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In Brief

Brunch, quilt raffle is Sunday at ECCC

Brunch will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A Brunch & Quilt Raffle will be held this Sunday, November 15, at the Elgin Community Christian Church.

They will be serving biscuits and gravy or pancakes and sausage as well as desserts or pie from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. that day. Free will donations will be accepted for the brunch.

Raffle tickets will be sold for the quilt which has been on display recently at the Bank of Elgin.

Tickets are available at the bank. They can also be purchased from Margaret Hensley, Jeane Johnson or Vic Miller. The drawing will be held at the conclusion of the brunch (1 p.m.), Proceeds from the event will go to the church insurance and parsonage repairs.

Public Notices

Public notices in this week's newspaper include:

Notice of Order #1 — Upper Elkhorn Natural Resources District

Notice of Order #2 — Upper Elkhorn Natural Resources District

Notice — Estate of Kenneth Bode

Proceedings — Elgin City Council

Proceedings — The Antelope County Board of Commissioners

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Weather

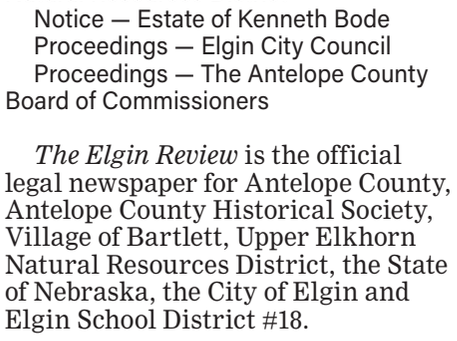
The high temperature last week was 73 degrees recorded on November 2.

The low temperature during the same period was 33 degrees was recorded on November 5 & 6.

During the past seven days, 0.87 of an inch of precipitation was recorded last week.

Following are the high and low temperatures, and precipitation amounts, submitted by weather observer Leonard Orlowski.

Date	High	Low	Prec
Nov 1	64	46	.33
Nov 2	73	48	.44
Nov 3	60	38	.10
Nov 4	49	37	.00
Nov 5	49	33	.00
Nov 6	48	33	.05
Nov 7	67	37	.00
Total for last week			0.87
Total for November			0.87
Total precipitation 2026			28.34



PJCC, EPS students learning from D.A.R.E. program

By Jane Schuchardt
Special to the Elgin Review

The double-dog-dare in the 1983 holiday film A Christmas Story, specifically challenging a child to stick his tongue to a frozen metal flagpole, may well be minor compared to what our children might face today.

That's why the Antelope County Sheriff's Office, Neligh, together with Elgin's two schools, offers D.A.R.E. This program is designed to fill children's toolboxes with the knowledge and skills to make good choices when faced with real-life dares.

D.A.R.E. stands for Drug Abuse Resistance Education, a school-based prevention program where on-duty, highly trained law enforcement officers deliver a curriculum in the classroom. Originating in 1983 in Los Angeles and used in a majority of U.S. school districts and in some other countries, saying no to alcohol and drugs was the main theme.

Now the program, known as 'keepin' it REAL, has expanded to focus on four resistance strategies – refuse, explain, avoid, and leave. Through interactive classroom exercises, emphasis is placed on decision-making, communications skills, and resisting peer pressure.

Greg Wemhoff, Elgin Public Schools principal, and Lisa Schumacher, Pope John Catholic School principal and administrator, welcomed the opportunity to include D.A.R.E. into the fall schedule. While curriculums, developed by the Los Angeles-based non-profit organization by the same name, are available for other ages, Elgin school leaders chose six graders. "The sooner we get to them, the better," Schumacher said. Both also mentioned how repetition of prevention strategies, such as from parents, church groups, and repeated messaging at schools is important.

Wemhoff said that D.A.R.E. is not new to Elgin, likely last taught nearly a decade ago. Lately, no Antelope County officer had the two-week, residential, intensive training to offer the 10-week, once-a-week course lasting 45 minutes for each class. In August, Deputy Sheriff Matthew Veit joined the Antelope County Sheriff's Office. He had the program training and experience as a school resource officer, and stepped up. Other schools in the Antelope County are not yet offering the program.

Both of Elgin's principals expressed their appreciation to the sheriff's office for offering this program to their students. While there is no overwhelming concern in Elgin, equipping youth with prevention strategies is worthwhile. It's powerful to bring an outside voice into the classroom, both principals said.

Sitting in on the D.A.R.E class at both schools, it was obvious Deputy Veit was developing good rapport with the students, which is another goal of the program. "We want children to feel safe around uniformed officers and know they can reach out for help if needed," he said. Students saw short videos, engaged in group problem-solving, enjoyed an occasional candy treat to celebrate success, used the D.A.R.E. box to ask sensitive questions, and got to know Daren the Lion, a stuffed animal symbolizing courage, strength, and power to make good decisions.

Following an afternoon teaching classes, Deputy Veit shared his drive to do teach D.A.R.E. "I like giving back to the community and investing in the next generation of citizens," he said. "The work aligns with 'community policing' which means getting out, interacting with the population, and building positive relationships."

Even in full uniform complete with firearm, heavily equipped duty belt, two-way radio, and shoulder microphone, in the classroom this officer is kind, compassionate, considerate, and soft-spoken, though definitely in control of the fully engaged classroom.

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Antelope County Deputy Sheriff Matthew Veit is shown with Daren the Lion, the cuddly mascot for the D.A.R.E. program, now underway at Elgin's two schools.



Sixth grade students at Elgin Public listen attentively to Antelope County Deputy Sheriff Matthew Veit as he works through the D.A.R.E. program curriculum. *E-R photos/JSchuchardt*

Map being designed for Neighborhood Watch

Newly-elected Elgin City Council member Diane Landers provided an update on progress being made with the creation of a Neighorhood Watch program here.

Addressing Mayor Mike Schmitt and council members Mike Dvorak, Leigh Kluthe and Craig Niewohner (Dr. Jeremy Young was absent), Landers said she, City Clerk Kristin Childers and Lynell Morgan, co-publisher of *The Elgin Review*, have been in the process of creating a map of the city to designate neighborhoods where the program will exist.

"We're up to 34 people who want to be a part of it (Neighborhood Watch)" she said during a brief presentation at the start of the meeting. Others, she said, have reached out wanting to be part of the

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Elgin Community Club sales tax request cut by 25 percent

Club to receive $7,500 to help cover costs for Vetch Days carnival

The Elgin City Council, having supported Vetch Days to the tune of $10,000 in sales tax funds in recent years, will be doling out less in 2027.

Having heard from Elgin Community Club President Bruce Clark and others associated with the organization, the council cut the donation by 25 percent to $7,500 for this year's event.

The decision didn't come easy for the council, but it was clear from the outset of the discussion that this year was going to be different.

Clark said he and other ECC members were present in an effort to keep the carnival free while growing Vetch Days.

"It is the opinion of the community club that all parts of Vetch Days have been better and have continued to grow over the past two years," he said while noting each year the council awarded $10,000 in sales tax dollars under the title of economic development.

"The biggest change over the last couple of years is the carnival rides have been free," he said.

Mayor Mike Schmitt said the city definitely wants to keep people coming to town. He went on to point out prior to the last two years, the community club would come together with their members and figure out how they were going to have fundraisers to support this. Pre-sale of carnival tickets was a means, he said for the carnival to be funded in past years. Then, the City had no part in funding the carnival and Vetch Days.

"I want you to see where we are coming from," Schmitt said.

Brenda Ruhrer spoke up, saying the ECC is planning a January dance as a fundraiser. The idea, she said, came from a new member. To support the dance, the ECC has set up a sponsorship program whereby business/individ-

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Vendors lining up for 'Shop the North Pole'

The annual 'Shop the North Pole' (SNP) event will be held next weekend, November 20-21, at two locations in Elgin.

Vendors will be located at the Elgin Knights of Columbus Hall AND the Elgin Community Center.

This year features a wide array of activities. Children can drop off Santa Letters guaranteed to be seen by Mr. Claus at the North Pole.

A number of food options are available as part of the 2-day celebration. There will be a lemonade & hot cocoa bar at the hall put on by CRS Holiday Refreshments.

The Elgin Community Center will serve a soup and sandwich meal on Friday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and again on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Also on Saturday, breakfast rolls will be

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From JoAnn Baum's Kitchen



Pecan Pie & Pumpkin Pie

Greetings,

I hope you all had a good harvest season! It's been kind crazy for you all.

The holidays are creeping up on us.

The next few weeks, I am going to share some holiday recipes that maybe you could use for your holiday dinners.

I am sure the cooks in your house are ready for harvest cooking to come to an end.

Our job as head cook in our homes is to always welcome new recipes and ideas.

This week, I have a couple of simple pie recipes. Maybe you can use for Thanksgiving.

Enjoy!

JoAnn

PECAN PIE

1 cup sugar
1/2 cup white syrup
1/4 cup melted margarine
3 beaten eggs
I cup pecans

Cream sugar, syrup, and margarine. Add beaten eggs and mix.

Pour into an unbaked pie shell. Top with the pecans.

Bake 350® for 1 hour.

PUMPKIN PIE

1 pie crust
3/4 cup sugar
1 can pumpkin (2 cups)
1/2 tsp ginger
1/4 tsp cloves
1 tsp cinnamon
1/2 tsp salt
2 eggs beaten
1 can evaporated milk

Mix together pumpkin, sugar, spices, eggs and milk. Pour into the pie shell and bake 15 minutes at 425® then bake for 40-50 minutes at 350®to 375® oven until center is set.

Blair wins football contest; six other contestants tie for runner-up spot

Kurt Blair bested the field, missing just four games to claim the top spot in The Elgin Review Football Contest.

Blair will receive the top prize of $20 in Elgin Bucks.

Six contestants tied for the runner-up spot, each missing five games.

Closest to the actual number of total yards between Nebraska and Illinois (802) was Dave Shrader. He guessed 674 yards between the Illini and the Huskers.

Shrader will receive the runner-up prize of $10 in Elgin Bucks.

Others missing five games and their tiebreaker guess were Jake Eischeid 647, Todd Heithoff 581, Tim Rossow 602, Eric Schiltmeyer 575 and Gale Mahnke 579.

Results of the games were:

Oklahoma State over Kansas State
Iowa over Northwestern
South Carolina over Texas A&M
Oregon over Ohio State
Texas over Missouri
Penn State over Washington
UCLA over Minnesota
Texas Tech over West Virginia
Auburn over Arkansas
Notre Dame over Miami
SMU over Virginia Tech
Georgia over Ole Miss
Oklahoma over Florida
Utah over BYU
Alabama over LSU
Arizona State over Colorado
Houston over Cincinnati
Illinois over Nebraska

Entries for the next contest are due at the newspaper office by 5 p.m. Friday. Save a stamp by taking a picture of your entry with a camera phone and send it to elginreview@yahoo.com

Good luck!

Protecting infants against RSV

Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) is a common respiratory virus that can cause acute respiratory illness in people of all ages. In the United States, RSV infections typically occur seasonally from October through April, with cases often peaking in January. Nearly all children will have been infected with RSV by their second birthday. In young infants, RSV can lead to significant respiratory distress and hospitalization and is the leading cause of lower respiratory tract infections.

Fortunately, we have effective options available to help protect infants from severe RSV disease during their first RSV season. There are two primary options for providing protection: maternal vaccination with Abrysvo or infant immunization with Beyfortus (nirsevimab).



Carissa Magnus, MD

Abrysvo: Maternal RSV Vaccine

Abrysvo is an RSV vaccine recommended for pregnant women between 32 and 36 weeks of gestation. Maternal RSV vaccination is typically offered from September through January. When the mother receives the vaccine, her immune system produces protective antibodies that cross the placenta and pass to the baby before birth. This provides the infant with protection beginning at birth and helps protect against severe RSV disease for approximately 6 months.

Beyfortus: Infant RSV Antibody

Beyfortus (nirsevimab) is a long-acting monoclonal antibody given directly to the infant, typically at their first office visit. It is recommended for infants younger than 8 months of age who are entering their first RSV season, and is typically administered from October through March.

Protection begins shortly after administration and generally lasts for approximately 5 months.

It is recommended that infants receive protection against RSV through one of these two options. Both options are effective at reducing the risk of severe RSV illness and hospitalization. Neither option is superior to the other. The best choice depends on factors such as maternal vaccination status, timing of delivery, the infant's age, and individual circumstances. Our goal is to help protect every eligible infant from severe RSV disease and reduce the risk of RSV-related complications and hospitalization.

It is recommended that infants receive protection against RSV through one of these two options. Both are effective at reducing the risk of severe RSV illness and hospitalization. The best choice depends on factors such as maternal vaccination status, timing of delivery and the infant's age. At Boone County Health Center, our goal is to help protect every eligible infant from severe RSV disease. Talk with your BCHC healthcare provider about which option is best for your little one. A little prevention today can make a big difference in keeping your baby healthy.

It Pays to Advertise!

Community Calendar

* See ad/story in this week's Elgin Review

Wednesday, November 11
Veterans Day program at EPS. • District #18 school board meeting.

Sunday, November 15
Elgin Community Christian Church Brunch & Quilt Raffle.*

Wednesday, November 18
Neligh Faith Community Church soup supper.*

Friday, November 20
Turkey Giveaway drawings to begin at noon.

Friday and Saturday, November 20 & 21
'Shop The North Pole' at the Elgin KC Hall, Elgin Community Center & various businesses.*

Thursday, November 26
St. Boniface Catholic Church Thanksgiving Bazaar at St. Boniface Auditorium beginning at 11 a.m.*

Tuesday, December 1
Antelope County Board of Commissioners regular meeting at the courthouse in Neligh.

Events listing courtesy of Elgin Veterans' Medical Clinic
an outpatient department of Boone County Health Center
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or mike.brockhaus@elgineagles.org.

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is accepting applications for a full time
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Hours are: 8:00am to 4:30pm, Monday thru Friday; benefit package included.
For more information please contact Antelope County Assessor Kelly Mueller-Oltjenbruns at 402-887-4515.
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or email assessor@antelopecounty.ne.gov
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Neligh Faith Community Church
SOUP LUNCH & SUPPER
November 18, 2026
at Neligh American Legion Club, Neligh, NE
11:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Serving: Chicken Noodle, Chili, Potato Soups, Sandwiches, Drinks, Desserts
Cost: Adults - $10 Children 10 & under - $8
Bake Sale and Craft Sale
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St. Boniface Catholic Church
THANKSGIVING 102ND BAZAAR
THANKSGIVING DAY November 26
Text or Call Emily at 402-957-1466
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Gamechangers and lifechangers

Gamechanger.

By definition the word signifies impact: "a newly introduced person, idea, event, or product that significantly alters an existing situation, strategy, or outcome."

Some gamechangers would be a new job, a friendship, a scholarship, winning the lottery. Those things could definitely change a life trajectory, hopefully for the better.

But perhaps a more appropriate word would be "lifechanger." Some lifechangers might not seem so significant at first. Maybe a person influences you gradually, and their goodness brushes off on you. It's only when you look back that you see their influence.

Adding or dropping a habit can be life-changing, too. Changes to diet and exercise, for example, can impact your lifespan, the activities you are able to pursue and your outlook on life.

Shifting priorities can also alter your life, not only changing your daily schedule, but more importantly, changing who you are.

I think about lifechangers as we are now in November, a month to remember our loved ones who have died, to pray for them, but also to think of our own mortality. Who do we want to be when we pass from this earth?

Every day I see how far I am from my goal of becoming a saint. But looking back, I see lifechangers.

I see the people God placed in my life for the longhaul: my spouse, parents, in-laws, siblings, children and grandchildren, employers, supervisors, co-workers, friends.

I also see people I encountered just briefly, but they, too, had an impact.

Recently I came across two ladies during a pumpkin patch visit.

Faith



Elgin Columnist
Susan Szalewski

They were slightly older than me and filled with a contagious joy.

They didn't know each other. One stopped in the middle of all the busy-ness to listen to an old song the other had playing at the stand where she twisted and shaped balloons for children.

The passerby said she loved the music and had to stop and sing along. The balloon lady, meanwhile, broke into dance – and my grandson joined her.

These two ladies, I believe, gave a glimpse of who God meant them to be – deeply joyful and confident, not afraid of what anyone might think. How beautiful and refreshing. Encountering them allowed me to see what aging gracefully can look like, becoming more and more who we are created to be.

Other gamechangers? I remember holy books, articles and radio segments that put ideas and thoughts in my head that I would have never come up with on my own. Today these little things shape me because they shape the way I pray, letting me know what is important to God, what to ask from Him and how to please Him.

Then there are lifechanging events. Because of my work with the Archdiocese of Omaha and the Catholic Voice, I go to Church events I never would have gone to on my own. And I am blessed because of that.

But even in my ordinary life, I experience the extraordinary, as we all do. Words in Scripture, Confession, a homily or hymn can speak profoundly and uniquely to us. They strike us and change us. But God goes beyond words. He affects us in things we see, like in art and nature; in touch, feeling His Presence in a hug or from a nuzzle from a pet. He teaches us through others, especially by their example.

Through children, the Lord shows us how to approach Him and love Him.

And of course, prayers can be lifechangers. We all have people in our lives praying for us.

We often hear people say that during an illness or crisis they felt the prayers of others. I usually sense prayers in retrospect, as I look back on a particular situation or my life in general.

Gamechangers, lifechangers – whatever you want to call them – give me hope, for myself and for the people I love.

It seems that it doesn't take much to impact a life, to change its course. Keep praying. Keep loving.

Keep being the person God made you to be.

He will do the rest.

Looking Back
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Sixty Years Ago — November 10, 1966

Joe Vanderheiden and Jim Getzfred, who had previously enlisted in the U.S. Navy, left Elgin Sunday, Nov. 6 for Omaha. The two young men underwent processing Monday and expected to leave immediately for San Diego, Calif. for their boot training.

Frank N. Jochum was born April 1, 1889 in Holy Cross Ia. and passed away Nov. 4, 1966 in Antelope Memorial Hospital in Neligh at the age of 77 years, seven months and three days. He died after a lingering illness.

Thirteen hunters from this area have reported deer kills since the season open Saturday. Five hunters were in the Valentine area, having left here Friday and returned Saturday night, with two deer. Successful were R. K. Draper Sr. of Belden and Rich Draper.

Fifty Years Ago — November 10, 1976

Elgin firemen were called to the John Duwell farm southwest of town Saturday around 1:30 p.m. where fire had started in a field of prom grass. The northwest wind spread the fire rapidly. It is not known how the fire started.

Steve Heithoff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Heithoff was named the Central Region Proficiency Award Winner in Sales and Service. During the 1976 State FFA Convention in Lincoln last April, Steve was named the State winner and his application was then forwarded to regional competition.

There's an old saying that "three's a crowd." It's a safe bet that when Coach Dave McClellan placed the third consecutive Sandhills-Gateway Conference Trophy in the Trophy case, he wouldn't have complained about the crowded conditions. The Elgin High School football team had just finished polishing off a thoroughly outplayed Chambers squad by the convincing margin of 72-26 last Thursday, Nov. 4, avenging an earlier 20-14 loss to the same Coyote team.

Thirty Years Ago — November 13, 1996

After ideal weather for most of the fall harvest season, a light covering of snow slowed progress a bit last weekend. The Elgin area received about a half inch of snow from flurries Saturday, Sunday and Monday evenings. Corn harvest was estimated at 90 to 95 percent complete in the Elgin area and throughout Antelope County by Monday.

For lessons on the foundation of United States of America, and the need to keep the nation strong and vital, one only needs to look at the inscriptions on a dollar bill. That was a portion of the message brought by Allen Beermann, Nebraska's Secretary of State from 1971 to 1994, to area residents who attended the annual Veteran's day program Monday morning, Nov. 11, in the Elgin Public School Gym.

Work on five piers of the Missouri River between Niobrara, NE, and Springfield, SD, has been completed, according to Tom McCarthy, district engineer for the Nebraska Department of Roads in Norfolk. Six more piers must be finished before steel erection begins, McCarthy told a meeting of the Nebraska Highway 14 Association on Nov. 6 in Niobrara. Good progress is being made, with about $4 million in construction completed on the $12,465,000 project.

Twenty Years Ago — November 8, 2006

Fall harvest is beginning to wind down in the Elgin area. Soybean harvest is estimated at 90 to 95 percent complete. Soybean yields have held up very well through harvest.

A farm equipment accident claimed the life of a rural Elgin man last Friday afternoon, Nov. 3, at about 5 p.m. Warren Fritzen, 46, of Elgin died in an accident involving a skid steer loader that he was operating at a dairy seven miles west and two miles north of Elgin. He was transported to Faith Regional Health Services, Norfolk, when he was pronounced dead.

A farm combine was destroyed by a fire southeast of Elgin last Wednesday, Nov. 1. Elgin Volunteer Fire Department was called to the Dave Voborny farm, 2 1/2 miles south and three miles east of Elgin, at 12 noon on Wednesday. The combine was extensively burned by the time firemen arrived, and was considered a total loss. Fire Chief Jim Kittelson said the fire apparently started from an overheated bearing.

By Olivia Klein

Bartlett News

Those attending the Bartlett Church of Faith on Sunday, October 18 said their goodbyes to Pastor Mark Hoffman and his wife April.

Pastor Hoffman began serving at an Assembly of God Church in Vermillion, South Dakota, on November 1.

The worship service included the song "Waymaker," communion and a sermon titled "You're equipped."

At the end of the service the congregation moved to the front of the room, heads bowed in prayer, as Caleb Pahl prayed for Pastor and April as they begin this new chapter of their lives.

A delicious brunch was prepared and served by Bartlett Faithful Women's Fellowship. The brunch included egg casseroles, quiche, fresh fruit, coffee cake, cinnamon rolls. juice and coffee.

Pastor Mark served two church parishes each Sunday. These included the Full Gospel Church in Ewing, which he served for 11 years, and the Bartlett Church of Faith serving the past 2 and 1/2 years.

Many kleenexes were used during and after the service. Although we know he has answered God's call, he will be greatly missed. He was a quiet man, but cared about each person who set foot in the church. His passion for spreading the good news of Jesus was contagious.

God's blessings Pastor Mark and April. May God work mightily through you.

By Sherry Tetschner



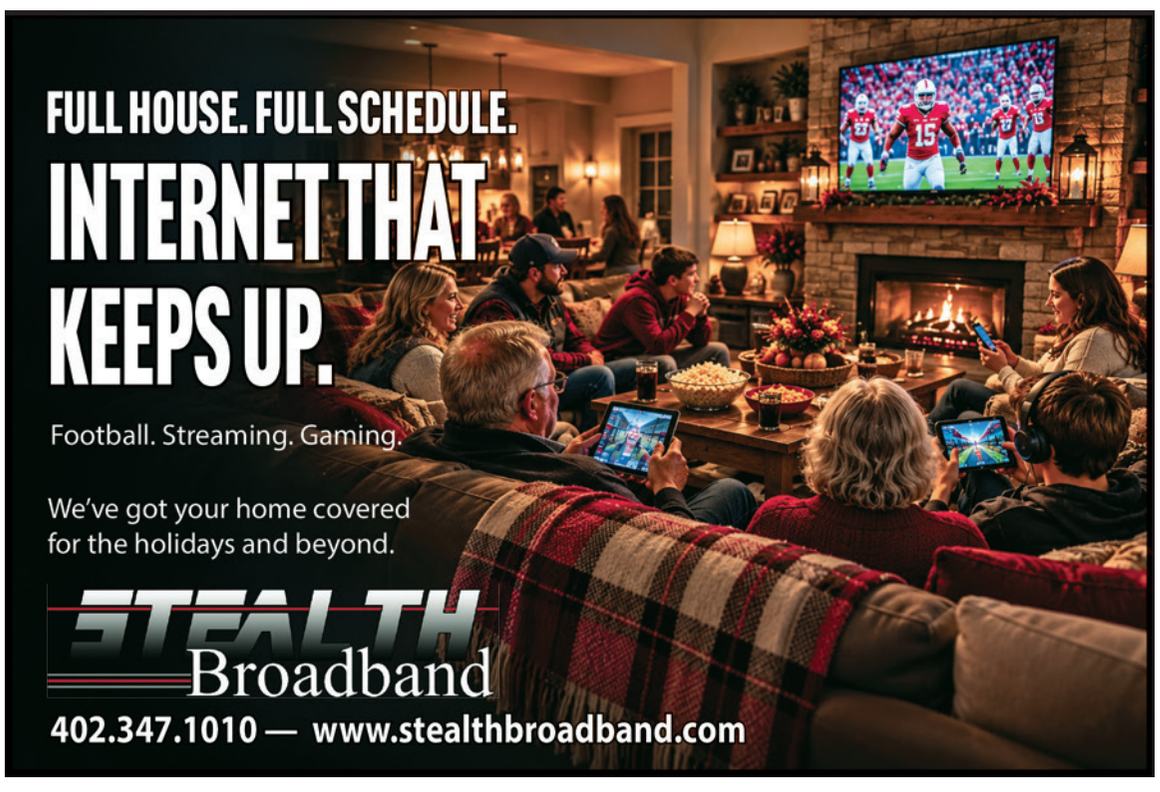




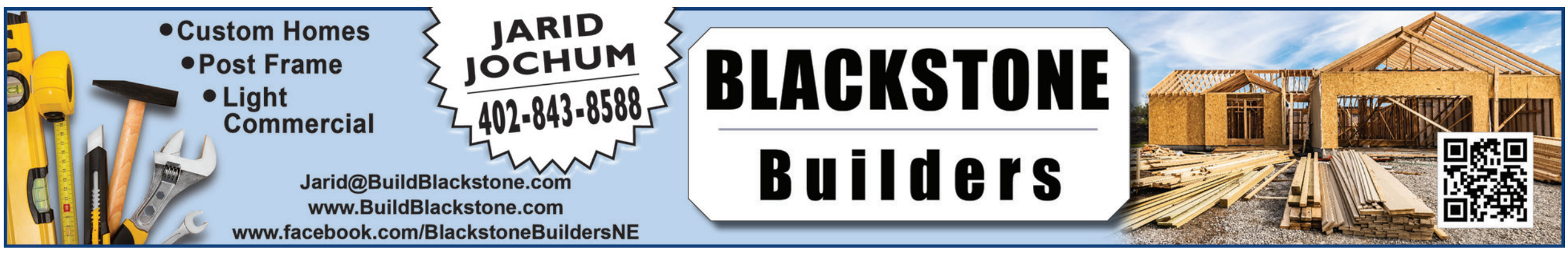












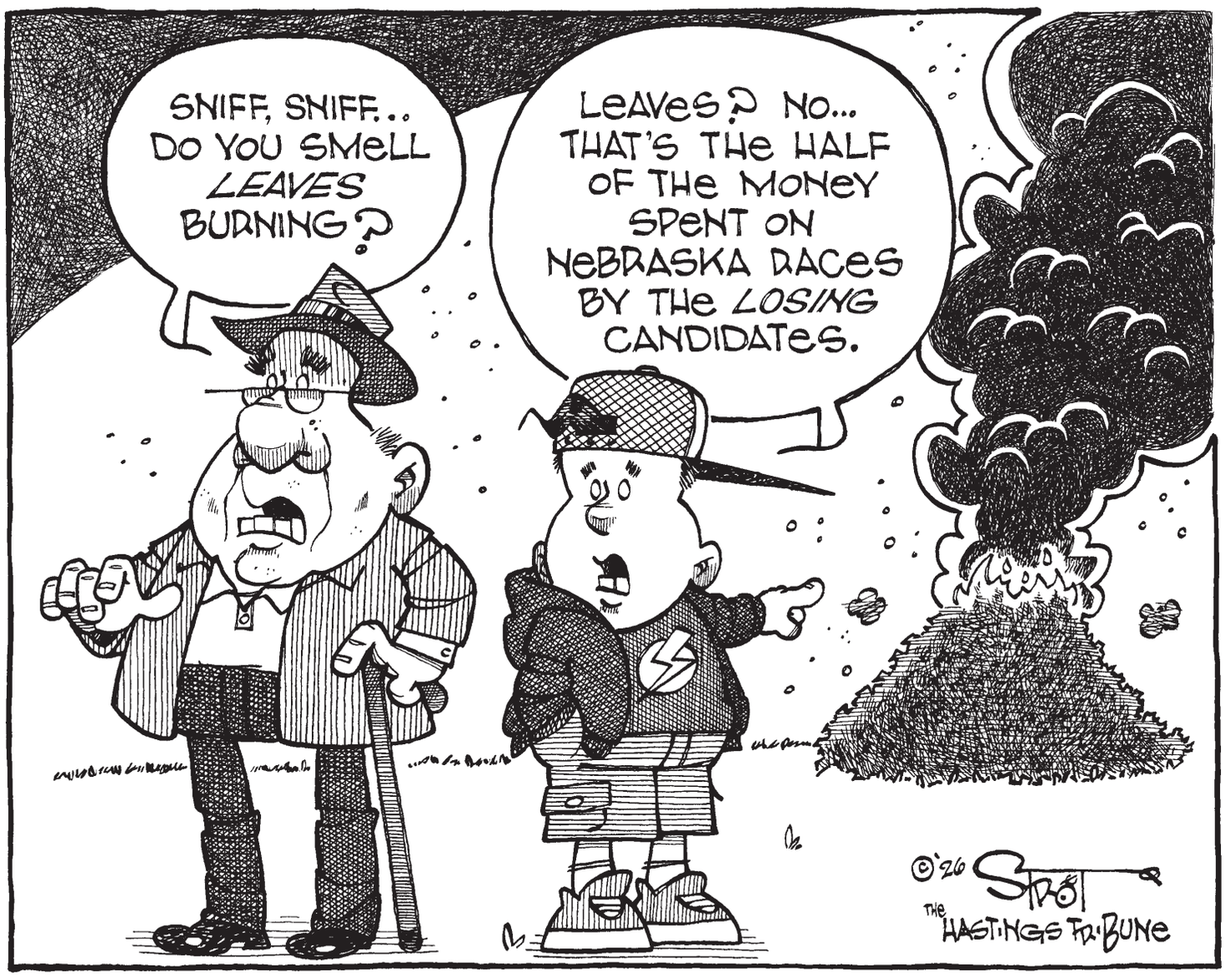
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Opinion

READ, REFLECT, RESPOND.

"To be persuasive, we must be believable; to be believable, we must be credible; credible, we must be truthful."

Edward R. Murrow



Does a 'curse' dog Nebraska football?

The old Peanuts comic strip featured a recurring gag involving Lucy and Charlie Brown.

Lucy would tee up a football, but just when Charlie was about to kick the ball, she would pull the football away.

"AAUGH" Charlie would scream as he flipped and fell to the ground.

You kind of got the same reaction (or something more profane) the other night when the Huskers lost a third straight football game after leading the score going into the fourth quarter.

A win was all teed up. All we had to do was kick the ball.

Well, the frustration and futility of the once championship football program now has some metrics we can ascribe to it, courtesy of an old buddy, Henry Cordes, now a reporter for the Flatwater Free Press. Henry's story found that Nebraska has doubled its spending on the football program, to $71 million, over the past three years. (That spending, it should be noted, does not include the roughly $30 million Nebraska pays its players.)

The Huskers spending, despite the expansion of coaching staff and administration, ranks 12th in the country, behind the high dollar programs like Notre Dame, Miami and Ohio State.

But the statistic that really stood out was this – only Rutgers has spent more and won less than Nebraska.

Gulp.

Why do we keep losing these close games? Why can't we run out the clock to victory? What about all those last-second losses to Iowa? Or the long losing streak to ranked teams?

Don't we deserve nice things in Nebraska? I mean we have the most loyal fans, right?

ALL THINGS NEBRASKA



State Correspondent
Paul Hammel

I'm no coach, and I haven't slept at a Holiday Inn lately, but there has to be a curse of some sort at work here. What else could explain the years of bad fortune.

For a while, it seemed that it was the "Curse of Solich." The old coach, fired after winning nine games in a season, didn't leave happily. Maybe he left a curse behind?

But Nebraska had good seasons after he left, that is until after we fired fiery Bo Pelini. So it must be a Curse of Pelini. He spewed venom at NU fans and the state on his way out the door.

How else do you explain the missed field goals? What about that miraculous, 4th-and-18 catch by Washington? The blown coverage versus Indiana? The comeback by Oregon, orchestrated by our former quarterback?

I don't have the vaguest idea how to kill a curse, but I'm sure there's a high-priced consultant out there who we could hire. Something, anything, needs to be done.

I feel sorry for Nebraska's coach. Matt Rhule seems like a decent human being and a good role model. He doesn't swear at the fans, and doesn't get a weekly unsportsmanlike conduct penalty like Pelini.

We aren't getting blown out in big games anymore, which is progress. But we also can't quite close the deal in big games, despite a healthy spike in spending on the football program.

Somewhere out there, there is a quote: "The only sure thing about luck is that it will change."

Let's hope so. There's still a lot of football games left. We have a great defense, and a good offense – until, it

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Honoring America's heroes on Veterans Day

FROM THE HILL



Congressman
Adrian Smith

Land of the free because of the brave. As America celebrates its 250th anniversary, these words continue to ring true, reminding us of the courage, sacrifice, and unwavering dedication of those who defended our freedoms. This Veterans Day, on November 11th, we will come together to honor the brave men and women who served our country. Their selfless service reminds us that the freedoms we cherish today are made possible by the sacrifices of generations of American heroes.

As the grandson of a World War II Navy Seabee, I am humbled by the challenges faced by my grandfather's generation and by all who answered the call to defend democracy here at home and around the world. His service, like that of so many others, was never something he sought recognition for, but it has forever shaped our family and how I see this country.

I know I can never fully repay what veterans like my grandfather have given to our nation, but I will never stop saying thank you. That is why I joined my colleagues in introducing a resolution in the U.S. House of Representatives to honor the service and sacrifice of America's veterans this Veterans Day.

For many veterans, their service does not end when they return to civilian life. Across Nebraska's Third District, veterans continue to fulfill a lifelong commitment to serving others. They lead area organizations, support local charities, mentor young Americans, assist fellow veterans, and strengthen the communities they call home.

Their example reminds us that service does not end when the uniform comes off. The values reinforced by military service—including integrity, responsibility, teamwork, and love of country—continue to strengthen our communities every day. By sharing their experience and leadership, veterans help prepare the next generation to meet future challenges with courage and purpose.

In Congress, I am committed to supporting our nation's veterans not just in words but through meaningful action.

If you or a veteran you know is having difficulty accessing earned benefits or navigating the Department of Veterans Affairs, please reach out to my Grand Island office at (308) 384-3900.

My staff and I will do everything we can to cut through the red tape and get you the answers you need.

Veterans Day is an opportunity for us to recognize those who have served our country and our state with dignity and honor.

The world's greatest experiment continues to endure and thrive because of the extraordinary sacrifices generations of veterans have made. This Veterans Day, I hope every Nebraskan will join me in thanking our nation's heroes and taking the time to show them our sincere gratitude.

Nebraska's lasting commitment to our veterans

WASHINGTON REPORT



U.S. Senator
Deb Fischer

On November 11, we honor the brave men and women who have worn the American flag on their arm. Behind every uniform is a story of incredible sacrifice and commitment to something greater than oneself.

These stories include long deployments, military spouses caring for their families alone, and children growing up without the constant presence of a parent.

Our service members defend the liberties we can take for granted each day, oftentimes in the most dangerous parts of the world.

Every one of our service members has had to miss holidays, birthdays, and major life milestones with their family. They do so to preserve our freedom to safely celebrate at home.

And time in combat leaves real wounds: both visible and invisible. Our veterans have made profound personal and physical sacrifices on behalf of our nation.

And when a service member hangs up their uniform, we proudly welcome them home and thank them for defending those freedoms. Over 100,000 veterans call Nebraska home, and it is our responsibility to make sure they receive the benefits they have earned. We cannot simply say we stand by our veterans; we must take action to fulfill our promise.

As a U.S. senator, the least I can do to give back to our veterans is ensure they receive the benefits, care, and recognition they deserve. This includes conducting oversight of and securing funding for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

The VA works to fulfill the promise President Lincoln made in 1865: to care for those who have served our nation, their families, caregivers, and survivors.

This task is paramount, and I'm grateful for VA leaders in Nebraska and Washington who work together to make it a reality.

Recently, I was honored to welcome U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs Doug Collins to Omaha to show him how we support our veterans in Nebraska—and the work still to be done.

Leaders at the Omaha VA told us that hiring and retaining skilled physicians is a serious challenge.

For high-demand specialties, pay at VA facilities tends to be much lower than private hospitals due to government salary caps. In 2024, Congress allowed the VA to exceed some of these caps—but this legislation will expire in 2028.

That is why I introduced my bipartisan VA Salary Cap Waiver Adjustment Act. This legislation would allow the VA to issue as many waivers as necessary—giving facilities the ability to compete with the private sector for the very best physicians.

This is an important step in making sure veterans have access to high-quality, specialty healthcare providers for years to come.

In addition to legislation, it has been an honor to partner with our veterans' groups to raise funds for the Grand Island Veterans Cemetery, to advocate for a new VA clinic in Sarpy County, secure funding for the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency based at Offutt Air Force Base, and other projects that support our veterans community.

Still, the most meaningful conversations I have are with veterans in hospital hallways, clinic waiting rooms, American Legion posts, and events across Nebraska.

Their stories and service are a reminder of the responsibility we share to uphold President Lincoln's lasting promise.

We owe our veterans a tremendous debt of gratitude. Our commitment to honoring them must be reflected in the quality of services and resources we provide them. This Veterans Day, please join me in thanking a veteran for their service to our country. Let us renew our commitment to those who have sacrificed so much and fought so hard for the freedoms we hold so dear.

DeKay analyzes election results

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



District 40 Senator
Barry DeKay

Tuesday, November 3rd marked the end of the 2026 election season, and I want to thank everyone who came out and made their voices heard this year. In this week's newsletter, I want to go over some of the preliminary election results.

First, I wanted to thank the voters of the 40th Legislative District for trusting me with the responsibility to represent you and the State of Nebraska in the Legislature.

It has been an honor serving you these last four years, and I am looking forward to the next four.

This election featured races for the statewide constitutional offices, U.S. Senate, and U.S. House of Representatives. Governor Jim Pillen, Lieutenant Governor Joe Kelly, Attorney General Mike Hilgers, State Auditor Mike Foley, and State Treasurer Joey Spellerberg will remain in office for another four years alongside newcomer Scott Petersen as Secretary of State.

In the Senate, Pete Ricketts was reelected to his seat in Congress. In the House of Representatives, District 1 will continue to be represented by Mike Flood, District 2 will now be represented by Denise Powell, and District 3 will remain under Adrian Smith's representation.

Congratulations to all these candidates heading to Nebraska's federal delegation.

Additionally, as of this writing, registered Republicans are expected to have 30 seats in the Legislature, meaning Republicans will be three

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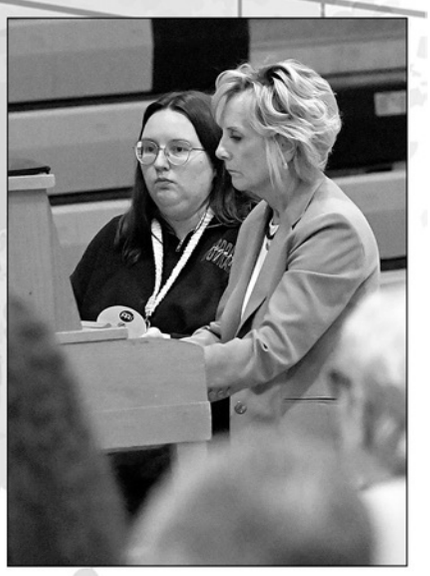
Niobrara Valley Conference

Choral Clinic

Elgin Public School was this year's host school for the NVC Choral Clinic. Clinician was Alexandra Howser (Logan View Public School)and accompanist was Carol Thiele (Summerland Public School). A good number of choral students from Elgin Public and Pope John XXIII Central Catholic schools participated.

E-R photos by Dennis Morgan





Williby elected chairman of Antelope County Commissioners

By Greg Tharnish
Special to The Elgin Review

The Antelope County Commissioners (ACC) met yesterday with all present including newly appointed Commissioner Aaron Rice. After Rice was sworn in, the ACC got down to business beginning with nominations for chairman and vice-chairman.

After a short deliberation, Neil Williby was elected as ACC chairman and Regina Krebs was elected as ACC vice-chairman.

Road Superintendent Leigh Kluthe reported to the ACC on current road conditions in the county, noting the excessive wear on roads because of rain and the ongoing harvest season. Kluthe stated that the majority of county road employees worked over this past weekend in an effort to keep roads as safe as possible for everyone.

Kluthe went on to note that there'd been numerous breakdowns on road graders since the last ACC meeting, only a week ago. Repairs to graders continue as Kluthe and the road department gear up for winter weather.

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Hood receives jail term, fine in DUI sentencing

A 67-year-old O'Neill man will spend 30 days in jail and pay a $1,000 fine on one count of DUI - .15+ or refusal (one prior conviction), a Class I misdemeanor, following sentencing, Nov. 4, in Antelope County Court. The Honorable Danielle Fliam also sentenced Lonnie J. Hood to an 18-month probation term. His license was also revoked for 18 months.

Hood was ordered not to drive for 45 days, and an ignition interlock permit was ordered. An enhancement hearing was held and evidence presented for a prior conviction for driving under the influence of alcohol in the last 15 years.

Hood was scheduled to report to the Antelope County Jail by 9 a.m., on Friday, Nov. 7. He will receive credit for one day previously served. Hood will pay court costs and lab costs totaling $160.

Hood was arrested April 29 after ACSO Deputy Steven Mills responded to a call about a vehicle in a field on 518 Avenue between 859 and 860 roads. Upon arrival, Mills observed a blue Ford Ranger located in the field. As he approached the vehicle, Mills detected the odor of alcohol. Field sobriety tests were started, and Hood "only moved his eyes slightly one time even after asking him to move his eyes multiple times," according to the probable cause affidavit. The defendant refused additional tests. Hood was arrested and transported to the Antelope County Sheriff's Office. He submitted to a Data Master breath test, which indicated .230 blood-alcohol content.

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Jeremiah R. Fuoss, 37, pleaded no contest to one count of no proof of insurance. Fliam found him guilty and sentenced the North Platte man to one day in the Antelope County Jail, with credit for one day previously served.

A second charge - possession of marijuana one ounce or less-1st offense, an infraction - was dismissed.

Bond for Fuoss was exonerated. He will pay $50 in court costs.

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Jesus Osvaldo Del, 31, of Neligh, entered a guilty plea to one count of no operator's license/non-waiverable, a Class III misdemeanor.

Fliam sentenced Del to pay a $75 fine and $50 court costs, payable Nov. 4.

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Michelle J. Brigance, 45, of O'Neill will pay a $100 fine following sentencing for one count of driving under suspension/before reinstated - state, a class III misdemeanor. Fliam also ordered Brigance to pay court costs totalng $50.

Courtesy of SAM

Court News

*All fines in addition to $50 court costs. *Denotes an amendment of original charge(s).*

Michelle J Brigance, O'Neill, NE 10/15/26 Drive under susp/before reinstated-state, Fined $100.00 - Lawson.

Terrence M Jones, Neligh, NE 7/5/26 Light or hand signals required/No license on person, Fined $50.00 - Miller.

Drey E Anthony, Colleyville, TX 10/29/26 Speeding 75/65 MPH, Fined $75.00 - Banks.

Jesus Osvaldo Del, Neligh, NE 10/12/26 No operator's license/non-waiverable, Fined $75.00 - Hartley.

Abram Poules Pretorius, Clearwater, NE 10/12/26 Speeding 80/65 MPH, Fined $125.00 - Mohr.

Lonnie J Hood, O'Neill, NE 4/29/26 DUI-.15+ OR refusal (1 prior conviction), Fined $1,000.00;Jail Sentence of 30 Days; Probation Term of 18 Months; Drug Testing Fee of $90.00; Probation Administrative Enrollment Fee of $30.00; Probation Fee - Regular of $450.00; Revoked License Term of 18 Months; Interlock Device; Breath Test-Other of $100.00 - Mills.

Tarandeep Singh, Lincoln, NE 10/11/26 Speeding 50/35 MPH; Fined $125.00 - Schroeder.

Jeremiah R Fuoss, North Platte, NE 6/7/26 No proof of insurance, Sentence includes: Jail Sentence Term of 1 Day - Barker.*

Gavin N Oliver, Stanley, ND 7/17/26 Speeding 80/65 MPH, Fined $125.00 - Barker.

Elrico Botes, Plainview, NE 10/2/26 Speeding 77/65 MPH, Fined $125.00 - Veit.

Jason R Bailey, Norfolk, NE 10/4/26 Speeding 65/55 MPH, Fined $75.00 - Veit.

Dillon J Arehart, Neligh, NE 69/22/26 No proof of insurance/No operator's license/non-waiverable/Operate or park unregistered vehicle, Fines totaling $200.00 - Ahrendt.

Chad M Schnoor, Norfolk, NE 10/4/26 Speeding 75/65 MPH, Fined $75.00 - Ahrendt.

Bradley W Fox, O'Neill, NE 10/6/26 Speeding 74/65 MPH, Fined $75.00 - Ahrendt.

Chalista R Heithoff, Oakdale, NE 9/6/26 Drive under susp/before reinstated-state, Fined $100.00 - Hartley.

Rashaun R Johnson, Norfolk, NE 6/27/26 Minor in possession - ages 19/20, Fined $500.00 - Hilliard.

Koy S Gonzales, Spencer, NE 9/23/26 Speeding 75/65 MPH, Fined $75.00 - Valverde.

Naqi R Zaidi (CNC Construction Group), Sugar Land, TX 8/7/26 CMV-Brake general/CMV-Wheel/rims/UCR-No registration/payment, Fined $200.00 - Asche.*

Ashley N Polenske, Oakdale, NE 4/25/26 DUI-drug-1st offense, Fined $500.00; Probation Term of 6 Months; Offender Assessment Screening of $10.00; Drug Testing Fee of $30.00; Probation Administrative Enrollment Fee of $30.00; Probation Fee - Regular of $150.00; Revoked License Term of 60 Days - Barker.

Austin P Hamm, Atkinson, NE 9/12/26 Speeding 79/65 MPH, Fined $125.00 - Barker.

Christian S Stafford, Omaha, NE 9/17/26 Drive under susp/before reinstated-state/Speeding 55/35 MPH, Fined $300.00 - Barker.

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Restoration



NATHAN DUMLAO

The psalmist called upon God to restore Israel.

We could use some restoration ourselves.

This week in church, you can call on God to bring the restoration we need.

Restore us, O God.
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Isaiah 64:1-9 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:24-37

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Weekend Mass: Sunday, 10 am.
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St. Bonaventure Catholic Church
Raeville, NE
Fr. Frank Baumert, Parish Administrator
Associate Pastor, temporarily vacant
Weekend Mass: 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday, 8 am.
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Park Congregational U.C.C. Church
Elgin, NE
Congregational
Sunday Worship Service: 9:15 am.
Sunday School: 10:15 am.
Communion Sunday: 1st Sunday of each month. Park Women's Fellowship: 2 pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the church. Parish Council: 7:30 pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the church.

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
Petersburg, NE
Fr. Frank Baumert, Parish Administrator
Associate Pastor, temporarily vacant
Weekend Mass: 2nd & 4th Sunday, 8 am.
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Bartlett Church of Faith
Bartlett, NE
Pastor Vacancy
Sunday Worship Service: 9 am.
Sunday School: 10-10:45 am.

Calvary Bible Church
Neligh, NE
Pastor Peter Sample
Sunday School: 9:30 am.
Worship Service: 10:45 am.

Trinity Lutheran Church
Elgin, NE
Rev. Kyle Lewis
Sunday Worship Service: 8 am.
Sunday school follows service.
Saturday Evening Service: 6 pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month.

Elgin Community Christian Church
Elgin, NE
Pastor Jonathan Braden
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Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 am.
Church Council: 2nd Tuesday of each month.

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Weekend Mass: 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday, 5:30 am.
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St. Paul Lutheran Church
Chambers, NE
Rev. Timothy Mark Reicks
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Sunday School/Bible Study: 9:30 am.

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DARE

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Deputy Veit, who has 14 years with the National Guard and experience as a security officer, said he could be stern. He didn't find this approach to be necessary when working with the well-behaved classrooms of the Elgin schools always under the watchful eye of the regular classroom teacher.

While no direct costs for the program are incurred by the schools, the Antelope County Sheriff's Office bears the expense of books, nametags, rubber wrist bands, and other items needed in the classroom. Another cost is the deputy sheriff's time though the classroom work, which takes a full afternoon, doesn't take him away from assuring safety for the county.

"Law enforcement needs come first," Deputy Veit said. The radio worn on his left shoulder is on at all times while he's in the classroom. "When there is an incident near Elgin or anywhere in the county that needs immediate attention, a domestic dispute, a car accident, I get the call and I respond," he added.

At the beginning of the program, a participation letter is co-signed by the classroom teacher, the student, their parents, and the officer. It outlines requirements including completing the student workbook, writing a report, and demonstrating good behavior in the classroom. At a date in December yet to be announced, students who meet the requirements of the D.A.R.E. program will be recognized at a graduation ceremony. The student with the best essay will get to keep Daren the Lion.

While long-term results of the program are not easily documented, Deputy Veit said, "If just one child gets themselves out of a difficult situation, the program is successful." The hope is that students will make safe and responsible decisions when the dares in life inevitably rear their ugly heads.



Small group work is a hallmark of the D.A.R.E. program. Here Antelope County Deputy Sheriff Matthew Veit interacts with sixth-grade students at Pope John Catholic School.

Pole

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available to purchase from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

On Saturday morning, breakfast burritos prepared by Dave Osuna will be available to purchase. Vendors participating in this year's event are:

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Donors for SNP this year are 118 Insurance, Bank of Elgin, Dean's Market, The Elgin Review and TC Vet Clinic.

Organizers for SNP are Kimberly Young and Kathy Dinslage.

Hammel

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seems, the fourth quarter.

We need to kill the curse – and convince Lucy to let Charlie Brown kick the football.

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Paul Hammel has covered the Nebraska state government and the state for decades. Prior to his retirement, he was senior contributor with the Nebraska Examiner.

DeKAY

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votes short of a filibuster-proof supermajority. There will be 18 registered Democrats and one registered Independent.

Barring a change to the Legislature's rules, this will likely mean proposals viewed as controversial will not pass without compromise from the other side.

Of course, party registration does not decide every issue in the Legislature since many policies have elements of urban-rural divide and even Lincoln-Omaha divide. In total, 15 new senators will join the body.

I want to congratulate each of the senator-elects and each of my colleagues who won reelection alongside me.

Meanwhile, conservatives are expected to have a 5-3 majority on the State Board of Education. The University of Nebraska Board of Regents will have four registered Republicans, two registered Democrats, and two registered Independents.

There were also several other important ballot measures decided in this election. Proposed Amendment 1 would have extended term limits for state senators from two terms to three terms; this proposal was rejected handily by 81% of voters.

Additionally, both of the ballot initiatives to legalize online sports wagering in Nebraska, Initiative Measures 440 and 441, were rejected by voters as well.

Only Initiative Measure 442 was approved by the voters. Initiative Measure 442 proposed a constitutional amendment to create a biological sex requirement for K-12 and collegiate sports.

I invite you to let me know your thoughts or concerns.

My Capitol office telephone number is (402) 471-2801 while my email is barry.dekay@leg.ne.gov.

My mailing address is: Senator Barry DeKay, District #40, P.O. Box 94604, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509.

Elgin Community Center meals

Monday, November 16: Chicken alfredo, lettuce salad, green beans, fruit salad, garlic stick, milk & juice.

Tuesday, November 17: Chili, cinnamon roll, cottage cheese, pineapple, relish cup/salad, milk & juice.

Wednesday, November 18: Breaded pork tenderloin, mashed potatoes & gravy, peas, apple sauce, dinner roll, milk & juice.

Thursday, November 19: Liver & onions OR ham, baked potato, Harvard beets, fruit cocktail, dinner roll, milk & juice.

Friday, November 20: Penne pasta w/ meatballs, broccoli, lettuce salad, peaches, garlic stick, milk & juice.

Menus are provided by the Community Center and are subject to change without notice.

Suggested price is $7 per meal for persons 60 years of age and older.

Under 60 is $10.

Serving starts at approximately 11:45 a.m. and ends around 12:15 p.m. Meals are served Monday thru Friday. Takeout starts at 11:30 a.m.

Please call 843-5757 by 9:30 a.m. to reserve a meal for that day.

For a great meal, come to the community center!

"Every day is a good day for a home-cooked meal with friends!"

Mobile food pantry in Neligh next week

The mobile food pantry, sponsored by the Neligh Faith Community Church as well as other businesses, churches, and individuals will be dispersing food on Tuesday, November 17.

The location will be the American Legion Club in Neligh from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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County

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The county historical society asked the ACC for financial help in the purchase of a museum church door that needs replaced. The ACC denied the request at this time until an actual dollar amount is specified.

In other news:

- Globe Life Insurance representative Dan Tillis presented the ACC with information on supplemental insurance.
- A promotional grant for $350 was awarded to the Neligh/Oakdale Teammates chapter.
- Commissioners asked County Clerk Lisa Payne to advertise for sealed bids on an antique desk, sitting in storage in the courthouse.



E-R photo/GTharnish

Aaron Rice took the oath of office Tuesday morning to represent District #4 on the Antelope County Board of Commissioners. The swearing in took place at the start of the regular meeting. He fills the seat previously held by Charlie Henery who passed away.

District wrestling tournament sites set

Sites have been announced for the high school district wrestling tournaments involving EPPJ wrestlers.

The boys district wrestling tournament will be held in Plainview on Friday and Saturday February 12-13.

The girls district wrestling tournament will be held one week earlier at Wood River on Friday and Saturday, February 5-6.

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Antelope Memorial Hospital Recognizes National Nurse Practitioner Week
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Pope John XXIII Central Catholic One-Act Team presents the comedic play
Supermodels in Jeopardy
by Jonathan Dorf
The world's supermodels get trapped while at a convention of supermodels. Will they be rescued? Should they be rescued? Who will be blamed?
Dinner Theatre Performance
Sunday, November 22
in the St. Boniface Auditorium
● Dinner served at 6:30 p.m.
● Show at 7:30 p.m.
Deadline for purchasing tickets is THIS FRIDAY, Nov. 13th.
FOR TICKETS, contact any member of the One Act or the high school at 402.843.5325
ADVANCED TICKETS meal & performance $25 per person
AT THE DOOR show only
Adults $10 K-12th $5

Nearly 2,800 eligible voters cast ballots last week

Antelope County residents sure like to vote.

That's what the numbers show from County Election Commissioner Lisa Payne.

Just over 64 percent of eligible voters went to the polls on Tuesday, November 3.

Altogether, reviewing a summary report of the election provided by Payne, 4,342 registered voters were eligible to take part in the election. Of that number, the total number of ballots cast were 2,783, 2,429 cast on election day while 345 participated in early voting prior to Nov. 2.

A breakdown of how Antelope County voters cast ballots in the election is as follows:

U.S. Senate - Pete Ricketts (R) 2,175; Dan Osborn (D) 422. Ricketts won the statewide election for a new six-year term in office.

Congressional District #3 - Adrian Smith (R) 2,277; Becky Stille (D) 243. Smith was re-elected to a two-year term.

Governor/Lt. Governor - Jim Pillen/Kelly (R) 2,174; Lynne Walz/Steffen (D) 385. With overwhelming support from rural Nebraska, Pillen/Kelly was re-elected to a four-year term.

Other state races where Republicans won were Secretary of State (Scott Petersen); State Treasurer (Joey Spellerberg); Attorney General (Mike Hilgers); State Auditor (Mike Foley)



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Deputy County Clerk Denise Kurpgeweit watches the ballot machine tabulate ballots after polls closed Tuesday night, November 3.

County races

Commissioner District #1 - Neil Williby (R) 497 votes

Commissioner District #3 - Regina Krebs (R) 281; Don Zegers (D) 159

Commissioner District #5 - Casey Dittrich (R) 520

County Assessor - Kelly Mueller-Oltjenbruns (R) 2,392

County Attorney - Joe Smith (R) 2,320

County Clerk - Lisa Payne (R) 2,455

Clerk of the District Court - Angela F. Mortensen (R) 2,427

County Sheriff - Robert E. Moore (R) 2,164

County Airport Authority (vote for two) - Brian Whitesel 1,934; Maurice Soper 1,524

County Airport Authority (vote for one) - Joe McNally 2,034

County Weed Authority (vote for two) - Rachel Shrader 1,734; Robert Lewis 1,611

Elgin Public School Board (vote for three) - Kyle Heithoff 476, Kimberly Young 448, Lisa Welding 440

Elgin City Mayor - Mike Schmitt 270

Elgin City Council Ward 1 - Leigh Kluthe 125

Elgin City Council Ward 2 - Diane Landers 140

Elgin City Proposition #1 - In favor 165, Opposed 135

Elgin City Proposition #2 - In favor 205, Opposed 91

State Constitutional Amendment - Against 2084, For 529

Initiative Measure 440 - Against 1,637, For 1,040

Initiative Measure 441 - Against 1,614, For 1,058

Initiative Measure 442 - For 2,227, Against 437

Complete results can be found by going to the newspaper's web page elginreview.com. They were also posted on election night on the newspaper's Facebook page.

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BOONE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

FARMLAND FOR SALE

160 total acres

of which149.82 acres are dryland

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: The Northeast Quarter (NE¼) of Section Ten (10), Township Twenty-Two (22) North, Range Seven (7) West of the 6th P.M., Boone County, Nebraska.

Sealed bids due to Klein Law Office by NOVEMBER 25, 2026 at NOON, with a live auction with the 5 highest bidders on December 3rd starting at 10:00 a.m.

Closing will be in 2026

For more information & bid forms:

KLEIN LAW OFFICE, PC

Neligh, NE

Ph: 402-887-4190

Email: marty@kleinlawpc.com

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Elgin voters approve LB840

Elgin voters narrowly approved two measures on the ballot to support economic development here.

Proposition #1 to adopt a 0.5 percent in the city sales tax to be applied to LB840. The measure passed by 30 votes - 165 For and 135 Against.

Proposition #2 to implement an economic development program sent to voters after approval by the Elgin City Council passed. Altogether, 205 voted For, 91 Against.

Rice to fill Henery's term as District #4 commisioner

By Greg Tharnish
Special to The Elgin Review

Nine applicants were interviewed for Antelope County's District Four commissioner's position. After three hours of interviews and discussion, Clerk Lisa Payne, Treasurer Deb Branstiter and County Attorney Joe Smith pared the candidates down to three finalists: Aaron Rice, Joe McNally and Travis Wingate.

Private deliberation and public discussion went on for another forty-five minutes before Payne, Branstiter and Smith selected Aaron Rice to fill the position, left vacant after the passing of Charlie Henery.

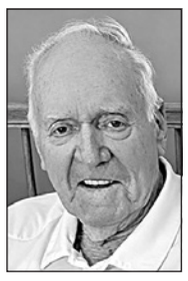
Rice's youth and past board experience were deciding factors in the decision. All three selectors agreed it was a difficult decision as McNally and Wingate were highly qualified.

The other six candidates, qualified in their own right, were Steve Olson, Duane "Buck" Jones, Dennis "Dean" Bly, Koryn Koinzan, Matt Klabenes and Harlan Brandt.

Rice will serve the final two years of Henery's term.

OBITUARIES

Henry J. Ketteler, 91



May 2, 1935 — November 5, 2026

Henry had three hobbies - farming, farming and more farming. He was invested and involved in his community and family.

Henry J. Ketteler, 91, of Petersburg, NE passed away on Thursday, November 5, 2026, at the Boone County Health Center in Albion, NE.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, November 11, 2026 (today), at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Petersburg, with Rev. Frank Baumert officiating. Private family inurnment will be at a later date in the parish cemetery.

Visitation was held from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Wednesday morning at the church.

Levander Funeral Home of Albion is in charge of the arrangements. Condolences may be sent to www.levanderfuneralhome.com.

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Henry Joseph Ketteler was born at home in Petersburg, Nebraska on May 2, 1935, to Joseph and Louise (Loxterkamp) Ketteler. The family moved to Laurel, Nebraska when he was a young boy due to the drought and difficult farming conditions.

When the time came for Henry's First Communion, they returned to Petersburg, Nebraska so he was able to attend a Catholic school.

He attended St. John the Baptist school from that point until his graduation from high school in 1952.

After high school, he worked at various farming/ranching positions and the Loxterkamp John Deere Implement Company.

In 1959, he married Marilyn A. Stokes at St. John's Catholic Church in Petersburg. The couple started farming and raising a family. They had three children, Kent, Karen, and Kay.

The farm was diversified including both crops and livestock. This included milking cows, fattening cattle, raising hogs, and two stupid sheep (Bullet and Peanut – who the kids enjoyed and Marilyn hated). Henry and Marilyn progressed from renting to owning their current farm in 1969. They built a new home in 1970 where they resided to present.

Henry had three hobbies, farming, farming, and more farming. He was strictly a John Deere man!! He bled green through and through!! Well, maybe playing Sheephead with anybody that understood how the card game was played should be included.

In later years after the milking herd was sold, the couple finally enjoyed traveling to most of Europe, Canada, and visited most of the states in the US.

Henry was invested and involved in his community and family. He was Holy Name President for St. John's Parish, President of Pope John XXIII school board, and President of Boone County National Farmers Organization. His nephews and nieces considered him the patriarch of the Ketteler family.

Henry was a devout Catholic. It was a priority of his to attend mass, tithe, and to have his children learn about their faith and attend Catholic schools.

Henry passed unexpectedly on November 5, 2026, in the Boone County Health Center after suffering a heart attack.

He was preceded in death by his parents Joe and Louise Ketteler, siblings and in-laws Mary (Maurice) Henn, Patricia (Kenneth) Schumacher, Helen (Lawrence) Borer and nephew Brian Borer, and infant brother Henry.

Henry is survived by his wife Marilyn A. Ketteler and brother James (Rosemary) Ketteler, children Kent E. (Denise) Ketteler, daughters Karen A. (Bill) Novak, Kay L. (Anthony) Medina. Grandchildren, Blaine (Davida) Petska, Seara (Eric) Johnson, Samantha Ketteler, Heath (Elizabeth) Ketteler, Ben (Erin) Novak, Andrew (Cheyanne Loeffler) Novak, Christina (Jimmy) Elder. Great grandchildren, Atticus Petska, Breckham and Ava Johnson, Oliver, Gemma, Eleanor, and Clara Ketteler, Lincoln Novak, and Lillian Elder and numerous nieces and nephews.

Council

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uals can contribute at different levels.

And, at other events there will be buckets set out for free will donations to help offset the cost of the horse-drawn sleigh ride the night Santa Claus comes to town.

Other ways the ECC raises funds is an end-of-the-summer steak fry which was held last year at the KC Hall. Also, ECC members pay dues annually.

"All we can do is try," Clark said.

Shay Dirks encouraged Schmitt to come to ECC's monthly meetings to hear ideas they are looking at to support Vetch Days and other ECC-events.

The consensus of the council was that there has to be other ways to raise money for a 2-3 day celebration.

"Ten thousand is a lot of money for that type of situation," said Councilman Mike Dvorak.

The cost of bringing a carnival to Elgin this year will be $15,000, Clark said the club has to promise that amount to get the carnival to come.

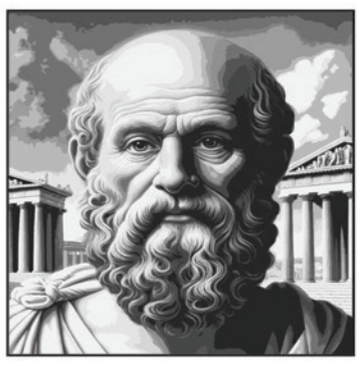
The motion to reduce the city's contribution to $7,500 was approved by all three council members attending.

On another matter involving the ECC, the council passed a resolution to allow for a Christmas Parade on the evening of Wednesday, December 2.

The parade is expected to begin at 7 p.m.

A very wise man, Socrates, once said this guy!

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NOTICE
ESTATE OF KENNETH G. BODE,
Deceased, No. PR26-32

NOTICE
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF ANTELOPE COUNTY, NEBRASKA
ESTATE OF KENNETH G. BODE, Deceased, No. PR26-32

Notice is hereby given that on October 27, 2026, in the County Court of Antelope County, Nebraska, Barbara K. Bode, whose address is 84277 Highway 14, Elgin, NE 68636, has been appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of this estate. Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before January 3, 2027, or be forever barred.

Kristina Sehi
Clerk of the County Court
Jeffrey C. Jarecki, #24411
525 W. State Street, P.O. Box 106
Albion, NE 68620
Telephone: (402)395-1010
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Email: jeff@jsplawpc.com
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE NOV. 2, 2026 MTG
THE ELGIN CITY COUNCIL

ELGIN CITY COUNCIL
Proceedings
November 2, 2026

The Elgin City Council met in regular session on Monday, November 2, 2026, at 7:30 p.m., pursuant to posted notice.

Mayor Schmitt called the meeting to order, and announced the location of the Open Meeting Act.

Council members present were Craig Niewohner, John "Mike" Dvorak, and Leigh Kluthe. Jeremy Young absent.

A complete and accurate copy of the minutes is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the City Clerk's office.

The following agenda items were approved:

▪ October regular meeting minutes, treasurer's report, and paying the claims

General Checking: Black Hills Energy, util, 325.90; U.S. Post Office, postage, 351.53; Macy Rokahr, reprint ck, 90.00; 118 Insurance LLC, ins, 4,802.00; APPEARA, srv, 124.71; Advanced Consulting Engineering Services, srv, 2,350.00; Amazon Capital Services, sup, 443.68; Antelope County Sheriff, srv, 2,850.00; Applied Connective Technologies, srv, 157.50; Bomgaars, sup, 409.42; Bud's Sanitary Service LLC, srv, 7,508.60; Central Valley Ag, sup, 513.98; Elgin One Stop, fuel & sup, 926.72; Elkhorn Rural Public Power District, util, 3,294.55; Fitzgerald,Vetter,Temple,Bartell&Henderson, srv, 350.00; Great Plains Communications, util, 317.75; Jerry's Feed Service, sup, 14.59; Kayton International, Inc., srv, 6,250.00; Kittelson Welding, srv, 325.00; Love Signs, Inc., sup, 292.40; Malachi Hardy, reimb, 168.00; NE Public Health Environmental Lab, srv, 30.00; Nebraska Library Commission, srv, 550.00; Nebraska Municipal Clerks Association, dues, 100.00; Northeast Nebraska Clerks Association, dues, 20.00; PowerManager, sup, 7,311.95; Precision Repair, LLC, srv, 374.76; Sapp Bros, Inc - Elgin, sup, 367.68; Sargent Drilling, sup, 426.00; Speed Services, srv, 935.00; The Elgin Review, print, 1,204.37; USABlueBook, sup, 547.31; WW Concrete, srv, 1,800.00; Nebraska U C Fund, tax, 97.00; United States Treasury, tax, 3,490.01; Nebraska Department of Revenue, tax, 1,238.03; American Funds Service Company, retirement, 796.46; Payroll,12,574.79

Debit Card: U.S. Post Office, postage, 37.75; Verizon Wireless, srv, 33.72

Rescue Checking: Bound Tree Medical, LLC, sup, 206.37; Bradley Bode, misc, 25.00; Elgin Pharmacy, sup, 33.02; Jake Eischeid, misc, 25.00; Jeff Treu, misc, 25.00; Mason, Noah & MacKenzie Grummert, misc, 25.00; Precision Repair, LLC, srv, 71.39; Teresa Moore, misc, 25.00; Tom Allemang, misc, 25.00

▪ Approve $7,500.00 in sales tax funds to be donated to the Elgin Community Club to support the Elgin Vetch Day's carnival and events

▪ Resolution 2026-5, a resolution acknowledging Nebraska Department of Transportation requirements for the temporary use of the state highway system for special events

▪ Quote from 1to1 Technologies for IT services at City Hall for $280.00 per month

▪ Go for bids for stump removal at the library

▪ Regular meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

The following agenda items were discussed:

▪ Public comment: neighborhood watch

▪ Aflac for employees

▪ Maintenance report: correct impeller being installed on the sewer plant pump, water service found on N 5th Street between Maple and Beech Streets

▪ Attorney's report: attended court in October for dog at large citation

▪ Councilman's report: split cost to replace the curb and gutter at 108 N 3rd St

▪ Clerk report: audit this week, final location will be set for the two outdoor warning sirens

Next regular meeting will be held on Monday, December 7, 2026

Mayor Mike Schmitt
City Clerk Kristin L. Childers
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE NOV. 2, 2026 MTG
ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Neligh, Nebraska
November 2nd, 2026

Vice-chairman opened the meeting. Notice of meeting published as required by statute.

Approved agenda. Held minutes of October 13th, 2026 Board of Commissioner Meeting. Public comments. Correspondence was reviewed. Held action on Maximus Cost Plan. Approved Rightfiber phone and internet for Brunswick Barn.

Zoning Administrator – no report.

Reviewed delinquent tax list, motioned for foreclosure. Reviewed distress warrants.

Approved Highway Superintendent documentation and resolution.

Short discussion on radios and radio quotes, no action.

Road Superintendent Report: approved 16 oversized permits; one (1) underground permit. Approved material quote sheet from Cap Gravel.

Meeting Adjourned.

Antelope County Board of Commissioners

NEIL WILLIBY
Vice-chairman of County Board
Attest: LISA PAYNE /s/
Antelope County Clerk
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Watch

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program, but they have been unable to attend meetings so far due to work commitments.

Soon, she said, plans are to hold a meeting to assist volunteers wtih an app to be placed on their phones. Also a short video is in the works to better explain the program and how it works. Also, a training meeting will be held where, Landers said, she hopes Deputy Sheriff Steven Mills can attend to lend his knowledge and assistance.

"I want to thank Kristin and Lynell for their help. It couldn't be done without them.

Also during the meeting which lasted just short of 90 minutes, the following happened:

• No action was taken on providing AFLAC insurance to city employees.

• A quote from 1to1 Technology Services was approved for IT services to be provided at City Hall. The cost will be $280 per month.

• With tree stumps needing to be removed near Elgin Public Library, the council approved a plan to seek bids for the upcoming project.

Support Your Community By Shopping Locally!

RULE AMENDMENTS #1
UPPER ELKHORN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT

Upper Elkhorn Natural Resources District
ORDER
Rule Amendments October 26, 2026

FINDINGS

1. Nebraska Revised Statutes § 46-701 et seq., provides the authority for the adoption and amendment of rules and regulations for the management of groundwater.

2. Notice of the October 26, 2026 Public Hearing on the proposed rule and regulation amendments was published in accordance with state law in the following newspapers in general circulation in the Upper Elkhorn NRD ("UENRD"): (a) Holt County Independent, (b) Atkinson Graphic, (c) Antelope County News, (d) Rock County Leader, (e) Elgin Review, and (f) Summerland Advocate-Messenger.

3. Notice of the Public Hearing of the proposed rule and regulation amendments was posted on the UENRD website at www.uenrd.org. Copies of the proposed rules and regulation amendments were also made available from the UENRD office in O'Neill, Nebraska at the time of publication of the newspaper notices identified above.

4. The Public Hearing was held on October 26, 2026 in accordance with state law and as noticed. All persons present at the Public Hearing were afforded an opportunity to provide oral or written testimony regarding the proposed rule and regulation amendments.

5. Written testimony received at the UENRD office by 4:30 p.m. on October 23, 2026 was submitted to the record of the Public Hearing. The record of the Public Hearing was held open for the receipt of written testimony until the close of the Public Hearing. Copies of all written testimony, personally provided at the Public Hearing or mailed, were made available to the UENRD Board of Directors for their consideration.

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7. The UENRD Board of Directors considered all testimony and, in open session, at its regular Board of Directors meeting on October 26, 2026, voted to approve the proposed rule and regulation amendments.

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a. The proposed amendments apply to the overall Rules & Regulations.

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n. Rule 3.9: The proposed amendments update the requirements for Annual Phase II Crop Reporting through Producer Connect.

BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN THE UPPER ELKHORN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS BY NEBRASKA LAW, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. The rule and regulation amendments adopted by the UENRD Board of Directors on October 26, 2026, attached hereto and fully incorporated herein, are adopted and shall become effective January 1, 2027.

Signed by UENRD Board Chairman Trevor Gotschall and General Manager Dennis Schueth on October 26, 2026.
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Beef management and emerging technology featured at Nov. 24 Northeast Nebraska Beef Update in Norfolk

Nebraska Extension and Northeast Community College will host the 2026 Northeast Nebraska Beef Update and Tradeshow on Tuesday, Nov. 24, in Norfolk. The event offers cattle producers an opportunity to learn about current beef production issues, emerging technologies and management strategies for the coming year.

The program will be held at the Chuck M. Pohlman Agriculture Complex, 2301 E. Benjamin Ave., Norfolk. An optional hands-on session will begin at 3:30 p.m., followed by the main program from 5 to 9 p.m.



The program will bring together industry representatives, university experts and local producers to discuss practical approaches to improving cattle management, productivity and profitability.

An optional practical session from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. will feature a Bud Box cattle-handling demonstration, biometric ear tags and applications for data collection and management in beef operations.

The evening program will begin at 5 p.m. with an update from Nebraska Cattlemen, followed by presentations on beef cow reproductive traits and their importance in herd selection, as well as winter cow feeding and backgrounding strategies.

Following supper and an opportunity to visit with tradeshow exhibitors, the program will shift to pasture and herd management concerns. Topics will include a review of 2026 pasture conditions and an outlook for 2027, along with the current status of New World screwworm and key considerations for cattle producers.

The evening will conclude with a producer panel discussing the use of technology in the cow herd. Panelists will share practical experiences and perspectives on adopting new tools and technologies in their operations.

Registration is $15 per person. Students may attend free of charge by reaching out for a promo code. Supper is included in the evening program. Advance registration is required.

For a complete agenda and to register, visit *2026 Northeast Nebraska Beef Update and Tradeshow*.

For more information or accommodation requests, contact Ben Beckman, Nebraska Extension, at *bbeckman3@unl.edu* or 402-254-6821.

Despite strong calf prices, pay attention to rising cow costs

IT'S ALL ABOUT BEEF



Beef Systems Asst. Ext. Educator
Ben Beckman

Cattle prices have been strong, and for cow-calf producers, that has been welcome news. But there's another side of the ledger that deserves just as much attention. What did it actually cost to keep a cow and raise a calf this year?

Nebraska Extension Educator Aaron Berger recently updated estimated annual cow costs for 2026. The numbers are worth looking at as we plan for 2027, especially with higher feed costs on the horizon.

Under this example budget, it cost approximately $1,617 to maintain a cow for the year. However, that isn't quite the cost to produce a weaned calf. Not every cow exposed to breeding will wean a calf. At an 85% weaning rate, that works out to around $1,900 for each calf weaned. Drop that to 80%, and the cost rises to just over $2,000. At 90%, it's just under $1,800.

In a 100-cow herd, improving the weaning rate from 80% to 85% means five additional calves to market without substantially changing the cost of maintaining the cow herd. This illustrates why reproductive performance has such a direct impact on profitability.

So what's driving these costs? Feed is the largest expense, accounting for nearly $860 per cow when pasture, harvested forage, supplements, and feed for replacements and bulls are included. That's more than half the total annual cost.

Importantly, this is the value of the feed, not just what was purchased. Homegrown hay and owned pasture still have an economic cost. If that hay could be sold or the pasture rented, using it for your own cattle has an opportunity cost that should be included when evaluating profitability.

The timing of feed purchases matters too. While harvested forage prices were relatively low early in 2026, drought conditions drove prices higher in some areas later in the year. Those higher-priced purchases will carry into the cost of maintaining cows through 2027. For perspective, the example budget includes 1.2 tons of hay per mature cow. A $100-per-ton increase would add $120 per cow to that portion of the feed bill.

This makes evaluating winter feed options especially important. Corn residue grazing, properly supplemented lower-quality forages, or reducing feeding waste may help manage costs. However, savings need to be weighed against cow nutrient requirements. Reducing feed costs does little good if it results in poorer body condition and lower conception rates.

Beyond feed, replacement females are another significant expense. With calf values where they are today, retaining a heifer comes at a considerable opportunity cost. The budget values a replacement heifer calf at $2,200 at weaning, before accounting for additional development costs. High cull cow values help offset these expenses, but replacement rates and cow longevity remain important considerations.

Labor, equipment, interest, and breeding expenses also contribute to annual cow costs. While they may not always involve an immediate cash expense, they still need to be accounted for when determining profitability.

These are example figures, and costs will differ among operations. As producers review this year's calf sales, calculating both annual cost per cow and cost per calf weaned provides a more complete picture of profitability. Nebraska Extension's annual cow-cost worksheet and cattle budgets from the Center for Agricultural Profitability are available to help with that process.

Strong calf prices are welcome, but knowing what it costs to produce those calves is what tells us how much of that price we're keeping.

- Ben Beckman is a beef systems Extension Educator serving northeast Nebraska. He is based out of the Cedar County Extension office in Hartington. You can reach him by phone: (402) 254-6821 or email: ben.beckman@unl.edu

Try this Thanksgiving!

Stuffed Zucchini

The unofficial kickoff to the holiday season, Thanksgiving is a chance for families and friends to get together, watch some football and, of course, share a delicious meal.

Hosts looking to offer something a little less traditional and more unique can look to this delicious recipe for "Stuffed Zucchini" from Lines+Angles.

Stuffed Zucchini (6 servings)

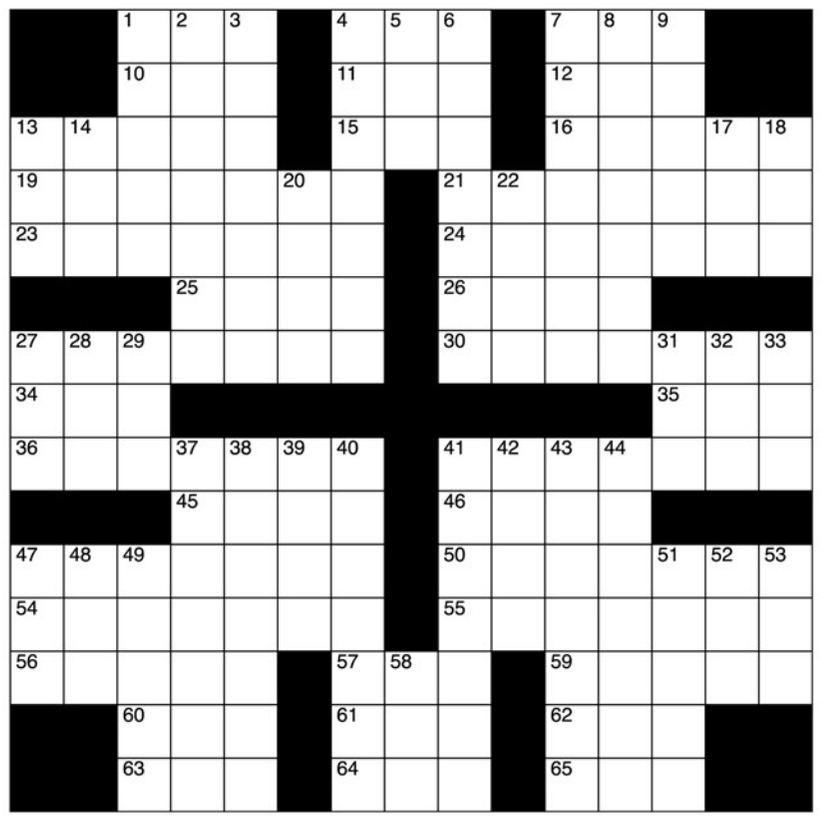
6 medium zucchini, washed and ends trimmed
3 cups butter cracker crumbs, crumbled
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese, plus extra to sprinkle
1 small onion, peeled and minced
3 tablespoons minced fresh parsley, plus extra for garnish
Freshly ground black pepper, to taste
1 teaspoon salt
2 eggs, beaten
2 tablespoons butter
15 ounces canned diced tomatoes, drained well

Preheat oven to 350°.

Cut zucchini in half lengthwise; scoop pulp out with a spoon. Place zucchini shells in a large baking pan.

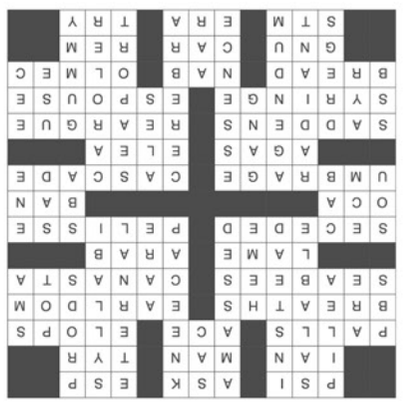
In a large bowl, combine zucchini pulp, cracker crumbs, cheese, onion, parsley, salt, pepper, and the beaten eggs. Fill zucchini shells with mixture; dot with butter and spoon tomatoes over the filling. Sprinkle with additional Parmesan cheese and bake for 30 to 35 minutes. Garnish with chopped parsley and serve.

Crossword Puzzle



CLUES ACROSS
1. Tire pressure metric
4. Request
7. Clairvoyance
10. 007's creator Fleming
11. Male adult
12. Norse mythological figure
13. Coffin cloths
15. Breeze through
16. Ladyfish genus
19. We all take them
21. Nobleman's jurisdiction
23. Members of U.S. Navy
24. Rummy-like card game
25. Unable to move
26. Type of horse
27. Parted
30. Woman's cloak
34. South American plant
35. Prohibit
36. Something one takes
41. Dish detergent manufacturer
45. Romanian river
46. Personification of pity
47. Makes upset
50. Discuss again
54. Medical instrument
55. Support
56. Informal term for money
57. Catch doing something wrong
59. Prehistoric people
60. Large African antelope
61. Automobile
62. "Losing My Religion" rockers
63. High-resolution scientific instrument
64. A major division of geological time
65. Attempt

CLUES DOWN
1. Indoor plant
2. Fit to be sold
3. Rather
4. Collected
5. A baglike structure in a plant or animal
6. Irish rap group
7. Ageless
8. Lists indicating curriculum
9. Pokes at
13. Public television station
14. They __
17. Cooking tool
18. Separately managed account
20. Iron-containing compound
22. Swiss river
27. Former French coin
28. Electronic countermeasures
29. Taxi
31. Helps little firms
32. Unhappy
33. Midway between northeast and east
37. Glowing
38. Lists of items to be discussed
39. An informal body of friends
40. Indispensable quality
41. Neural structures
42. Brews
43. A place to dock
44. Festive singer
47. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
48. Northernmost point of mainland Wales
49. Most worthless parts
51. Type of "bear"
52. Take or consume
53. Defunct European organization
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15 BLK BWF Strs	665#	388.00
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27 BLK RED Hfrs	627#	351.00
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Now that the ballot dust has settled, Elgin voters 'did the right thing'

SPINNING TALES



Publisher
Dennis Morgan

Election Day 2026 has come and passed. If you are like me, you may view the final vote totals as a bag full of mixed results.

Let's start and work our way deeper into the bag.

The biggest item in many an election year was on the ballot - the adoption of LB840 as an economic development tool.

Growing Elgin Together supporters waged a social media campaign for most of the election cycle, then closed the deal with two large ads in this newspaper.

The election was one of the more unique ones I have witnessed first half. Aside from the sprinkling of signs placed in their yards by supporters of the initiative, there was little in the way of visible support for or against.

I think that meant that the majority of voters who cast ballots knew this - it was a necessary step to give Elgin a chance to grow in the future. It meant raising the city sales tax by 0.5 of one percent to generate funds earned for efforts to boost the livelihood of our community.

On other side of the coin, it makes perfect sense to not want to pay more taxes. None of us what to do that.

So, with that as a backdrop, I wasn't sure how the election was going to turn out.

And, sure enough, it was a close election. Approving LB 840 passed by just over 30 votes. That means had 16 people changed their minds, LB840 would have went down to defeat.

The second part of the equation, voters approving the economic development plan, passed by a wider margin.

We are now on the same level as other communities who have put LB840 into action. What we do with those tax dollars, over the course of the next 20 years, will shape the kind of community the next generation will inherit.

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With uncontested local races, there was plenty to observe with Pillen and Walz squaring off for governor; Ricketts and Osborn vying for the senate seat.

In both cases, incumbents (Pillen and Ricketts) easily won the election thanks, in large part to western Nebraska.

Nebraska's First and Second Congressional Districts may be purple and blue, respectively; but the Third District Congressional District is bright red. So much so, I don't think any Democrat has a chance of winning state office in the near future.

I hope this is the last we see of Dan Osborn and Lynne Walz. There's room in the 'arena' for all political opinions. But majority still rules, no matter how some try to reverse public opinion.

As for the country, it was a Blue landslide of epic proportions, changing the shape and direction of government for at least the next two years. Ultimately, it was a referendum on President Trump. In the simplest of terms, you can't win an election when you're the party in power and you give your opponents plenty of issues to run on. A long-lasting war and high prices at the grocery store and gas station made Republicans an easy target.

It won't be long before voters find out what they voted for will reshape their lives going forward.

Ironically, Trump may find it easier to govern now that his opponents are more clearly visible. What happens next is anybody's guess.

Terroristic threat case bumped to December date in county court

A continuance was granted to Michael J. Northcutt during a Nov. 4 session in Antelope County. Court.

The 33-year-old Orchard resident faces felony terroristic threats charges, stemming from an Aug. 27 incident in Orchard. Antelope County Attorney Joe Smith did not object to the motion for continuance, and The Honorable Danielle Fliam ordered Northcutt to appear Dec. 2 for a hearing. Northcutt was remanded to the custody of the Antelope County Sheriff.

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Joshua C. Strong, 45, Neligh requested a continuance. He is charged with one count of DUI - .15+, a Class W misdemeanor.

Smith did not object to the motion, and Fliam approved the request. She ordered Strong to appear Dec. 2 for a pretrial hearing.

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Brad Montag, representing Cory D. Romej, 48, of Neligh, requested a continuance. Romej faces a misdemeanor count of DUI - alcohol - 1st offense. Smith did not object, and Fliam granted the continuance. She ordered Romej to appear for a pretrial hearing on Dec. 2.

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Fliam granted a continuance for Danial C. Hohrein, 48, of Neligh. He appeared for a pretrial hearing in a case where he faces one count of DUI - .15+ or refusal (one prior conviction), a Class I misdemeanor. The judge set a pretrial hearing for Dec. 2.

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Joseph McNally	9	0	1	0	0	1
Carter Selting	8	2	6	19	0	0
Braxtyn Eisenhauer	7	5	8	61	1	0

RUSHING	GP	Car	Yds	Avg	TD
Ethan Hansen	8	14	104	7.4	2
Michael Selting	9	77	242	3.1	5
Joseph McNally	9	60	227	3.8	2
Carter Selting	8	13	-6	-0.5	0
Braxtyn Eisenhauer	7	6	46	7.7	0
Nolan Seier	7	5	10	2.0	0
Cecil Shavlik	8	23	58	2.5	0
Sawyer Veik	5	5	57	11.4	2
Gavin Kallhoff	6	46	280	6.1	3
Evin Pelster	9	63	278	4.4	3
Braedon Hinkle	5	8	30	3.8	0
Jayvin Erickson	9	2	6	3.0	0

RECEIVING	GP	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD
Ethan Hansen	8	1	4	4	0
Joseph McNally	9	2	9	4.5	0
Max Henn	9	18	220	12.2	6
Brayden Clark	8	4	41	10.3	1
Cael Bottorf	8	2	21	10.4	0
Gavin Kallhoff	6	10	111	11.1	1
Evin Pelster	9	8	42	5.3	0
Braedon Hinkle	5	1	18	18	0
Justice Blecher	9	2	45	22.5	0

TACKLES	GP	Solo	Ast	Tot	T/G	TFL
Ethan Hansen	8	25	23	48	6.0	1.0
Michael Selting	9	14	15	29	3.2	0
Joseph McNally	9	13	18	31	3.4	1.0
Carter Selting	8	5	2	7	0.9	0
Braxtyn Eisenhauer	7	5	5	10	1.4	1.0
Nolan Seier	7	0	3	3	0.4	0

TACKLES (cont)	GP	Solo	Ast	Tot	T/G	TFL
Cecil Shavlik	8	1	2	3	0.4	0
Max Henn	9	38	34	72	8.0	8.0
Brayden Clark	8	6	7	13	1.6	0
Cael Bottorf	8	3	7	10	1.3	1.0
Harmon Borer	2	0	1	1	0.5	0
Sawyer Veik	4	2	1	3	0.8	0
Gavin Kallhoff	6	19	27	46	7.7	1
Evin Pelster	9	41	23	64	7.1	1.0
Braedon Hinkle	5	2	2	4	0.8	0
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John Zwingman	8	5	4	9	1.1	1.0
Raaf Klein	8	4	8	12	1.5	1.0
Brayden Burenheide	9	8	23	31	3.4	1.0
Christian Preister	7	4	7	11	1.6	1.0
Justice Blecher	9	17	23	40	4.4	3
Jayvin Erickson	9	23	18	41	4.6	8
Garrett Busteed	4	0	2	2	0.5	0

SACKS	GP	Sacks	YDL	S/G	Hurs
Cael Bottorf	8	1	0	0.1	0
Raaf Klein	8	1	0	0.1	0
Justice Blecher	9	1	0	0.1	0
Jayvin Erickson	9	2	0	0.2	0

MISC DEFENSE STATS	GP	Int	Yds	PD	FR	Caus
Ethan Hansen	8	0	0	3	0	0
Michael Selting	9	3	0	1	0	0
Joseph McNally	9	0	0	4	0	0
Max Henn	9	2	0	0	1	2
Sawyer Veik	4	0	0	0	1	0
Gavin Kallhoff	6	0	0	0	2	0
Evin Pelster	9	1	0	3	0	0
Brayden Burenheide	9	0	0	1	0	0
Justice Blecher	9	0	0	0	1	0
Jayvin Erickson	0	0	0	1	0	3

SOURCE: Maxpreps

Henn was leading tackler during 2026 gridiron season

ELGIN — The pads have been put away and the 2026 Wolfpack football season has come to an end.

It came to an end with a shutout loss to Twin Loup on a Friday night at Sargent. It marked the end of the playing careers of four Wolfpack seniors. Completing their careers on the field were Michael Selting, Justice Blecher and Brayden Burenheide. Looking on from the sideline injured and unable to play was Gavin Kallhoff.

A look back at the season saw the Wolfpack post a record of three victories and six losses. Co-coaches Nick Heithoff and Matt Euse guided the Wolfpack to victories over Chambers/Wheeler Central, North Central and Palmer. Losses came against Central Valley, Boyd County, Wynot, Burwell, Guardian Angels Central Catholic and Twin Loup.

At times, facing opponents they matched up well against, the Wolfpack dominated play on the field. Behind the blocking of Blecher, Burenheide and sophomore Jayvin Erickson, the Wolfpack rushed for an average of 148 yards per game.

Four players rushed for over 200 yards during the season, led by Kallhoff with 280 yards. Others with over 200 yards were Michael Selting 242, Joseph McNally 227 and Evin Pelster 278.

Wolfpack quarterbacks completed 43 percent of their pass attempts, many coming in the latter stages of the game when the Wolfpack were trailing on the scoreboard. Selting completed 41 of 97 pass attempts with seven touchdowns and six interceptions.

The top pass-catching threat on the Wolfpack roster was junior Max Henn. Often the tallest player on the field, Henn caught 18 passes for 220 yards, an average of 12.2 yards per catch. He hauled in six touchdown receptions during the season. The Wolfpack were hurt by fumbles during the season. They fumbled six times, losing five.

On defense, the Wolfpack were led in tackles by Henn who had 38 solo tackles and 34 assists for a team-high total of 72. Others with 40 or more tackles were Ethan Hansen 48, Kallhoff 46, Pelster 64, Blecher 40 and Erickson 41.

Erickson and Henn tied for the team-high in tackles for loss with eight apiece.

EPPJ had six interceptions during the season, led by Selting with three, Henn with two and Pelster had one.

Raaf Klein had the team's lone blocked punt, McNally had the team's only blocked field goal during the season.

Playing in Class D3, the Wolfpack played nine regular season games.



Just like Cecil Shavlik (10) on this play against North Central, the Wolfpack fought for every yard they gained during the season.

Pope John Dinner Theatre to be Sunday night, November 22

This year, the Pope John XXIII Central Catholic One-Act Team is performing "Supermodels in Jeopardy" by Jonathan Dorf.

All of the world's supermodels (except for two guys from Iceland who missed their flight) are gathered for the International Convention of Supermodels. So, when the convention center collapses, it traps the entire supermodel community in their dressing rooms beneath the rubble. Can the convention organizers find a way to rescue them? Do they want to? Will the interns take the blame? What would the world be like without supermodels?

For anyone interested in enjoying an evening of delicious food and great entertainment please contact any member of the One Act or the school for tickets at 843.5325.

Advanced tickets for the meal and performance are available for $25 per person. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the show at 7:30 p.m. Deadline for purchasing tickets is Friday, November 13th.

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Winners will be drawn on Friday afternoon, November 20th.
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Gulbrandson joins BCHC Behavioral Health Team

As psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner

Boone County Health Center (BCHC) is pleased to announce that Amanda Gulbrandson, APRN-BC, PMHNP, has transitioned into a new role as a Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner within its Behavioral Health Department. Gulbrandson, who returned to BCHC in 2025 as a registered nurse in the Surgery Department, began her new duties on November 9.



Amanda Gulbrandson

Gulbrandson joins fellow Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Brittany Bertram, PMHNP-BC, who has served BCHC patients for the past two years. The addition of a second psychiatric nurse practitioner expands access to mental health services for individuals and families throughout the region. Gulbrandson has worked in healthcare since 2004, beginning her career as a certified nursing assistant and patient care technician before becoming a registered nurse in 2008. Her nursing background includes emergency medicine, surgical services, acute and skilled nursing care, dialysis, and family medicine.

Many area residents may recognize Gulbrandson from her years at Boone County Medical Clinic, where she served as a clinic nurse from 2015 to 2022. During that time, she was named BCHC's 2020 Caring Kind Award recipient, recognizing her compassion and dedication to patient care.

In 2022, Gulbrandson earned her Master of Science in Nursing with a specialization in Psychiatric Mental Health from Mount Marty University in Yankton, South Dakota. She previously received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Mercy College of Health Sciences in Des Moines, Iowa.

From 2022 to 2025, she practiced as a psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner at CCH Psychiatric Clinic in Columbus, providing psychiatric evaluations, diagnoses, individualized treatment plans, and ongoing mental health care.

Her interest in psychiatric medicine grew during her years in family medicine, where she saw firsthand how mental health concerns often affected patients, regardless of their reason for seeking care.

Guided by her faith and trust in the Lord, Gulbrandson approaches patient care with compassion, understanding, and a commitment to treating the whole person, recognizing the connection between mental, physical, and spiritual well-being. "I am deeply passionate about caring for patients of all ages," Gulbrandson said. "I strive to approach every patient holistically, focusing on the mind, body, and spirit, while identifying and treating the underlying concerns contributing to their symptoms."

For Gulbrandson, building trust is at the heart of effective mental healthcare. She recognizes the courage it takes for patients to open up about their struggles and share deeply personal experiences.

"Seeking help and opening up about personal struggles takes tremendous courage," Gulbrandson said. "When patients trust me enough to be vulnerable and share what they're going through, I don't take that lightly. It takes bravery to be honest about the things that are hardest to talk about, and I want every patient to know that their courage is seen, respected, and valued." Gulbrandson is also pursuing additional education through an Integrative Psychiatry Certificate Program to further expand her knowledge and approach to mental health treatment. Born in Columbus and raised in Central City, Gulbrandson has lived south of Albion since 2015 with her husband, Cody, a veterinarian with Beaver Creek Veterinary Services, and their three sons, Hadley, Austin, and Karsten. Gulbrandson will see patients on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. To schedule an appointment, call 402-395-3247.

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