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In Brief

District #18 School Board to meet January 15

Beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The District #18 Board of Education will meet in regular session on Wednesday evening, January 15. The meeting, to be held in the board meeting room at the high school, will begin at 6:30 p.m. and is open to the public.

At the start of the meeting, board organization will be held. The election of a board president will take place. Also, legal designations for bank, newspaper, bus inspector, official financial agent, non-discrimination officer, board recorder and attorney will take place as well as the approval of a board member conflict of interest statement.

Then, the board will resume its regular monthly schedule.

Items on the 'action' agenda for the meeting are:

- Approval on second reading updated Policy 717.00 Disposal of Property under Federal Grants
- Approve early retirement applications
- Approve bid to replace fourth and fifth grade classroom windows.

Discussion items on the agenda include the proposed 2025/26 school calendar, and setting the date for the annual board retreat.

Benefit account established for Kaitlyn Dozler

At the Bank of Elgin.

A benefit account has been set up at the Bank of Elgin for Kaitlyn Dozler of Neligh following an accident Saturday which claimed the life of her husband, Travis Dozler. He died from injuries sustained in a truck-related accident near Mound City, Mo., on January 4.

City to begin exploring options for lagoon system

Could a lagoon system be put in place in the near future to address the issue of the aging wastewater treatment plant?

The Elgin City Council discussed potential lagoon layout and location requirements with City Engineer John Zwingman when they held their regular monthly meeting last week.

The council was informed that if they decide to move forward with a lagoon system, Zwingman said here are the things they need to keep in mind when finding a location:

1) Don't go too far away from Elgin. Zwingman said "it's best" to stay within a three-mile radius. The location needs to be a minimum of one quarter of a mile from residents and the established city limits.

2) Possible sites — The new lagoon should be based on a 300-day storage and land application. Zwingman presented the council and Mayor Mike Schmitt with maps for possible locations, to show where models would fit best. Some, he said, would consist of different configurations.

"We're not far enough into the study to have a recommendation," the city

engineer said. "But it's a place to start to have the conversation."

No action was taken on the lagoons as more information will need to be gathered before moving forward.

In other action:

Bids — The council approved a motion to seek bids for Block 17 (Beech Street between First and Second) storm sewer improvements. Bids are being sought due to the past history of the system being overloaded.

Building permit — A building permit was approved for a 12'x24'x14' wood frame building with a metal roof to be located at the corner of Cedar Street and Second Avenue.

Tabled — No action was taken regarding the reviewing of additional quotes for an alley inlet on Bowen Street.

November report — During the month of November, the Antelope County Sheriff's Department provided just over 73 hours of patrol and responded to 15 '911' calls.

Expansion of city landfill discussed in closed session

Meeting last week, the Elgin City Council discussed the possible acquisition of land to expand the city's landfill.

Located west of town, the landfill has been at that location a number of years and routinely used by residents to dispose of tree limbs and grass clippings.

Last month, Bob Moser approached the council towards the end of their meeting to gauge their interest on purchasing some of the land adjacent to the landfill property.

Meeting on Monday, January 6, the council again took up the matter. They went into closed session midway through the meeting to discuss the possible acquisition of land.

After discussing the idea, the council exited closed session without taking any action. The council was in closed session for 17 minutes. It's fair to say the item will continue to be a topic for discussion next month.



Photo submitted

Schumacher is District #3 VOD winner

Kaitey Schumacher, a senior at Pope John XXIII Central Catholic, was chosen as the VFW District 3 Voice of Democracy winner. She will be honored at the Nebraska Veterans of Foreign Wars Mid-Winter Conference in Lincoln later this month. At this conference, the state winner will be announced, along with an awards ceremony, banquet, and tour of the capital.



State Senator Barry DeKay

DeKay to again serve as head of Legislature's Ag Committee

Wednesday, January 8 marked the first day of the One Hundred Ninth Legislature, First Session. This session also marks the beginning of the third year that I am serving as the representative of the 40th Legislative District. The 40th District covers Antelope, Cedar, Holt, and Knox counties, as well as the northern portions of both Dixon and Pierce counties.

This new Legislature has sixteen new faces. Also returning to the Unicameral is Senator Dan Quick who previously served from 2017-2021. Almost a third of the 49 senators in the body will have little to no prior legislative experience. Having met most of the incoming freshman senators, however, I feel fairly confident that we will have a fairly good group of new senators ready to learn the ropes.

Following brief ceremonial activities, senators got right to work deciding the leadership of the Legislature and its committees. Senator John Arch was reelected Speaker while Senator Ben Hansen was elected Chair of the Executive Board. Six committee chairmanship races were contested between two senators. Notably, Senator Dave Murman secured re-

election as Chair of the Education Committee against Senator Jana Hughes while Senator Brian Hardin beat out Senator Merv Riepe to serve as Chair of the Health and Human Services Committee. I was the sole declared candidate for the position of Chair of the Agriculture Committee and was elected via a unanimous vote by acclamation.

I appreciate my colleagues for allowing me to work to address policy issues impacting farms and ranches in this state.

The Speaker provided a brief outline of the tentative 2025 session schedule. The Legislature will meet as a body in the mornings beginning January 22 to debate potential changes to the permanent rules. Committee hearings will also begin January 22 in the afternoons and continue through the end of March. In the Nebraska Unicameral, every bill is referred to a committee based on the subject matter and is guaranteed a hearing, allowing the public to testify in support or opposition to the legislation. Debate on legislation is tentatively set to start on January 29 as bills get reported out from committee. Full day floor debate will begin March 31 and will continue until the Legislature adjourns for the year, with its tentatively scheduled for June 9.

I would also like to address some housekeeping matters. First, my office has moved to Room 1022 on

the first floor of the northwest side of the Capitol.

Second, I will now have a third person in my office: Longtime Research Analyst to the Agriculture Committee Rick Leonard. Rick has served in his role for multiple previous sessions, including former District 40 incumbent Senator "Cap" Dierks. Rick will be responsible for reviewing legislation referred to the Agriculture Committee and serving as a resource to the Legislature for policy matters relating to agriculture. My existing staff, Drake Jones as my administrative aide and Turner Adams as my legislative aide; both will continue to serve in their current respective capacities. Drake will answer the phone and is responsible for my schedule while Turner will work on my legislation.

Third and finally, the Committee on Committees has slated me to move to entirely new committees these next two years. In my first two years, I served on the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee and the Judiciary Committee. This year, in addition to serving on the Agriculture Committee, I am set to serve on the General Affairs Committee and the Natural Resources Committee. I am looking forward to my new committee assignments since they better align with my experiences as a farmer/rancher and prior service in the public power industry.

Submitted by Barry DeKay



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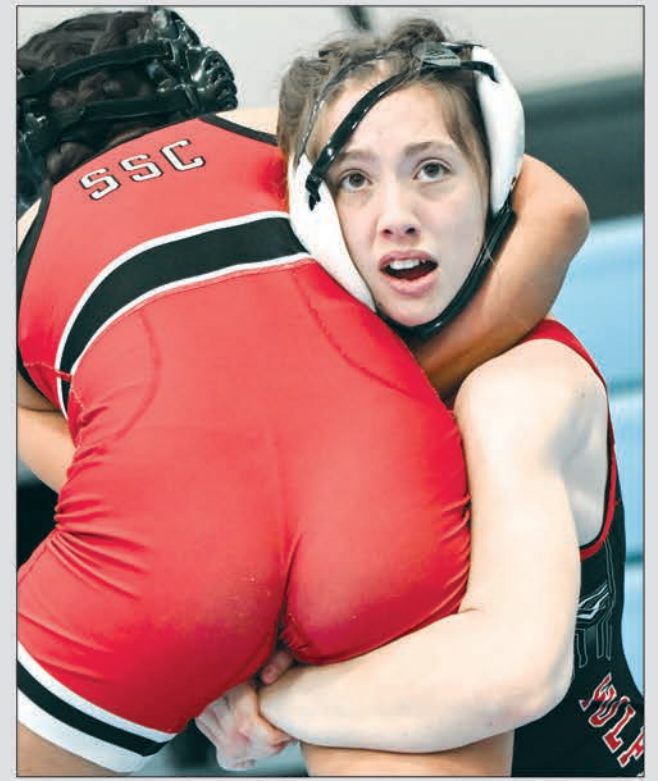
READY TO RUMBLE

Elgin Public-Pope John Wolfpack boys and girls wrestlers are seeing plenty of action as the wrestling season hits the midway mark.

Above photo: Sophomore Gavin Kallhoff gets a grip on his wrestling opponent while competing in a match Saturday at the Summerland Boys Wrestling Invite.

Photo right: Junior Jaydalynn Chessmore looks to the clock as she ponders her next move during one of her matches Monday at the Summerland Bobcat Lady Invite.

E-R photos/DMorgan



Commissioners re-appoint three to planning commission

The Antelope County Board of Commissioners wasted no time last week making appointments to a number of various boards.

During the meeting, the following actions were taken:

- Reappointment of Dave Miller, Kurt Rakow and Ron Thiele to three-

report, the commissioners approved one oversize permit, one underground permit; and the rehiring of Robert J. Hart. Also during the meeting, commissioners approved the Elgin-Neligh Realignment of County Road Agreement with the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

Weather

The high temperature last week was 40 degrees recorded on January 10-11.

The low temperature during the same period was minus six degrees recorded on January 5.

Altogether, 0.02 of an inch of precipitation was recorded last week.

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

Date	High	Low	Prec
Jan. 5	9	-6	.00
Jan. 6	13	-4	.00
Jan. 7	15	-3	.00
Jan. 8	33	2	.00
Jan. 9	33	2	.00
Jan. 10	40	14	.00
Jan. 11	40	20	.02
Total for last week			0.02
Total for January			0.10
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Good day, Pie or cookies! Looking for simple and delicious? This

week we have both! These are two recipes you will want to keep. This pumpkin pie really is delicious. I made it for Thanksgiving and it was so good. You have to have Cool

Whip* of course. This cookie recipe is excellent for making holiday cut out cookies to decorate. I am sure you could just make it as a sugar cookie

rolled in sugar and baked. Either way is simple! Enjoy

JoAnn

EASY PUMPKIN PIE

- 2 eggs
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup cream
- 1 cup pumpkin
- 1/2 tsp cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp cloves

- 1/4 tsp nutmeg
- 1/2 tsp ginger
- 1/4 tsp salt

Mix all the ingredients with a mixer. Pour into an unbaked pie crust. Bake at 450° for 10 minutes, then bake for 30 minutes at 350° or until firm.

SOFT SUGAR COOKIES

- 1 cup butter
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp vanilla

4 cups of sifted flour (may need more - enough to stiffen the dough)

Cream together butter and sugar. Add the sour cream and vanilla.

Sift the soda and flour. Add to the creamed mixture. Put in the fridge and chill for at least 4 hours.

Roll and cut into shapes. Bake at 350° for 8-10 minutes.

Frost and decorate in holiday theme. They stay very soft! Yummy!



EACF grant goes to new electric piano at PJCC

Let the music play!

Music students at Pope John XXIII Central Catholic school are benefiting from a grant courtesy of the Elgin Area Community Foundation. An electric piano was purchased recently with monies received from the foundation. Also, in the past year, the foundation donated towards the school's Lavigne Grant (which was a matching grant). The Lavigne Grant monies are being used to build a bus barn for the school's transportation vehicles. Pictured are elementary music students. (back row, l-r): Ace Pelster, Gave Schindler, Cole Niewohner, Briggs Heying, Owen Childers, Ms. Orcutt, Jaxon Haddix, Carson Funk, Nathan Beckman and Max Borer. Middle row: Lucy VanWinkle, Tess Spieker, June Pelster, Britton Schindler, Sawyer Heying and Zekkius Hoefler. Front row: Bryce Haselhorst, Mylah Schindler, Emma Schindler and Westen Childers. Photo submitted

Beister is diabetes educator, certified foot care specialist at BCHC

Boone County Health Center (BCHC) is proud to celebrate Registered Nurse Jaimie Beister's recent appointment as Diabetes Educator and her achievement of certification as a Certified Foot Care Specialist (CFCS).

A valued team member of BCHC for over 15 years, Beister's expanded roles reflect her dedication to providing comprehensive and specialized care for our patients and communities.

In her new role as Diabetes Educator, Beister has completed 15 hours of diabetes-specific continuing education (CEUs), a requirement that enables BCHC to continue to offer the Diabetes Self-Management Educational

Services (DSMES) program in partnership with Bryan Health. The DSMES program empowers patients with diabetes to better understand and manage their condition, improving their quality of life and long-term health outcomes.

Additionally, Beister's achievement of CFCS certification highlights her specialized expertise in nursing foot care. This credential validates her qualification, competence, and commitment to staying current with best practices and guidelines. Preparing for and passing the certification exam has ensured her knowledge and skills are both comprehensive and up-to-date, allowing her

to provide exceptional care for patients with foot care needs.

Beister along with Janet Feik and Annette Horan offer foot care services at the Rudman Rehabilitation Center, located inside the south entrance of Boone County Health Center. For more information on the diabetes or foot care program contact Beister at 402-395-3156 or visit with your Primary Care Provider.

Community Calendar

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

Wednesday, January 15
District #18 Board of Education regular meeting.

Thursday, January 16
Pope John National Honor Society induction ceremony.

Friday, January 17
Farewell for Amanda Wolff, APRN, from 4 to 5:30 P.M. at the Neligh AMH Family Practice Clinic.*

Monday, January 20
No School at Elgin Schools (teacher in-service).

Wednesday, January 22
Prevention Solutions at EPS

Friday, January 24
Referee's Land sale to be held @ 10 a.m. at the Antelope County Courthouse in Neligh.*

Sunday, January 26
25th Annual "Evening With Friends" gala at the Elgin Knights of Columbus Hall* • Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest @ St. Boniface Auditorium*.

Events listing courtesy of
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Registered Nurse Jaimie Beister was recently appointed as Diabetes Educator at Boone County Health Center.

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Learning life's lessons the hard way

Where's Jane? Well, she's a bit 'under the weather'. Seriously, where did that phrase, real common this January when sniffles abound, come from? And is there such a thing as over the weather? Under the weather means you're a bit sick, or down in the

dumps, or maybe dragging some after too much New Year's Eve or bowl game partying. Sometimes the phrase is used as an excuse because you really don't want to show up for this meeting or that, or go to church this particular Sunday, or attend a gathering with people you

really don't know, or fill-in-the-blank. Around here where honesty is a hallmark, 'under the weather' is more likely to be a sincere attempt to keep the makings of a cold confined to those living under the same roof. Had to look up the origin of the phrase 'under the weather', which find out has no obvious connection to anything here in landlocked Elgin. Sailors in the early 1800s are credited with the phrase's beginning. When seasickness hit, they'd go below deck to recover. So, literally, they were under the weather. Though not common vernacular, there's 'over the weather', too. Think about airplanes soaring above the clouds. It can be sunny at 3,000 feet and pouring rain on the tarmac at landing. Ever get hot under the collar when some appliance won't work? The answer might be right under your nose. Plug in the toaster! Been watching a Netflix series recently where one person or another is under arrest. The savvy lawyer puts the cases under a microscope and gets an appropriate 'not guilty' verdict when critical witnesses testify under oath. When the winds blow in January and we're snowed under here in rural Elgin, maybe we can finish this series while awaiting road plowing to get underway. 'Don't let the grass grow under your feet' is an admonition to get with it, not wait until the

last minute, get out there and do it. Changing oil in your vehicle on time, which takes getting under the hood, is a good example. Lost a wonderful mentor and friend last month to a rare neurological condition. She took me under her wing in college as did many others. Even while she was put under someone's care of late here on earth, she still had a knack for building a fire under you to keep you doing your best. Her memory will be cherished forever. Never been too impressed by someone, especially if they're underage, who claimed they could drink anyone under the table. Might end up six feet under for living a lifestyle under the influence. Not good how alcohol and other addictions can put one under a spell. Never been to Australia, though close, New Zealand. The colloquialism Down Under, which started in Australia has expanded in scope to cover Pacific Island countries. Fun to be in the southern hemisphere when sometimes you'll see countries such as Australia depicted at the top of a world map. Maybe you learned that sweeping house dirt under the rug was unacceptable. Nobody in their right mind now would throw you under the bus for this behavior, though in the last century, some might whisper nasties under their breath about you. A peppy children's song learned in Sunday School is This Little Light of Mine. The last stanza starts like this -- Hide it under a bushel? No! I'm going to let it shine. If you're going under the knife this winter, remember there'll be lots new under the sun to experience when wellness returns. Hope you stay snugly under the covers on frigid January nights, dream of golfing under par come spring, or maybe catching a circus performance under the big top. Most importantly, take precautions to stay well. In other words, please avoid finding yourself under the weather. *****

Say What?



Elgin Columnist Jane Schuchardt

Bartlett News

The Bartlett Lions Club held their Christmas party on Sunday, January 12, at 6 p.m. in the old fire hall. Eighteen members and two children attended. Brisket was prepared by the Dave Collins families and served as the main course. Members attending brought an assortment of salads, sides and desserts. A very short meeting was held to discuss preparations for the Ground Hog Supper to be held February 2. Members were reminded to bring a dessert that evening to be served. A gift exchange took place after the meeting. The next regular meeting will be held February 13 at 7 p.m.

Submitted by Sherry Tetschner



Photo submitted

The Bartlett Lions Club held their annual Christmas party January 12 at the old fire hall in Bartlett.

Looking Back

Sixty Years Ago

January 14, 1965

Maynard Scholl and Leo M. Beelart have been hired by the Farmers Cooperative Exchange board of directors, effective January 15 and 18, respectively. Maynard was hired to manage the lumber yard division, which comprises the lumber, implement and hardware departments. Leo will be mechanic in the implement department.

Eighty acres of land north and west of town Saturday brought \$20,240 at auction. This was part of the real estate sold to settle the Robert McClintock estate. The property was improved and went to Linus Spieker.

The 1962 Ford belonging to Vernol Beckman, who lives three miles west of Petersburg, was found wrecked about a half mile west of that town Tuesday morning. The vehicle was apparently stolen sometime Monday evening and believed to have been wrecked around 9 Monday night. The car is reported to be a total loss.

Harold Anderson underwent surgery Wednesday at Antelope Memorial hospital to have his left leg amputated several inches above the knee. Harold suffered polio 51 years ago and has worn a brace on his left leg and several years ago had difficulty with his right leg which also required a brace.

Open house will be held at the Ray Schumacher farm near Petersburg on Sunday, Jan. 17, between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m. The event is in honor of the 90th birthday anniversary of Adolph Schumacher.

Fifty Years Ago

January 9, 1975

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Cooper of Oakdale announce the engagement of their daughter, Carla, to David J. Kallhoff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kallhoff of Elgin. Miss Cooper is a 1974 graduate of Neligh High School and is employed at Sherwood Medical Industries in Norfolk. Her fiancé is a 1974 graduate of Pope John High School and is engaged in farming.

Three Arthur W. and Viola Thompson scholarships have been awarded to upperclassmen at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Agriculture. The scholarships, valued at \$150 each, are given each year to deserving animal science majors. David Uhrenholdt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Uhrenholdt, is the senior recipient, majoring in Ag Honors.

Mary Elizabeth Roan of Omaha and Daniel Joseph Borer of Albion were married in St. John the Baptist Church in Petersburg on December 27, 1974. The 1:00 o'clock double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Ralph Lammers and the Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. H. Buel.

Harvey Blase will be installed as Director of Christian Education of Trinity Lutheran Church, Elgin, and Grace Lutheran Church, Neligh, in a special service on January 12, at 2:30 p.m., at Grace Lutheran Church in Neligh.

Leander Petsche and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Henn announce the engagement of their children, Lori Kay Petsche and Robert R. Henn. The bride to be is a 1974 graduate of Pope John High School and is employed by Petersburg Lockers. Mr. Henn is a 1972 graduate of Pope John High School and is employed by Ag Supply at Petersburg.

Thirty Years Ago

January 11, 1995

A new chapter in the life of Tintern Monastery, located southwest of Oakdale, began during the fall of 1994. The former monastery is being converted to an interfaith retreat center, and is now available to all church-related groups in Nebraska.

Ray and Peggy Payne of rural Elgin are the parents of a son, Kix Raymond, born Thursday, Jan. 5. He weighed six pounds, six ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kasselder of Ericson and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Payne of Elgin.

Frank Joseph Beckman, son of Anton and Elizabeth (Haverman) Beckman, was born at Elgin, June 8, 1898, and died at Antelope Memorial Hospital, Neligh, Jan. 3, 1995, at the age of 96 years, six months, and 25 days. He grew to manhood on his parents' farm, and attended St. John Berchman's School at Raville.

Kristie Scholl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Scholl of Elgin, has been named to the Directors List at Spencer School of Business in Grand Island for outstanding academic performance. Kristie has received highest honors for a cumulative grade point average falling in the range of 3.97. Kristie is enrolled in the Business Administration with Management program.

Twenty Years Ago

January 5, 2005

Elgin Fire Department and EMTs presented awards for years of service at the annual Awards Banquets last Sunday evening, Jan. 9, at Cowboy Up Steakhouse. The honored firemen and rescue squad members this year represented 135 years of service.

Three new board members will take their seats on the Elgin Public Schools Board of Education when the board meets Thursday evening, Jan. 13. The oath of office will be administered to board members Stan Heithoff, Laurie Waterbury and Scott Beckman.

Josh and Maria Kinney of Elgin are the parents of a son, Cale Michael, born Wednesday, Dec. 29, 2004, at Faith Regional Health Services, Norfolk. He weighed seven pounds, 12 ounces, and joins a sister, Faith, 2 1/2 years old, at home.

Pope John Students recently completed another successful Grocery Sales Project, surpassing the \$100,000 goal for their annual sales. As a result, the Pope John Student Council will be able to contribute \$10,300 to the Committee for Continuation of Pope John fund drive.

Elgin Community Center Menus

Monday, January 20: Philly cheese sloppy joes, French fries, baked beans, mandarin oranges, bread/butter, milk.

Tuesday, January 21: Potato soup, chicken salad sandwich, cheese/crackers, cottage cheese, pineapple, bread/butter, milk.

Wednesday, January 22: Chicken & stuffing casserole, mixed vegetables, lettuce salad, pears, bread/butter, milk.

Thursday, January 23: Smothered pork cutlets, au gratin potatoes, broccoli/cauliflower mix, strawberry/peach mix, bread/butter, milk.

Friday, January 24: Biscuits & gravy, sausage patty, scrambled

eggs, fruit salad, orange juice, bread/butter, milk. (All meals served with bread & butter.)

Menus are provided by the Community Center and are subject to change.

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

Under 60 is \$10.00. Serving starts at 11:45 a.m. and ends around 12:15 p.m.

Meals are served Monday thru Friday. Takeout starting 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!

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UNK Dean's List announced

KEARNEY – The University of Nebraska at Kearney announced students who earned a place on the dean's list for the fall 2024 semester.

Students who are on the dean's list must have completed 12 credit hours or more of classes with a 3.5 grade-point average or better on a 4.0 scale. Students earn a 4.0 for an "A," 3.0 for a "B" and 2.0 for a "C."

Local students named to the Dean's List were:
Elgin — Jack Barlow, Baylee Busteded, Skyler Meis and Ashlyn Meis
Petersburg — Natalie Pelster

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Opinion

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

Edward R. Murrow

Certifying America's comeback

On November 5, 2024, the American people cast their votes in a pivotal presidential election.

Between Election Day in November and Inauguration Day in January, several key steps must occur to certify the election results.

Our election certification loudly and clearly reaffirmed the results we saw in November: Donald Trump will serve as the next president of the United States of America.

That election victory is just the start. With Republican majorities in the House and Senate, President Trump is primed to lead us in a comeback for America.

WASHINGTON REPORT



U.S. Senator Deb Fischer

building the border wall and end President Biden's practice of "catch-and-release."

President Trump is also committed to fixing our struggling economy. Last year, I met with hundreds of Nebraskans both in Washington and back home.

I heard from single moms working multiple jobs to keep their kids fed, dual-income families who couldn't afford a mortgage, and retirees struggling to get by.

No one has escaped the effects of President Biden's bloated economy.

President Trump has pledged to strip away unnecessary regulations that are making our economy suffer.

These crucial steps will mend our economy and make Americans' lives better.

This week's certification of the presidential election was a reminder of the work we have ahead of us this Congress as we partner with the Trump administration.

It was also a reminder of our optimism about President Trump's return to office. America's great traditions of the democratic vote and peaceful transfer of power have endured through this year's election—and we look forward to an inauguration that will usher in a comeback for the American people.

Could the legislature dish up a 'state' dessert in '25

LINCOLN — As the State Legislature gets to work on its 90-day session, it's time to consider whether the Unicameral should resolve an important, and regularly overlooked matter — designating a state dessert.

Face it, we all love dessert and naming an official state dessert is long overdue. It has to rank higher than designating an official state reptile or state fossil, which we already have (the box turtle and mammoth, respectively.)

Eight states, our research indicates, have state desserts including, gulp, neighboring South Dakota.

We obviously don't want to trail South Dakota in anything other than presidential faces on mountains and the number of billboards for Reptile Gardens along interstate highways.

This matter came up during a visit to one of my favorite small-town grocery stores.

Nelson's Food Pride, which specializes in Swedish delicacies from its home in Oakland, the state's Swedish Capital.

Those delicacies include ostkaka, an eggy, custard-like, soft cheesecake fashioned out of raw milk, often served with a topping of lingonberries or raspberries.

It was a family holiday favorite. My dad (and later me) had to hustle out to a local dairy in hopes that a farmer would sell us a gallon or two of unpasteurized milk (you know, the stuff that some people now think is not health-threatening to drink).

The milk was curdled into a sweet cottage cheese. Yummy.

We passed a town that proudly proclaimed itself as the "Home of the State Dessert: Kuchen."

Kuchen is kind of a blander version of ostkaka, baked into a pie crust and, as we found out, fairly accessible across northern South Dakota.

Other state desserts tend to promote a local product or tradition, such as blueberry pie in Maine, the ice cream cone in Missouri (which debuted at the 1904 World's Fair in St. Louis) or the Massachusetts honoree, Boston Creme Pie.

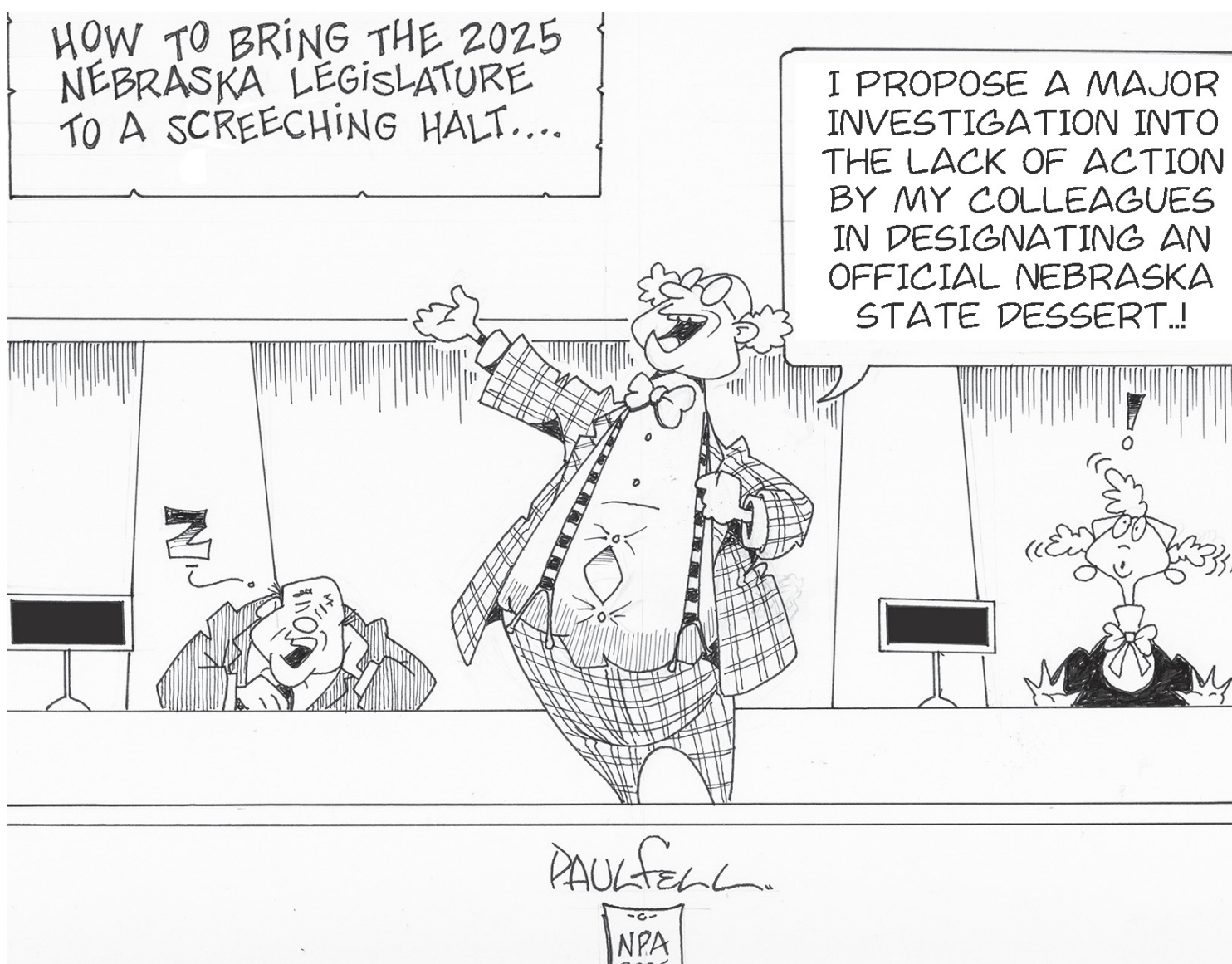
Ensuring the United States meets challenges we face around the world is a demanding but vital task. Dispute resolution and advanced international cooperation are rarely straightforward, with bad faith actors abusing processes and power.

FROM THE HILL



Congressman Adrian Smith

This week in the House, I supported bipartisan legislation to protect American sovereignty and affirm our ally Israel's right to defend itself.



(Why strawberry shortcake is the state dessert of Florida is beyond me. Maybe they should rename the "Orange Bowl" in Miami the "Strawberry Bowl.")

Anyway, one day I mentioned this shameful omission in Nebraska to a state senator who represented several Czech communities. Why not introduce a bill to make kolaches the state dessert? I offered (after all, they could use a few more bills to ponder down in Lincoln and you can find kolaches from Wilber to Verdigre, with Clarkson and Prague in between).

Well, no one listens to a reporter (probably a wise thing) and the issue died for the lack of a motion. The senator also pointed out that kolaches are probably more of a pastry than a dessert.

Nebraska has a lot to offer in the dessert category, and an official designation might draw tourists seeking a tasty treat.

How about cinnamon rolls? They pair great with chili — as Runza has found out — and there's more than one bakery/cafe across the state that claims to have the "world's best."

How about Tin Roof sundaes? The ice cream parlor at the Potter Sundry is famous for its towering sundaes of vanilla and chocolate ice cream, topped with marshmallow sauce and peanuts. Potter is a popular stop along Interstate 80 out in the Panhandle due to its sundaes.

If we act quickly, maybe we could steal the Eskimo pie from Iowa, where it was invented in Onawa, just across the river from Decatur. That would teach them for all those last-second football victories they snatch from us.

Popcorn balls was suggested by one website as Nebraska's state dessert because the state leads the nation in producing popcorn.

That has some ring to it, but I'd say that popcorn balls are more of a snack

than a dessert. Come to think of it, cinnamon rolls are probably out, too, since they're more of a breakfast pastry than a dessert.

It gets complicated, this drive for a designated dessert. Maybe we should refocus our aim on something simpler, like designating a state steak?

We still lay claim as "The Beef State," and no one can mistake a ribeye for a pastry or a breakfast roll.

Paul Hammel has covered the Nebraska state government and the state for decades. He retired in April as senior contributor with the Nebraska Examiner. He was previously with the Omaha World-Herald, Lincoln Journal Star and Omaha Sun.

A native of Ralston, Nebraska, he loves traveling and writing about the state.

Safeguarding American sovereignty

since its creation in 2002, the ICC has consistently been plagued by dysfunction, corruption, and misuse.

In 2020, President Trump issued an executive order placing economic sanctions and visa restrictions on ICC officials involved in any ICC effort to investigate or prosecute U.S. citizens or our allies, including Israel. Yet, in 2021, President Biden revoked this order without securing any substantial reforms at the ICC.

The ICC's November 2024 issuance of arrest warrants for Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and a former Israeli military official is the most recent example of the court's lack of credibility. This attempt by South Africa and a coalition of longstanding anti-Israel advocates to obstruct and undermine Israel's response to the October 7, 2023, attacks on and abduction of its own citizens is an egregious abuse of the court's power.

While President Biden has spoken against these warrants by the ICC, he has neglected to reinstate the sanctions or take meaningful action to hold the ICC accountable.

The bill passed by the House this week, the Illegitimate Court Counteraction Act, would require the president

to impose such sanctions and prohibit any future federal funding from going to the ICC. I supported House passage of this bill both last Congress and in the first week of this Congress to stand up against exploitation of purported "international justice" and uphold our nation's and our allies' self-determination.

Challenges to U.S. sovereignty targeting American businesses for unfair treatment don't only originate from far-flung places. They come from our own hemisphere as well. Mexico's absurd lawsuit accusing American gun manufacturers of aiding and abetting drug cartels within Mexico's own borders is one such challenge. While the Supreme Court has agreed to hear oral argument for this case in March of this year, I recently joined Speaker Mike Johnson in submitting an amicus brief to the Court outlining the unconstitutional nature of this lawsuit. I expect the Supreme Court to firmly reject the Mexican government's claim.

Holding organizations and other nations accountable for discriminatory action or neglect is essential for the United States to protect Americans and maintain good standing on the global stage. The World Health Orga-

nization's (WHO) failure to hold China accountable for its mismanagement of the spread of COVID-19 and its coverup of the origins of the virus made the pandemic harder to combat and fundamentally compromised global trust in the WHO's ability to address future crises. Furthermore, near the end of last month, in a blatantly anti-Israel political move, head of the WHO Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus called for the immediate release of a hospital director detained by Israeli forces following a raid on a facility sheltering Hamas operatives.

I am pleased President Trump has already articulated his intention to once again withdraw from the WHO after President Biden foolishly reinstated U.S. funding for the organization, again without securing reforms.

Whether it comes to public health, the lawful sale of firearms, or the allegations of an illegitimate international court, our national sovereignty must never be infringed. Those who attempt to conceal corruption and overlook the actions of terrorists while bringing false accusations against us will not prevail. I will always support and maintain the God-given rights of the American people and our allies.

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Phyllis M. Kinney, 98

July 10, 1926 - January 9, 2025

A 1943 graduate of Elgin High School, she was a charter member of the Stitch and Chatter Club of Elgin.



Phyllis M. Kinney, 98 of Elgin passed away peacefully, surrounded by family on Thursday, January 9, 2025 at The Willows Assisted Living in Neligh, NE.

Funeral Services will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 18, 2025 at Park Congregational UCC Church, rural Elgin, with Rev. Delores Ruzicka and Rev. Mary Avidano Hubert officiating.

Interment will follow at Park Cemetery west of Elgin. Visitation will be held 5-7 p.m. Friday at Levander Funeral Home in Elgin.

Memorials may be directed to Park Center Cemetery and AseraCare Hospice in O'Neill, NE.

Levander Funeral Home of Elgin is in charge of the arrangements.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.levanderfuneralhome.com.

Phyllis Marie (Lawson) Kinney was born on July 10, 1926, to Virgil and Agnes (Fink) Lawson at the family farm southwest of Elgin. She attended Belltower schools District #39 through 8th grade and attended Elgin Public Schools graduating in 1943. After graduation she taught school for four years at District #70 and District #148.

Phyllis and Roland Kinney met while in high school and married on December 22, 1946.

They lived on the farm until retiring in 1993 and moved to Elgin. They enjoyed spending some wintertime in Port Aransas, TX with their Elgin friends. Roland passed away in 2011. She lived the past six years at the Willows in Neligh.

In addition to being a devoted wife and mother, Phyllis enjoyed gardening and flower gardening, scrapbooking and counted cross stitching. Phyllis was a member of Park Women's Fellowship, taught Sunday School, assisted with bible school and Christmas programs for many years. She was also a Charter member of the Stitch and Chatter Club of Elgin.

Survivors include children: Lana (Dick) Bennett of Elwood, NE; Rich (Gwen) Kinney and Tom (Connie) Kinney; daughter-in-law Karin Kinney all of Elgin; nine grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild; sister Marian Gilsdorf of Tucson, AZ, along with many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her husband Roland, infant daughter Beverly and son Michael along with her parents, brother Ralph (Bud) Lawson and wife Jean, her brother-in-law Orville Gilsdorf, her father and mother-in-law Walter and Ella Kinney, brother and sister-in-law Raymond and Eleanor (Kinney), Hunter and Wayne and Dorothy (Kinney) Currie.

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Travis Dozler, 33

February 24, 1991 - January 4, 2025

Growing up in the Oakdale and Elgin areas, Travis' life had a profound impact on his family and friends.



A Requiem Mass for Travis George Dozler, age 33, of Neligh

will be held at 11:00 am Monday, January 13, 2025 at St. Theresa's Catholic Church in O'Neill, Nebraska. There will be a Rosary before Mass at 10:30 am. Fr. Michael Sellner will officiate. Burial will follow in St. Theresa's Catholic Cemetery. Visitation will be 5-7:30 pm Sunday, January 12, 2025 at Biglin's Mortuary in O'Neill with a Rosary at 7:30 pm. Travis passed away on Saturday, January 4, 2025 as a result of a sudden semi-truck accident near Mound City, Missouri. Travis leaves behind his expectant wife and four children under the age of eight. Donations to help his family can be made to an account set up at the Bank of Elgin.

Travis was born in Neligh, Nebraska on February 24, 1991 to Joseph Dozler and Kelli Wilkinson. He grew up in the Oakdale and Elgin areas with his brother Tanner. The boys partnered up for many hunting and fishing adventures that continued into their adult lives. He met Kaitlyn Klabenes in July, 2014 and they were married on May 28, 2016. During the years following, they had four children together. Jesse, William, Rebecca, and Aaron became the true loves of his life. Travis' new little partners shared his love for animals and the outdoors. Each one has special memories with their dad; Jesse fishing at

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their secret spot, William playing hide and seek with glow sticks, Rebecca playing board games, and Aaron riding on the lawn mower.

Along with his family and friends, Travis' other loves were fishing, target practice, hunting, grilling, and watching the Huskers.

Travis' life had a profound impact on his family and friends. He was quick to smile and he would laugh with his whole belly. He was only a phone call away for anyone who needed him. Someone so fun and so kind will be so terribly missed.

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Travis is survived by his wife Kaitlyn (Klabenes) Dozler of Neligh; their children, Jesse, William, Rebecca, Aaron, and Charles; his parents, Joseph (Carol) Dozler of Elgin, NE; Kelli (Matt) Wilkinson of Oakdale, NE; siblings, Tanner (Kaitlyn) Dozler of Elgin, NE; Katie (Caleb) Miller of Randolph, NE; Mykil (Brianna) Copeland of Omaha, AR; Truman (Ashley) Copeland of Harrison, AR; grandparents, Pat (John) Hruby of Elgin, NE; Howard Barnes of Harrison, AR; many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins. He is preceded in death by his grandparents, Marvin and Marilyn Sands, Gerald Dean Dozler, Cathie Barnes, and Thomas McDer-

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1 Corinthians 12:1-11

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Nebraska organic farm group gathers in Norfolk

Elgin's Rick Schuchardt serves as vice president of OCIA

Organic oats production plus grain merchandising prospects for 2025 were key topics of the day-long annual meeting of the Organic Crop Improvement Association (OCIA) Nebraska in Norfolk on Saturday, January 4, 2025.

OCIA Nebraska, consisting of about 70 organic farm producers statewide, welcomed membership at the Elkhorn Lodge at Ta-Ha-Zouka Park to get updates on the chapter's accomplishments and share organic farming practices. There are about 220 certified organic farm operations across the state.

Matt O'Hern, grain merchandiser for Scoular Grain increased understanding about

the effect of tariffs on international trade in addition to providing a marketing outlook. Margaret Smith, a forage agronomist with Albert Lea Seed and a longtime organic farmer, talked about the feasibility of organic oats production in Nebraska, including recommended varieties to grow.

Amongst other action in 2024, Board members reported on the organic farming scholarship fund and involvement with the USDA Transition to Organic Partnership Program (TOPP). A highlight of the meeting was a video farm tour available on YouTube and at www.nebraska-ocia.org.

The featured farm is owned

and operated by Larry Stanislav, Linwood. Additional videos, designed to help with the transition to organic, certification, record-keeping, regulation requirements, and more are forthcoming.

In addition to membership dues, the OCIA Nebraska chapter has the following sponsors -- Grain Place Foods, Sunrise Foods International, S&G Commodities, Albert Lea Seed, Scoular Grain, Green Cover Seed, Central Plains Organic Farms, Reinke's Farm & City Service, Inc., and Nature Safe Fertilizers.

Officers for 2025 are Simeon Mosel of Page, president; Rick Schuchardt of Elgin, vice-presi-

dent; Karen Ostry of David City, secretary; and Dustin Blair of Creighton, treasurer.

OCIA International, headquartered in Lincoln, is one of the world's oldest, largest, and most trusted leaders in the organic certification industry. It continues to gain top rankings amongst certifiers in the United States and around the world.

The Nebraska OCIA chapter is a membership organization focused on environmentally sound stewardship, mentorship, sharing of best practices, and the promotion of certified organic production. For more information, contact Kim Mosel, OCIA Nebraska Program Administrator, 402-620-2701,

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Among those attending the recent annual meeting of the Organic Crop Improvement Association in Norfolk were (front row, l-r): Kevin Blair, Dustin Blair, Abby Mosel, Genny Mosel, Terry Mosel, Kim Mosel, Ashley Kasik, Ethan Mosel, Randy Mosel, Karen Ostry, Rick Schuchardt and Travis Wingate. Back row: Simeon Mosel (full beard), Randy Fendrich, Larry Stanislav, Bob Spenner, Jeremy Passyka, Jacob Passyka and Terry Lange.

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'Leaving a Lasting Legacy' for midwestern farm women

A multi-state extension workshop series for women in agriculture will offer strategies to evaluate and improve farm estate and transition plans. "Leaving a Lasting Legacy for Midwestern Farm Women: A Succession Planning Series," will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Central time on Jan. 21, Jan. 28, Feb. 4 and Feb. 11 at sites across Kansas, Nebraska and Indiana. The series is being produced through a collaborative effort by extension programs at Kansas State University, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and Purdue University.

Topics covered will include motivation for succession planning, communicating with family, the financial aspects of estate and transition plans, and the legal aspects of putting a plan in place.

A keynote speaker will be simulcast to every workshop location during each meeting, with time for questions and a hands-on activity for participants.

A meal will be provided on each date. "Planning for what happens to your things when you're gone can be daunting, but it's so important, especially in agriculture, so that the transition to the next generation goes smoothly," said Jessica

Groskopf, director of the Nebraska Women in Agriculture program. "This series will help women learn best practices and new strategies to help the transition and estate planning processes so they can take that back to their farm or ranch and

help lead the way in creating or reevaluating their plans." Groskopf said the program's structure is intended to strengthen networks of women in rural areas, which can provide opportunities for building trust and sharing information.

"Connections are so important to rural women," she said. "We have seen the benefits that come from knowing your peers, having a place to share difficulties, and mitigate the isolation that so many of us in agriculture often feel."

The registration fee for in-person attendance is \$75. A virtual option is available for \$75. Participants are encouraged to attend all four sessions. Registration information is available at <https://wia.unl.edu/succession25>.

Reclassification of small Nebraska school districts opens door to arming select staff

LINCOLN — A new state law could lead to greater efficiency in setting rules, regulations and safety standards for some of Nebraska's smallest school districts.

Nebraska Education Commissioner Brian Maher reclassified or shifted roughly 80% of the state's 245 school districts to new, smaller levels at the beginning of the year.

"I'm just trying to make a more efficient way of addressing the needs of different sized districts and different demographics," Murman told the Nebraska Examiner.

Firearms and school safety
One of the immediate effects of the law gives school boards of smaller districts the option to authorize select school security personnel to carry firearms on school grounds.

That change, also included in LB 1329, applied to private schools beginning last July.

State Sen. Tom Brewer of north-central Nebraska introduced the measure last year for school districts of all sizes before working with Murman and other senators on a narrower approach.

Brewer had said smaller school districts are more often farther away from emergency services in crises, such as in a school shooting, when every second matters. He said those districts usually don't employ an armed school resource officer as many larger districts do.

Reclassification of Nebraska school districts — Jan. 1, 2025

Nebraska Commissioner of Education Brian Maher reclassified

Nebraska's 245 school districts under Legislative Bill 1329 of 2024 on Jan. 1, 2025. Previously, every school district was Class III — any district up to 200,000 inhabitants — except for the larger districts of Lincoln Public Schools (Class IV) and Omaha Public Schools (Class V). Class I now consists of districts with fewer than 1,500 inhabitants, while Class II consists of districts with 1,500 to 4,999 residents.

The State Board of Education in December adopted a model policy regarding the firearms law created in consultation with the Nebraska State Patrol.

It suggests general guidelines for how a district can authorize who would be allowed to carry firearms, including proper storage and training and evaluation requirements.

In December, the Education Department distributed \$10 million to more than 120 public school districts and 43 private schools to improve school safety and security infrastructure as part of a different law from State Sen. Lynne Walz of Fremont.

Efficiency of state requirements

Murman led LB 1329 as chair of the Education Committee and said during a 2024 hearing that district size can impact how new laws, rules or regulations are implemented.

For example, pre-K-12 enrollment in the current school year ranged from McPherson County Schools with 60 students to the Omaha Public Schools with more than 52,000 students, according to most recent Education Department tallies.

Prior to Jan. 1, nearly every public school district was a Class III district, meaning the districts had up to 200,000 inhabitants, with the exception of the larger districts of Lincoln Public Schools (Class IV) and Omaha Public Schools (Class V), which has a separate public

retirement system.

Of 243 districts that had been in Class III, 193 were reclassified as Class I (up to 1,500 residents) or Class II (up to 5,000 residents).

Murman said his aim was in part to better tailor regulatory requirements on some of the state's smallest school districts.

"It's just not logical to tell a district that is about 2% of the size of the other district that all of your staff need to complete this training program," Murman said as an example at his 2024 hearing.

The new classifications could potentially factor into ongoing discussions to reduce unfunded or underfunded mandates on K-12 schools as goals to reduce local reliance on property taxes.

Murman said he's not looking to consolidate or change school district boundaries, just to ensure the system makes a little more sense.

"If we're better equipped to be able to classify schools, we will be better equipped to make rules that fit each district's needs, rather than a nearly one-size-fits-all approach," Murman said.

Other 2025 laws, so far

Here's a breakdown of some other education-related laws set to take effect later in 2025:

- Modernized parental involvement policies — School districts must update policies regarding how parents and guardians can access certain school materials or be involved in their children's education by July 1. This includes access to testing information and curriculum and explaining how a child could be excused from specific instruction or activities. (LB 71 of 2024, from State Sen. Rita Sanders of Bellevue).

- Dress code protections — K-12 school boards must adopt written student dress codes and grooming policies by July 1. The push came after a school

secretary cut two Lakota girls' hair in the spring of 2020 without parental consent. The State Board of Education passed a model policy in August 2024 (included in LB 298 of 2023, from State Sen. Terrell McKinney of Omaha).

- Tribal regalia protections — Indigenous students are explicitly protected in wearing tribal regalia in public K-12 schools and postsecondary education institutions after July 1 (included in LB 43 of 2024, from Brewer, a member of the Oglala Lakota Tribe).

- Computer science and technology education — Beginning in the 2025-26 school year, school districts must offer computer science and technology courses in elementary, middle and high schools. By the 2027-28 school year, students must have at least five high school credit hours to graduate (LB 1112 of 2022, by McKinney; amended by LB 705 of 2023, by Walz).

- Free menstrual products — A pilot program for schools to distribute free menstrual products in bathrooms, including tampons and pads, beginning in the 2025-26 school year. Priority goes to school districts classified as "needs improvement" or in which more than 40% or more of students are poverty students. The program is subject to available funds, up to

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Meis, Reimers complete director certification program for CVA

Ben Meis and Heath Reimers, directors of the CVA headquartered in York, recently completed a four-phase educational program co-sponsored by the Nebraska Cooperative Council and CoBank. Each will receive a Certificate of Recognition acknowledging completion of the program.

The Director Certification Program is a unique educational program specifically designed to assist cooperative directors to more fully understand their ever-changing responsibilities.

The program has been presented annually at various locations throughout Nebraska since its inception in 1978. More than 8,600 phases have been completed.

The program consists of four one-day courses designed to help participants become more effective cooperative directors. Some of the workshop topics include legal obligations of directors; cooperative principles and practices; using financial statements in making decisions; the benefits of long-range planning; capitalization of cooperatives; and a director's role in establishing proper controls. Workshop segments are patterned to closely follow the growing responsibilities of cooperative directors.

Rocky Weber, President & General Counsel of the Nebraska Cooperative Council of Lincoln, said, "Farm supply and marketing cooperatives are essential segments of the agribusiness industry in Nebraska. These local cooperatives contribute to the success of today's farmers and ranchers, and the complexities of cooperatives only grows. This requires local directors to continually seek out training programs to enhance their skill set. The Council continues to place a high priority on director education programs because education will be a key factor in determining the future success of Nebraska's cooperatives."

The Nebraska Cooperative Council is the trade association for agricultural cooperatives. Over 96% of the agricultural cooperatives throughout Nebraska are members of the Council.



Ben Meis

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OBITUARIES

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Adelaide (Thiele) Hamm, 98



September 17, 1926 - January 8, 2025

Born in Clearwater, she was very dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church.

Adelaide Louise (Thiele) Hamm, 98, of Benton, died on January 8, 2025. She was born on September 17, 1926, in Clearwater, Nebraska to the late Carl J. and Rose (Funk) Thiele.

Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Walter Wm. (Bill) Hamm, ten siblings: Augie Thiele, Teresa Parks, Vincent Thiele, Lillian Brannum, Chuck Thiele, Louie Thiele, Mae Thramer, Geraldine Koehler, Cecilia Payne, Clement Thiele, one stepson; Charles Hamm.

Lou worked in accounting at Union National Bank until her retirement. After a short retirement, she went to work for Duke Properties (Mike & Stephanie Duke) helping take care of their many properties. She loved volunteering and helping care for many people. She also volunteered for several years at Saline Memorial Hospital in the mammography department.

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Lou was also very dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church.

Survivors include: her sister; Margaret (Thiele) Niehaus Fiser, daughter; Carol Oram (Jack), son; Teddy Niehaus, stepson; Jeff Hamm (Barbara), stepdaughters; Julia Rejer (Randy), Katy Kaylor (Mike), grandsons; Dustin Hamm (Laura), Forster Hamm, grandniece; Beth Anne Gucwa (Jason), grandnephew; Brian Rejer (Alaina), also a large number of nieces and nephews.

Rosary will be held 10:15 A.M., Thursday, January 16, 2025, at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11:00 A.M., Thursday, January 16, 2025, at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Calvary Cemetery in Little Rock, Arkansas.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in her memory, Adelaide "Lou" Hamm, to Our Lady of Fatima Church School, 818 West Cross, Benton, Arkansas 72015.

ELGIN CITY COUNCIL

Proceedings January 6, 2025

The Elgin City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 6, 2025, 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.

Councilmembers present for regular meeting were Craig Niewohner, John "Mike" Dvorak, Leigh Kluthe, and Jeremy Young.

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:

December regular and reorganizational meeting minutes, treasurer's report, transaction report, and paying the claims.

GENERAL: ERPPD, se, 100.53; Great Plains Communications, se, 55.35; APPEARA, su, 94.85; The Elgin Review, print, 49.42; 118 Insurance, ins, 3342.00; Eakes

PROCEEDINGS

ANTELOPE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Neligh, Nebraska January 7th, 2025

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

Approved agenda. Approved minutes of the 12-03-2024 and 12-10-2024 BOC Meetings, and the 12-03-2024 BOE Meeting. Public comments.

Correspondence was reviewed. Quarterly Jail Inspection after meeting. Treasurer's Fund Balance, Treasurer's Miscellaneous Revenue, Treasurer's Sweep Account and Clerk of the District Court Reports for December were presented.

Discussed upgrades to underground permits. Heard from Janitorial Staff regarding courthouse situations.

Approved Elgin-Neligh Realignment of County Road Agreement with NDOT, and resolution.

Zoning Administrator Report. Made appointments and re-appointments to Planning Commission, and Board of Adjustments.

Highway Superintendent gave various project updates.

Clearwater Village was not in attendance for discussion/action.

Voted to give employees a floating holiday for remaining open on the National Day of Mourning.

Road Superintendent Report: approved one (1) oversize and one (1) underground permit. Approved rehire. No further report.

Tabletop exercise active threat with Region 11.

Meeting Adjourned. Antelope County Board of Commissioners

CHARLIE HENERY

Chairman of County Board

Attest: LISA PAYNE /s/

Antelope County Clerk

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE JANUARY 6, 2025 MEETING

THE ELGIN CITY COUNCIL

Office Supplies, su, 135.00; Antelope Co Treasurer, se, 100.00; Amazon Business, su, 199.04; Kristin Childers, su, 1171.50; Google, se, 14.40; Black Hills Energy, se, 194.26; Elgin Chamber of Commerce, misc, 400.00; Prudential, retirement, 370.10; American Funds, retirement, 203.98; US Treasury, tax, 4142.76; NE Dept of Revenue, tax, 489.02; Payroll, 4189.97

Transfers: 15000.00

SALES TAX: Pool Fund: 1916.13

STREET: ERPPD, se, 940.46; Verizonwireless, su, 78.38; Hometown Station, fuel, 107.33; Elgin One Stop, fuel, 560.52; Corner Service & Tire, rpr, 303.05; The Elgin Review, print, 60.00; Barco Municipal Products, rpr, 2924.36; Kayton International, se, 2680.00; To Paving Assessment Fund, transfer, 2800.00; Black Hills Energy, se, 119.14; Payroll, 2844.93

WATER: ERPPD, se, 802.34; Great Plains Communications, se, 83.85; Verizonwireless, su, 78.38; NE Health Lab, se, 48.00; One Call Concepts, se, 3.18; To Victoriiah Fangman Acct, apply deposit, 199.80; Victoriiah Fangman, rtn deposit, 0.20; League of NE Municipalities; Utilities Section, training, 150.00; gWorks, fee, 2646.00; To Scott Sanne Account, apply deposit, 200.00; Antelope Co Clerk, se, 10.00; US Post Office, postage, 126.14; NE Dept of Revenue, tax, 33.09; Payroll, 5689.82

SEWER: ERPPD, se, 840.90; Great Plains Communications, se, 52.26; One Call Concepts, se, 3.18; Midwest Laboratories Inc, se, 281.90; Elgin Appliance & More, su, 691.00; Elgin One Stop, su, 101.12; US Post Office, postage, 93.33; NE Dept of Revenue, tax, 236.03; Payroll, 2183.21

FIRE: ERPPD, se, 189.46; Great Plains Communications, se, 59.45; APPEARA, su, 94.85; Elgin One Stop, su, 5.19; Corner Service & Tire, se, 61.00; Black Hills Energy, se, 447.68

POLICE: Antelope Co Sheriff, se, 2,800.00

TRASH PICKUP/RECYCLING: Betty Moser Estate, rent, 100.00; Bud's Sanitary Service, se, 6592.55; US Post Office, postage, 93.33

POOL: ERPPD, se, 65.23; Great Plains Communications, se, 10.00; Black Hills Energy, se, 40.19; Bank of Elgin, loan, 2227.79

PARK: ERPPD, se, 244.78; NE Dept of Revenue, tax, 51.80; Payroll, 661.71

LIBRARY: ERPPD, se, 65.83; Great Plains Communications, se, 59.46; The Elgin Review, su, 45.00; Amazon, su, 92.70; Three Rivers Library System, training, 10.00; Playaway, su, 454.94; Black Hills Energy, se, 132.23; Payroll, 1333.32

YOUTH: ERPPD, se, 33.60

RESCUE: Quick Med Claims, su, 304.73; Bound Tree Medical, su, 33.49; Elgin One Stop, fuel, 103.30; Dean's Market, su, 28.95; Jeremy Young, misc, 25.00; Jaidyn Schrad, misc, 25.00; Dexter Hanzel, misc,

200.00; Jaryn Palmer, misc, 200.00

Go out for bids for block 17 storm sewer improvements

Enter into closed session for potential purchase of real estate at 8:14 p.m.

Reconvene in public session at 8:31 p.m. - no action taken

Building Permits: Kara Funk

The following agenda items were discussed:

Consider removing fluoride from the city water supply

Tabled reviewing additional quotes for alley inlet on Bowen Street

Potential lagoon layout and location requirements

Sell old salt spreader and any other equipment not used

Sheriff report: November-73.58 hours with fifteen 911 calls

Verify trash pickup times with Bud's Sanitary Service

No specific ordinance for chickens at this time

Next regular meeting will be held on Monday, February 3, 2025

Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Mayor Mike Schmitt

City Clerk Kristin L. Childers PUBLISH: January 15, 2025 ZNEZ

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Veik lone medalist at Burwell

BURWELL — Annually, the Burwell Wrestling Invite brings together some of the best wrestlers from across the state. Competition is fierce and, if you medal, you know you've earned your place.

Junior Landyn Veik did just that Friday afternoon, improving his season record to 10-4 with a third place finish in the 157-pound division. Veik wrestled four times, earning three victories. His lone loss came against Creighton's Jorgan Condon who scored a nine to two victory.

Veik then closed out the tournament with two victories. In the consolation finals, Veik scored a major decision (nine to one) over Joseph Ducker of Arcadia/Loup City. Ducker's record is now 16-8.

While that was the lone medal the Wolfpack would bring home from the meet, several other wrestlers showed they are ready to assume their spot on the medal stand.

Perhaps the most impressive was 138-pound wrestler Grady Druke.

After dropping his first match to Ravenna's Trenton Wedemeyer (22-1), Druke came back to post three victories before bowing out in the consolation semi-final round. Druke scored pins of Talan Wood (Central Valley) and Chris Hock (Bertrand) and a technical fall (16-0) win over Owen Brott (Ansley/Litchfield).

Justice Blecher split his first two matches, then came back with pins over Sammy Gonzalez (Wood River) and Andrew Hernandez (Elm Creek). In the consolation finals, North Central's Kip Leonard ended Blecher's run with a pin in 52 seconds.

Gavin Kallhoff (144 pounds) and Landon Kallhoff (150) each dropped both of their matches in their divisions.

Individual results from Friday were:

138—Champ. Round 1 - Trenton Wedemeyer (Ravenna) 22-1 won by fall over Grady Druke (Elgin Public/Pope John) 5-8 (Fall 1:41); Cons. Round 1 - Druke won by fall over Chris Hock (Bertrand)

Schools

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\$250,000 (included in LB 1284 of 2024, from State Sen. Danielle Conrad of Lincoln).

Increased financial support for schools — Beginning in 2023, the Legislature gave public school districts roughly \$1,500 per student as new "foundation aid." Another bucket of funds, "equalization aid," is calculated from a district's needs minus resources. In the next school year, the state's calculation of a district's resources will include 60% of foundation aid, rather than 100%, increasing the "needs" side of the equalization aid formula (LB 583 of 2023, from Sanders).

By Zach Wendling, Nebraska Examiner

EPPJ wrestlers shine at Columbus

COLUMBUS — It was back to the mats Thursday for the Wolfpack wrestling duo of Libby Evans and Jayda Chessmore.

Coming off the Christmas break, the duo began January competing at the Norm Manstedt Girls Invite.

More than 50 schools sent athletes to the tournament, another sign of how girls wrestling continues to grow across Nebraska.

Just as she has done at two previous meets, sophomore Libby Evans again capture gold.

Competing in the 190# B division, recorded two pins in three matches to claim the top spot.

After opening with a decision over Linkin Rahn of Crofton/Bloomfield, Evans captured her first pin of the day in the semi-final round. She pinned Tekamah Herman standout Miley Bergman in 2:34.

Then, in the championship match, Evans vanquished a familiar foe - Summerland's Jaelyn Shaver. Evans pinned Shaver in the third period to raise her record to 12-1. The loss dropped Shaver to 13-4 on the season.

Chessmore competed in the 120# JV division. She won her first two matches, both by pin in under two minutes time. Her only loss of the day came in her final match as Pierce's MaKenna Blecher pinned Chessmore in 3:14. Finishing second, Chessmore's record is now 7-7.

Here are match-by-match for EPPJ: 190 B — Quarterfinal - Libby Evans (Elgin Public/Pope John Girls) 12-1 won by decision over Linkin Rahn (Crofton/Bloomfield Girls) 4-7 (Dec 5-1); Semifinal - Evans won by fall over Miley Bergman (Tekamah-Herman Girls) 13-8 (Fall 2:34); 1st Place Match - Evans won by fall over Jaelyn Shaver (Summerland Girls) 13-4 (Fall 5:00)

120 JV-2 — Round 1 - Jayda Chessmore (Elgin Public/Pope John Girls) 7-7 won by fall over Mayarith Guevara-Olivares (Lincoln High Girls) 0-6 (Fall 1:11); Round 2 - Chessmore won by fall over Riley Wagoner (Bellevue East Girls) 2-4 (Fall 1:26); Round 3 - MaKenna Blecher (Pierce Girls) 5-3 won by fall over Chessmore (Fall 3:14)

Court News

All fines in addition to \$49 court costs. *Denotes an amendment of original charge(s).

Kevin R Bitney, Neligh, NE 12/4/24 Violate load contents requirements | Trailer brake requirement/safety chain | Improper/defective vehicle lighting, fined \$150.00 - Kavan

Andrew M Zoucha, Albion, NE 12/20/24 Speeding 78/65 mph, fined \$75.00 - Detlefsen

Lori A Kraft, Tilden, NE 12/2/24 Possess or use drug paraphernalia, fined \$100.00 - Petersen

Bruce L Town, Missouri Valley, IA 12/29/24 Speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25.00 - Miller

Marcos V Dos Santos Spohr, Elgin, NE 1/23/24 Drive under susp/before reinstated-state, fined \$100.00 - Moore

Steven G Hansen, Omaha, NE 12/23/24 Speeding 84/50 mph | No operator's license/waiverable, fined \$275.00 - Barker

Braden A Bruha, Ord, NE 11/24/24 Violate stop or yield sign, fined \$76.00 - Schlote

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- G&J Dwyer** - 155 BLK & BWF, and a few Red Steers, 650-825
- D&B Benson** - 150 BLK Angus Steers & Open Heifers, 500-675#
- D&M Dugan** - 130 BLK & BWF Calves, 65 Steers and 65 Open Heifers, 550-700#
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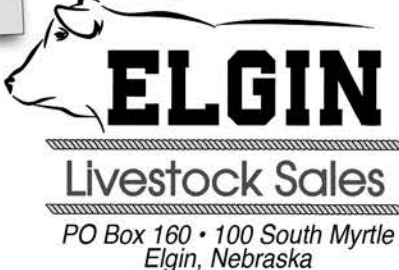
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Next, let's look at amount and frequency of feeding. If hay is fed free choice or unrestricted, studies have shown cattle wasting up to 45% of what is provided. Limit feeding hay so only what is required is fed, will significantly reduce waste right away, even when fed on the ground. One study looking at frequency of feeding showed cattle fed daily needed 25% less hay than those feed every 4 days to maintain similar body condition. This can be as labor intensive as a daily feeding, or something as simple as limiting

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This prevents the hay being pulled out of the feeder and onto the ground. Studies by the University of Missouri, Oklahoma State, and Michigan State on feed loss from bale feeders all found open bottom ring feeders resulting in 20% losses, closed bottom ring feeders had 13% loss, and cone feeders with only 5% loss. While feeders limit waste, they do require the purchase of additional equipment and increase labor when feeding. For large herds or a changing feeding location, this can add significant time and money.

When we add up the combined impact of storage and feed loss, the results can be substantial. For example, even a 10% storage and 15% feeding loss totaling 25% and \$200/ton hay results in 50\$/ton lost. Added up over the course of a season,

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One final point to consider is what we consider as waste. Trampled hay can be considered beneficial as bedding or a soil amendment, and there is truth in this. The addition of organic matter in trampled hay as well as concentrated manure and urine from feeding could be seen as a soil amendment, not a loss. With high hay prices, the cost of amending soil in this fashion needs to be taken into consideration, but feeding loss can sometimes be all in the eye of the beholder.

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1. This regulates cortisol production (abbr.)
5. People of northern Vietnam
8. Employee stock ownership plan
12. Regions
14. The center of a city
15. Hindu serpentine deity
16. Roared
18. Sun up in New York
19. "Sir" in Malaysian
20. Shrimp dish
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3. Pueblo people of New Mexico
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6. Got together to discuss
7. Acquires
8. Involve
9. Some are tomato-based
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13. Blood poisoning
17. A moon of Saturn
24. Neither
25. Sums
26. They follow "A"
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Twelve awarded 'letters' at volleyball awards program last week

The 2004 Wolfpack volleyball season may be in the books, but the final chapter took place last Tuesday night.

Coach Jordynn Luettel recognized the contributions of team members during an awards celebration held in the EPS

gymnasium.

A 26-6 season came up one game short of a trip to the Class C2 State Volleyball Tourna-

ment. The Wolfpack were one of the more dominant teams in northeast Nebraska and it showed by their play on the

court.

Awards, voted on by the players, were handed out during the evening were:

Wolfpack Award — Kierstyn Eisenhower (C team); Reese Stuhr and Brooke Kinney (JV); Chloe Henn and Camry Kittelson (V)

Hustle — Kylee Lichtenberg (C); Brooke Kinney (JV); Braelyn Martinsen (V)

Offense — Kierstyn Eisenhower (C); Halle Lueking (JV); Chloe Henn and Sara Bode (V)

Defense — Kylee Lichtenberg (C); Brooke Kinney (JV); Kate Furstenuau (V)

Most Valuable Player — Kylee Lichtenberg and Kierstyn Eisenhower (C); Haley Parks and Halle Lueking (JV); Chloe Henn (V)

Most Improved Player — Sadie Thiessen (C); Kinley Druke (JV); Mady Kurpgeweit (V)

Letter winners during the season were: Seniors — Sara Bode, Natalie Burenheide, Kate Furstenuau, Callie Heithoff, Chloe Henn and Kaitey Schumacher; Juniors — Camry Kittelson and Kayton Zwingman; Sophomores — Brooke Kinney, Mady Kurpgeweit, Braelyn Martinsen and Elizabeth Moser.

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Volleyball letter winners were (front row, l-r): Braelyn Martinsen, Elizabeth Moser, Camry Kittelson, Mady Kurpgeweit, Kayton Zwingman and Brooke Kinney. Back row: Kaitey Schumacher, Callie Heithoff, Natalie Burenheide, Chloe Henn, Sara Bode and Kate Furstenuau.

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WRESTLING

BOYS VARSITY

an. 17 @ Sumner-Eddyville-Miller 12:00
an. 18 @ Sandhills-Thedford (Dunning) 10:00
Jan. 23 NVC Wrestling@St. Mary's 5:00

GIRLS VARSITY

Jan. 16 @ Ord 1:00
Jan. 20 @ Battle Creek 11:00
Jan. 24 @ Neligh-Oakdale 4:30

BOYS & GIRLS BASKETBALL

VARSITY/JV

Jan. 17 vs. Stuart (PJ) 4:00
Jan. 24 vs. West Holt (EPS) 4:30
Jan. 28 vs. Central Valley (PJ) 4:00
Jan. 30 @ Humphrey-Lindsay Bulldogs 4:00

JUNIOR HIGH

Jan. 21 vs. Riverside (PJ) 3:00
Jan. 23 vs. Randolph (EPS) 3:00
Jan. 27 @ Plainview (boys only) 4:00
Jan. 31 Tourn.@Elkhorn Valley (B) 4:00

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Jan. 13 Boone Central Choral Clinic Concert
Jan. 14 PJCC NHS meeting
Feb. 15 FFA District LDE @ West Holt • EPS School Board meeting
Jan. 16 PJCC NHS Induction
Jan. 20 No School - teacher inservices
Jan. 22 EPS Prevention Solutions
Jan. 26 Elgin KC Free Throw Contest • Evening With Friends fundraiser
Jan. 26-Feb. 1 Catholic Schools Week
Jan. 28 Senior Night, basketball
Jan. 29 Howells-Dodge Speech meet (EPS)
Jan. 31 PJCC Parents Day-noon dismissal
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Wolfpack Sports

Wolfpack roll past Queen Bees

BLOOMFIELD — Coming into Saturday's game against the Queen Bees, EPPJ Coach Randy Eisenhauer wanted his team to not let 6' freshman Madyson Mlady have a big night.

The Wolfpack accomplished just that, holding her in check as EPPJ claimed a 46 to 39 victory. The Wolfpack coach said the team defensively did a really good job.

"I always worry about games after a loss. You never know how the girls are going to bounce back after a loss, especially St. Mary's, but we answered again. That's twice now this year they've come back and played good ball and got a win for us."

Getting key contributions from starters and the bench, EPPJ played extremely well in stretches against Bloomfield.

"It was a game of spurts," Eisenhauer said in the hallway after the game. "We got up 19 to 10 and then we went four-five minutes when we didn't score. I told the girls we've gotta figure that out because we can't do that."

"We probably could have opened it (the lead) up bigger. One thing I did notice tonight is we fought back. They got it down to two or three points and our girls responded with another run."

The run Eisenhauer was referring to was at the start of the second half. "I told the girls we had to do a few things. We changed up our press again. We needed a big three minutes out of us right away. The girls came out and played a very good three minutes."

The score was 19 to 17 to start the second half. Right away, sophomore Mady Kurpgeweit hit a trey, then Kate Furstenau added a two-points. Then Kurpgeweit added three more points and Braelyn Martinsen made one of two free throws to complete a nine-to-two run to make the score 28 to 19.

EPPJ got a big boost from junior Kayton Zwingman who scored six of the next eight points to again give the Wolf-



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Kayton Zwingman had a season-high eight points Saturday against Bloomfield, six coming in the second half.

pack a double-digit lead.

Martinsen had five of the team's first eight points (Furstenau connected on a trey) as EPPJ took a nine point lead with under a minute to play. Furstenau added two free throws late in the game.

Martinsen led EPPJ with 13 points to go along with a team-high seven steals. Kurpgeweit had 11 points and a team-high 14 rebounds. Zwingman finished with eight points.

EPPJ 46, Bloomfield 39
 Wolfpack.....15 4 18 9 — 46
 Bees.....7 10 13 9 — 39
 Wolfpack — Kayton Zwingman 3-10 2-2 8, Elizabeth Moser 1-2 0-0

3, Trissa Russell 0-1 0-0 0, Braelyn Martinsen 4-9 4-7 13, Callie Heithoff 2-7 0-0 5, Kate Furstenau 2-4 1-2 6, Mady Kurpgeweit 4-15 2-4 11. Team totals: 16-53 9-15 46. Three-point shots — Wolfpack 5-19 (Elizabeth Moser 1, Callie Heithoff 1, Mady Kurpgeweit 1, Kate Furstenau 1). Bloomfield team totals: 14-47 8-16 39. Three-point shots — 3-12.

Team statistics: Rebounds — Wolfpack 27 (Mady Kurpgeweit 14), Bloomfield 30. Assists — Wolfpack 11 (Mady Kurpgeweit 4), Bloomfield 10. Steals — Wolfpack (Braelyn Martinsen 7), Bloomfield 6. Turnovers — Wolfpack 17, Bloomfield 32.

Cards late run costs EPPJ victory

ELGIN — "It's a mindset."

That's what Wolfpack Coach Randy Eisenhauer said Thursday night, just moments after the Wolfpack girls fell 38 to 33 to O'Neil St. Mary's. Outside the locker room just moments after the loss, Eisenhauer said the last time the Wolfpack defeated their conference nemesis was when this year's seniors were freshmen.

"We've got to get over that mindset," he said. "I thought we played good. I really did. I just told the girls I thought we played a heckuva game, thought we played really good defense tonight. They just made a couple of more shots."

Neither team established a big lead in the first three quarters. But, in the fourth, the game got really tight. First, EPPJ senior Kate Furstenau's

two-pointer tied the score at 29-all.

St. Mary's answered with a five-point run as Adyson Petersen connected on a trey and, moments later Gracie Williamson scored for a 34 to 29 lead with 3:16 left on the clock.

Wolfpack sophomore Mady Kurpgeweit connected to cut the lead to three, then added two free throws with 1:19 left to make the score to 34 to 33.

With only one team foul at that point in the quarter, EPPJ was forced to foul in an attempt to get the ball back.

St. Mary's then went four for four from the free throw line, all by Pypier Ickes to ice the game, handing EPPJ their second home loss of the season.

Kurpgeweit record another double-double with 12 points and 14 rebounds. Furstenau had

a team-high three assists and tied Braelyn Martinsen for the team high in steals with four.

St. Mary's 38, EPPJ 33
 Cardinals.....11 8 8 11 — 38
 Wolfpack.....8 13 6 6 — 33
 Wolfpack — Kayton Zwingman 1-9 2-2 4, Elizabeth Moser 0-1 0-0 0, Trissa Russell 0-0 0-0 0, Braelyn Martinsen 4-11 0-0 8, Callie Heithoff 1-6 0-0 2, Kate Furstenau 3-12 0-0 7, Mady Kurpgeweit 5-10 2-3 12. Team totals: 14-50 4-5 33.

Three-point shots — Wolfpack 1-14 (Kate Furstenau). St. Mary's team totals: 11-43 12-21 38. Three-point shots — St. Mary's 4-20.

Team statistics: Rebounds — Wolfpack 32 (Mady Kurpgeweit 14), St. Mary's 33. Assists — Wolfpack 10 (Kate Furstenau 3), St. Mary's 6. Steals — Wolfpack 12 (Braelyn Martinsen 4, Kate Furstenau 4), St. Mary's 8. Turnovers — Wolfpack 13, St. Mary's 16.

EPPJ boys bring home two medals from Summerland Invite Saturday

SUMMERLAND — The Wolfpack sent out all five of its varsity wrestlers Saturday to compete at the Summerland Invite and two returned home with medals.

Wolfpack junior Landyn Veik, continuing his streak of medal-winning performances, placed second in the 157-pound division. Teammate Justice Blecher returned to the medal platform, finishing fourth in the 215-pound division.

Blecher improved his record to 12-10, splitting his four matches. Blecher registered pins over Brody Schmeits (Riverside) and Jayson Joseph (Sioux City West). In the consolation finals, Fullerton's Parker

Aaberg pinned the Wolfpack sophomore in 32 seconds.

Veik turned in the best performance by any Wolfpack wrestler on this day, reaching the finals of his weight class.

Wrestling three times, Veik won by technical fall (18-2) over Jaelonni Small (Sioux City West) then claimed a six to four decision over Oran Grint (Twin Loup) to advance to the championship match. There, he faced Konner Bourek (Howells-Dodge), losing seven to two.

Grady Drueke went 2-2 on the day, registering wins over Luke Belina (Howells-Dodge) and Mason Edwards (Winside).

Gavin Kallhoff dropped both of his matches on the mats as

wrestlers from Lutheran High Northeast and Guardian Angels Central Catholic picked up victories. Senior Landon Kallhoff dropped both of his matches, each by pin.

Individual results were:
 138 — Champ. Round 1 - Trevor Carraher (Riverside) 10-2 won by tech fall over Grady Drueke (Elgin Public/Pope John) 7-10 (TF-1.5 4:17 (18-3); Drueke won by fall over Luke Belina (Howells-Dodge) 3-2 (Fall 0:38); Cons. Round 2 - Drueke won by decision over Mason Edwards (Winside) 18-10 (Dec 14-7; Cons. Round 3 - Wyatt Fauss (Twin Loup) 14-14 won by major decision over

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Grady Drueke seized the moment in this match to record a takedown and, moments later, a pin against Luke Belina of Howells-Dodge. Drueke pinned Belina in 38 seconds.

Spinning Tales

Evans is the 'gold' standard for EPPJ girls wrestling

SUMMERLAND — Libby Evans is a dangerous young woman.

The sophomore at Elgin Public School is quiet, unassuming. She just goes about her business. And what's her business? Winning wrestling matches.

No matter where she wrestles - here, Columbus, Wood River and any school in between, she does one thing very well - she wins.

Right now, based on her record, she's the best Wolfpack wrestler this season. As of this writing, she's 12-2.

It's fun to watch her compete. Behind a camera, just feet away, I watch her stalk her prey like a leopard.

Slowly, methodically looking for an opening and when it appears, she seizes the moment. Once she gets her opponent in her grasp, Libby bears down. The sound of the referee's palm slapping the mat signifies victory. She gets up off the mat, not jumping and shouting, but walking off the mat towards her coaches and teammates.

Not long ago, actually just before Christmas, Libby spoke to *The Elgin Review* about wrestling and how she goes about her business.

Competing in the 190-pound

weight class, Evans says she watches her opponents to see how they wrestle. "A lot of girls, my weight, they like to push people around, so I look for that a lot ... Everything works out some how."

Last year, she said, when she medaled at state feels so long ago midway through the season. I told her, this year, I believe she's the measuring stick other wrestlers are using to determine where they stand.

Admittedly, I see Evans as the gold standard. Every time I see her compete, her opponents seem to be always wrestling for second place. The rare athlete who defeats her probably considers the victory a season-worthy accomplishment.

Anyone who knows me well knows how I like to find nicknames. For Libby, she's the 'silent assassin,' SA for short. Underestimate her at your own risk, you'll be pinned quickly.

 Wolfpack girls basketball coach Randy Eisenhauer alluded to something I haven't thought much about in recent seasons.

On Thursday night, Elgin Public-Pope John couldn't quite get over the hump and lost to O'Neil St. Mary's by five points, 38 to 33, at the EPS gymnasium.

Coming out of the locker room after the loss, he said this year's seniors were freshmen when EPPJ last defeated the Cardinals in roundball action.

He said the string of losses appears to have become a "mindset" each time the two teams play. Somehow, some way

the Cardinals always find a way to win.

If his assessment is true, and I have no reason to believe it's not, then maybe the Wolfpack need to look no further than the Husker football team in the 1970s. After winning back-to-back national championships to start the decade, Oklahoma became NU's nemesis. NU Coach Tom Osborne lost six straight times to Barry Switzer's Sooners. No matter how good NU was, Oklahoma was better during the streak.

Then, in 1978, the Huskers finally beat the Sooners 17 to 14 on a cold November day when the Blackshirts forced nine fumbles, recovering six. The final fumble, by Heisman Trophy winner to be Billy Sims at the two-yard line, recovered by now Nebraska Governor Jim Pillen, broke the streak.

What ensued could be described as mass hysteria. Fans rushed the field, goal posts came down and Lincoln never celebrated like it did that night. I remember, I was there.

What I remember most about that game was how hard Nebraska played. They wouldn't be denied. No matter what Oklahoma did, no matter how much 'Sooner Magic' they had, Nebraska was just that much better. The loss denied the Sooners a sure national championship.

Back to Thursday night, EPPJ was so very close to beating the Cardinals. One or two plays may have been the difference.

We'll get them next time.

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EPPJ beats Bees by 14

BLOOMFIELD — Saturday night's alright for fighting on the hardwood. On a night when the Wolfpack resorted to Bloomfield's style of play, Elgin Public-Pope John's boys team defeated the Bees 46 to 32.

Wolfpack Coach Matt Euse said he wanted the Wolfpack to get out and run the court at every opportunity, noting how he thought the team would put up 60 points against the Bees.

However, Bees' Coach Gary Eisenhauer's team limited those opportunities and the result was a sluggish game.

At times the Wolfpack would dominate their opponent. Such was the case for much of the first half. Junior Jarek Erickson scored all but one point for EPPJ in the first quarter as they jumped out to an 11 to 4 lead.

The lead grew to 10 to six midway through the second quarter when senior Dylan Kolm sank a trey. Then the Wolfpack went cold for the rest of the half, their only points coming from an Erickson trey which gave EPPJ a 22 to 10 lead.

"The first half, that was the worst offensive half we've had all year," Coach Euse said. "And it's not like we weren't getting

good looks. Our execution wasn't good ... They (Bloomfield) did a good job of making us play their game."

A trey by Beau Eisenhauer cut the Wolfpack's lead to single digit at 26 to 17. EPPJ then closed out the quarter on an eight to three run as Max Henn and Kellan Hoefler notched baskets before Karson Kallhoff closed out the quarter with a buzzer beating trey for a 34 to 20 lead.

"We've got too many weapons to sit back and be stagnant offensively. We've got to get out and run, move the ball," Euse said.

The lead grew to 43 to 23 before Euse cleared the bench. The Bees closed out the game with a nine-to-three run, the Wolfpack's only points came on a trey by Henn. Erickson led the Wolfpack with 18 points, Henn and Kolm each had eight.

EPPJ 46, Bloomfield 32
 Wolfpack.....11 11 12 12 — 46
 Bees.....4 6 10 12 — 32
 Wolfpack — Ticen Sparr 0-0 0-0 0, Kellan Hoefler 3-9 1-2 7, Michael Selting 0-2 0-0 0, Joseph McNally 0-0 0-0 0, Karson Kallhoff 2-4 0-0 5, Evin Pelster 0-0 0-0 0, Brayden Burenheide 0-0 0-0 0,



Karson Kallhoff drives past a Bees defender.

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Jarek Erickson 7-13 3-5 18, Taylor Beckman 0-1 0-0 0, Max Henn 3-4 0-0 8, Dylan Kolm 3-7 0-0 8, Trey Rittscher 0-0 0-0 0. Team totals: 18-40 4-7 46. Three-point shots — Wolfpack 6-15 (Max Henn 2, Jarek Erickson 1, Karson Kallhoff 1, Dylan Kolm 2). Bloomfield team totals: 13-32 3-6 32. Three-point shots — Bloomfield 3-7.

Team statistics: Rebounds — Wolfpack 21 (Jarek Erickson 10), Bloomfield 18. Assists — Wolfpack 8 (Karson Kallhoff 3, Kellan Hoefler 3). Steals — Wolfpack 8 (Jarek Erickson 4). Turnovers — Wolfpack 15, Bloomfield 18.

Bobcats

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Drueke (MD 16-6)
 144 — Champ. Round 1 - Levi Uecker (Lutheran High Northeast) 14-8 won by fall over Gavin Kallhoff (Elgin Public/Pope John) 1-8 (Fall 5:16); Cons. Round 2 - Dylan Schinstock (Guardian Angels Central Catholic) 14-12 won by fall over Kallhoff (Fall 1:30)

150 — Quarterfinal - Korbin Carlson (Winside) 22-4 won by fall over Landon Kallhoff (Elgin Public/Pope John) 0-10 (Fall 1:14); Cons. Round 1 - Owen Larsen (Pender) 7-7 won by fall over Kallhoff (Fall 0:24)

157 — Quarterfinal - Landyn Veik (Elgin Public/Pope John) 12-5 won by tech fall over Jaelonni Small (Sioux City West) 8-6 (TF-1.5 3:42 (18-2); Veik won by decision over Oran Grint (Twin Loup) 19-11 (Dec 6-4); 1st Place Match - Konner Bourek (Howells-Dodge) 21-6 won by decision over Veik (Dec 7-2)

215 — Quarterfinal - Justice Blecher (Elgin Public/Pope John) 12-10 won by fall over Brody Schmeits (Riverside) 2-11 (Fall 5:22); Semifinal - Aiden Gallop (Lutheran High Northeast) 12-10 won by fall over Blecher (Fall 1:03); Cons. Semi - Blecher won by fall over Jayson Joseph (Sioux City West) 1-14 (Fall 3:57); 3rd Place Match - Parker Aaberg (Fullerton) 8-8 won by fall over Blecher (Fall 0:32)

Evans takes second at Bobcat Invite

SUMMERLAND — Libby Evans and Jayda Chessmore recorded pins Monday, competing at the Summerland Bobcat Lady Invite.

Twenty-seven schools were represented at the tournament.

Chessmore improved her record to 6-8 at the tournament. After dropping her first round match to SSC's Ariadne Rocha in 1:49, she came back strong in consolation round #1. There she faced Lily Curry of Norfolk Catholic and the results went in her favor. Chessmore pinned Curry in 2:04. Her run in the next round ended in the next round as Ruby Spann from Boone County recorded a pin.

Sophomore Libby Evans continued her streak of reaching the medal stand at every tournament she has competed in so far this season. Evans put together two pins and a major decision to reach the finals where she faced SSC's Zulema Godinez. Zulema came into the match with a 19-4 record and found a way to hand Evans just her second loss of the season. Godinez pinned Evans in 3:49, dropping the EPPJ stand-out's record to 12-2.

Individual results were:
 120 pounds — Champ. Round 1 - Ariadne Rocha (South Sioux



Libby Evans started her march to the medal stand with a pin over Tomi Li Scott of Winnebago.

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City Girls) 7-7 won by fall over Jayda Chessmore (Elgin Public/Pope John Girls) 6-8 (Fall 1:49); Cons. Round 1 - Chessmore won by fall over Lily Curry (Norfolk Catholic Girls) 1-9 (Fall 2:04); Cons. Round 2 - Ruby Spann (Boone Central Girls) 5-8 won by fall over Chessmore (Fall 1:37)

190 pounds — Champ. Round 1 - Libby Evans (Elgin Public/

Pope John Girls) 11-1 won by fall over Tomi Li Scott (Winnebago Girls) 0-2 (Fall 2:36); Quarterfinal - Evans won by fall over Kyah Bruhn (Summerland Girls) 2-1 (Fall 3:12); Semifinal - Evans won by major decision over Natalee Nelson (Wakefield Girls) 14-5 (MD 16-2); 1st Place Match - Zulema Godinez (South Sioux City Girls) 20-4 won by fall over Evans (Fall 3:49)

Awards

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Team members recognized with 'participation' certificates were Jaydalynn Chessmore, Haley Parks, Reese Stuhr, Kierstyn Eisenhauer, Libby Evans, Kylee Lichtenberg, Jaylynn Murphy, Aubrie Parks, Sadie Thiessen, Megan Wright, Kinley Drueke, Makenna Mortiboy and Molly Thiessen.

Luettel said during the season a number of awards and career achievements were reached.

- Among them were:
- Most ace serves in a season — Braelyn Martinsen 52
- Most ace serves in a career — (Second all time) Kate Furstenuau 116.
- Most digs in a career — Kate Furstenuau 1,455
- Most digs in a game — (Second all time) Kate Furstenuau 39.
- Also during the season, she tied her own record of 35.
- Most set attempts in a season — (Third all time) Elizabeth Moser 1,135
- Most kills in a game — (tie, fourth all time) Chloe Henn 20
- Most kills in a season — (Second all time) Chloe Henn 380
- Most kills in a career — (Second all time) Chloe Henn 1017
- Most ace blocks in a game — (Third all time) Kayton Zwingman 4
- Most ace blocks in a career — (First) Chloe Henn 155



Wolfpack award winners at the program last week were (front row, l-r): Kylee Lichtenberg, Kierstyn Eisenhauer and Sadie Thiessen. Middle row: Kinley Drueke, Reese Stuhr and Brooke Kinney. Back row: Braelyn Martinsen, Camry Kittelson, Mady Kurrgeweit, Chloe Henn, Sara Bode and Kate Furstenuau.

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Mentors, mentees to be honored next week

January is Mentor Month and Elgin Public School plans to recognize TeamMates mentors and mentees during the Wolfpack/West Holt basketball games on Friday night, January 24.

Both mentors and mentees will receive free admission to the games that night. And, during a halftime ceremony, they will be recognized on the court. Mentors will be given a \$5 ticket to purchase items at the concession stand as a 'thank you'.

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