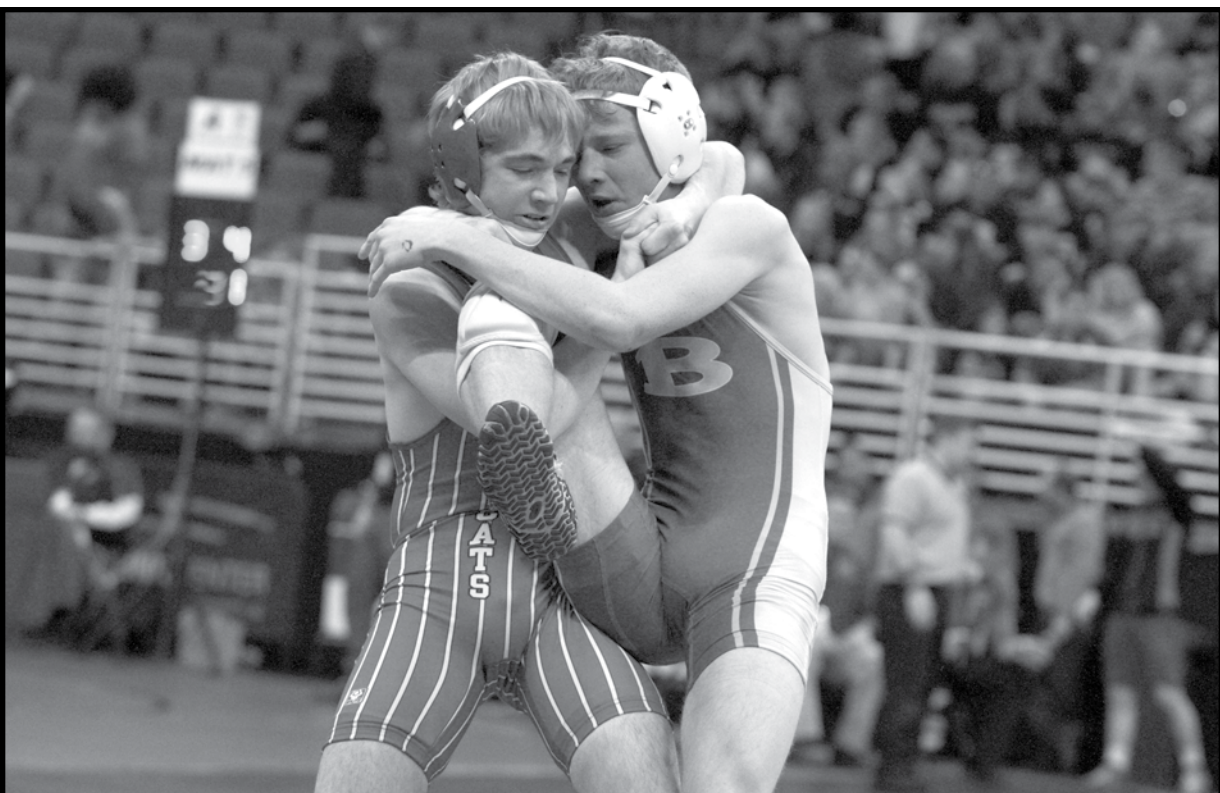


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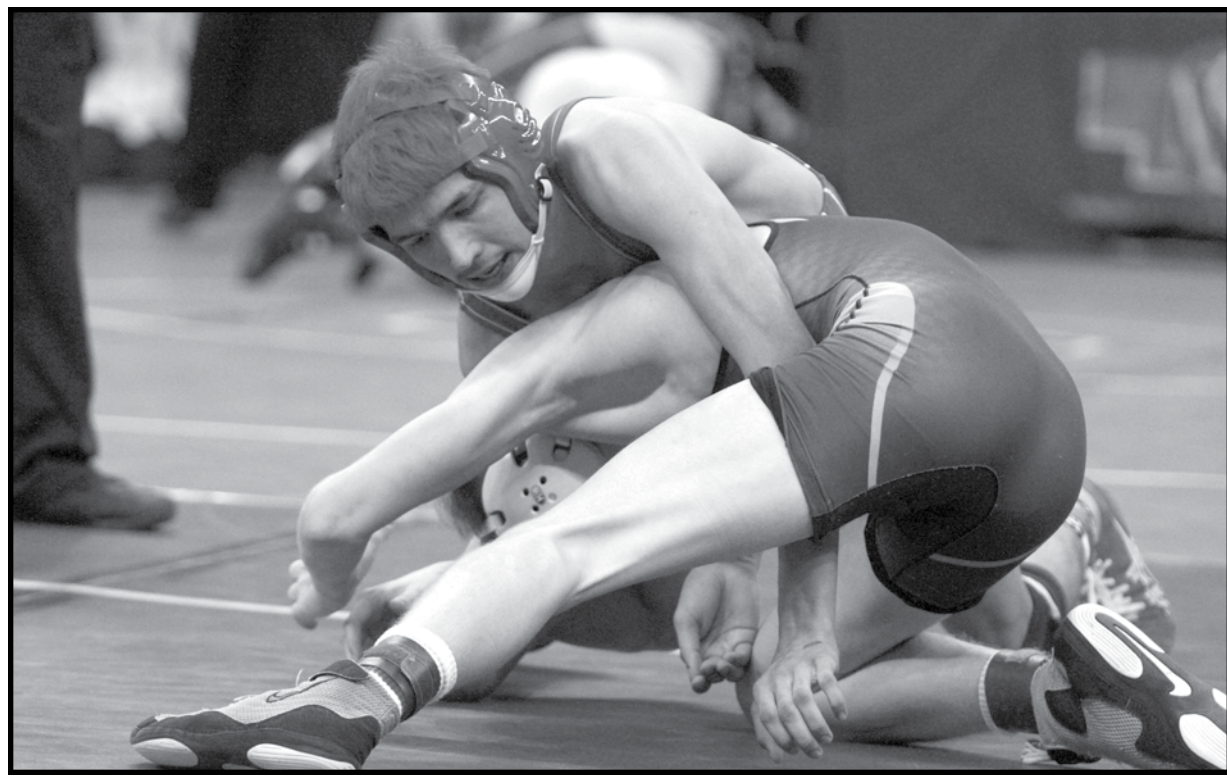
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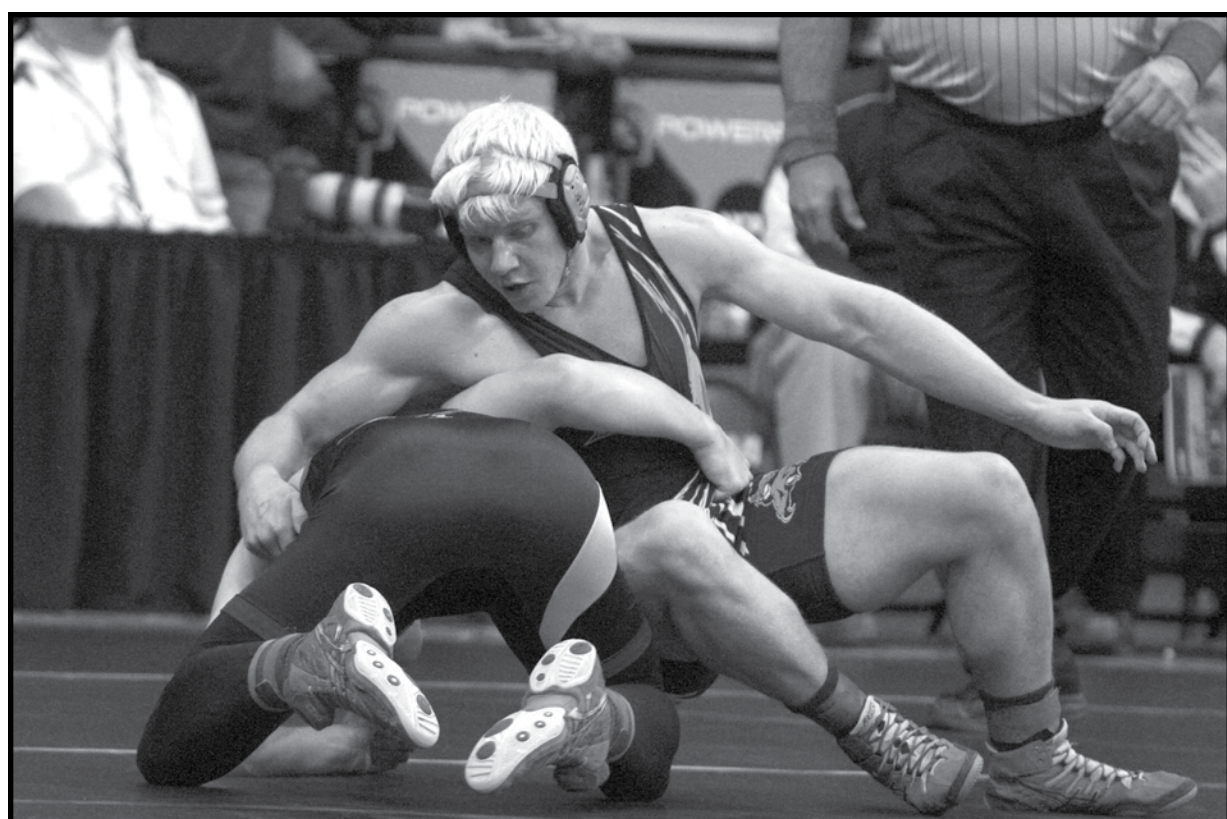
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Clover Kids

More than 20 children attended the February Clover Kids meeting at the Wayne County Courthouse (above). They were assisted by a number of parents and members of the 4-H Teen Supremes. Clover Kids will be holding their next meeting on Saturday, March 5 at the Wayne County Courthouse. To register for this meeting, please contact the Extension Office at (402) 375-3310 by 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 29. Youth ages 5-7 as of Dec. 31, 2015 are eligible to enroll in Clover Kids. Please call the Extension if you have any questions about Clover Kids.



Cedar County farmer directs donation to Laurel Q125 Committee

The Laurel Q125 Committee has received a \$2,500 donation from America's Farmers Grow Communities, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund and directed by local farmer Katie Kvols of Cedar County. The donation will help the organization fund entertainment, games and other events during Laurel's 125th celebration June 15-17, 2018. The Laurel Q125 Committee thanked Katie for her support of the organization with this donation, as well as her other efforts to help the

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Annual NWCA Conference, Trade Show held in Norfolk

Doug Deck, Wayne County Weed Control Superintendent, recently attended the Nebraska Weed Control Association's Annual Conference, held at Divots Conference Center in Norfolk.

Speakers for the Tuesday session included: Shayne Galford, State Plant Health Director – Biocontrol Agent Permitting; Brian Teeter, NRCS Wildlife Biologist – Habitat Management for Pollinators; Steve Rolfmeier, Director of CSC Herbarium – More Weeds; Aimee Hurt, Working Dogs for Conservation – Dogs Moving Conservation Forward; Jeffrey Boer, Wild Dakota – How Invasives are affecting Wildlife; Kyle Shepherd and Bill Sellers, Nebraska Cooperative Republican Platte Enhancement Program; Streamflow Enhancement and Prairie Restoration. Tuesday evening attendees enjoyed the banquet and awards ceremony, followed by Spike Blake "Half of Dueling Pianos".

Wednesday speakers included: Tim Johannesen, Warne Chemical – Anatomy of a Sprayer; Mark Jones, Kaput-D Prairie Dog Control – Control and Timing; Richard Endicott, Board of Educational Lands and Funds Executive Director, The Myths of School Land Trust; Fred McCartney, Nebraska Forest Fuel Management Specialist – The Role of Fire in Nebraska's Ponderosa Pine Ecosystem; Lynn Brien, Applied Research Scientist AgPixel – Drones, Piloted Aircraft, Aerial Imagery and Data Products for Weed Monitoring; Mitch Coffin, Noxious Weed Manager, Nebraska Department of Ag., County Added Noxious Weeds.

During Wednesday lunch, the annual business meeting was held. Todd Boller of Fillmore County will move up the ranks to be the new NWCA President, and members elected Rod Stolpart of Rock County as the new NWCA Vice President.

This training was the first of four opportunities in 2016 to earn continuing education hours required for all Nebraska weed superintendents. Each day the superintendent must answer role call twice, and must complete and pass the exam at the end of each day to obtain the hours of continuing education.

The next opportunity will be NWCA Spring Training, April 6-7 at Kearney.

4-H News


COUNTRY CLASSICS 4-H Club

The Feb. 14 Country Classics 4-H meeting was called to order at 1 p.m. by President Anna Loberg and the pledge was lead by Claire Lutter. The role call was given by secretary Josie Thompson and 14 members were present. Old business included the Backpack Program and new business included voting on ideas for the theme booth shown at the Wayne County Fair. Although a theme was not decided, a committee was established. Various committee reports were given for a Sewing Workshop or Bingo at The Oaks. The Sew-

ing workshop, reported by Marta Pulfer, will be held on either Saturday, March 19, or Saturday, April 9. Bingo at The Oaks was reported by Grace Heithold, and the date is to be determined.

Tray favors were made by the club and will be donated to The Oaks or Providence Medical Center. The Treasurer's report was given by Sylvia Jager; the historian's report was given by Marta Pulfer; news report by Maura Loberg. All were approved by the club. A date for the next meeting is to be determined. The meeting adjourned at 1:21 p.m.


By Maura Loberg
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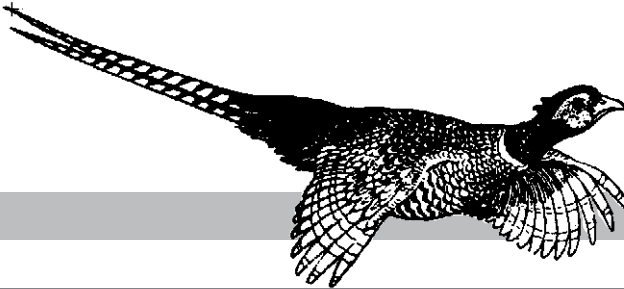
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'Star Wars' applauded, presidential political campaign is appalling

Forty years ago, a movie called Star Wars came to our local theater. The Big Farmer has never taken all four kids to a movie before or since, but he gathered them all up and they went to Norfolk to see the amazing technology. When they got back home, they said, "yep, Mom, it's a good thing you didn't go; you would not have liked it."

Now, when ET came around, I was the one who took all the kids, and I loved it. But that was such a different story from Star Wars. I still have a drinking glass with a picture of the cute little alien on it.

Last Saturday, Kay took her Dad to the local cinema to see Star Wars. The Force Awakens. I went to the birthday party of a 90 year old member of our church. The movie goes home all excited about seeing the original actors and



The Farmer's Wife
By: Pat Meierhenry

the newbies. We think the last time

Mike was in a theater was about twelve years ago, for Chicago.

On another note, did you ever think you would see the presidential campaign stoop to the name calling that is going on now?? President Reagan's eleventh commandment to never speak ill of another member of your own party has been thrown out!

I remember at the time of the Abu Ghraib prison scandal, reading a comment by a legislator, who said "when you consider the kinds of movies these guys have grown up with." And, since I had not seen those kinds of movies, I could not imagine any that would have given these guards those kinds of ideas. But the statement stuck with me.

Lately, I read an interview with Carol Burnett, one of my favorite comedians. When asked what

she thought of comedy today, she replied "A lot of it I'm not thrilled with. Some of the comedy I've watched on television seems to have been written by teenage boys in the locker room. Look back at some of the sitcoms that were brilliant; All in the Family, Mary Tyler Moore, Bob Newhart. They hold up today, and there's not a cheap laugh in them." I could add a bunch more, but you get the idea.

The other night on one of the late night shows, the host had celebrities read aloud tweets that had been aimed at them. They were awful!! I don't know how the recipients could keep smiling, but of course, they had to.

Another place you can gauge the level of coarseness in the society is to read the comments following anything on the internet. They are

amazing! And pathetic at the same time. I've always been told that using profanity just shows the user's lack of vocabulary, and I believe it. Typically, I don't read the comments, judging the content of the YouTube offering by what I see and

hear. And, of course, some of that isn't too fine, either! And now, we have candidates for the highest office in the land stoop to name calling. I find it appalling, and I'm not sure I'm going to vote. How about you?

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Resistance Management discussed, tree pruning advice offered

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Insects have shown a similar pattern in developing resistance to many types of insecticides used to control crop pests. Insecticide resistance is a global issue for a wide variety of agriculturally important pests and has been reported in over 540 insect and mite species Nebraska has had a long history with insecticide resistant pests; the western corn rootworm has been particularly difficult and has developed resistance to numerous insecticides for both larval and adult controls. In addition, corn rootworm in parts of Nebraska and the Midwest have developed resistance to some of the Bt proteins found in genetically modified corn, leaving growers with fewer control options and greater management costs.

A resistance management workshop will be held Monday, March 7 at the Wayne Fire Hall to educate agricultural clientele and farmers about the importance of herbicide, insecticide and fungicide resistance management, mode of action, and how to use this information to reduce potential spread of weeds, insects and plant pathogens in Nebraska. To go to this meeting you MUST preregister online. For more information and to register for the meeting go to agronomy.unl.edu/pest-resistance.

February and March signal the time to bring out sharp pruning tools. From now up until active growth begins is a good time to prune most shade trees. For fruit



Ag Happenings
Keith Jarvi
Extension Educator

trees, delay pruning until March or early April. Fruit trees pruned too early in winter may be damaged by subsequent cold temperatures. Some people have concerns that pruning in late winter or early spring will cause trees to ooze sap and be harmed. This is a myth. It does not harm shade or fruit trees if sap has begun to flow at pruning time.

The reasons February and March, just before active growth begins, is the ideal time to prune is because it is easier to see what needs to be pruned without leaves on trees; bark is less likely to tear when cuts are made on dormant trees;

and trees seal wounds quickly once growth starts. For shade trees, only prune if there is a good reason to do so. For fruit trees, some annual pruning is needed to encourage production of fruiting wood in fruit trees and to open fruit trees to sunlight penetration which increases production and fruit quality.

The main reasons for pruning shade trees is to develop strong structure, raise limbs for clearance, and remove broken branches. Pruning for structure should take place from three years after planting up to about 15 years after planting. Structural pruning involves removing co-dominant leaders, crisscrossing branches, and branches growing closely parallel to one another.

When pruning shade trees, do not remove more than one-third of a trees branches. Ideally, remove branches before they are larger than one to two inches in diameter. For shade trees, hire a licensed arborist when dealing with large trees, storm damaged branches, or doing structural pruning.

Most fruit tree pruning can be done safely by homeowners. To prune fruit trees correctly, know and understand what age wood different types of fruit trees bear fruit. Most apples and pears bear fruit on older wood while peaches bear fruit on one year old wood; hence apples and pears are pruned differently than peaches and other stone fruits. When pruning fruit trees, know

what needs to be pruned to encourage flower production. In general, heading back cuts are pruning cuts that remove only a portion of a branch to reduce length or height. Heading back cuts stimulate vegetative or leafy growth and this can delay or reduce flowering.

Thinning cuts remove an entire branch at its point of origin on the trunk or on another branch. Thinning is done to open up a plant to sunlight penetration. It is less stimulating and so encourages more flower production. Thinning cuts are most important for apples and pears, whereas peaches and other stone fruits need a combination of heading back and thinning out cuts.

When pruning shade or fruit trees, do not leave branch stubs but always leave branch collars. Do not make pruning cuts flush with the trunk. And do not use any kind of wound dressing or pruning paint.

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Farmers and Ranchers: The Original Conservationists

By Val Dolcini, Farm Service Agency Administrator

The modern environmental conservation movement is one that has brought awareness and conservation practices to many urban audiences. To some, it probably seems like a recent shift in American thinking.

But American farmers and ranchers throughout rural and tribal lands were the original conservationists, wasting nothing and preserving as much as possible. And in recent decades, they've produced some amazing results that everyone should know about as a result of the USDA Conservation Reserve Program, or CRP.

This relatively young program, in farming terms, just entered its 30th year. CRP is a voluntary program where farmers remove environmentally-sensitive land from production for 10 to 15 years. Farmers re-establish key plant species, like approved grasses or trees, to improve water quality, prevent soil erosion, and create wildlife habitat. In return, farmers receive modest annual payments.

Since 1985, producers enrolled in CRP all across the nation have been responsible for restoring 2.7 million acres of wetlands and protecting 170,000 stream miles—enough to go around the world seven times. This protected water is responsible for reducing nitrogen and phosphorus runoff by 95 and 85 percent relative to cropland, respectively.

The program has enabled farmers and ranchers to reduce soil erosion by more than 9 billion tons, and even sequester 1.4 billion metric tons of greenhouse gasses—equal to taking 9 million cars off the road every year.

These restoration efforts also have an amazing and nearly immediate benefit to wildlife population, such as ducks, pheasants, sage grouse, and the lesser prairie chicken -- even grazing for elk and moose, improved habitat for pollinating honeybees, and clearer streams for trout. In one area of the northern Great Plains, known as the Prairie Pothole Region, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service estimates that duck populations have increased by 1.5 to 2 million ducks per year. Many outdoors organizations also support CRP for its contribution to recreational activities such as hunting and fishing.

The success of CRP and a statutory limit on the number of acres that can be enrolled in the program will mean this year's enrollment period will be one of the most competitive in recent history. The application deadline is February 26. The most competitive applications will be those that combine multiple conservation benefits, such as water quality and wildlife habitat.

There are a lot of great conservation activities across the country, but when I think about the largest positive impacts to the rural environment, it's only natural that the American farmer and rancher are at the top of the list. To learn more about CRP, visit www.fsa.usda.gov/CRPis30.

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Allen Backpack Program

The committee that organized the Shopping for a Cause Event for the Allen Backpack Program would like to thank everyone who participated in the fundraiser.

The Ladies Night Out Event went GREAT and was well attended. We have made our \$2,000 goal. We will also be receiving a grant from the Immanuel Vision Foundation for \$3,000. Hungry children in our community leave school on a Friday and don't know if they will have another meal before lunch at school on Monday.

Through the Backpack Program they will receive food to eat over the weekend. It is placed in their backpacks so the other students don't know.

If you know of a student who should be a part of the Backpack Program, please contact Desiree Kneif at the school. Thank you to all the vendors, people, who donated door prizes and desserts, and everyone who attended.

Springbank Library

Mysteries, romances, science fiction, westerns - all kinds of books are available in hardback and audio form to check out at the Springbank Township Library, located in the same building as the Village Office.

Library hours are Wednesday 2-4 p.m., Friday 2-5 p.m., and Saturday 9-11 a.m.

Rastede Scholarship

Sophomore and junior undergraduate college students who are graduates of Allen Consolidated Schools are encouraged to apply for the Alvin G. and Anita D. Rastede Scholarship available through the Allen School Foundation.

In order to apply for the \$2,000 scholarship, the following questions must be answered and then sent to the Allen School Foundation, P.O. Box 190, Allen, Neb. 68710 by March 31, 2016.

One scholarship will be given and must be used during the 2016-2017 college year for undergraduate studies. The recipient will be notified by April 30, and he/she (or a representative) will be required to attend the May 14, 2016 graduation ceremony for formal recognition. The questions that must be answered are:

1. What is your college grade classification and GPA?
2. What is your major and/or minor field(s) of study and career goals?
3. In what on-campus activities/work and organizations are you involved?
4. In what off-campus activities/work and organizations are you involved?
5. How will this scholarship be beneficial to you and why are you deserving of it?

Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the school library from Thursday Feb. 25-Monday, March 7 (tentatively). For questions please contact Connie Roberts at (402) 635-2484 ext. 208 or at croberts@esu1.org.

School Lunch Menu

Friday, Feb. 26: NO SCHOOL.
Monday, Feb. 29: Breakfast - Egg and sausage. Lunch - Teriyaki chicken, rice, tea roll.
Tuesday, March 1: Breakfast - Uncrustables. Lunch - Fiestada pizza, corn.
Wednesday, March 2: Breakfast - Pancakes and sausage. Lunch - Chili with crackers, cinnamon roll.
Thursday, March 3: Breakfast - Omelet. Lunch - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, tea roll.
Friday, March 4: Breakfast

— French toast. Lunch - Italian School Library 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 27: Springbank Library hours 9-11 a.m.; Conference Speech at Wakefield; St. Michael's Catholic Church (Coleridge), 6 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 28: St. Paul Lutheran Church, 8 a.m.; St. Mary's Catholic Church (Laurel), 8 a.m.; First Lutheran Church, 9 a.m.; Trinity Lutheran, 9 a.m.; United Methodist Church, 9 a.m.; St. Anne's Catholic Church (Dixon), 10 a.m.; Evangelical Free Church, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, Feb. 29: Exercise Class at Senior Center, 9 a.m.; Scholastic Book Fair, School library 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 1: Boys District Final TBA.

Wednesday, March 2: Springbank Library hours 2-4 p.m.; Exercise Class at Senior Center, 9 a.m.

Thursday, March 3: Girls State Basketball at Lincoln; Elf Club, 1 p.m.; Library Board Meeting at Library, 7 p.m.

Friday, March 4: Senior Center Breakfast, 8:30 a.m.; Springbank Library hours 2-5 p.m.; Girls State Basketball at Lincoln

Community Hours

Library: Wednesday, 2-4 p.m., Friday: 2-5 p.m.; Saturday, 9-11 a.m.

Post Office: Monday-Friday: 7:45-11:45 a.m.; Saturday, 9:45-10:30 a.m.


Gas Station: Monday-Saturday, 6 a.m.-10 p.m., Sunday 7:30 a.m.-8 p.m.

Bank: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m., 1-4 p.m., Saturday, 8-11 a.m.

Senior Citizen Center: Monday-Thursday, 7 a.m.-1 p.m., Friday, 7-11 a.m., Saturday, 7 a.m.-12 p.m.

Valentine dinner

Winside United Methodist Youth group hosted a Spaghetti Valentine dinner Feb. 14 with about 66 individuals taking part. Following the dinner, the movie "War Room" was shown for all who wanted to stay. Funds raised by the free will offering event will be used by the youth for future missionary projects and events. Among those serving were (front) Casey North, Jami Jaeger, Haylee Cummins, (back) Lane Damme, Jaelyn Peterson and Cody North.



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Doug Deck, Wayne County Weed Superintendent (left) received the Region 3 Weed Superintendent Award. In presenting the award it was noted "this award is being given to a superintendent, who, shortly after he began his job, had the county shop and much of the equipment and office destroyed by a tornado. He is a member of the Northeast Nebraska Weed Management Area, and the South Dakota/Nebraska Purple Loosestrife group, and is active in both. He has been great at attending meeting and trainings, trying every opportunity to learn more about noxious weeds. He works well and consistently with landowners in his county." Making the presentation was Brian Crabtree.



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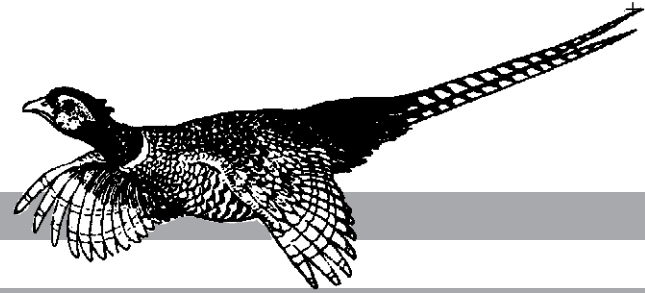
PUBLIC NOTICE

Republican Party of Wayne County Nebraska shall hold its biennial County Convention on Friday, April 1, 2016 at 7 PM at the Wayne County Courthouse Courtroom, 510 Pearl Street, Wayne NE.

Registered Republican voters of Wayne County need to file Delegate to County Convention papers with the Wayne County Clerk's Office no later than March 1, 2016.

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Lifestyle



Guide promotes life skills development

The 4-H youth programs promote life skills development through use of a five-step sequential Experiential Learning Guide.

Experiential Learning takes places when youth are involved in a project or activity. They look back

at the experience critically, determine what was useful or important to remember, and then use this information in real life situations (John Dewey).

The experiential learning process encourages thinking, working harder, and ultimately learning more thoroughly than just showing and telling. The five step processes are as follows:

1. Experience the activity; perform do it. Youth do before being told or shown how.
2. Share the results, reactions, observations publicly. Youth describe results of their experiences

Amy Topp
Extension Educator
4-H & Youth



and their reactions. The youth relate their experience to the targeted life skill.

3. Process by discussing, looking at the experience; analyze, and reflect.
4. Generalize to connect the experience to real-world examples. Youth connect the life skill discussion to the larger world. Youth use the new life skill experience in other parts of their lives.
5. Apply what was learned to

similar or different situations and practice.

Information shared is from the Experiential Learning Guide developed by John Dewey and adopted by National 4-H Council.

March Calendar

- March 1:** Diamond Clover Award Plan approval DUE
- March 5:** Clover Kids Meeting, Wayne County Courthouse, 9-10:15 a.m. (Registration Due Feb. 29)
- March 5:** Teen Supremes (following Clover Kids Meeting), 10:15-11 a.m.
- March 6:** Wayne County Market Beef Weigh-in, Wayne Veterinary Clinic, 1-2:30 p.m. (Snow Date March 13)
- March 6:** Market Beef ID's due.
- March 15:** 4-H Council High School Senior Scholarship Applications due.
- March 21:** Wayne County 4-H Council Meeting, Wayne County Courthouse, 7 p.m.
- March 26:** Bake and Take Day.

School Lunches

ALLEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Feb. 29-March 4)

Monday: Breakfast — Egg and sausage. Lunch — Teriyaki chicken, rice, tea roll.
Tuesday: Breakfast — Uncrustables. Lunch — Fiestada pizza, corn.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Pancakes and sausage. Lunch — Chili with crackers, cinnamon roll.
Thursday: Breakfast — Omelet. Lunch — Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, tea roll.
Friday: Breakfast — French toast. Lunch — Italian Dunkers.
 Most breakfast meals include: Choice of cereal or oatmeal. All breakfast meals include: 8 oz. milk, fruit or fruit juice. All lunch meals include: 8 oz. milk and salad bar. Salad bar may include the following options: fresh lettuce, fresh spinach, carrots/celery, tomatoes, diced eggs, bean variety, cucumbers, fruit variety.

LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Feb. 29-March 4)

Monday: Breakfast — Breakfast pizza. Lunch — Lasagna.
Tuesday: Breakfast — Breakfast boat. Lunch — Sub sandwiches.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Breakfast sandwiches. Lunch — Enchilada.
Thursday: Breakfast — Tornado. Lunch — Beef and noodles.
Friday: Breakfast — Muffins. Lunch — Cheese pizza.
 Menus are the same for Elementary, Middle and High School and are subject to change. Orange juice, skim milk, fruit, yogurt and salad bar are available daily. All breads and pasta are whole grain.

WAKEFIELD SCHOOLS (Feb. 29-March 4)

Monday: Breakfast — Breakfast boats, pineapples. Lunch — Hot dogs, carrots, tomatoes, apples.
Tuesday: Breakfast — Bagels, applesauce. Lunch — Barbecue meatballs, macaroni and cheese, broccoli, mandarin oranges.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Scrambled eggs and breadsticks, oranges. Lunch — Sneetch treats, Lorax sherls, hot moon pobbles,

yum-yook bread, beezle nuts.
Thursday: Breakfast — French toast sticks, oranges. Lunch — Beef nachos, corn, black bean salsa, apple juice.

Friday: No School. Spring break. Milk and juice served with breakfast and lunch. Juice or fruit offered everyday.

WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Feb. 29-March 4)

Monday: Breakfast — French toast sticks. Lunch — Chicken tenders, whole grain dinner roll, peas, broccoli, peaches.
Tuesday: Breakfast — Cheese omelet. Lunch — Sloppy Joe on whole grain bun, baked beans, cherry tomato, apple.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Late start - no breakfast. Lunch — Chicken patty, whole grain bun, baked beans, Romaine lettuce, strawberries.
Thursday: Breakfast — Whole grain breakfast sandwich. Lunch — Chicken and noodles, whole grain cinnamon roll, baby carrots, celery, strawberries.
Friday: Breakfast — Whole grain breakfast pizza. Lunch — Pizza, Romaine lettuce, cherry tomato, orange.
 Fruit and vegetable bar available for K-12 with every reimbursable meal at breakfast and lunch. Chef salad is optional for K-12. Milk served with every meal.

WINSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Feb. 29-March 4)

Monday: Breakfast — Pancake. Lunch — Chicken nuggets, potato wedges, blushing pears, roll.
Tuesday: Breakfast — Breakfast cookie. Lunch — Calzones, cooked carrots, peaches.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Cereal. Lunch — Sloppy Joes on bun, baked beans, mixed fruit.
Thursday: Breakfast — Cinnamon French toast. Lunch — Hot dog on bun, tater tots smiles, pears.
Friday: Breakfast — Egg taco. Lunch — Stuffed crust cheese pizza, lettuce, pineapple.
 Milk served with all meals. Menu may change without notice. Chef salad, fruit and vegetable bar available daily. Late start - no breakfast or K-3 salads.

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Senior Center Calendar

- (Week of Feb. 29-March 4)
- Monday, Feb. 29:** Leap Day. Morning Walking, 8:30 a.m.; FROG Exercises, 9:15 a.m.; Quilting; Pool; Senior Center Chimmers, 11:45 a.m.; Pitch; Hand and Foot; Pool.
- Tuesday, March 1:** Morning Walking; Quilting; Sentimental Reflections, Remembering the 50's, 11:30 a.m.; Card Making, 1 p.m.; Afternoon Bridge Club; Pitch.
- Wednesday, March 2:** Morning Walking; FROG Exercises, 9:15 a.m.; Decorating with Tammy, 10:30 a.m.; Ray Petersen on the accordion, 11:30 a.m.; Birthday celebration with Careage, noon; Hand and Foot; Pitch.
- Thursday, March 3:** Morning Walking; Quilting; Pitch; National Cold Cut Day (enjoy cold cut sandwiches for snack time), 2:30 p.m.; Afternoon Bridge Club.
- Friday, March 4:** Morning Walking; FROG Exercises, 9:15 a.m.; Quilting; Pool; National Cheerleading Day with the Wayne High School Cheerleaders, 11:30 a.m.; Bingo, 1 p.m.; Hand and Foot; Pitch.

Center Circle Club gathers in Winside

Janice Jaeger hosted the Feb. 18 Center Circle Club at Jensen's Cafe with 10 members present.

Roll call was "Your favorite Valentine Day memory". President Carol Jorgensen called the meeting to order. Secretary Claire Brogren took roll call and read the minutes of the last meeting. Treasurer Georgia Janssen gave that report.

Old business included discussing the clubs 82nd anniversary celebration that will be held on Sunday, June 5 at 2 p.m. at a location still to be decided.

Blind pitch was played with prizes going to Gloria Evans, Georgia Jansen and Betty Andersen.

The next meeting will be Thursday, March 17 with Rose Janke as hostess. Roll call will be "Tell of your favorite aunt or uncle and why."

Simcoe art show runs through March 24

The Wayne State College Department of Art & Design will present visiting artist Barbara Simcoe with her exhibition "Liminal Space" from Wednesday, Feb. 24 through Thursday, March 24 in the Nordstrand Visual Arts Gallery.

An opening reception will take place on Wednesday, Feb. 24 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the Nordstrand Visual Arts Gallery, located on the second floor of the Peterson Fine Arts Building. Simcoe will also host an Artist's Talk from 3:45-4:15 p.m. in Gardner Auditorium. Both events are free and open to the public.

The figurative imagery in Simcoe's work is exclusively of women. She is most interested in the breadth of feminine archetypes — woman as vessel of creativity, as intercessor, as of the earth, as mother, as primal aspect of the feminine/masculine dichotomy, as the complement of masculine divinity. Simcoe works with these archetypes in various media in order to create works that function as metaphor.

Simcoe has been a working artist for more than 30 years. Simcoe's show is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., and all shows end at noon on the closing day.

Senior Center Congregate Meal Menu

(Week of Feb. 29-March 4)
 Meals served daily at noon.
 For reservations, call 375-1460
 Each meal served with water, 2% milk, skim milk and coffee.
 All menus subject to change.

Monday: Sliced ham, shredded hashbrowns with cheddar cheese, frozen Prince Williams vegetables, canned peaches, whole wheat fresh bread, Promise.

Tuesday: Swiss steak with gravy, stewed tomatoes and onions, scalloped potatoes, beets, whole wheat bread, Promise, frozen strawberries.

Wednesday: Barbecue chicken quarters, red roasted potatoes, Key Largo blend, whole wheat fresh bread, frozen fruit yogurt, Promise.

Thursday: Sliced beef, twice baked potatoes with skins, frozen Key Largo blend, whole wheat fresh bread, Promise, canned mandarin oranges.

Friday: Egg salad sandwiches, whole wheat bread, pickle spears, baked potato soup, frozen mangos, Promise.

Pfaltzgraff to perform Sunday

The Wayne State College Department of Music will present WSC Staff Accompanist Philip Pfaltzgraff in recital on the Casavantes pipe organ on Sunday, Feb. 28 at 3 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne.

Pfaltzgraff will be joined by Dr. David Bohnert, WSC Music Department chair, on



Pfaltzgraff

the piccolo trumpet, and Dr. Jay O'Leary, retired WSC woodwinds instructor, on the oboe. The program will include music by J.S. Bach, Antonio Vivaldi, Jean Langlais, Gerald Near, William Albright, Tomaso Albinoni and Louis Vierne.

The recital is free and open to the public.

Briefly Speaking

Leather & Lace to dance in Wayne

AREA — The Leather & Lace Square Dance Club will host a dance on Friday, Feb. 26 at 7:30 p.m. at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Wayne. Zach Lorenzen will be the scheduled caller.

The group held their first dance of February on Feb. 12 with Wayne Lorenzen as the caller. There were six members in attendance and they welcomed seven guests.

Jerry Mansfield was awarded the free pass and "Split the Pot" prizes went to Phyllis Rahn and Jeanne Henery. This was "Sweetie Pie" Night with a variety of pies being enjoyed at the end of the evening.

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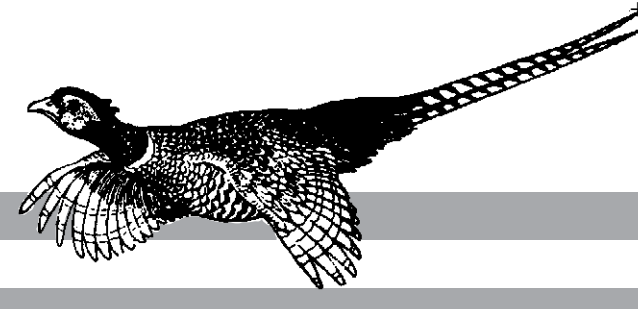
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nion, 8 and 10:30 a.m.; Sunday
School, 9:15 a.m.; Bible Class, 9:30
a.m.; Middle School Youth, 2 p.m.;
Organ Recital, 3 p.m.; Table Talk,
8 p.m. **Monday:** Duo Club, 4 p.m.;
Worship with Communion, 6:45
p.m. **Tuesday:** Pastors' Conference,
9:30 a.m.; L.I.F.T., 7 p.m. **Wednes-**
day: Bible Class, 9 a.m.; Bell Choir,
5:30 p.m.; Lenten Supper, 6 p.m.;
Lenten Devotion, 6:30 p.m.; Choir,
7 p.m.; Midweek, 7:15 p.m. **Thurs-**
day: Bible Class, 8 a.m.; Cross
Training, 8 p.m.

The Light is on Reconciliation, 5:45
p.m.-6:45 p.m.; Hispanic Prayer
Group and rosary at church, 6 p.m.;
R.C.I.A., 7 p.m., rectory. **Friday:**
Mass, 8 a.m. Adoration, 8:30 a.m.;
Stations of the Cross, 7 p.m.

Allen

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Sunday: Worship service, 9 a.m.
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Lutheran, 3:30 p.m.

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Sunday: Worship service, 9 a.m.
Wednesday: Kids 4 God at Al-
len Lutheran Church, 3:30-5 p.m.;
Youth Group at Allen United Meth-
odist Church for grades 7-12, 6:30-
7:30 p.m.

Carroll

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
(Pastor Harrison Goodman)**
Sunday: Worship Service with
Communion, 8 a.m.

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CHURCH
(Pastor Kyle Nelson)**
Friday: Fish Fry, 5:30-8:30 p.m.
Sunday: Third Sunday in Lent.
Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday
School. **Friday:** Fish Fry, 5:30-8:30
p.m.

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

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
East of town
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Sunday: Worship service, 8 a.m.
Tuesday: Bible Study with Jen-
sens at Careage in Wayne, 9 a.m.
Wednesday: Midweek/Junior
Catechism Classes, 4 p.m.; Lenten
Vespers at Immanuel, 7 p.m. (St.
John's, 5:30 p.m.)

**EVANGELICAL FREE
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Friday: Women's Bible Study, 9:30
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Communion, 10:30 a.m. **Thursday:**
Peace Dorcas Society, 1:30 p.m.

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Sunday: Trinity Bible Hour, 9
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Adult Bible Study, 7 p.m. **Wednes-**
day: Confirmation, 4:15 p.m.; Snak
Shak, 5:30 p.m.; Pioneer Club, 6:15
p.m.

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
4 North, 3 East of Wayne
(Willie Bertrand, pastor)**
Sunday: Morning Worship, 9:30
a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Bible Study with Jen-
sens at Careage in Wayne, 9 a.m.
Wednesday: Junior Catechism
Classes, 4 p.m.; Lenten Vespers at
Immanuel, 7 p.m. (St. John's, 5:30
p.m.)

**PRESBYTERIAN
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Sunday: Fellowship time, 10 a.m.;
Worship, 11 a.m.

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN
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Sunday: Sunday School and Adult
Education, 10 a.m.; Morning Wor-
ship, 11 a.m. **Tuesday:** Bible Study
with Jensens at Careage in Wayne,
9 a.m. **Wednesday:** Midweek/Jun-
ior Catechism classes, 4 p.m.;
Lenten Vespers at St. John's, 5:30
p.m.; Lenten Vespers at Immanuel,
7 p.m.

**SALEM LUTHERAN
411 Winter Street
(Barb Hansen, Interim Pastor)**
Saturday: Worship, 6:30 p.m.
Sunday: Adult and Youth Sunday
School, 9 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Lenten Service; Bell
Choir Practice, 7 p.m. **Thursday:**
Salem Video on Channel 98, 10 a.m.
and 7 p.m.; Tiger Cubs, 6:45 p.m.
Saturday: Worship with Noisy Of-
fering, 6:30 p.m.

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Sunday: Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.;
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Divine
Worship Service with Holy Commu-
nion 10:30 a.m. **Wednesday:** Bible
Study, 7 p.m.

**TRINITY LUTHERAN
(Parish Minister,
Glenn Kietzmann)**
Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.;
Service of the Word, 10:30 a.m.

**UNITED METHODIST
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Sunday: Worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday
School, 10 a.m. **Wednesday:** Pas-
tor in the office, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Bible
Study, 10 a.m.

Lorraine Topp to speak in Norfolk

Christ the Servant Lutheran
Church in Norfolk will host local
author Lorraine Topp on Monday,
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Topp, author of "81 Seconds," the
story of those affected by the torna-
does that hit the Pilger and Wake-
field areas in June of 2014, will be
featured at the church's "Taking
Time - WILD Card" event, begin-
ning at 7 p.m.
The presentation is free and open
to the public. It will be followed by
a reception with the author that
will include a book signing. Copies
of Topp's book will be available for
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The church is located at 1100
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For more information, contact
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Pastor Sally, noon; Presbyterian
Women, 6:30 p.m. **Wednesday:**
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11:30 a.m. **Sunday:** Third Sunday
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Sunday School, 10:15 a.m.; Bible
Study, 10:15 a.m.; Youth Group, 5
p.m.; Bible Study, 6:30 p.m. **Mon-**
day: Faithful Fitness, 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Faithful Fitness, 5:30
p.m. **Wednesday:** Bell Choir, 5:45
p.m.; Choir, 6:45 p.m.; Praise Band,
7:45 p.m. **Thursday:** Bible Study
and Communion, 9 a.m.; Faithful
Fitness, 5:30 p.m.; Bible Study, 6:30
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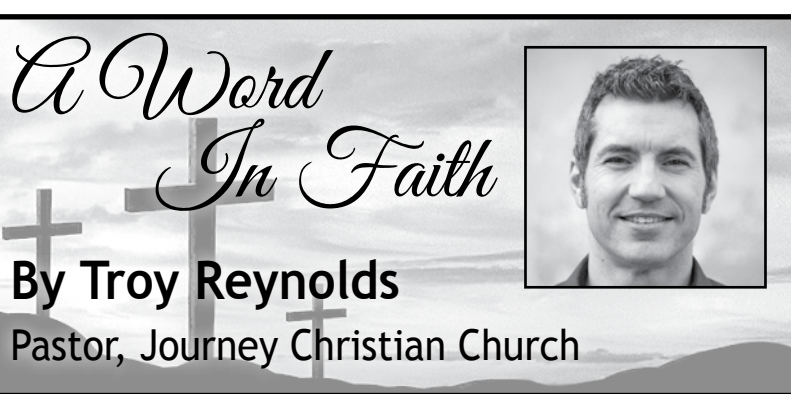
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If you have done any remodeling, you know that it's always messier and takes longer and costs more than you originally thought. Rarely do you finish in the time you intended or within the budget you set.



By Troy Reynolds
Pastor, Journey Christian Church

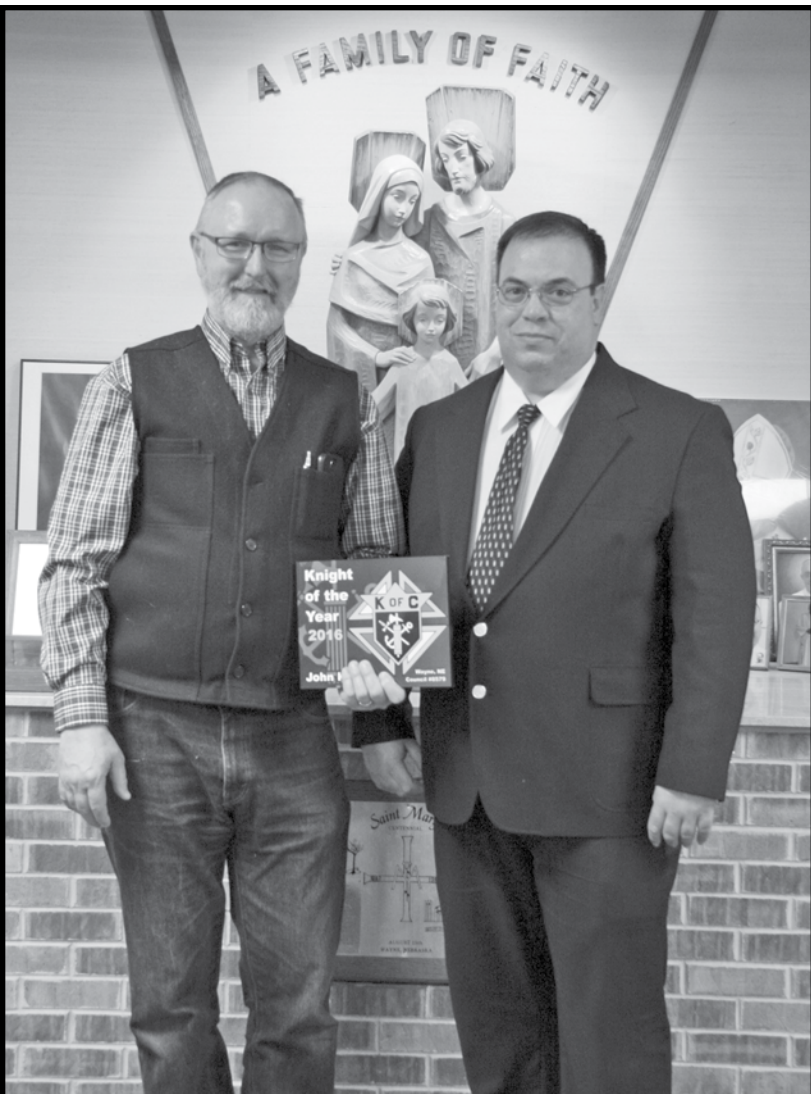
That's just the way it seems to go. The same is true with the remodeling that God is doing in your life. When you became a follower of Jesus you were probably told and believed that God could and would transform you into a better person. And maybe you thought it was going to be an instant change or an overnight fix or least that it would

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Knights honored

Several awards were presented to members of the Fr. Kearnes Council of the Knights of Columbus during the annual Wives' Appreciation event held Feb. 21. (left) John Kiely was selected as the Knight of the Year. Making the presentation was Grand Knight Paul Fehringer. (above) Joseph and Maggie Gubbels and their family were recognized as the Family of the Year. (below, left) Tony Hergott, Nebraska State Deputy for the Knights of Columbus, spoke during the event and thanked the members of the Wayne Council for their work throughout the year. He also challenged the members to continue to be examples for their families and serve the church wherever needed. As part of the evening's program, certificates were presented to those Knights who have been part of the organization for five, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50 and 65 years.



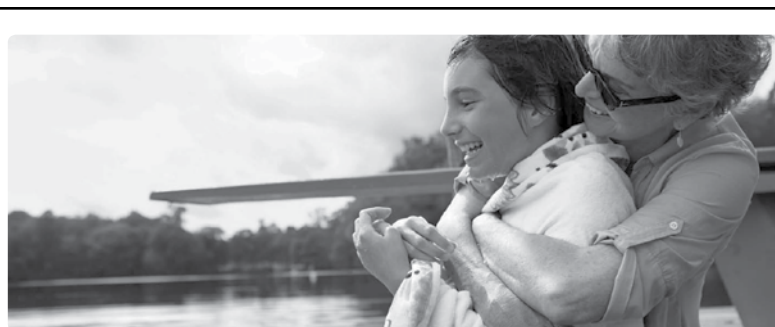
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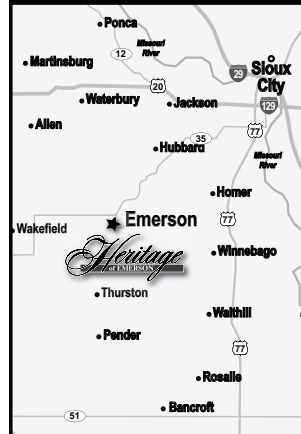
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Drafter- Engineering Department
Duties include: Drafting of assembly, weldment, and detail drawings. Review sales orders assigned by team leader/checker and make a complete Bill of Materials with drawings that reflect the options selected on that order. Work on special projects relating to new trailer design changes, and Resolve problems or questions regarding Bill of Materials and/or drawings as encountered by manufacturing. Minimum Associates Degree or equivalent in Drafting required. Degree to be focused on mechanical/manufacturing methods for sheet metal and welding operation. Knowledge of computer Aided Drafting is required

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The City of Wakefield, Nebraska is accepting applications for the position of Utility Foreman

The position is responsible for the oversight of the following: Public Water System, Wastewater System, Light Plant/Generator, (including all reporting requirements) employees, street maintenance, parks and recreation maintenance, equipment maintenance, facility maintenance, budget maintenance and working with major industries.

Manual labor will be required. Must be able to lift at least 50 pounds and must be a licensed driver, and hold or obtain a Grade III Water Certification, Grade I (minimum) Wastewater Certification and have three to five years of Supervisory/Managerial experience preferred. Three work references are required as well. A successful applicant will be required to work on call weekends. Other duties may be required such as nuisance abatement, tree trimming, pool maintenance, maintain adequate records, and cemetery maintenance to name a few.

Application and job description can be obtained at the City of Wakefield, 405 Main St., Wakefield, NE 68784.

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Accepting Applications for SWIMMING POOL MANAGER

The City of Wakefield is now accepting applications for a seasonal full-time Swimming Pool Manager for the 2016 season.

Applicants must have good work habits and be able to work independently. The successful candidate must be able to supervise lifeguards, operate, and manage all pool facilities, work with the public and work with children. This person must be a role model for safety and work ethic. A current Nebraska Class A Pool Operators certification is required, along with references. A current Nebraska Life Guard certification is preferred.

Interested persons may obtain an application at the City Office at 405 Main Street, Wakefield, Nebraska. Applications must be returned no later than May 1, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. Applications can be mailed to City of Wakefield, P.O. Box 178, Wakefield, Nebraska 68784. EOE.

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