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Memories Made in 2022

From chickens to baseball, from entertainers to criminal activity, the second half of 2022 was filled with memory-making events.

A number of these news stories are highlighted here.

July

Gary Blecke of California, Missouri found this large chicken for sale on Marketplace and immediately thought of his Wayne relatives. He drove an hour to purchase it and then he, his daughter, Kristi, and her husband, Shelby Thacker, drove the 450 miles to deliver the chicken to Bill and Rhonda Blecke in Wayne.

The Providence Medical Center (PMC) Foundation recently presented a check for \$84,976.47 to the Providence Medical Center Radiology Department to go toward the purchase of a new MRI.

The new piece of equipment will provide a better patient experience and new technology that will deliver higher quality imaging.

Omaha teenager Lexi Zeiss is traveling the world at the ripe age of 16. The daughter of Jess and Dana (Nelson) Zeiss, formerly of Wayne and the granddaughter of Don and Jan Zeiss of Wayne, left for Rio de Janeiro, Brazil on Sunday. That's where she will be competing at the highest level in the world of gymnastics as part of Team USA at the annual Pan Am Games.

Lexi has been involved in gymnastics since a very young age but her desire, per-



Lexi Zeiss

severance and talent got her invited to the Pan American trials where she finished runner-up in the all-around competition to secure her spot on Team USA.

She is a current member of the Twin City Twisters.

One of the keys to the success of an undefeated team is finding ways to win in the clutch.

The Wayne American Legion Post 43 Juniors have been able to do that on several occasions this summer, and none were bigger than Tuesday when they broke a 1-1 tie with a dramatic three-run outburst in the bottom of the sixth to hold off a pesky Albion team and claim a 4-1 win at Hank Overin Field to earn the Class B, Area 5 title and a trip to state.

Wayne will open state tournament play Saturday at Sam Crawford Field in Wahoo against Plattsmouth in a 10 a.m. matchup. The double-elimination tournament continues through Wednesday.

For 100 years, residents of Wayne County have been showcasing their work in the form of livestock, cooking, baking, sewing and hundreds of other exhibits and this year will be no exception.

The 2022 Wayne County Fair is set to run from Wednesday, July 20 through Sunday, July 24.

Prior to the actual start of the fair, a number of 4-H exhibits will be judged, including photography and clothing on Thursday, July 14.

L4 Livestock Ultimate Bullriding will provide entertainment on Thursday, July 21, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The 59th annual Free Barbecue is set to begin at 6 p.m. and will be followed by the Pioneer Award and Oldest Farmer Award presentation in the grandstand.

The Outlaws & Nebraska Bush Puller Tractor Pull will be at the grandstand. The pull begins at 6:30 p.m.

One of the highlights of the fair has traditionally been the Saturday night concert.

Performing at the fair on Saturday, July 23 will be Gary Allen with Randy Houser opening the evening. Dylan Bloom will also be the pre-opener, beginning at 7 p.m.

This year's fair wraps up with the traditional Demolition Derby on Sunday, July 24 at 6 p.m.

The Stool to Cool Taskforce hosted an open house at the Wayne Community Activity Center on Tuesday.

Community members were invited to view the draft concept of the old lagoon area in the southeast portion of Wayne.

Olsson had presented several drawings to the committee and city staff and suggestions were offered before arriving at the plan that was presented on Tuesday.

The purpose of Tuesday's open house was to allow for comments on the proposed plan for the area.

Among the features of the plan are a lake with approximately 17 camper sites beside it, additional ball fields (both baseball and softball) at the Summer Sports Complex and various other landscape features.

August

Ameritas, located at 513 Main Street in Wayne, and employing approximately 20 hybrid and office-based associates, has announced that it will become remote and the building will be listed for sale.



Danielle Gearhart

Additionally, Ameritas will be bringing all Lincoln operations to its O Street home office campus in 2023. President and CEO Bill Lester announced this week. The home office at 5900 O Street also will be remodeled to better support associates working in a modern hybrid setting while preparing for continued growth in an evolving business environment.

Providence Medical Center's Board of Directors have announced the appointment of Danielle (Danni) Gearhart, as the new Chief Executive Officer for Providence Medical Center.

The hospital partnered with recruiting agency, Seim Johnson to do an extensive search for the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO). After a thorough recruitment pro-

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(Photo by Clara Osten)

Cap Peterson with Northeast Nebraska Insurance Agency (at the podium) talked about the city's property insurance coverage at Tuesday's city council meeting.

Insurance, property purchases on council agenda

By Clara Osten,
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The city of Wayne would save \$9,000 by changing the deductible on its property insurance, based on information received during Tuesday's meeting of the Wayne

City Council.

Cap Peterson of Northeast Nebraska Insurance Agency reviewed the city's current coverage and activity from the previous year. He also talked about umbrella and linebacker coverage for the rural fire district and noted the fire district reimburses the city for the coverage.

Peterson also explained the city's options in regard to increasing the deductible for property claims from the current \$10,000 per occurrence to \$25,000 per occurrence.

He also discussed Workers Compensation information and the premium is based on the city's payroll. The experience mod which determines how much the city pays did go down, but because of an increase in payroll, the premium went up.

The total cost for the insurance coverage for the coming year will be \$438,238.00 with the higher deductible.

Also discussed at Tuesday's meeting was a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the city of Wayne and Wayne School District #17.

This is one step in the process of giving a four acre piece of property west of the Community Activity Center (CAC) to the school before a bond issue is put before voters.

City Attorney Amy Miller told the council that the MOU is not a contract or a purchase agreement. It does outline the general agreement should the bond issue pass.

Wayne Schools Superintendent Dr. Mark Lenihan spoke to the council and thanked the council for considering the request and said the land would be used for the construction of a Pre-K through second grade facility. The MOU will be acted on during Monday's school board meeting. Also at that time, steps will be taken to put forth a plan for a bond election to be held in March.

Council members discussed how to handle the lower parking lot west of the CAC and who would be responsible for maintenance and repair of the parking lot.

Following the discussion, council members voted unanimously to approve the MOU.

Following an executive session for the purpose of discussing purchase options, the council voted unanimously to accept an offer from Ameritas Life Insurance Corporation for the purchase of two parcels of land and the contents of the building at 513

Main Street.

The purchase price agreed upon is \$650,000.

Council members also received an update from City Attorney Miller on the proposed acquisition of the property just north of the Ameritas building which is currently owned by First Methodist Church of Wayne.

Miller had several questions in regard to the purchase agreement received from the church and will seek clarification before moving forward.

In other action, the council received an annual report from Joel Hansen, Street and Planning Director.

Hansen provided the council a list of projects completed in 2022 and those anticipated to be completed in 2023.

Hansen told the council that the members of the street department have a combined 82 years of experience with the city and multiple skills that allow them to work well together.

He did note that the department's oldest piece of equipment, a 1975 motor grader 'blew up' recently and "it doesn't make sense to keep fixing it. We will start looking for a new piece of equipment to replace it."

Hansen said the number of hours put on several pieces of equipment and spent by the department for ice control and snow removal were down considerably in 2022 due to the lack of snow.

He also shared information on work done by members of the department with other departments, specifically the Parks and Recreation Department.

Council members also approved a resolution allowing the Chief Elected Official to sign an application for a Civic and Community Center Financing Fund Grant and took action on a 'Letter of Intent' for the 2023 Civic and Community Center Financing Fund Grant for the Prairie Park Project.

The intent to apply needs to be submitted by Jan. 15 and is a step in the competitive grant process.

City Administrator Wes Blecke told the council it is anticipated the total project cost would be \$1.8 million. The maximum grant is \$562,000 and requires a dollar for dollar match from the city.

The Wayne City Council will next meet in regular session on Tuesday, Jan. 17 at 5:30 p.m. in council chambers.



(Photo by Clara Osten)

Deb Dannelley (left) discussed the recent upgrades in the courtroom at the Wayne County Courthouse during Tuesday's commissioner's meeting.

Commissioners get updates on projects

By Clara Osten,
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Information on upcoming road and bridge projects, as well as an update on recent upgrades in the courtroom were on the agenda when the Wayne County Board of Commissioners met for the first meeting of 2023.

Road Superintendent Mark Casey presented information to the commissioners on the Fastwyre (formerly American Broadband) project planned for the Carroll area. He showed them a map of the project area but noted that the county does not have a permit application at this time.

He and the commissioners also discussed several culvert and bridge projects set to be completed in the future. Funding options for these projects were discussed and it was

noted that several would not be able to be completed in the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

Casey also talked about documents received by the county in regard to Summit Carbon Solutions and road agreements for the installation of carbon pipelines through the county. He said he is waiting for additional language to be added to the documents and the need for more specific information to be included.

The final item on his report to the commissioners was the fact that he is beginning work on the county's one and six-year road plan.

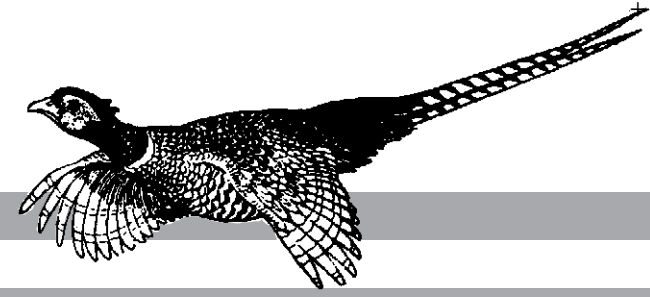
Deb Dannelley, Clerk of the District Court, gave an update on recently installed equipment in the courtroom. She told the commissioners that nearly all the work was completed and said having the new TVs and equipment was a "plus for the

courtroom and court proceedings." She discussed some lighting to be installed in the courtroom and possible locations for the lights.

In regard to American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to be used in the county, commissioners were told there have been no new applications for the funds.

The county is waiting for estimates to come in on the cost of replacing the windows in the courthouse and discussion was held on other uses for the funds should the windows not be eligible for ARPA funding.

The Wayne County Board of Commissioners will next meet in regular session on Tuesday, Jan. 17 at 9 a.m. at the Wayne County Courthouse. In addition, the swearing in ceremony for all elected county officials was scheduled to take place on Thursday, Jan. 5.



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Obituaries

Keith Jech

Keith H. Jech, 94, of Wayne, died Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023 at Kinship Pointe in Wayne with his son and daughter at his side.

Hasemann Funeral Home of Wayne has been entrusted with his services. Visitation for Keith will be from 4-6 pm on Thursday, Jan. 19 at Our Savior Lutheran Church. Funeral services will be at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Wayne, on Friday, Jan. 20, at 10:30 am.



Keith was born Feb. 1, 1928 to Jerry and Mary (Hammermeister) Jech near Okarche, Oklahoma and was raised on a farm near Kingfisher, Oklahoma. Keith was fascinated with flying, studying aeronautics in high school. Following his graduation from high school, Keith joined the Army, serving in Japan after World War II. Keith graduated from Oklahoma State University in 1952 with a degree in agricultural education. He taught agriculture in high school at Ewing and Wayne, Nebraska, as well as Wayne State College.

Keith met Lois Jean Roenfeldt in Wayne and they were married on Nov. 14, 1954 in Stanton. They were blessed in their union with three children; a son, Kerry; and twins, Kevin and Kristy. Together, Keith and Lois spent free time boating, skiing, fishing, playing bridge and bowling. They were privileged to travel to 48 of the 50 states (excluding Hawaii and Florida), Canada, and spent a month in the Czech Republic.

Keith received his real estate license in 1958 and his Chartered Life Underwriter diploma in 1966. He sold both insurance and real estate, and, had an income tax business from 1958 until 2009. Keith loved learning about computers, being outdoors, and spending time on the upkeep of his bushes, flowers, garden, and more.

Keith was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church, where he served in several capacities over the years. He is currently a member of the Lions Club, and a 65 year member of both the Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star.

Survivors include his son, Kerry (Jane) Jech of Marshalltown, Iowa and daughter, Kristy (Ron) Spicer of Dumfries, Virginia; a daughter-in-law, Donna Jech of Rushville, Nebraska; 12 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, three great-great grandchildren with another on the way; a brother, Arnold (Donna) Jech of Kingfisher, Oklahoma; in-laws: Sally Stuthman, Caroline Roenfeldt, Dorothy Anders, Clara (Dennis) Severa, Janet Roenfeldt and Rita Roenfeldt, all of Stanton.

Preceding Keith in death were his parents, Jerry and Mary Jech; wife, Lois on Nov. 20, 2021 and her parents; son, Kevin on Oct. 8, 2021; daughter-in-law, Joyce Jech; his siblings: Betty (Mervin) Rasp and Delvin (Nancy) Jech; Lois' siblings: Emil, Fritz (Delores), Walter, Orville, and Bezy Roenfeldt; Marie (Wayne) Wendt, Mabel (Alvin) Hartman, Hilda (Norman) Remm, Esther (Leonard) Sydow, Florence - Flossie (Keith) Carson, LaVern - Tilly (Norman) Lehman, and Lois' in-laws: Henry Stuthman and Dallas Anders.

Keith's family would like to thank the following for their kindness and support - Providence Medical Center Hospice, Our Savior Lutheran Church, Kinship Pointe, his special friend, Judy Hermalbracht; and the Wayne Senior Citizens Center.

Merlyce Jean Albrecht

Merlyce Jean Albrecht, 74, of Lincoln, died Jan. 1, 2023.

A celebration of life memorial service will be held at First Lutheran Church, 1551 S 70th Street in Lincoln on Saturday, Jan. 14 at 2 p.m.

Condolences and memorials may be left at Butherus, Maser & Love funeral home, www.bmlfh.com.



Merlyce Jean Albrecht was born Sept. 29, 1948, in Wakefield, the daughter of Hans and Alma Geewe. She married Donald Albrecht on June 7, 1970, in Wayne.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education from Midland University, then taught for several years. Later, she then earned her Master of Business Administration Degree at UNL. She worked for more than 32 years as the Marketing Director and Business Manager at AlbrechtGFX, Inc., a scientific illustration and animation company.

Her interests included genealogy, keeping in touch with family and friends in Europe, stained glass, and working on the acreage and family commercial vineyard.

She is survived by her husband, Donald Albrecht; son, David Albrecht (Trish) of Lincoln; daughter, Jennifer Albrecht (Ron Guay) of Waverly; brother, John Geewe (Ann) of Wakefield; grandchildren, Lauren and Ethan Albrecht of Lincoln.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Hans and Alma Geewe, and sister, Marion Paulson.

Blood drives held in Wayne

Monthly Blood Donation Fact: Over the course of 2022, Wayne businesses, churches, and community members have hosted 32 blood drives resulting in 944 donors, 813 eligible to donate, 960 products, and 48 first time donors. If you've donated with us, you've played a part in saving up to 2880 local lives! THANK YOU!

For over 15 years, Wayne and surrounding communities have supported the local blood bank, LifeServe Blood Center. Over the course of December, four blood drives were hosted to support 120+ local hospitals that LifeServe Blood Center serves. A total of 127 units of blood were collected that have the ability to save up to 381 local lives.

"Special mention to Logan Miller and Brooklyn Kruse as they held their fifth blood drive during the month of December. Over the last two years, with a goal of 200 donors, they have encouraged 238 people to donate with over 30% of those donors being first timers. Many of these donors continue to donate on their own accord at the various blood drives throughout the year in Wayne. Kudos to these young

adults for getting involved, staying involved, and making a difference where they can. Keep an eye out for their next blood drive in June 2023," said Allison Brumels, LifeServe Blood Center Territory Representative.

The following donors hit milestone donations in December:

Daniel Kruse - one gallon; Jennifer Bartos - one gallon; Bryce Owens - one gallon; Tina Sharpe - two gallons; Alan Pippitt - three gallons; Jason Mrsny - three gallons; Ella Cooper - four gallons; Kristine Niemann - five gallons; Matthew Haschke - five gallons; Sara Ruwe - five gallons; Shawn Sokol - seven gallons; Chad Sokol - 14 gallons and Thomas Renz - 23 gallons

Upcoming blood drives in Wayne for January 2023 include:

Wednesday, Jan. 18 at Providence Medical (12:30 - 4:15 p.m.);

Wednesday, Jan. 25 at Wayne Fire Hall (noon - 5 p.m.).

"Thanks to everyone who came out to show their support. Be sure to text 'LIFESERVE' to 999-777 to make your next appointment and we look forward to seeing you next time," Brummels said.

Looking Ahead in Wayne

By Wes Blecke, City Administrator

City Council meetings

Regular Wayne City Council meetings are at 5:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month in City Hall at Third and Pearl Streets.

It's a great new year's resolution to attend more Council meetings!

City and School Collaboration

Just like Wayne Community Schools (School) did 20+ years ago when there was a need for the City to expand its recreation activities for the community by giving the City land, the City of Wayne is giving some of this land back to the School to potentially build a new school building for future students to use for years to come. At last night's meeting the City Council approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the School to give back a portion of this property (up to 4 acres) to be a potential site for a new preschool-second grade school (with room for expansion).

This property is just west of the lower Community Activity Center (CAC) parking lot. The School would also assume ownership of this lower

parking lot but would still allow the CAC patrons to use it, especially during those times that the school is not in session and the CAC has activities (ie WBDA and volleyball tournaments on weekends).

The School would also agree to give the City approximately 0.2 acres of land (by the practice football field) where the trail goes north out of Ashley Park. The City currently has an easement from the School for this trail segment so this would transfer ownership instead of maintaining an easement. This MOU is just the initial step in a more formalized process of exchanging this property should a school bond issue pass this spring. At that point the City would need to replat the area and make legal descriptions for each new parcel.

Future City Hall Location

The City has been discussing a new location for City Hall or renovating the existing City Hall for years.

The last six months or so have really narrowed down the conversation to a different location, not a remodel of the existing. The City is getting closer to making an agreement to obtain the former Ameritas call center on Main Street. If this transaction would happen, the City would also obtain the parking area just north of the Ameritas building from the First United Methodist Church.

Besides a major renovation inside the Ameritas building, the City would also add a garage to the north of the building for the Wayne Police Department. Stay tuned.

Prairie Park Funding Opportunity

The City Council approved an "intent to apply" action last meeting so a preliminary request can be submitted for funding to the Civic and Community Center Financing Fund (CCCCF) for developing Prairie Park. The initial cost estimate to control runoff, move dirt, get roadways ready for surfacing (type to be determined in future phase), and concrete curbing parking areas (surfacing unknown for parking lots at this time) is currently at over \$1.8M. The City plans to apply for the maximum CCCCFF amount of \$562,500 with the Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District taking the lead on writing this grant.

Olsson, the City's engineer on the Prairie Park development, should have the plans and specifications for the first phase of development to the Council for review and approval at the next meeting. The City hopes to start development of Prairie Park as soon as it can award a contractor to complete the work and secure financing.

Questions, comments, concerns?

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

Obituary policy

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

Courthouse News

Criminal Proceedings

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Jayden T. Dotson, Wayne, def. Complaint for No Proof of Insurance. Fined \$100 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Tarean E. Grady, Chicago, Illinois, def. Com-



plaint for Driving Under the Influence, first offense. Fined \$500 and costs, sentenced to 15 days in jail and driver's license revoked for six months.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Francisco Salazar Barragan, West Point, def. Complaint for Leaving the Scene of an Accident and failure to furnish information. Fined \$500 and costs and ordered to pay \$778.05 in res-

titution.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. David W. Mann, Wayne, def. Complaint for Driving Under the Influence, first offense and Refusal to submit to a chemical test. Fined \$500 and costs, sentenced to 30 days in jail and driver's license revoked for six months.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Alexis Colema of Long Beach, Mississippi, def. Complaint for Possession of Marijuana, one ounce or less. Fined \$300 and costs.

State of Neb., pltf., vs. Daydon A. Taylor, Norfolk, def. Complaint for Minor in Possession. Fined \$300 and costs.

Traffic violations

Wilfredo Avalos, Jr., violate stop or yield sign and no operator's lic., \$150; Charles N. Jungwirth, spd., \$125; Taylor Trumper, spd., \$25; Elizabeth D. Kellum, no valid registration, \$25.

Turkey hunters can buy permits Jan. 9

Hunters can begin purchasing their spring season permits from the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission beginning Jan. 9 and should become familiar with the changes before the season opens.

The changes for this spring season:

Hunters now may purchase up to two spring permits instead of three.

A hunter may harvest no more than one turkey per calendar day during the spring season.

This year, 10,000 spring permits are available for sale to nonresident

hunters, instead of an unlimited quantity, as in the past.

Starting with the spring season, all turkey harvests must be reported via Telecheck.

It is illegal to create a baited area on lands owner or controlled by the Commission.

Changes that will affect the fall season:

The season is shortened to Oct. 1-Nov. 30.

All hunters are limited to one permit.

The bag limit for all hunters is

lowered to one turkey.

The spring archery season opens March 25, youth shotgun on April 8, and the regular shotgun on April 15. All spring turkey seasons close May 31.

Visit Game and Parks' new permitting site GoOutdoorsNE.com or a permitting office to purchase permits starting Jan. 9.

For more information on turkey hunting in Nebraska visit Outdoor-Nebraska.gov/wildturkey.

Data shows that 10% of drivers are distracted

The Nebraska Department of Transportation Highway Safety Office used new digital technology to measure the number of distracted drivers in Nebraska.

Results showed that 1 in 10 drivers you meet on the road are not looking where they are driving, but instead are focusing on a cell phone or other device!

With fatalities in Nebraska at a 15-year high, all drivers need to do everything possible to avoid crashes. This includes wearing seat belts, putting phones down, and dedicating 100% of your attention to driving. Driving is a full-time task, so save the distractions for when you arrive safely at your destination.

According to NHTSA, 3,142 lives were lost in 2020 due to distracted driving. Texting is the most alarming distraction. Sending or reading a text takes your eyes off the road for 5 seconds. At 55 mph, that's like driving the length of an entire football field with your eyes closed. A 2021 NHTSA study shows only about 3% of drivers using cell phones, but with funding assistance from the Governors Highway Safety Association and

General Motors, NDOT's Highway Safety Office was able to use new digital equipment from Acusensus that shows about 10% of drivers using cell phones or other devices.

The data also showed that 15% of drivers were not wearing seat belts. The Acusensus representative stated "that is the highest non-use rate we have seen in the U.S." Seat belts save lives and every driver and passenger in every vehicle needs to wear a seat belt at all times. This number was not as alarming since current crash data already shows that over 70% of people killed in crashes in Nebraska are not wearing a seat belt.

Drivers need to put the phones down, make sure everyone is wearing a seat belt and just drive!

For more information about distracted driving, visit dot.nebraska.gov/safety/driving/distracted/.

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Dec. 30	NA	NA	—	—
Dec. 31	NA	NA	—	—
Jan. 1	NA	NA	—	—
Jan. 2	NA	NA	—	—
Jan. 3	NA	NA	—	—
Jan. 4	NA	NA	—	—

Recorded 7 a.m. for previous 24 hour period
Precip./mo. - ? / Monthly snow - 0 Yr./
Date - ? / Seasonal snow - 12"

Chamber Coffee

WAYNE — This week's Chamber Coffee#chamberpercs. The coffee begins at 10 a.m. and announcements at 10:15 a.m.

At this time there is no host for the Friday, Jan. 6 or Friday, Jan. 13 Chamber Coffee#chamberpercs. Anyone interested in hosting a coffee is asked to contact the Wayne Area Economic Development Office at (402) 375-2240. The weekly coffee begins at 10 a.m. and announcements at 10:15 a.m.



Business After Hours in January

AREA — The Wayne Area Economic Development Special Events Committee and Wayne State College Career Services will host a networking Business After Hours in the Press Box at WSC Memorial Stadium on Thursday, Jan. 26 from 5 - 7 p.m. WSC Students will arrive prior to the event to learn some networking tips and tricks. Tickets are \$10 and appetizers and mocktails will be provided. This is an opportunity to meet WSC upcoming graduates and help the students learn the importance of networking and professionalism. For more information please email info@waynetworks.org

Food Pantry

AREA — The Wayne Food Pan-

try, located at First Presbyterian Church in Wayne, continues to be available to those in need in Wayne County. Anyone desiring to check on availability is asked to call the churchoffice(402)375-2669oremail fpcwayne@gmail.com. All inquiries are confidential. At this time, the Food Pantry is open by appointment only. Those wishing to make a donation are asked to contact the church via phone or email



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Memories

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 cess, PMC has welcomed Danielle (Danni) Gearhart as Chief Executive Officer.
 She is the former CEO of Cozad Community Health System and is

softball coach Rob Sweetland with a get-together during the recent Wayne Softball Invitational held at the Summer Sports Complex. Former assistant coach Renee (Beckner) Van Driel, now the head coach

vibrant, progressive community it always has been and if we are to meet our Library and Senior Center needs now and into the 21st century, then the success of this fundraising campaign is imperative,"



JULY

originally from Oelwein, Iowa.

Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) personnel, along with several other agencies, conducted a press conference in Laurel Friday morning (Aug. 5) to release more information and announce the arrest of a suspect in conjunction with a multi-fatality incident in Laurel.

During Friday's press conference



JULY

Colonel Bolduc told those in attendance there will be "indescribable grief and betrayal of trust in the community in coming days."

He said that based on physical evidence from both crime scenes, Jason A. Jones, 42, of Laurel was taken into custody at approximately 2:30 a.m. today (Friday) at his home, located at 206 Elm Street in Laurel.

Jones was located in a bedroom, with severe burns on his body and has been transported to St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Lincoln for treatment. He is currently in custody at the hospital.

Names of the deceased were also released at Friday's press conference.

They include Gene Twiford, 85; Janet Twiford, 85 and Dana Twiford, 55, all residents of the same

ins) Miller, Dawn (Jensen) Nelsen, Ashley (Carroll) Munter, and coach Renae (Beckner) Van Driel.

Gardner Stadium, located just west of Wakefield Public Schools, was christened Friday night with a 48-14 win by the hometown Trojans over Bancroft-Rosalie. The facility was completed just in time for the season opener, complete with lights, seating and a turf field that is retro-fitted for 11-man football (Wakefield plays 8-man at this time). A near-capacity crowd was on hand for the season (and stadium) opener.

The Wayne Public Library and Senior Center will hold Chamber Coffee on Friday, Sept. 16 as well as host an open house event to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the building.



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home; and Michele Ebeling, 53, who was found deceased earlier Thursday.

The investigation remains ongoing. Several agencies have been involved in the response and investigation, including the volunteer fire departments of Laurel, Wayne, and Belden, the State Fire Marshal's Office, the Cedar County Attorney, the Nebraska Attorney General's Office, as well as the Laurel Police Department, Cedar County Sheriff's Office and the Nebraska State Patrol.

Jones is still hospitalized and according to court documents, bond has been set at 10 percent of \$5 million. He is facing four charges of first degree murder, two counts of arson and four counts of weapons violations.

September

Members of the 2003 and 2004 Wayne High state softball championship teams surprised Blue Devil

The celebration will take place in the conference room of the library from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Participants in the celebration will engage with memorabilia from the opening of the building including pictures, documentation and videos. The hosts will also have snacks and desserts for all who attend.

Twenty-five years ago, the City of Wayne built a new structure to better suit the needs of the community than the original library.

The initial library, constructed in 1912, was 2,600 square feet, with a 1,500 square foot addition made in 1950.

In 1979, the City of Wayne proposed a comprehensive plan for the future of the city, which included a call for a new development to accommodate an increasing need for a larger, updated library and a senior center.

"If Wayne is to continue to be the

A groundbreaking ceremony was held Sept. 21 in which investors, the architect, contractors and members of the public were invited to view the "before" of the project.

The former church was built in 1909, but last year its congregation decided to sell the building due to expenses associated with upkeep.

A group of local investors decided to come together to save the historic building and re-purpose it into apartments, purchasing the building last fall after learning it could possibly be demolished with a sale.

The new Sanctuary Apartments will preserve the exterior of the building as it is remodeled into six apartment units: two 3-bedroom, two 2-bedroom, and two 1-bedroom units. The brick building also features 49 original stained-glass windows, almost all of which will be kept in the new design.

The architect for the remodel is Roy Ley with Hoke Ley, an architecture and interior design firm

the proposal said.
 The building proposal outlined



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three specific benefits including "to touch and benefit the lives of all of us - parents, children, grandparents; give another vital thrust to the dynamic development of Wayne, which will impact every family and business in the area; and provide our ever-growing Senior population with facilities and space which is easily accessible."

The new structure, at 410 North Pearl Street, opened its 13,000 square feet of space to the public in September of 1997.



SEPTEMBER

The former First Baptist Church located at Fourth and Main Streets in Wayne will undergo an extensive remodel, update, and re-purposing to become the new Sanctuary Apartments.



in Lawrence, Kansas. Roy has already designed several buildings in Wayne, including State Nebraska Bank & Trust's Main Branch in downtown Wayne and its SNBuilding at 1010 Main Street. The general contractor is Otte Construction from Wayne, and local/regional

Candidates for the races of Wayne Mayor, City Council Ward 1 and Wayne Community Schools Board of Education took part in a candidate forum on Monday at the Wayne Senior Center.

Moderated by Wayne Area Economic Development Director Luke Virgil, the event was co-sponsored by Wayne Area Economic Development Office and Craftology, more than 40 community members were in attendance to listen to the candidates and ask questions specific to each contested race.

Each of the candidates was able to share information with the audience on their backgrounds and reasons of running for public office.

Taking part were mayoral candidates B.J. Woehler and Cale Giese; City Council candidates Karen Granberg and Clayton Bratcher and School Board candidates Jodi Pulfer and Justin Davis.

November

Wayne State College (WSC) and Little Priest Tribal College (LPTC) will hold a joint press conference to sign new partnership agreements at 11:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 7, in the Elkhorn Room of the Student Center at WSC. Media are invited to attend the event.

WSC and LPTC will be entering into articulation agreements for programs in biology, chemistry and elementary education. The agreements are aimed at Little Priest students who have completed an Associate of Science (A.S.) or Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree and are transferring to Wayne State to complete a bachelor's degree.

"We have a remarkable history of cooperation and collaboration with Little Priest Tribal College," Dr. Marysz Rames, president of Wayne State, said. "These agreements open the door to new pathways for students with a passion for science and education, two areas that benefit from innovative partnerships that draw on the strengths of our institutions."

"Little Priest Tribal College is thrilled to continue our partnership with Wayne State College with the three new articulation agreements," Manoj Patil, president of Little Priest Tribal College, said. "These agreements will help LPTC graduates continue their higher education at Wayne State seamlessly."

The Nebraska Association of School Administrators presented Dr. Mark Lenihan, Superintendent of Wayne Community Schools with the NASA Superintendent of the Year award during last week's awards luncheon at the State Education Conference in Omaha.

Dr. Lenihan has served as superintendent of Wayne Community Schools since 2009 and has led efforts to stabilize the district's budget, resulting in new and improved K-6 and 7-12 facilities in Wayne. He's implemented a successful school improvement plan, believes in a student-centered leadership focus and always doing what is best for his students.

December

Wayne State College will hold a commencement ceremony for grad-

uate and undergraduate students at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16, in Rice Auditorium.

A total of 296 degrees will be conferred. Those students receiving their degrees include 203 undergraduates and 93 graduate students from the college's Master of Science in Education, Master of Organizational Management, Master of Business Administration, and Education Specialist programs.

Rural Nebraskans are concerned about water quality and water contamination affecting their own or their family's health, according to the 2022 Nebraska Rural Poll.

Two-thirds of respondents to the poll — an annual survey of rural Nebraskans conducted by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln — say they are "somewhat concerned," "concerned" or "very concerned" about contaminants in their water supply impacting their health.

"A goal of the Nebraska Rural Poll is to give rural Nebraskans a voice on issues affecting their communi-



Carrie Jones

ties and the state, including their views and concerns related to natural resources," said Heather Akin, assistant professor in the Department of Agricultural Leadership, Education and Communication at Nebraska. "The majority of rural Nebraskans are satisfied with their access to clean water but expressed concern about contaminants."

Investigators with the Nebraska State Patrol have made another arrest in connection with the quadruple murder that occurred in Laurel, Nebraska on Aug. 4.

Carrie Jones, 43, was arrested at her home in Laurel on Dec. 16 without incident. She has been lodged in Antelope County Jail on charges of first degree homicide, tampering with physical evidence and accessory to a felony.

Carrie Jones is the wife of homicide suspect Jason Jones.

The ongoing investigation has included the forensic examination of phones owned by Carrie Jones and Jason Jones. As the investigation has progressed, new information was discovered that indicates Carrie Jones played a role prior to the murders.

Gene Twiford, 86, his wife, Janet, 85, and their daughter, Dana, 55, were all murdered in their home at 503 Elm Street in Laurel during the early morning hours of Aug. 4.

Investigators believe the fourth victim, Michele Ebeling, 53, was murdered in her home at 209 Elm Street a short time later.



SEPTEMBER

PMC Foundation awards 2022 Armstrong Scholarship

Providence Medical Center Foundation Director Rachel Miller has announced the 2022 recipients of the Marjorie L. Armstrong Education Scholarship.

This year, the Foundation has chosen two recipients due to the abundance of applications received. Both will receive scholarships in



Emma Greninger

the amount of \$825 from the Scholarship Fund.

Emma Greninger is currently a

Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) with Providence Medical Center Inpatient Nursing Services. She is currently continuing her education to obtain her Associate Degree in Nursing (AND) to become a Registered Nurse (RN) and plans to further her degree this summer to obtain her Bachelor of Science of Nursing (BSN) degree.

The second scholarship recipient, Emily Burhmann, is a senior at Wisner-Pilger High School. She is the daughter of Gina Burhmann-RN, CCRP, current Cardiac Rehabilitation Coordinator at Providence Medical Center. Emily is planning to attend Clinical Nurses Assistant (CNA) courses through Northeast Community College this Winter to gain more experience in healthcare. After graduation this spring, she plans to attend college to obtain a Registered Nursing degree.

The Marjorie L. Armstrong Endowment Scholarship provides financial support to members of the Providence Medical Center staff and/or their immediate family



Emily Burhmann

members and was created by the late Marjorie L. Armstrong through a Charitable Gift Annuity with the hospital foundation.

"The Providence Medical Center Foundation would like to congratulate both recipients and wish them the best of luck in their education journey," Miller said.



(Contributed photo)

Grant fund recipients

The Wayne Kiwanis Club recently applied for and received a Children's Fund grant. It is designed to support the health and nutrition, education and literacy and youth development in the community. The money was used to support the Life Tree Academy at Journey Christian Church. Involved were (front) teachers Jennifer and Mikayla Bartos and Kiwanis members Melissa Nelsen, Karissa Hays and Dave Fremstad.

PMC recognized as an Age-Friendly Hospital

According to Age-Friendly Health Systems, ten thousand adults turn 65 every day, and US Census data show that the population ages 65 and older is expected to nearly double in the next 30 years. Older adults are also expected to experience increased life expectancy. As the US population ages and life expectancy increases, the growing number of older adults, particularly those with multiple chronic conditions, pose challenges to the current health care system. For older adults and caregivers, the current health care system can be difficult to navigate to find the right care at the right place at the right time.

For those reasons, Providence Medical Center felt it was vital to partner with the Institute for Healthcare Improvement - IHI, The John A. Hartford Foundation, American Hospital Association, and The Catholic Health Association of the United States to become nation-



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ally recognized as an Age-Friendly Health System. Becoming an Age-Friendly Health System entails reliably providing a set of four evidence-based elements of high-quality care, known as the "4Ms," to all older adults in your system: What Matters, Medication, Mentation, and Mobility.

Age-Friendly Health Systems

is one in which every older adult's care is:

- Guided by an essential set of evidence-based practices (4Ms).
- Causes no harms.
- Is consistent with What Matters to the older adult and their family.

"The goal of the Age-Friendly 4Ms is to focus patient care on what

matters most to them. For example, grandma is in the hospital with confusion and weakness due to dehydration and urine infection. What matters- grandma wants to get back to her assisted living apartment. Medication- can we reduce medications that cause dehydration and stress the importance of taking all her antibiotics for her infection, so that grandma can improve and stay at her assisted living apartment. Mentation- can we keep grandma hydrated to keep her brain sharp and can we use non-medication interventions in case grandma becomes combative with her confusion, so that she can get back to her assisted living apartment. Mobility -can we encourage being up for meals and ambulation to preserve the mobility that grandma must be able to keep her in her assisted living apartment." Explains Director of Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement, Valerie Hangman.

For more information on Age-Friendly Health Systems, visit ihi.org and search Age-Friendly Health Systems.

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January is National Glaucoma Awareness Month

Eyesight is often taken for granted and living without it can be a challenge. Over three million Americans and over 60 million people worldwide have glaucoma, which is often referred to as "the sneak thief of sight," because there are often no symptoms of its presence. As much as 40% of vision can be lost without a person noticing, which experts estimate is the case in half of those who suffer from glaucoma.

Glaucoma damages the optic nerve, which acts as a cable that carries images from the eye to the brain. This damage is often caused by abnormally high pressure in the eye and often affects peripheral or side vision. Although the most common forms primarily affect the middle-aged and the elderly, glaucoma can affect people of all ages, as every person has their own level of eye pressure tolerance.

In the United States, approximately 120,000 men and women are blind due to glaucoma, making it the leading cause of irreversible blindness. The National Eye

Institute projects this number will reach 4.2 million by 2030 (a 58% increase) and will particularly affect more people over the age of 60. If glaucoma runs in the family, there is a nine times greater risk to other members developing this disease.

Glaucoma costs the U.S. economy \$2.86 billion every year in direct costs and productivity losses.

The largest risk factors for glaucoma include:

- High eye pressure
- Family history of glaucoma
- Age 40 and older for African Americans
- Age 60 and older for the general population, especially Latino Americans
- Thin cornea

Suspicious optic nerve appearance with increased cupping (size of cup, the space at the center of the optic nerve, is larger than normal)

Additional potential risk factors for glaucoma include severe nearsightedness, diabetes, eye surgery or injury, high blood pressure, and overuse of corticosteroids. The best

way for protecting your sight from glaucoma is to get regular comprehensive eye examinations; if needed, treatment can begin immediately.

As a general rule, the American Academy of Ophthalmology recommends having a comprehensive eye exam every five to ten years for those under 40 years old; every two to four years for those 40 to 54 years old; every one to three years for those 55 to 64 years old; and every one to two years for those older than 65. Depending on an individual's family history and health, there should be more frequent screenings. Ask a healthcare provider to recommend the right screening schedule for you.

Regular, moderate exercise may help prevent glaucoma by reducing eye pressure; talk with a doctor about an appropriate exercise program. Take any prescribed eye drops regularly, as they can significantly reduce the risk that high eye pressure will progress to glaucoma. Wearing eye protection, especially when using power tools or playing high-speed racket sports in enclosed courts, can prevent serious eye injuries which can lead to glaucoma.

While most people will not notice any problems with their sight, some may have brief episodes of high eye pressure which can be mistaken as migraine headaches, or they may have hazy or blurred vision, severe eye and head pain, nausea, or vomiting (accompanying severe eye pain), the appearance of rainbow-colored circles around bright lights, or sudden sight loss. If any of these symptoms appear, seek immediate care from an eye doctor.

There is no cure for glaucoma; however, medication or surgery can slow or prevent further vision loss. The appropriate treatment depends upon the type of glaucoma, among other factors. Early detection is vital to stopping the progress of the disease.

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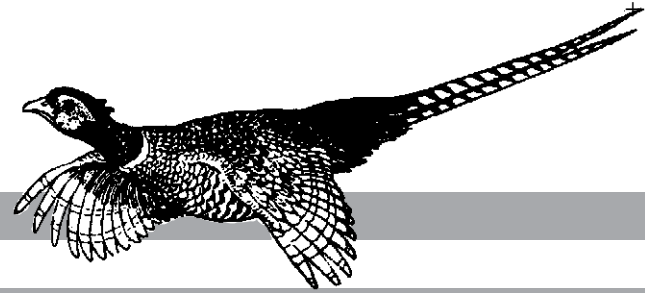
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Sports

Blue Devils settle for fourth place at Shootout

After an impressive opening-round win, the Wayne High boys basketball team ran into some tough competition and had to settle for a fourth-place finish at the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout.

The Blue Devils played well to open the tournament on Wednesday, rolling to an 82-36 win over Plainview. The Blue Devils built a 20-point halftime lead and closed with a 14-0 fourth-quarter effort to

advance to the semifinals.

Four Wayne players notched double figures in the win, led by Carter Junck's game-high 21 points. Colson Nelsen added 15 points, Daniel Judd tossed in 14 and Drue Davis added 12. Cadien Backer and Sedro Agoumba each had six, Devin Anderson scored five and Kaleb Moor-meier put in three.

Judd led the team in rebounds with six. Anderson and Gavin Red-

den each had five assists and Alex Phelps dished four, while Davis had four steals.

The Blue Devils came out slow in Thursday's semifinal matchup with Auburn and couldn't keep up as the Bulldogs posted a 46-31 win.

Phelps and Agoumba both had eight points and Judd added six for the Blue Devils. Junck finished with four, Davis had three and Nelsen had two.

In consolation play Friday, a slow start once again doomed Wayne's chances as Hartington Cedar Catholic posted a 47-30 win.

Nelsen scored 11 points for the locals, followed by Junck and Judd with five each. Backer and Davis both had three and Phelps added one. Judd had six rebounds while Davis and Agoumba each had four.

The 8-3 Blue Devils host Norfolk Catholic on Thursday and Boone Central on Saturday.

Wayne, QCNE battle at Ord Duals

ORD — Wayne and Quad County Northeast were among eight teams competing in the Ord Duals Tournament held Friday at Ord High school.

Wayne got off to a good start in their four-team pool, beating Ord 42-28 and Adams Central 60-12 before falling to Northwest 64-18.

In the win over Ord, match winners included Will Leseberg (120), Grant Maas (138), Ashton Munsell (145), Zander Liston (152) and Eli Barner (160).

Against Adams Central, match winners included Leseberg, Zach McManigal (126), Maas, Munsell, Francisco Jinez (160) and Barner.

In the Northwest loss, winners were Munsell, Aiden Liston (170) and Colton Shepperd (182).

In the semifinals, Wayne lost to Central City 57-24 before coming back to edge Conestoga 39-36 for third place.

Against Central City, winners were Leseberg, McManigal, Munsell and Aiden Liston. Winners in the Conestoga victory included Leseberg, McManigal, Maas, Munsell and Aiden Liston.

The Blaze went 1-2 in their pool, falling to Central City (60-24) and Conestoga (60-24) while beating Hershey (54-24).

In the loss to Central City, QCNE picked up wins from Gavin Wortman (152), Ajay Gubbels (182) and Kolby Casey (220). Casey, Lance Stange (285) and Ethan Gregory (106) won matches in the loss to Conestoga.

In the win over Hershey, wins came from Stange, Wortman and Gage Jensen (170).

In the consolation semifinals, QCNE beat Adams Central 54-18 before falling to Ord 36-33 in the final.

Against Adams Central, Gregory, Carter Olson (132), Bryson Eledge (138), Wortman, Gage Jensen (160) and Justin Backer (170) picked up wins. Against Ord, winners were Eledge, Wortman, Gubbels and Casey.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Carter Junck slams home two points for Wayne during an 82-36 win over Plainview at the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout at Wayne State College.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Devin Anderson drives past Plainview's Brendan Weber during action at the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout.



(Photo by Mary Vanderbeek)

Donation to athletic boosters

Mikey C Productions donated \$2,000 to the Wayne Athletic Boosters during the 2022 Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout. Pictured from left to right are Booster Club board members Carol McGuire, Audra Miller, Michael Carnes, Jason Sears, Brandon Hall and Liz Sharer.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Tourney runners-up

The Wayne High girls basketball team finished as runner-up in the 2022 Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout. Pictured are Jala Krusemark, Logan Miller, Taytem Ellis, Kyla Krusemark, Faith Powicki, Haley Kramer, Brooklyn Kruse, Kierah Haase, Gabbi Judd, Reagan McGuire and Frantzie Barner.

Wayne girls claim Shootout runner-up trophy

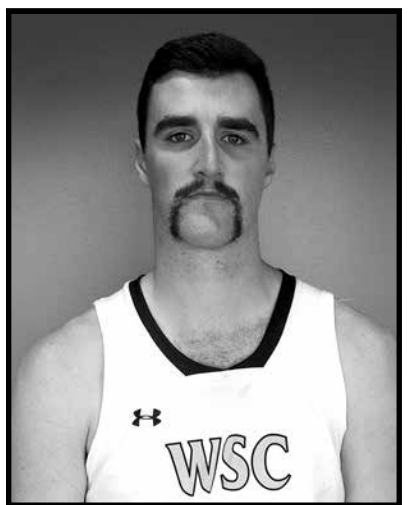
The Wayne High girls basketball team picked up a pair of solid wins before settling for runner-up honors at the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout.

Wayne held off a valiant comeback by Plainview in the opening round to earn a 45-43 win and outlasted Auburn 55-40 before coming up short in a 57-33 decision against Pender for the tournament championship.

In the opener, Wayne was able to get out to a nice lead early and had a seven-point advantage going to the fourth quarter. Plainview had a chance to tie or win the game, but a missed shot was rebounded by the Blue Devils and they were able to run out the clock and get the win.

Brooklyn Kruse just missed her fourth straight 20-point effort, finishing with a game-high 18 points in the win. Frantzie Barner added 14 points and Gabbi Judd had six. Also scoring were Kyla Krusemark with three and Kierah Haase and Jala Krusemark with two apiece.

Kruse led the rebounding effort with eight and Judd had five.



Janssen is NSIC POW

For the second straight week and third time this season, Wayne State College fifth-year forward Jordan Janssen was named the Northern Sun Conference South Division Men's Basketball Player of the Week.

Janssen, a 6-foot-7 forward, earned the honor following his play in Saturday's 71-63 home win over Augustana. He poured in 23 points and grabbed 10 rebounds in leading the Wildcats past Augustana. He made 6-of-9 shots from the field and connected on 11-of-12 free throws in the win while also recording four assists and two steals. It was Janssen's fourth straight double-double, raising his season total to eight.

This season, Janssen ranks third in the NSIC in scoring at 21.1 points per game and leads the league in rebounding with 9.6 boards per contest. He also ranks fourth in the league in field goal percentage (.571), 10th in free throw percentage (.802) and is tied for seventh in steals at 1.4 per game.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Battles for the loose ball can sometimes be painful, as Wayne's Frantzie Barner found out the hard way in this collision with a Pender player during the finals of the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout.

Barner dished four assists and Kruse added six blocked shots.

In the win over Auburn, Kruse was 8-for-8 from the floor and finished with a game-high 21 points for the winners. Haley Kramer added nine points, Barner, Jala Krusemark and Reagan McGuire each had six, Kyla Krusemark scored five and Judd had two.

McGuire and Judd shared rebounding honors with five each and McGuire had six assists, while Kruse recorded five blocks.

Pender's pressure was too much for Wayne, as the Pendragons turned a close game into a one-sided affair with a 35-11 run in the middle two periods.

Kruse and Barner shared scoring honors with seven points apiece. Haase added six points, McGuire had five, Faith Powicki and Jala Krusemark each scored three and Kramer added two.

The Wayne girls, 6-5, host Norfolk Catholic on Thursday before hosting Boone Central on Saturday.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Wayne's Logan Miller tries to defend against Auburn's Sidney Binder during action at the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout.

Free throw shooting nets Wildcat win

Wayne State hit 92 percent from the free throw line and got their second win of the season over Augustana, posting a 71-63 win in Northern Sun Conference action Saturday at Wayne State College.

Wayne State jumped out to a quick 14-4 lead thanks to back-to-back treys by Justin Eagins and six points from senior Jordan Janssen.

Augustana led briefly at 24-22 after a 20-8 run and took a 32-31 lead into the locker room, but a 3-pointer to open the second half by Nate Mohr gave the Wildcats the lead for good at 34-32.

Wayne State led by as many as eight at 51-43 after a 3-point by David Harmon and answered every Augustana rally from there. Augustana got within two several times, the last coming with 5:47 to go, but Wayne State hit 24-of-26 free throws to help seal the deal, getting free throws by Janssen and Cody McCullough to close out the win.

Janssen notched his third straight double-double and seventh of the season with 23 points and 10 rebounds, going 11-of-12 from the free throw line. Nick Ferrarini tossed in 12 points and Eagins had 10. Janssen had four assists, Eagins recorded three steals and McCullough had two blocks.

Wayne State (11-3, 6-2 NSIC) will play road games this weekend at MSU Moorhead Friday at 7:30 p.m. and Northern State Saturday at 5:30 p.m.



(Photo by Mary Vanderbeek)
Cody McCullough tries to get off a shot under pressure for the Wayne State men's basketball team during their 71-63 win over Augustana in a New Year's Eve matchup at Rice Auditorium.

WSC women lose heartbreaker

Wayne State gave Augustana quite a game before the visiting Vikings slipped away with an 80-77 win in women's college basketball action Saturday at Wayne State College.

The Wildcats got off to a good start, leading by as many as seven midway through the period before the visitors rallied to take a 19-15 lead after one period.

Wayne State tied the game at 20-20 with five straight points by Lauren Zaharais and used that momentum to build a six-point advantage, highlighted by a Maya Fitzpatrick trey, before taking a 34-29 lead into the halftime break.

An 8-0 run by the visitors to start the second half put the Vikings in front at 37-34, but Wayne State rallied to lead 48-46 before another eight-point surge by Augustana made it 54-48.

The Vikings led by as many as nine with 8:30 to go in the game, but the Wildcats rallied and got within three at 73-70 with 2:07 to go. Wayne State had a chance to tie the game at the end of regulation, but a Fitzpatrick three-point try came up just short as the Vikings picked up their second win of the year over the Wildcats.

Zacharias and Cassidy Pingel shared scoring honors with 18 points apiece for WSC, while Abby Kopecky, Kylah vanDonkersgoed and Zacharias each added four rebounds. Pingel dished out three assists to lead the Wildcats while Fitzpatrick had five steals.

The Wildcats (9-3, 5-3 NSIC) hit the road this weekend for games at MSU Moorhead Friday at 5:30 p.m. and Northern State Saturday in a 3:30 p.m. contest.



(Photo by Mary Vanderbeek)
Wayne State sophomore Abby Kopecky shoots a fadeaway for the Wildcats during a tough 80-77 loss to Augustana on New Year's Eve at Rice Auditorium.

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Winside boys second at Randolph

The Winside boys basketball team finished as the runner-up at the Randolph Invitational.

The Wildcats opened with a 34-18 win over Osmond/Randolph in the opening round Thursday. Both teams started slow, but the Wild-

cats outscored O/R 26-11 in the second half to come away with the win.

DeAndre Redwing scored 14 points and Dean Kruger added 11 for the winners. Dax Behmer added five points and Jake Bargstadt and Gavin Schutt each had two.

In Friday's final, Stuart got out to a big lead early and cruise to a 51-26 win over the Wildcats.

Kruger had 19 of Winside's points in the losing effort, with Bargstadt adding five and Behmer scoring two.

Winside girls get consolation honors

The Winside girls basketball team finished third at the Randolph Holiday tournament.

In Thursday's opener, Winside fell to the host Osmond/Randolph team 56-46. The hosts jumped out to an 11-point lead after one period and kept that advantage to take the win.

Aubrey Russell and Natalie Kruger both had 12 points to pace Winside. Hannah Gubbels added nine, Anslee Watters scored six, Elayna Hoskinson had five and Reagan Strong scored two.

In the consolation game, it was Winside getting out to the early led and coming away with a 48-28 win over Stuart on Friday. Winside led 11-5 after one and built a 27-11

halftime lead on their way to the win.

Russell scored a game-high 28 points and Watters added 14 for Winside, with Kruger adding six points. Watters had 11 rebounds and four assists while Russell and Gubbels each had seven boards.

Winside medals four at Newman Grove

The Winside wrestlers finished 10th and earned four medals during action at the Newman Grove Invitational on Thursday.

Mason Topp led the Wildcats with a runner-up finish at 220 pounds, falling on a third-period

pin by Hank Hudson of Boone Central in the finals.

Korbin Carlson earned runner-up honors at 132 pounds, finishing the day with a pin in the consolation finals.

Cooper Behmer placed fourth at

Wolfpack boys take third in tourney

The Tri County Northeast boys basketball team earned consolation honors at the Summerland Holiday Classic.

In the opener Thursday, the Wolfpack couldn't quite get over the hump in their matchup with West Holt, falling short in a 39-28 decision.

Joe Grone led the TCNE boys with 12 points and Ben Jorgensen

added seven. Also scoring were Jackson Belt with four, Bernard Juarez with three and Hunter Heikes with two.

Belt and Heikes shared rebounding honors with five each, and Jorgensen had four steals.

In Friday's consolation game, the Wolfpack came away with a 37-29 win over Chambers/Wheeler Central.

Lady Wolfpack get into the win column

The Tri County Northeast girls basketball team put one in the win column over the holiday break, coming away with consolation honors at the Summerland Holiday Classic.

After dropping a 43-3 decision to West Holt in the opening round, TCNE fought back with a 48-41 win over Chambers/Wheeler Central to get consolation honors.

TCNE led by as many as 13 in

the second quarter before the Renegades bounced back, cutting the lead to one at 25-24 at the half. TCNE was able to take control back late in the game to come away with the seven-point win.

We got into some foul trouble in the second quarter, but luckily we had a big enough lead that our bench was able to hold on to," coach Doug Mackling said. "We still need to work on defense and moving our

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Bears rebound, finish fifth at Shootout

After dropping an opening-round matchup to the eventual champs, the LCC boys basketball team rebounded with a pair of solid victories during the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout.

On Wednesday, the Bears played Pierce tough in the early going, but the Bluejays pulled away in the second half for a 58-37 win over LCC.

LCC had a balanced scoring attack in the loss, led by Jake Rath with 10 points and Gibson Roberts with nine. Also scoring were Kolby Hansen with six, Carter Kvols with four, Eli Haisch with three, Dylan Taylor and Landen Leonard each had two and Tyler Olson added a free throw.

Rath led the team in rebounds with nine while Roberts had two assists and two steals.

In the consolation round Thursday, LCC needed overtime before dispensing of Pender in a 53-43 win.

The Bears were up big early before Pender came back and made a game of it, forcing the extra period before the Bears outscored them 13-3 in the extra session.

Rath had a hot hand, going 11-of-14 from the field to finish with a game-high 30 points. Olson added 15 points, Kvols had five and Taylor, Hanson and Haisch each had two.

Rath had a double-double with 15 rebounds while Olson grabbed



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Jake Rath makes a pass for the LCC boys during tournament action at the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout. Rath averaged 25 points per game in helping the Bears to a fifth-place finish.

six boards and had five steals. Hansen recorded three blocks.

In the game for fifth place, LCC got out to a 27-2 lead after one period and made that stand up in a 75-61 win over Winnebago.

Once again, Rath had a monster night with a 35-point, 15-rebound double-double. He was 14-of-17

from the field, including a 2-for-2 effort from 3-point range.

Kvols added 16 for the winners, followed by Roberts with 10, Olson with nine and Hansen with five. Kvols had 12 rebounds and four blocked shots, and Roberts had three steals.

Lady Bears come away with win at Shootout

After losing their first two games, the LCC Lady Bears bounced back to finish seventh at the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout.

The Lady Bears opened the tournament with a 51-41 loss to Pierce. LCC led after one period, but a 19-8 second-quarter run gave Pierce the lead for good.

Haley Christensen led the way for LCC with 13 points, followed by Mallory Eriksen with 11 points. Lainey Schutte added eight, Mollie Schutte had five and Tali Erwin and Avery Hahne each had two.

In consolation action Thursday, the Lady Bears got off to a slow start and never recovered in a 59-32 loss to Hartington Cedar Catholic.

Eriksen had top honors for LCC with 16 points and Erwin tallied 11, including three 3-pointers. Christensen and Mollie Schutte both had two points and Delaney Johnson added a free throw.

In Friday's game for seventh place, LCC pulled away in the second half and earned a 50-36 win over Winnebago.

Erwin scored a game-high 14 points in the win and Eriksen



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

LCC's Haley Christensen looks to dribble around a defender during action at the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout. The Lady Bears went 1-2 and finished seventh.

added 14 points. Also scoring were Christensen with nine, Mollie Schutte with eight and Lainey Schutte with three.

Anglers help bring new life to aging waters in 2022

Anglers in Nebraska got a lot accomplished this year — just by buying a fishing permit.

Regardless of their success on the water, their purchase of a permit — and the Aquatic Habitat Stamp that is included — helped fund more than \$8 million in improvements through the Nebraska Aquatic Habitat Program in 2022. In essence, they helped bring new life to aging waters.

The program, celebrated its 25th anniversary in 2022, enhances aquatic ecosystems by implementing restoration techniques in streams, lakes, reservoirs and the watersheds that feed them. In addition to improving aquatic habitat and water quality, the program also improves boat and bank angler access.

When the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission established the Aquatic Habitat Program in 1997, it was the only one of its kind in the nation.

"Since its inception, the Aquatic Habitat Program has generated more than \$90 million for improvements to 137 water bodies across Nebraska," said Dean Rosenthal, fisheries administrator. "The Commission takes great pride in the improvements we — thanks to partnerships, volunteers and staff — have made so that Nebraska is a tremendous state to fish in. We are committed to maintaining and improving fishing access for anglers."

Aquatic habitat and angler access improvement work was accomplished throughout the state dur-

ing 2022. The following is a list of projects completed or nearly completed in 2022 using Aquatic Habitat Program, Sportfish Restoration and Nebraska Environmental Trust funding:

North Platte I-80 Lake — The south side of the lake, the primary entrance to the area, received several upgrades. Five fishing piers were built, and Americans with Disabilities Act access was added to the boat ramp and one pier. Barriers to prevent overgrown vegetation also were installed near these fishing piers.

Valentine National Wildlife Refuge — Carp barriers, which prevent carp from moving into or out of a water body, often can clog with vegetation. Rotating screens were installed to prevent this problem in the outlet structures of Clear and Hackberry lakes.

Grable Pond North at Fort Robinson State Park — This pond, the last in a series of three ponds to be renovated, was deepened along the perimeter. The outlet structure also was replaced and an ADA-access jetty was installed, with fish habitat features placed within casting distance.

I-80 lakes — Russian olive and cedar trees were cleared around West Wood River, Bufflehead, West Brady and East Sutherland wildlife management areas. This opened areas for angler access that had become too overgrown for easy access to the water.

Summit Lake — The sediment basins were excavated on the south

and west ends to restore them back to their original capacity and prevent sediment from entering the main reservoir. Angler jetties and the boat ramp also were improved and stabilized, and a kayak launch site was developed.

Bordeaux Creek — This Pine Ridge project was designed to reconnect the creek to the floodplain, ultimately improving bank stability and cool-water fish habitat. These changes, which remain under construction, will improve the trout fishery and fishing access, greatly enhancing recreational opportunities for anglers.

Wagon Train Lake — This project restored the sediment basin to its original capacity and modified the design to improve sediment capture. Habitat shoals and vegetation barriers were added to the reservoir basin, and undesirable fish were removed. The lake is currently being restocked. A boat launch and angler access areas will be repaired in 2023.

Gracie Creek — Flooding from 2019 substantially reduced the capacity of the Gracie Creek Pond near Calamus Reservoir. This project developed a sediment dike to make it easier to remove sediment in the future. It also removed 30,000 yards of sediment from the pond. Habitat and angler access improvements also were made below the outlet, which will provide improved opportunities for anglers fishing for white bass in the spring.

Victoria Springs SRA — Research is being conducted to identify sources of nutrients in the lake that are causing considerable issues with aquatic vegetation and duckweed. These issues have led to fish kills and open water angler access difficulties. Investigations are currently being evaluated to determine feasible management strategies to improve conditions.

Read more about the Aquatic Habitat Program at OutdoorNebraska.gov/aquatichabitatprogram.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Wayne girls wrestler Kortney Rees works for a first-period pin to finish off a first-place effort in her bracket at the Winnebago Invitational.

Wayne girls get medals at Winnebago

The Wayne High girls wrestling team finished 22nd out of 39 teams at the Winnebago Invitational held Thursday at Winnebago High School.

Jaycee Bruns was the lone Blue Devil in the varsity brackets to come away with a medal, finishing second at 125 pounds. She posted pins in each of her first three matches before getting caught in a headlock during the finals against Alexis Pehrson of Yutan, who

pinned the Blue Devil senior in 19 seconds to claim first-place honors.

In JV action, Kortney Rees led the Wayne girls with a first-place finish at 155 pounds. She won both of her matches by pin, the last coming in 56 seconds.

Cici Stashkiw-Risor was third at 144 pounds, Serenity Heil-Ellis placed fourth at 135 and Hannah Burris was fourth at 115 in JV competition.

Area wrestlers see action at Winnebago

Girls wrestlers from Wakefield, Quad County Northeast and Tri County Northeast saw action Thursday at the Winnebago Invitational.

The Wakefield girls had one varsity medalist and one JV medalist on the day. Mayte Alandra Fores Garcia earned runner-up honors at 140 pounds, falling late in the first period of her finals match against Kristen Shellenberg of Scribner-Snyder. She won two matches by pin to get to the finals.

Ericca Lopez Ramos finished fifth in the 115-pound JV division. She was 0-4 in round-robin competition.

Both QCNE and TCNE came away empty-handed in the 39-team tournament. Emily Olson was 1-2 in 130-pound varsity action and Darly Garcia went 1-2 in 155-pound JV action for the Blaze. Calie Cockburn fell one match short of the medal stand at 170 pounds for the Wolfpack, while Getsamani Ferrusca (125) and Makenna Maise (130) were both winless on the day.

Wayne bowlers roll to tournament titles

The championship trophies for the Wayne Invitational didn't have to travel very far, as the hosts claimed both team titles in action Thursday at Wildcat Lanes.

Coach Josh Johnson was proud of the team's effort in their first competition back from the holiday break.

"I am so proud of how both teams responded today," he said. "We have not bowled in a match for two weeks and have only practiced once in a week because of the holiday break. Both teams got better as the day went on and really put up some good team scores. We can really build on today and get back to work next week and keep getting more consistent."

In girls action, Wayne started the day with a 726-354 win over Plainview and won four five singles matches as well, with wins by Riley Haschke (148), Lindsay Niemann (159), Jersi Jensen (155) and Madi Janke (129). Nina Hammer shot a 135 in her game.

Wayne continued to bowl well in their second matchup, beating Hartington-Newcastle 762-638. Haschke (159), Joslyn Johnson (136), Hammer (168) and Jensen (160) won their duals, while Niemann rolled a 139.

In the final game of pool action, Wayne swept Columbus Lakeview 852-532 with wins by Haschke (143), Johnson (139), Hammer (188), Niemann (170), and Jensen (212).

In the Baker roll-offs, Wayne swept Plainview 3-0 (172-59, 194-73, 145-65) and outlasted Hartington-Newcastle 3-1 (139-122, 140-144, 185-99, 162-130) to claim the team title.

Individually, Jensen was medalist with a 527, Hammer was second at 491 and Niemann third at 468.

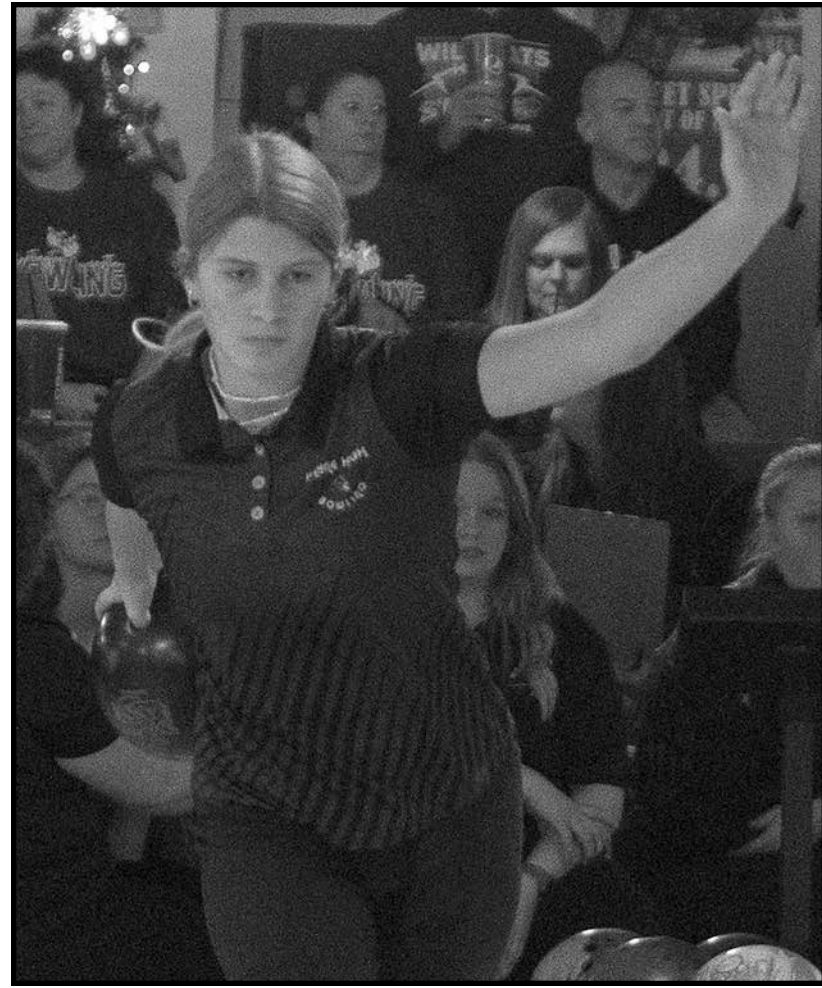
The Wayne boys had a little tougher roll through pool action, sweeping Plainview 8-0 and beating Hartington-Newcastle 7-1 and Columbus Lakeview 5-3.

In the Plainview dual, Wayne pulled away with a 948-577 win, getting wins from Jaden Dramse (160), Alex Rodriguez (173), Shayne Geidner (214), Calvin Starzl (191), and Brogan Foote (210).

Against the Wildcats, Wayne won 897-752 with wins by Dramse (180), Rodriguez (150), Geidner (144) and Foote (234). Starzl rolled a 189.

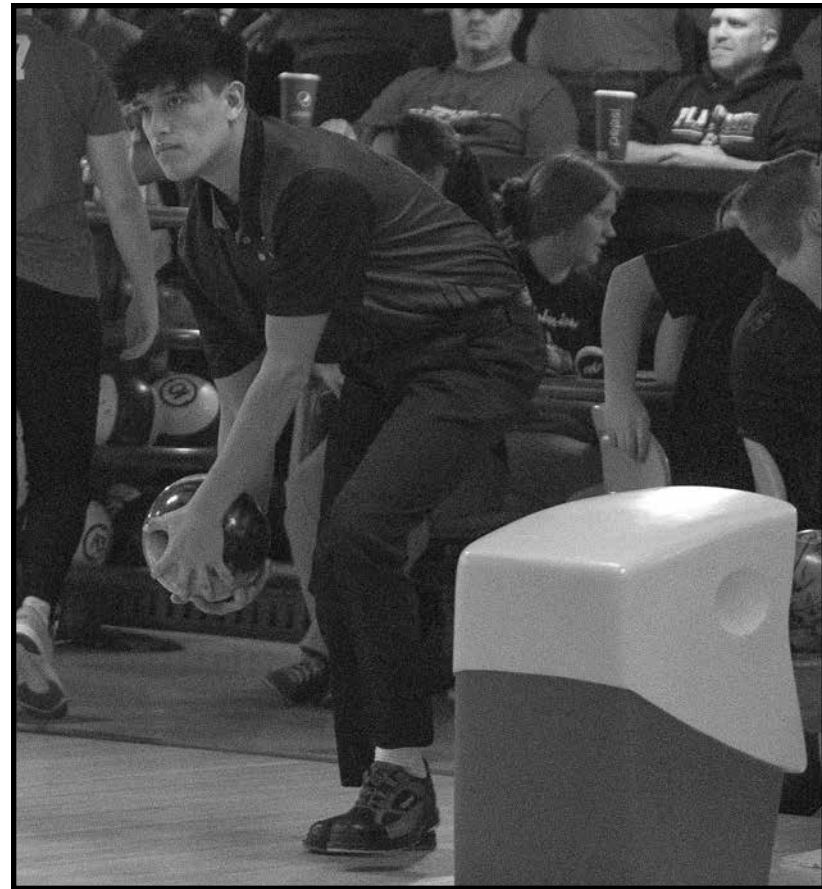
Against the Vikings, Wayne held off a late Viking rally to win 996-925. Individual winners were Dramse (201) and Rodriguez (244) while Geidner (179), Starzl (160) and Foote (212) lost their head-to-head matchups.

The Wayne boys had no problems in the Baker competition, sweeping Plainview and Lakeview in 3-0 finishes to take the title. Wayne beat Plainview 206-119, 192-123 and 202-110, while they mastered the Vikings 197-158, 172-141 and 167-160.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Jersi Jensen rolled the best individual scores of the day to claim individual honors and helped the Wayne girls take the team title at the Wayne Invitational.



(Photo by Michael Carnes)

Alex Rodriguez eyes the lane as he gets ready to roll during the Wayne Invitational bowling tournament at Wildcat Lanes. The senior finished third as an individual to help the Wayne boys take the team title.

Two Wayne high bowlers finished among the top three medalists, with Foote's 656 leading the way. Rodriguez was third with a 567.

The Wayne bowlers are back in action at home Thursday against Norfolk Catholic and will compete in a tournament at Hartington-Newcastle on Saturday.

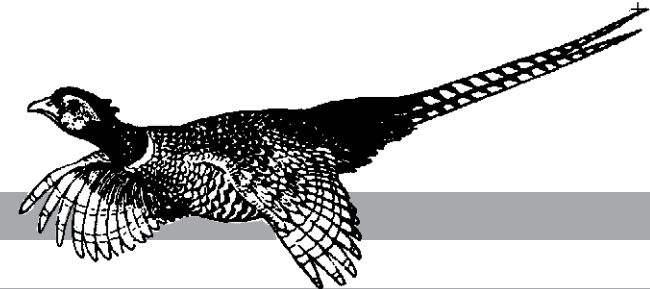
Kate Schultz graduates from School of Mines and Technology

Kate Schultz, formerly of Wayne, received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Biomedical Engineering from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in Rapid City, South Dakota on Dec. 17.

Kate is currently employed as a Process Engineer at Becton Dickinson Pharmaceutical Systems in Columbus.

She is the daughter of Kim Schultz of Wayne and the granddaughter of the late Elden Schultz of Wisner and Lucy and Mel Sanders of Norfolk.

Opinion



Newly awarded VLS grants will house & train incarcerated individuals

A new round of grants will ensure that more services are available to those who are releasing from prison. Awardees, announced by the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services (NDCS), the Division of Parole Supervision (Parole) and the Administrative Office of the Courts and Probation (Probation), are funded through the Vocational and Life Skills (VLS) program.

In 2022, the Nebraska Legislature appropriated \$5 million per year over the next three fiscal years from the Prison Overcrowding Contingency Fund for VLS grants. NDCS, in collaboration with Probation and Parole, issued two separate solicitations for proposals to provide services. The first solicitation, which included net funding of \$1.5 million annually, was primarily for transitional housing and associated services. The second solicitation, amounting to \$3.5 million annually, addresses needs associated with reentry to the community, with a priority focus on mental health and technology training.

Awards have been issued to 10 providers in Omaha, Lincoln, Grand Island, Hastings and Kearney, specializing in transitional housing* services. Eight additional community providers** will also receive funds. That assistance will help to expand job skills training, including funding for two providers for software coding programs.

Grants issued through the VLS program are available to community-based organizations, community colleges, Indian tribes and nonprofit organizations that provide programs, services, and training to those who are incarcerated, have been incarcerated in the prior 18 months or are serving a period of supervision on either probation or parole. Since its implementation in 2015, the VLS program has served approximately 9,862 individuals.

*B.A.M.B. (Omaha); Care Corps, Inc. (LifeHouse) (Fremont); Chain Breaker, LLC (Catherine Rylee House) (Omaha); Connecting Links (Lincoln); Crossroads Center, Inc. (Hastings, Kearney, Grand Island); Evanda House of Sober Living, LLC (Omaha); Fresh Start (Lincoln); Kearney's Village Transitional and Sober Living (Kearney); People's City Mission (Curtis Center) (Lincoln); Western Alternative Corrections (Bristol Station) (Hastings)

**Black Men United (Omaha); Community Justice Center (Lincoln, Omaha); Community Alliance Rehabilitation Services (Omaha); Mental Health Association of Nebraska (Lincoln, Omaha); Metropolitan Community College (Omaha); Midland University (McCook, Omaha); Persevere (Lincoln, York); ReConnect, Inc. (Omaha).

Allen News

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Allen Senior Center

Menu
Thursday, Jan. 5: Chicken & noodle soup

Friday, Jan. 6: Biscuits & gravy, bacon, eggs, mixed fruit.

Monday, Jan. 9: Baked pork chop, baked potatoes, corn, strawberries.

Tuesday, Jan. 10: Vegetable beef stew, cornbread, peaches.

Wednesday, Jan. 11: Pork roast, mashed potatoes, gravy, carrots, grapes.

Events
Thursday, Jan. 5: FROGS & Exercise.

Friday, Jan. 6: Health Presentation.

Monday, Jan. 9: Legion and Auxiliary Meeting.

Tuesday, Jan. 10: ACCI Meeting, 4 p.m.; FROGS & Exercise.

Allen Consolidated Schools

Weekly Events

Thursday, Jan. 5: Boys Varsity Wrestling at Pender, 4:30 p.m.;

JVG, JVB, VG and VB Basketball at Allen, vs Wynot, 4 p.m.;

Youth Girls Grades 3 and 4 basketball practice at Emerson Sacred Heart Gym, 5:15 to 6:45 p.m.

Winside schools announce honor roll

Winside Public Schools Second Quarter Academic Honors list has recently been released.

Those earning recognition included;

Grades 4-6: A Honor Roll — Kianana Rastede, Sloane Klabenes, Graciela Naeve, Alayna Carlson, Bailey Lurz and Bryce Lurz.

A/B Honor Roll — Jessa Farran, Paisley Grothe, Jayzen Schrader, Boe Clyde, Christopher Dankert, Khloie Fuchs, Jaeger Genereux, Charlotte Marotz, Tate Petersen, Macy Prothman, Bryston Rohde, Austin Frederick, Aftyn Schutt, Tinsley Schwedhelm and Quinn Sellin.

Grades 7-8: Honor Roll — Raylyn Behmer, Aleah Bilstein, Katelyn Jaeger, Carter Krause, Brayden Lurz, Tyler Paulsen, Hadleigh Schutt, Hadley Sellin, Stratton Sellin, Ellie Topp, Baker Behmer, Kole Falk, Jayla Pekny, Riley Petersen, Maya Reed, Asher Uttecht and Payton Wylie.

Honorable Mention — Miley Gnirk, Peyton Ellis, McKinley Jensen, Bridget Marotz, Shyanna Ritchison and Shawn Thompson.

Grades 9-12: Principal's List — Hannah Gubbels, Tucker Bruns, Megan Gnirk, Dane Behmer, Emily Jaeger and Landon Carlson.

Honor Roll — Jacob Bargstadt, Daxton Behmer, Hannah Holdorf, DeAndre Redwing, Caden Reed,

Friday, Jan. 6: Youth Basketball Practice at Allen for Grades third - sixth Boys and fifth - sixth Girls, 6:15 to 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 7: JV Boys Basketball "A-Club" Tournament at Allen, 8 a.m.; Boys and Girls Varsity Wrestling at Winside, 9 a.m.; VG and VG Basketball at Allen, vs, Hartington Cedar Catholic, 6 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 9: JH Girls and Boys (B) Basketball at Ponca, 3 p.m.; Varsity Boys Wrestling at Oakland-Craig, 4 p.m.; School Board Meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 10: JH Boys (A,B) Basketball at Homer, 3 p.m.; JVG, JVB, VG and VB Basketball at Emerson, vs, Winnebago, 4 p.m.

Allen Community Churches

First Lutheran Church
It's First Lutheran's Annual Ministry Sign Up Time for 2023. Please review the sign-up sheets on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

FLC Ministry Celebration/Annual Meeting It's that time of year again, annual meetings! First Lutheran Church will be having their Ministry Celebration/Annual Meeting on Sunday, Jan. 15.

Birthdays
Sunday, Jan. 1: Darlene Roberts.

Micah Stenwall, Cooper Behmer, Zachary Bilstein, Hunter Genereux, Devon Offner, Reagan Strong, Cameron Bilstein, Skye Schultz, Trevin Wylie, Jerzi Carlson, Natalie Cautrell, Lucas Petersen, Aubrey Russell and Anslee Watters.

Honorable Mention — Dean Kruger, Mason Topp, Natalie Kruger, Korbin Carlson, Samantha Gubbels, Mia Redwing, Skylar Spann, Lily Umbarger, Jayden Aschoff, Chase Genereux, Caleb Offner and Riggins Sellin.

Capitol View

It's a New Year and there's a whole lotta new going on

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

Welcome to 2023, a new year with a whole lotta new going on at the State Capitol.

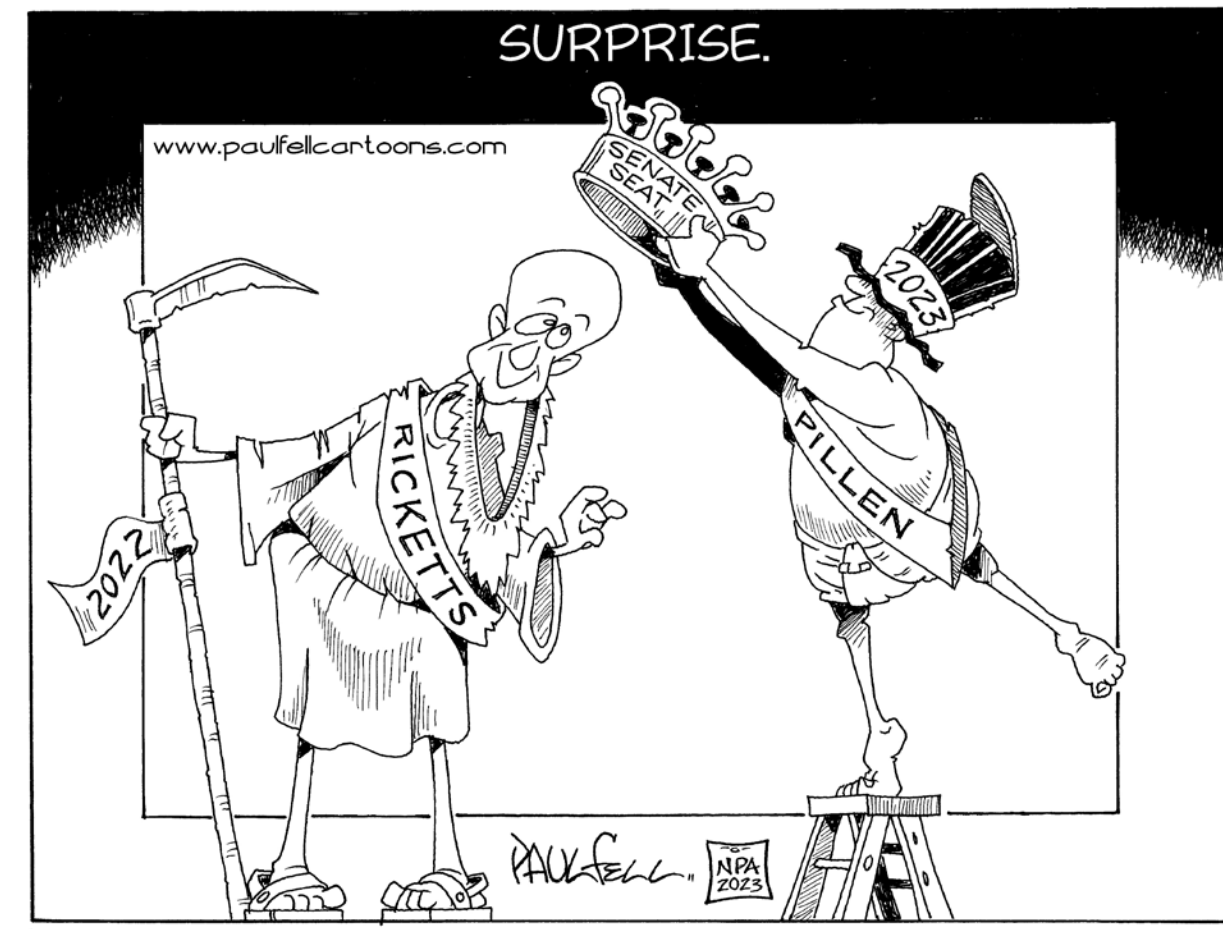
There's a new governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, auditor and 14 new state senators assuming leadership roles in the Republican dominated Nebraska government. There will be a new U.S. Senator from Nebraska to be appointed by the new governor. There are 33 Republicans and 16 Democrats in the officially nonpartisan Legislature.

So, what does this mean to you and me? A new year marks a great chance to move one year further away from the Covid pandemic lock-downs and mask-ups. Hope springs eternal that medical science will find a wide-ranging vaccination or some other solution as we inch toward normalcy.

A bunch of new people in positions of authority marks a time to be cautious while we discern agendas and adjust to new management styles. Comfort levels will increase as the direction becomes clear. The selection of a new speaker and committee chairs will be instructive of the workings of the Legislature. The new governor's first state of the state address should likewise be informative.

New Governor Jim Pillen, a former University of Nebraska football player in the Osborne era and a soon-to-resign University Regent, says he will commute to Lincoln from Pillen Farms at Columbus. The last Governor to actually live in the Mansion across the street south of the Capitol was Mike Johanns. Governor Kay Orr also lived in the mansion and oversaw a massive renovation project.

His Lieutenant Governor Joe



Kelly will likely be the presiding officer many days of the Legislature. Kelly was most recently the U.S. Attorney for Nebraska. Prior to that he was Lancaster County Attorney. He and Pillen have been friends since college.

Former Speaker of the Legislature Mike Hilgers of Lincoln was elected Attorney General. His legislative aid has been appointed to fill his remaining two years in the Legislature. He follows in the footsteps of Doug Peterson who was a strict law and order advocate and will likely be the same.

Former Lieutenant Governor Mike Foley heads back to the state Auditor job, a post he held from 2007

to 2015 when he joined the administration of Gov. Pete Ricketts. Foley was a state senator from 2001 to 2007. The job opened when Auditor Charlie Janssen of Fremont decided to not run again. He had been in office since 2015 and served one term in the Legislature before that. It is presumed that Brandon Metzler, an assistant clerk of the Legislature since 2017, will be voted in as the next Clerk of the Legislature succeeding Clerk Patrick J. O'Donnell who is retiring after 45 years on the job, the longest of any legislative clerk in the country.

Likewise, it appears that State Sen. John Arch of Omaha, a health

care consultant who has served in the Legislature since 2018, will be the next Speaker of the Legislature. Don't forget about Ricketts. It is almost certain that Pillen will appoint him to be the replacement for U.S. Senator Ben Sasse who steps down to become the President of the University of Florida.

That's a lot of new in the air, but despite a few expected hiccups, it could be a refreshing change.

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

New year, new administration, same guiding vision

The start of a new year is the time to reflect on how far we've come as a state — as well as to look forward to where Nebraska is heading.

Last year was one for the record books. And thanks to the progress we achieved together, Nebraska is stronger than ever.

A historic legislative session enacted a record \$3.4 billion in new tax relief for Nebraska families and small businesses — bringing the total amount of tax relief to be delivered to \$12.7 billion since 2015.

We've also driven growth through key investments across the state. That includes securing our water resources for the next generation of Nebraskans, as well as giving our law enforcement agencies the resources they need to keep our families safe.

We've continued to rein in government spending, too. Thanks to our prudent operations, Nebraska now has a record rainy day fund that's set to approach \$2.3 billion by the end of the fiscal year — which will help ensure our state's fiscal well-being for years to come.

We've also made good on our goal to deliver more efficient, effective government services to all Nebraskans. From applying for SNAP and renewing a driver's license to trying to start a business, people's experience with state gov-



Gov. Pete Ricketts

ernment is now met with a faster, better response.

And our programs designed for helping those in need — like SNAP Next Step and Ignite Nebraska — are more thoughtfully designed today to lift Nebraskans up and create opportunity for all.

So, to every one of our teammates who has helped drive the customer-first mindset in state government that's achieved these improvements for our families, students, and workers, let me say this: Thank you.

And let me also thank Nebraska's workers and business leaders, who helped us expand the Good Life to even more people across the state.

Nebraska reported its fastest GDP growth in a decade last year. And, for 25 consecutive months, we have had the highest labor force participation rate in the nation, at 69.8 percent.

2022 was a record-breaking year for our state. But it's my sincere hope that 2023 is even better — starting this week.

Nebraska will turn the page this week to new leadership in the Capitol. Governor-elect Pillen will have the opportunity to start delivering on his agenda for the state. And I'm confident he will be successful. He shares the same guiding vision as me and the governors who led before us: Serve Nebraskans.

While the policies and practices change from administration to administration, that North Star that guides the governor's office has remained unwavering. This office and the agencies that support it are here for you. They exist to help lift you and your families up when you need it, to connect you to opportunity in our vibrant workforce, and to make sure every interaction you have with state government gets you closer to enjoying the Good Life.

I'll forever be grateful to have had the chance to carry on that mission. Because there's no place in the world quite like Nebraska. I grew up here. Susanne and I put down roots here and raised our three children here. And it wasn't by accident

that we stayed. After all, Nebraska truly is the best place in the world to live, work, and raise a family. And it's been the greatest honor of my life to serve as governor of this great state.

I'm proud of the improvements we have made over these past eight years to help transform Nebraska's state government, to enhance our customer service, and to truly put the people first in all that we do.

I'm glad that Governor-elect Pillen is in a strong position to build on these efforts and drive even more progress for our state and its people. I look forward to seeing Nebraska thrive under his leadership.

To each and every Nebraskan who has engaged with me over these eight years: Thank you. Whether you tuned into my monthly call-in-show to ask questions, attended a townhall to share your feedback, or wrote into my office on the issues that are important to you, you helped guide my administration.

And for those of you who have sent notes of support and prayer along the way, thank you. My family and I felt every prayer and encouragement.

Our state is great because our people are great. Thank you for trusting me these past eight years.

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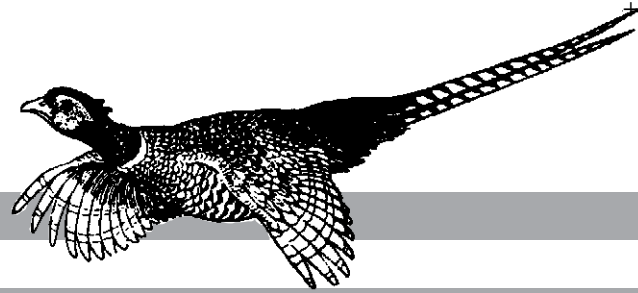
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Lifestyle

Learn to stretch your paycheck

Managing money is a skill that almost everyone can learn and benefit from, especially to teach youth about saving money.

For example, one of the most common money mistakes is making a major purchase impulsively. Wait a day or two to evaluate if the purchase is necessary. Another financial mistake is buying an item on sale just because it's on sale. This also can be hard on the checkbook. Learning to rethink these and other expenditures can help you manage your money wisely.

To stretch your paycheck, here

Dakota County

Angela Abts

Extension Educator



UNL Extension

are some helpful suggestions:

1. Make a list of "fixed" expenses, such as a house payment or rent; automobile payments, school or other loans; or periodic payments, such as insurance payments or a child's orthodontics. Be sure to include deposits into a savings account.
2. Pay "fixed" expenses first.
3. Balance "flexible" spending. Flexible spending usually includes expenses that vary from month to month, such as groceries, maintenance on an automobile, clothing, etc.
4. Learn to identify the differ-

ence between needs (essentials) and wants (extras) in your spending plan.

5. Keep track of miscellaneous expenses. Spending a dollar a day in a vending machine at work may not seem like much, but if you multiply a dollar times five (for each day of the week) times 52 weeks, it adds up to \$260 a year.

6. Comparison shop. Check prices, product guarantees, and service at two or more places when purchasing costly items, like a major appliance or a car.

7. Use credit with care. Be sure to limit credit card purchases to an amount that can be comfortably paid within a given time frame. Using a credit card for small purchases is, however, fine if you always pay the total balance and don't accrue interest charges. Keep track of credit card expenditures to minimize surprises when the bill arrives. Try carrying an index card or small notebook to keep a running total of credit card expenditures if you have difficulty managing credit.

Can parents help children learn the value of a dollar?

Here's an easy exercise that can help parents teach children about

purchasing power. Choose a time when a supermarket is not likely to be crowded. Ask a child to choose two grocery items from the same shelf and help the child compare the size of the boxes; the number of servings; price and/or price per serving, which usually is posted. Or, help them check how many of two or three different items, such as grapes, potatoes, and/or bananas they might purchase for the same amount of money.

Children also benefit from learning that price is influenced by the place of purchase. For example, a candy bar is likely to be least expensive at a supermarket or discount department store; more costly at a convenience store; and still more costly at a movie theater or sporting event concession stand.

For more information about preparing youth for financial matters, please contact the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension Office in your local county or visit the website at <http://4h.unl.edu/>. 4-H learning experiences are open to all youth. Make Nebraska 4-H your first college experience with UNL. 4-H Grows Here

Briefly Speaking

Winside Legion Auxiliary to meet

AREA — Roy Reed Unit 252, American Legion Auxiliary, of Winside will meet on Saturday, Jan. 7, 2023 at 10:15 a.m. at the Winside Legion Post.

Members will continue to discuss plans for the Third District Convention to be held in Winside on Saturday, March 18. All members of the American Legion Family are encouraged to place the date on the calendar now and plan to attend. Watch for updates.

Winside Legion Family members are asked to mark their calendars for Saturday, Feb. 4 at 11:30 a.m. for a family potluck gathering. All members and family members are welcome. Each family is asked to bring a food item for the meal. Attendees may play a few games of cards or board games in the afternoon. Prospective members to the Winside American Legion family are welcome to attend and meet the and see if they are a good fit for you.

Winside Auxiliary members are asked to provide desserts for the Legion's annual Soup Lunch on Sunday, Jan. 22. Desserts should be brought to the Winside Legion Post by 9:30 a.m.

School Lunches

ALLEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Jan. 9 — 13)

Monday: Breakfast — Sausage & biscuit. Lunch — Hamburger on a bun, spiral fires.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Eggstravaganza. Lunch — Italian dunkers, marinara sauce, green beans.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Glazed donut. Lunch — Chicken strips, mashed potatoes with gravy, tea roll.

Thursday: Breakfast — Pancakes. Lunch — Soft shell taco, tri tater, refried beans.

Friday: Breakfast — Egg & biscuit. Lunch — Hamburger on a bun, spiral fries, vegetables, fruit bar.

All breakfast meals include a variety of cereal or oatmeal, 8 oz. of milk, fruit or fruit juice. All lunch meals include 8 oz. of milk. Salad bar will include the following options: fresh lettuce, fresh spinach, carrots/celery, tomatoes, diced eggs, bean variety, cucumbers and fruit variety.

LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Jan. 9 — 13)

Monday: Breakfast — . Lunch

Tuesday: Breakfast — .

Wednesday: Breakfast — . Lunch —

Thursday: Breakfast — Lunch

Friday: Breakfast — Lunch — .

WAKEFIELD SCHOOLS (Jan. 9 — 13)

Monday: Breakfast — Tornado, halos, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch — Pork chop patty, fruit cocktail, green beans, roll, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Waffles, sausage patty, apple slices, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch — KFC casserole, kiwi, cookie, roll, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Ham, egg and cheese, biscuit, strawberries, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch — Hamburgers, peaches, French fries, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast — Bacon burrito, yogurt, banana, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch — Corn dogs, spiced apples, peas, milk.

Friday: Breakfast — Scrambled eggs with bacon, hash browns, mixed fruit, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch — Grilled cheese, chicken noodle soup, fresh fruit, milk.

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 (Jan. 9 — 13)

Monday: Breakfast — Breakfast bites. Lunch — Chicken fajita, black beans, lettuce, warm apples, corn bread.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Breakfast burrito. Lunch — Chili, cinnamon roll, carrots & celery, mixed

fruit.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Yogurt, bagel. Lunch — Meatball sub, tater tots, broccoli, pineapple.

Thursday: Breakfast — Muffins. Lunch — Creamed turkey, mashed potatoes, dinner roll, mixed for fresh vegetables, apricots.

Friday: Breakfast — Breakfast pizza. Lunch — Pizza calzone, peas, cauliflower, apples, orange slices.

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

WINSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Jan. 9 — 13)

Monday: Breakfast — French toast. Lunch — Fiestada, corn, fruit.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Sausage pancake bites. Lunch — Chicken Alfredo, peas, carrots, fruit, garlic bread.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Pop tart. Lunch — Quesadilla, cauliflower, fruit.

Thursday: Breakfast — Breakfast pizza. Lunch — Chicken teriyaki, rice, fruit, bread stick.

Friday: Breakfast — Pancake. Lunch — Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, fruit, roll.

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.

Senior Center

Congregate Meal Menu

(Week of Jan. 9 — 13)

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, which go out at 11 a.m. and curbside pickup meal service from 11:15 to 11:30 a.m. 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: Toe nail clinic. Vegetable beef soup, cherry cottage cheese salad with mixed fruit, blueberry muffin, cookie.

Tuesday: Health Clinic, 9:45 to 11:45 a.m. Liver and onions OR hamburger patty, dinner roll, corn, mashed potatoes, gravy, strawberries, bananas.

Wednesday: Tater tot casserole, seven layer salad, orange gelatin with mandarin oranges, homemade banana muffin.

Thursday: Lime crusted talapia, cheesy hash browns, creamed peas & carrots, mixed fruit, dinner roll.

Friday: Barbecue meatballs, scalloped potatoes, butter beets, apple crisp with topping, whole wheat dinner roll.

Pilger Church building finds new use

Submitted By LaRayne Topp, Freelance writer

As with many small churches across the state, regardless of denomination, the members of St. Peter's Lutheran of Church at Pilger have decided to close its doors.

Since 1900, the congregation has worshiped in the same building, even as it was picked up and relocated across town in 1949. Members' sadness has been lifted, however, knowing the building will continue to be used as a place for people to gather as the Historical Society of Stanton County takes over its ownership and the space takes on a new life.

Gene Willers of Pilger, Chairman of the congregation's Futures Committee, plus Inez Barth of Stanton, Treasurer of the Historical Society of Stanton County, recently met with Stanton County Attorney Bert Lamli to gift the St. Peter's building to the Society.

"We're pleased they are willing to take on that responsibility," Willers said, "so that the church will still be part of the community."

The Pilger Museum is currently housed in what was once the Baptist Church in town, with a multitude of steps outside leading to the museum's main level. The new location will not only be handicapped accessible, but also spacious and aesthetically pleasing. Even more exciting to the congregation is the fact that the sanctuary, what is now the church's worship space, will be left as is, and available for events such as funerals and weddings.

The congregation's final two services will be on Sunday, Jan. 8. The 10:30 a.m. regular morning worship will be following by an afternoon service, known as a Service of Closing. It will begin at 2 p.m. with the public invited. A reception will follow.

Worship will be led by the congregation's current pastor, Deb Valentine, along with Assistant to the Bishop of the Nebraska ELCA Synod, Kristin VanStee, and Parish Ministry Associates Kathy Becker and Deb Hammer. Former pastors and their spouses have also been invited to attend. The snow date will be Jan. 15, 2023.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church is the unification of three congregations, two German-speaking and one Danish: St. Peter's which formed in 1900, St. Petri's which

originated in 1891 south of Pilger, and St. Pauli's whose members began meeting in 1914 in the St. Peter's building. In 1949, the building where St. Peter's and St. Pauli's congregations met was lifted and moved to its current location. St. Petri's was hit by a severe windstorm at that time, and the congregation voted to disband. The lumber from the church was used to add on to the St. Peter's building. The church was again extensively remodeled in 2003, making the building handicapped accessible.

When a tornado hit the community in 2014, the church escaped extensive damage. The town's main street was largely erased from the landscape, leaving St. Peter's and the town's library as the only two public buildings in the community. As a result, local, state and federal relief efforts were headquartered at St. Peter's. In addition, a couple from the congregation, the late Val and Lanny Petersen, transformed the building into The Rock Shop, a coffee house and meeting place for village and rural residents.

Senior Center Calendar

(Week of Jan. 9 — 13)

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Monday: Toe nail care (call for a time). Morning Walking; Quilting; FROGS; Pitch and pool.

Tuesday: Health Clinic, 9:45 to 11:45 a.m.; Morning Bridge Club; Quilting; Afternoon Bridge Club; Pitch.

Wednesday: Morning Walking; Quilting & FROGS; Hand & Foot; Pitch; Pool.

Thursday: Morning Walking; Quilting; Afternoon Bridge Club; Pitch; Skip Bo.

Friday: Morning Walking; Quilting; FROGS; Pitch; Pool; Bingo.

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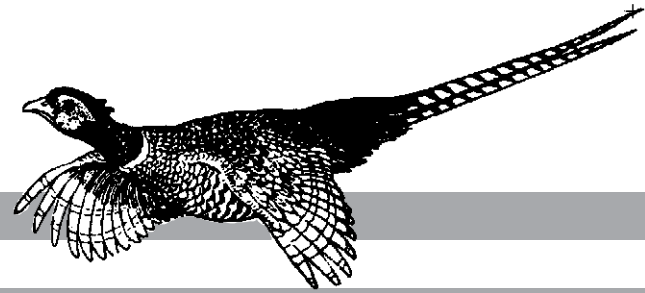
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Wednesday: FIRE UP, 6:30 p.m.

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Sunday: Worship, (at First Presbyterian Church and on Zoom), 10 a.m.; Fellowship and Downing of the Browns, 11 a.m.; Cub Scouts Den meeting, 4 p.m. Wednesday: Pastor leads Kinship Pointe Chapel, 3:30 p.m.

FIRST TRINITY LUTHERAN Altona, LC-MS
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Sunday: Worship Services at Faith Lutheran in Stanton, 8 a.m.; Worship Services at St. John's Lutheran in Pilger, 9:30 a.m.; Divine Worship Services with Holy Communion at First Trinity of Altona, 11 a.m.

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GRACE LUTHERAN Missouri Synod
904 Logan
grace@gracewayne.com
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(Pastor Erik Christensen, associate pastor)
Sunday: Worship with Communion, 8 and 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School & Bible Class, 9:15 a.m.; Sunday Night Dinner, 7:30 p.m. Monday: Choir, 6 p.m.; Mission Council, 7 p.m. Wednesday: Bible Study, 9 a.m.; Ladies Aid, 2 p.m.; Bell Choir, 5 p.m.; Midweek, 6:30 p.m. Saturday: Family Communion, 4 p.m. Sunday: Worship, 8 and 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School & Bible Class, 9:15 a.m.; Circuit Forum at Grace, 2 p.m.

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Associate Transitional Pastor, Debra Valentine
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(Fr. Jerry Connealy, associate pastor)
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E-mail: parish@stmaryswayne.com
Thursday: Mass, 8 p.m. Friday: Mass, 8:15 a.m.; Rosary at Countyview, 10 a.m. Saturday: Mass at Kinship Pointe, 9:30 a.m.; Mass, 5 p.m. Sunday: Mass, 8 and 10 a.m.; Special Seminary Collection at all Masses this weekend. Mass at 7 p.m. Monday: Radio Devotions on KTCH, 5:40 a.m. (through Friday); Women's Monday Group, 1 p.m.; Ecumenical Prayer Group, 3:30 p.m.; Santa Maria Prayer Group, 6 p.m. Tuesday: Mass, 5:15 p.m.; Board of Education Meeting at school, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: Mass, 5:15 p.m.; First Communion Class, 5:45, Holy Family Hall, 5:45 p.m.; English Class, at Wayne State College, 6:30 p.m.; WINGS at Holy Family Hall, 7:15 p.m. Thursday: College Night. Mass, 8 p.m. Friday: Mass at 8:15 a.m.; Saturday: Mass, 5 p.m. Sunday: Mass, 8 and 10 a.m.; First Reconciliation, 1 p.m.; Mass at 7 p.m.

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New Year — Same God

With the new year here, it can be an exciting time! It's the new and fresh start that maybe we've wanted after a rough year and after the last few years we've had, a new start might be a very welcomed sight.

New goals and ambitions are set out ahead of us and grand accomplishments await us in this upcoming year. So many people set out resolutions each year to set in stone and have some accountability to hold fast to the goal they've set out for this next year.

All of these things we hope for this next year probably have come for a disappointment or realization that came at the end of this last year. We look forward to how this upcoming year can truly be different.

Although the idea of a fresh and new start can be exciting, it can also be a bit scary. What if I don't reach

my goals? What if I can't complete my resolution? Staring in at the unknown of this New Year can raise lots of concerns and what will come.

Most of us tend to want some sort of security or confirmation of the outcome of something before we are willing to wade into the unknown. So we would love a money-back guarantee that this year will be a year full of goodness! Yet, none of us are offered any sort of deal like that. I don't want to cause anyone to look at this year skeptically and assume the worst, so let me give some good news about this New Year.

James 1:16-17 — "16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. 17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change."

When we look at the character of

*A Word
In Faith*



By Adam Wright
Associate Pastor, Journey Christian Church

God, who holds the universe in His hand, we can see that He isn't going to shift or change or keep us guessing what He will do next.

God is steadfast! He is a refuge or safe place where we can take cover in when things are not going well or when we need a break from the craziness of life. So whether that be good things happening and life

seems full, or troubles are coming and it's overwhelming, God will be with us through it all! He will not leave you, nor forsake you.

The Bible is full of reassurances for us to not be filled with fear but yet to know that God is with us.

As you take on this New Year and you might be looking forward to new things that you'd like to do,

take heart and know that God will walk with you in all those things. So even with a New Year ahead of us, be assured that we still have the Same God that will not change. God will walk with you into this New Year, He will be with you in the good and the bad that comes your way, let me challenge you: be with

God in the good and the bad, to also not leave or forsake him in this next year. Take on this New Year, with the Same God!

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January 3, 1963

Car smashes into Coryell Auto Company

Temperatures were about average Monday in the Wayne area, but inside Coryell Auto Company's maintenance shop, things were a little cool for a while Monday afternoon.

A car driven by Mrs. Dorothy Kabisch jumped the curb and smashed through a plate glass window in the shop. Foreman Clarence Giese and salesman Al Eddie shook hands through where the window used to be shortly after the accident.

January 4, 1973

Laurel High grad co-authors book

A graduate of Laurel High School is the co-author of a new book outlining the history of the Nebraska Democratic Party. Helping write the 450-page book titled "Shall the People Rule?" was Jim Pedersen, a native of Laurel and a recent graduate from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Assisting with the writing task was Kenneth Walk of Lincoln, also a recent UNL graduate.

The book tells the story of the Nebraska Democratic Party from its birth in pre-Civil War days up to contemporary times. "It is the closest we have to providing an up-to-date political history of our party," Hess Dyas, chairman of the state Democratic Party, said.

"We feel that Pedersen and Walk have done a masterful job in comprehensively and objectively telling the story of the Nebraska Democratic Party," he added.

The book explores the political growth of the state and the role of the Democratic Party in that growth. A broad focus of national events and their impact is presented but does not overshadow unique local issues.

January 6, 1983

Pork Queen crowned

Kelli Baier, daughter of Stan and Imogene Baier of rural Wayne, will represent the Wayne County Pork Producers in the 1983 Nebraska Pork Queen Pageant to be held Jan. 7 and 8 at the Ramada Inn, Grand Island.

The contest is being held in conjunction with the annual meetings and banquet of the Nebraska Pork Producers and Porkettes. Pork Queens from 28 area groups will be vying for the 1983 Nebraska Pork Queen title. The reigning queen is Verlyne Dannehl of Bertrand.

Each contestant will present a five minute consumer-oriented oral presentation before a public audience and will have personal interviews with a panel of judges.

They will be judged on general knowledge of the pork industry, ease of expression and personal poise.

January 5, 1993

Convention center nears completion

The second phase of what will hopefully be a major draw to the Wayne Community is due to open this Friday when Riley's Pub is unveiled.

Developer Rod Tompkins is antsy about the third phase of the major project, the ballroom/ convention center which is now scheduled for opening this spring.

Work continues at a feverish pace on the renovation of the huge building on South Main which is being converted into a ballroom/ convention center that can accommodate over 400 for a sit-down banquet.

Tompkins, who owns Heritage Industries in Wayne, has been working on the project for over a year. It is actually three different businesses, he said as he walked through the on-going construction project.

The restaurant, which opened last year, was the first phase.

The pub opening this week will mark two thirds of the major work completed.

Tompkins designed the center with the help of his architect daughter. The design utilizes an old lumber warehouse as the frame for the facility, but already a view inside leaves little hint of the former use of the building. A large stage and dance floor are central to the convention center.

January 2, 2003

Fire Department extinguishes weekend fire

The Wayne Volunteer Fire Department received a call Saturday night around 6 p.m. that Wayne Grain & Feed Inc., located at 410 Fairground Avenue in Wayne, was on fire.

The fire started in the office area and was contained to that location. Winside, Wakefield and Carroll Volunteer Fire Departments were called in to assist. The firemen stayed at the location until around 9:30 p.m. when they considered it safely out. No one has been at the business on Saturday so it could have been smoldering for awhile.

The cause of the fire appears to be electrical but is under investigation by the State Fire Marshall.

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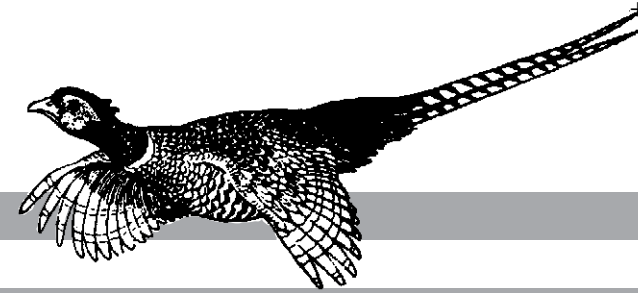
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF WAYNE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Wayne County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Courtroom of the Wayne County Courthouse in Wayne, Nebraska. Agenda for such meeting is kept continuously current and is available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk in the Wayne County Courthouse.

Debra Finn, County Clerk
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NOTICE OF MEETING CITY OF WAYNE, NEBRASKA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the City Council of the City of Wayne, Nebraska, will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 306 Pearl Street, Wayne, Nebraska, which meeting will be open to the public.

The Mayor and City Council reserve the right to adjourn into closed session as per Section 84-1410 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.

An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available at the office of the City Clerk, 306 Pearl Street, Wayne, Nebraska, during normal business hours.

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

Betty McGuire, City Clerk
(Publ. Jan. 5, 2023) ZNEZ

NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the regular

monthly meeting of the Board of Education of the Winside School District, a/k/a School District 95R, in the county of Wayne, in the State of Nebraska, be held at 6:30PM or as soon thereafter as the same may be held on Monday, January 9, 2023, in the Multi-Purpose Room, 203 Crawford, Winside, NE 68790. An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the office of the superintendent.

BY: THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE WINSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT, a/k/a SCHOOL DISTRICT 95R, IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA
(Publ. Jan. 5, 2023) ZNEZ

MEETING NOTICE

The Winside Rural Fire Board will meet Monday, January 10, 2023, 7:15 p.m. at the fire hall for it's regular monthly meeting.

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NOTICE OF MEETING

The Wayne Community Schools Board of Education will meet in Regular Session at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 9, 2023, in the Jr/Sr Lecture Hall, located at 611 West 7th Street, Wayne, Nebraska. An Agenda of said meeting, kept continually current, may be inspected at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools. The Agenda for the Monday, January 9, 2023, meeting will be published on Friday, January 6, 2023. The Agenda can be found at: www.wayneschools.org

For information on communications from the public, see the Wayne Community Schools Board of Education Policy 8346, posted on the school website: www.wayneschools.org

Deb Daum, Board Secretary
(Publ. Jan. 5, 2023) ZNEZ

NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

ESTATE OF DELORES STARK, Deceased. Estate No. PR 22-54
Notice is hereby given that on December 28, 2022 in the County Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, Ann K. Behrens, whose address is 85540 563rd Ave., Carroll, NE 68723 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 March 6, 2023 or be forever barred.

(s) Ashley Siebrandt
Clerk of the County Court
Wayne County Court
510 Pearl Street, Suite B
Wayne, Nebraska 68787
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Attorney for Applicant
Kate M. Jorgensen #22912
110 West 2nd Street
PO Box 125
Wayne, NE 68787
(Publ. Jan. 5, 12, 19, 2023) ZNEZ
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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

Notice is here by given that a limited liability company has been formed under the name of CMM Land Holdings, LLC. The registered agent is Cruise & Associates, Inc. C/O Robert F Cruise, 201 Main St, Wayne, NE 68787. The address of the designated office is 201 Main St, Wayne, NE 68787. The general nature of its business is to engage in and do any lawful act concerning any and all lawful business other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska. The company commenced

on December 23, 2022 and has perpetual existence. The affairs of the limited liability company are to be conducted by its members until such time as their successors(s) are selected pursuant to the Operating Agreement.

CMM Land Holdings, LLC
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(Publ. Dec. 29, 2022, Jan. 5, 12, 2023) ZNEZ

NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

ESTATE OF EUGENE W. BRUDIGAN, Deceased. Estate No. PR 22-53
Notice is hereby given that on December 27, 2022, in the County Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Decedent and that Deborah J. Langenberg, whose address is P.O. Box 117, Hoskins, Nebraska 68740, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the Estate.

Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before March 6, 2023 or be forever barred.

(s) Ashley Siebrandt
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SECTION 00 10 00 INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Proposals for the construction of "Wastewater Treatment Facility Ultraviolet Light Improvements for the city of Wayne, Nebraska," JEO Project No. 221215.00, QuestCDN No. 8335976, will be received by the clerk at 306 Pearl Street, Wayne, NE 68787, until 10:00 AM on the 12th day of January 2023, and thereafter will be read aloud.

The work is generally described as follows: Removal and replacement of UV treatment system at city's wastewater treatment facility.

Opinion of Probable Cost \$350,000.00

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at:

- 1. Location: City Hall, Wayne, Nebraska
- 2. Time and Date: January 5th, 2023 @ 10:00 AM

Proposals will be taken for said construction work listed above by unit prices, as an aggregate bid for the entire project.

All Proposals for said construction work must be made on blanks furnished by the Engineer and must be accompanied by Bid Security of not less than 5% of the amount bid. Bid Security to be made payable to the Treasurer of the city of Wayne as liquidated damages in case the bid is accepted and the bidder neglects or refuses, to enter into contract and furnish bond in accordance herewith.

Copies of the contract documents are on file with the city of Wayne for examination by bidders. Complete digital project bidding documents are available at JEO's website at jeo.com for \$20.00. An optional paper set of project documents is available for a non-refundable price of \$75.00 per set. Please send your check payable to JEO Consulting Group, Inc. at 404 South 25th Street, Norfolk, NE 68701. If you have any questions, contact us at 515.964.5310. In order to bid the project,

the contract documents must be issued directly by JEO Consulting Group, Inc. or QuestCDN to the bidder.

The Owner reserves the right to waive informalities and irregularities and to make awards on bids which furnish the materials and construction that will, in their opinion serve the best interests of the Owner, and also reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids.

CITY OF WAYNE, NEBRASKA
Cale Giese, Mayor

ATTEST: Betty McGuire, Clerk
(Publ. Dec. 22, 29, 2022, Jan. 5, 2023) ZNEZ

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Wayne City Council will hold a public hearing in the Wayne City Council Chambers, 306 Pearl Street, Wayne, Nebraska, on the 17th day of January, 2023, at or after 5:30 p.m. to consider the acquisition of the following tract of land legally described as follows:

Part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 12, Township 26 North, Range 3, East of the 6th P.M., Wayne County, Nebraska, containing 79.113 acres, more or less (Pick, Brendon L & Karla K Otte-Pick and Steven B & Cynthia J Meyer and Mark & Lona Meyer).

All oral or written comments on the proposed matter received prior to and at the public hearing will be considered.

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

The City of Wayne, Nebraska
By: Betty A. McGuire, City Clerk
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BOARD MEETING NOTICE

The Educational Service Unit #1 Board of Directors will convene in a regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10. The public may attend the meeting via zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/94224738775>, via phone dial +13462487799 Meeting ID: 942 2473 877 or the public may attend in person at the public meeting at ESU #1. The agenda for this meeting, which shall be kept continually current, shall be readily available for public inspection at the ESU #1 business office, located at 211 10th Street, Wakefield NE and its corresponding website (www.esu1.org).

Deadline for all legal notices to be published by The Wayne Herald is Mondays at 5 pm

WAYNE COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS

Wayne, Nebraska
December 20, 2022

The Wayne County Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order by Chairman James Rabe at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 20, 2022, in the Wayne County Courtroom. Chairman Rabe, Members Terry Sievers and Dean Burbach, Sheriff Jason Dwinell, Attorney Amy Miller, and Clerk Debra Finn were present. Notice of this meeting was published in the Wayne Herald, a legal newspaper, on December 8, 2022. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted and accessible to the public.

- Chairman Rabe presented the following consent agenda items:
- a. Approve minutes of December 6, 2022, as printed in the Commissioners Record
 - b. Approve payroll, with each commissioner abstaining from approving a personal claim
 - c. Approve fee reports: Debra Finn, Wayne County Clerk, November Fees, \$3,949.88; Jason Dwinell, County Sheriff, November Fees, \$478.59
 - d. Approve withdrawal of Cusip #25928MCO8 for \$155,000 as security pledged by F&M Bank
 - e. Approve withdrawal of Cusip #487571GA3 for \$70,000, and Cusip #938119CT9 for \$205,000 as securities pledged by State Nebraska Bank & Trust
 - f. Approve Central Services FY 2020 Cost Allocation Plan for the recovery of FY 2022 IV-D Child Support costs as prepared by MAXIMUS

The consent agenda was approved on a motion made by Sievers and seconded by Burbach. Roll call vote: Sievers, Burbach, Rabe – aye; motion carried.

The regular agenda was approved on a motion made by Burbach and seconded by Sievers. Roll call vote: Burbach, Sievers, Rabe – aye; motion carried.

A motion was made by Sievers to approve a Historic Preservation Tax Credit Purchase Agreement with McCarthy Capital. The expected tax credits are \$639,980.00, and the closing date is December 31, 2022. The purchase price will be \$0.92 per \$1.00 of tax credits, which would total \$588,781.60. Burbach seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Sievers, Burbach, Rabe – aye; motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Mark Casey stated a scrap tire grant for 300 tons at \$135, totaling \$41,265.00, has been received. A recycling event has tentatively been scheduled for August 18th & 19th, 2023.

A draft road use agreement was received from Summit Carbon Solutions. Casey felt it does not contain the level of details needed.

American Broadband/Fastwyre will be submitting an expansion agreement and map for a 78-mile area in the Carroll area. The six-month project will impact all three road districts.

A house built by Northeast Tech students will be moved through the county by DFNC Movers.

Burbach made a motion to approve the following claims, Sievers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Burbach, Sievers, Rabe – aye; motion carried.

General Fund: Payroll & Reimbursements: \$67,322.23; Ace Hardware & Home, SU \$137.00; Advanced Consulting Engineering Services, CO \$2,700.78; Antelope County Sheriff, OE \$10,515.00; Appera, OE \$441.56; Applied Connective Technologies, CO, OE \$4,635.11; Blue 360 Media, SU \$634.27; Cardmember Service, SU \$602.66; Cardmember Service, OE \$5.11; Cardmember Service, SU, MA, CO \$427.79; Carhart Lumber Company, SU \$81.99; DAS State Accounting, OE \$56.00; Des Moines Stamp Manufacturing Co., SU \$82.15; Eakes Office Solutions, SU \$72.08; Egley, Fullner, Montag, Morland, Eastland, OE \$1,721.55; Ekberg, Eric, RE \$22.50; Elkhorn Valley Bank, OE \$138.36; Fairfield Inn & Suites, OE \$219.90; Farmers Co-operative, MA \$100.13; Fastwyre Broadband, OE \$2,425.46; Finn, Lori, RE \$27.50; Hilltop Drugs Etc, OE \$11.84; Hometown Leasing, ER \$121.85; Janke, Parker, RE \$20.00; JB Mart Inc., MA \$19.50; KONE, RP \$1,441.68; Lundahl, Sherri RE \$28.13; Lurz, Tim RE \$90.00; Lutt Oil, MA \$1,143.45; Madison County Sheriff, OE \$50.00; Mainelli Wagner & Associates, Inc., OE \$2,190.00; MIPS, Inc., SU \$297.40; Nebraska Health & Human Services, OE \$729.00; Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co., OE \$77.90; One Office Solution, SU \$294.06; Pac-N-Save, SU \$20.08; Physicians Laboratory PC, OE \$15.00; PIP Marketing Signs, SU \$5,334.21; Quadiant, SU \$281.20; Region IV Behavioral Health System, OE \$6,621.25; Trane, RP \$1,699.64; U.S. Cellular, OE \$424.62; UHS Premium Billing, PS \$82,433.37; Verizon Wireless, OE \$40.01; Wanek Pharmacy, OE \$627.17; Waste Connections of Nebraska, OE \$156.01; Wattier, Patti, OE \$475.00; Wayne County Clerk of District Court, OE \$108.00; Wayne County Court, OE \$375.50; Wayne Herald/Morning Shopper, OE \$2,482.68; Wayne, City of, OE \$9,479.43; Woehler Trailer Court LLC, ER \$700.00; Albin, Mark D., OE \$629.25; Gaylen Boettcher Baier PC, OE \$1,302.22; Morland, Eastland & Lohrberg, OE \$1,619.99; Warnemunde Insurance and Real Estate Agency, Inc., OE \$966.00; Nebraska Bank Acct# 244-220, PS \$15,846.48; Aflac, PS \$596.82; Delta Dental of Nebraska, PS \$397.13; First Concord Benefits Group, PS \$2,979.98; Legal Shield, PS \$42.85; Nebraska Department of Revenue, PS \$6,032.90; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$7,534.42; Vision Service Plan, PS \$274.86; Washington National Insurance Co., PS \$116.00; Wayne County Treasurer, PS \$1,395.95;

County Road Fund: Payroll & Reimbursements: \$37,699.50; Ace Hardware & Home, SU \$209.87; Appera, OE \$46.64; Backus Sand & Gravel, MA \$6,467.11; Cardmember Service, SU \$161.98; Carhart Lumber Company, SU \$13.60; Carroll, Village of, OE \$104.60; Comhusker International Trucks, RP \$552.00; Dinkel's, ER \$3,750.00; Farmers Co-operative, MA, OE, RP \$47,006.10; Fredrickson Oil Company, MA \$1,770.16; Hefti Trucking, RP \$900.00; Heikes, Alan DBA Heikes Automotive Service, RP \$280.53; Hireright, LLC, OE \$602.54; John's Welding & Tool, LLC, RP, SU \$130.97; Mainelli Wagner & Associates Inc., CO \$34,595.00; Menard's, SU \$130.93; Midwest Service and Sales Co., MA \$807.00; Nebraska Harvestore Systems, RP \$229.66; NMC Exchange LLC, RP \$3,328.84; S & S Willers Inc. DBA Pilger Sand & Gravel, MA \$6,981.79; Titan Machinery, RP \$222.50; Wayne Auto Parts, RP, SU \$334.96; West Point Auto & Truck Center, RP \$470.60; Winside, Village of, OE \$191.49; Truck Center Companies, RP \$949.95; Nebraska Bank Acct# 244-220, PS \$7,959.70; Aflac, PS \$351.91; Delta Dental of Nebraska, PS \$319.43; First Concord Benefits Group, PS \$1,360.00; Nationwide Retirement Solutions, PS \$40.00; Nebraska Department of Revenue, PS \$3,505.07; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$4,220.10; Vision Service Plan, PS \$79.44; Washington National Insurance Co., PS \$75.40; Wayne County Treasurer, PS \$862.62

The meeting was adjourned.

Debra Finn, Wayne County Clerk

STATE OF NEBRASKA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF WAYNE)

I, the undersigned, County Clerk of Wayne County, Nebraska, hereby certify that all of the subjects included in the attached proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting of December 20, 2022, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk; that such subjects were contained in such agenda for at least 24 hours before said meeting; that the said minutes of the meeting of the County Commissioners of the County of Wayne were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and before the next convened meeting of said body.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 27th day of December 2022.

Debra Finn, Wayne County Clerk
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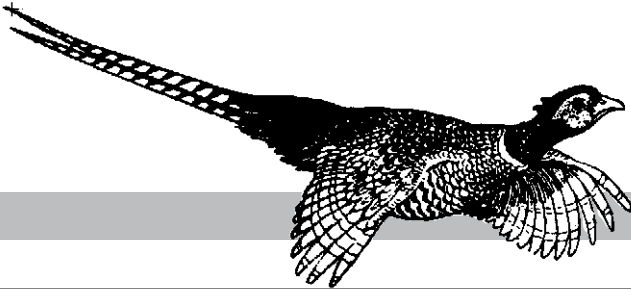
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Christmas celebration includes lots of activity

Our "family Christmas" was on Friday, the 30th, and we were feeling very fortunate we had not planned it for a week before. That was some cold wind! Today, the rain has taken care of any remaining snow.

Jon and Katie and Mac and Laney arrived on Thursday to help eat oyster stew. My tradition is for that on Christmas eve, but there was no one here after the early church service to enjoy it with me. So, we had cherry soup. I know, most people have never heard of cherry soup, but it's a treat for all of us.

Anyway, after the oyster stew on Thursday, they headed to the Lincoln Zoo where Sue had purchased tickets to the light show there. I've seen some neat photos, including some taken on that train that circles the zoo. They say they must have walked a mile, so I was kind of glad they had not suggested I go



The Farmer's Wife
By: Pat Meierhenry

along.

On Friday, our doctors from North Carolina, and our forensics

specialist from Sioux Falls were here, together with Jacey from Milwaukee and the two Maddies. Yes, one is spelled Mattie and the other, Maddie! I can never remember which is which.

I was standing at the kitchen table mentally calculating what I needed to bring when it hit me! I had offered to bring pies, after I found those by the Village Pie Maker on sale. The problem was, they were still in the freezer! I quickly turned on the oven, and sat down to finish reading the paper. I drove as if I had a baby on board on the way to Kay and Allan's. They had cooled sufficiently by the time we had done justice to the main courses.

There was a puzzle on one table, grab bag gifts, and white elephant gifts under the tree.

There was football, of course, and lots of laughter, and plenty of snack foods. At one point in the afternoon,

five guys came back here to my house to haul the organ up from the basement. It is now in the "office", where the piano used to be.

A long time ago, I had coveted an organ. And I bought one, sight unseen, for one hundred dollars down and one hundred dollars a month for ten months. It went with us to the Farm House and it came here to the townhouse. But I admit, I seldom played it anymore, and even the grandkids were no longer interested in it. So, I'm ready to give it away, and even that may be too hard. I'm told folks want keyboards. We shall see.

In the meantime, I may pick out a hymn or two, who knows? It's supposed to be good for the brain, and obviously, my brain needs all the help it can get!

Happy New Year!

Nebraska Extension Board - Wayne County meeting planned

The Nebraska Extension Board in Wayne County will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2023 at the Geno's Steakhouse in Wayne. The 6:15 p.m. meeting is open to the public. An agenda is available at the Extension Office, 510 N. Pearl Street, Suite C in Wayne for public inspection during normal business hours.

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Looking back and preparing for the new year

Year In Review
By Ben Beckman

As humans, we often like to try and compare things to average or normal. Was the precipitation received within the expected normal range? Were temperatures for a particular season outside of normal? Was our pasture or hay production in the range we consider normal?

Taking this time to look back on last year is beneficial, but resist the temptation to compare things to normal. Very rarely, do things in the ever-changing world of agriculture really meet average or normal.

For many of us, last year started out dry, and that trend continued. Still rain did fall, and in some cases, the right timing meant maintaining pasture condition instead of pulling of early. Every year is different, nature is never static. If it were, our job as producers would be much easier. As it is, we lay out

our plans then inevitably have to adapt as Mother Nature throws one curveball after another our way.

Producers work in a dynamic system that seldom repeats itself. In doing so, we learn to be adaptive, to build resilience into our production and planning, and try to spread our eggs out amongst several different baskets. When you take time to look back this year on the challenges and successes, try to see where adapting to a problem worked or how a bit more flexibility next year could keep an issue from arising. Leave the normal and average comparisons out.

Looking Forward To 2023
By Daren Redfearn

USDA reminds livestock producers of assistance available for those impacted by recent adverse weather

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Nebraska Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director John Berge is reminding the state's producers who suffered livestock losses due to the recent adverse weather, they may be eligible for the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP).

"The Livestock Indemnity Program provides producers with a safety net to help them with the financial impact of livestock losses due to extreme or abnormal weather," said Berge. "December has been marked by blizzards and extreme cold and high winds, which has really had a significant impact on some livestock producers. We encourage them to reach out to their local FSA office."

LIP compensates livestock owners and contract growers for livestock death losses in excess of normal mortality due to an adverse weather event, which can include blizzards and extreme cold, among other weather events, or reduced sale prices for owned livestock due to injury from an eligible loss condition. The payment rate is based on 75 percent of the average fair mar-

ket value of the livestock.

A livestock producer must file a Notice of Loss within 30 calendar days of when the loss of livestock is first apparent. For 2022 losses, producers also must file an application for payment by March 1, 2023.

Livestock producers must provide evidence that the death of livestock was due to an eligible adverse weather event or loss condition. In addition, livestock producers should bring supporting evidence, including documentation of the number and kind of livestock that died, photographs or video records to document the loss, purchase records, veterinarian records, production records, and other similar documents. Owners who sold injured livestock for a reduced price because the livestock was injured due to an adverse weather event must provide verifiable evidence of the reduced sale of the livestock.

Producers should contact their local FSA office for additional program details, to submit a Notice of Loss, and to apply for LIP benefits. To find the nearest FSA office, visit farmers.gov/service-center-locator.

As 2023 begins, we need to look back at 2022 to appreciate what grazing and forage improvements may be needed in 2023. Stick around and I will give you my thoughts on 2023 pasture management needs.

We are hopeful the drought conditions from 2022 will improve, but we should expect lingering effects on forage production even when moisture returns to more favorable levels.

It is likely that we will continue to see reduced perennial grass forage growth this spring. It is important to delay grazing, to ensure that pastures are not stressed during early growth. If needed, reduce stocking rate either by grazing fewer animals or grazing for fewer days.

In grass pastures, we could see increased broadleaf weeds because of close grazing during last year's

grazing season. Should dry conditions continue, these weeds will quickly use up any available moisture. This spring, make it a point to spray before pasture weeds are 2 to 4 inches tall and you should have good success.

It is important to take advantage of limited moisture using reduced, but timely fertilization in grass pastures. Given the increased potential for increased pasture weeds in 2023, it may be necessary to couple weed control with any fertilization to control weeds more effectively, while at the same time increasing pasture production of the grass.

Lastly, remember that drought-stressed pastures often are in better condition than they appear. This can be especially true for pastures that were well-managed prior to drought. The key elements, of course, are rain and rest.

Have a Happy New Year!

Ricketts announces appointments to Boards and Commissions

Governor Pete Ricketts announced recent appointments he has made to fill Nebraska's boards and commissions.

The following boards include local appointees who unpaid and are not subject to Legislative confirmation: Nebraska Dairy Industry Development Board

Douglas D. Nettleman, Stromsburg; Kent W. Pulfer, Wayne; Douglas Temme, Wayne.

Nebraska Center for Nursing Board

Tamara Allen, BSN, Philips; Sheila Bjerrum, RN, Bradshaw; Wayne E. Briner, Jr., RN, Ph.D., Wayne; Jerry L. Cooper, RN, Thedford; Ronda S. Ehly, RN, MS, Kenesaw; Janelle L. Francis, MSN, RN, Lincoln; Ashley Havel, BSN, RN, Milligan; Angela M. Johnson, Ed.D., MSN, RN, Laurel; Adam B. Kuenning, JD, LLM, Omaha; Leah Logan, RN, Lincoln; Miguel Rocha, Scottsbluff and Michelle Summers, Ed.D., MSN, RN, Lincoln.

The following appointees are unpaid and subject to Legislative confirmation:

Geographic Information Systems Council

Tim A. Cielocha, Columbus; Donald L. Linquist Jr., Page; Jeffrey T. McReynolds, Lincoln; Lesli M. Rawlings, Wayne and Matthew R. Tinkham, Omaha.

"Thank you to the many Nebraskans that give generously of their time and talent to make a difference in our state. These appointments will provide crucial insight and expertise to their respective boards, committees, and commissions," Gov. Ricketts said.

To learn about openings and apply to serve on a board or commission, go <https://governor.nebraska.gov/board-comm-req>.

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