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In Brief

Brockhaus to interview today for NSAA ED

Position to be filled in December

The Nebraska School Activities Association (NSAA) Board of Directors will today interview six persons for one of their highest positions - executive director.

One of the six named last month as a finalist for the position was Mike Brockhaus, Superintendent, Elgin Public Schools. Four other superintendents and one principal among candidates to fill the position.

Interviews will take place at the NSAA office in Lincoln.

The Board expects to announce its selection after contract negotiations are concluded and to approve the new Executive Director's contract at its meeting on December 10.

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 — District #18 Board of Education

Proceedings — The Antelope County Board of Commissioners (2)

The Elgin Review is the official legal newspaper for Antelope County, Antelope County Historical Society, Village of Bartlett, Upper Elkhorn Natural Resources District, the State of Nebraska, the City of Elgin and Elgin School District #18.

Weather

The high temperature last week was 67 degrees recorded on November 9.

The low temperature during the same period was 21 degrees was recorded on November 19.

No 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 8	64	43	.00
Nov 9	67	34	.00
Nov 10	64	34	.00
Nov 11	56	33	.00
Nov 12	40	21	.00
Nov 13	45	28	.00
Nov 14	53	30	.00
Total for last week			0.00
Total for November			0.87
Total precipitation 2026			28.34



Elgin American Legion Post #229 Commander Gary Hoefer (r) awarded a 'Korean Coin' to Bill Hubert who served during the Korean War. He was unable to attend the Veterans Day program. *E-R photo/LMorgan*



During the Veterans Day dinner at the Petersburg Legion Hall Wednesday night, Joe Petsche (seated) and Larry Petsche (standing) were presented 'Quilts of Honor' by Legion Commander Hank Thieman and Cindy Stuhr, representing the Auxiliary. *E-R photo/JStokes*



Pre-schoolers stood tall and crossed their hearts while saying the 'Pledge of Allegiance' at the Veterans Day program at Wheeler Central school in Bartlett. *E-R photo/PMarker*

Veterans Day observed with events held at Bartlett, Elgin and Petersburg Wednesday

EPS tables decision on track repairs

Proposals range between $300,000 to near $700,000

Meeting last week, the District #18 Board of Education discussed, but took no action, to fix the four-lane track around Elgin Field.

After a lengthy discussion of two proposals presented by Superintendent Mike Brockhaus, Board President Lisa Welding urged the board to table the matter which they ultimately did.

Brockhaus said one proposal would cost the school district somewhere between $300,000 and $318,000.



Lisa Welding

The other proposal came in at a higher cost, between $575,000 and $700,000.

"This is a lot of money," Welding said, saying she wanted all six board members to be present before a final decision is made. Absent from the meeting were board members' Luke Hinkle and Ron Bode.

Welding said there are questions which could be answered with presentations from the two companies submitting bids on the project.

There's no question that the track is in need of serious repairs.

While the track would be used primarily for Wolfpack athletes to practice on during track season, board member Todd Heithoff said the public uses the track to exercise at different times of the year.

One possibility would be for the track companies to meet with school board members to get a better understanding of what is being proposed.

Brockhaus said, from his discussions with company representatives that the track, now at 440 yards, would be made into a 400 meter track.

Aside from replacing the entire track, part of which goes under the announcer's stand on the west side, other additions would include placing two jumping pits and one runway on the north end behind the end zone. Also under consideration would be redoing the high jump area. One question raised was about a space for pole vault. "Pole vault is a big liability," Busteed said.

The consensus of the board was that something needs to be done soon due to the current condition of the existing track. The current board will have just one regular meeting to act on the matter as, in January, new board members' Kimberly Young and Kyle Heithoff will be sworn in.

To 'flock' or not; the question still remains

Sheriff Moore offers to resign, then leaves heated meeting

By Greg Tharnish
Special to The Elgin Review

A special Antelope County Commissioner's (ACC) meeting took place November 10th at 6:00 p.m. with the goal being a decision for or against the use of Flock Cameras (FCs) by the County Sheriff's Department. At the end of the almost four hour long meeting no decision was made - yet.

The public meeting attracted about forty Antelope County residents and one protester from Norfolk. Chairman Neil Williby opened the meeting by inviting anyone in favor of FCs to speak. First speaker was County Sheriff Bob Moore.

Moore stated he's seen the advantages of the responsible use of FCs in Antelope County in solving cases and in saving time and money with less manpower.

He went on to say that the abuse of FCs by personnel in his office would not be tolerated and that taking them away would be detrimental to the residents of the county.

Finally, Moore asked the ACC not to remove the FCs at this time and wait until the Supreme Court and/or Congress decides on the future of the cameras in our country. If the legal system decides that FCs are unconstitutional and should be removed, Moore stated, "I'll be the first one to take them down."

Two other county residents, Teresa Moore (Sheriff Moore's wife) and Lyle Juracek, spoke in favor of the FCs with one telling the ACC "not to be bullied by a handful of people."

Chairman Williby then invited those opposed to FCs to make their statements beginning with Zach Miller.

Miller gave testimony on several concerns with FCs, mainly focusing on the 4th Amendment and the fact that Sheriff Moore didn't have a policy in place for the two years that the cameras where in use. At one point, Miller asked the ACC if Moore shouldn't be fired because of this oversight.

County Attorney Joe Smith intervened, stating that he'd talked with Sheriff Moore about the issue and Smith saw "no bad intent" by the Sheriff.

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Service saluted at Elgin Veterans Day program

Elgin Public and Pope John students filled the bleachers while other sat in folding chairs Wednesday for the annual Veterans Day program.

The EPS gymnasium was the setting, as it has been in recent years. Veterans of past wars followed the presentation of colors to start the program. Other veterans were spread out in the audience. No matter where they were, they received an ovation from young and old in the gym.

Following patriotic readings by high school students and music performed by the band and choir, guest speaker Brenda Ruhrer, who not long ago retired after 32 years of service in the Army National Guard as a nurse, spoke of her time in military service.

"Veterans Day gives us a chance to recognize something that deserves our attention, not just today but throughout the year. When we think about military serve, we often picture what we've seen in movies or on TV: soldiers carrying weapons, tanks crossing a battle field, fighter jets overhead or ships at sea," she said. "There's another side of military service that doesn't always get much attention. Not everyone in the military has the same job, and not every job involves combat." She was alluding to the men and women who provide support in maintaining vehicles and aircraft, delivering food, fuel and supplies and more.

"The point is that every job matters. Military service isn't defined only by combat, it's also about responsibility, teamwork and being willing to do the job people are counting on you to do."

"Every veteran has a different story, some served overseas while others served here at home. Some served during wartime, others during peacetime. Some spent a few years in a uniform while others made the military a career. With that commitment comes sacrifices people don't always see. … Veterans Day reminds us that our country's history isn't just something we read about in textbooks. It's also part of lives of people right here in our community."

She wrapped up her remarks, telling students they don't need to join the military to make a difference in someone's life.

"There are many ways to serve, and you don't have to wait till you're an adult to get started … Service doesn't always come with a uniform, a medal or public recognition. Sometimes it simply means doing the right thing because it's the right thing to do."

Two students, Wyatt Paul and Gavin Kallhoff were presented U.S. flags by Linds Kerkman, representing the Elgin Legion Auxiliary.

'Taps' concluded the program, played by EPS students Kierstyn Eisenhauer and Gentry Zwingman.



From JoAnn Baum's Kitchen

Cranberry Salad



Hello,
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Do you like cranberries? I am not much for cranberries but Ted loves them.
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JoAnn

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Dissolve Jello® in the boiling water.
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New pastor at Lutheran churches

Pastor Kyle Lewis, from Winona, MN was installed on November 15 as the new pastor at Grace, Neligh and Trinity Lutheran Churches. A meal followed in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Kyle and wife Holly have three children 5, 4 and 1. Present for the installation were (back row, l-r) Crucifer/acolyte John Bolling, Pastor Chad Boggs, Pastor Ryan Janke, Pastor Glenn Meyer, Pastor Brian Bucklew, Pastor Brian Tuma. Front row: Pastor Luke Miller, Pastor Richard Moore, Pastor Kyle Lewis, President Richard Snow, and Pastor Terry Makelin.

Photo and information submitted

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Despite the pain ...

Tales of a Tired Momma



Elgin Columnist
Katherine Cobb

I would think the majority of us are not our best selves when we are in pain. If you stub your toe, you're probably not going to be in the mood in that very instant to have a conversation. When I have a migraine, I go into the hole I call my bedroom and hide away from my family. When the pain doesn't last long, it may not be as noticeable what it does to your personality and your loved ones. However, if someone is in long-term or chronic pain, it becomes a little more obvious. This past week, I became in tune with pain and the effects of it.

It's been almost two weeks since the first symptom of my shingles outbreak. It started with a stabbing pain in my lower back on one side. Since I'm getting old and can now throw my neck out simply walking through the kitchen, I didn't give it much thought.

However, it continued to worsen and then the rash started so we knew it was time to go to the doctor. If you've never had shingles before, count your blessings. I have been absolutely miserable for over a week. I notice now it has affected my family.

I tried to keep a really good attitude the first few days. I thought I would feel better soon so I focused on letting the little things go and managing the back pain. It didn't take long, though, to be over the whole: over the pain, over the inability to get up and help with things, over needing people to assist me.

My attitude started to tank and frankly, my attitude tends to set the tone for the rest of the family. I had to get myself in check so as not to let my dark, crappy attitude permeate the rest of the household.

Pain makes me less patient. I'm triggered by the smallest of things, and that isn't

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Flock

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Miller went on to say that, according to his research, FCs have misread numerous license plates and he's seen a pattern of illegal activity surrounding law enforcements use of FCs.

Approximately a dozen other Antelope County residents spoke against the use of FCs. Then it was the leader of Deflock Norfolk Nebraska's Greg Eckhardt's turn to speak.

Eckhardt, a non-resident of Antelope County, gave testimony of the illegality of FCs, that the cameras are built to share data and that Nebraska has become an "open-air prison" because of the FCs.

Eckhardt went on to share statutes and research he's complied on his website that can be found on Facebook. In an ironic twist, he suggested using AI to gather and sort the information he's compiled.

After testimonies for and against FCs, Chairman Willi-by asked County Sheriff Bob Moore to come to the front and take questions. The first question came from Zach Miller, asking why there had been no policy in regards to FCs when they were first being used. Moore stated that he simply hadn't known the need for a written policy.

One resident piped in that "ignorance of the law is no excuse," to which Miller agreed and again asked for some sort of repercussions against the Sheriff.

Moore turned to the commissioners and said if they wanted to do a recall or ask for his resignation he would give it. Moore went on to say he was taking no more questions and walked out of the meeting.

At this time, around 8:30 p.m., the ACC, in a four to one vote, "closed public comments." (Commissioner Dittrich voted against).

For the next hour, the ACC discussed issues concerning the budget, the Sheriff's department's spending and Flock's upcoming contract renewal. Sprinkled in the mix were more public comments, including that FCs could now track your pet if the pet had a chip and that FCs were the cause in an uptick of telemarketer calls.

At one point during the discussion, Commissioner Aaron Rice made a motion to not renew the FC's contract. With no one willing to second the motion, Rice withdrew his motion and made a new one asking for more time to research FCs, amend the current FC policy and, per Attorney Joe Smith's advice, set up a sub-committee of two to make a recommendation for or against a contract renewal with Flock. That sub-committee consists of Regina Krebs and Casey Dittrich.

A final comment was made by Miller that he could have handled his comments to Sheriff Moore in a different manner, stating that it wasn't Sheriff Moore or his department that he didn't trust but the Flock Camera system. It appeared that the majority present agreed with this sentiment.

Regardless of research, facts or opinions, the ACC will have to make a decision for or against Flock Cameras sooner than later as the contract renewal date to keep the camaras, or not, comes up at the end of December.

Tentatively, the ACC has set December 1st at 9:30 a.m. to make their vote for or against renewing their contract with Flock.

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Looking Back

The Elgin Review

Sixty Years Ago — November 17, 1966

Local Chamber of Commerce members for the ninth time are sponsoring their annual Turkey Day to be held Monday, Nov. 21 with Eldon White serving as chairman. The committee has orders for 34 turkeys for the affair. The contest starts Monday morning as soon as the turkeys are distributed and closes at 4:30 that same afternoon. The early closing hour enables the committee to weigh the birds and various firms can go through their list of weight guessers to determine the respective winners. Business firms are urged to have crates for their turkeys outside their place of business and ready so the men can leave each bird shortly after 8 a.m. One turkey will be given to each winning family. Turkeys of various weights will be displayed in front of participating business firms. Residents are urged to ascertain the weights of these fowls and place their estimates along with their name and address on slips available from these merchants. Everyone is eligible to participate. Patrons are entitled to make one guess at each place of business. Serving on the turkey committee are Eldon White, chairman; "Bert" Vanderheiden, "Rick" Huffman, "Dick" Draper, Dean Henn and Ken Peters.

Fifty Years Ago — November 17, 1976

An early morning fire, 5 a.m. Sunday, consumed the 32' x 48' barn and granary at the Marvin Meis farm, 2 miles east of here. The Wilfred Henkeniuses notified the Meis family of their fire and they called Elgin firemen who protected nearby buildings, machinery and LP gas tank until they could be moved. The building was built in the 1930's. There was 1,200 bushels of new corn in the barn, feed and hay that were destroyed in the fire.

Steve Heithoff, 17, of Elgin was congratulated by W.R. Higgins, General Manager, Allis-Chalmers Corporation, at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, MO (November 9-12). Steve was a regional winner in the FFA Agricultural Sales and/or Service Proficiency Award program sponsored by Allis-Chalmers Corporation as a special project of the National FFA Foundation, Inc. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Heithoff.

A large group of friends and relatives turned out Wednesday of last week and picker-shelled 220 acres of corn for Mrs. Art Kuester and Tom south of Clearwater. Furnishing combines were: Vic Schlecht, Rick and Merlin Bolling, Al Bauer, Don Snider, Richard Francis, Ron Sanne, Jim and Duane Kerkman and John Schindler. Trucks were donated by Gary Bolling, Glen Schindler, George Busteed, Ken Clark, Don Bauer, Leonard Kerkman, Adolph and Dennis Sanne and Dave Schwager, Helpers included Melvin Ahlers, Steve and Dan Kuester, Bud Herley, John D. Thompson, Augie Thiele, Dave Schindler and Jerry Wildman.

Thirty Years Ago — November 20, 1996

Freezing rain started last Thursday afternoon, Nov. 14, and continued into Saturday, when it changed to snow in the Elgin area. The ice formed a thick coating everything, creating some spectacular winter scenery. However, it also caused some severe tree damage and made conditions very slick on local streets and sidewalks. Power remained on in Elgin throughout the storm. However, some areas of Northeast Nebraska were without electricity for a time.

Area deer hunters wrapped up a very successful season on Sunday, Nov. 17. Antelope County Sheriff's office reported an extremely busy day of checking in deer Sunday and Monday morning. A total of 484 deer were checked in at Neligh as of Monday, compared with 465 checked in at the same time last year. Of the 484 deer, 476 were whitetails and eight were mule deer. There were 376 bucks and 108 does checked in. Most of the deer (209) were taken in the Calamus East area, while 125 were taken in the Elkhorn area and 55 were taken by landowners. Most of the hunters (317) were from Antelope County, while 70 were from Holt County, 25 from Knox County, 13 from Pierce County, 18 from Wheeler County, eight from Boone County and five from Boyd County.

On Nov. 1, 1996, Specialist Lori J. Camp, a native of Elgin, was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in the U.S. Army. The promotion was awarded on the basis of Camp's patriotism, valor, fidelity and professional excellence, leadership potential and dedication to the Army. Sgt. Camp currently works in the Law Enforcement Command at Fr. Knox, KY. She is a correctional specialist at the Regional Corrections Facility. Her job is that of the in processing guard. She is the first person all new confines deal with upon their arrival at the facility. Some of Sgt. Camp's additional duties include supervising the library at the facility, and serving as the education liaison for the inmates. Sgt. Camp is the daughter of Bill and Phyllis Camp of Elgin.

Twenty Years Ago — November 15, 2006

Pope John XXIII math students Jessica Bartak, Dan Borer, Mikayla Brune, Matthew Dwyer and Jordan Engle were among 1,300 high school students from 97 Nebraska schools who competed in the annual UNL Math Day in Lincoln on Thursday, Nov. 9. The

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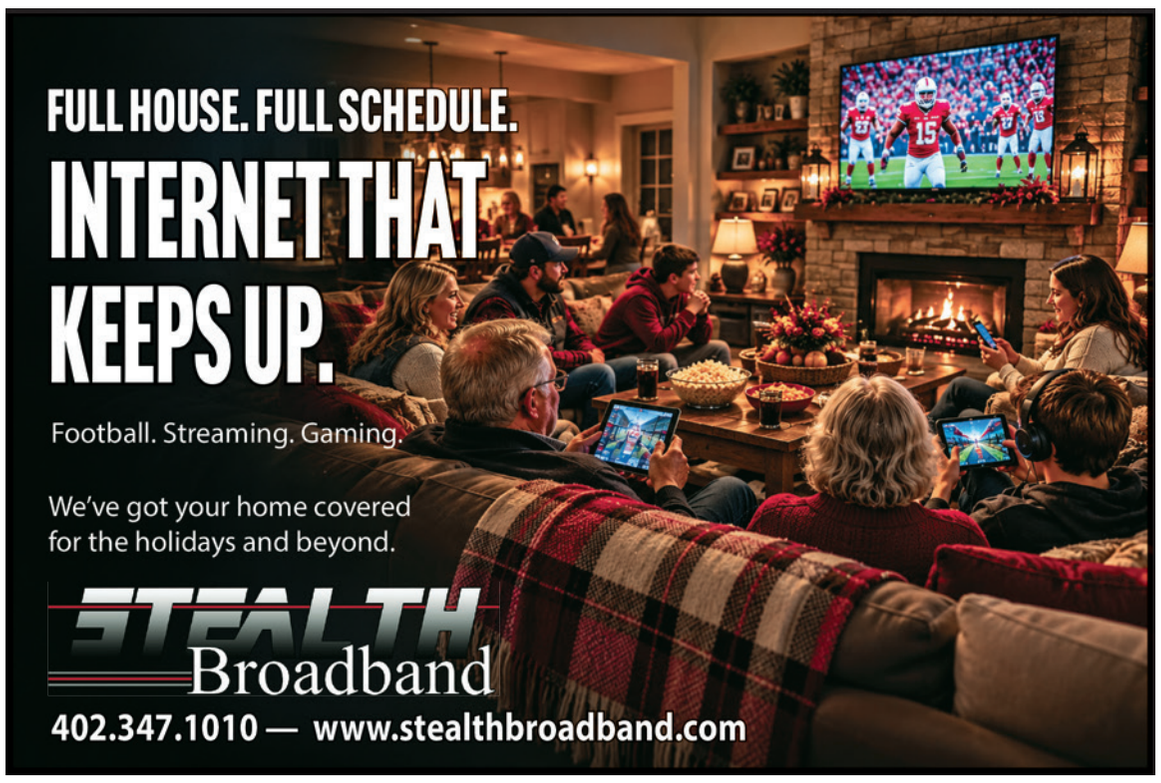

Death Notice

Janice Bowman Osmera

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, November 21, 2026 at 11 a.m. for Janice Bowman Osmera, 58, of Omaha.

The services will be held at Stonebridge Church, 13906 S Plaza, Omaha, NE with Pastor Jenn VanCleve officiating.

Janice was born on May 16, 1968 to Max and the late Goldie Bowman and was a graduate of Elgin Public School. She passed away on Thursday, November 5, 2026.

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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

'Blue wave' more of a ripple here

ALL THINGS NEBRASKA



State Correspondent
Paul Hammel

My wife is a huge fan of Adam Hamilton, a preacher who leads the largest Methodist congregation in the nation.

She's such a fan that we traveled down to his starship-shaped church in Leawood, Kansas to hear him preach in person.

To say that he was impressive would be an understatement. He talked about living the faith, caring for the poor, and providing day care at the church's half-dozen satellites in the Kansas City area.

You know, the old "love your neighbor" stuff, and "do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

Then, he announced that he planned to leave his pastoral post and challenge the incumbent U.S. senator in Kansas.

You could hear a pin drop.

He said he was seeing too many things that defied his religious faith, and that he couldn't live with himself if he didn't try to change things.

You know the rest of the story. Hamilton became the first Democrat since 1932 to win election to the U.S. Senate from Kansas. Democrats, it appears, are also expected to claim the governor's post, among other victories.

It all makes me wonder why Kansas can elect Democrats and Nebraska – with the exception of Omaha's "blue dot" – cannot?

Geographically, the states seem identical – large urban areas in the east, with large swaths of farms and ranches in the center and out west.

But there are differences, according to a buddy who runs the news site, the Kansas Reflector.

Kansas may have a stronger tradition of political engagement, going back to the "bleeding Kansas" days prior to the Civil War.

The Democratic Party in Kansas has been growing steadily, in part due to a radical, and failed, tax-slashing "experiment" of then Gov. Sam Brownback.

My buddy also pointed out that some major ICE raids of meatpacking plants in western Kansas turned three rural counties in that area bright blue.

I gotta think that Hamilton was kind of a dream candidate at the right moment. How many negative campaign attacks can resonate against a minister who has devoted his life to helping people?

We all know what happened in Nebraska – the "blue wave" that hit the nation was more of a ripple here.

Republicans like U.S. Sen. Pete Ricketts, U.S. Rep. Mike Flood and Gov. Jim Pillen retained their seats, though by slimmer margins.

While Republicans lost their super majority in the State Legislature, all constitutional offices at the Capitol are still held by the GOP.

Why can't Democrats win here? I'd say a lot of it comes down to getting the absolute best candidates, engaging better with rural voters, and (this election) tapping in, more effectively, to the negativity surrounding the Republican administration in the White House.

Who doesn't hate paying $4-a-gallon for gas? And who loves the tariffs and the war in Iran that have raised prices on just about everything?

Lynne Walz, the former state senator and Democrat who challenged Pillen, ran a good campaign.

She raised questions about the governor's $2.5 million, no-bid contract to a friend and his tax-shifting solution to high property taxes.

But ad after ad – featuring scary photos of Walz – painted her as a radical liberal who would raise taxes (claims she rejected).

The Democrat's candidate for U.S. Senate dropped out, and urged voters to support independent Dan Osborn, who ran surprisingly close two years ago against U.S. Sen. Deb Fischer.

But Osborn, caught on secret recordings speaking in back rooms, stuck his foot in his mouth way too often. And even though his views are mostly in the political middle, the endless attack ads pictured him as an ally of unpopular Washington Democrats, like Chuck Schumer.

Like Chinese water torture, hundreds of attack ads kept labeling Osborn as "Democrat Dan."

Negative ads work, that's why campaigns use them, ad nauseum.

Omaha's blue dot delivered a flip in the congressional seat there, but the GOP had pretty much written that race off. As operatives of both parties have told me, it's better for democracy if we have two strong political parties.

But like Husker football, much more work is required to produce a real blue wave here.

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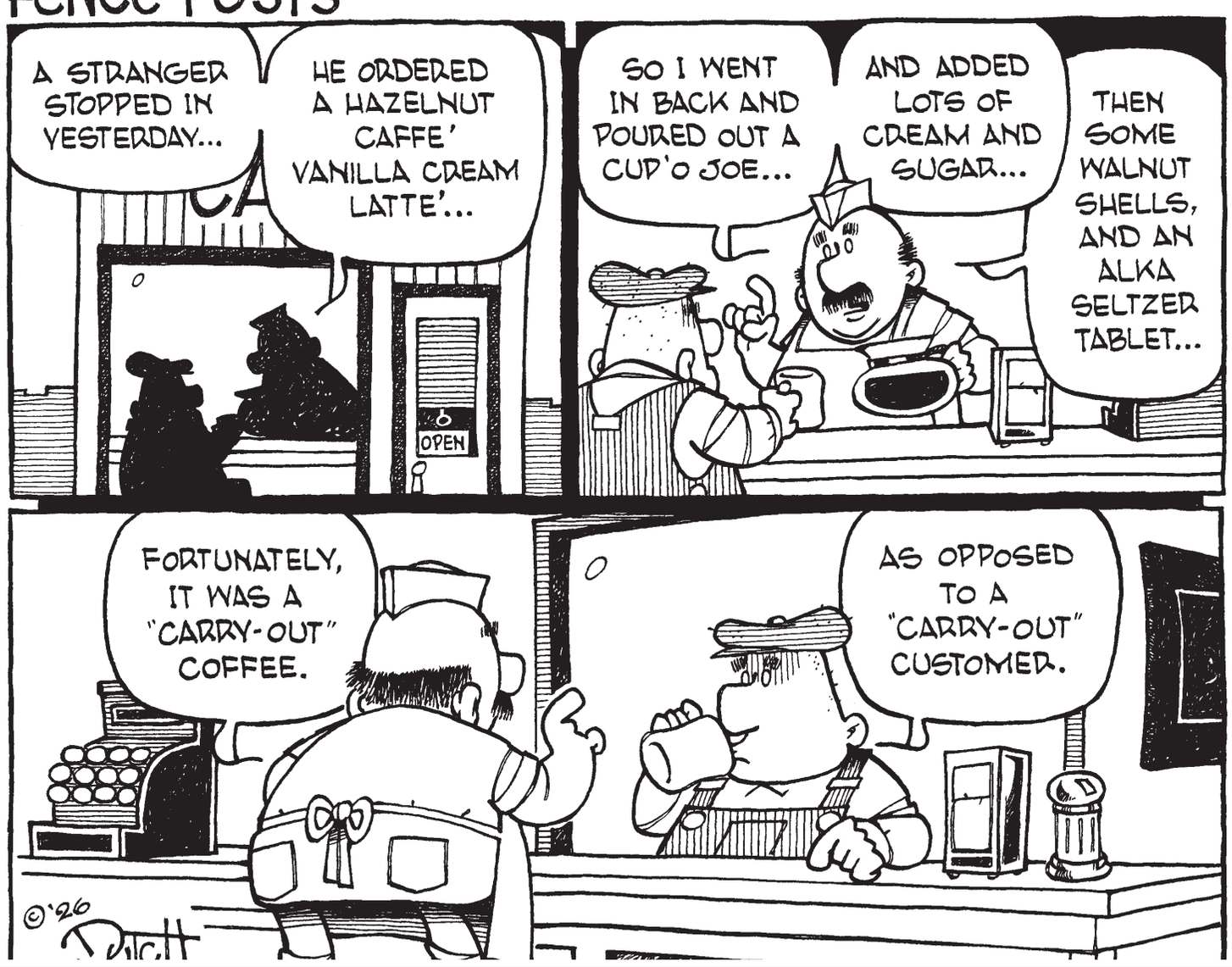
Paul Hammel has covered the Nebraska state government and the state for decades. He is a retired senior reporter for the Nebraska Examiner.



Strengthening health care across Nebraska

FROM THE HILL



Congressman
Adrian Smith

In rural Nebraska, healthcare professionals are more than providers. They are our neighbors and the familiar faces we see in our communities. Their services play a vital role in ensuring families can access the care they need close to home.

On November 19, we celebrate National Rural Health Day, an opportunity to recognize the importance of strengthening rural healthcare and addressing the unique challenges facing our communities. From supporting local hospitals and healthcare providers to expanding access to essential services, we must continue working toward solutions that meet the needs of rural patients and families.

In Nebraska, we know these challenges all too well. As I travel across the Third District, providers and families consistently share their concerns about maintaining access to quality care. In a medical emergency, access to quality care close to home can mean the difference between life and death.

For rural families, having dependable healthcare nearby is not a convenience; it is a necessity. Workforce shortages can also limit appointments, rising costs can threaten essential services, and complicated federal requirements can take time away from patients.

Expanding access to care also means making better use of the healthcare resources already available in our

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Veterans resources available

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



District 40 Senator
Barry DeKay

This past week, we had the opportunity to celebrate Veteran's Day here in Nebraska, and it's important to remember why we celebrate this holiday every year.

The origins of Veterans Day trace back to World War I, when on November 11th, 1918, the Allied Nations signed an armistice with Germany to bring the fighting in Europe to a close. While the war wouldn't officially end until June of 1919, November 11th was officially recognized by President Woodrow Wilson as Armistice Day as of 1919 to honor those who served in the Great War.

While initially this holiday was dedicated specifically to those who had fought in World War I, it was in 1954 that Congress recognized the need to update this holiday in the wake of the second World War and US involvement in Korea.

With the passage of Public Law 380, Armistice Day was replaced by Veteran's Day, and November 11th was declared as a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

According to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, over 40 million Americans have served in our Nation's military since its inception back in the Continental Army in 1775, and according to the U.S. Census Bureau, roughly 17 million of those veterans are still alive today.

To all of those Americans who have served our country or are presently serving in the armed forces, I thank you for your service.

I especially want to recognize our service members who gave their lives in their service to this country, as well as the families of our service members for their sacrifices on the home front.

I have the utmost respect for our veterans and their families for their sacrifices.

Considering this is a day to honor

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Elgin's 'Hometown Christmas' to be held December 2

A slew of activities await those who partake in Elgin's 2026 Hometown Christmas.

The celebration of all things Christmas will be held on Wednesday, December 2 at the Elgin Community Center. The evening activities will be capped with a Christmas Parade.

Santa Claus will make his first appearance of the season at 4 p.m. at the Elgin Community Center. Children will have the opportunity to tell Santa what is on their list and receive a bag of goodies. Photos of each group will be taken by *Elgin Review* Co-Publishers and posted online for parents to print out or share online.

There will be horse-drawn wagon rides for all ages, beginning at 4 p.m.

Craft projects for children will begin at 4 p.m. There is no charge but families are encouraged to bring an item or two for the Antelope County Food Pantry.

A soup and sandwich meal will be served at the Elgin Community Center from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

To wrap up the evening, there will be a Christmas Parade beginning at Second and Cedar Streets and make its way north along Highway 14. The parade is scheduled to begin sometime between 6:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. The event will feature a special appearance by the Grinch. Elgin's Hometown Christmas is put on annually by the Elgin Community Club.

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communities. Rural residents should not have to travel long distances for treatment a qualified local pharmacist can safely provide.

That's why I introduced my Main Street Pharmacy Access Act, which has advanced through the House Ways and Means Committee and now awaits a vote on the floor. My bill would allow Medicare to reimburse pharmacists for evaluating, testing, and treating certain common illnesses, helping patients receive timely care closer to home.

Just as patients need access to care, they also need the freedom to choose the care that best meets their needs.

One-size-fits-all healthcare policies too often restrict those choices, particularly for Medicare beneficiaries.

Through my BRIDGE Care at Home Act, I am working to modernize Medicare and empower beneficiaries and their families to make healthcare decisions that best fit their individual circumstances.

National Rural Health Day reminds us of how fortunate we are to have dedicated professionals caring for families across Nebraska's Third District.

In Congress, as a member of the Ways and Means Health Subcommittee and the Congressional Bipartisan Rural Health Caucus, I will continue working to advance policies that strengthen rural healthcare to help ensure that every Nebraskan has access to quality care close to home, regardless of their ZIP code.

Back

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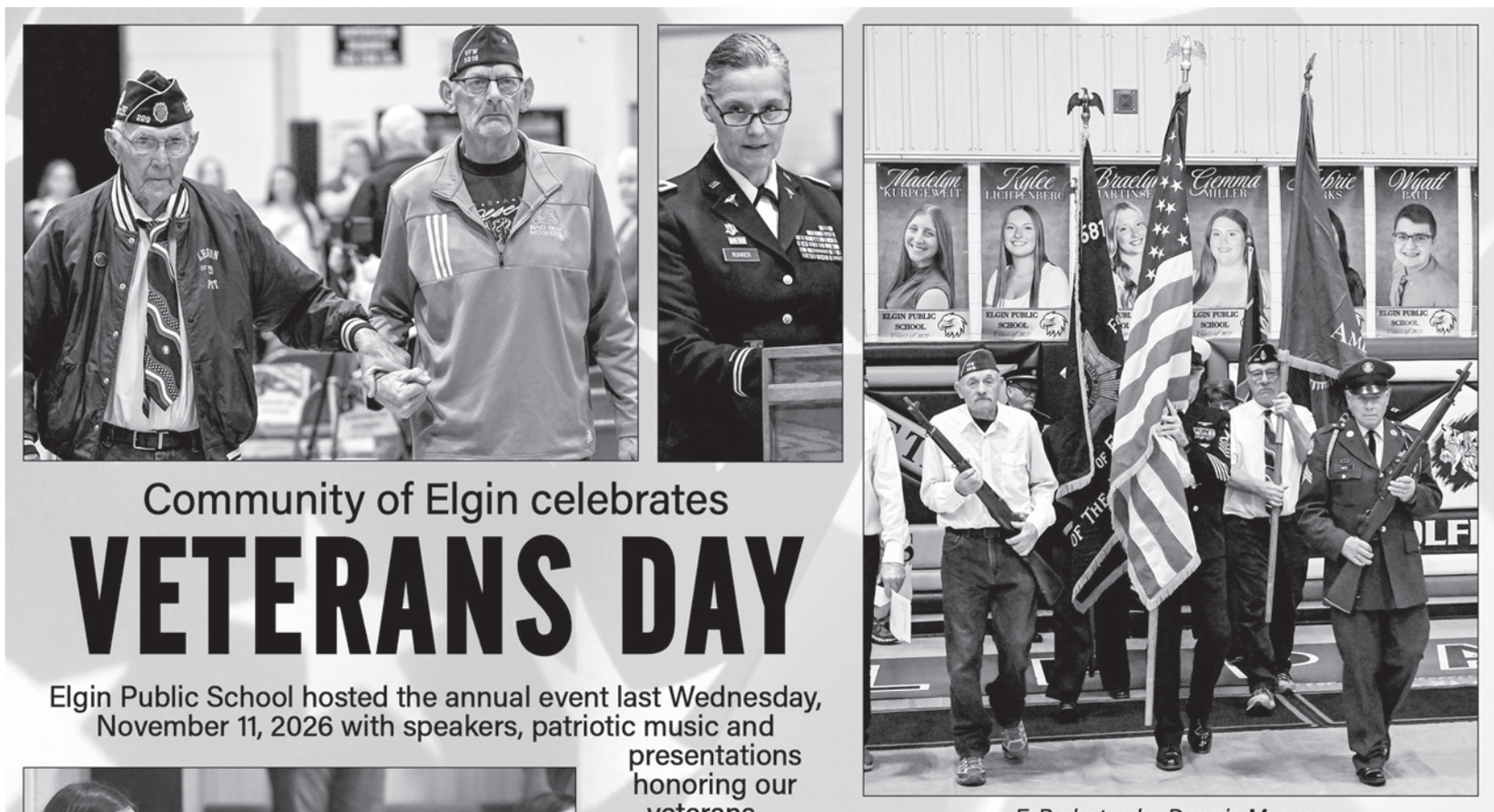
Pope John team won the runner-up trophy in the Math Bowl Tournament. Of the 24 Class D schools in the competition, they had successful matches with College View Academy, Paxton and Exeter-Milligan before losing to Sterling. Then they went on to win over Freeman, College View Academy, Nebraska Evangelical and Sterling.

Tasha Mitchell of Oakdale and Clayton Hensley of Elgin were named Antelope County's Outstanding 4-H Girl and Boy during the annual 4-H Achievement Event Nov. 11, at Tilden.

Clayton is the 18-year-old son of Karl and Margaret Hensley of Elgin. He is a 9-year 4-H member and has held the office of sentinel in the Way Out West 4-H Club. *By Kari Schindler*



Community of Elgin celebrates

VETERANS DAY

Elgin Public School hosted the annual event last Wednesday, November 11, 2026 with speakers, patriotic music and presentations honoring our veterans.

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Matthew 25:31-46

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Ephesians 1:15-23 Psalm 100

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Sunday School: 10:15 am.
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Sunday Worship Service: 9 am.
Sunday School: 10-10:45 am.

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

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

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Standing with Joe Petsche after receiving a 'Quilt of Honor' at Petersburg last week were wife Evelyn, daughter Ginny Beckman and son Waylon Petsche.



Joining Larry Petsche after he received a 'Quilt of Valor' during a ceremony at the Petersburg Legion Club were wife Judy, daughter Carrie and son Matt Petsche.

DeKay

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member, you are eligible to utilize the Veterans Crisis Hotline by dialing 988, and then pressing the number 1.

This is a completely free resource for veterans and their families who may need emergency assistance or mental health counseling, and being enrolled in the VA's healthcare plan is not a requirement to use this service.

Additionally, for those in Nebraska who may be struggling to access their veterans' benefits, there is another great resource available to them with the Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs (NDVA) State Services Office.

This office has a team of accredited veterans service officers who can assist military families in signing up and advocating for veterans' benefits at a federal, state, and on the local level. These officers specialize in helping veterans fill out benefit paperwork, find available resources, and manage appeals to the Board of Veteran's Affairs within the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

Their office can be reached at (402) 420-4021 or by email at ndva.sso@nebraska.gov or you can reach out to your local county veterans service office for more assistance.

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 23: Pork loin roast, cheesy hashbrowns, peas & pearl onions, mandarin oranges, dinner roll, milk & juice.

Tuesday, November 24: Chicken noodle soup, grilled cheese, relish cup & lettuce salad, cottage cheese, peaches, milk & juice.

Wednesday, November 25: Ham, sweet potatoes, green bean casserole, pumpkin pie, dinner roll, milk & juice.

Thursday, November 26: Community center closed. Happy Thanksgiving.

Friday, November 27: Community center closed.

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.

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Second through eighth grade students, under the direction of Sherry Tetschner, stood and sang Yankee Doodle, Fifty Nifty United States and God Bless The USA during the Veterans Day program held in the gymnasium at Wheeler Central Wednesday morning.

E-R photos/PMarker



Jesse Plugge received a Certificate of Appreciation for: 50 years of membership & dedicated service to The American Legion. Also, David Benson was awarded the Korean War Veteran Medal. Also pictured are David Collins, Wheeler County Commander of Post 107; and Brenda Erickson, guest speaker at the Veterans Day program.

Music, patriotic address part of salute to veterans held at Wheeler Central

The Wheeler County Veterans Day program was held Wednesday, November 11 at 10:30 a.m. at Wheeler Central high school gymnasium.

Our nation's colors were posted by Wheeler County Post #107. These individuals were Dean Miller, David Collins and Gary Smith.

The program consisted of: Pledge of Allegiance by Wheeler Central Preschoolers; "The Star Spangled Banner: performed by the Wheeler Central Band; Welcome, Dan Kluver; Invocation, Duane Waddle; Speaker, Brenda Erickson; Recognition of Veterans, Casey Freouf; Cornhusker Boy's State representative, Reese Smith; American Legion Membership Recognition: Duane Waddle and David Collins; and closing by Makayla Reiter.

"America" was performed by Wheeler Central Band.

Choral selections, sung by elementary and 7th and 8th graders, included *Yankee Doodle, Fifty Nifty United States and God Bless the U.S.A.*

Veterans, Auxiliary and spouses were treated to a noon meal prepared by Wheeler Central Head cook, Jeremy Klein. *By Sherry Tetschner*



Wheeler County Veterans and Sons of the American Legion shown are (back row, l-r): Gary Smith, Jerry Horwart, Dean Miller, William Kleeb, Jesse Plugge, David Collins, David Benson, Jim Bykerk, Roger Johnson, Kenny Boch, Terry Harpster, Adam Skorz, David Smith, Duane Waddle, Mike Hilkemeier. Seated: Brenda Erickson, Troy Plugge and Ken Stenki, Wheeler/Holt County Veterans Service Officer.

Cobb

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fair to any of my loved ones. I am quick to say something, and probably something less than ideal, when I'm hurting. That's why it's best I put myself somewhere away from people if I'm hurting, making it less likely I'll pop off about something dumb.

Pain makes me more aware of all the things around the house that need to get done but aren't. Or it can make me so apathetic that I don't have the will or the energy to care about things I normally would care about. It's interesting how we really hold onto some things when in pain, and how quickly we can get over others (like the will to discipline).

You should have seen the state of my house a week in. The kitchen countertops couldn't be seen from all the stuff on them. There were tumble weeds of fur on the floor (courtesy of our Australian Shepherds), dishes in the sink instead of the dish washer, and the toilets needed scrubbing. Luckily, my husband took charge and made the kids help. Normally that would drive me crazy, and I would get up and do it, but I couldn't walk, let alone clean.

I know this is only for a season, and I am more sympathetic for those in chronic pain. I think it's important we get a little introspective when times like these happen so we can put ourselves in check and ensure we're still being kind to our loved ones. I need to be cognizant of my attitude, my level of engagement, and my priorities, even when I'm in pain.

Comments are welcome and can be sent to talesofatiredmomma@gmail.com.



Community Calendar

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

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.

Wednesday, December 2
Elgin Hometown Christmas-photos with Santa, crafts, horse-drawn rides, meal and Christmas parade.

Monday, December 7
Elgin City Council regular meeting. at the courthouse in Neligh.

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by Jonathan Dorf

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE NOVEMBER 10, 2026 MEETING

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Neligh, Nebraska
November 10th, 2026

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

Commissioner Williby was voted Chairman. Commissioner Krebs was voted vice-chairman.

Approved agenda. Approved minutes of 10-13-2026 and 11-02-2026 BOC Meetings. Public comments. Reviewed correspondence. Pledge Collateral was reviewed.

Sheriff's Fee Report, Treasurer's Fund Balance Report, Treasurer's Sweep Account Report, Treasurer Miscellaneous Revenue Report and Clerk of the District Court Report were presented.

Approved payroll.

Approved vendor claims.

General: AMAZON ex 100.85; AMERITAS ins 23,629.08; AMH FAMILY PRACTICE ex 240.00; ANT CO COURT ex 186.00; ANT CO SHRF ex 340.46; APPEARA ex 87.90; APPLIED CONN TECHN ex 6,273.47; FIRSTNET ut 695.15; BLACK HILLS ENERGY ut 173.37; BCBS ins 82,031.59; BOB BARKER CO ex 2.96; BOKF ex 400.00; BOMGAARS ex 27.98; BROGAN & STAFFORD ex 2,067.38; CASEYS ex 130.81; CITY OF NELIGH ut 1,627.00; CITY OF NELIGH-RECY ut 1,035.00; CITY OF NORFOLK ut 1,500.00; CLEARWATER PUBLIC LIBRARY ex 3,605.00; CLERK OF THE DIST COURT ex 36.00; COLDTYPE PUB ex 2,196.03; JUDITH COLE ps 10.00; COLONIAL LIFE ins 175.22; COPPLE ROCKEY & MCKEEVER ex 187.50; CROWNE PLAZA ex 275.90; CUBBYS ex 1,262.53; DAS STATE ACCTG ex 1,214.60; DUSTYS ex 1,241.62; EAKES OFC SOL ex 166.98; ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE ex 4,482.51; ELGIN ONE STOP ex 48.00; ELGIN PUBLIC LIBRARY ex 3,605.00; ELGIN REVIEW ex 1,868.87; ELITE OFC PRODS ex 524.31; FAIRFIELD INN ex 149.00; FED W/H tax 15,557.13; FIRST CONCORD ins 5,467.26; FITZGERALD, VETTER & TEMPLE ex 3,410.00; PATTI GOOD ex 22.04; GOV FORMS & SUPPLIES ex 60.75; GREAT PLAINS COMMS ut 325.70; DARRELL HAMILTON ps 11.00; COLLECTION SVC CENTER garn 659.35; JAN X EXPERTS ex 721.07; JONNY DODGE ex 519.60; KOINZAN ENT ex 175.00; LA QUINTA INNS ex 583.86; LAWNS R US ex 721.00; LIBERTY NATL ins 133.22; LICHTENBERG TIRE SVC ex 781.60; MAD NATL LIFE ins 115.50; MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS ex 122.00; DUANE MILLER ps 12.00; MIPS ex 1,720.69; NACO ex 330.00; NATL INS SVC ins 67.50; NEBR DEPT OF REV tax 6,039.86; NSA & POAN CONF ex 200.00; NELIGH PUBLIC LIBRARY ex 4,326.00; VSP-NACO VISION ins 552.75; NCPPD ut 65.71; ONEILL PEST CONTROL ex 237.00; ORCHARD PUBLIC LIBRARY ex 3,605.00; PAPER TIGER SHREDDING ex 1,275.12; LISA PAYNE ex 254.67; PETTY CASH (CO CLERK) ex 18.30; PINNACLE BANK ex 1,181.60; PITNEY BOWES RESERVE ex 6,000.00; PITZER DIGITAL ex 1,979.11; JANICE RIDDER ps 10.00; SANNE REPAIR ex 2,529.94; SEC OF STATE ex 65.00; CAROLINE SIEMS ps 25.00; WEX BANK ex 2,258.10; SOC SEC 30,729.12; STEALTH BROADBAND ex 524.07; STRATTON LAW GROUP ex 11,264.94; RAYMOND A WHITWER TILDEN PUBLIC LIB ex 3,605.00; SMARTSAFETY SOFTWARE ex 378.00; TRUSTMARK ins 1,383.63; UNIV OF NEBR-LINCOLN ex 45.02; WASH NATL ins 285.92; WESTERN OIL II ex 216.00; 319 GRAPHICS ex 93.25; OAKDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY ex 3,605.00; ANT CO TREAS ex 400,000.00; PAYROLL 153,422.29;

Road/Bridge: AKRS ex 3,876.81; AMERITAS ins 12,919.32; ANT CO COURT ex 432.78; AMH ex 38.00; APPEARA ex 79.71; FIRSTNET ex 145.32; B'S ENT ex 13,800.00; BAR U FARMS ex 769.65; BAUER BUILT TIRE ex 170.00; BECKMAN LUMBER ex 25.00; BLACK HILLS ENERGY ut 365.61; BCBS ins 70,898.54; BOMGAARS ex 4,235.68; BT TIRE & AG SALES ex 382.13; CARHART LUMBER ex 1,326.04; CIRCLE M TRUCKING ex 4,134.00; CITY OF ELGIN ex 81.23; CITY OF NELIGH ex 15.00; CITY OF TILDEN ex 70.57; COLONIAL LIFE ins 368.11; CONSTELLATION ut 5.98; CORNER SVC & TIRE ex 175.00; CORNHUSKER INTERNATL TRUCK ex 1,129.59; CUBBYS ex 1,005.07; DINKEL IMP ex 179.85; DUSTYS ex 159.40; ELGIN ONE STOP ex 19.49; EMME SAND & GRAVEL ex 14,172.50; FAIRFIELD INN ex 358.00; FARMERS PRIDE ex 50,731.24; FED W/H tax 6,720.34; FIRST CONCORD ins 650.06; FRONTIER COMM ut 394.21; FUNK CONSTRUCTION ex 750.00; GREAT PLAINS COMMS ut 341.25; HOOFIN-IT TRUCKING ex 6,270.00; HUBEL WELDING & IRON ex 1,245.94; COLLECTION SVC CENTER garn 611.50; ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO ex 242.42; JEBRO ex 44,047.15; JEO CONSULTING GROUP ex 9,836.25; JONNY DODGE ex 932.99; KAYTON INTERNATL ex 1,158.01; KIMBALL-MIDWEST ex 126.70; LAWSON PRODS ex 1,442.79; LEGATE CONSTRUCTION ex 2,352.50; LIBERTY NATL ins 154.27; LICHTENBERG TIRE SVC ex 3,974.64; MAD NATL LIFE ins 62.13; MATTEO SAND & GRAVEL ex 26,323.29; MEDICAL ENT ex 144.00; KRISTOPHER MORENO ex 64.00; N & B GAS CO ex 425.00; NATL INS SVC ex 85.55; NEBR CHILD SUPPORT garn 595.00; NEBR DEPT OF REV tax 3,260.05; NMC ex 30,741.64; NPPD ut 191.09; NELIGH AUTO & MACHINE ex 937.43; VSP-NACO VISION ins 431.32; NCPPD ut 209.27; NORTHEAST GLASS ex 2,190.00; NNTC ut 75.22; PLATTE VALLEY COMMS ex 498.35; POLLOCK REDI MIX ex 1,057.50; RAZOR TRACKING ex 1,225.00; RDO TRUCK CENTERS ex 2,292.98; ROYAL GAS & GOODS ex 279.18; SAPP BRO PETRO ex 13,316.99; SCHLECHT TRUCKING ex 2,728.32; WEX BANK ex 959.92; SOC SEC 17,562.26; SPUD CONSTRUCTION ex 139,218.69; SPUD TRUCKING ex 14,412.50; STA-BILT CONSTRUCTION ex 9,780.00; STEALTH BROADBAND ut 1,156.35; SWITZER WELDING ex 696.00; SWITZER WELDING-BRIAN ex 1,240.10; TITAN MACHINERY ex 804.08; TRUCK CENTER ex 3,011.98; TRUSTMARK ins 1,116.15; TWO RIVERS AUTO PARTS ex 2,947.75; VILLAGE OF BRUNSWICK ut 59.50; VILLAGE OF CLEARWATER ut 92.25; WASH NATL ins 99.60; WESTERN OIL II ex 455.90; WILLOW CREEK SAND & GRAVEL ex 4,654.28; ERPPD ut 469.51; PAYROLL 87,876.03;

County Visitor Promotion: NELIGH-OAKDALE TEAMMATES ex 350.00;

Register of Deeds: MIPS ex 412.08;

Law Enforcement: A M H FAMILY PRACTICE ex 611.00; APPLIED CONN TECHN ex 275.68; BLACK HILLS ENERGY ut 309.54; BOMGAARS ex 123.87; CASH-WA DISTR ex 1,534.66; CITY OF NELIGH ut 1,920.72; CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES ex 474.00; CULLIGAN ex 97.75; APRIL CURTISS ex 65.00; ELGIN PHARMACY ex 55.00; HILAND DAIRY ex 523.63; MERIT MECHANICAL ex 1,131.00; MIDWEST SPECIAL SVCS ex 190.55; ONEILL PEST CONTROL ex 105.00; PINNACLE BANK ex 281.51; SYSCO ex 1,950.08; THRIFTWAY ex 1,848.99;

Commissary: BOMGAARS ex 6.99; CASH-WA DISTR ex 776.85; KEEFE SUPPLY CO ex 473.60; PINNACLE BANK ex 1,583.45; THE GLASS EDGE ex 729.00; FAITH HEALTH ex 405.00.

Approved Rafts of Crafts promotional grant. Approved joining opioid settlement. Approved Maximus Cost Allocation for 2025. Approved Globe Life Supplemental Insurance participation. Held all action on the museum doors.

Zoning Administrator Report. Zoning permit report was presented.

Road Superintendent Report.

Meeting Adjourned.

Antelope County Board of Commissioners

NEIL WILLIBY
Chairman of County Board

Attest: LISA PAYNE /s/
Antelope County Clerk

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Black Hills Corp. and NorthWestern Energy Group, Inc., Merger Complete

Customer service, billing and energy delivery remain the same

Bright Horizon Energy on Monday announced the successful completion of the merger of Black Hills Corp. and NorthWestern Energy Group, Inc., forming Bright Horizon Energy.

"Today marks the beginning of an exciting new chapter as Bright Horizon Energy," said Brian Bird, President and CEO. "By bringing together our talented employees, complementary operations, and shared commitment to safety, reliability and affordability, we are creating a stronger, more resilient company positioned to meet the growing energy needs of our 2.2 million customers across eight states. We look forward to building on the long histories of Black Hills Energy and NorthWestern Energy as we deliver long-term value for our customers, employees, shareholders and communities."

Bright Horizon Energy maintains a strong commitment to local service. Customers continue to be supported by dedicated teams who live and work in the communities they serve, while benefiting from shared best practices, operational improvements and the advantages of a larger organization.

Known locally in their respective service territories as Black Hills Energy and NorthWestern Energy, customers should also expect no immediate changes to branding, payment processes, outage reporting, online account access or customer support at this time.

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- Pay their energy bill the same way they do today.
- Access the same online account and payment options.
- Report outages and service issues through the same channels.
- Receive service from the same local employees who have long served their communities.

The company remains committed to supporting local economies, giving back and being a trusted partner to provide safe, reliable and affordable energy. For more information, visit blackhillsenergy.com, northwesternenergy.com or BrightHorizonEnergy.com.

Bright Horizon Energy Corp. (NYSE: HZN) is an energy holding company operating vertically integrated electric and natural gas utilities serving 2.2 million customers across eight states. Building on more than 143 years of operating experience, the company's customer-focused strategy and engaged employees prioritize safety, reliability, and affordability while strengthening the communities they serve and supporting responsible growth. Headquartered in Rapid City, South Dakota, and doing business as Black Hills Energy and NorthWestern Energy.

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PROCEEDINGS OF NOVEMBER 11 MEETING
DISTRICT #18 BOARD OF EDUCATION

ELGIN PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD
Regular Meeting
EPS Board Room
November 11, 2026 7:00 p.m.

President Lisa Welding called the regular November Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The board members present were Eric Beckman, Steve Busteed, Todd Heithoff and Lisa Welding. Luke Hinkle and Ron Bode were absent. Also present was Superintendent Mike Brockhaus and Principal Greg Wemhoff.

Todd Heithoff motioned, and Eric Beckman seconded to excuse Luke Hinkle and Ron Bode from the meeting. Vote 4-0, motion carried.

President Welding led the "Pledge of Allegiance." Welding reminded everyone that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law was posted in the meeting room.

School board meeting notice complied with Meeting Notice Policy #204.07. Posting was done on the High School building window and post office bulletin board.

Taryn Schindler, Chase Young, and Addison Childers shared details about the trip sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students took to the Sizemore Sportsmanship Pep Rally at Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln. Chase and Addison also talked about the HAL program and the group's visit to the Discovery Center in Grand Island.

Todd Heithoff motioned and Eric Beckman second to approve the Consent Agenda: #5-Minutes of Regular Meeting, #6-Adopt the Agenda, #7-Financial Report, #8-Board Bills. Motion carried, Vote 4-0.

AMAZON, 2,242.41; APPEARA, 584.44; APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES, 2,826.00; Bishop Business, 523.05; CITY OF ELGIN, 2,049.33; COR Therapeutic Services, LLC, 4,565.00; Crowne Plaza Kearney, 325.90; DEAN'S MARKET, 116.25; DELL, 5,577.49; EAKES OFFICE PLUS, 1,040.00; ELGIN ONE-STOP, 4,485.67; ELGIN REVIEW, THE, 509.57; ELKHORN RURAL POWER DISTRICT, 3,153.52; EPIC Discovery Center, 60.00; ESU #8, 33,391.16; GREAT PLAINS COMM., INC., 338.29; ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING, 158.10; KAHOOT!, 47.88; Kaup Forage & Turf, 494.50; KOINZAN ENTERPRISES, INC, 104.42; Koinzan, Janet, 120.00; KSB SCHOOL LAW PC LLO, 197.50; LOVE SIGNS, 2,489.72; MIDWEST MUSIC, 3,829.00; NEBRASKA COUNCIL SCHOOL ADM, 210.00; Nebraska School Counselors Association, 180.00; OLSON'S PEST TECHNICIANS, 186.20; OVERLAND REHAB, 752.25; State of Nebraska, 1,544.10; TIME MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS, INC, 83.20; U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, 28.72; VANIS, SUE, 500.00; VERIZON WIRELESS, 65.13; WAGEWORKS, INC., 139.25; Waste Connections of Nebraska, Inc, 24.26; Workspaces & Storage, 3,412.00

Checking Account ID, 76,354.31

President Welding recognized and welcomed visitors.

In committee reports, prior to the meeting, the Americanism Committee convened and completed its checklist. The negotiation committee will meet this month to discuss insurance rates and increases. The Wolfpack committee also met this last month and discussed uniform rotations, purchasing wrestling clocks and updating the wrestling record boards. They also discussed football practice needs.

In the principal's report, Mr. Wemhoff reviewed recent activities and discussed what's coming up.

In the superintendent's report, Mr. Brockhaus informed board members about increases in insurance rates.

In action items, the acceptance of the 2025-2026 audit by Dana F. Cole & Company was tabled as the final report has not been received yet.

Steve Busteed made a motion to approve the transfer of $5,000 per school to the Wolfpack Account. Todd Heithoff seconded the motion. Vote 4-0, motion carried.

Eric Beckman motioned, Steve Busteed seconded the motion to approve the Rasmussen HVAC Service Agreement renewal for the next three years, total price for year 1 is $9,667.00, year 2 for $9,958 and year 3 for $10,248.00. Vote 4-0, motion carried.

Todd Heithoff made a motion to approve camera updates through Applied Connective for $5,990 subject to E-Rate funds at the football field. Steve Busteed seconded. Vote 3-0, Eric Beckman abstained.

Steve Busteed made a motion, Eric Beckman seconded to approve the bid from Koinzan Enterprises, Inc for $9,453.84 for installing underground sprinklers on the football practice field. Vote 4-0, motion carried.

The approval for replacing the fencing around the two playgrounds was tabled until next month.

Discussion was held to approve replacing or repairing the track around the football field, install sand jumping pits, and replacing the high jump pit. It was discussed having more of a presentation with what the costs would be to the board at a later meeting. The approval was tabled until after more information was presented.

In discussion items, the discussion covered the board's goals, board evaluations and superintendent evaluation.

The next regular board meeting will be on Wednesday, December 16, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the EPS Board Room.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Todd Heithoff and seconded by Steve Busteed. Vote taken was 4-0, motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 8:17p.m.

Respectfully submitted.
Ron Bode, Secretary
Jessica Niewohner, Recorder
-This is a draft copy and does not become official Elgin Public Board minutes until approved at the next regular or advertised meeting
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PROCEEDINGS FROM NOVEMBER 10, 2026
ANTELOPE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Neligh, Nebraska
November 10th, 2026 - PM

Chairman opened the meeting. Notice of meeting published as required by statute.

Approved agenda.

Discussion of Flock ALPR cameras.

Heard testimony for and against ALPR cameras.

Approved motion to language policy to better fit Antelope County needs with subcommittee consisting of Commissioners Krebs and Dittrich, and for a report to be presented during the December 1st meeting.

Meeting Adjourned.

Antelope County Board of Commissioners

NEIL WILLIBY
Chairman of County Board
Attest: LISA PAYNE /s/
Antelope County Clerk
PUBLISH: November 18, 2026
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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.

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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.

6. Testimony presented at the Public Hearing, whether written or oral, is part of the Public Hearing record on file with the UENRD office in O'Neill, Nebraska.

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.

8. The changes to the Rules & Regulations are as follows:

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

b. The proposed amendments authorize a general restructuring of the number identification system of the Rules & Regulations.

c. The proposed amendments update references to Department of Environment and Energy and Department of Natural Resources to Department of Water, Energy, and Environment.

d. The proposed amendments remove duplicated Rules & Regulations and correct grammatical errors.

e. The proposed amendments update the District Groundwater Quality Management Areas as follows:

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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.
PUBLISH: November 4, 11 & 18, 2026
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RULE AMENDMENTS #2
UPPER ELKHORN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT

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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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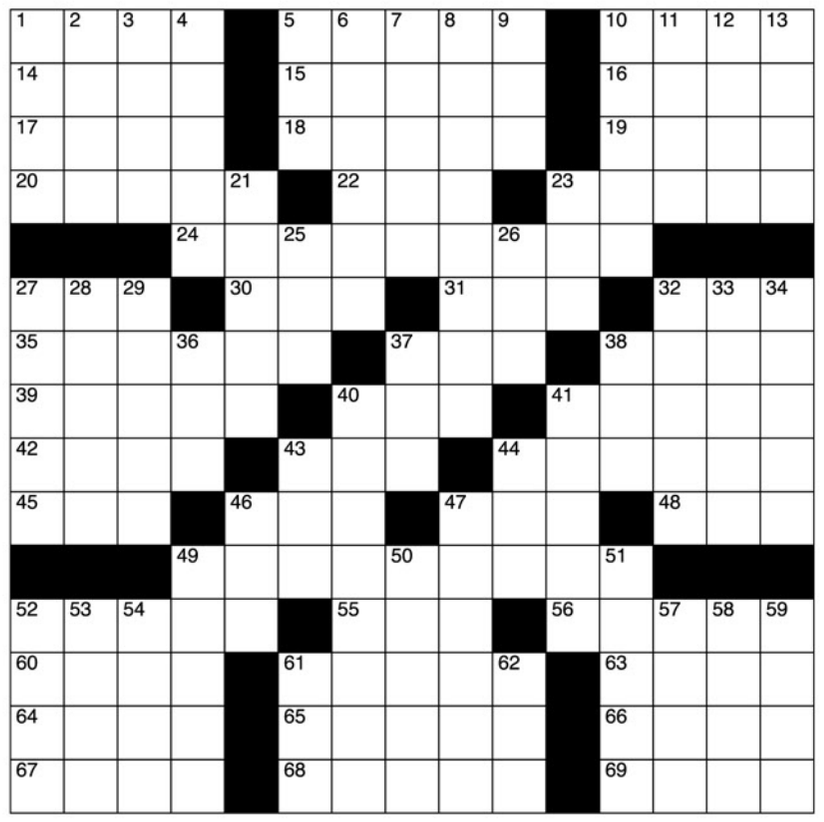

CLUES ACROSS
1. Perceive a sound
5. Pretends to be
10. Type of guitar
14. Actor Idris
15. A citizen of Iran
16. Creative
17. Keep under control
18. Weight unit for precious stones
19. You better call him
20. Fanatical
22. Male cat
23. Jewish spiritual leader
24. One who takes risks
27. A way to nail
30. Cool!
31. Progressive policy supporter
32. "Losing My Religion" rockers
35. Step-shaped recess
37. Round globular seed
38. Somewhat
39. Butterhead lettuces
40. Color at the end of the spectrum
41. Lines where fabrics are sewn together
42. Dodgers great Hershiser
43. Floor covering
44. Traveled aimlessly
45. Rocker Stewart
46. Body art
47. Congressman (abbr.)
48. No seats available
49. Categorizes
52. Iraq-Syria border town
55. Ballplayer's tool
56. Type of sword
60. Baseball team
61. Upper bracts of grass
63. Italian seaport
64. Ancient city in Syria
65. Shoelace tube
66. U. of Miami mascot is one
67. South American nation
68. "Nebraska" director Alexander
69. Upper body part

CLUES DOWN
1. German courtesy title
2. Ancient Greek City
3. Skin care manufacturer
4. A long-legged frog
5. Photo
6. Delivered a speech
7. Lute in northern Indian music
8. Decorated
9. Take a seat
10. Bottom layer
11. Type of horse
12. Ticket part
13. Defunct currency of Guinea
21. Challenges
23. Popular BBQ food
25. Subway rodent
26. By way of
27. Shady garden alcove
28. City in Egypt
29. __ and flowed
32. Large quantities of paper
33. Eurasian wheat
34. Act incorrectly
36. Layer of water right above sediment (abbr.)
37. Al Bundy's wife
38. Ocean
40. Large, round root
41. Sound units
43. Knock
44. Soak in water
46. Hot drink
47. A cotton fabric with a satiny finish
49. Rumanian city
50. Come back from being down
51. Vaccine developer
52. Canadian law enforcers
53. Wings
54. "Perry Mason" actor Raymond
57. Small fry
58. __ Clapton, musician
59. Gamble
61. Semi-liquid food
62. Consumed food

Impacts of grazing corn stalks

IT'S ALL ABOUT BEEF



Beef Systems Asst. Ext. Educator
Ben Beckman

Corn residue is one of the most cost-efficient feed resources available for livestock owners to graze, offering valuable winter feed. Despite its wide use, there can still be hesitation by landowners to allow cattle on crop ground out of a fear they will hurt the subsequent yield. Research from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln demonstrates that with correct stocking rates, residue grazing provides several soil and crop benefits and minimal downsides.

Contrary to concerns, studies show that grazing residue does not significantly harm soil properties, especially when done within recommended stocking densities. UNL research evaluated both fall and spring grazing impacts on compaction, showing that while there was a slight increase in soil resistance in certain high-density spring grazing setups, overall soil health metrics such as water infiltration and compaction remained within acceptable levels.

Grazing corn residue can also enhance microbial activity in the soil. Microbes play a vital role in nutrient cycling, breaking down organic matter and converting it into forms that plants can absorb. Grazing cattle return nutrients to the soil via manure, adding nitrogen, phosphorus, and other essential minerals, enhancing the nutrient profile available for subsequent crops like soybeans or corn. UNL studies have shown that these microbial benefits are seen without adverse effects on soil organic matter, even over multiple years of grazing.

A final key takeaway from the UNL research is that corn residue grazing has a positive or neutral effect on crop yields. In a controlled grazing study, soybeans planted after grazed corn residue fields maintained, or even increased yields compared to non-grazed fields, showing that grazing can serve as a complementary practice for residue management. Compared to mechanical stover removal, grazing reduces leftover residue without nutrient removal.

All 5 studies reviewed showed the importance of stocking rate and grazing timing to maximize residue benefits while minimizing any potential downsides. Using lower stocking densities can help prevent soil compaction issues while taking advantage of available forage, especially during colder months when the soil is frozen. Even studies using spring grazing showed benefits but may require a bit more management regarding density and timing to ensure soil resilience for the following planting season.

For producers, utilizing corn residue as a feed resource aligns well with sustainable practices, provides an economical feed source, and contributes positively to soil health, all with minimal impact. In fact, some studies saw yield increases. By adopting a managed residue grazing practice, producers can make the most of their land resources without compromising crop productivity or long-term soil health.

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Board games to help chase away winter's chill

Winter weather arrives with a blustery bang and can leave even hardcore fans of cooler temperatures shivering in their boots. Luckily, people who need to warm up and escape the snow and ice for a little while can turn to some time-honored traditions to chase away cabin fever. Board games are one such pastime to enjoy when snow starts piling up outside.

New board games and major expansions slated for 2026 into 2027 bring fresh play to these popular tabletop hobbies. When combined with some tried-and-true classics, players will have plenty of options to while away the winter hours.

1. Brass: Pittsburgh: This is a standalone follow-up to Brass: Birmingham from Roxley Games. It centers on the 19th-century American steel boom with historical figures like Andrew Carnegie, Cornelius Vanderbilt and John D. Rockefeller. Players build sprawling networks of railways, pipelines, steel mills, and more.



2. Dune: Imperium-Conspiracy: This cross-compatible expansion for Dune lands players in war across Imperium under the reign of Paul Maud'Dib. After years of bloodshed, enemies plot his downfall.

3. Totally Human: An alien invasion is taking place as aliens try to blend in and look like humans. The only hope is to weed out the aliens via the power of multiple-choice questions. In this game, players are given hidden identities (human or alien) and must answer three questions to see who might be masquerading as a human.

4. Nemesis Legacy: This is a new installment of the Nemesis horror board game series. It tells the story of the last human survivors facing impossible odds of an Intruder terror. Players will face choices that will decide the fate of humanity.

5. Night at the Zoo: Players explore parts of the darkened zoo to discover the best routes to guide animals back to their homes before anyone notices.

6. Baba is You: The Board Game: Based on the critically acclaimed indie video game, this board game adaptation is a puzzle where rules are built on the board. It's a creative strategy game where players must move something that is YOU onto something that is WIN.

7. The Lord of the Rings: The King's Gambit: This epic strategy board game has two players battling as the Forces of Shadow versus the Free Peoples of Middle-Earth. Action takes place across four distinct areas, and each side can achieve either a military victory or a ring victory.

Action-packed board games make spending time indoors when the weather is frightful more fun.

REMINDER: Beef management and emerging technology to be featured at Northeast Nebraska Beef Update on Nov. 24

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.

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Busy kitchens and vacant chairs

SPINNING TALES



Publisher
Dennis Morgan

You don't always get what you want

In a couple of days, there's going to be a family gathering the likes of which I haven't been a part of for way too long.

For years growing up, on Thanksgiving Day, the descendants of the Owens family would gather in the basement of Jones National Bank in Seward to share dinner and an afternoon of story telling. It spanned several decades. It was time when there were no cellphones, no computers and, for a few hours no outside interference (no TV, no radios).

It would be one of only a handful of times each year when grandparents, moms and dads, brothers and sisters and a slew of cousins would gather.

The food was real. A huge turkey was prepared in the oven and, God bless my father, he would always sneak and sample the turkey to see if it had enough salt. He always said 'no,' and my mother would get all stirred up and kick him out of the kitchen.

There was a long counter in that bank basement where all the food would be spread out. Real mashed potatoes and gravy, real sweet potatoes. It seemed like every mom there would bring their favorite dish to serve. At the very end would be a wide assortment of pies (apple, pumpkin, pecan). There would be iced tea, Kool-aid for the youngsters and a big pot of fresh-brewed coffee. The spread rivaled any buffet served by a restaurant.

Back then, I don't remember hearing of any family dining out on Thanksgiving Day. It just didn't happen.

After the meal, the kids would go outside and play touch football in the bank parking lot. The high schoolers always seemed to leave early. Everyone else would stay inside and share family memories, some had to be true and some had to be made up. Those story tellers are all gone now, but not forgotten.

That was then.

This is now.

For most of us, here in Elgin, Thanksgiving Day revolves around the bazaar held at St. Boniface Auditorium. Our first year here, 20 years ago, I was skeptical of joining hundreds of people in the gym, sitting at rows of tables, feasting while coming together as one. I still have pictures in my phone from the first time at the bazaar.

Maybe, because both of my parents were deceased, it didn't seem all that awkward to not be around family. Why? Because this community embraces those who choose to make an effort to become part of Elgin.

Since then, we have helped work the bazaar every year. Not because we have to, but because we choose to. It's now part of who we are. There's a sense of belonging that develops from working together. It spills over

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SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Nov. 18 ..... EPS only, 1 pm dismissal • PJCC no afternoon bus • All State Music Convention • PJCC One Act Practice
Nov. 19 ... All State Music Convention • FFA Middle School Livestock Judging @ Atkinson • PJCC One Act Practice
Nov. 20 ..... All State Music Convention • PJCC only, 1:50 pm dismissal • PJCC One Act Practice • St. Boniface Auditorium closed
Nov. 22 ..... PJCC One Act Dinner Theatre
Nov. 23 ..... PJCC One Act Practice
Nov. 24 ....6th Grade DARE • St. Boniface Auditorium closed through Saturday
Nov. 25-27 ..... NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving break
Nov. 26 ..... HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!
Nov. 29 ..... PJCC One Act Practice
Nov. 30 ..... Basketball Jamboree @ Twin River • PJCC Book Fair all week
Dec. 1 ..... PJCC No School • District One Act @ PJCC
Dec. 2 .... EHS art students window decorating • 6th Grade DARE • Santa arrives @ 4 pm, Elgin Community Center • Elgin FFA Holiday Supper & Activities
Dec. 4 ..... EPS, Muffins with Mom •
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Tales

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to other chapters of what we do.

Every year I now look forward to the sausage, the homemade dressing, the homemade desserts.

This is home now.

This Saturday I'm hoping my extended family, gathered again, finds some sense of belonging that wasn't there before, some sense of family that was once was.

The kitchen will be busy, but there will be vacant chairs around the tables, as clear a sign as any of the passing of one generation and the awakening of a new one.

Instead of a bank basement, we're going to gather at a community center. Instead of being children like years ago, my sisters and I will have new roles - the elders. Attending will be my nieces and nephews, all with families of their own. Many of their children will be there, acting like I once did when my hair was bright red and freckles covered my face.

You don't always get what you want in life, but on days like this, I hope we get what we need. Family.

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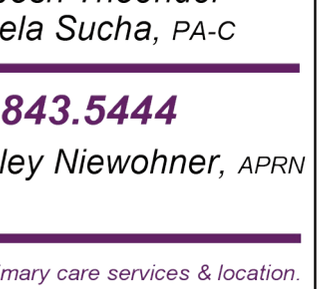

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ATTACKS	K	K/S	Kill%	Att	E	Hit%
Sophia Burke	0	0	0	2	1	0
Brooke Kinney	0	0	0	10	4	0
Braelyn Martinsen	280	3.2	33.5	837	155	0.149
Mady Kurpgeweit	216	3.3	0	534	1-6	0
Kinley Drueke	7	0.3	0	31	6	0
Jael Lammers	289	3.3	33.4	865	98	0.221
Lillian Moser	117	1.3	0	362	83	0
Molly Thiessen	1	0.3	0	3	1	0
Tenley Schindler	34	0.5	0	107	23	0
Elizabeth Moser	23	0.3	0	72	6	0
Sydney Niewohner	59	0.7	0	170	31	0
Gentry Zwingman	0	0	0	8	0	0

SERVING	A	A/S	Ace%	SA	SE	Serve%
Sophia Burke	19	0.2	0	276	17	93.8
Brooke Kinney	9	0/1	0	239	8	96.7
Sadie Thiessen	1	0.2	0	3	0	0
Braelyn Martinsen	33	0.4	0	367	23	93.7
Kinley Drueke	2	0.1	0	35	8	77.1
Jael Lammers	17	0.2	0	136	21	83.8
Lillian Moser	7	0.1	0	74	`1	83.8
Tenley Schindler	0	0	0	3	1	66.7
Elizabeth Moser	42	0.5	0	429	37	91.4
Libby Evans	1	0.3	0	8	1	87.5
Gentry Zwingman	26	0.3	0	359	15	95.8

BLOCKS	BS	BA	Tot	B/S	B/M	BE
Braelyn Martinsen	12	2	14	0.2	0.5	24
Mady Kurpgeweit	9	0	9	0.1	0.4	29
Kinley Drueke	0	0	0	0	0	1
Jael Lammers	15	1	16	0.2	0.5	20
Lillian Moser	42	4	46	0.5	1.5	64
Tenley Schindler	14	6	20	0.3	0.8	37
Elizabeth Moser	2	0	2	0.0	0.1	7
Sydney Niewohner	15	2	17	0.2	0.5	57

DIGGING	D	DE	D/S	D/M
Sophia Burke	102	53	1.2	3.3
Brooke Kinney	267	100	3.1	8.6

DIGGING (cont.)	D	DE	D/S	D/M
Sadie Thiessen	2	1	0.4	0.3
Braelyn Martinsen	381	94	4.4	12.3
Mady Kurpgeweit	53	6	0.8	2.2
Kinley Drueke	10	4	0.4	0.9
Jael Lammers	149	36	1.7	4.8
Lillian Moser	60	10	0.7	1.9
Tenley Schindler	33	16	0.5	1.3
Elizabeth Moser	245	53	2.8	7.9
Libby Evans	2	1	0.5	0.5
Sydney Niewohner	19	8	0.2	0.6
Gentry Zwingman	416	139	4.8	13.4

BALL HANDLING	Ast	Ast/S	BHA	BHE
Sophia Burke	74	0.9	264	8
Brooke Kinney	6	0.1	46	2
Braelyn Martinsen	10	0.1	55	5
Mady Kurpgeweit	4	0.1	9	0
Kinley Drueke	0	0	1	0
Jael Lammers	120	1.4	380	13
Lillian Moser	1	0.0	1.0	0
Tenley Schindler	1	0.0	7	2
Elizabeth Moser	647	7.4	1904	56
Sydney Niewohner	2	0	5	0
Gentry Zwingman	49	0.6	280	0

SERVE RECEIVING	R	RE	R/S	R/M
Sophia Burke	33	3	0.4	11
Brooke Kinney	256	26	2.9	8.3
Sadie Thiessen	9	1	1.8	1.5
Braelyn Martinsen	396	33	4.6	12.8
Mady Kurpgeweit	2	0	0	0.1
Jael Lammers	94	26	1.1	3.0
Lillian Moser	3	3	0	0.1
Tenley Schindler	0	1	0	0
Elizabeth Moser	6	0	0.1	0.2
Libby Evans	2	2	0.5	0.5
Sydney Niewohner	3	1	9	9.1
Gentry Zwingman	614	57	7.1	19.8

Big goals, missed opportunities define EPPJ netters

Big numbers put up by Moser, Martinsen, Lammers & Co.

ELGIN — Wolfpack varsity volleyball had an up-and-down season during 2026.

The team showed promise early in the season, then dropped matches due to injury, before closing the season with their best match of the season.

Coached by Jordynn Luettel, the team compiled a 16-15 season record, losing their final match to Riverside in the subdistrict final. The match went five sets with EPPJ dropping the final set by a 16 to 14 score.

Luettel said on social media that the season didn't go the way she and the players wanted.

"No, not even close. We had set big goals, we had missed opportunities, we were forced to overcome more than one obstacle," she wrote.

Their schedule was one of the toughest among schools in northeast Nebraska. Nineteen of their opponents finished with a winning percentage of .500 or more. In those matches, the Wolfpack won four matches and dropped 15. Against opponents with a winning percentage of .499 or less, the Wolfpack went undefeated (12-0).

Looking at individual statistics, the Wolfpack had four players with 100 or more kills. They were led by sophomore Jael Lammers with 289 kills followed by Braelyn Martinsen 280, Mady Kurpgeweit 216 and Lillian Moser 117.

Senior Elizabeth Moser led the team in ace serves with 42 across 31 matches. Martinsen had 33 while Gentry Zwingman posted 26 and Sophia Burke added 19.

At the net, L. Moser was far and away the best blocker on the team. She had 42 solo blocks during the season. The next highest were Sydney Niewohner and Lammers with 15 apiece, Tenley Schindler had 14.

Zwingman led the team in digs with 416, Martinsen had 381 followed by Brooke Kinney with 267 and E. Moser with 245. Martinsen surpassed 1,000 career digs.

This season E. Moser surpassed 1,000 career set assists. She finished her senior season with 647 set assists. Lammers was the only other player in triple digits with assists, with 120.

The last statistical category was serve receive. Zwingman was far and away the leader in serve receive with 614. Martinsen finished with 396, Kinney added 256.

Oakdale man arrested; facing felony charges

A 52-year-old Oakdale man faces two felony charges, including delivery of a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance after he allegedly provided methamphetamine to an individual arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence.

Shane Sleister was arrested Nov. 9. The arrest stems from a Nov. 7 incident, when Antelope County Deputy Keegan Barker arrested a woman for driving under the influence of drugs.

According to a probable cause affidavit, the woman told the deputy she received drugs from Sleister, and said they had used the drugs in a camper located behind Sleister's residence.

Barker questioned when the two last used drugs. The woman replied just prior to contact with the officer.

The deputy obtained a search warrant for Sleister's residence, the camper, and all vehicles on the property.

Antelope County Sheriff's Office officials served the warrant on Nov. 9 and located several small baggies containing a powdery substance that tested positive for meth, multiple syringes, glass pipes, smoking apparatuses used to smoke meth, baggies and containers containing marijuana residue, other drug paraphernalia, and two electronic scales.

Per the affidavit, a field test administered to a white powdery substance visible on the pan of a scale tested positive for methamphetamine and fentanyl.

Sleister was arrested and transported to the Antelope County Jail.

He appeared in Antelope County Court for arraignment and a bond hearing on Friday, Nov. 13. Antelope County Judge Danielle Fliam set bail at $275,000.

Brad Montag, defense counsel, requested a bond reduction.

Antelope County Attorney Joe Smith, who appeared via Zoom, objected and requested "a substantial bond" remain. Fliam agreed.

Sleister will need to post $27,500 -10% of the bond - to be released from jail.

He is scheduled to appear Dec. 2 for a pretrial hearing.

Sleister was one of two individuals who overdosed in June at his Oakdale residence in June. He and Amy Dugal were using drugs on June 23 and eventually passed out. Law enforcement believe the two overdosed on fentanyl.

Dugal and Sleister were transported to Antelope Memorial Hospital in Neligh, where Dugal was pronounced dead.

Jamie Hawkins, 34, of Oakdale, faces manslaughter, delivery of fentanyl and child abuse charges after she allegedly had her 6-year-old daughter deliver a package containing drugs that Dugal and Sleister overdosed on. Hawkins is scheduled to appear in court on Dec. 16. She has pleaded not guilty.

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Millers claim top spot in Elgin Review Football Contest

Vicki/Charlie Miller won this week's *Elgin Review* Football Contest.

They, along with Kurt Blair, Dave Shrader, John Stoltz and Jack Stoltz all missed six games.

In the tiebreaker, Miller's guess of 625 total yards between Nebraska and Rutgers was closest to the actual figure of 572 and will receive the top prize of $20 in Elgin Bucks. Kurt Blair continued his string of money-winning entries, placing second with a guess of 677 to win $10 in Elgin Bucks.

Other tiebreaker guesses were Jack Stoltz 719, John Stoltz 770 and Shrader 687. Results of last week's games were:

Tennessee over Texas A&M
TCU over Kansas State
Florida over Kentucky
Penn State over Minnesota
Oklahoma over Ole Miss
Georgia over Missouri
Texas over LSU
Iowa State over Cincinnati
Auburn over Mississippi State
Kansas over West Virginia
Miami over Pitt
Wake Forest over SMU
Utah over Arizona
Colorado over Houston
Indiana over USC
Virginia over California
Georgia Tech over Clemson
Nebraska over Rutgers

Entries for the next contest are due at the 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!



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