



Commissioners

finally approve

pending review

After several months, the Wayne County

Commissioners approved the certificate of

substantial completion on the Wayne Coun-

ty Courthouse restoration project, pending

review by one of the commissioners. During their second January meeting, they also

discussed wind projects and updated the

roof have delayed the commissioners from

signing a certificate of substantial comple-

tion on the courthouse restoration project.

Finally, during Tuesday's meeting at the

Public Safety Annex, the commissioners

felt comfortable enough with Kingery Con-

struction's progress to sign pending a re-

view from District 1 commissioner Terry

Siever's review. A change order for addi-

tional snow guards and keys for an increase

A quote from Midwest Music Center in

Norfolk for \$1,620.50 was approved to up-

date the phone system for the district courtroom. Wayne County Attorney told the commissioners that because of COVID-19,

they've had to call and video conference

with prisoners and with the current phone

system, it's very difficult to communicate.

Miller also said, the new system could be

useful post-COVID restrictions in that it

may cut down on transportation costs if

phone communication is available.

Delayed parts and persistent leaks in the

phone system for the district court.

substantial

completion

certificate

By Sarah Lentz

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PepsiCo Inc. buys power from Haystack wind project

PepsiCo Inc. has signed two agreements with Ørsted to purchase a portion of energy from the 298 Megawatt (MW) Haystack wind project in Wayne County and the 367 MW Western Trail wind project in Texas.

"We're excited to partner with PepsiCo in their efforts to decarbonize their operations," said Vishal Kapadia, Senior Vice President and Chief Commercial Officer for Ørsted Onshore. "These PPAs at Western Trail and Haystack are another demonstration of our ability to provide customized solutions across multiple geographies to support achievement of corporate stainability

"Sourcing renewable electricity is a critical step in our journey to more than double our science-based climate goal, reducing absolute greenhouse gas emissions by more than 40% by 2030 across our value chain, and our pledge to achieve net-zero emissions by 2040, one decade earlier than called for in the Paris Agreement," said Roberta Barbieri, Vice President, Global Sustainability, PepsiCo. "We're proud to partner with Ørsted on two new wind projects in Texas and Nebraska this year, which will address nearly a quarter of our total U.S. electricity needs and help grow new renewable energy generation capacity in

Wakefield council discusses splash pad, paid EMT position

By Sarah Lentz

Wakefield City Council met Jan. 12 with full agenda, but tabled many items for further discussion or investigation.

The council was asked to consider installing a splash pad near Humpty Dumpty in downtown Wakefield. The splash pad would potentially provide an activity for families who have children who could be too young to swim at the pool, but still want to beat

The proposed splash pad doesn't recirculate water, so maintenance is low, with the



of \$53,092.95 was approved. The change or-(Photo by Clara Osten) der was approved at the first January meeting with an incorrect amount.

Brian Kesting, the City of Wayne's Information Technology Specialist, updated the council about the work he does and future projects he hopes to accomplish this year.

Council holds public hearing for re-zoning

By Clara Osten clara@wayneherald.com

north of the city of Wayne. Layne Mann submitted the request to

on a 2.5 acre lot north of Wayne. The area tivities within his department. ing, a minimum lot size would be 10 acres. Mann would like the area re-zoned to A-2 to allow for the sale of a smaller lot.

nance amending the zoning map was approved and the three readings waived.

A public hearing was also held for the final plat of Beckman Farm Subdivision, which is the same area that was re-zoned. The new plat will include the entire property and allow the owners the ability to sell off more lots in the future if they de-

Resolution 2021-5 was approved. It will See Wakefield Council, Page 3A allow for the preliminary plat for Green-

wood Addition. This will allow the city to working with the utility departments in take ownership of the west driveway in the cemetery. The driveway leads to the Public hearings were held during Tues- west water tower and is used on a regular day's meeting of the Wayne City Council in basis by the city. The city will now have regard to a request to re-zone an area just the ability to make improvements to the concrete driveway.

Brian Kesting, Information Technology separately parcel a house and outbuildings Specialist, presented information on ac-

is currently zoned A-1 and with that zon- He told the council his was "the only one man department" and said he has been employed with the city since March of 2003.

Kesting shared information on the work Following the public hearing, the ordi- he does and said the city's internet is provided by the state, in partnership with Wayne State College.

In addition, he provided information to the council on the ransomware attack the city was involved with last year.

"We learned a lot from the incident and were able to recover nearly every piece of data. Since that time we have put into place stricter security to try to prevent this from

happening again," Kesting said. Future plans for the department include

providing a mobile app and meter reading

Kesting did ask council whether they planned to continue to broadcast meetings and said if this were the case, the council chambers in City Hall would require some

Ordinance 2021-3 received second reading approval. It will amend the city code in proved. Recipients included Winside Fire regard to parking in the northeast quadrant and Rescue (\$500 for an omelet feed) of the city, more specifically in the Vintage Hill Third Addition and along 21st Street.

A resolution accepting the proposal and approving an engineering agreement between the city of Wayne and McLaury Engineering Inc. for the Fourth Street, Thorman Street and Cityside Drive project was approved.

The city staff is anticipating possible stimulus money from the federal government and note that it is a good idea to have projects "ready to go" when the money becomes available. The paving of Fourth

Tax grants from the Wayne County Convention & Visitors Bureau were ap-

Wayne Area Economic Development (\$195 for a 90-second feature on News Channel Nebraska), Wayne Booster Club (\$1,500 for the Northeast Nebraska Shootout holiday tournament). Wayne Municipal Airport (\$2,000 for the Mayday Stol event), Winside PRIDE (\$500 for Light Up the Park) and Carroll Fire Department (\$500

for an omlete feed). Joel Hansen, Wayne Street & Planning Director spoke to the commissioners about the Beckman Farm Subdivision Plat. A landowner requested to sell two and one

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(Photo by Sarah Lentz)

Curtain call

From left, Yasuko Taoka, Endia Casey-Agoumba, Katie Wynia and Melissa Derechailo took a bow after their performance of "Momologues 3: The Final Push". The cast played four mothers with children about to go off to college for the first time. The performance from Wayne Community Theatre performance ran last Friday through Sunday and all profits from the shows went to the Majestic Theatre in Wayne.

Local health departments encourage all adults to get vaccinated for COVID-19 when vaccine becomes available

Local health departments work in Ne-tem once it is up and running. All Nebraska braska's communities to protect public residents should plan to register as soon as health and prevent disease and injury. To this end, during the COVID-19 pandemic, local health departments are committed to seeing that all willing adults in Nebraska are vaccinated when vaccine supplies allow.

Nebraska Association of Local Health Directors is working to ensure that all adults in our health districts will eventually have access to the COVID-19 vaccine. Currently they are getting the limited available supply of vaccines out to the public as quickly as possible, in accordance with State and Federal guidance. COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective. Universal access to the COVID-19 vaccines will help to get Nebraska past the COVID-19 pandemic. Local health departments, including Northeast Nebraska Public Health Department (NNPHD), encourage all adults in Nebraska to get vaccinated when their turn comes.

All adults in Nebraska will have access

to COVID-19 vaccine free-of-charge. No one will be denied the COVID-19 vaccine because they do not have insurance. Depending on where individuals receive their vaccine, they may be asked for insurance information.

Proof of citizenship is not required to receive the COVID-19 vaccine in Nebraska and will not be checked as a condition of receiving the vaccine.

The State of Nebraska's vaccine registration system is scheduled to launch by the first week of February. Local health departments will work to promote the State's sys- thecdc.gov.

possible. Some local health departments have established interim, electronic signup forms. People who are already registered with their local health departments should not have to sign up again when the State's

The number of cases of COVID-19 across Nebraska remains high. While you wait for your vaccine AND until this pandemic is over, remember:

· Avoid Crowds, Close contact, and Con-

· Wear a mask over your nose and mouth · Maintain six-feet of distance from oth-

ers whenever possible.

registration system is ready.

Wash your hands often.

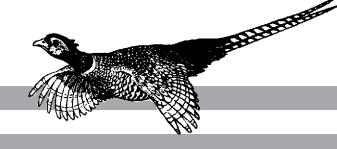
Make sure your flu shot is current.

According to a release from NNPHD there is currently an interim sign-up portal that can be accessed at signupgenius.com/ go/9040a4ba9ab2da2fe3-vaccine

Phase 1B includes those 75 years and older, first responders including firefighters and police, education works including teachers, support staff and daycare staff and basic infrastructure employees including grocery workers, utilities, food processing plant workers, postal service workers, transportation workers, funeral workers, etcetera.

Accurate, science-based information about the COVID-19 vaccines is available from your local health department and online at dhhs.ne.gov, nebraskamed.org, and

Information

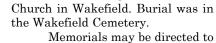


Obituaries _____

Lynett G. Hansen

Lynnett G. Hansen, 81, of Wakefield, died Thursday, Jan. 14, 2021 at the Pender Community Hospital in Pender.

Services were held Wednesday, Jan. 20 at Evangelical Covenant



Lynnett's family for later designa-

Arrangements were with Hasemann Funeral Home of Wayne.

Lynnett G. Hansen was born in Wayne on March 26, 1939 to Myrtle (Stark) and Bruno Splittgerber. Lynnett grew up on the family farm outside of Altona, joined by her sister, Julie Ann, four years later. She was baptized at Christ

Lutheran Church in Wisner and her faith was constant all through her life. She attended grade school at Rural District #5 and later graduated from Hahn High School in Wayne. Following her high school graduation, Lynnett attended the

School of Commerce in Omaha and worked at Blue Cross/Blue Shield until returning to Wayne. She and Roger Hansen were married Aug. 31, 1969 and their son, Brad, was born in 1973.

Lynnett and Roger made their home in and around Wakefield. Lynnett worked at local businesses in her life, which led to many connections and friendships. In fact, anyone who knew Lynnett always considered her a friend because of the caring and compassion she showed. Friends knew she was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone who needed it, whether for church or "just because." She was a long time member of the Evangelical Covenant Church in Wakefield where she not only actively volunteered when needed, but lovingly cleaned the church even after she retired and was a valued member of their staff. Lynnett was not one to sit still. She loved to be busy and she even delivered for the Wakefield Meals on Wheels up until her passing. She also participated in the Women's Auxiliary and was a very active member in the Red Hat Society and enjoyed many outings with the ladies she valued so much. Lynnett never met a dog she didn't love, often having surprise visits from Pastor Craig's dog at church and visits with her special dog friends; Stella, Reba and Bailey. Ever constant in each others' lives, she and her sister, Julie, never ended a day without talking to each other on the phone, sometimes until wee hours of the morning, but always ending the conversation with, 'we will see what tomorrow brings".

Survivors include her son, Brad, who was always the center of her life; her sister and brother-in-law, Julie and Pete Reeg; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mike and Karen Hansen; niece, Chele (Scott) Meisenbach; nephews, Mark (Karri) Biede, Dave Biede, Nick and Rob Hansen; several great nieces and nephews; a great-great nephews and cousins and other loving friends and neighbors.

She was preceded in death by her father and mother; husband, Roger on July 16, 2001; and many treasured extended family members.

Obituary policy

The Wayne Herald welcomes the submission of obituaries for publication in our paper and inclusion on our website, www.mywaynenews. com. Call (402) 375-2600 for details and submission information.

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Chamber Coffee

WAYNE — This week's Chamber Coffee and #chamberpercs will be held Friday, Jan. 22 at Scooter's Coffee, located at 527 East Seventh Street. It will include a ribbon cutting for the business. The ribbon cutting will take place at 10 a.m. with announcements to follow.



Precip Snow

Paper Drive

AREA — The Wayne Boy Scouts will be conducting the monthly paper drive on Saturday, Jan. 23. (Note — this is rescheduled from Jan. 16 due to last week's snow storm). Paper and aluminum beverage cans should be placed in paper grocery bags or boxes and set at the curb by 8 a.m. No plastic, no cardboard, no items with a spiral binding (plastic or metal) can be mixed with the paper. Recyclables December also be dropped off at the Scout trailer at the Transfer Station Monday, Friday or Saturday mornings.

Food Pantry

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 fpcwayne@gmail.com. All inquiries are confidential.

Among the items needed on a regular basis at the Food Pantry are cereal, canned corn, canned green beans, canned soup, canned fruit and canned chicken. Donations are also being accepted for use by the Backpack Program. Those wishing to make a donation are asked to contact the church via phone or email.

Food Truck

AREA — The next Wayne Food Truck food distribution event for those in financial need will be Saturday, Jan. 30 at Journey Christian Church in Wayne. The church is located at 1110 East Seventh Street. Food distribution begins at 10 a.m. and those receiving food are asked to arrive by 9:30 a.m. The event will continue until all the food has been distributed. Those receiving food will remain in their cars and volunteers will put pre-boxed food in vehicles. Volunteers are always welcome. For more information, contact the First United Methodist Church at (402) 375-2231.

Looking Ahead in Wayne

By Wes Blecke, City Administrator

City Council meetings

Regular Wayne City Council Technology Specialist, Brian meetings are at 5:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the Community Activity changes made to the City's tech-Center...until this COVID virus is nology approach after its ransombehind us. Join us in person with ware incident a year ago, and how a mask or on Zoom in your sweat- Council meetings could look like in

Wayne Speech team takes part in Pierce Invitational

Members of the Wayne High Bierbower, Easton Blecke and School Speech team took part in the Pierce Invitational on Jan. 16.

Results are as follows: The JV Duet of Jesus Arroyo and

Ethan Wibben were third; The Varsity Duet of Christopher

Woerdemann and Dylan Anderson were sixth; Ruben Vega was sixth in

Extemporaneous; Hannah Vick was fifth in Poetry; The Oral Interpretation of

Drama team of Kaden Hopkins, Christopher Rutenbeck, Brooklyn for the team.

Orion Spieker was fourth; and Kaden Hopkins was third in

Future Council meetings

with technology

Kesting, reported to the Council

recently about his department, the

City's

Humorous Prose. Wayne had two runners-up in

the tournament — Isaac Davis in Extemporaneous and Liam Spieker in Entertainment. Christopher Woerdemann

earned championship honors in Extemporaneous.

In the team sweepstakes, Wayne finished third out of 13 schools.

Dwaine Spieker is the head coach

Council meeting.

the future.

With meetings eventually moving back to the Council Chambers, how will those meetings look? We could continue streaming on Zoom or another online platform if the Council and public want us to do this. However, that would likely take some technology upgrades for funds will be allocated to these both sound and video. We will continue to discuss these possibilities.

Shovel ready projects

The City is preparing for potential stimulus money for infrastructure projects a new Biden administration might approve. The anticipation is that there will be federal funds to be used for projects that are ready to go at the state and local levels.

Therefore, the City is looking at preparing two projects to be ready should funds become available for local governments. These projects include finishing Fourth Street paving east to Centennial Road along with Thorman Street south to Fourth Street and completing Cityside streets of Joel Street and Erin Street. This project engineering was approved at the last

The other project is Centennial north to 21st Street, and 21st Street from Claycomb Road to Centennial. This project is not as far along. but the City will work with Wayne County to work out design funding

There are no guarantees that types of projects, but we want to be prepared if they do.

City Personnel policies

What is more exciting than going through 80 or 90 pages of a Personnel Manual at a City Council meeting? Anything is! That is why the Council is going through 30 pages in three different phases. The City Council is reviewing some changes that a 7-person committee from current City staff has recom-

The next meeting will be meeting three of three where a likely vote will take place to update this manual

Questions, comments, concerns?

Contact Wes Blecke, City Administrator at 375-1733 or wblecke@cityofwayne.org

Courthouse News

December Property Transfers

Thomsen and Karen S. Thomsen. representative to Rodney W. Deck Part of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Secton 4, Township 25, Range 5. Dec. 11: Jimmy M. Thomsen and

Karen S. Thomsen to Shannon 15, Township 26, Range 2; the SW Thomsen, Karl Thomsen, Tanya 1/4 of Section 16, Township 26, Gardner and Amy Kreikemeier. Part of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Secton 4, Township 25, Range 5. Dec. 11: Dean A. Jaeger,

Katherine L. Jaeger, Kenneth a. Jaeger, Arovona Jaeger, Richard G. Jaeger and Kay Jaeger to Jim Fuchs and Brandi L. Fuchs. Part of the NW 1/4 of Section 36, Township 25, Range 2. \$1,390.50.

Jennifer D. Davis to Jacob S. Lutt. Lot 7, Western Ridge II Addition, amended plat of Wayne. \$400.50. Dec. 11: Joseph J. Frost to

Zachary J. Moje. Part of Lot 21, Taylor & Wachobs Addition of Melyssa M. Dexter, Trustee and

Hills Estates Subdivision in the SE 1/4 of Section 33, Township R. DeBoer Exempt Trust, Michelle 25, Range 1 of Hoskins Area Subdivisions. Exempt. Dec. 11: Douglas J. Herman

to Kayne Ronspies and Alanna Ronspies. Lot 33 and 34, Beverly Hills Estates Subdivision in the SE 1/4 of Section 33, Township 25, Range 1 of Hoskins Area Subdivisions. \$279.00. Dec. 15: Esther Carlson Trust,

Chad W. Carlson Trustee to Christopher J. Mann and Brooke D. Mann. Lot 7 and part of Lot Bressler & Pattersons First Addition of Winside. \$191.25.

Dec. 15: Scott Lund and Beverly J. Lund to Scott Lund and Beverly J. Lund. The W 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 19, Township 26, Range 2 and the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 19, Township 26, Range 2.

Dec. 18: Rodney W. Deck Probate Estate, Bryan Deck, co-personal

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generally accorded or made available to

students at the school.

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race, color, national and ethnic origin in

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admissions policies, scholarship program, and athletic and other school-administered program

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Wayne, NE

representative, Melyssa M. Dexter, Dec. 11: Jimmy M. Thomsen and co-personal representative and Karen S. Thomsen to Jimmy M. Michelle R. DeBoer, co-personal Administrative Trust, Bryan W. Deck Trustee, Melyssa M. Dexter Trustee and Michelle R. DeBoer Trustee. The SW 1/4 of Section Range 2; the SE 1/4 of Section 16, Township 26, Range 2; part of the NE 1/4 of Section 16, Township 26, Range 2; part of the NW 1/4 of Section 16, township 26, Range 2; the SW 1/4 of Section 17, Township 26, Range 2; the S 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 21, Township 26, Range 2; the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 21, Township 26, Range 2; the NW 1/4 of Section 21, Township 26, Dec. 11: Adam N. Davis and Range 2 and part of the N 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 21, Township 26, Range 2. Exempt.

Dec. 18: Rodney W. Deck Administrate Trust Under Living Trust, Bryan Deck, Trustee, Michelle R. DeBoer, Trustee to M.. Dexter, Trustee and Michelle R. DeBoer, Trustee. The SW 1/4 of Section 15, Township 26, Range 2; the SW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 26, Range 2; the SE 1/4 of Section 16, Township 26, Range 2; part of the NE 1/4 of Section 16, Township 26, Range 2; part of the NW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 26, Range 2; the SW 1/4 of Section 17, Township 26, Range 2; the S 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 21, Township 26, Range 2; the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 21, Township 26, Range 2; the NW 1/4 of Section 21, Township 26, Range 2 and part of the N 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 21, Township 26, Range 2. Exempt.

Dec. 18: Rodney W. Deck Administrate Trust Under Living Trust, Bryan Deck, Trustee, Melyssa M. Dexter, Trustee and Michelle R. DeBoer, Trustee to Bryan W. Deck Exempt Trust, Bryan W. Deck Trustee. The NW Range 2. Exempt. Dec. 18: The Estate of Mary

Louise George, Alene Walker Personal Representative to Zachary W. Morris. Lot 3 and 4, Block 3, Bressler & Pattersons First Addition of Winside. \$236.25. Dec. 21: David E. Williams Sr.

to Trustee of David E. Williams Sr. Revocable Trust. Part of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 13, Township 26, Range 4 and part of the SW 1/4 of Section 7, Township 26, Range 5. \$0.00. Dec. 21: Alvin D.D. Meyer

Revocable Trust, Terry A. Meyer co-trustee, Jim L. Myer co-trustee, Viola A. Meyer Revocable Trust Terry A. Meyer co-trustee and Jim L. Meyer co-trustee to Jim L. Meyer. Part of the W 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 25, Township 26, Range 4; the SE 1/4 of Section 35, Township 26, Range 4 and part of the E 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 35, Township 26, Range 4. Exempt.

Dec. 21: Alvin D.D. Meyer Revocable Trust, Terry A. Meyer co-trustee, Jim L. Myer co-trustee, Dec. 11: Kari L. (Herman) Kindler Bryan W. Deck Exempt Trust, Viola A. Meyer Revocable Trust of the NE 1/4 of Section 4, Township and Brett Kindler to Douglas J. Bryan W. Deck, Trustee, Melyssa Terry A. Meyer co-trustee and Jim 26, Range 4. \$182.25. Herman. Lot 33 and 34, Beverly M. Dexter Exempt Trust, Melyssa L. Meyer co-trustee to Roger P. Meyer. The W 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Alanna Ronspies to Kayne Ronspies Section 33, Township 26, Range 4; Alanna Ronspies, Wendell J. the E 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 33, Township 26, Range 4; the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 33, Township 26, Range 4 and the E 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 15, Township 25, Range 3. Exempt. Dec. 21: Alvin D.D. Meyer

Revocable Trust, Terry A. Meyer co-trustee, Jim L. Myer co-trustee, Viola A. Meyer Revocable Trust Terry A. Meyer co-trustee and Jim of Section 8, Township, 25, Range L. Meyer co-trustee to Linda Atkins. The W 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 36, Township 26, Range 4 and the NW 1/4 of Section 36, Township 26, Range 4. Exempt.

Dec. 21: Alvin D.D. Meyer Revocable Trust, Terry A. Meyer co-trustee, Jim L. Myer co-trustee, Viola A. Meyer Revocable Trust Terry A. Meyer co-trustee and Jim L. Meyer co-trustee to Terry A. Meyer. The NE 1/4 of Section 33, Township 26, Range 4 and the E 1/4 of Section 21, Township 26, 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 33,

Township 26, Range 4. Exempt. Dec. 21: Go Mirage LLC to DSF

Wayne Short Stop, LLC. Lot 35. 36, 37, 38 and part of Lot 39, Block 23, College Hill First Addition of Wayne. \$450.00. Dec. 23: Debra Mascoe and

Michael Mascoe to Kevin Heithold

Part of the NW 1/4 of Section 4. Township 26, Range 4 and part of the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 4, Township 26, Range 4. \$182.25. Dec. 23: Gary Heithold and Brenda Heithold to Kevin Heithold Part of the NW 1/4 of Section 4,

Township 26, Range 4 and part of the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 4, Township 26, Range 4. \$182.25. Dec. 23: Cynthia Lubberstedt and Regg Lubberstedt to Kevin Heithold. Part of the NW 1/4 of Section 4, Township 26, Range 4

and part of the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 4, Township 26, Range 4. \$182.25. Dec. 23: Mark Heithold and Kara Heithold to Kevin Heithold. Part of the NW 1/4 of Section 4, Township

26, Range 4 and part of the NW 1/4 Dec. 23: Kayne Ronspies and

Newcomb and Lelice E. Newcomb. Lot 33 and 34, Beverly Hills Estates Subdivision in the SE 1/4, of Section 33, Township 25, Range 1 of Hoskins Area Subdivisions. \$139.50. Dec. 28: Boyd D. Ebberson Living

Trust, Boyd C. Ebberson Trustee and Valerie A. Ebberson Trustee to BV Land LLC. Part of the SE 1/4 1 and part of the NW 1/4 of Section 11, Township 27, Range 1. Exempt. Dec. 28: Valerie A. Ebberson

Living Trust, Valerie A. Ebberson Trustee and Boyd C. Ebberson Trustee to BV Land LLC. The NW 1/4 of Section 3, Township 25, Range 1 and the NW 1/4 of Section 21, Township 25, Range 1. Exempt.

Dec. 29: The Estate of Gertrude Vahlkamp, Eric Vahlkamp personal representative to Becker Properties LLC. Lot 9, Block 4, Sunnyview Subdivision of Wayne. \$299.25.

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Steven Cord Sievers Family Turst, Steven Cord Sievers Trustee to Gandorf and Madison LLC. The E 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 34. Township 26, Range 3 and the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 34 Township 26, Range 3. Exempt.

Dec. 30: Debra A. Bodenstedt to Ria Pedersen. Lot 19, Block 1. Spahrs Addition of Wayne. \$267.75. Dec. 31: Michelle R. DeBoer

Exempt Trust, Michelle R. DeBoer Trustee to Bryan W. Deck. Exempt Trust, Bryan W. Deck. Trustee. The SW 1/4 of Section 15, Township 26, Range 2; the SW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 26, Range 2; the SE 1/4 of Section 16, Township 26, Range 2; part of the NE 1/4 of Section 16. Township 26, Range 2; the SW 1/4 of Section 17, Township 26, RAnge 2; the S 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of SEction 21, Township 26, Range 2; the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 21. Township 26, Range 2 and part of the N 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 21.

Township 26, Range 2. \$3,402.00.

Legal Notice NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING the Southwest corner of Tax Lot 11: thence

The Wayne City Council will hold their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 2, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. at the Wayne Community

Activity Center, 901 W. 7th Street

At or about 5:30 p.m., the City Council will hold a public hearing to consider the Planning Final Plat for Greenwood Addition. The appli cant is City of Wayne and the area of the plat is more particularly described as

A tract of land located in the East 1/2 of of Section 12, T26N, R3E of the 6th P.M. Wavne County, Nebraska, more particularly described as follows

Commencing at the Southeast Corner of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, T26N, R3E of feet to the Southwest corner of Greenwood Cemetery, said point being 55.30 feet North of the South line of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 12; thence N 02°08'14" W on 1264.97 feet to the Northwest corner of said

N 02°06'27" W on the West line of said Tax Lot 11 and parallel to the East line of said Southwest 1/4, 208.71 feet to the Northwest corner of said Tax Lot 11; thence N 87°36'33" E on the North line of said Tax Lot 11, 208.71 feet to the Northeast corner of said Tax Lot 11; thence S 02°06'27" E on the East line of said Tax Lot 11 and parallel to the East line of said Southwest 1/4, 208,71 feet to a point on the North line of said Greenwood Cemetery; thence N to the Northeast corner of said Greenwood Cemetery; thence S 02°21'36" E on the East line of said Greenwood Cemetery 1290.36 feet to the Southeast corner of on the North Right-of-Way line of Hwy. #35 and 33.00 feet North of the South line of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 12: thence S 87°31'00" W on said North Right-of-Way line and parallel to said South line, 665.78 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 30.23 acres, more or less

Meetings Act to attend all meetings of public bodies. All oral or written comments on the proposed matter received prior to and at the public hearing will be considered.

tions, including interpreter services, Braille, large print, or recorded materials should contact Betty McGuire, City Clerk, at 402-375-1733, no later than 4:30 p.m. on the Friday preceding the meeting

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years of major challenges—historic floods in 2019 and a pandemic in 2020—I am pleased to report that the state of the state is strong. The work of Nebraskans everywhere has helped to meet these challenges with grit, tenacity, and determina-

As Senators begin this session, there are plenty of opportunities to make our state even stronger. This will require working together the Nebraska Way.

This year, the Unicameral will work on the state budget for the next two years. The budget I've proposed controls spending by limiting the average growth rate to 1.5 percent. Within this framework, we can achieve several important pri-

First, property tax relief. The budget I've presented to the Legislature delivers \$1.36 billion in relief over the next two years. This includes

On Thursday, January 14th I \$597 million from the new refund- in delivered my annual "State of the able property tax credit. I am also Legislature can State" address to the Nebraska Leg- proposing \$214 million to provide ensure that Neislature. Even after back-to-back for property tax payments under braska's commuthe current homestead exemption nities preserve

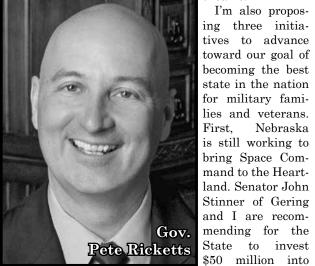
> we have to slow the growth of prop- they cherish. erty tax bills. This will ensure that the relief the State provides goes tion to reduce into people's pockets. Senator Lou the property tax Ann Linehan of Elkhorn and I are burden, it's improposing to limit the growth of local government property taxes to 3 percent per year. Property taxes are to schools as growing at a rate that Nebraskans well. Under my cannot manage within their family budget proposal, budgets. They've grown by 4.46 per- the State would cent annually, on average, for the give a recordlast 10 years for an overall increase high amount of of 54.65 percent.

governments of their property tax ing opportunity scholarships, more \$550 million in direct property tax erty, and it can happen again. The eration of Nebraskans so they can ing with Senators Rita Sanders and years, and our infrastructure is relief through the State's Property spending limits we're proposing access educational opportunities Carol Blood of Bellevue to remove aging. We've made progress by in-

local control of To deliver real property tax relief, the institutions

As we take acportant to give strong support

to their own hands and strip local education formula. I'm also propos-



public-private aid (\$1.1 billion per year) to schools partnership to headquarter this im-If the Legislature fails to en- over the next two years. As I have portant mission at Offutt Air Force act spending constraints, I believe done every year as Governor, I Base. Second, Senator Tom Brewer Nebraskans will take matters in- again propose to fully fund the K-12 of Gordon and I are proposing that Nebraska exempt 100 percent of military retirement income for miliauthority. This happened before in career scholarships, and money for tary retirees. This would complete dation takes steps to protect pubthe 1960s when voters stripped the our textbook program. We must the work on veterans tax relief we lic safety. Nebraska's corrections State of its authority to tax prop- continue to invest in the next gen- began last year. Third, I'm work- system has been underbuilt for 40 Tax Credit Relief Fund, and nearly are reasonable. By putting them that can help them achieve their regulatory barriers that impede vesting in sentencing reform, reha-

military spouses from taking jobs in bilitation, and the physical plant of Nebraska as licensed professionals. I'm also propos-

We must continue to invest in better broadband coverage so that more Nebraskans have access to fast, reliable internet service. Over 80,000 Nebraska households lack broadband speeds of at least 25/3. The pandemic revealed how impossible work from home or remote education can be for those on the wrong side of the digital divide. Over the last several months, we used federal coronavirus assistance to begin connecting 17,600 households with broadband. Senator Curt Friesen of Henderson, Speaker Mike Hilgers of Lincoln, and I are proposing that we invest \$20 million in each of the next two years to help another 30,000 households get broadband connectivity. This will move Nebraska closer to bringing broadband coverage to every corner

Finally, my budget recommen-

our system over the past six years. But more must be done to modernize our prisons and prepare for the future. By 2025, Nebraska's corrections system is forecasted to house over 6,400 inmates. Our current operational capacity is about 5,300 inmates, and the Nebraska State Penitentiary is decaying. To protect public safety and replace the State Penitentiary, my budget plans for the construction of a new, modern correctional facility. It will require an initial investment of \$115 million in the upcoming two-year budget. This amount represents half of the estimated \$230 million of costs to have the facility completed and operational in 2025.

These are all critical priorities to get done this year. If you have questions about them, please email peter ricketts@nebraska.gov or call (402) 471-2244. As the session gets underway, I'm confident that we can achieve each of these initiatives by working together the Nebraska

Wildcat Esports program enjoys success in inaugural season

The Wildcat Esports team made a petition. notable debut this school year, with nine of WSC's 11 teams making the playoffs in November and two teams making it to their championship rounds. Wayne State College was also the recipient of the ECAC's inaugural Esports Commissioner's Cup Award for the Fall 2020 season. The award goes to the ECAC Esports member university whose program achieved the most broadbased success across all nine games in which the ECAC sponsored com-

Esports Fall Recap

Teams labeled "Black" are varsity. Teams labeled "Gold" are ju- Black – 2nd place (final record 7-2) nior varsity. Results are out of 75 schools competing in the ECAC esports league.

Overall Record: 42-28 (Excludes Fortnite and League of Legends. Fortnite's season is points-based, not win-loss, and League of Legends did not compete in ECAC this 16, and Rocket League Gold placed season.)

Top Team Finishers:

(final record 10-1)

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Fortnite Black – 4th place Fortnite Gold – 6th place Other Results:

Valorant Black and Valorant Gold teams placed in the top 8, Overwatch Black placed in the top 32, Hearthstone placed in the top in the top 16.

More than 100 students showed

Rocket League Black – 2nd place interest in joining the Esports program, which selected 46 students (43 males and three females) for the roster in ECAC-sponsored gaming titles. Opportunities are still available for gamers not on the official roster through Discord, a centralized communication server that acts as a hub where anyone on campus can meet and play together. The Esports team is coordinated

by Nick Sutton, who says Wayne State students have displayed exceptional talent even in the first

vear of operation.

"Coming into this semester as a new program we had no idea what to expect," said Sutton. "However, it turns out that WSC has an elite player pool to choose from. During tryouts we came across a wide range of talent in multiple gaming titles such as Rocket League, Valorant, and Super Smash Bros.'

Wayne State is part of the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) and currently competes in seven gaming titles: Valorant. League of Legends, Overwatch, Fortnite, Hearthstone, Rocket League, and Super Smash Bros. The ECAC's esports platform is expanding the geographic footprint of the conference nationally.

During the summer of 2020, WSC created "The Den," a \$100,000 Esports arena with state-of-the-art equipment, located in the lower level of the Kanter Student Center and reserved for Esports athletes only. The arena features 12 high-end PCs at WSC."

and all the necessary accessories that the team will use for practice and competition, along with four flat-screen television displays for spectator viewing during competi-

Competitions take place Monday

through Thursday. Typical compe-

tition days start at 6 p.m. with an

hour of warmup/replay review, with matches beginning at 7 p.m. and running until 8 or 9 p.m. Specific game titles for each day are set by All ECAC competitions can be watched at twitch.tv/wscwildcats.

The spring esports season is set to

begin in February. "We are looking forward to next season, as our students are proving to be very competitive in the ECAC." said Sutton. "There is no doubt in my mind that we will continue to find success as this program grows

Wakefield Council

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before it would actually open for a asked the council to consider it in up during downtown re-development planning. The council was told that there would be too many engineering issues and dirt work to be done. The spot near Humpty Dumpty is "site ready" according to the committee. The council tabled a decision to get more information.

Ordinance 1-2021 was approved on first reading to raise sewer rates from \$10 to \$11. A public hearing has been sent for the February meeting about re-zoning property in the industrial park that has not already been re-zoned.

Eric Riewer came before the council to discuss his plans for the Hatchery building. Riewer and his wife purchased the building and plan to keep businesses, like Woven Luxe who recently moved in, on the ground floor and build several new apartments in the top floor. Riewer said they were interested in doing so to provide nice, affordable housing in downtown Wakefield.

Lyle Ekberg returned to discuss the possibility of the City of Wakefield hiring a full-time EMT for the

Wakefield Volunteer Fire Department. Ekberg spoke at December's majority of maintenance coming meeting most recently, but has The splash pad idea came the past. Ekberg told the council that hiring that position was necessary because, in his opinion, too many of the department's EMTs works out of town or can't respond

during the day.

"I was not told by the fire department to pursue this," Ekberg told the council. "I'm doing this as a 50-year concerned member of the department and I'm doing it because the rural board is up for this, which I am the chairman of. They're up for paying 50 percent of it and they believe in this.'

Council member Ross Hansen said he felt the position raised more questions than answered them. The council agreed to continue to consider it, but opted to not move on hiring a position yet.

The positions of city administrator, city clerk/treasurer, city attorney, fire chief, city engineer and street superintendent were all reappointed.

The next Wakefield City Council meeting will be held at the Wakefield Civic Center at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 10.

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Esports athletes representing games played at Wayne State, from left to right: Matthew Williams (Overwatch, Valorant), Derek Ross (Hearthstone), Hudson Pfenning (Super Smash Bros.), John Klemmensen (Valorant), Nathania Mercelina (League of Legends), Dylan DeMoss (League of Legends), Jameson Albin (Valorant), and Jordan Johnson (Fortnite).



10 years ago (2009)

The cold weather and winter conditions often brings an increase in home fires, as many people use alternate heating sources such as space heaters, fireplaces, or coal or wood stoves to stay warm. The Northeast Nebraska Chapter of the Red Cross has definitely seen its share of fires recently.

Locally, the Red Cross has seen January 2010, the NE Nebraska Chapter responded to nine fires, has responded to 15 fires in the

Looking back... area and helped more than 45 people.

"The dedication of Red Cross home fire 24/7/365 never ceases to amaze me," said Shalle Wolff, the generous support of northeast shots Nebraska residents to respond to our neighbors who are affected remember the Red Cross as you plan your annual giving."

20 years ago (2001)

a significant increase in home team blasted visiting Stanton, \$35,000, will take between two fires compared to this time last 88-32 last Friday night as Rocky and a half and three months year. From October 2009 through Ruhl's team improved to 8-4 on to complete. During that time, noon. He addressed Cedar county

Wayne used an 18-2 scoring run helping 39 people in the northeast in the second quarter to open up Nebraska area. From October a 43-17 halftime cushion and then 2010 to Jan. 12, 2011, the chapter went on a 26-9 run in the third quarter to put the game away.

"You always worry about a let from its present location to the Concord) but our guys came ready in the sanctuary will be altered

complete game."

executive director. "Our local vol- sity broke into the scoring column peting will be installed. unteers are there for northeast with senor Eric McLagan leading Nebraska residents in their time the way with yet another doubleof need, no matter what time of double with 22 points and 10

50 years ago (1971)

Work was scheduled to begin by home fires. We ask for you to this week on an extensive remodeling project of the First Lutheran Church at Allen.

The project was estimated The Wayne boys basketball will cost between \$30,000 and regular time at the Allen High School auditorium.

> on the upstairs and basement. Saturday in the Don Wightman The church altar will be moved home here.

down following a loss (Laurel- west side of the building. The roof Volunteers who respond to these to play," Ruhl said. "We played a so it forms a V, the floor will be levelled rather sloping, and new Everyone who suited up on var- pews with padded seats and car-

The Rev. John Erlandson, pastor of the Lutheran churches at Allen and Concord, said remodelday it is or how cold it is out- rebounds to go along with a team- ing will result in a larger seating side. The Red Cross depends on high five assists and two blocked capacity, from the present 150 to about 200. He said it is the first major change in the church since it was constructed in 1912.

75 years ago (1944)

Val Peterson, candidate for the Republican nomination for governor was here Friday night. He spoke to Norfolk Chamber of Commerce Thursday noon and to Norfolk high school that after-Sunday services will be held at teachers at Hartington Thursday evening. Mr. Peterson spoke in Hartington and Randolph schools Included in the project is work Friday. He was a guest until

(Contributed photos) Providence Medical Center in Wayne welcomed the first baby of 2021 on Jan. 13. Dr. Benjamin Martin (center and below) delivered Milani Maria Antonio Andres just after 4 p.m. Milani's proud parents are Lorenza Andres Aguirre and Tomas Antonio Marcos, both of Wakefield. She weighed 6 lbs. 9 oz. and was 18.5 inches at birth. Milani and her parents received a number of baby gifts and products from



Dr. Kolbeck concert available to everyone, anywhere through livestream at Wayne State College

Wayne State College Department of Music presents a Faculty Clarinet Recital by Dr. Karl Kolbeck, associate professor of woodwinds, on Friday, Feb. 5 in Ramsey Theatre. The 7:30 p.m. performance includes piano accompaniment by Shelly Arm-

The concert is free and open to the public and will also be livestreamed. To view the livestream, go to wsc.edu/watchlive. The program is accessible by selecting the event from the Music Events list at wsc.edu/ music. If patrons are exhibit-



they should remain at home and watch the livestreamed perfor-

Musical selections create a waking escape, imploring listeners to exist in the moment, qui-

et the mind, and just absorb the sound. The musical journey encompasses diverse compositions from around the world, including Two Pieces Op. 35, Nos. 6-7 by Reinhold Gliere; Tristram and Iseult Suite by Kathy Henkel; Chant Slave by Joseph Edouard Barat; and Fantasy Pieces, Op. 43 by Niels Wilhelm Gade.

Wayne State College, a leading, public four-year college in northeast Nebraska, is a proud member of the Nebraska State College System.

Volunteers have spent many hours over the last few years at the Wakefield Quilt Shop, sewing Quilts of Valor. This Saturday is Local Quilt Shop Day in Nebraska.

Local Quilt Shop Day planned

Commissioners

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half acres in the subdivision, requiring approval. Hansen also discussed the possibility of cost-sharing a paving project on 21st and Centennial Streets.

Representatives from the Haystack wind project reviewed proposed road cuts with the commissioners. They also told the board that they planned to resume work on the project no later than March 1, depending on winter weather

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Highway Superintendent Mark that he didn't think there would Casey told the commissioners he had been approached by the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy about the possibility of moving up the scrap tire collection event scheduled for August. Casey said Wayne County was one of very few grants approved and the Department of Environment and Energy told Casey any money left over from Wayne's event could be doled out somewhere else if it was held earlier. Casey told the commissioners



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Additionally, Casey and the commissioners agreed that to

be anything left from the \$50,764

move it earlier would inconvenience the Wayne County Ag Society who would be busy prepping the fairgrounds for the county fair. They agreed to schedule the event for Friday, Aug. 13 and Saturday,

District Court Clerk Deb Allemann-Dannelly requested the commissioners consider allowing her to increase security measures in her office. Allemann-Dannelly said several years ago she received approval to re-model her office to provide more security and got a quote, but then was asked to wait to start the work. Tuesday she asked the commissioners if she could move forward with a similar plan. The commissioners agreed to review the situation.

The next Wayne County Commissioners meeting will be held at the Public Safety Annex at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 2.

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In recognition of the importance out a free fabric panel that day with of independent quilt shops to local economics, Saturday, Jan. 23 has been designated Local Quilt Shop Day throughout Nebraska.

Local Quilt Shop Day is an annual arts celebration that will be celebrated this year on Jan. 23. The internationally celebrated holiday emphasizes the importance of local quilt shops and their significant contributions and impact on local communities.

In honor of the event, the Quilt Shop in Wakefield will be handing every purchase. Inside will be a percentage off coupon for purchases. In addition, demonstrations will be given involving rulers. For more information on the activities there. call (402) 287-2325 or contact the

shop at Quilts@abbnebraska.com Local quilt shops not only provide supplies for quilting, but also provide "a spirit of togetherness and creativity that champions an American Art form encompassing the rich character and even the history of our communities."

Normally celebrated the third Saturday of January, Local Quilt Shop Day was established by The Fabric Shop Network, a trade association that represents over 5,000 local quilt shop owners globally.

The Fabric Shop Network encourages the public to visit their local quilt shops in person or online on Jan. 23. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, not all local quilt shops have been able to open their brickand-motor front doors again and many are operating entirely online.

Council

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and Breakfast

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Breakfast Basket in cabin

Great Backyard Bird Count

at Ponca State Park

Street to Centennial Road has been preliminarily designed by

McLaury.

Council members asked "what happens if we don't get funding?'

City Administrator Wes Blecke said that "that is a chance you take, but this is project that we probably want to see get done."

A second project that could possibly be "shovel ready" would be 21st Street to Centennial Road and Centennial Road.

City Planner Joel Hansen told the council he had met with the Wayne County Commissioners and discussed the fact that the city anticipates future growth in this area "the project should be designed to city standards."

County commissioners suggested pay 25 percent of the engineering costs, but indicated they were willing to negotiate this number.

place between the city and county in coming weeks. Council members also reviewed

Continued discussion will take

several more chapters in the city's employee personnel policy.

The Wayne City Council will next meet in regular session on Tuesday, Feb. 2 at 5:30 p.m. at the Wayne Community Activity

Center.



Blue Devil girls outlast LCC



It was a defensive struggle between Wayne and LCC Tuesday in Laurel, but the Blue Devil girls were able to come away with the 30-

Wayne shot just 21 percent from the field, but used 13 offensive rebounds to pick up several secondchance points that allowed them to come away with the win.

Rubie Klausen led a balanced attack for the Blue Devils with nine points while Mikaela McManigal had seven points. Also scoring were Emily Longe with six, Brooklyn Kruse with five, Faith Powicki with two and Kierah Haase with one. LCC's Kinsey Hall paced all scor-

ers with 11 points, followed by Haley Christensen with seven. Jordynn Urwiler had five points and Mallory Eriksen scored two. Klausen and Kruse both had six

rebounds to lead Wayne. Longe and Mia Nelsen both had two assists.

Christensen led the Lady Bears in rebounds with eight and Hall had seven to go with a team-high four steals.

On Saturday, the Blue Devils made up a rescheduled game with Norfolk Catholic and came up on the short end of a 45-37 decision.

The game was close throughout, with neither team taking advantage of momentum until late in the game. Norfolk Catholic hit their

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Tanner Walling goes up for a shot while LCC's Lucas Rasmussen (22) and Cael Hartung defend during the Blue Devils' 52-42 win over the Bears.

Blue Devil defense stymies LCC in 52-42 outcome

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Wayne's defense held Laurel-Concord-Coleridge to one of its lowest offensive outputs of the season, building a 15-point halftime advantage and then hanging on for a 52-42 victory in action at LCC High School.

The Blue Devils got off to a good start and used a big 16-7 secondlead into the locker room.

LCC came back with a flurry to close the gap to five points, but Wayne was able to keep the Bears from finishing the comeback and claim the win.

Tanner Walling led the way for Phelps and Brandon Bartos each had 10 points. Daniel Judd scored six, Colton Vovos had five, Sedjro Agoumba had four and Nolan Hunke scored two.

Phelps, Bartos, Walling and Anquarter effort to take a 15-point drew Jones each had four rebounds for Wayne. Bartos and Phelps both had two assists and Vovos and Bar- to weather. tos each had two steals.

had six, and Wilton Roberts, Lucas on Thursday.

hit free throws down the stretch to Rasmussen, Evan Haisch and Deagan Puppe each had three.

Rath led the Bears in rebounds Wayne with 15 points while Alex with nine while Hartung had six. Schmitt had three assists and Roberts and Haisch each had two. Schmitt and Puppe both had two

> North Bend and LCC's matchup ited with six assists. with Creighton were postponed due

Wayne hosted Crofton on Tues-For LCC, Cael Hartung was the day and will be home to face Haronly scorer in double figures, fin- tington CC on Friday. LCC hosted ishing with a game-high 18 points. Hartington-Newcastle on Tuesday Evan Schmitt and Jake Rath both and will play host to Battle Creek

Wildcat women go 1-1 at Minnesota State

ketball team settled for a split over the weekend, going 1-1 in action at Minnesota State. On Saturday, the Wildcats were

The Wayne State women's bas-

able to overcome 29 turnovers to defeat Minnesota State 84-79. Minnesota State sprinted to an

early 6-0 lead before Wayne State rallied and took a 13-9 advantage on a 3-pointer by Halley Busse. That helped the Wildcats take a lead they'd hold the rest of the half, The third quarter saw Minnesota

State surge to a five-point lead just past the midway point of the quarter at 52-47, but Wayne native and junior reserve guard Kylie Hammer scored four straight points along with baskets by Brittany Bongartz and Josey Ryan to end the third quarter giving WSC a Wayne State a 60-58 lead going to the final pe-

The Wildcats continued their torrid shooting in the fourth quarter (9-11 from the field) and built a double-digit lead, but had to hold off a late Minnesota State rally.

A 3-pointer from Autumn Mlinar followed by a layup from Hammer gave the Wildcats their biggest lead of the night at 73-60 with 6:21 to play. WSC also held a 13-point lead at 77-64 with 4:40 to play following a Busse layup that gave the senior guard her 1,000th career point. Minnesota State stormed back

with the next 10 points in just 2:36 and cut the Wildcat lead to 77-74 with 2:04 remaining. Hammer then responded with a three-point play followed by two free throws to put the Wildcats ahead 82-76, with Busse sinking a pair of free throws in the final minute to help WSC hang on for the 84-79 win.

Norling scored 21 points to lead Wayne State with Hammer close behind at 20, 17 coming in the second half. Mlinar added 14 points while Busse closed the night with nine, giving her 1,002 points for her career and the 22nd player in school history to reach the milestone.

Wayne State won the rebounding battle 42-36 thanks to nine boards from Mlinar and seven by Bongartz. Wayne's Thursday game with Norling and Busse were each cred-

> nesota State's bench outscored Wayne State 49-18 as the Mavericks topped Wayne State 84-71.

> The Wildcats held an 18-12 first quarter lead following a Josey Ryan

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Tuesday City League Week #19 The Odd Balls Pin Pals

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High Games and Series: One Office, 878; Dustin Bargholz, 269. One Office, 2,499; Sam Wesely, 704; Dustin Bargholz, 675; Doug Rose, 627; Zane Shearman, 624; Brady Ping, 616; Kyle Kempf, 615; Brad Jones, 607; Kayleen Roberts, 585.

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Track teams open season at Wildcat Indoor Invite

Wayne State's indoor track and field teams performed well in their 2021 debut Saturday at the Wildcat Indoor Invite a the WSC Recreation Center.

In men's action, the Wildcats won four events in the meet, which included teams from Augustana, University of Sioux Falls and Chadron State.

Senior Cade Kalkowski had a strong start to the season with a first place finish in the weight throw at 66 feet, 3 inches. Cole Christoffersen was second at 62-4 with Grant Fritsch sixth at 47-11. The



marks for Kalkowski and Christoffersen were both NCAA provisional qualifying marks.

Junior Noah Lilly crossed the



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line first in the 60-meter hurdles finals in 8.88 seconds with teammate Kolton Needham fifth at 9.37. Brock Hegarty was the winner in the one mile run with a time of 4:31.39 while Bailey Peckham recorded a

fourth-place finish at 4:49.38. Wayne State's other first place finish came from Jacob Ladage in the 400-meter dash at 54.49 seconds while freshman Dylan Kneif tied for first in the high jump clearing 6-4 3/4 while teammate Aaron English was third at 6-0 3/4.

Other top Wildcat finishers included Michael Kueny second in the 600-meter run (1:26.74) followed by teammates Jakob Kemper in third (1:27.95) and Brandon Mundors fourth at 1:30.25. In the 60-meter dash finals, senior Justin Rohloff came in fourth at 7.23 seconds with freshman Noah Carr fifth in 7.24

In women's action, freshman Megan Hansen made a stellar debut in the 60-meter hurdles with a first place finish in 9.19 seconds.

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free throws down the stretch and held off Wayne's offensive effort to come away with the win.

Kruse had a game-high 21 points in the losing effort while Klausen added six points. Also scoring were Haase with three, McManigal, Katy Jones and Frantzdie Barner with two each and Emily Longe with one. Klausen led the team in rebounds with five and Kruse had four steals.

Wayne's matchup Thursday with North Bend was called off due to

Wayne was set to host Crofton on Tuesday and will host Hartington CC on Friday. LCC hosted Hartington-Newcastle on Tuesday and will host Battle Creek on Thursday.

Wildcat Women

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quarter, but Minnesota State scored the final 11 points of the opening period to take a 23-18 lead and never trailed the rest of the way. The Mavericks built several dou-

3-pointer with 3:02 to play in the

ble digit leads in the second quarter and was in front 42-31 with 2:41 left in the first half. Busse then scored eight straight points to cut the MSU lead to three at 42-39. That's as close as WSC would get to the Mavericks, as MSU closed the first half

Busse and Ryan each scored 13 points for Wayne State while Hammer, Mlinar and Bongartz added 10

WSC held a slim 44-42 edge in rebounding over MSU with Hammer and Mlinar leading WSC on the boards with seven each.

The Wildcats (2-4, 1-3 NSIC South) will be on the road again this weekend for NSIC South Division games at Upper Iowa Friday at 6 p.m. and Saturday at 2 p.m. in Fayette, Iowa.

Indoor track

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In the weight throw, junior Jadin Wagner placed second at 57-3 with Mckenzie Scheil third (56-9 1/4), both NCAA provisional qualifying Scheil was second in the shot

put (44-3 1/2) with Kenzie Sullivan third (43-8) and Wagner fourth at 41-0 1/4. Freshman Makenna Taake came in second in the long jump (16-10) with Keyla Sambo fifth at 16-5. In the triple jump, senior Riana Noelle was fourth at 34-1 1/4 with Emily Smollen fifth at 34-1 1/4.

Other top WSC finishers were Brooke Solomon third in the mile run (5:48.91), Brianna Crouch fourth in the 1,000-meter run at 3:26.93, Molly McCartney fourth in the one mile run (5:51.62) and Jordyn Pester fifth in the 60-meter fi-

Wayne State will compete again Saturday, Jan. 23 at the Dakota Realty Invitational at the Dakota Dome in Vermillion, S.D.

Wolfpackboys split home games

The Tri County Wolfpack split two home games last week, falling to Winnebago before posting a onesided win over Whiting of Iowa.

In the Winnebago game, TCNE got off to a slow start and couldn't recover as the Indians posted a 63-

Reed Hingst paced the 'Pack with 11 points, followed by Nate Oswald with eight and Kobe Kumm with seven. Steven Sullivan and Mason Hall both had three points and Ryan Kinnaman, Josh Olesen, Anthony Isom and Garrett Blanke had two points apiece.

Blanke and Sullivan led the team in rebounds with nine apiece while Oswald had five. Kumm had two as-

On Saturday, the Wolfpack blew out the visiting Warrors in a 64-7 victory. TCNE started the first quarter with a 31-0 run and led 48-1 at halftime to go on to the easy

Individual statistics were not available at press time.

TCNE played at Homer on Tuesday and will be at Wausa on Thursday before coming home to host



The Wayne State bench goes crazy as Jordan Janssen finishes off a breakaway dunk during Wayne State's 85-68 win over Minnesota State on Friday at Rice Auditorium.

WSC men split with Mavericks in hoop action

floor to defeat Minnesota State 85-68 in the first of two games between

the weekend series, however, shooting 56 percent from the field and edging the Wildcats, 80-77.

State started the game making 13 from 1996-2000. of its first 16 shots and ended the game shooting 60 percent from the

The Wildcats scored the first 10 points of the game and never looked back. Before the midway point of the opening half, Wayne State already raced out to a 25-4 lead and was in front 29-7 midway through the first half, making 13 of its first 16 shots from the field. Wayne State foul stripe. Redshirt freshman Juspushed the lead to 25 at 38-13 on a Justin Eagins 3-pointer with 3:24 left in the first half before closing the half with a 40-21 advantage.

The hot shooting continued for the Wildcats in the second half, the contest with Janssen and Jay never allowing the visiting Maver- Saunders each grabbing eight caricks a chance to get back into the oms for the Wildcats. Janssen hand-

The Wayne State men's basket- or more advantage much of the secball team shot 60 percent from the ond half with the biggest lead coming at the 4:03 mark 81-53.

A milestone moment happened the two teams Friday at Rice Audi- with 4:24 to play in the game when senior forward Ben Dentlinger The Mavericks managed a split of blocked a Tyrell Stuttley baseline shot to make Dentlinger the alltime blocks leader at WSC with 101, surpassing Eric Henderson's In Friday's matchup, Wayne previous mark of 100 blocks set

Wayne State has now won two of the last three meetings against Minnesota State in a series dominated by the Mavericks, who had won 28 of the previous 32 meetings between the two schools.

Junior guard Nate Mohr led Wayne State in scoring with 22 points, a career-high, going 7-of-13 from the field and 6 for 6 at the tin Eagins added a season-best 16 points on 7-of-8 shooting. Jordan Janssen and Alec Millender each scored 14 points for the Wildcats.

Both teams had 31 rebounds in

On Saturday, Minnesota State

made 14 3-pointers and shot 56 percent behind the arc to offset a career-high scoring effort from Janssen that included his 1,000th career point as Wayne State fell to 3-3 on the season and 3-1 in the NSIC The Wildcats held the lead early,

but the advantage went away quickly as the hot shooting Mavericks drained eight of their opening 10 3-point shots and finished the opening half going 9 of 13 behind the arc. With the score tied at 13-13, WSC

went on an 11-2 run and took their biggest lead of the game at 24-15 on a Janssen basket that made him the 36th player in school history to reach the 1,000-point plateau.

Wayne State still held a 29-23 lead at the 6:33 mark when Minnesota State exploded for a 16-4 scoring run in just 3:17 and took a 39-33 lead before closing the first half with a 44-36 lead.

Minnesota State increased their lead in the second half to double digits and took their biggest advantage at 63-47 on a Devonte Thedford game. Wayne State held a 20-point ed out a team-high six assists while 3-pointer with 12:38 to play.

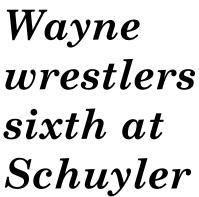
Wayne State still trailed 69-58 with 7:17 to play before making a comeback, going on an 11-2 run and getting within two at 71-69 on a Cody McCullough basket.

MSU scored the next five points to increase the lead to seven again, but a McCullough three-point play and a pair of Eagins free throws got WSC within two again at 76-74 with 1:08 remaining. But the visiting Mavericks made four straight free throws to go up 80-74 and a Nate Mohr 3-pointer with 2.9 seconds to play made the final score 80-77. Janssen led Wayne State with a

career-high 29 points to go with 14 rebounds for his 29th career doubledouble. He made 12-of-19 shots from the field and 5-of-7 at the foul stripe. Mohr finished with 14 points and Saunders put in 10.

WSC won the rebounding battle 35-29 thanks to 14 boards by Janssen. Janssen and Eagins had three assists while Janssen and Ben Dentlinger each had two blocks.

The Wildcats will be at home again next weekend, hosting Upper Iowa in NSIC South Division games Friday at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in Rice Auditorium.



The Wayne High wrestling team posted a sixth-place finish at Saturday's Schuyler Invitational.

Martin Carrillo was the lone champion for the Blue Devils, bringing home the 220-pound championship with a second-period pin over Gabe Gaskill of Blair. Runner-up finishes went to Reece

Jaqua and Reid Korth at 132 and 182, respectively.

Ashton Munsell (126) and Bo Armstrong (285) both earned fourthplace finishes. Garrett Schultz (120) and Dakota Spann (195) were fifth while Eli Barner placed sixth at

Wayne's wrestlers next compete in the Neligh-Oakdale Invitational on Saturday in Neligh.

Team Standings

Bennington 236.5, Blair 191, Columbus Lakeview 161, Scottsbluff 156.5, Lexington 109, Wayne 103.5, Schuyler 91, Norris 83.

Wayne Medalists

120: 5. Garrett Schultz, Wayne, pinned Mitchell Jacobs, Norris, :55. 126: 3. Dylan Hubbard, Lexington, dec. Ashton Munsell, Wayne, 12-5. 132: 1. AJ Parrish, Bennington. pinned Reece Jaqua, Wayne, 4:20. 138: 5. Jesus Carrasco, Schuyler, dec. Eli Barner, Wayne, 6-5. 182: 1. Braden Hanson, Blair, dec. Reid Korth, Wayne, 7-1. 195: 5. Dakota Spann, Wayne, dec. Gabriel Moyao Schuyler, 3-1 (SV). 220: 1. Martin Carrillo, Wayne, pinned Gabe Gaskill, Blair, 2:51. 285: 3. Dane Van Cleave, Norris, pinned Bo Armstrong, Wayne, 1:59.

Winside girls win one, lose one

The Winside girls basketball team split the two games on their schedule this past week.

On Tuesday, the Wildcats pulled away in the second half for a 51-35 win over Omaha Nation.

The game was close at the half with Winside leading 24-22, but a 13-5 third-quarter run helped put

the game away for the Wildcat girls. Hannah Gubbels scored 14 points to lead all scorers. Kati Topp had a double-double with 13 points and 10 rebounds while McKenna Russell added 14 points and seven steals, and Natalie Kruger had 10 points with nine rebounds. Jackie

On Saturday, the Winside girls couldn't keep up with Elgin/Pope John as the Wolfpack came away with a 58-17 win.

Escalante rounded out the scoring

with two points.

Topp led the way for Winside with nine points, Gubbels and Kruger each had three points and Russell scored two points.

Topp led the team in rebounds with nine and Brooklyn Behmer had six. Russell recorded three

Winside was at Randolph on Tuesday and will host St. Mary's on Thursday and Wausa on Friday.



Second quarter dooms Winside boys

The Winside boys basketball team came up on the short end of a 53-21 decision to Elgin/Pope John in action Saturday in Winside.

Things started out well for the Wildcats as they led 9-3 after the first period, but that changed quickly as the visiting Wolfpack went on a 23-2 second-quarter run to take a 26-11 halftime advantage, and carried that momentum through the second half for the win.

Dean Kruger led the Wildcats with nine points, followed by Dax Behmer with five. Also scoring were DeAndre Redwing with four, Austin Nelson with two and Jake Bargstadt with a free throw.

Kruger had nine rebounds and Redwing had seven for Winside. Dominic Reed finished with three

Winside is back in action with games Tuesday at Randolph and home games Thursday with St.



(Photo by Michael Carnes) Alec Millender kicks a pass out from under the basket to Jared Janssen during Wayne State's 85-68 win over Minnesota

Tough and versatile: Northeast women's hoops set to take the stage in 2021

Versatility will be one of the main Stouffer, Kelly Kleffner and Lorna Hawks shot 38 percent from beyond eraged 5.7 points and 5.7 rebounds

State in men's basketball action Friday.

Wakefield Friday at Allen High

2021 after another appearance in strong-shooting ability on the floor. the Region XI Championship last Stouffer started in 29 games as a freshman and averaged eight points

at 46 percent.

Maxon and Hannah Ollendick The Hawks welcome back four and 4.1 rebounds per game. She was will provide a strong leadership returners from a year ago, while one of the main reasons the Hawks presence in their second season adding a well-rounded freshmen were the top three-point shooting with the Hawks. Maxon started in class. Hannah Ollendick, Breanna team in the NJCAA. As a team, the all 30 games as a freshman and av- See Northeast basketball, Page 3B Mary's and Friday with Wausa.

components for the Northeast wom- Maxon will be counted on to lead the arc. The Hawks also ranked in per game. She also shot 48 percent en's basketball team heading into a dynamic group that possesses a the top-10 in field goal percentage from the field and 38 percent from the three-point line. Ollendick is coming off an injury that sidelined her for most of the season in 2020. Kleffner saw action in 20 games and hopes to see her role increase as a

Northeast basketball

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sophomore. Ashley Hassett enters her second year of junior college basketball, but her first with the

Hawks after starting in 30 games toughness, work ethic and lead- pare.'

last season at North Platte Com- ership," head coach Matt Svehla munity College where she averaged said. "We have some experience in the head coach for the Northeast freshmen class to contribute, and Patricija Peric add solid depth to 14.7 points and 7.1 rebounds per our sophomore class and they are Community College women's basa group that sets a great example "Our sophomore class brings good of how to practice and how to pre-

Svehla enters his 27th season as ketball team. He expects the fresh- la added. "Early on some may be men to step up and provide immediate depth.

"We are always expecting our more ready than others, but we expect our freshmen to be key players

> Taylor Peter adds an elite scoring threat for the Hawks after a standout high school career at Chambers/ Wheeler Central High School. Peter broke the career-scoring record at CWC with 1,603 points. She led her team to a third-place finish at the state basketball tournament in 2020, while averaging 21.3 points and 10.4 rebounds per game as a senior. She was named a First Team All-Conference selection, First Team All-State by the Lincoln Journal Star and First Team All-State by the Omaha World-Herald. Yiesha Williams joins the Hawks from Elkhart Central High School in Elkhart, Ind. As a senior, she was selected to the IBCA Large School All-State Team after averaging 20.2 points and 10 rebounds per game.

Molly Davis, Brianna Bauer and this year will be no different," Sveh- the Northeast lineup in her first season in a Hawks uniform. Davis was a four-time letterwinner and three-year starter and was named to the East Central Nebraska Conference First Team as a senior. Peric guided her team to four Croatian championship titles, while a member of the KK Tresnjevka traveling team. Bauer joins the basketball team after spending her freshman season on the volleyball team. As a senior at O'Neill High School, she was a four-time letterwinner and a four-year starter for the Eagles and was named to the Omaha World-Herald Honorable Mention team.

> morrow and will play most of their games against ICCAC opponents. "We are all experiencing uncer-

The Hawks open the season to-

tainty as a result of COVID-19, so getting a chance to compete and play will be something to look forward to," Svehla said.



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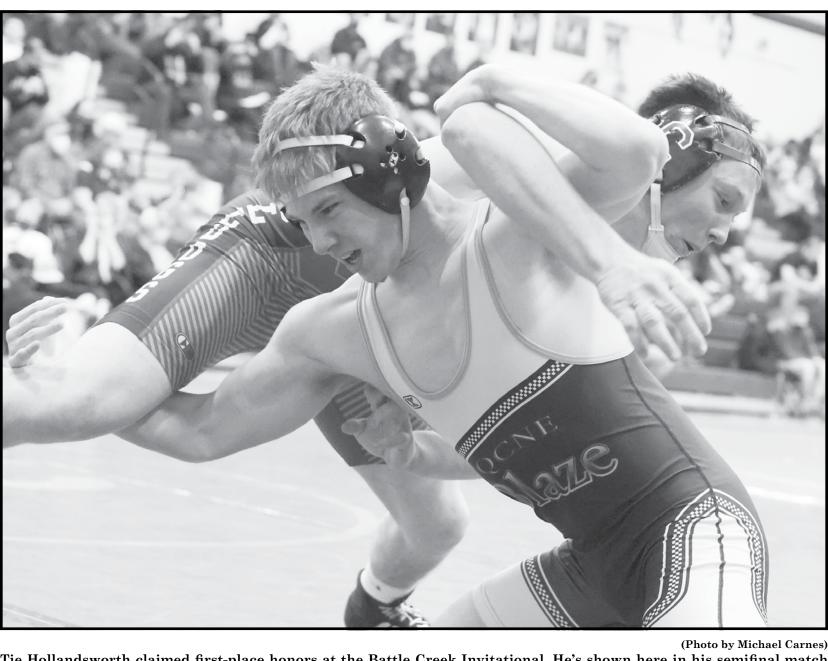
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Tie Hollandsworth claimed first-place honors at the Battle Creek Invitational. He's shown here in his semifinal match with RJ Wilmes of Creighton in the 152-pound bracket.

Area wrestlers see action at Battle Creek finisher, pinning Damien Erickson

The lone area champion of the CC's Conner Hochstein to claim the Chase was Wakefield's only top-six

Six area wrestlers earned top-six day was QCNE's Tie Holland- gold medal for the day. finishes in a very tough 19-team sworth, who went undefeated and field at Saturday's Battle Creek In- finished first at 152 pounds, netting Kolby Casey of QCNE were both a second-period pin of Hartington consolation champions on the day.

Jeremiah Chase of Wakefield and

lowed with a first-period pin of Clay Hedges of Archbishop Bergan to take consolation honors at 195. Colby Wathor and Fischer Car-

son finished fourth for QCNE at 182 and 285 pounds, respectively, and Carter Olson was a sixth-place finisher at 120 pounds. Both teams wrestle in the Lewis & Clark Conference tournament on

of Stanton in the closing seconds to

take third at 138 pounds. Casey fol-

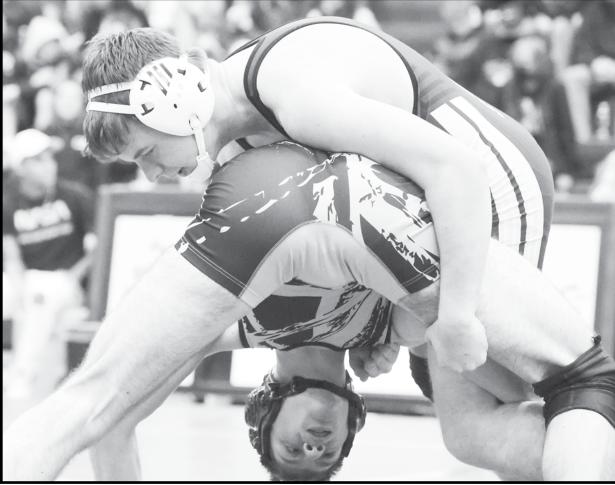
Thursday in Ponca. Wakefield wrestles in the Madison Invite on Friday while the Blaze will heat up at the Oakland-Craig Invite on Saturday. Battle Creek Invitational

Team Standings

Crofton/Bloomfield 166, Yutan 165, Battle Creek 157, Elkhorn Valley 127.5, Summerland 98, Howells-Dodge 96, Quad County Northeast 96, Oakland-Craig 65.5, Hartington CC 63, Ponca 61, Archbishop Bergan 53, Lutheran High NE 50, Madison 48, Creighton 37, Wakefield 35.5, Battle Creek JV 31, Winnebago 31, Stanton 30, Niobrara/Verdigre 18.

Area Medalists

120: 5. Ladanian Free, Winnebago, pinned Carter Olson, QCNE, 2:14. 152: 1. Tie Hollandsworth, QCNE, pinned Conner Hochstein, HCC, 3:34. 138: 3. Jeremiah Chase, Wakefield, pinned Damien Erickson, Stanton, 4:52. 182: 3. Tyler Bellar, Summerland, dec. Colby Wathor, QCNE, 7-4. 195: 3. Kolby Casey, QCNE, pinned Clay Hedges, Bergan, :49. 285: 3. Chantz Ames, LHNE, pinned Fischer Carson, QC-



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Wakefield's Mitchell Fischer battles Garret Buschamp of Crofton/Bloomfield in a 170-pound match at the Battle Creek Invitational.

Wolfpack girls bounce back for easy win

basketball team bounced back from points, Rhyanne Mackling added big lead early and cruised to a 75-43 a tough loss to Winnebago with a blowout win over Whiting (Iowa). On Tuesday, the Wolfpack didn't shoot the ball well and came up on

the short end of a 69-44 loss to Win-

The Indians got out to a 19-5 firsthalf on their way to the easy win.

Carly Dickens led TCNE with 12 nine and Brynn Schock scored eight. win over Whiting. Also scoring were Jordyn Carr with Boyle with three and Brianna Bousquet with two.

Shock led the team in rebounds with 11. Carr had two assists and quarter lead and led by 22 at the five steals to lead in those catego-

Three Wolfpack players finished six, Alli Jackson with four, Taylor in double figures, led by Carr's 20 points. Mackling added 17 points and Dickens put in 15.

> Also scoring were Schock with six, Jackson with five, Bousquet Olson and Jazmin DeLaTorre each on Friday.

On Saturday, TCNE got out to a had two and Ava Anderson put in a free throw.

> Schock had 11 rebounds Carr grabbed eight and Jackson had seven. Carr had five assists and a school-record 14 steals.

TCNE played at Homer on Tuesday and will be at Wausa Thursday with four, Boyle put in three, Codi before playing Wakefield in Allen

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Talented newcomers ready to lead Northeast men's basketball

The Northeast men's basketball team will have a plethora of new faces when they take the court this season.

Led by sophomore leaders Michael Anderson and Justin Hiser, the Hawks welcome nine new players to the program, highlighted by five Nebraska natives. Anderson enters his second year with the Northeast men's basketball team after playing in 30

contests. The Lincoln, Neb., native Justin Hiser's ability to lead, They tallied 7.7 points and 3.1 assists per have set good examples for the freshgame, while shooting 43 percent from men. They both have done an excelthe field.

"Our sophomore class has been pected. They are early to practice and good leaders," said head coach Dan help the young players on the court. Anderson, who enters his 23rd year Their voices have made a difference." at the helm of the Northeast men's basketball team. "I have been very im- many spots will be up for grabs. Ev-

Wakefield Cuoy Johnson puts up a shot as Blake Brown looks to get position for a rebound during action last Tuesday against Ponca. The Trojans came away with a 58-48 win.

Teamwork leads Trojans to 58-48 win

the Wakefield boys basketball team played well as a unit, especially on ball and hitting shots to build a lead

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highlighted a solid team effort for

games last season and starting in 18 pressed with Michael Anderson and an Decker adds height and a stronglent job in communicating what is ex-

Aside from the point-guard position,

shooting presence for the Hawks after a decorated career at Omaha North Magnet High School. Jared Lopez from Lincoln North Star High School and 6-foot-8 Midland College transfer Ben Tew add size in the paint. Tew played in 27 games and started in nine at Midland, an NJCAA DI school in Midland, Texas. Lopez was a four-time letterwinner and three-year starter for the Gators where he averaged 10 points and 6.5 rebounds per game as a senior.

"Our freshmen class has to grow up quickly because much will be expected from them," Anderson added. "They have practiced hard so far this year. A good sign is that they are coachable and want to be coached. They have been good listeners and bring great intensity. They bring that intensity practice after practice and many freshmen don't always do that."

Athletic guards Devin Ross, La-Vonte Howard, Trey Drummond III and Grant Stec also hope to see the court early in the season. Drummond

points, five assists and five boards per season scoring average record, most game. Stec and Ross are both versatile free throws made in a career and most guards that have the ability to create free throws made in a season. Page is their own shot. Stec was a four-time letterwinner and four-year starter for the Bulldogs at Ainsworth High School. He led his team to the district finals as a senior and averaged 20 points and 12 rebounds per game. Crofton High School standout Andy Knapp and Birmingham, England native Akol Ring will provide depth off the bench for the Hawks.

"I am looking forward to the growth of this young team," Anderson said. "They have worked very hard in the preseason and I do believe it will carry over to the season."

Last season, the Hawks graduated one of the top scoring threats in the Iowa Community College Athletic Conference. Emmette Page led the IC-CAC with 17.6 points per game, while shooting 49 percent from the field and 46 percent from the three-point line. He also broke five records, including an 18-year-old record for most points scored in a career with 1,098. He aljoins the Hawks from Quakerdale so broke the record for most points Prep Academy where he averaged 20 scored in a single season, the single-

currently playing at NCAA DI University of Evansville.

"Emmette had great basketball skills," Anderson said. "He had the ability to score and distribute the ball I really liked how vocal he was in practice when he talked through defensive and offensive situations."

The Hawks are scheduled to play 22 ICCAC contests throughout the winter and early spring. They will kick-off the 2021 season when they host Ellsworth Community College at 7 p.m. on Jan. 20 at the Cox Activities Center in Norfolk.

"This group has been working hard," Anderson mentioned. "They have always been looking forward to practice. We have also been having individual workouts to improve their game. A day of practice would be 90 minutes of weights and 90 minutes of practice, which is tough, but they are smiling all the time. I have always believed that good things happen to people who work hard. I am excited about this group of young men."



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Wakefield's Anna Lundahl reaches back for a rebound during last week's 70-62 loss to Ponca at Wakefield High School.

as they posted a 58-48 home win defense where Ponca was held to 26 in the first half," he said. "Defense Trojan comeback comes up short was also a strength, and through three quarters we held them to just

Brown had a team-high 17 points, dished 10 assists and had six steals to lead the Trojan effort. Justin Erb had 16 points and grabbed a teambest seven rebounds, while Aliseo Sarmiento was 3-of-5 from 3-point range and finished with 13 points.

"Once again I thought that we did

Coach Joe Wendte said his team a very nice job of sharing the basket-

Also scoring for Wakefield were Logan Bokemper with seven points, Nick Arenas with three and Cuoy Johnson with two.

Wendte said the Trojans will need to keep playing well with a tough

stretch in the schedule coming up. "We need to keep working and putting together four quarters as our schedule gets really tough to-

wards the end of January," he said. Wakefield hosted B-R/L-D on Tuesay and will be at Tri County Northeast on Friday before hosting

Wakefield's young team held its own against Class C-2 top 10-ranked Ponca, but couldn't quite

get over the hump as they dropped a 70-62 decision last Tuesday at Wakefield High School. It was a matchup of prolific-scoring teams and Wakefield did its

part by hitting 9-of-20 from 3-point range, but couldn't keep up with the Lady Indian threesome of Ashlyn Kingsbury, Sam Ehlers and Mattie Milligan, who combined for 50 of Ponca's 70 points to help them to the win.

Wakefield had three players finish in double figures as well. Aishah Valenzuela scored a gamehigh 21 points, Jordan Metzler follwoed with 19 and Alex Arenas had 12 points.

Also scoring were Anna Lundahl with five points, Kassidy Brudigam put in four and Rachel Borg hit a

free throw

Lundahl led the Trojans with nine rebounds and Arenas grabbed six. Valenzuela finished with five assists and four steals, Brudigam had three assists and Arenas had three steals

Wakefield, 10-4, hosted B-R/L-D on Tuesday and will be at Tri County Northeast Friday before coming back home Tuesday to host Homer.

Junior High boys teams handle Pierce

the Wayne Junior High boys basketwith both teams collecting wins.

In the seventh-grade game, Wayne won an exciting 24-22 match-

The first games of the season for up. Wayne led by nine, only to see Pierce come back to lead by three coasted to a 44-13 win, using a 33-0 ball teams ended on a positive note before Drew Miller hit a 3-pointer run over the second and third perito tie the game and Brodey Munter ods to get the easy win. following with the game-winner as time expired.

Miller led with nine points followed by Jace Jorgensen with five, Munter and Payton Junck each had four and Gavin Anderson had two.

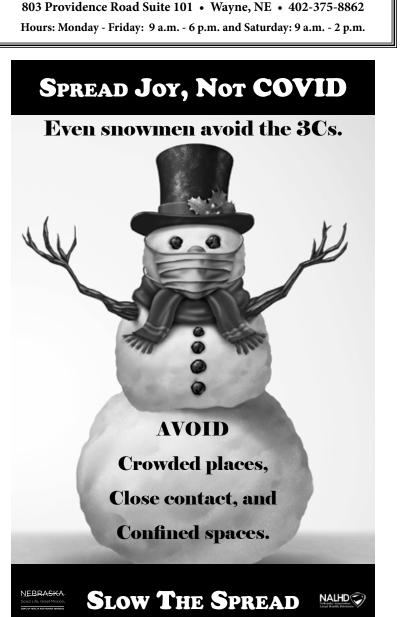
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In the eighth-grade game, Wayne

Colson Nelsen scored 14 to lead the way while Gavin Redden and Kaden Keller each had eight. Also scoring were Jake Barner with six, Mar'Keidron King had five and Romel Collins put in three.



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Grace Lutheran Ladies Aid meets

The Grace Lutheran Ladies Aid meeting on Jan. 13 opened with Pastor Buchhorn leading a Bible study from the LWML Quarterly publication entitled "More Than Conquerors" based on Romans 8:31-39.

Following the Bible study, Pastor installed officers Lee Larson, Jan Casey and MaryLou Erxleben.

President Rhonda Sebade opened the business meeting with the group reading the LWML Pledge. Thirteen members responded to roll call.

Christian Growth Chairman Casey presented a devotion based on John 15. She also read a selection entitled "Heaven's Grocery Store".

President Sebade presented this month's mite devotion, "Building the Lord's Kingdom". The Lutheran Church has been active in Sri Lanka since 1927 and this mission grant will raise money for a building project that will house a new sanctuary, a central office, seminary classrooms and dormitory space as well

The minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was given by Larson. Auditors Verna Mae Baier and Bonnadell Koch found the treasurer's books in or-

Ruth Victor updated the group about the sewing committee. Thirteen large quilts were given to Orphan Grain Train and six small quilts were given to Haven House. The next sewing opportunity is Feb.

Visiting Committee membes Betty Wittig and Victor reported sending many get-well, birthday, and sympathy cards to members of the congregation. Confirmands were given a glue stick reminding them to stick to God like glue from a verse in the book of Romans. Mary Janke will provide the February memento.

Grace Kanitz shared that every 1,000 UPC labels from Best Choice products nets \$30. A check has been received and 400 labels have been collected toward the next goal.

The Giving Christmas tree has been put in storage for another year. This past December the congregation donated four scarves, 65 hats, 45 pairs of socks and 42 pairs of gloves and mittens which have been taken to the Orphan Grain Train. President Sebade will put a thank you to all donators in the church bulletin.

Sebade and Barbara Greve prepared and served the noon meal for the Pastors' Circuit meeting on Jan. 5. The group voted to continue this activity as a Ladies Aid project.

With the merger of the two LWML groups, constitutions need to be combined and rewritten. Erxleben and Sebade will work on this.

The birthday song was sung for Barbara Greve.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 10.

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School Lunches ALLEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS chicken, egg rolls, pineapple.

(Jan. 25 — 29)

Monday: Breakfast — Apple turn-

over. Lunch — Ham & scalloped potatoes, vegetable, fruit, tea roll. Tuesday: Breakfast — Pancakes.

Lunch — Egg roll with Asian rice, vegetable, fruit, tea roll. Wednesday: Breakfast — Yogurt,

Pop Tart. Lunch — Chicken Alfredo, tri-tater, vegetable, fruit, tea roll. Thursday: Breakfast — French

toast. Lunch — Pepperoni pizza, vegetable, fruit, cookie. Friday: Breakfast — Waffles.

Lunch — Turkey melt, spiral fries, vegetable, fruit. Most breakfast meals include a va-

riety of cereal, 8 oz. of milk, fruit or fruit juice. All lunch meals include 8 oz. of milk. Salad bar will not be available this school year.

LAUREL-CONCORD-**COLERIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS** (Jan. 25 - 29)

Monday: Breakfast — Dutch waffle. Lunch — Breaded chicken sand-

Tuesday: Breakfast — Breakfast burrito. Lunch — Meatball sub. Wednesday Breakfast — Pancake

wrap. Lunch — Chili. Thursday: Breakfast — Cinnamon roll. Lunch — Philly steak sandwich.

Friday: Breakfast — Omelet & toast. Lunch — Hot ham & cheese. Menu subject to change. Cereal offered for breakfast everyday.

WAKEFIELD SCHOOLS (Jan. 25 - 29)

Monday: Breakfast — Scrambled eggs, oranges. Lunch — Rib sandwich, broccoli, mandarin oranges.

Tuesday: Breakfast — English muffins, sausage, mandarin oranges. Lunch — Tacos, corn, strawberries. Wednesday: Breakfast — Mini

cinnis, pears. Lunch —Hot ham & cheese, carrots, grapes. Thursday: Breakfast — Biscuits subject to change. Late starts - no

Friday: Breakfast — Coffee cake

peaches. Lunch — Mini corn dogs. baked beans, juice.

Milk and juice are served every day with breakfast. Milk is served with lunch. Menus are subject to change.

WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS and ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY

(Jan. 25 — 29)

Monday: Breakfast — Mini pancakes. Lunch — Cheese boat, carrots corn, mixed fruit.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Biscuis & gravy. Lunch - Taco, Romaine lettuce, refried beans, pears.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Donuts. Lunch — Popcorn chicken, dinner roll, potatoes, cherry tomato, apri-

Thursday: Breakfast — Pancake sticks. Lunch - Spaghetti, meat

sauce, French bread, broccoli, straw-Friday: Breakfast — Breakfast pizza. Lunch — Pizzawiches, green

beans, cauliflower, applesauce. Chef salad is optional for K-12. Milk served with every meal.

Menus subject to change.

WINSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Jan. 25 - 29)

Monday: Breakfast — Egg taco. Lunch — Chicken nuggets, baked beans, fruit, breadstick. Tuesday: Breakfast — Cereal

Lunch — Breakfast for lunch Omelet, sausage links, vegetable, fruit, muffin. Wednesday: Breakfast — Muffin Lunch — Chicken noodle soup, car-

rots, celery sticks, fruit, biscuit. Thursday: Breakfast — Cereal Lunch - Sloppy Joe on a bun, sweet potato fries, fruit.

Friday: Breakfast — Pancake and sausage bites. Lunch — Pizza, vegetable, fruit

Milk served with all meals. Menu

& gravy, oranges. Lunch — Oriental breakfast or K-2 salad plates.

Senior Center

Congregate Meal Menu

(Week of Jan. 25 — 29)

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able between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday: Vegetable beef soup, crackers, blueberry muffin, cottage

cheese and lime/pear salad, cranberry juice.

tomatoes, baked potatoes, whole wheat dinner roll, apricot salad. Wednesday: Turkey tetrazzi-

Tuesday: Ham balls, stewed

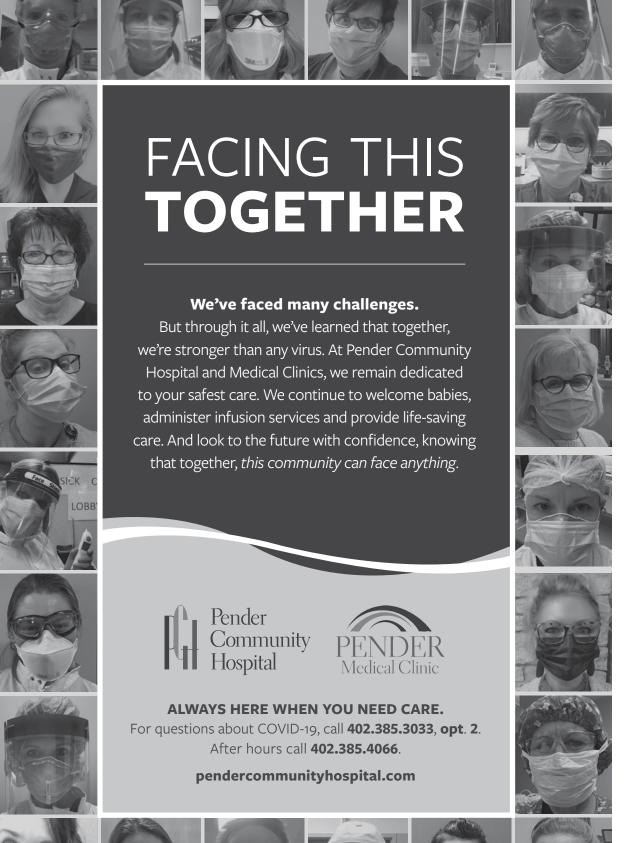
ni, Italian peas, biscuit & honey, strawberry short cake, tomato juice.

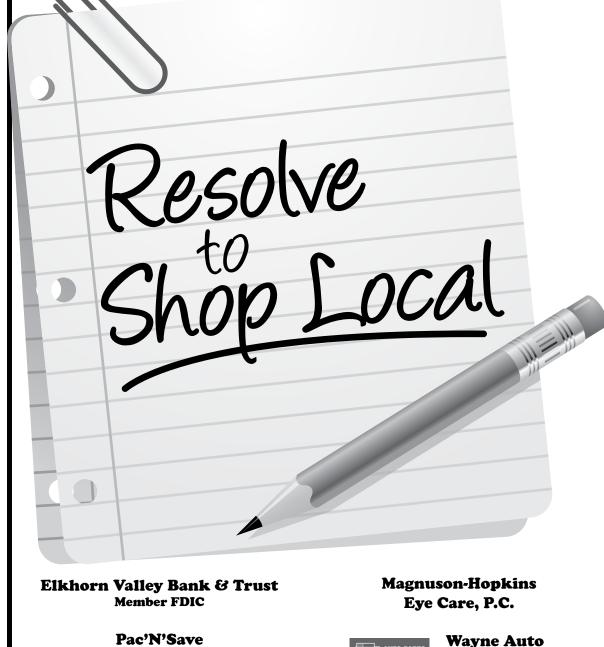
Thursday: Pork chop, dressing, corn, dinner roll, mandarin orang-

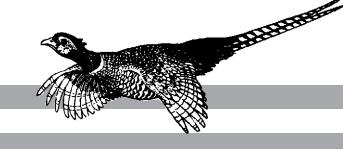
Friday: No Meals on Wheels or drive thru meals today. Staff available from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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children's classes, 9:15 a.m.; Prayer and Fellowship, 10:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN 216 West 3rd St. 375-2669 www.fpcwayne.org (Rev. Teresa Bartlett, pastor) Sunday: Worship at First Presbyterian Church and on Zoom, 10 Sunday: Worship service, 10:30 a.m.; Annual congregational meeting to follow. (CDC guidelines will

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST 6th & Main St. Pastor Nick Baker,

(402) 375-2231 Friday: WIC & Immunization

Clinic, 9:30 a.m. Sunday: Third Sunday after the Epiphany. Ecumenical Sunday. Virtual Worship, 9 a.m.; Service broadcast via You-Tube, Facebook Live and American Broadband Channel 6; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Tuesday: Bound Together Book Club, 7 p.m. Wednesday: Newsletter Inserting, 9 a.m.; Lunch and Learn Bible Study on Facebook Live, noon; Thursday: Online Bible Study with Communion, 9 a.m. Saturday: Wayne Food Truck, 9:30 a.m.

GRACE LUTHERAN Missouri Synod 904 Logan grace@gracewayne.com (402) 375-1905) (Pastor Michael Buchhorn) (Pastor Erik Christensen, associate pastor) Sunday: Worship with Commu-

nion, 8 and 10:30 a.m.; New Member FIRST LUTHERAN Class, 9:15 a.m.; Bible Class, 9:15 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Circuit Forum, 2 p.m.; Sunday Night Dinner, 7:30 p.m. Online worship opportunities also available. Monday: Choir, 6:15 p.m. Wednesday: Bible Study, 9 a.m.; Midweek, 6:30 p.m. Saturday: Family Communion, 4 p.m. Sunday: Worship, 8 and 10:30 a.m.; New Member Class, 9:15 a.m.; Bible Class, 9:15 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Sunday Night Dinner, 7:30 p.m.

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Thursday: Mass, 8:15 a.m.; Pastoral Council, 6 p.m.; Adoration, 7 p.m.; Mass, 8 p.m.; Wayne State college Community Night, 8:30 p.m. Friday: Mass, 8:15 a.m. Saturday: Confession, 5 p.m.; Mass, 6 p.m. Sunday: Mass, 8 and 10 a.m. Mass will continue to be livestreamed on YouTube; Mass, 7 p.m. Monday: Adoration, 4:05 p.m.; Mass, 5:15 p.m.; Santa Maria Prayer Group, 6 p.m.; RCIA, Holy Family Hall, 6:45 p.m. Tuesday: Mass, 5:15 p.m. Wednesday: Adoration, 4 p.m.: Mass, 5:15 p.m. **Thursday:** Men's Bible Study Group, 5:45 a.m.; Adoration, 7 p.m.; Mass, 8 p.m.; Wayne State College Community Night, 8:30 p.m. **Friday:** Mass, 8:15 a.m. Saturday: Confession, 5 p.m.; Mass, 6 p.m.

Allen

(Vicar Deb Hammer) (402) 635-2461 502 S. Highway 9, Allen www.firstlutheranallen.com Sunday: Worship at First Lutheran Church, 8:30 a.m. Follow the service on Facebook. Monday: Newsletter deadline. Monday - Friday: Vicar Deb has Intensive Seminary

UNITED METHODIST (Pastor Cathy Cole) Sunday: Worship service, 9 a.m. Service available on YouTube.com.

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ST. PAUL LUTHERAN (William Engebretsen, vacancy pastor)

Confirmation this week.

Sunday: Pastor available for communion at 7:30 a.m.; Worship with Communion, 8 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST **CHURCH** 202 Ericson Street, Carroll (Pastor Nick Baker)

Sunday: Third Sunday after the Epiphany. Ecumenical Sunday. Worship, 11 a.m.; The service will be broadcast on Zoom and Facebook Live, 11 a.m.

Concord.

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN (Vicar Deb Hammer) (402) 584-2467 616 Iowa Street, Concord www.concordialutheranelca.

Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:15 a.m. Monday: Newsletter deadline. Monday Friday: Vicar Deb has Intensive Seminary Course via Zoom - no office hours or Confirmation this

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN East of town (Pastor Willie Bertrand) Sunday: Worship service, 8 a.m.

EVANGELICAL FREE (Pastor Todd Thelen) (Pastor Scott Kahn) Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.;

Worship service, 10:30 am. The service will also be streamed live on Facebook; Axiom (Youth Group) meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: Awana Clubs, 7 - 8 p.m.

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ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC

(Fr. Jerry Connealy, pastor) Sunday: Mass at St. Anne's in Dixon, 8 a.m.; Mass at St. Mary's in Laurel, 10 a.m. The 8 a.m. Mass will be livestreamed on Zoom. Wednesday: Mass at St. Marv's in Laurel. 8 a.m.; Religious Education Classes, 6:45 p.m. Thursday: Mass at St. Mary's in Laurel, 8 a.m. Friday: SALEM LUTHERAN Mass at St. Mary's in Laurel, 8 a.m.

PEACE EVANGELICAL **CHURCH**

(Pastor Clark Jenkinson) Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

TRINITY EVANG LUTHERAN (Rodney Rixe, pastor) Sunday: Worship service, 10 a.m. Services also available on the radio. TV and online at various times.

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WakefieldCC@Outlook.com Contact - Melvin (Butch) Mortenson, (402) 369-1681 **Pastor Kobey Mortenson** Sunday: Christian Hour, KTCH, 8:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45

EVANGELICAL COVENANT 802 Winter St. e-mail: wakecov@msn.com

Jill Craig, Pastor Sunday: Morning Worship, 10 a.m.; Service also broadcast live on

Facebook. Wednesday: Adult Bible

Study canceled until further notice.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN 4 North, 3 East of Wayne (Willie Bertrand, pastor) Sunday: Divine Worship, 9:30 a.m.

PRESBYTERIAN 216 West 3rd

(Rev. Charity Potter, pastor) Sunday: Worship service in the ther notice. Course via Zoom - no office hours or

Zoom also; Sunday School. ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN West 7th & Maple (Willie Bertrand, pastor)

basement, 11 a.m.; Available via

Sunday: Morning Worship, 11 a.m. 411 Winter Street

(Patti Meyer, Pastor)

Saturday: Worship in the church basement, in-person and Facebook Live, 5:30 p.m. Sunday: Sunday School for preschool through sixth grade, 9 a.m.; Worship service in the sanctuary, 10:30 a.m. Service will continue to be available on Facebook. Tuesday: Quilters, 9 a.m. Saturday: Worship in the church basement, in-person and Facebook Live, 5:30 p.m. Food Pantry has resumed normal hours, open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please call in advance (402) 287-2681 to help us accommodate the distancing rules.

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ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN 218 Miner St. (William Engebretsen, vacancy pastor)

Sunday: Communion offered from 9:20 a.m. to 10:10 a.m.: Divine Service, 10:30 a.m.; The service will also be live on Facebook at 10:30 a.m. and available any time after that.

TRINITY LUTHERAN (Parish Minister, Glenn Kietzmann) Sunday: Sunday School will not be

held until further notice.; Regular service, 10:30 a.m.; Annual Church meeting following worship.

UNITED METHODIST 207 Jones Street (Neil and Bridget Gately, Pastors)

Worship service available on Facebook at 10:55 a.m. The church building is closed until fur-

A Word In Faith Rev. Anna Speiser Chaplain, Providence Medical Center

God is the constant even in a pandemic

As the hospital and hospice chaplain at Providence Medical Center here in Wayne I have seen how this pandemic has placed new challenges on our communities and our healthcare system. I'm so grateful for the wonderful staff that I get to work with every day, as well as so many in our community, and their dedication to keeping the wider Wayne community healthy and well. I'm thankful for the new vaccine arriving and the hope there will be an end to this pandemic.

At times like this, the wisdom of our spiritual teachings are so important. With social distancing and so many things closed or changed, our physical world has altered so much. Again and again the scriptures teach us, while the world may change, God is the constant. Although nothing in this world is permanent, the love of God endures, and is always with us. The constancy of our spiritual lives become that much more important at tumultuous times like this. And so much of the wisdom of our spiritual teachings can speak to the challenges of this time. As I said, I feel honored to work

with such incredible colleagues dedicated to the health and well-being of our community. To support them, I've begun writing small bimonthly devotionals. I'd like to share one of them with you this week.

And so today, a devotion comes from the Old Testament book of the Psalms, the Bible's beautiful book of poems and poetry. Our verse today is based on Psalm 94:

"When doubts filled my mind your comfort gave me renewed hope and cheer." Psalm 94:19

My four-year old son is a light sleeper and he often wakes in the night. He'll call out to my husband and I with a real note of panic in his voice and we come rushing into his room, half-awake. What our little guy really wants is just to know we're there. A soothing word, a light pat on the back, and he's asleep

In our verse today, God promises to be that comforting presence to us. In the midst of our doubts and worries, he assures us that he is with us, sure and constant. He has given us all we need. We are not alone.

Every day of this pandemic, I've seen people being God's voice in the world — that loyal, comforting presence for others — a word of hope and a hand of care to people in need. May God bless you, and all the ways you will answer the invitation to care for someone else in your life today.

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Farmer's Wife's recommended reading

Monday afternoon, and there are big, fluffy snowflakes coming down. The forecast says it won't amount to much; I'll hold them to it. (Does anyone remember Tom Peterson on Sioux City TV, with his pointer? I have no idea what brought him to

I read a column writer in the World Herald named Leonard Pitts, with the Miami Herald. Last week, it was a list of books he read last year written by women. It even included "Pride and Prejudice," which I could not finish; way too many

But it did not include Bess Streeter Aldrich and Willa Cather. SO, I'm sending him a copy of each; "Lantern In Her Hand" and "My Antonia". I'm hoping he learns what the pioneers in Nebraska endured.

That reminds me of another book by a Nebraska author; "All the Gal-



 ${f The}$ Farmer's Wife By: Pat Meierhenry

lant Men", by a man from Red Cloud (Cather's home town) who was a 19 And kids today are upset when we

December 7, 1941, "a day that will live in infamy".

He was badly burned, and had many surgeries and grafts, but lived a long life and wrote a book about it. One of the sentences in his book really got to me. Keep in mind that these soldiers and sailors and ves, air men, came of age at the end of the Depression.

A book series by a female author I have enjoyed last year was about a garden club in Alabama during the Thirties. Granted, they did things a bit differently in a small town in Alabama than my parents did on farms in Nebraska, but the goals were the same: make over, make do, and survive!

Kay knew a lady who was eight vears old in Texas in those days and was sent out to pick cotton!

year old sailor at Pearl Harbor on want them to pick up their rooms! Pick cotton, at age eight? It blows my mind, but I know it went on on plantations long before then. And by kids even younger, I'm guessing.

Anyway, the guy from Red Cloud pointed out that we were all in the same boat in those days and we got through it together.

"There was a strength you couldn't see on the surface. Because of the Depression we were somehow able to bear the weight a world war placed on our shoulders.

What a united country can do! Just writing those sentences brings tears. Typically, he did not talk about it until he was in his 80s. There was a lot he wanted to forget, but the book should be read by every school boy and girl. And a lot of adults, too! It may be in your library; otherwise, check Thrift

Driver liability for farm and ranch operations explained

By Jessica Groskopf

Extension Educator and Agricultural Systems Economist

One major concern of farming and/or ranching operations is the liability of semi-trucks and equipment when they are involved in a traffic accident.

How can I reduce my liabil-

The first step to reducing your liability is to ensure that you have selection process for drivers, obtain background checks, maintain vehicles, and follow transportation regulations. Having documentation of these processes will also help, should your vehicles be in a serious

Do my drivers or I need a

Nebraska adopted the federal farm or ranch. Vehicles "for-hire" do

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Insurance policies are the easiest way to reduce liability. Work with your insurance agent to determine if you are carrying adequate coverage for your farm vehicles. Liability insurance should at least be equal to the value of your assets. Make sure that your policies cover "all employees or agents" named or not. In additional to your vehicle in-

surance, consider an umbrella policy for catastrophic accidents. These policies provide additional protection for a relatively low cost.

How do entities fit into this

Another way to reduce personal liability is to create a farm entity personal assets from those of the map-21-cdl-exemption.pdf

farm. Work with a lawver and tax accountant to determine what type of entity works best for you.

erations have multiple entities. Carefully consider what assets are provided by the entity maybe void.

Sources: extension.purdue.edu/

Many farming and ranching op-

placed into the entity. Each entity must be operated as an individual business. Often, the entity's organization papers state that each must have a unique checking account, pay its own expenses, host annual meetings and more. It is crucial that the rules of the entity are followed, otherwise the liability protection

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ACME Club learns about Ponca State Park

ACME Club members gathered meeting adjourned. at Tacos' & More on Jan. 4 to begin the club's 136th year of existence. All members were present, except Pat Straight, who is spending the winter out of state.

President Bonnadell Koch opened the meeting after serving refreshments. Roll call was taken and pennies collected in answer to the quesfor Christmas?"

the Day: "Even the strongest and COVID-19, etc. bravest must sometimes weep. It

and presentation on Feb. 1 will be ravines, forested hills of biodiverse

acting as presenter and hostess. was happy to tell the group about Betty Wittig gave the Thought for too many times because of weather,

Ponca State Park is a public recshows they have a great heart, one reation area located four miles that can feel compassion for others." outside the town and county seat was conducted and of Ponca, in the northeastern cor-

Hostess for next month's meeting 2,100 acres of high bluffs and steep flowers and trees, including ani-Following the meeting, Koch, mals and waterfowl, some of which run along the Missouri River. The park was named after the

Ponca State Park, stating that she Ponca Indian tribe, who inhabited had been keeping her presenta- that area before European settletion stored carefully until she was ment. Their chief, Standing Bear, tion, "Did you get what you wanted finally able to do the presentation won a famous court battle to have that had been canceled/postponed the Native American declared a 'person" under U.S. law.

The park was created in 1934 when 160 acres of land was donated under the sponsorship of Ponca Legion Post 117. At that time and during the depression years the Civilian Conservation Corps began developing the site. It is now under the administration of the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission and consists of over 2.000 acres. There are hiking and biking trails, horse trails, and a three state overlook on scenic bluffs where the three states of Nebraska, Iowa, and South Dakota can be seen from one spot on the bluffs.

There is a large headquarters building with an interactive museum at park headquarters. The park also has a fishing pond, swimming pool, campgrounds and recently built modern cabins. Many activities are held during the year, including Winterfest that includes a fruit cake fling(not for human consump-

ner of our state. It consists of over tion) and a summer weekend where participants as young as eight years can practice their hunting/shooting skills and participate in outdoor activities sponsored by the Game and Parks and area sporting stores and enthusiasts.

> In the fall, there are hayrides. The Resource and Education Center is open year round to sponsor many birding and hunting events.

> It may be noted that Lewis & Clarke in 1804 were the first explorers to this area and documented many of the birds/animals and trees/plants that are native to the

Wittig noted that her husband, Al's, dad was preaching in the state park for a while. The town of Ponca supports many of the events held in the park with their enthusiasm and hours of help for many of the events.

There is a Bur Oak tree that is dated back to 1644, which is much older than the State of Nebraska. It is over 375 years old and has been seen by some of the ACME Club members. Members also remembered the days when 4-H groups would spend time in the park and meet at the shelter house for picnics. Many have seen the eagles and barred owls, deer and wild turkey. and maybe even the coyotes, foxes, raccoons and bobcats that roamed this area.

Game and Parks partners with Grow Nebraska for centennial year swag

Outdoors fans now can show their Nebraska parks pride with merchandise celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission parks system.

A variety of items, from camper favorites to collectibles, will be available online through Grow Nebraska. Find a direct link to the shop through Your-NebraskaParks100.org/merchandise.

"The partnership with Grow Nebraska is a great one, and one that will help get these commemorative products in outdoor enthusiasts' hands — no matter where they live," said Margot Desrocher, parks program manager. "This also is a great way to support our amazing Nebraska park system, a system that belongs to the

people of the state. Proceeds from the sales will go to the parks' fund for improvement proiects, including improved infrastructure, new amenities and added acces-

The initial product launch includes high-quality vinyl stickers featuring the Nebraska State Parks centennial logo; iron-on patches; and a specialedition commemorative coin. Coming soon are T-shirts, fanny packs, coffee mugs, water bottles, flying discs, coasters, hats and 12 other collectible coin designs

"We are grateful to work with Nebraska Game and Parks on offering gift items that celebrate the 100th anniversary of the state park system," said Janell Anderson-Ehrke, GROW Nebraska Foundation CEO. "This is a very exciting project."

Additional merchandise is expected to be added throughout the centennial

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of weather-related incidents throughout the day Friday. Snow mixed with strong winds to create blizzard conditions and hazardous travel situations in many areas of eastern Nebraska. Between midnight and 8 p.m. CT, troopers responded to more than

30 crashes, performed nearly 125 motorist assists, and assisted other agencies with more than 20 additional incidents. The vast majority of those incidents have occurred in the Lincoln and Omaha areas. One trooper's patrol unit was struck while responding to a crash,

but the trooper was not injured. The incident occurred near mile marker 417 on eastbound Interstate 80, at approximately 11:05 a.m. The trooper had just arrived to assist additional troopers at the scene of another crash. Shortly after the trooper parked on the shoulder, a semi jack-knifed behind him and slid into the patrol vehicle. The trooper was still inside the vehicle and was buckled up at the time of the crash. He was not injured. Troopers will remain on the road throughout the evening hours Fri-

day as the weather pattern continues to move through the area. Any motorist who needs assistance on the road can call the NSP Highway Helpline at *55 and speak directly with an NSP dispatcher.

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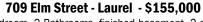
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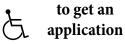
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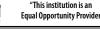
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Debra Finn, County Clerk (Publ. Jan. 21, 2021) ZNEZ

NOTICE OF MEETING CITY OF WAYNE, NEBRASKA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the City Council of the City of Wayne, Nebraska, will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, 2021, in the Community Wavne Community Activity Center, 901 W. 7th Street, Wayne, Nebraska,

which meeting will be open to the public. The Mayor and City Council reserve the right to adjourn into closed session as per Section 84-1410 of the Nebraska Revised

An agenda for such meeting, kept continually current, is available at the office of the City Clerk, 306 Pearl Street, Wayne,

Nebraska, during normal business hours. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-36, this meeting will also be available to members of the public via teleconference. Information to participate in the meeting via teleconference can be found on the meeting agenda, which can be accessed at

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Betty McGuire, City Clerk (Publ. Jan. 21, 2021) ZNEZ

NOTICE OF MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Planning Commission, Monday, February 1, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. in the Wayne Fire Hall Meeting Room. An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

WAYNE COUNTY ROADS DEPARTMENT Public notice is hereby given in compliance with Section 39-2119, R.R.S. Nebraska, 1943, as amended, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Wayne, Nebraska, will meet on the 2nd day of February, 2021, at 10:30 A.M. in the court room at the Wayne County Courthouse, Wayne, Nebraska, for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations relating to the Wayne County One-and-Six-Year Proposed Highway Improvement Program

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA (Publ. Jan. 21, 28, 2021) ZNEZ

ANNUAL MEETING

We will be having our Annual Board of Directors Meeting on Tuesday, Jan 26th, 2021 at 5:30 at the Majestic Theatre, 310 Main Street. We are a 501c3 Non Profit known as Forward Wayne, dba Majestic Theatre. (Publ. Jan. 21, 2021) ZNEZ

NOTICE

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

ESTATE OF DANIEL A. MARR, Deceased. Estate No. PR 21-1

Notice is hereby given that on January 5, 2021. in the County Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, Douglas C. Marr, whose address is 15801 Ash Lane, Overland Park, KS 66224, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the Estate.

Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before March 16, 2021 or be forever barred. All persons having a financial or property interest in said estate may demand or waive notice of any order or filing pertaining to said estate.

(s) Ashley Siebrandt Clerk of the County Court **Wayne County Court** 510 Pearl Street, Suite B Wayne, Nebraska 68787

Michael E. Pieper, No. 18147 Attorney At Law

Wayne, NE 68787

(402) 375-3585 (Publ. Jan. 14, 21, 28, 2021) ZNEZ 1 clip - 1 POF

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION DLLJ. LLC

Notice is hereby given that DLLJ, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, has filed its Statement of Dissolution with the Nebraska Secretary of State on December 30, 2020 and is in the process of voluntary dissolution and winding up the Company's activities.

Dwayne Thies, President of the LLC, is the person whom is charged with winding up and liquidating the affairs of the LLC. At the time of dissolution of the LLC, there

were no remaining assets and no outstanding debts. Anyone having a debt, liability or obligation of the corporation should submit the same to Dwayne Thies, 56027 Hwy 98, Hoskins, NE 68740.

Dwayne Thies, President

Kate M. Jorgensen LAW OFFICE OF KATE M. JORGENSEN, PC, LLO

110 W 2nd Street PO Box 125 Wayne, NE 68787

(Publ. Jan. 7, 14, 21, 2021) ZNEZ

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals for the purchase of one 7500 KVA, 69 KV Delta - 12.47/7.2 KV GrdY, ONAN/ONAF Three-Phase Substation Power Transformers will be received until 2:00 P.M. Wednesday, February 17, 2021, in the office of the OWNER's ENGINEER, RVW, Inc., 4118 Howard Boulevard, P.O. Box 495 (68602-0495), Columbus, NE 68601, Attn. Doug

All bids will be publicly opened in RVW's office immediately following 2:00 P.M. on February 17, 2021.

Specifications and all other necessary forms and documents for bidders may be

examined in the office of Northeast Power in Wayne, Nebraska or may be requested from RVW, Inc., P.O. Box 495, Columbus, Nebraska 68602-0495. All proposals must be made in strict

accordance with instructions in said bidding forms and on those forms. Northeast Power may disregard bids which are not made in accordance with these instructions Northeast Power will award the contract

to the responsive and responsible bidder submitting the lowest and best loss evaluated bid under provisions of law or, at its sole discretion, may reject any or all bids.

By: Tracy Golden, Manager (Publ. Jan. 14, 21, 28, 2021) ZNEZ

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that the following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder on February 24. 2021 at 11:00 a.m.: said sale will be held in the main lobby of the Wayne County Courthouse, Wayne, Nebraska:

The Northeast Quarter of Section 33, Township 25 North, Range 4, East of the 6th P.M., Wayne County, Nebraska (the

The Trust Property will be sold subject to all liens and encumbrances of record having priority over the Deed of Trust dated September 28, 2009 in which Security Bank, formerly known as Security National Bank is named as Beneficiary and Trustee, and filed for record on October 6, 2009 as Inst. #091370 in the records of the County Clerk of Wayne County, Nebraska.

The Trustee's sale shall be conducted pursuant to such additional terms and conditions as the Trustee may announce at the time and place of the Trustee's sale. The highest bidder at the Trustee's Sale will deposit with the Trustee, on the day and time of the sale, the full amount of the sum bid at the Trustee's sale, in cash, or certified funds, except when this requirement is waived by the Beneficiary. This sale is made without any warranties as to the title to or condition of the

Dated this 8th day of January, 2021. SECURITY BANK, formerly known as **SECURITY NATIONAL BANK, Trustee** By: CLINE WILLIAMS WRIGHT JOHNSON & OLDFATHER, L.L.P. 1900 U.S. Bank Building 233 South 13th Street Lincoln, NE 68508-2095 (402) 474-6900 By: /s/ Gregory S. Frayser **Gregory S. Frayser - #24400** (Publ. Jan. 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 2021) ZNEZ

1 clip - 1 POP NOTICE OF MEETING OF **SELECTION COMMITTEE** FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK FOR WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of

the Construction Manager at Risk (CM@R)

Selection Committee ("Selection Committee") of Wayne County School District 90-0017, a/k/a Wavne

Community Schools ("School"), will be held on January 27, 2021, starting at 4:30 p.m. in the School's administration office at 611 West 7th Street, Wayne, Nebraska, or other designated room of such School building, which meeting will be open to the public The purpose of the meeting of the Selection Committee is to discuss, consider and take all necessary action with regard to the review of the proposals received on January 20, 2021, from prospective candidates for the position of Construction Manager at Risk for the proposed restroom and other renovations to the existing high school, and the development and adoption of procedures for the review of the proposals received, the evaluation of the proposals received from the prospective candidates submitting proposals, selection of prospective finalist candidates to interview for the CM@R position. An agenda of such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the office of the Superintendent of Schools located at 611 West 7th Street, Wayne, Nebraska.

WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS -**CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK SELECTION COMMITTEE** (Publ. Jan. 21, 2021) ZNEZ

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Wayne City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 2, 2021, at or after 5:30 p.m. at the Wayne Community Activity Center, 901 W. 7th Street, for the purpose of presenting and adopting a One and Six Year Street Improvement Program for said governing body. Anyone living within said City of Wayne, Nebraska, interested in the above notice may appear in person or by Council and be heard. A copy of the proposed One and Six Year Program is on file at City

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-36 this meeting will also be available to members of the public via teleconference. Information to participate in the meeting via teleconference can be found on the meeting agenda, which can be accessed at:

https://cityofwayne.org/archive.aspx after 4:30 p.m. on the Friday immediately preceding the City Council Meeting.

Individuals requiring physical or sensory accommodations, who desire to attend or participate, please contact the City Clerk's office at (402) 375-1733 no later than 4:30 p.m. on the Friday preceding the meeting.

Citizens have the right under the Open Meetings Act to attend all meetings of public bodies. All oral or written comments on the proposed matter received prior to and at the public hearing will be considered.

THE CITY OF WAYNE, NEBRASKA By: Betty A. McGuire (Publ. Jan. 21, 2021) ZNEZ

NOTICE TO BIDDERS County Board Wayne

Commissioners will receive sealed bids for the purchase of one (1) new articulated motor grader, with no trade-in. Bids must be marked "Motor Grader Proposal" and submitted to the Office of the County Clerk, 510 Pearl St, Wayne, NE 68787, before 9:45 am on February 2nd, 2021. The bids will be opened and read aloud after 9:45 am, February 2nd, 2021, at the regular Board meeting at the County Courthouse. Wayne,

Specifications and proposal blanks may be obtained from the Office of the Wayne County Clerk, first floor of the Courthouse, 510 Pearl St, Suite 5, Wayne, Nebraska.

deviations from the standard specifications must be explained in detail in order to be considered.

The Wayne County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to waive any and all technicalities and irregularities and to reject

> /c/ Terry Sievers Chairman, Wayne County **Board of Commissioners**

(Publ. Jan. 14, 21, 2021) ZNEZ

The Wayne Planning Commission will hold their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, February 1, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Wayne Fire Hall, 510 Tomar Drive.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

At or about 7:00 p.m., the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider amending the Wayne Municipal 151.036 Administrative Section Subdivisions. The applicant, City of Wayne, is amending the code to reduce the number of administrative plats allowed for a particular property from two to one and increase the number of lots to be created or joined from four to eight.

At or about 7:00 p.m., the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider the Final Plat for Greenwood The applicant is City of Wayne and the area of the plat is more particularly described as:

A tract of land located in the East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, T26N, R3E of the 6th P.M., Wayne County, Nebraska, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Southeast Corner of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, T26N, R3E of the 6th P.M., Wayne County, Nebraska; thence N 02°06'27" W on an assumed bearing on the East line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 12, 33.00 feet to a point on the North Right-of-Way line of Hwy. #35, said point being the Point of Beginning; thence N 02°06'27" W on said East line, 23.10 feet to a point on said North Right-of-Way line; thence S 88°05'16" W on said North Rightof-Way line, 329.41 feet to the Southwest corner of Greenwood Cemetery, said point being 55.30 feet North of the South line of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 12; thence N 02°08'14" W on the West line of said Greenwood Cemetery, 1264.97 feet to the Northwest corner of said Greenwood Cemetery and the Northeast corner of Western Ridge II Addition; thence S 87°40'29" W on the North line of said Western Ridge II Addition, 75.02 feet to the Southwest corner of Tax Lot 11; thence N 02°06'27" W on the West line of said Tax Lot 11 and parallel to the East line of said Southwest 1/4, 208.71 feet to the Northwest corner of said Tax Lot 11; thence N 87°36'33" E on the North line of said Tax Lot 11, 208.71 feet to the Northeast corner of said Tax Lot 11; thence S 02°06'27' E on the East line of said Tax Lot 11 and parallel to the East line of said Southwest 1/4, 208.71 feet to a point on the North line of said Greenwood Cemetery; thence N 87°34'22" E on said North line, 856.46 feet to the Northeast corner of said Greenwood Cemetery; thence S 02°21'36" E on the East line of said Greenwood Cemetery, 1290.36 feet to the Southeast corner of said Greenwood Cemetery, said point

being on the North Right-of-Way line of

Hwy. #35 and 33.00 feet North of the South

line of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section

12; thence S 87°31'00" W on said North

Right-of-Way line and parallel to said South line, 665.78 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 30.23 acres, more or less. Citizens have the right under the Open

Meetings Act to attend all meetings of public bodies. All oral or written comments on the proposed matter received prior to and at the public hearing will be considered.

Individuals requiring sensory accommodations, including interpreter services, Braille, large print, or recorded materials should contact Betty McGuire, City Clerk, at 402-375-1733, no later than 4:30 p.m. on the Friday preceding the meeting. (Publ. Jan. 21, 2021) ZNEZ

WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

January 11, 2021 The regular meeting of the Wayne Board of Education was held at 611 West 7th Street, Wayne, NE, 68787, on Monday, January 11, 2021 at 5:00 PM. Notice of the meeting and place of agenda was posted at Wayne Community Schools, posted in The Wayne Herald, and online: wayneschools.org. copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was displayed for the public to read. Present Board Members: Mr. Justin Davis,

Mr. Lynn Junck, Mrs. Jaime Manz, Dr. Jeryl Nelson, Dr. Jodi Pulfer, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl I. (Legal Counsel will act as Chair) Call the Meeting to Order

Discussion: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Eric Knutson, legal counsel. I.a. Pledge of Allegiance

I.b. Announce Open Meeting Act Posting and Location - Posted at Wayne Community Schools, Published in the Wayne Herald, and online: www.wavneschools.org I.c. Member Oath for Elected Board Members

Discussion: Elected Board Members, Mrs. Jaime Manz, Mr. Lynn Junck, and Dr. Jeryl Nelson, were sworn into office. I.d. Board Member Code of Conduct

Discussion: Dr. Lenihan discussed the Board Member Code of Conduct. I.e. Action on Absence and Roll Call

Organization of Board for 2021 (Board II.a. Elect: President Discussion: Nominations for Board President

were submitted by written ballot. Dr. Jodi Pulfer and Dr. Jeryl Nelson were nominated. Dr. Jeryl Nelson was elected Board President. Dr. Jodi Pulfer: two votes; Dr. Jeryl Nelson: four votes. II.b. Elect: Vice-President

Discussion: Nominations for Board Vice-President were submitted by written ballot Mrs. Jaime Manz, Dr. Jodi Pulfer, and Mr. Justin Davis were nominated, Mrs. Jaime Manz was elected Board Vice President. Mrs. Jaime Manz: three votes; Dr. Jodi Pulfer: two votes; Mr. Justin Davis: one vote.

Motion to elect Mrs. Deb Daum as Recording Secretary, passed with a motion by Mr. Lynn Junck and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

II.c. Elect Recording Secretary

Discussion: Mrs. Deb Daum was elected Recording Secretary for the Board. II.d. Appoint Treasurer

Motion to appoint Mrs. Rochelle Nelson as Treasurer, passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Dr. Jodi Pulfer. Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Abstain, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes,

Discussion: Mrs. Rochelle Nelson was appointed Treasurer by the Board. Dr. Jeryl Nelson abstained from voting

Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

III. (President Presides as Chair) - Policy Manual - Discuss, Consider, and Take Action to Affirm Current Policy and Regulation Manual as Governing Rules of the District as Listed on the School Website: www. wayneschools.org

Motion to approve Current Policy and Regulation Manual as Governing Rules of the District as Listed on the School Website: www.wayneschools.org, passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Pulfer and a second by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

IV. Board Committees - Discuss, Consider, and Take Action to Appoint the Board of

Education Committee Membership V. Depository, Recording Records, and Legal Counsel - Discuss, Consider, and Take Action to Select State Nebraska Bank and Trust of Wayne as Depository Institution, Wayne Herald as Classified Recording

Records, and Eric Knutson as Legal Counsel for Annual Appointment Motion to Select State Nebraska Bank and Trust of Wayne as Depository Institution, Wayne Herald as Classified Recording

for Annual Appointment passed with a motion by Mrs. Jaime Manz and a second by Mr. Lynn Junck. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer:

Records, and Eric Knutson as Legal Counsel

Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes VI. Approval of Agenda - The Board may enter Executive Session to discuss any matter for which Executive Session is lawful and

Motion to approve agenda, as presented, passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes,

Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes VII. Consent Agend Motion to approve Consent Agenda approving all claims with the exception of check numbers 21103 and 21109, which deal with retirement,

passed with a motion by Mrs. Jaime Manz and a second by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes,

Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes Motion to approve check numbers 21103 and 21109, passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Pulfer and a second by Mr. Justin Davis. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Abstain

Discussion: Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl abstained from voting on approval of checks 21103 and 21109 which deal with retirement. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

VII.b. Approval of Financial Reports and Claims VIII. Personnel

Discussion: Dr. Lenihan told the Board that resumes for the math position are coming in. Communications from the Public (Policy 8346) and Requested Presentations X. Action Items

X.a. Old Business X.b. New Business

Negotiations Settlement - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Negotiations Settlement

Motion to approve the Negotiated Agreement with the Wayne Education Association for the 2021-22 school year, pending approval from WEA, passed with a motion by Mr

Justin Davis and a second by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board approved the Discussion: agreement, pending Wayne Education Association approval, for the 2021-2022 school year. Dr. Lenihan thanked the committee members for the early morning meetings.

Aetna Health Insurance Quote Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Aetna Health Insurance Quote Motion to approve the quote from Aetna for Health Insurance, effective September 1,

2021 passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mr. Justin Davis. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Discussion: The Board approved the Aetna

Health Insurance quote. This will take effect September 1, 2021. X.b.III. Ameritas Dental Insurance Quote

Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Ameritas Dental Insurance Quote Motion to approve the quote from Ameritas for Dental Insurance, effective September 1. 2021 passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Pulfer and a second by Mr. Justin Davis. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jervl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes Discussion: The Board approved the quote from Ameritas Dental Insurance. 2021-2022 School Calendar -X.b.IV.

Discuss. Consider, and Take Necessary Action on 2021-2022 School Calendar Motion to table final approval of the 2021-22 calendar until the February 8, 2021 school board meeting passed with a motion by Mrs. Jaime Manz and a second by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes. Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: The Board voted to table the 2021-2022 School Calendar until the February Board Meeting.

X.b.V. COVID-19 Update - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Potential School Schedule Changes due to COVID-19 Discussion: Dr. Lenihan explained that Fridays will be a 2:00 dismissal through Quarter 3. NSAA has increased spectators to 50% capacity. Education staff are in phase 1b for the vaccination, which should take place

Administration and Board Committee XI.a. Administration - Written reports were provided by Administration. Copies of their

reports are available at the District Office upon request. XI.a.I. Superintendent XI.a.I.1. 2021 Reimbursement Rates Discussion: Dr. Lenihan presented the

reimbursement rates for 2021. The rates come from the State of Nebraska. WCS Board of Superintendent Goals

Goals. He stated that changes were made from suggestions given at the Board Retreat. Discussion: Mr. Hight said he is working with

Discussion: Dr. Lenihan discussed the Board

Wayne State College on prom preparations. XI.a.III. Special Education/Early Learning Center Director

Discussion: No report.

XI.a.IV. Elementary Principal Discussion: Kindergarten Round-Up format is changing to two, possibly three, evenings beginning Tuesday, March 2.

Junior High Principal/Activities Director Discussion: Mr. Dave Wragge discussed the

new DHM from NSAA. Home games are being streamed. Esports club has started with twenty students signed up. Dr. Todd Young and Nick Sutton of WSC are volunteer coaches. This will be of no cost to the district. XI.b. Board Committees

XI.b.I. Foundation and Community Relations Jaime Manz, Justin Davis, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan, Dave Wragge, Brandon Foote Discussion: The Foundation is preparing for the Alumni Tournament in April. A final decision will be made in March.

Curriculum and Committee on American Civics - Jaime Manz, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan, Misty Beair Discussion: No report.

XI.b.III. Facility/Safety/Finance - Lynn Junck, Jodi Pulfer, Justin Davis, Mark Lenihan, Russ Plager, Jordan Widner, Rochelle Nelson Discussion: Pre-bid conference was held Monday, January 4 for the bathroom remodel project. Bids are due Wednesday, January

XI b IV Policy/Title IX - Jaime Manz Jodi Pulfer, Mark Lenihan, Russ Plager, Tucker Hight

Discussion: No report. XI.b.V. Negotiations - Lynn Junck, Justin Davis, Mark Lenihan Discussion: No report.

XI.b.VI. Legislative - Jodi Pulfer, Lynn Junck, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan Discussion: No report. XII. Boardsmanship

*Should we consider having the honor coffee assemblies in person starting in February, dependent on DHM? Discussion: The Board decided to keep the

Honor Coffee as we are doing until the end of the school year. 2021 Virtual Legislative Issues XII.a. Conference - Register Deadline: January 27

XIII. Future Agenda Items: *Tour of Elementary *Principal Appraisals *ESU Service Contract Intentions

*Bus Contract XIV. Adjournment Motion to Adjourn Meeting passed with a motion by Mr. Lynn Junck and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin

Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will be Monday, February 8, 2021, at the Jr/ Sr High School, Room 202. The meeting will follow the Elementary School tour **CHECK REPORT - DECEMBER 2020**

Aetna Insurance, 113,915.78; Ameritas Life

Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime

Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi

Insurance Co. (Dent), 6,807.60; Cavalry SPV I, LLC, 202.05; Elkhorn Valley Bank, 6,390.00; First Concord Benefits Group, 4,805.28; Gregory N. Lohr, 185.28; LVNV Funding LLC, 154.56; Payroll Account, 101,298.35; S.D. 17 Payroll Account, 136,788.16; TSA Consulting Group, Inc., 1,341.75; United Of Omaha 2,569.56; Vision Services Plan, 1,069.54; Wayne Public School Foundatio, 247.00; Aetna Insurance, 1,676.52; Ameritas Life Insurance Co. (Dent), 116.96; Elkhorn Valley Bank, 350.00; Payroll Account, 3,907.78; S.D. 17 Payroll Account, 4,724.51; United

Of Omaha, 24.26; Wayne Public Schools,

274.05; Direct Deposit, 384,047.98

Sub Total:..... \$770,896.97 CHECK REPORT - 12/21/2020 PAYROLL EFT, Internal Revenue Service

122,930.88; Nebraska Retirement System EFT, 105,206.13; State of Nebraska - EFT 18,581.79; Aetna Insurance, 3,717.14; Ameritas Life Insurance Co. (Dent), 198.00; United Of Omaha, 1.48 Sub Total:....

CHECK REPORT - PETTY CASH 12/28/2020 Department of Motor Vehicles, 100.00: Wavne State College, 45.00

Sub Total:.....\$145.00 CHECK REPORT - 1/5/2021 GF

State Nebraska Bank - EFT, 121.21; Ace Hardware & Home, 290.85; American Broadband, 824.34; Arnie's Ford, 1,098.16; Battery Exchange, LLC, 152,95; Beiermann Electric, 154.79; Black Hills Energy, 1,572.08; Bomgaars, 1,138.44; Builder's Resource 73.40; Carhart Lumber Company, 108.00; Chemsearch FE, 977.90; City of Wayne 16,641.19; Cole Papers Inc., 1,146.40; Constellation NewEnergy Gas Div., LLC, 4,671.74; Dana Chen Lo, 54.48; Diane Long, 8,388.86; Dixon County Clerk, 100.00; Echo Group, Inc., 290.60; Egan Supply Co. 151.20; Electronic Contracting Company, 162.00; Engineered Controls, 1,914.50 Filter Shop, Inc., 458.00; First Concord Benefits Group, 100.00; Francotyp-Postalia Inc., 168.00; Grossenburg Implement, Inc. 173.30; Heartland Fire Protection, 562.50; Hometown Leasing, 1,986.70; J.W. Pepper Son Inc., 70.94; Jennifer Davis, 909.84 Knutson Law, 255.00; KSB School Law, 135.00; Lutt Oil, 966.12; Mahaska of Norfolk DBA Jomast, 198.00; Main Street Garage LLC, 451.78; Menards - Norfolk, 1,127.74; Mid States School Bus, Inc., 43,461.62; Midwest Alarm Services, 122.37; Nebraska Council Of School Administrators, 90.00; Nebraska Extension - Pierce County, 75.00; O'Keefe Elevator Co., Inc., 1,634.83; One Source, 70.00; Pac 'n' Save, 268.76; Pender Public Schools, 10,000.00; Perry, Guthery, Haase &, 5,347.50; Plunkett's Pest Control, 234.72; Rocky Ruhl, 9,936.55; S.D. 17 Lunch Fund, 100.10; S.D. 17 Payroll Account, 3,157.98; S.D. 17 Petty Cash Account. 55.00: Spard Data Solutions, 2,600.00; Sterling Computers, 2,763.61; Sylvia Ruhl, 8,047.59; Synchrony Bank/Amazon, 134.95; Tom's Body & Paint Shop, Inc., 30.00; Trane U.S. Inc., 941.97; U.S. Bank, 923.62; UNL - Extension Wayne County, 240.00; US Cellular, 153.68; Victoria

Lane, 69.17; Winners' Circle, 101.84 . . \$138,156.87 Sub Total:..... CHECK REPORT - 1/8/2020 GF Gill Hauling, Inc., 586.50; Midbell Music, Inc.

424.98; Sebade Snow Removal, 1,650.00; Titan Machinery - Wayne, 55.09; Trane U.S. Inc., 3,203.68; Wayne Auto Parts Inc., 45.40; Wayne Herald, 975.68 \$6,941.33

(Publ. Jan. 21, 2021) ZNEZ MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE WINSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Deb Daum, Secretary

BOARD OF EDUCATION Meeting Date: Monday, January 11, 2021 at 5:30 PM

Location: Elementary: Multi-Purpose Room Present Members: Jon Jaeger, Carmie Marotz, Josh Kruse, Tarrin Quinn, Kate Falk and Landon Grothe; Superintendent: Mr Offner; Principal: Mr. Friedrich. Superintendent, Andrew Offner pointed out

the Open Meetings Act posted in the meeting

room. He led the room with the Pledge of Allegiance. He gave notification to all that this was the reorganization of the Board and called the meeting to order. Administered by Superintendent Offner members of the Board were sworn in by

Offner began with having all policies regarding the reorganization available to the board members

Mr. Offner asked for nominations for

reciting the Oath of Public Office. Mr.

President. Falk nominated Jaeger for President and Marotz seconded. Marotz made a motion that nominations cease, and Jaeger seconded. Ayes-Grothe, Jaeger, Marotz, Kruse, Quinn and Falk. Nays-none. No vote was taken. Jon Jaeger is the President of the Board for 2021. President Jaeger conducted the remainder

of the meeting. Jaeger nominated Marotz for Vice-President and Kruse seconded. Jaeger made a motion that nominations cease, and Falk seconded. Ayes- Jaeger, Marotz, Kruse, Quinn, Falk and Grothe. Nays-none. No vote was taken. Carmie Marotz is the Vice-

President of the Board for 2021

Grothe nominated Falk for Treasurer and Kruse seconded. Falk nominated Quinn for Treasurer and Jaeger seconded. Marotz made a motion that nominations cease, and Kruse seconded. Ayes-Marotz, Kruse, Quinn, Falk, Grothe and Jaeger. Nays-None. A vote was taken that resulted in 3 votes for Falk and 3 votes for Quinn. Due to a tie a second vote took place again with the same result. Jaeger stated that Falk held the Secretary position last year. With that said another vote was take and it was 6 votes for Quinn 0 votes for Falk Tarrin Quinn is the Treasurer for 2021.

Jaeger nominated Falk for Secretary and Quinn seconded. Marotz made a motion that nominations cease and Grothe seconded Ayes-Kruse, Quinn, Falk, Grothe, Jaeger and Marotz. Nays-None. No vote was taken. Kate Falk is Secretary of the Board for 2021.

committees for 2021 are as follows: Building Committee - Jaeger, Grothe and

After the review of the committees, the

Transportation Committee - Falk, Kruse and Quinn Americanism Committee - Jaeger, Marotz,

Kruse, Quinn, Falk and Grothe Curriculum Committee - Marotz, Quinn and Negotiations Committee - Jaeger, Marotz

and Grothe Safety Committee - Falk and Quinn Recognitions Committee - Marotz and Falk

School Improvement Committee - Jaeger, Marotz and Kruse Community Committee - Marotz, Quinn

President Jaeger welcomed the visitors and asked if anyone would like to address the Board. No one signed in to address the Board. President Jaeger, for the Board, appointed Superintendent, Mr. Andrew Offner as the Local Education Agency (LEA) representative and the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO)

Compliance Coordinator for the District. Motion by Marotz, second by Quinn to approve the Consent Agenda that consisted of the following: The Agenda; the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on December 14, 2020; and the Option Enrollments with 1 in and 3 out. Ayes-Quinn, Falk, Grothe, Jaeger, Marotz and Kruse. Nays-None.

beginning with the Activity Fund followed by the Budget Report. The General Fund and Lunch Fund claims, along with Financial Report were reviewed. Offner confirmed that the Government is paying for all student lunches for the rest of the 2020-2021 school

Mr. Offner presented the financial reports

Mr. Friedrich has found two long-term subs for the two expecting teachers due in April. The Continuous Improvement Process committees are well on their way for preparing to meet their future goals. Mr. Friedrich gave the COVID update on students and staff. He highlighted on the Activities. Some of the Honor Choirs and Honor Bands have been canceled due to COVID but Mrs. Hansen and Mrs. Quinn are looking at ways to assist these programs to move forward. Preschool and kindergarten roundups are looking at earlier dates in February or March. Mr. Friedrich presented the enrollment numbers.

Mr. Offner presented his Superintendent's report. Review of Committee Assignments were done earlier when committees were delegated. The Visionary committee will be meeting on January 20th at 7pm. Mr. Offner is asking for each Board member to provide a list of 15 community members by this Wednesday. These people will make up small committees to help with gather and provide data, to inform community the details about the bond. The mini project south o the elementary has a quote for a mobile staircase instead of a permanent one. This way it can be used on both buildings. There is more information to come regarding the mobile stairs. Mr. Offner continues to wait for FEMA to inspect the ditch. He is currently working on another FEMA project to receive reimbursement for COVID materials and supplies. Mr. Offner continues to communicate the local Health Agency regarding COVID and found that educators will be involved in phase 1b of the vaccinations. Mr Offner presented the draws for the month He continues to look at the costs involved to update the Auditorium floor. Negotiations will be discussed during Executive Session. The mission statement that is being considered was given to the Board. Mr. Offner feels it states what is important to Winside. Mr. Offner received a quote for a gym rollup divider The quote he received explained that divide would have to be attached to the lower part of the beam to sustain the weight of the divider The space the divider extends from the lower beam would exceed the space needed for other sports. He is looking into other options. Discussion began with Mr. Offner

Service map and went over areas he would like to send the mailers to. President Jaeger asked Mr. Offner if he would like to discuss his Superintendent's contract in open or closed session. Mr. Offner

presenting the changes to this year's mass

mailer. He presented a United States Postal

Actions began with a Motion by Falk, second by Quinn to approve the Budget Report, the Financial Report including the following claims: General Fund Claims of \$297,303.17 and Lunch Fund Claims of \$16,149.31. Ayes-Falk, Grothe, Jaeger, Marotz, Kruse and Quinn. Nays-None.

GENERAL

Hot Lunch Fund, \$384.70; Appeara, \$312.38; Awards Unlimited, Inc., \$117.50; Barnhill Enterprises LLC, \$69.00; BLACK HILLS ENERGY, \$4,753.71; Blue Cross/blue Shield \$1,426.82; DAS STATE ACCTG-CNTRL FINANCE OCIO, \$463.40; Dirk Jaeger Office Plus, \$2,973.59 \$113.00; Eakes Farmers Coop, \$1,373.83; First National Capital Markets, \$12,500.00; Friedrich, Cory C, \$75.00; Heikes, Cali, \$24.99; HOMETOWN LEASING, \$1,131.46; HRdirect I gNeil \$159.98; HyVee, \$67.51; Johnson Controls Solutions, \$600.30; Jostens Security \$186.33; McPhillips, Rachel, \$77.10; MILLER & SONS DISTRIBUTING, \$700.00; NAPA AUTO PARTS, \$50.50; Nebraska Association School Boards, \$300.00; NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO, \$195.00; Offner, Andrew, \$75.00; ONE SOURCE, \$55.00 Pac'n'save, \$37.16; PrecisionIT, \$1,991.25 Sparq Data Solutions, \$3,800.00; U S Bank \$3,284.83; U S Cellular, \$110.12; Village Of Winside, \$3.068.94; Waste Connections O

Winside Public School (REIMBURS), \$105.50 **PAYROLL** TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES \$297,303.17

Nebraska, \$479.00; Wayne Herald, \$136.53

January Lunch Checks Appeara, \$103.71; Bimbo Bakeries USA \$350.02; Eakes Office Plus, \$142.85; HILAND DAIRY, \$668.32; Pegler Sysco Food Service Co, \$1,197.35; Thompson Company, The, \$2,373.87

\$4,836.12

\$16,149,31 Motion by Grothe, seconded by Falk to go into Executive Session 6:56 pm to discuss

the Superintendent Contract, Negotiations and Personnel. Ayes-Grothe, Jaeger, Marotz, Kruse, Quinn and Falk. Nays-None. Motion by Quinn, seconded by Grothe to come out of Executive Session at 7:37pm

Aves-Jaeger, Marotz, Kruse, Quinn, Falk and Grothe. Nays-None. Motion by Marotz, second by Falk to renew Mr. Offner's Superintendent's contract with a \$2,000.00 pay increase to his salary for a total of \$119,500.00 and change wording in Section 12 from "Superintendent resides"

Ayes-Marotz, Kruse, Quinn, Falk, Grothe and Jaeger. Nays-None. The next regular Board meeting will be Monday, February 8, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the

"Superintendent shall be encouraged"

Elementary Multi-Purpose Room. Motion by Grothe, second by Kruse to adjourn. Ayes-all. Nays-none. Adjourned at

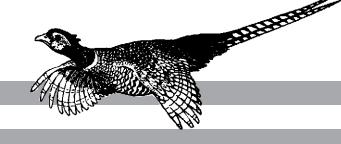
> Jenni Topp Winside Public School **Administrative Assistant** (Publ. Jan. 21, 2021) ZNEZ

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I BELIEVE IN WEARING

A HELMET WHILE BATHING

TO PROTECT AGAINST ROCKS

THAT MIGHT COME THROUGH

THE SHOWERHEAD ..!

Let it snow

By MIKE RENNING

mikesportshome@yahoo.com

I remember back as a youngster at good old Albion High School a "snow day" was like an unexpected

If you were dismissed from school during the day, it was even better. During the day, you were already gone from home and everybody had a vehicle ready to transport a group wherever we wanted to go.

In this simpler, and I do mean simpler-minded times, our first inclination was to head to the country and see just how terrible the storm was - perhaps we all thought we would work for the Weather Channel someday or we were all just...

Countless times getting stuck, lost in the ditch, unable to move with no one dressed for the occa-

Simpler times indeed.

Luckily, there was some kind rancher or farmer either trying to get to livestock or moving his own snow to bail us out.

Good grief, we wouldn't even have a shovel along let alone a four-wheel drive vehicle.

Four-wheel drives back in that day required you to get out to "lock in the hubs" and by the time we did that, we were already buried in the

I remember one time, "Tiny" Nelson, Steve Kunzman, Ron Pochop and I headed from an early dismissal from school east of Albion.

I haven't received permission to use the names listed above, but except for Pochop, Tiny and Kunzman were both older, so it had to be their judgement that inflicted me with this problem from the beginning.

At any rate, we made it exactly nowhere.

To be fair, we may have made it a

couple of miles from town but only a half-mile off the highway. I know it was Tom Johnson that

bailed us out and he had quite a grin on his face as he did it. I have since wondered if he had

the same "infliction" as he lived in town but had a farm a couple of miles out of town? Except he did have a small farm there and thank

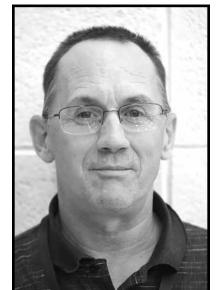
Obviously I lived through all of that, but the "getting out in the storm" never left me.

You remember "Sonny"? My neighbor, Mark Casey, who I call "Sonny" to save him any embarrass-

Well, Mark, I mean "Sonny" and were both afflicted with the same 'determination" to see just how far we could get in a vehicle when everyone was supposed to be home reading a book and counting blessings about a warm, safe house.

Oldtimers always talk about, 'Back in '49", and "Back in '68",

Letters Welcome



well, back in 2008, we had a dandy blizzard that lasted from November through February.

We discovered snow drifts higher

Possibly an embellishment, but

than the pickup we were in and onelane highways whether you could see the highways at all.

We were both in our 40's (you're welcome Mark, I mean Sonny) so we were relatively safe.

We didn't get stuck until Sonny was close enough to walk to his own tractor to pull us out.

ciding if I should drive the pickup or the tractor as we were extricated from the temporary mountain of

After I had 10 seconds behind the wheel of the tractor, Sonny declared for me to "get in the pickup, we don't want everything stuck.

but it was his tractor and his pickup, so what was I supposed to do?

Mikenzie wanted to go back to college - at Dana College in Blair that's how long ago that was as

I called Sonny and we discussed the weather and HE decided we should show her exactly what it was like on the highways in the country.

We dressed for the occasion and of course, Sonny drove.

country, Mikenzie was convinced to stay home and wanted Sonny to do a couple of "cookies" in the parking lot at the high school.

Since I wasn't driving I will not disclose the results of that request, but I will say Mikenzie's comment when we got home?

Sonny's biggest problem was de-

Then a couple of years later, Dana has been closed for some time.

He hardly lets me drive in good weather - one of those control freaks in my estimation.

After a half-mile trip into the

"You guys are alright."

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Capitol View

Early indications of heavy lifting are not surprising

I'M IN FAVOR OF VOTER I.D. TO PROTECT AGAINST

ELECTION FRAUD THAT

HAS NEVER HAPPENED

IN NEBRASKA!

By J.L. SCHMIDT Statehouse Correspondent

The Nebraska Press Association

Based on early bill introductions, the 2021 Nebraska Legislature is setting itself up for some heavy lifting sooner

Controversial measures range from Omaha Sen. Justin Wayne's proposed constitutional amendment (LR2CA) to legalize cannabis use to southeast Nebraska Sen. Julie Slama's proposed voter ID requirement (LR3CA). The lawmaker from Peru also offers a return to the winner take all presidential election vote (LB76).

Throw in Omaha Sen. Tony Vargas COVID-related meatpacking requirements (LB241) and Bayard Sen. Phil Erdman's renewed shot (LR11CA) at a statewide "Consumption Tax," and you've got a full plate that has to include a new two-year state budget. Expect bills dealing with policing based on the 2020 summer of discontent as well as corrections reform to address the second-most-crowded prison system in the country.

Wayne's proposal comes as no surprise given the state Supreme Court's rejection last year of an attempt to put authorization of medical marijuana on the ballot and the voter-approved passage of measures to allow recreational use in South Dakota and some other states. The court ruled ballot language included too many topics.

It's fitting that Slama -- a law school student who was first appointed by the Governor and then defeated another Republican in a divisive election that saw the party fined several times by the Public Service Commission for questionable mailings and robocalls -would offer the divisive, heavily partisan issues. Slama said the proposed constitu-

tional amendment, which requires voters to bring their photo to the polls, would simply combat voter fraud while preserving public confidence in the legitimacy of elected government.

rights for Civic Nebraska, said such minority and low-income Nebraskans

tem. Introduction of the measure for the ninth time in 10 years comes on the heels of mobs storming the U.S. Capitol over debunked claims of widespread voter fraud and further promotes mistrust.

Since Nebraska is a majority Republican state, the winner-take-all electoral system traditionally gives all five votes to the Republican. Since it was changed a few years ago, Democrats have earned one vote (Obama in 2008 and Biden in 2020) based on election results in the Second Congressional District. Critics of the bill, such as ACLU

of Nebraska, say it would hurt voter turnout by signaling to voters of all political parties that their votes for the nation's highest offices matter less.

The title of Vargas' proposal pret-John Cartier, director of voting ty much says it all. It's to be known as the Meatpacking Employees COa measure disproportionately affects VID-19 Protection Act. The senator from South Omaha represents a num-

and erodes trust in the electoral sys- ber of packing plants, many of which January 1, 2024. were the scene of community spread, infections and deaths. Vargas' retired father died of the virus at his home in New York State. He attempted to introduce a simi-

KINDRED SPIRITS

lar bill toward the end of last year's pandemic delayed session but couldn't muster the support to override rules that would have allowed it. He noted that had the packing plants quickly adopted the safeguards suggested in fair, simple and transparent. Replacthat bill -- spreading workers 6 feet apart, providing face masks, screening workers for the virus before they begin their shift, and staggering shifts -- lives could have been saved. The bill provides a penalty for failure to com-

Erdman's consumption tax, which first reared its head decades ago as the transaction tax, died last session enue from several sources to buoy lagbefore receiving debate by the full Legislature. The tax would apply to all purchases of services and new goods, There's a reason they call this the except for fuel, beginning no later than

The proposed constitutional amendment would prohibit the state and all political subdivisions from imposing an income tax, a property tax, an inheritance tax, an estate tax, and a tax on retail sales of goods and services except for a consumption tax and to require the Legislature to enact a con-

Erdman said consumption taxes are ing Nebraska's current tax system with a consumption tax would reduce administrative costs, promote individual saving and investment and help encourage businesses to locate and expand in Nebraska, he said.

Opponents argue that it is not as balanced as the current multi category approach, which allows fluctuating revging collections in others. Things have just barely begun

and Wayne Bena, from the Secretary

of State's office to learn every step in

Nebraska's election process. It has

been extremely informative to see great

lengths were taken in the process to see

that our elections are thoroughly run

with precision and excellence! In fact, l

am so impressed that I am going to be

introducing a Resolution, inviting ev-

A little judgemental, I thought, Legislative Update

Albrecht to present, support several bills One of the most important bills I do and think is my responsibility. I'm

am presenting to the Legislature this year is LB111, the First Responders and Public Protection Bill. The bill will address some of the concerns that emerged surrounding officer and public safety during riots this past summer. It will define and enact criminal violations related to rioting, inciting or recruiting, or participating in a riot, violence toward first responders, riotrelated vandalism and blocking public

I feel privileged to introduce legislation that will secure the safety of those who put their lives at risk, so the rest of us have the privilege to live without fear of danger. They include police officers, firefighters, emergency care providers, probation officers, Correctional Services employees, and Health and Human Services employees. I have been receiving a growing number of responses from supporters, those in opposition, and the media about the bill.

Ronald Reagan said, "We must reject the idea that every time a law's broken, society is guilty rather than the lawbreaker. It is time to restore the American precept that each individual is accountable for his actions." In a culture that has growing confusion about responsibility and accountability, I find President Reagan's quote a good reminder. We are each responsible for our actions and behaviors. What I say,

so thankful to live in the great state of Nebraska where we uphold the values of freedom, responsibility and holding each individual accountable.

New Legislation

LB280- Insurance Corporation- As the law currently stands, any insurance company that provides insurance in the state of Nebraska must have at least one member of their board of directors residing in Nebraska. In other words, any new insurance company who might be considering bringing jobs and business to Nebraska, might find it a deterrent that they would have to either add a Nebraska resident to their board of directors, or move one of their current directors to the state. I believe this is potentially an inhibitor to economic development in our state.

LB281- Erin's Law- The purpose of this bill is to require that public schools provide four hours of body awareness training to students in K through 5, and teacher training as a preventative method for helping reduce incidents of child sexual abuse. This is an extremely appropriate curriculum and is in no way a sex education class. It simply helps children understand that no one should touch them anywhere that makes them feel uncomfortable. It also gives children who might be experiencing abuse, a voice, where they could safely go and share that they need help.



Update By Joni Albrecht State Senator, District 17

LB282- Repeal Obscenity Exemption- Laws have been in place for decades that make it illegal for an adult to expose a child to pornographic or obscene material. An example of this is that children under 18 cannot attend R rated movies. There is an exemption however, for an adult in an education setting. Currently an adult in an educational environment cannot be prosecuted when a minor under their supervision is exposed to obscenity. This bill would close that loophole and assure that a child would be protected in a school environment from any intentional harm.

LB325- Art Therapy Bill- This bill is designed to provide Nebraskans with the best possible care and protect the welfare of vulnerable populations by certifying they are receiving professional, art-based therapeutic treatment. Also, to delineate the professional title of "Art Therapist" as a distinct and separate mental health and behavioral profession, credentialed by the Department of Health and Human Services.

Maintaining Confidence in Nebraska's Election Process

Last week I shared that I am doing some deep investigations into the security and integrity of Nebraska's election processes. I want to make sure that the people in District 17 know that they can be completely confident that the elections across our state.

ery representative in Nebraska's Legislature to thank the great folks across the state who once again delivered an excellent election process, especially in the middle of a pandemic! COVID-19 It is my hope and prayer that you and your family are remaining healthy during this time. As more people are contracting COVID-19, I am grateful for the excellence of District 17's Health Departments, Emergency Managers

and everyone involved with providing great healthcare to our residence. In Governor Ricketts State of the State Address on Thursday he informed us that, "The federal government has invested over \$10 billion in aid into our state. The State steered federal coronavirus relief towards \$411 million in grants for Nebraska's businesses and family farms. We also provided over \$80 million to aid non-profit and com-

munity-based organizations ranging

from food banks to childcare providers. According to the Omaha World Herald, Nebraska will start vaccinating anyone 65 years and older as part of its next phase in administering the COV-ID-19 vaccine. A top official in Nebraska's vaccine effort cautioned that the shifting priority will add some 300,000 to 400,000 people to the next vaccine group, so it will take cooperation from everyone as we begin to vaccinate our

The number of positive tests reported for the periods January 8, 2021, and January 14, 2021 in District 17 are as

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