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(Photo by Clara Osten)

Travis Meyer (left) and Collin Caneva are just two of those working to bring MayDay STOL activities to Wayne next week. Hundreds of planes . . . and people . . . are expected to be in Wayne April 28 - May 1.

## Aviator group bringing MayDay STOL races to Wayne

The first of its kind event for the Wayne Municipal Airport will take place Wednesday, April 28 through Saturday, May 1. During that time, the Wayne Municipal Airport and the Northeast Aviators flying group will be hosting the MayDay STOL Drag races at the airport.

STOL stands for Short Take-Off and Landing which is a spectator-friendly sport. The event is designed to challenge pilots and thrill spectators. The aviators pilot their airplanes down a 2,000 foot straight course, come to a complete stop, turn around and "get on the throttle to race back to the initial starting point." This takes place as the airplanes are racing side-by-side, approximately 75 feet apart.

According to Travis Meyer, a member of the Northeast Aviators and one of those organizing the event, "within hours of 'soft launching' the event to the public, over 100 pilots signed up for more information. Of these pilots, several are world-renowned

aviators with millions of followers and fans.

In addition to members of the Northeast Aviators, a team of leaders from within the community are involved with the planning of the event. They are working to coordinate other activities for those attending to enjoy and experience all that Wayne has to offer.

"We have also worked with the Wayne County Fair Board and will have the fairgrounds available for camping and parking. There will be a shuttle to take people, not only from the fairgrounds to the airport, but through the downtown business area also," Meyer said.

Organizers have contacted area schools and several are planning to bring students to the airport to learn not only about the sport, but about careers in aviation.

Other than organizers and those with specially designated parking permits, parking will not be allowed at the airport. Instead, the Journey Christian Church parking lot and the Wayne County Fairgrounds will be available for parking.

The event will also offer vendors and food trucks as well as entertainment in the evenings.

The group is working on having a 'Poker Run' be a part of the event with pilots leaving the Wayne Airport and flying to other local airports to pick up their poker hands before returning to Wayne.

Meyer said he and Scott Hammer, another member of the Aviators group, have attended an Air Venture event in Oskosh, Wisconsin which has similar events.

The event begins on Wednesday, April 28 with preliminary qualifying events and continues through Saturday.

Meyer said the Wayne group has made a three-year commitment to host the event and hope for a successful first year and build off that for future years.

"This is an exciting event, but is different than an air show. This is an air event," Meyer said.

More information about the event can be found at [maydaystol.com](http://maydaystol.com)

## Bond refinancing, loan approval on council agenda

By Clara Osten,  
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Good news highlighted the Wayne City Council's agenda on Tuesday.

The city first received a dividend check in the amount of \$67,591.39 from Employers Mutual Company for the city's property insurance policy.

Cap Peterson with Northeast Nebraska Insurance Agency presented the check to Mayor Cale Giese and explained the dividend program, noting the city has received a check a number of years, but this year's check was one of the largest.

In other good news, the city passed Ordinance 2021-7, which authorizes the issuance of Swimming Pool Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2021. This will refund the bonds originally issued to construct the swimming pool and refinance them at a lower interest rate.

Andy Forney with DA Davidson spoke to the council and said he and the city staff have been watching interest rates for several months and feel this is a good time to refinance.

He told the council the bonds were originally issued with an interest rate of 3.35 percent and they can now be refinanced with an interest rate of 0.75 percent. This could save the city up to \$790,000 and, with sales tax receipts coming in above projections, allow the bonds to be paid off two years early.

Council members approved a number of requests from Wayne Area Economic Development for street closings in coming months.

An 'Outdoor Pop-Up Party and Movie Night' is being planned in the Ace Hardware and Dearborn Mall parking lots on Thursday, June 3. Closing off Sixth Street between Dearborn and Wayside Lane will allow those attending to move from one location to another in a safe manner.

Additionally, the traditional street closing for Henoween and the Wayne Chicken Show were approved.

Luke Virgil, Executive Director with WAED, told the council the committee is planning to go back to the normal schedule on Friday, July 9 for Henoween and Saturday and Sunday, July 10 and 11 for the Chicken Show. The only change will be to have Pearl Street from Second to Third Street, as well as Second Street from Main to Pearl, closed on Sunday, July 11 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the Crowing Motors Car Show.

The council approved a request from DSF Wayne Short Stop, LLC for \$85,000 in LB840 Revolving Loan Funds to make improvements at the Short Stop Convenience Store at 1034 Main Street.

Dan and Shelly Fehringer, owners of the business, will use the money for roof replacement and upgrading of the chip reader equipment for the gas pumps.

The request is for a 10-year loan at a three percent interest rate.

First reading approval was given to an ordinance that will amend the city's building code.

Joel Hansen, City Planner, told the council the city has an interlocal agreement with Norfolk and, for the most part, follows their code. He listed a number of the changes that are being made and the reasons for them.

An update on the Wayne Community Housing Development Corporation was presented by Executive Director Mytzy Rodriguez-Kufner.

She gave a brief history of the organization and the services it is able to provide, including providing affordable housing for low income residents.

Council members also approved the application of Justin Gapp to the Wayne Volunteer Fire Department. Gapp recently moved to Wayne and is employed at State Nebraska Bank. He served for 11 years on a volunteer fire department in Iowa.

The Wayne City Council will next meet in regular session on Tuesday, May 4 at 5:30 p.m. at the Wayne Community Activity Center.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Scott Sievers (left) discusses the Second Amendment Sanctuary County Declaration for Wayne County during Tuesday's meeting of the Wayne County Board of Commissioners

## Commissioners get updates on projects

By Clara Osten,  
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Updates on the courthouse renovation project and the Haystack Wind Energy Project were given during Tuesday's meeting of the Wayne County Board of Commissioners.

Doug Elting with Berggren Architects was present at the meeting to talk about items still on the punch list before the project is complete.

He said that "there was not a lot to report. There is still work to be done. I am taking pictures of the work that has been done on the gutters so the county's tax credits can be modified and the county can be reimbursed."

Commissioner Terry Sievers voiced his frustration, noting "nothing is getting done."

Commissioner Dean Burbach also had a number of questions on the work left to be completed and noted that this project has been in the works for two years.

Representatives with the Haystack Wind Energy project were at the meeting to talk about a number of aspects of the project.

Jeremy Moore, site manager for Blattner Energy, presented an updated map of the project to the commissioners and said "things are really starting to ramp up. We are making progress."

He also said crews are discussing traffic flow on a daily basis and working to minimize the impact on those in the area. He al-

so shared information on the work schedule of those involved with the project, including the hours and days the crews will be working.

Commissioner Sievers said he had been in contact with someone who has been driving on the roads where the wind towers are being installed who told him "she does not feel safe driving on the roads because of the dirt work and has had to go out of her way to get where she is going."

Highway Superintendent Mark Casey said he has not received permits for some of the boring work that is being done and would like a consistent numbering on the towers for certification of the driveways.

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(Photo by Clara Osten)

Justin Gapp (right) introduces himself to the Wayne City Council at Tuesday's meeting as Wayne Fire Chief Phil Monahan looks on. Gapp's application to the Wayne Volunteer Fire Department was approved at the meeting.

## Green Team urges everyone to 'Celebrate Earth Day every day'

Earth Day falls on April 22 each year, but the Wayne Green Team encourages you to live every day as if it's Earth Day. During the month of April, join us in celebrating our community's efforts at reducing waste and living a sustainable life.

Take a Survey on the Wayne RTC. The Wayne Green Team wants to know how our community uses the Wayne Recycling & Trash Center (formerly transfer station). Do you know what can be recycled there? Do you want different hours? Help improve the Wayne RTC by taking a brief survey in English or Spanish at <https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/f565a6f8e0434974975cf303fe4910>. Paper copies are also available at Wayne City Hall. The survey closes April 25. Please share with others.

Zero Waste Chamber Coffee at the Wayne Public Library, Friday, April 23, 10 a.m. Join the Wayne Green Team at the Wayne Public Library (masks required) or virtually on Facebook Live @Wayne, NE (10:15 am). You'll learn the latest on how to reduce, reuse, and recycle in Wayne, and discover who the Zero Hero is for the year.

At this time, we are not serving any coffee or food. Makes it easy to be zero waste!

Free Earth Day Movie at the Majestic Theatre on Sunday, April 25.

Join us at the Majestic for a free screening of the uplifting documentary, "The Biggest Little Farm."

The film chronicles the eight-year quest of a young couple as they trade city living for 200 acres of barren farmland and a dream to harvest in harmony with nature. The "Biggest Little Farm" provides us all a vital blueprint for better living and a healthier planet.

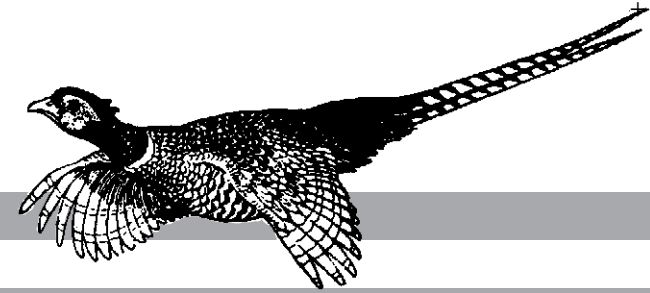
Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for exhibits and raffle, and the 91-minute film begins at 7 p.m. Raffle tickets are one for \$5 or five for \$20 and raise funds for the WSC Green Team. Masks are required.

This free event is hosted by the City of Wayne Green Team, WSC Green Team, and A. Jewell Schock Museum of Natural History.

For more info about the film, visit <https://www.biggestlittelfarmmovie.com/>.

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## Obituaries

### Steven Guill

Steven Michael Guill, 71, died Wednesday, April 14, 2021. The family will receive friends at John A Gentleman 72nd St. Chapel, 1010 N 72nd Street in Omaha for a Celebration of Life at noon on Sunday April 18 with a visitation prior from 11 am- 12 pm. Burial will follow on a later date in Lyons. Steven Michael Guill was born Sept. 17, 1949 to Gerald Dale Guill and Blanche Phyllis Guill (Bacon) in Lyons. He worked for Heritage Homes in Wayne before starting his own business in Omaha, TMS Design. Survivors include his two devoted children, Timothy J Guill of Riverview, Florida and Audrey A Guill of Gilbert, Arizona as well as his brothers, Charles (wife Margaret), David (wife Nancy) and Timothy. He was preceded in death by his parents.

### Mary Helen Walker

Mary Helen Walker, age 64, of Fullerton, California was the daughter of Helen Patricia ("Pat") Bressler Walker, who was originally from Wayne, and Robert ("Bob") S. Walker, originally from Kansas. She was born in Fort Worth, Texas on Jan. 3, 1956, and died at home in Fullerton, California on April 8, 2021.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, April 24 at 11 a.m. at Greenwood Cemetery in Wayne. There is no visitation.



Inquiries can be made with Hasemann Funeral Home of Wayne. Mary Helen Walker spent some of her early childhood in San Antonio, Texas, but grew up primarily in Houston, Texas, where she attended Walnut Bend Elementary School, T.H. Rogers Junior High School, and Lee High School. After graduating from high school in 1973, she continued her studies at several universities, including Trinity University, the University of Texas, the University of Houston, and, lastly, Cal State Fullerton, where she received a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering (B.S.E.E.) degree. Following college graduation, she accepted a position with the Defense Department, where she enjoyed working as a Computer Engineer in the Defense Contractors Management Agency until her passing.

In 1992 she married Paul Michael Busby, who died on Oct. 5, 2000. They had one child, Christopher Michael Walker.

As a young woman, Mary traveled internationally with her mother, Pat, who owned a travel agency. Later, they would reminisce about their travels, including riding on supersonic Concorde aircraft, breaking the sound barrier on three-hour flights from Houston to London and Paris. She loved to immerse herself in the beauty of nature, particularly by hiking with friends in stunning mountainous and forested terrain. Her favorite places included national parks and other natural areas in Washington state, along with the mountains and canyons of Sedona, Arizona. On weekends and holidays, she would often drive from her home in Fullerton, California to nearby Idyllwild before dawn to savor the sunrise there. She also delighted in the moonlight hikes held at nearby Mount Baldy, which typically ended with a visit to the restaurant at the top that featured dinner, drinks, and dancing.

Mary was modest, kind, and generous and would send her friends and family into uproarious laughter with her quick wit. She was a lifelong member of the Presbyterian church and never lost her deep faith.

She is survived by her son Chris Walker of Santa Ana, California, along with close friends in Texas, California, and South Dakota.

### Obituary policy

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

## A Quick Look



Date	High	Low	Precip	Snow
Apr. 15	48	28	—	—
Apr. 16	42	33	—	—
Apr. 17	46	37	—	—
Apr. 18	53	34	—	—
Apr. 19	67	26	—	—
Apr. 20	42	23	—	—
Apr. 21	49	26	—	—

Recorded 7 a.m. for previous 24 hour period  
Precip./mo. — 1.12" / Monthly snow — T  
Yr./Date — 6.17" / Seasonal snow — 30"

### Chamber Coffee

WAYNE — This week's Chamber Coffee/#chamberpercs will be held Friday, April 23 at the Wayne Public Library. It will be hosted by the Wayne Green Team. It will be a Zero Waste event so there will be no coffee or food served. The event begins at 10:15 a.m.

### Food Truck

AREA — The next Wayne Food Truck food distribution event for those in financial need will be Saturday, April 24 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.

### Pancake Breakfast

AREA — The Wayne Vets Club, located at 220 Main Street in Wayne, will be holding the monthly breakfast on Sunday, April 25. Serving will be from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Dine-in or curbside pick-up are available. Call (402) 375-9944 to place an order.

### 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. At this time, the Food Pantry is open by appointment only. Those wishing to make a donation are asked to contact the church via phone or email.



## Pleasant presentation

Wayne Mayor Cale Giese said it was "nice to be getting money rather than spending money" when he accepted a dividend check for \$67,591.39 at Tuesday's council meeting. Cap Peterson with Northeast Nebraska Insurance Agency presented a check to the city.

## Wayne County Sheriff's Department investigating two-vehicle accident

The Wayne County Sheriff's Office released information on Friday (April 16) concerning an accident that occurred east of Wayne on the morning of Monday, April 12.

According to the release, the Wayne County Sheriff's Office investigated a two vehicle collision on Highway 35 near milepost 36. An eastbound semi-truck driven by Tyson Hostert was struck by a west bound vehicle driven by Pedro Lopez. The impact caused the semi-truck to enter the south ditch. Lopez's vehicle entered the north

ditch, caught fire, and was considered a total loss.

Lopez was transported to Providence Medical Center for treatment of his injuries. Hostert and his passenger were not injured.

The Wayne County Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by the Nebraska State Patrol, Wayne Volunteer Fire Department, Wakefield Volunteer Fire Department, and Providence Medical Center.

The collision remains under investigation.

## Looking Ahead in Wayne

By Wes Blecke, City Administrator

**City Council meetings**  
Regular Wayne City Council meetings are at 5:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the Community Activity Center...until this COVID virus is behind us.

**Trail Ribbon Cutting - May 7**  
The City will celebrate 18 years in the making when it cuts the ribbon for the Second Phase of the Wayne trail system on Friday, May 7 at 10 a.m. at the new underpass by the Community Activity Center (CAC).

If there is inclement weather, the ribbon cutting will be inside the CAC.

**Mowing/growing season is upon us**  
It is that time of the year with rainy and cooler weather where vegetation, both "good" and "bad," start to grow rapidly.

Per City code "It shall be unlawful for any owner, owner's agent or occupant of any premises...to allow to grow or to maintain any weeds, grasses, or worthless vegetation 12 inches in height or greater." If the code is violated there is a process of notification to cure the violation, and if the violation is not taken care of, the City has the right to force the property into compliance (ie mow the yard). No one wants the City to mow their yard. First, we won't be as particular as we are in the parks...and second, we charge \$300 per hour! We are very over-priced.

Overall, the citizens of Wayne do a really good job of maintaining their properties, especially during mowing season. One thing property owners want to avoid while mowing is throwing/blowing grass clippings into the street. Yes, that is unlawful as well. Precisely, "It shall be unlawful for any person to place or permit to leak in the gutter of any street, dirt, rock, gravel, leaves, grass, trash, waste gasoline, kerosene or high lubricating oils."

In other words, make that first path with your side discharged mower to the interior of your property and keep that grass out of the street. Or if you do happen to

"leak" grass clippings into the gutter/street, please blow or sweep those back into your yard. I know this causes more work, but we want to keep those storm sewers free of debris and the water flowing during those heavy rains.

Thanks in advance for complying with both of these laws. If you have questions about either one, don't hesitate to contact City Hall.

**Building Codes update**  
The City of Wayne has started the process to operate under the 2018 International Building Codes. The State has updated to the 2018 Code, so jurisdictions with building code enforcement have two years to update to the 2018 code with revisions made by local officials, or the City gets automatically switched to 2018 "as is."

The Council will hear three readings of the ordinance, with final passage anticipated on May 18. A couple of major changes being proposed include occupancy permits and smoke detectors. Staff is proposing to Council to eliminate the temporary occupancy permit. This means a new house must be completed before anyone is allowed to live there (ie sidewalks/driveways paved, siding completed, etc).

This is to ensure properties get completed. There are times that people move into their new homes and some of those final details do not get completed, and neighbors let us know about it! Another significant change proposed is to require interconnected smoke detectors on all construction. (This is currently mandatory on new construction but not on remodel projects). This is a safety feature, for example, that allows a parent to hear directly an alarm that gets tripped in a basement bedroom where a child is sleeping. If the alarms are independent, one could go off and not be heard by someone on another floor, at the opposite end of the house. It is all about safety and peace of mind.

**Questions, comments, concerns?**  
Contact Wes Blecke, City Administrator at (402) 375-1733 or wblecke@cityofwayne.org



## Junior High speakers

Members of the Junior High Speech Team earned runner-up as a team at the home meet on April 17. Individual results include: Poetry: Abi Hawthorne, first and Nyla Bolles, fifth; Extemp: Abi Hawthorne, second; Public Speaking: Sophia Spieker - fourth; Prose: Yama Kantai, fifth; Duet: Brayden Woehler and Jake Barnes, first; Oral Interpretation of Drama: Josie Ley, Arianna Mulhair, Lily Hurner, Kenna Blecke, and Adrienne Anderson, first; Amelia Legler, Ceilus Ibarra, Olivia Hanson, Norah Armstrong and Grace Junck, second; Colby Raulston, Brayden Woehler, Gavin Anderson, John Piper and Aidan Bonhart, third; and Carli Canham, Claire Reinke, Sienna Klinetobe, Harper Olson and Mia Kuester, fourth.

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## Support for the department

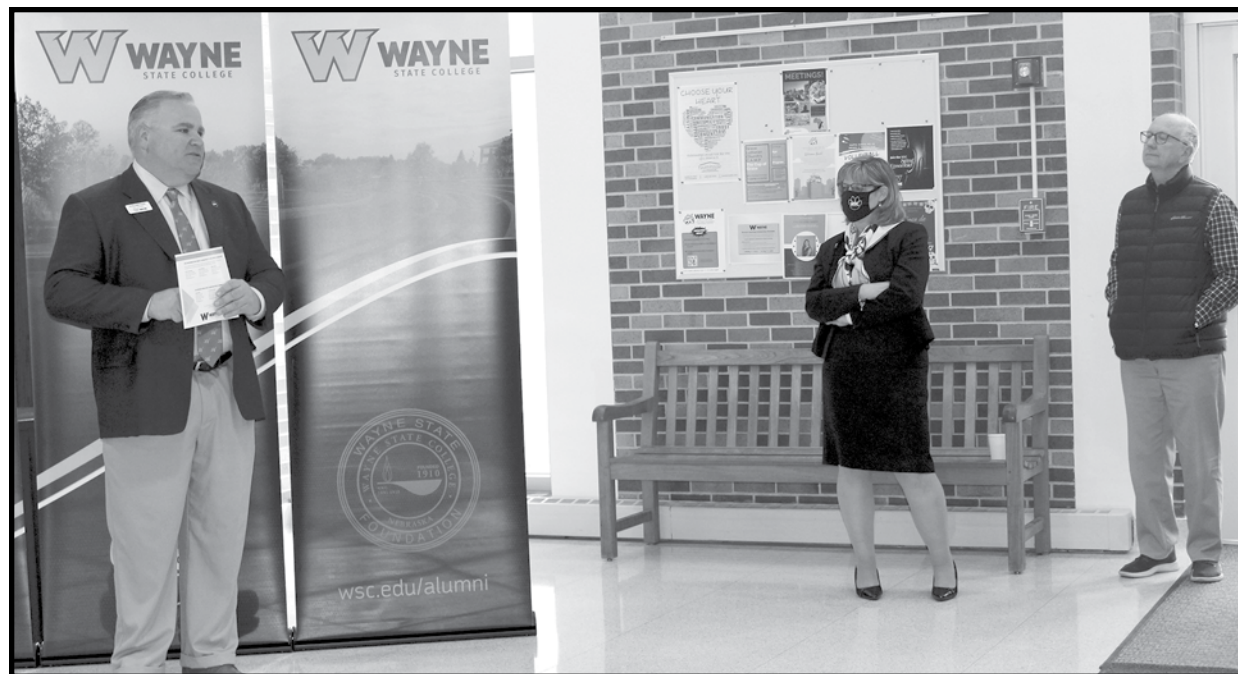
Fire Pup, a fire truck and a dinosaur were on hand at the Wayne Pizza Hut on April 17 as part of a fund-raising event. While the total amount raised has not yet been released, Wayne Fire Chief Phil Monahan said the department was thankful for the support of the community.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

## Surprised recipient

Melissa Derechailo thought people were coming into her classroom at Wayne State College on a tour of the Fine Arts Building. But, instead, Brandon Hall, Chair of the Wayne Ambassadors, presented her with an Ambassador Congeniality Award. Her nomination letter praised her work last year in organizing a mask-making group in the community and distributing the masks to those in need.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

## Camp Invention's in-person and at-home summer program coming to Wayne

Camp Invention®, a nationally recognized, nonprofit summer enrichment program, is coming to Wayne Elementary School the week of June 7 - June 11.

At this local camp, families can choose Camp Invention's in-person or at-home option. And to address any uncertainty that families face when planning for the upcoming summer camp season, Camp Invention now offers the Peace of Mind Promise — where parents can switch their experience format up to six weeks before their camp start date.

For its in-person option, Camp Invention will continue to adjust its in-person programs to comply with best practice safety measures to ensure the health of our campers, teachers, families and communities. These precautions may include daily health screenings for all children and Program Team Members; the use of masks; social distancing within classrooms; providing individualized materials to limit sharing; increased sanitation practices and scheduled hygiene checks within the building; and smaller student groups with staggered lunch schedules. Programs will follow all state and regional COVID-19 guidelines.

A hybrid program featuring both offline activities and optional online sessions, Camp Invention at home enables hands-on exploration by delivering an Innovator's Toolkit, packed full of fun materials, directly to each participant. With four themed activities, step-by-step guides and an Innovator Workshop, the program brings imagination, creative problem solving and fun to children's living rooms. During the at-home format, local certified instructors take the campers through the day's activities, with the children choosing to attend the four daily online collaborative sessions or move at their own pace.

Each year, the program features a new curriculum inspired by some of our nation's most world-changing inventors — the National Inventors Hall of Fame® (NIHF) Inductees. This year's Recharge curriculum encourages children to be confident in their ideas and explore their innovativeness through hands-on activities including:

**Open Mic:** Campers amplify their creative voice, reverse engineer a wireless microphone, and then develop and promote their own extraordinary invention.

**Duck Chuck:** Through hands-on experiments with trajectory and velocity, children build their own device to launch rubber ducks around the world.

**Road Rally:** Imaginations accelerate as children design nature-inspired vehicles that can zoom across land and add prototype elements for moving through air and water.

**SolarBot:** Campers build and take care of their very own solar-powered robotic cricket, creating protective gear, a customized habitat and a fun cricket playground.

Whether parents choose the in-person or at-home format, they can be assured that the 2021 Camp Invention program provides a top-notch STEM learning experience for their young innovator. "Honestly, the box sold me. The Innovator's Toolkit alone was worth the price," said Josh, dad of a 7-year-old camper.

A NIHF program in partnership with the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Camp Invention challenges children in grades K-6 to tap into their natural curiosity and use their creativity to solve problems. Through hands-on activities, Camp Invention promotes STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) learning; builds confidence, leadership, perseverance and resourcefulness; and encourages entrepreneurship — all in a fun and engaging environment. In the unprecedented times we're all experiencing, with "unfinished learning" and other challenges due to COVID-19, these lessons and opportunities for fun ways to learn are even more valuable.

For additional information or to register, visit [invent.org/camp](http://invent.org/camp).

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### 10 Years Ago (2011)

Tuesday was kind of a comedy that didn't tickle a lot of funny bones among the Wayne High faithful.

The Blue Devil baseball team capped a frustrating week's worth of baseball by committing a comedy of errors in a 7-2 loss to Pender Tuesday evening in Pender. The Wayne defense committed more errors (nine) than the two teams combined for hits (seven) as the Penderons scored six unearned runs to avenge an earlier 5-4 loss at Wayne less than three weeks ago.

The defense miscues tarnished another-wise solid pitching performance by Brady Soden, who scattered three hits and two walks while striking out four in an 83-pitch, five inning effort.

"He was delivering the pitches to give us some ground balls, and we had some uncharacteristic errors from some veteran kids who don't normally make those errors," co-coach Kevin Finkey said after his team's fifth straight loss following a 2-0 start. "It wasn't typical of what we do and it's frustrating, because it's not what we've seen in practice."

Pender scored an unearned run in the first inning when Levi Beutler, who reached on a two-out error, scored on a passed ball. They added another run in the fourth when a throwing error brought Caleb Hansen home after he reached

## Explaining the project

Kevin Armstrong (left) and Dr. Marysz Rames (center) spoke during last week's Chamber Coffee on the plans for renovation at the Peterson Fine Arts Building on the campus of Wayne State College.

## Looking back...

on a wild pitch after a dropped third strike.

The bottom fell out on the Wayne defense in the fifth, when three errors led to three unearned runs for the home team. Wayne committed at least one fielding error in every inning, and only one of Pender's runs were earned.

"Nine errors is like a Little League game, and some of them were just so costly," Finkey said. "We'd get two quick outs and it looks like we're getting out of the inning, and then the errors start and they multiply on us. We know what the kids are capable of, and it's easy to get frustrated and down and we just need to come out of that."

Wayne avoided the shutout in the seventh when Pender started making some mistakes of their own. Mason Wren came on as a pinch-hitter and drew a one-out walk. Alex Onnen followed with a single and pinch-hitter Jordan Backer walked to load the bases. A wild pitch brought Wren home, and Onnen came home on an error to give Wayne a little bit of life. The rally ended when a looping fly ball by Gage Rethwisch was snared on a diving catch by Josh Wegner, sending Wayne to its fifth straight loss.

### 20 Years Ago (2001)

Wayne State College campus radio station, KWSC-FM K-92 (91.9 FM) staff members are organizing a world-record hug attempt in Rice Auditorium on the WSC campus, on Tuesday April 17 with doors opening at 7 p.m. Funds generated from this even will benefit the Community Activity Center building project in Wayne.

The actual hug will occur at 8

p.m. The project is under the direction of Dr. Dave Ogden, advisor and associate professor of humanities at WSC.

Radio station students are also issuing a challenge to other organizations to involve as many of their members as possible. The radio station students also plan the event to promote unity between the college and local communities. All though the entire campus radio station is involved, two of the students leading the effort are Michael Pulte of Bennington and Julie Krause of Homer.

"We wanted to find a way to help with the funding for the Community Activity Center," Pulte said. "Finding something that is fun, challenging and able to make money is difficult. This is something that every group in society can enjoy and benefit from. We want to promote a sense of community while also finding new ways to promote our radio station. It just so happens that this fundraiser does both."

### 50 Years Ago (1971)

Wayne State College graduated 203 students Monday night and announced special awards to students and faculty.

The Wayne State Foundation presented:

- The J.G. Lewis Award of \$100 to an outstanding student in political science, James D. Vlach, a graduating senior from Dodge.

- The Fred Dale Athlete-Scholar Award of \$100 to Charles Ross, West Point, a junior majoring in physical education, honor roll student and football letterman.

- The Excellence in Teaching

Award of \$250 each to Clifton Ginn, assistant professor of political science, and Dr. Neil Swanson, head of the business department. Ginn also won the award last year. Nominations for the award are made by the students.

- Blue Key Fraternity awards for Excellence in Teaching to Mrs. Berniece Fulton, assistant professor of health and physical education; to a first-year teacher at Wayne, Dr. Cornell Runestad, associate professor of music and to Norma Nordstrand, assistant dean to faculties for his leadership in WSC's international studies.

The speaker for spring commencement was Dr. John G. Neihardt, poet laureate of Nebraska, who blended readings from his poetry with reminiscences of why and from whom he wrote. He was a student on the Wayne campus and graduated in 1897 at the age of 15.

Among graduating students were seven receiving master's degrees:

- The master of arts in education: Lillian Meyer of Allen, a graduate of Pender High School and of Wayne State College in 1966, with a BAE; Ned Van Steenwyk, Sioux Center, a graduate of Wayne State, 1968, with a BAE. The master of science in education — Ronald Buedl, Fondka, Iowa, graduate of Fond OLCG High School and of Wayne State, 1965, with a BAE; Joan Chivers, Pierce, graduate of Galva, Kansas High School and of Kansas State University, 1948 with a BS; Dorothy Glaser, Columbus, graduate of Columbus High School and of Midland College, 1967, with a BSE; Margaret Nelson, Le Mars, IA., graduate of Newcastle High School and of Wayne State, 1957.

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# Police officer teaches Police and Society at WSC

Wayne Police Officer Domenic Consoli is currently teaching 29 students in the Wayne State College class "Police and Society."

Last week, the Wayne Police Department, Wayne County Sheriff's Office and the Wayne State College Campus Security Office demonstrated traffic stops simulated during the day and night time near the Campus Security Building.

Consoli said he believes a good portion of his class has never been stopped by the police for minor traffic offenses. Even though the majority of the students were crimi-

nal justice majors, the goal of the scenario was to make the students feel comfortable when they do get stopped by the police at some point in their lifetimes.

"I just feel that it was a great opportunity for the students to go through the scenarios so they can hopefully be at a little more ease when they do get stopped," Consoli said. "The students asked questions of the officers and went over the events of the traffic stop that make it go smoother."

The goal has also been to teach them about having the proper pa-

perwork in the vehicle and other details. Students will not be tested on these scenarios.

Officers assisting included Brandon Ziska of Wayne State College Campus Security, Drew Marshall of the City of Wayne Police Department and Clayton Bratcher of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department.

Wayne State College students involved in the simulations included: Julieann Puls of Elwood; Trinity Seery of Oakland; Madaline Taake of Norfolk; Alison Korth of Battle Creek; Jordan Lamprecht of Ponca; Alexis Kopecky of Newman Grove; Willow Olsen of LeMars, Iowa; Kecia Schenk of Wayne; Shelley Loberg of Wausa; Brady Korth of Norfolk; Cole Klein of Papillion; Brooke Rathbun of Omaha; Parker Castleman of Lincoln; Naomy Paris of Willemstad, Curaçao; Elizabeth Welke of Battle Creek; Devyn Davis of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Larissa Pietersz of Willemstad, Curaçao; Jayden Arehart of Neligh; Sumithra Wemhoff of Platte Center; and Priscilla Winklaar of Willemstad, Curaçao.



(Photo by Angie Steffen)

Elizabeth Welke of Battle Creek talks with Clayton Bratcher of the Wayne County Sheriff's Office during a simulated traffic stop as part of a class at Wayne State College.



(Contributed Photo)

Members of the 2020-2021 Power Drive team include (front) Juan Hernandez (Driver of E107) Emily Eilers (Driver of A22) and Nathan Kufner-Rodriguez (Driver of E39). (back) Coach Mr. Cantrell, Maria Maturey, Matthew Kufner-Rodriguez, Brett Johnson, Nina Hammer, Edwin Vahlkamp II, Braden Adams and Assistant Coach Garret Reynolds.

## Wayne Power Drive Team off to a good start

The Wayne High School (WHS) Power Drive team started the 2021 race season on April 10 in Lincoln.

WHS had three cars in competition, racing around a 0.42 mile course at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln tractor testing lab.

All three cars were able to complete the 60 minute rally without any mechanical issues, or accidents. Advanced Class Car A22 completed 68 laps on its way to first place, leading other competitors in its class by 6.72 miles.

Exhibition Class Car E107 ran consistently all day to a third place finish, completing 67 laps.

Exhibition Class Car E39 ran the fastest lap of the day, on its way to a second place finish completing 75 laps, just 31 seconds behind the leader.

During that race, Car E39 completed its 1,000th mile in competition.

According to Power Drive Coach Tony Cantrell, "the Power Drive team had another excellent day of racing on Saturday (April 17).

The Blue Devils competed in a 90 minute rally on a 0.55 mile course around Neligh Park, in West Point.

In heat 1, car A22 led most of the rally and finished first in Advanced

class, completing 66 laps leading by 5 1/2 miles. In heat 2, Car E107 had another strong showing, staying in the front of the field for most of the rally. A late rally flat tire set it back, but quick work in the pits got the E107 back to racing, completing 65 laps and receiving third place in Exhibition class.

Car E39 battled the leader for the first half of the rally, but fell two laps down with 10 minutes left. In an exciting finish, E39 was able to erase the one mile lead the competition had, and with a last lap pass, took the checkered flag in first place, setting the track record at 79 laps.

The Power Drive team has received six awards at two rallies this year. A22 is leading Advanced class total mileage by 13.61 miles. E39 is leading Exhibition class and all classes in total mileage.

The Blue Devils will race again on Saturday, April 24 in Hastings on a one mile road course.

Cars competing in a typical event will compete in one of three categories:

Standard or S class cars:

This class is open to high school students only and it must be the first year raced with this car. There

is a \$3,300 spending limit. The car can compete in Standard class for one year.

Advanced or A class cars:

This class is also open to high school students only. The car previously competed in standard class and there must have been two major system improvements from previous year to be eligible. There is a \$3,800 spending limit. The car can compete in Advanced class for two years, but there must have been improvements made each year.

Exhibition or E class cars:

This class is open to high school or college students. There is no spending limit and a car can compete in E class for as long as they want

"Typically when high schools build a new car it begins in Standard class. After the first year they make two system upgrades and run it in Advanced class. Typically teams will make two more changes and run it in Advanced class for a second year. At this point some schools start over with a new car, and some keep their cars to run them in Exhibition class," Mr. Cantrell said.

The Wayne High students have been running the 39 car since 2011 "because it is a strong contender. It has 39 races on it, and has placed first or second in 38 of those races. It has set and reset many track records (it has set two records in the last three races it's competed in), and continues to be on top of the score sheet," Mr. Cantrell said.

Wayne High will be hosting the 2021 EVERON Power Drive Championships on Saturday, May 1. The event will be held at the First National Omaha Service Center on East 10th Street.

Wayne will be competing for its third Advanced class championship and its sixth Exhibition class championship.

Admission is free and those attending are asked to bring a lawn chair.



(Contributed Photo)

The three Wayne Power Drive cars, and their drivers, are off to a good start in this year's racing season.

## Lower Elkhorn NRD promotes Arbor Day with end-of-season tree sales

J. Sterling Morton first proposed Arbor Day as a tree planting holiday in 1872 at a meeting of the Nebraska State Board of Agriculture. On the first Arbor Day, prizes were offered to counties and to individuals for properly planting the largest number of trees.

It was claimed that more than 1 million trees were planted in Nebraska on that day. Morton's home in Nebraska City, Arbor Lodge and Arbor Day Farm, is a State Historical Park, which includes an arboretum and extensive landscaped grounds, managed by the National Arbor Day Foundation. In Nebraska, Arbor Day is traditionally celebrated on the last Friday in April.

The 149th Anniversary of Arbor Day will be celebrated on Friday, April 30.

Since Nebraska is the birth state of Arbor Day, it's only appropriate that the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District (LENRD) promotes tree-planting programs each year. The LENRD will have tree seedlings available for purchase next Friday in celebration of Arbor Day, at the Maskenthine Lake Recreation Area, north of Stanton. From Norfolk, the lake is located 10 miles east on highway 275 and then 2 miles south on Ridge Road. Signs will direct you to the LENRD Tree Distribution Center (approximately 2 miles north of Stanton). The Center will be open from 8 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Arbor Day. Seedlings must be purchased in bundles of 25.

Todd Stewart, LENRD Natural Resources Technician, said, "We'll be cleaning out the cooler on Arbor Day, quantities are limited, but there's still enough variety if you're looking for trees or shrubs to fill in your windbreak." Stewart added, "Trees provide shade and wind protection for people and livestock. They add value and beauty to your property while saving money on your heating and cooling costs. Plant trees to protect your property and the future. Our parents did it for us, and we should return the favor for future generations."

Contact the LENRD office for more information about the trees or if you need further assistance. A list of trees available for purchase will be listed on the LENRD's website: www.lenrd.org

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## Updates

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Commissioners and representatives from the project agreed that a monthly update will be provided.

Also during the meeting, commissioners listened to a presentation from Scott Sievers on the Second Amendment Sanctuary County Declaration.

Sievers asked the commissioners to "not enact laws that oppose or infringe on the right to bear arms. We need to keep our freedoms truly free and uphold the constitution."

He asked the commissioners to approve Resolution 21-09, Supporting the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and said "I think this is really important to many of

us and is a great thing for the county and its citizens. It brings comfort and peace of mind to us."

Following Sievers' presentation, the commissioners unanimously approved the resolution.

Commissioners received an update from Wayne County Emergency Manager Nic Kennitz on activities he will be involved with in the coming weeks.

These include having the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) trailer at the MayDay STOL event at the Wayne Municipal Airport April 28 through May 1 and having an emergency response planning meeting for the event on April 22.

Kennitz also told the commis-

sioners that the county's communications equipment will need to be powered by a portable generator for approximately four hours while the NET electrical transformer at the tower is replaced. Work has already been done to make this a smooth transition.

In-person incident tracking and accountability training with the Salamander ID system will take place during the annual Fire School in Grand Island May 20-23.

The commissioners will next meet in regular session on Tuesday, May 4 at 9 a.m. at the Wayne County Courthouse.

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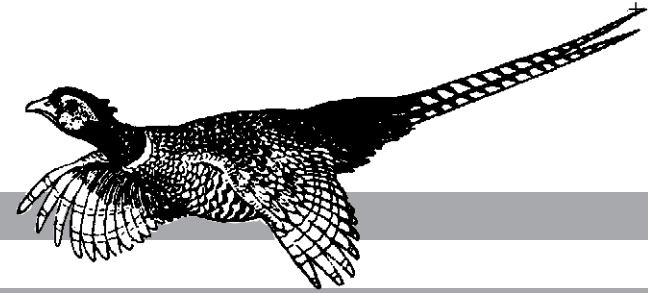
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# Sports

## WSC, UNK play controlled scrimmage here

Wayne State edged Nebraska-Kearney 14-7 in a three quarter controlled football scrimmage played Saturday afternoon at Bob Cunningham Field in Wayne. The visiting Lopers marched



Freshman running back James Keiser scores on his two-yard scoring run in Saturday's scrimmage with UNK.

down the field and scored on their first series of the scrimmage, driving 70 yards with running back Damien Cearns capping the drive on a five-yard TD run giving UNK an early 7-0 lead.

Wayne State scored on their second series of the opening quarter, driving 55 yards after stopping UNK on downs at the WSC 45. Quarterback Tavian Willis fired an 11-yard pass to freshman tight end Trey Miller with 1:01 to play in the first quarter, evening the score at 7-7.

Willis guided another Wildcat score on the next WSC possession early in the second quarter, capped by a two-yard scoring run from Hartington Cedar Catholic freshman Jacob Keiser. The PAT kick by Alex Powders was good, giving the Wildcats a 14-7 lead.

The scrimmage began with one-on-one and 7 on 7 drills by both teams.

The controlled scrimmage featured three quarters of play with starters and reserves playing. There were no kickoffs or punt returns and quarterbacks could not be tackled.

Wayne State visits Chadron State Saturday for a scrimmage at 11:30 a.m. CDT.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Wayne High golfer Tanner Walling posted a third-place finish at the LCC Invitational and also earned medalist at honors at the Boone Central Invite.

## Wayne takes first at LCC Invite

Wayne claimed low team honors during Tuesday's Laurel-Concord-Coleridge Invitational at Cedar View Country Club.

Wayne edged Hartington Cedar Catholic 341-343 to win the team title as 11 full teams were among the 14 schools competing.

Wayne had four golfers finish among the top 15 medalists at the tournament. Tanner Walling led the way with an 80, finishing third, followed by Bo Armstrong (85, 6th), Drew Sharpe (86, 8th) and Christopher Woerdemann (90, 12th). Andrew Jones rounded out the Blue Devils' day with a 97.

Tri County Northeast finished fourth with a 381, led by Garrett Blanke's fourth-place effort of an 84. Nate Oswald also medaled, finishing 11th with a 90.

Wakefield was 10th in the tournament, with Zach Boeshart shooting a 95 to lead the Trojans.

LCC had just two golfers compete among the 64 golfers who saw action at the tournament. Aidan Junck shot a 118 for the team's low round, while Jackson Hall came in with a 133.

LCC Invitational Team Standings

Wayne 341, Hartington CC 343, Pierce 352, Tri County NE 381, Ponca 386, Hartington-Newcastle 411, Crofton 439, Madison 443, Randolph 443, Wakfield 469, Homer 514. Tekamah-Herman, Winnebago, Elkhorn Valley and LCC did not field full teams.

Top 10 Medalists

1. Riley Kuehn, HCC, 70; 2. Chadron Roth, Pierce, 79; 3. Tanner Walling, Wayne, 80; 4. Garrett Blanke, TCNE, 84; 5. Brock Rogers, T-H, 85; 6. Bo Armstrong, Wayne, 85; 7. Zach Weber, Crofton, 85; 8. Drew Sharpe, Wayne, 86; 9. Hunter Raabe, Pierce, 88; 10. Zach Fernau, Ponca, 88.

Local Results

WAYNE — Tanner Walling 80 (3), Bo Armstrong 85 (6), Drew Sharpe 86 (9), Christopher Woerdemann 90 (12), Andrew Jones 97.

LCC — Aidan Junck 118, Jackson Hall 133.

TCNE — Garrett Blanke 84 (4), Nate Oswald 90 (11), Cameron Ahlers 96, Zach Shanks 111, Ryan Anderson 115.

WAKEFIELD — Zach Boeshart 95, Johnathan Birkley 99, Jack Pommer 131, Kolton Fischer 144.

## WSC golf record matched again at Augustana Invite

Wayne State freshman Jazmine Taylor matched the school record with an opening-round 78, helping Wayne State to a ninth-place finish at the Augustana Spring Women's Golf Invitational, played Saturday and Sunday at Elmwood Golf Course in Sioux Falls, S.D.

The Wildcats shot rounds of 328 and 346 for a two-day total of 674 to finish ninth overall in the 13-team field.

Taylor became the third different Wildcat player this season to match the individual school record of 78 originally set by Dawn Garrett in 1993 and duplicated earlier this

year by Paige Peters (first round of WSC Invite on April 21) and Abbey Kurlmel in the second round of the Newman Invite on April 8.

Kurlmel was the top Wildcat finisher, tied for 20th overall, shooting a 163 with rounds of 82 and 81. Taylor followed in a tie for 26th overall at 165 following scores of 78 and 87.

Other Wildcat players were Tricia Hemann shooting 170 (82-88) and Peters firing a 176 (86-90).

Wayne State will compete at the NSIC Championships in Morton, Minn., Thursday through Sunday.



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Team 2 . . . . . 3	Team 28 . . . . . 0
Team 3 . . . . . 3	Team 29 . . . . . 5
Team 4 . . . . . 3	Team 30 . . . . . 0
Team 5 . . . . . 3	Team 31 . . . . . 1
Team 6 . . . . . 4	Team 32 . . . . . 1
Team 7 . . . . . 4	Team 33 . . . . . 4
Team 8 . . . . . 3	Team 34 . . . . . 3
Team 9 . . . . . 3	Team 35 . . . . . 6
Team 10 . . . . . 3	Team 36 . . . . . 2
Team 11 . . . . . 2	Team 37 . . . . . 2
Team 12 . . . . . 5	Team 38 . . . . . 6
Team 13 . . . . . 2	Team 39 . . . . . 5
Team 14 . . . . . 3	Team 40 . . . . . 3
Team 15 . . . . . 0	Team 41 . . . . . 6
Team 16 . . . . . 1	Team 42 . . . . . 0
Team 17 . . . . . 3	Team 43 . . . . . 6
Team 18 . . . . . 3	Team 44 . . . . . 6
Team 19 . . . . . 6	Team 45 . . . . . 0
Team 20 . . . . . 3	Team 46 . . . . . 0
Team 21 . . . . . 0	Team 47 . . . . . 3
Team 22 . . . . . 3	Team 48 . . . . . 3
Team 23 . . . . . 3	Team 49 . . . . . 3
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Team 26 . . . . . 3	Team 52 . . . . . 3

### WEEK ?

#### Low Scores (??/18)

A players: Andi Diediker 38, Mike Varley 38, Kyle Schellpeper 38.

B players: Mike Powicki 41, AJ Longe 41, Dave Diediker 42.

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# Area athletes see action at Wayne Track Invitational

The LCC boys track team claimed runner-up honors to highlight the area effort last Tuesday at the Wayne Invitational. Wayne's boys finished fourth while the Wayne girls were fifth in the seven-school competition. LCC's girls finished third, the Winside boys were sixth and the Winside girls placed seventh. Area event winners included LCC's Erica Wolfgram in the girls high jump, Winside's Kati Topp in the girls discus, LCC's Berniece McCorkindale in the girls shot put, Winside's Gabe Escalante in the boys 400, Deagan Puppe of LCC in the 110 hurdles, Carter Junck of Wayne in the boys high jump, Eli Barner of Wayne in the boys pole vault and LCC's Austin Hall in the boys discus.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

## Winside's Gabe Escalante gets out of the blocks in the 100-meter dash.

100: 3. Frantzie Barner, Wayne, 13.92; 4. Mallory Erikson, 14.43; 6. Erica Wolfgram, 14.78. 200: 4. Barner, 29.00; 5. Erikson, 30.35. 400: 5. Katy Jones, Wayne, 1:13.23. 1,600: 3. Laura Hasemann, Wayne, 6:15.41; 5. Jordynn Urwiler, 6:30.51. 3,200: 4. Raegan Maas, Wayne, 14:47.67. 100 Hurdles: 2. Kinsey Hall, 18.80; 4. Ella Hartung, 20.13; 6. Sierra Mutchler, Wayne, 20.95. 300 Hurdles: 2. Hall, 54.38; 5. Hartung, 56.29; 6. Kate Hill, Wayne, 58.91. 400 Relay: 2. LCC (Hartung, Hall, Christensen, Wolfgram), 57.22; 3. Wayne (Kniesche, D. Kruse, Hill, Barner), 58.31. 1,600 Relay: 3. Wayne (Kniesche, Klausen, Hill, Jones), 4:55.64; 6. LCC (Erikson, Johnson, Sohler, Potts), 5:10.54; 7. Winside, (Stenwall, Topp, Gubbels, Gnirk), 5:22.19.

3,200 Relay: 2. Wayne (Klausen, Maas, Jones, Hasemann), 11:52.29; 4. Winside (Marx, Naeve, Haase, Gnirk), 13:18.62; 5. LCC (Kock, Young, Hollandsworth, Rose), 13:37.56. High Jump: 1. Wolfgram, 4-6; 3. Jones, 4-6. Pole Vault: 3. Virginia Kniesche, Wayne, 6-0; 5. Kiera Braer, Wayne, 6-0. Long Jump: 4. Hall, 14-9 1/2; 6. Barner, 13-5 1/2. Triple Jump: 3. Erikson, 27-11 1/4; 6. Katelyn VanHorn, Wayne, 27-5. Discus: 1. Kati Topp, Winside, 89-2; 3. Courtney Brink, Wayne, 85-6; 4. Jackie Escalante, Winside, 82-7; 5. Delaney Kruse, Wayne, 82-4. Shot Put: 1. Berniece McCorkindale, 32-9 1/2; 2. Brink, 29-9 1/2; 3. Reggan Kuhlman, 29-3.

Stanton 100, Wisner-Pilger 72, Wayne 61, Winside 24, Lutheran High NE 16.

Area Medalists  
100: 6. Daniel Puppe, 12.13. 200: 2. Gabe Escalante, Winside, 22.97; 6. Deagan Puppe, 23.96. 400: 1. Escalante, 54.78; 2. Wilton Roberts, 55.86; 4. Markus Martin, 56.70. 800: 5. Lance Muhs, Wayne, 2:34.17; 6. Landen Leonard, 2:35.06. 1,600: 2. Jesus Zavala, Wayne, 5:05.04; 5. Dillon Olson, 5:21.35. 3,200: 2. Zavala, 10:54.21; 5. D. Olson, 11:34.55; 6. Tyler Olson, 12:00.90. 110 Hurdles: 1. Dea. Puppe, 15.85; 3. Dan. Puppe, 17.99; 5. Yair Alcantara, Wayne, 19.57; 6. Jake Rath, 20.67. 300 Hurdles: 2. Dea. Puppe, 43.67; 4. Dan. Puppe, 46.13; 5. Alcantara, 48.29. 400 Relay: 2. LCC (Rasmussen, Dea. Puppe, Hartung, Haisch), 47.88; 3. Wayne (Nelson, Judd, Barner, Alcantara), 49.30. 1,600 Relay: 4. LCC (Haisch, Benson, Roberts, Martin), 3:55.37; 5. Wayne (Nelson, Fertig, Junck, Muhs), 4:14.58. 3,200 Relay: 2. Wayne (Aschoff, Kesting, Wibben, Zavala), 9:40.83; 3. LCC (T. Olson, Nelson, Leonard, D. Olson), 9:58.54. High Jump: 1. Carter Junck, Wayne, 5-4; 2. Shane Benson, 5-2; 4. Dean Kruger, Winside, 4-10. Pole Vault: 1. Eli Barner, Wayne, 10-6; 4. Trace



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

## Jesus Zavala runs the lead leg for the Wayne boys 3,200-meter relay.

8-0. Long Jump: 3. Roberts, 18-1 3/4; 4. Dan. Puppe, 18-1. Triple Jump: 4. Benson, 37-0; 5. Jake Bargstadt, Winside, 36-7 1/2; 6. Barner, 34-10 1/2.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

## Randee Haase of Winside carries the baton in the girls 3,200-meter relay during the Wayne Invitational.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

## Wayne's Katy Jones reaches back to take the baton from Raegan Maas in the 3,200-meter relay at the Wayne Invitational.

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**Splits:** Mike Grosz 3-10, Brady Bristol 3-10.

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# Baseball splits Mary, USF

Redshirt freshman starter Brody Sintek worked seven innings allowing just one run, leading Wayne State to a 9-1 win over the University of Mary in the second game of an NSIC baseball doubleheader played Wednesday afternoon at the Pete Chapman Baseball Complex in Wayne.

The opener saw Mary make the most of their six hits as the Marauders defeated the Wildcats 7-5.

WSC got off to a quick start in the first inning, scoring three runs. Eric Standish doubled and scored on an Andrew Hanson single followed by a Bryce Bisenius home run over the right field wall, giving the Wildcats an early 3-0 lead.

Wayne State took a 4-0 lead in the third when Standish singled and scored on a UMary throwing error.

But the next two innings saw the Marauders take control of the game, scoring four runs in the third and another three in the fourth to take control of the game.

WSC had 12 hits in the game, twice as many as Mary. Standish was 3-for-4 with two runs scored. Bisenius ended 2-for-4 with a two-run homer and two RBI while Hanson went 2-for-3 with an RBI and run scored.

Reliever Grant Carl (0-1) suffered the pitching loss, charged with three runs in the fourth inning. Starter Kean Allen pitched three innings while Andrew Staebell closed the contest with 2 1/3 innings of scoreless relief and two strikeouts.

The second game saw Sintek fire seven innings of one run ball while WSC scored runs in six of the nine innings to gain a split with a 9-1 victory.

A two-run single by Noah Roberts got the 'Cats an early 2-0 lead in the first.

Bryce Bisenius delivered an RBI single in the third for a 3-0 WSC lead and the 'Cats pushed the lead to 4-0 in the fourth on a Peyton Barnes solo homer.

Mary scored their lone run of the game in the sixth to make the score 4-1. A three-run seventh inning put the Wildcats in front 7-1. Roberts had a two-run single while Standish singled and later scored on a wild pitch.

Brenden Madsen's RBI single in the eighth gave WSC an 8-1 lead and Standish singled in the ninth and scored on a wild pitch for the final Wildcat run in a 9-1 win.

WSC also had 12 hits in the second game, led by Madsen going 3-for-4 with three runs scored. Roberts ended 2-for-4 with four RBI and Standish was 2-for-4 with two runs scored.

Sintek won his second straight start for the 'Cats with seven straight innings. He allowed just five hits and one run with four strikeouts.

## Wayne tracksters score well

The Wayne High track teams saw some good performances against Class A competition at Thursday's Kruger-May Invite in Elkhorn.

Brooklyn Kruse had a solid day in the throws, winning the shot put while taking second in the discus. Teammate Courtney Brink put up a personal beset to finish sixth in the shot put.

Layne Evans was a double medalist for the boys, placing third in the 300 hurdles and a sixth in the 400. Teammate Alex Phelps was fifth in the 300 hurdles.

Other medalists included Reece Jaqua in the pole vault and the girls 3,200-meter relay, both finishing fifth.

Kruger-May Invite  
Girls Team Standings  
Lincoln Pius 96, Elkhorn North 85, Elkhorn South 80, Benning-

## WSC beach volleyball ends season 5-5

The Wayne State College beach volleyball team battled the University of Tampa 2 team in the Silver Division final of the AVCA Small College Beach Championship Sunday afternoon, but the Wildcats fell 4-1 to the Spartans to finish second place in the Silver Division and eighth place overall at the event played in Tavares, Fla.

Three of the five matches went all three sets, with Wayne State's win coming from the No. 3 pairing of Kelsie Cada and Jordan McCormick, who picked up a 21-19, 21-19 victory in their match.

The Wildcats suffered three close losses to the Spartans in matches that went three sets. The No. 2 team of Alyssa Ballenger and Maddie Duffy fell 17-21, 21-12 and 9-15. The No. 4 duo of Jessie Brandl and Isabelle Vacek were defeated in extra points by scores of 19-21, 22-20 and 19-21 while the No. 5 pairing of

Trenton Frerichs and Lawson Zenner each worked one inning of relief.

Sioux Falls took two of three from Wayne State in a weekend series at Sioux Falls Stadium.

On Saturday, Wayne State split a doubleheader against the Cougars, winning the opener 7-6 before losing the nightcap 15-5.

A five-run fifth inning fueled the Wildcats in the opener.

Trailing 1-0 entering the fourth inning, WSC tied the score at 1-1 with a Bryce Bisenius RBI single that scored Alex Logelin.

Five runs on four hits in the fifth inning put the 'Cats in front 6-1. Bisenius and Noah Roberts each produced two-run singles to highlight the frame along with a run-scoring single from Peyton Barnes.

Sioux Falls started a rally with two runs in the fifth and sixth innings to cut the Wildcat lead to 6-5, but WSC added a much-needed insurance run in the seventh when Logelin doubled and scored on a bunt single by Barnes.

USF had one run in the seventh to reduce the Wildcat lead to 7-6 and senior Lawson Zenner held on for the save.

WSC had 10 hits in the game, led by Bisenius going 3-for-4 with three RBI. Barnes also had three hits with two RBI while Logelin finished 2-for-4 with a double and three runs scored.

Starter Aidan Breedlove (2-2) recorded the pitching win with five innings of work, allowing three runs on three hits. Andrew Staebell and Zenner each pitched one inning of relief with Zenner getting the save.

The Cougars came back in the second game with 13 hits and scoring 15 runs to earn a split with a 15-5 win in eight innings.

WSC used seven pitchers in the contest and was held to just six hits. Hanson was 2 for 5 with a solo homer to lead WSC at the plate while Bisenius also homered, his team-leading eighth blast of the season. Logelin, Barnes and Roberts each singled for WSC.

Starting pitcher Hunter Wienhoff (1-2) was tagged with the pitching loss in four innings of work.

The University of Sioux Falls edged Wayne State College 4-3 Sunday afternoon in the series finale.

After two scoreless innings to start the game, Wayne State struck for three runs in the top of the third inning on four hits. Conner Fiene laced a one-out single to left field and came home on a Brenden Madsen RBI single to right field for the first Wildcat run.

Alex Logelin doubled to left field, bringing home CJ Neumann (single) for the second Wildcat run of the inning while the third run crossed home plate when Madsen scored on a groundout by Andrew Hanson.

ton 60, Elkhorn High 59, Gretna 46, Omaha Northwest 30, Bellevue West 28, Wayne 21, Bellevue East 15, Ralston 6.

Wayne Medalists  
3,200 Relay: 5. Wayne (Krusemark, Hasemann, Belt, Powicki), 10:49.15. Discus: 2. Brooklyn Kruse, 108-9. Shot Put: 1. Kruse, 37-1 1/2; 6. Courtney Brink, 32-8.

Boys Team Standings  
Elkhorn South 141, Gretna 131, Lincoln Pius 88, Boys Town 48, Bellevue West 34, Elkhorn High 22, Bellevue East 17, Bennington 12, Wayne 11, Elkhorn North 10, Omaha Northwest 8, Ralston 4.

Wayne Medalists  
400: 6. Layne Evans, 53.39. 300 Hurdles: 3. Evans, 42.16; 5. Alex Phelps, 42.61. Pole Vault: 5. Reece Jaqua, Wayne, 11-0.

Jacee Weber and Elly Larson suffered a 17-21, 21-14 and 8-15 loss. Wayne State reached the final with a hard-fought 3-2 win over Tusculum (Tenn.) in the semifinal round.

Three of the five matches went all three sets between the two clubs. Wayne State wins came from the No. 2 pairing of Maddie Duffy and Alyssa Ballenger by scores of 22-20 and 21-18. The Wildcat No. 3 duo of Kelsie Cada and Jordan McCormick registered a 21-12, 21-10 win while the No. 4 team of Jessie Brandl and Isabelle Vacek won a thrilling three-set match 21-18, 19-21, 15-11.

Both Wildcat losses were in three sets as the No. 1 team of Hope Carter and Taya Beller fell 15-21, 21-19 and 17-15 while the No. 5 pairing of Jacee Weber and Elly Larson suffered a 24-22, 6-21, 15-11 loss.

Wayne State ends the beach volleyball season with a 5-5 record.

Sioux Falls answered with two runs in the bottom of the third, trimming the Wildcat advantage to 3-2. The Cougars then took the lead with two runs in the bottom of the fifth for a 4-3 lead.

Following the four-hit inning in the third, WSC was held to just one more hit the rest of the game — a fifth inning lead off single by Peyton Barnes.

Sioux Falls held a 12-5 advantage in hits over the Wildcats. Logelin's RBI double in the third inning was the only extra base hit in the game for either team. Madsen, Barnes,

## Wakefield track teams perform at Lyons

The Wakefield track teams saw some good outcomes, led by a boys first-place finish at the B-R/L-D Invitational held in Lyons on Tuesday.

The Wakefield boys scored 141 points to run away with the team title in the 12-school event, while the Wakefield girls finished sixth.

Wakefield's boys won six events on the day. Blake Brown and Justin Erb were both double winners. Brown won the 100 and triple jump, while Erb claimed honors in the 200 and 400. Both were part of the winning 400-meter relay team as well

## WSC throwers impress at Sioux City Relays

Wayne State's throwers made their mark with solid performances at the Sioux City Relays held at Roberts Stadium in Sioux City, Iowa.

In women's action, Kenzie Sullivan captured first place in the discus, winning with an NCAA provisional mark of 157 feet, 6 1/2 inches, while also finishing in a tie for sixth in the shot put at 43-9 3/4.

Mckenzie Scheil reeled off an NCAA provisional mark in the hammer throw, taking third place at 198-0, which is now the second-best mark in NCAA Division II. She also took fourth place in the shot put at 46-4 1/4.

Jadin Wagner collected a sixth place finish in the hammer throw at 177-5 1/4 and was eighth in the shot put with a mark of 43-9 1/4.

In the men's throws, Kade Kalkowski and Cole Christoffersen recorded NCAA provisional marks in the hammer throw.

Kalkowski posted a top throw of 215-0 1/2 for an NCAA provisional mark that is sixth best in NCAA Division II and a second-place finish at the Sioux City Relays. Dylan Kaup came in fourth at 195-7 1/4 while Christoffersen ripped off a mark of 194-2 3/4 to finish fifth with

## Wayne golfers second at Boone Central

Tanner Walling earned medalist honors to help the Wayne High boys golf team post a runner-up finish in Saturday's Boone Central Invitational.

Walling was one of three Wayne golfers to come home with medals. Bo Armstrong place fourth with an 81 while Drew Sharpe was 15th with a 91.

Rounding out Wayne's day was Andrew Jones with a 98 and Tanner Sievers with a 120.

## TCNE gets five firsts at Homer

The Tri County Northeast track and field teams combined for five winning performances to highlight the effort at Thursday's Homer Invitational.

In girls action, Alli Jackson won two events with wins in the triple jump (33-4) and 800-meter run (2:32.97). Jordyn Carr won the long jump (16-10) and Rhyanne Mackling was first in the 1,600-meter run (6:01.33).

Second-place finishes came from Mackling in the 3,200 (13:16.08), Carr in the 100 (13.89) and Jackson in the 400 (1:03.63).

The 1,600-meter relay finished third in 4:29.94, while Carly Dick-

fiene and Neumann each added singles.

Sophomore starter Ryan Obrecht (3-1) suffered the pitching loss, allowing 10 hits and four runs (two earned) in five innings of work with four strikeouts and one walk. Lefthander Andrew Staebell fired three scoreless innings of relief, giving up just two hits with three strikeouts.

Wayne State is scheduled to host Winona State Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in an NSIC mid-week doubleheader at the Pete Chapman Baseball Complex.

with Logan Bokemper and Gabe Lamprecht.

Ryan Anderson also claimed a first, taking the 3,200-meter run.

In girls action, Jordan Metzler claimed a pair of runner-up finishes in the 400 and 300 hurdles, while Anna Lundahl placed second in the discus.

B-R/L-D Invitational  
Girls Team Standings  
Clarkson/Leigh 101, Pender 101, GACC 87, Oakland-Craig 76, Howells-Dodge 74, Wakefield 46, B-R/L-D 35.5, Cedar Bluffs 32, Brownell-Talbot 31, Mead 25.5,

an NCAA provisional mark.

In action on the track, Megan Hansen produced a fourth-place finish in the 100-meter hurdles in 15.23 seconds to lead the WSC women.

Allie Rosener had a seventh-place effort in the 3,000-meter steeplechase in a time of 11:51.28 while Andrea Torres took ninth in the 5,000-meter run at 19:48.08.

Sarah Stang was eighth in the hammer throw (172-6 1/4) followed by Nicole Heeren in ninth at 172-1 3/4 while Kendra Paasch took eighth in the discus (144-6).

In men's action, Preston Davis took seventh in the 110-meter hurdles finals at 15.86 seconds and later placed seventh in the 400 hurdles at 57.99 seconds.

Collin Kotz collected a fifth place finish in the 3,000-meter steeplechase (9:50.94), Will McGonigal was sixth in the 5,000-meter run in 15:40.68, Bailey Peckham took ninth in the 10,000-meter run at 32:57.70 and Grant Fritsch came in ninth place in the discus at 147-3 1/2.

Wayne State is scheduled to compete at the South Dakota Twilight Meet on Wednesday in Vermillion, starting at 3 p.m.

Boone Central Invitational  
Team Standings  
Pierce 341, Wayne 349, Lakeview 369, Ord 369, Schuyler 369, Battle Creek 373, BC/NG 383, Fullerton 387, O'Neill 394, Norfolk Catholic 398, Twin River 454, BC/NG JV 472.

Local Results  
WAYNE — Tanner Walling 79 (1), Bo Armstrong 81 (4), Drew Sharpe 91 (15), Andrew Jones 98, Tanner Sievers 120.

## Wayne baseball picks up wins

The Wayne High baseball team picked up a pair of wins last week, defeating Central City 4-2 and Thurston-Cuming County 3-1.

The win over TC was the second of the season for the Blue Devils, as they used a two-run seventh inning to break a 1-1 tie and come home with the victory.

James Dorsey, Toby Braun and Jaxon Mrsny each had two hits to highlight the Blue Devil offensive effort. Brooks Kneifl added a double to the eight-hit attack.

Jacob Kneifl went the distance for Wayne on the mound, allowing four hits while striking out nine.

In Thursday's win over Central City, Wayne put up three runs in the opening frame and made that stand up on their way to the win.

Wayne had just four hits in the contest, highlighted by a three-run blast from Brooks Kneifl. Victor Kniesche added a triple and Mrsny had an RBI single.

Brooks Kneifl earned the win on the mound, striking out 10 and allowing four hits and two walks.

Scribner-Snyder 15.

Wakefield Medalists  
400: 2. Jordan Metzler, 1:01.93.  
3,200: 3. Rachel Borg, 14:23.07.  
300 Hurdles: 2. Metzler, 48.85.

400 Relay: 5. Wakefield (Arenas, Brudigam, Valenzuela, K. Borg), 56.85.  
1,600 Relay: 8. Wakefield (Munter-McAfee, K. Borg, Valenzuela, Nuernberger), 5:07.26.

3,200 Relay: 5. Wakefield (Mattes, R. Borg, Boeckenhauer, M. Borg), 12:52.80.  
Long Jump: 7. Metzler, 15-3 1/4.  
Triple Jump: 4. Metzler, 32-2.

Discus: 2. Anna Lundahl, 114-6.  
Boys Team Standings  
Wakefield 141, Oakland-Craig 107, B-R/L-D 101, Howells-Dodge 70, Brownell-Talbot 56, Clarkson/Leigh 53, Cedar Bluffs 23, Pender 23, GACC 13, Mead 12, Winnebago 11, Scribner-Snyder 5.

Wakefield Medalists  
100: 1. Blake Brown, 10.78; 6.

Samuel Nuno, 11.90.

200: 1. Justin Erb, 24.41; 3. Logan Bokemper, 24.80.  
400: 1. Erb, 53.57; 3. Bokemper, 54.41.

800: 4. Cade Johnson, 2:16.10.  
1,600: 4. Ryan Anderson, 5:18.00.  
3,200: 1. Anderson, 11:04.23; 7. Couy Johnson, 12:01.13.  
110 Hurdles: 6. Maynor Vargas, 20.72.

300 Hurdles: 2. Brown, 42.37; 4. Gabe Lamprecht, 46.24; 5. Nick Arenas, 46.98.

400 Relay: 1. Wakefield (Bokemper, Brown, Lamprecht, Erb), 45.39.

3,200 Relay: 5. Wakefield (Valenzuela, Sotello, Beltran, Chase), 10:33.71.

High Jump: 2. Erb, 5-8.  
Long Jump: 2. Nuno, 19-11; 3. Lamprecht, 19-10.

Triple Jump: 1. Brown, 41-1; 5. Arenas, 39-0; 6. Cade Johnson, 38-6.

Discus: 8. Rylan Weaver, 105-0.

## Mary, Minot sweep Wildcat softball

The University of Mary had a walk off win in the opener 9-8 followed by a 10-5 victory over Wayne State in the nightcap to sweep a Northern Sun Conference softball doubleheader Saturday afternoon in Bismarck, N.D.

The opener saw WSC score five runs in the top of the seventh to take an 8-7 lead, but Mary came back with a walk off win in the bottom of the seventh to hand the Wildcats a heart-breaking 9-8 setback.

The 'Cats trailed 2-1 after five innings, but WSC produced two runs in the top of the sixth to take a 3-2 lead. Paiton Tornberg and Mary Krystofiak had RBI singles for the Wildcats.

Mary stormed back with a five-run bottom of the sixth inning to take a 7-3 advantage, but Wayne State answered the inning in the top of the seventh with five runs on five hits and one Mary error to take an 8-7 lead.

Jenna Etmans and Emily Hale each recorded two-run singles while Riley Holmberg had an RBI single to spark the big inning.

The Wildcat momentum was quickly wiped away in the bottom of the seventh with a solo homer followed by a pair of walks and a game-winning single to give the Marauders a 9-8 win.

WSC had 13 hits in the game, two more than Mary. Etmans finished 2-for-4 with two RBI and three runs scored to lead a balanced hitting attack. Holmberg was 2-for-4 with two runs scored while Kim Vidlak and Tornberg each added two hits.

Sloan Cooksey suffered the pitching loss with 3 2/3 innings of work while senior Maddie Moser worked three innings of relief.

The second game saw WSC also out-hit Mary 12-10, but the Wildcats could not overcome a seven-run fourth inning by the Marauders in a 10-5 Mary win.

Kortney Buresh singled to start the game and scored on a Kamryn Sparks sacrifice fly for Wayne State's first run.

The 'Cats tied the game at 2-2 in the top of the third when Vidlak singled and scored on a Sparks single.

WSC took a short-lived 4-3 lead with two runs in the top of the fourth on a two-run triple from Vidlak.

Mary gained control of the game

with a seven-run fourth inning for a 10-4 lead. WSC added one run in the sixth on a Vidlak RBI single that brought home Tornberg for the 10-5 final score.

Vidlak led WSC at the plate going 4-for-4 with three RBI. Krystofiak was 2-for-3 while Buresh went 2-for-4 with two runs scored.

Four Wildcat pitchers saw action in the second game with Moser suffering the loss in 2 1/3 innings of work. Callie Carraher pitched one inning, Cooksey 2/3 innings of relief and Ashley Bohanon two innings of relief.

On Sunday, Minot State notched a Northern Sun Conference softball sweep over Wayne State College 8-1 and 13-3.

The opener saw Minot State score runs in five of six innings to record an 8-1 win over the Wildcats.

Wayne State scored their run in the fifth inning when Jenna Etmans opened the inning with a single and scored on an Emily Hale single.

Minot State held a 9-4 edge in hits over the Wildcats. Hale had an RBI single while Kortney Buresh, Etmans and Riley Holmberg each singled.

Cooksey worked five innings and was tagged with the pitching loss while sophomore Hadley Chvatal fired one inning of relief.

The second game saw the host Beavers post six run innings in the second and fourth to fuel a 13-3 win in five innings over the Wildcats.

Wayne State scored one run in the fourth inning when Kamryn Sparks doubled and scored on a single by Etmans.

The 'Cats added two runs in the fifth inning on RBI doubles from Madison Gomez and Etmans.

Wayne State had seven hits in the second game, led by Etmans going 2-for-3 with two RBI. Gomez added an RBI double with Sparks also doubling. Hale, Abby Husing and Holmberg each recorded singles.

Chvatal suffered the pitching loss, now 3-5 on the year. She worked one inning. Senior Maddie Moser pitched 2 1/3 innings of relief with Ashley Bohannon recording the final two outs in the circle.

Wayne State is scheduled to visit Southwest Minnesota State Wednesday for a 1 p.m. doubleheader.

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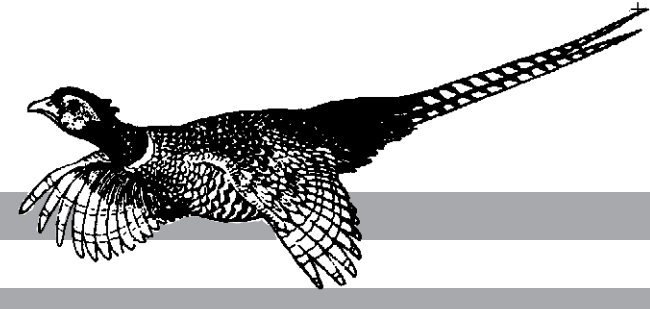
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# Opinion

## Putting the brakes on bad bills

By Governor Pete Ricketts

The Nebraska Legislature is two-thirds of the way through the 2021 legislative session. Over the next several weeks, Senators will vote on a number of key bills. As they do, I encourage Nebraskans to follow closely debate at the State Capitol. Senators have already made good progress on a number of Nebraskans' priorities. The Appropriations Committee has issued its final report on a budget that would control spending to deliver over \$1.45 billion of property tax relief over the next two years. The Unicameral advanced veterans tax relief (LB 387) to final reading on a unanimous vote. Speaker Hilgers has prioritized a bill I requested (LB 388) to build critical broadband infrastructure.

Along with this promising work, however, Senators are considering a few bills that would be bad for Nebraska. I want to call your attention to these bills and share my reasons for opposing them.

### Legalizing Dangerous Drugs (LR 2CA and LB 474)

In recent years, marijuana corporations have tried to make inroads into the Good Life. Well-funded marijuana groups are again pressuring Legislators to legalize the drug. LR 2CA would put full legalization of marijuana on the ballot in 2022. Another bill, LB 474, would partially legalize marijuana now.

Bringing marijuana into Nebraska will hurt kids. In neighboring Colorado, marijuana was the substance most likely to be present in adolescent suicides (age 10-19) during 2016. Marijuana was found in over 30 percent of cases where toxicology data was available. Suicide is now the leading cause of death of adolescents in Colorado. Among the 15-19 age group, the presence of marijuana in suicide toxicology reports increased almost threefold from 2013 to 2017. The link between marijuana and depression among teens is especially alarming given the rising number of adolescents who frequently use the drug. More than 1 in 15 high school seniors use marijuana on a daily basis. Over 21 percent of 12th graders have used the drug in the past month.

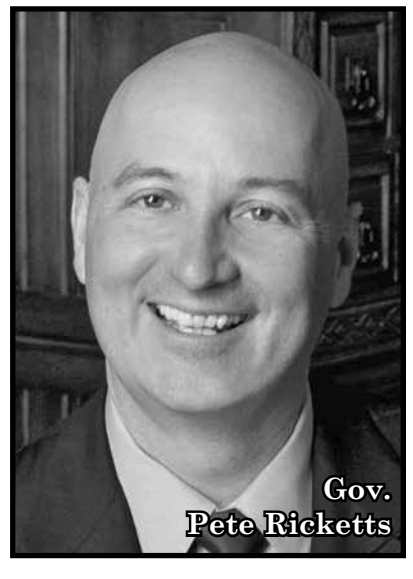
Nebraska will experience the same heart-wrenching outcomes as Colorado if we legalize marijuana in our state. The American Psychiatric Association's statement on marijuana says, "there is no current scientific evidence that cannabis is in any way beneficial for the treatment of any psychiatric disorder. In contrast, current evidence supports, at minimum, a strong association of cannabis use with the onset of psychiatric disorders. Adolescents are particularly vulnerable to harm, given the effects of cannabis on neurological development." Legislators should stand by the science, protect our kids, and oppose efforts by marijuana lobbyists to open our state to this unhealthy and dangerous drug.

### Taking on Major Debt (LB 542)

Nebraska is the least indebted state in the country. That's because, like Nebraska families, we only spend the money we have. Some Senators want to change that. LB 542 would abandon our proven pay-as-we-go approach. Instead, it would load the State with up to \$450 million of debt for new spending on highways.

Senators increased funding for roads just a few years ago with the passage of the Transportation Innovation Act. It authorized \$450 million to speed construction of the state's expressway system and to repair or replace county bridges. Nebraskans will be paying the tab on this legislation all the way until 2033 through state motor fuel taxes.

With LB 542, the State of Nebraska would be taking on major debt and big interest payments. Taking on debt is forever; it never



gets paid off. Funds spent on interest payments are essentially wasted. They won't go to build roads; they'll go to pay creditors. Taking on a huge amount of debt could also jeopardize our strong credit rating as a state. Anyone who has dealt with debt knows how quickly it can get out of control. Senators should slam the brakes on LB 542 and vote against taking on hundreds of millions of dollars of debt—money that will come out of your wallet.

### Food Stamps for Felons (LB 108 and LB 121)

Nebraska law does not allow drug dealers and criminals with three or more felony drug convictions to collect food stamps. LB 121 would change this provision, extending food stamps to felons—regardless of their number of prior drug offenses. Crime has consequences. In Nebraska, multiple drug felonies rightly disqualify individuals from receiving taxpayer-funded food benefits. Nebraskans shouldn't be expected to subsidize the food budgets of drug dealers who repeatedly violate the law and undermine our society.

LB 108 would increase the gross income eligibility limit to apply for food stamps from 130 to 185 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL). However, the vast majority of expected new applicants would not be eligible to receive additional benefits. That's because the federal government limits granting benefits to applicants with a net income at or below 100 percent of the FPL. In other words, LB 108 promises benefits that most applicants won't be eligible to receive. The bill would result in widespread disappointment among applicants and lots of wasted effort by the State to process applications for people ineligible for benefits.

Our state has successfully regained jobs and restored growth after the disruptions of the pandemic. We had the lowest average unemployment rate of any state in 2020, and our current unemployment rate of 3.1 percent is the third-lowest in the nation. The State of Nebraska offers programs like SNAP Next Step to help families in need gain job skills to live better lives. On average, participants who complete SNAP Next Step receive more than a \$20,500 annual increase in their income. We should continue to empower families to achieve greater financial independence.

State Senators represent the people. Their job is to do the work Nebraskans elected them to perform. As Senators decide how to vote on important bills, I encourage you to share your input with them. You can find contact information for your State Senator at [www.NebraskaLegislature.gov](http://www.NebraskaLegislature.gov).

If you have questions about any bills under consideration, please email me at [pete.ricketts@nebraska.gov](mailto:pete.ricketts@nebraska.gov) or call 402-471-2244.

## Capitol View Heavily modified corrections spending bill advances as part of state budget

Commentary by J.L. Schmidt, Statehouse Correspondent The Nebraska Press Association

There are quite a few corrections-centered bills on the Nebraska Legislature's table this year. While there are some solid ideas dealing with transparency and costs of incarceration, it appears those bills will linger in committee while senators focus on a big-ticket item in the state budget.

Included in the Appropriations Committee's budget proposal is LB383 introduced by Speaker of the Legislature Mike Hilgers of Lincoln at the request of the Governor. That bill would fund a new multi-custody level correctional facility with capacity to house 1,512 inmates. The \$230 million project would be financed mostly by transfers from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Nebraska Capital Construction Fund over the next five years.

But the Appropriations Committee disagreed with the Governor's recommendation and amended it to instead transfer \$115 million from the General Fund to the Capital Construction Fund. Committee Chairman Sen. John Stinner of Gering offered a successful amendment to take a broader approach by transferring \$350,000 in FY2021-22 from the construction fund to the state Department of Correctional Services to update their master plan and examine demand for behavioral and mental health and substance abuse services at current correctional facilities, taking into consideration the physical condition of the facilities.

The amendment also would appropriate \$500,000 in FY2021-22 to the department to prepare a program statement and site selection for a new halfway-back community corrections center in Omaha.

An additional \$18 million would fund the design, planning and construction of three specialty units — to be used for additional mental health and geriatric patients or other individuals with special

### Update from the Nebraska Legislature presented

#### Medal of Honor Highway

Last year Beverly Neel and I had the privilege of joining other residents of District 17 to celebrate the completion of the newly named Nebraska Medal of Honor Highway (U.S.20).

On May 11th, Ken Hanel and Daryl Harrison will join others to walk across the Nebraska Medal of Honor Highway in an event called, Walk the Walk. There will also be a motorcycle convoy participating in the festivities. You are invited to join the motorcycles, Walk the Walk with Ken and Daryl, or you may wish to simply attend the Christening of the highway at 5:30 p.m. in Siouxland Freedom Park.

It will be a patriotic day to remember. Medal of Honor Recipient James C. McCloughan of Michigan will sing the National Anthem. Governor Ricketts has been invited to introduce James McCloughan and Charles Hagemeyer, one of only two living Nebraska Medal of Honor Recipients.

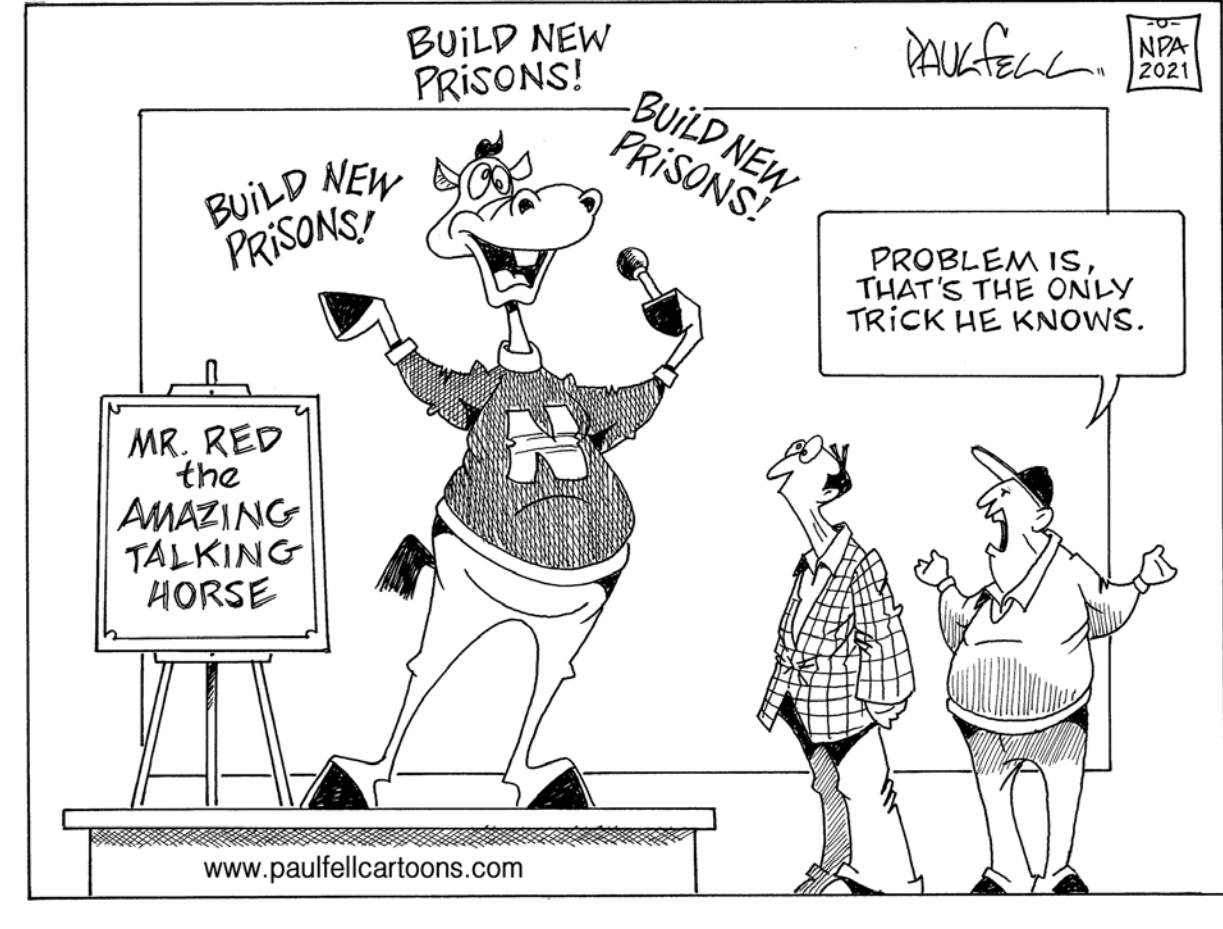
Both Medal of Honor Recipients will be speaking and then will christen the Nebraska Medal of Honor Highway.

For more information contact Nebraska Medal of Honor Foundation, President Daryl Harrison at (402)922-1329 [Pheasant55@harrisonwoc.com](mailto:Pheasant55@harrisonwoc.com).

#### Improvement on US Highway 77

The Nebraska Department of Transportation is planning to improve approximately 5.57 miles of US-Highway 77 (US-77) located in Thurston County. The proposed project, identified as N-94-Winnebago, would be constructed primarily under traffic with lane closures controlled by appropriate traffic control devices; however, a detour would be required for the construction of two bridge-size culverts.

The proposed project would begin approximately 0.18 miles north of the junction of US-77 and Nebraska Highway 94 (N-94) at about mile marker (MM) 163.91, and extend north to MM 169.48, approximately 0.06 miles south of the junction of US-77 and US-75.



needs — which would add at least an additional 96-bed capacity at the state's reception and treatment center.

Finally, the amendment would appropriate \$14.9 million to fund the preparation of designs for a possible new facility, including site selection and an option to purchase, as well as completion of an independent engineering study regarding the useful life of the current Nebraska State Penitentiary in Lincoln, the department's oldest facility which opened its doors in 1869.

"Voting for LB383 doesn't mean you're voting for a prison," Stinner told his colleagues. "It means that you're voting for information."

Committee vice chair Sen. Anna Wishart of Lincoln said the amended bill would allow the state to work with experts from the Criminal Justice Institute — and in collabo-

ration with Nebraska stakeholders — to address broader issues of criminal justice reform. She said CJI are federal experts who "coach" states on how better to manage their criminal justice systems.

Nebraska currently has the second highest overcrowded prison system (behind Alabama) in the United States. Wishart said the amended bill would give the state the opportunity to address the "historic wrong" of mass incarceration that is "steeped in systemic racism." "Our country imprisons more people than any other country in the world, and a disproportionate number of those prisoners are Black," Wishart said. "We cannot build our way to criminal justice reform — not possible — nor should we have the goal of doing that."

Sen. Terrell McKinney of Omaha, one of two blacks in the Legislature, opposed the amendment, saying

it doesn't address the core reasons that individuals end up in the state's correctional system. He said he has witnessed firsthand the state's lack of investment in low-income communities and communities of color such as his North Omaha district.

"Public safety is taking care of people," he said. "We don't invest in the communities that these people come from. Why do we refuse to address the root issues?"

The Appropriations Committee deserves credit for taking a reasoned approach to the issue. Let's hope that they and their colleagues can withstand pressure from the Governor who isn't getting his way.

#### Legislative Update

By Joni Albrecht State Senator, District 17

payers is to assure, when possible, they are directly included in decisions of major spending when tax increases are necessary.

Historically in Nebraska, when a necessity was deemed by a local school board to build new school structure or expand existing structures, we have held elections to fund those projects. When I vote for a local school board member, I have always believed I was giving that person the authority to make policy, hire staff, purchase supplies, pay utilities through the general fund, and maintain the existing school structure through use of depreciation funds included in their reserves. I have never believed that I was giving that individual the authority to build new school structures without my approval through an election. The intent in bringing this LB523 was simple. I wanted to give the citizens a vote on major local tax decisions.

#### Rural-based broadband funding advanced

LB383, which would give rural customers more input on their broadband carriers, was advanced from Select File this week. To qualify for consideration by the Public Service Commission (PSC), a rural-based plan must include an eligible

telecommunications company. The plan would be judged on the company's history and service capability in the area, as well as local support, partnerships with local public power and wireless internet service providers and cooperation by the incumbent local exchange carrier that has lost support from the commission.

A plan approved under the provisions of LB338 by the PSC would include a deployment timeline to include periodic milestones and reporting requirements from the telecommunications company. The bill would require any recipient of ongoing high-cost financial support from the universal service fund to submit to broadband service speed tests by the PSC. Any universal service funds distributed for new broadband infrastructure construction would be directed to projects that provide service scalable to 100 Mbps or greater of upload speed.

Additionally, any political subdivision that receives federal funding for broadband service enhancement would be required to provide service scalable to 100 Mbps or greater for both upload and download speed.

The bill would ensure no federal funding could be used to expand broadband service in locations already capable of 100 Mbps or greater for both upload and download speed. Following the 36-0 adoption, Senators advanced the bill to Final Reading on a voice vote.

#### District 17 COVID-19

The number of positive tests reported for the periods April 8, 2021 to April 15, 2021 in District 17 are as follows:

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- Thurston County: +1 (1158)
- Wayne County: +5 (1120)

I want to thank several of our District 17 Constituents who either contacted my office, or took the time to answer important questions that enabled me to bring accurate information to the floor debate this week. Your input and perspective helps shape legislation in this state and I really appreciate each of you.

I encourage you to contact me and I look forward to hearing from you. You can reach me at 402-471-2716 or [jalbrecht@leg.ne.gov](mailto:jalbrecht@leg.ne.gov).

## Letters

### Share thoughts on trail name

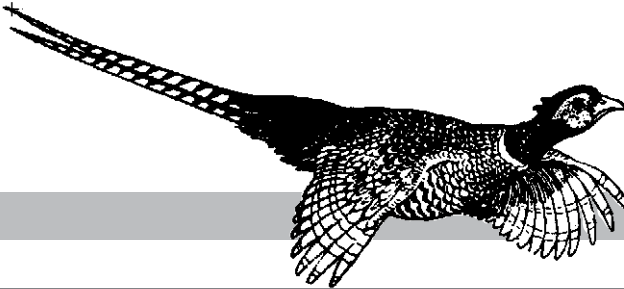
As a follow up to Clara Osten's, April 15 article on the proposed naming of the City of Wayne Trail System, our group hopes that many people have noticed around town the blue posters with big yellow chicken prints. If you have not already done so, please take and unfold one of the packets alongside these posters.

As you read the rationale therein for naming it "The Freedom Trail," you might ponder your own ideas on freedom and how they contribute

to a vision of a community which works towards liberty and justice for all. And if you like the name, "The Freedom Trail," please contact Mayor Giese and your ward reps at [www.cityofwayne.org/121/City-Council](http://www.cityofwayne.org/121/City-Council) to let them know.

Thank you, Bonnie Andersen, member Voices for Vision Coalition of Wayne Barbara Engebretsen, Carolyn Albracht, Sherry Dorman, Gordon and Karen Granberg.





**NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF TECH-NICALLY AMAZING, L.L.C.**

Notice is hereby given that TECH-NICALLY AMAZING, L.L.C., a Nebraska Limited Liability Company has been organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska, with its designated office at 410 Vroman Street; Winside, NE 6870. The general nature of its business is to engage in and to do any lawful act concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of Nebraska. The company was organized and commenced on April 8th, 2021 and the duration of existence of the Company will be perpetual, unless terminated sooner. The affairs of the limited liability company shall be conducted by its Manager pursuant to the Operating Agreement.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Wayne Planning Commission will hold their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, May 3, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Wayne Fire Hall, 510 Tomar Drive.

At or about 7:00 p.m., the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider a Rezoning Request for Lot 3, Southeast Addition to the City of Wayne, Wayne County, Nebraska. The applicant for the request is the City of Wayne and they are seeking to rezone the area from I-1 Light Industrial and Manufacturing to R-4 Residential. The applicant is the City of Wayne.

At or about 7:00 p.m., the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider amending the Wayne Municipal Code, specifically Section 152.064 R-4 Residential District (D) Permitted Conditional Uses (2) Exceptions to include (4) Electrical distribution substations, gas regulator stations, communications equipment buildings, public service pumping stations and / or elevated pressure tanks. The applicant is the City of Wayne.

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. April 22, 2021) ZNEZ

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE WINSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Meeting Date: Monday, April 12, 2021 at 5:34 PM Location: Multi-Purpose Room

Present Members: Jon Jaeger, Carmie Marotz, Tarrin Quinn, Kate Falk and Landon Grothe.

Superintendent: Mr. Offner; Principal: Mr. Friedrich. Absent: Josh Kruse.

President Jon Jaeger called the meeting to order. He pointed out the Open Meetings Act posted in the meeting room and lead the room with the Pledge of Allegiance. He welcomed the public and referred the visitors to the sign in sheet for anyone who would like to address the Board. There was no one who wanted to address the Board. President Jaeger excused Josh Kruse from the meeting.

Motion by Quinn, seconded by Falk to approve the Consent Agenda that consisted of the following: the approval of the Agenda; approval of the March 8, 2021 Board of Education minutes; there was one option in enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year. Ayes-Grothe, Jaeger, Marotz, Quinn and Falk. Nays-None. Absent: Kruse

Mr. Offner presented to the Board the Activities Cash Balance Report and Check Report. Mr. Offner continue with the review of the Financial Report, the Budget Report and presentation of the General Fund Claims, Special Building Fund claims and the Lunch Fund Claims.

Administrative Reports began with Mr. Friedrich presenting the Principal's report. Mr. Friedrich stated the staff and him are working on the Continuous Improvement process. Mr. Friedrich provided to the Board the test schedule for the month. He noted that staff evaluations are complete. On April 7 & 8 Mr. Offner, Mrs. Shaver, Mrs. Clyde, Mr. Prince, Don Skokan, and himself attended mandatory virtually safety meetings. These meetings consisted of safety plans and protocols, held by the Nebraska Department of Education.

Mr. Friedrich spoke of the following Spring Activities: he was pleased with prom, track meets are taking place, and upcoming events are District Music, the Spring Play and Graduation. The 8-11 graders have pre-registered for next year's classes in order to create a first draft of class schedules. Mr. Friedrich ended with presenting the enrollment breakdown.

Mr. Offner presented the Superintendent's report. Mr. Offner stated an Americanism committee meeting will take place after the regular Board meeting in May. Mr. Offner indicated that the informational bond flyers have been mailed out. Also, the community meetings will take place on Sunday, April 18 and Tuesday, April 20, both starting at 6:15pm with tours of the facility and the meeting to follow in the gym at 7:00pm. He also stated that more information can be found on the school website to find the Winside Community Task Force links to Facebook and a website. Mr. Offner stated that the new mobile steps to get on the roof have arrived. The high school and gym roofs will be the main projects this summer. Mr. Offner announced that the FEMA inspection has taken place on the drainage ditch. Mr. Offner is working on the ESSERS II - second round of COVID-19 funding. Mr. Offner is content with how the draws are coming in and where we are sitting financially. Mr. Offner had the Graphic Design class come up with poster ideas for the new Mission Statement. He showed the Board the top 4 ideas, and it was unanimous on the same graphic idea. The school received the "CLOSING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP HONORABLE MENTION AWARD" in Science from the Nebraska Rural Community School Association (NRCSA). Mr. Offner is continuing to look for a divider for the gym. Mr. Offner provided the Board with his summer vacation days.

Discussion items began with the Board considering the wearing of masks or face coverings as an optional choice, however, to highly recommend it for students, staff, and visitors.

Mr. Offner would like to present the classified pay increases in executive session. The Board agreed to present this in executive session.

Mr. Offner announced that Graduation will take place on Saturday, May 8 at 2:00 pm in the gym. President Jaeger will hand out the diplomas and Quinn will announce the names. Discussion took place on where the Board will sit.

Mr. Offner presented the following new hires for the 2021-2022 school year: Heather Wall - vocal music, Trey Frey - Business, and Brandon Kowalski - Social Studies.

Mr. Offner recommends to the Board to retain all our certified staff and approve the teacher contracts.

Mr. Offner recommends to the Board to keep all classified staff and approve the classified contracts.

Mr. Offner would like the view of the Board regarding consolidation with Wayne Community Schools after a comment was made by them concerning the consolidating with surrounding schools.

Mr. Offner announced that the number of students going out for football are increasing and would recommend adding an additional assistant coach.

Mr. Offner indicated there are an increased number of higher needs students attending school next school year and would like the Board to consider an additional para.

Actions began with a motion by Falk, second by Marotz to approve the Financial Report, Budget Report and Claims from the General Fund of \$366,487.14, Special Building Fund of \$320.95 and Lunch Fund of \$21,123.02. Ayes-Jaeger, Marotz, Quinn, Falk and Grothe. Nays-None. Absent-Kruse.

**General**  
Hot Lunch Fund, \$741.40; AG Specialties Welding & Repair, \$6,500.00; Americinn Of Kearney, \$258.00; Appera, \$400.06; BLACK HILLS ENERGY, \$3,050.51; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, \$1,426.82; BOMGAARS, \$104.60; Comfort Inn - Grand Island, \$448.47; Community First National Bank, \$24,521.00; DAS STATE ACCTG-CNTRL FINANCE OCIO, \$463.40; Dirk Jaeger, \$1,042.00; Eakes Office Plus, \$3,043.46; Ellis Home Services, \$489.95; Esu#1, \$40,778.42; Farmers Coop, \$3,282.76; Friedrich, Cory C, \$75.00; HEARTLAND FIRE PROTECTION INC, \$245.50; HOMETOWN LEASING, \$1,131.46; Instrumentalist Awards LLC, \$27.50; KENS BAND INSTRUMENT REPAIR, \$60.00; KSB SCHOOL LAW, \$64.00; Menards, \$170.92; Norfolk Area Shopper, \$462.50; Norfolk Daily News, \$838.24; NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO, \$190.77; Offner, Andrew, \$75.00; Pac'n'save, \$41.41; PrecisionIT, \$1,541.25; REGION III/NESSA, \$25.00; Renaissance Learning Inc, \$4,005.00; School Specialty, \$241.20; Skokan Electric, \$64.52; U S Bank, \$4,618.02; U S Cellular, \$110.36; Village Of Winside, \$2,814.77; Waste

Connections Of Nebraska, \$403.39; Wayne Herald, \$506.19; Winside Public School (REIMBURS), \$652.07; Winsupply of Norfolk, \$133.61; Wps Activity Fund, \$2,500.00

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Payroll \$8,859.12  
\$12,263.90  
\$21,123.02

Motion by Quinn seconded by Falk to approve declining an invitation from Wayne Community Schools for consolidating talks. Ayes-Marotz, Quinn, Falk, Grothe and Jaeger. Nays-None. Absent-Kruse.

Motion by Falk, seconded by Grothe to approve the resignation of LeNell Quinn. Ayes- Quinn, Falk, Grothe, Jaeger and Marotz. Nays-None. Absent-Kruse.

Mr. Offner read the resignation letter from Kent Lawson.

Motion by Quinn, seconded by Grothe

to approve the resignation of Kent Lawson. Ayes- Falk, Grothe, Jaeger, Marotz and Quinn. Nays-None. Absent-Kruse.

The Board would like to thank LeNell Quinn for her 30 years of teaching and Kent Lawson for his seven years of teaching in the District. Their dedication and commitment to the school and students is very much appreciated and wish them a joyful retirement.

Motion by Marotz, seconded by Grothe to approve the wearing of masks and facial coverings as an optional choice, however, to continue as highly recommended for students, staff, and visitors. Ayes-Grothe, Jaeger, Marotz, Quinn and Falk. Nays-None. Absent: Kruse.

Motion by Falk, seconded by Quinn to approve the hiring of Heather Walls as the PK-12 Vocal Music Instructor for the 2021-2022 School year. Ayes-Jaeger, Marotz, Quinn, Falk and Grothe. Nays-None. Absent-Kruse.

Motion by Falk, seconded by Marotz to approve the hiring of Brandon Kowalski as the 7-12 Social Studies Instructor for the 2021-2022 School year. Ayes-Marotz, Quinn, Falk, Grothe and Jaeger. Nays-None. Absent-Kruse.

Motion by Grothe, seconded by Quinn to approve the hiring of Trey Frey as the 7-12

Business Instructor for the 2021-2022 School year. Ayes- Quinn, Falk, Grothe, Jaeger and Marotz. Nays-None. Absent-Kruse.

Motion by Marotz, seconded by Falk to approve the teacher's contracts as presented for the 2021-2022 school year. Ayes- Falk, Grothe, Jaeger, Marotz and Quinn. Nays-None. Absent-Kruse.

Motion by Falk, seconded by Quinn to approve the classified's contracts as presented for the 2021-2022 school year. Ayes-Grothe, Jaeger, Marotz, Quinn and Falk. Nays-None. Absent: Kruse.

Motion by Quinn, seconded by Falk to go into Executive Session at 6:31 pm to discuss the Personnel and Classified Pay Increases. Ayes-Jaeger, Marotz, Quinn, Falk and Grothe. Nays-None. Absent-Kruse.

Motion by Jaeger , seconded by Grothe to come out of Executive Session at 6:44pm Ayes-Marotz, Quinn, Falk, Grothe and Jaeger. Nays-None. Absent-Kruse.

Motion by Grothe, seconded by Quinn

to approve classified pay increases. Ayes- Quinn, Falk, Grothe, Jaeger and Marotz. Nays-None. Absent-Kruse.

The next meeting will take place on Monday, May 10, 2021 in the Multi-Purpose Room at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Grothe, second by Quinn to adjourn. Ayes -All. Nays-none. Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

**Jenni Topp**  
Winside Public School  
Administrative Assistant  
(Publ. April 22, 2021) ZNEZ

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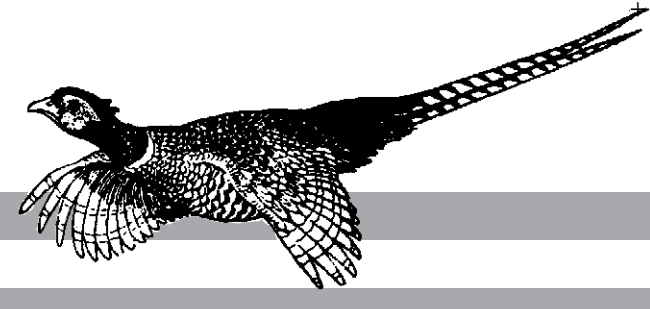
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### NOTICE OF MEETING

The Wayne Community Schools Board of Education will meet for a Special Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 26, 2021, at the Wayne Jr/Sr High School, Room 202, located at 611 West 7th Street, Wayne, Nebraska. An agenda of said meeting, kept continually current, may be inspected at the office of the Superintendent of Schools. The Agenda for the Monday, April 26, 2021, meeting will be published on Friday, April 23, 2021. The Agenda can be found at www.wayneschools.org.

**Deb Daum, Board Secretary**  
(Publ. April 22, 2021) ZNEZ

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS OF WAYNE COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION AND WAYNE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Wayne County Board of Equalization will be held on Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., and the Wayne County Board of Commissioners at 9:05 a.m. in the courtroom of the Wayne County Courthouse in Wayne, Nebraska. Agenda for such meetings are kept continuously current and are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk in the Wayne County Courthouse.

**Debra Finn, County Clerk**  
(Publ. April 22, 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, May 4 2021, in the Community Room of the Wayne 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 Statutes.

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: <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.

**Betty McGuire, City Clerk**  
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### NOTICE OF MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Planning Commission, Monday, May 3, 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.

No person of the City of Wayne shall, on the ground of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity.

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.

**Betty McGuire, City Clerk**  
**Planning Commission**  
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### NOTICE OF NAME CHANGE

#### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

#### CASE NUMBER CI 21-33

#### IN RE NAME CHANGE OF SUKANYA LYNN CAVENEE

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of April, 2021, Sukanya Lynn Cavenee filed a Petition in the District Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which is for the change of the name of the Petitioner's name from Sukanya Lynn Cavenee to Samorn Elizabeth Cavenee.

A hearing on this Petition will be heard at the District Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, 510 N. Pearl St, Wayne, Nebraska on the 2nd day of June, 2021 at 11:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as will be convenient for the court and unless sufficient cause is shown to the contrary, the Petitioner's name will be changed from Sukanya Lynn Cavenee to Samorn Elizabeth Cavenee.

**Luke P. Henderson**  
**One of Petitioner's Attorneys**  
**Fitzgerald, Vetter, Temple,**  
**Bartell & Henderson**  
**1002 Riverside Blvd.,**  
**Suite 200**  
**Norfolk, NE 68701**  
**(402) 371-7770**  
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### NOTICE

#### IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

#### ESTATE OF DANIELA A. MARR, Deceased.

#### Estate No. PR 21-1

Notice is hereby given that a final account and report of administration and a Petition for Complete Settlement, Adjudication of Intestacy, Determination of heirs, and Determination of Inheritance Tax have been filed and are set for hearing in the County Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, located at 510 N Pearl Street, Wayne, Nebraska, on May 3, 2021 at 11:30 a.m.

**Personal Representative/Petitioner**  
**Douglas C. Marr**  
**15801 Ash Lane,**  
**Overland Park, KS 66224**  
**Phone (913)687-3352**

**Michael E. Pieper, No. 18147**  
**Attorney At Law**  
**P.O. Box 427**  
**Wayne, NE 68787**  
**(402) 375-3585**  
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### NOTICE

#### IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

#### JUVENILE DIVISION

#### CASE NO. JV19-9

IN THE INTEREST OF ERIC RICARDEZ and SANDRA RICARDEZ.

Notice is hereby given to Benjamin Suarez and/or John Doe, biological father of Sandra Ricardez, that a Motion to Terminate Parental Rights has been filed with the Wayne County Court, Juvenile Division, Wayne, NE in the above-referenced case, and is set for hearing in the Wayne County Court, located at 510 Pearl Street, Wayne, NE 68787, on the 24th day of May, 2021, at 1:15 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the same may be heard. The

Motion to Terminate Parental Rights will be heard at that time. In the event no answer is filed and no appearances are made in this matter, a final hearing will be had on the above date and time.

Dated this 8th day of April, 2021.

**By /s/ Amy K. Miller**  
**Amy K. Miller, No. 23254**  
**Wayne County Attorney**  
**208 Main Street, P.O. Box 33**  
**Wayne, NE 68787**  
**PH: (402) 833-1440**  
**FAX: (402) 833-1420**  
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### NOTICE

#### IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

#### ESTATE OF WILLIAM A. WILSON, Deceased.

#### Estate No. PR 20-43

Notice is hereby given that an Amended Petition for Elective Share of Augmented Estate of the Decedent has been filed by Rebecca Wilson, surviving spouse, whose address is 6330 Platte Ave., Room 7, Lincoln, Nebraska, and is set for hearing in the County Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, located at 501 N. Pearl Street, Wayne, Nebraska, on May 3, 2021, at or after 1:30 P.M.

**(s) Ashley Siebrandt**  
**Clerk of the County Court**  
**Wayne County Court**  
**510 Pearl Street, Suite B**  
**Wayne, Nebraska 68787**  
**402-375-1622**

**Trev E. Peterson - #16637**  
**Knudsen, Berkheimer, Richardson & Endacott, LLP**  
**3800 VerMaas Place, Suite 200**  
**Lincoln, NE 68502**  
**(402) 475-7011**  
**tpeterson@knudsenlaw.com**  
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### WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 12, 2021

The regular meeting of the Wayne Board of Education was held at 611 West 7th Street, Wayne, NE, 68787, on Monday, April 12, 2021, at 5:00 P.M. Notice of the meeting and place of agenda was posted at Wayne Community Schools, posted in The Wayne Herald (4/8/2021), and online: wayneschools.org. A 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 Puffer, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl. I. Call the Meeting to Order

Discussion: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

I.a. Pledge of Allegiance

I.b. Announce Open Meetings Act Posting and Location - Posted at Wayne Community Schools, Published in the Wayne Herald (4/8/2020), and online: www.wayneschools.org.

I.c. Action on Absence and Roll Call

I.d. Approval of Agenda - The Board may enter Executive Session to discuss any matter for which Executive Session is lawful and appropriate.

Motion to approve agenda, as presented, passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Puffer 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

I.e. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve consent agenda, as presented, passed with a motion by Mr. Lynn Junck 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

I.e.i. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

I.e.ii. Approval of Financial Reports and Claims

II. Communications from the Public (Policy 8346) and Requested Presentations

Discussion: Mindy Heithold spoke to the Board on students wearing masks all day. Ryan Surber and Sonya Tompkins spoke to the Board on the importance of having a HAL and Art teacher for the elementary.

II.a. National Honor Society Check Presentation to the Wayne Food Pantry

Discussion: The National Honor Society awarded Dr. Jodi Puffer, Wayne Food Pantry, a check for \$1,115.45. The money was raised from hosting a Coin War at the Jr/Sr High School.

III. Personnel

III.a. Certificated Staff Hearing Date - Discuss Potential Hearing Dates for a cancellation of a certificated staff contract

Discussion: The Board discussed dates for possible cancellation of a certificated staff contract.

III.b. Teacher Resignation - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Teacher Resignation

Discussion: No action was taken.

III.c. Elementary Librarian/Media Specialist Position - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Elementary Librarian/Media Specialist Position

Motion to approve the contract for Sarah Oltjenbruns for the position of Elementary Librarian/Media Specialist, passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Puffer 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: The Board approved the hiring of Sarah Oltjenbruns for the Elementary Librarian/Media Specialist position.

III.c. Elementary Teacher Position - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Elementary Teacher Position

Motion to approve the contract for Samantha Novak for Elementary Teacher, 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: The Board approved the hiring of Samantha Novak for the Elementary teacher position.

IV. Action Items

IV.a. Old Business

IV.b. New Business

IV.b.i. Business Manager Position - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Business Manager Position

Motion to authorize the Superintendent to proceed with posting and recruitment of the position of Business Manager, 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. Jodi Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: The Board agreed to give Dr. Lenihan authority to post the Business Manager position.

IV.b.ii. Last Day of 2020-21 School Year - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Last Day of 2020-21 School Year

Motion to approve the End of School Year schedule, as presented, 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: The Seniors last day will be Tuesday, May 11, 2021. Graduation is set for Saturday, May 15, 2021, at Rice Auditorium. The Early Learning Center PK4 graduation will be Wednesday, May 12, 2021. The last day of school for the Early Learning Center will be Friday, May 14, 2021. The last day of school for k-11 is Tuesday, May 20, 2021. It will be a full day of school. The teachers last day will be Wednesday, May 26, 2021.

IV.b.iii. Accept 2021 Graduate List - Discuss, Consider, and Accept 2021 Graduate List

Motion to receive the Graduation List for the Class of 2021 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: The Board accepted the 2021 list of graduates. Graduates will receive their diplomas upon successful completion of graduation requirements.

IV.b.iv. First Student Consent Agreement - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Consent Agreement to Transfer Assignment of Transportation Agreement to First Student

Motion to approve the Consent Agreement to Transfer Assignment of Transportation Agreement to First Student, passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Puffer 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: The Board approved the agreement from First Student bus company. They have purchased Mid States School Bus. Current services will not be interrupted.

IV.b.v. First Reading of 2021-22 7-12th Grade Student Handbook - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on First Reading of 2021-22 7-12th Grade Student Handbook

Motion to approve the First Reading of 2021-22 7-12th grade Student Handbook passed with a motion by Mr. Justin Davis 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: Mr. Hight discussed the changes to be made to the 2021-22 Jr/Sr Handbook. The Board approved the first reading of the 2021-22 Jr/Sr Handbook.

IV.b.vi. First Reading of 2021-22 Kids Club Handbook - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on First Reading of 2021-22 Kids Club Handbook

Motion to approve the First Reading of 2021-22 Kids Club Handbook 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: Mr. Plager discussed the changes to the 2021-22 Kids Club handbook. The Board approved the first reading of the 2021-22 Kids Club handbook.

IV.b.vii. COVID-19 Update - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on COVID-19 Update

Motion to remain in the "Yellow" status per the WCS Covid-19 Response Plan passed with a motion by Mr. Lynn Junck 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: Mr. Plager discussed the changes to the 2021-22 Kids Club handbook. The Board approved the first reading of the 2021-22 Kids Club handbook.

IV.b.viii. COVID-19 Update - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on COVID-19 Update

Motion to approve the Strategic Plan Proposal from NASB passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Puffer 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: Dr. Lenihan informed the Board that the district still has students and/or staff under quarantine and isolation situations.

IV.b.ix. NASB Strategic Planning Process - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on the Proposed NASB Strategic Planning Process

Motion to approve the Strategic Plan Proposal from NASB passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Puffer 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: Dr. Lenihan informed the Board that the district still has students and/or staff under quarantine and isolation situations.

IV.b.x. Restroom Project Guaranteed Maximum Price - Discuss, consider and take all necessary action with regard to approving the guaranteed maximum price amendment to the construction manager at risk agreement for the proposed restroom and other renovations to the high school

Motion that the Board of Education of this School District should and does hereby approve the guaranteed maximum price amendment, in the amount of Three Hundred Fifty Three Thousand, Seven Hundred Dollars (\$353,700), to the construction manager at risk agreement between the School District and OCC Builders, LLC for the proposed construction of restroom and other renovation to the high school, in the form on file with official School District records as presented at this meeting or with such changes as are deemed necessary and in the best interest of the School District and approved by the Superintendent of Schools, and further hereby delegates authority to and authorizes and directs the board president, or designee to sign, execute and deliver the agreement, any agreement amendments, change orders or other documents call for in such agreement, to pay the contract sum, and to take all other action necessary to carry such agreement into effect, 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: The Board approved the Guaranteed Maximum Price for the Restroom Renovation Project. Keith Moje, from Otte Construction, was on hand to answer any questions the Board had on the Project.

V. Administration and Board Committee Reports:

V.a. Administration - Written reports were provided by Administration. Copies of their reports are available at the District Office upon request.

V.a.i. Superintendent

V.a.i.1. Annual TIF Report

Discussion: Dr. Lenihan explained the annual TIF report from the City of Wayne. The report shows the property taxes that are affected by redevelopment projects that are financed through the division of taxes.

V.a.i.2. Lunch Fund Cash Coverage

Discussion: Dr. Lenihan discussed the Lunch

Fund Cash Coverage letter that will be sent to Nutrition Services. The letter explains how the excess in funds may be used for purchasing needed items for the upcoming school year.

V.a.i.3. Use of ESSER II Funds

Discussion: Dr. Lenihan discussed how the district will use the funds received from the ESSER II Funds.

V.a.ii. High School Principal

Discussion: Mr. Hight stated that a lot of end of the year activities are happening. ACT testing for the Juniors is done.

V.a.iii. Special Education/Early Learning Center Director

Discussion: Mrs. Bear stated that the district is in the middle of testing season. She discussed the Para Evaluation worksheet that had been updated.

V.a.iv. Elementary Principal

Discussion: Mr. Plager stated that he is exploring different math curriculum options. The school-wide title plan has been reviewed and submitted.

V.a.v. Junior High Principal/Activities Director

Discussion: Spring seasons are off to a great start. The Athletic Banquet will be at the Jr/Sr High School on Monday, May 17, at 7:00 p.m. Details are being finalized.

V.b. Board Committees

V.b.i. Foundation and Community Relations - Jaime Manz, Justin Davis, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan, Dave Wragge, Brandon Foote

Discussion: The Alumni Basketball/Volleyball tournament brought in \$3700. Five IDEA grants were awarded this year to teachers.

V.b.ii. Curriculum and Committee on American Civics - Jeryl Nelson, Jaime Manz, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan, Misty Bear

Discussion: The committee will need to meet soon.

V.b.iii. Facility/Safety/Finance - Lynn Junck, Jodi Puffer, Justin Davis, Mark Lenihan, Russ Plager, Rochelle Nelson, Jordan Widner

Discussion: A couple of heat pumps were installed over Easter break. The safety visit went well.

V.b.iv. Policy/Title IX - Jeryl Nelson, Jaime Manz, Jodi Puffer, Mark Lenihan, Russ Plager, Tucker Hight

Discussion: No report.

V.b.v. Negotiations - Jeryl Nelson, Lynn Junck, Justin Davis, Mark Lenihan

Discussion: No report.

V.b.vi. Legislative - Jodi Puffer, Lynn Junck, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan

Discussion: The Board discussed different legislative bills that are being discussed by the Unicameral.

VI. Boardsmanship

VI.a. April Honor Recognition Letter

Discussion: The April Honor Recognition letter was sent to the following groups of students: Early Learning Center graduates, Severe Weather Awareness Poster Contest winner, State Qualifying Boys Basketball team, Mock Trial Region 6 Runner-Up, State Speech Medalists, Northeast Community College Academic Contest winners, Regional Science Fair participants and finalists.

VII. Future Agenda Items

\*Second Reading of 7-12 Handbook

\*Second Reading of Kids Club Handbook

\*Non-Certificated Staff Salaries

\*Review of EL Program

\*HVAC Maintenance Bids

Discussion: Strategic Planning will also be included on the May agenda.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn Meeting 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 Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will be Monday, May 10, 2021, in Room 202 of the Jr/Sr High School.

**CHECK REPORT - 3/19/2021**

Aetna Insurance, 113,915.78; Ameritas Life Insurance Co. (Dent), 6,807.60; Credit Bureau Services, 285.16; Elkhorn Valley Bank, 6,390.00; First Concord Benefits Group, 4,805.28; Gregory N. Lohr, 120.07; Payroll Account, 99,276.95; S.D. 17 Payroll Account, 134,728.01; TSA Consulting Group, Inc., 1,341.75; United Of Omaha, 2,569.50; Vision Services Plan, 1,069.54; Wayne Public School Foundation, 247.00; Aetna Insurance, 1,676.52; Ameritas Life Insurance Co. (Dent), 116.96; Elkhorn Valley Bank, 350.00; Payroll Account, 3,132.89; S.D. 17 Payroll Account, 4,072.85; United Of Omaha, 24.26; Direct Deposit, 373,774.05

**Sub Total: . . . . . \$754,704.17**

**CHECK REPORT - 3/16/2021 Payroll**

Aetna Insurance, 3,043.45; Ameritas Life Insurance Co. (Dent), 198.00; Internal Revenue Services - EFT, 120,622.36; Nebraska Retirement Systems - EFT, 102,409.84; State of Nebraska - EFT, 18,178.50; United Of Omaha, 1,448

**Sub Total: . . . . . \$244,453.63**

**CHECK REPORT - PC 3/31/21**

Gamble, Jamie, 620.95; Klahn, Emilee, 55.41; South Sioux City Public Schools, 480.00; Wayne State College, 45.00

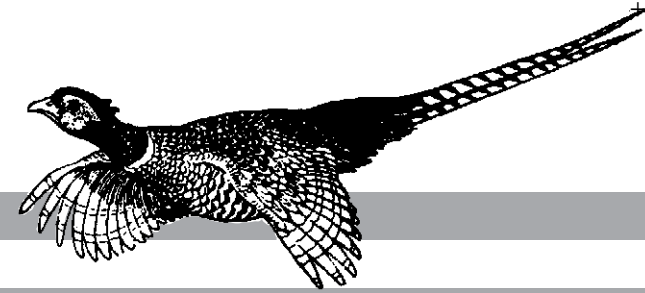
**Sub Total: . . . . . \$1,201.36**

**CHECK REPORT - GF 4/1/2021**

State Nebraska Bank - EFT, 124.60; Nebr. Assoc. Of School Boards, 5,315.00; Anderson's Alphabet U, 108.27; Annabell Gardens (1582), 2,583.15; Auto Anatomy Alternatives LLC, 384.80; Battery Exchange, LLC, 524.50; Black Hills Energy, 1,105.67; Bomgaars, 496.77; Butterfly Network, Inc., 2,444.00; Chemsearch FE, 1,955.80; City of Wayne, 16,4

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## Haskell Ag Lab Family Field Day planned School Lunches

We have exciting news to share coming up this summer. We are planning an in-person Family Field Day at the Haskell Ag Lab in Concord. As in previous years, we will have vendor booths, demonstrations, educational presentations, as well as information on Haskell Ag Lab and Nebraska Extension happenings.

**Dixon County**

**Sarah (Paulos) Roberts**

Extension Educator



**UNL Extension**

New this year is our inclusion of food truck options for lunch. Attendees will receive vouchers that can be used towards purchasing food at their choice in food vendor. We encourage families, farmers, and agriculture producers to attend the day. Children and youth will have the opportunity to participate in hands-on science and ag-related activities.

Specific to early childhood, we will have a presentation and booth highlighting the Learning Child's Early Childhood STEM Imagination Guides that feature animal habitat explorations and foster a connection between STEM (science,

technology, engineering, and math) and literacy for young children. Child care providers and parents with young children are welcome to attend to gain more information on using this free resource at home and in child care settings!

This event is planned for Wednesday, June 30, beginning at approximately 9 a.m. At this time, we plan to host an in-person event, but due to potential changes in COVID-19 precautions and requirements, adjustments may need to occur before or on the day of the event.

Follow the Haskell Ag Lab on Facebook to stay current on the event and to receive up-to-date information on research and education. For more information, email sarah.roberts@unl.edu or mary.jarvi@unl.edu. We look forward to welcoming you back to the Haskell Ag Lab!

## Pioneer Farm Families are being sought

Each year, The Aksarben Foundation partners with the Nebraska Farm Bureau and the Nebraska Association of Fair Managers to present the Pioneer Farm and Heritage Farm Awards.

This program recognizes farm families in Nebraska whose land has been owned by members of the same family for 100 years (Pioneer Award) and 150 years (Heritage Award).

A family may receive one award at a time, so the family is asked to apply for either the 100-year or the 150-year award.

The farm's current minimum size required to apply is 40 acres, unless the original deed or homestead documents state the original homestead was less than 40 acres.

Any applications submitted after the deadline date of May 1 will be awarded the following year.

Apply online at [https://aksarben.org/farm-family-awards/#gf\\_4](https://aksarben.org/farm-family-awards/#gf_4) or mail the information to the Wayne County Agricultural Society, P.O. Box 133, Wayne, Neb. 68787.

### ALLEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (April 26 - 30)

**Monday:** Breakfast — Cherry strudel. Lunch — Chicken patty on a bun, Rosemary potatoes, vegetable, fruit.

**Tuesday:** Breakfast — Long John. Lunch — Pepperoni pizza, vegetable, fruit.

**Wednesday:** Breakfast — Banana loaf. Lunch — Country fried steak, masked potatoes, gravy, vegetable, fruit, tea roll.

**Thursday:** Breakfast — Chocolate donut. Lunch — Barbecue pork sandwich, spiral fries, vegetable, fruit.

**Friday:** Breakfast — Waffles. Lunch — Calzones, tri tater, vegetable, fruit.

Most breakfast meals include a variety 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 (April 26 - 30)

**Monday:** Breakfast — Scrambled eggs. Lunch — Mini corn dogs.

**Tuesday:** Breakfast — Dutch waffle. Lunch — Pizza.

**Wednesday:** Breakfast — Pancake wrap. Lunch — Creamed turkey over mashed potatoes.

**Thursday:** Breakfast — Breakfast burrito. Lunch — Tavern.

**Friday:** Breakfast — Pop Tarts. Lunch — Hot dog.

Menu subject to change. Cereal offered for breakfast everyday.

### WAKEFIELD SCHOOLS (April 26 - 30)

**Monday:** Breakfast — Mini cinnis, pears. Lunch — Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, homemade bun, apples.

**Tuesday:** Breakfast — Pancake on a stick, fresh fruit salad. Lunch — Chicken casserole, peas, dinner roll, peaches.

**Wednesday:** Breakfast — Yogurt, granola, mandarin oranges. Lunch — Italian Dunkers, green beans, pears.

**Thursday:** Breakfast — Banana muffin, apples. Lunch — Tater tot casserole, corn, dinner roll, fresh fruit salad.

**Friday:** Breakfast — Breakfast pizza, apples. Lunch — Hot dogs, smiley fries, fruit cup.

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 (April 26 - 30)

**Monday:** Breakfast — Cheese

omelet. Lunch — Chicken fajita, flat bread, Romaine lettuce, refried beans, pears.

**Tuesday:** Breakfast — Pancake on a stick. Lunch — Stromboli, green beans, broccoli, mixed fruit.

**Wednesday:** Breakfast — Waffles. Lunch — Sweet & sour chicken, brown rice, Oriental vegetables, celery, pineapple.

**Thursday:** Breakfast — Breakfast burrito. Lunch — Pulled pork, hamburger bun, carrots, French fries, cranberries, apple crisp.

**Friday:** Breakfast — Breakfast pizza. Lunch — Fish, bun, broccoli, corn, mixed fruit.

Chef salad is optional for K-12. Milk served with every meal. Menus subject to change.

### WINSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (April 26 - 30)

**Monday:** Breakfast — French toast. Lunch — Chicken tenders, vegetable, fruit, bread stick.

**Tuesday:** Breakfast — Cereal. Lunch — Breakfast for lunch. Omelet, sausage links, vegetable, fruit, muffin.

**Wednesday:** Breakfast — Pancake. Lunch — Barbecue patty, bun, baked beans, fruit.

**Thursday:** Breakfast — Muffin. Lunch — Chicken alfredo, peas, fruit, roll.

**Friday:** Breakfast — Sausage. Lunch — Pizza, vegetable, fruit. Milk served with all meals. Menu subject to change. Late starts - no breakfast or K-2 salad plates.

### Senior Center

## Congregate Meal Menu

(Week of April 26 - 30)

The Wayne Senior Center is closed to the public for all in-house dining and social activities. Senior Center staff will still be providing Meals on Wheels and curb-side pickup meal service for noon meals. Please call the Senior Center staff at (402) 375-1460 for details or email them at dbertrand@cityofwayne.org for information. Staff will be available between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m.

**Monday:** Turkey tetrazzini, Italian peas, biscuit & honey, strawberry shortcake.


**Tuesday:** Chili soup, sliced white bread, crackers, relish sticks with Ranch, apple pie.

**Wednesday:** Ham balls, stewed tomatoes, baked potato, dinner roll, raspberry gelatin with fruit.

**Thursday:** Fish sandwich, homemade bun, maple glazed carrots, scalloped potatoes, tarter sauce, lettuce leaf, mandarin orange salad.

**Friday:** Creamed chicken over biscuit, broccoli with cheese sauce, cranberry salad, chocolate cherry cake.

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The family of **Lucille Peterson** requests a **Card Shower** for her **95th birthday** on **April 27th**. Cards can be sent to 124 Wilcliff Drive, Wayne, NE 68787

Help family and friends of **Donald Liedman** celebrate his **80th birthday** on **April 27th** with a **CARD SHOWER**. Cards can be sent to Don at 56488 859th Rd. Carroll, NE 68723

**FREE EARTH DAY MOVIE**

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Sunday, April 25, 2021, 7pm

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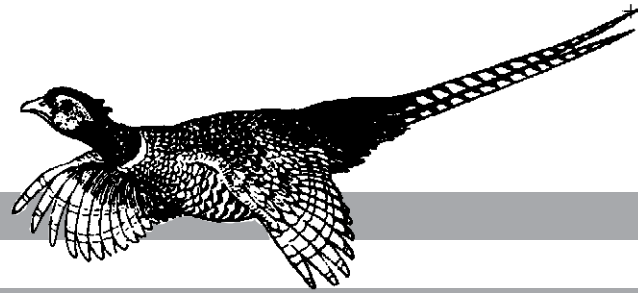
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7:30 p.m. Online worship opportunities also available. **Monday:** Choir, 6:15 p.m. **Wednesday:** Bible Study, 9 a.m.; Bell Choir, 5 p.m.; Midweek, 6:30 p.m. **Thursday:** College Bible Study, 5:30 p.m. **Saturday:** Family Communion, 4 p.m. **Sunday:** Worship, 8 and 10:30 a.m.; Bible Class and Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Sunday Night Supper, 7:30 p.m.

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Thursday: Newman Council meeting, 6 p.m.; Adoration, 7 p.m.; Mass, 8 p.m.; Wayne State Community Night, 8:30 p.m. **Friday:** Mass, 8 a.m.; **Saturday:** Confirmation Interviews, 9 a.m.; Confession, 5:30 p.m.; Mass, 6 p.m. **Sunday:** Mass, 8 and 10 a.m. Mass will continue to be livestreamed on YouTube; Dixon Hot Beef dinner. Confirmation practice, 1 p.m.; Last Sunday Supper; Mass, 7 p.m. **Monday:** Bible Study Group, Holy Family Hall, 1 p.m.; All School Rosary, 3:10 p.m.; Mass, 5:15 p.m.; Santa Maria Prayer Group, 6 p.m.; RCIA, rectory, 6:45 p.m. **Tuesday:** Mass, 5:15 p.m. **Wednesday:** Confirmation Mass, 6:30 p.m. **Thursday:** Finance Council meeting, 6 p.m.; Adoration, 7 p.m.; Mass, 8 p.m.; Wayne State College Community Night, Holy Family Hall, 8:30 p.m. **Friday:** Mass, 8:15 a.m.; Beef Burrito Fundraiser. **Saturday:** Confession, 5 p.m.; Mass, 6 p.m.

Confirmation Class at Concordia Lutheran Church, 7 p.m. **Saturday:** HOPE/WELCA Spring Gathering at Salem in Dakota City.

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Sunday: Worship service, 9 a.m. Service available on YouTube.com.

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Friday: Mass at St. Mary's in Laurel, 8 a.m. **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. Dixon Hot Beef Dinner. **Wednesday:** Mass at St. Mary's in Laurel, 8 a.m. **Thursday:** Mass at St. Mary's in Laurel, 8 a.m. **Friday:** Mass at St. Mary's in Laurel, 8 a.m. **Sunday, April 25:** St. Anne's Hot Beef Dinner.

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## Winside Trinity Lutheran WELCA gathers

The WELCA of Trinity Lutheran Church in Winside met April 8.

Before the regular meeting four members met to tie quilts for Lutheran World Relief. After that President Jan Topp called the business meeting to order. Roll call was answered by five members and PMA Glenn Kietzmann. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved. The Spring Ingathering, "Creation and Praise," will be held Saturday, April 24 at Salem Lutheran Church in Dakota City. The Pie and Ice Cream Social held in the Winside Auditorium and supported by all three churches in Winside will be Sunday, June 20. It is Trinity's turn to chair this event and details were discussed by those in attendance. Sue Topp will be the chairperson.

The WELCA will be serving cake after worship services on Sunday, May 2 to honor graduates. Members discussed hanging a quilt in the church that Arlene Weible made the blocks for and WELCA had it put together and quilted. All in attendance thought this was a good idea. PMA Kietzmann gave the Bible Study based on the gospels. The meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer. A cooperative lunch and fellowship was held following the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 13. Those wishing to tie quilts are asked to meet at 1 p.m. with the regular business meeting beginning at 2 p.m.

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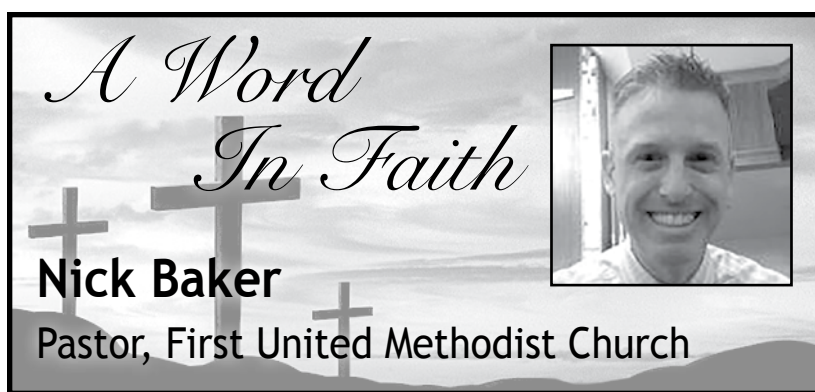
# Appreciating the showers and flowers in life

It's a great time of year! The cold and gloomy days of winter have given way to warm and sunny afternoons. Sure, it can be windy at times, but a breezy 60 degrees is a far cry from a blustery 25 degrees. And as we continue to move through the month of April, the following phrase comes to mind: April Showers Bring May Flowers.

As we know in Nebraska, rain showers are pretty important. Rain falls and provides needed moisture to our land, crops, lakes, rivers, and ponds. Rain drops also help clean off the dirt, grime, salt, and sand left behind by months of winter. The showers wash away the old, the dirty, the dry.

But sometimes the rain that we find so refreshing can come in torrents and storms. Rain can be accompanied by strong winds, crushing hail, booming thunder, and lightning that flashes across the skies. In the middle of the storm, we might experience confusion, uncertainty, even fear. And when the storm has passed, we find damage and brokenness.

In the wake of the rain, however,



comes new growth. As a result of the water that falls from the sky, we start to see new life come up out of the ground. Fresh, green plants, flowers, and grass start to rise out seemingly lifeless dirt and trees.

Our life is often like a rain shower. Drops fall from above and have the power to wash us clean. The dirt and grime from our past slowly wash away. Storms can also roar and rip through our life, causing confusion, uncertainty, and chaos. We're left looking back at the wreckage of conflict, pain, or bad decisions.

Whether the rains of life result in gentle showers or chaotic storms,

new beginnings can be found after they have passed. Just as fresh,

## Wayne Zone LWML holds spring workshop

The Wayne Zone LWML held its Spring Workshop at Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne on April 13.

After a short hymn sing, those in attendance were welcomed by Zone President Rhonda Sebade. Pastor Erik Christiansen of Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne gave an opening devotion on 1 Corinthians. "Christ is our trophy to be lifted up by His victory over death and His resurrection."

The District report was given by Rhonda Sebade. The first two of our Mission projects have been paid. #1 Our Savior Preschool at Winnebago - \$3,730.00 and #2 Mission Central - \$10,000.00.

The National Convention is at Louisville, Kentucky June 24 - 27. Susie Awe from Hope in South Sioux City is the zone delegate. The Young Women Representatives are Emma Jesse and Courtney Foulks. The National mission goal was \$2,100,000.00 for 2019 - 2020. This was met and the new goal for 2020 - 2021 is \$2,150,000. There will be four offerings collected during the convention, so please send checks with Susie Awe.

Pastor Michael Awe from Hope in South Sioux City gave the Bible Study on Genesis 1, "where we come to know our identities on being made in the image of the triune God. We identify Him by what He has done and we by how we were made by Him who by incarnation became flesh and lived in righteousness and holiness. From the cross He asked God to forgive us. We need to show who He is through our words and actions. Our new self is put on at baptism where we come to know who we are and whose we are. As children of God, when He appears we shall see that we are like Him. We will see His glory and we want this. We were made to rule over everything but with that comes responsibility and caring for us. To find who we are we need to look into the waters of baptism. We are baptized this is true,

green sprouts of flowers break through the soil after days of showers, so too can new hope spring forth after life's rain pours down.

So, as we anticipate the May Flowers that will rise from April's Showers, may we remember that we can experience flowers of hope and new beginning from the showers that fall around us.

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but we are not then just left on our own. Trusting Him we see that we are the reason for all of creation different from everything else. Praise be to God, our Maker and our Redeemer."

The guest speaker was Rev. Nabil S. Nour from Harford, South Dakota. The theme was "Know Your Identity." In the Scripture readings that was reviewed, attendees learned that our identity is "Man - made in God's image, Children of God, citizens of heaven, recipients of life in Christ, chosen people, a royal priesthood, a Holy nation, treasured possessions. The world identifies man differently.

"For instance the concept of gender according to preferences. This calls God a liar. Our greatest treasure on earth is our identity in Christ. Until it becomes prominent in our thinking, we remain stuck in the impossible struggle to make our sinful flesh behave. Others see us as hypocrites, trying to act out the role of Christians but failing to do what we say. It is God who plants His love in a man's heart so that they know they are intertwined and created in His image. He loved us before we were us. Every saint has a past and every sinner has a future. As we identify in Christ we are saints, appreciated, saved, reconciled, afflicted, heard, gifted, new, forgiven, complete, loved, rewarded, victorious, and heaven bound. We are blessed beyond measure, but a measure that stretched within the arms of Christ as he hung on the cross to give us eternal life.

The group had an ingathering of women's hygiene kits and school kits that will be given to Orphan Grain Train. A blessing of the ingathering was done by Pastor Awe.

After a table prayer, the group had lunch together.

The attendance for the day was 43 and the offering for the Zone was \$537.81.



Warren Halbusch and comfort dog, Eden, visit with those at Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne.

## Comfort dog visits Grace Lutheran Church

A comfort dog came to Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne recently.

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League and the Sunday school children collected mites for the Comfort dog and the group invited them to come to visit Wayne.

The comfort dog team came from Peace Lutheran Church in Columbus. The dog is a two-year old golden retriever and her name is Eden.

Her handlers were Warren and Mary Halbusch from Columbus. In addition, Andy Stadler helped with the demonstration. Warren and Mary received Eden in January.

There are currently seven comfort dogs in Nebraska. Anyone interested can go to <http://www.Lutheranchurchcharities.org/nebraska-affiliates.html> and get more details about the dogs.

## Grace Lutheran Ladies Aid holds April meeting

Sixteen members and one guest, Dereck Jareske, attended the April 14 meeting of Grace Lutheran Ladies Aid.

President Rhonda Sebade led the group in reciting the LWML Pledge. Christian Growth Leader Jan Casey gave a devotion entitled "The Gift of Love Package". When we receive a love package from a friend, it deserves our full attention. Many times we receive a love package from God also. It deserves our immediate attention because of the wonderful things this package may contain.

President Sebade present information about the Mission Grant that supports the LCMS Deaconess Ministry program which provides LCMS students the opportunity to become church professionals.

Dereck Jareske led a Bible study, "Joy In His Presence", from the Quarterly magazine. Joy comes in viewing God's grace as we savor an appreciation for the small things in Life. Many Bible verses were explored to help us to obtain joy in our lives. Praising God reveals our trust in Him and joy is God's blessed result.

Minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was given and filed for audit.

Committee reports were given. During the month of March, five quilts were tied. Twenty-two quilt tops are ready to be tied. The greeting card ministry is going strong. A check was received for Best Choice labels turned in and label collection continues toward the next goal. President Sebade thank members for their labors and food donations

for the LWML Spring Workshop which was well attended on April 13.

During LWML Sunday in October 2020, Sunday School children were given a child's version of our LWML mite boxes. The children have been saving their coins to support a comfort dog. This comfort dog was brought to Grace Church Sunday April 11 to visit the Sunday School classes. Eden, a golden retriever, stole the hearts of everyone and helped all of us to learn about the benefits of the Comfort Dog Program.

Special thanks were given to Warren and Mary Halbusch from Peace Church in Columbus for bring Eden to Wayne. Sunday School children contributed \$70 and another \$250 was given by the congregation in support of this program.

The meeting concluded by packing school kits and hygiene kits for Orphan Grain Train. The backpacks and contents were Spring Workshop gifts-of-the-heart from area LCMS congregations.

The next meeting will be Wednesday May 12.

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# Edwards selected for Jr. Law Allen News

Selected by the Winside American Legion to attend Jr. Law for 2021 is Aubrie Edwards. Aubrie is the daughter of Justin and Robin Edwards and is a Junior at Winside High School. To be eligible for Jr. Law Aubrie needed to be able to complete their physical requirements, have a positive attitude and display respect toward law enforcement, have an average or above average scholastic record, and have a driver's license/permit. Every year, high school juniors from each of The



**Aubrie Edwards**  
American Legion's 14 Districts in Nebraska are chosen to participate

in the Junior Law Cadet Program. To be chosen the student must be chosen by their local Legion and then compete at the district level to be chosen to attend. Unfortunately, this year due to COVID the district did not choose an attendee as Jr. Law has been cancelled for 2021. Jr. Law is a program to allow male and female students the opportunity to explore and experience the various aspects of law enforcement training. Students participate in daily calisthenics and receive training in firearms, self-defense, fingerprinting, K-9 handling, accident and criminal investigation, lie detector testing, and state patrol car driving. Students stay at the Nebraska State Patrol Training Academy in Grand Island.

Aubrie, we congratulate you for being the Winside American Legion Post 252 Jr. Law candidate.

Callie Anderson  
canderson@allenschools.org  
**Community News**

Allen alum, Brogan Jones, a current freshman at Wayne State College, was chosen for the Alpha Lambda Honor Society.

Only current freshman are selected for this honor and must maintain a 3.5 GPA or higher and be in the top 20 percent of the freshman class academically. Brogan earned a 4.0 for the Fall 2020 semester and currently has maintained a 4.0 this Spring 2021 semester.

Brogan is also a member of the WSC football team. He is the son of Jay and Shelly Jones of Allen.

### Allen Community Center Menu

**Friday, April 23:** Biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs, sausage, apple sauce.

**Monday, April 26:** Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, carrots, fruit cocktail.

**Tuesday, April 27:** Club sandwich, chicken soup, peaches.

**Wednesday, April 28:** Pork roast, mashed potatoes, corn salad,

pears.

### Weekly Events

**Tuesday, April 27:** FROGS.

### Birthdays

Thursday, April 22: Paulette Kumm.

Saturday, April 24: Richard Olsen.

Monday, April 26: Roxie Sievers.

Tuesday, April 27: Alan Chapman.

### Anniversaries

Sunday, April 25: Dwight and Ronnie Gotch.

**Allen Consolidated Schools**

### Weekly Events

Friday, April 23: NSCAS Testing for fifth grade; District Music Contest at South Sioux City; Junior High Speech Virtual Event in the Afternoon, TBA.

Saturday, April 24: Junior High Speech at Pender, 8 a.m.

Monday, April 26: MAPs Testing for KG-second grade; Junior High track at Pierce, noon.

Tuesday, April 27: MAPs Testing for seventh-10th grade; High School Track at Ponca, 3 p.m.

Wednesday, April 28: MAPs Test-

ing for seventh-10th grade.

**Allen community churches**  
First Lutheran Church

### Birthdays:

Monday, April 24: Richard Olesen

Anniversaries:  
Sunday, April 25: Dwight & Ronnie Gotch.

Monday, April 26: Heidi Keil.

## Kinnaman Memorial Scholarship available

Pender Community Hospital is now taking applications for the Trisha Kinnaman Memorial Scholarship.

This scholarship has been established in memory of Trisha's eager determination of becoming a physical therapist and her passion for helping others.

Trisha was integral in building the Physical Therapy Department at Pender Community Hospital and spent the majority of her 12 years as the sole Physical Therapist on staff. She shared her love of the profession by serving as a mentor for other therapy staff as well as area students aspiring to become physical therapists or assistants. Trisha was well respected by all of her colleagues, medical staff and patients. She will be remembered by her family, friends and co-workers for her outstanding work ethic, kindness towards patients, her compassion, and infectious laugh.

The \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a student currently enrolled in a school of Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Language Pathology, Physical Therapy Assistant or Occupational Therapy Assistant program. The recipient must be a resident of Thurston, Cuming, Burt, Dixon, Dakota, or Wayne County in Nebraska.

Criteria for selection include academic performance, interest in pursuing a rural healthcare career, college and community activities and financial need. Applications are due May 15 and will be announced in June.

The application form is available on the Pender Community Hospital website: [www.pendercommunity-hospital.com](http://www.pendercommunity-hospital.com).

Anyone with questions is asked to contact Kelly Kaup at [kelly.kaup@pchne.org](mailto:kelly.kaup@pchne.org)

## Dixon County 4-H Council awards scholarships

Seven local graduating high school seniors were recently awarded Dixon County 4-H Council Scholarships for 2021.

Those receiving scholarships were Dillon Borg, Allen; Katelin Schutte, Dixon; Brianna Campbell and Megan Forsberg, Laurel; Mitchell Fischer, Wakefield and Sarah Beach and Brandon Mellick, Waterbury.

Each of these seniors are active members in the 4-H program, and all seven will be attending college in the fall.

What is 4-H? 4-H is delivered by Cooperative Extension—a community of more than 100 public universities across the nation that provides experiences where young people learn by doing.

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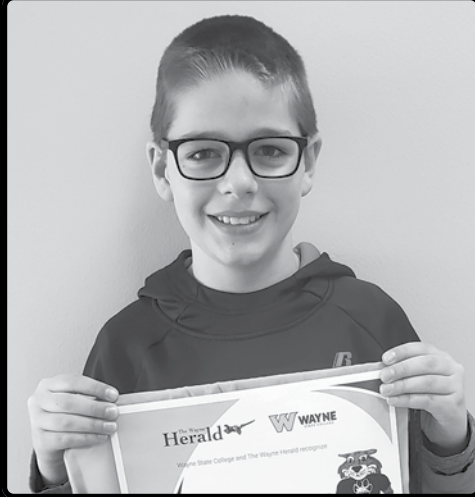
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# Students of the MONTH



**Hailey Schroeder** is a sophomore at Wayne High School. Hailey is respectful, polite and a hard-working student. She is conscientious, responsible, focused, helpful, studious and quietly committed to doing her best. She is excellent in everything you ask her to do. She takes initiative and is able to problem solve. She is reliable and gives her best effort every day. Hailey works well with others and is enjoyable to be around. She was nominated by the Wayne High faculty. Hailey is the daughter of Casey and Molly Schroeder.



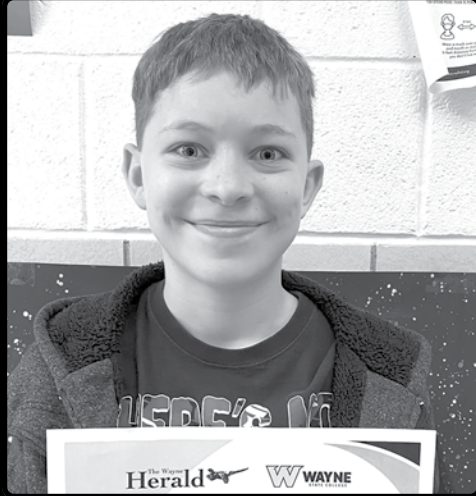
**Blake Smith** is a sixth grader Wayne Elementary School. Blake is a very hard worker and always does his best. He is a great leader during group work. He is so kind, polite and respectful to everyone! He was nominated by Joyce Hoskins. Blake is the son of Chad and Vicki Smith. Other school involvements include Homework Zone tutor, HAL Student, Science Club and Band. He also participates in baseball, soccer, bowling and football.



**Molly Allemann** is a third grader at St. Mary's Catholic School. Molly has one of the most generous hearts. She works hard in all she does. She shares her faith and ideas with everyone. Her teacher is Mrs. Sara Westerhold. Molly is the daughter of Ryan and Jilliane Allemann.



**Reed Hingst** is a senior at Allen. Reed is a special kid. He has all the qualities in a student that a teacher dreams about. He has a strong work ethic, he treats his peers with respect and he has a tremendous sense of humor. He was nominated by Josh Batenhorst, Ag teacher. Reed is the son of Matt and Denise Hingst. He is also involved in football, basketball, track and FFA in school and is a church usher.



**Hunter Benson** is a sixth grader at Laurel-Concord-Coleridge Middle School. Hunter not only works hard each and every class period, takes part in discussions and pushes himself, he is always kind and helpful. He is the first person to jump up and help someone. Always respectful. Always a hard worker. Always managing his own behavior choices. Hunter leads by example! He was nominated by Mrs. Doris Troyer. Hunter is the son of Shannon and Elizabeth Benson.



**Summer Burns** is a second grader at Laurel-Concord-Coleridge Elementary School. Our 2nd grade class well knows that summer is one who shows kindness to everyone! Summer works her hardest at ever task. She never gets discouraged and has more perseverance than anyone else in class. Summer always has a smile on her face and shows such great respect and manners. She is always willing to let others go first and is forever grateful for everything! She was nominated by Mrs. Sue Koch. Summer is the daughter of Adam and Charlene Burns.



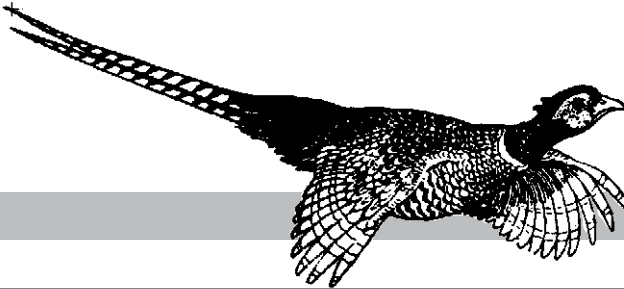
**Camrynn Marx** is a freshman at Winside High School. Camrynn has such a happy go lucky contagious personality. She stays very organized, has all her work in on time, and cares about the quality. She works hard in school and with her extra-curricular activities. She approaches everything with a positive attitude and encourages others. She was nominated by the Winside staff. Camrynn is the daughter of Cody Marx and Nicole Irish.



**Maya Reed** is a fifth grader at Winside Elementary School. Maya is a quiet student, but friendly to her peers. She shows she is responsible at school by working hard on her assignments to get them completed and turned in on time. Maya is also very respectful. She was nominated by the Winside staff. Maya is the daughter of Jeremy and Kayla Reed.

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## Commenting on obituary information

As far as this strange season of volleyball, it's over for Nebraska; the first time ever the Final Four is in Omaha and the Huskers will not be there. Watching them play Texas on Monday, you have to say the better team won. The friend in Wisconsin says Texas can beat the Badgers, which, so far, at least, are unbeaten. We shall see.

We did have snow on Monday, and when I went to the mail box at 6:30, the bushes and trees all had white tips! But the street was almost dry. One more day of cool, and then it should warm up. I've heard of farmers who have corn in the ground already; I say it's too cold, and the ground is also cold. But, as one pointed out to me, when you have many acres to plant, you have to start early.



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

When you are a hospice nurse, you always read the obituaries; and, of course, when you are in the

last years here on earth, you also read them. Today's had an interesting article about an elderly lady

in North Platte who went to the train station with her Mom during WWII to greet the troops and was later flown to New York to appear on Good Morning, America, to talk about those days. It really was a huge accomplishment, to meet every troop train, going east or west, with food and coffee and magazines.

Most of the obituaries in the past year have not stated cause of death, even when it was COVID. But both large dailies on Sunday devoted a lot of pages to photos and stories of some of the Nebraskans who died of the virus. Some were elderly, even living in nursing facilities, but many were middle aged and even quite young; including one young lady who worked at the McDonald's in York.

We read of second marriages, women who did needle work, men who were true helpers to anyone who needed it, and families left

devastated because they could not spend time with their loved ones during their hospitalizations. One woman watched on an iPad screen as a nurse took her mother's hand and began to pray.

By the time I had read these in both papers, my eyes were filled with tears. And, as usual, I thought of that nurse and all the others who were doing 12 hour shifts in the ICUs and of the pressures they were feeling. One guy wrote of going to New York at the beginning, a year ago, and then to other "hot spots", saying he thought he had PTSD. And I hope and pray all these medical staff folks are receiving counseling and support. They have been through a war, and it's not over yet. For goodness' sake, get your vaccination. It's like a "get out of jail free" card! Something we prayed for and can feel total gratitude for. That's my sermon for today.

## Water Law- Part 4 - groundwater terms

Part four of a six-part series about basic water law in the United States, predominately in the western part of the country, and how it affects this finite resource.

Water law can be traced back to Roman times and also has roots in English common law. Across the United States, it varies from state to state, and from East to West. When conflicts arise, courts usually determine the outcome, unless there are state or federal laws or previous case studies to resolve the issue. Exceptions to the law can arise from differences in each state's water laws.

### Part 4: Groundwater terms and definitions

Groundwater refers to subsurface water, as distinct from surface water, specifically water in the saturated zone of an aquifer — the water stored underground in rock crevices and in the pores of geologic materials that make up the earth's crust. Groundwater lies in the ground's zone of saturation, and is also referred to as phreatic water.

An aquifer is an underground layer of porous rock, sand, or gravel containing large amounts of water. The term is usually restricted to water-bearing structures capable of yielding enough water to constitute a usable supply. This is a geologic formation, group of formations, or part of a formation that contains sufficient saturated permeable material to yield significant quantities of water to wells and springs.

Nebraska is rich in groundwater due mainly to the Ogallala/High Plains aquifer.

There are different types of aquifers: An Artesian aquifer, generally synonymous with confined aquifer, is bounded above and below by formations of impermeable or relatively impermeable material. Also described as an aquifer in which ground water is under pressure sig-



nificantly greater than atmospheric and its upper limit is the bottom of a bed of distinctly lower hydraulic conductivity than that of the aquifer itself.

A perched aquifer is a groundwater unit separated from the main groundwater supply by a relatively impermeable stratum and by the zone of aeration above the main water body.

Hydrologically connected groundwater is the flow that a perennially flowing stream reduces to during the dry season. It is supported by groundwater seepage into the channel or the discharge entering streams channels as effluent from the groundwater reservoir.

In Nebraska, groundwater is managed by the 23 natural resources districts (NRDs).

Correlative (water) rights (or the California rule) refers to rights of landowners over a common groundwater basin that are co-equal, or correlative, so that any one owner cannot take more than his share even if the rights of others are impaired. In the groundwater context, the doctrine of correlative rights generally limits the appropriation of groundwater to the landowner's proportionate share of the water available — "share and share alike."

However, some NRDs have implemented groundwater pumping restrictions that limit the amount of water that each irrigator can pump per year (or period of several years), for a certain number

of acres. Sometimes these NRDs allow water that has not been utilized to be "moved" or "banked" and pumped from another well that the grower manages to meet the water needs of certain crops.

Reasonable use doctrine (the American rule) states that a water user can use as much groundwater as desired as long as the user is not wasting it (waste is per se or automatically unreasonable); and the water must be used on the land where the well is (the use of groundwater on non-overlying land is per se unreasonable). Otherwise there are no restrictions on pumping and a pump can be stopped from drying up a neighbor's well, unless the neighbor can prove that person is wasteful or that his use is non-overlying.

Subflow doctrine refers to when groundwater that is hydrologically connected to a stream is legally considered part of the stream, and therefore subject to surface water law (prior appropriation). The courts in Nebraska have not followed this rule.

Templeton doctrine is one basis for surface water-groundwater interface policy. In this case, the surface irrigator drilled a well because the streamflows were declining (a common response to a common situation; other hydrologically connected wells were probably caus-

ing the streamflow to decline). The new well induced recharge from the stream (pumped water from the stream into the well). A New Mexico court treated this as a change in the appropriator's point of diversion from the stream to the new well. This allowed the appropriator to transfer his senior priority date from the stream to the new well, a significant legal advantage. So, the otherwise junior well becomes a senior well.

Induced recharge is the designed (as opposed to the natural or incidental) replenishment of groundwater storage from surface-water supplies.

Artificial recharge is the addition of surface water to a groundwater reservoir by human activity, such as putting surface water into a spreading basin. It can also be the designed (as opposed to the natural or incidental) replenishment of ground water storage from surface water supplies such as irrigation or induced infiltration from streams or wells. There are five common techniques to effect artificial recharge of a groundwater basin: water spreading, recharge pits, recharge wells, induced recharge and wastewater disposal.

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"Local conservation districts have a long-standing history of working with state and private forest owners in helping promote and safeguard our nation's forested lands," Crowder said.

Free, downloadable Stewardship Week resources celebrating the theme "Healthy Forests, Healthy Communities" are available on NACD's website at <https://www.nacdnet.org/store/>.

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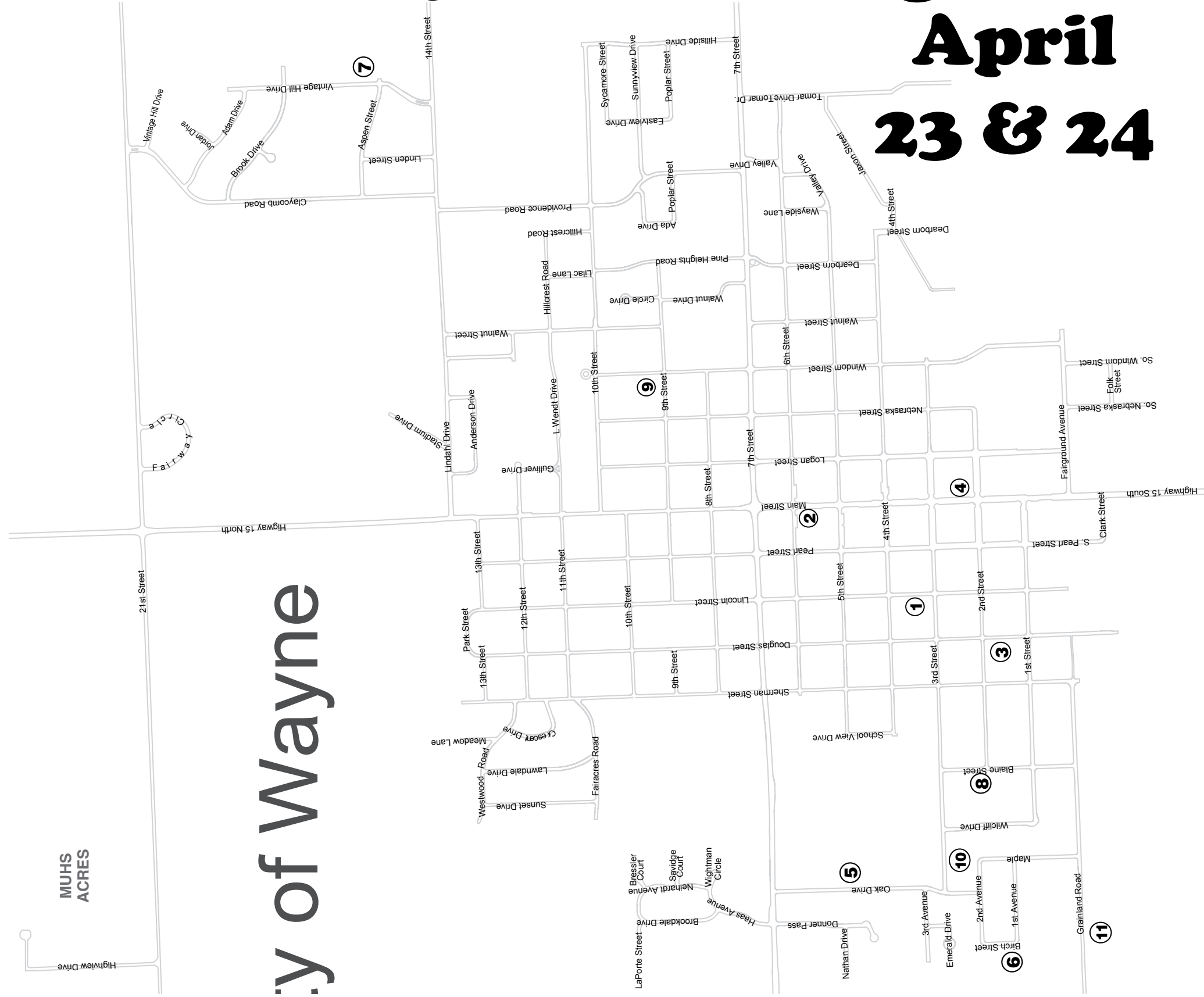
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# Community-Wide Garage Sales

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**2. United Methodist Church** -Friday, 5-7 PM; Saturday, 9 AM-Noon. Two pianos, keyboard, rocking chair, crib (became a youth bed with drawers), a blue colored cradle, three umbrella strollers, other baby items, tools, décor, holiday items, (two trees), dishes, crockpots, George Forman, books, DVDs, toys, and bedding. Use east

basement door. Parking across from church.

**3. Garage Sale:** 114 Douglas St; Friday 12 pm to 7 pm, Sat. 8 am to noon. Downsizing: Corn/pellet stove, sewing machine cabinet, futon, extra mattress, computer desk, HP printer, Port-a-crib, door gates, toys, Santa's, hand quilting frame, Home Interior, crafts, Artex paints, candle making, stamps, unicycle and much more.

**4. Estate Sale:** 201 Main St, Friday 9 am to 5:30 pm, Sat 9 am to 2 pm. Use South door - follow signs. Cash Only. Antiques and vintage items, kitchenware, 220 + bagged jewelry, walkers, canes, & bath aids, furniture, houseware, cookbooks, and more. Photos of more furniture stored at

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**5. Garage Sale:** 505 Oak Drive, Friday 4pm to 7 pm, Sat 9 am to noon. Snow blower, garden tools, some tools, kitchen appliances (small) many other items, electrical cords & Christmas lights.

**6. Moving Sale:** 118 Birch, Friday 1 pm to 7 pm, Saturday 8 am to noon. 26" bikes, hide a bed, ping pong table, tools, TV stand, TV's, window air conditioner, fans, wooden wardrobes, wooden cabinets, lawn mowers, clothes, mamaroo baby swing, halo bassinet, travel play dome, toys, rifle gun cases, nick knacks, and misc.

**7. Big Sale:** 1521 Vintage Hill Dr, Friday 12 pm - 8 pm, Sat 8 am - noon.

Lots of fun stuff, household, antiques, collectibles, vintage clocks, beer lights, mirrors, bud holiday mugs, steins, early hallmark ornaments, frosty friends, wedgewood china, big man clothes, and much more.

**8. Garage Sale:** 200 Wildcliff Dr, Friday 9 am - 7 pm, Sat 9 am - 2pm. 16" Dremel scroll saw and stand, women plus clothing, antiques and collectibles, vintage hand tools, storage containers, stoneware, lawn furniture, bookcases, small furniture.

lots of misc. Cash only.

**10. Multifamily Garage Sale:** 913 W 3rd St, Friday 4 pm - 8 pm, Sat 9 am - 1 pm. Bar stools, sofa table, coffee table, glider rocker, kid's, men's, women's clothing (Nike, Under Armor, Adidas) children's art easel, wall art, desks, chairs, cabinets, light fixtures, twin size box springs, crib mattress, dog kennel, kitchen items, women's bicycle.

**11. Moving Sale:** 1019 Grainland Rd, Friday 1 pm - 6pm, Sat 9am - 12pm. Name brand kids and adult clothing, home décor, lamps, black granite sink, kids nightstand, girls cowboy boots, baby stroller, glider rocker, soda stream, panini press, donut maker, small aquarium, Christmas décor, board games. Still adding several more items.

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# Herbs for the landscape – Yard to kitchen

By Bob Henrickson,  
plantnebraska.org

What defines an herb? It's a plant with leaves, seeds or blossoms that can be used for flavoring, food, medicine or perfume. Most of them have essential oils that leave a telltale fragrance when you rub their leaves.

For the most part, perennial herbs hardy in Nebraska are easy to grow. Their needs vary from full sun to part shade and from moist to dry soils. Growing them in containers or raised beds allows for more flexibility in how much moisture and/or drainage they receive but since these sites dry out quickly, mulching will help protect them from drying out. Here's a few of our favorite yard-to-kitchen herbs.

Calamint, *Calamintha*, grows into a compact mound 15-18" high. Its gray-green foliage is a popular ingredient in Italian cuisine for its distinctive flavor of mint and savory that complements garlic-based sauces, soups and stews. The dried leaves also make an appealing tea. It's a pollinator magnet with loads of tiny, airy white blooms in upright sprays from June until frost.

Chives, *Allium schoenoprasum*, has grass-like foliage that tastes of fresh onion useful in a wide range of dishes.

Tarragon, *Artemisia dracunculus*, is a woody perennial that will grow two feet high in full sun and rich, well-drained soil. It has a minty anise flavor useful for herbal vinegars and other uses.

Hyssop, *Hyssopus officinalis*, tastes like mint with a hint of lavender and a slight bitterness that lightens up



vegetable and other dishes. It thrives in hot, dry summers under full sun. It has narrow, dark green leaves and spikes of small blue flowers in summer.

Lavender, *Lavandula* species can be used in everything from bath salts, soaps and lotions to scones and pound cake. To enjoy its fragrance year-round, dry and preserve it by hanging small blooming bunches upside down in a dark, dry room. For winter protection, it's best surrounded with tall plants and leaf fall.

Lemon Balm, *Melissa officinalis*, has wonderful lemon-scented foliage that can be used to flavor salads, fruit cups or herbal tea. It can be quite aggressive so is best planted in confined spaces in sun or part shade. Frequent pruning will encourage new, more fragrant, leaves and minimize spread.

Lovage, *Levisticum officinalis*, has sturdy stalks of flat-topped, yellow flowers up to 6 feet high in late spring, making it an excellent vertical addition to used just like celery in salads, soups, stews, frittatas, egg and potato salad. And if you like bloody Marys, the hollow stalk of lovage is perfect for them.

Mints, *Mentha* species, are very aggressive. To prevent spreading, plant them in containers, confined spaces or raised beds. They add a minty flavor to a wide range of dishes.

Oregano, *Origanum* species, grow

12-24 inches high and 10-20 inches high, and is a flavorful addition to Italian pastas and stews. It requires full sun and well-drained soil. Its loose clusters of small white flowers are a great nectar source for bees and butterflies.

Sage, *Salvia officinalis*, is an attractive low shrub with velvety, greyish green leaves. Frying it mellows its flavor; fried sage can be crumbled over a dish to heighten flavor at the last moment. It can also be added fresh to teas and drinks and fresh or dried to sauces, compound butters, meat marinades, pastries and breads.

Savory, *Satureja montana*, is a compact plant with dark green leaves and woody stems, growing to 15" high and needing protection from winter winds. The aromatic foliage has a strong peppery flavor. It's often paired with beans during cooking since adding salt can toughen the beans. Fresh or dried leaves can be used to infuse vinegar, make herb butters or steeped for tea.

Thyme, *Thymus vulgaris*, is a small, many-branched perennial shrub 12 inches and wide that adds a minty, somewhat peppery flavor to a variety of culinary dishes. Like lavender, it's best sheltered in mulch or leaf litter through the winter.

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# Spring Home Improvement

The Wayne Herald  
April 22, 2021

# Benscoster Construction completes 50th home in Wayne

In 10 years, Benscoster Construction has built 50 homes in the Wayne community. That translates into \$125,000 in city sales tax for supplies purchased and over \$15 million in housing to the local economy.

Lou Benscoster said the first five of these 50 houses were constructed in the Western Ridge Subdivision.

From there, the company moved to constructing houses in the Benscoster Development, near the rugby fields in the southeast portion of Wayne. Twenty-four houses have already been completed there and another is currently under construction.

Houses have also been built in the Angel Acres Subdivision and on North Centennial Road.

"The majority of these homes are three bedroom homes and have been purchased by first-time homebuyers. In addition, most of the homeowners are people who are moving into Wayne," Lou said.

Each home is custom-built, allowing the homeowner the opportunity to choose finishes in their new home.

Benscoster Construction has employed up to 10 people during the construction of these homes.

In addition to the houses, six apartment buildings have been built and

two office buildings.

Lou, who said he first started in the construction business by remodeling homes during the winter months, is slowly turning the business over to his son, Louis.

"I originally started with a plumbing

business in 1998 and worked with municipal water and sewer projects in the area. A banker suggested I start building houses and after the first one was completed, business took off," Lou said.

Lou said that due in part to low interest rates, there is currently a

high demand for new home construction. There has been some difficulty in obtaining construction materials.

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# How to improve your storage at home

Homes are getting bigger, but it seems like people are still lamenting a lack of storage space.

National Public Radio says the average American home has nearly tripled in size during the last 50 years. Despite that, 10 percent of Americans still need to rent off-site storage, according to a report in the New York Times Magazine. Self-storage facilities are one of the fastest-growing commercial real estate segments, and the Self Storage Association says there are more than 50,000 storage facilities in the U.S. alone.

Improving storage at home can be a cost-effective alternative to renting storage space. With these easy tips, homeowners can maximize space immediately.

### Utilize track storage systems

Closets may be plentiful, but if not efficiently utilized, space may still seem lacking. Track closet storage systems often make greater use of closet space than traditional shelf and hanging rod systems. Customizing closets using track systems or other modifications can improve utility of all closets in the house.

### Invest in storage beds

Storage beds typically feature cub-



bies or drawers within a platform-style bed frame. It's a practical home storage solution, and does not require any building.

### Think vertically

Maximize spaces by looking up and down for storage possibilities. Items that are not used frequently, such as seasonal decorations or travel suitcases, can be stored in high spaces. Shelving on walls can go as high as necessary and be put to use in awk-

ward wall areas, such as in corners or under eaves.

### Invest in storage benches/ottomans

A stopping area inside the front door replete with a storage bench can house shoes, umbrellas, hats, backpacks, and other items, keeping them tidy and out of sight. In living rooms, look for chests or ottomans that are decorative and functional. Store throw blankets or board games inside.

### Recess drawers or shelves

Gain more storage by recessing a chest of drawers into what is called the "knee wall" of homes that have sloped ceilings in attics and upstairs bedrooms. Utilize these short walls in an efficient manner by sinking drawers or shelves into them, without taking up floor space.

### Rafter shelving

While in the attic (or a garage), add hanging shelves to rafters or exposed beams to create off-the-floor storage as well.



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# Essentials shared for a bathroom remodel

What began as a utilitarian space for personal sanitation has, in modern times, transformed into one of the most coveted rooms in the house. Bathrooms have become a place to relax and unwind, and new bathrooms are on the tops of many homeowners' wishlists.

Bathrooms can be as lavish as budgets allow. Wish lists can include everything from luxurious soaking tubs to rainfall showerheads to chaise

lounges to televisions or home entertainment systems contained in the space. Those contemplating their own bathroom renovations may draw inspiration from the following features.

- Hot water recirculation system: Few things can be as disappointing as desiring a hot bath or shower only to find that the hot water tank has been drained. The home remodeling company Normandy Remodeling says that water recirculation systems pro-

vide on-demand hot water. In such systems, hot water may continuously run through the pipes or there may be a pump underneath a sink. Either

- Multihead shower: When redoing the shower, account for various shower heads so that the water can cascade across the body more completely. This



way, one needn't wait for the water to warm up any longer.

- Double undermount sinks: Bathroom time is at a premium, especially when people must prepare and leave the house together. Rather than jockeying for position around a single sink, dual sinks enable more breathing room and time efficiency. Undermount sinks are easy to clean because there is no lip around where the sink meets the vanity, preventing the accumulation of grime and gunk.

- Glass-free shower: Soap scum and water deposits can form on shower doors, even for homeowners who are diligent with cleaning. A sizable shower prevents water spray and affords the ability to forgo glass doors or curtains, thereby cutting down on cleaning and making the room feel more modern.

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- Touchless faucets and soap dispensers: These aren't just for public bathrooms anymore. Touchless faucets and dispensers are more sanitary and convenient.

- Separate toilet room: A shared bath almost necessitates this type of set-up. The toilet is housed inside its own small space and closed away from the rest of the bathroom. It's more private and convenient this way.

- Heated flooring: You need not worry about stepping out of a warm shower onto a cold floor when heated flooring is part of the equation. This option is available in various flooring materials as well.

Remodeling a bathroom boils down to certain coveted features that can really set a space apart.

# What to know about DIY insulation

Perhaps due in part to the popularity of home improvement television shows, many homeowners now tackle an assortment of home projects without professional assistance. These weekend warriors embrace the do-it-yourself philosophy to home improvement, saving lots of money along the way.

As rewarding as successful DIY projects can be, it's important that homeowners avoid getting in over their heads. Some projects, such as those that involve plumbing or roofing, tend to be best left to the professionals. But many other projects, including insulation installation, are very DIY-friendly.

## Can I install insulation myself?

The Insulation Institute notes that DIY insulation installation is definitely doable, though typically only when homeowners are installing certain types of insulation. The Institute notes that installing fiberglass or mineral wool insulation can be simple. However, homeowners who prefer spray foam insulation should leave installation to the professionals.

## What should I do before beginning the project?

The Insulation Institute advises homeowners who are going to install

insulation to determine if vapor retarders, sometimes referred to as "vapor barriers," will need to be installed before they begin the project.

Vapor diffusion retarders can reduce the amount of moisture transferred by air currents, but they are not always necessary. Factors such as climate, cladding type (i.e., brick, stucco, wood, etc.) and the location of the wall being insulated will help homeowners determine if they need vapor diffusion retarders. Homes located in places with mixed climates often need vapor diffusion retarders. DIYers can visit [www.insulationinstitute.org](http://www.insulationinstitute.org) to learn more or consult with an insulation or watersealing professional to determine if they need vapor diffusion retarders.

Determining R-value is another important pre-project step. Different climates require different insulation R-values, which the U.S. Department of Energy notes is a measurement of an insulating material's resistance to conductive heat flow. The higher the R-value, the greater the insulation effectiveness.

The amount of R-value your insulation needs will depend on the climate, the existing heating and cooling system in the house and which part of the house you will be insulating. More

information about R-value is available at [energy.gov/energysaver/weatherize/insulation](http://energy.gov/energysaver/weatherize/insulation).

DIYers also will need the appropriate tools and attire before beginning an insulation installation project. In addition to the insulation itself, the online resource The Home Improvement Web® recommends the following tools:

- Safety glasses
- Dust mask or respirator
- Stapler (electric, standard, or hammer type)

- 3/8" or 1/2" staples
- Protective clothing
- Work light
- Tape measure
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# How to choose the right lighting inside your home

Lighting in a home serves both practical and aesthetic purposes. It's easy to maneuver around a well-lit home, reducing the risk of slips and falls, and the right lighting can help homeowners create their desired ambiance, which typically changes depending on which room you're in.

When choosing lighting for their homes, homeowners must walk a fine line between appearance and functionality. A fixture in the foyer that instantly impresses visitors likely

won't prove as awe-inspiring if it's installed in the living room. When choosing lighting for a home, some general rules about what works in each room can help homeowners make the most informed decision.

## Kitchen

Kitchens are often the busiest room in a home, so lighting here can be especially important. A kitchen often benefits, both practically and aesthetically, from different types of lighting. For example, pendant lighting

above kitchen islands can make meal preparation easier and safer, but such lighting likely won't work in breakfast nooks and informal dining areas in the kitchen. Recessed lighting works best in such areas. In kitchens with no island, under-cabinet lighting can be used to illuminate countertops and simplify meal preparation.

## Formal dining room

Many people enjoy the look of chandeliers in formal dining rooms, and such fixtures can be installed directly above the dinner table. The interior design experts at Better Homes & Gardens advise hanging chandeliers roughly 33 inches above the table in dining rooms with eight-foot ceilings, adding three inches for each additional foot above eight feet. Darkened dining areas may be ideal in restaurants, but homeowners may want to split the difference at home and choose dimmable chandeliers for their dining rooms. This allows homeowners to dim the lights for romantic dinners but turn them up for family gatherings with lots of people around the table.

## Living room

Adaptability also is important in the living room, where homeowners may host anything from movie nights to book clubs to parties for the big game.

It can be a tall order to accommodate such a wide range of activities, and many homeowners come down to deciding between recessed lighting and track lighting. If the living room currently has neither style, homeowners should recognize that it will cost considerably less to install track lighting than recessed lighting.

Better Homes & Gardens notes that flexible track lighting provides ambient, task or accent lighting, and track lights can even be moved to change lighting schemes at any time, making them a budget-friendly option for homeowners whose living rooms are multi-purpose spaces. Recessed lighting also works well in living rooms, especially ones with low ceilings. That's because recessed lighting is



installed into the ceiling, meaning it does not take up any visual space in the room. That can help living rooms feel bigger.

## Bedroom

The home improvement experts at BobVila.com note that bedroom lighting should provide enough light when getting dressed, but also be able to be toned down as residents prepare for their bedtime routines.

Both portable and installed lighting can be used in bedrooms to serve these various functions. Recessed fixtures that dim can ensure there's ample light to get dressed in the morning, but they also can be dimmed at night as residents try to get ready to sleep.

Portable night stand lights can make it easier for couples sharing a bedroom, allowing one person to stay up and read while the other goes to sleep.

Homeowners have many options and many needs when choosing lighting for their homes. A professional consultation with a lighting expert or interior decorator can help homeowners find lights that provide both practical and aesthetic appeal.

# Tips shared for waterproofing a basement or crawl space

Water can be a homeowner's worst nightmare. Few things have the potential to damage a home as much as water. From leaks to flooding to moisture problems like mold, water can wreak havoc on a home.

Basements or crawl spaces are areas of a home where water can do the most damage. Basements and crawl spaces tend to be the lowest-lying spots in a home, and therefore prime spots

Remediating water issues in a home generally breaks down into two methodologies: exterior waterproofing and interior waterproofing. Depending on the cause and severity of the water issue, one or the other, or even both, may be recommended.

## Exterior waterproofing

Exterior waterproofing aims to keep water away from and out of the home. The home improvement informa-

special paints or products applied to the foundation walls and floor, also can help keep water from entering the space.

## Moisture solutions

Keeping water out is only one part of the equation. Homeowners also need to manage moisture, like excessive humidity. A marriage of HVAC and waterproofing techniques may be necessary to improve air flow and remove humidity in the air.

While many homeowners have

attempted to address water issues on their own, many times it is a job best left to the professionals. Because water penetration can have multifaceted causes, a professional can best assess the situation and create solutions that fit with homeowners' budgets and needs. The review and advice site Angie's List suggests finding at least three waterproofing companies that offer both interior and exterior waterproofing services that can provide the best ideas for fixing the issue.



for water to enter. Water problems in these areas can contribute to the demise of the structural integrity of the foundation.

According to Olshan, a foundation solutions company, water can enter homes in numerous ways. Many building materials, including concrete, that seem solid at first glance actually are quite porous. As ground water collects around these materials, the weight of the accumulated water, called hydrostatic pressure, can weaken the materials, causing cracks where water can seep through. Water also can enter subterranean spaces through basement windows and gaps between footings and concrete slabs, or push up through foundation floors when homes are in areas with high water tables.

tion resource DoItYourself.com says that exterior waterproofing generally includes the application of a waterproofing agent to the concrete foundation.

In addition, exterior waterproofing also could include excavation so a drainage system can be installed around the entire footing of the home. Regrading a property and properly relocating gutters and downspouts can help with many water issues.

## Interior waterproofing

When water in a basement or crawl space needs to be remediated indoors, a system to collect, drain and remove water may be necessary. This can include sump pumps, drains, gravity discharge systems, and more. Moisture barriers, which can include

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# Using annual and perennial flowers to boost curb appeal

When we think of flowering annuals and perennials as limited resources, using them wisely contributes to maximizing curb appeal. After all, not everyone has unlimited budgets or time to have flower color everywhere.

A word about the color green—green piques our interest in the winter and early spring landscapes, most notably because there is so little of it around (think evergreens and patches of lawn showing through the snow.) That perspective changes as landscapes green

up in the spring and THEN green switches from being a focal point to becoming a background color. This transition is important because flowers show to their best advantage when placed in front of a backdrop of green.

Landscape design aspires to take its cues from Mother Nature, with an overstory—consisting of large and medium sized trees; an understory—utilizing small trees and large and medium sized shrubs; and groundcover made up of small shrubs, annuals,



and perennials. This makes annual and perennial flowers important components in landscape design.

Annual flowers need to be planted every year, but on the plus side, they reward us with season long color. The most important place to use annuals, regardless if they are in containers or planted in the ground, is near the front door. From the perspective of the curb, the front door is the focal point, and the season long flowers annuals provide mean colors will continue to draw attention to the front door.

Perennial flowers, with their winter hardiness, are blooming show-stoppers, even though flowering lasts about two weeks each year. Perennials

can and should be added to flowering plant masses near the front door, but one or two plants alone do not provide the massing necessary for the orchestration of color season long. In cases where space is limited, grouping a few perennials with an annual or two helps to boost the level of color while providing a backdrop of green.

Annual and perennial flowers don't just look pretty—they benefit pollinators and songbirds, contribute to biodiversity, act as a guide as we move through landscapes, elicit emotions of joy and calm, and reinforce focal points. While planning your gardening season, remember to add flowers to your list!

## Did you know?

Though new flooring and ceiling tiles might not offer the wow factor of a remodeled kitchen, a 2019 study from researchers at the Joint Center for Housing Studies at Harvard University found that replacing floors and ceilings was the most popular home improvement project in the United States in 2017, the most recent year for which data was available at the time of the study.

More than five million homeowners replaced carpeting, flooring, paneling, or ceiling tiles in their homes in 2017.

The popularity of such projects may have something to do with the relatively low cost associated with them, as the experts at BobVila.com note that overhauling surfaces underfoot and overhead costs an average of \$3,283. That places floor and ceiling tile replacement projects among the least expensive home improvement projects homeowners can undertake, even though such renovations can immediately and dramatically transform the look of a room.

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# Shade trees that can make yards more comfortable

Various factors motivate the decisions homeowners make when designing their landscapes.

Some may be motivated by the ways additions will affect the resale value of their homes, while others may be guided by a love for a particular type of plant. Comfort is yet another motivator, and shade trees can make yards more comfortable as the mercury rises.

According to the Arbor Day Foundation, the following are some popular shade trees that can add beauty to a landscape and make it more comfortable come the dog days of summer.

- **Quaking aspen:** The quaking aspen has the widest natural range of any tree in North America, spanning 47 degrees of latitude, 110 degrees of longitude (nine time zones) and elevations from sea level to timberline. That impressive range is no doubt why the United States Forest Service notes that the quaking aspen can grow in greatly diverse regions, environments and communities.

- **Northern catalpa:** The Arbor Day Foundation notes that the northern catalpa is easily identifiable thanks to its heart-shaped leaves and twisting trunks and branches. Nature enthusiasts, and particularly those who enjoy birdwatching, may be happy to learn that the flowers of the catalpa are frequently visited by hummingbirds.

- **Red sunset maple:** Its name alone makes many people think of lazy summer days spent lounging in the yard. The red sunset maple provides ample shade and comes with the added benefit of producing an awe-inspiring blend of red and orange leaves come the fall. Red sunset maples can survive in a range of habitats and their adaptable roots means they can thrive in various soil types.

- **Northern red oak:** The state tree of New Jersey, the northern red oak is, according to the Arbor Day Foundation, both beloved for its aesthetic appeal and valued for its adaptability and usefulness. Northern red oaks can tolerate urban conditions, but they do not do well in hot climates.

- **Sawtooth oak:** Another tree that produces some awe-inspiring color, the sawtooth oak is a durable, adaptable shade tree. Golden yellow leaves in the spring will give way to dark green in summer, only to turn yellow and golden brown in the fall. The Tree Center Plant Supply Co. notes that the sawtooth oak can thrive in warmer climates where shade trees that can coexist with high temperatures can be hard to find.

Shade trees can add beauty to a property and make a yard more comfortable. Homeowners are urged to discuss shade trees with a local lawn and garden professional prior to planting.



# How to prepare a garden for spring planting

The final weeks of winter, and even the first few weeks of spring, are still chilly in many parts of the world. Despite those last vestiges of winter chills, late winter is a great time to begin preparing gardens for the coming planting season.

Gardens may have to withstand months of harsh weather each winter, and such conditions can take a toll. Gardeners can consider the following tips as they try to restore their gardens and get them ready for spring planting.

- **Disinfect your tools.** It's common to clean tools in late fall or whenever they're typically placed in storage for the winter. But cleaning and disinfecting are not necessarily the same thing.

If tools were not disinfected at the end of the previous gardening season, disinfect them before doing any work on the garden. Doing so can ensure any lingering bacteria or fungi on tool surfaces are killed prior to the beginning of gardening season.

According to the University of Minnesota Extension, plant pathogens, including bacteria and viruses, can be transferred to and infect plants through bits of soil and plant debris left on shovels and pruner blades.

Thoroughly disinfecting such tools prior to using them in the spring is a great way to reduce the risk of disease in your garden.

- **Clear debris from garden beds.** Leaves, twigs, sticks, and other debris may have gathered in the garden over the winter. Such debris can inhibit the growth of plants and vegetables, so make sure all of it is removed prior to planting. Weeds might even begin to sprout up in late winter and early spring, so remove them before they go to seed.

- **Test the soil.** Testing the soil prior to planting can help gardeners determine what their gardens will need to thrive in the coming months. Garden centers and home improvement stores sell home testing kits that are effective and easy to use. Once the results are in, speak with a professional at your local garden center about the best time to amend the soil.

- **Loosen compacted soil.** Soil can become compacted over winter. If compacted soil is not loosened prior to planting, plants will have a hard time getting the water and nutrients they need to thrive. Loosening the soil also provides another opportunity to

inspect the garden for any underlying issues, such as fungi or weed growth, that you may have missed when clearing debris or testing the soil.

Late winter is a good time to assess

a garden and address any issues that developed over the winter so plants and vegetables can thrive come the spring planting season.



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# Simple ways to improve a kitchen pantry

People spent more time at home in 2020 than in years past, and certain projects around the house have become a priority.

One home improvement idea that serves the double benefit of creating organization and making cooking at home more efficient is to re-imagine the kitchen pantry.

A pantry is a room or closet where food, beverages and linens or dishes are stored. Pantries can be highly useful spaces that provide ancillary storage in kitchens. Many modern homes are equipped with pantries, but older homes may require some modification to create more useful pantries. Whether starting from scratch or modifying an existing pantry, these tips can help projects go more smoothly.

- Maximize vertical storage. Utilizing vertical areas can help increase storage capacity. Build in extra nooks by investing in under-shelf storage baskets. These baskets can instantly create designated areas for different types of ingredients. Homeowners also can look for ways to use the inside of cabinet doors or add extra shelves on walls or in eaves.

- Consider your needs. Figure out which items you would like to store

in the pantry and then shop for corresponding storage systems. For example, storage solutions may feature wine bottle racks, baskets for potatoes and other produce, shelving for small appliances, and even pull out racks for baking pans or cutting boards.

- Use clear storage. Put ingredients in clear, airtight containers of similar dimensions so that you can easily find items you need. Transfer bulky items, like cereals and baking supplies, to storage containers for uniformity.

- Store bulk items elsewhere. Bulk shopping can be cost-efficient, but bulk items can quickly eat up real estate in the pantry. Designate another area for non-perishable bulk products, like paper goods or canned items, such as in a garage or utility room.

- Pull out drawers are convenient. Pull-out drawers can reduce the need to seek and reach for items. These drawers conveniently roll out so items in the back can be accessed without disturbing foods in the front. Drawers can be custom built for any pantry space.

- Make it accessible. Think about who will be taking items from the pantry. Put children's snacks on the bottom pantry shelf where they can

reach them, and then organize other shelves for adults in the home.

A pantry remodel can add valuable

storage space and make one of the busiest rooms in the house operate more efficiently.



# Lawn watering and fertilizing techniques discussed

A lush, green lawn is a sight to behold. Many variables are involved in growing and maintaining grass, and water and fertilizer are among the most important components.

Knowing how much water and fertilizer to apply and when to apply it can make a big difference in the appearance and health of a lawn. That's because a well-fed and watered lawn will develop a better root system, which makes the lawn less vulnerable to stressors like drought, mowing, foot traffic, and heat.

### Fertilize

There is no magic formula governing when to fertilize a lawn. The type of grass and how well-established a lawn is must be considered. Experts suggest having the soil tested to determine its pH levels and if any nutrients are lacking. A fertilizing schedule can

then be developed after testing.

Keep in mind that overfeeding a lawn will not make it grow any better and actually can damage the turf. Several small applications of fertilizer during the lawn's most active growing period may be helpful, advises the home improvement resource Tools Around the House. An annual application (late spring for warm-season grass or fall for cool-season grass) may be all that's needed.

Certain fertilizers need to be applied and watered in. Others may be combined with weed-control products and must be set on top of damp grass. Read packaging to determine the right application.

### Water

The right watering schedule and techniques can help a lawn thrive. Professionals say adjusting for climate

and nature can help grass to grow strongly. A lawn that has a grayish cast or appears dull green is telling an owner that it needs water. Another test is to step on the lawn. If footprints disappear quickly, the grass blades have enough moisture to spring back.

Water the lawn in the morning before 10 a.m. when it's cooler and the winds tend to be calm so that the water can soak in. For those who must water at night, do so in early evening so that the water can dry before night-

fall and will not contribute to disease.

Water an established lawn until the top six to eight inches of soil is wet. Most lawns need one to 1.5 inches of water per week from rain or a hose to soak the soil that deeply.

Newly established lawns may require more water to keep the soil moist but not soggy.

Visit a lawn care center for more information on watering the type of lawn for your area.

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# Vole damage apparent as spring arrives

"What are these trails in my lawn?" This is a common question once snows recede. Pathways interspersed throughout the lawn are an indication of the presence of voles. What are voles, you ask? Voles are rodents with an appearance very similar to mice except for their tails which are about one inch long. Voles are granivores and paths may be more apparent around bird feeders, where fallen seed attracts them.

Voiles create trails on the soil surface, beneath the snow layer, to stay out of the watchful eyes of predators. They are active throughout the winter, thus providing a surprise to unaware home dwellers when snows melt. Two things contribute to the trails they make. Voiles will chew off the turf-grass leaves and crown to make their way through and they also tend to run in single file, wearing down thatch and anything else in their way. The turf

loss is alarming but not permanent especially once the growing season returns and then the grass fills in.

Vole damage can be a concern, however, if rock retaining walls are a part of the landscape. Vole tunneling behind rock retaining walls can undermine the structural stability, causing

traps, no bait needed, and placed in the pathway itself. Check the box trap regularly, relocating caught voles to new locations or dropping the trap into a bucket of water to drown them.

Keep in mind the mighty-but-small shrew will enter vole tunnels with the express purpose of eating voles. If you



wall collapse. In addition to tunneling, vole feeding can cause permanent damage to fruit trees, new trees and planted bulbs. As seeds and grains become scarce in later winter months, voles will resort to eating tulip bulbs and roots and crowns of trees. Young trees, having limited roots systems, will have significant dieback and even death from vole feeding.

Regular snap traps, baited with peanut butter and birdseed, will manage vole populations. Traps should be placed perpendicular to their trails, with the trap snapping towards the trail. Snap traps will work just fine if there are no pets that can accidentally get caught in them, otherwise a box trap will be a better choice. Box traps are live

should capture one of these little guys in a box trap, be sure to release them back into the yard to continue their work. They may be a lot smaller than voles but that doesn't deter shrews from making quick work of them.

Mulch piled against the bark of trees and shrubs affords voles the opportunity to do damage to roots and trunks. Mulch should be piled no higher than four inches and never against the base of trees and shrubs. Hang bird feeders over paved surfaces and periodically sweep up fallen seed to remove food sources that attract voles.

More information about voles and their management may be found at: <https://extensionpublications.unl.edu/assets/html/g887/build/g887.htm>

# Three questions to determine if it's best to renovate on your own

A do-it-yourself mentality has taken hold in millions of households across the globe. Popular television channels like HGTV and DIY Network as well as accessible home improvement content on apps like YouTube has inspired many homeowners to tackle renovation projects around their homes. Taking such initiative is admirable, though it also can prove costly if homeowners end up biting off more than they can chew.

Home improvement videos and television shows have a tendency to oversimplify renovation projects, potentially giving homeowners a false sense of confidence in their DIY abilities. A concerted effort on the part of homeowners to determine if it's best to renovate on their own or hire a professional should always be the first step of any renovation project. No two homeowners are the same, but the following three questions can help homeowners determine if DIY is their best option.

Professional home improvement projects are costly for a variety of reasons.

Materials can be costly, but so are the tools and labor necessary to do the job right. Homeowners may not have the tools necessary to complete com-

plicated projects. Specialty tools can be expensive to purchase or even rent, and the cost of acquiring such tools should be included in any DIY project cost estimates.

Labor also factors heavily into professional projects, and for good reason. Talented contractors have unique skills that have been developed and perfected over many years. Those skills can ensure projects are completed quickly and correctly. Labor may seem costly, but such costs may ultimately prove to be a bargain compared to the cost of fixing DIY mistakes. Projects that are minor in scope and don't require the use of potentially costly specialty tools may be better suited for weekend warriors than more complicated renovations.

2. Do I have the time? Homeowners must determine how much time they have to complete a project before deciding to do it themselves. No one wants to spend months staring at an unfinished renovation project. Homeowners who are already pressed for time may not be able to complete projects in a timely fashion, which can make homes less comfortable and even less safe.

3. Can I pull this off? DIY projects can instill homeowners

with a sense of pride in their homes, but it's imperative that homeowners considering the DIY option conduct an honest assessment of their skills. A lack of renovation experience does not necessarily mean a homeowner cannot successfully complete a DIY project. But in such instances, it may be best to start with small, straightforward projects and then gradually move up to bigger, more complicated projects as skills are fine tuned. And homeowners

who have never been at their best with a hammer in hand should not be ashamed to leave the work to the professionals.

Television shows and online tutorials can make renovations appear easier than they actually are. Homeowners considering DIY renovations can ask themselves a handful of questions to determine if they're ready for the challenge of renovating their homes on their own.

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# Three techniques offered to keep mosquitoes out of your backyard

The value of a retreat-like backyard was never more apparent than in 2020.

Over the last year-plus, much of the world has been forced to stay home as a global pandemic has claimed millions of lives while countless others have had to fight to survive in hospitals. It's no surprise people have looked for a respite from the harsh realities of living during a deadly pandemic, and many turned their atten-

tion to their own backyards to provide such an escape.

The online home remodeling platform Houzz reported a 58 percent annual increase in project leads for home professionals in June 2020. Contractors who specialize in outdoor spaces saw the biggest increase in demand. A revamped outdoor space can provide the perfect retreat for homeowners who want to get away from it all. But one winged, unwell-



A backyard retreat can be even more enjoyable when homeowners find ways to keep mosquitoes at bay.

come guest can quickly transform an oasis into an uninviting space. Mosquitoes make their presence felt in many areas each summer. These pesky, often hungry insects can carry disease, and their bites can be painful and itchy. Homeowners can try these three techniques to keep mosquitoes out of their backyards.

1. Remove standing water. Standing water is a breeding ground for mosquitoes, who don't even need a lot of water to successfully breed. A daily walk around the property may uncover kids' toys, empty flower pots or other small receptacles that can collect water. Even clogged gutters can lead to the accumulation of a small amount of water, and that can be enough for mosquitoes to breed. Remove these potential breeding grounds when you find them, and do so each day, as mosquitoes mature from eggs to nymphs in roughly four days.
2. Mow regularly. Mowing the lawn so the grass never gets too high is another way to make

a backyard less hospitable to mosquitoes. The pest experts note that mosquitoes seek tall grass to protect them from the elements, including wind and hot summer sun. Mowing enough so grass never gets too high in summer can make backyards less inviting to mosquitoes.

3. Plant with mosquitoes in mind. The home remodeling experts at HGTV note that plants can be part of homeowners' strategy to repel mosquitoes. Various plants have mosquito-repellent qualities. For example, bee balm releases a fragrance as it grows, and mosquitoes don't like that fragrance. Homeowners can speak with a local lawn and garden professional for recommendations about plants that can thrive in their region and repel mosquitoes at the same time.

Mosquitoes can make it hard to enjoy a backyard oasis. But various strategies can help homeowners keep these unwanted guests out of their backyards.

# Spring tree care advice offered

Spring's re-birth of all that is green is a good time to assess how trees and other landscape plants made it through winter. Many evergreen trees, such as spruce, are exhibiting signs of winter burn, with browning and bronzing of needles. Winter's deep cold and strong winds dried out plant tissues, resulting in loss of evergreen needles and dieback of branches in deciduous trees. This dieback is a function of the tree's survival mode, allowing needle loss and twig dieback so that the rest

to ground freeze in the fall. Mulch. A 2-4-inch layer of an organic mulch, such as shredded bark or wood chips, replicates what nature creates on the forest floor. Known as duff, this accumulation of twigs, leaves and other organic debris fosters rich microbial activity beneficial to tree roots. Landscape fabric, rubber tire mulch and rocks do not support microbial growth, keep root zones hotter, and do little to help trees. Do not fertilize. If the lawn is regu-

namics, increasing the potential for wind damage.

Remove some of the lawn. Turfgrass competes with trees, especially young trees, for water and nutrients. By removing grass to a distance four feet from the trunk, trees will grow faster and be healthier overall. Do not forget to follow up the grass removal with mulch.

Don't forget the old trees. One common mistake is to believe old trees need no care at all. Foresters tell us that there is a five-year lag to tree

stress, often not becoming apparent until trees are exhibiting noticeable symptoms, often too late to counter. This means 2020's drought will negatively impact trees until 2025, increasing the likelihood for insect pests and disease problems to gain a foothold. While older trees have stronger, more developed roots to access water during dry spells, drought conditions mean lower sources of water in the soil are gone. Mulching and deep, infrequent watering are vital to older trees too



of the tree may survive. Tasks tree owners can do to help trees, both evergreen and deciduous alike: Water deeply and infrequently. For those with an irrigation system, it is likely the turfgrass is receiving adequate water, but trees are not. Most irrigation systems water shallowly and frequently, keeping upper soil layers saturated while the tree's lower roots remain dry. Use a screwdriver to determine if water is reaching lower soil layers—one easily pushed into the soil indicates water is soaking in. Remember to do a deep soaking prior

ly fertilized, then trees are receiving adequate nutrition for good health. Fertilizers injected into the soil and fertilizer spikes foster leaf growth in trees but force trees to neglect needed functions like root growth and pest resistance. Fertilizer spikes in particular burn roots, causing root dieback. Prune trees to remove rubbing branches, hangers, and double leaders. These areas promote decay, making trees susceptible to damage from wind and snow loads. Never prune trees for the sole purpose of allowing in sunlight to grow better grass beneath. Thinning out tree canopies alters tree aerody-

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