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(Photo by Clara Osten)

SNBuilding work progresses

Work is continuing on State Nebraska Bank & Trust's SNBuilding. Nearly one year ago, the bank held a ground breaking ceremony for the branch that is located on 10th Street in Wayne.



(Photo courtesy Wayne State College)

Nick Sutton, above, was recently announced as the new eSports coordinator at Wayne State College.

WSC will launch competitive eSports with a new arena in fall 2020

Wayne State recently announced the hiring of Nick Sutton as the college's first eSports coordinator. The college's new eSports team will begin competition in the fall in collegiate eSports through the Eastern College Athletics Conference (ECAC). The eSports team joins a robust collection of club sports and intramural activities that are strong components of the extracurricular experience at the college.

Sutton, who was born in Omaha and moved around the world with his family due to his father's service in the United States Air Force, is coming to Wayne State from Radford University in Virginia, where he was founder of the university's eSports Club. He majored in recreation, parks, and tourism with a double concentration in outdoor recreation and leadership and special events and tourism at Radford. He will be pursuing a Master of Science in Organizational Management sport and recreation concentration at Wayne State.

"At Wayne State College I want to create an exciting and inclusive eSports community," Sutton said. "I plan on networking with staff and academic departments to excel in the areas of growth, recruitment, and student retention. This includes the implementation of eSports scholarships, community intramural leagues, and collaboration with surrounding high schools."

John Schwarte, who oversees intramural sports, club sports, and eSports at Wayne State as campus recreation coordinator, said the college has about 15 students who have shown strong interest in competing for the college this fall. He said Wayne State has been busy this spring coordinating the construction of Wayne State's eSports arena, The Den, which will be located in the

Kanter Student Center. The arena will feature 12 high-end PCs and all the necessary accessories that the team will use for practice and competition, along with flat-screen television displays for spectator viewing during competitions.

"I am incredibly excited to bring Nick onto campus to be our first eSports graduate assistant," Schwarte said. "His experience building a collegiate eSports program and his competitive experience set him apart from all the other candidates. Nick is a driven individual who met and far exceeded my criteria in the hiring process."

"Upon completion of the eSports arena, I will be building and inspiring competitive teams of athletes who will be representing WSC in the ECAC eSports league," Sutton said. "My goals for these teams are to provide a healthy competitive eSports environment and give them a professional eSports experience during their time at WSC. I would like to see this become a top tier eSports program in the Midwest."

Sutton's experience in eSports started as a student at Radford University. Not only did he start Radford's club, he is currently completing an accredited internship solely focused on building a foundation for Radford to successfully launch a full scale eSports program. Sutton also worked with Radford High School to help them start an eSports program that now competes in the Virginia High School League.

Sutton's experiences have included playing for semi-professional teams across the U.S. He has played for Shattered Dreams eSports, ImPerium Gaming, and is currently signed with Tenacity Dragons eSports.

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NNPHD reports jump in coronavirus cases in four-county district

Northeast Nebraska Public Health Department (NNPHD) has reported an increase of confirmed COVID-19 cases within the health district that covers Cedar, Dixon, Thurston and Wayne counties.

The largest increase of cases was announced on April 27 with five cases announced, however, NNPHD now has 14 confirmed cases at the time of print. As of April 29, within the health district 224 tests had been completed with 190 of those tests coming back negative and 20 waiting for results.

Of those who tested positive, two were under the age of 20; three were in their 20s; two in their 30s; two in their 40s; one in their 50s; three in their 60s and one in their 70s. Within the district, Cedar County has two cases, Dixon has seven, Thurston has three, and Wayne County has two cases.

"We need to consider that anyone could be infectious with the virus, even those who do not have symptoms. Please remember to use good social distancing and infection control practices such as wearing a face mask in public and not touching your face with unwashed hands," Julie Rother, Health Director for NNPHD, said in a press release.

NNPHD encourages the public to stay up to date with the Coronavirus situation on the CDC website at cdc.gov/. Nebraska DHHS has a COVID-19 call-in line where

Pac 'N' Save cleared to stay open after employee tests positive

Pac 'N' Save in Wayne announced via a Facebook post that one of their employees had tested positive for COVID-19. Despite the positive test, NNPHD ruled the store could remain open and risk to both other employees and the public for further exposure is low.

NNPHD was able to determine the exposure happened outside of the community of Wayne. Pac 'N' Save's precautions to the illness have helped reduce potential to exposure, but according to store manager Adam Endicott, those precautions have, essentially, been business as usual. Employees regularly wipe down commonly-touched surfaces with a Clorox and water solution and wipe down belts.

"We were doing that before, but we're doing it more frequently now," Endicott said.

In addition to making sure surfaces are clean, Pac 'N' Save is making sure employees are staying healthy.

"Everyone is wearing a mask and we're taking temperatures before employees come in," Endicott said. "We are taking this extremely serious. The health of the community and the health of our employees are the biggest thing."

Shopping at Pac 'N' Save is perfectly safe, but the store does offer delivery if anyone is uncomfortable coming in during the pandemic. Deliveries within Wayne can be made Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-noon for a \$2 fee, or groceries can be brought out to customers' vehicles. Deliveries are also made to surrounding communities. For more information call (402) 375-1202.

members of the public can get their questions answered about the virus. The phone line operates from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., seven days per week. To access the line, call (402) 552-6645. Follow NNPHD on Facebook to get the latest local testing numbers and re-

sults or visit their website for local updates on nnphd.org. Coronavirus testing results and information can be accessed on The Wayne Herald's website by visiting mywaynews.com/covid-19.

Wayne High seniors, community to celebrate last day of school with cruise

By Sarah Lentz
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In the time of at-home schooling thanks to the coronavirus, what does the last day of class look like and what does the last day of high school look like for the class of 2020? Wayne Community Schools teacher and mother to twin seniors, Sonya Tompkins knew what she didn't want the last day of school to be.

"I thought the worst way to end school their senior year was to just shut down the computer and be done," Tompkins said.

Her kids like to cruise, so Tompkins contacted her sister-in-law Jill Brodersen, who has been involved with cruise group Cruise Main in Wayne, about the possibility of organizing a special cruise night for the se-

nior class.

Cruising has been popular in the community, especially with Cruise Main in Wayne organizing several cruises a year. In fact, the Cruise Main group had planned to hold a similar event.

"We had planned to do it for the May 15 cruise," Bridget Korth, one of Cruise Main's organizers said.

The two groups got together and determined Friday, May 1 would be the best day to cruise.

"Usually the last day of school your senior year is a blast and you have something to look forward to," Tompkins said.

From there work to organize the students and plan the event came together. The senior class sponsor, Dwaine Spieker will lead the seniors from the school parking lot

and closing the senior procession will be an old fire truck.

"We're asking, community members to come out in their vehicles and honk and cheer and wave them on as they go past," Tompkins said. "The old fire truck is going to be taking up the very end, so people know once all the seniors have passed, then we want the community to join in on a fun cruise night like Cruise Main guys always do."

The organizers of the cruise are asking members of the public to continue to practice social distancing and not to congregate in parking lots and for everyone to stay in their own vehicles.

The senior cruise begins at 7 p.m. and as soon as the fire truck has brought up the end of the class, the public may join in.



(Photo courtesy Little Red Hen Theatre)

Above, the cast and crew of "Nana's Naughty Knickers" joined together for a photo before the coronavirus struck. Now, the show will go on, just in a different format.

Little Red Hen Theatre goes online for production, auditions

Wakefield's Little Red Hen Theatre has had to think outside the box in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. The theater's production of "Nana's Naughty Knickers" was sidelined in March, but theatre director T. Adam Goos recently announced the show will indeed go on — online. Additionally, the theater will also hold auditions for summer musical "James & the Giant Peach" remotely as well.

The Broadway musical "James & the Giant Peach" features a hip and diverse score,

with words and music by Benj Pasek and Justin Paul, the Tony Award-winning team behind the popular "Dear Evan Hansen."

Due to COVID-19, the theater will be holding auditions via a video submission process. Interested actors can find guidelines about how to submit auditions at littleredhentheatre.com.

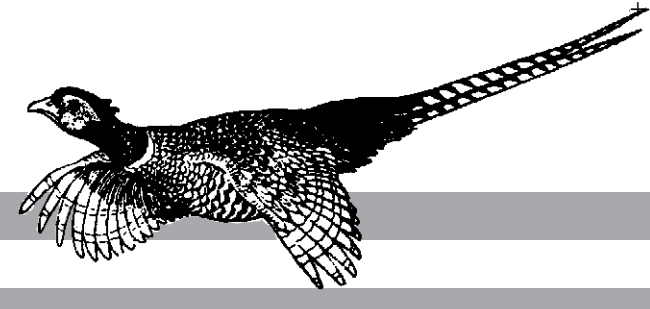
An imaginative adaptation of the classic Roald Dahl book, "James & the Giant Peach" promises to enchant theatre-goers of all ages. James, an orphan, is rescued

from a home by two aunts, who turn out to be abusive, but James escapes and finds his real "family" of unusual creatures who live inside a massive, magical peach — and that's just the start of the adventure.

According to Goos, the production is a perfect vehicle for the great talent we have in the area and will also accommodate younger actors.

"We're building out the production with

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Record

Dr. Larry Gossen chosen as dean of the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture

Dr. Larry Gossen has been selected as the next dean of the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture in Curtis.

Gossen will succeed Ron Rosati, who retired in August of 2019 after six years at the college. Kelly Bruns, director of the West Central Research and Extension Center in North Platte, has served as interim dean.

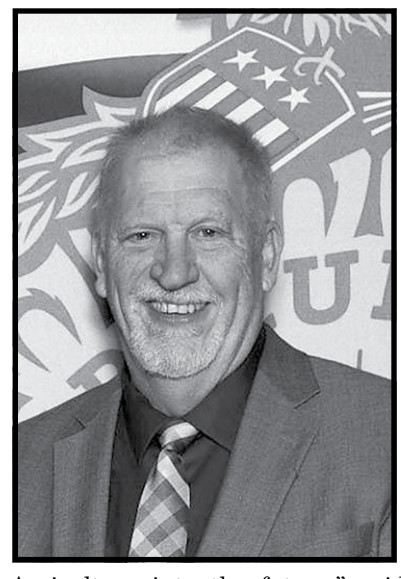
Gossen brings both classroom and administrative experience to the position. After graduating from Kansas State University, Gossen taught for 24 years at Elk Valley and Neodesha high schools in southeast Kansas. In 2001 he accepted a position with the Kansas Department of Education as the state supervisor for agricultural education and State FFA Advisor. In 2005 Gossen joined the National FFA Organization in Indianapolis, Ind. where he served in a number of roles until 2018. Since August 2019, he has served as the Nebraska State FFA advisor.

Throughout his career, he developed a robust, nationwide network of ag educators and FFA alumni and stakeholders.

Gossen is a lifetime member of the National FFA Alumni, has received his Honorary American FFA Degree, the National FFA VIP Award, and was a national finalist for the National FFA Agriscience Teacher of the Year. He received

his Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction in 2011 from Kansas State University.

"I am absolutely thrilled that Larry Gossen has agreed to lead the Nebraska College of Technical



Agriculture into the future," said Mike Boehm, vice president for agriculture and natural resources for the University of Nebraska and vice chancellor for the Institute of

Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. "Larry's experience and network uniquely position NCTA and the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources at UNL to partner with post-secondary and K-12 institutions in Nebraska and beyond. I am excited to see how NCTA under Larry's leadership will serve the diverse educational and workforce development needs of learners in Nebraska and the region."

Part of the University of Nebraska system, the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture is a two-year institution with a statewide mission of preparing students for successful careers in agriculture, veterinary technology and related industries.

NCTA is known for its affordable tuition, high job-placement rate for its graduates, and for the success of student teams in numerous competitive activities including crops judging, ranch horse events, livestock judging, shotgun sports, stock dog trials, and intercollegiate rodeo. The college is consistently ranked as one of the best two-year

schools in the nation.

"I am excited to strengthen existing partnerships with community colleges, public schools, UNL's College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, industry partners, and alumni to ensure the agricultural and vet tech workforce and talent needs of Nebraska and the surrounding region are met," Gossen said. "We are in the midst of challenging times, but challenges also bring opportunities for innovation. I hope to build on the work by previous deans and Interim Dean Bruns, and together with faculty, staff and students take NCTA to the next level."

Gossen's appointment as dean comes on the heels of the announcement of the Nebraska Promise, which offers free tuition to University of Nebraska students whose families make \$60,000 a year or less. The Nebraska Promise applies to students at all NU campuses, including NCTA.

Gossen will begin his new position on June 15. More information about NCTA can be found at ncta.unl.edu.



Paper, aluminum cans still being accepted by Boy Scouts

Paper and aluminum cans can still be dropped off for the Wayne Boys Scout Troop 174 at the Wayne Transfer Station during operation hours Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturdays.

Paper items go on top of the paper pile in the paper trailer. Scout leaders note: "Please NO PLASTIC bags or items with a spiral binding or hard back books mixed in with the paper pile. Please leave them to the back left side of the trailer."

Aluminum cans go into the grain cart which is located near the entrance. Please empty bags into the grain cart.

Please call Mike Schlickbernd at KTCH (402) 375-3700 with

questions or if you need help getting your papers and cans to the Transfer Station.

"Troop 174 appreciates your help and understanding during this time," Schlickbernd said.

Acceptable paper items include: Newspaper, office paper, magazines, paperback books, phone books, paper bags, envelopes, almost any correspondences that comes in the mail and chipboard which includes items like cereal, tissue, pop and beer boxes.

Items that are not acceptable include:

Glass, plastic, metal, styrofoam, string, feed sacks and corrugated cardboard.

Open Fields and Waters Program enrollment open

The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission is looking to add more hunting and fishing access opportunities through its Open Fields and Waters Program.

Landowners are encouraged to consider allowing public, walk-in access on their property for hunting or fishing through the program. In exchange, landowners receive per-acre annual payments and liability protection through the Nebraska Recreational Liability Act.

Game and Parks is seeking to add enrollments within the following target areas:

Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) - CRP acres in any part of the state will be considered, but the primary interest is within the eight Pheasant Opportunity Areas/Focus on Pheasants areas identified in the Berggren Plan for Pheasants (OutdoorNebraska.org/PheasantPlan). Landowners can get up to \$10 per acre for CRP, depending upon location and habitat quality.

Prairie-chicken and grouse opportunity - Sites are sought in the southern Panhandle and along a line from North Platte to Niobrara. High-quality grassland

habitats with mixed-bag upland game hunting opportunities are desired. Antelope and/or mule deer opportunity is a plus.

Wetland Reserve Program Easements - Landowners who have Wetland Reserve Program Easements can receive up to \$15 per acre for accessible portions of WRP easements with suitable habitats.

Northern bobwhite opportunity - Game and Parks seeks to target opportunities for quail hunting across the southern tier of Nebraska counties. All types of habitat that bobwhites use will be considered.

Fishing access - Farm ponds, small lakes, warm-water streams or rivers and cool-water streams with trout are all potential targets. Payment rates are per surface acre on lakes and ponds and per stream mile on streams or rivers.

Game and Parks received a \$3 million Voluntary Public Access - Habitat Improvement Program grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, which will provide \$1 million per year over the next three years for expansion of Open Fields and Waters.

Open Fields and Waters has added more than 112,000 acres since 2016. In 2019-2020, more than 750 landowners participated in the program statewide, providing public access on more than 346,000 land acres, 42 ponds and lakes, and more than 44 stream miles.

Game and Parks also will consider other hunting opportunities, as well. For information about enrolling in Open Fields and Waters, contact the nearest Game and Parks office. View a list of offices at OutdoorNebraska.gov/locations.

Legal Notices

NOTICE

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

ESTATE OF RICHARD E. BARELMAN, Deceased.

Estate No. PR 20-13

Notice is hereby given that on April 27, 2020 in the County Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, Ward Barelman, whose address is 57670 853rd Rd, Wayne, NE 68787 was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of this Estate.

Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before June 30, 2020 or be forever barred.

(s) KimBerly Hansen Clerk Magistrate/Registrar 510 Pearl Street, Suite B Wayne, Nebraska 68787

Attorney for Applicant Kate M. Jorgensen #22912 110 West 2nd Street PO Box 125 Wayne, NE 68787 (Publ. April 30, May 7, 14, 2020) ZNEZ 1 clip - 1 POP

A Quick Look



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Date	High	Low	Precip	Snow
Apr. 23	82	37	—	—
Apr. 24	81	45	.24"	—
Apr. 25	63	36	—	—
Apr. 26	66	35	—	—
Apr. 27	82	47	—	—
Apr. 28	82	58	.13"	—
Apr. 29	69	47	.10"	—

Recorded 7 a.m. for previous 24 hour period Precip./mo. — .67" / Monthly snow — 2" Yr./Date — 4.26" / Seasonal snow — 34.5"

Chamber Coffee

WAYNE — Until further notice, in-person Chamber Coffees will not be held. Instead, the Wayne Area Economic Development Office will be holding ChamberPercs on the Wayne, NE facebook page at 10:15 each Friday morning. Staff from the WAED office will present announcements at that time. WAED officials will continue to explore alternatives for Chamber Coffee events.

Online Book Fair

AREA — Wayne Elementary School will be holding an online only Book Fair from Monday, May 4 through Sunday, May 17. All purchases will be shipped directly to the purchaser's home. Free shipping is available on book orders over \$25. The link for this virtual sale is bit.ly/waynebooks

Pet registration

WAYNE — Due to current events and limited public access to City Hall, the city of Wayne has suspended annual pet registration renewals usually required in the month of May.

All pet registrations will now be due during the month of July 2020 and will be considered delinquent on or after Aug. 1, 2020. This should allow additional time for pet owners to obtain updated rabies vaccinations (if needed this year) which are required to license a pet.



Food Pantry, Backpack program

AREA — The Wayne Food Pantry, located at First Presbyterian Church in Wayne, continues to be available to those in need in Wayne County. Anyone desiring to check on availability is asked to call the church office (402) 375-2669 or email fpwayne@gmail.com. All inquiries are confidential. Backpacks continue to be distributed through Wayne Public Schools at all locations that are providing lunches to students.

Golden Harvest

Golden Harvest Seed & Chemical

Staunch II	\$36.75 gal
Volley ATZ NXT	\$22.50 gal
Atrazine 4I	\$10.00 gal
Grazon NXTHL	\$41.25

Contact: Sam Blake
402-641-2107 • Carroll, NE
samghseed@yahoo.com

Summer opportunity available for high school students

Are you a high school sophomore or junior who wants to positively impact the world? We encourage you to apply for a special summer session of the Cultivate ACCESS community.

Cultivate ACCESS (Agriculture Career Communities to Empower Students in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) aims to increase participation of youth in STEM-related agricultural careers through a holistic mentoring and development program. Applications are currently being accepted for the 2020 summer session of Cultivate ACCESS starting June 1 and running through Aug. 7.

As a Cultivate ACCESS scholar, you will be mentored by career professionals to help you explore your career interests. You will also connect with college student ambassadors for additional mentoring and to help you prepare for life after high school. As a Cultivate ACCESS scholar, you will gain valuable employability skills including leadership, teamwork and communication.

Visit cultivate.unl.edu/scholars for application instructions or contact us at cultivate@unl.edu for more information. Don't delay - applications are due by May 15.

Blood drive held in Wayne

For over 15 years, Wayne and surrounding communities have been supporting the local blood bank, LifeServe Blood Center, at the community blood drives organized by Dennis Lipp.

The blood drive was held April 22 to help the blood center keep inventory levels high as we work our way toward warmer weather and through a season of illness and uncertainty.

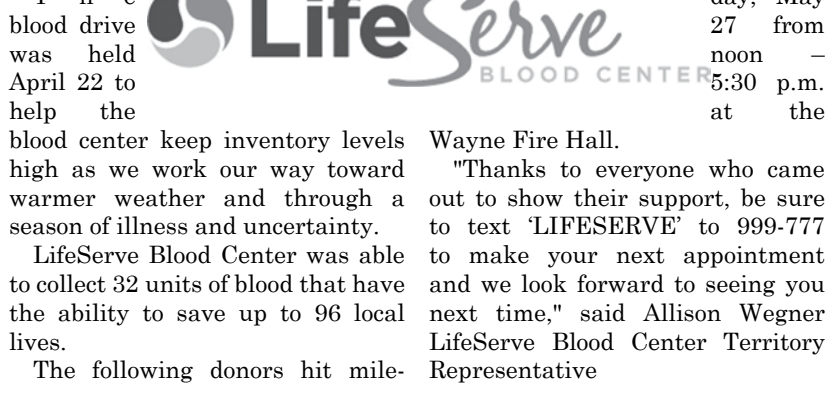
LifeServe Blood Center was able to collect 32 units of blood that have the ability to save up to 96 local lives.

The following donors hit mile-

stones with their most recent donation: Norman Fendrick - two gallons; Nicholas Muir - four gallons; Connie Wagman - nine gallons, and Douglas Temme - 20 gallons.

The next drive will be Wednesday, May 27 from noon to 5:30 p.m. at the Wayne Fire Hall.

"Thanks to everyone who came out to show their support, be sure to text 'LIFESERVE' to 999-7777 to make your next appointment and we look forward to seeing you next time," said Allison Wegner, LifeServe Blood Center Territory Representative.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

4/27/2020

Providence Community Pharmacy



Who are they: Front row left to right (all pharmacists): Casi Korth, Becky Barner, Shanna Jensen. Back row left to right: Renae Johnson Brenner, Josh Cliff, Rebekah Quandt, Kim Caskey.

What they offer: Over the counter supplies with home delivery and mail service. Location: 803 Providence Rd Suite 101

Check out the full videos online wayneweb.org and our social media

eSports

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He has competed among the top 1 percent of players in the game, placed in the top 150 teams in North America, and said he plans on playing in the Olympic qualifiers in 2021.

"My biggest achievement was bringing home the first eSports trophy to Radford," he said. "We had competed in a collegiate invitational Rocket League tournament at Shenandoah University among some of the biggest schools in Virginia. It was a life-changing experience for me. When we got to hold the trophy up, I knew that this is what I wanted to do for the rest of my life. Whether it be competing or working in the eSports industry, I

knew I had found my passion."

Sutton will lead Wayne State's team in competition in games such as FIFA, Fortnite, Hearthstone, League of Legends, Madden, Overwatch, Rocket League, and Super Smash Bros Ultimate in ECAC and additional games offered competitively through other tournaments and leagues.

ECAC hosts a comprehensive eSports program that presently involves 23 schools fielding 107 teams in Divisions I, II, and III. The ECAC's eSports platform is expanding the geographic footprint of the conference nationally.

Intramurals and club sports are a strong part of the Wayne State experience. Nearly 700 students participated in intramural programs in 2019-20, and 150

students compete in club sports.

"This year we had the highest intramural participation numbers we have had in the last five years," Schwarte said. "From card games to yard games, we included new activities to gather more than just your typical group of college students who love the traditional sports such as sand volleyball, basketball and football. We have worked hard to expand our horizon with what we offer, and this year we are going to add in more eSports events for the casual gamer. We are continually requesting feedback from our student population about what they would like to see."

Wayne State club sports include the new eSports team as well as wrestling, men's and women's

rugby, coed curling, coed bowling, men's soccer, and men's volleyball.

"The beautiful thing about club sports is that you do not need experience to try out," Schwarte said. "Everyone is welcome to play on the team. A few notable mentions would be our women's rugby, curling, and wrestling clubs. Women's rugby has been thrashing opposing teams for 10 national championships, many of them back to back. Our curling program qualified for nationals this past spring for the first time since 2017. Wrestling, for the first time in their history, had two All-Americans this year."

Students interested in eSports should contact John Schwarte at (402) 375-7481 or joschwa1@wsc.edu.

Heinemann would have represented Winside at Boys State

The American Legion Post 252, based in Winside, announced that Toby Heinemann, a junior at Winside Public School, was selected to attend Cornhusker Boys' State. Toby is the son of Doug and Bobbi Heinemann of Winside. Toby is involved in cross country, basketball, track, band, YLC, one-acts and FBLA. Toby also likes math and science and was excited to attend boy's state to continue the tradition of camaraderie and higher learning and represent the community of Winside and Winside Public School.



Toby Heinemann

Boys State is set up as a functional

"51st state" and each boy learns how government subdivisions operate by actually doing the job. Participants campaign for offices, hold elections, take part in band and chorus, compete in athletics, and be involved in other varied activities as part of the citizenship training program.

Special lectures and addresses are delivered by experienced public officials and professional leaders throughout Nebraska. Invitations are sent to the Governor and secretary of State offices for special appearances. National acclaimed motivational

speakers are also scheduled to address the entire group.

Since its inception in 1919, The American Legion has been a key advocate for veterans' benefits, patriotic American values, instilling values in young people through numerous programs, and a strong nation defense with focus on quality-of-life issues for those serving in today's armed forces.

On March 19, the Nebraska American Legion announced that the 2020 Cornhusker Boys State Program would be canceled due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Gov. Ricketts announces changes to Directed Health Measures

On April 24, Governor Pete Ricketts announced upcoming changes that ease some restrictions on social gatherings and business operations in Nebraska as of May 4.

The current State DHM for Douglas County will be extended through May 3. The local DHMs from the Sarpy/Cass Health Department and the Douglas County Health Department will also be extended through May 3. The statewide closure of all beauty/nail salons, barber shops, massage therapy services, gentleman's clubs, bottle clubs, indoor movie theatres, indoor theatres, and tattoo parlors/studios, originally set to expire April 30, is extended to May 3 and will be extended in some areas. It was also announced that as of May 4, the State will have

19 separate DHMs, one for each local health department (LHD). They will be effective through May 31

Places of worship will have relaxed DHM requirements statewide beginning on May 4. Places of worship include churches, synagogues, mosques, temples, etcetera. They will need to ensure six feet of separation between different household units and nothing may be passed between worshippers.

As of May 4, beauty/nail salons, barber shops, massage therapy services, and tattoo parlors/studios in the above LHDs will be permitted to open. These establishments will be added to the list of gatherings subject to the 10-person rule and the new DHM will require employees and patrons alike to wear masks.

Restaurants will be allowed to serve dine-in customers as of May 4 if all of the following conditions are met:

- The restaurant limits seating to 50 percent of the rated occupancy maximum at all times.
- The restaurant seats parties at least six feet apart.
- All dining parties are restricted to no more than six persons (groups larger than six will need to sit at separate tables).
- No customer self-service will be allowed. Restaurant staff must serve food directly to customers or implement buffet orders from the customer table.
- Bar seating is not permitted.
- Patrons may only consume alcohol on the premises if also consum-

ing a meal.

Bars that do not serve food will remain limited to carry-out sales and delivery only.

As of May 4, childcare facilities will be permitted to have up to 15 kids per room/space. All other state provisions, statutes, and regulations (including child-to-staff ratios) still apply.

Bars, gentlemen's clubs, bottle clubs, indoor movie theaters, indoor theaters/playhouses will remain closed statewide until May 31, though the State may revise the DHM prior to that date.

For more information visit the governor's website at governor.nebraska.gov



Correction

There was an error in caption of the above photo titled "Kinney plays perfect shot" which ran in the April 23 edition of The Wayne Herald. Witnesses to Bill Kinney's hole-in-one included Dick Hitchcock and Gene Casey, not Gene Claussen as was written. Joey Baldwin also witnessed the ace.

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State colleges to release CARES Act Student Need Application

Chadron State, Peru State, and Wayne State Colleges are finalizing their certifications required by the U.S. Department of Education to receive CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) Act funding dedicated to providing aid to students. Colleges will then send out CARES Act applications to eligible students over the next week.

College students were among the first impacted by the efforts to minimize the spread of COVID-19. Students were asked to transition to virtual learning and not return to campus, which has caused additional financial hardships for students and their families.

"Our students have risen to the

challenges presented by COVID-19 to continue their educations, but it has not been without significant hardship," said Paul Turman, Chancellor of the Nebraska State College System. "Through the CARES Act application, students will be able to describe how they have been impacted so that we can strategically direct aid dollars to support our students in continuing their education and completing their degrees."

Under the CARES Act, the Education Stabilization Fund provides approximately \$4.4 million in fiscal support to the State Colleges. At least 50 percent of the institutional funds must go directly to emergency financial aid or grants to students

to cover basic needs such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care. Colleges will draw upon survey or data collected through the application to determine how to allocate funds directly to students demonstrating the most significant need.

As Nebraska's open-access public institutions, the State Colleges have been committed to ensuring affordable options for students pursuing a four-year degree. The CARES Act funds, along with the average \$5,200 in grant and aid awarded to existing undergraduate students, can make a significant impact on covering the annual price of tuition at approximately \$5,500.

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the expressed intention for children to be able to participate," Goos said. "It will be both fun and educational - everyone will have a blast bringing the show to life."

Due to current situation with COVID-19, the theatre is exploring several ways for the production to be put together to follow directive health measures that may be in place when rehearsals begin on June 1.

"We're looking at options for rehearsing in groups of ten or less, which we can do with this show. We're also investigating options for streaming the final performances, should we need to do that," Goos said. "We are dedicated to providing opportunities for our entire community to participate in the arts, so we'll work hard to make sure we can proceed with the rehearsal process in a way

that ensures everyone's safety and health."

The production is looking to cast a diverse group of performers, ages six and older, who act, sing and dance or move for several roles, as well as a "players" ensemble. The theatre is also looking for volunteers to help with production and artistic elements, such as stage management, lights, sound, costumes and props. A full list of available stage roles and volunteer positions can be found in information packets that can be downloaded from the theatre's website. The packets also include draft schedules as well as guidelines and instructions on how to submit video auditions by May 15.

"We're so excited to put this show together and can't wait to make some magic with everyone," Goos said. "We encourage anyone with an interest to audition. The commitment for involvement

varies, depending on the role, but we'll always do our best to work around any other scheduling commitments, including summer vacations and sporting events."

While the summer musical prep is about to begin, the theatre is currently selling tickets to "Nana's Naughty Knickers," a comedy that was originally scheduled for late March. Little Red Hen Theatre obtained permission from the show's playwright to provide a limited livestream of the performance. Those who reserved tickets to the originally scheduled show automatically have tickets to the upcoming production and can watch the show from their homes. "Nana's Naughty Knickers" will be livestreamed on Friday and Saturday, May 15 and 16 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, May 17 at 2 p.m. Livestream tickets are still available via the theatre's website or by calling (402) 287-2818.

Wakefield Community Schools to hold virtual graduation ceremony for class of 2020

On April 23, Wakefield Community Schools announced via their website that a virtual graduation ceremony would be held when the traditional ceremony was scheduled on Sunday, May 17.

"We thought it would be in the best interest of the students, families and staff to deal with a somewhat known situation as opposed

to having to deal with more uncertainty in the future," secondary principal Matt Farup said in the release.

Finalized plans have not been announced at time of print.

"We will do all we can do to make the ceremony special and honoring to our graduates while staying within the guidelines of the Direct

Health Measures provided by the Nebraska Department of Education and the Nebraska Department of Health," Farup said. "We fully grasp the difficulty that the Class of 2020 is enduring. We know that no alternative is ideal but we will do all we can do to make the ceremony special for this great bunch of kids."

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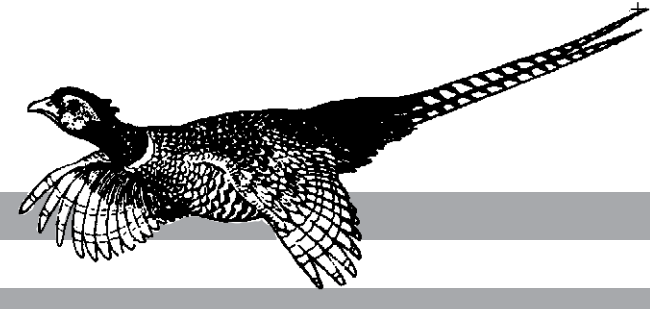
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Sports



WSC track and field signs athletes

Four Northeast Nebraska athletes have signed letters of intent to compete in women's track and field at Wayne State in 2020-21, according to coach Marlon Brink.

"I am very excited to announce the signings of these three student athletes to continue their careers at Wayne State," said Coach Brink. "We feel that all of them will be able to help make an impact on our team. The fact that these athletes are also from northeast and north central Nebraska is great as well, as we are helping to support the mission of Wayne State College."

Kelsey Larsen from Bancroft-Rosalie/Lyons-Decatur (B-R/L-D) High School has signed to attend Wayne State. She will join Jercey Irish of Lexington, Makenna Taake from Battle Creek and Reilly Young of Greeley as members of the 2020 recruiting class.

Larsen is a three-sport standout (volleyball, basketball and track and field) during her high school career for the Wolverines. Last spring as a junior, she placed seventh in the Class C 800-meter run with a time of 2:25.37. Larsen was a Class C state qualifier in the

400-meter dash and 800-meter run as a sophomore and in the 800 and 1600-meter runs during her freshman season. She was the 800-meter champion at the 2019 East Husker Conference Meet and Norfolk Track and Field Classic.

In basketball, Larsen was a two-time Class C-2 All-State honorable mention selection and helped B-R/L-D reach the state tournament this year while earning All-East Husker Conference honors. She was also a three-year starter in volleyball.

Cody Crosley from Crofton, Dylan Kneif of Pilger and Kolton Needham from Bassett join John Campbell of Grand Island, Noah Carr from Allen, Jacob Evans of Elwood, Collin Kotz from Papillion and Abe Schroeder of Ravenna as members of the 2020 Wildcat men's track and field recruiting class.

Crosley was a three-sport standout at Crofton High School, starting three years in football and basketball to go with four years in track and field. Last season as a junior, Crosley finished fifth in the Class C long jump at 20-4 1/2 and holds the school record in the event at 21-11. He was also an All-Mid State Conference football selection and played on the Class C-2 state runner-up team at Crofton as a freshman.

Kneif is a high jumper from Wisner-Pilger High School, starting three years in track and field and football and two years in basketball. Last spring, Kneif was the Class C state champion in the high jump, clearing 6-6 and is a three-time Class C state qualifier in the event. He was named to the Norfolk Daily News All-Area Basketball Second Team this season as a senior and helped the Gators reach the Class D-1 state football playoffs the past two seasons.

Needham is a hurdler/sprinter from North Central High School in Bassett, helping his team to a Class D state runner-up finish in track and field last year and a third-place finish in 2018. Last spring, Needham was a state qualifier in the 110 and 300-meter hurdles while running a leg on the fourth-place 1,600-meter relay team. He was also a state qualifier in both hurdle events as a sophomore in 2018.

Needham holds the school record in the 300 meter hurdles and has the second-fastest time in the 110 hurdles. He was also a two-time All-Niobrara Valley Conference selection in basketball.

NEN All-Star Football Classic cancelled

The eighth-annual Northeast Nebraska All-Star Football Classic, scheduled for Saturday, June 13 has been canceled because of uncertainties due to COVID-19 pandemic, according to Mike Sunderman, President of the Classic's Board of Directors.

"This decision by the board did

not come lightly, but it did become apparent that the reality of having the game was not in the cards this year," Sunderman said. "Postponing the date was not a viable option as logistically, with the number of people, businesses, and sites involved, as well as finding a suitable date given the

unknowns of the virus made that very difficult. We feel very badly for the players, coaches, and their families that will not get to experience this lifetime event, but we feel it is the right decision at this time."

The 2021 Classic will be played in June of next year.

Allen News

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ALLEN COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS

By Nancy Kelly
Director

April has come and gone and I hope we are done with snow! We are all waiting to see what May brings us. I hope everyone continues to stay safe in these current times.

There have been a lot of changes in the past six weeks. Hopefully any more changes will be in our favor. I will be adding one more change to the schedule that we have here at ACCI. Starting May 1, I will be serving breakfast at 10 a.m. instead of at 8:30 a.m. This will give everyone more time to sleep in and still have a nutritious breakfast.

We continue to only have call in orders for lunch. All of the calls are very much appreciated. Your support continues to help the center greatly. Please keep in mind our menus are subject to change daily, so please call in early to order your meal.

There still is time to purchase raffle tickets for the Ponca State Park one-night lodge stay. The drawing is Friday, May 8. The cost is \$10 for one ticket and \$20 for three tickets. We will be contacting the winner on May 8.

I'd also like to thank the following people and companies for their donations to the center in April: Michael Foods and Brett Koeppel.

Thanks also to the ACCI Board of Directors for their help in delivering meals for us. Everyone is doing a fantastic job continuing to serve our patrons and senior population.

On a personal note, I miss seeing everyone and can't wait until we can reopen our doors to the community. Don't be surprised if I call to visit with you soon!

Weekly menu
Friday, May 1- Biscuits and Gravy

Monday, May 4- Baked Potato Bar, Pineapple, and Bread

Tuesday, May 5- Hamburger on a Bun, Potato Wedges, Baked Beans

Wednesday, May 6- Tuna & Noodles, Peas, Pears

Birthdays
May 4- Judy Mae Blair

Anniversaries
May 6- Jerry & Karen Smith

ALLEN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS NEWS

Current closure information
Allen Consolidated Schools asks parents and guardians to continue to support their children in the learning opportunities that have been provided by the teachers. For any questions, reach out to the child/rens teachers from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. during normal school days.

Graduation plans made
Graduation dates have been set. Saturday, June 27 will be the first opportunity for graduation. If a minimum of 100 people can attend, Allen Consolidated Schools will host a graduation ceremony on the that date. The deadline for determining if the school can hold the June graduation will be Monday, June 15. If they are not able to hold a ceremony with at least 100 people in attendance on June 27, the graduation ceremony will be moved to Saturday, August 1. The deadline for determining if Allen can hold the August graduation will be Monday, July 20. If they are unable to host 100 people in attendance on August 1, the school will hold some type of virtual ceremony instead of a traditional ceremony.

Class registration
Information on registering for classes for 2020-2021 school year will be coming out shortly. Mrs. Oswald will be working with students to get them registered for the proper classes.

Last day of school
At this time, the last day of school for our students will be the following:

- Seniors-May 1

- Elementary-May 14
- Secondary- May 15

Information regarding check-in for school materials such as books or band instruments will also be coming out soon. Continue to check the update page on the website for this information at allenschools.org

Senior Spotlight

Check out the Allen Consolidated School Twitter page for special Senior Spotlights every few days. Search @SchoolsAllen There is also a live Twitter feed on the school's website, allenschools.org

School lunch during closure

Allen Consolidated School is continuing to offer free, grab-and-go lunches to students during the closure. Those wanting lunch must call the school by 8:30 a.m. each school day in order to reserve lunch. Diners can also email the office at ssullivan1@allenschools.org

Each day that lunch is requested, those eating must call or email the school.

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

First Lutheran Church

Look for services to be live-streamed on the church's Facebook page each Sunday during this time. Search First Lutheran Church, ELCA~ Allen, NE

Virginia Wheeler Scholarship recipients announced

First Lutheran Church would like to congratulate Noah Carr, son of Greg and Ann Carr, and Brogan Jones, son of Jay and Shelly Jones for being this year's co-recipients of the Virginia Wheeler Scholarship. Brogan and Noah will each be receiving a \$600 scholarship to go towards their schooling this fall.

Anniversaries

May 6- Jerry Smith & Karen Clausen Smith

Birthdays

May 1- Matt Hingst
May 6- Brennan Beach

CITY OF WAYNE PET REGISTRATION & RENEWALS

Due to current events and limited public access to City Hall, the City of Wayne has suspended annual pet registration renewals usually required the month of May.

All pet registrations will now be due during the month of July, 2020 and will be considered delinquent on or after August 1, 2020. This should also allow additional time for pet owners to obtain updated rabies vaccinations, if needed this year, required to license your pets.

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When I received the box in the mail, all four masks were there, lovingly wrapped in tissue paper with a note of encouragement - That's love.

When I come home from work my children run to the top of the stairs yelling out, "Mommy's home" - That's love.

When I stop them from coming down to the landing until I can shower and change in the downstairs bathroom because I am scared that I might bring the virus home and I want to do everything I can to protect them - That's love.



The Prairie Doc
By Jill Kruse, DO

When a patient sends a message to local health care workers that they are thinking of us and praying that we stay well - That's love.

When essential workers in any

profession, show up to support their families and co-workers every day - That's love.

When the local theater department makes masks for the hospital and uses it as a final project for students - That's love.

When you order a take-out meal from a local restaurant or buy a gift card from a local small business - That's love.

When you turn off the news and call a friend instead so neither of you are so lonely - That's love.

When you practice social distancing, not because you are afraid, but because you do not want to add to anyone else's risk - That's love.

When teachers completely change the way they teach, with only a few days to prepare, and their eyes light up with happiness when they see their students on a Zoom meeting - That's love.

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Evergreen diseases to control soon

By Kelly Feehan
Extension Educator

Bagworms are not the only issue we are seeing in evergreens. While insecticides for bagworms should not be applied until June, April and May are the months to apply fungicides for control of the following diseases of pine and spruce.

Most fungal diseases require moisture on leaves or needles to cause an infection. Since we've had a few years of good moisture, there is an increase in conifer diseases. Now is the time to get up close and personal with your trees and look for symptoms to determine if fungicide use is justified.

On spruce, if two year old and older needles on the lower half of the tree have turned reddish brown, this could be Rhizosphaera needle cast. To confirm, fungal structures may be seen on affected needles with a hand lens as rows of black specks.

Needle cast is most commonly seen on Colorado blue spruce since this species is overplanted. Needles are infected in spring but symptoms do not become evident until a year later when needles turn reddish brown. Fungicides labeled for spruce are effective if damage is not already too severe.

Fungicides must be applied during the spring infection period to work. Make the first application when new growth is between one-half and two inches long, usually in May, and a second application three to four weeks later. Treatment for two to three consecutive years may be needed.

Stigmata needle cast is a new disease of spruce readily mistaken for Rhizosphaera. It too effects inner and lower needles and causes rows of black fungal structures on needles. Microscopic observation in a lab is required to distinguish between the two diseases.

Due to the recent emergence of

this fungus, fungicides labeled for Stigmata are rare; however fungicides may still be used if registered for use on spruce in the state the tree is located. While more is to be learned about this disease, use the same timing recommended for Rhizosphaera. Treatment for four to five consecutive years may be needed.

Chlorothalonil is commonly recommended for spruce diseases, but certain formulations have label restrictions that advise DO NOT use on blue spruce. If using a chlorothalonil based product, read the label to make sure it is registered for the type of spruce being sprayed.

Fungicides containing azoxystrobin, mancozeb, copper salts of fatty and resin acids, and copper hydroxide are also effective for controlling spruce disease. Cultural controls that improve airflow through the canopy in conjunction with fungicides will help provide the best control.

There are two blights common on pines, mainly Austrian and ponderosa. Dothistroma needle blight

begins as reddish-purple spots or bands on previous years needles. Infected needles turn brown from the tip back to the lesion. Lower branches are most heavily infected. To control, make the first fungicide application in mid-May to protect existing needles and a second application about mid-June to protect new growth.

Sphaeropsis tip blight infects established pines causing new growth to be stunted, black pycnidia (specks) to develop on bottoms of pine cones and entire branches to die with needles turning brown and often hanging straight down. It is helpful to pick up and discard pine cones to reduce overwintering fungi.

To control with fungicides, the first application is made at bud break (typically around the third week of April), a second just before needles emerge (early May), and a third 7 to 14 days later. The active ingredients of Thiophanate-methyl, Propiconazole, Copper Salts of Fatty & Rosin Acids, or Bordeaux mixture are recommended.

LENRD board approves Hazard Mitigation Plan

Proactive hazard mitigation planning allows a community to take actions to reduce or eliminate threats from natural disasters.

To help guide future hazard mitigation projects, the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District (LENRD) has updated their Hazard Mitigation Plan and approved it at their April board meeting.

When developing the plan, the LENRD's 15-counties were guided by a Planning Team consisting of representatives from the LENRD, counties, cities, several schools, and the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency (NEMA). According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), for every \$1 spent on hazard mitigation, \$4 in post storm cleanup and rebuilding is saved.

"Once a community, county or district is part of an approved plan they become eligible for up to a 75 percent cost share for a wide variety of projects listed in the plan. Hazard Mitigation Plans are required to be updated on a five-year cycle," LENRD projects manager Curt Becker said.

JEO Consulting Group, Inc. (JEO) was hired to update the plan. JEO assisted in completing the LENRD's original and previous plans in 2009 and 2014. This hazard mitigation plan update is funded by a FEMA planning grant. The cost is shared 75 percent through federal funding and 25 percent through a local match. For this plan update, the LENRD provided the 25 percent local match.

In other business, the board approved a payment request from the City of Randolph for \$834,723 for their flood risk management project. The board signed an inter-local agreement with the city in 2017. This payment request will assist with Phase 1 of the project and will keep the project moving forward. The entire project includes the widening of the channel and the replacement of several bridges through the city.

The board also approved the Urban Recreation Area Development and Urban Conservation Program applications for a total of \$89,551.58. The four approved grants will assist the communities of Madison, Norfolk, and Randolph with their outdoor recreation projects.

"The applications for these grants are sent to the communities within the LENRD each year with an early March deadline," Becker said.

The board also voted to au-

thorize staff to proceed with the handicapped sidewalk project at Maskenthine Lake. This will complete the sidewalks near the jetties and the boat dock. The bid was accepted from Gates Construction, LLC for \$12,669.

In other action, the board approved the producer contracts for the Bazile Groundwater Management Area (BGMA) demonstration site for groundwater nitrate reduction. This project will consist of three demonstration sites on farms within the BGMA through a Nebraska Environmental Trust grant.

The board also approved continuing the operation, maintenance, and coordination of the Nebraska GeoCloud platform.

"The GeoCloud platform hosts the statewide Airborne Electromagnetic Survey (AEM) data and the supporting datasets that allows for the sharing of this data with the public through the Eastern Nebraska Water Resources Assessment (ENWRA) website," LENRD Assistant Manager Brian Bruckner said.

A presentation was given by Charles Ikenberry, an engineer with FYRA Engineering, on potential ways to reduce the toxic algae in the Willow Creek State Recreation Area, southwest of Pierce. He proposed a multi-phase approach to the study of the phosphorus build up in the lake to determine what could potentially be done to combat the issue.

"This is an introduction to a project that could potentially help us to further understand the complexity of this issue and assist us in developing a plan to protect the water quality in the lake and the surrounding area," LENRD General Manager Mike Sousek, said.

The LENRD board and staff meet each month to develop and implement management plans to protect our natural resources for the future.

The next LENRD board meeting will be Thursday, May 28 at 7:30 p.m. Watch for further updates and stay connected with the LENRD by subscribing to their monthly emails at lenrd.org.

The LENRD serves all or parts of 15-counties in northeast Nebraska. Visit the LENRD website to sign up for monthly emails from the district. Like them on Facebook and follow them on Twitter.

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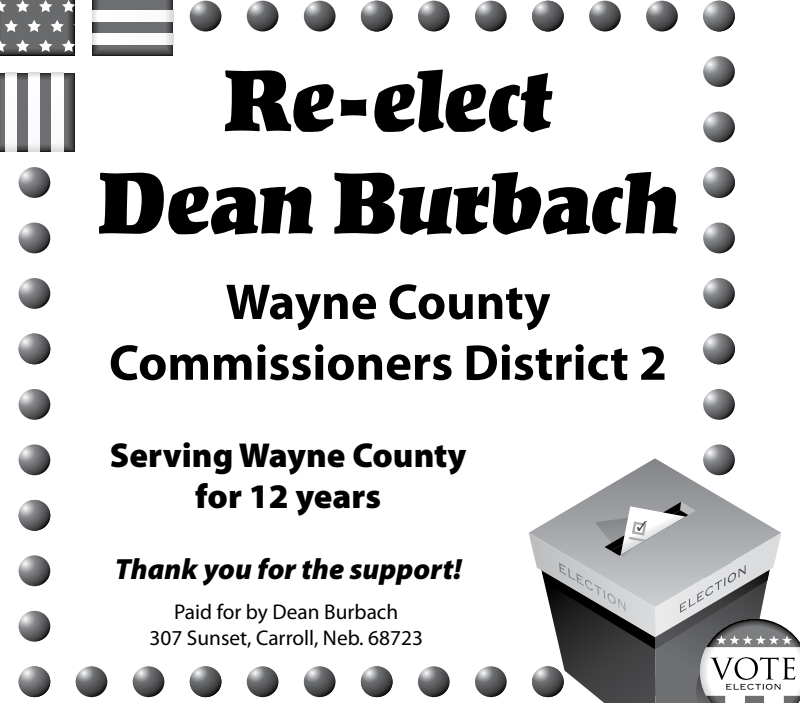
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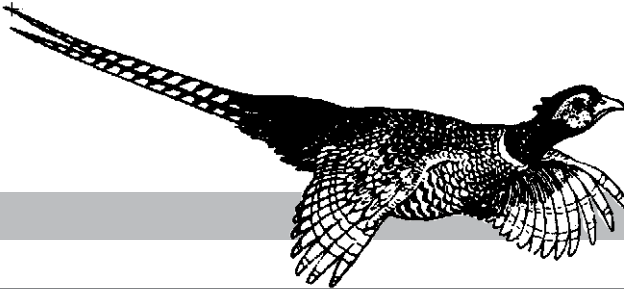
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Weed or feed? How to turn pasture weed into feed

By Dr. Bruce Anderson
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

April showers bring May flowers. What do May flowers bring? If you're a fan of riddles, you already know the answer – Pilgrims.

For graziers throughout North America, however, this riddle may have a different answer – weed seeds. If grass is your crop, May flowers usually mean a bumper crop of weeds waiting to go to seed, unless you have lots of legumes in your pasture.

As grass pastures green up during spring, we often are on the lookout for weeds to control. Before actually trying to control these weeds, though, maybe we first need to decide what a weed is.

A common definition of a weed is a plant out of place or where it is not wanted. My dictionary defines it as a plant of no value or use. And when we look at our pastures, we often consider any plant that was not part of our original seed mix as a weed.

When I define what a pasture weed is, I use two criteria: not eaten by the animal or contains anti-quality components. This definition changes the perspective about what we define as weeds, as well as our entire attitude about controlling them.

Many annual grasses, like crabgrass, barnyardgrass and foxtails, are readily consumed by grazing livestock when the plants are young and vegetative. Even some perennial grasses commonly thought



of as weeds, like quackgrass and johnsongrass, have high nutritional value, although johnsongrass can contain toxic amounts of anti-quality components – prussic acid and nitrates.

Some annual broadleaf plants also are grazed when young by livestock, including pigweed, kochia, morningglory and sunflowers. And I have seen cattle actually select perennial broadleaf plants like field bindweed and curly dock. However, anti-quality components like nitrates can be a problem in these plants, too, if there is a large patch of them that allows animals to eat a large amount in one meal.

Since many “weeds” are grazed readily by livestock, especially when these plants are young and vegetative, they actually may be a valuable feed resource. Research from California to New England, Louisiana to Minnesota and the Canadian prairies all show that many plants we call weeds are as digestible and contain as much crude protein as conventional forages

such as alfalfa, bermudagrass and smooth bromegrass. However, their nutritional value as well as their palatability often decline more rapidly as they mature than do conventional forages.

So how do you take advantage of the feed value in your pasture weeds? First, identify the weeds you have in order to determine if they can be grazed safely, or even if it is likely that your livestock will graze these plants. If the weeds can be grazed safely, select sites within your pasture where weed grazing would be most beneficial and when these weeds are relatively young and more palatable.

Grazing livestock tend to be less selective when stock density is high and they are given a small area to graze for just a short period of time. Thus, best results will occur when you restrict animals to an area that provides no more than a couple days of grazing at a time. Not only will more weeds be grazed, but your desirable pasture plants will also recover faster after grazing due to the short grazing period in which they are exposed.

Another way to use this diversity in plant species is to add diversity to the livestock grazing your pastures. Cattle primarily prefer grass, but goats and sheep actually prefer to graze some of the plants that cattle ignore. Adding another species of livestock to your grazing herd can increase output from your

pasture with little or no reduction in production from your primary animals because they eat different plants.

Note again that in order to turn pasture weeds into feed, the weeds usually need to be young and palatable. They need to be safe to graze or be present in small enough amounts that livestock will not be able to consume enough of them to experience health problems. And animals should be encouraged to graze the weeds by placing many animals in a small area for a short time period.

Of course, grazing isn't the complete answer to all weed problems. There are poisonous plants that are very hazardous to graze, and there are plants that would require an excessive amount of training or management to get livestock to graze. When pastures have an abundance of these types of weeds, control methods besides grazing may be needed if reducing the amount of these plants is desired.

But don't automatically reach for herbicides when weeds appear in your pastures. First see if you can turn them into feeds, saving money and maybe even increasing production.

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Nebraska Extension educators earn national recognition for outstanding agricultural risk management education

Two University of Nebraska Extension educators were recently recognized nationally for their outstanding agricultural risk management education efforts. Jim Jansen, an Extension Economist stationed in Concord, and Allan Vyhnalek, a Farm and Ranch Succession Educator in Lincoln, were named the winners of the 2020 Outstanding Project Award for the North Central Region of the United States by the Extension Risk Management Education (ERME) Program.

The ERME program, supported by the United States Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA-NIFA), provides competitive grants that fund education projects focused on helping farmers and ranchers successfully manage the unique risks associated with production agriculture. The goal is to strengthen the economic viability of agribusinesses.

Jim and Allan were honored for their outstanding work and accomplishments on a project entitled “So You’ve Inherited a Farm, Now What?” The project provided education on the financial, human, and legal risks associated with farm transition and helped impact participants ranging from off-farm heirs to multi-generation farm family operations to ag professionals working closely with producers on farm transition issues.

They were to have received their awards and presented information on their project during an educational session at the 2020 ERME National Conference in early April, which unfortunately was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Other regional winners included Elizabeth Higgins, Cornell University for the Northeast Region; Laurence Crane, National Crop Insurance Services for the Southern Region; and Natalia Pinzon Jimenez, Multinational Exchange for Sustainable Agriculture (MESA), Inc. for the Western Region. The awards were based on the accomplishments

of projects delivered during the 2017-2018 grant cycle and documented in online reports available at extensionrme.org/.

As part of the award, an impact story on the project is available at ncerme.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/North-Central-2020-Outstanding-Project-Jansen-and-Vyhnalek.pdf or go.unl.edu/bhuh. A separate story on the project is available at ncerme.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Success-Story-Nebraska-2017-2019.pdf or go.unl.edu/60az.

Agricultural risk management involves selecting tools and approaches that reduce the adverse effects of the uncertainties of weather, yields, prices, credit, government policies, global markets and other factors, including human resource and legal issues, that can cause wide swings in farm income or threaten the economic viability of a farm or ranch.

The national ERME Competitive Grants Program is conducted annually by the four regional ERME Centers. Eligible entities include any

public or private organization with a demonstrated capacity to develop and deliver results/outcome-based risk management education to agricultural producers and their families. The 2021 request for applications will be issued in mid-September, with applications due mid-November. For more information, visit extensionrme.org.

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Walking Your Finishing Barn

Blog by Steve Jones

Producers routinely walk their finishing barns every day, at least twice a day, as a rule. By doing this, they observe the condition of the pigs and their environment. Every day is a different situation that needs to be evaluated. Weather changes such as heat, cold, and wind can affect what is happening inside the barn. Changes in herd health and individual pig health, social interactions, air quality, feed grind size, and water flow must be checked and adjusted to keep a barn running smooth.

When a producer enters a barn, he should try to observe the pigs without disturbing them, to see if they are laying comfortably. Seeing the pigs huddled up, or stretched out without touching tells him the barn is too cool or too warm, respectively. Are they exhibiting behaviors, such as tail-biting? How full are the feeder spaces? Is there adequate space at the waterers without too much waiting time? This tells you what is happening before you go in the barn, excite the pigs, and change all those patterns.

I know firsthand that it is difficult to walk in the pens with some of the aggressive behaviors the pigs have these days, especially as they get close to market weight. However, it is essential to be in the pens every day, so the pigs get accustomed to you. You cannot get a good look at every pig in every pen from the center aisle. A pig that is in the first stages of a health challenge can usually be identified by getting it up and watching its behavior. Then, if need be, it can be treated effectively and probably recover. Not catching it the first day, extends the treatment period and cost, at best, and may lead to its death later. I am a firm believer in having the products to treat a pig with you when you walk a barn. Having to go back to a refrigerator to get an injectable antibiotic, too often leads to a pig that doesn't get treated. I like to see a producer have something like a fishing vest with multiple pockets for a couple of different antibiotics, syringes, needles, paint sticks, etc. That allows him to treat and mark a pig on the spot.

The day-to-day aspects of ventilation are a subject impossible to cover in a few words. Proper ventilation is a fine art, and like art, you know what you like when you see it. When you are in a barn, you must evaluate how comfortable the air is to you, and the pigs. If the air is stale, and there is too much of the pit gas in it, it will be uncomfortable for you, and unhealthy for the pigs that live in it 24 hours a day. I know that in many situations moving more air means burning some propane, but we must do what is best for the pigs and the people managing them. Many producers tend to run their finishing barns too warm, especially once the pigs start getting heavier. A good rule of thumb is to start a barn out with a new group of finishing pigs in the 72-74 degree range, then step them down to 62 degrees over the next seven weeks, and hold 62 degrees to marketing. This will not only allow you to move more air but will also stimulate more intake and gain.

One of the most important tasks walking the barn is to look at feeder adjustment daily. The industry rule of thumb is to be able to see 40-50% of the steel of the feeder tray. That gets you in the ballpark, but it is not where you want to quit. You can have your feeder too open or closed, but still, have the feed tray look good. There is a “sweet spot” on every feeder type, that is where you are maximizing intake and gain, without sacrificing feed efficiency. The best way to learn this is through studying your closeouts and seeing where different feeder settings impact gain and feed efficiency.

Every waterer needs to be checked every day. The first clue that a waterer may be a problem is having more pigs than normal lined up trying to get a drink. A nipple waterer is most likely to cause problems. The flow rate for a group of finishing pigs is 32 ounces (1 quart) per minute through a nipple. There needs to be one nipple waterer for every 12 head in a pen. Other types of waterers are rated for different numbers of pigs. Whichever type of waterer you have, simply watch the pigs on the hottest, driest day of the year, if the pigs are drinking comfortably, there is adequate water supply.

The hospital pen is the last area I want to discuss. A hospital pen should be used for every pig in the barn that is showing health problems or injury. It really should not be used as a permanent home for a pig. When a pig is placed in it, it should be treated each day until it recovers, then placed back in its pen.

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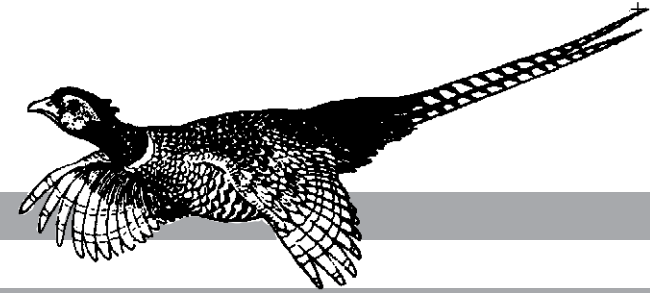
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Opinion

Where you can find hope during the coronavirus pandemic

The title of a USA Today story read, "Holding on to hope in the coronavirus pandemic . . ." The Wall Street Journal wrote in one article, the "world's best hope is private innovation" in fighting the virus. The Mercury News in California published an article, "Amid the corona virus shutdown, Bay Area neighbors find help and hope in each other."

As the days continue to mount in lock downs, travel advisories and quarantines, the need for hope is increasing.

Hope is a word that can be used by elected officials, preachers and inspirational speakers and writers to motivate, encourage and elevate the spirits of people in times of crisis. Sometimes it can be tied in with optimism and positive mental attitudes.

The word is typically used in two ways. One, as a wish or desire. Two, as a fact or something with certainty. It is also important to note that hope needs to be rooted in something. It cannot be just hope in hope. Where does our hope come from? What is it tied to?

As I observe our world walking through this pandemic, I see people putting hope in scientists, each other and their inner selves to persevere through it all. At best though, this kind of a hope is simply a wish or desire.

I want to offer you a better kind of hope, one that is certain. This is a hope that is rooted in God and made available to us through Jesus, His only Son.

In the Bible it is written, "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope" (Romans 15:13).

God's hope is rooted in Himself. The hope He has is certain because He is sure. His hope is trustworthy, because He is trustworthy.

God's hope is beyond time. The hope we seek wants to find answers and solve problems quickly. We live

in a 24-hour news cycle. Business is built on speed and convenience. God does not operate this way though, which can cause us to be frustrated. We want solutions right now, whereas God wants us to trust Him right now.

God's hope is beyond space. The hope we seek, peers into the physical frantically looking for help. Yet God's hope is beyond the physical and what we can see and touch.

Recently I watched a movie on the history of African slavery. In one scene a slave was chained to a whipping post and beaten to death as other slaves were forced to watch. At one point, the beaten slave began to sing, "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot." Singing these spirituals were commonplace among the slaves. They sprang from a hope in God that stood beyond what they could only see with their eyes.

Let us learn from them. God offers us a hope that is beyond climbing coronavirus cases and deaths. It is a hope beyond closed businesses, empty church sanctuaries and depleted retirement accounts.

God is able to offer us this hope because of the work of His only Son, Jesus. He died and rose again for all the wrongs we have ever done. The blood He shed provided a way for us to be forgiven. And through the cleansing of our sins and obedience to Christ, we can have hope in this world. In Jesus, God holds out hope to you. Receive it, then fix your new hope on all the certainty that comes through the risen Christ.

A prayer for you - "Lord God, help every reader to receive the hope you offer them in Jesus. May they lift their eyes off any despair around them. May they turn from trusting in themselves and the things of this world, to calling upon you with all their heart. In Jesus' name. Amen."

Capitol View Economic impact of coronavirus slowly emerging

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

The Coronavirus which is killing Nebraskans and making others very sick also has the potential to greatly injure Nebraska's economy, an impact which will be felt for at least the next 3 years or longer.

That impact is already changing the Nebraska Legislature and the hopes and dreams of some lawmaker's ability to push pet projects through to completion in the final 17 days of the current legislative session, whenever that happens.

There will be things, big things, that just won't make it. Things like property tax relief and increased school aid - sponsors just don't have the votes necessary to push that big rock up the hill. Economic incentives for big businesses, a plan to rewrite current law which expires in July, is likewise burdened by some who tie its passage to the passage of the property tax bills.

One tragic victim may be the \$2 billion-plus project to expand the University of Nebraska Medical Center to meet the needs of a federal program to deal with things just like the current pandemic. The proposal carries a nice federal grant and a lot of prestige for a state medical system that has been known worldwide for its response to the Ebola crisis a few years ago and even the early stages of the Coronavirus with treatment of infected cruise ship passengers from all over the country.

The chairman of the Legislature's Appropriations Committee, Sen. John Stinner of Gering, said recently that he couldn't predict the length or depth of the effects, but the pandemic will cause a significant decrease in tax receipts for the state. That could mean the \$133 million that was to be doled out by senators for certain spending bills, property tax cuts and tax incentives in the pending legislative session could be shoved aside, depending on the length and depth of economic



effects and the limits on federal government reimbursements.

National watchdogs say that state revenues will decrease anywhere from 10 percent per month up to 25 percent. That's a hit yet to be factored into a state budget that is still awaiting approval in Nebraska. Stinner calls the situation "fluid, subject to a lot of interpretation and a moving target" for state lawmakers.

Just when lawmakers and their fiscal analysts can gather again face-to-face is also a moving target. The worst has yet to hit Nebraska, even though diagnosed cases are increasing every day and the death toll inches higher. Unemployment and Medicaid payments are going up. Stinner said every state agency will be impacted in some way. Game and Parks will take a hit because of closed campgrounds and diminished

income from that. That's just one example.

The state has a two-year budget in place, but Gov. Pete Ricketts and the Appropriations Committee offered modifications in this year's legislative session that had nothing to do with the coronavirus outbreak. Because the session was suspended until further notice in March, those budget bills have gone only through the first round of debate. Constitutionally, the Legislature is under the gun to get a budget passed, in fact, that's all it is required to do. A fact well worth remembering in trying times like these.

Prior to the pandemic, the state's cash reserve was on track to grow to \$731 million, but that could be reduced going into the next two-year budget to \$455 million.

March was a fairly strong month

for tax receipts, Stinner said, but with a 30-day lag in sales tax reporting, the report for April will be more indicative of what is happening with restrictions on businesses and social gatherings amid the outbreak. And an economic forecast in November will give the state a better idea of revenue.

One piece of good news from all this? No new taxes. Stinner said raising taxes in the middle of a recessionary environment is really not a good idea. "Economically, you can't burden people with additional taxes when they're just trying to survive," he said.

There's a lot to think about in this time of pandemic pandemonium. Just remember to check in on your friends and neighbors as we practice social distancing. Wash your hands. Don't touch your face. Wear a mask when you go out.

Legislative Update

Governor on the road to re-opening state in early May

On April 23, we learned of the first confirmed case of COVID-19 in a 20-year old on the Winnebago Reservation. Northeast Nebraska Public Health are investigating the contacts related to this case. The Winnebago and Omaha Tribes continue to implement stay-at-home and curfew orders for members of their respective nations.

TestNebraska Initiative and Challenge

This past week, Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts rolled out the TestNebraska Initiative, which is a new state initiative to increase the rate of COVID-19 testing as an aid to strategizing the re-opening of Nebraska businesses. This will allow residents to have better access to testing and help slow down the spread of COVID-19, in an effort to get us back to normal as quickly as possible.

To expand its testing capabilities, the State has launched a public-private partnership that leverages the technologies and relationships of a number of companies to help solve limited testing challenges that have been experienced. The initiative will expand testing in Nebraska over the next several weeks.

To prepare for the increased

testing, the Governor simultaneously issued the #TestNebraskaChallenge, asking Nebraskans to sign up to take the test by first completing an assessment at TestNebraska.com.

Testing will be set up in different locations across the state in the next two to five weeks. The sites will have multiple kits and multiple test options. All individually identifiable information being gathered for the TestNebraska initiative is protected by state and federal law. Aggregate data collected will be shared with the public health departments, which are expected to then provide the aggregate data to the national information gatherers.

Governor's weekly live town hall

NET is broadcasting a series of COVID-19 town halls with the governor every Thursday at 8:30 p.m. Governor Ricketts has a couple of guests scheduled for each week. To ask your question during the program, call one of these numbers: 800-676-5446 or (402) 472-1212.

Re-opening Nebraska

On April 24, the governor announced the first steps to re-open Nebraska's economy.

While stressing that the elderly and medically-vulnerable should



Legislative Update
By Joni Albrecht
State Senator, District 17

continue to stay home at this time, he outlined a strategy for implementing relaxed limitations for some businesses and organizations throughout the state.

Douglas, Sarpy, Cass Counties

As an initial matter, the governor extended the April 30 deadlines of the state and local Directed Health

Measure (DHM) for Douglas, Sarpy, and Cass Counties through May 3.

Regional

The governor announced that as of May 4, the state will have 19 separate DHMs addressing loosening of restrictions related to opening businesses. The DHMs would be in place for each of 19 local health departments and will be effective through May 31. Businesses affected include salons, nail studios, massage services, tattoo parlors and childcare facilities. Each business is subject to certain restrictions and social distancing practices.

Northeast Nebraska Public Health Department, which includes Cedar, Dixon, Thurston and Wayne was identified as one of the 19, however, Dakota County Health was NOT included. Based upon current test results and the number of confirmed cases, Dakota County Health is not able to loosen restrictions under its own regional DHM and business closings will remain in place.

Statewide

Also announced were May 4 loosening of restrictions statewide on places of worship (churches, synagogues, mosques, temples, etc.). Beginning May 4, places of

worship, funerals and weddings will no longer be subject to the 10-person gathering limitation, as long as: 1) they ensure six feet of separation between different household units, and 2) it will not be permissible to pass items among attendees.

A guidance document will be provided with the new DHMs to give instructions to faith communities on how to comply with the updated health measures.

For more information about the DHM changes, visit the governor's website at governor.nebraska.gov

Maintaining the integrity of Nebraska's health care system remains the state's top consideration when making decisions about public health measures. Nebraska continues to have ample capacity to care for the state's residents. As of April 24, 48 percent of hospital beds, 42 percent of ICU beds, and 74 percent of ventilators are available for use statewide.

Guard your health

As a reminder, you can take measures to protect yourself, especially if you are in the vulnerable population.

1. Stay home. No non-essential errands and no social gatherings. Respect the 10-person limit.

2. Socially distance your work. Work from home or use the six-foot rule as much as possible in the workplace.

3. Shop alone and only shop once a week. Do not take family with you.

4. Help kids follow social distancing. Play at home. No group sports. And no playgrounds.

5. Help seniors stay at home by shopping for them. Do not visit long-term care facilities.

6. Exercise daily at home or with an appropriately socially-distanced activity.

Secretary of State Reminder:

Early vote mail-in ballot request
• May 1-The last day to request an early ballot

• May 12-Primary election, polls open and the last day to return your ballot - by close of polls

As of last week, 413,839 ballots have been sent to Nebraska voters.

I would like to personally encourage you to request your early ballot in order to vote safely from your home.

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Connecting in changing times School Lunches

While connecting in person may not be possible right now, maintaining positive social connections for youth is important for supporting their social and emotional well-being. These connections are critically important for all youth; those who appear to be doing okay with these uncertain times and for those who may be struggling. Certainly, everyone is experiencing the sudden disruptions in routines and being with friends. During stressful times, the role of a caring adult is critically important. Examples of caring

adults include parents, extended family members, teachers, coaches, neighbors, and other mentors youth regularly interact with such as youth group leaders, 4-H club leaders, etc. As caring adults, we can do the following to help young people through challenging times. • Encourage socializing from a distance. During these difficult and uncertain times, social supports are important in helping minimize feelings of isolation or loneliness. Use safe methods of maintaining social interactions, such as spending time virtually talking to friends and

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family using video conferencing, playing games, or writing letters to each other. Finding ways to hang out virtually and connect can be very helpful in reducing stress because it allows young people to realize and knowing that they are not alone in feeling sad, disappointed, or lonely. Technology is an excellent resource, but youth should be encouraged to think outside the box while connecting with others. • Acknowledge it is common for youth to want to stay connected with their peers, both physically and socially. During this pandemic, it can be really difficult to maintain physical distance practices. Commiserate and say, "I hear you, this really can be difficult." • Support youth in maintaining a routine. Following a routine provides some predictability and control. It can also be helpful to include intentional times to connect with friends, families, and mentors. It gives something for youth to look forward to as well. Ask youth if they would like some help setting up a time to talk with their teacher, caregiver, friend, extended family member, etc. via telephone, email, text, or letter. • When appropriate, encourage

youth to seek inner connection. The practice of reflection is one example of how to connect to inner thoughts and feelings. Examples of practicing reflection is keeping a journal, reading a book, learning a new hobby or skill or engaging in art. • Brainstorm with youth ways to practice acts of kindness and share their gratitude. These practices can help maintain and build a sense of a community. Examples include writing letters to others, baking or cooking food for someone, or offering to help someone in a safe way. When faced with difficult and uncertain events, we can stretch ourselves to do things in creative and helpful ways. Help youth identify creative and safe ways to not get consumed with worry but instead to stay socially connected. More information and resources about youth social emotional development in difficult times can be found at <https://disaster.unl.edu/families> or by contacting your local county Nebraska Extension office. **Written by:** Jill A. Goedeken, Nebraska Extension 4-H Youth Development. **May Calendar**
May 2: Clover Kids, Virtual Meeting, 9:30 a.m.
May 2: Teen Supremes, Virtual Meeting, 10 a.m.
May 18: 4-H Council, Virtual Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
May 28-29: Youth Tractor Safety, Virtually 8:30 a.m.

ALLEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (May 4 — 8)
Contact the school at (402) 635-2484 or send an email to ssullivan1@allenschools.org by 8:30 a.m. for lunch. Lunch will be available to pick up between noon and 12:30 p.m. Drivers who are delivering lunches will leave the school at noon.



LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (May 4 — 8)
LCC School is offering a modified school lunch service to all interested families, regardless of income and at no cost, throughout the school closure period. Those eligible for meal service include all students enrolled at LCC School, as well as any children (ages 18 and younger) living in the household. Lunch ordering procedures: Parent/Guardian must complete and submit the Lunch Order Form for EACH meal delivery service day. The link to the Lunch Order Form is available on the school district website. Phone orders may be made at (402) 256-3113 (Option 4).
Monday, May 4: Breaded beef sandwich.
Tuesday, May 5: Chicken strips.
Wednesday, May 6: Breakfast tacos.
Thursday, May 7: Meatball sub.
Friday, May 8: Fiestada.
Meals include main entree, vegetable, fruit and milk.

WAKEFIELD SCHOOLS (May 4 — 8)
The School District will make breakfast and lunch meals available to students under the age of 18 through the school lunch program. There will be no charge for the meals. School lunch menus for the week will be posted on the school website. Both meal offerings (breakfast and lunch) will be available for pick-up between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Drive up to the circle drive and a staff member will deliver them to your vehicle. If you are unable to get to the school and need a meal delivered to you, contact Dawn Lubberstedt at the school (402-287-2012) and meals will be delivered. In an attempt to contain costs and control waste, families are asked to submit a meal order form for each day of the week that a meal is needed. There will be a link to the School Lunch Program order form posted on the School's webpage. Requests for lunch and breakfast meals should be made before 3 p.m. the day before the meals are to be available. Requests for Monday meals need to be made on Fridays.

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Two Wayne High students awarded scholarships

2020 Wayne High grads-to-be were awarded scholarships to Central Community Colleges. Approximately 390 new and returning students have received scholarships for the 2020-21 academic year at Central Community College-Hastings. Among those earning scholarships was Maggie Fehring of Wayne, a 2020 graduate of Wayne High School. Maggie has been awarded an Assessment Advantage Scholarship and a Bernard and Oriel Kinley

Scholarship. About 180 new and returning students have received scholarships for the 2020-21 academic year at Central Community College-Columbus. Kayla Fleming of Wayne, a 2020 graduate of Wayne High School, was awarded a Bernice Blomenkamp Smith Scholarship.

WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS and ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY (May 4 — 8)

A free grab and go lunch is available at the Wayne Junior Senior High School (east door to the commons area), the Wayne Early Learning Center (801 Providence Road) and at the Carroll Community Center each school day from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. These will include a breakfast item for the next day.

WINSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (May 4 — 8)

Grab and go lunches are available for any child, up to 18 years of age each school day. The meal will include a breakfast item for the next day. Please have daily orders in to Mrs. Magwire by 9 a.m. that day. Contact her at cmagwire@winsidewildcats.org or by phone at (402) 286-4466. Lunches will be available at the school in Winside from 11 a.m. to 12 and in Hoskins and at Woodland Park from noon to 12:30 p.m.
Monday, May 4: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh vegetable, strawberry cup, cookie.
Tuesday, May 5: Chicken quesadilla, carrots, fresh fruit, churro.
Wednesday, May 6: Hoagie sandwich, dill pickle, fruit cup, chips.
Thursday, May 7: Chef salad with ham, cheese, egg, fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, salad crackers.
Friday, May 8: Hamburger on bun, carrots, fruit cup, chips.
Friday: Closed for cleaning.

Wear It Right!

Because people can have coronavirus and not have symptoms, wearing cloth face masks could stop coronavirus from spreading. BUT, you have to wear your mask right for it to work.

CDC suggests wearing a cloth mask over your nose and mouth when you go out in public if you are in a place where it is hard to stay 6 feet from other people, like the grocery store.

Follow these guidelines:

To use a cloth face mask:

- Wash your hands before you put the mask on and right after you take your mask off.
- Do not touch your face while you wear the mask.
- Do not touch your eyes, nose, or mouth when you take off your mask.
- Put the mask in the dirty laundry as soon as you take it off.
- Your mask must be washed daily. If you take it off during the day, place it on a paper towel, with the side that touches your face up, until you wear it again.

Your mask should:

- Fit snugly but comfortably.
- Stay in place over your nose and mouth with ties or loops.
- Have more than one layer of cloth.
- Allow you to breathe.
- Be able to be washed and machine dried without damage or change to shape.

Other tips:

- Wash your cloth face mask in hot water between each daily use. You can use your washing machine.
- Cloth face masks should not be worn by children under 2 years old.
- Do not use surgical masks or N95 respirators. Our healthcare workers need these to stay safe and to keep us safe.

For more information on cloth face masks, and for how to make your own, go to: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>

My mask protects you, and your mask protects me.

Cruise Main in Wayne is hosting a "Last Day of School Cruise for WHS Seniors" Friday, May 1st at 7:00

May 1st is the last day of school for Seniors.

Seniors should meet in the HS parking lot in their vehicles at 6:40. At 7:00 they will drive out of the parking lot and head east on 7th Street, take a right on Main Street, turn around at Victor Park, and head north on Main to complete their Cruise. After the Seniors have all passed, the rest of the community is invited to join in the Cruise Night. This event is to help commemorate their last day. So honk your horns and wave as the Seniors take to the streets. Please remember to follow social distancing guidelines.

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La CDC sugiere el uso de mascarillas de tela que cubran su nariz y boca cuando salga en público si va a un lugar en donde no es fácil mantener una distancia de 6 pies (2 metros) con otras personas, como en las tiendas de abarrotes.

Siga estas instrucciones:

Para usar una mascarilla de tela:

- Lávese las manos antes de ponerse la mascarilla e inmediatamente después de quitársela.
- No se toque la cara mientras use la mascarilla.
- No se toque los ojos, nariz o boca cuando se quite la mascarilla.
- Ponga la mascarilla en el contenedor de la ropa sucia tan pronto como se la quite.
- Su mascarilla se debe lavar a diario. Si se la quita durante el día, póngala en una toalla de papel, con el lado en contacto con su cara hacia arriba, hasta que necesite usarla de nuevo.

Otros consejos:

- Lave su mascarilla de tela en agua caliente cada día después de su uso. Puede usar la maquina lavadora para este propósito.
- Las mascarillas de tela no deben ser usadas en niños menores de 2 años.
- No use mascarillas quirúrgicas o N95. Nuestros trabajadores del área de salud necesitan este tipo de mascarillas por nuestra seguridad y su propia seguridad.

Para mayor información sobre mascarillas de tela y para aprender cómo hacer sus propias mascarillas, visite: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>

Su mascarilla debe:

- Ajustarse bien y cómodamente.
- Mantenerse en posición sobre su nariz y boca con la ayuda de los cordones.
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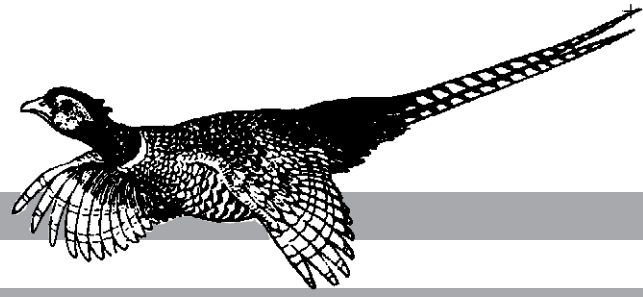
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Sunday: Sunday School, Adult and children's classes, prayer, fellowship and worship suspended until further notice.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
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Sunday: Worship service canceled. Check our Facebook post for written meditation. Watch for further developments. For those who don't have internet access, watch your mailbox.

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(Rev. Timothy Booth, pastor)
(402) 640-5115 cell phone
Sunday: Even though worship services are canceled at First Trinity of Altona and St. John's in Pilger, online services can be seen every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. on Facebook - www.facebook.com/stjohnsfaithfirsttrinity. Pastor Book is broadcasting the service from Faith Lutheran in Stanton.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST

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Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter. Communion. Online/TV Worship, 9 a.m. **Monday:** Online Bible Study, 6 p.m. **Tuesday:** Online Bible Study, 6:15 p.m.

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Sunday: Christians Hour on KTCH, 8:45 a.m.; Sunday School suspended until further notice; Worship, 9 and 10:30 a.m. online until further notice.

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Saturday: Worship service canceled until further notice. **Sunday:** Worship services at 10:30 a.m. canceled until further notice. Service will be broadcast on KTCH and TV and live video streamed on facebook. **Monday - Friday:** All activities at the church are canceled until further notice.

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412 East 8th St.
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Note: All Masses, religious education classes and other public gatherings have been suspended until further notice. The church will be open for prayer from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. **Saturday:** Confessions, 4 p.m. **Sunday:** Fourth Sunday of Easter; Mass on Facebook at 9 a.m.

Allen

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Transitional Pastor Deb Valentine
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502 S. Highway 9, Allen
Sunday: Worship Service canceled until further notice.

Carroll

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
(William Engebretsen, vacancy pastor)
Sunday: Pastor available for communion from 8 to 8:45 a.m.

Concord

202 Ericson Street, Carroll
Pastor Nick Baker
Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter. Worship on Facebook Live, 11 a.m.

Concord

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN
(Transitional Pastor Deb Valentine)
(402) 584-2467
616 Iowa Street, Concord
Sunday: Sunday School and Worship Service suspended until further notice.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
East of town
(Pastor Willie Bertrand)
Sunday: Worship service suspended until further notice.

EVANGELICAL FREE
(Pastor Todd Thelen)
(Pastor Scott Kahn)
Sunday: Sunday School and worship service suspended until further notice.

Dixon

ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC
(Fr. Jerry Connealy, pastor)
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PEACE EVANGELICAL CHURCH
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Wakefield

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Pastor Kobey Mortenson
Sunday: Christian Hour, KTCH, 8:45 a.m.; Worship Service suspended until further notice.

EVANGELICAL COVENANT
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Jill Craig, Pastor
Sunday: Sunday School and Morning Worship suspended until further notice. **Wednesday:** Adult Bible Study canceled until further notice.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
4 North, 3 East of Wayne
(Willie Bertrand, pastor)
Sunday: Divine Worship with Communion and Sunday School canceled until further notice. **Wednesday:** Confirmation canceled until further notice.

PRESBYTERIAN
216 West 3rd
(Rev. Charity Potter, pastor)
Sunday: Fellowship time and Worship suspended until further notice.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN
West 7th & Maple
(Willie Bertrand, pastor)
Sunday: Morning Worship canceled until notice. **Wednesday:** Confirmation canceled until further notice.

SALEM LUTHERAN
411 Winter Street
(Patti Meyer, Pastor)
Saturday: Worship suspended until further notice. Food Pantry available from 10 to 11 a.m. **Sunday:** Worship service livestreamed, 10:30 a.m. All other activities suspended until further notice. **Wednesday:** No midweek groups until further notice.

Winside

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN
218 Miner St.
(William Engebretsen, vacancy pastor)
Saturday: Worship sermons available on Facebook. **Sunday:** Pastor available for communion from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN
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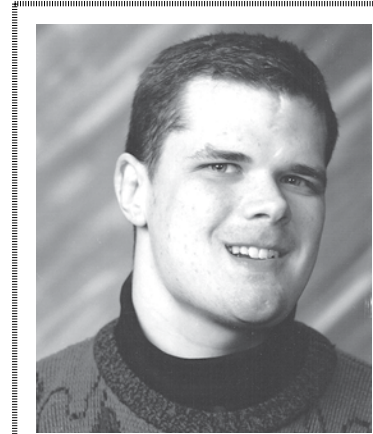
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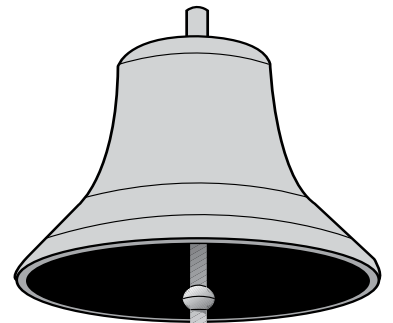
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What do you know?

There are a variety of different ways to greet people. You have the standard, "Hello." Then there's the shorter version, "Hey!" Some greetings are actually questions: "How are you doing?" "What's up?" "What's new?" "What do you know?" When people ask me, "What do you know?", I usually respond by saying, "As little as possible. That way I have plausible deniability."


What do you know? I mean, what do you know for sure? There may have been some things you thought you knew for sure before Covid-19

dured years of sickness and illness - chronic illness. Towards the end of her life this is how she summed up her hope: "In light of heaven, the worst sufferings on earth will be seen to be no more serious than one night in an inconvenient hotel."

So, what do you know? I know that life is hard, but I also know that God is good.

Word in Faith is a collaboration of Wayne Association of Congregations and Ministers (WACAM), an organization partially funded by the Wayne United Way.

A Word
In Faith



By Troy Reynolds
Pastor, Journey Christian Church



Helping the Hungry

Knights of Columbus Council 8579 sponsored a "40 Cans for Lent" food drive to collect food and other items for the Wayne Food Pantry during Lent. The "40 Cans for Lent" project is a part of the Knights of Columbus' Orderwide Food for Families Program. The drive netted almost 1,500 pounds of food and other items to help stock the shelves at the Food Pantry. The Council also donated \$325 in cash collected during the drive, to the Food Pantry. Pictured are (left) Laura Hasemann, Scott Hasemann, Norman Fendrick, Stephanie Hasemann, Ron Gentrup (Project Chairman) and Dan Sukup, representing the Food Pantry. Not pictured, Kirk Hochstein.

hit, but now you're not so sure. In Romans chapter 8 the apostle Paul uses this little phrase, "we know . . ." two times. And that word "know" means "to know with absolute certainty."

In Romans 8:22 Paul says, "We know that the whole creation has been groaning together with labor pains until now." And then in verse 28 he says, "We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God, who are called according to His purpose."

From these two verses there are two things we can know with certainty. From verse 22 we know that life is hard. All creation is groaning. Life isn't what it's supposed to be. This isn't the chapter we would write if we were the author of our story. Life is hard. From verse 28 we know that God is good. Even though life is hard, God is good. Even though bad things happen, God somehow, someway, someday, can cause these bad things to actually work for our good.

There are a few ways that God can work things for our good. The first is that God can work all things to draw us closer to Jesus. God doesn't waste a pain. He is going to work all things to draw us closer to Jesus. There are many of you who will agree with this. What drew you to Jesus, what brought you to Jesus was one of the worst things that happened to you. One of the worst things that happened to you became one of the best things that happened to you because in that chapter you met Jesus. It was in a chapter called divorce or a chapter called disease or a chapter called death or bankruptcy or guilty verdict; but the worst day became best day because in that chapter you met Jesus. That's what God does. He can take all things and use them to draw us closer to Himself.

God can also work all things for our good to make us more like Jesus. Paul says that God has predestined us to be conformed to the likeness of His Son (Romans 8:29). And often He will use the hard things, the difficult things in life to do that. He can take our sin and our failures and all the junk of this life and use it to make us more like Jesus. Tim Keller says, "Every circumstance is designed to shape, polish, melt, smooth, sculpt, frame, cast, and contour us into that master design."

And finally, God will work all things for our good to take us to be with Jesus. It doesn't get any more "good" than that. That's the hope that we have - the ultimate good. One day, in that new heaven and new earth, it will all make sense. We'll get it. St. Teresa of Avila experienced great loss in her life. She en-



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WAYNE COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS

Wayne, Nebraska
 April 21, 2020

The Wayne County Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order by Chairman Dean Burbach at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2020, in the Public Safety Annex. Chairman Burbach, and Members James Rabe and Terry Sievers were present. The meeting was attended by Attorney Amy Miller and Clerk Debra Finn by video/teleconference. Notice of this meeting was published in the Wayne Herald, a legal newspaper, on April 9, 2020. A current copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted and accessible to the public.

Chairman Burbach presented the following consent agenda items:

- a. Approve minutes of April 7, 2020, as printed in the Commissioners Record
- b. Approve fee reports
- c. Approve payroll
- d. Approve withdrawal of Security Cusip No. 3134GTGZ0 for \$250,000 as pledged by State Nebraska Bank & Trust
- e. Approve withdrawal of Security Cusip No. 3130AGAA3 for \$250,000 as pledged by State Nebraska Bank & Trust
- f. Approve withdrawal of Security Cusip No. 514025KX2 for \$200,000 for Elkhorn Valley Bank
- g. Approve Special Designated Liquor License for Wayne County Ag Society for a bull ride, tractor pull, concert, and demo derby at the Wayne County Fair July 23rd - 26th.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach - aye; motion carried.

A motion to approve the regular agenda was made by Sievers and seconded by Rabe. Roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe, Burbach - aye; motion carried.

A motion to approve the claims was made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach - aye; motion carried.

Assessor Dawn Duffy presented information on 2020 valuations. All rural houses were raised 20% based on acreage sales from the last two years. Many areas in the City of Wayne will see increases based on sales in those areas. Sholes, Hoskins, Carroll, and Winside may see relatively small changes due to updates to the 2018 cost tables. The top four qualities of irrigated ag land received a 1% increase; all other irrigated land saw a decrease. There was no change to the top four qualities of dryland; all the rest decreased. All qualities of grassland were reduced, but due to a legislative change, many qualities of grass saw increase in quality/LCG code. CRP was lowered to halfway between dry and grass.

Highway Superintendent Mark Casey reported:

- Damon Steelman is still the county's contact for resolving the Sholes Wind driveway issues. The county wants plans and details.
- The Plum Creek Wind project is still making deliveries. They are starting to make intersection expansions. We need to make sure they keep everything in the ROW.
- Casey will ask the county attorney to prepare a deed for the Greenwald/Barelmann project C-90(623) using the easement acquisition documents
- A&R Construction has completed Project C-90(566), aka Kingsley.
- Casey had met with Deputy Attorney Knutson regarding the Tradewind Road agreement. Knutson passed on the county's concerns, and a new draft was received. This board expressed their frustration with what they had read thus far in the latest draft.

Toni Hytek of Hytek Lawn Service expressed her concerns with the damage that has been done by construction equipment to the west and south sides of the courthouse lawn. Some ruts are up to 6" deep, making it impossible to mow with ZTrak mower. Hytek's questioned when the lawn would be re-graded, and when it could be sprayed. The contractor will be in direct contact with the Lawn Service Company.

Doug Elting of Berggren Architects presented an updated schedule of the Courthouse Restoration Project. The estimate for snow guards on the east side is \$8,761.00. Snow guards were not included in the original plans because ice was not an issue with asphalt shingles. The traffic pattern could be changed to be farther out so no one would be hit by falling ice, or the board could defer installation to a later date. Neither of those alternatives were advisable. No action was taken.

Frank Halsey, with MidContinental, said he was surprised by the appearance of the large stones that arrived from the quarry. At the time the courthouse was built, the stone was split vertically into columns. Today the stone is set in the same orientation as when it was formed. There is logic to cutting it this way, but it will lead to some fissures and cracks. These can be patched or epoxyed back together. The board inspected some questionable stones with Halsey and Elting. The color appears to be a good match; they will see what it looks like when the top 10"

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