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Commissioners discuss the wind energy project

By Morgan Cardenas,
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At Tuesday's meeting, the Wayne County Commissioners received updates on the current wind energy project as well as discussing different topics.

The meeting started off with claim approvals. All claims were approved except for one that will be tabled until they can contact that person.

Next, the commissioners talked about Resolution No. 21-20 closing Road/Bridge Improvement District Fund 0802 as of Sept. 30, 2021 and transferring any future collections to Road/Bridge Fund 0300. This was the South Centennial project that has now been completed.

Everything is paid for and the taxes that are coming in are delinquent taxes that they are trying to cover now. Resolution No. 21-20 was approved.

Treasurer Tammy Paustian brought taking action on Resolution No. 21-22 Issuance of Tax Sale Certificates, personal taxes to be stricken list one, personal taxes to be stricken list two and parcels of real estate in county and specials in which taxes are delinquent.

The Resolution was approved. Paustian presented a list of taxes that are no longer active, which means that the accessor has deleted their record or the trailer is completely gone and no longer located there.

Distress warrants have been issued for many years but there is nothing there to collect. Notices have been sent out numerous times but have either been sent back or have received no response.

The taxes would be stricken which means Paustian would not have to send out a distress warrant every year, however, if they were to return they could still be collected on then.

Paustian handed out another list of

delinquent taxes with the ones that have been there for many years being highlighted. She talked about doing a county tax on some of these properties but to do this they have to have a resolution for each one. Action on this item has been tabled until the next meeting.

Representatives from Haystack Wind Energy gave an update on how the project is coming along. They have finished hauling dirt and radiuses except for one at the moment.

Deliveries should be finished around Oct. 17 except for a few delayed deliveries that are planned to arrive the last week of October and beginning week of November. They currently have 39 complete sites and 18 more partially complete.

The plan is to try to energize some of the circuits and have some start spinning. Their goal is to be completely finished by Christmas.

Finally, Highway Superintendent Mark Casey brought up Resolution No. 21-21, the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance 2021 to the Nebraska Board of Public Road Classifications and Standards. This takes place of filing the annual report to the state and is the certification that it is done and on file here. The Resolution was approved.

Bid opening for County Bridge Match Program #4(623) started at 9:45. There were two bids from Dixon Construction and A&R Construction.

A&R had the low bid of \$383,041.25 while Dixon's was \$489,719.75. The start date that A&R stated was June 2022 and would end August 2022 but the commissioners are going to ask them if they can start earlier.

The Wayne County Board of Commissioners will next meet in regular session on Tuesday, Oct. 5 at 9 a.m. in the Wayne County Courthouse.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Smoke and burning rubber

Dale Hansen created a large cloud of yellow smoke during his burn-out attempt on Sept. 17. The first-ever competition was held on South Main Street prior to the final Cruise Main for the season. Hansen was crowned the champion for his efforts.

Wakefield Board of Education approves 2021-2022 budget

By Sarah Lentz,
For the Herald

Wakefield's Board of Education held both a budget hearing and board meeting last week. The board discussed helping some band students fund a trip to commemorate D-Day and superintendent evaluation, among other topics, after the budget was approved.

The 2021-2022 budget is eight percent higher than the 2020-2021 budget. While budget increases have come from items like the stadium project, the tax levy has gone up only marginally with an increase of two cents per \$100 valuation.

"The valuations were up, the State aid is

up a bit, but we did keep the levy approximately the same," Superintendent Matt Farup said.

The final tax request was approved at \$4,990,002.

The board also approved giving funds to band and choir teacher Esly Ovando and students Rachael Nuernberger, Susana Prado and Catleena Lortz for their band trip to Washington D.C. and France. Farup told the board the group had worked very hard on auditions for a D-Day commemoration performance and were chosen. They will go on a 10-day trip, first to the nation's capital, and then on to Normandy on D-

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(Photo by Clara Osten)

Jon Mooberry with JEO Consulting, (center) spoke on possible causes for concrete cracking on the 2019 Nebraska Street project during Tuesday's City Council meeting.

Council discusses warranty

By Clara Osten,
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Discussion on whether or not to seek an additional 12-month warranty for the 2019 Nebraska Street Improvement Project took

up considerable time during Tuesday's meeting of the Wayne City Council.

Jon Mooberry with JEO Consulting Group, Inc., spoke to the council on the fact that there is some cracking in the concrete in several locations along Nebraska Street, most notably between Fifth and Sixth Street.

"While this is not unusual, and we have not found any structural problems with the street, we would like to have an extended warranty to monitor the street," Mooberry said.

The current warranty will expire on Oct. 8, 2021.

The contractor on the project, Robert Woehler & Sons Construction, has proposed an additional six month warranty and have the city be responsible for costs associated with this extension.

Council member Chris Woehler explained the contractor's point of view and issues with having to re-bond the project during the extended warranty time frame.

Discussion centered on whether or not the cause of the concrete cracking could be pinpointed to one issue, such as defective concrete or improper saw cut depth in certain areas of the concrete.

Following discussion, council voted 7-0 to move forward with the request for a 12 month extension on the warranty. Council member Woehler abstained.

In connection with that vote, the council voted 8-0 to approve an agreement with Certified Testing Services, Inc. and the \$4,500 cost for pavement sub-grade evaluation services. These tests found no issues with the compaction during the project.

Council members voted unanimously to allow Raegen Reifenrath to keep a rabbit inside city limits as an emotional support animal.

Reinfrath, who is a Wayne State College student and lives on campus, spoke to the council on what she has done prior to coming to council for permission. This includes filling out information for the college, tak-

ing the rabbit to a veterinarian and having a letter of support from her therapist.

City Attorney Amy Miller explained the rules in regard to an emotional support animal and how the circumstances of this request were different than the one that came before the council several weeks ago. In addition, she noted that the animal will be housed on the Wayne State College campus and therefore subject to different regulations.

In other action, the council approved a resolution acknowledging the Nebraska Department of Roads requirements for temporary use of Highway 15 through Wayne.

The request was for Christmas on Main on Thursday, Nov. 18.

In conjunction with that request, approval was also given to prohibit parking in the 200 and 300 blocks of Main Street from 5:30 to 8 p.m. for the event.

Approval was given to Paul Lindner to extend sidewalk into the city's terrace/right-of-way at 601 Westwood Road.

Lindner told the council that there is a tree on his property that he plans to keep trimmed but wants the sidewalk to go around the tree. He explained there are other such instances of sidewalk going onto city terrace in the city and should the tree die or otherwise be removed, he would put the sidewalk to its original location.

A request from Mark Meyer, dba Milo Meyer Construction, Inc. was approved. It will allow Meyer to move a 20 x 50 foot building out of Wayne without having to have an engineer's statement that the move will not damage any city streets.

Council members suggested Meyer move the building in the early morning when there is less traffic in the area involved. The building will be moved from 212 Windom Street to a location outside Wayne.

Two resolutions involving HunTel.Net, Inc., dba American Broadband were approved.

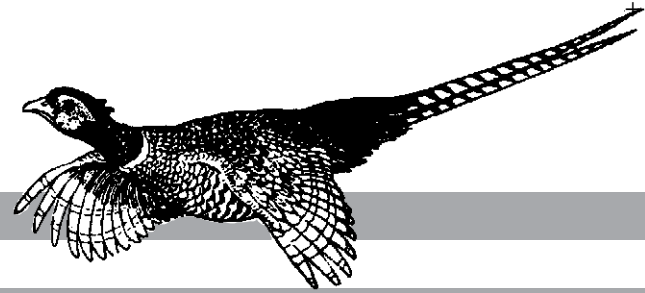
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(Photo by Clara Osten)

Not in the landfill

A two-block long line of vehicles waited their turn during last week's Electronic Recycling Event. Due to COVID-19, the event was not held in 2020, increasing the number of area residents who took advantage of the opportunity to get rid of electronics safely. Volunteers, including several Wayne State College athletic teams, assisted with the event.



Record

Courthouse News

District Court
Sept. 1, 2021

Civil Proceedings:
none

Criminal Proceedings:

State of Neb., pltf. vs. De'jaun A. Marble, Wayne. Complaint for Assault in the Third Degree, a Class I Misdemeanor. Sentenced to 12 months of probation, 30 days jail prior to end of probation, unless waived. Ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$737.49 and court costs of \$147.

State of Neb., pltf. vs. Kayla Bassett, Norfolk. Complaint for Possession of Methamphetamine, a Class IV Felony. Sentenced to 120 days in county jail with credit for 33 days served. Ordered to pay court costs of \$147 and drug court fees of \$165.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Tyler Bas-

sett, Norfolk. Count I: Possession of Methamphetamine, a Class IV Felony. Sentenced to two years in Nebraska Department of Corrections with credit for 101 days served. Count II: Possession of Tramadol, a Class IV Felony. Sentenced to two years in Nebraska Department of Corrections. Following release, must serve 24 months Post-Release Supervision. Ordered to pay costs of \$147.

Wayne County Court

Criminal Proceedings

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Dylan J. Benavides, def. Complaint for Speeding (count I) and Possession/Consume Open Alcohol container (count II). Fined \$75 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Wyatt G. Landanger, def. Complaint for Tobacco/Electronic Nicotine use (count

I) and Speeding. Fined \$300 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Destiny M. Turner, def. Complaint for Leaving the Scene of an Accident (count I); No Proof of Insurance (count II) and Driving Under Suspension (count III). Fined \$400 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Carson P. Beckner, South Sioux City, def. Complaint for Domestic Assault, intentional causing bodily injury (count I) and Resisting Arrest-First Offense (count II). Fined \$1,000 and costs, sentenced to 90 days in jail and 24 months probation.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Derek R. Johnson, Beemer, def. Complaint for Driving Under the Influence - First Offense. Fined \$500 and costs, sentenced to 12 months probation and driver's license revoked for 60 days.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Roger W. Fredrickson, Wayne, def. Complaint for Violation of CMV (count I), Driver Violation of CDL endorsement (two counts), CMV Brake - general (count IV) and CMV - frame (count V). Fined \$600 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Jon A. Haase, Wayne, def. Complaint for Driving CMV without obtaining CDL. Fined \$100 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Brady L. Frahm, Winside, def. Complaint for Driving Under the Influence - First Offense. Fined \$500 and costs, sentenced to nine months' probation and driver's license revoked for 60 days.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Jayshoun M. Palmer-Foster, Crete, def. Complaint for No Proof of Insurance (count I) and Speeding (count II). Fined \$225 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Dylan J. Benavides, Wayne, def. Complaint for Failure to Appear when on Bail. Case bound over to District Court.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Jayshoun Palmer-Foster, Crete, def. Complaint for Sexual Assault, first degree (count I) and Assault by Strangulation (count II). Case bound over to District Court.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Nicholas E. Kahny, Hoskins, def. Complaint for Leaving the Scene of an Accident. Fined \$250 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Dylan J. Benavides, Wayne, def. Complaint for Terroristic Threats (count I), Assault on an Officer or Health Care Provider (count II) and Possession of a Controlled Substance (count III). Case bound over to District Court.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. James M. Kiely, Wayne, def. Complaint for Burglary (three counts), Tampering with Physical Evidence (count IV) and Criminal Possession of Financial Transaction Device (count V). Case bound over to District Court.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Jeffery T. Olsufka, Jr., Wayne, def. Complaint for Driving Under Suspension. Fined \$100 and costs.

Traffic Violations (does not include court costs)

Karlie M. Clinch, spd., \$125; Francisco L. Tavera, spd., \$75; Raul Chavez Delgado, spd., \$125; Jalen D. Robinson, spd., \$75; Paula L. Steffen, spd., \$125; Ian Engbrechtsen, no oper. lic., \$75; Robert A. Marlow, spd., \$75; Michael J. Gensel, spd., \$75; Terry J. Mead, spd., \$75; Matthew R. Gerdes, spd., \$25; Stephen R. Brown, spd., \$25; Amber R. Bragstadt, spd., \$25; Cooper G. Zara, spd., \$75; Shane C. Orr, spd., \$125; Gabrielle L. Jansen, spd., \$125; Randy L. Peterson, CMV - suspension-general, \$25; Alexander A. Ervin, no valid registration, \$25; Devin M. Penne, spd., \$75; Tyrel R. Garner, passing on left side, \$25; Leslie A. Schulz, spd., \$25; Samuel T. Korth, spd., \$25; Daniel R. Tiedtke, no valid registration, \$25; Adalberto Vergara, spd., \$25; Daniel J. Vandeest, spd., \$75; Jess K. Symes, spd., \$25; John C. Horner III, spd., \$125; William D. Dickey, spd., \$75; Dakota R. Roberts, spd., \$75; Jaelyn R. Petersen, spd. \$75; Aaron S. Peikert, spd., \$25.



Champion Pitch player

The father-son duo of Marvin (left) and Scott Brummond (right) were crowned the 2021 Stan Nelsen Pitch Tournament champions. The two men beat a large number of competitors during this year's event. The tournament is held annually during the Wayne County Fair. Presenting the winners with clocks is Stan's son, Andy.



FFA members had a successful day at the recent District Tractor Driving competition. Taking part were (left) Garrett Geiger, Boden Jackson, Brayden McCorkindale, Dylan Boyle (first place), Michael Dickens and Joe Grone.

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A Quick Look



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Date	High	Low	Precip	Snow
Sept. 16	82	52	—	—
Sept. 17	92	56	—	—
Sept. 18	72	52	—	—
Sept. 19	86	68	—	—
Sept. 20	91	65	T	—
Sept. 21	65	47	—	—
Sept. 22	71	37	—	—

Recorded 7 a.m. for previous 24 hour period
Precip./mo. — .16"
Yr./Date — 12.79"

Chamber Coffee

WAYNE — This week's Chamber Coffee/#chamberpercs will be held Friday, Sept. 24 in front of F&M Bank. It will be hosted by the Wayne Sculpture Walk. The coffee begins at 10 a.m. and announcements at 10:15 a.m.

Carroll American Legion Auxiliary

CARROLL — The Carroll American Legion Auxiliary will meet Tuesday, Oct. 5 at 1:30 p.m. at the Carroll Library. All members are encouraged to attend.

Bressler Fest

AREA — Music for this week's Bressler Fest will be provided by Tegan Nissen at 5 p.m., with Brooklyn Bierbower as the opener at 4 p.m. The event, which is held at Bressler Park, is free and open to the public. Food trucks will be on hand with food to be purchased.

Muscle Walk

AREA — The Northeast Nebraska Muscle Walk, Run, Bike Event will be held Sunday, Sept. 26. Registration begins at 2 p.m. at the Wayne Fire Hall on Tomar Drive and the event starts at 3 p.m. Participants can choose to take part in a 5K or one mile walk/run or six mile bike option along the Wayne Pedestrian Trail. An incorrect link to register for the event was published in the story in the Sept. 16 Wayne Herald. The correct link is <https://mda.donordrive.com/event/nebraska-muscleevent>

Farmers' Market

AREA — The Wayne Farmers' Market is open for the season. The market is held on the southwest corner of the Wayne Courthouse, located at Fifth and Lincoln Streets. Vendors will be selling fresh produce, baked goods and other items from 4 to 6 p.m. each Wednesday and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. Anyone wishing to be a vendor is asked to contact the Wayne Area Economic Development Office at (402) 375-2240 to purchase a permit.

Allen News

Callie Anderson
canderson@allenschools.org

Allen Senior Center

Menu:
Thursday, Sept. 23: Chicken salad, potato salad, baked beans, oranges.

Friday, Sept. 24: Biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs, bacon, applesauce, grape juice.

Monday, Sept. 27: Taverns, potato salad, pea salad, mixed fruit.

Tuesday, Sept. 28: Liver or hamburger, sweet potatoes, baked beans, pineapple.

Wednesday, Sept. 29: Chicken thighs, mashed potatoes & gravy, mixed vegetables, oranges.

Events:

Thursday, Sept. 23: FROGS.

Friday, Sept. 24: Herman Chiropactic

Tuesday, Sept. 28: FROGS.

Allen Consolidated Schools

Book Fair is Here

The Scholastic Semi-Annual Book Fair will take place in the library Sept. 21 - 27. Hours are 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. daily. (Closed from 10-10:50 and 1-1:50 due to JH English classes that Mrs. Anderson teaches). Special extended hours during PT Conferences on Thursday, Sept. 23 - Open until 7 p.m. that day.

Proceeds from the Book Fair go towards books and other educational materials for our school's library and classrooms.

*Could also open the book fair by appointment from 4:45-6 p.m. most school days. Email canderson@allenschools.org to schedule.

Thank You

A special thank you has been extended to the members of the First Lutheran Church for surprising our teachers and staff with goodie bags last week. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Weekly Events

Thursday, Sept. 23: State Patrol seatbelt/driving simulator, TBA. Early Out for Parent-Teacher Conferences, 1:50 p.m.; Parent-Teacher Conferences, 3 to 7 p.m.;

Varsity Volleyball Triangular at Winnebago, 5:30 p.m.; **MASKS WILL BE REQUIRED IN THE FACILITY WHILE VIEWING THE CONTEST**
Friday, Sept. 24: Varsity Football vs Pender, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 25: JH Volleyball Tournament at Ponca, 8:30 a.m.; JV Volleyball Quadrangular at Allen, 9 a.m. Game 1: 9 - TCNE vs Winside / Game 2: Pender vs Wakefield / Game 3: Winside vs Wakefield / Game 4: TCNE vs Pender / Game 5: Pender vs Win-

side / Game 6: Wakefield vs TCNE.
Monday, Sept. 27: JH Football at Wakefield, 4 p.m.; JV Football at Wakefield, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 28: Varsity Volleyball Triangular at Ponca, 5:15 p.m.

Allen Community Churches
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Happy Birthday
Wednesday, Sept. 29: Kiara Monteith.
Anniversaries
Wednesday, Sept. 29: Jay and Shelly Jones.



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Jordyn Carr, daughter of Greg and Ann Carr was crowned the 2021 Homecoming Queen at Allen Consolidated School. Gabe Reinert, son of BJ Renert and Steve and Bobbi Keil was chosen as this year's Homecoming King.

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Friday night in Wayne

Hundreds of people took advantage of Friday's pleasant temperatures to take part in the Burn-Out competition and Cruise Main. Vehicle owners from Wayne and the surrounding area tested their skill during the competition, enjoyed food from several food trucks and then were able to watch as a variety of vehicles took part in Cruise Main.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Coffee in the park

Jill Broderson, organizer of Bressler Fest, spoke during last week's Chamber Coffee at Bressler Park. In addition to talking about the four Sundays of musical entertainment, Broderson spoke on work done recently at the park.

Several Rotarians complete training

Several members of the Wayne Rotary Club took part in a training involving the human trafficking market.

Those involved were Gary Weddel, Frank Sheda and Galen Wisner. The training was facilitated by Darius Agumba.

The group then presented information on the local motel managers in Wayne with information on how to intervene against and prevent sex trafficking in these facilities.

Information provided during the training noted that "This is a market-driven business estimated to be \$150 billion per year, up dramatically from the 2013 estimate of \$32 billion."

According to information provided by the Wayne Rotary Club, in the area covered by Rotary District 5650 (southeast Nebraska and southwest Iowa) in any given month "835 unique persons are advertised meaning that between 125 and 600 persons are at risk of being victimized by sex trafficking in this area.

These numbers were calculated by Patrick O'Meara, former federal prosecutor with the Omaha Child Exploitation Task Force and based on data from the Creighton University Human Trafficking Initiative.

It is estimated that 50-90 percent of sex trafficking occurs in hotels and motels, depending on the circumstances and location.



Super 8 Manager Dipak Cheudhari receives a plaque from Galen Wisner, Wayne Rotary Club Coordinator.



Shelly Christensen, Assistant Manager of the Cobblestone Hotel in Wayne receives the plaque indicating the hotel is taking steps to prevent human trafficking. Presenting the plaque is Galen Wisner.



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Proceeds from Pink Flamingo to assist lymphedema patients

As the date approaches for the annual Pink Flamingo fundraising and social event, organizers are sharing information on how this year's proceeds will be used.

This year's event, scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 7 at Our Savior Lutheran Church, will be working to provide funds for treatment of lymphedema patients at the Providence Medical Center Therapy Department.

Lymphedema is a disease that causes swelling in the arm(s) or trunk of the body after treatment for breast cancer. It is caused from an accumulation of fluid that collects when the lymph vessels or lymph nodes are blocked or removed. This typically results from surgery and/or radiation, trauma, or infection that may occur following these treatments.

The lymphatic system is part of the body's circulatory system and removes waste products from the tissues. There are lymph nodes within the system which are kidney bean shaped collecting centers. These lymph nodes screen out waste from the lymph fluid and de-

stroy harmful substances such as bacteria.

When the system is impaired, the lymph fluid backs up into the tissues.

This back up of stagnant fluid is called lymphedema which may cause swelling of the affected tissue area. Left untreated, lymphedema may lead to chronic inflammation, infection and changes of the skin that, in turn, results in further lymph vessel damage and distortion of the shape of affected body parts.

Symptoms of lymphedema may include a full sensation in the arm or chest wall, skin feeling tight, decreased flexibility in the hand or wrist, and difficulty fitting into clothing in one specific area, or ring/wristwatch/bracelet tightness.

Wearing a compression sleeve and glove can be helpful in preventing lymphedema and progression of lymphedema by not allowing this fluid to accumulate. A compression sleeve and glove may be measured and fitted by a therapy professional with specialized training or a Certified Lymphedema Therapist (CLT).

Appropriately fitted compression garments are just one step in multifaceted treatment of true lymphedema following breast cancer treatment.

Although lymphedema as a disease has no cure, treatment can help prevent infection, increase self-esteem, prevent scar tissue formation, and improve extremity function for ease completing activities of daily living, work and leisure.

Sleeves, gloves and other compression garments needed by patients experiencing lymphedema will be purchased with funds from this year's Pink Flamingo event. These items are not typically covered by insurance.

Tickets for this year's Pink Flamingo Night are currently on sale and can be purchased at all the banks in Wayne, Swans Apparel, IKT, Hair Envy, Wayne Area Economic Development Office, Providence Pharmacy, The Quilt Shop in Wakefield, Missa Sue's Salon in Laurel and at Our Savior Lutheran Church. Tickets need to be purchased by Friday, Oct. 1.

For more information, contact Our Savior Lutheran Church in Wayne at (402) 375-2899.



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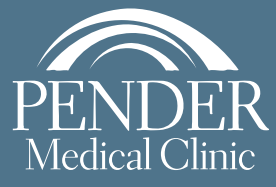


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Learning the history of Wayne

Meena Dalal (right) spoke during a special coffee at State Nebraska Bank on Sept. 21. She talked about John G. Neihardt's connection to Wayne and to State Nebraska Bank. The coffee was part of a two-day conference on Neihardt, entitled "Youth Remembered 1881-1901" which also included a walking tour of Wayne.

Annual tailgate held this Friday

The Taste of Victory Tailgate is being held Friday at the Memorial Stadium at 5:45 p.m.

The tailgate is a fundraiser that the Wayne Area Economic Department has been doing for seven years. The fundraiser is for

the Wayne Community School Foundation and has raised over \$8,000 so far.

They invite local celebrity chefs to cook at the tailgate and will have a free will donation. This year they have seven chefs and they

are Tim Bartz from the Majestic Theatre, Kinship Pointe, Matt Ley and Jason Claussen of State Nebraska Bank and Trust, Emilie Osten, Elkhorn Valley Bank, KEL Physical Therapy and Steve and Brittany Webber.

Warranty

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The first involves an initial community-wide technology over-build agreement between the city and American Broadband. This agreement is similar to one granted to Black Hills Energy earlier this year. It is the first step in the process of completing upgrades in the city.

The second resolution approves the pole use agreement that was originally made with Wayne.Net, LLC (BNT). The agreement has been changed to indicate American Broadband as the licensee.

A payment in the amount of \$160,099.93 was approved to Meyers Construction Inc. for the Pine Heights Road & Utility Improvements Project.

Jon Mooberry spoke to the council on the work that has been completed and said he was pleased with the communication that has taken place between the contractor and the property owners in the area.

He did say the project was slightly behind schedule due to several factors, including the finding of some unexpected things when the project began.

An ordinance was passed and the three readings waived for Amendment No. 4 to the contract with Big Rivers Electric Corporation. This will allow for a connecting point closer to Wayne and stabilize the rates for Wayne. This is in response to the situation that was created in the electric industry with Winter Storm Uri in February of this year.

Discussion was also held during

Tuesday's meeting on installing storm sewer and paving on Clark Street in the southwest portion of Wayne.

When South Sherman Street was developed, an agreement was put into place to have storm sewers by 2022. Work will get underway to have a design in place to add the project to next year's one- and six-year street improvement plan.

The Wayne City Council will next meet in regular session on Tuesday, Oct. 5 at 5:30 p.m. in council chambers.

Budget

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Day, when they will perform. Farup said the students are currently raising funds on their own to attend.

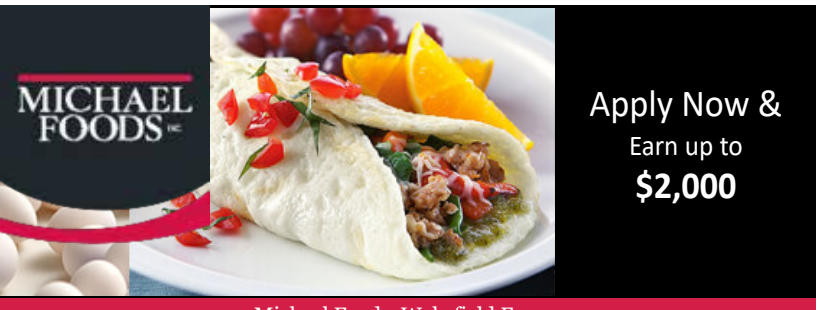
"(They) are doing a great job of raising funds and working really hard, but I also believe it is a curricular subject that should be supported by the school."

The board voted to give Ovando \$2,000 and each student \$1,000 for their trip.

Board president Bree Brown lead

discussion of adopting the Nebraska Association of School Board's (NASB) superintendent evaluation tool. Superintendent evaluations have been a tedious process for the board in the past, but the NASB tool will streamline the process and provide better feedback. The move was approved.

The next regularly scheduled Wakefield Board of Education meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 11.



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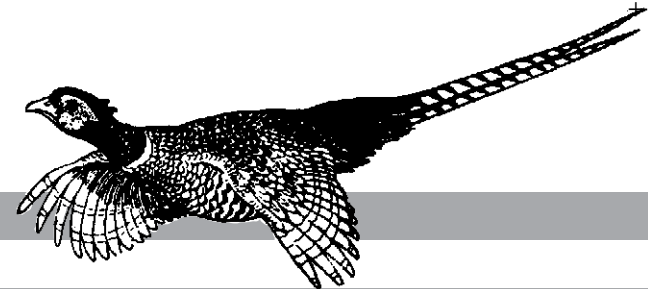
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Sports

The Wayne Herald



Wildcats shut down Minot State in 48-0 win in home contest

Wayne State posted its second straight shutout victory over Minot State Saturday evening with a 48-0 victory over the Beavers at Bob Cunningham Field in Wayne.

The Wildcats opened the scoring on the first series after forcing a Minot State punt as Alex Powders booted a 20-yard field goal for a 3-0 lead at the 12:23 mark of the opening period.

Wayne State increased the lead to 10-0 late in the first quarter when reserve quarterback Nick Bohn found the end zone from one yard out to cap a seven-play, 51 yard drive to close scoring in the first quarter.

Wayne State took a 17-0 advantage at the 9:24 mark of the second quarter when sophomore quarterback Tavian Willis connected with Mason Lee on a 35-yard scoring play.

Later in the second quarter, the 'Cats built a 20-0 lead following another Powders field goal, this one from 37 yards out with 1:02 left before halftime.

Wayne State closed the first half scoring when senior Kevin Ransom intercepted a Minot State pass and raced 34 yards for a touchdown giving the Wildcats a 27-0 lead at halftime.

The lone score of the third quarter came on a 31-yard scoring pass from Nick Bohn to Trystyn Ducker with 4:00 to go, putting the Wild-



(Photo courtesy WSC Sports Information) Wildcat senior running back Deshawn Massey (20) puts a move on Minot State defender Isaiah Bigby (7) during Saturday's Family Weekend Game at Cunningham Field in Wayne.

cats in front 34-0.

Senior running back Deshawn Massey added two fourth quarter scores on runs of seven and 15 yards to make the final score 48-0.

Wayne State outgained Minot State in the contest 474-252. The Wildcats were balanced offensively with 244 yards on the ground and 230 passing while the Beavers gained 205 on the ground and were held to just 47 yards passing.

Massey paced a balanced Wildcat run attack with 96 yards on 10 rushes and two scores followed by Bohn with 60 yards on 12 attempts and one score.

Throwing the ball, Tavian Willis completed 11-of-19 passes for 137 yards and one TD while Bohn was

5-of-7 for 93 yards and another TD.

Taurean Grady led WSC in receiving with five receptions for 112 yards while Ducker added five catches for 54 yards and one TD.

Ransom recorded a team-high five tackles with two interceptions for 33 yards that included a 34-yard interception return for a touchdown. Linebackers Dexter Larsen and Ijaaz Rashid each added five tackles with Rashid credited with a forced fumble. Dimetri King had an interception while Grayson Garey was credited with a fumble recovery.

The Wildcats (2-1) will be on the road next Saturday traveling to No. 13 Minnesota Duluth for a 6:05 p.m. night contest.

Wildcats split conference volleyball road test

Fifth-ranked Wayne State claimed their Northern Sun Conference opener before suffering their second loss of the season in action last week.

On Friday, Taya Beller, Kelsie Cada and Jaz DeHaan each recorded 14 kills to power the Wildcats to a 28-26, 25-19, 19-25, 25-17 victory Friday evening at 16th-ranked Minnesota Duluth in the Northern Sun Conference volleyball opener for both teams.

The Wildcats needed extra points and rallied from a 22-19 deficit in the opening set to claim the opening-set win. WSC faced deficits of 18-13 and 19-14 and rallied from two set points to get two wins, capped by back-to-back ace serves by Alaina Wolff.

The second set was less stressful on the Wildcats as WSC forced eight UMD attack errors while rolling to a 2-0 advantage. Brahmer and DeHaan each accounted for three kills in the set while Beller and Rachel Walker each had service aces.

Minnesota Duluth kept the match alive in the third set by recording 18 kills to claim the third set, but the Wildcats jumped on the Bulldogs in the final set, taking a 5-1 lead early and never looked back in beating the Bulldogs to capture a 3-1 match win.

The trio of Beller, Cada and DeHaan accounted for all 15 Wildcats kills in the fourth set with Cada notching six followed by Beller five and DeHaan four.

Wayne State finished the match with a .253 attack percentage compared to .189 for UMD. The host Bulldogs had five more kills than the Wildcats 60-55 but WSC forced 26 attack errors compared to 13 on the Wildcats. UMD had four more digs than WSC 84-80 and one more block 6-5.

Beller hit .375 with her 14 kills to lead WSC followed by DeHaan's 14 kills and .324 attack percentage. Cada also had 14 kills along with a team-high 17 digs. Jessie Brandl added 16 digs with libero Alaina Wolff recording 12. Beller and Elly Larson each had three blocks while Wolff and Beller had two service aces apiece. Setter Ra-

chel Walker handed out 48 set assists in the win.

On Saturday, hot-hitting St. Cloud State posted a .300 attack percentage and forced 22 Wayne State attack errors as the 23rd-ranked Huskies downed the Wildcats, 25-11, 25-20, 18-25, 25-18.

The Wildcats got off to a slow start in the first set that was dominated by the host Huskies. St. Cloud State forced 10 WSC attack errors that included seven blocks, holding the Wildcats to a minus-.061 attack percentage. St. Cloud State, meanwhile, hit a sizzling .462 in the opening set with 13 kills and just one error on 26 attacks.

Wayne State hit much better in the second set, .314 with 13 kills and just two errors, but the host Huskies produced 18 kills and a .368 hitting percentage to out-duel the Wildcats and take a 2-0 advantage.

The Wildcats gained some momentum back in the third set as WSC recorded six blocks and held the host Huskies to a .000 attack percentage to cut the deficit in half. Maggie Brahmer had four kills in six attacks to pace WSC in the set win followed by Jaz DeHaan with three kills.

But the hot-hitting Huskies came back in the fourth set and notched a .400 attack percentage with 18 kills and just two attack errors to put away the Wildcats.

St. Cloud State finished the match hitting .300 with 57 kills while WSC posted a .181 attack percentage with 48 kills. The Huskies held a 68-56 edge in digs over the Wildcats and had eight service aces to just one for WSC. St. Cloud State also had a 14-10 advantage in blocks over the Wildcats.

DeHaan led WSC in hitting with 15 kills followed by Cada and Brahmer with nine apiece. Libero Wolff had 17 digs followed by Cada with 12 and Brandl 11 and Walker was credited with 34 set assists.

The Wildcats (7-2, 1-1 NSIC) played their first home match of the season Tuesday evening, hosting the University of Sioux Falls. They host Minnesota Crookston on Friday and Bemidji State Saturday afternoon.

Wildcats slip to No. 8 in AVCA poll

The Wayne State volleyball team slipped three spots to eighth in the latest AVCA Division II Top 25 Coaches Poll.

The Wildcats, 7-2 overall and 1-1 in the NSIC, received 828 points in voting conducted by Division II coaches from across the country.

Last week, the Wildcats split NSIC road matches, winning 3-1 at then-No. 16 Minnesota Duluth while falling 3-1 at No. 23 St. Cloud State.

The NSIC has six teams ranked

in this week's poll, including four in the top 10. Southwest Minnesota State is No. 5, Concordia-St. Paul is No. 6 and Winona State is No. 10. Also ranked are Minnesota Duluth (19th) and St. Cloud State (20th).

The Wildcats play three matches at home this week, starting Tuesday evening at 6 p.m. against Sioux Falls followed by matches this weekend vs. Minnesota Crookston Friday at 6 p.m. and Bemidji State Saturday at 1 p.m.

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The team of Tim Sutton, Kory Leseberg and Kevin Heithold defeated the team of Kyle Schellpeper, Ryan Dahl and Brent Pollari.

The team of Rob Sweetland, Rich Rethwisch and Craig Walling defeated the team of Chris Kellen, Nick Curnyn and Cale Giese in semifinal action.



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McGonigal medalist at Invite

Wayne State sophomore Will McGonigal claimed individual honors to help the Wayne State men's cross country team to a runner-up finish Friday at the Morningside Invitational Men's Cross Country Meet, held at the Adams Nature Preserve in McCook Lake, S.D.

Concordia (Neb.) topped Wayne State 43-53 for the men's team title followed by Morningside in third place at 63 points.

Hiemer (32nd, 28:45) and Dawson Lawver (51st, 29:57).

In women's action Allie Rosener placed fifth overall to help the Wayne State College women's cross country team to a third-place finish.

Concordia (Neb.) won the team title over host Morningside 29-40 with Wayne State third at 67 points.

McGonigal crossed the finish line on the 8,000-meter course first out of a field of 70 runners with a time of 25:19, just under 20 seconds ahead of second place Camden Sesna of Concordia. Brock Hegarty claimed a top 10 finish by coming in seventh overall at 26:53 while Brandon Mundorf just missed top 10, finish taking 11th at 27:20.

Rosener came in fifth place overall out of 53 runners with a time of 19:19 over 5,000 meters. Yankton sophomore Brooke Solomon was the next Wildcat finisher, taking 10th place in 19:53. Alison Stineman came in 16th at 20:34 with Kelsey Larsen taking 23rd in 21:18. Other Wildcat runners were Kylie Pacht (30th, 21:52) and Marin Jetensky (38th, 22:36).

Other Wildcat runners included Abe Schroeder (24th, 27:55), Bryce Holcomb (30th, 28:40), Brandon Mitzel (31st, 28:44), Nathan

The next meet for Wayne State will be Friday, hosting the Wildcat Classic at the Wayne Country Club starting at 4 p.m.



(Photo by Mary Vanderbeek)

Wayne State defender Sydney Schnase battles a Minnesota State opponent during Friday's action at the WSC Soccer Pitch. The visiting Mavericks claimed a 2-1 win.

Wildcats drop two close home matches

The Wayne State women's soccer team opened Northern Sun Conference play at home over the weekend, dropping a pair of close matches.

On Friday, a late goal by freshman defender Molly Michaelson was not enough to overcome a two-

goal deficit against Minnesota State as the visiting Mavericks posted a 2-1 win over Wayne State at the WSC Soccer Pitch.

Minnesota State got the first goal of the game 13 minutes in on Louisa Shromoff's first of the season. Ashlyn Watt assisted on the goal. The Mavericks scored again a little over nine minutes later on Jenny Vetter's second of the season for a 2-0 lead at intermission.

Michaelson scored with less than five minutes to play to put the score at 2-1, but the Wildcats couldn't find the equalizer as they dropped their conference opener.

The Mavericks had a 13-7 edge in shots against the Wildcats including substantial advantage in corner kicks 7-1. WSC was called for one more foul than Minnesota State 11-10.

Michaelson scored the Wildcat goal on her only shot of the contest. Megan Phillips was credited with two shots on goal to lead WSC while Morgan Rhodes and Kylee Delaney also had shots on goal.

Sophomore goalkeeper Katherine Hageman suffered the loss despite allowing just two goals with two saves.

Sunday afternoon, Concordia-St. Paul scored less than seven minutes into the contest and made that goal stand as they dropped a 1-0 decision. to the Golden Bears.

Forward Katie Anderson scored the game's only goal just 6:59 into the match off of an assist by Nikki Anderson. Katie Anderson had four shots (two on goal) to lead the Golden Bears.

For the Wildcats it was Madison Kemp with three shots while Megan Phillips had two. They each had one shot on goal.

Wayne State had more shots in the first half than Concordia-St. Paul 7-4, but the Golden Bears defense picked it up in the second half allowing just one shot while producing five of their own.

Katherine Hageman suffered the loss despite allowing just one goal with four saves.

Wayne State (0-4-1, 0-2-0 NSIC) will be at home again this weekend, hosting Northern State Friday at 3 p.m. and MSU Moorhead Sunday in a 1 p.m. contest.

Golfers see action on the road

The Wayne High girls golf team competed in a triangular and a tournament during action last week.

On Tuesday, the Blue Devils competed in a triangular at Pierce. Only three girls took part in the event for Wayne, with Riley Haschke shooting a 52 to finish as runner-up and Joslyn Johnson carding a 54 for third place. Lindsay Niemann shot a 70.

The Wayne High golfers traveled to Albion Saturday for the Boone Central Invitational. Due to injuries and illness only Haschke and Niemann were able to play. Haschke shot 105 in the hot and windy conditions to get 19th place. Niemann shot a personal best 139 to earn a 48th finish.

Wayne next hosts the Richard Metteer Invitational on Thursday with a 9 a.m. shotgun start.

Blue Devils come up short in 21-11 thriller

When two top-ranked teams come together early in the season, the game can be viewed as a barometer for both teams as to where they stand in the grand scheme of things.

After Friday's 21-11 loss to second-ranked Ashland-Greenwood on the road Friday, the sixth-ranked Wayne Blue Devils can still feel good about where they are in the Class C-1 hierarchy, knowing that a tough district awaits them in the final five weeks of the season.

Coming into the game, the Bluejays had not given up a point in their previous two games, but that streak ended late in the first period.

After the hosts opened the game with a 29-yard touchdown run by Nathan Upton, Wayne responded with a drive of their own, ending in a five-yard scoring dive by senior Brandon Bartos, who also ran in the two-point conversion to give the visitors an 8-7 advantage.

The Blue Devil defense remained stout in the second period, and Wayne was able to extend their lead right before halftime on a 25-yard Yair Alcantara field goal to take an 11-7 lead into intermission.

Ashland-Greenwood moved the ball down the field after silencing Wayne on its opening drive of the second half, taking the lead at 14-11 when Carter Washburn caught a 13-yard pass from Dane Jacobsen.

The key play of the game came on the next series, as Wayne turned

the ball over and Upton was able to score a few plays later with an 18-yard run. Ashland-Greenwood's defense shut down the Wayne offense in the second half to come away with the win, handing Wayne its first loss of the season.

Bartos led a balanced ground attack with 65 yards on 18 carries while Tanner Walling had 62 yards on seven tries. Eli Barner carried five times for 25 yards and Alex Phelps rushed twice for 10 yards.

Walling was 12-of-25 passing for 120 yards with one interception. Phelps was the leading receiver with 84 yards on seven catches while Bartos had 36 yards on five connections.

Defensively, Mason Frevert led Wayne with 10 total tackles, Walling had nine and Daniel Judd had seven, two coming for losses. Dakota Spann also had two tackles for loss.

The Blue Devils return home this week to begin district action, hosting Battle Creek on Friday in a 7 p.m. game at Wayne State College's Cunningham Field.

Ashland-Greenwood 21, Wayne 11

Wayne 8 3 0 0 - 11

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Scoring Summary

A-G - Nathan Upton 29 run (kick good)

WAYNE - Brandon Bartos 5 run (Bartos run)

WAYNE - Yair Alcantara 25 field goal

A-G - Carter Washburn 13 pass from Dane Jacobsen (kick good)

A-G - Upton 18 run (kick good)

Blue Devil netters lose thrillers

Wayne went the distance with two of the top volleyball teams in the area, coming up short in a pair of five-set road matches last week.

On Tuesday, the Blue Devils went to West Point and took Guardian Angels Central Catholic the distance before the Bluejays came away with a five-set win, winning 25-16, 9-25, 25-23, 16-25, 17-15.

Rubie Klausen had 13 kills in the losing effort, followed by Kate Hill with six and Mady Sievers and Leah Perry with four each. Courtney Brink had three kills along with Kiara Krusemark, who directed the offense with 29 set assists.

Klausen and Sydney Redden both had 18 digs in the match while Reagan Backer picked up 15. Hill had eight and Krusemark and Faith Powicki each had five.

Softball team wins pair of triangulars

The Wayne High softball team made the most of back-to-back triangulars last week, winning all four games to improve to 12-4 on the season.

On Monday, the Blue Devils hosted a triangular with Schuyler and West Point-Beemer, winning both games by identical 12-0 scores.

In the Schuyler game, Taytem Ellis tripled to highlight a 10-hit effort. Taytum Sweetland and Kendall Dorey each had two hits, Sweetland scored twice and Hailey Schroeder and Brooklyn Kruse both had two RBI. Sammi Gubbels struck out six and walked two in pitching a three-inning no-hitter.

In the second game, Ellis tripled again and Dorey and Hope O'Reilly both had doubles as part of an

On Thursday, the Blue Devils traveled to Norfolk and took Lutheran High Northeast to five sets before the host Eagles rallied to win 16-25, 25-19, 21-25, 25-14, 15-6.

Hill led the Wayne offense with 14 kills with Klausen adding 11, Perry nine, Krusemark six and Sievers five. Krusemark had 35 assists.

Defensively, Redden recorded 32 digs, Krusemark had 18, Klausen picked up 16, Sievers had 15 and Backer had eight. Hill had two blocks.

The Blue Devils are 5-7 on the season. They hosted Norfolk Catholic on Tuesday and will have a home triangular Thursday before competing in the Wisner-Pilger Invitational on Saturday.

eight-run first inning. Ellis had two hits, scored twice and drove in three runs, Dorey drove in three and O'Reilly, Ellis, Mikaela McManigal and Virginia Kniesche both scored two runs. Gubbels threw another three-inning no-hitter, striking out five.

Wayne's bats stayed hot the following day in Pierce as they beat Boone Central/Newman Grove (7-0) and Pierce (20-2).

Wayne scored four runs in the fourth inning of the opener to beat the Cardinals. Dorey doubled and Kruse tripled to highlight a six-hit effort. Aliah Schulz led the team with two hits and O'Reilly scored twice. Kierah Haase had two RBIs.

Wayne was on fire early in the second game, scoring 14 runs in the opening frame to cruise to the easy win. Every starter scored at least one run, led by Dorey's three, and Liberty Titiml also crossed the plate three times.

Dorey homered, Kruse had two doubles and Delaey Kruse had two hits, including a double, and a team-high five RBIs. Gubbels got the pitching win, scattering four hits and striking out two.

Wayne was at Ponca on Tuesday and Wisner-Pilger Thursday before closing out a week-long road tour with Saturday's Adams Central Invitational.

YOUTH BOWLING

Wayne Youth League	Scratch Game: Team 5, 596; Team 6, 506	Smith, 404; Konnor Kai, 160..
Week #1 of 16	Scratch Series: Team 5, 1693; Team 6 1393	GIRLS - Scratch Game: Mckaeye Becker, 78; Whitney Haddock, 72. Scratch Series: Mckaeye Becker, 220; Whitney Haddock, 191.
Division 1:	Division 1 - Top Scorers	Division 3 - Top Scorers
Team 1 3 1	BOYS - Scratch Game: Shayne Geidner, 174; Colston Starzl, 150; Dreu Jensen, 135. Scratch Series: Shayne Geidner, 464; Colston Starzl, 401; Dreu Jensen, 356..	BOYS - Scratch Game: Calvin Starzl, 191; Colin Potts, 190; Brogan Foote, 161. Scratch Series: Colin Potts, 503; Calvin Starzl, 499; Brogan Foote, 389.
Team 2 1 3	GIRLS - Scratch Game: Gracyn Johnson, 112; Graycen Trautman, 98; Chloe Kai, 95. Scratch Series: Gracyn Johnson, 279; Chloe Kai, 267; Graycen Trautman, 263.	GIRLS - Scratch Game: Rebekah Pinkelman, 180; Jersei Jensen, 180; Riley Haschke, 165. Scratch Series: Jersei Jensen, 501; Riley Haschke, 419; Rebekah Pinkelman, 410.
Division 2:	Division 2 - Top Scorers	
Team 5 4 0	BOYS - Scratch Game: Aiden Petersen, 212; Camden Hall, 163; Konnor Kai, 160. Scratch Series: Aiden Petersen, 505; Blake	
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Grossenburg Impl. 5 3	White Dog Pub 5 3
One Office 4 4	Sterling Computer 4 4
Wildcat Lanes 3 5	Wildcat Lanes 0 8
White Dog 3 5	
The Odd Balls 3 5	High Game: Julie Hartung, 196; Candy Guill, 190; Andi Belt, 181; Dawn Navrkal, 166; Lynda Belt, 163; Carissa Sokol, 163; Jennifer Thomas, 163; Tabitha Belt, 161; Kathy Bird, 158; Stefanie McLagan, 157; Sara Ruwe, 155; Kim Nelson, 155; Diane Roeber, 155.
Klein Electric 3 5	High Series: Julie Hartung, 488; Dawn Navrkal, 473; Andi Belt, 460; Candy Guill, 459; Stefanie McLagan, 455; Tabitha Belt, 440; Ardie Sommerfeld, 46; Lynda Belt, 429; Nikki McLagan, 429; Diane Roeber, 420; Sara Ruwe, 417; Jennifer Thomas, 417.
Wildcat Cubs 2.5 5.5	Split: Sherri Widner, 6-7-10.
PMC Scrubs 0 8	
High Game: Michael Denklu, 268.	
High Series: Michael Denklu, 728.	
High Scores: Brodie Ronspies, 247, 205; Michael Denklu, 232, 228; Tay Guill, 226; Dustin Bargholz, 225; Kayleen Roberts, 223, 204; Doug Rose, 216, 211; Keith Roberts, 216; Darin Jensen, 215; Kelly Hansen, 214; Brad Jones, 214, 203; Zane Shearman, 212; Kyle Kempf, 205; Jeremy Sebade, 200; Harrison Lane, 200; Jessi Jensen, 195, 192, 183; Amanda Rusch, 186.	
High Series: Brodie Ronspies, 624; Dustin Bargholz, 619; Doug Rose, 609; Kayleen Roberts, 583; Jessi Jensen, 570.	

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Wayne girls make it 4-for-4

Rack up another winning day for the Wayne High girls cross country team, as they won their fourth straight meet — and third in eight

days — with a solid effort at the Columbus Scotus Invitational.

Once again, all four Blue Devil scoring runners earned medals for their individual efforts, led by winning medalist Kyla Krusemark, who came home in a time of 21:58 to claim top honors.

Laura Hasemann posted a fourth-place finish in 22:59, followed by Oliva Hanson (23:36, 9th) and Frantzie Barner (23:51, 12th). Yama Kantai was 19th and Norah Armstrong was 22nd to highlight the varsity results.

In boys action, Wayne was sixth overall and were led by Alex Frank, who finished 22nd in 20:11. Mason Ley was one second behind in 24th place and Ethan McCraney finished 26th.

In junior high action, Drew Miller won the boys race to help the Wayne boys finish third, and Reagan McGuire (3rd) and Lilyan Hurner (11th) earned medals to help the girls team finish third.

Next action for the Wayne cross country teams is this Thursday at Crofton, followed by the UNK Invitational on Monday in Kearney.

Columbus Scotus Invitational
Girls Team Standings
Wayne 19, Battle Creek 59, Logan View 60, Columbus Scotus 74, Wahoo 81, Boone Central/Newman Grove 101, West Point-Beemer 103, Wisner-Pilger 107, Columbus Lakeview 156.

Area Results
WAYNE — 1. Kyla Krusemark, 21:58; 4. Laura Hasemann, 22:59; 9. Olivia Hanson, 23:36; 12. Frantzie Barner, 23:51; 19. Yama Kantai, 25:28; 22. Norah Armstrong, 26:34; 35. Ava Elliott, 28:44; 57. Maria Vergara, 32:58; 61. Maya Spahr, 35:08.

Boys Team Standings

Norfolk Catholic 14, Battle Creek 55, Wahoo 64, Columbus Scotus 72, Logan View 99, Wayne 107, Boone Central/Newman Grove 111, Columbus Lakeview 169, West Point-Beemer 169, Wisner-Pilger 183, Aquinas 191, David City 219.

Area Results
WAYNE — 22. Alex Frank, 20:11; 24. Mason Ley, 20:12; 26. Ethan McCraney, 20:22; 38. Ethan Wibben, 20:57; 42. Easton Blecke, 21:09; 64. Parker Kesting, 22:06; 74. Adrian Klinetobe, 22:33; 86. Ty Zach, 23:10; 89. Kasen York, 23:24; 120. Carter Hasemann, 27:18.

Girls JH Team Standings
Wahoo 30, Boone Central/Newman Grove 37, Wayne 48, Columbus Lakeview 58, Columbus Scotus 87, West Point-Beemer 105, Logan View 123.

Area Results
WAYNE — 3. Reagan McGuire, 14:12; 11. Lilyan Hurner, 14:48; 22. Kennasyn Blecke, 16:09; 27. Josie Ley, 16:53; 30. Kayleigh Graybeal, 16:56; 45. Sophia Spiker, 18:25; 48. Sharon Vasquez, 19:17.

Boys JH Team Standings
Norfolk Catholic 29, Wahoo 38, Wayne 46, Columbus Scotus 83, Battle Creek 86, Columbus Lakeview 105, Boone Central/Newman Grove 106, Logan View 109, West Point-Beemer 156.

Area Results
WAYNE — 1. Drew Miller, 11:37; 7. Emmanuel Gonzalez, 12:45; 13. Boden Dobbins, 13:28; 26. Payton Junc, 14:43; 27. Lance Brink, 14:43; 33. Cole Zach, 15:15; 35. Alejandro Archundia, 15:21; 44. Joshua Zavala, 17:05; 50. Landen Sharer, 17:32; 51. Jenner Dorey, 17:46; 58. Cale Eischeid, 18:39; 60. Landon Claussen, 18:52.



(Photo by Courtney Maas)

Wayne cross country runner Kyla Krusemark led the Blue Devils to their fourth win of the season, claiming medalist honors at the Scotus Invitational.



(Photo by Mary Vanderbeek)

Wakefield's Logan Bokemper gets away from two Lutheran High Northeast defenders on his way to the end zone during Friday's action at Eaton Field.

Comeback falls short for Wakefield

WAKEFIELD — Wakefield found themselves in a 22-point hole at halftime and mounted a second-half comeback that fell just short in a 44-40 decision Friday at Eaton Field.

The Eagles used two Landon Johnson touchdown passes and a pair of touchdown runs by Keaton Ranslem to build a 28-6 lead at the half, but the Trojans rallied in the second half.

Cade Johnson started the rally with a five-yard run, and Logan Bokemper ran for a 41-yard touchdown later in the third period to make it a 36-20 game going to the fourth quarter.

The Eagles scored again, but Bokemper scored on two runs in the fourth quarter, scoring from 16 and 37 yards, to get the Trojans

within striking distance. Two two-point conversions failed and the Trojans couldn't get another shot as they fell to 0-4 on the season.

Bokemper led the offensive effort with 132 yards on 17 carries while Johnson had 12 carries for 87 yards and was 13-of-21 passing for 155 yards. Schultz was the leading receiver, catching six passes for 111 yards. Bokemper had five catches for 33 yards.

Leading the defense was Johnson with 23 total tackles and two pass break-ups, Gabe Lamprecht had 18 tackles and a sack and Bokemper recorded 14 tackles.

Wakefield will look for their first win Friday when they host Plainview.

Lutheran High NE 44, Wakefield 40
Wakefield 6 0 14 20 - 40

Luth. High NE 16 12 8 8 - 44

Scoring Summary

LHNE — Cort McKeown 11 pass from Landon Johnson (Keaton Ranslem pass from Johnson)

LHNE — Ranslem 43 pass from Johnson (Carson Anderson pass from Ranslem)

WAKEFIELD — Hunter Schultz 45 pass from Cade Johnson (PAT failed)

LHNE — Ranslem 7 run (PAT failed)

LHNE — Ranslem 7 run (PAT failed)

WAKEFIELD — Johnson 5 run (PAT failed)

LHNE — Ranslem 5 run (L35 run)

WAKEFIELD — Logan Bokemper 41 run (Gabe Lamprecht pass from Cade Johnson)

WAKEFIELD — Schultz 11 pass from Johnson (Bokemper pass from Johnson)

LHNE — Ranslem 8 run (Ranslem run)

WAKEFIELD — Bokemper 16 run (PAT failed)

WAKEFIELD — Bokemper 37 run (PAT failed)

Winside volleyball falls on the road

The road was not kind to the Winside volleyball team last week, as they dropped two of three matches.

The Wildcats split a triangular at Homer, falling to Osmond 25-20, 25-16 and defeating the host Homer Knights, 25-21, 25-17.

Against Homer, Natalie Kruger led a balanced attack with five kills while McKenna Russell and Carson Brogren each had three. Skye Schultz added two kills. Russell had seven assists, Stenwall had three and Kruger had two.

Kruger ha two ace serves and Rande Haase had three blocks. Stenwall recorded nine digs, Russell, Brogren and Hannah Gubbels each had eight.

In the Osmond game, Stenwall recorded three kills and Brogren and Kruger had two. Russell had six assists and Kruger had three with Haase recording three blocks. Gubbels had 12 digs, Russell added

nine and Stenwall and Kruger had eight apiece.

On Thursday, Winside dropped a three-set decision at Bloomfield, losing 25-19, 25-13, 25-19.

Kruger led the net attack with seven kills, Russell added five and Camrynn Marx had three. Russell had eight assists and Kruger added five. Haase had two blocks and Sam Gubbels had two aces. Hannah Gubbels had 13 digs, Russell added 10 and Brogren, Stenwall and Kruger each had five.

On Monday, the Wildcats took care of Walthill in straight sets,

winning 25-10, 25-7, 25-15.

Kruger had 12 kills, Russell added seven and Stenwall and Marx both had three kills while Haase put down two. Russell had 13 assists, Kruger had five and Skylar Spann had two.

Stenwall served up four aces while Russell and Kruger both had two. Brogren led in digs with 12, Hannah Gubbels had eight and Stenwall, Russell and Reagan Strong each had three.

Winside, 3-10, played at Wausa Tuesday and will be at Pender for a Monday matchup.

Wildcats drop second straight football game

After getting off to a 2-0 start, the Winside football team dropped their second straight game Friday, falling at Osmond 44-14.

Osmond scored three quick touchdowns in the third quarter to take control of the game. Gabe Escalante returned a kickoff 72 yards for a touchdown to get the Wildcats on the board, and threw a fourth-quarter touchdown pass to Dax Behmer to account for Winside's final score of the evening.

Escalante led the ground attack

with 69 yards on 15 carries while Art Escalante had 21 yards on eight tries and Dax Behmer rushed 12 times for 13 yards. Behmer was 13-of-23 passing for 85 yards and Art Escalante caught four passes for 43 yards.

Defensively, Maddox Magwire and Art Escalante both had 13 tackles while Cayden Ellis and Dean Kruger each made eight stops.

Winside plays at Emerson-Hubbard on Friday.

Lady Bears outlast TCNE

Laurel-Concord-Coleridge took a quick two-set lead and held off a Tri County Northeast comeback to post a four-set win in action last Tuesday at Laurel, 25-20, 25-15, 21-25, 25-14.

The Lady Bears had a balanced offensive attack, led by Mallory Ericksen's four kills. Tali Erwin added three kills while Reggan Kuhlman and Kinsey Hall each had two kills. Hall had 10 assists and also added three ace serves.

Defensively for LCC, Hall had 10 digs, Cassie Granquist added eight digs, Jordynn Urwiler picked up four digs and Berniece McCorkindale and Rachel Rasmussen each

had three digs.

Jordynn Carr paced TCNE with 13 kills, Brynn Schock added eight and Jazmin DeLaTorre had seven, with Rhyanne Mackling putting up 22 assists and Sydney Baker adding three. Baker had three ace serves and Carr added two.

LCC made it a 2-for-2 week and improve to 8-5 with a 25-15, 25-18, 26-24 win over Plainview. Individual statistics were not available at press time.

LCC has a home triangular Thursday and plays in the Wisner-Pilger Invitational on Saturday. TCNE will play in a triangular at Winnebago on Thursday.

Freshmen win tournament pool

Wayne's freshman volleyball team participated in the Wisner-Pilger Reserve Tournament on Saturday, winning their three-team pool.

Wayne opened with a 25-15, 25-11 win over Clarkson-Leigh. Scoring/Aces for Wayne: Faith Powicki 4/2; Isabelle Francis 9/2; Kadence Rees 5/0; CiCi Stashkiw-Risor 6/2; Anna Kaup 3/1; Ameila Legler 4/2; and Gabbi Judd 2/1.

Wayne then defeated GACC 25-14, 25-4. Scoring/Aces for Wayne: Isabelle Francis 4/1; Kadence Rees 5/1; CiCi Stashkiw-Risor 2/0; Anna Kaup 11/2; Emma Forsythe 9/7; and Ameila Legler 7/2

In the final match of the day, Wayne gave BRLD two long runs after leading 19-14 to drop the first set 21-25, Wayne then came back and won the next pair of games 25-9, 16-14 to take the match. Scoring/Aces for Wayne: Faith Powicki 9/2; Isabelle Francis 13/2; Kadence Rees 5/1; CiCi Stashkiw-Risor 6/0; Anna Kaup 7/3; and Emma Forsythe 1/0.

Wakefield comes back, beats Pender

After dropping a match at home to Howells-Dodge, the Wakefield volleyball team bounced back to pick up a win on the road at Pender.

On Tuesday, the Trojans fell to Howells-Dodge in straight sets, 25-10, 25-23, 25-12. Jordan Metzler led the way with four kills while Alex Arenas had three and Makenna Decker and Destiny Helzer each had two. Olivia Donner had six assists and Metzler added five. Defen-

sively, Aiasha Valenzuela had 16 digs, Arenas added 12 and Metzler had seven.

Wakefield bounced back on Thursday to post a four-set win at Pender, winning 25-14, 25-13, 16-25, 25-19.

Decker led a balanced net attack with 10 kills while Arenas and Daveigh Munter-McAfee each had eight kills. Metzler recorded six kills and Alice Brown and Destiny

Helzer each had three. Metzler had 23 assists and Donner added nine.

Brown had four blocks and Arenas and Katie Borg each had two ace serves. Arenas led the defense with 23 digs, Metzler added 19 and Valenzuela recorded 18.

The Trojans hosted a triangular Tuesday and will be at LCC Thursday before hosting another triangular on Sept. 28.

LCC runners finish well at Pender Invite

PENDER — The Laurel-Concord-Coleridge cross country team performed well at Thursday's Pender Invitational.

The boys finished third out of 10 full teams and had two runners finish in the top 12. Dillon Olson was sixth in a time of 19:29.59, while Carter Korth placed 12th in 20:08.62.

Tyler Olson was 20th, Trevin Boysen finished in 24th place and Koby Detlefsen was 34th to round out the LCC effort.

Only two Lady Bears ran in Thursday's race. Yasmine Miranda finished 13th in 29:11.32 and Gabriella Kock was 19th in 35:10.52.

Pender Invitational
Girls Team Standings
Homer 16, Oakland-Craig 20

Area Results
LCC — 13. Yasmine Miranda, 29:11.32; 19. Gabriella Kock, 35:10.52.

Boys Team Standings
B-R/L- 43, Yutan 58, LCC 60, Humphrey St. Francis 60, Winnebago 84, Oakland-Craig 86, Pender 103.

Area Results
LCC — 6. Dillon Olson 19:29.59; 12. Carter Korth, 20:08.62; 20. Tyler Olson, 21:36.32; 24. Trevin Boysen, 22:13.80; 34. Koby Detlefsen, 23:05.13.

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Bears roll past Falcons, 55-8

TILDEN — LCC's defense limited Elkhorn Valley to 107 yards in total offense as the Bears ran away with a 55-8 win in action Friday night.

Sutton Ehlers scored three times in the first half and Evan Haisch added a pair of scores to help stake

the Bears to a 49-8 halftime advantage. Bradyn Urwiler scored on a 32-yard run and Evan Schmitt found Dan Puppe on a 17-yard scoring connection.

Caleb Erwin rounded out the scoring with a three-yard run in the third period to help LCC improve to

3-1 on the season.

Haisch led a balanced ground attack with 112 yards on 11 carries. Erwin had 85 yards on three tries and Urwiler rushed five times for 73 yards. Schmitt was 4-of-4 passing for 40 yards, with Ehlers and Puppe both catching 17-yard passes.

Ehlers led the defense with seven tackles and Wilton Roberts made four stops.

LCC is home Friday to face Hartington-Newcastle.

LCC 55, Elkhorn Valley 8
LCC 28 21 6 0 - 55
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Scoring Summary
 LCC — Sutton Ehlers 1 run (PAT failed)
 LCC — Ehlers 2 run (PAT good)
 LCC — Evan Haisch 2 run (PAT good)
 LCC — Dan Puppe 17 pass from Evan Schmitt (PAT failed)
 LCC — Ehlers 3 run (PAT good)
 LCC — Haisch 38 run (Haisch kick)
 LCC — Bradyn Urwiler 32 run (PAT failed)
 EV — Keegan Petersen 55 run (PAT good)
 LCC — Caleb Erwin 3 run (PAT failed)



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Allen's No. 15 looks for running room during Allen's 48-34 win at Homer on Friday night.

Eagles get one in win column

HOMER — After three straight frustrating losses, the Allen Eagles finally got on the winning side of the ledger Friday night.

The Eagles' defense got a quick safety and the offense scored a pair of quick touchdowns as Allen was able to come away with a 48-34 win Friday at Homer High School.

It wasn't pretty, but a fast start to the first and third quarters propelled the Eagles to the victory. Allen scored 14 consecutive points to start the game, and then 20 consecutive points to start the second half to distance themselves to the win.

"We had our moments," coach Dave Uldrich said. "We really started each half very well, but let up on intensity each time we built a cushion, rather than expanding it even more. Homer's kids played well tonight. A complete game it was not, but when we needed to rise up, somehow we did."

Opening the scoring, linebacker Ryan Anderson sacked the Homer quarterback in the opening series for a defensive safety and a 2-0 lead.

Following Homer's free kick, Allen marched down the field to take an 8-0 lead on Joe Grone's 18-yard scamper. Minutes later after another Eagle drive, Grone again crossed the goal line from a yard out to make it 14-0 with 3:21 left in

the first frame.

Homer then rattled off 20 straight points to take the lead, scoring late in the first period on an 11-yard run. Then late in the second period, another long run of 39 yards, followed by a 51-yard pass put the Knights up 20-14 with 1:42 left in the period.

Allen responded by driving for a tying score just before intermission on a 12-yard pass from Nathan Oswald to Michael Dickens, tying the game at 20-20 at the half.

The Eagles created the space they needed for the win during the third period, opening the frame with Grone taking the opening kickoff back 75 yards. Oswald added a PAT run to move the Eagles out in front 28-20. The defense then handed the ball back to the Eagle offense and, moments later on a fourth-and-goal at the 12, Grone hit Oswald on a throwback pass to put the Eagles up 34-20 only two minutes into the third period.

Later in the period Gabe Reinert shook loose on a 12 yard run to extend the Eagle cushion to 40-20. Homer responded though, as a big run set up a scoring run of 10 yards at the 1:12 mark of the period to close the lead to 40-26. A stalled Eagle drive to start the fourth period allowed Homer possession and moments later a 35-yard pass con-

nection suddenly had Homer within six at 40-34 with just under 10 minutes remaining.

The Eagles sealed the game two possessions later when Oswald intercepted a Homer pass and returned it 21 yards. The defense then recovered a fumble late to thwart any Knight thoughts of a comeback.

"Consistency and maintaining momentum will be a focus in the upcoming days. A win is a win, but now we really do need more repair work on our overall game," Uldrich said. "We will have our hands full this next week."

Defensively, senior Ryan Anderson topped the charts with 13 stops and added a fumble recovery. Ty Krommenhoek, Grone and Reinert each added six. Oswald had a pick-six and a blocked PAT kick.

Offensively, Reinert toted the ball 21 times for 114 yards and a touchdown. Grone carried 15 times for 52 yards and two scores. Oswald connected on 7-of-16 passing for 106 yards and a score to Michael Dickens, as well as catching a 12-yard pass for a score from Joe Grone. Krommenhoek hauled in five passes for 87 yards.

The win moves the Eagles to 1-3 on the season, 1-0 in district play. Next up is state-rated Pender at Allen on Friday at 7 p.m.

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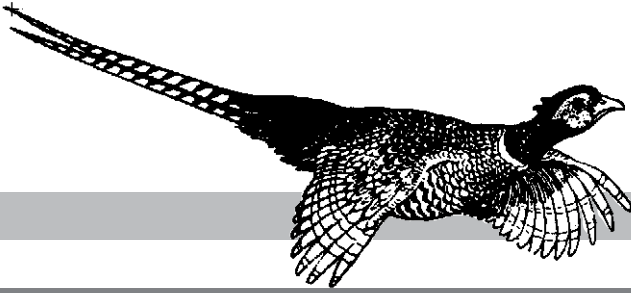
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Nebraska's Ag Tech Leadership *Capitol View*

Agricultural technology has come a long way since farmers used oxen and horse-drawn plows to break the prairie sod. Huge advancements are being made each year in ag tech, and Nebraska's companies and universities are leading the way. The technologies they're developing run the gamut from pioneering livestock management techniques, to innovations in the way crops are grown, to advancements in equipment.

Our growing expertise in agricultural technology brings a number of benefits to our state. It makes Nebraska a very attractive place for agricultural manufacturers to invest, grow, and create jobs. It gives our ag community a competitive advantage in a global economy by making them more productive. And it helps ag producers wisely care for their animals and steward our natural resources.

Nebraska has long been a powerhouse in agricultural machinery production. One significant example of this: Nebraska is home to the vast majority of center pivot manufacturing in the world. From McCook to Hastings to Omaha, companies like Lindsay, Reinke, T&L, and Valmont are at the forefront of innovation, finding new ways to use digital technologies to efficiently apply water to crops. For example, Lindsay's Smart Pivot gathers data from high-resolution images and sensors to gauge the presence of weeds or pests and to detect nutrient deficiencies. Its FieldNET management platform then analyzes the data to recommend when and where to irrigate or apply pesticide. Additionally, the smart pivot's machine health capabilities can report low tire pressure or a worn gearbox. Based on this information, growers can schedule repairs with a technician or adjust the timing of irrigation—all from a smartphone.

Technologies like these are one of the reasons Nebraska has been able to manage our water resources well. Nebraska is located atop one of the largest aquifers in the world. Because of this, Nebraska has more groundwater than any other state in the United States. Making use of innovative technologies has helped Nebraska maintain water levels within one foot of 1950s levels, while other states have drastically drawn down their water resources.

In addition to private industry, our state's research institutions are doing tremendous work in ag tech and related fields. Nebraska ranks #7 nationally in academic bioscience R&D expenditures per capita. In 2020, for the fourth straight year, the University of Nebraska system was among the top 100 academic institutions in the world for earning United States patents. A team of researchers at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL)—made up of animal scientists, computer engineers, and electrical engineers—won an ag tech patent for its video monitoring system that helps pork producers to evaluate the health of individual pigs. The system tracks the animals' eating, drinking, and mobility habits and reports abnormal behavior that may indicate a health problem. By detecting illness early, the technology allows producers to identify and care for an unhealthy pig even before symptoms of an illness become evident to the naked eye.

Technologies created by University alums are helping farmers to increase productivity and make the most of natural resources. UNL graduate Nick Emanuel founded CropMetrics in North Bend in 2009 with a desire to bring data-driven recommendations to farmers. The company quickly became a pioneer in precision agriculture, helping farmers to irrigate at the ideal time and place by using in-



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Pete Ricketts

field sensors to collect data and statistical analysis to aid decision-making. This reduces growers' cost of water and boosts production by optimizing the water intake of crops. CropMetrics now serves over a half-million acres across America. The University continues to build on its strength in ag tech. In December 2020, the U.S. Department of Agriculture awarded over \$11 million in funding for an ag research center at UNL. This summer, Congress approved an additional \$20 million for the center.

State agencies are also working to encourage ag tech innovation. The Nebraska Department of Economic Development (DED), in partnership with Invest Nebraska, launched the Combine incubator at Innovation Campus in October 2019. The Combine supports high-growth entrepreneurs in food and agriculture. The Combine received a \$600,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce in September 2020 to help businesses test out and commercialize their ideas. Terrace Ag, the first graduate of the Combine incubator, has created software to help appraisers complete farmland valuations 40% more efficiently. Grain Weevil, another Nebraska ag tech startup, is tackling the problem of grain bin safety. The company is developing an agile robot—resembling a weevil—that can walk across the surface of a grain bin to perform tasks that would otherwise require a farmer to physically crawl inside the bin. This makes grain bin management more efficient and keeps farmers out of harm's way.

In 2017, I signed the Bioscience Innovation Act into law to incentivize investment by innovative startups here in Nebraska. Administered through DED, the Bioscience Innovation Act provides 1:1 matching grants to early-stage, high-growth biotech companies. This helps to spur innovation in the state's backbone industry, agriculture. For example, DED awarded a prototyping grant to Grain Weevil to collaborate with a number of small businesses in the state to create a functional robot.

This week, people from around the world are descending on Wood River to learn about the latest in ag tech innovations. If you'd like to learn more about ag tech in Nebraska, visit the Husker Harvest Days website at www.huskerharvestdays.com. Each year, Husker Harvest Days celebrates and showcases the latest in agricultural technology during their three-day farm show in Wood River. You can also explore the ag entrepreneurship happening at the Combine incubator on Nebraska Innovation Campus by going to www.nebraska-combine.com.

If you have ideas for how to spur innovation in ag tech in Nebraska, I'd enjoy hearing from you. Please contact me at pete.ricketts@nebraska.gov or by calling (402) 471-2244. Together, we can build a bright future for agriculture and the next generation of farm and ranch families.

Vaccine mandate doesn't play well

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

You might want to write this on the calendar, I agree with Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts that President Joe Biden's sweeping new vaccine requirement is overreaching and should be challenged in court.

Yes, I am fully vaccinated and still wear a mask. I have had Covid and the monoclonal antibodies that kept me out of the hospital. I prefer the science over the politics. I lost three friends to the dreaded disease. Covid is real.

While I wish everybody would just get the damn shot, I do support the planned pushback by Nebraska's attorney general and his colleagues in other states who believe the federal government is overstepping its authority by mandating that all employers with more than 100 workers require them to be vaccinated or test for the virus weekly. That's about 80 million Americans. Likewise, about 17 million workers at health facilities that receive federal Medicare or Medicaid will have to be fully vaccinated.

"This is really going to create huge problems for all small businesses and for our American workers. And again, you shouldn't have to make the choice of keeping your job or getting a job in the arm," Ricketts said.

To his credit, Ricketts has encouraged people to get vaccinated and wear masks but has resisted mandates to do either. The seven-day rolling average of new cases in Nebraska has risen considerably in recent weeks because of the highly contagious delta variant of the virus.

Ricketts calls the Biden action "a stunning violation of personal freedom and abuse of the federal government's power. This plan isn't about public health — this is about government control and taking away personal liberties," the governor said in a news release. "Americans, not the federal government, are responsible for taking charge of their personal health. "It is not the role of the federal government to mandate their choices."

Interestingly, more than 100

Legislative Update

Senator looks back on Constitution Day

This week we are witnessing our Legislature grapple with the incredibly complex issue of redistricting during a Special Session at our Capitol. The Second House has offered hundreds of emails, calls and hearing appearances to make your opinions known. The floor debate has been lively to say the least as we move this process forward.

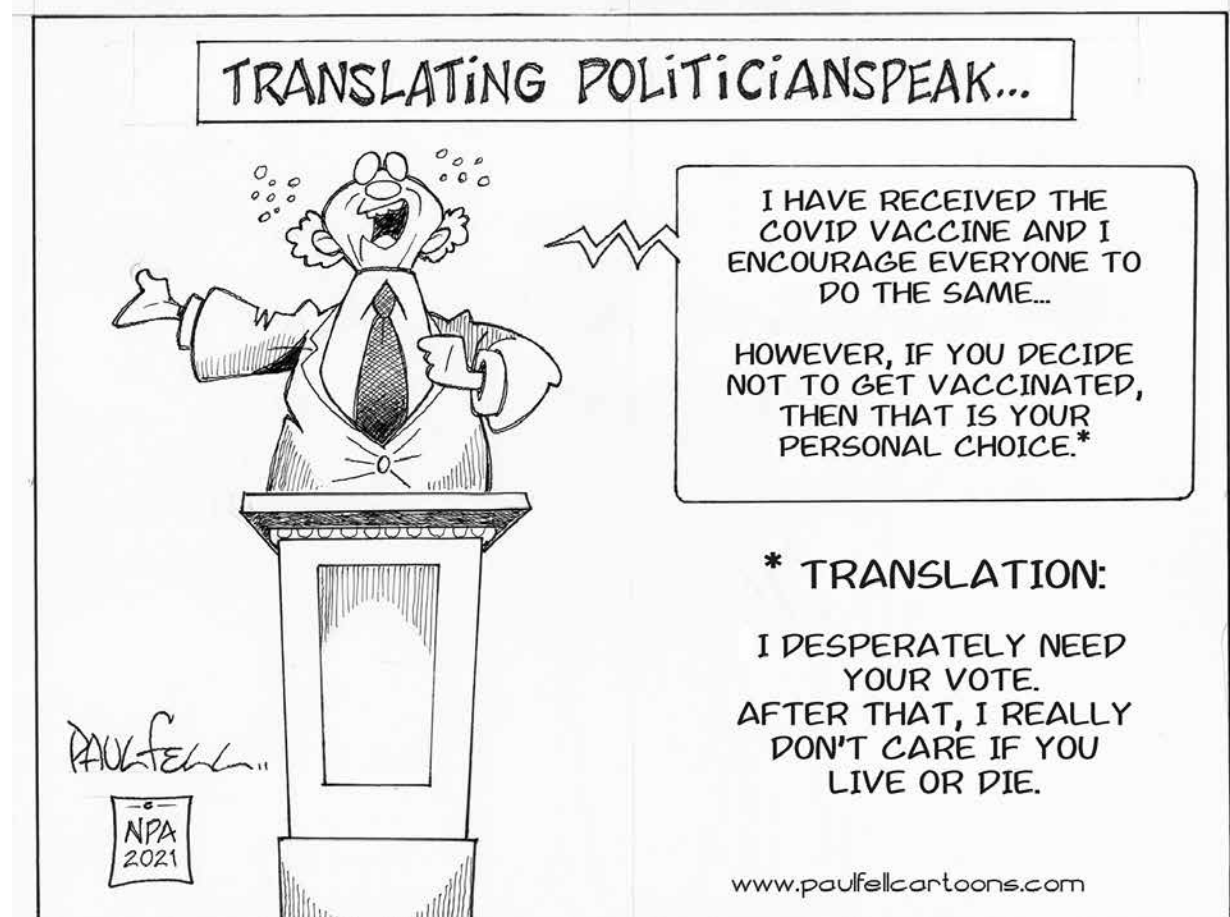
The Redistricting Committee will take the weekend to continue their work, and hopefully find common ground on the Congressional and all maps needed for Nebraska.

As your Senator I will always fight to protect District 17's interests with a heart and a will to honor our Founding Fathers incredible foresight into making sure that each Nebraskan has a voice that is heard.

Constitution Day

Lets pause and consider the world without the United States or better still lets imagine the United States without our divinely inspired Constitution.

Our Founding Fathers created a document inspired by their religious beliefs, their experiences with a tyrannical King and a desire to limit the overreach of their government. Never before had a group of leaders set out to accomplish such a



years ago the U.S. Supreme Court spoke to the constitutionality of a vaccine mandate. The 1904 case involved Swedish immigrant Henning Jacobson, a 50-year-old minister who had suffered a bad reaction to vaccine as an infant in Sweden and struggled for years with an angry rash. Since he was now an American citizen living in Cambridge, Massachusetts, he felt that he had the full protections of the U.S. Constitution.

So, when the Cambridge board of health decided that all adults must be vaccinated for smallpox, Jacobson sought refuge in the Constitution's promise that no state shall "deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law." His challenge made it to the high court.

In deciding the matter on a 7-2 ruling, the court's majority wrote that one man's liberty cannot deprive his neighbors of their own liberty — in this case by allowing the spread of disease. "There are manifold restraints to which every person is necessarily subject for the

common good," read the majority opinion.

"On any other basis, organized society could not exist with safety to its members. Society based on the rule that each one is a law unto himself would soon be confronted with disorder and anarchy."

Jacobson's claim should sound familiar to vaccine skeptics who say they have the personal liberty under the U.S. Constitution to decide for themselves whether to take the shot. It's the same argument about freedom from government interference that Ricketts and other Republican governors are making. The question of whether that freedom includes refusing a legally mandated Covid-19 vaccine has yet to come before the Supreme Court — or any court. But if it does, the 117-year-old case would be the standing legal precedent.

While we're dealing with a different medical landscape and the politics of a divided nation, today's justices would have to consider the words of Justice John Marshall Harlan from 1904 who concluded

"Real liberty for all could not exist under the operation of a principle which recognizes the right of each individual person to use his own, whether in respect of his person or his property, regardless of the injury that may be done to others."

Legal experts say Biden's new vaccine intervention for private businesses marks a dramatic step that is within his authority. Given the multiple threats of lawsuits from GOP governors and the Republican National Committee, expect some delays. It will likely be weeks before the rule is written and several weeks more before companies will be required to comply.

Then, there's the matter of enforcing it.

But hey, you can help. You are free to wear a mask, get vaccinated, and wash your hands.

J.L. Schmidt has been covering Nebraska government and politics since 1979. He has been a registered Independent for more than 20 years.



Legislative
Update
By Joni Albrecht
State Senator, District 17

task and no one since has been able to improve on their work.

The idea of putting into writing and limiting the powers of a Federal Government while leaving every other right to the individual states created what is now fifty incubators of ideas that each contribute to the growth, diversity and greatness of this country.

Each year on Sept. 17 we have an opportunity to remember and honor the Constitution along with the role it has played and continues to play in making America the greatest Nation on the planet Earth.

You Can Make a Difference

Have you ever considered running for office or being willing to serve your local community by serving on a board? I want to encourage you that your involvement could make a difference in our State and community.

Whether it is a county, city council, State Board of Education, Board of Regents, or local school board role, running for a public office with the idea of making a difference is

your right and a privilege that you should constantly consider.

No one has all the answers and a fresh face with fresh ideas can literally change things overnight. Don't be afraid to "step into the fray" to make sure your city, county and state get the best you have to offer! It's the American way.

Honoring Our POW/MIA

This week Governor Pete Ricketts signed an executive order declaring that the POW/MIA flag must be displayed at all State Building Division (SBD) managed properties that display the flag of the United States of America.

"During my administration, the State of Nebraska has worked to become the most veteran- and military-friendly state in the nation," said Gov. Ricketts. "Flying the POW/MIA flag at state buildings is another significant way that we can honor our brave military men and women, especially those who never returned home. With today's executive order, we proclaim that Nebraska will never let our missing

service members be forgotten."

The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) estimates that more than 80,000 American service members remain unaccounted for since World War II. The DPAA Offutt Laboratory recently played a significant role in identifying our nation's missing heroes.

In July of 2020, the remains of 28 unidentified service members from a C-17 Globemaster III were transferred from the European theater to be analyzed by the DPAA Offutt Laboratory team.

Thank You

It is always refreshing and inspiring to see and hear from you. My spirit is renewed with each and every call or contact from the Constituents of District 17.

Your input helps me know how to effectively serve you in the Legislature. If you have any comments or concerns, please contact me at 402-471-2716 or jalbrecht@leg.ne.gov.

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Letters Welcome

Letters from readers are welcome. They should be timely, brief (no longer than one type-written page, double spaced) and must contain no libelous statements. We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

Letters published must have the author's name, address and telephone number. The author's name will be printed with the letter; the address and the telephone number will be necessary to confirm the author's signature.

The Wayne Herald editorial staff writes all headlines.

Wayne City Council Members

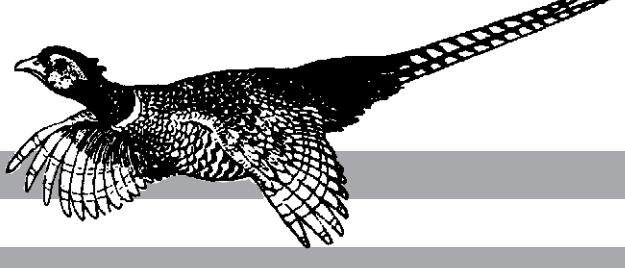
First Ward Terri Buck — 369-1740 Chris Woehler — 369-0051	Third Ward Dwayne Spieker — 518-8813 Jason Karsky — 369-3877
Second Ward Yasuko Taoka — 369-5699 Matt Eischeid — 375-1944	Fourth Ward Nick Muir — 369-0795 Jill Brodersen — 369-1304

Mayor
Cale Giese
369-2145

The Wayne City Council meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Meeting times are at 5:30 p.m. at the City Council chambers, located in the Wayne City Offices at 306 N. Pearl Street.

Legal Notices

The Wayne Herald



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, October 5, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., and the Wayne County Board of Commissioners at 9:05 a.m. in the Wayne County Courtroom 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. Sept. 23, 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, October 5, 2021, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 306 Pearl 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
(Publ. Sept. 23, 2021) ZNEZ

NOTICE OF MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Planning Commission, Monday, October 4, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers. 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
(Publ. Sept. 23, 2021) ZNEZ

NOTICE OF HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR A RETAIL CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that the Mayor and Council of the City of Wayne, Nebraska, will hold a public hearing in the Council Chambers in the City Hall on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at or after 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of considering and acting upon the following application for a Retail Class C Liquor License as provided by Section 53-134 of the Nebraska Liquor Control Act.

Baha, Inc.
d/b/a "Raintree Liquor"
421 Main Street
Wayne, NE 68787

At said time and place, the local governing body of said Municipality will receive competent evidence under oath, either orally or by affidavit, from any person bearing upon the propriety of the granting of, or the rejection of the issuance of said license, as provided by law.

Betty A. McGuire
City Clerk
City of Wayne, Nebraska
(Publ. Sept. 23, 2021) ZNEZ

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Dunklau Properties LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, has been organized under the laws of the state of Nebraska, with its initial designated office at 403 Court Street, Carroll, NE 68723. The initial agent for service of process of the Company is Dalton Dunklau 403 Court Street, Carroll, NE 68723.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Dunk's Pumps LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, has been organized under the laws of the state of Nebraska, with its initial designated office at 604 Main Street, Carroll, NE 68723. The initial agent for service of process of the Company is Dalton Dunklau 403 Court Street, Carroll, NE 68723.

(Publ. Sept. 16, 23, 30, 2021) ZNEZ

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

ESTATE OF CONNIE KRAMER-GRANQUST, Deceased.
Estate No. PR 21-31

Notice is hereby given that on August 24, 2021 in the County Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, Jim B. Granquist, whose address is 221 S. Window St., Wayne, NE 68787 was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of this Estate

Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before November 3, 2021, or be forever barred.

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

Attorney for Applicant
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110 West 2nd Street
PO Box 125
Wayne, NE 68787
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NOTICE

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA
ESTATE OF ELAINE D. MENKE, Deceased.
Estate No. PR 21-32

Notice is hereby given that on September 14, 2021, in the County Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Decedent and that Patty Koehne, whose address is 16604 Polk Street, Omaha, NE 68787, and Charles Menke whose address is 1907 Maurer Drive, Norfolk, NE 68701 was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representatives of the Estate.

Creditors of this Estate must file their claims

with this Court on or before November 23, 2021 or be forever barred.

(s) **Ashley Siebrandt**
Clerk of the County Court
Wayne County Court
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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF WAYNE Case No. C121-96
RE: NAME CHANGE OF VERONICA NICHOLE RIVAS, Minor Child, By Parent, ASHLEY DAUM.

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of September, 2021, a petition was filed in the District Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which is to change the legal surname of Veronica Nichole Rivas to Veronica Nichole Daum. A hearing will be had on said petition before the Honorable James G. Kube in the Wayne County District Court, 510 N. Pearl Street, #6, Wayne, Nebraska on the 3rd day of November, 2021 at 10:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as will be heard by the Court, and that unless sufficient cause is shown to the contrary, the name of Veronica Nichole Rivas be changed to Veronica Nichole Daum.

ASHLEY DAUM, Petitioner,
STRATTON, DELAY, DOELE, CARLSON & BUETTNER & STOVER, PC, L.L.O., Her Attorneys
By /s/ Joel E. Carlson
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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF WAYNE Case No. C121-96
RE: NAME CHANGE OF JULIE MARIE RIVAS, Minor Child, By Parent, ASHLEY DAUM.

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of September, 2021, a petition was filed in the District Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which is to change the legal surname of Julie Marie Rivas to Julie Marie Daum. A hearing will be had on said petition before the Honorable James G. Kube in the Wayne County District Court, 510 N. Pearl Street, #6, Wayne, Nebraska on the 3rd day of November, 2021 at 10:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as will be heard by the Court, and that unless sufficient cause is shown to the contrary, the name of Julie Marie Rivas be changed to Julie Marie Daum.

ASHLEY DAUM, Petitioner,
STRATTON, DELAY, DOELE, CARLSON & BUETTNER & STOVER, PC, L.L.O., Her Attorneys
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Northeast Power
Ponca to Willis 69 KV Transmission Line
Sealed proposals for the construction, including the supply of necessary labor, equipment, and material, for the rural electric project of **Northeast Power**, (hereinafter called the "Owner") to be known as the **Ponca to Willis 69 KV Transmission Line** will be received on or before **2:00 P.M., Friday, October 19, 2021**, in office of its ENGINEER at **R.V.W. Inc., 4118 Howard Boulevard, Columbus, NE 68601, Attn: Mr. Jonathan Williams, Telephone (402) 564-2876**, at which time and place all proposals will be publicly opened and read. Any proposal received after the time specified will be promptly returned to the Bidder unopened.

The Project will consist of furnishing material, labor, and equipment for the construction of the Ponca to Willis 69 KV Transmission Line. This transmission line will consist of the construction of approximately 8.0 miles of 69 KV designed transmission line with 6.25 miles of 12.47 KV, three-phase, distribution line underbuild and 0.1 miles of 7.2 KV, single-phase, distribution line underbuild. Additionally, this project consists of the removal of approximately 8 miles of 69 KV, three-phase, transmission line. Construction is to commence on February 7, 2022, and to be complete by June 24, 2022.

The project is located in Dixon and Dakota Counties in the State Of Nebraska, south and southeast of the town of Ponca, Nebraska.

The Plans, Specifications for Construction, and Construction Drawings, together with all other necessary forms and documents for bidders may be viewed at the office of the Owner or obtained from the Engineer, R.V.W. Inc., P.O. Box 495, Columbus, Nebraska 68602-0495, upon payment of forty dollars (\$40), which payment is not subject to refund.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a Bid Bond in form attached or a certified check of a bank that is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, payable to the order of the Owner, in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the maximum bid price.

The Owner will award the contract to the responsible bidder submitting the lowest and best proposal or, at its sole discretion, may reject any or all proposals. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory Performance Bond with sureties listed by the United States Treasury Department as Acceptable Sureties, in a penal sum not less than the total contract price.

Northeast Power
By: Tracy Golden, Manager
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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF R&J SWEETLAND PROPERTIES, LLC

Notice is hereby given R&J Sweetland Properties, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, has been organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska. The Company's initial designated office is located at 519 Oak Dr., Wayne, NE 68787. The company's registered agent is Rob Sweetland, 519 Oak Dr., Wayne, NE 68787.

Jill Sweetland, Organizer
Eric Knutson, Attorney at Law
Knutson Law
208 Main Street

Wayne, NE 68787
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STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT AND CIRCULATION

Statement required by the act of October 23, 1962, Section 4369, Title 39, United States Code showing the Ownership, Management and Circulation of The Wayne Herald, published weekly at Wayne, Nebraska, for September 20, 2021.

1. The names and addresses of the publisher, editor and business manager are:
Publisher, Kevin Peterson, 907 Lloyd Court, Wayne, NE 68787; Clara Osten, 56892 859th Rd., Carroll, NE 68723.

2. The owner is: DLS, Inc., David Smith, 221-A 35th St. NE, Fort Payne, AL 35967.

3. Stockholders owning one or more percent of the total amount of stock: none.

4. The average number of copies of each issue of this publication sold or distributed through the mail or otherwise to subscribers during the 12 months preceding the date shown above was 1,350.

(s) **Kevin Peterson, Publisher**
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WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION BUDGET HEARING - NOT LIMITED BY TIME.

September 13, 2021

The Budget Hearing of the Wayne Board of Education was held at 611 West 7th Street, Wayne, NE, 68787, on Monday, September 13, 2021, at 5:00 PM. Notice of the meeting and place of agenda was posted at Wayne Community Schools, posted in The Wayne Herald (9/9/2021), and online: wayneschools.org. A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was displayed for the public to read.

I. Budget Hearing
I.a. Call the Meeting to Order
I.a.i. Announce Open Meetings Act Posting and Location - Wayne Community Schools, Wayne Herald (9/9/2021), and online: www.wayneschools.org

I.b. Public Hearing on Proposed 2021-2022 Budget
Patrons who would like to address the Board will be allowed 3 minutes each.

Discussion: Dr. Lenihan presented the documents that were posted in the Wayne Herald. The documents are also available at the District Office. The documents show budget numbers from the last two years.
I.c. Adjournment
Discussion: The Budget Hearing was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Deb Daum, Secretary
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WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION TAX REQUEST HEARING - THE LATER OF 5:10 P.M. OR THE CONCLUSION OF THE BUDGET HEARING

September 13, 2021

The Tax Request Hearing of the Wayne Board of Education was held at 611 West 7th Street, Wayne, NE, 68787, on Monday, September 13, 2021, at 5:10 PM. Notice of the meeting and place of agenda was posted at Wayne Community Schools, posted in The Wayne Herald (9/9/2021), and online: wayneschools.org. A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was displayed for the public to read.

I. Special Hearing to Set Tax Request - The later of 5:10 p.m. or the conclusion of the budget hearing.

I.a. Call the Meeting to Order
I.b. Public Hearing to Set Final 2021-2022 Tax Request
Patrons who would like to address the Board will be allowed 3 minutes each.

Discussion: Dr. Lenihan presented the Board with the Final Tax Request posted in the Wayne Herald. The documents are also available at the District Office.
I.c. Adjournment
Discussion: The Tax Request Hearing was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Deb Daum, Secretary
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WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING - THE LATER OF 5:20 P.M. OR THE CONCLUSION OF THE TAX REQUEST HEARING. MINUTES

September 13, 2021

The regular meeting of the Wayne Board of Education was held at 611 West 7th Street, Wayne, NE, 68787, on Monday, September 13, 2021, at 5:20 PM. Notice of the meeting and place of agenda was posted at Wayne Community Schools, posted in The Wayne Herald (9/9/2021), 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 - Following Budget and Tax Request Hearing
Discussion: The meeting was called to order at 5:20p.m.

I.a. Pledge of Allegiance
I.a. Announce Open Meetings Act Posting and Location - Posted at Wayne Community Schools, Published in the Wayne Herald (9/9/2021), 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 Mr. Justin Davis. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: 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, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

I.f. Personnel
I.i. Communications from the Public (Policy 8346) and Requested Presentations
III. Action Items
III.a. Old Business
III.a.i. Second Reading of WCS Emergency Operation Plan (EOP) - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Second Reading of WCS Emergency Operation Plan (EOP)

Motion to approve the Second Reading of WCS Emergency Operation Plan 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, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: 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

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Motion to approve the Second Reading of WCS Emergency Operation Plan 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: There were no changes to the WCS Emergency Operation Plan. Dr. Puffer stated that a couple of the hyperlinks do not

work. Dr. Lenihan will pass the information along.

III.a.ii. Final Reading of Policy 6600-Special Education - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Final Reading of Policy 6600-Special Education
Motion to approve the Final Reading of Policy 6600-Special Education 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 final reading of Policy 6600 - Special Education.
III.b. New Business
III.b.i. 2021-2022 Wayne Community Schools District Budget - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on 2021-2022 Wayne Community Schools District Budget
Motion to approve the 2021-22 Wayne Community School District Budget passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Puffer and a second by Mr. Justin Davis. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: No, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

III.b.ii. 2021-2022 Wayne Community Schools District Tax Request - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on 2021-2022 Wayne Community Schools District Tax Request
Motion to approve Wayne Community Schools Tax Request Resolution 091321-B passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Puffer and a second by Mr. Justin Davis. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: No, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Discussion: The Board approved the 2021-2022 Tax Request. Mr. Eric Knutson, Knutson Law, read Resolution 091320-B.
IV. Administration and Board Committee Reports:

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

IV.a.i. Superintendent
IV.a.i.1. 2021-2022 Administrative Structure
Discussion: Dr. Lenihan presented the 2021-2022 Administrative Structure.

IV.a.i.2. Principal Evaluation Process
Discussion: Dr. Lenihan discussed the Principal Evaluation Process. Each principal is evaluated once a year.

IV.a.i.3. Enrollment Summary
Discussion: Dr. Lenihan presented the 2021-2022 Enrollment Summary Report. The report shows the enrollment numbers from previous years.

IV.a.i.4. NASB Strategic Planning Update
Discussion: Dr. Lenihan stated the staff, student, parent, and patron surveys will be conducted later in September to early October. The Board was asked to look at possible meeting dates.

IV.a.i.5. ESSER III Grant
Discussion: Dr. Lenihan stated the ESSER III Grant was submitted last week.

IV.a.ii. High School Principal
IV.a.ii.1. 2021-2022 Class Enrollments
IV.a.iii. Special Education/Early Learning Center Director
Discussion: Mrs. Bear stated that both classes at the Early Learning Center are full. MAP testing has begun.

IV.a.iv. Elementary Principal
IV.a.v. Junior High Principal/Activities Director
IV.b. V.I. 2021-2022 Class Enrollments
IV.b.i. Foundation and Community Relations - Justin Davis, Jaime Manz, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan, Dave Wragge, Brandon Foote
Discussion: Mr. Brandon Foote stated the 17th Annual Murray Fishing Tournament raised \$13,000. The Foundation will be adding a gym sign in appreciation to the family's donations to the Foundation.

IV.b.ii. Curriculum and Committee on American Civics - Jaime Manz, Jeryl Nelson, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan, Misty Bear
Discussion: No report.

IV.b.iii. Facility/Safety/Finance - Justin Davis, Lynn Junck, Jodi Puffer, Mark Lenihan, Russ Plager, Mary Jean Roberson, Jordan Widner
Discussion: Mr. Jordan Widner noted the permanent doors have been put in place for the renovation project. A Mother's Room has been added to the Elementary.

IV.b.iv. Policy/Title IX - Jaime Manz, Jeryl Nelson, Jodi Puffer, Mark Lenihan, Tucker Hight, Russ Plager
Discussion: No report.

IV.b.v. Negotiations - Justin Davis, Lynn Junck, Jeryl Nelson, Mark Lenihan
Discussion: The Negotiations Committee will have to meet soon before the November Negotiations meeting.

IV.b.vi. Legislative - Lynn Junck, Jodi Puffer, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan
Discussion: No report.

VI. Boardmanship
VI. Future Agenda Items
*October Honor Coffee
*Option Enrollment Numbers
*Policy 2103 - Superintendent Appraisal
Discussion: Additional Future Agenda Items include:
Executive Session on Board Negotiations goals

VII. Adjournment
Motion to Adjourn Meeting passed with a motion by Mr. Lynn Junck and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz. Roll call vote: Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes, Dr. Jodi Puffer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes
Discussion: The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will be Monday, October 11, 2021. The meeting will be held at the Jr/Sr High School, Room 202.

CHECK REPORT - 9-13-21 Board Meeting

OCC Builders LLC, 27,284.00; Ace Hardware 7, 201.54; American, 839.13; Beiermann Electric, 70.50; Black Hills Energy, 150.40; Broad Reach, 292.62; Chermsearch FE, 977.90; City of Wayne, 24,711.35; Cobblestone Hotel, 384.00; Cole Papers Inc., 1,002.46; Dana Chen Lo, 32.48; Dana F. Cole &, 4,000.00; Eakes Office, 409.94; Egan Supply Co., 391.68; Electronic, 771.00; Electronic Sound, 642.00; ESU #1, 17,617.70; ESU #7, 75.00; Fleet US LLC, 607.80; Genesis, 1,450.00; Glass Edge, Inc., 842.00; Hometown Leading, 3,973.40; J.W. Pepper & Son, 74.99; Jennifer Davis, 430.08; Kenneth S. Hamsa, 1,277.50; Knudbydy, 164.65; Knutson Law, 270.00; KSB School Law, 604.00; Lookout Books, 162.65; Lutt Oil, 774.56; McGraw-Hill LLC, 2,912.48; Nebr. Assoc. Of, 300.00; Northeast, 500.00; One Source, 340.00; Pac 'n' Save, 685.26; Percussion, 3,910.00; Plunkett's Pest, 254.72; Print Express, 2,062.50; Pyramid School, 3.60; Quill LLC, 64.71; Rainbow World, 155.25; Reams Sprinkler, 61.45; Security Shredding 70.00; Sparq Data, 2,520.00; Sports Facility, 3,947.50; State Nebraska, 221.63; Sunnyview Place, 3,932.00; Synchrony, 2,130.37; Tamala Clausen, 6,920.03; Time Management, 130.05; Toni Rasmussen, 22.20; Tri-State Sewing &, 1,014.00; U.S. Bank, 1,616.52; US Cellular, 74.75; Virco Inc., 576.31; Volkman Plumbing, 2,183.50; Wagner, Leslie, 638.00; Waste Connections, 586.50; Wayne Auto

Parts, 85.33; Wayne, 153.80; Wayne Herald, 1,148.27; Zach Heating and, 174.00

Sub Total:..... \$129,880.05
CHECK REPORT - PAYROLL ACCOUNT
Nebraska Retirement System - EFT, 7,695.78; Internal Revenue Services - EFT, 111,120.61; Nebraska Retirement System - EFT, 95,780.28; State of Nebraska - EFT, 17,459.20; Aetna Insurance, 3,043.45; Ameritas Life Insurance Co. (Dent), 198.00; United Of Omaha, 1.48

Sub Total:..... \$235,298.80
CHECK REPORT - LUNCH
Aetna Insurance, 1,676.52; Ameritas Life Insurance Co. (Dent), 116.96; Elkhorn Valley Bank, 350.00; Payroll Account, 994.59; S.D. 17 Payroll Account, 1,126.74; United Of Omaha, 24.26; Direct Deposit, 3,437.63

Sub Total:..... \$7,726.70
CHECK REPORT - GENERAL
Aetna Insurance, 114,918.61; Ameritas Life Insurance Co. (Dent), 6,688.80; Elkhorn Valley Bank, 6,756.66; First Concord Benefits Group, 4,805.28; Payroll Account, 94,714.92; S.D. 17 Payroll Account, 127,378.85; TSA Consulting Group, Inc., 1,216.75; United Of Omaha, 2,520.33; Vision Services Plan, 1,087.11; Direct Deposit, 329,019.96; Payroll Account, 70.77; S.D. 17 Payroll Account, 74.22; Direct Deposit, 400.57

Sub Total:..... \$689,649.83
Deb Daum, Secretary
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- **Dress to Protect.**

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September 21, 1961
Concrete unloading gone wrong
 The hard way to unload concrete is shown in this photo of one of the trucks of the Einung Ready Mix Concrete Co.
 The truck, fully loaded, was parked on the edge of a country road two miles south of Wayne when it gently slipped over the edge of the soft shoulder and turned on its side. Driver Gary Brahmer was not hurt.

September 23, 1971
"The Ugly Duckling" cast practices for performance
 Wayne High School Thespian cast members rehearse lines for "The Ugly Duckling," a children's play to be presented at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the school lecture hall.
 Queen Jan Sherry and King Galon Miller exchange a few royal words as Princess Erin O'Donnell, at left, and Kathy Nelwon as Dulcibella look on from behind.
 Tickets are 25c. Ted Blenderman is directing the funny fairytale about a pretty princess under the spell of a witch.

September 24, 1981
2 Cash in on Bonus Bucks
 Two out of three ain't bad.
 That's what happened during the Grand Give-A-Way's tripleheader last Thursday night. Two Wayne residents won, but a Carroll resident lost. Frank Wood and Steve Atamian, both of Wayne, each won \$350 in bonus bucks Thursday night. Both were in The 4th Jug when their names were called.
 But, Erwin Wittler of Carroll was not in a participating merchant's store when his name was called at 7:45 p.m. to kick off the tripleheader.
 This Thursday night's contest will feature \$1,000 in bonus bucks with one name to be drawn and announced at 8 p.m.

September 20, 2001
Krueger celebrates 100th birthday at Villa Wayne
 Martha Krueger celebrated her 100th birthday on Sept. 15 with a host of friends who joined in her centennial celebrations.
 She was showered with cards and good wishes and a number of flower arrangements, one of which came from California.
 Pastor Fale, vacancy pastor at St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Winside, was on hand to give a prayer of thanks for her long life, with all joining in the birthday song, ending in the wish for many more.
 Martha was born in Wayne County and lived all her life here. She was baptized at St. Paul's Lutheran Church and later was confirmed there.
 During her life she has seen many changes in transportation, but she said she could not remember her first ride in an auto.
 She spent many years as hired girl for families around the Winside area. She moved into an apartment at Villa Wayne in December of 1984.
 The birthday party was hosted by Marlene Dahlkoetter and the Wayne Housing Authority.

September 22, 2011
Battling a porch blaze
 Wayne firefighters were called to the 1100 block of Main Street Tuesday afternoon when a fire started on the porch of a rental house across the street from Wayne State College.
 According to Wayne Fire Chief Tom Sievers, a cigarette or match was not put out properly, causing the flames to erupt.
 The porch was totaled and there was significant damage to the north side of the house, along with smoke damage in the interior. Nobody was home at the time of the fire.

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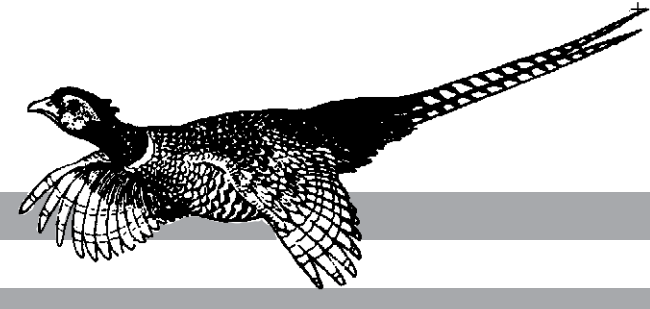
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Lifestyle



There never seems to be enough \$\$ School Lunches

There never seems to be enough money. Whether one makes a little bit of money or a lot, we can always find ways to spend more. Karen Craig, a family economist, is fond of saying, "Wants are insatiable. The

more you make the more creative you are in spending."

This creative genius never disappears, even in those times when family income is shrinking rather than expanding. But in tough times, it is especially important that family members remember to communicate with each other in positive rather than negative ways.

This is not easy to do, of course. Parents flush with money still find it difficult to keep their cool when faced with what may seem like a teenager's never-ending demand for the latest clothing or shoes so that the youngster can "fit in" with everyone else at school. In the best of times, \$100 or \$200 basketball shoes may seem excessive to a parent. In a year when net family income is hovering at or near nothing, a request for such luxury items can easily drive a parent to the edge of distraction.

It takes a lot of practice for parents to figure out how to talk positively in situations such as these, but for the long-term well-being of the family, these challenging conversations need to be treated as opportunities for the parent to educate the young adult on money management, rather than simply blowing up and pointing out the child's ignorance.


Kids really have no idea what it costs to live or how hard it is to make a living. It's unlikely that they really will learn this, deep down and in great detail, until they go out on their own.

Parents can help their children begin the process by talking calmly with them about money. We could handle this type of situation by simply and firmly saying, "No!" But the youngster isn't learning much from this, except that Mom or Pop is pretty crabby today. A better way would be to recognize that "fitting in" at school is important; that even though you are an "old person," by

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definition a parent, you still remember how important it is to be accepted by one's peers. The challenge for parents and children, together, is to figure out how the youngsters can fit in with their friends without doing further damage to a budget stretched way past its limit.

Some spouses argue about how money is to be spent or saved. The disputes can become pretty heated because they strike at core questions we pose to ourselves in life:

- Am I earning enough to support my loved ones?
- If he makes the money (or most of the money) do I have any right to say how it should be spent?
- Who should help make financial decisions? The whole family? The partners? The wage earner?
- What do human beings need to be happy and secure in life?
- How important is money anyway?
- How much money do we really need?

These questions and countless life situations in the household need to be discussed openly among family members. There are no easy answers to any of these questions, and though it's easy to get upset with each other, the wisest approach is to steer a positive course through the minefields money can create in our materialistic society.

Money is not important enough to fight about. But it is important enough to talk about.

Ways to discuss finances without ending up in a fight:

- What you say is important but how you say it is much more important. Possibly the most important thing to remember is to pay attention to HOW you are speaking. What is your tone of voice? What does your body language convey? What words are you using?
- Listen. Pay attention to the values and desires expressed by others in your family.
- Make a list of family goals and individual goals. Then discuss how they compare. Many disagreements happen due to not knowing or understanding what motivates financial choices.
- Don't expect to resolve all financial differences at one time. When you are at an impasse, stop the discussion, but agree to return to it at a later time.
- Reflect back what you hear family members saying rather than jumping to a conclusion or giving a solution right away.
- Prioritize goals as a family.
- Make a plan for how your family will save for your goals.
- Do you have an emergency fund? How can you start saving for a rainy day?
- Use www.paydowndebt.unl.edu for more information.
- It's easier to spend less money than to earn more. Discuss how you can cut spending.

ALLEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Sept. 27 — Oct. 1)

Monday: Breakfast — French toast. Lunch — Chicken patty on a bun, au gratin potatoes, vegetable and fruit offered.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Chocolate chip muffin. Lunch — Fiestada pizza, corn, coleslaw.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Eggstravaganza. Lunch — Mini corn dogs, spiral fries, baked beans, tea roll.

Thursday: Breakfast — Unrustable. Lunch — Ham & scalloped potatoes, vegetable, fruit offered, cheese stick.

Friday: Breakfast — NA. Lunch — NA.

All 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 include the following options: prepackaged vegetable variety and prepackaged fruit variety.

LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Sept. 27 — Oct. 1)

Monday: Breakfast — Eggoji (smiley face waffle). Lunch — Chili dog.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Egg basket. Lunch — Shredded roast beef.

Wednesday: Breakfast —

Pancakes. Lunch — Pizza.

Thursday: Breakfast — Cook's Choice. Lunch — Cook's Choice.

Friday: Breakfast — Combo Bar. Lunch — Cold meat tortilla wrap.

WAKEFIELD SCHOOLS (Sept. 27 — Oct. 1)

Monday: Breakfast — Egg casserole, grapes. Lunch — Hamburgers, fries, grapes.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Pancake on a stick, grapes. Lunch — Beef nachos, corn, apples.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Banana bread, apples. Lunch — Pork chop patty, baked beans, homemade bun, pears.

Thursday: Breakfast — Cinnamon bun, apples. Lunch — Spaghetti, broccoli, bread stick, oranges.

Friday: Breakfast — Pancake sandwich. Lunch — Chicken drumsticks, green beans, dinner roll, juice.

Cereal, milk and juice served every day with breakfast. Milk served with every lunch. Menus are subject to change.

WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS and ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY (Sept. 27 — Oct. 1)

Monday: Breakfast — Waffle. Lunch — Cheese & chicken quesadilla, green beans, lettuce, peaches.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Donuts. Lunch — Barbecue pork, hamburger bun, sweet potato fries, cauliflowerer, cantaloupe.

Wednesday: Breakfast — French toast. Lunch — Sweet and sour chicken, brown rice, Oriental vegetables, carrots, pears.

Thursday: Breakfast — Breakfast sandwich. Lunch — Potato omelet, refried beans, apple.

Friday: No School. Chef salad is optional for K-12. Milk served with every meal. Menu subject to change.

WINSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Sept. 27 — Oct. 1)

Monday: Breakfast — Pancake sausage bites. Lunch — Chicken nuggets, baked beans, fruit, bread stick.

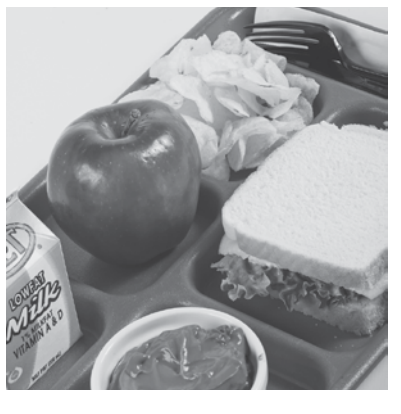

Tuesday: Breakfast — Cereal. Lunch — Breakfast for lunch. Omelet, sausage links, vegetable, fruit, muffin.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Omelet. Lunch — Barbecue pork, bun, sweet potato fries, fruit.


Thursday: Breakfast — Cereal. Lunch — Hamburger macaroni & cheese, vegetable, fruit, roll.

Friday: Breakfast — Muffin. Lunch — Cheese pizza, vegetable, fruit.

Chef salad, fruit and vegetable bar served daily. Milk served with all meals. Menu subject to change. Late starts - no breakfast or K-2 salad plates.

Richard and Shirley Woslager will be celebrating 60 years of marriage on September 30th. Let's help them celebrate with a card shower. Please send anniversary wishes to 85687 566th Ave. Carroll, NE 68723



90th Birthday Celebration Honoring Erna Hoffman **OPEN HOUSE** September 26, 2021 from 2 to 4 p.m. at The Winside Auditorium Main Street, Winside, NE If unable to attend, please send wishes to: Erna at 719 S 18th St. Apt #5, Norfolk, NE 68701 *No Gifts Please!*

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Begins at 3:00 PM Register online or at Our Savior Lutheran Church Office in Wayne <https://mda.donordrive.com/event/nebraskamuscleevent>

Senior Center Congregate Meal Menu

(Week of Sept. 27 — Oct. 1) The Wayne Senior Center will be open from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Meals are being served at the Senior Center at 11:45 a.m. 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: Egg salad or turkey and ham on croissant, cheese, lettuce, pickle, minestrone soup, seasonal fresh fruit, cookie.

Tuesday: Goulash, lettuce salad, assorted fresh vegetables, cherry crisp, garlic bread stick.

Wednesday: Meatballs with mushroom sauce, au gratin potatoes, scalloped corn, pumpkin muffin, cherry gelatin with mixed fruit.

Thursday: Sliced pork roast, mashed potatoes & gravy, saurkraut salad or three bean salad, rye bread, pears.

Friday: Potato soup with chopped ham, Misty's homemade rye bread, celery stick with peanut butter, peach cobbler.



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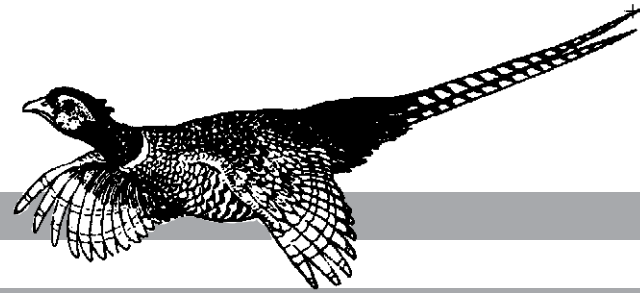
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216 West 3rd St.
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Saturday: Worship Service, 5:30 p.m. **Sunday:** Coffee Hour, 9 a.m.; World Communion Sunday. In-person worship services with prayer event, 10 a.m.; The service will also be broadcast on KTCH and TV and live video streamed on Facebook.

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E-mail: parish@stmaryswayne.com.
Thursday: College Night in Holy Family Hall; CIC meeting, Holy Family Hall, 6 p.m.; Mass, 8 p.m. **Friday:** Mass, 8:15 a.m. **Saturday:** Confession, 5 p.m.; Mass, 6 p.m. **Sunday:** Mass, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.; Mass at 7 p.m. **Monday:** Radio Devotions, 5:45 a.m. (through Friday). Bible Study Group, 1 p.m.; School Rosary, 3:15 p.m.; Mass, 5:15 p.m.; Santa Maria Prayer Group, 6 p.m. **Tuesday:** Mass, 8:15 a.m. RCIA, Holy Family Hall. **Wednesday:** Mass, 5:15 p.m.; WINGS, Holy Family Hall, 7 p.m.; Newman Council Retreat, 8 p.m. **Thursday:** Men's Group, 5:45 a.m.; College Night in Holy Family Hall; Mass, 8 p.m. **Friday:** Mass, 8:15 a.m.; Santa Maria Prayer Group, Holy Family Hall; Rosary at Countryview, 10 a.m.; Mass at Countryview, 10:30 a.m. **Saturday:** Confession, 5:30 p.m.; Mass, 6 p.m.

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FIRST LUTHERAN
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(402) 635-2461
502 S. Highway 9, Allen
www.firstlutheranallen.com
Sunday: Worship, 8:30 a.m.. **Wednesday:** Confirmation Class at Concordia Lutheran Church, 6:30 p.m.

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

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ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
(Alexander Blanken, pastor)
Sunday: Pastor available for communion at 7:30 a.m.; Worship with Communion, 8 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
202 Ericson Street, Carroll
(Pastor Nick Baker)
Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; In-person Worship, 11 a.m.; The service will be broadcast on Zoom and Facebook Live, 11 a.m.

Concord

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN
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(402) 584-2467
616 Iowa Street, Concord
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Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:15 a.m. **Wednesday:** Confirmation Class at Concordia Lutheran Church, 6:30 p.m.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
East of town
(Pastor Willie Bertrand)
Sunday: Worship service, 8 a.m. **Tuesday:** Tri-Parish Bible Study, 7 p.m. at St. John's in Wakefield. **Wednesday:** Confirmation classes begin at St. Paul, 4 p.m.

CONCORD EVANGELICAL FREE Church
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(Pastor Scott Kahn)
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Dixon

ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC
(Fr. Jerry Connealy, pastor)
(Fr. Matthew Capadano, associate pastor)
Friday: Mass, 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. **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.

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

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IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
4 North, 3 East of Wayne
(Willie Bertrand, pastor)
Sunday: Divine Worship with Communion, 9:30 a.m. **Tuesday:** Tri-Parish Bible Study, 7 p.m. at St. John's in Wakefield.

PRESBYTERIAN
216 West 3rd
(Rev. Charity Potter, pastor)
Sunday: Worship service in the basement, 11 a.m.; Available via Zoom also; Sunday School.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN
West 7th & Maple
(Willie Bertrand, pastor)
Sunday: Educational Hour, 10 a.m.; Worship with Communion, 11 a.m. **Tuesday:** Tri-Parish Bible Study, 7 p.m. **Wednesday:** Confirmation classes at St. Paul, 4 p.m.

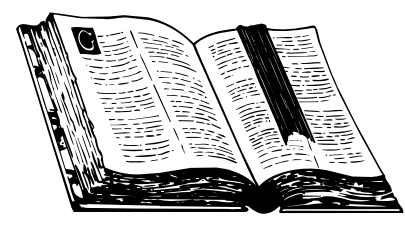
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411 Winter Street
(Patti Meyer, Pastor)
Saturday: Worship Service with Facebook Live, 5:30 p.m. **Sunday:** Worship, 10:30 a.m. **Tuesday:** Quilters, 4 p.m. **Wednesday:** Confirmation, 4:15 p.m.; M&M Bible Study, 5:30 p.m. **Thursday:** Wakefield Health Care Center Service, 10:30 a.m. **Saturday:** Worship Service with Facebook Live, 5:30 p.m. Food Pantry has resumed normal hours, open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please call in advance (402) 287-2681 to help us accommodate the distancing rules.

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218 Miner St.
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Sunday: Divine Service, 10:30 a.m.; The service will also be live on Facebook at 10:30 a.m. and available any time after that.

TRINITY LUTHERAN
206 Miner Street
(PMA Glenn Kietzmann)
Each Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Confirmation class, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Coffee, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Second Sunday of the month, Council meeting at 9:30 a.m.; Communion during Worship Service.

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Life Chain to be held in Wayne

The Wayne Area Right to Life group will be holding the annual Life Chain on Sunday, Oct. 3.

Those taking part are asked to meet at the old bank drive-in at the corner of Seventh and Main Street to get signs. The event runs from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Organizers encourage everyone to "Let Us Unite and pray together to end abortion and repent of the millions of babies lost to abortion each year, world-wide."

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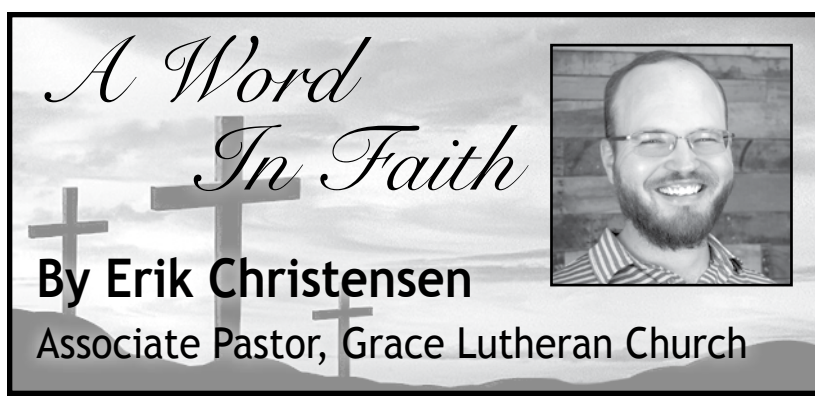
Welcome to The Father's House

The Prairie Doc What I remember most is the silence

When I was a kid the next big thing to change the face of an industry was the Apple iPod! It was the accessory everyone had to have! It was the newest toy under every teenager's Christmas tree, and it was the chill way to kick it during the early '00s. In fact, it was to our childhood like CD's were in the '80s, cassette tapes in the '60s, and even vinyl records in the late '40s. You knew you were amongst the "in crowd" once you had one of those musical jukeboxes in the palm of your hand, and earbuds resting peacefully in your ears.

Finally, after much begging and begging it was my turn. It was my chance, and my parents didn't disappoint. They provided me with the latest model at that time, and I remember listening and relistening to some of my favorite songs. From artists big and small I remember growing up with songs like "All My Exes Live in Texas" or "Remember When" or "Fire and Rain" on shuffle repeat as I worked on my dad's farm or did chores around my parents' house.

But one song in particular was a huge favorite, and it was by a band that had seen its fair share of both



success and disappointment. That song? Big House by Audio Adrenaline. A song that had been sung by them since I was five years old. Just big enough to bounce on my grandfather's knee and stretch out on my grandmother's lap during church services. Strangely enough that is where I first heard this tune as well. It was an invitation going out through the airwaves. An invitation to everyone and anyone who needed a place to run home.

As I grew, this song became even more important to me. The words reverberated and reverberated in my mind. As the group sang about differences. Differences that mark all of our childhoods and families.

Some being rich, some being poor. Some having a loving family, some who had no family at all. This band seemed to understand one truth. This band seemed to shape the way we look at each other. And that was to see that no matter what our own unique back story is, or how far we have travelled throughout this life.

We all need one thing that we can never get on our own. We all need love. And more specifically, we need love that will never fail! So, the oft repeated chorus from this song was so important to me. And I hope it still speaks to your heart as well. Because the words, "Come and go with me to my Father's house! It's a big, big house with lots and lots a

room! A big, big table with lots and lots of food! A big, big yard where we can play football! A big, big house! It's my Father's house!" are meant for you!

These words are meant to bring us together. They are meant to unite and not separate. They are meant to give us hope and assurance and rip away any fear that we might have. They are meant to remind us that God wants us, each and every one of us, to join in praise and worship to Him!

To the Father, who created us, and who is still preparing a place for us! To the Son, Jesus, who sacrificed everything. Even giving up His life on a cross before rising three days later. So that His Father's house might be open to all! All who need forgiveness! And to the Holy Spirit! To the one Spirit who brings the free gift of life and mercy to us who don't deserve it, but who desperately need it!

And one of those song lyrics especially spoke to a boy growing up deep in the heart of Texas. A place that was and is still known for its Friday Night Lights! You can probably guess which one I'm referring to. And you would be right. Of course, it is FOOTBALL! Something that often sets teams and fans apart! That separates across clear battle lines. Home vs. Away! Blue Devils vs. The World!

And yet, in our Father's house the sport we all love. The sport we all rally around. It still exists but the distinctions are no longer important. They are no longer the focus of the game. The joy that comes in being together has taken its place. And together we sing! Together we rejoice! Together we praise the one who has invited us, who has opened up salvation to us, and who has never stopped loving us! So, come! Come to Your Father's House! Because it is a Big, Big House with rooms made for YOU!

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

She was 19 years old, just starting her first semester of college. She had been transferred to our level 1 trauma center, intubated and in a medically induced coma.

I was a third-year medical student, being introduced to the realities of medicine. Our team was clustered around her in the procedure room adjacent to the ICU while my senior resident inserted the central line we would use to quickly administer large volumes of medicine and fluids.

ICUs can be busy, noisy places. This ICU was a large open room, with rows of beds surrounded by all the equipment needed to care for critically ill and injured patients. The sounds of machines whirring and beeping, of doctors and nurses and all the support staff, accompanied us in that little windowless procedure room.

The neurosurgery team solemnly filed through the door, eyes grim. They'd reviewed her CT scan. The pressure of the blood accumulating inside her skull had forced the base of her brain downward, into the space usually occupied only by the top of the spinal cord. We stared at each other in silence. We'd already lost the battle.

During the next few days, I watched her 20-year-old sister support their parents as we walked through the process of declaring brain death and deciding on organ donation. Other than the silence, the sister's grief, and her courage, are my most potent memories.

Over the years, I've seen many lives irrevocably altered by brain injuries. Children thrown from their bicycles. Soldiers caught in blasts. Women battered by their partners. Seniors who slip and fall. Some patients fight to regain skills that were once effortless. Some succumb to their injuries or the consequences. The lucky ones sometimes don't even realize how close they came to having their lives upended.

Our ability to help has improved significantly in the nearly 30 years since I stood at that young woman's bedside. People survive injuries that would have previously been fatal. People recover enough to rejoin the community, instead of finishing their days in nursing homes.

Nevertheless, too many still die, over 50,000 Americans every year. Nevertheless, survivors spend months relearning basic skills with the help of skilled therapists. Nevertheless, millions live with varying degrees of disability, despite aggressive rehabilitation.

As with so many things, the best treatment is prevention. Buckle your children into their car seats. Use your seatbelt. Wear your helmet. Keep the guns locked up. Learn how to reduce the risk of falls, especially for the young, and the old. It's much better to protect that fragile brain, than to try to put it back to rights.

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The Prairie Doc
By Debra Johnson



(Contributed photo)

Support for those who serve

Students at St. Mary's Elementary School took time last week to deliver letters, cards and cookies to the Wayne Police Department. The students noted they were "thankful for the service of these people." Pictured are (front) Stephanie Hasemann, Marie Allemann and Isaac Fowle. (Back) Officer Dominic Consoli and Head Teacher Sara Westerhold.

Eagles Auxillary to host several upcoming events

The Wayne Eagles Auxillary met Sept. 20 with President Deann Behlers presiding.

On Saturday, Sept. 25 Taryn Janke will have a Bloody Mary Bar starting at 10 a.m. and running to 3 p.m. Those taking part will pay for a set up and add all the fixings

they choose.

The MDA Poker Run held Sept. 18 had 43 participants, raising \$1,450. Thanks was given to food donate, especially Sidelines, prize donaters, Zach Jorgensen family participating, and co-chairmen Chad Hoepfner and Marsha Roth.

A membership drive will be held Oct. 8 with a Color Bar Crawl including six stops. Dress up in all one color as a team or individual. Invite a potential new member who will receive a discounted membership fee. Meet at Club at 6 p.m. Transportation will be provided. More information will be provided by Co Chairmen Taryn Janke and Monica Greve.

On Oct. 19 Cheryl Henschke will host the Watkins Party. It will be a on site available products carry-out. More information will be announced later.

The next meeting will be Monday, Oct 4 at 7 p.m.

Winside Trinity Lutheran women gather on Sept. 9

Trinity Lutheran of Winside's WELCA met Sept. 9 Five ladies met prior to the meeting to tie a quilt for Lutheran World Relief and go through the activity bags for children to use during worship services. These were re-organized and new books were added to them.

President Jan Topp called the meeting to order and roll call was answered by six members.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were given and approved.

A letter from Judy Stahlecker concerning the state convention to be held Oct. 1-3 at Carol Joy Holling was read. Also, information on the Noreast Spring Gathering which will be held at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Wayne at a date yet to be decided was read to

members.

Sue Topp read an invitation to attend Guest Day at Christ Lutheran Church in Wisner on Sept. 20. A salad supper was scheduled, followed by guest speaker Fr. Vincent Sunguti from Kenya. Several members were planning to attend.

Get well cards were signed for LeNell Quinn and Eva Glass.

The meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

A cooperative lunch and fellowship followed the meeting.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 13 at 1 p.m. for those wishing to try and finish up the quilts as the Lutheran World Relief Ingathering is Nov. 1. The regular business meeting begins at 2 p.m.

Dixon County Sheriff takes part in national safety campaign

The Dixon County Sheriff's Office recently completed participation in the National "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" campaign that occurred in Dixon County from Aug. 20 through Sept. 6.

During this time frame extra deputies were assigned to patrol the roads, streets, and highways of Dixon County in an attempt to make the roadways safer not only through high visibility, but active enforcement.

As a result of this enforcement action, Dixon County Deputies issued a total of 46 citations for various violations. Some of the violations issued were as follows:

Speeding — 39; Reckless driving citations — 1; Felony Arrest — 2; Use of handheld wireless communication device — 1; and No Operators License — 3.

"Thank you for obeying our laws and assisting in making our roadways safer for all the people who live, work, or otherwise just traverse through our county," said Dixon County Sheriff Don Taylor.

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Nebraska State Fair results listed

The 2021 Nebraska State Fair provided an opportunity for youth to exhibit what they have been working on throughout the year. Several Wayne County 4-Hers showcased their hard work at the State Fair held Aug. 27 through Sept. 6 at State Fair Park in Grand

Island. The 4-H and FFA contests and shows took place on separate weekends, like last year. Static exhibits were on display in the 4-H/FFA Building, and results are available to view at www.nebraska4hresults.com.

Special Recognition Awards are given in the 4-H Exhibit Hall to draw attention to unique items. The following Wayne County 4-Hers received the honor: Ben Sandoz - Photography Unit III Advanced Composition Print, Jamison Meyer - Vegetable Seed Display, Lainey Meyer - 4-H Club Exhibit, Lindsay Niemann - Woodworking Article, and Ellie Topp - Heritage Exhibit depicting heritage of member's family or community.

Ben Sandoz's Photography Unit III Still Life Print Photograph was selected for a special display on UNL East Campus. The Photograph will be on display during the coming year.

Journee Reeson, daughter of Craig and Margo Reeson, Hoskins, exhibited the Champion Feeder Calf Steer, Champion Foundation Simmental Breeding Heifer and Overall Reserve Champion Feeder Calf.

Baker Behmer, son of Adam and Laura Behmer, Hoskins, exhibited the Reserve Champion Feeder Calf Heifer.

Other Wayne County results include:

Baker Behmer, Hoskins: Intermediate Beef Showmanship - Purple, Feeder Heifer - Reserve Champion and Purple, Hereford & Polled Hereford Breeding Beef January-April 2021 - Purple, Maintainer Breeding Beef Yearling Heifers Calved Jan/Feb 2020 - Purple.

Cooper Behmer, Hoskins: Market Goat - Blue.

Dane Behmer, Hoskins: Breeding Meat Goat Born 9/1/2020-6/1/2021 - Blue, Breeding Meat Goat Yearling 9/1/2019-8/31/2020 - Blue.

Daxton Behmer, Hoskins: Commercial Breeding Beef January-April 2021 - Purple, Feeder Steer - Purple, Foundation Simmental Breeding Beef Jan/Feb 2020 - Purple.

Raylyn Behmer, Hoskins: Meat Goat Intermediate Showmanship - Blue, Breeding Meat Goat Born 9/1/2020-6/1/2021 - Blue, Market Goat - Blue.

Natalie Cautrell, Hoskins: 4-H Fashion Show - Blue, Quilt Quest - White, Cooking 401 Candy - Purple.

Mackenzie Connell, Waterbury: Shooting Sports Storage Case - Purple.

Tristen Connell, Waterbury: Shooting Sports Shooting Air or Accessory - Purple, Shooting Sports Storage Case - Blue.

Aubrie Edwards, Winside: Photography Unit III Portrait Print - Purple, Design Decisions Accessory 3D - Purple, Cooking 401 Family Food Traditions - Purple, Design Decisions Furniture Opaque Finish - Blue, Cooking 401 Specialty Pastry - Blue.

Jacob Fehringer, Wayne: Cooking 201 Biscuits or Scones - Purple, 4-H Disaster Kit - Purple, Food Preservation Dried Fruits - Blue, Food Preservation Dried Herbs - Blue.

Chase Genereux, Winside: Quilt Quest, Large Quilted Exhibit - Purple.

Hunter Genereux, Winside: Quilt Quest, Medium Quilted Exhibit - Blue.

Kenna Halle, Wayne: Cooking 201 Creative Mixes - Blue.

Nina Hammer, Wayne: Cooking 401 Ethnic Food Exhibit - Blue, Veterinary Science Poster or Display Small Animal - Blue.

Benjamin Haschke, Wayne: Cooking 301 Dinner Rolls - Purple, Food Preservation Fruit Leather - Purple, Food Preservation Vegetable Leather - Purple, Beyond the Needle Embellished Garment with Original Design - Blue.

Blake Heithold, Wayne: Fairy or Miniature Garden - Purple.

Hallie Heithold, Wayne: Beyond the Needle Beginning Fashion Accessory - Red.

Reagan Heithold, Wayne: Intermediate Beef Showmanship - Purple, Foundation Simmental Breeding Beef Jan/Feb 2020 - Purple.

Grace Junck, Carroll: Cooking 201 Biscuits or Scones - Blue, Clothing STEAM 2 Romper or Jumpsuit - Red, Aerospace Rocket - Red.

Cody Kempf, Carroll: Electrical Display - Purple.

Jaclyn Kempf, Carroll: Senior Beef Showmanship - Purple, Market Heifers - Purple, Shorthorn Steers - Purple, Crochet Level 3 Home Environment Item - Blue, Food Preservation Jar Tomato - Blue, Conservation and Wildlife Bird Display - Red.

Naomi Lipp, Wayne: Design Decisions Accessory 2D - Purple.

Audrey Lutter, Carroll: 4-H Fashion Show - Blue.

Claire Lutter, Carroll: Quilt Quest - Red.

Megan Magnuson, Carroll: Cooking 201 Coffee Cake - Blue, Swine Hereford Breeding Gilt - Blue, Swine Spotted Breeding Gilt - Blue.

Jamison Meyer, Wayne: Horticulture Vegetable Seed Display - Special Recognition and Purple, Cooking 401 Double Crust Fruit Pie - Purple, Cooking 201 Creative Mixes - Blue, Design Decisions Accessory Outdoor Living - Blue.

Lainey Meyer, Wayne: Leadership and Citizenship - Special Recognition and Purple, Human Development Social Emotional Development - Purple.

Megan Meyer, Emerson: 4-H Portfolio Pathways Original Oil Painting - Red.

Seth Nelsen, Carroll: Human Development Family Involvement Entry - Purple, Food Preservation One Jar Jellied - Blue.

Ellise Niemann, Newcastle: Cooking 201 Baking with Whole Grain - Purple.

Lindsay Niemann, Wayne: Woodworking Article - Special Recognition and Purple.

Hope O'Reilly, Wayne: 4-H Portfolio Pathways Home Accessory with any Printing Technique - Blue.

Lucas Petersen, Hoskins: Design Decisions Original Made from Metal - Purple.

Journee Reeson, Hoskins: Senior Beef Showmanship - Purple, Feeder Heifer - Purple, Feeder Steer - Champion, Overall Reserve Champion and Purple, Foundation Simmental Breeding Beef Mar/Apr 2020 - Champion and Purple, Maintainer Breeding Beef January-April 2021 - Purple, Simmental Breeding Beef Yearling Heifers Calved Mar/Apr 2020 - Purple.

Reese Rethwisch, Wayne: 4-H Portfolio Pathways Original Acrylic



(Contributed Photo) Baker Behmer and his Reserve Champion Feeder Calf Heifer.



(Contributed Photo) Journee Reeson exhibited the Overall Reserve Champion Feeder Calf at the Nebraska State Fair.

Painting - Purple, 4-H Sketchbook Crossroads Original Pencil or Chalk Drawing - Purple.

Courtney Roeber, Carroll: Novice Dairy Showmanship - Blue, Fall Heifer 9/1/20-11/30-20 - Blue.

Landen Roeber, Carroll: Welding Article - Purple, Junior Dairy Showmanship - Blue, Spring Heifer 3/1/21-4/30/21 - Purple, Summer Yearling 6/1/20-8/31/20 - Blue.

Ben Sandoz, Wayne: Photography Advanced Composition Print - Special Recognition, Purple and exhibit selected for special display at UNL East Campus, Entomology Insect Poster/Display Exhibit - Purple, Photography Still Life Print - Purple, Design Decisions Recycled/Upcycled Item for your Home - Purple, Design Decisions Original Made with Wood - Blue, Photography Portrait Print - Blue, Entomology Macrophotography - Blue.

Hadley Sellin, Hoskins: Intermediate Meat Goat Showmanship - Purple, Breeding Meat Goat Born 9/1/2020-6/1/2021 - Purple, Breeding Meat Goat Born 9/1/2020-6/1/2021 - Blue.

Addison Sharpe, Wayne: Photography Unit II Creative Techniques and Lighting Display or Print - Purple.

Claire Sievers, Randolph: Conservation and Wildlife Diorama - Purple, Aerospace Rocket - Blue, Fairy or Miniature Garden - Red.

Ty Sievers, Randolph: Feeder Heifer - Purple, Feeder Steer - Purple, Market Beef Crossbred Steers - Blue, Market Beef Heifer - Blue, Conservation and Wildlife Diorama - Red.

Maya Spahr, Wayne: Veterinary

Science Large Animal Poster - Blue.

Meghan Spahr, Wayne: Veterinary Science Large Animal Poster - Purple, Veterinary Science Small Animal Poster - Purple.

Kason Stateler, Hoskins: Market Goat - Blue.

Ellie Topp, Winside: 4-H Heritage 4-H Member Scrapbook - Purple, 4-H Heritage of a Members Family or Community - Special Recognition and Purple, 4-H Heirloom Treasures Family Keepsakes Furniture - Purple, Human Development Social Emotional Development - Purple, Cooking 301 Specialty Rolls - Purple, Photography Unit II Expression Through Color Display or Print - Blue, 4-H Fashion Show Shopping in Style Purchased Outfit and Written Report - Blue, Shopping in Style Best Buy for Your Buck - Blue.

Kati Topp, Winside: Design Decisions Original Needlework/Stitchery - Purple, Photography Unit III Advanced Techniques and Lighting Display or Print - Blue, Photography Unit III Freeze/Blur the Moment Print - Blue.

Bree Vanosdall, Hoskins: Sheep Crossbred Market Lambs - Purple, Sheep Hampshire Market Lambs - Purple, Sheep Natural Color Market Lambs - Purple.

Jenna Vilkas, Wayne: Photography Unit II Creative Techniques and Lighting Display or Print - Blue.

Josie Vilkas, Wayne: Conservation and Wildlife Diorama - Purple.

"Congratulations to all the Wayne County 4-Hers that exhibited at the 2021 Nebraska State Fair," said Extension Educator Amy Topp.



(Contributed Photo) Journee Reeson with her Champion Foundation Simmental Breeding Heifer.

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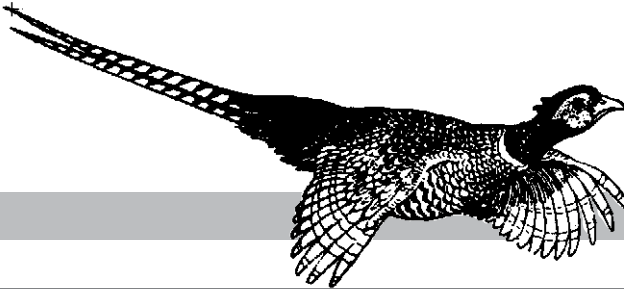
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Remembering another Nebraska-Oklahoma game

I'm with all of you calling for discipline on the O line, but I admit I was surprised and quite pleased with Saturday's score. Now, I want to know what is wrong with the volleyball team!!

I had quite forgotten another day Nebraska beat Oklahoma; in 1959. We didn't beat very many teams in those days; imagine our surprise, and glee, when we managed to beat them!!

In those days, Lincoln General had a brand new ICU, but nothing like they are today. No monitors, for one thing. As I recall, there were four beds, and the average stay was lengthy. The usual order was for bedrest, remember that?

Once they became stable, they moved to a step down unit, where they allowed limited ambulation, more generous diets, and the hope they would soon be going home.

And, finally, they graduated to a self care unit, where they could shower independently, and even



The Farmer's Wife
By: Pat Meierhenry

take the elevator to the cafeteria on first floor, where they could pick and choose their food. (I don't remember anything about a low salt diet, though I'm sure the cardiac

patients were on that diet.)

Mr. Anderson was a UNL grad, and a huge follower of all sports. I was working in that self care unit that Saturday. Tough job! Mr. Anderson had the radio on the game.

As it progressed, Mr. A became much more animated! Of course, most of the radios were on that station, but he was the only one "getting into it!" If I remember correctly, there was a knocked over water pitcher, and they weren't the kind with a snap on lad like the ones we see today.

I checked his vital signs, and they were all over the monitor! At one time, we thought we would have to move him back to the ICU! He was that excited!

Well, the goal posts came down. They were made of wood, and it was easier to get them out of the ground. Many splinters became keepsakes.

And that was not all; on Monday, there were no classes! Plus, Mike always said there were panty raids in

the houses on campus. That was a big deal in those days; panty raids!!

Mr A was in the hospital a number of days; and became a very good friend. He and his wife came to our wedding. She called my Mom to get the name of my silver pattern. What silver pattern? I was moving to a farm I did pick out stainless steal, so she settled for that.

Another farmer's wife, who was married ahead of us, was teaching school that whole year. She bought one place setting every month, when she got her paycheck. When they were married 25 years, friend husband went to town to buy four more place settings so they would have a dozen.

After he checked the prices, he came home without more, threatening to sell what they had! So much for silver on the farm! Or anywhere, any more. My stainless even goes in the dishwasher. Grin!!

Extension assistant now serving Wayne County

Kylee Plager recently started as the new 4-H Extension Assistant in Wayne County.

Plager graduated from the University of Nebraska - Lincoln in 2019 with her bachelor's in animal science. She was born and grew up in Lincoln where she was very active in 4-H in Lancaster County. Some projects that she participated in were sewing, woodworking, photography, and showing Goats, Sheep and Swine. For the past six years, Kylee has served as the Goat Superintendent for the Lancaster County Fair.

"I am excited to see what kinds of things I can learn and explore in Wayne County," she said.



Kylee Plager

Fall forage options discussed

Winter Annual Forages
By Jerry Volesky

Are you planting or at least thinking about planting wheat, rye, or triticale for forage next spring? Which of these small grains should you plant this fall? Let's look at some of their characteristics to help you select.

Cereal rye is your best choice for the earliest grazing possible. Because it's early, it also may be the best match for double cropping. Some varieties provide quite a bit of fall growth, too, if planted early. Rye also may be the most reliable when planted under stressful conditions. But it has some drawbacks. It turns stemmy and matures much earlier than wheat or triticale, losing feed value and palatability earlier in the spring. Plus, wheat grain producers don't want it contaminating fields next year.

Triticale holds on to its feed value best into late spring. This makes it well suited for hay and silage, or for stretching grazing well into June if you don't mind starting two or three weeks later compared to rye. But triticale tends to be a bit more susceptible to winter injury.

Winter wheat has been the small grain of choice for winter and spring grazing in the southern plains where higher winter temperatures allow growth to continue, although slowly. Up here where wheat goes dormant, though, its carrying capacity is not as high as triticale or rye. But it is top quality before stems develop. And it's the clear choice if you want the double use as early pasture and then for grain.

So there it is. Rye for early pasture, triticale for hay, silage, or later grazing, and wheat for grazing plus grain. You may have other factors affecting your choice, but in general, these guidelines work well.



Windrow Grazing
By Ben Beckman

With feed cost being a top expense for many producers, one cost reducing option to consider is windrow grazing. Let's look at the advantages and challenges of implementing this practice in your operation.

Windrow grazing occupies a gray area between haying and grazing forages. When done correctly, it provides the best of both worlds, allowing harvest to occur at the optimal time for yield and quality, while eliminating the cost and labor of baling, storing, and feeding hay. Properly cured, windrows can be grazed through the fall and winter, maintaining quality similar to stored round bales.

With less than 25% of precipitation in Nebraska occurring between October and March, fall harvesting forages face less pressure from weather. While windrow grazing can be practiced successfully statewide, central and western Nebraska may see better results due to an overall cooler and drier climate.

Along with climate, construction of the windrow will also aid in success. Thinner stemmed grass species fit best for this system including cool season grains like oats, triticale, barley, and wheat, and warm season annuals like foxtail

millet and sudangrass. A high, dense windrow is less susceptible to weathering loss. If forage yields are less than 1.5 tons/acre, consider raking two windrows together. Swath rows parallel to prevailing winds to keep blowing to a minimum and cut high to leave stubble the windrow can sit on, keeping it off of the ground.

When it comes time to use, portion off a section of field with temporary fence running perpendicular to the windrow. Start with providing one week's worth of feed, then adjust the allotment to provide more or less as necessary. Even under snow, a well-built windrow will be easily accessed by cattle.

While best suited for the climate of central and western Nebraska, windrow grazing can be practiced statewide. To be successful, harvest in the fall for reduced weathering, build a dense windrow, and limit feed with temporary fence.

Alfalfa Winterization and Frost Concerns
By Brad Schick

We've already discussed when the last cutting of alfalfa should occur, but what about cold snaps and winterization?

When alfalfa experiences a non-killing frost, the lowest areas of a field may still be susceptible to damage. A killing frost usually occurs if the temperature is 24-29°F for approximately 4 to 6 hours whereas a non-killing frost would be a temperature of 30°F to 32°F.

So what does frost mean for cutting? For non-killing frosts, there will be some damage to the tips of the alfalfa as well as some curled or wilted leaves. These plants will continue to grow well as fall progresses, but the quality will decline after each non-killing frost event.

It is fine to cut after a non-killing frost, however, be sure that there has been ample winterization because regrowth will come from the crown buds and use the energy already stored for winter.

In a killing frost situation, cutting will need to take place soon after as the quality will quickly decline due to damage to the plant cells. If grazing, watch out for bloat; and this is only recommended if feed is needed.

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Nebraska Acting State Conservationist, John Wilson said, "Conservation easements are a great tool to ensure natural resources are conserved and protected for all Nebraskans. We encourage Indian tribes, state and local governments, non-governmental organizations, and private landowners to contact their local NRCS office to find out how to apply."

The main goal of ACEP is to prevent productive agricultural land from being converted to non-agricultural uses and to restore and protect wetlands and wildlife habitat. Cropland, rangeland, grassland, pastureland and nonindustrial private forestland are eligible.

Applications can be submitted at any time, but to be considered for fiscal year 2022 funding, applications in Nebraska must be received by Oct. 15, 2021. Applications are currently being accepted for both agricultural land and wetland easements.

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All applicants will need to provide accurate records of ownership and ensure they have established fiscal year 2022 ownership eligibility with USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA). Application information is available at your local USDA Service Center and at www.nrcs.usda.gov/GetStarted.

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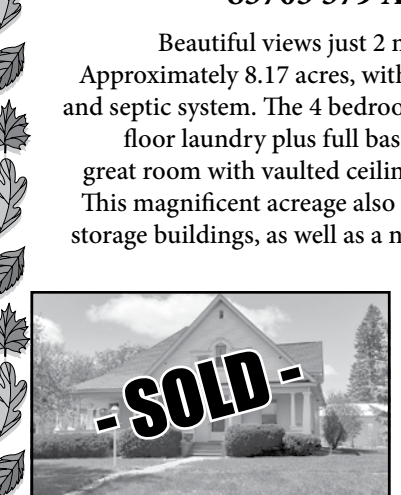




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We would like to thank everyone for all the many, many cards with special notes, including phone calls and anniversary wishes for our 60th wedding anniversary. It was so nice hearing from everyone. We would also like to thank our children, grandchildren and great grandchildren who were with us for a delicious meal at Geno's in Wayne and topped off with a beautiful anniversary cake from Vel's Bakery, also from Wayne. We also want to thank our daughter Shelli from Ankeny, Iowa and Margie's brother Gene Boling from Wellington, Colorado for helping with the anniversary get together and meal. God's blessings to everyone. We love you all. ~Ferris and Margie Meyer

I wish to thank everyone that sent me a birthday card or that called to wish me a happy 85th birthday!

I need to confess.... the photo was taken when I was 70!! (thank-you Debbie)

Blessings To You All, Joyce Harmeier

The family of Elaine Menke wishes to thank family and friends for calls, visits, flowers, cards and memorials. Special thanks to Kinship Pointe, Providence Medical Center, Hasemann Funeral Home, Our Savior Lutheran Church, Vel's Bakery and Our Savior WELCO Ladies for helping with the luncheon. We are forever grateful. God bless each and every one of you.

How to prevent slips and falls in the bathroom

Bathrooms can serve as sanctuaries, providing a warm tub to soak in after a long, weary day or a private place to retire for a few minutes of peace and quiet. Bathrooms also can be dangerous places, as various groups warn that most slip and fall accidents that occur at home will happen in the bathroom.

The combination of hard surfaces and moisture from sinks and showers can create dangerous conditions. Furthermore, bathrooms tend to be small spaces, so should a fall occur, it's more likely a person will hit various surfaces on the way down.

The risk of falling in a bathroom increases with age. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, seniors over age 65 have a 25 percent chance of falling in the bathroom. Seniors generally have less flexibility and balance than younger people, meaning falls can be life-threatening. Bones easily can become fractured and internal bleeding may occur in serious cases. Bathrooms can be made more safe in a few simple ways.

•Keep the bathtub clean. Soap residue or other grime can contribute to slippery conditions in the shower and tub. Cleaning these surfaces frequent-

ly can improve traction.

•Declutter the space. Remove extraneous items from the bathroom that can pose as tripping hazards.

•Choose the right bath mat. Bath mats can contribute to slips and falls. For those who cannot live without them, choose a mat with slip-resistant backings and add double-faced tape for added security.

•Limit moisture. Use a weighted shower curtain or install shower doors to prevent water from getting on the floor. Mop up any water or additional condensation to help dry the bathroom. Install an exhaust fan to help vent moisture that can condense and accumulate on the floor and fixtures.

•Improve bathroom lighting. Make sure lighting in the bathroom illuminates all areas.

•Wear non-slip shoes. Wearing non-slip shoes when in the bathroom can reduce the chances of slipping on wet floors.

•Install a walk-in shower or bathtub. These lipless fixtures can assist those who have difficulty entering a standard tub or shower. Grab bars also can help with maneuvering in and out of the shower area.

•Use a raised toilet seat. A raised toilet, or one with a special seat that



reduces the distance one has to go to reach a seated position, may help prevent falls.

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How to maintain hardwood floors

Hardwood floors have long been sought after by home buyers. In its 2019 "Remodeling Impact Report," the National Association of Realtors® revealed that new wood flooring was the fourth most popular project to attract buyers.

Of course, hardwood floors aren't just for buyers. Homeowners who already have hardwood floors know just how impressive these floors can be, especially when they're well maintained. Maintaining wood floors is not necessarily as straightforward as it may seem, and homeowners may benefit from a tutorial on how to keep the floors under their feet looking good.

To polish or not to polish?

Polishing floors is an inexpensive way to keep them looking good. But the home improvement experts at BobVila.com note that not all floors can be polished, and determining which ones can depends on the finish. Floors with waterproof barriers such as urethane will benefit from routine polishing. However, floors with penetrating finishes like tung oil will need to be waxed rather than polished.

What finish is on the floor?

The Hardwood Distributor's Association recommends a simple way for homeowners to determine which

type of finish is on their hardwood floors. Homeowners are advised to rub a finger across the floor. If no smudge appears, then the floor is surface sealed. If a smudge is created, then the floor has been treated with a penetrating seal. The HDA also notes that recently installed wood floors are likely surface sealed.

How often should floors be polished or waxed?

Wood flooring professionals recommend polishing floors that can be polished once every few months. Waxing wood floors does not need to be done as frequently, and most can benefit from a fresh coat of wax every 12 to 18 months.

What can I do on a daily basis?

Some simple tricks and daily maintenance can help wood floors maintain their impressive look.

- Utilize floor mats. The HDA notes that floor mats near entryways can reduce the time it takes to clean hardwood floors and reduce the wear and tear they endure. For example, tiny particles like dirt can scratch the floor and contribute to the kind of minor damage that adds up to significant scarring over time. Floor mats near entryways ensures that most of that dirt never makes it to the wood floors.



- Vacuum without a beater bar. Some vacuums contain beater bars, which are designed to pick up human hair, dog hair and other things that conventional vacuums may not be able to pick up. The HDA advises vacuuming without the beater bar, as it can contribute to small scratches in the floor. Sweeping with a high-quality broom or microfiber cloth is another way to pick up dirt without damaging floors.

- Use manufacturer-recommended cleaning products. Local home improvement stores sell a host of hard-

wood floor cleaning products, but the HDA notes that many flooring manufacturers now sell their own hardwood floor cleaners designed specifically for their floors. These products are likely homeowners' best bets. Homeowners who can't find them can seek recommendations from a local flooring retailer.

Hardwood floors are attractive for many reasons. And they look even more stunning, and last much longer, when homeowners make an effort to maintain them.

Tips before deciding to do a DIY demolition

Home improvement projects can range from relatively inexpensive undertakings to complex endeavors that cost homeowners thousands of dollars. In an effort to make expensive projects more affordable, homeowners may look for ways to pitch in, and do-it-yourself demolition is a common way to cut costs.

Due to geographical fluctuations in price as well as the scale of a project, it's hard to pinpoint just how much homeowners can save by doing demolition work themselves. HomeAdvisor estimates that the average small interior demolition project costs just over \$3,000, though more significant demolition projects can cost considerably

more than that. Given the cost, it's no surprise that so many homeowners volunteer to do demolition on their own. Though it's possible to do so safely, homeowners can take steps to determine if it's in their best interest to take on a DIY demolition or leave it to the professionals.

- Conduct a cost analysis. Demolition projects seem simple, but they often require the use of equipment most homeowners don't have on hand. Rentals can be considered in such instances, but the cost of renting equipment can reduce the amount of money homeowners are saving by going it alone.

For example, homeowners may be able to pull up vinyl or tile flooring on their own, but not all floors are installed the same. Some floors may have been glued more effectively than others, making it hard and/or time-consuming to pull them up by hand. A walk-behind floor scraper can make it easier to remove such floors, but that equipment must be rented.

A cost analysis comparing the contractors' demolition cost estimate and the cost of DIY, complete with equipment rental projections, can give a more accurate picture of how much money homeowners will save by going

it alone. If the savings of DIY are negligible, homeowners should probably let the contractor handle the demo.

- Speak with your contractor. Prior to saying they'll do the demo work on their own, homeowners should speak with their contractors to get an accurate idea of what the project will entail.

Demolition projects may seem simple enough, but contractors can illustrate the correct way to do things so as to minimize potentially costly damage. Some contractors may offer to help homeowners start the demo project and then leave them to their own devices once they get a knack for what to do. Once homeowners see what it will take, they can then decide if DIY is best for them.

- Enlist help. No DIY demo should ever be done alone. The risk for accident and injury is simply too great for homeowners to go it alone. Homeowners who can't enlist some volunteers to pitch in should leave the job to the professionals.

DIY demolition can save homeowners a lot of money. But such projects are not necessarily as simple as they seem. Homeowners should take steps to see exactly what they're getting into before they volunteer to take on demo duty.



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Signs it is time to overhaul your kitchen

Remodeling a kitchen adds value to a home. Remodeling Magazine's "Cost vs. Value Report" indicates mid-range kitchen remodels cost about \$66,000, and homeowners can expect to recover about 60 to 80 percent of that cost at resale.

Homeowners may wonder if remodeling their kitchens is worth the investment. But homeowners should not just consider cost, but also the current conditions of their kitchens



when deciding if a renovation project is the right move to make. These signs indicate it may be time to renovate a kitchen.

- Breakers are triggered: If the lights go dark from a tripped circuit breaker every time you try to microwave and run the toaster oven at the same time, your wiring is likely not up to the task of handling the workload and could be out of date. A kitchen remodel will assess wiring load needs and an electric overhaul may be necessary.
- Lack of storage: One of the biggest hassles homeowners encounter in their kitchens is a lack of storage space. If making a meal involves a Jenga-like stacking and rearranging of kitchen tools, or if an avalanche occurs whenever you search for an item, you might need more storage. A carefully planned redesign can achieve this, even in a smaller kitchen.
- Outdated appliances: Even if your appliances are not avocado green or mustard yellow relics of the 1970s, they might still need to be replaced. According to CRD Design, appliances are only expected to last around 10 to 15 years. If appliances have become unsafe or energy hogs, it could be time for a remodel.
- Family is expanding (or shrinking): Kitchens often are the heart of

a home. They need to meet the needs of the family that resides in that home. A remodel can add space as needed. On the flip side, when a couple becomes empty nesters, kitchens can be redesigned and downsized to reflect their new needs and desires, such as the addition of a wine chiller or espresso station.

- Poor lighting: Task lighting is essential in a kitchen, but older homes may not be equipped with lighting where it's most needed. A carefully designed remodel can improve lighting with under-cabinet lights, pendants, overhead lighting, and even natural light to make the space attractive and more functional.
- Frequent run-ins: The notion that you can have too many cooks in the kitchen refers to having too many people trying to pitch in or offer their opinions. However, it also can apply to when too many people are gathering in a small space. Redesigning a kitchen can improve the efficiency of a space and make the room feel larger.
- Aesthetic appeal: Many kitchen remodels have been inspired by unsightly kitchens. Cosmetic changes can lead to big improvements. Kitchen renovations can add instant appeal and help address issues that tend to plague outdated rooms.

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Handy Safety Tips

When you're preparing to do work around the house, it's a good idea to review some basic safety precautions.

- 1 Special projects around the house keep millions of people busy every weekend. When doing this work, use your power tools safely. That means using electrical outlets with a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter, or GFCI. A GFCI is a device that can protect you from electrical shock. They cut off power in less than a second if there is a problem. Have them professionally installed in kitchens, bathrooms and outdoor outlets.
- 2 Thousands of fires are caused by faulty electric cords and plugs, resulting in hundreds of deaths and thousands of injuries each year. Take time to check your home for electrical safety. Make sure outlets are not overloaded. Make sure electrical cords are not damaged or placed under rugs or carpets. Follow safety instructions when using appliances. Test your smoke detectors and replace the batteries regularly.
- 3 Electricity helps keep our modern lifestyle going. But if the electrical system in your house is outdated, you may be headed for trouble. Watch for these symptoms of electrical problems: replacing fuses or re-setting circuit breakers frequently; switch plates, outlet covers, cords or plugs that are warm; cut, broken or cracked insulation on electric wiring. If these symptoms are present, you need a safety inspection by a licensed inspector.
- 4 Water and electricity. Two things that make our lives easier, and better. But as valuable as each one is, together they can be deadly. Water is a conductor of electricity, and if you're standing in water or wet while using an electrical appliance, you could be shocked or electrocuted. Keep all electrical appliances away from water and make sure your hands are dry when using appliances.

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Predator-resistant plants that will help avoid a 'caged plant zoo'

Are some of your prized plants caged up to protect them from predators like deer, bunnies or other creatures? Animals will eat almost anything if they're hungry enough but selecting less-favored plants from the outset can go a long way toward avoiding a "plant zoo" landscape.

Deer and rabbits are the worst culprits for aboveground damage. Both

dendron, yew and maple. Most-favored perennials include balloonflower, blanketflower, campanula, clematis, day-lily, geranium, hosta, lily and tulip.

Rabbits
Rabbits can do a lot of damage to woody plants by feeding on bark and twigs but they tend to avoid boxwood, cotoneaster, holly/Ilex, juniper, Kerria, quince and viburnum. Besides grasses

job." Though insects do some visible damage to plants, they're critical for pollination and as a food source for birds and other wildlife. His research works to quantify their value toward broader environmental benefits. One of the ways he does this is to explain

their worth in terms of more valued creatures like birds and butterflies. His catalog of native insects, for instance, is titled "What does bird food look like?"

SOURCE: Karma Larsen, Nebraska Statewide Arboretum, plantnebraska.org



generally avoid plants that are fragrant (herbs, alliums, catmint), sappy, prickly or toxic (lenten rose, foxglove, poppies and daffodils). If you're unsure of the culprit, deer tend to leave rough, shredded tooth marks while rabbits leave a finer, cleaner cut. The presence of voles is marked by wide pathways strewn with clippings that lead to open burrows; their damage is evidenced by yellowing or withered plants whose roots have been consumed. Below are some of the least and most favored plants.

Deer
If deer are hungry enough they'll eat almost anything, especially tender new plants. The worst deer browse tends to occur in winter.

Woody plants they're likely to avoid include forsythia and yucca. Some of the plants they're least likely to bother are grasses, ferns and herbs. Specific perennials they tend to avoid: artemisia, iris, lamb's ear, lamium, lenten rose, monkshood, peony, salvia and yarrow.

As far as favorites, the woody plants they most like to browse are fruit trees, arborvitae, dogwood, fir, rhodo-

and the fragrant, spiky and poisonous plants listed above they tend to avoid: artemisia, beebalm, bleeding heart, columbine, coreopsis, daylily, delphinium, monkshood, rudbeckia, salvia and yarrow.

Like deer, fruit trees are some of their favorites for nibbling on.

Voies
Keeping the vegetation low around garden beds can help deter voles by reducing cover. Their damage is done underground but there are some specific bulbs and corms they tend to avoid: daffodil, grape hyacinth, snowdrops and jack-in-the-pulpit. They also avoid allium, iris, lenten rose and salvia.

Their favorite plants for grazing include grasses, herbaceous plants, roots, seeds, bark, seedlings and most bulbs and corms.

Insects—97 percent Beneficial
Insects are an entirely different story. The great majority of them—97 percent according to most sources—are beneficial.

Entomologist Doug Tallamy was referring to insects when he said, "A plant that has fed nothing has not done its

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How to add shade to a deck or patio

Homeowners eagerly await the arrival of the warm weather so they can cast off the remnants of cabin fever and bask in the sunshine. However, as summer nears its dog days, the same sun homeowners once coveted can contribute to uncomfortable conditions in outdoor entertaining spaces.

Meteorologists at WHAS 11 in Kentucky took to their neighborhoods in July 2020 to test just how hot surfaces can get in the sun during peak daytime temperatures. Concrete sitting in the sun almost all day reached a temperature of 134.7 F, while the same concrete in the shade clocked in at just under 80 F. When air temperatures are around 90 F, unshaded concrete and asphalt can be 125 F and 140 F, respectively. While wood decking may not be as hot as asphalt and concrete, it still can get steamy underfoot.

Homeowners who want to be able to enjoy their outdoor spaces in an array of temperatures can think about investing in shade solutions. Sun-blocking ideas like awnings, shade trees and large umbrellas can help people enjoy their yards all day long.

•Canopy: A patio canopy is typically a freestanding unit that can be installed over a patio or a deck. Some

people prefer to bolt it down so it will not be knocked over in the windy conditions. The fabric on the canopy can be removed during the offseason, helping to improve its longevity.

•Awning: Awnings may be stationary or retractable. Many are installed directly onto a home and can cast shade on specific areas of outdoor entertaining spaces.

•Shade sail: Similar to an awning but a bit less structurally rigid, shade sails are large pieces of triangular fabric installed over areas of a patio, pool or landscape, according to The Family Handyman. Shade sails are light and airy and can be customized.

•Trees: A natural way to increase shade in a yard is to plant more shade trees. If sun glare is an issue all year long, and it's not just the heat of the sun that is troublesome, think about planting evergreen trees. Deciduous cousins will drop their leaves in fall and only be effective during the warm weather.

•Patio umbrellas: Many umbrellas start at around \$25. Umbrellas can be paired with patio tables, while stationary cantilever umbrellas sit out of the way on their own heavy-duty stands. A cantilever umbrella tends to provide more shade than patio table umbrel-



las. •Curtains: Homeowners can block sunlight outdoors the way they do inside, offers MSN. Hang curtains from the sides of canopies or between posts on a deck to provide shade and cozy spaces. Shade is in high demand when the sun is hot. Options abound for making outdoor areas more comfortable.

The average timelines for popular renovation projects

Home renovation projects are significant undertakings. Working with skilled and experienced contractors can ensure projects go smoothly and are completed promptly. Timing is a big consideration for homeowners as they begin renovating their homes, and the home improvement experts at HomeAdvisor note that the following are some general timelines for popular renovation projects.

•Home addition: Short of a full-scale demolition and rebuild, home additions are the most time-consuming projects homeowners can undertake. HomeAdvisor notes that its survey of customers who recently completed home addition projects reported that the average time from start to finish was between three and four months. Certain variables, including the scale of the project and the local permits process, can extend the time it takes to complete a home addition.

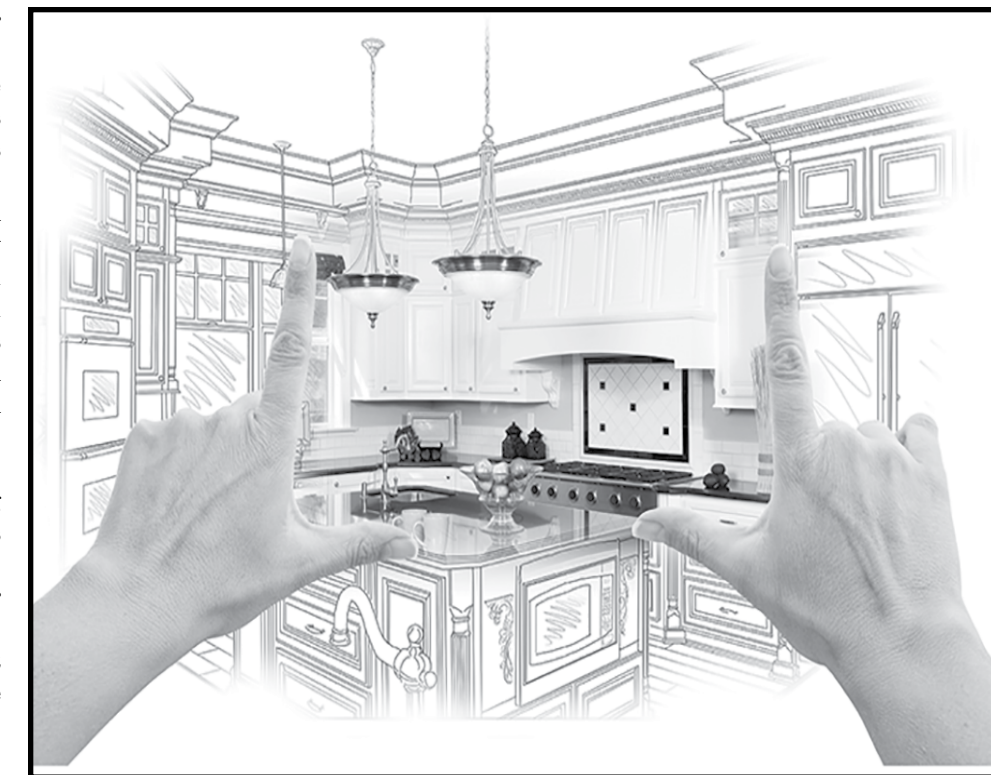
•Kitchen remodel: Scale is a big factor to consider when estimating the time it takes to complete various home improvement projects, and kitchen remodels are no exception. Some HomeAdvisor users reported projects taking as long as four months, though the average time reported was roughly

six weeks. Projects that require major overhauls like rearranging the plumbing and moving walls will likely take longer than more cosmetic projects that are limited to replacing cabinets and countertops.

•Bathroom remodel: More than 1,000 homeowners surveyed by HomeAdvisor reported that bathroom remodels took about 4.5 weeks from start to finish. Small-scale remodels that focus on painting the walls a fresh color and replacing existing tiles can be completed in less than two weeks. But like with kitchen remodels, bathroom remodels that involve replacing plumbing fixtures and removing walls figure to take much longer than that.

•Siding installation: HomeAdvisor users report that new siding projects take roughly two weeks from start to finish. That estimate is the same regardless of which materials homeowners are replacing and installing.

•Replacement windows: Homeowners who want to replace all the windows in their home can expect such a project to take roughly three weeks. HomeAdvisor notes that such a timeline need not concern homeowners worried that they will be forced to brave the elements during the length



of the project. Much of a contractor's time during a window replacement project will be spent on upfront measuring and then ensuring a tight fit once the windows have been installed.



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Advice offered for selecting trees

With September upon us, it's time to think about tree planting. If tree selection is on your to do list, putting the effort and time into researching what trees to plant pays off in a tree canopy that nets long term benefits in shade, beauty, soil stabilization, and stormwater mitigation.

Start by taking an inventory of what is already there—not just what is in your yard but in the neighborhood as a whole. Being the sixth person on your block to plant the same tree in the yard means loss of significant tree cover when an insect or disease wipes them out. (Think of the emerald ash borer with ash trees.) Diversifying trees in a landscape lends resiliency and negates the need for treating every single tree when a species-specific problem strikes.

Next, seek the input from tree people. Not tree people who blog from their work site far away, but tree people from your region, who have experience in troubleshooting tree health issues and provide consultation for trees problems that have developed 5-10 years after trees are planted. Understanding what problems are commonly seen is information worth knowing when selecting a tree.

The final consideration is the mechanism for how the tree is grown out at the nursery—potted, B & B (balled and burlapped), grow bag, and bare root. Potted trees should be in a specialty pot that prevents roots from circling, which would require removal/disentangling before planting. B & B trees deliver larger trees but also have lost a considerable portion of their root system when dug by a hydraulic tree spade. Grow bags are made of a heavy-duty mesh fabric that allows roots to breathe and develop without circling inside the bag. Bare root trees, primarily available for purchase in the spring, saves considerable costs in transport because there isn't the added weight of soil. All of these mechanisms for roots have advantages and disadvantages.

Don't be afraid to purchase a small

tree. "What is a fast-growing tree I can plant?" is a common question and too often results in planting the same trees over and over again. Small trees, having a more complete root system, don't have to overcome root loss and girdling, sending energy into top growth, a huge benefit. The old belief to stay away from planting an oak because it is slow growing is no longer true when beginning with a small tree.

Many problems are actually created when trees are planted, so pay close attention to the root flare, the part of the tree's anatomy where the trunk flares into a root system. If the flare isn't visible above the soil line, the tree is too deep. Trees can be too deep within the pot, ball, or grow-bag themselves so be sure to determine where the flare is located on the tree and then plant so the flare is slightly above the soil line.

Looking for a good tree list? Start with the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum's "Trees for Eastern Nebraska": <https://go.unl.edu/7iwr>.

Fall Fest to be held at Ag Lab

Are you looking for a fun fall family event? We have just the thing for you! Make plans to attend Fall Fest at the Haskell Ag Lab on Saturday, Sept. 25. The free event will run from 1:30 to 4:30 pm. Crafts and activities for kids will be available all afternoon.

In addition, we will have demonstrations on how to make applesauce, apple cider, & extract honey. We'll learn about the new pollinator garden, how to transplant perennials, take care of hops, and uses for aronia berries. A tour of the Northeast Arboretum and Hazelnut Project will also be offered.

There is no registration needed to attend. Plan to bring your friends and enjoy Fall Fest at the Haskell Ag Lab on Saturday, September 25th. The complete schedule and any weather-related announcements can be found at: hal.unl.edu/fallfest2021.

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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 nightstand 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.

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Safety first with DIY electrical work

Home improvement projects can help homeowners transform their homes. Such projects are costly, but many homeowners save money by doing some, if not all, of the work themselves.

The Electrical Safety Foundation International, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting electrical safety, recommends that homeowners leave electrical work to the professionals. Licensed electricians are well-

trained, whereas homeowners may not be skilled enough to avoid accidents or injuries, which can prove fatal when working with electricity.

Homeowners who take the do-it-yourself route with electrical work should consider these safety tips, courtesy of the ESFI, before beginning a home electrical project.

•Learn your home electrical system. Home electrical systems may include power lines, electric meters, service

panels, subpanels, wiring, and more. These systems are complex, and homeowners who intend to do some DIY electrical work should familiarize themselves with their home electrical systems prior to beginning any work. The ESFI notes that knowledge of their home electrical systems can help homeowners more safely navigate them and make maintenance easier.

•Honestly assess your skills. An honest assessment of skills is absolutely necessary prior to working on an electrical system. According to the National Safety Council, injuries relating to electrical incidents typically fall into one of four categories: electrical shock, electrocution, falls, and burns. Each of these injuries is significant. For example, electric shock, which occurs when electrical current passes over or through a person's body, involves burns, abnormal heart rhythm and unconsciousness.

Given the potential for serious injury, the ESFI urges homeowners to make an honest assessment of their skills before they begin working on their home's electrical systems. Little or no experience working with electrical systems should be considered a significant hurdle to any DIY project.

•Turn the power off. It's essential that the power to the circuit that will be worked on be turned off prior to starting any work. This can be accomplished by switching off the circuit breaker in the main service panel. Similarly, when working on appliances or lamps, make sure the products are unplugged prior to working on them.

•Do not touch plumbing or gas pipes



when doing electrical work. The experts at the Indiana Electric Cooperative note that the risk for electrocution is significant when water comes in contact with electricity. It's imperative that homeowners do not touch plumbing and gas pipes when performing a DIY electrical project. Professionals know how to work around such pipes while minimizing their risk for electric shock or worse, and homeowners must familiarize themselves with the techniques professionals rely on to stay safe if they intend to begin DIY electrical projects.

Homeowners are best served by leaving electrical work to the professionals. However, those who insist on doing such work themselves should do their homework and get to know their systems and safety protocols prior to beginning a project.

Students, community gain from construction projects

The community and Wayne State College students both benefit from construction projects taking place

Students in Dave Hix's ITE 428 (upper level) and ITE 308 (lower level) classes spend time each year on construction projects in the community.

Currently the group of 15 students are working on building a garage for a property owner and a project on the WSC campus.

Jason Powers, a junior from Omaha, who is majoring in Construction Management and Safety Management, is one of those overseeing the garage project.

"Another contractor poured the concrete for the garage and we are doing the rest of the building. We hope to have the garage finished by Thanksgiving," Powers said.

The students spend four hours a day, twice a week, at the construction site.

Powers said that while he is working toward a degree in the management area, he hopes to be able to still be "hands on" when he finds a job after college.

Each semester Hix works with local homeowners who may have projects that will fit into the students schedule.

Some of these have included building garages, storage sheds and other smaller projects.

The property owner is responsible for the costs of the materials for the project and pay an additional fee for



Wayne State College students involved in construction classes work on a garage as one of this semester's projects.

the students' labor. This money is used by the IT department to purchase tools and supplies for the department.

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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.

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Options abound when shopping for home siding

Home improvement projects run the gamut from minor repairs to complete overhauls. Replacing exterior siding is one of the most significant home improvement projects homeowners can undertake. Such a project can give homes a completely new look, which is why choice of siding is such an important decision.

Homeowners have many siding options to choose from, and the following guide can help them make the best choice for their homes.

Vinyl siding
Vinyl siding is easily maintained and among the more budget-friendly siding options. According to the home improvement resource HomeAdvisor, vinyl siding is made from a PVC plastic that does not rot or flake. Siding professionals note that the technology used to create vinyl siding has changed considerably in recent years, making this option more diverse than traditional vinyl siding. So homeowners turned off by the potentially plastic

look of vinyl siding might be surprised at how different modern vinyl siding looks compared to the vinyl siding of yesteryear.

Fiber-cement siding
The home improvement television network HGTV notes that fiber-cement siding has grown in popularity among homeowners in recent years. This material does not require much maintenance and it's non-flammable and resistant to termites. HomeAdvisor notes that fiber-cement siding can create the look of wood, stucco or masonry, making it a versatile option capable of creating various looks. In addition, fiber-cement siding is known for its durability, with some products coming with warranties lasting as long as 50 years.

Wood siding
Homeowners have many choices if they prefer wood siding on their homes. Cedar, cypress, fir, pine, and spruce are just a handful of the many wood siding options homeowners can choose from. HomeAdvisor notes that cedar shingle siding offers a natural look that blends well in wooded and waterfront landscapes.

Wood clapboard siding is another popular option, though it tends to require more maintenance than cedar shingle siding. Homeowners who want wood siding should discuss their options with an experienced siding professional, as many factors, including the choice of wood, must be considered before making a final decision.

Stone and stone-veneer siding
Many homeowners fall in love with the natural appeal of stone, but the price tag, which tends to be costly, may not be as awe-inspiring. HGTV notes that stone can be difficult to add

to an existing home, and doing so may drive the price up even further. Stone siding is durable, and there are many options, including solid stone and natural stone cladding, that make this an



Design ideas to give your home a farmhouse feel

Farmhouse style homes are having a moment. A 2020 survey from Homes.com asked more than 5,000 adults across the United States about their favorite house style from a list that included bohemian craftsman, mid-century modern ranch, French chateau, and Tudor, among others. Modern farmhouse was the runaway winner, as participants in 42 of the 50

wood or faux beams that look like the real thing. Decorative beams that have nothing to do with a home's structural integrity can be installed by skilled do-it-yourselfers. However, even faux beams are heavy, and BobVila.com recommends homeowners have an engineer assess their existing structure prior to installation.

• Distressed wood finishes:



states indicated this simple, cozy style was their favorite.

Home renovation projects can help homeowners put their own unique stamp on their homes, and such projects can be both aesthetic and functional in nature. The following are some farmhouse design elements homeowners can consider as they look to transform their home interiors with this popular style in mind.

• Exposed beams: Exposed beams instantly evoke images of a farmhouse. The home improvement experts at BobVila.com note that this rustic renovation project can utilize real

Distressing is designed to make something look less than perfect. Distressed wood finishes can be found throughout many farmhouse style homes. Furniture and picture frames can provide the distressed look farmhouse fans are looking for. This is a relatively inexpensive project that many homeowners can tackle on their own after watching some online tutorials that recommend the right tools and techniques to get the job done right.

• Kitchen sink: Many components combine to create a truly classic farmhouse kitchen. But perhaps no component is more essential than the

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option capable of providing an array of looks. Stone-veneer siding is less expensive than natural stone and also comes in an array of styles. As is the case with wood, stone siding options are so extensive that homeowners are urged to discuss each one with a siding professional before making their decisions.

These are just a handful of the many siding options homeowners can choose from. Siding can give homes a completely new look, making choice of siding a significant decision worthy of careful consideration.

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classic farmhouse sink. The renovation experts at HGTV note that a classic farmhouse sink features a deep, wide basin. Farmhouse sinks are large enough to handle all the dishes that come after a big family meal. Old-fashioned porcelain sinks are worth consideration by homeowners who want their kitchen sinks to evoke a traditional farmhouse feel.

• Countertops: HGTV recommends butcher block countertops for home-

owners who favor European farmhouse style. Homeowners overhauling their kitchens to create a farmhouse feel should consider installing a large island with a walnut butcher block countertop for an authentic farmhouse feel.

Farmhouse style homes are wildly popular. Some simple renovations can help homeowners with a fondness for farmhouse style bring this classic look into their homes.

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This home earned the 2019 International Green Builder of the Year award.



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Should I DIY?: 3 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 over-

do the job right. Homeowners may not have the tools necessary to complete complicated 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,

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.



simplify 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.

1. Can I afford to DIY?

Professional home improvement projects are costly for a variety of reasons. Materials can be costly, but so are the tools and labor necessary to

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,

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