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Board of Education to host Community Engagement Meeting

The Wayne Community Schools Board of Education has scheduled community meetings for Wednesday, Oct. 27 at the Carroll Auditorium, and Thursday, Nov. 11 at the Wayne Junior/Senior High School Commons.

The public sessions will take place beginning at 5:30 p.m. This community discussion is part of a larger Strategic Planning process and will give the Board of Education and district administration the opportunity to listen to community stakeholders.

The results will help formulate a vision of the future, and identify goals and strategies necessary to move the district forward to meet the challenges of the 21st century. We will be discussing the strengths, accomplishments, and challenges of our school district, the vision, and expectations for our schools, and the goals and objectives necessary to design our future.

Community members are being invited by the district for two reasons: to ensure that a broad cross-section of interests, backgrounds and perspectives are included, and to ensure that board members are able to hear from all participants in a purposeful and efficient manner.

"We are inviting staff members, parents, students, community leaders and other interested members of the public to work together with us - so that we may effectively plan for the future of our district and students," said Wayne Community Schools Superintendent Dr. Mark Lenihan.

Any patron wishing to attend these sessions or to submit written comments that will be considered as part of the process is encouraged to do so.

Representatives of the Nebraska Association of School Boards will facilitate the community engagement process.

For more information, call or email Mark Lenihan, Superintendent at (402) 375-3150, or malenh1@waynebluedevils.org.



(Photos by Clara Osten)

Pink Flamingo

Amy Bloomquist, Kara Woehler and Colleen Starzl were all decked out in their finest pink for the annual Pink Flamingo Cancer Awareness event on Oct. 7. More than 250 women from throughout the community were able to come together for an evening of shopping, fellowship and cancer awareness information. Highlighting the evening was this year's speaker, Nicole Phillips (right), who spoke on this year's theme "Spread Kindness Like Wildflowers." Phillips also talked about her husband, Saul's "kindness" when he assisted a family stuck in the snow during a blizzard in this area in January of 2020. The event was sponsored by Providence Medical Center, Our Savior Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Churches in America (WELCA) and Pac 'N' Save.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Combine fire

The Wayne Volunteer Fire Department was called to the scene of a combine fire northwest of Wayne on Oct. 12. The combine was fully engulfed in flames and black smoke could be seen for miles. Neighboring farmers also assisted to keep the fire from spreading to adjacent fields.

Board moves forward with plan to hire SPED teacher

By Clara Osten, clara@wayneherald.com

Action taken during Monday's meeting of the Wayne Community Schools Board of Education will allow for the hiring of an additional Special Education teacher for the district.

Special Education Director Misty Bear discussed the number of students in the 7-12 grade program. She said it continues to grow, and in fact, added two new students this week. Several grade levels with large numbers of special education students at the elementary school will be moving to the junior-senior high building soon, thereby adding additional numbers to the workload of the teachers.

"There are also more students with multiple needs that we are serving," Bear said.

She said this is a good time to hire an additional 1.0 FTE teacher as the district will be eligible for funding for the position for several years. Her goal is to hire someone for a start date of January of 2022. She told the board that the reason this came up at this time is due to additional funding being made available.

Board member Sylvia Ruhl said she was concerned with having an additional teacher in the room as it could cause noise and distraction.

Bear said the school would look into locations in the junior-senior high school building to put the new staff member and students.

Also during new business, the board took action to purchase a cargo van to be used by the kitchen staff for the purpose of delivering lunches to school buildings.

A quote of \$25,208 was received from Arnie's Ford through the state bid process. Superintendent Dr. Mark Lenihan told the board that the cargo van would only be

used by the kitchen staff and is lower to the ground and therefore safer to use. Students will not be transported in the vehicle.

The cost for the vehicle comes out of the

Lunch Fund.

The purchase of a technology server for the district was approved at a cost of \$34,597.59. It will be paid for with ESSR

III funds as part of COVID-19 relief. These funds are designated to assist with student learning and the server will allow for better internet connections for the district.

It is anticipated the server will be installed during a break in the school year and with the assistance of staff at ESU #1.

During the public comment portion of the meeting, the Keating family presented the Wayne Community Schools Foundation with a check for \$8,100.

The money represents the proceeds from a golf tournament held earlier this year in memory of Bob Keating.

Also during the public comment portion of the meeting, Scott Sievers spoke to the board on the possibility of having meetings at a time more convenient for parents and other patrons to attend.

"If you want parents to show up at meetings, there needs to be a better time to have them. I have talked to several parents recently who would like to see them at a different time. I would like this to at least be discussed," Sievers said.

In a report from the Facility/Safety/Finance Committee, it was noted that a meeting was held with the contractor to find a solution to a bathroom lock issue. Also discussed was the cost savings the district would realize by upgrading lighting in the high school gym, the Lecture Hall and auto shop.

Following the board meeting, an in-person Honor Coffee was held for the first time since early 2020.

Honored were members of the Spanish National Honor Society, National Spanish Exam Award honorees, members of the 2021-2022 National Honor Society and state Nebraska Bank Branch tellers.

The next meeting of the Wayne Community Schools Board of Education will be Monday, Nov. 8 at 5 p.m. at the junior-senior high school. In addition, there will be a community meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 27 at 5:30 p.m. at the Carroll Auditorium in Carroll.

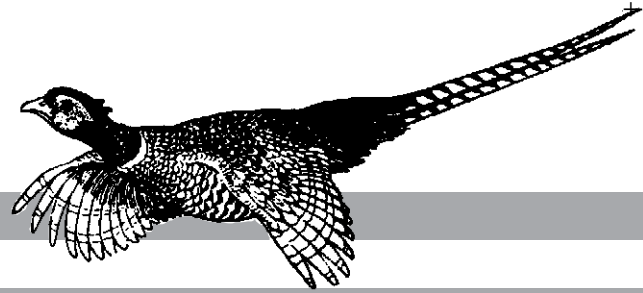


(Photo by Clara Osten)

Involved in a check presentation to the Wayne Community Schools Foundation were (left) Brandon Foote, Morgan Keating, Zach Keating, Tracy Keating and Ande Schulz.

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Obituaries

Gloria A. Doffin

Gloria A. Doffin, 80, of Hoskins, died Wednesday, Oct. 6, 2021 at her residence in rural Hoskins.



Services were held Monday, Oct. 11 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Hoskins with the Rev. Rodney Rixe officiating. Burial was in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery, rural Hoskins.

Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk was in charge of the arrangements.

Gloria Annette Doffin was born Jan. 17, 1941 in Stanton to Herbert and Marie (Dietrich) Wantoch. She was baptized Jan. 30, 1941 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Stanton and confirmed May 16, 1954, also at St. John's Lutheran Church.

She graduated from Stanton High School in 1958 and then continued her education at School of Commerce graduating in December of 1958. She married Richard Doffin on Aug. 12, 1959, at St. John's Lutheran Church

in Stanton. Gloria was employed by Brandies in Norfolk, then Massachusetts Mutual Life, and later Daniel Jewell Attorney's Office. She and her husband Richard then later became co-owners of Hoskins Manufacturing. Gloria enjoyed crocheting, watching the Cornhuskers play football, tending to her flowers, gardening, as well as enjoying spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a member at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hoskins, church ladies aid, and church choir.

Survivors include her spouse Richard Doffin; children, Rich (Cindy) Doffin, Russ (Diane) Doffin, Rod (Kayla) Doffin, Rochelle (Arlan) Sellin, Roxanne (Doug) Marks, along with 16 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren; sister, Carole Kopietz, sisters-in-law Gloria Krueger and Dixie Wantoch. She was preceded in death by her parents Herbert and Marie, 3 brothers David Wantoch, Ronald Wantoch, and Sidney Wantoch, and sister Sharon Wantoch.

Casket bearers were Josh Sellin, Adam Sellin, Lee Doffin, Andrew Doffin, and Bradley Doffin. Honorary casket bearers were granddaughters Jamie Koepke, Lisa Farran, Kristy Hendershot, Ashley Walker, Noelle Klitz, Jerae Schweers, Dana Doffin, Victoria Doffin, Becca Doffin, Lily Sue Doffin, and grandson, Tyree Robinson.

Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at www.stonacek-funeralchapel.com.

Lisa Ann Meyer

Lisa Ann Meyer, 53, of Wayne, died suddenly Wednesday, Oct. 6, 2021 at Providence Medical Center.

Service times will be announced at a later date.



Arrangements are with Hase-mann Funeral Home in Wayne.

Lisa Ann Meyer was born Dec. 24, 1967 in Wayne to Gary and Mary (Lewis) Longe. She attended Wayne Community Schools. Lisa was a loving, giving and caring woman to everyone. She was an amazing mother, aunt, grandma and friend and will forever be missed and loved.

Survivors include her daughter, Kayla Bassett of Wayne; son, Jessi Jensen of Wayne; sister, Cathy (Jon) Kern of Roundup, Montana; brothers, Gary (Sharon) Longe of Pierce, and Robert (Laurel) Longe of Wayne; Damon Jensen of Norfolk; Cooper of Wayne; Jasmine Woldt of Wayne; Jamie Posvar of Wayne; Johnny S.

of Wayne; Brad White of Wayne; Tanya G. of Fremont and Dusty G. of Fremont.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Gary and Mary Longe and brother, Joe Longe.

Kermit D. Andrews

Kermit D. Andrews, 95, formerly of Blair Neb., Bella Vista Arkansas, and Pharr Texas, died in Omaha Thursday, Sept. 23, 2021.

A Celebration of Life Service for both Kermit and Rayoma will be held at Lutheran Church of the Master, West Campus, 1200 N 181st Andrews, Kermit Court Elkhorn, Neb. at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 14.

Memorials may be given to the Nebraska Humane Society in Omaha.

Westlawn Hillcrest Funeral Home in Omaha is in charge of arrangements.

Kermit D. Andrews was born in Randolph to Floyd and Ruth Andrews.

Survivors include a son, Larry (Yvonne); five grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; special nieces, Connie and Nancy, and beloved dog Cassie.

He has preceded in death my wife, Rayoma, of 74 years, and son Gary Andrews.

Kevin Lee Jech

Kevin Lee Jech, 64, of Rushville, died Friday, Oct. 8, 2021.

Memorial services will be held Friday, Oct. 15 at 1 p.m. at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Rushville.



A memorial has been established for the N.W. Nebraska NWT Chapter to promote outdoor youth and veteran activities and donations may be sent in care of Chamberlain-Pier Funeral Home, PO Box 366, Gordon, Neb. 69343.

Kevin Lee Jech was born Aug. 16, 1957. He and his twin sister, Kristy, joined the world with their parents, Keith and Lois Jech, and brother, Kerry.

He graduated from Wayne High School in 1975 and went

on to become a Vocational Ag teacher by completing studies at Wayne State College. After a short taste of teaching, he decided teaching was not for him. Throughout his years in Wayne, he shared many memories with Al Grovas, Randy Pinkelman and others. There were a multitude of adventures with them including hunting adventures, a trip to Spain, and they possibly got into a little trouble together.

In 1978 he traveled to the western part of the state with Stacy Swinney, building bridges. He built more than just a few bridges with Stacy and continued to be nothing other than his usual ornery self. Through his adventures with Stacy, he sold his 1970 Pontiac Tempest to Donna Norton who little did he know would later become a part of his life. As he would say, "she stole it!"

While in the western part of the state he met Joyce Landreth, and they were married in 1983. Their first son, Timothy John, was born in 1984. Kevin found his place in western Nebraska with Joyce and loved the area. During this time, he had begun working for the Hay Springs Road Department as an equipment operator. In 1987 Kevin, Joyce, and Tim were joined by Benjamin James. Not long after Ben was born there was an accident that left Kevin as a single father of two.

With his love for the area, he purchased a property which is now the Jech Ranch north of Rushville. He wanted a place to enjoy with his family and share his love for hunting and the outdoors. In 1990 he took a chance to get a hold of the little gal that "stole" his car years prior by asking Dot Norton (her mother) for her phone number. They were married in 1992. It was to their surprise that they were joined by Nathaniel Jeremiah in 1994 and in 1997 he felt a little old when Melissa Jean joined them, but he finally had his little girl, Missy.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, the outdoors, family, friends, working with kids, and being at home on the place. Through the years he did his best to be there for the kids by being at football and sporting events for Tim and Ben. Then for Nate and Missy with their adventures and multiple laughs that always kept him on his toes. Donna did her best to keep them all going and as she says she earned every one of the gray hairs from Kevin and the kids.

Kevin was the most at home on the ranch and preferred not to leave in his later years. He impacted many through the National Wild Turkey Federation, 4-H Shooting Sports, the local volunteer fire department, as a reserve deputy for the Sheridan County Sheriff's Office, and the many other things he did. No doubt he was one of a kind with his orneriness, stubbornness, kindness, heart of gold, and he could always give a person a good laugh.

There were always good times to be had when it came to get together at the Jech Ranch. The annual birthday celebration that included Kevin's and Terry Robbins' birthday's and later his daughter-in-law Sam's was always something he looked forward to. In recent years he looked forward to visiting with friends Homer, Terry Michaelson, Tony Puchner, Stacy Swinney, and many more over morning coffee, a cold beverage, or just over the smoker cooking for a get-together.

His wife, four children and spouses, seven grandchildren, family, friends, and known sidekick, Breezy, meant the world to him. If you didn't see Breezy on the four-wheeler with him it usually meant she was running behind trying to catch up because she fell off and Kevin didn't notice she had fallen off. He wasn't always a man of many words, but he was an amazing teacher to his children and always had a story to tell. His smile, laugh, and personality were what made him the man he was.

Survivors include his parents, Keith and Lois Jech; siblings, Kristy and Ron Spicer and Kerry and Jane Jech; his wife, Donna; mother-in-law, Dorothy Norton; his children, Tim and Ashley Jech, Ben and Brandi Jech, Nate and Sam Jech, and Missy Jech; grandchildren, Piper, Tucker, Skyler, Sawyer, Suttyn, Seeley and Michael; dog and friend, Breezy; many other family and friends that he touched in his lifetime.

Property Transfers

July Property Transfers

July 26: Burris Rentals, LLC to Dwight W. Brabec and Taylor L. Brabec. Lot 14 in Block 4, Original Town of Winside. \$195.75.

July 26: Brian D. Mattes to Rebecca D. Jepsen and Nicholas J. Jepsen. Lot 1, Lunds Second Addition of Wakefield. \$337.50.

July 28: Diane Long, William Long and Kenton Lindsay to Roxanna Lee Westad and Marvin Bruce Pechtel. Part of Lot 13, 14, 15 and 16 in Block 3, College Hill Second Addition of Wayne. \$312.75.

July 29: Russell L. Young and Su-

san C. Young to Russell L. Young, Co-Trustee, Susan C. Young, Co-Trustee of RussellL. Young Trust. The NW 1/4 of Section 11, Township 26, Range 1. Exempt.

July 30: Michael J. Munn and Angela D. Munn to Jeremy D. Stromer and Bobbi S. Stromer. Part of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 19, Township 25, Range 4 and part of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 19, Township 25, Range 4. \$573.75.

July 30: Arvyn A. Neuhaus and Tammy Neuhaus to Whitney M. Lindsay. Part of Lot 1 and 2 in Block 14, Original Town of Hoskins.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Support for Kiwanis

A recent promotion at the Wayne Pizza resulted in a check presentation to the Wayne Kiwanis Club. A check for \$647.72 from sales on Sept. 12 were presented to Wayne Kiwanis Club President Levi Kenny (left). Making the presentation was Jon Lierman, manager of the Wayne Pizza Hut.

Northeast Community College to hold Cybersecurity Bootcamp to train for entry level cyber careers

Northeast Community College will offer an accelerated program in cybersecurity for anyone who is interested in obtaining the skills necessary to begin a career in the industry.

Northeast is partnering with Cybint to offer a Cybersecurity Bootcamp, a fully online accelerated training program that will meet twice a week beginning in November. The bootcamp is designed to successfully prepare people with little or no background in information technology for entry level occupations in cybersecurity.

"The bootcamp offers a pathway for adult learners who are interested in a career change to get started working in the information technology sector as a Cyber Defense Analyst, Network Operations Specialist or other entry level cybersecurity roles," said Dr. Cyndi Hanson, dean of workforce development at Northeast. "More and more of these jobs are offered remotely so an individual can live in our area and work in cybersecurity remotely for a company that is not located in this region."

With the rate of cyber-attacks reaching record highs, there is an urgent need for workers in cybersecurity. The field has had zero-percent unemployment for nearly a decade, and forecasts project 35% job growth throughout the next year.

Hanson said, "With plentiful opportunities and competitive compensation, an accelerated Cybersecurity Bootcamp is the best way to gain the necessary skills to fill these positions. The bootcamp will tackle the industry's two greatest threats: the talent shortage and the skills gap."

The six-month self-paced program is completely online with four-hour classes held virtually two-days per week.

Registration in Northeast Community College's Cybersecurity Bootcamp is now open with training beginning Mon., Nov. 1. Pre-registration is requested by Monday, Oct. 18. To register, call (402) 844-7000.

To learn more, visit northeast.edu/cyberbootcamp.



(Photo by Angie Steffen)

Scholarship announcement

The Dr. Marysz Rames Endowed Scholarship was announced by Dr. Ron Holt (left) on Oct. 1 in the Willow Bowl during Wayne State College Homecoming festivities and the scholarship campaign kickoff.

\$360.00.

August Property Transfers

Aug. 2: Champion Properties, LLC to Haze Homes LLC. Lot 12, 13, 14 and 15 in Block 1, Roosevelt Park Addition of Wayne. \$614.25.

Aug. 4: Benscoter Construction, LLC to Michael S. Mutehart and Brandy Mutehart. Lot 8, Angel Acres Addition of Wayne. \$436.50.

Aug. 4: Kevin Koenig and Teresa Koenig to Colby 2021, LLC. Lot 1, Logan Valley Industrial Park, in the NW 1/4 of Section 17, Township 26, Range 4 of Wayne Area Subdivisions. \$447.75.

Aug. 4: Colby 2021 LLC to TSDOG Surplus I LLC. Lot 1, Logan Valley Industrial Park in the NW 1/4 of Section 17, Township 26, Range 4. Exempt.

Aug. 5: Marjorie Unger to Marjorie J. Unger Trustee, Gary P. Unger Trustee of the Marjorie J. Unger Revocable Trust. The NE 1/4 and the SE 1/4 of Section 14, Township 27, Range 2. Exempt.

Aug. 6: Windom Ridge, Inc. to Benscoter Construction, LLC. Lot 11, Benscoter Addition of Planned Unit Development Replat 3 of Wayne. \$42.75.

A Quick Look



Date	High	Low	Precip	Snow
Oct. 7	72	50	—	—
Oct. 8	77	51	—	—
Oct. 9	84	53	—	—
Oct. 10	76	50	—	—
Oct. 11	69	38	—	—
Oct. 12	73	40	—	—
Oct. 13	78	40	.43"	—

Recorded 7 a.m. for previous 24 hour period
Precip./mo. — 1.78"
Yr./Date — 13.71"

Chamber Coffee

WAYNE — This week's Chamber Coffee#chamberpercs will be held Friday, Oct. 15 at Haven House on West Second Street. The coffee begins at 10 a.m. and announcements at 10:15 a.m.



Gifts for Kids

AREA — Applications will be available for the Gifts For Kids Christmas program beginning Friday, Oct. 15 and due no later than Friday, Nov. 12. Contact Kathy Berry by text or by calling 402-375-3066 to get information on how to receive an application. Applications will be sent home with income eligible families attending Rainbow World and Headstart. All applicants must be income eligible.

Paper Drive

AREA — The Wayne Boy Scouts will be conducting the monthly paper drive on Saturday, Oct. 16. Paper and aluminum beverage cans should be placed in paper grocery bags or boxes and set at the curb by 8 a.m. No plastic, no cardboard, no items with a spiral binding (plastic or metal) can be mixed with the paper. Recyclables can also be dropped off at the Scout trailer at the Transfer Station Monday, Friday or Saturday mornings.

Hazardous waste collection event

AREA — Wayne will be hosting a household hazardous waste collection event on Saturday, Oct. 16 from 8 - 10 a.m., at the Wayne Recycling & Trash Center (RTC) located at 110 Windom Street. For a \$10 fee, those taking part may bring household hazardous waste items such as latex and oil-based paint, pesticides, herbicides, oil, cleaning chemicals, yard and garden chemicals, anti-freeze, car batteries, mercury and mercury containing devices, and fluorescent lightbulbs, including CFLs. Household quantities only.



(Contributed Photo)

New inductees

Induction ceremonies for this year's National Honor Society members at Wayne High School were held Oct. 4. Members this year include (front) Reagan Backer, Maryann Magana, Brooklyn Bierbower, Abigail Wieseler, Sydney Redden and Kiara Krusemark. (middle row) Amara Hurlbert, Kendall Dorey, Alyssa Carlson, Courtney Brink, Hope O'Reilly, Taytum Sweetland, Mikaela McManigal and Madyson Sievers. (back row) Ethan Wibben, Jaydyn Jorgensen, Carter Hasemann, James Dorcey, Kaden Hopkins, Tanner Walling and Brandon Bartos.

Wayne County Court News

Criminal Proceedings

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Jared L. Radenz, Winside, def. Complaint for Speeding (count I) and Possession of Open Alcohol Container (count II). Fined \$125 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Ryan C. Mustard, Columbus, def. Complaint for Procuring/Selling Alcohol to a Minor. Fined \$500 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Timmy L. Lortz, Wayne, def. Complaint for Careless Driving. Fined \$100 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Zachary D. Bathke, Allen, def. Complaint for No Proof of Insurance (count I) and Operating or Parking Unregistered Vehicle (count II). Fined \$125 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Gabriel D. Peitz, def. Complaint for Minor in Possession. Sentenced to 15 months probation.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. I'Zaaz Rashid, Wayne, def. Complaint for Driving Without Ignition Interlock (count I) and Driving Under Suspension (count II). Fined \$300 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Samuel B. Kolterman, Pierce, def. Complaint for Public Indecency. Fined \$150 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Daniel L. Jensen, Norfolk, def. Complaint for Possession of Firearm by Prohibited Person. Case bound over to District Court.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Gabriel Peitz, Wakefield, def. Complaint for Minor in Possession -under 19. Fined \$500 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Daniel J. Westerhaus, Winside, def. Complaint for Possession of a Firearm by Prohibited Person (count I) and Delivery, Dispensing, Distributing, Manufacturing, Possession of Exceptionally Hazardous Material. Case Bound Over to District Court.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Jesus Pedro-Pedro, Wayne, def. Complaint for No Operator's License. Fined \$75 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Mark Wright, Jr. Complaint for Possession or Use of Drug Paraphernalia. Fined \$100 and costs.

Traffic Violations
(does not include court costs)

Rufus W. Gbier, Jr., spd., \$25; Adam J. Johnson, spd., \$75; Kaden J. Ritz, violate no passing zone, \$25; Kelsey R. Clover, spd., \$75; Issac Godinez Ponca, spd., \$75; Nester Davalos-Garcia, spd. and no operator's license, \$200; Keenan S. Myers, spd. and no operator's license on person, \$225; Alejandra Orona, no valid registration, \$25; Ryan T. Dare, disobey stop lights and violate hand-held wireless device, \$275; Daniel J. Maxson, violate stop or yield sign, \$75; Kelsey D. Jones, spd.; Edison Sierra Delgado, disobey stop lights, \$75; Henry A. Livingston, spd., \$75; Cory D. Muga, violate stop sign, \$75; Maykel J. Florat-Fernandez, spd., \$200; Parker D. Johnson, spd., \$75; Gregory A. Youell, violate stop or yield sign, \$75; Hayley L. Bland, spd., \$25; Brandon A. Flues, following too closely and spd., \$125; Shelby L. Schow, spd., \$25; Barbara L. Hutchinson, spd., \$25; Jeffrey L. Thies, spd. and failure to use seat belt, \$50; Morgan L. Laird, violate stop or yield sign, \$75; Callum H. Daberkow, spd., \$75; Alicia K. Green, spd., \$25; Alfred L. Ellington, Jr., spd., \$200; Martin Lorenz-alonzo, no operator lic., \$75; Jerome E. Bart, spd., \$75; Joe N. Dao, spd., \$125; Zachary Helms, spd., \$75; Lauren R. Jacobson, wrong way on one way, \$25; Tyler J. Vaughn, spd., \$75.

July property Transfers

July 2: Debra K. Hank, Robert D. Hank and Amanda M. Hank to Ricky L. Davis. Part of Lot 14, 15 and 16 in Block 9, Original town of Carroll. \$6.75.

July 6: Zachary A. Dolen and Tara E. Tolen to Tara E. Dolen. Lot 1, School Third Addition of Wakefield. Exempt.

July 6: William B. Siczkowski and Madisen D. Brester to Morgan Jensen. Lot 22, Weibles First Addition of Winside. \$229.50.

July 7: Cory D. Leaver and Anna M. Leaver to David J. Fremstad and Dori A. Fremstad. Lot 6, Western Ridge II Addition -amended plat of Wayne. \$445.50.

July 9: Christian J. Bongartz and Kimberly P. Bongartz to Brus, LLC. Part of Lot 4 in Block 7, Britton & Bresslers Addition of Wayne.

\$337.50.

July 9: Melissa A. Davis and Andrew L. Davis to Wyatt Boelter. Lot 1 and 2 in Block 2, Bressler & Pattersons First Addition of Winside. \$240.75.

July 12: Merlin Brugger and Connie Brugger to Trustee of Merlin and Connie Brugger Family Trust. The E 1/2 of the SW 1/4 and part of the W 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 14, Township 26, Range 2, and part of the N 1/2 of the NW 1/4, part of the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 and the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 14, Township 26, Range 2. \$0.00.

July 12: Mardelle R. Haberer, Robert J. Haberer, Trixie M. Newman and Robert D. Newman to Harmeyer, LLC. Part of the S 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 18, Township 26, Range 2. \$348.75.

July 13: Roberta A. Piper and Dennis L. Piper to Morgan Keating and Derek Jueden. Part of Lot 8, Taylors Addition of Wayne. \$506.25.

July 14: Andrew M. Parker and Jennifer D. Parker to Joel L. Allemann and Amanda L. Allemann. Lot 5A Grainland Administrative Replat of Lots 3, 4 and 5, Southview Subdivision of Wayne. \$765.00.

July 14: Joseph Lenihan and Alexandra Lenihan to Susan Strand Revocable Trust, Susan Strand Trustee. Part of Lot 30, Taylor & Wachobs Addition of Wayne. \$382.50.

July 14: Darrel D. Fuelberth and Nancy J. Fuelberth to Myers Construction, Inc. Lot 1, Pine Heights Second Addition of Wayne. \$315.00.

July 16: Marilyn H. Hansen to Joel L. Bruns and Connie Bruns. Part of the NE 1/4 of Section 3, Township 25, Range 5. \$578.25.

July 16: Hummel Living Trust, Vera M. Hummel Trustee to Roberta A. Piper and Dennis L. Piper. Lot 6, Southview II Addition of Wayne. \$371.25.

July 16: Julie A. Jackson to Damon J. Vogt and Stacey Vogt. Lot 9 and part of Lot 10, Weibles First Addition of Winside. \$189.00.

July 19: Wendell J. Newcomb and Lelice D. Newcomb to Kayne Ronspies and Alanna Ronspies. Lot 33 and 34, Beverly Hills Estates Subdivision in the SE 1/4 of Section 33, Township 25, Range 1. \$139.50.

Northeast's Anderson named Nebraska's top community college educator

A faculty member at Northeast Community College has been selected as Nebraska's top community college educator.

Brian Anderson, media arts – broadcasting instructor, was presented the 2021 Nebraska Community College Association's Faculty Member Award during the NCCA's Annual Conference, held at Western Nebraska Community College in Scottsbluff recently. The award is presented annually to a full-time Nebraska community college instructor who has made significant contributions in the classroom.

"Brian Anderson is an exceptional instructor who has an intense focus on a subject that impacts everyone who uses a radio, television or any digital device to listen or view news or sports entertainment programming in their daily lives," said Michele Gill, vice president of educational services at Northeast. "His knowledge and expertise in broadcasting has not only trained a number of graduates to go on to find employment in a number of successful careers, he has brought state and national recognition to the institution through gold medal competitive performances of his graduates."

After 25-years as a professional broadcaster/journalist, Anderson brought his expertise to Northeast. In the relatively short time he has been in higher education, Anderson has established a Media Arts



(Photo courtesy of Northeast Community College)

Steve Anderson, chair of the Nebraska Community College Board of Directors and chair of the Northeast Community College Board of Governors, presents the NCCA's 2021 Faculty Member Award to Brian Anderson, media arts – broadcasting instructor at Northeast. The presentation was made at the NCCA's annual conference at Western Nebraska Community College in Scottsbluff recently.

– Broadcasting program that has played a pivotal role as a communications vehicle for the College – from providing live broadcasts of events such as commencement and athletic contests to relationships with area commercial broadcasters in providing them video and audio content, as well as serving as a pipeline of graduates to help fill their workforce demands.

Anderson is actively involved in the state and national SkillsUSA organizations. Several of his students have gone on to earn state and national championships at SkillsUSA competitions. As an instructor, he also has a close relationship with the Nebraska Broadcasters Association – the preeminent organization of the state's broadcasters. This affiliation has allowed Anderson's students to network with professionals and industry representatives, balancing his classroom instruction. He is also a certified drone pilot, which allows him to teach courses to students and the public in Federal Aviation Administration rules

and regulations related to the rising industry.

Steve Anderson, chair of the NCCA Board of Directors and chair of the Northeast Community College Board of Governors, presented the award to Anderson.

"Brian Anderson is a consummate professional in all of his work with his students and his colleagues across the entire College. He is well respected," Steve Anderson said. "Brian is well suited to operate a successful program training the next generation of broadcasters because he has lived it."

In accepting the award, Anderson said his key to educating his students is to make everything relevant. He believes his students are successful because he has their work extend beyond the classroom.

"It's one thing to talk about it, it's one thing to show somebody how to do it, but you have to get in there and work with them" he said. "... I believe in getting in the trench and leading by example and making everything relevant (to them).



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Celebrating

The Wayne Community Housing Development Corporation (WCHDC) hosted last week's Chamber Coffee/chamberpercs. The event was also an opportunity to celebrate the 25 years of existence for the organization. Mytzy Rodriguez-Kufner, Executive Director of WCHDC spoke on the history of the group and thanked the community partners that they have worked with through the years.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Celebrating

Wayne State College President Dr. Maryz Rames, a number of persons who assisted with financial contributions and WSC staff took part in a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the completion of the renovation of Benthack Hall on the WSC campus. Following the ribbon cutting, those in attendance were able to tour the building.

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Wayne State College honors alumni during Homecoming

Wayne State College honored several outstanding alumni on Oct. 1 during Homecoming.

Alumni honored included Dr. Brandon L. Grimm, '02; Joseph C. Guenther, '88; Larry R. Guenther, '91; Mary E. Haas, '92, MSE '01; and Barry E. Thomas, '02.

Brandon L. Grimm is a native Nebraskan. He earned a bachelor's degree in exercise science from Wayne State College in 2002, a master of public health degree from the University of Nebraska Omaha in 2005, and a Ph.D. in health promotion social and behavioral health in 2013 from the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC).

Grimm is the Associate Dean for Public Health Practice and an associate professor in the Department of Health Promotion at the UNMC College of Public Health. He has been working in public health for more than 15 years and has been instrumental in enhancing the ca-

capacity of the current public health workforce. In 2004, Grimm co-created the Great Plains Leadership Institute, which has graduated more than 300 public health professionals from Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, and South Dakota.

Grimm established the Office of Public Health Practice at the UNMC College of Public Health in 2012. Faculty and staff of the office have provided resources for technical assistance, evidence-based programing, assessment and evaluation, practice-based research opportunities, and student field placements that support and impact the public's health in Nebraska, the region, and the globe. Grimm's research focuses on implementation sciences and the most effective models and approaches to build the capacity of communities to solve their most relevant and wicked public health issues.

He is the past president of the

Public Health Association of Nebraska, a board member of the Sarpy Cass Health Department, and is the past recipient of the Balderston Award from the National Public Health Leadership Development Network and the Academic Public Health Practice Excellence Award from the Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health.

Joseph C. Guenther's career has spanned more than 30 years in the financial services industry in Nebraska and Iowa. He works as a recovery representative in the First Bankcard Division of First National Bank of Omaha and serves as the company's liaison with various legal teams working on behalf of the bank.

After completing a Bachelor of Science in business administration (finance) in 1988, he began his banking career as a management trainee for the Lauritzen Corporation at their bank in Sibley, Iowa. Over the next five years, his career took him to Niobrara, Neb.; Fremont, Neb.; and to Omaha, Neb. in 1992.

During this time, he held various positions including loan officer, ag loan officer, and farm inspector/manager. Guenther moved to the First Bankcard Division in 1997, which at the time was the largest division within First National of Nebraska. Also during this time, he successfully completed an Executive MBA from the University of Nebraska in 2002.

He has held multiple roles over the last 20-plus years within the Bankcard Division including: financial analyst, associate manager, and legal administrator. He's been in his current role for 10 years and currently travels throughout the Midwest for the bank.

He demonstrated his strong sense for investing in his communities by earning the 2018 Good Neighbor Award from the Aksarben/Elmwood Park Neighborhood Association. He has worked with a variety of non-profits over the years and is focused on educational events with Holy Cross and Creighton Prep. He is also a Deputy Grand Knight for the Knights of Columbus Council No. 11364.

He rejoined the Speakfirst Toastmasters Group to mentor young business professionals, a group that he helped found at First National in 1998.

Larry Guenther is the Nebraska market executive for JPMorgan Chase. He is responsible for deliv-



(Photo by Amanda Broberg)

Wayne State College honored outstanding alumni on Oct. 1. They include (left) Barry E. Thomas, Mary E. Haas, Larry R. Guenther, and Joseph C. Guenther, '88.

ering global resources of JPMorgan Chase to Nebraska, and he established the firm's first commercial banking office in Nebraska in 2017.

During his 30 years in banking, Guenther has been involved with a variety of financings and mergers and acquisitions transactions across a broad array of industries throughout the Midwest.

Guenther's career began in Nebraska after graduating in 1991 from Wayne State College with a bachelor of science in business administration (management and finance). During his time at WSC, he completed the John G. Neihardt Scholars Program and graduated magna cum laude. He also began his lifetime membership in Delta Sigma Pi.

After graduation, he began his commercial banking career in Blair, Neb. He completed his MBA in finance at the University of Nebraska-Omaha and headed east with career stops in Iowa and Illinois over the next 10 years. In Illinois, he worked for Bank One, which would one day merge into JPMorgan Chase.

The Guenther's returned to Nebraska in 2003. His career advanced to the field of regional commercial banking, managing clients in multiple states throughout the Midwest. He was named the Omaha business banking manager for Great Western Bank (GWB) in 2008 to oversee three banking teams and help GWB

successfully complete the acquisition and integration of the largest failed bank in Nebraska history.

Throughout his career in commercial banking, Guenther has always placed a high priority on community service. He sits on the State Board of Community Health Agencies Drive (CHAD) and the State Board for the Alzheimer's Association. Guenther also sits on the Board of the Nebraska Chapter of Financial Executives International and is a member of ACG-Nebraska.

He is a member of Rotary International and remains on the finance committee for St. Charles Borromeo Church. The Guenther's oldest daughter, Halsie, was named after Dr. Ken Halsey, a professor, Delta Sigma Pi advisor and WSC president.

All seven members of Guenther's immediate family have graduated from WSC: Joe, Lynn, Lori, Connie, Dennis, and Terri.

Mary E. Haas graduated from Norfolk High School in Norfolk, Neb., attended Northeast Community College, and continued her college education at Wayne State College. She received a bachelor's degree in art education in 1992 and a master of science in education in 2001.

Haas teaches Visual Arts Experience as an adjunct professor at Wayne State College and is a certified senior art clay instructor.

Barry E. Thomas serves as the

senior consultant for human resources and diversity, equity, and inclusion projects at BCT Partners. He also is an adjunct professor in the Black Studies Department at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Thomas left Omaha Public Schools recently after serving as an educator for 19 years. He taught in various roles, but his last position was Director of Equity and Diversity.

He obtained his social science education degree from Wayne State in 2002. Thomas has two master's degrees in educational leadership and curriculum and instruction from Doane College. During his time in the social studies community, he has testified at the Unicameral in opposition to bills that would create barriers for graduation for students in Omaha Public Schools.

Thomas was awarded the Distinguished Support for Geography Education award by the National Council for Geographic Education, the 2018 Leadership Award from Geographic Educators of Nebraska, the Nebraska Council on Economic Education 2019 Mary Lynn Reiser Award for Leadership, Paul Beck Outstanding Social Studies Educator Award, and the Urban League of Nebraska Outstanding Educator Award. He was awarded the Superior Service award (2017) by his state and district of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.



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Trio Mezzklarno debuts world premiere, embraces humanity through music

Poignant expressions of humanity intertwine throughout the Trio Mezzklarno concert Thursday, Nov. 4 at 7:30 p.m. in Ley Theatre at Wayne State College. The performance is free and open to the public and will also be livestreamed. To view the livestream, go to www.wsc.edu/watch-live. The program is accessible by selecting the event from the Music Events list at www.wsc.edu/music.

Trio Mezzklarno is a faculty chamber ensemble in residence at WSC. Members include Dr. Sarah Farr, mezzo-soprano; Dr. Karl Kolbeck, clarinet; and Dr. Angela Miller-Niles, piano. The musicians are equal partners in the musical landscape, creating tight conversations among the three instruments. Concert repertoire embraces works by living Midwestern composers, with three compositions expressly written for the Trio and one world premiere.

The premiere selection, Songs of the Open Road by Evan Fein, was commissioned through a grant provided by WSC. This work was composed from late fall 2020 into spring 2021, in the heart of the coronavi-

rus pandemic. "I'm very happy with how this work turned out," explains Fein. "It's full of hope and optimism yet acknowledging something distressing in the recent past. I know Trio Mezzklarno will breathe life into it!" Fein, originally from Ohio, works at The Julliard School in New York City.

A Red, Red Rose, composed by WSC Associate Professor Matthew Haakenson, was written specifically for the Trio. This gentle, lyrical piece celebrates a pure love as depicted in the 1794 Robert Burns poem by the same name.

What lips my lips have kissed, and where, and why, by Kurt Knecht of Kansas City, Missouri, was commissioned through a WSC grant explicitly for the Trio. Reflecting the 1920 poem by Edna St. Vincent Milay, this composition examines the process of aging, looking at what was and what never will be again. It is sometimes harsh and jarring, and sometimes tender and lyrical.

Along the River, by composer and professor Rick Sowash of Ohio, draws on poetry from James Joyce's Chamber Music, first published in

1907. This lush, lyrical piece exploits the distinct timbres of each instrument in charming, and often unexpected, combination.

For more information, contact the WSC Department of Music at (402) 375-7359.

WSC Planetarium Director offers comet facts

Dr. Todd Young of Wayne State College is a source for information on many other facts under the sun, or above it, and even comets.

According to the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory, comet was announced in June, and researchers have now compiled everything they know about it in a discovery paper, The Astrophysical Journal Letters.

The comet is possibly the biggest ever studied with modern telescopes.

During the predawn hours of Oct. 20, 2014, a telescope in Chile's Atacama Desert snapped an enormous picture of the southern night sky, capturing hints of this reflected light.

It took almost seven years for researchers to identify that strange dot of light as a huge primordial comet.

Pedro Bernardinelli, a postdoctoral researcher at the University of Washington, co-discovered the comet during the final weeks of his Ph.D. research at the University of Pennsylvania with his adviser Gary Bernstein.

For more information or facts related to science, comets or other details about our galaxy or others, please contact Dr. Todd Young of Wayne State College, phone: 402-375-7471 or email: toyoun1@wsc.edu or drop into a planetarium show. A list of shows is available at: <https://wsc.edu>.

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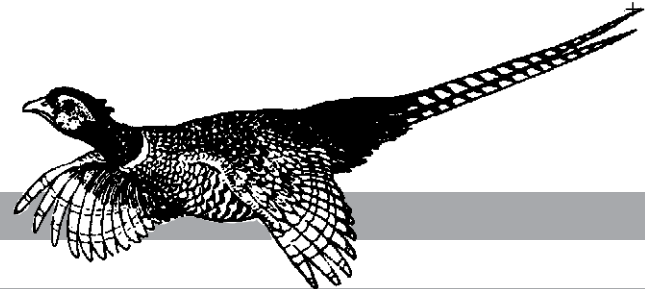
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Haschke 28th, LCC girls 10th at state golf

COLUMBUS — Riley Haschke improved her first-day effort and the LCC girls came home with a 10th-place finish at the Class C



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Wayne High junior Riley Haschke nearly holed out this shot on No. 9 during the first day of the Class C Nebraska State Girls Golf Championship at the Elks Country Club in Columbus. Haschke tied for 28th with a two-day total of 197.

State Girls Golf Championship at the Elks Club in Columbus.

In Monday's opening round, the Lady Bears teamed up for a 421, led by Sarah Karnes, who is tied for 20th after the first day with her round of 96.

Rounding out LCC's first-day effort were Delaney Hall with a 104, Hope Swanson with 109 and Sidney Groene with 112. Maddy Graham's 113 did not count in the team score.

On the second day, Karnes improved to a 90 to finish tied for 17th overall with a 186. Hall shot 101 to finish with a 205, Swanson had a 106 to come home with a 215 and Groene shot 108 to finish with a 220. Maddy Graham shot 111 on the second day to finish with a 224.

Wayne High junior Riley Haschke got hot at the end of the front nine, nearly holing out for birdie on the ninth hole to finish the first nine with a 50. She shot 54 on the back side to end the day with a 104, putting her in a tie for 39th in the 93-girl field.

On the second day Tuesday, Haschke had a great front nine, shaving nine shots off her first-day effort with a 41. She cut two strokes off on the back nine with a 51 to finish the day with a 93.

Broken Bow repeated as team

champions with a two-day total of 719, 26 shots ahead of runner-up Columbus Scotus. Scotus' Cecilia Arndt was the individual state champion with a 13-over-par 157, three shots ahead of Lynzi Becker of Cozad.

Class C State Golf
At Elks CC, Columbus
Team Standings

Broken Bow 719, Columbus Scotus 745, Lincoln Lutheran 775, West Point-Beemer 789, Valentine 792, Lincoln Christian 805, Cozad 810, Grand Island CC 816, Mitchell 817, LCC 826, O'Neill 836, Superior 856, Fullerton 873, Archbishop Bergan 911, Creek Valley 961.

Top 10 Individuals

1. Cecilia Arndt, Scotus, 157; 2. Lynzi Becker, Cozad, 160; 3. Payton Wise, Kimball, 161; 4. (Tie) Brook Diekemper, West Point-Beemer, and Olivia Lovegrove, Lincoln Christian, 162; 6. Angela Messere, GICC, 167; 7. Emery Custer, BB, 170; 8. Rachael Volin, LL, 173; 9. Camryn Johnson, BB, 175; 10. Elizabeth Mestl, Heartland, 178.

Area Results

LCC — Sarah Karnes 186, Delaney Hall 205, Hope Swanson 215, Sidney Groene 220, Maddy Graham 224.

WAYNE — Riley Haschke, 197.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

LCC golfer Sarah Karnes chips on to the first green during first-day action at the Class C Nebraska State Girls Golf Championship at the Elks Country Club in Columbus. Karnes led the Lady Bears to a 10th-place finish with a two-day total of 826. She tied for 17th with a 186.

Blue Devil bats silenced in district final

By MICHAEL CARNES

For The Herald
GRAND ISLAND — Northwest pitcher Ava Laurent absolutely baffled Wayne's bats and pitched the Vikings to a state tournament.

The junior hurler for the host team completely dominated Wayne's offense, limiting them to one hit in each game to claim the B-5 district title Friday at Veterans Park, shutting out the Blue Devils 8-0 in five innings and 14-0 in four innings to earn a trip to this week's state tournament.

Brooklyn Kruse was the only Blue Devil who could figure Laurent out in the best-of-three match-up. The junior shortstop swatted a two-out single up the middle in the first inning of the first game, then ruined a perfect game with a bloop single to right with two down in the fourth inning of the final game.

"It's not like we're a bad-hitting team," coach Rob Sweetland said after the game. "You just have to see pitching like that more often and you have to tip your cap to her. She had a great game, didn't walk

game and eight in the second before relief pitchers came in to finish each game. She wasn't an overpowering pitcher, but she frustrated Wayne's bats with movement that, Sweetland said, his team has not seen in opposing pitchers this season.

"Her ball moves a lot and it's hard to replicate that," he said. "She's probably one of two or three pitchers in the state who throw that kind of stuff. As the day went on, we at least were getting some contact and laying off the rises, but it's really something your eyes have to get used to seeing."

Vikings catcher Reyse Zobel got the offense started in both games with a pair of two-run homers off senior pitcher Kendall Dorey. The first gave Northwest a 2-0 lead after one inning, while the second highlighted a four-run opening inning that put Wayne in a hole early.

Wayne's offense simply couldn't get anything going on the day.

In the third inning of the first game, Kierah Haase tried to get on



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Pitcher Kendall Dorey is one of seven seniors who played their final game for the Wayne High softball team during Friday's district finals loss to Northwest. The seven seniors end their careers with two state titles and two district runner-up finishes.

hit a pop-up to the pitcher to account for the only non-strikeout at bats for the Blue Devils.

In the second game, Taytum Sweetland hit an infield pop-up in the second inning and Wayne managed to get three balls out of the infield in the fourth. Dorey opened the inning with a fly out to right field, Kruse hit her second single on a bloop just inside the right field line, and Hope O'Reilly's fly out to right ended the game.

While it was a disappointing end to the season for the 18-9 Blue Devils, Sweetland said that the seven seniors on the team — Dorey, O'Reilly, Sweetland, Schulz, Virginia Kniesche, Mikaela McManigal and Brianna Nissen -- have a lot to be proud of with two state championships and two district runner-up finishes on their softball resumes.

"A lot of softball players would kill to have that kind of a career, and they worked really hard to accomplish that and got to experience that," he said. "Even the last two years, with the new format in Class B, it's really hard. You're go-

ing to get the 16 best teams playing on that Friday, and it hasn't always been like that. They've worked hard every day and have experienced a lot of success, and we'll have a lot of great memories with them."

As for next year, Sweetland said the returning players will have some work to do if they want to get back in a position where they're playing for a trip to state.

"Class B is such a numbers game, and a lot of these schools have four girls to our one, so you're going to have to put in the time in the off-season and get better and play a lot in the summer if you want to compete at that level," he said. "The girls that are coming back are hungry to get on the field, which is a good thing. Hopefully they won't have the attitude that since everybody graduated, I'm going to be on the field. That's not going to work out if that's the way they think. But these younger girls have a lot of passion and a lot of energy and want to learn, and as a coaching staff we've got to be able to provide that for them and help them get better."



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Brooklyn Kruse tags out a Northwest runner at second base during district softball action Friday.

anybody and had really good control."

Laurent fanned 12 in the first

with a quick bunt, but was thrown out. Kruse grounded out with one out in the fourth and Aliah Schulz

Zavala earns runner-up finish, Wayne girls third

By MICHAEL CARNES

For The Herald

PIERCE — The Wayne High cross country teams got a good feel for the district course during Thursday's Mid State Conference race at the Pierce Country Club.

The Blue Devil girls finished third in a very close field and had three top-10 finishes on the day.

Girls coach Courtney Maas said it was good to see the Krusemark twins finish strong. Both runners were unable to finish at the UNK Invite two weeks ago, but came back strong in Thursday's meet, with Kyla finishing fourth and Jala placing eighth.

"It was really good to see them back," Maas said. "Kyla's been in

the top four in about every race this year, and we're getting Jala back into finishing the race and it was great to see her run and how she finished."

Laura Hasemann placed 10th for the Blue Devils, who were in a tight team race with Pierce and Crofton. While Nora Armstrong finished 17th, she was running on the Wayne JV team, so her placing didn't count toward the varsity team score. Varsity runners Olivia Hanson (18th), Frantzie Barner (19th) and Yama Kantai (20th) were right behind Armstrong to round out the varsity effort.

"Nora was our seventh runner at Kearney, so she was on our JV today and ended up being our fourth

runner," Maas said.

Also running for the JV team were Raegan Maas (35th) and Maya Spahr (42nd).

Maas said she is looking forward to having the team back at the Pierce Country Club for district action on Thursday. The top three teams and top 10 individuals qualify for state, and Wayne has a good shot at making it as a team this week.

"We had a couple of girls who had PR's today, which is good mentally to know they can do this," she said. "It's something we can look forward to and look at our race and see how we can improve."

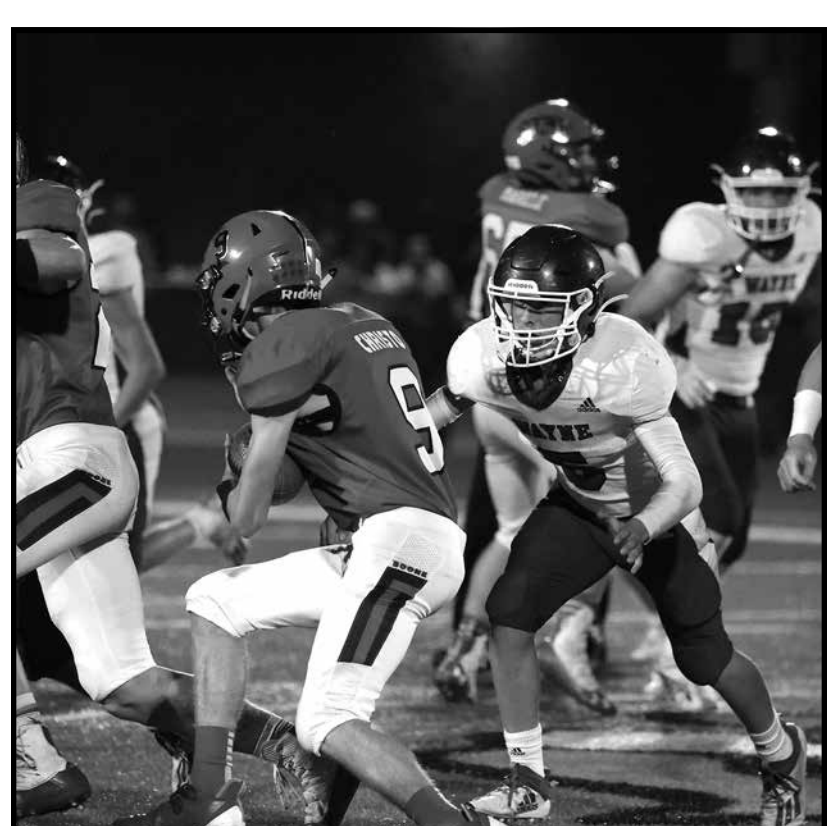
In boys action, Jesus Zavala ran at the front of the pace for most of

the race and finished as runner-up in a time of 17:31.51 to lead the boys to a fifth-place tie in the team race.

Zavala ran stride-for-stride with eventual champion Ben Hammond of Norfolk Catholic, coach Terry Bear said.

"All year we've seen him and have been running with him throughout the year and it's been back and forth," Bear said. "Two weeks ago Jesus beat him at Crofton and he got us here today, so it's good to see them both compete like that and push each other."

Mason Ley finished 23rd, followed by Ethan Wibben in 24th,



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Eli Barner goes after Boone Central/Newman Grove quarterback Alex Christo during Friday's 35-13 loss in Albion.

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See Big play, Page 2A

Fourth-quarter rally nets second upset for Wildcats

MANKATO, Minn. — It's not how you start, but how you finish that counts.

The upstart Wayne State football team notched its second upset of a ranked opponent this season with a wild fourth-quarter rally that turned a 17-point deficit into a 35-24 win over No. 11 Minnesota State Saturday at Blakeslee Stadium.

The first-ever win by the Wildcats over the Mavericks came thanks to a 28-point fourth quarter, the third time this season the Wildcats have put that many points up in one period this season, erasing a 24-7 Maverick advantage to improve the Wildcats to 5-1 on the season.

After a scoreless first period, the Mavericks opened the scoring with a five-yard pass from Hayden Ekern to Jalen Sample for a 7-0 Minnesota State advantage.

Wayne State's offense struggled to get something going early, but used two big plays to tie the score. Nick Bohn connected with Wayne native Mason Lee on a 46-yard pass play, setting up a 40-yard scoring run by Anthony Watkins to make it 7-7 with 2:58 to go before halftime.

Minnesota State tacked on a late field goal to lead 10-7 at the break, then scored twice in the third period and looked to be in control of the game with a 24-7 lead.

Minnesota State scored on the first drive of the second half on a 29-yard pass from JD Ekowa to Parker Gloudehans, then surprised the Wildcats with an onside kick that they recovered and scored on a two-yard run by Charles Coleman to make it 24-7 with 9:16 left in the third.

In the fourth quarter, the Wildcat offense came to life.

John started the comeback with a one-yard run on the first play of the fourth quarter to cut the deficit to 24-14. After an MSU punt, the Wildcats scored again on a 71-yard pass from John to Taurean Grady to make it 24-21 with 11:20 to go.

Wayne State forced the first of three fourth-quarter turnovers by the Mavericks and Watkins scored three plays later to give Wayne State a 28-24 lead with 9:07 to go. The Wildcats put it out of reach after another Maverick turnover, with Bohn going 21 yards for the final score with 4:46 to play.

Wayne State's defense helped seal the deal, thanks to interceptions by Gerale Flye in the final minutes that gave the Wildcats their first-ever win over Minnesota State.

Watkins rushed for 115 yards on 16 carries and scored two touchdowns to lead WSC in rushing.

Bohn added two rushing scores on runs of one and 21 yards.

Throwing the ball, Bohn completed 14-of-18 passes for 234 yards and one score. Trystn Ducker had five catches for 68 yards, Lee had four for 65 yard and Grady had three for 91 yards and a score.

Defensively, CJ Burress and Alex Kowaliczyk both had 13 tackles. Jaylan Scott and Niocholas Joyrt both recovered fumbles and Flye had two interceptions.

The Wildcats will face their third ranked opponent in four games Saturday when they host No. 25 Augustana in a 1 p.m. matchup at Bob Cunningham Field.

Wayne State 35, Minnesota State 24
Wayne State 0 7 0 28 — 35
Minnesota State 0 10 14 0 — 24

Scoring Summary

MSU — Jalen Sample 5 pass from Hayden Ekern (Luke Williams kick)

WSC — Anthony Watkins 40 run (Alex Powders kick)

MSU — Williams 41 field goal

MSU — Parker Gloudehans 29 pass from JD Ekowa (Williams kick)

MSU — Charles Goldman 2 run (Williams kick)

WSC — Nick Bohn 1 run (Powders kick)

WSC — Taurean Grady 71 pass from John (Powders kick)

WSC — Watkins 32 run (Powders kick)

WSC — John 21 run (Powders kick)

Big play

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Dorcey had a seven-yard catch. On paper, Friday's home finale with 1-6 O'Neill may look like an opportunity to bounce back after two straight losses, but Player said the 4-3 Blue Devils will have to clean up the mistakes that have hurt them recently.

"We just need to sit down as a coaching staff and talk about how to clean up those things that are hurting us," he said.

Boone Central 35, Wayne 13
Wayne 7 0 6 0 — 13
BC/NG 14 7 0 14 — 35

Scoring Summary

BC/NG — Jackson Roberts 80 pass from Alex Christo (James Fogelman kick)

BC/NG — Dustin Andreason 21 pass from Braden Benes (Fogelman kick)

WAYNE — Blake Bartos 3 run (Yair Alcantara kick)

BC/NG — Benes 12 run (Fogelman kick)

WAYNE — Ashton Munsell 59 pass from Tanner Walling (kick blocked)

BC/NG — Benes 11 run (Fogelman kick)

BC/NG — Benes 3 run (Fogelman kick)

Wayne BC/NG
First Downs 11 14
Rushing-Yards 28-133 34-157
Passing Yards 144 153
Comp.-Att.-Int. 11-20-1 10-16-0

Fumbles-Lost 3-1 2-0
Punts-Avg. 6-29.6 4-39.0
Penalties-Yards 1-5 4-26
Time of Possession 22:54 25:06

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING — Wayne: Bartos 15-105, Barner 6-22, Walling 7-6. BC/NG: Maricle 4-3, Christo 12-31, Braden Benes 13-103, Borer 5-20.

PASSING — Wayne: Walling 11-20-1, 144. BC/NG: Christo 5-11-0, 102; Braden Benes 4-4-0, 50; Fogleman 1-1-0, 1.

RECEIVING — Wayne: Bartos 6-18, Munsell 1-59, Dorcey 1-7, Judd 2-51, Phelps 1-9. BC/NG: Schafer 5-9, Roberts 3-97, Borer 1-0, Maricle 1-19, Brant Benes 1-28.



Norah Armstrong and Olivia Hanson keep up the pace during Thursday's Mid State Conference meet at the Pierce Country Club. The Wayne girls came away with a third-place finish.

Zavala

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Alex Frank in 32nd, Ethan McCraney in 33rd and Adrian Klinetobe in 34th.

"I thought the kids ran really well," Bear said of the boys effort. "We're a young team and with Ethan (Wibben) coming back and running really well, I was happy with our effort here today."

Easton Blecke led the JV runners with a 38th place finish, followed by Parker Kesting in 39th, Kasen York in 41st, Bradyn McCorkindale in 71st, Ty Zach in 72nd and Carter Hasemann in 75th.

Bear is optimistic that the Blue Devils can sneak into the top three teams at Thursday's district meet, with Zavala a likely candidate for state as a top 10 individual.

"I told these guys this was a pre-lim for districts and we're going to go out with our six strongest, and if we can knock a couple of teams off maybe we can get into that top three," he said.

Mid State Conference
Girls Team Standings
Pierce 23, Crofton 35, Wayne 36, Battle Creek 68, O'Neill 78, Boone Central/Newman Grove 101.

Area Results
WAYNE — 4. Kyla Krusemark, 20:59.70; 8. Jala Krusemark, 21:31.55; 10. Laura Hasemann, 21:53.95; 17. Norah Armstrong, 23:25.56; 18. Olivia Hanson, 23:33.54; 19. Franzdie Barner, 23:41.65; 20. Yama Kantai, 23:42.57; 35. Raegan Maas, 28:20.00; 42. Maya Spahr, 32:16.13.

Boys Team Standings
Norfolk Catholic 21, Pierce 43, Battle Creek 59, O'Neill 69, Boone Central/Newman Grove 77, Wayne 77, Crofton 121.

Area Results
WAYNE — 2. Jesus Zavala, 17:31.51; 23. Mason Ley, 19:19.30; 24. Ethan Wibben, 19:22.79; 32. Alex Frank, 20:01.60; 33. Ethan McCraney, 20:02.51; 34. Adrian Klinetobe, 20:16.84; 38. Easton Blecke, 20:29.03; 39. Parker Kesting,

20:31.89; 41. Kasen York, 20:34.59; 72. Ty Zach, 23:36.85; 75. Carter 71. Braydn McCorkindale, 23:35.13; Hasemann, 24:23.20.



Wayne's Jesus Zavala keeps pace with Ben Hammond of Norfolk Catholic as the two traded the lead during Thursday's Mid State Conference race in Pierce. Hammond ended up taking first while Zavala was second.



Kasen York (from left) Parker Kesting and Easton Blecke run in a tandem during Thursday's Mid State Conference cross country meet in Pierce.

YOUTH BOWLING

Wayne Youth League Week #4 of 16	Division 1 - Top Scorers	GIRLS - Scratch Game: Mckaeya
Team 1 6 10	BOYS - Scratch Game: Colston Starzl, 145; Jack Stevens, 135; Barrett Brunning, 133. Scratch Series: Colston Starzl, 377; Jack Stevens, 370.	Becker, 106; Whitney Hadcock, 61.
Team 2 4 112	GIRLS - Scratch Game: Craycen Trautman, 137; Chloe Kai, 116; Faith Pinkelman, 109. Scratch Series: Graycen Trautman, 353; Chloe Kai, 333; Faith Pinkelman, 287.	Scratch Series: Mckaeya Becker, 276; Whitney Hadcock, 174.
Team 3 4 12	Division 2 - Top Scorers	Division 3 - Top Scorers
Team 4 11 5	BOYS - Scratch Game: Benjamin Haschke, 169; Aiden Petersen, 154; Konnor Kai, 151. Scratch Series: Benjamin Haschke, 396; Aiden Petersen, 388; Konnor Kai, 387.	BOYS - Scratch Game: Calvin Starzl, 203; Brogan Foote, 187; Colin Potts, 160; Zane Sievers, 160. Scratch Series: Brogan Foote, 525; Calvin Starzl, 488; Colin Potts, 462.
Team 5 9 7		GIRLS - Scratch Game: Jersei Jensen, 238; Rebekah Pinkelman, 199; Regan Fernau, 167. Scratch Series: Rebekah Pinkelman, 538; Jersei Jensen, 472; Riley Haschke, 386.
Team 6 8 8		
Team 7 12 4		
Team 8 10 6		

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Week #5 of 32 — 10/5/21

Pin Pals	15	5
Grossenburg Impl.	13	7
Harder & Ankeny	13	7
Wayne Country Club	12	8
Wildcat Lanes	11	9
White Dog	11	9
Half-Ton Club	11	9
The Odd Balls	10	10
Wildcat Cubs	9	11
PMC Scrubs	6	14
One Office	5	15
Klein Electric	4	16

High Team Game: Harder & Ankeny, 831
High Team Series: Wildcat Cubs, 2,356
High Game: Brodie Ronspies, 247
High Series: Michael Denklaue, 650.
High Scores: Michael Denklaue, 243, 210; Jessi Jensen, 237; Jeremy Sebade, 233; Mike Grosz, 231; Dustin Bargholz, 224; Brady Ping, 224; Kayleen Roberts, 221, 192, 189; Brad Jones, 216, 205, 201; Bryan Hays, 213; Brian Kemp, 213; Doug Rose, 212; Kyle Kempf, 212, 211, 211; Darin Bargholz, 207; Taurean Grady, 205; Dave Dramse, 205; Bryan Denklaue, 201; Dylan Sokol, 201; Ronnie Forney, 201;

Mary Ann Roberts, 183.
High Series: Kyle Kempf, 634; Brad Jones, 622; Brodie Ronspies, 617; Mike Grosz, 614; Kayleen Roberts, 602; Doug Rose, 601; Jessi Jensen, 535.
Splits: Mike Grosz, 6-7-9-10.

Hits N Misses

Week #5 of 30 — 10/6/21

Dixon Elevator	14	6
Sterling Computer	14	6
Pac N Save	13	7
State Nebr Bank & Trust	13	7
Ruwe Farms	10	10
White Dog Pub	10	10
Wildcat Lanes	6	14

High Game: Stefanie McLagan, 206; Tabitha Belt, 199; Renee Saunders, 177; Sara Ruwe, 170; Deanna Thompson, 166; Toni Rasmussen, 160; Deb Moore, 159; Candy Guill, 157; Kathy Bird, 155; Marilyn Abts, 155; Diane Roeber, 154; Dawn Navrkal, 154.
High Series: Tabitha Belt, 549; Stefanie McLagan, 523; Renee Saunders, 467; Toni Rasmussen, 450; Deb Moore, 445; Lynda Belt, 431; Sara Ruwe, 428; Lori Burns, 426; Marilyn Abts, 425; Ardie Sommerfeld, 422; Kathy Bird, 421; Candy Guill, 419.

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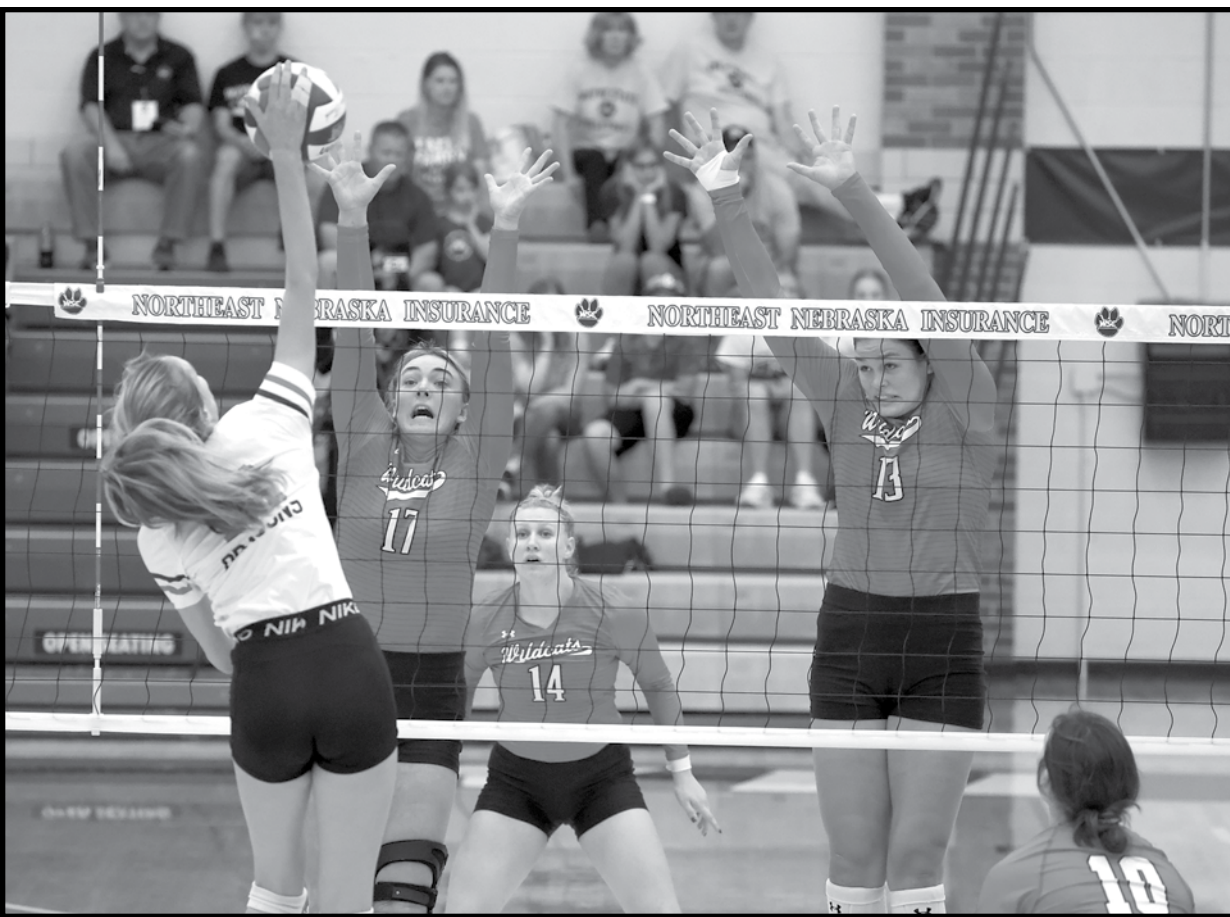
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Elly Larson and Taya Bellar team up for a block during Wayne State's three-set win over MSU Moorhead on Saturday.



(Photo by Mary Vanderbeek)

Rubie Klausen makes a pass to set up a play for Wayne during triangular action last week.

Wildcat netters sweep Northern, Moorhead

The sixth-ranked Wayne State volleyball team continued to roll through the Northern Sun Conference with a pair of home sweeps over the weekend.

In action Saturday, Wayne State had no troubles with MSU Moorhead, dominating the Dragons in a 25-8, 25-20, 25-12 win at Rice Auditorium to improve to 14-2 overall and 8-1 in the NSIC.

The Wildcats made fast work of the Dragons in the opener, leading from start to finish with only two ties. Kelsie Cada and Taya Bellar both had five kills in the opening set.

Moorhead got out to a 6-1 lead early in the second set, but Wayne State came back and eventually took the lead for good at 12-11 on a Jordan McCormick service ace and never trailed again, highlighted by six kills from Maggie Brahmmer.

Wayne State jumped out to an 11-5 lead in the third set and held MSU Moorhead to a minus-.069 hittiner percentage in the final set to finish off the sweep.

Wayne State hit .324 as a team compared to .039 by Moorhead. Brahmmer led the way with 13 kills and a .409 hits percentage, while Cada and Bellar both had 11 kills. Rachel Walker put up 38 assists.

Alaina Wolff led the defense with 16 digs followed by McCormick with 12 and Cada with 11.

On Friday, the Wildcats took it Northern State, hitting at a .303 clip to post a 25-18, 25-19, 25-17 win over the Wolves.

The first set went back and forth before WSC broke a 12-12 tie with an 8-1 run to take the first set. Cada had five kills and Brahmmer added four in the opening set.

Wayne State got out to an ear-

ly 4-0 lead before Northern came back to get within two at 15-13, but back-to-back kills by Brahmmer gave Wayne State the momentum and they carried it through the second set.

In the third set, Wayne State got out an 8-3 lead and never led by fewer than three after that to claim the straight-set win.

Cada paced a balanced attack with 12 kills while DeHaan and Brahmmer both had 11. Elly Larson added eight kills and hit at a .636 clip. Walker had 44 assists.

Defensively, Wolff led with 13 digs and Jessie Brandll added 11. Brahmmer had five blocks.

Wayne State hits the road for a key NSIC weekend swing this weekend against No. 4 Concordia-St. Paul on Friday and Minnesota State on Saturday.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Maggie Brahmmer tips the ball past the MSU Moorhead defense for one of her game-high 13 kills in the Wildcats' sweep over the Dragons.

Wildcat linksters claim Intercollegiate title

Wayne State set a school record and claimed the team title in the Nebraska Intercollegiate tournament, held Friday and Saturday at the Norfolk Country Club.

On Friday, the Wildcats shot a school-record round of 308, better-

ing their previous mark of 310 shot on Sept. 26 at Marshall, Minn. They followed that with a 318 on the second day to easily win the team title with a 628, finishing ahead of runner-up Concordia (706) and third-place Hastings College (744).

Sophomore Jazmine Taylor shot a one-over par 73 on the first day, breaking the school record of 76 shot by Abbey Kummel on Sept. 25 in Marshall, Minn. Taylor followed that with a 77 on the second day to finish with a 6-over par 150 to earn medalist honors.

Kummel was second overall with a two-day total of 157, shooting 81 and 76 on the two days. Freshman Abigail Brodersen was right behind with a 158 (76-82), with Mekky Winvarat (86-83) and Paige Peters (78-91) both shooting 169. Victoria Bortkiewicz-Hameling finished with a 172 (88-84).

Wayne State finished the fall portion of their schedule in the Midwest Classic at Warrensburg, Mo., on Oct. 18-19.

Men third, women fifth at Dordt

The Wayne State cross country teams finished well at Saturday's Dordt Classic in Sioux Center, Iowa, as the men took third place while the women were fifth.

Will McGonigal led the Wildcat men with a 21st place finish in the 116-man field. He ran the 8,000-meter course in 26:33, while Brock Hegarty was close behind in 25th at 26:52 and Brandon Munderdorf was 28th in 27:06.

Also running were Isaac Richards (37th, 27:29), Bryce Holcomb (45th, 27:51), Abe Schroeder (55th, 28:12), Brandon Mitzel (58th, 28:17), Nathan Hiemer (72nd, 29:08), Gabe Peitz (84th, 29:49) and Dawson Lawyer (88th, 30:00).

In women's action, Allie Rosener was 13th out of 105 runners in the 5,000-meter race, finishing with a time of 19:15. Brooke Solomon was next in 25th place at 19:52, followed by Wayne native Andrea Torres in 30th place at 20:04.

Also running were Kelsey Larsen (41st, 20:33), Alison Stineman (45th, 20:47), Amanda Mote (60th, 21:26), Kylie Pachta (66th, 21:39) and Marin Jetensky (86th, 23:02).

Wayne State will host the Northern Sun Conference Cross Country Championships on Saturday, Oct. 23 at the Wayne Country Club with the men's race starting at 11:15 a.m. and the women's race to follow.

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WSC soccer gets win, tie on the road

The Wayne State soccer team had a good weekend in its second straight road trip of the season, coming home with a win and a tie.

On Friday, Wayne State held off a late Southwest Minnesota State rally for a 3-2 win in Marshall, Minn.

SMSU opened the scoring in the 12th minute on goal from Alex Lotts with an assist from Kate Oatman, giving the host team an early 1-0 advantage.

Wayne State evened the score at the 26:36 mark when midfielder Madison Kemp scored on an assist from Morgan Rhodes to make the score 1-1 at intermission.

The Wildcats took a 2-1 lead just over 10 minutes into the second half when Chloe Schlines recorded an unassisted goal at the 58:43 mark. They made it 3-1 at the 76:34 mark when Kylee Delaney found the back of the net with an assist from Payton Haliburton.

The Mustangs made the game interesting in the 86th minute when Kirsten Wetterstrom scored with an assist from Lotts to trim the Wildcat lead to 3-2, but WSC held on in the final 3:30 minutes to post



(Photo by Mary Vanderbeek)

Kate Hill puts away a kill for the Wayne High volleyball team during Tuesday's win over Boone Central/Newman Grove.

the Cougars and a 6-3 advantage in corner kicks.

Kemp, Sutton and Morgan Rhodes each had three shots on goal for WSC with Kemp scoring the lone goal.

Hageman played all 110 minutes for the Wildcats and was credited with four saves while allowing just one goal.

The Wildcats (3-6-2, 3-4-1 NSIC) will be at home this weekend, hosting the University of Mary Friday at 3 p.m. and Minot State Sunday in a 12 p.m. contest at the WSC Soccer Pitch.

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Wakefield senior Logan Bokemper ran for 219 yards in a losing effort as the Trojans fell to LCC, 64-46.

Bears outscore Trojans, 64-46

WAKEFIELD — Two of the top running backs in eight-man ball put on quite a shot Friday as LCC outscored Wakefield 46 at Eaton Field.

LCC's Evan Haisch and Wakefield's Logan Bokemper combined for 437 yards and eight touchdowns in this high-scoring battle, but it was Haisch's Bears who put the game away in the second half to come away with the win and improve to 6-1 on the season.

Haisch, who finished with 212 yards on 16 carries with six touchdowns, scored on runs of six and five yards in the first period to stake the Bears to a 14-6 advantage.

Bokemper, who logged 219 yards on 38 carries with two scores, got his first touchdown of the night on a one-yard run to tie the game at 14-14 early in the second quarter.

LCC took control of the game with 28 unanswered points, thanks to three scores by Haisch and a 29-yard pass from Evan Schmitt to Deagan Puppe.

Wakefield tried to make a game of it in the second half. A 35-yard Cade Johnson touchdown run, a

35-yard score by Bokemper and an eight-yard Johnson-to-Hunter Schultz connection made it a 50-38 game early in the fourth quarter.

The Trojans' comeback hopes were crushed on the ensuing kickoff, as Dan Puppe took it to the house from 65 yards out to make it 58-38. Both teams added late touchdowns to close out the scoring, with Haisch getting his sixth score with 4:30 to go.

Wakefield had a 464-333 advantage in total yards. Johnson was 8-of-12 passing for 125 yards and added 104 yards on 20 carries. Schultz caught nine balls for 132 yards. Bokemper and Johnson both had eight tackles and Isaac Walsh added four stops.

Schmitt was 2-of-4 passing for 50 yards and had 10 yards on two carries. Sutton Ehlers added 16 yards on two tries. Deagan Puppe led the defense with 15 tackles, Ehlers and Haisch both had 13 and Dan Puppe and Lucas Rasmussen both had seven.

LCC, which wrapped up a playoff spot with Friday's win, closes the regular season at home Friday

against Lutheran High Northeast.

Wakefield, 2-5, ends its regular season Friday at Hartington-Newcastle.

LCC 64, Wakefield 46
Wakefield 6 8 16 16 — 46
LCC 14 14 22 14 — 64

Scoring Summary
WAKEFIELD — Cade Johnson 2 run (PAT failed)

LCC — Evan Haisch 6 run (Deagan Puppe pass from Evan Schmitt)

LCC — Haisch 5 run (PAT failed)

WAKEFIELD — Logan Bokemper 1 run (Johnson run)

LCC — Haisch 45 run (Sutton Ehlers run)

LCC — Puppe 29 pass from Schmitt (PAT failed)

LCC — Haisch 16 run (PAT failed)

LCC — Haisch 26 run (Schmitt run)

WAKEFIELD — Johnson 35 run (Hunter Schultz pass from Johnson)

LCC — Haisch 17 run (Jake Rath pass from Schmitt)

WAKEFIELD — Bokemper 35 run (Johnson run)

WAKEFIELD — Schultz 8 pass from Johnson (Schultz pass from Johnson)

LCC — Dan Puppe 65 kickoff return (Schmitt run)

WAKEFIELD — Schultz 7 pass from Bokemper (Bokemper run)

LCC — Haisch 6 run (PAT failed)



(Photo by Mary Vanderbeek)

LCC's Evan Schmitt scrambles for yardage for the Bears during Friday's 64-46 win at Wakefield.

Trojans split conference matches

The Wakefield volleyball team found themselves on both sides of a three-game sweep last week, losing to Ponca and defeating Creighton.

In last Tuesday's 25-15, 26-24, 25-23 home loss to Ponca, Alex Arenas had 14 kills and Davey Munter-McAfee added 13 kills to lead the Trojan effort. Makenna Decker added five kills. Jordan Metzler had 19 assists and Olivia Donner added 11 along with two ace serves. Defensively, Aishah Valenzuela had 23 digs, Metzler added 18, Katie Borg had 12 and Arenas had 10.

The Trojans bounced back to sweep Creighton on Thursday, 25-22, 25-18, 26-24. Arenas had a game-high 13 kills, Munter-McAfee added eight, Metzler had six and Alice Brown had four. Metzler had 15 assists and Donner added 10. Arenas served up three aces while Donner and Borg both had two. Valenzuela paced the defense with 19 digs, Borg added 12 and Metzler had 10.

The 14-9 Trojans hosted Tri County Northeast on Tuesday and will begin Lewis & Clark Conference tournament play on Saturday.



(Photo by Mary Vanderbeek)

Wakefield's Alice Brown makes a block at the net during home action at Ponca.

Cross Country team brings home 5 medals

Wayne Junior High Blue Devil Cross Country team had strong representation at the Junior High State Cross Country meet held at Papillion-LaVista South's Walnut

Creek Course on Saturday.

Between the boys and girls teams, they brought home five medals, highlighted by a state championship medal by Drew Miller.

Miller was the overall champion with a time of 11:07, leading the race from start to finish. When asked what he was thinking throughout the race, Drew stated, "I just kept thinking that I wasn't going to let anyone pass me."

Miller ran the second-best time in the open race since 2012 when the Junior High State Cross Country meet began. Drew is also the second Wayne boys state champion, joining Jesus Zavala, who won it in 2019 with a time of 11:13.

Emmanuel Gonzales earned an 11th place medal with a time of 11:50. Boden Dobbins earned a 17th place medal with a time of 12:03. Lance Brink, 87th, and Payton Junck, 121st, helped the boys team to a fifth-place finish out of 20 teams.

Reagan McGuire earned a 16th place medal with the time of 13:23. Lilyan Hurner earned a 20th place medal with the time of 13:40. Josie Ley, 45th, Sophia Spieker 95th, and Sharon Vasquez, 114th, helped the girls team earn 4th place out of 12 teams and 164 total runners.

Coach Courtney Maas said, "It was an amazing day to run with it being only 77 degrees with a slight breeze. These kids came to compete and showed what they are capable of. We are just so proud of the effort they showed and the representation they have given Wayne Blue Devils."

Coach Terry Bear added, "The atmosphere of this meet is so exciting. There were over 1,100 par-



(Photo courtesy Courtney Maas)

Wayne Junior High cross country runner Drew Miller led from start to finish to win the Junior High State Cross Country boys title Saturday in Papillion.

Eagles run wild in 76-6 win at Walthill

After being shut out in its last two games, the Allen Eagles took their offensive frustrations out on Walthill and ran away with a 76-6 win Friday afternoon.

The defense got the party started with a safety just 12 seconds into the game. After that, the Allen offense ran wild on the Blujay defense, building a 62-0 halftime advantage.

Gabe Reinert got the offense going with a five-yard run to start the scoring explosion. Brayden McCorkindale added a seven-yard run, Dylan Boyle returned a punt 47 yards for a score and Ryan An-

erson went on a 48-yard sprint to make it 29-0 at the period.

Allen's offense kept rolling in the second quarter. Ben Jorgensen hit Josh Olesen on a three-yard pass for the Eagles' only aerial of the day. After that, Jorgensen scored on a one-yard run, McCorkindale scored from 33 yards out, Reinert scored on a 50-yard run and Michael Dickens returned an interception 16 yards to end the first-half barrage.

"It was good to see the team execute very well defensively, and fairly well offensively," coach Dave Uldrich said. "We will use the mo-

mentum gained today for our season finale. Season goals are on the line and I am sure we will have a good week of preparation."

Reinert led the Allen offense with 80 yards on four carries, with McCorkindale adding 69 yards on four tries. Ryan Anderson led the defense with seven tackles while Olesen and McCorkindale each had five.

Allen closes the regular season at home Friday, hosting Emerson-Hubbard in a 7 p.m. kickoff at Iso-Hill Field.

Good week for Lady Wolfpack

The Tri County Northeast Wolfpack had a good week of action, posting three wins over conference foes and finishing fourth at the Hartington-Newcastle Invitational.

"This was a big week," coach Cheryl Greve said. "We won the games on Tuesday and Thursday and played some consistent volleyball, and we got some varsity experience for more of our girls and that was a real bonus."

On Tuesday, the Lady Wolfpack swept a home triangular in Emerson, beating Omaha Nation (25-7, 25-17) and Walthill (25-12, 25-12).

In the win over Omaha Nation, Brynn Schock and Tornez Mica both had four kills to lead a balanced attack. Brianna Bousquet, Jazmin DeLaTorre and Jordyn Carr each had three kills. Rhyanne Mackling had 15 assists. Carr served up five aces while Mackling and Sydney Baker both had two.

Leaders in the Walthill victory included Carr with seven kills and Schock with four. Mackling had 13 assists. Carr served up seven aces, DeLaTorre had four and Baker added two.

On Thursday, the TCNE girls traveled to Homer and came away with a straight set victory, winning 25-20, 26-24, 25-22.

Leading the way was Carr with 23 kills, with DeLaTorre adding eight, Bousquet seven and Schock four. Mackling had 36 assists and two kills. Bousquet had two ace serves and two blocks.

The Wolfpack competed in the Hartington-Newcastle Invitational on Saturday, defeating Winside (25-20, 25-20) and losing to LCC in pool play (20-25, 25-19, 25-16), then falling to North Central in the third-place match, 25-20, 25-16.

Carr had 12 kills, Mica added five and Schock put down four in

the win over Winside. Mackling had 22 assists. Carr had 16 digs, Schock added eight and Baker picked up six.

In the loss to LCC, Carr had 15 kills and Schock added seven. Mackling had 24 assists. Schock had two blocks and a team-high 11 digs, with Bousquet picking up eight and Carr and Baker each adding six.

Against North Central, Carr recorded 11 kills and Bousquet added five. Mackling had 15 assists and was co-leader with Carr in digs with eight. Schock picked up seven digs.

The Wolfpack played in a triangular at Hartington-Newcastle on Tuesday and will be at Wakefield on Thursday before starting Lewis & Clark Conference tournament play on Saturday.

Bears perfect in tourney play

The Laurel-Concord-Coleridge volleyball team swept both matches in a home triangular and ran the table with three wins to take the Hartington-Newcastle Invitational in action last week.

On Thursday, The Lady Bears swept Hartington-Newcastle (25-12, 25-11) and Bloomfield (25-17, 25-19) in a home triangular at LCC High School.

Against the Wildcats, Berniece McCorkindale had seven kills and Tali Erwin and Reggan Kuhlman both had three to lead the attack. Kinsey Hall had 12 assists and three ace serves. Mallory Eriksen recorded four ace serves. Defensively, Jordan Urwiler had 11 digs and Hall and Ella Hartung both had seven while Cassie Granquist

had five.

In the win over the Queen Bees, Erwin had seven kills, Eriksen added five and Kuhlman had four. Hall had 17 assists to go with three kills and three ace serves. Urwiler had two ace serves and eight digs. Granquist added eight digs and Mollie Schutte had five digs and two blocks.

Saturday, LCC beat Tri County Northeast (20-25, 25-19, 25-16) and Winside (25-22, 25-17) in pool play before defeating the host Wildcats 25-15, 25-16 to claim the Hartington-Newcastle Invitational title.

In the TCNE game, Eriksen and McCorkindale both had eight kills, Erwin added six and Hall had five to go with 23 assists. Eriksen and Erwin each had two ace serves. Ur-

wiler led in digs with 11, Hall had nine and Hurting, Granquist and Schutte each had four.

Against Winside, Eriksen recorded nine kills and Schutte and McCorkindale each had five. Hall had 19 assists and two ace serves. Urwiler led in digs with 11, Hall had nine and Hurting had seven.

In the win over H-N, Erwin and Eriksen both had eight kills while Hall had six along with 22 assists and four ace serves. Urwiler led the defense with 11 digs, Hall had seven, Eriksen recorded six and Hartung had five. Hall added two blocks.

The 16-9 Lady Bears hosted Winnebago on Tuesday and begin Lewis & Clark Conference tournament play on Saturday.

Variety of events help celebrate Nebraska Reptile Month

October is Nebraska Reptile Month. By a proclamation from Gov. Pete Ricketts, Nebraska is recognizing the month as Nebraska Reptile Awareness Month.

Nebraska Nature Nerd Night to discuss venomous snakes

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Learn about reptiles over your lunch hour. Snacks and Facts is a virtual learning series from 12:30-1:20 p.m. every Tuesday in October. The schedule and topics: Oct. 19 — Reptile communication; Oct. 26 — Reptile conservation.

Registration is required. Get the link by visiting the calendar event listing at calendar.outdoornebraska.gov. Email monica.macoubrie@nebraska.gov for more information.

Winside wins two, 0-3 at tourney

The Winside volleyball team sandwiched a pair of wins around an 0-3 effort in tournament play last week.

On Tuesday, the Wildcats won a five-set match against Niobrara-Verdigre, winning 21-25 25-18, 11-25, 25-11, 15-8.

McKenna Russell and Natalie Kruger both had nine kills in the win with Carsan Brogren adding seven and Randee Haase putting down five with two blocks. Micah Stenwall had four kills and Skye Schultz added three. Russell had 26 assists and Kruger put up five.

Hannah Gubbels led the team with 22 digs and two ace serves. Stenwall added 16 digs, Russell had 14, Ashelyn Abler picked up 11 and Brogren had 10.

The Wildcats went 0-3 at the Hartington-Newcastle Invita-

tional on Saturday, falling to Tri County Northeast (25-20, 25-20) and LCC (25-22, 25-17) in pool play before losing in three sets to Wausa, 25-12, 12-25, 25-12.

Against TCNE, Kruger had six kills and Brogren and Haase both had three. Russell put up seven assists. Haase had two blocks and Stenwall had three ace serves. Russell led in digs with nine and Brogren had six.

In the LCC match, Brogren recorded seven kills and Kruger had five while Russell had 12 assists. Haase had two blocks and Russell had two aces. Stenwall led the defense with nine digs, Gubbels had eight, Kruger had seven and Russell had six.

In the Wausa loss, Brogren had six kills, Haase and Kruger both had four and Stenwall had three.

Russell had 17 assists. Haase had three blocks and Abler had two ace serves. Gubbels had 10 digs, Brogren added six, Stenwall and Kruger each had five and Sam Gubbels added four.

On Monday, the Wildcats made up a match with Winnebago and came out on top 25-21, 25-17, 23-25, 27-25.

Brogren had nine kills and Stenwall and Kruger both had eight. Russell had 26 assists, three blocks and five kills. Haase recorded four ace serves. Broken had two blocks. Gubbels led in digs with 32, Stenwall had 19, Brogren had 17 and Russell picked up 15.

The 5-18 Wildcats played in a triangular at Hartington-Newcastle on Tuesday and will begin Lewis & Clark Conference play on Saturday.

Wildcats 5-2 after 44-20 win

Winside broke things open after a low-scoring first half and pulled away with a 44-20 win at Wausa on Friday night.

Wausa got on the board first before Winside countered with a 2-yard run by Gabe Escalante to take an 8-6 lead late in the first quarter.

It would stay that way until the third quarter, when Escalante found the end zone on a 35-yard run to make it 16-6.

The Wildcats built their lead to 24-6 later in the period on a 34-yard pass from Dad Behmer to Art Escalante, and after the Vikings returned a kick for a touchdown, Winside got that score back on Escalante's third score of the night, a six-yard run.

Behmer added a two-yard run

early in the fourth quarter and Cayden Ellis returned an inside kick 45 yards for the final score of the night to seal the win for the 5-2 Wildcats.

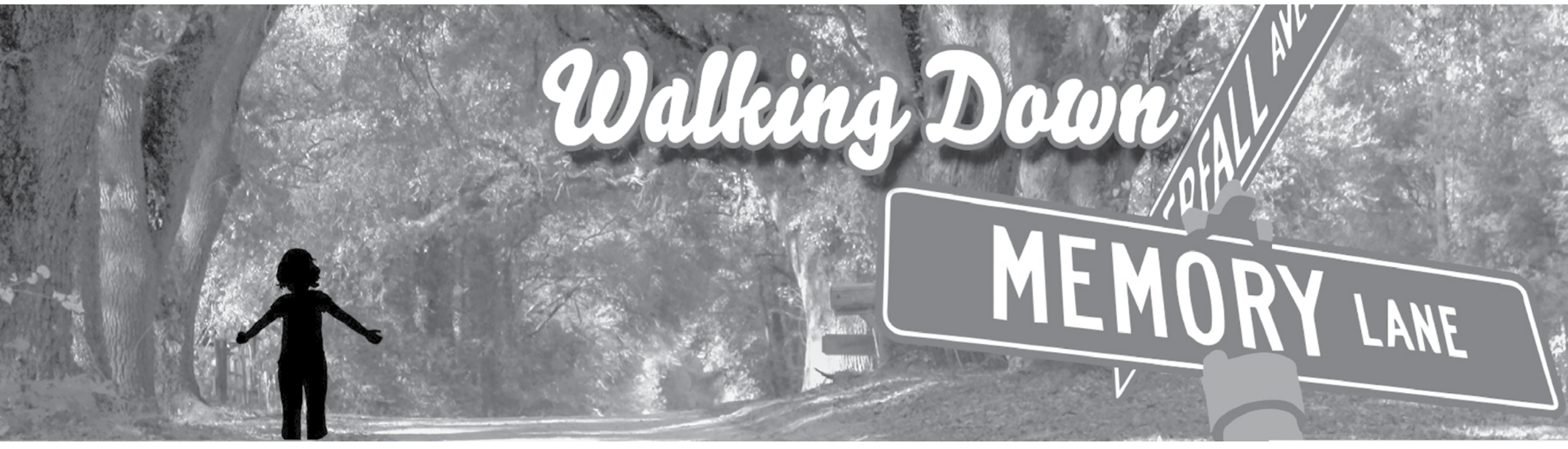
Gabe Escalante rushed for 178 yards on 19 carries to highlight the Winside attack. Behmer was 4-of-5 passing for 99 yards and a score. Cayden Ellis rushed six times for 35 yards and Art Escalante had nine carries for 29 yards along with a 34-yard touchdown reception.

Defensively, Art Escalante led the way with 15 total tackles, Ellis and Mason Top both had 13 tackles, Maddox Magwire made 11 stops, Gabe Escalante had eight tackles, Tyler Carlson made seven and Kruger had six.

Winside closes the regular season at home Friday against Wynot.

Winside 44, Wausa 20		
Winside	8	0
22	14	44
Wausa	6	0
6	8	20

Scoring Summary
 WAUSA — 1 yard run (PAT failed)
 WINSIDE — Gabe Escalante 2 run (PAT good)
 WINSIDE — Escalante 35 run (PAT good)
 WINSIDE — Art Escalante 34 pass from Dax beamer (PAT good)
 WAUSA — Kickoff return (PAT failed)
 WINSIDE — G. Escalante 6 run (PAT failed)
 WINSIDE — Dax Behmer 2 run (PAT good)
 WAUSA — 29 yard pass (PAT good)
 WINSIDE — Cayden Ellis 45 kickoff return (PAT failed)



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October 10, 1961
Homecoming Activities at WSTC Nearing Completion
 Parade, football game, dances, pep rally, alumni gatherings - they all add up to Wayne State's homecoming celebration this weekend. The first major event of townwide interest will be the traditional parade of floats, bands, the homecoming queen and attendants, starting at 10:30 a.m. Saturday. The procession will move from First street north on Main street to the campus. Occupying a prominent place in the parade - and in all the Saturday events - will be the queen, Jean Henry, a junior from Omaha. Students elected her last week from among five candidates chosen by the W club, an athletic lettermen's club. Interspersed between floats, seven high school bands from Northeast Nebraska will march and play. They come from Bancroft, Emerson-Hubbard, Laurel, Newcastle, Stanton, Wayne City High and Wayne Prep. All except Newcastle were planning to perform in the Band Day two weeks ago, but rain washed out that event. At halftime of the football game, the bands will present a mass playing and marching show. Afternoon festivities begin at 1:15 p.m. as the bands parade into Memorial stadium. Following this, the winning floats from the parade will tour the track. Then the W club will crown Queen Jean and her present attendants. After the game, all six dormitories are planning coffee hours to welcome visitors - alumni, parents and friends of the college. Climaxing the day is the homecoming dance at 9 p.m. in Rice auditorium. The public is welcome to attend and dance to the music of Ralph Marterie and his Marlboro orchestra. Tickets will be on sale at the door.

October 14, 1971
Jazz Band Sets Crowd Clapping, Marching
 Ramsey Theater in Wayne State's Fine Arts Center really vibrated Monday night when the Preservation Hall Jazz Band set an enthusiastic crowd clapping, stomping, cheering and whistling. The combo, most of them returning from their previous concert here about five years ago, included DeDe Pierce, the blind trumpeter and singer, Cy Frazier on drums, Willie Humphrey on clarinet, Allan Jaffe on bass, Frank Demonde on trombone and Sing Miller at the piano. Known as the Billie and DeDe Jazz Band, it lacked Billie this time. The piano-playing wife of DeDe, she is temporarily halted by a fractured hip. After playing numerous old favorite tunes, the band changed the tempo to "A Closer Walk With Thee" in a traditional funeral march cadence of old New Orleans, followed by the same tune in jazz time. Then the tumultuous finale! What else? "When the Saints Go Marching In." March they did, with ebullient Willie Humphrey beckoning the crowd to follow the band on a parade up one aisle, back down the other. Old jazz was as new as now.

October 15, 1981
Pine Tree Marks First Anniversary
 One year since opening her business at 515 Windom St., Wayne, Pat Dolata, owner of The Pine Tree, has expanded her Watkins Product line and added many new handcrafted items. Mrs. Dolata opened the doors to her business, which is located in the basement of her home, on Oct. 1 last year. The Pine Tree features an extensive line of Watkins Products, including practical gift ideas for all occasions. Mrs. Dolata said her Watkins line has been expanded during the past year to include a variety of seasonings, spices and extracts, sauces, mustards, dessert mixes, laundry and cleaning supplies, health aids and personal care items. The newest addition to the shop is three lines of leisure and family games such as WWI and WWII games, Dragon Quest, War of the Ring, Escape from New York, Dungeons and Dragons, and the Traveller series of science fiction, adventure, and the future.

October 11, 2001
Wayne Habitat for Humanity plans kick-off
 The Wayne Rotary Club presented a check for \$5,000 to Habitat for humanity members Jeff Carstens and Ann Witkowski at the Oct. 10 meeting. Unable to be at the presentation were Dick and Becky Keidel, who have also been instrumental in the establishment of a Wayne Habitat for Humanity chapter. This \$5,000 is the first check Habitat for Humanity has received and brings the Wayne Habitat for Humanity kick-off challenging all churches and service groups in Wayne to raise a similar amount. This money will be used to promote the building of habitat homes (not just houses) in Wayne.

October 13, 2011
Frye installed as 12th WSC President
 After two years, the 'interim' is no longer in front of Curt Frye's title. On Thursday Frye was officially installed as Wayne State College's 12th president. In ceremonies at Ramsey Theater on the Wayne State campus, Carter 'Cap' Peterson, Chair of the Nebraska State College's Board of Trustees placed a medallion around Frye's neck and conducted the investiture ceremony, making Frye the president of Wayne State College. Katelyn Olenich of Norfolk, the Wayne State student trustee for the Nebraska State College System, delivered the invocatoin and benediction. She calculated the number of seconds Frye has invested in the service of students and thanked him for his work at Wayne State. Keynote remarks were delivered by Regg Swanson, a 1975 Wayne State graduate and trustee of the Wayne State Foundation. He told his audience Frye had 'it' to lead the college into the future in a positive direction. Music during the ceremony was provided by the Wayne State College Band, under the direction of Josh Caulkin and the Wayne State College Choir, under the direction of Ron Lofgren. Frye had retired from Wayne State on June 30, 2009, but returned to serve as interim president upon the 2010 resignation of former President Richard Collings. Frye began working at Wayne State in 1985, serving as associate dean of students, dean of students, and in 1993 was named vice president and dean of students. Frye served as interim president from 2003 to 2004 after the resignation of Dr. Sheila Stearns.

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Growing through it together

By Governor Pete Ricketts

The last 18 months have been a roller coaster for the entire world. While many places have struggled, even in America, Nebraskans have come together to power through the pandemic. Our healthcare professionals have worked with compassion and skill to care for Nebraskans.

Communities have supported their local businesses throughout the pandemic. Employers have overcome market disruptions to preserve and create jobs. Parents and schools worked to get kids back in the classroom. Our ag producers once again showed that they can be counted on to feed the nation and world. None of this has been easy, but Nebraskans have been up to the challenge.

While the coronavirus upended our lives, the State has struck a balance allowing people to live a more normal life while still keeping Nebraska healthy. Our approach helped to protect our hospitals, so everyone who needed a hospital bed could get one. We have the third lowest fatality rate from COVID-19 in the country, and we've now vaccinated over 88% of Nebraskans 65 and older.

As we prioritized health, we pushed forward with growing Nebraska. While the nation's GDP declined 3.4% last year, Nebraska was one of the least affected states—with the fourth best GDP performance. Our state has bounced back strong. Nebraska had the fastest fourth quarter GDP growth of any state in 2020 (11.8%), more than doubling the national growth rate of 4.5%.

We've seen evidence of renewed growth and job creation in our labor market numbers. Currently, our state's unemployment rate is 2.2%. That's the lowest rate in the nation and the lowest in Nebraska history. Of the 389 metro areas in the United States, Nebraska's three metros rank #1, #2, and #6 for lowest unemployment rate.

(Lincoln is #1 at 1.7%, Grand Island is #2 at 1.9%, and Omaha is #6 at 2.3%.) There's never been a better time than now to find a job in Nebraska. Each of our 93 counties has a seasonally unadjusted unemployment rate below 3.0%. On any given day, our State jobs site (NeWorks.nebraska.gov) lists over 50,000 openings. Given all this, it's no wonder that WalletHub says Nebraska is the #2 best state in the nation for finding a job.

As our growth creates jobs, we're equipping Nebraskans to make the most of the great opportunities available. The Developing Youth Talent Initiative introduces middle school students to great-paying careers in fields like manufacturing and IT. High school career academies give students the opportunity to gain hands-on experience and begin earning college credit. Registered Apprenticeships provide young Nebraskans with the opportunity to earn income, obtain credentials, and accumulate course credits while learning a new job. Despite the pandemic, Nebraska grew registered apprentice enrollment by 14% in 2020 for a total of 1,511 new registered apprentices enrolled in Nebraska Registered Apprenticeship Programs.

Our Career Scholarships program, which will offer at least 2,110 scholarships by 2023, is helping pay the way for college students to attain knowledge and skills to enter high-demand fields like engineer-

ing or nursing. We're seeing these efforts bear fruit. In 2020, Nebraska overtook Iowa and Minnesota to become the best state in our region for workforce development according to Site Selection magazine.

While government can help create a growth-friendly environment, it's the private sector that's creating the opportunities. Our largest industry, agriculture, is leading our growth. For 2020, Nebraska again ranked #1 nationally for the most agricultural cash receipts per capita. While the population of Texas is almost 15 times that of Nebraska, the Cornhusker State sold more ag commodities than the Lone Star State last year. Nebraska also tops Texas in beef exports, ranking #2 nationally behind Kansas. Nebraska's beef exports are on pace to set an all-time high in 2021. They are up 30% year-to-date. In August 2021, Nebraska's beef exports surpassed \$188 million—the best month ever for our state.

Nebraska's farmers are also experiencing expanded exports. Over the first 8 months of 2021, American corn exports are at \$14.5 billion. That's higher than the annual export value for any year since at least 2004! U.S. soybean exports (up 30%) and wheat exports (up 19%) are also much higher than they were last year at this point.

Even with the pandemic, manufacturing employment has reached its highest point in over a decade. Mainstays of our state's manufacturing community like Behlen, BD, Kawasaki, and Nucor have all significantly expanded their workforces this past year. In September, UNL's Bureau of Business Research reported that Nebraska's leading economic indicator (LEI) increased again during August 2021 on the strength of business expectations and an uptick in manufacturing hours worked. The LEI has now risen in 10 of the past 11 months, signaling continued growth for our state.

Our state's successful pandemic response has been especially beneficial to kids. Nebraska was the sixth-best state for keeping kids in the classroom after the virus disrupted education in the spring of 2020. This was an important accomplishment; in-person learning enhances children's academic performance, emotional well-being, nutrition, and physical fitness. Our strong economic recovery also enabled Nebraska to climb to #2 in the Casey Foundation's annual ranking of children's economic well-being.

Legislatively, we didn't let the pandemic distract us from moving Nebraska forward. This year, I worked with Senators to enact a historic amount of tax relief, making a major investment to expand our broadband infrastructure, and cut red tape to expand our healthcare workforce. Over the next two years, Nebraskans will see over \$1.9 billion of direct property tax relief and over \$2 billion of estimated total tax relief. We did all of this by controlling spending growth to 2.4% annually and remaining the least indebted state government in America.

Thank you to everyone in Nebraska for the grace, grit, and resilience you've shown over the past year and a half. It hasn't always been easy, but it has helped us power through the pandemic and grow Nebraska. As always, if you have any questions or comments, please contact me at pete.ricketts@nebraska.gov or by calling (402) 471-2244.

Capitol View Committee wants to tackle tax reform in an election year

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

A panel of Nebraska lawmakers wants to tackle changes to the state's tax system next year.

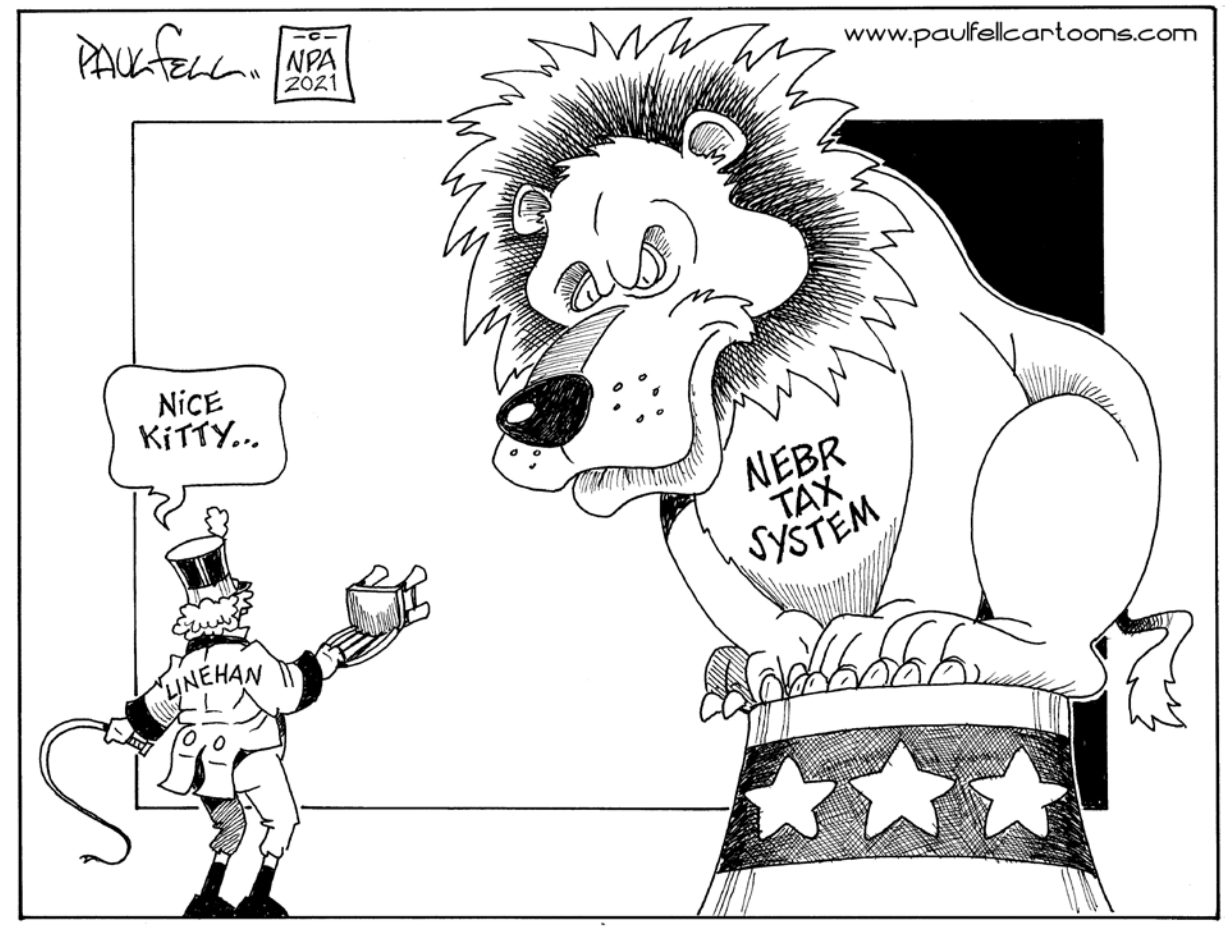
Normally I would pooh-pooh such an idea in an election year. But given that veteran lawmaker and Revenue Committee Chair Sen. Lou Ann Linehan of Elkhorn is leading the charge, it might stand a chance. She is fresh off assignment as co-chair of the redistricting committee, which provided maps and guidance for the 10-year process during a recent special session.

Likewise, she shepherded changes to the property tax system during the last regular session and has brought a world of experience back to her Elkhorn legislative district and shared it with her colleagues in Lincoln.

The Johnson native who grew up on a dairy farm that's still in the family managed Chuck Hagel's 1966 U.S. Senate campaign and became his chief of staff. After President George W. Bush was elected in 2000, she was appointed to serve as deputy assistant secretary for legislative affairs at the State Department under Colin Powell. She was there on September 11, 2001, and the harrowing and historic days and months that followed. She went back to Hagel's office in 2002.

She rejoined the Bush Administration in 2007 and was assigned to Provincial Reconstruction Team Baghdad as part of President Bush's Iraq surge under the leadership of Ambassador Ryan Crocker and General David Petraeus. She worked in Iraq and at the State Department until the end of 2012 serving the last six months in Basra overseeing 1,500 personnel.

I think she has the chops to fight whatever battles a special tax rewrite committee might face. Besides, she said it's time to "bring about meaningful change" in the state tax system. The current system has been patched multiple times over the years to address various problems and concerns but has not undergone a major overhaul



since Nebraska established its sales and income taxes in the 1960s.

Remember, it was that solution in 1967 that ultimately cost Republican Governor Norbert Tiemann a second term but saved state government by providing the necessary revenue streams to operate. He said years later that it was a wise sacrifice for the benefit of the state.

Nebraska currently ranks as the 14th highest property tax of the 50 states based on a percentage of the median income of \$59, 730 in Nebraska. Sales tax is lower than 50 percent of the states at 5.5 percent before local options are added which take it up to 7.5 percent in some parts of the state.

Corporate income tax in Nebraska is 19th out of the 50 states while personal income tax at 6.84 percent is the highest in the country, according to the Tax Foundation, a national nonprofit.

Linehan said the current state tax policy is "not transparent, it's difficult to administer and comply

with, and we're still left with a high tax burden." She admits that with state tax revenue coming in above projections, it may be more politically doable to simply cut some taxes. She said it would be difficult to raise taxes in that situation, even as part of revamping the tax system.

Some early suggestions might include: lowering the top income tax rate for both individual and corporate taxpayers; exempting the first \$50,000 of income from taxes; completely eliminating income tax on Social Security benefits and setting new limits on local government spending.

Linehan's position would rule out proposals for broadening the sales tax base, no matter how the new revenue would be used.

An immediate challenge might come from Blueprint Nebraska, an economic development initiative, which has called for a major reduction in income taxes by applying the sales tax to a wider array of goods and services.

"The issue of tax modernization is indeed decades old. The battle lines have been drawn for many years now," said Bryan Slone, president of the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry. "But the urgency of tax modernization is probably more important today than it's ever been."

Linehan said she expects the Revenue Committee to start work on a 2021 tax plan in a few weeks, after the state forecasting board meets to revise its projection for state revenue. The board will meet at the end of October to update its forecast for the rest of the two-year budget period, which ends June 30, 2023.

Stay tuned. This could be an intriguing fight the likes of which most of us haven't seen since the late 60s.

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

Senator talks about current bills in committee

What a delightful time to gather with friends and family to celebrate the abundant blessings of harvest. I never get more pleasure in life than to take a meal out to my guys in the field and enjoy the progress they are making. I pray for safety not only my own family, but all Nebraskan families who are busy this time of year.

Now that Redistricting is completed my staff and I are taking a deep dive into the Legislative Bills I still have in Committee or potential new legislation.

Interim Studies

There are many Interim Studies taking place this Session. I sit on the Revenue Committee which held several key hearings this week:

LR23 - Senator Dave Murmon introduced a Legislative Research Interim Study to examine a potential Constitutional amendment to limit property taxation for schools to residential property only.

LR232 - Senator Curt Friesen introduced an Interim Study to examine the assessment procedures of county assessors throughout the state of Nebraska.

Interim studies heard from other Committees include:

LR145 - Senator John Stinner introduced an Interim Study of the adequacy of current aged and disabled Medicaid waiver assisted-living provider rates.

LR180- Senator Lynne Walz introduced an Interim Study to examine the identification of at-risk and economically disadvantaged students as a qualification factor for state-funded, education-related programs.

LR182 - Senator Lynne Walz introduced an Interim Study to examine the school enrollment options available to students.

LR209 - Senator Mike McDonnell

introduced an Interim Study to examine the appropriations necessary for creating public health crisis zones.

LR212 - Senator Mike McDonnell introduced an Interim Study to examine the healthcare workforce shortage in Nebraska.

Together my staff and I are paying close attention to all Legislative Studies in order to discern how each issue could impact Nebraska. We don't agree with every topic, but we are careful to stay on top of the issues because generally a Bill will follow each Legislative Study.

Bills Still in Committee

The Legislature will enter the Second Session of the 107th Legislature in January. At that time, we will continue the legislative process with all bills introduced last year that remain in Committee with a chance to come to the Floor for debate. I still have the following Bills remaining in the process:

LB111 - First Responders- defines and enacts criminal violations related to rioting, aggressive rioting, inciting riots, looting, assault on first responders; to prescribe penalties including, but not limited to, minimum sentencing, fines, and restitution.

LB112 - Open Meetings- Requires that members of the public be afforded the opportunity to speak at any public meeting subject to the Open Meetings Act.

LB280 - Insurance Board- amends legislation to eliminate a state residency requirement for the board of directors of an insurance company.

LB282 - Obscenity Law- Repeals the exemption from prosecution for those in educational institutions providing obscenity to minors in grades K-12.

LB325 - Art Therapy -would provide for licensing of qualified



Legislative Update
By Joni Albrecht
State Senator, District 17

Authority- Clarifies that the special tax (building fund) could not be used to build a new school building, add additional footage to an existing school building, or purchase sites upon which new buildings will be located. School districts looking to use the building fund for those purposes must receive approval through a vote of its citizens at a general or special election.

LB596 - Higher Blend Ethanol- Creates the Nebraska Higher Blend Tax Credit Act for Nebraska retail dealers that sell and dispense E-15 or higher blends.

Consider Running for Office

I want to strongly encourage anyone interested in running for office to make sure to take a good look at the new Redistricting maps to make certain you live in the District you are interested in representing.

Candidate filing information for the 2022 election cycle will become available in November. I will keep you posted.

If you have any comments or concerns, please contact me at 402-471-2716 or jalbrecht@leg.ne.gov.

art therapists as Licensed Mental Health Practitioners and Licensed Independent Mental Health Practitioners with a credential as a Certified Art Therapist.
LB523 - School Bonding

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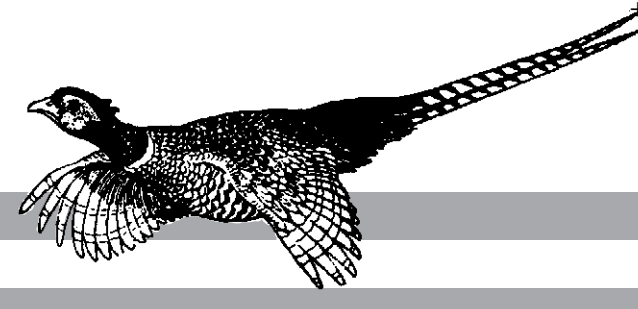
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NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE WAYNE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Community Redevelopment Authority will meet at 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday, October 26, 2021, 3rd floor, City Hall, 306 Pearl Street. An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office.

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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 A. McGuire, City Clerk
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LEGAL NOTICE

TO THE DEFENDANT(S), JENNIFER E. FRANTA

You are hereby notified that Credit Bureau Services, Inc., a corporation, filed its complaint in the County Court of WAYNE County, Nebraska on 06/16/2021 on Case Number C121-79, the object and prayer of which is to recover the sum of \$248.46, plus interest, attorney fees and court costs. You are required to answer the complaint of the Plaintiff on or before 11/28/2021 or the allegations in said complaint will be taken as true and judgment entered accordingly.

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NOTICE

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA
ESTATE OF NEVA E. ECHTENKAMP, Deceased.

Estate No. PR 21-35
Notice is hereby given that on October 6, 2021 in the County Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, Gerald Echtenkamp, whose address is 65115 Hwy 15, 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 December 13, 201 or be forever barred.

(s) **Ashley Siebrandt**
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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF SANCTUARY APARTMENTS, LLC

Notice is hereby given Sanctuary Apartments, 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 219 Fairway Circle, Wayne, NE 68787. The company's registered agent is Matthew Ley, 219 Fairway Circle, Wayne, NE 68787.
Matthew Ley, Organizer
Eric Knutson, Attorney at Law

INVITATION TO SUBMIT HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

Public notice and invitation to submit proposals is hereby given by the City of Wayne, Nebraska (City), to private developers or any persons interested in the purchase and the development of approximately 7.94 acres of land owned by the City located south of 4th and Jaxon Streets. The City is requesting proposals be submitted for residential development by the end of business on December 1, 2021. Proposal guidelines are available and may be obtained at City Hall, 306 Pearl Street, or from the City's website under Government, City Projects. Contact City Clerk, Betty McGuire, or City Administrator, Wes Blecke, at 402-375-1733 for more information. Direct proposals to Betty McGuire, City Clerk, 306 Pearl Street, Wayne NE 68787. The City will consider all development proposals based on the established guidelines. The City reserves the right to negotiate a proposal once the original proposal is selected by the City Council. The City reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

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NOTICE

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA
ESTATE OF DONA PAINTER, Deceased.
Estate No. PR 21-34

Notice is hereby given that on October 1, 2021, in the County Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, Sarah Beth Wehrle whose address is 84088 Hwy. 57, Stanton, NE 68779, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the Estate.

Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before December 6, 2021 or be forever barred.

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

LEGAL NOTICE

TO THE DEFENDANT(S), JENNIFER E. FRANTA

You are hereby notified that Credit Bureau Services, Inc., a corporation, filed its complaint in the County Court of WAYNE County, Nebraska on 06/16/2021 on Case Number C121-79, the object and prayer of which is to recover the sum of \$248.46, plus interest, attorney fees and court costs. You are required to answer the complaint of the Plaintiff on or before 11/28/2021 or the allegations in said complaint will be taken as true and judgment entered accordingly.

CREDIT BUREAU SERVICES, INC., A CORPORATION

By: **A.M. Barron, #23818**
Its Attorney
525 N. "D" St.
P.O. Box 597
Fremont, NE 68026
402-721-1850
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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, P.C., 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, P.C., L.L.O.

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LOWER ELKHORN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT

As per requirements by Section 2-3220, R.R.S. September 23, 2021

AUTO & TRUCK EXPENSE: GRAHAM

TIRE CO, 49.35; NORFOLK AUTO CENTER, 118.12; LUEDEKE OIL CO INC, 761.07; J&L AUTOMOTIVE INC, 226.00; WELLS FARGO CARD SERVICES, 500.00; VISA, 255.91

DIRECTORS EXPENSE: NARD, 535.00

DUES & MEMBERSHIP: NEBRASKA STATEWIDE ARBORETUM, 130.00

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS: NARD Risk

Pool Association, 41,738.83; NATIONWIDE FINANCIAL, 17,042.52; AFLAC, 533.67

PAYROLL WITHHOLDING: BUREAU

OF CHILD SUPPORT, 530.00; INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, 36,335.62; NE DEPT OF REVENUE, 5,800.16

PERSONNEL EXPENSES: NARD,

1,872.50; WETZEL & TRUAX JEWELERS, 250.00; NORFOLK DAILY NEWS, 245.88; NORFOLK COUNTRY CLUB, 9.92; SCHNITZLER, JOSHUA R, 29.98; TEGELER, VALISSA L, 36.96; VISA, 374.73

INFORMATION & EDUCATION:

STANTON CO FAIR BOARD, 100.00; FARM SHOW PRODUCTIONS, 529.00; BIG RED PRINTING, 589.00; WJAG-Lite Rock-Kix, 350.00; NEWS CHANNEL NEBRASKA 35, 500.00; WEST POINT NEWS, 54.00; WAYNE HERALD, 82.50; WJAG-Lite Rock-Kix, 250.00; KNEF FM, 100.00; US92 RADIO, 20.00; NORFOLK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, 150.00

LEGAL NOTICES: NORFOLK DAILY

NEWS, 88.97; WEST POINT NEWS, 120.10; WAYNE HERALD, 80.29

OFFICE SUPPLIES: CAPITAL ONE,

32.20; NE DEPT OF REVENUE, 25.00; NE LABOR LAW POSTER SERVICE, 337.00; FLOOR MAINTENANCE, 139.72; PRECISION IT, 20.00; ONE OFFICE SOLUTION, 128.88; HOLLMAN MEDIA, 252.50; FLOOR MAINTENANCE, 100.93; PITNEY BOWES, 180.00; NORFOLK DAILY NEWS, 186.00; VISA, 16.04; BOMGAARS, 23.95

SPECIAL PROJECTS: CITY OF WEST

POINT, 2,254.50

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

PRECISION IT, 125.00; VISA, 68.89; JEO CONSULTING GROUP INC, 5,320.00

PROJECT LEGAL COSTS: BLANKENAU

WILMOTH JARECK LLP, 441.00

OPERATION & MAINTENANCE:

ZOUBEK OIL CO, 747.62; COLONIAL RESEARCH CHEMICAL, 216.20; PRIME SANITATION SERVICE, 283.25; CENTURY LUMBER CENTER, 253.46; SCHEER'S ACE HARDWARE, 158.90; TEECO INC, 37.45; HENKEL OIL CO, 59.08; BOMGAARS, 110.34; LOVE SIGNS INC, 100.00; NE HEALTH LABORATORY, 30.00; POLLARD PUMPING INC, 895.00; BURESH GOLF & EQUIPMENT, 260.00; LOVE SIGNS INC, 375.00; STEVES MARKET INC, 47.88; CULLIGAN OF COLUMBUS, 128.00; WASTE CONNECTIONS, 443.21; CLARKSON PLBG & HTG, 39.76; COOPERATIVE SUPPLY INC, 262.97; VOLKMAN PLUMBING & HEATING, 854.10; AKRS EQUIPMENT, 222.07; DINKEL'S, 4,400.00

SALES TAX: NE DEPT OF REVENUE,

846.90

STOCK PURCHASES: VISA, 1,259.50

TELEPHONE: PIERCE TELEPHONE

COMPANY, 462.01; STANTON TELECOM, 191.77; NEXTLINK INTERNET, 59.95; DOREY, DALLAS H, 25.00; SCHNITZLER, JOSHUA R, 25.00; BECKER, CURTIS E, 25.00; BALDWIN, CONNOR A, 25.00; STEWART, TODD S, 25.00

UTILITIES: STANTON CO PUBLIC

POWER, 2,235.90; LOUP POWER DISTRICT, 475.90; NPPD, 664.37; BLACK HILLS ENERGY, 29.86; VILLAGE OF LEIGH, 32.90

BUILDING MAINTENANCE: JOHN'S

DISPOSAL INC, 68.00; CULLIGAN, 32.55; OLSON PEST TECHNICIANS, 88.00

WATER RESOURCES: MIDWEST

LABORATORIES INC, 5,009.00; WARD LABORATORIES INC, 533.91; VISA, 591.44; TIGER TAVERN, 727.50; WELLS FARGO CARD SERVICES, 128.73; BOMGAARS, 87.22

WILDLIFE HABITAT: KRIENKE

THEODORE W, 375.84; CLASSEN DAVID, 460.61; SCHELLPEPER TIMOTHY O TRUST, 3,675.00; M & D INC, 1,063.19; MCNAMARA JAMES, 427.83; MCNAMARA JAMES, 151.84; PADRNO JANET, 74.12; GENTRUP MICHAEL, 18.53; JERMAN JOSEPH, 67.77; GENTRUP MICHAEL, 16.94; SPAHR DALE E, 1,732.50; SPAHR DOUGLAS J, 1,327.50; EHERNBERGER PAUL, 7,752.88; HAAS GERALD D, 221.84; ANDERSON CONSTANCE, 1,350.00; SCHOLTING ANDREW, 500.00; GRIFFITH CAROL, 1,825.00; BROCKEMEIER G&G LLC, 800.00; KREIKEMEIER MARVIN, 725.00; MEYER PAUL, 2,925.00; KANTER BARBARA K, 84.00; RIEF CHRISTOPHER, 227.76; RESJ FARMS INC, 67.16; POJAR LARRY, 937.50; BUSE DENNIS, 104.84; BUSE DENNIS, 37.84; RITTER BRANDON, 68.04; ANDERSON DALE A, 56.32; HEINEMANN ELDON, 1,300.00; ALLEMANN JERRY, 525.00; SCHRANT KURT, 33.90; BARGSTADT RANDALL, 2,125.00; CLK LLC, 1,100.00; FRESSE FARMS INC, 860.00; ORTMEIER BRETT, 2,250.00; KALLWEIT KEVIN, 174.15; ALLEMANN RYAN, 1,375.00; STENVERS WADE, 673.92; MITZGER MARVIN, 2,375.00; ROLLING HILLS INVESTMENT GROUP, 130.90; ROLF VINCENT, 34.32; KANTER BARBARA K, 122.00; MUNTER ROBERT, 300.80; THURSTON COUNTY, 5,450.00; JENSEN RAYMOND, 305.10; M & D INC, 1,553.88

LAND TREATMENT: JOHNSON ADAM,

1,800.00

FORESTRY: VILLAGE OF UEHLING,

3,712.50

PAYROLL: Connor Baldwin, 2946.42;

Ryan Bartak, 1851.80; Curt Becker, 3490.24; Shawn Leahard, 3830.56; Ken Bloomquist, 778.14; Leonard Boryca, 3647.04; Brian Bruckner, 5339.06; Chris Claren, 67.27; Vickie Dejong, 15955.12; Kathy Dohmen, 2366.98; Dallas Dorey, 2967.95; Kristie Freudenburg, 3133.57; Dave Fuhr, 466.93; Whitney Gappa, 2990.92; Bruce Huntley, 515.49; Jeremiah Johansen, 2930.34; Patty Martens, 3386.46; Connor McCarthy, 522.45; Mike Murphy,

3373.80; Charlene Newkirk, 562.27; Shelby Olsen-Asmus, 752.87; Ailyn Papousek, 653.38; Josh Schnitzler, 3597.94; Laurie Schold, 2711.19; Jackie Sharpe, 1473.60; Mike Sousek, 6274.86; Todd Stewart, 2754.93; Valissa Tegeler, 2111.67; Carey Tejkl, 2545.06; Julie Wragge, 4369.15; Larry Wright, 1342.45
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WAYNE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

September 21, 2021

Wayne City Council was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on September 21, 2021. In attendance: Mayor Giese; Councilmembers Spieker, Buck, Muir, Taoka, Woehler, Karsky, Eischeid and Brodersen; Attorney Miller; Administrator Blecke; and City Clerk McGuire.

Minutes of the September 7, 2021, meeting were approved.

The following claims were approved:

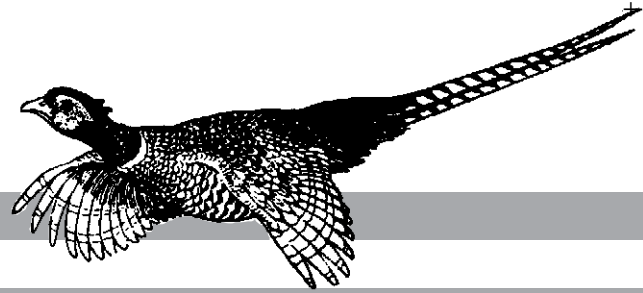
VARIOUS FUNDS: AMERITAS,

SE, 2922.58; AMERITAS, SE, 100.13; AMERITAS, SE, 72.00; AMERITAS, SE, 174.53; APPEARA, SE, 54.25; ARC-HEALTH & SAFETY, SU, 518.51; AUTO ANATOMY ALTERNATIVES, SE, 2972.23; BATTERY SOLUTIONS, SU, 102.00; BATTERY SOLUTIONS, SU, 204.00; BENSOCOTER INC, RE, 3998.82; BENSOCOTER, LOUIS, RE, 5714.11; BORDER STATES INDUSTRIES, SU, 636.29; BRUMMOND, SCOTT, RE, 50.00; CERTIFIED TESTING SERVICES, SE, 243.50; CITIZENS STATE BANK, RE, 7310.08; CITIZENS STATE BANK, RE, 5070.22; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 187.20; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 148.01; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 288.20; CITY OF WAYNE, PY, 86750.74; CITY OF WAYNE, RE, 85.46; CIVICPLUS, SE, 3149.87; COMFORT INN-GRAND ISLAND, SE, 86.00; CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT, SE, 113.48; COTTONWOOD WIND PROJECT, SE, 14015.84; DAS STATE ACCTG-CENTRAL FINANCE, SE, 67.79; DAVE'S DRY CLEANING, SE, 42.00; DOESCHER REPAIR, SU, 244.00; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY, SU, 6291.60; EAKES OFFICE PLUS, SE, 229.37; ECHO GROUP, SU, 220.09; ED M. FELD EQUIPMENT, SE, 1270.00; ELLIS, JEFF, RE, 500.00; EMPLOYERS MUTUAL CASUALTY, RE, 2500.00; FAITH REGIONAL PHYSICIAN SERV, SE, 99.50; GARCIA, PEDRO, RE, 40.00; GODFATHERS PIZZA, SE, 115.49; GRAINLAND ESTATES, RE, 4885.65; GROESNBURG IMPLEMENT, SU, 85.77; HILAND DAIRY, SE, 71.86; HILAND DAIRY, SE, 66.24; HYPERION MONITORING, SE, 81.00; ICMA, RE, 147.00; ICMA, RE, 145.28; ICMA, RE, 112.52; ICMA, RE, 1450.04; ICMA, RE, 159.20; ICMA, RE, 376.22; ICMA, RE, 34.38; ICMA, RE, 8155.21; ICMA, RE, 125.48; ICMA, RE, 366.40; ICMA, RE, 315.76; IRS, TX, 61.04; IRS, TX, 14597.52; IRS, TX, 10754.01; IRS, TX, 261.04; IRS, TX, 3413.96; IRS, TX, 162.06; ISLAND SPRINKLER SUPPLY, SE, 15819.47; J. F. AHERN CO, SE, 1139.00; JEO CONSULTING GROUP, SE, 8131.00; KAUP FORAGE & TURF, SU, 1440.00; LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA MUNICIPALITIES, FE, 10219.00; LUND, ELLIOTT, RE, 20.00; MATHESON-LINWELD, SU, 35.06; MID PLAINS GRAIN, RE, 6139.36; NDEE-FISCAL SERVICES, FE, 500.00; NE DEPT OF REVENUE, TX, 73.08; NE DEPT OF REVENUE, TX, 4643.25; NPPD, SE, 38801.02; NO SWETT FENCING, SU, 25426.51; OCC BUILDERS, SE, 56121.00; PAC N SAVE, SU, 4.45; PAC N SAVE, SU, 767.89; PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL, SE, 95.80; QUADIENT FINANCE USA, SU, 1000.00; QUALITY 1 GRAPHIC, SU, 128.40; QUALITY FOOD CENTER, SU, 6.38; STATE NEBRASKA BANK-PETTY CASH, RE, 300.00; US FOODSERVICE, SU, 1727.79; VAN DIEST SUPPLY, SU, 78.60; VERIZON, SE, 536.12; WAHOO HERITAGE INN, SE, 145.90; WAYNE COUNTY COURT, RE, 300.00; WAYNE HERALD, SE, 723.87; WAYNE HERALD, SE, 294.00; WAYNE HOSPITALITY, RE, 19295.98; WAYNE VETERINARY CLINIC, SE, 140.00; WESCO, SU, 236.00; WINDOM RIDGE, RE, 2042.43; ACES, SE, 956.14; ALL HOURS TOWING, SE, 225.00; AMAZON, SU, 634.24; ARNIE'S FORD, SU, 459.29; BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS, SU, 1603.59; BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION, SE, 239863.51; BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD, SE, 48904.74; BOMGAARS, SU, 1951.57; BROGIE, ED, RE, 500.00; BRUCKNER, BRIAN, RE, 500.00; CHEMQUEST, SE, 695.00; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 575.04; CITY OF WAYNE, RE, 142.62; COMPLETE FLOORS, SE, 12353.00; CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT, SE, 88.62; ELKINS PORTABLE RESTROOMS, SE, 260.00; FLOOR MAINTENANCE, SU, 136.34; GROESNBURG IMPLEMENT, SU, 2.37; H.K. SCHOLZ COMPANY, SU, 1825.42; HAWKINS, SU, 516.40; INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES, SU, 610.43; IOWA PUMP WORKS, SU, 672.98; JEO CONSULTING GROUP, SE, 26021.50; KAUP FORAGE & TURF, SU, 1440.00; MARCO TECHNOLOGIES, SE, 200.61; MIDWEST TAPE, SU, 43.99; NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB, SE, 686.00; NE STATE FIRE MARSHAL, SE, 244.00; NNEDD, SE, 60.00; NORTHEAST NE INS AGENCY, SE, 6750.71; NORTHEAST POWER, SE, 13819.26; OLSSON ASSOCIATES, SE, 6700.00; OVERDRIVE, SU, 984.19; QUADIENT LEASING USA, SE, 2691.00; STAPLES, SU, 203.29; WAED, SE, 6000.00; WESCO, SU, 560.00

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Lifestyle

The Wayne Herald



The power of positive thinking

"The greatest discovery of all time is that a person can change his future by merely changing his attitude." ~ Oprah Winfrey

We have been taught since a young age to "be positive", but it is more than a useful thought. Positive thinking is an emotional and mental attitude that focuses on the

bright side and expects positive results. A positive outlook is an incredibly powerful asset to have, as positive thoughts breeds positive results. Benefits of a positive attitude include success, happiness, health, and believing you can overcome any obstacle.

Think of the people you know. Do

Thurston County

Jennifer Hansen
Extension Educator



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you enjoy spending time with those that are positive, believe in themselves and others, and don't give up? Or is your preference for someone who is a "negative Nancy" and doesn't believe something can be accomplished? You tend to feel happier around someone who thinks positively rather than negatively. But how do you encourage and increase positive thoughts and actions?

There are countless ways to increase positive actions. Everyone will have a method that works best for them. Generally speaking, anything that sparks feelings of joy, contentment, and love create positive thoughts. As a 4-H leader, find things that you enjoy, your hobby or passion for example. Share it with your club. Youth will sense your joy and love for it and feed off your positive thoughts. However, that is not the only way.

Here are some other ways to increase your power of positive thinking.

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•Consciously replace negative thoughts with a constructive one. If the negative thought returns, replace it with a positive one.

•Use positive words with both inner dialogues and to others.

•Smile a little more, as it helps to think positively.

•No matter what your circumstances currently are, think positively and expect only favorable results and situations.

•Use your imagination to visualize only favorable and beneficial situations.

•Give affirmations, to both yourself and to others.

In "The Power of Positive Thinking", author, Norman Vincent Peale, said that the way to happiness is to "Keep your heart free from hate, your mind from worry. Live simply, expect little, give much. Scatter sunshine, forget self, and think of others. Try this for a week and you will be surprised."

Take what Norman said, and give it a try. You might be amazed by the impact positive thinking has on your life!

Sources: Sasson, Remez "The Power of Positive Thinking", successconsciousness.com; Lejuwaan, Jordan "The Power of Positive Thinking", highexistence.com

This article comes from a series of resources developed by 4-H Youth Development professionals. Learn more about 4-H at 4h.unl.edu.



Attending the NARSP recognition ceremony were (left) Jenny Gubbels, Pat Straight and Pat Jenkins-Rohde.

Representatives attend annual meeting

A Board of Directors Annual meeting for Nebraska Association of Retired School Personnel was held Sept. 29 in Lincoln.

Pat Jenkins-Rohde, Pat Straight and Jenny Gubbels attended this meeting as representatives of the Wayne Area Retired School Personnel.

Pat Jenkins-Rohde accepted a certificate for the 2021 NARSP Active Educator Scholarship winner, Dacia Beyke. This scholarship is awarded annually, and is available for any teachers who are continuing their education. If an educator would like more information, contact Pat Jenkins-Rohde.

Each year a memorial service for

deceased members is held at this meeting. Each unit from around the state submits the names and their memory is honored. A white rose is placed in a vase after each name is read. This year 41 names were listed. The Wayne area remembered Delores Erwin and Bill Wilson.

Pat Jenkins-Rohde received a special award. She was presented the Educational Service Award. Pat was recognized for her decade of presidential duties from 2012 to the present term. She has continued to make the Wayne unit a viable association for retired educators and school personnel.



Pat Jenkins-Rohde (right) accepts the scholarship certificate for Dacia Beyke during the NARSP meeting.

APPLES

DECK & SLAHLN ORCHARD

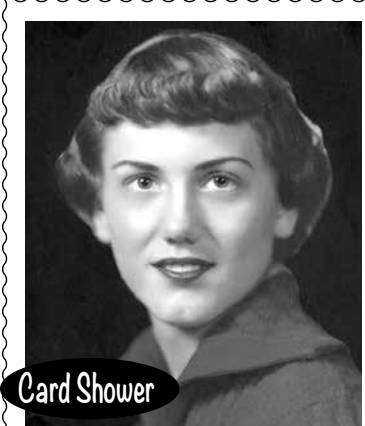
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Card Shower

Help make Phyllis Rahn's 80th birthday special by sending a card with a memory or photo to 809 Poplar St., Wayne, NE 68787. Her birthday is Oct. 19.

Winside Museum Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, Oct. 24

11:00 AM - 1:30 PM

Winside Auditorium

Event funded in part by a grant from the Wayne County Convention & Visitor's Bureau



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ACME Club members gather

ACME Club opened its second meeting for the fall season on Oct. 4. Bonnadell Koch called the meeting to order following the noon meal at the Wayne Senior Center.

Members met in the lunch area of the center. Betty Wittig opened the meeting with the Thought for the Day, which was followed by the reading and approval of the minutes of the last meeting. A correction was made to state that the number of years that the club has been in existence is reported to be 137.

The treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Mary Lou Erxleben, followed by roll call of members.

Thought for the Day is: "Tell the truth; Sing with passion; Work

with laughter; Love with heart cause that's all that matters in the end."

After much business was discussed, meeting was adjourned until Monday, Oct. 18.

Senior Center Calendar

(Week of Oct. 18 - 22)

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.

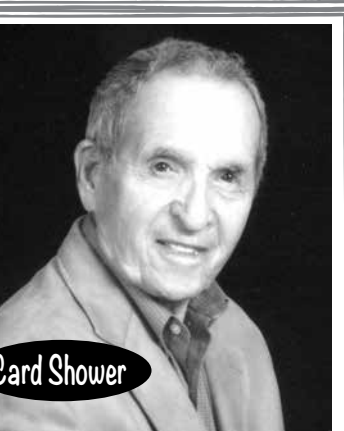
Monday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, lettuce salad with assorted vegetables, garlic bread stick, peaches.

Tuesday: Happy Birthday Phyllis Rahn. Sliced ham, mashed sweet potatoes, green beans with almonds, homemade rye bread, applesauce bars, cranberry juice. Birthday treat from Phyllis.

Wednesday: Special luncheon drawing. Braided chicken sandwich on homemade bun, mayo, lettuce leaf, creamed potatoes, buttered peas, tapioca fruit salad.

Thursday: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes & gravy, creamed corn, dinner roll, cherry gelatin with mixed fruit.

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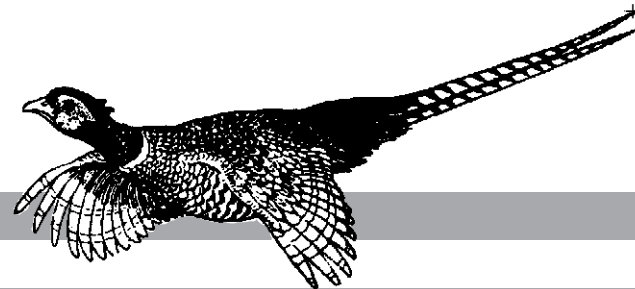
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email: officeassistant@cbefc.org
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FAITH BAPTIST Independent - Fundamental
208 E. Fourth St. - 375-3413
(Pastor Jim Scallions)
Sunday: Sunday school, Worship, and evening worship suspended until further notice. **Wednesday:** Evening service suspended until further notice.

FIRST BAPTIST
1000 East 10th Street
375-3608
(Douglas Shelton, pastor)
Sunday: Sunday School, Adult and children's classes, 9:15 a.m.; Prayer and Fellowship, 10:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m. **Note new location for church services.**

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
216 West 3rd St.

375-2669
www.fpcwayne.org
(Rev. Teresa Bartlett, pastor)
Sunday: Worship at First Presbyterian Church and on Zoom; Fellowship, 11 a.m.; Cub Scouts, 4 p.m. **Monday - Friday:** Pastor gives devotions on KTCH, 5:40 a.m.

FIRST TRINITY LUTHERAN
Altona, LC-MS
57741 847th Road, Wayne
(Rev. Timothy Booth, pastor)
(402) 640-5115 cell phone
Sunday: Worship service at Faith Lutheran Church in Stanton at 8 a.m.; Worship Service at 9:30 a.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church in Pilger; Worship service at 11 a.m. at First Trinity of Altona.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST
6th & Main St.
Pastor Nick Baker,
(402) 375-2231
Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost. Laity Sunday. Worship Service, 9 a.m.; Virtual Worship broadcast via YouTube, Facebook Live and American Broadband Channel 6; Adult Sunday School, 10:15 a.m.; Children's Sunday School, 10:15 a.m. **Monday:** Newsletter deadline. WIC & Immunization Clinic, 9:30 a.m. **Wednesday:** Lunch and Learn Bible Study on Facebook Live, noon. **Thursday:** Online Bible Study with Communion, 9 a.m. **Saturday:** Food Truck at Journey Christian Church, 9:30 a.m.

GRACE LUTHERAN
Missouri Synod
904 Logan
grace@gracewayne.com
(402) 375-1905
(Pastor Michael Buchhorn)
(Pastor Erik Christensen, associate pastor)
Saturday: Family Communion, 4 p.m.; Junior and High School Game Night, 5:30 p.m. **Sunday:** Worship, 8 and 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Bible Class, 9:15 a.m. Online worship opportunities also available. **Monday:** Choir, 6 p.m.; Mission Council, 7:30 p.m. **Wednesday:** Bible Study, 9 a.m.;

Bell Choir, 5 p.m.; Midweek, 6:30 p.m.; High School group, 7:45 p.m. **Saturday:** Family Communion, 4 p.m. **Sunday:** Worship, 8 and 10:30 a.m.; Bible Class and Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
Phone 375-2631 or 375-3427 for information

JOURNEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH
1110 East 7th St.
www.jccwayne.org
375-4743
Dave Fremstad, Lead Pastor
Sunday: Christians Hour on KTCH, 8:45 a.m. Worship service, 9 and 10:30 a.m. Online services will continue to be offered until further notice; Sunday School, 9 a.m.

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN
421 Pearl St. • 375-2899
oslc@oslcwayne.org
Transitional Pastor Jim Splitt
Associate Transitional Pastor, Debra Valentine
Saturday: Worship Service, 5:30 p.m. **Sunday:** Pony Express Kick-off. Coffee Hour, 9 a.m.; In-person worship services, 10 a.m.; The service will also be broadcast on KTCH and TV and live video streamed on Facebook. **Monday:** Sleeping Mat Ministry, 9 a.m. RE-FORMATION in Kearney (through Wednesday). **Wednesday:** Newsletter deadline. Visitation Ministry Group, 1 p.m.; Sixth and Seventh Grade Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.; Joyful Noise, 6:30 p.m.; SPARK (fellow & snack at 6 p.m.); 6:30 p.m.; Charity Circle, 7 p.m. **Thursday:** OWL's Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. **Saturday:** Worship Service, 5:30 p.m. **Sunday:** Coffee Hour, 9 a.m.; OWL's Luncheon, 11:15 a.m. The service will also be broadcast on KTCH and TV and live video streamed on Facebook.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC
412 East 8th St.
(Fr. Jerry Connealy, pastor)
(Fr. Matthew Capadano, associate pastor)
375-2000; fax: 375-5782;
E-mail: parish@stmmaryswayne.com
Thursday: Men's Group, 5:45 a.m.; Mass, 8 p.m. **Friday:** No School. Fall Break. Mass, 8:15 a.m. **Saturday:** Rosary Rally on the south side of the school, noon; Confession, 5:30 p.m.; Mass, 6 p.m. **Sunday:** Mass, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.; Priest Appreciation Breakfast following both Masses. Confirmation Preparation, 1 p.m.; Devotions at Countryview, 1:30 p.m. **Monday:** Bible Study Group, Holy Family Hall, 1 p.m.; Mass, 5:15 p.m.; Santa Maria Prayer Group, 6 p.m. **Tuesday:** Mass, 5:15 p.m. RCIA, Holy Family Hall. **Wednesday:** Mass, 5:15 p.m.; English Class, rectory, 6 p.m.; Theology of the Body, 6:30 p.m.; WINGS, Holy Family Hall, 7 p.m.; **Thursday:** Men's Group, 5:45 a.m.; Pastoral Council meeting, 6:30 p.m.; College Night in Holy Family Hall; Mass, 8 p.m. **Friday:** Mass, 8:15 a.m. **Saturday:** Safe Environment Training, 9:30 a.m.; Confession, 5:30 p.m.; Mass, 6 p.m.

Allen
FIRST LUTHERAN
(Vicar Deb Hammer)
(402) 635-2461
502 S. Highway 9, Allen
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Sunday: Worship, 8:30 a.m.; Service at Hillcrest Care Center, 2:30 p.m. **Monday - Wednesday:** Vicar at RE-FORMATION. **Wednesday:** Confirmation Class at Concordia Lutheran Church, 6:30 p.m.

UNITED METHODIST
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Sunday: Worship service, 9 a.m.

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

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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(Pastor Nick Baker)
Sunday: Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost. Pastor Appreciation Sunday. Sunday School Rally, 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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616 Iowa Street, Concord
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Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:15 a.m. Vicar Appreciation with potluck following worship; Service at Hillcrest Care Center, 2:30 p.m. **Monday - Wednesday:** Vicar at RE-FORMATION. **Wednesday:** Confirmation Class at Concordia Lutheran Church, 6:30 p.m.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
East of town
(Pastor Willie Bertrand)
Sunday: Worship service with Communion, 8 a.m. **Tuesday:** LWML Fall Rally at St. Paul in Winside, 9 a.m.; Tri-Parish Bible Study, 7 p.m. at St. John's in Wakefield. **Wednesday:** Confirmation classes at St. Paul, 4 p.m.

CONCORD EVANGELICAL FREE Church
(Pastor Todd Thelen)
(Pastor Scott Kahn)
(402) 584-2396
617 Broadway, Concord
www.concordfreechurch.org
Sunday: Coffee fellowship, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship service, 10:30 a.m.; The service will also be streamed live on Facebook; Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.; Praying Kids - Mighty in Power, 6:30 p.m.; Axiom (Senior High Youth Group) meets at 6:30 p.m. **Wednesday:** AWANA, 7 p.m.; Junior High Trek Ministry, 7 p.m.

Dixon
ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC

The scientist who swallowed the bacteria

In the last couple years, I have developed a renewed awe and appreciation of our scientists around the world who work for entire careers to advance science and medicine in their laboratories and beyond.

One such scientist is Dr. Barry Marshall.

Marshall is an Australian physician scientist, who in the early 1980's along with his cohort Dr. Robin Warren, initiated a paradigm shift in the world's understanding of gastrointestinal disease when they discovered the bacterium *Helicobacter pylori*. Prior to that, peptic ulcer disease was thought to be due entirely to lifestyle factors and stress. Marshall and Warren were ultimately able to show that *H. pylori* played a major role in maybe 80 percent of ulcers worldwide at that time.

H. pylori is an unusual bacterium in that it can grow and thrive in a highly acidic environment like the stomach, and for that reason it was difficult to grow in culture. It was found to be widespread around the world, partly due to poor water sanitation systems.

The bacteria can invade the surface of the stomach and duodenum, causing inflammation of the stomach or gastritis, ulcers, and rarely, stomach cancer. We now know that if *H. pylori* is a causative factor in a patient's stomach ulcers, eradication of the bacteria is an essential part of curing the patient's disease.

(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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TRINITY EVANG LUTHERAN
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Sunday: Worship service, 10 a.m.

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Pastor Kobey Mortenson
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EVANGELICAL COVENANT
802 Winter St.
e-mail: wakecov@msn.com
Jill Craig, Pastor
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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:** LWML Fall Rally at St. Paul in Winside, 9 a.m.; Tri-Parish Bible Study, 7 p.m. at St. John's in Wakefield. **Thursday - Friday:** District Pastor's Conference in Kearney.

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:** LWML FALL Rally

at St. Paul in Winside, 9 a.m.; Tri-Parish Bible Study, 7 p.m. **Wednesday:** Confirmation classes at St. Paul, 4 p.m. **Thursday - Friday:** District Pastor's Conference in Kearney.

SALEM LUTHERAN
411 Winter Street
(Patti Meyer, Pastor)
Saturday: Worship Service with Facebook Live, 5:30 p.m. **Sunday:** Choir, 8:30 a.m.; Learning, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Council meeting. **Monday - Wednesday:** RE-FORMATION, NE Synod Leadership Summit - Pastor out of office. **Wednesday:** Confirmation, 4:15 p.m.; M&M Bible Study, 5:30 p.m.; JSly, 5:30 p.m.; Meal, 6:30 p.m.; SLY, 7 p.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.

Winside
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN
218 Miner St.
(Alexander Blanken, pastor)
Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.; Divine Service, 10:30 a.m.; The service will also be live on Facebook at 10:30 a.m. and available any time after that. **Monday:** Voters' Meeting, 7 p.m. (note time change). **Tuesday:** Wayne Zone Fall Rally, hosted by Winside Ladies Aid, 9 a.m. **Wednesday:** Confirmation, 4 p.m. **Thursday - Friday:** Pastor in Kearney.

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.; Service of the Word, 10:30 a.m.; Second Sunday of the month, Council meeting at 9:30 a.m.; Communion during Worship Service.

UNITED METHODIST
217 Jones Street
(Neil and Bridget Gately, Pastors)
Sunday: Worship service on-site, 9 a.m.; Live Stream of Worship on Facebook, 10:55 a.m. **Wednesday:** Winside Christian Kids Club, 3:45 to 5:15 p.m. **Thursday:** Bible Study, 10 a.m.

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The Prairie Doc
By Kelly Evans-Hullinger

Now here is the greatest piece of this science story. At the time Marshall and Warren made their discovery, the worldwide scientific community was skeptical that *H. pylori* was an important factor in peptic ulcer disease. *H. pylori* did not grow in mouse or rat stomachs, so there was not a good way to study it in a traditional lab. Famously, in 1984 Marshall underwent biopsy of his own stomach, proving he did not carry the bacteria nor have any stomach disease. Then, he drank a beaker of *H. pylori* culture broth.

What followed was an acute gastric illness, and after two weeks he had another biopsy showing proven *H. pylori* infection and gastritis. He then cured himself with an antibiotic and bismuth.

After Marshall's case study was published, much further research ensued. Today, we can detect *H. pylori* in our patients with several noninvasive testing strategies, and if detected, treat them with a combination of antibiotics and acid reducing medication. Surgery to remove a portion of ulcerated stomach, commonplace prior to this discovery, is now incredibly rare in the developed world. In 2005 Marshall and Warren were awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology for their detective work.

I wonder, had Dr. Marshall not risked his own health for his experiment, would our understanding have shifted so quickly? Maybe, maybe not, but the story sure wouldn't be as captivating.

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When you pray, God will answer School Lunches

It's the lifeblood of all we do as a church. It's the foundation, where things begin and where we need to turn when things aren't going as planned. It guides us, helps us hear God's voice and direction, and refocuses our hearts and minds on the true center of why we do what we do.

But, if we are honest, most of us don't do it quite often enough. Or at least not when we probably should the most. If we did, our churches might not look the same, our community might completely shift, and God our most definitely be the center of our lives in a new way.

It's not revolutionary. It's prayer. It's talking to God and listening to this responses that will make our churches more effective for the Kingdom. Prayer will heal our families and our neighborhoods. With prayer our stress would be less, our gratefulness would explode, and our eyes and ears would be open to God's presence in our world.

What if your personal prayer life was so rich you often caught yourself praying out loud unintentionally? What if we didn't just pray before meals and meetings, but had meals and meetings that focused solely on coming together to pray? I believe, we would see God move in unexpected ways.

Now, I'll be the first to admit that I try to fix things myself before I turn to prayer. I would love to blame my earthly flesh and chalk it up to something I'll never get right this side of heaven. However, I think it's more of a discipline than we'd like



to face. A life full of prayer is a well-disciplined life. A person who turns first to their Savior in the smallest crisis and in the greatest feat is a well-practiced prayer warrior.

We have a real enemy and he doesn't want us to talk to the real God who can and will answer our prayers. Satan wants us bound and struggling. He hates to see us encouraged in the midst of trial, and he is pleased when we are sinking but trying to save ourselves. He whispers to us that we can muster up the strength to overcome from ourselves. He tells us we don't need God, or that God won't help us because we got ourselves into this mess. He lies to us. Satan lies to us. Then, when we realize we should just pray about it, he heaps shame upon us for not thinking of that in the first place. Satan is a crafty and cunning enemy, and he hates when God's people pray. And this is why prayer is the frontline of the spiritual battle for our souls.

This is why Jesus was so religious with his own prayer life. Either ear-

ly in the morning or late at night, he got away to pray. Our Savior, who was God in the flesh, prayed. For this reason, we know that none of us are above praying, and we know God listens to our prayers. By Jesus' example we also know that prayer doesn't just come naturally, because Jesus was intentional to teach his followers how to pray.

In Luke 11 Jesus' disciples ask him to teach them how to pray. He responds with a simple prayer that can be broken down into applicable bites that we too can follow as we press on to improve the discipline of prayer in our lives. There are many examples and directions for prayer in Scripture, and this one is used quite often in many different ways.

The prayer Jesus taught the disciples teaches us that our prayers should be direct and personal to God. We are also taught that when we approach God in prayer, we need to remember who he is and that he is above all. Even if we come to God with a specific request, we still seek God's good and perfect will above

our own desires.

We can absolutely ask God for things we need in our daily lives; He loves us and is our provider. Prayer is also important for confession of sin. Through our prayer lives God will reveal to us things that are not pleasing to him so that we can lay them at the foot of the cross and ask forgiveness. Through prayer, we forgive and ask for God's grace on those who have wronged us. And finally, Jesus teaches us that God will provide a way out of temptation when we are faced with it, and that we can and should ask and rely on him to do what he has promised.

This is such a simplified paraphrase of such a rich teaching, so I want to finish this letter of encouragement to you with the promise Jesus made in Luke 11 verse 9-10: "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."

We can all improve in our discipline to pray. And the first step is to start. Ask God to show you how to pray and to keep you from the lies and temptations of the enemy so that you may grow in your prayer life. Pray that he would provide you the opportunity and boldness to pray with others when you get the chance.

For he has promised, when you ask, seek, and knock, he will answer.

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

ALLEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Oct. 18 - 22)

Monday: Breakfast — Waffle. Lunch — Country fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetable, fruit offered, tea roll.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Chocolate donut. Lunch — Chicken fajita on flat bread, carrots, vegetable, fruit offered.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Sausage & biscuit. Lunch — Barbecue pork on a bun, corn, vegetable, fruit offered, Oreo fluff.

Thursday: Breakfast — Long John. Lunch — Chicken noodle soup, celery, peanut butter, vegetable, fruit offered, uncrustable.

Friday: No School. Fall break. 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 (Oct. 18 - 22)

Monday: Breakfast — Mini French toast. Lunch — Mini corn dogs.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Breakfast casserole. Lunch — Chicken strips.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Scones. Lunch — Macaroni & cheese, little smokies.

Thursday: Breakfast — Omelet, toast. Lunch — Carnita taco.

Friday: Breakfast — Muffin. Lunch — Bacon cheeseburger.

WAKEFIELD SCHOOLS (Oct. 18 - 22)

Monday: Breakfast — Frudels, pears. Lunch — Chicken noodle soup, hot ham & cheese, grapes.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Pretzels, apples. Lunch — Tacos, hash browns, dinner roll, strawberries.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Scrambled eggs, bacon, apples. Lunch — Rib sandwich, broccoli, melon, cookie.

Thursday: Breakfast — Breakfast bites, peaches. Lunch

— Oriental chicken, egg roll, mandarin oranges.

Friday: Breakfast — Loaded biscuits, bananas. Lunch — Mini corn dogs, baked 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 (Oct. 18 - 22)

Monday: Breakfast — Pancakes. Lunch — Hot dog on a bun, baked beans, carrots, pears.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Biscuits & gravy. Lunch — Creamed turkey, mashed potatoes, dinner roll, broccoli, peaches.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Pancake on a stick. Lunch — Stromboli, corn, cauliflower, mixed berries.

Thursday: Breakfast — Cheese omelet. Lunch — Wayne County beef patty on a bun, carrots, sweet potatoes, apple.

Friday: Breakfast — Breakfast pizza. Lunch — Potato Ole', refried beans, tomatoes, cran raisins.

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

WINSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Oct. 18 - 22)

Monday: Breakfast — Waffle. Lunch — Chicken nuggets, vegetable, fruit, breadstick.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Pancake, sausage bites. Lunch — Cook's choice.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Omelet. Lunch — Barbecue rib patty on bun, baked beans, fruit.

Thursday: Breakfast — Cereal. Lunch — Chili soup, vegetable, fruit, cinnamon roll.

Friday: Breakfast — Donut. Lunch — Chicken quesadilla, corn, 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.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Coat Giveaway

A Coat Giveaway was held at First Presbyterian Church on Oct. 9. Above, Nina Hammer, Nancy Rodriguez and Pastor Teresa Bartlett assisted customers during the event. (right) Misty Bear adjusts men's coats. The event was hosted by the First Presbyterian Church Deacons. The Coat Closet is open from 9 a.m. to noon, Tuesday through Friday.



Allen News

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ALLEN SENIOR CENTER

Menu:
Thursday, Oct. 14: Egg salad sandwich, corn salad, potato salad, peaches.

Friday, Oct. 15: Biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs, sausage, apple-sauce, cranberry juice.

Monday, Oct. 18: Goulash, corn, pears.

Tuesday October 19: Salmon, sweet potatoes, mixed vegetables, grapes.

Wednesday, Oct. 20: Liver or hamburger, au gratin potatoes, green beans, oranges.

Events:
Thursday, Oct. 14: FROGS; Monthly Birthday Dessert.

Friday, Oct. 15: Health Screen, 9 a.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 20: Book Club, 9 a.m.

Allen Consolidated Schools Band & Choir Puffin Sales

The seventh-12th grade band and choir students are currently holding a Puffin fundraiser to raise money for a trip to Adventureland in May 2022. Orders can be placed with any seventh-12th grade band and/or choir member. Contact Mr. Smith with questions at: dsmith@allenschools.org

FFA Annual Fruit Sales
The Allen FFA has begun their annual fruit sales.

Orders are currently being taken and will be delivered in early December. Orders can be placed with FFA members or by contacting Mr. Batenhorst at school at: jbatenhorst@allenschools.org

Weekly Events
Thursday, Oct. 14: JV/Varsity Volleyball at Wakefield, 6 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 15: End of Quarter 1: Kindergarten Field Trip to Scarecrow Pumpkin Patch and the Sioux City Railroad Museum, Depart at 8 a.m., Return at 3:20 p.m.; Varsity Football at Allen, vs. Em-

erson-Hubbard - *Senior Night*, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 16: Youth Volleyball Practice at Allen, 9 to 10:30 a.m.; Varsity Volleyball L/C Conference Tournament, TBA.

Monday, Oct. 18: ACT Prep for sophomores during third period with Mrs. Moeller; Varsity Volleyball L&C Conference Tournament, TBA.

Tuesday, Oct. 19: Career Day for Sophomores at WSC, Return by 3 p.m.; Varsity Volleyball L&C Conference Tournament, TBA.

Wednesday, Oct. 20: Annual Staff meeting in Mrs. Roeber's Room, 7:15 a.m.; ACT Prep for sophomores during third period with Mr. Sayaloune OR during seventh period with Mrs. Levine; Picture Re-take Day, 8 a.m.

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Members of the Winside FCCLA and Human Relations class are currently conducting a supply drive in observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Winside FCCLA hosting supply drive

October is Domestic Violence Awareness month. To shed light on the subject, Winside's FCCLA and Human Relationships class have teamed up again to host a supply drive competition.

are competing against each other to see which grade can bring the most supplies. These supplies will be going to Haven House and Bright Horizons.

The class that wins the competition will get a Halloween dessert party. The goal for this drive is 1,000 supplies. The past two years the group has been able to meet this goal.

Grades preschool through 12th

will get a Halloween dessert

party. All donations are due by Wednesday, Oct. 27 and the winning class will get their dessert party on Oct. 29.

"We hope to be able to reach our goal again this year to help the people and families in our community and the communities that surround us," said Cali Heikes, Family and Consumer Sciences Teacher.

"We continue to learn how the best community colleges improve outcomes for students and close persistent race- and income-based equity gaps," said Josh Wyner, executive director of the College Excellence Program. "This year's fellows have demonstrated their commitment to achieving excellent and equitable student outcomes, and we are eager to work with them as they join Aspen's network of more than 100 fellows who serve as community college presidents."

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Barrett selected for Fellowship

The Aspen Institute College Excellence Program has announced that Leah Barrett, president of Northeast Community College, is one of 25 leaders selected for the 2021-22 class of the Aspen New Presidents Fellowship.

The program supports community college presidents in the early years of their tenure as they aim to achieve higher and more equitable levels of student success. The Fellowship's philanthropic partner is JPMorgan Chase.

The 25 Aspen Fellows, who lead colleges that collectively serve more than 260,000 students, were selected through a highly competitive process. Beginning later this year, the Fellows will engage over nine months in residential sessions and virtual learning to develop strategies to meet their goals for student success and equity with data to assess challenges and progress.

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leaders to explore student success strategies and develop institution-specific plans to make transformational changes that support our students and the region that we serve."

As community colleges grapple with the impact of COVID-19 and enrollment declines, turnover among presidents remains high. Aspen is committed to helping prepare the next generation of exceptionally capable and highly diverse leaders through its fellowship programs for new and rising presidents. The new class of Aspen Presidential Fellows is 56% female, and 60% are people of color. Located in 18 states, their institutions too are diverse, from a tribal college with fewer than 500 students to an urban college that

educates more than 35,000 each year.

"Community colleges play a critical role in helping to prepare young adults and incumbent workers for in-demand jobs of the future," said Monique Baptiste, vice president and head of jobs & skills for global philanthropy at JPMorgan Chase. "Ensuring that the leaders of these institutions are equipped with the support and training they need to develop equitable student success is an integral part of building capacity over the long-run. JPMorgan Chase is proud to partner with the Aspen Institute to build the next generation of exceptional college leaders as they work to advance the prosperity of the diverse communities and students they serve."

JPMorgan Chase's philanthropic support for the Aspen Presidential Fellowship is part of the firm's New Skills at Work initiative to prepare young people for the future of work and meet the growing demand for skilled workers, and the \$30 billion commitment to advance racial equity and drive an inclusive economy.

The Aspen Institute is a global nonprofit organization committed to realizing a free, just, and equitable society. Founded in 1949, the Institute drives change through dialogue, leadership, and action to help solve the most important challenges facing the United States and the world. Headquartered in Washington, DC, the Institute has a campus in Aspen, Colo., and an international network of partners.

Local McDonald's owner-operators commemorate anniversary with donation drive

Local McDonald's owner-operators of Nebraska, the Leonard Management Group, are celebrating the 30th anniversary of their family-owned restaurant group and its continued support of RMHC through a monthlong donation drive.

Throughout the month of October, any customer can bring in a requested item to donate to RMHC to receive a special gift from Leonard Management as a token of appreciation. There is no limit to the number of donations a guest can bring, but only one gift can be rewarded per person each day. Accepted donations include trash bags, facial tissues, laundry detergent and more. The full list of requested items can be found at: remote.troz-zolo.com.

Leonard Management opened their doors in 1991 with their first store in Missouri Valley, Iowa, and now owns and operates 32 McDonald's restaurants across Nebraska, South Dakota, Iowa and Minnesota.

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This includes the McDonald's location in Wayne.

"Ronald McDonald House Charities is an incredible organization that we are proud to support," said local McDonald's owner-operator Steve Leonard. "In celebration of our 30th anniversary, we are excited to partner with RMHC to raise awareness and essential items for their families. It's a rewarding way for us to celebrate our own milestone with a great cause."

Guests can take part in the 30th anniversary celebration by bringing needed items to a crew member at the front counter of any Leonard Management McDonald's location in Nebraska, South Dakota, Iowa or Minnesota. Any gift that meets the designated criteria will be rewarded with a gift from Leonard Management. All donations will benefit the families staying at RMHC while their sick children receive care

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Mushrooms — Fall's fungi

This is the time of year when fungi become the topic of conversation. What most people find alarming is the speed with which conks, mushrooms, and puffballs develop. In some cases, it is literally overnight.

What is visible are the sporulating structures—the part of fungi that produces the next generation. A good way to think of this is plants make seeds to produce the next generation, fungi produce spores. These spore-producing structures are varied and fascinating, and most people who ask about them are wanting to eat them.

Perhaps it is the tastiness of morels that have people wondering if other fungi taste as good. As mycologist and Master Gardener Dr. Tom likes to say, "There is no antidote when a poisonous mushroom is eaten. The sum of what medical staff can do is to treat the symptoms and hope you survive." This is a sobering thought indeed when contemplating eating something found in the landscape and emphasizes the need to identify anything before it is eaten.

Mycologists use several characteristics of fungi to identify them. First, the outward appearance is analyzed as to shape, color, and size. This alone is not necessarily enough to ID mushrooms; in which case a spore print is necessary. Spore prints are created by laying a mushroom's cap, gill side down, on a sheet of white paper. (Dark paper is used for spores ex-

pected to be white.) A bowl is inverted over everything to keep out drafts and then left in place overnight. The next day the bowl and mushroom is removed to reveal the color and pattern the spores have left on the paper. When coupled with the physical characteristics of an unidentified mushroom, a spore pattern is an excellent tool for identification.

Most fungi are saprophytic, meaning they take in their nutritional needs by decomposing dead organic matter such as leaf litter and wood. Saprophytes are important nutrient recyclers in an ecosystem and keep us from being buried up to our chins in organic material. Some fungi are plant pathogens, killing the plant they are growing in and on. Still others are beneficial to trees (known as mycorrhizae), extending a tree's root system to aid in water and nutrient uptake in return for sugars produced by the tree.

When submitting fungi for identification to your local Extension Office, place them in a paper bag and leave them unrefrigerated until they are dropped off. Plastic bags and chilling speed the decay process, making identification more difficult. Wear gloves to protect your hands or wash hands soon after collection is completed.

A good source for more information about mushrooms is found here: https://www.fs.fed.us/nrs/pubs/gtr/gtr_nrs79.pdf.

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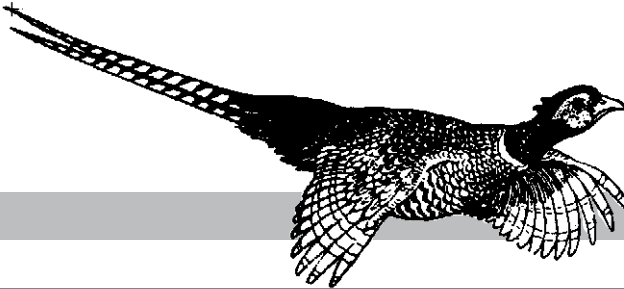
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Sharing lessons from 'Tuesdays With Morrie'

It does feel like Fall! For sure. I heard the furnace click on during the night, and the temperature here in Lincoln was in the 40s! So far, it looks like very good weather for harvest. I do understand there is rain in tonight's forecast, and an inch would go a long way to settle the dust.

I confess I'm a book lover; you probably knew that. And for years, I collected them. The two bookshelves in my bedroom are full, there are some in the shelves in the living room, and I know there are some boxes in the store room that still have books in them.

I did do a purge last winter. Someone on the NeighborWorks site was looking for used books, and I immediately called her. I think she got half a dozen boxes by the time I was through. And I still have too many.

But the ones I've kept now are the ones I don't think I can do without. The Mitford series, for instance. Every once in a while I have to renew acquaintance with Father Tim. I think I've read the first five about five times. Also, all the books



The Farmer's Wife
By: Pat Meierhenry

by Bess Streeter Aldrich. I indulge in them again and again, also.

And, I confess, I have a shelf full of the Chicken Soup books. Since they are composed of short chapters, they are easy to pick up and digest a few stories whenever the mood strikes.

Sunday eve, after watching Call the Midwife, I pulled out Tuesdays With Morrie. I read it many years ago; it was published in 1997, and thought I could use a refresher. It's a short read, but FULL of wisdom. Some of you may know the story; Mitch Albom, a sports writer for the Detroit paper, sees a former professor from his college days on TV, on Nightline with Ted Koppel.

The prof, Morrie Schwartz, now has ALS, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, Lou Gehrig's disease. It slowly robs us of neuromuscular function, while the brain and intellect stay intact. It's terminal. There are ways to postpone death; Steven Hawking showed us that. He utilized breathing assistance, feeding tubes, and a computer that responded to his eyes and head tilts. Most folks choose not to go that route.

Anyway, Mitch calls and arranges to visit, on a Tuesday, and he keeps going back, because Morrie is teaching his last class; how to die. As I reread, I found all kinds of lines I had underlined. I'm going

to share a few today. By the way, Morrie had not learned these things because of his diagnosis; he had always known them. This was just a good way to share them.

For instance; Love each other or perish. Without love, we are birds with broken wings. And, There is no experience like having children. If you've found meaning in your life, you don't want to go back. You want to go forward. If you're always battling against getting older, you're always going to be unhappy, because it will happen anyhow.

Do you see what I mean? Here are a couple more. You can't substitute money or material things for love or for gentleness or for tenderness or for a sense of comradeship. And finally, devote yourself to loving others, devote yourself to your community around you, and devote yourself to creating something that gives you purpose and meaning. Important advice, and available just for reading a book. A good one! I highly recommend it. And it went back into my bookshelf.

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Fall pasture management discussed

By Ben Beckman, Extension Educator

While truly cold weather may still be a few weeks away, how we manage fall pastures can impact plant health through the winter and ultimately production next spring. Are you giving your pastures proper care this fall?

As temperatures cool, plants that overwinter are working on building up reserves before they become dormant. Cool season species like brome, wheatgrass, bluegrass and fescue will often produce a flush of fall growth if moisture is available. Since this flush stays in a vegeta-

teated state, quality can be high. For plants that have been stressed by high temperatures and drought this summer, grazing now can actually deplete energy reserves going into the winter. This may result in decreased productivity and in-

creased weed pressure next spring. Stockpiling this growth for use after the plant is dormant this winter may be a better option. This maximizes productivity this fall while still maintaining forage quality, albeit a bit lower than if grazed fresh.

For many of our native warm season species, their annual growth is wrapping up. While grazing these plants now won't have as big of impact as actively growing cool season species, they too can be stressed by overgrazing in the fall. Pastures that are grazed in the fall this year should be given a break next year during critical growing periods in early summer if possible to rejuvenate plant vigor.

In mixed pasture where cool season species are invasive, there may be opportunity to control or reduce these grasses with grazing. Animals grazing these pastures will graze the new growth harder, with limited utilization of more mature warm season species. Keep a close eye on grazing progress and pull animals once the cool season species have been used and animals begin selecting warm season grasses. Follow this with more targeted cool season grazing next spring to weaken the unwanted plants and open the door for warm season grasses to fill in.

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Higher loan limit now available for USDA Guaranteed Farm Loans

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has announced a higher loan limit will be available for borrowers seeking a guaranteed farm loan starting Oct. 1, 2021, from \$1.776 million to \$1.825 million.

"Farm loans are critical for our customers' annual operating and family living expenses, emergency needs, and cash flow," FSA Administrator Zach Ducheneaux said. "Raising the guaranteed loan limit will allow FSA to better meet the financial needs of producers as natural disasters and the pandemic continue to impact their operations."

FSA farm loans offer access to funding for a wide range of producer needs, from securing land to financing the purchase of equipment. Guaranteed loans are financed and serviced by commercial lenders. FSA provides up to a 95 percent guarantee against possible financial loss of principal and interest. Guaranteed loans can be used for both farm ownership and operating purposes.

In fiscal year 2021, FSA saw continued strong demand for guaranteed loans. FSA obligated more

than \$3.4 billion in guaranteed farm ownership and operating loans. This includes nearly \$1.2 billion for beginning farmers. The number of guaranteed borrowers has grown by 10 percent to more than 38,750 farmers and ranchers over the last decade. FSA expects the increasing demand for farm loans to continue into fiscal year 2022.

Disaster Set-Aside Extension
USDA has additional support available to producers given the recent outbreaks of the COVID-19 Delta variant and has extended the availability of COVID-19 Disaster Set-Aside (DSA) for installments due through Jan. 31, 2022. In addition, FSA will permit a second DSA for COVID-19 and a second DSA for natural disasters for those who had an initial COVID-19 DSA. Requests for a COVID-19 DSA or a second DSA must be received no later than May 1, 2022.

Last year, FSA broadened the use of the DSA. Normally used in the wake of natural disasters, the DSA can now allow farmers with USDA farm loans who are affected by COVID-19 and determined to be eligible, to have their next payment

set aside. The set-aside payment's due date is moved to the final maturity date of the loan or extended up to twelve months in the case of an annual operating loan. Any principal set-aside will continue to accrue interest until it is repaid. This will improve the borrower's cashflow in the current production cycle.

More Information
Producers can explore available options on all FSA loan options at fsa.usda.gov or by contacting their local USDA Service Center. Service Center staff continue to work with agricultural producers via phone, email and other digital tools. Because of the pandemic, some USDA Service Centers are open to limited visitors. Contact your Service Center to set up an in-person or phone appointment. Additionally, more information related to USDA's response and relief for producers can be found at farmers.gov/coronavirus.

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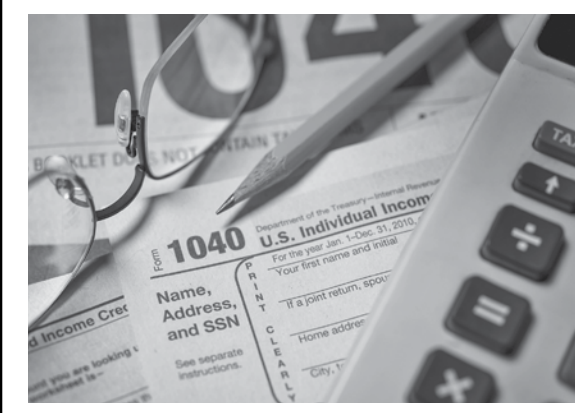
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By Jacqui Fatka

The pandemic exposed a number of weaknesses in the food supply chain, including a lack of additional cold storage and financing challenges for entities looking to expand. As part of its ongoing use of \$4 billion of funds made available under the American Rescue Plan, Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack unveiled plans for \$100 million in funding for loan guarantees to leverage hundreds of millions more in lending through community and private sector lenders to expand meat and poultry processing capacity and finance other food supply chain infrastructure.

The loan guarantees are not solely focused on the meat side, but rather will help to start-up or expand entities in the food supply chain that aggregate, process, manufacture, wholesale or distribute food; address supply

chain bottlenecks; and increase the resiliency of the food supply chain. This initiative will support key supply chain infrastructure investments to expand and scale existing capacity, as well as support long-term investments in new operations.

"We thought that it was necessary to establish yet another other way of helping and strengthening the supply chain and making sure that we were doing everything we can to link producers to customers as efficiently as possible," Vilsack says.

As producer groups or cooperatives brand or market a product, sometimes bankers may not be willing to provide the credit for those loans if they're not as familiar with the risks associated with the facilities. "We are confident that these 100 million dollars could be leveraged multiple times," he adds, as the money is paid back can again be recirculated for new loans that will be

available to free up the credit to enable this middle to be strengthened.

"This is another meaningful step in our efforts to act on lessons from COVID-19 to build a food system that is fair, competitive, distributed and resilient where a greater share of the food dollar goes to those growing, harvesting, processing and preparing our food," Vilsack said in a statement.

This new commitment of \$100 million for loan guarantees is on top of the previously announced \$500 million investment to expand meat and poultry processing capacity made earlier this summer. In updating progress on that investment, over 500 comments offered insight on how to best target those funds. Vilsack anticipates USDA releasing its framework at the end of the year, with grants and proposals submitted in the first quarter of 2022.

USDA also recently announced \$55

million in grants for small and very small processing facilities and an additional \$100 million for overtime fees experienced during the pandemic at these facilities.

"We're going to continue to press forward on all of these issues because we think it will have an effect in improving farmer income which is important, and also making sure that consumers are getting a fair price at the checkout counter. That's the goal," says Vilsack.

USDA is hosting a lender training webinar on Oct. 14 to inform rural lenders, community development financial institutions, food sector lenders and community lenders about how they can become approved to participate in this program. In addition, USDA is planning a forum for financing entities aligned with the announcement of the eligibility and application requirements.

COVID lessons offer hope for ASF vaccine sooner

By Jacqui Fatka,
National Hog Farmer

Tim Bettington, Zoetis executive vice president and president U.S. operations, shared at a recent Agribusiness Council of Kansas City and Agri-Pulse joint Ag Outlook Forum that although ASF has been in Europe for many years, there remains no effective solution or quick fix for containing and preventing further spread.

It could take up to three more years to find an active solution in the form of a vaccine through normal approval channels. However, based on recent precedence seen in the approval of COVID vaccines, Bettington says an emergency use vaccine could significantly shorten that timeline by working with the industry and through partnerships with the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility.

Bettington adds that the United States has put in place an effective preparation plan over the last year plus, whereas many in Europe and China were caught by surprise. "If it does hit the ground, I think we'll be the most prepared," he says. "It won't be the perfect response, but we'll be relatively well-prepared."

While speaking to the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture, Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack adds there is good news recently in terms of the possibility of



a vaccine that might work against the Asian variety of ASF.

"We want to continue that research," Vilsack says, with hopes of accelerating to find that "secret sauce" to create a vaccine and then creating enough capacity to "be able to respond quickly and effectively with a vaccine."

Protection zones
Another important component of preserving the United States' pork industry is establishing the regional nature of ASF if it were to be found in one region, to limit the impacts of trade closures, Vilsack says.

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service submitted a dossier to the World Organization for Animal Health or OIE detailing the actions taken to finalize a new ASF protection zone in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. This is the first foreign animal disease protection zone established by the United States.

In order to declare a protection zone, the OIE requires the declaring country to address the measures being implemented to prevent the introduction or spread of disease within the zone, including the implementation of biosecurity and sanitary measures within the zone, as well as intensified movement control and surveillance. In its submission to the OIE,

Additionally, the dossier included

information about the recent Federal Order suspending the interstate movement of all live swine, swine germplasm, swine products and swine byproducts from Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands to the mainland United States until APHIS can establish sufficient mitigations to authorize such movement.

Vilsack says actions taken by the U.S. to establish protective zones helps reassure to our trading partners that at this point in time, we're doing everything possible to ensure that it doesn't get into the U.S. and offer additional assurances on the safety of continued pork trade.

"From a trade perspective, we will continue to underscore the importance to our international trading partners to understand and appreciate the regional nature of particular diseases in particular challenges, rather than basically having a one-size-fits-all blanket approach that if a problem occurs in one part of the country or one part of a region that it impacts and affects a ban on the entire region, when in fact it's not necessarily impacting 90% of the region," Vilsack says. "We're really trying to convey a sense that if there's a problem in terms of banning or in terms of limiting exports, you're limited to the area that is most directly affected."

It's National Pork Month – Join USDA for a webinar series highlighting market reports and pork industry data

October is National Pork Month! America's pork producers play a major role in feeding the world, and this month we honor their hard work and dedication to providing high quality products to consumers. Collectively, they generate 13% of the world's pork supply, making the United States the world's third largest producer and consumer of pork products.

To celebrate National Pork Month, USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is inviting pork producers, processors and anyone interested in the U.S. pork supply chain to participate in a series of educational webinars about USDA's Livestock Mandatory Reporting (LMR) program. The free webinars will take place on Oct. 19, and 26, 2021, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Central Standard Time. For details and to register, visit the Fall 2021 Pork Industry Webinar

Series webpage. LMR began 20 years ago for hogs—and in 2013 for wholesale pork—to meet the industry's need for expanded, publicly accessible, and easy to use data that enhances market transparency and aids in price discovery across the supply chain. With representatives and industry experts from USDA Market News, USDA Packers and Stockyards Division, USDA National Agricultural

Statistics Service, CME Group, and the National Pork Producers Council, along with industry economists and pork producers, the upcoming webinars will introduce participants to the concepts and components of LMR, how to access LMR and other pork industry data available from USDA, and seeks to empower pork producers and other interested stakeholders to use these valuable resources to their full-

est potential. AMS also has user's guides available for the LMR Hog Price Reports (PDF, 815 KB) and LMR Pork Reports (PDF, 349 KB), along with one for the Pork Carcass Cutout (PDF, 1.2 MB), to help support the industry's understanding of the marketplace and the roles that producers, processors and USDA play in bringing high quality American pork to market.



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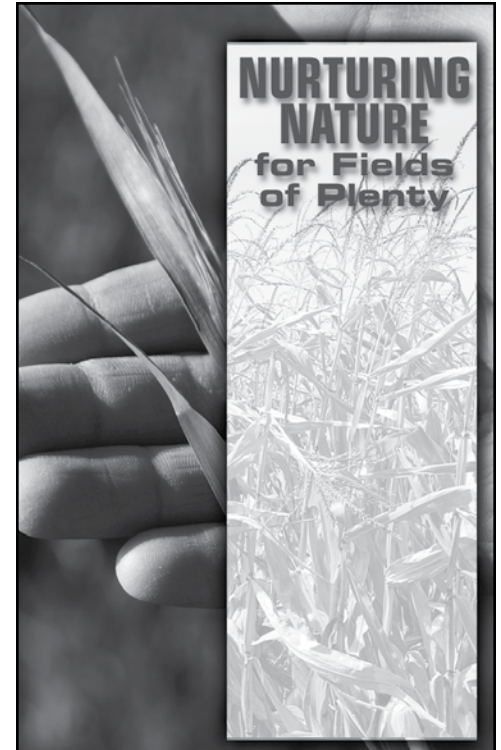
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- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
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- 8 whole wheat tortillas (small)
- 3/4 cup shredded Mexican cheese blend

Heat oven to 400°F. Heat large non-stick skillet over medium heat. Add ground pork and crumbled, cooking 8-10 minutes. Season with salt and pepper. Stir in chili seasoning, beans, and corn. Cook about 4 minutes until heated through.

Spray baking sheet with cooking spray. Arrange 4 tortillas on baking sheet. Top half of each tortilla with ground pork mixture. Sprinkle with cheese. Fold tortilla in half. Spray top of tortilla with cooking spray. Bake for 11-13 minutes or until quesadillas are lightly browned and edges are crisp.



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USDA commits \$500 million for ASF prevention

The National Pork Producers Council today commended Agriculture Secretary Vilsack for dedicating \$500 million in USDA Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) funds for prevention of and preparation for African swine fever (ASF), a pig-only disease that would be devastating for the U.S. pork industry.

The CCC, a wholly owned government corporation created in 1933, implements specific agricultural programs established by Congress and carries out activities under the CCC Charter Act.

"NPPC thanks Sec. Vilsack for providing additional funding for federal efforts to protect America's 60,000-plus pork producers from this devastating disease," said NPPC President Jen Sorenson. "The United States remains free of ASF, and the U.S. pork industry for the past several years has been doing everything it can to maintain that status. These funds will help that effort."

"To paraphrase then-Vice President Biden, this is a big freakin' deal," said Bob Acord, an NPPC consultant and former administrator of USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS). "This is unprecedented-

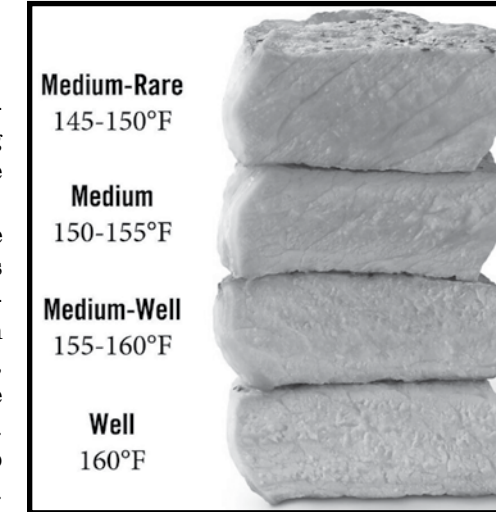
ed both in terms of the amount dedicated to one animal disease and of getting the funds upfront, before we have the disease in the U.S."

ASF, which is not a threat to people but is highly contagious among hogs and has a nearly 100 percent mortality rate, recently was detected in the Dominican Republic and in Haiti, the first time in 40 years the disease has been in the Western Hemisphere. APHIS immediately took steps to stop the spread of the disease to the U.S. mainland and to the U.S. territories of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Ever since ASF began spreading through Asia in 2018, NPPC has been urging Congress and USDA to prepare for the disease, asking for, among other things, funds for additional U.S. agricultural inspectors, more staff for USDA's Veterinary Services, funds for APHIS's Veterinary Stockpile for equipment to euthanize hogs and additional washout facilities for trucks that transport livestock.

For its part, NPPC has been educating U.S. pork producers about precautions to protect the U.S. swine herd, including using caution when hosting on-farm visitors from ASF-positive regions of the world, reviewing biosecurity protocols to ensure consistent practice of appropriate safeguards and discussing with feed suppliers the origin of ingredients they use in hog feed formulas. "ASF is a serious disease, with serious consequences for pork producers," Sorenson said. "We're pleased USDA recognizes the severity of this threat and is dedicating a lot of resources to deal with it and to protect the nation's pork producers."

NPPC is the global voice for the U.S. pork industry, protecting the livelihoods of America's 60,000 pork producers, who abide by ethical principles in caring for their animals, in protecting the environment and public health and in providing safe, wholesome, nutritious pork products to consumers worldwide. For more information, visit www.nppc.org.



Cooking temperature of pork explained

Finding the correct pork cooking temperature is the final step in plating a perfectly juicy, tender cut of meat. Pork today is very lean, making it important to not overcook and follow the recommended pork cooking temperature. The safe internal pork cooking temperature for fresh cuts is 145° F. To check doneness properly, use a digital cooking thermometer.

Fresh cut muscle meats such as pork chops, pork roasts, pork loin, and tenderloin should measure 145° F, ensuring the maximum amount of flavor. Ground pork should always be cooked to 160° F. Doneness for some pork cuts, such as small cuts that are difficult to test with a thermometer or large cuts that cook slowly at low temperatures, is designated as "tender." Pre-cooked ham can be reheated to 140° F or even enjoyed cold, while fresh ham should be cooked to 145° F.

Following these pork cooking temperature guidelines will not only result in a safe eating experience but also preserve the quality of your meat for a juicy, tender, delicious meal.

Using a meat thermometer is the best way to test for doneness, ensuring both a safe and delicious eating experience.

NPPA: Celebrating 60 Years of Serving Nebraska's Pork Industry

This year the Nebraska Pork Producers Association (NPPA) will reach a milestone worth mentioning. In 2021, NPPA will be celebrating 60 years as an organization dedicated to serving Nebraska's pork industry.

The first recorded minutes of the

and leadership program designed to allow participants to explore career paths within the pork industry and to help them grow into a strong advocate for agriculture and the pork industry.

The Pork Leadership Program was developed in 2015 to build awareness, interest, and involvement in the pork industry at the state level. Participants develop their skills as leaders and will naturally emerge as the next wave of active and engaged members of our committees and board of directors—preparing tomorrow's leaders today.

In 2018 NPPA pledged \$100,000 over a five-year period to the Northeast Community College Agriculture and Water Center of Excellence facility in Norfolk. The NPPA board agreed there was a need for a modern facility that will educate future pork industry professionals with hands-on experience and problem-solving skills. Past President Russ Vering of Howells is co-chair on this project.

A Look Back At:	1961	2021
Live weight price	\$14.50/cwt	\$55.00/cwt
Market weight	210 lbs	310 lbs
Backfat	> 1-1/2 inch	< 3/4 inch
Feed conversion ratio	5.0 lbs	2.0 lbs
Sow litter	8 piglets	16 piglets
Hogs marketed, head	3.5 million	8.5 million
Bacon price in store	\$0.60/lb	\$6.99/lb
Total pork exports	< 2%	> 30%
Corn price	\$1.15/bu	\$4.20/bu
Corn yield	52 bu/ac	200 bu/ac
Land price	\$400/ac	\$6,600/ac
Average size of farm	550 ac	1,000 ac
New pickup truck	\$2,200	\$70,000
New row crop tractor	\$5,500	\$300,000
Minimum wage	\$1.15/hr	\$9.00/hr
World population	3.1 billion	7.7 billion

Nebraska Swine Council were of a meeting that took place at Prenger's Café in Norfolk on May 1, 1961. By 1966 the organization had grown to 800 members. Nebraska had the largest state delegation at the "Moline 90" meeting in May 1966. At that time, Nebraska as well as producers from Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, North Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, and Wisconsin established a voluntary checkoff.

Nebraska's swine industry was changing. So, to meet the needs of its members, the Swine Council changed, too. Shortly after that first meeting in Norfolk, the council wanted to broaden its interests to represent agencies that regulate livestock operations. Therefore, the bylaws adopted by the council in 1962 included promotion of pork, genetic improvement, and the establishment of a voice in the Nebraska Legislature.

In 1969 the organization changed its name to the NPPA to increase the efforts of the swine industry in upgrading the image and quality of pork to meet consumer demands. Also at that time, NPPA was one of the largest commodity groups in Nebraska with 2,000 members and growing.

Education needs to change over the years. So did NPPA and the educational programs it provided.

The Pork Industry Mentorship Program was developed in 1999 to provide college students an educational

NPPA keeps active at the State Capitol, too. On the last day of Nebraska's reconvened 2020 legislative session, lawmakers approved LB1107, a bill to provide state income tax relief to help offset local school property taxes paid, as well as to make adjustments to Nebraska's business incentive programs. As our Executive Director Al Juhnke says, "It is important that NPPA be 'at the table' when issues affecting our farm families are discussed." I could not agree more and am proud of our team's public policy work at federal, state and local government levels.

What is the future for the Nebraska's Pork Industry? Pork is the most consumed protein in the world and I believe that will continue into the

future. There will be an increased need for pork production and Nebraska is poised to take full advantage of that. We have abundant resources, such as water, land, feed ingredients, packer availability and infrastructure. We also have producers who want to grow their operations and to be able to bring back home the next generation.

There will be plenty of challenges. Exports will play a large part. Antibiotic use, sustainability, and traceability will be even more important. The end goal is to position our product so that consumers think "pork" when making their protein choice.

If we are willing to accept the future and the challenges it holds, Nebraska's pork industry will thrive. What is considered cutting edge or even a bit controversial today will be considered normal tomorrow and into the future. Look back over the last 60 years – the changes, technological advances, etc. – the next 60 years will be no different. The NPPA has positioned itself to be there to represent the swine industry in Nebraska as we move forward.

Dave Harrington of St. Paul was the NPPA president when the Association celebrated its 50th Anniversary; he is

quoted as saying, "we know that how we do business will continue to change, but if we make the right changes and continue to produce a product that people enjoy, there will always be a market for the product we produce." That statement was true then, is true today, and will still be true in the future.

Please welcome Shana Beattie of Sumner as your president and Jared Lierman from Beemer as your president-elect for 2021. Shana and Jared will bring experience, enthusiasm, and heart to the board; they will represent you and the industry well.

In closing, I want to say that it was a true honor to serve as your president. There is no question that 2020 has been a crazy, challenging, and difficult year for our producers as well as our allied industries – a year that I hope will never be repeated. Throughout it all, I appreciated the advice and guidance provided by our producers and our NPPA board. I would also like to say Thank You to our staff: Al, Dee, Jane, and Sandra. I appreciate the wealth of experience each of you bring to our organization.

I believe Nebraska will have a great future!

John Csukker, NPPA President

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Key Nutrients in Pork

Percent of daily value provided by pork based on a 3-ounce serving

Reference: USDA, Agriculture Research Service.

Iron - 5 %

Iron is a mineral we need for growth and development. Our body uses it to make hemoglobin, which is a protein in red blood cells that carries oxygen from the lungs throughout the body,

and myoglobin, a protein that provides oxygen to muscles. Your body also uses iron in hormone production. Iron in food comes in two forms: heme iron and nonheme iron. Meat like pork, seafood, and poultry have both heme and non-heme iron.

Magnesium - 6%

Important for the normal function of many enzymes (catalysts for the body's chemical reactors), glucose and muscle action.

Niacin - 37%

Important for the normal function of many enzymes in the body and involved in the metabolism of sugars and fatty acids.

Phosphorous - 20%

Strengthens bones and generates energy in cells.

Potassium - 11%

This mineral, also known as an electrolyte, plays a major role in water balance and helps maintain normal blood pressure. This is considered a nutrient of public health concern.

Riboflavin - 19%

Next to milk, few foods have as much riboflavin per serving as pork. Riboflavin has an important role in the release of energy from foods.

Thiamin - 54%

Without this key vitamin, metabolism of carbohydrates, protein, and fat would be significantly compromised.

Animal protein is one of the best sources of this nutrient, and among the choices, pork is tops.

Vitamin B6 - 37%

Important for the normal function of enzymes and co-enzymes, which are needed to metabolize protein, carbohy-

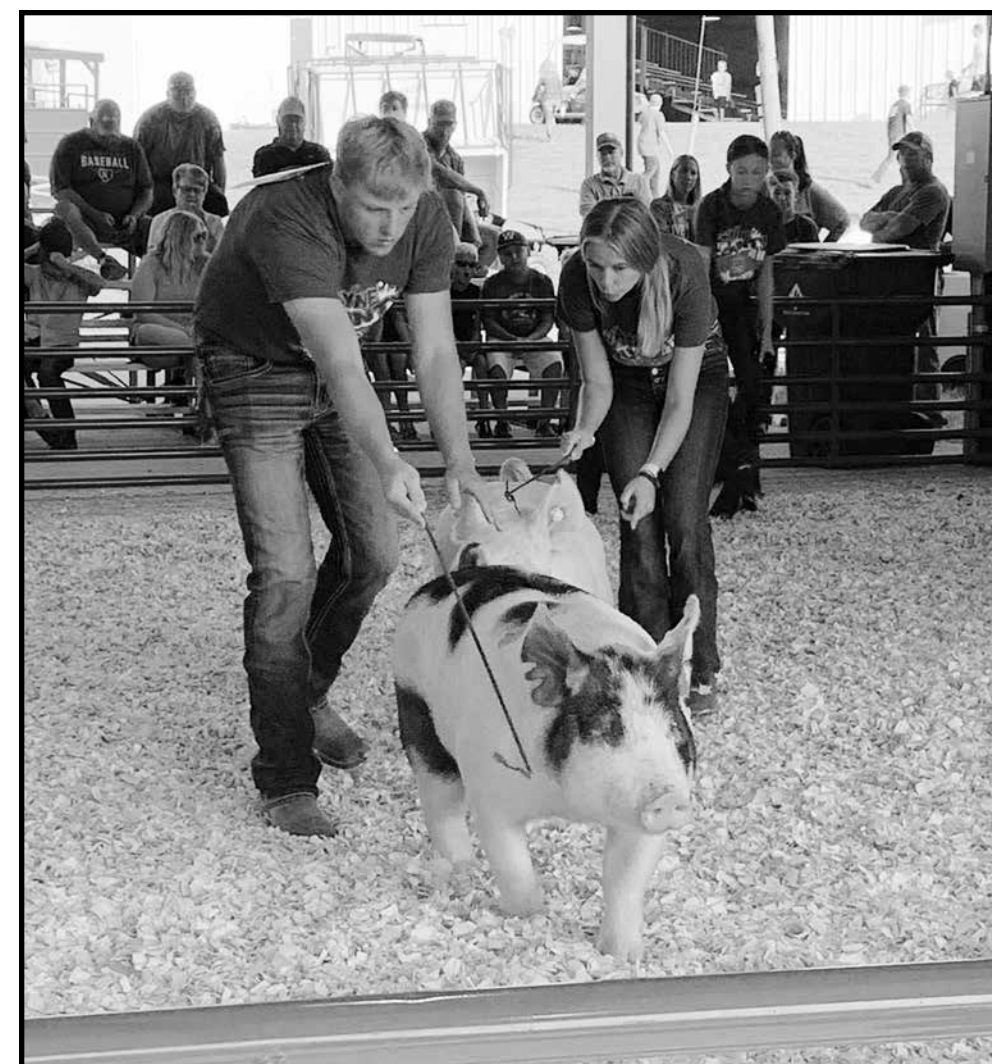
drates, and fats. Plus, it plays a critical role in the regulation of glycogen (stored carbohydrates) metabolism.

Vitamin B12 - 8%

Helps build red blood cells and metabolize carbohydrates and fats.

Zinc - 14%

A component of more than 70 enzymes, zinc is a key player in energy metabolism and the immune system.



This little piggy went to the fair

Colton Vovos and Peyton French try to get their swine entries to cooperate during the 2021 Wayne County Fair Swine Show. This year's event was held without the restrictions that were necessary in 2020.

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Facts shared about the pork checkoff

The U.S. pork industry has had a 100 percent legislative checkoff program since 1986. Congress created the Pork Checkoff as part of The Pork Promotion, Research and Consumer Information Act of 1985. Pork producers had requested the legislation so they could take advantage of having all producers and importers participate in a checkoff program designed to strengthen the position of pork in the marketplace.

What is the Pork Checkoff rate?

U.S. pork producers and importers pay \$0.40 per \$100 of value when pigs are sold and when pigs or pork products are brought into the United States.

When is the Pork Checkoff assessed?

Feeder pigs, market hogs and seedstock are the means by which producers are assessed. For example, a feeder pig producer is assessed when the pig is sold for the first time. If the animal is sold as a feeder pig a second time, there is no assessment. However, an assessment is collected on the sale of the pig when the animal is sold as a market hog. The same producer is never assessed twice for the same animal.

Who is responsible for collecting the funds?

Pig marketers, including packers and dealers, are responsible for collecting assessments, except in the cases of seedstock and farm-to-farm sales, which are also covered under the law. In the case of seedstock, the seller or breeder is required to remit funds in farm-to-farm sales. It is common for feeder pig producers who have numerous producer customers to remit the checkoff as a convenience to their customers.

Is it possible to get a refund of the assessment?

No. The Pork Checkoff is a national program designed so all pork producers and importers participate in the program and its benefits.

How are the producer's interests represented?

Annually, the nation's pork producers elect fellow producers to represent their state in the Pork Act Delegate Body. States are represented in proportion to their level of hog production. Each state is eligible to have at least two representatives.

The delegates meet during the annual Pork Industry Forum, typically in early March, to determine the recommended rate of assessment and the amount of funds returned to states. The law requires that each state pork producer association receive a minimum of 16.5 percent of assessments generated in that state. The current rate of return to each state varies from 16.5 to 39 percent, according to the three-year average number of hogs marked in the state.

Who administers and decides how the money is spent?

The 15 elected members of the National Pork Board and the Pork Checkoff staff are responsible for the collection, distribution and program accountability of the Pork Checkoff. Those nominated to serve on the National Pork Board are appointed for three-year terms by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture.

Where does the Pork Checkoff money go?

Collections and reports are remitted monthly to the National Pork Board. These reports must state the number of hogs marketed, the gross value, the amount of assessments made and the state of origin of the marketed animals. By federal law, this information is confidential. Only figures generated from multiple or statewide data can be made public.

Failure to comply with these collection requirements can result in fines of up to \$1,000 for each unreported sale and the payment of 1.5 percent interest per month on late payments.

How is the National Pork Checkoff used?

The National Pork Board executes specific programs in the areas of promotion, research and education. No funds may be used for lobbying or to influence government policy.

Promotion

Checkoff-funded promotions are designed to increase domestic pork sales through consumer, retail and food service outreach. Foreign promotions for U.S. pork funded by the Pork Checkoff have helped to move the U.S. from a net importer to a net exporter of pork.

Research

Checkoff-funded research is administered in all areas of pork production, processing and human nutrition to develop a higher quality and more profitable product in the competitive meat protein market.

Research funds are invested in animal welfare, environmental and production studies that help producers meet the challenges of responsible pork production. Checkoff funds are also used to find new pork products for our growing consumer base.

Producer Education

Access to the latest technologies and information is often the key to a producer's ability to be competitive. Checkoff-funded seminars, workshops,

videos, digital tools and other instructional materials are available to all producers. Topics range from employee management to producer issues to genetics.

Consumer Education

Food editors, chefs, journalists and other food trend influencers in the U.S. receive pork industry information on a regular basis. Checkoff funds also make information about how pork fits into a healthy diet available to health professionals, registered dietitians, teachers and others.

Happy Pork-tober!

October is National Pork Month and it's a great time to celebrate all things pork!

October became known as Pork Month because it marked the time of year when hogs were traditionally sent to market (and finished curing by April, which is why ham is a traditional food at Easter).

Today, pork is available year-round, so October has become a time for celebration — to thank pork producers and share their stories so others will come to love pork as much as they do.

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The scholarship is named for Larry E. Sitzman, who retired in 2016 as Executive Director of the Nebraska Pork Producers Association. Sitzman learned patriotism, service to our country, and respect for our leaders from his parents. While in high school, he heard John F. Kennedy's inaugural address, in which he said, "Ask not

what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." This address increased his desire to serve.

Agriculture has always been his passion. Throughout his life he has provided service in various forms and from different positions of leadership. Sitzman is known for sharing his voice defending perspectives and asking challenging questions. He served on many state and national agricultural boards before being named the Director of Agriculture for Nebraska in 1991. Today, Sitzman serves as an active volunteer leader at the Veterans Administration in Lincoln.

Academics, agriculture, military, and other forms of public service have all improved in some measure due to the leadership, service, and voice of Larry E. Sitzman. Upon his retirement, the Nebraska Pork Producers Association established this scholarship in his honor.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be currently enrolled as a

full-time undergraduate or graduate student at a fully accredited Nebraska college, university, or technical college in an agriculture related degree program;

- Must have at least one full year of study remaining toward a degree;
- Must have plans to work in the agriculture industry upon graduation.

Selection will be based on qualities of leadership and participation in collegiate or extracurricular activities related to the agriculture industry.

Remember, the deadline for applications is Nov. 10. Go to nepork.org to apply online.

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Sumner native elected to lead Pork Association

Shana Beattie of Sumner was elected as President of the Nebraska Pork Producers Association (NPPA) at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors. The NPPA Directors met on Jan. 14, 2021 at the Holthus

Conventions Center in York. Joining Beattie on NPPA's leadership team are President-Elect, Jared Lierman of Beemer, and Mark Wright of Fremont as Vice President.

Prior to becoming a NPPA Director, she participated in the Pork Leadership Institute (PLI), a comprehensive training program conducted jointly by the National Pork Board (NPB) and National Pork Producer Council (NPPC) designed to develop future leaders for the U.S. pork industry. She has advocated for pork producers in Washington and is an active participant in legislative and regulatory issues at the state level. She has served as a NPB and NPPC Forum delegate and has attended numerous meetings and conferences on behalf of the association.

Beattie was the recipient of the 2018 AG-Ceptional Women's award recognizing her exceptional contributions to Agriculture. The award is presented annually during the AG-Ceptional Women's Conference sponsored by Northeast Community College. A graduate of the University of Florida, her hobbies include gardening, cooking, baking, and volunteering with the youth in her 4-H and FFA communi-

ties. Shana was first elected to the NPPA board in 2016. Beattie, her husband Bart, and four children live on a fifth generation farming operation near Sumner where she takes an active role in Beattie Family Farms. A diversified operation of crop rotation including corn, soybeans, alfalfa, a partner on a 10,000 head sow farm wean to finish swine operation and a commercial cow/calf ranching operation utilizing grasses and forage in central Nebraska.

When recently asked what she was looking forward to as NPPA President, Shana replied, "getting back to business. Our producers have never stopped doing business through this pandemic continually producing a quality product. As far as an association we have had to take a COVID break from our normal activities. We now want to focus on getting back on the road and get fact-to-face with our producers, legislative representatives, and industry partners. Additionally, we want to be able to travel so we can be involved with trade promotions meetings such as the U.S. Meat Export Federation and possibly by fall be part of an international trade mission."



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Aaron Holliday named to 2021 Pork Leadership Institute team


The National Pork Producers Council (NPPC) and the National Pork Board (NPB) have announced the members of the 2021 Pork Leadership Institute (PLI). Aaron Holliday of Columbus will represent Nebraska as one of the 18 team members from 13 states.

The 2021 program included six sessions that began in February and will wrap up in November.

Over the next year, members will be challenged to grow personally and professionally as they dive deeper into understanding the U.S. pork industry. The training will focus on preparing and motivating them to represent the U.S. pork industry at the state and national levels.

Holliday is with Pille Family Farms headquartered in Columbus, where he provides oversight to five nursery barns and six finishing barns, totaling 78,000 pigs. As part of the 2019 Nebraska Pork Producers Association (NPPA) Pork Leadership Program, Aaron shared his unique work experience as well as his personal involvements and interests. NPPA President John Csukker extended his congratulations by saying, "Aaron was a very active participant in the NPPA Leadership Program.

His selection to the National PLI Program is the next step in building his professional resume."



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Nebraska Pork Producers elect new directors

The Nebraska Pork Producers Association (NPPA) has announced the election of four new board members, Aaron Doerr of Creighton; Hunter Thomas of Broken Bow; Walter Traudt of Clay Center will serve as Directors and Allison Zabel of LaVista will assume the duties of First Alternate Director.

The Nebraska Board of Directors is comprised of individuals dedicated to the success of the pork industry. Directors are elected for two-year terms and can serve up to 3 consecutive terms. "I am extremely honored to welcome our new board members," said Shana Beattie, president of the Association. "Each one of them provides our board with a unique background and perspective and we look forward to their expertise and guidance."

Aaron Doerr is a partner with his parents Gary and Liz Doerr on a 250-sow farrow to finish operation near Creighton. In 2020 Doerr served as a Pork Forum delegate for the National Pork Producers Council. Doerr stated, "I think it's important to be involved and do what's best for the future of the industry and my own farms future".

Hunter Thomas is a fourth-generation pig producer and Vice President of this family business, Thomas Livestock

located in Broken Bow. He has worked part time within the company since 2011 and been full time since he graduated college from The University of Nebraska-Lincoln with an Agribusiness degree and Ag-Economics minor in May of 2018. He has worked in all parts of the business, including breeding, farrowing, nursery, finish, feed mill, maintenance, and office work. Outside of work he enjoys spending time with friends and family, hunting, golfing, going to the lake. Thomas is very involved with his community, serving on several governing boards and will participate in the House of Delegates for the U.S. SHIP Program.

Walter Traudt has a farming and hog production operation in the Clay Center area. Traudt farms 1,100 acres of corn and soybeans and in 2015 added a 4000 head hog finishing barn. "I have learned a lot about the production of hogs and row crop farming over the last several years and now I would be honored to be given the opportunity to learn about the policies and programs that would help me be a better livestock producer and farmer," said Traudt.

Allison Zabel lives with her rescue dog, Cuda. She is a Customer Service Specialist at PIC. Her 10 years in the industry started when she was a

student at Iowa State University. She likes to spend her free time playing slow-pitch and in the fall at Husker or Cyclone tailgates. Allison's favorite pork dish is smoked pork belly burnt ends.

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Celebrate National Pork Month

By John Csukker, Nebraska Pork Producers Association president

You've waited all year and it's finally here. An entire month dedicated to tender, juicy, delicious pork! October is National Pork Month, so join me and the 1,500 pork farmers across Nebraska in celebrating.

"If you have eaten a slice of bacon, pork chop or pulled pork smothered in barbecue sauce, you have a connection to a pork farmer." Nebraska's pig farmers recognize that consumers have a growing interest in understanding where pork comes from and how it is produced. Now more than ever, we have access to many tools and resources to better care for our animals and meet consumer demand.

Pork is the world's most widely eaten meat, ahead of chicken and beef. In Nebraska we have more pigs than in the past 20 years. This growth means we are positively affecting our local economies. We are proud to add \$1.14 billion of value to our gross state product. With one in four jobs coming from agriculture, we know that we play a valuable role in this area.

The pork industry is committed to managing operations in the most environmentally responsible way possible. Conservation, recycling, land management, water quality, air quality and manure management are areas of priority for pig farmers for continuous improvement. Safeguarding the environment comes naturally to Nebraska's pork producers because they understand their inherent responsibility to future generations.

COVID-19 presented a number of challenges in 2020 to our industry that we hope to never see again. Our farmers met each one with courage and determination. Through it all they succeeded in doing what they do best for their family, animals, employees and community by donating over 10,000 pounds of pork to neighbors in need through our "Pork Cares" project.

October is Pork Month and it is a time when we celebrate and remember all the hard-working farm families that are there every day of the year so we can all enjoy a safe, sustainable, affordable, and yes, a 'tasty' food we call pork!

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Reports suggest that the tariff rate will soon be lowered

The Biden administration recently announced advances in U.S.-Vietnam trade relations, including plans for Vietnam to reduce its Most Favored Nation (MFN) tariff rate on imported frozen pork cuts. Vietnam's current MFN rate, which applies to U.S. pork cuts, is 15%. Reports suggest that the rate will soon be lowered to 10% – the same reduction that was temporarily implemented in the second half of 2020 in an effort to bolster pork supplies and stabilize prices as Vietnam dealt with the impact of African swine fever (ASF). This temporary rate reduction expired on Jan. 1 of this year.

U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF) Economist Erin Borrer noted that the proposed rate reduction is a step in the right direction that will narrow the tariff disadvantage U.S. pork faces in this price-sensitive market.

"The White House announcement came after our President's visit to Vietnam and excellent that pork made the list of important trade issues," said Borrer. "We know our industry has been hammering that for some time now, essentially since we left the TPP."

She continued, "Tariffs are always important, but especially in price com-

petitive markets like Vietnam."

Canadian pork enjoys favorable tariff treatment under the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP), while European pork enters at a reduced rate under the EU-Vietnam FTA. Russia, which is the second-largest importer to Vietnam, also has a trade agreement with Vietnam that includes duty-free access for Russian pork.

Borrer added that the tariff relief appears to be well-timed, as the COVID-19 pandemic has created pork production obstacles that may be slow-

ing Vietnam's ASF recovery efforts.

"There's a concern that the ASF situation could be worsening as hogs are kind of stuck on farms, and people and feed and inputs had a hard time moving around."

The question is how much this will hinder Vietnam's pork production recovery going into next year, Borrer said. "So, even though we're seeing challenges in the market today, there could be big opportunities in the market tomorrow. For the U.S. to really get in there and compete, any type of tariff relief is necessary."

Garlic Dijon pork tenderloin with roasted sweet potato/pepper jumble

4 servings

Ingredients

- 1 pound pork tenderloin
- 1/4 cup whole grain dijon mustard
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 3 cloves garlic (minced)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 sweet potatoes (peeled and 1/4" dice)
- 1 red bell pepper (1/4" dice)
- 1 poblano pepper (1/4" dice)
- 2 scallions (sliced on a bias)

Directions

Preheat oven to 400°F.

In a small bowl whisk together Dijon mustard, honey, garlic, salt, and pepper. Rub each pork tenderloin with the sauce until thoroughly coated.

Over high heat, add olive oil to large cast iron or oven-safe skillet. Sear tenderloin on each side, then add sweet potatoes, red bell pepper, and poblano to the skillet. Top with remaining sauce, place into oven.

Roast until the pork reaches an internal temperature of 145°F, about 10 to 15 minutes. Let rest for 3 minutes before slicing and serving. Garnish with scallions.



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