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In Brief

Wolfpack girls one win away from State!

ELGIN — The Elgin Public-Pope John girls basketball team is now just one victory away from playing in the NSAA Girls State Basketball Tournament.

Having won their subdistrict last week, the Wolfpack will play Maywood/Hayes Center Friday night in the D1-8 District final, the winner to qualify for the state tournament. The game will be played at Kearney Catholic High School, starting at 6 p.m. Elgin schools will dismiss at 1 p.m. that day to allow students to attend the game.

A key to defeating the Wolves will be how well the Wolfpack are able to defend against their three best players - freshman Karissa Stengel and seniors' Olivia Hansen and Ashlin Broz. Hansen leads the team in scoring, averaging 14 points per game (ppg). Not far behind is Broz who averages 12.4 ppg. Stengel averages nine ppg.

Their top rebounders are seniors Kiley Hejtmanek and Alexis Wood, each averaging over five rebounds per game.

The Wolves have lost just once this season, 54 to 39 to Southern Valley (20-3) on January 28.

EPPJ enters the game with a 21-4 record in the midst of a five-game winning streak. The Wolfpack are led by Keyera Eisenhauer and Ashlynne Charf, each averaging 12 points per game.

Public Notices

Public notices in this week's newspaper include:

Proceedings — District #45 Board of Education

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Weather

The high temperature last week was 49 degrees recorded on February 13. The low was 11 degrees on February 16.

Altogether, 0.35 of an inch of precipitation was recorded last week. Following are the high and low temperatures, and precipitation amounts, as recorded by weather observer Leonard Orlowski.

Date	H	L	Prec.
February 13	49	34	
February 14	38	17	0.35
February 15	18	13	
February 16	25	11	
February 17	43	18	
February 18	41	25	
February 19	38	28	
Total for Last Week.....			0.35
Total for February.....			0.35
Total for 2023.....			2.32



EPPJ athletes, coaches celebrate

Wolfpack coaches had plenty to smile about last week. (Above) Wrestling Coach Mike Zegers gives a bear hug to wrestler Carter Beckman after he won a third place medal at the state wrestling tournament. (Below) EPPJ girls basketball Coach Randy Eisenhauer was all smiles talking to Wolfpack senior as the team won the D1-5 Subdistrict Tournament. *E-R photos*



Elgin EMTs proudly display a check signifying receipt of a \$200,000 grant to be used towards the purchase of a new ambulance and equipment. EMTs pictured are (front row, l-r): Jessica Niewohner, Kimberly Young, Lacy Bottorf, Vicki Miller and Jessie Hoefer. Back row: Dean Schrage, Craig Niewohner, Terry Reicks, Bud Miller and Duane Miller. EMTs not pictured are Melissa Heithoff, Bob Moore, Tony Levander, Maria Kinney, Kari Schindler and Carla Bolli. *E-R photo/LMorgan*

Elgin Rescue awarded \$200,000 grant towards purchase of new ambulance

Elgin Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) have plenty to smile about, so too, the community of Elgin.

They received notification that they are the recipient of a Nebraska Ambulance and Equipment (NAE) grant through the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services, for the amount of \$200,000.

The grant is to be used towards the purchase of a new ambulance and equipment which is ex-

pected to cost in the neighborhood of \$350,000.

To help reach the goal, EMTs will be sending out a fundraising letter in the coming weeks.

Donations can be mailed to: Elgin Rescue Service, P.O. Box 240, Elgin, NE 68636; or can be dropped off at City Hall.

According to Ambulance Captain Dean Schrage, the new ambulance will replace the ambulance purchased in 2002. That ambulance will now become the back-up ambulance.

Three sexual assault cases moved to Antelope County District Court

By Sandy Schroth

Court reporter

The Honorable Donna Taylor bound five felony cases over to district court when she presided from the Antelope County Court bench at the courthouse in Neligh on Wednesday, Feb. 15.

Michael J. Mueller, 26, of Clearwater appeared in front of Taylor for a preliminary hearing on multiple first-degree sexual assault charges, Class 2 felonies alleged in two separate cases involving separate minor victims. Antelope County Attorney Joe Smith requested the cases be combined. "They are related," he said. There was no objection from Mueller's attorneys. He is represented by Martin Klein of Neligh and Bradley Ewalt of Norfolk.

Testimony was heard from Sgt. Shelby Keetle, an Antelope County deputy sheriff, who was questioned by Smith and Ewalt. She said Mueller was arrested Dec. 27 in the first case, on an allegation of sexual assault of a 14-year-old girl during the early morning hours of Dec. 26, 2022. He was arrested Jan. 18 in the second case, she testified, for the alleged sexual assault of a 15-year-old girl on three separate

occasions, the first time alleged after the Antelope County Fair last summer and the last, this winter.

Taylor found there was sufficient cause to send the cases to the Antelope County District Court, where Mueller was set for arraignment Feb. 22. Bond, in amounts of \$250,000 and \$100,000, 10% cash, posted Jan. 4 and Jan 24, respectively, are continued, including conditions for no contact, neither directly nor indirectly, with any person under 18 years of age. Taylor ordered arrest affidavits be resealed due to the age of the alleged victims.

Ryan Brummels, 22, of Ewing, accompanied by his attorney, Frederick Bartell of Norfolk, faced Taylor for first-degree sexual assault of a minor, a Class 2 felony alleged Dec. 26, 2022. Brummels waived his right to a preliminary hearing and the case was bound over to the Antelope County district court, where Brummels was set for arraignment Feb. 22. If convicted of the crime, Brummels faces up to 50 years in prison.

A bond hearing was held. Taylor granted a

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It's National FFA Week!

The Elgin FFA Chapter, along with other chapters across the country this week, are observing National FFA Week. Chapter members gathering Monday morning were (front row, l-r): Ruby Durre, Kylee Lichtenberg, Braelyn Martinsen, Libby Evans, Kyla Donaldson, Justice Blecher, Madelyn Kurpgeweit, Dannyka Smidt, Rylen Schwarting and Megan Wright. Second row: Taylynn Charf, William Heilhecker, Austin Hinkle, Gemma Miller, Tessa Barlow, Ticen Sparr, Kaeden Schwarting, Jadalyne Chessmore, Haley Parks, Sharon Bartak, Carter Beckman, Landon Kallhoff, Grady Druke, Baylee Busteed, Aiden Klein and FFA Advisor Mrs. Schwartz. Third row: Taylor Beckman, Trey Rittscher, Kyndall Busteed, Sara Bode, Samantha Durre, Camry Kittelson, Kayton Zwingman, Natalie Burenheide, Kierstyn Eisenhauer, Keyera Eisenhauer, Kate Furstenau, Samuel Hemenway, Isaac Hemenway, Karson Kallhoff, Chloe Henn, Callie Heithoff and Cale Kinney. Back row: Collin Lindgren, Camryn Pelster, Gage Thiessen, Austin Good, Paiton Hoefer, David Durre, Ethan Hinkle, Blake Henn, Jarek Erickson, Nick Anderson, Dylan Parks, Dylan Lueking, Kaeden Bode, Jack Wemhoff, Kellan Hoefer, Brenna Martinsen and Landyn Veik. Not pictured: Myles Kittelson, Steven Nelson, Dylan Kolm and Hudson Napier. *E-R photo/LMorgan*

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PJCC wins NVC Speech Tournament

The Pope John speech team brought home the first place trophy from the Niobrara Valley Conference tournament on February 15th. Earning individual and group medals are as follows:

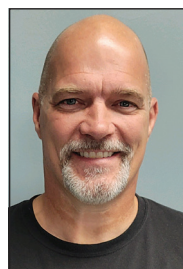
- Matthew Dilly, 1st place in entertainment speaking.
- Jack Barlow, 1st place in humorous prose.
- Linus Borer, 1st place in informative speaking.
- Skyler Meis, Emma Lea Ruterbories, Ashlynn Charf, Brooklyn Meis, and Kaitey Schumacher placed 2nd in oral interpretation of drama.
- Linus Borer, 4th place in extemporaneous speaking.
- Emma Lea Ruterbories, 4th place in serious prose.
- Reese Stuhler, 5th place in serious prose.

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Library to host author Chris Stamp

Elgin Public Library will be hosting a book talk on Tuesday, February 28 featuring local author Chris Stamp. Chris has always been a fan of the outdoors.

Activities such as hunting and fishing have been favorite pastimes since childhood and over the years Chris has documented many of his outdoor adventures. His wife suggested that he turn these stories into a book. The library is excited to host Chris, where he will share *“Just Me... In A Tree”*. The book talk will begin at 7 p.m. at Elgin Public Library. Everyone is welcome to join us for an enjoyable evening with Chris.



Chris Stamp



PJCC speech team members with their NVC championship plaque are (front row, l-r): Aiden Klein, Camry Kittelson, Stephanie Gutierrez, Reese Stuhler, Harley Tyler and Jovie Vaisvilas. Middle row: Jack Barlow, Kaitey Schumacher, Eliza Borer, Juliana McNally, Olivia Klein, Jazmine McNally and Tessa Barlow. Back row: Coach Chris Grundmayer, Ashlynn Charf, Cale Kinney, Matthew Dilly, Linus Borer, Skyler Meis, Brooklyn Meis and Coach Amy Klein. Not pictured: Emma Lea Ruterbories. E-R photo/LMorgan

From Jo Ann Baum's Kitchen

Strawberry and Chicken Salad, Fudge Buttermilk Salad

Two very different salads.

Good day,

Looking for a different salad recipe? I am always wanting a different salad to make for us or one to share on an occasion.

This strawberry chicken is amazing. My sister-in-law makes it for our family get-togethers. She leaves out the chicken sometimes and adds chunks of different cheese. Feta



is her go-to choice. It is so delicious.

This fudge buttermilk salad is a true hit. We love it in our house. Some people leave out the mandarin oranges. Make it however you like. Kids will really enjoy it. Hope these are a couple of ideas you can use. Enjoy!

Jo Ann

STRAWBERRY AND CHICKEN SALAD

1 (10 oz pkg) Romaine salad greens
 1 (15 oz) can mandarin oranges
 2 cups sliced strawberries

1/2 cup creamy poppy seed dressing
 4 skinless grilled chicken breasts

Grill the chicken breasts and cut into thin strips. Toss romaine in a large bowl with sliced chicken, oranges, strawberries, and sliced almonds. Pour the dressing over the mix and stir. You can top with more almonds if you prefer. Delicious!

FUDGE BUTTERMILK SALAD

1 cup buttermilk
 1 (13 oz) box instant vanilla pudding
 1 (8 oz) carton Cool Whip™
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1 (11 oz) can mandarin oranges (drained)
 1 pkg Keebler™ fudge covered graham cracker cookies

Combine buttermilk, dry pudding mix and whipped topping. Stir well. Mix in drained pineapple and oranges. Refrigerate. Just before serving stir in the cookies, broken in pieces. Delicious!

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FFA Student of the Month Carter Beckman

Carter Beckman is this month's FFA member of the month. Carter is the son of John and Tracey Beckman of rural Elgin.

Carter, now in his final year of FFA membership (with three of those years serving as the Chapter Treasurer), has participated in many events from range judging to livestock judging, from welding to job interviews, and from



Carter Beckman

volunteering at area events to attending officer leadership trainings.

This winter, Carter has been very busy preparing his FFA record books for state degree interviews, completing a swine proficiency award, and studying for Ag Mechanic and Livestock Management CDE's. He will be receiving his State FFA Degree this spring and his swine proficiency was top gold at districts and has moved on to the state level for review.

The chapter thanks Carter for his commitment and years of service to the FFA organization and wishes him the best in the future!

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The birds and the bees

There is a conversation that I suspect most parents dread. We all fear the day we must explain the “birds and the bees”, as they say. However, in my 13 years of parenting I’ve come to realize that this is not a conversation that happens just once. In fact, it’s a conversation I’ve had many times, but it changes as they grow and mature and can handle more information.

The first time this came up was when I was pregnant with our daughter. We have two boys and a girl. The boys are only 22 months apart, so when I was pregnant with our second son, our oldest was still in diapers and had no idea what was going on. No questions, just one day the baby that was in Mommy’s tummy was home. The end.

When I was pregnant with our daughter, our oldest was six and our middle was four.

TALES OF A TIRED MAMMA



Columnist Katherine Cobb

in graphic terms. I simply said that God took a little bit of Mommy and a little bit of Daddy and made a baby. That seemed to suffice and off they went.

Then we entered middle school territory. Lord, help me. My oldest came home that year having heard things from kids at school, provoking a LOT of questions. I navigated it as best I could, asking first what he thought he knew and then setting some things straight. I focused on God’s plan for sex and marriage and walked away from that conversation thinking that I nailed it.

What I didn’t realize, was that my son still thought the only reason two people were intimate was to have a baby. Not something people did... any other time. So, when he first heard about birth control, he was confused as to why someone would take something to prevent them from having a baby. Eek!

We are now about to have a teenager in the house (two weeks and counting), and we have had many conversations since those days. The more he is exposed to things by friends, or even TV shows, the more I need to be pouring truth into him. What the world is going to teach him about such things is not what I want to teach him. I want him to understand the impact and the consequences of choices he will make later in his life.

He still hasn’t even kissed a girl, so he assures me that this won’t be a problem. Oh sweet boy, once he goes through puberty and actually likes girls, I know this will be a whole different story. As uncomfortable as it is to have some of these conversations, I think it’s incredibly important as parents that we do have them and have them often.

I want to encourage him

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Looking Back

Sixty Years Ago
February 28, 1963

Residents turned out for the annual Village Caucus in the pump house where five candidates were nominated for three offices on the village board of trustees. Nominated were Kenneth Bergstrom, William Hopkins, Arthur Schulz, “Pat” Bennett and Mrs. Mary Miller. Members whose terms expire this year are Bergstrom, Hopkins and Leland Pierce. The village spring election will be held Tuesday, April 2.

Elgin was selected as the scene for the 1963 Nebraska State Championship Motorcycle Scrambles to be held August 25. This new location was decided at the district meeting of the American Motorcycle Association of the Columbus, Ohio. Cycling enthusiasm in this area is credited for

bringing this race to Elgin. This enthusiasm is evidence by the number of riders and large crowds which attend the motorcycle events here.

Fifty Years Ago
February 22, 1973

Elgin School Dist. 18 officials spent much time and considered many alternate plans and solutions before deciding to put proposal for an additional building to the voting public. Sharp student increase during the past ten years have made it nearly mandatory that the school provided some relief to the growing congested conditions that are present at the school.

Six new members were inducted into the W.W. Graham Chapter of the National Honor Society at the Elgin High School. The new members were, Diane Kittleson, Scott Beckman, Dennis Blair, Jean Koinzan,

Barbara Reestman and Larry Varn. Members of the National Honor Society are voted upon by the school’s faculty. They are students which most fully exemplify the highest standards of character, scholarship, leadership and service.

Thirty Years Ago
March 3, 1993

Jeremie Kerkman and Ann Kathol were crowned the 1993 Pope John Sweetheart King and Queen during ceremonies held on Saturday, Feb 27. Returning to crown their successors were the 1992 royalty, Jim Starman and Kiley Evans.

Stuart pulled away in the fourth quarter to defeat the Elgin High School girls basketball team, 65-51 in the semifinals of the D2-5 District Tournament in Spencer. The loss gave the Lady Eagles a final season record of 14-9.

Tammy Henn scored a career high 28 points, along with 10 rebounds, to lead the Lady Eagles in both categories. Jill Kerkman, who was sidelined briefly with a foot injury late in the game, scored 19 points and brought down six rebounds.

Twenty Years Ago

February 23, 2003

Girls softball players in Elgin have been practicing recently with a new softball pitching machine that was purchased by the Elgin Diamond Boosters. Practices have been held in the small gym at Elgin High School.

By Jessie Reestman



Showing off their medals are EPS Old speech team members (front row, l-r): Baylee Busteed, Brenna Martinsen, Chloe Henn, Callie Heithoff and Samantha Durre. Back row: Jack Wemhoff, William Heilhecker, Austin Good, Ethan Hinkle and Corbin Kinney. Photo submitted

EPS Boys’ Old takes first at NVC

The EPS Speech team brought home a slew of medals from the Niobrara Valley Conference Speech Tournament held last week at Summerland High School.

Crowned conference champions was the boys’ Old team consisting of Ethan Hinkle, Jack Wemhoff, Austin Good,

William Heilhecker and Corbin Kinney.

The girls’ Old team, made up of Baylee Busteed, Brenna Martinsen, Chloe Henn, Callie Heithoff and Samantha Durre placed third.

Also medaling was the duet team of Heilhecker and Martinsen who placed fourth.

Superior ratings were given to Henn and Busteed, Duet; Kinney, POI; Henn, Humorous; Heithoff, Serious; and Durre, Serious. Receiving an excellent rating was Trey Rittscher, Humorous.

“Good work kids!” said Coach Stacy Shumake Henn.

Court

From Page One

request to lift travel restrictions. All other conditions of his \$50,000, 10% bond remain, including neither direct nor indirect contact with the alleged victim nor anyone under 18 years of age.

Smith filed the charge, along with a motion for an arrest warrant, Feb. 2, following an investigation by Keetle. The warrant was signed by the Honorable Ross Stoffer and served by Keetle the same day.

Brummels initially requested court-appointed counsel, with Antelope County public defender Pat Carney being appointed by Taylor on Feb. 6. However, he later retained Bartell and Taylor released Carney from the case.

Michael D. Fox faced Taylor in two cases. Klein was appointed to represent him in both cases, after Carney declared a conflict of interest.

Fox waived his right to a preliminary hearing on a Class 3A felony allegation of making terroristic threats. Taylor bound the case over to the Antelope County district court, where Fox was set for arraignment Feb. 22. If convicted, Fox faces up to three years in prison and/or up to a \$10,000 fine

Bond was continued in the amount of \$100,000, 10%, with condition for neither direct

nor indirect contact with four victims of the alleged Jan. 30 threats.

Fox was arrested Jan. 30 in Orchard by an Antelope County deputy, who was assisted by Sheriff Bob Moore and a Neligh police officer, according to a probable-cause affidavit filed by Deputy Trent Howard. In addition to alleged threats on the lives of four individuals, Fox allegedly slashed a tire on one victim’s vehicle and damaged items in her house. He claimed he had been held against his will in a garage.

Fox also pleaded not guilty and requested jury trial on a Class 3 misdemeanor charge, unauthorized use of a propelled vehicle, alleged Jan. 15. Conviction of the charge carries a penalty of up to a \$500 fine and/or up to 90 days in jail. Pretrial hearing is set March 1. Fox was remanded back to Moore’s custody, pending posting of bond.

Jake R. Short, 22, of Oakdale faced Taylor on an allegation of possession of cocaine. If convicted of the Class 4 felony, Short faces up to a \$10,000 fine and/or three years in prison. Short, represented by Carney, waived his right to preliminary hearing. The case was bound over to the Antelope County district court, where he was set for arraignment

Feb. 22.

A bond hearing was held. Carney asked for personal recognizance bond, saying Short would reside with his grandmother in Tilden. Smith objected. He said the case involved “a substantial amount of cash and a substantial amount of drugs,” adding “the case should move along fairly fast.” Taylor questioned the defendant’s grandmother, who indicated he had stayed with her in the past. She said she was frequently away at work and questioned if Short would need more supervision than she could provide.

“That’s what worries me,” she said. The judge reduced bond to \$7,500, 10%, conditioned on written permission to reside at any location listed on bond documents and to be at the house by 8 p.m. every night. Short was remanded to Moore’s custody, pending posting of bond.

Short was arrested Feb. 1 by a Tilden officer, who was investigating the reported theft of cash from a Tilden citizen. The officer subsequently recovered a wallet, allegedly belonging to Short, from another Tilden location. A plastic bag containing white powder that was in the wallet field tested positive for cocaine, according to the officer’s probable-cause affidavit.

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Edward R. Murrow

Opinion

Read. Reflect. Respond.

Gubernatorial appointments made

This week saw the Legislature resume floor debate and consider several gubernatorial appointments and reappointments. The following people were confirmed this week: Jim Macy as Director of the Department of Environment and Energy, John Bolduc as the Superintendent of the State Patrol, John Hilgert as Director of the Department of Veterans Affairs, Jason Jackson as Director of the Department of Administrative Services, and Sherry Vinton as Director of the Department of Agriculture.

Additionally, I received notice that one of my bills, LB 765, will be heard before the Health and Human Services Committee on February 22. This bill would clean up and clarify language and make changes to how the State Trauma Advisory Board and Department of Health and Human Services deals with state trauma rules and the four trauma care regions. The principal portion of the bill addresses the regional trauma advisory boards. Members of the State Trauma Board brought to my attention that these regional boards are largely redundant, and they feel many of the duties and powers could be consolidated at the state level and

replaced with regional committees. Their thought is that there could be greater voluntary participation and flexibility with a committee type system when compared to the current board system.

Meanwhile, the Education Committee heard LB 575 which would adopt the Sports and Spaces Act. This legislation

would limit the participation of K-12 student-athletes to school-sponsored teams intended for their “biological” sex. The bill would also prohibit policies allowing biological boys to use restroom or locker room facilities designated for biological girls and vice versa with certain exceptions for coaches, authorized personnel and emergency personnel. LB 575 would supersede the Gender Participation Policy adopted by the Nebraska School Activities Association, or NSAA, for sponsored athletics, which allows transgender student-athletes to participate in sports that match their gender identity and allows cross-gender participation if girls do not have the same or comparable sport following an application and approval process.

Several medical professionals, former coaches, and current and former student-athletes testified in both support and opposition to this legislation. Many proponents of LB 575 testified this bill is necessary since boys and girls have distinct anatomical and physiological differences, thereby necessitating the need for legislation to maintain competitive equity for female athletes without the interference of male bodies. In contrast, several opponents pointed to statistics from leading LGBTQ-oriented groups such the Trevor Project whose data shows LGBTQ youth are at a much higher risk of depression, anxiety, bullying and suicide. Other opponents argued that since the NSAA already has a policy, LB 575 is unnecessary.

Prior to my time in the Legislature, I have officiated high school and college basketball games in Nebraska, Iowa, and South Dakota. In this state, I have refereed at high school state championships and been to schools as far west as Gordon and as far south as Syracuse. I will say that in my 39 years of officiating basketball, I have never met an athlete, coach, or team who wants to play for second place. I have concerns that allowing biological males to participate in female sports could hurt the fairness of competition should this bill not pass, and I want to ensure a level playing field for all in physical sports. For these reasons, I am a co-sponsor of this legislation.

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School finance meets property tax relief

His predecessor spent eight years pushing property tax relief. Now, Governor Jim Pillen wants to clearly tie said property tax relief to school finance. It's up to the Legislature to figure out how to make that work.

Lawmakers are used to people complaining about their property taxes. Now, throw in some school districts that say a proposed distribution of state aid isn't fair and equitable. What do you have? A real mess or a problem begging for a solution?

Pillen is behind three priority measures carried by three senators to implement the plan. He said the bills would increase the state's investment in education and reduce school reliance on property taxes, calling them the culmination of great teamwork from groups representing statewide stakeholders

One bill introduced by Senator Rita Sanders of Bellevue calls on the state to allocate \$1,500 annually for every K-12 public school student through the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act (TEOSA). The increase amounts to nearly \$113 million in state aid. In addition, the bill provides a statutory provision that 80 percent of special education funding be covered through a combination of federal and state funding.

Senator Rob Clements of Elmwood proposed legislation to create the Education Future Fund, which allocates \$1 billion of state general funds during the 2023-2024 biennium and \$250 million each year afterward for the purposes of funding that \$1,500 per student as well as: special education; grants to retain licensed teachers; fund further career and technical training and mentoring for K-12 students.

Albion Senator Tom Briesa has a bill that would create a 3 percent cap on property tax revenue that a school district receives. It is a soft cap that can be overridden by 75 percent of voting school board members or the approval of 60 percent of the district's registered voters, should there be a need.

With the cap, district property tax request authority would be determined by subtracting non-property tax revenue from the total revenue limitation. The cap would not apply to property tax revenues required to pay bonded indebtedness.

Non-property tax revenue would not include special education funding. A school district may exceed its property tax authority, with a 75% majority vote of the school board. Additionally, a district may exceed their property tax request authority by any amount with a 60% vote of the people.

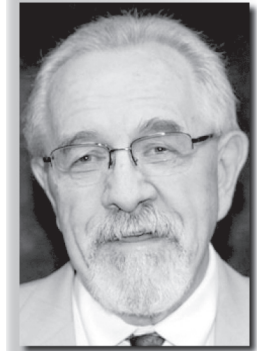
Briesa admits that the rest of the package won't likely pass without agreement on the cap. Aye, there's the rub. Lids and caps have been fighting words in government and education for decades. An initial reading of this measure doesn't appear to be all that different.

OpenSky Institute Executive Director Dr. Rebecca Firestone said that while the think tank appreciates the governor's interest in increasing state aid to public education and investing more in our state's children, there needs to be some caution.

“We have long noted that the best way to address property taxes in Nebraska is to increase the share of state support for public K-12 education,” she said after the package was introduced.

CAPITOL VIEW

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While some aspects of the package – such as proposed increases in state public education funding – could help address key state needs, their combined fiscal impact could lead policymakers to dip into the state's cash reserve, she said later after a brief analysis of the bills. “This is concerning because the state's cash reserve is meant to be used for ‘rainy days’ – typically one-time expenditures that serve key state needs in times of economic downturn,” she said.

Some education leaders have also noted inequities in funding among same-size districts. To say

nothing of the lids which have gained a questionable history in Nebraska as local governments and school districts have found ways around them.

So here we go again. Let's hope it can be different this time around. But I still think it will take a miracle to put all the pieces together just to pass legislative muster, let alone work in the real world.

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

Fighting for American prosperity

This week, as the nation listened and watched, President Biden gave the second State of the Union address of his presidency. Over

the last year the American people have struggled under historic inflation, rising crime rates, and severe economic uncertainty. In the week prior, we also witnessed an airborne intelligence gathering tool with confirmed ties to the Chinese Communist Party traveling across nearly the entire continental United States. With the same slowness to act which has characterized his administration, Biden permitted the spy balloon to remain in U.S. airspace for more than a week to potentially collect data over several sensitive military sites along the way before finally ordering our military to shoot down the spy balloon.

In light of the severity of these issues, you might think the president would strike a humble tone with a willingness to imple-

ment new, effective solutions and cooperate with those who have proposed ideas other than his own. On the contrary, his address took no responsibility for the failures of his administration and lacked bipartisan goodwill. Taking a close look at the policy claims of President Biden's speech shows a number of misleading claims and a failure to lead.

Reckless spending under one-party, Democrat rule in Washington over the last two years has led to a dead end for our nation's fiscal health. However, the president's scare tactics brazenly blamed Republicans for the debt crisis and wanting to cut Social Security and Medicare. This is demonstrably false. Republicans' Commitment to America plan promises to save and strengthen Social Security and Medicare. The only people talking about cutting Social Security and Medicare right now are the Democrats resorting to mudslinging.

The president's discussion of tax policy offered little in terms of a way forward. His administration has made clear their goal to tax working families and small businesses as much as possible through bank surveillance efforts, onerous new reporting requirements for low-dollar electronic bill-sharing, more than 80,000 new IRS agents to target taxpay-

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FROM THE HILL



Congressman
Adrian Smith

Protecting our land from foreign surveillance

Last weekend, the United States shot down a Chinese surveillance balloon that entered our airspace. The Chinese Communist Party (CCP) is constantly looking for opportunities to spy on our nation's military facilities, steal intellectual property, and threaten the United States' position as the leader of the free world.

The CCP cannot be trusted, and it's critical that we present a united front against any attempt to chip away at our national security. That's why my colleagues and I are concerned about companies with ties to the CCP purchasing American land and moving in next door to our military bases.

Just a few hundred miles north of Nebraska, Chinese food producer Fufeng Group recently bought 300 acres of land in Grand Forks, North Dakota – 12 miles from Grand Forks Air Force Base. Before Fufeng set its roots down in North Dakota, the Air Force

complained that the company's “proposed project presents a significant threat to national security with both near- and long-term risks of significant impacts to our operations in the area.”

The Grand Forks base hosts some of our nation's most sensitive drone and communications technologies — so it is not a coincidence that our communist adversary is establishing a corn milling plant down the road.

Over three percent of all privately held U.S. agricultural land is owned by foreign investors. Chinese ownership of U.S. land has skyrocketed over the past decade, multiplying by a factor of 28 between 2010 and 2021. Fourteen states have laws that seek to restrict foreign ownership or investments in private agricultural land. Nebraska requires foreign entities to report purchases or ownership of our farmland.

One of the federal government's responsibilities is to secure the national defense, and the lack of visibility into this issue is worrisome.

Many Nebraskans have written me letters of concern over the amount of American land China is buying. Almost 800,000 acres across our state are owned by foreign entities, adding up to 1.7 percent of Nebraska land.

Foreign control of our natural resources is concerning, especially because our country is the agricultural engine of the world. Nebraska is home

to a number of critical military facilities, including Offutt Air Force Base. We also host 82 launch facilities for Minuteman III intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBMs) in Western Nebraska.

This is why I'm cosponsoring my friend Sen. Tommy Tuberville's (R-Ala.) Foreign Adversary Risk Management (FARM) Act. The FARM Act would recognize the national security implications of our agricultural sector by placing the Secretary of Agriculture on the Committee on Foreign Investment in the U.S. (CFIUS). CFIUS is a team of government officials who review and then approve or deny foreign investment acquisitions in America.

The bill would also require a review of transactions that could result in the foreign ownership of U.S. agriculture businesses. It would classify agriculture supply chains as critical infrastructure and critical technologies to ensure that their security is prioritized, and it would require the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Government Accountability Office to report to Congress on the current and potential foreign investments into our country's agriculture industry.

As a senior member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, I am working every day to bolster our national defense.

I'm proud to sign onto this bill to protect Nebraska producers, the land we cherish, and our military communities.

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ers, and now a new program to target service industry workers' tips.

Addressing the debt crisis in good faith would require curbing the Democrats' spending addiction. Yet they have shown no interest in this.

In his speech, the President alluded to the hundreds of thousands of American lives lost to the fentanyl overdose epidemic, but he made no mention of his efforts to undermine promising border security policies, including the Remain in Mexico policy and Title 42. Poor border security has resulted in a humanitarian crisis and protecting lives should not be a partisan issue. With a new majority in the House, Republicans are eager to work together to secure the border and make our homeland safer from lethal drugs such as fentanyl.

Coming into this week, President Biden had some explaining to do.

As four in ten Americans – the highest levels in nearly 40 years—say they are worse off under the Biden presidency, more and more Americans are speaking up about its damaging policy failures. Unfortunately, rather than explanations, the president chose to cast blame on others and shirked responsibility.

The response delivered by Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders showed a better way forward a change in leadership can offer. House Republicans are eager to ensure hardworking families are not subject to higher taxes, expanded audits, and more government mandates. Our priorities are the people's priorities. We won't let up in the fight to leave our children with a country better off than we found it. And I won't stop fighting for the good life on behalf of Nebraskans.

DeKay

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Additionally, senators are beginning to designate priority bills. Senator Slama prioritized LB 343 which would prohibit the State of Nebraska from engaging in contracts with entities that are boycotting Israel.

Meanwhile, Senator Dorn prioritized LB 562 which would transition Nebraska's E10 base ethanol blend to E15.

Beginning January 1, 2024, fuel retailers would be required to offer E15 from at least 50% of their dispensers but could get a waiver in the event their infrastructure is incompatible. I also want to remind everyone that the Legislature's website www.nebraskalegislature.gov has a wealth of information on every bill, existing statutes, each senator, the agenda, and much more.


Feel free to call my office

anytime to (402) 471-2801 or email me at bdekay@leg.ne.gov. My mailing address is: Senator Barry DeKay, District #40, P.O. Box 94604, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509.



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Descendant of Civil War hero Hatfield donates to county museum

Jane Hatfield Anchustegui, a descendant of Civil War veteran Capt. John D. Hatfield, took several board members and some of their spouses out to lunch at the Imperial II Restaurant in Neligh and announced she was making a donation to the Antelope County Historical Society to support the museum.

The board expressed their gratitude and presented her with a basket filled with Nebraska produced products.

“Thank you so much for such a great contribution to assist us in preserving and celebrating the history of Antelope County,” said Boyd Pedersen, board chairman. “Your continued generous support of the museum is an inspiration to all of us.”

Jane’s Great-grandfather John Hatfield is a big part of Antelope County history. There is a display in the museum to honor him.

Born July 4, 1834, near Rockville, Indiana. In 1861, he enlisted with the Union Army serving in Company H of the 53rd Regiment of the Illinois Infantry. Capt. Hatfield participated in the battle of Shiloh, the siege of Corinth and the battle of Hatchie Bridge. At Hatchie Bridge he was shot in the jaw and left on the battlefield for over to days. After a short recovery, Capt. Hatfield went on to fight at Vicksburg and Jackson, where he was taken prisoner.

Capt. Hatfield was captured along with many in his unit at the battle of Jackson on July 12, 1863. From there he was transported to the infamous Libby prison in Richmond, Virginia. After spending seven months in captivity, Capt. Hatfield, along with 109 of his fellow prisoners, escaped in February 1864. He was one of only 59 who were successful in their attempt. After his escape, he was honored in Washington, D.C., by having dinner with the President and Mrs. Lincoln and was introduced to both houses of Congress.

Capt. Hatfield moved to Neligh in 1885 and served as an Antelope County treasurer and was elected to the Nebraska Legislature in 1909. He died on June 9, 1918. He is buried in Laurel Hill Cemetery.



Jane Hatfield Anchustegui (l) and Donna Hanson, executive director of the Antelope County Museum. Photo submitted

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to always come to us with questions and feel comfortable talking to us about these things. As he gets older, that may get more difficult so I'm hoping that we're building a foundation of trust and honesty where he feels comfortable as he matures. And, if he ends up making a bad choice, I hope that he feels he can still come to us for help and advice and to navigate those scary situations. With my younger kids, I'm still answering an array of questions. My answers are tailored to their ages and their understanding of things. I pray that God gives all of us parents the words we need for these different conversations.

Community Center Menus

Elgin Community Center meals next week are:

Monday, February 27: Tator tot casserole, strawberries, milk.

Tuesday, February 28: Creamed hamburger over mashed potatoes, carrots, baked apples, tropical fruit, milk.

Wednesday, March 1: Pork tenderloin sandwich, potato salad, relish cup, pineapple, milk.

Thursday, March 2: Chicken & stuffing casserole, peas, mandarin oranges, milk.

Friday, March 3: Baked fish, macaroni & cheese, broccoli, fruit cocktail, milk.

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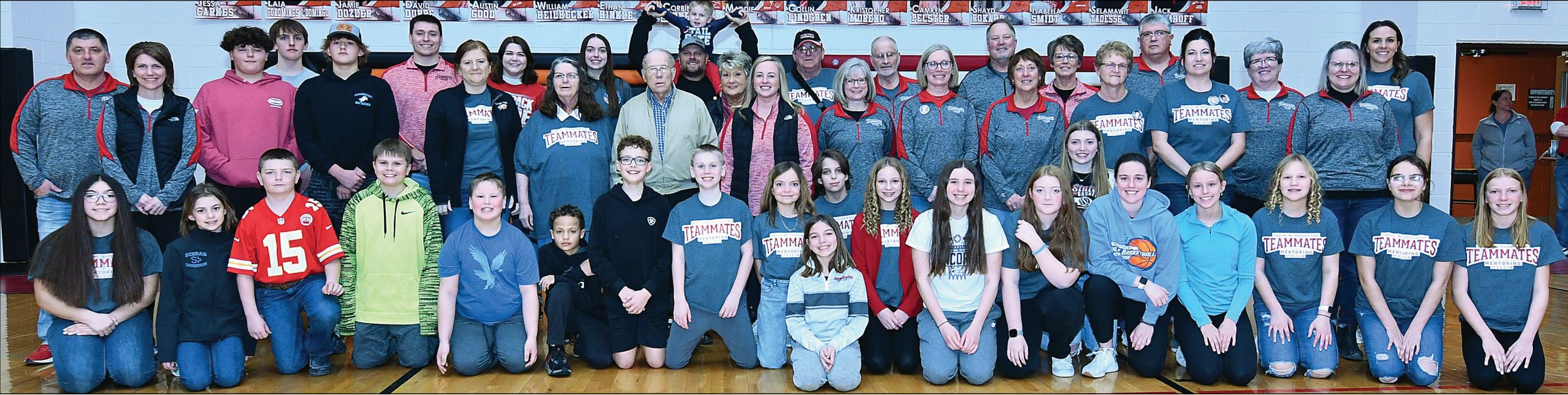
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Mentors, mentees recognized at EPS

Court News

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

Aaron C. Poellot, Osmond, NE 5/2/22 theft-unlawful taking, fined \$300/pay restitution of \$95.21 - Mann.
Michelle M. Heisey, Colorado Springs, CO 9/2/22 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - Mohr.
Kristina J. Mueller, Scottsbluff, NE 11/23/22 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - Mohr.

Madalynn E. Hohbein, Wayne, NE 11/23/22 no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, fined \$25 - Mohr.
Patrick T. Tyler, Oakdale, NE 12/2/22 violate stop or yield sign, fined \$75 - Koch.
Shaun P. Macdonald, Colorado Springs, CO 10/19/22 possess marijuana 1 oz or less 1st off, fined \$300 - Lawson.
Robert J. Suhr, Elgin, NE 12/25/22 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - Lawson.

Olivia G. McKeag, Kearney, NE 12/28/22 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - McHale.
Dallas J. Hansen, Plainview, NE 12/4/22 hunt wildlife with artificial light, fined \$250 - Johnson.

Jessica A. Carman, McAlester, OK 1/1/23 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - Kavan.
Steven L. Beckman, Petersburg, NE 1/1/23 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - Kavan.

Gabriel R. Kirchhoff, Waycross, GA 11/23/22 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$26 - Mohr.

Scott P. Pelster, Ewing, NE 12/4/22 no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, fined \$25 - Johnson.

Colton L. Minnich, Colorado Springs, CO 10/19/22 possess marijuana 1 oz or less 1st off/ speeding 80/65 mph, fined \$375 - Lawson.

Marina K. McAllister, Battle Creek, NE 12/6/22 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - McHale.

Simon M. Beacom, Neligh, NE 6/24/22 minor in possession, fined \$500 - Keetle.*

Vanessa O. Allen, Choctaw, OK 11/25/22 speeding 75/55 mph, fined \$125 - Keetle.

Simon M. Beacom, Neligh, NE 1/5/22 minor in possession/minor misrepresent age to obtain liquor, fined \$250/probation of 9 months/offender assessment screening+drug testing fee+probation administrative enrollment fee+probation fees of \$220 - Moore.*

Dylan J. Hauser, Lexington, NE 12/2/22 overweight on axle or group of axles - 2 counts/overweight capacity plates/violate load contents requirements, fined \$600 - Detlefsen.

Gaylen L. Dredge, Neligh, NE 10/21/22 drive under suspension/before reinstated, fined \$100 - Hartley.*

Jake R. Short, Meadow Grove, NE 2/27/22 forgery 2nd degree, fined \$200/pay restitution of \$433.73.*

Dallas J. Jackson, Victoria, TX 11/5/22 violate stop or yield sign, fined \$75 - Lawson.*

Edward D. Lundstrom, Stanton, NE 11/18/20 criminal trespass-2nd degree, fined \$50 - Lawson.

Maverick Short, Oakdale, NE 10/1/22 attempt of a class 1 misdemeanor/minor

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in possession, fined \$500/6 months probation/offender assessment screening+drug testing fee+probation administrative enrollment fee+probation fees of \$220/ license revoked for 30 days - McHale.*

Donna J. Uhrenholdt, Elgin, NE 1/8/23 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - McHale.

Rohan O. Johnson, Sterling, ND 1/8/23 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - McHale.

Jorge A. Chavez, Neligh, NE 1/8/23 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - McHale.

Tyler D. Peterson, Denver, CO 1/27/23 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - McHale.

Amber L. Lown, Norfolk, NE 1/6/23 criminal trespass 2nd degree, fined \$100 - Keetle.

Dawn M. Breaker, Oakdale, NE 1/6/23 criminal trespass 2nd degree, fined \$100 - Keetle.

Rex A. Leverett, Norfolk, NE 1/6/23 criminal trespass 2nd degree, fined \$100 - Keetle.

Derek K. Goeden (James Gubbels LLC), Bloomfield, NE 1/24/23 exceed length limits/violate load contents requirements, fined \$135 - Asche.

Cassidy L. Bearinger, Clearwater, NE 11/28/22 speeding 84/65 mph, fined \$125 - Detlefsen.

Robert J. Rankin, Newman Grove, NE 1/11/23 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - Detlefsen.

Jose G. Luna Duran, Neligh, NE 1/26/23 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - Miller.

Jessica Scott, Clearwater, NE 5/16/22 issue bad check, fined \$100/pay restitution of \$25.49 and \$42.40.*

Tanai R. Zlomke, Verdigre, NE 12/10/22 possess or use drug paraphernalia, fined \$100 - James.

Ethan Schoenenberger, Neligh, NE 1/10/23 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - Hartley.

Julie K. Lierman, Neligh, NE 12/19/22 no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, fined \$25 - Johnson.

Andrew A. Miller, La Vista, NE 12/31/22 speeding 80/65 mph, fined \$75 - Mohr.

Roscoe L. Wallace, Sioux City, IA 12/10/22 possess marijuana 1 oz or less-1st off, fined \$300 - Miller.

Hans C. Gideon, Burwell, NE 1/13/23 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - McHale.

Gary G. Wostrel, O'Neill, NE 12/7/22 no operator's license/no brake lights, turn signals/improper, defective vehicle lighting/fail to use seat belt, fined \$150 - Detlefsen.

Steven J. Rerucha, David City, NE 1/23/23 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - Detlefsen.

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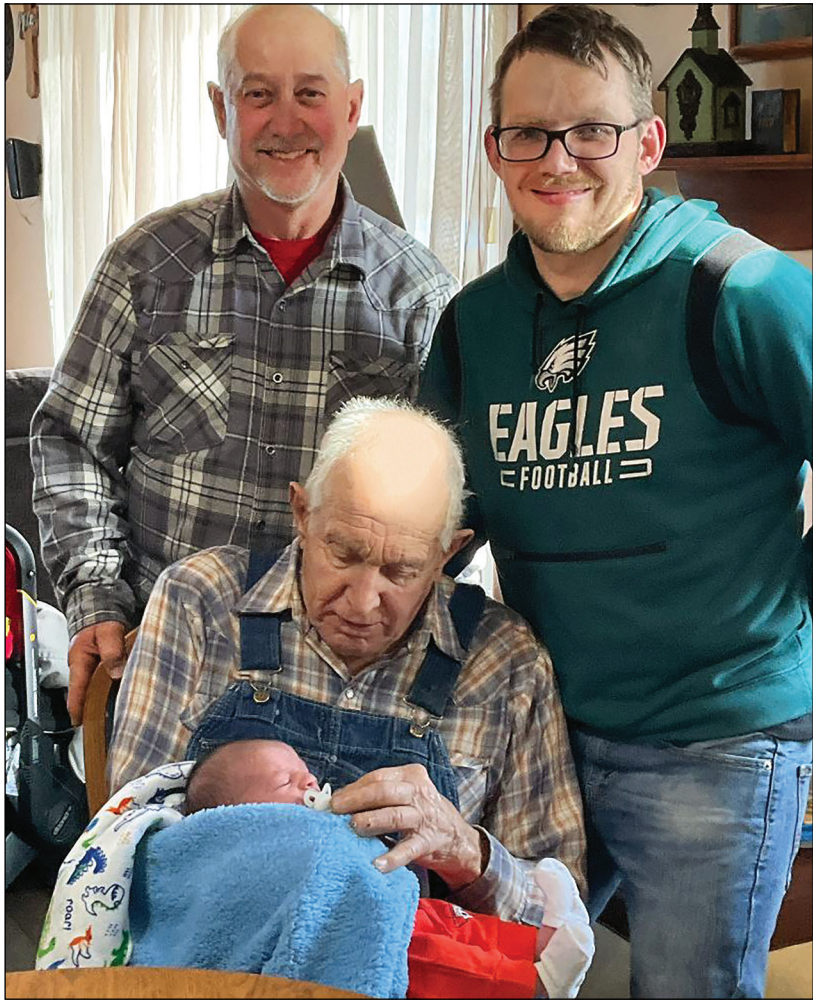
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From Page Two
• Eliza Borer, 5th place in persuasive speaking.
• Linus Borer, Matthew Dilly, Jack Barlow, Cale Kinney, and Aiden Klein: placed 5th with their oral interpretation of drama.
• Tessa Barlow, 6th in poetry.

Bartlett News



Four generations of the Schrunck family were gathered together Saturday. Pictured are (back row, l-r) Steven and Nicholas Schrunck. Front row: Ellis Schrunck holding Keanu Schrunck. *Photo submitted*

By Sherry Tetschner
Nicholas and Mercie-Lynn Schrunck of Omaha introduced their infant son Keanu Earl Schrunck, born February 5, to his great grandparents Ellis and Lois Schrunck and great aunt Sherry Tetschner Saturday in the home of Steven and Janna Schrunck. Also present at the family gathering were Komi, big brother of Keanu, David and Meghan Hester of Fairmont and son Jamison.

Our community is greatly shocked and saddened by the news of Dave Heorle's death. Dave died February 18 at the age of 83.

Wheeler Central hosted varsity boys basketball Friday evening. The final score was CWC 58, Elba 19. The Star Spangled Banner was sung by Wheeler Central sophomore Makayla McCain.

The Bartlett Lions Club met Thursday, February 9 at the old fire hall in Bartlett with 12 in attendance. Tami Scholl,

Skyler Meis, 6th in program of oral interpretation. Earning superior ratings are as follows:
• Olivia Klein and Juliana McNally in duet acting.
• Olivia Klein in persuasive speaking.
• Tessa Barlow and Jovie

Vaisvilas in duet acting.
• Jovie Vaisvilas in poetry.
• Aiden Klein in entertainment speaking.
• Eliza Borer in humorous prose.
Earning a rating of excellent:
• Jazmine McNally in informative speaking.
The team will be competing at the Lutheran High North-

east Eagle Classic on Friday, February 24th.

Sunday, February 26th Pope John will host a speech night for the public. Small groups and duets will start at 6 p.m. in the library, with individual events to follow. Pope John is also hosting the NSAA District D2-2 competition on Monday, March 6. The tournament will begin at 9 a.m.



Tourney runner-ups

The 5th & 6th grade Wolfpack boys basketball team as they placed second this past weekend at a tournament in O'Neill. They finished the season with a 17-10-1 record, according to Coach Keith Borer. Team members were (back row, l-r): Coach Brian Seltling, Jayvin Erickson, Garrett Busted, Braxtyn Eisenhauer, Braedon Hinkle, Harmon Borer and Coach Keith Borer. Front Row: Carter Seltling, Cael Bottorf, Trey Dredge and James Lodge. Not Pictured: Dominic Durre. *Photo submitted*

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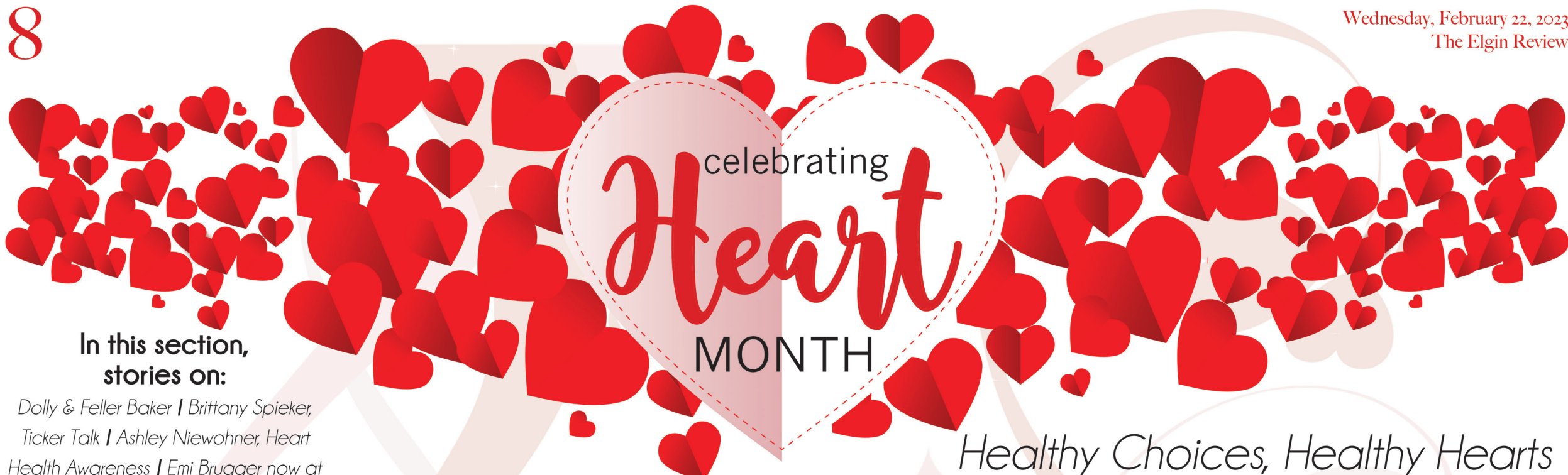
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Dolly and Feller Baker

71 years, in sickness and in health

By Lynell Morgan and Dennis Morgan

NELIGH — February in Antelope County can be bitter and can be sweet. Bitter, like the harsh winds and cold temperatures accompanied with snow, making one wonder why our ancestors stopped here to raise a family. Sweet, like the warm sunshine which comes with the promise of the start of Spring being just weeks away, knowing

that soon grass will grow and trees will leaf out and the growing season will begin again.

Watching the seasons change together, for 71 years last Saturday (February 18), have been Dolly (Darlene) and Feller (Gordon) Baker of rural Neligh. Together, they've shared the joys of a life on the rolling plains of northeast Nebraska, together they've raised six children (five girls and one boy) and now, in their retirement years, they are taking the extra necessary steps to stay healthy.

Earlier this month, we found them - you guessed it, "together" at the wellness center at Antelope Memorial Hospital.

How they've come to spend time here, regularly week after week, is a testament to recognizing the importance of maintaining good health.

Dolly, age 90, has ties to the Petersburg area, growing up there as a member of the Leifeld family. There was a time when she worked at the Blue Goose Café in Elgin before she was married. Tall with peppered hair, she takes an oxygen tank wherever she goes due to breathing issues she developed several years ago.

She comes AMH several times a week to workout, with the cardiac rehab staff present to observe and keep track of her progress.

"The (AMH) workers here are like family to us," she said while resting between sessions on the various apparatus available there.

Her health was also affected by the recent COVID pandemic which began in 2020. "I had a pretty hard case of COVID," she said.

"I brought her here (to the hospital) for infusions and then she would stay home, away people," her husband Feller Baker said.

Through the care provided by AMH and her unending desire to get better, she survived COVID.

"I'm still here," she said proudly.

Dolly is keenly aware of her surroundings despite a decrease in her vision in one eye and is very spry for her age, in large part due to efforts made by the staff over the past 15 years.

Feller, age 91, has lived on the farmstead which his grandfather settled on back in 1918. If you want to go back further in time, his great grandfather was one of three brothers who fought in the Civil War on the Union side. One is buried at the Oakdale

Cemetery, another at Petersburg and one more near Stuart. All three were part of the legendary "Sherman's March to the Sea" starting in Atlanta, Georgia and ending at the port town of Savannah, Georgia.

The Bakers have farmed for many years just outside of Neligh. Before retiring, Ed Hemenway worked parts of the farm for them. Today, the Hemenway family farms the land with the boys Samuel and Isaac (who attend Pope John Central Catholic Junior-Senior High School) doing their share of work.

Feller does cardiac rehab at AMH, in large part, due to efforts to control his Type II Diabetes.

A cancer survivor who chose not to do chemotherapy, a regiment of healthy living and regular workouts have allowed him to remain jovial with a dash of ornery mixed in.

After being diagnosed with diabetes three or four years ago, he learned how the heart is interlinked with so many health issue. That's why he does cardiac rehab when Dolly does her rehab - plus he drives her to the hospital due to her vision.

Rehab is a never-ending part of their life now. "If you don't continue, at our age, 90 percent of us are too lazy to make ourselves do it," he said.

The Bakers are a testament to how the cardiac rehab/wellness center at AMH improves the quality of life for men and women of all ages who utilize the services they offer.



Shannon Tegeler, director of Cardiac Rehab at AMH, poses with workout regulars Dolly (seated) and Feller Baker.

E-R photo/LMorgan



Mortality in the U.S. Due to Heart Disease

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Talking about "the ticker"

Written by Brittany Spieker -
Food, Nutrition and Health
Extension Educator

Do you hear the beat of the drum? Lub, dub. Lub, dub. Lub, dub. It's the sound of your valves opening and closing as your heart

reliably pumps blood throughout your body.

This year, for American Heart Month, let's focus on the atypical conversation. We all know how to keep the heart healthy - eat a balanced diet, move the body, quit smoking, have regular wellness checkups, drink water, get adequate sleep, manage stress, etc. But do you know the facts that make your ticker such a spectacle? Let's break it down.

From the time it starts, until it beats its last, a heart will beat more than 2.5 billion times over an average lifetime. It pushes blood through approximately 60,000 miles worth of blood vessels all day, every day. To say the heart does more work than any other muscle in your body, is an

understatement.

The purpose of your heart is to ensure blood - carrying oxygen, nutrients, and other life sustaining ingredients - is being distributed throughout the body via blood vessels. In a similar way, blood also picks up waste - like carbon dioxide - to be carried to the lungs where it is eventually removed when you exhale.

Your heart is about the size of two fists. It calls home the center of your

chest, although, it slightly favors the left side. It's snuggled between your lungs, behind your breastbone, and protected by your ribcage.

Your heart is composed of 4 chambers - 2 atria and 2 ventricles. These chambers help usher blood along its pathway. In addition to the 4 chambers, it also has 4 valves that separate the chambers and the arteries connected to the heart. Valves like to keep order within the system - reminding blood that it needs to keep with the flow of traffic. This prevents the backflow of blood.



Brittany Spieker

The heart is self-sustaining with its own power supply. This is thanks to the sinoatrial node - aka our natural pacemaker. This consistent electrical supply keeps the heart beating right on time.

Thanks to the beautiful dance that is the circulatory system, we see an amazing process unfold.

The heart is stimulated by its electric system, causing blood from the body to come into the right side of the heart. Blood then

exists into the lungs to pick up oxygen, enters back into the left side of the heart, and exists again to be released back into the body via the aorta (the body's largest artery). From there, our blood vessels assist in transportation throughout the body. Then the process starts over again - a continuous loop.

What's even more amazing? All these things are happening AT THE SAME TIME.

While this information is just the tip of the iceberg, I can't help but swoon. That said, show your heart some appreciation today for its

never-ending and thankless workload. After all, it does its job without us even asking.



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Brenda Pelster,
Mariah Klassen,
Jody Daniels,
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Healthy heart awareness, year-round

By Ashley Niewohner,
APRN, AMH



According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, "heart disease is the number one cause of death in the United States – resulting in approximately 697,000 deaths each year". It is important to know you may reduce your risk by addressing the "controllable" risk factors. They include targeting comorbid conditions, avoiding tobacco use, maintaining a healthy body weight, exercising routinely and controlling stress.

High blood pressure, considered the "silent killer", is controllable by diet, exercise, stress management and/or

medication. It's easy – and important to have it checked on a regular basis. Maintaining a normal blood pressure helps decrease your risk for heart disease and stroke.

If you smoke – take steps to stop. Smoking damages the lining of your arteries, decreases exercise tolerance and increases blood pressure and the tendency for blood clots. Plus, it greatly increases the risk of heart disease and stroke when smoking is combined with other risk factors. See your health care provider if medication is needed to help you stop smoking.

High cholesterol levels may result in the development of fatty deposits in your blood vessels. This reduces the flow of blood through your arteries and increases your risk of heart disease. High cholesterol levels can be reduced with a healthy diet, regular exercise and medication if needed.

Excess weight and obesity are known to increase your risk for high blood pressure, high cholesterol, high blood

sugar and heart disease. A weight loss program, reimbursable by Medicare, and an exercise center are both available at AMH for supporting your weight loss goal and a healthier lifestyle.

For individuals who have suffered a heart disease event, the AMH Cardiac Rehab Center provides cardiac patients monitored exercise, education and moral support for building cardiac conditioning. Its exercise program gradually increases the workload on the heart and lungs and improves cardiac conditioning over time. AMH also has a certified diabetes education program to help individuals manage their diabetes more effectively – reducing their risk for heart disease and stroke.

Lastly, it is important that parents model a healthy lifestyle for their children. As children have increased "screen time," the rate of obesity and its sequelae in children continues to rise at an alarming rate. Habits formed in the early years often last a lifetime.



Pictured above (l-r): Bill Taylor, of Neligh, is shown with Molly Navratil, RN, in the AMH Cardiac Rehab Center. Its program provides cardiac patients monitored exercise, education and moral support for building cardiac conditioning. *Photo submitted*

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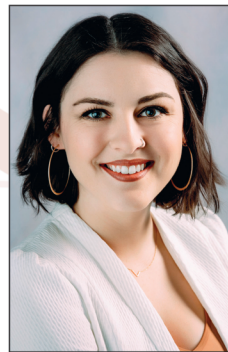


Don't forget your mental health



ALBION, Nebraska (February 15, 2023) – Boone County Health Center is pleased to add Emi Brugger to their roster. Brugger is a Provisionally Licensed Mental Health Practitioner (PLMHP) and is now accepting patients. Brugger grew up in Palmer, Nebraska, and now lives west of Albion in Akron. She graduated from the University of Nebraska-Omaha with her bachelor's degree and then completed her clinical mental health program through

Chadron State College. "I am passionate about helping clients navigate their lives and providing support as they work on their mental health goals, especially in rural settings. I like to educate on the importance of taking care of our mental health with the same diligence we use for our physical health," said Brugger. She sees patients of all ages and concerns. Brugger is married to Joe, a native of the area and co-founder of Upstream Farms.



Emi Brugger,
PLMHP

Brugger has a private pilot's license and is a Beaver Valley Flying Club member. She is a part of a local Nebraska Band called Pioneer as a pianist and background vocalist. In her spare time, she enjoys working outside, organizing, weight lifting, flying, and traveling. Brugger will be seeing patients Mondays and Tuesdays from 8-5 and Fridays from 8-12. To schedule a visit, call Boone County Health Center's Mental Health department at 402-395-3247.

February is Heart Month!

In a world of constant change and uncertainty, that is one thing that you can count on, February we will recognize the importance of fighting heart disease and taking care of your heart.

This originated in 1963 when Congress by joint resolution approved as amended that the president (Lyndon Johnson) issue an annual proclamation designating February as "American Heart Month".

In 1964 the first Surgeon General's Report on Smoking and Health was published as the first federal government report to link smoking and negative health impacts including lung cancer and heart disease.

During the past 60 years, we have made great strides, but cardiovascular disease



Gayla Oakley,
Director of Cardiology Services and Prevention, Boone County Health Center

continues to be the leading cause of death in both men and women. According to the CDC, cigarette smoking has also declined but as of 2020 remains the leading cause of preventable disease, disability and 1 in 5 deaths in the United States. Having the consistency of recognizing Heart Month every February gives the opportunity to showcase best practices, new innovation on prevention, detection and treatment of cardiovascular disease. Although the strategies may have changed in the last 60 years, the bottom line remains the same and consistent; don't use tobacco, maintain an optimal blood pressure and healthy weight, eat a balanced diet and exercise regularly. Hopefully the next 60 years will find heart disease falls off the top ten causes of death. Happy Heart Month!



Trust Your Heart To Our Cardiac Rehab Team.

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AMH Cardiac Rehab Staff (l-r): Michelle Stearns, RN; Liz Furstenau, RN; Molly Navratil, RN; and Shannon Tegeler, RN and director.

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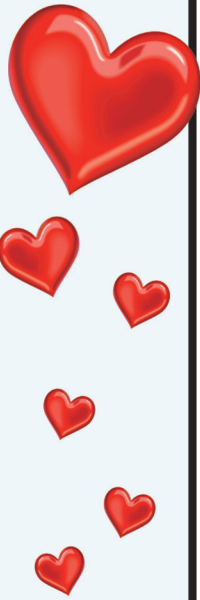


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Oats for early season forage

Spring is fast approaching and producers looking for a bit of extra forage to supplement low hay stocks this year may consider planting a spring crop. Spring oats are one option that can be planted early, produce a large amount of high-quality forage, and are adaptable to fit for your particular system.

Typically in northeast Nebraska, planting dates for oats range from the middle of March into late April. This gives us a window to plan for, but ideally, soil temperatures should be the ultimate factor for putting seed in the ground. Oats germinate when soil temperatures are above 40°F. When we hit that milestone and are past the danger of a killing frost, planting can commence.

Seed at a rate of 60-80 lbs/ac on dryland and up to 100 lbs/ac on irrigated fields to get maximum production. 40-60 lbs of nitrogen can also boost yields, though with high fertilizer prices, a smaller rate or alternative nutrient source like manure may be worth consideration. With the right conditions, oats can support 1 to 2 cows per acre for several months, or provides the flexibility to harvest as hay, green chop, or silage. If allowed to grow to maturity, production of 2-2.5 ton/acre are common.

Once they begin growth, oats can come on fast. If grazing, be prepared to turn out once plants get around 5-6 inches in height, usually around mid to late May. If left unused, plants can quickly grow up to a foot and mature in no time. At this point the plant will be trying to initiate seed production, so if grazed, regrowth may be limited. Keeping plants vegetative and grazing before they reach 8 inches in height keeps new growth occurring and will stretch the grazable period out.

Oats can be mixed with other forage species to add diversity

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and further extend the grazing period. Brassicas like turnip, collards, and canola can provide high quality forage, but will tend to mature quickly and bolt as temperatures warm, so grazing early and often is recommended. Legumes like spring pea can decrease nitrogen demand and provide forage, while vetch may be added purely for it's nitrogen benefits.

From a grass standpoint, other spring grains like triticale and barley can add production and extended grazing. Annual ryegrass is another option to consider that pairs well with oats. Ryegrass grows rapidly later in the spring, usually around early June, about the time oats are slowing down. With enough water, it's a high quality forage that can provide grazing opportunity well into the summer and into the fall. To seed an oat/ryegrass mix, plant 60-70 lbs/oats per acre along with 15-20 lbs/ryegrass per acre. Growth might be a bit slower to initiate, so grazing may need to be a bit lighter to in the beginning. However, the extended grazing period into the summer will more than make up a slower start.

Spring planted forages can provide a great resource for those needed additional hay or wanting to give overgrazed pastures a rest. When planning this year consider oats or an oat mix for a high yielding and flexible forage option.

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

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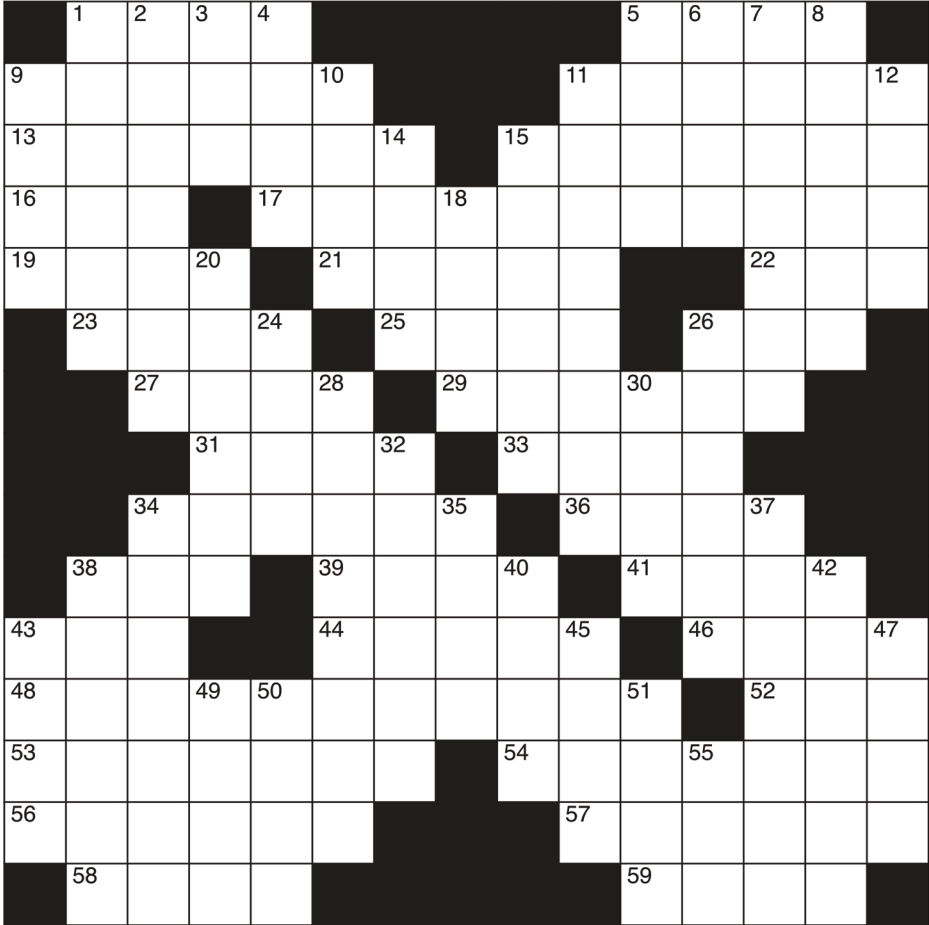
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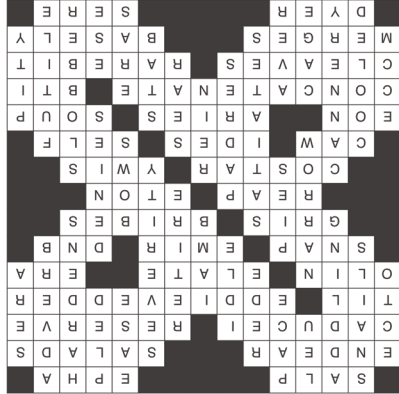
CLUES ACROSS
1. Sea grape
5. European public health group (abbr.)
9. A way to delight
11. Appetizers
13. Ancient heralds' wands
15. Make a booking
16. '___ death do us part
17. Pearl Jam frontman
19. Spider genus
21. Fill with high spirits
22. A major division of geological time
23. Catch
25. An independent ruler or chieftain
26. Electronic music style (abbr.)
27. Influential Spanish cubist painter
29. Illegally persuades
31. A way to derive
33. British School
34. Appear alongside
36. Surely (archaic)
38. Harsh cry of a crow
39. A day in the middle
41. Kansas hoops coach Bill
43. The longest division of geological time
44. The first sign of the zodiac
46. Appetizer
48. Link together in a chain
52. A bacterium
53. In a way, forces apart

54. Cheese dish
56. Combines
57. In an inferior way
58. Colors clothes
59. Dried-up

CLUES DOWN
1. Gastropods
2. Confusing
3. Romanian monetary unit
4. The rate at which something proceeds
5. A prosperous state of well-being
6. Asked for forgiveness
7. Makes less soft
8. Part of speech
9. Outside
10. Advice or counsel
11. Badness
12. Protein-rich liquids
14. Not moving
15. Call it a career
18. Poetry term
20. Not wide
24. Pastries
26. Turns away
28. Satisfies
30. Gift adornments
32. San Diego ballplayers
34. Manufacturing plant
35. Check or guide
37. Dogs do it
38. Chilled
40. Scorch
42. Unproductive of success
43. Electronic counter-countermeasures



45. Attack with a knife
47. Feel bad for
49. Enclosure
50. Assert
51. Geological times
55. Midway between east and southeast



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I wish to extend a sincere thank you to family, friends, and the entire Wolfpack community for all the support I have received while competing at my final district and state wrestling tournaments. It means so much to me and my family to know that you are all watching from back home. I also wish to thank my coaches and teammates for preparing me to compete, without all of you it would not have been possible for me to have so much success. A special thank you to all of the fans that made the trip to Omaha to watch me in person, it was an amazing feeling to look up and see so many of you there. Wrestling has taught me many lessons for life, and I will cherish the memories made forever. God Bless you all.
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S Prince - 50 Charolais-Angus cross open heifers, 650-800#
PENDING - 35 Black Angus & BWF open heifers, 575-675#
J Behnk - 60 Black Angus & BWF steers & heifers, green, 650-800#
B Mach - 60 Black Angus & Red Angus steers & heifers, 500-700#
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Proceedings — Antelope County Board of Commissioners

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Neligh, Nebraska
February 14th, 2023
Chairman opened the meeting. Notice of meeting published as required by statute.
Approved agenda.
Approved payroll.
Approved vendor claims.
General: AMERICAN SCREENING ex 255.00; AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP ex 18,885.34; ANTELOPE CO COURT ex 17.00; APPEARA ex 35.77; APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECH ex 3,928.70; BLACK HILLS ENERGY ut 4,407.66; BCBS ins 61,241.44; BOMGAARS ex 305.15; BORDERS INN/SUITES ex 288.00; CARNEY LAW ex 36,000.20; CASEYS ex 129.20; CITY OF NELIGH ut 3,399.71; CITY OF NELIGH-RECY ut 250.00; CLEARFLY COMMS ut 155.17; COLDTYPE PUBLISHING ex 580.82; JUDITH COLE ps 10.00; COLONIAL LIFE/ACCIDENT INS ins 100.88; CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT CO ex 38.00; CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES ex 39.00; CUBBYS ex 1,054.49; DAS STATE ACCTG ex 1,160.36; JEFFREY DOERR ex 1,672.04; DUSTYS ex 404.25; EAKES OFFICE SOL ex 495.01; EGLEY, FULLNER, MONTAG, MORLAND & E ex 641.14; ELGIN ONE STOP ex 192.69; ELGIN REVIEW ex 798.59; ELITE OFFICE PRODS ex 1,277.76; FED W/H tax 10,721.26; FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS ins 3,360.90;

FITZGERALD, VETTER & TEMPLE ex 2,565.74; FLOOR MAINTENANCE ex 347.21; GREAT PLAINS COMMS ex 362.27; DARRELL HAMILTON ps 11.00; HI-WAY MART ex 180.52; HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS ex 129.95; HOLT CO SHERIFF ex 28.00; HOWARD'S GUNSMITHING ex 1,509.00; MAKAYLA HUGHES ex 20.00; JACK'S UNIFORMS/EQUIPMENT ex 25.90; JONNY DODGE ex 305.16; KNOX CO TREAS ex 3,102.91; LIBERTY NATIONAL ins 87.19; LICHTENBERG TIRE SVC ex 22.00; MADISON CO DIST COURT ex 50.00; MADISON CO TREAS ex 98.17; MADISON CO SHERIFF ex 43.29; MADISON NATIONAL LIFE ins 134.99; MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS ex 122.00; MID-STATES ORGANIZED CRIME INFO CTR ex 100.00; DUANE MILLER ps 12.00; MIPS ex 2,259.03; MR S'S ex 628.72; NATIONAL SHERIFF'S ASSN ex 71.00; NEBR ASSN OF CO TREAS ex 50.00; NEBR DEPT OF REV tax 5,704.18; NEBR EMERGENCY SER COMM ASSN ex 15.00; NEBR HEALTH/HUMAN SVCS ex 222.00; NEBR LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAIN CENT ex 266.00; NELIGH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ex 175.00; THOMAS NELSON ex 100.00; NIELSEN INSURANCE ex 75.00; VSP-NACO VISION ins 533.82; NCPPD ut 34.57; O'NEILL PEST CONTROL ex 95.00; EMILY OGDEN ex 20.00; PAPER TIGER SHREDDING ex 852.15; LISA PAYNE ex 199.99; PETTY CASH (CO CLERK)

ex 2.50; PINNACLE BANK ex 363.00; PINNACLE BANK ex 842.85; PITZER DIGITAL ex 554.90; QUILL CORP ex 113.43; RAMADA ex 192.00; JANICE RIDDER ps 10.00; SANNE REPAIR ex 770.38; SCHROEDER LAND SURVEYING ex 705.00; CAROLINE SIEMS ps 25.00; WEX BANK ex 588.84; SOC SEC 25,486.50; STANTON CO SHERIFF ex 36.34; STEALTH BROADBAND ut 1,130.09; STRATTON DELAY DOELE CARLSON & BUET ex 3,202.42; ULINE SHIPPING ex 360.69; UNIV OF NEBR-LINCOLN ut 45.02; US CELL ut 713.39; AMY WALDO ex 73.71; WASHINGTON NATIONAL INS ins 285.92; WAYNE CO TREAS ex 4,866.42; DRIVERS LICENSE GUIDE CO ex 31.95; MADISON CO SHERIFF ex 29.14; KNOX CO TREAS ex 2,633.94; FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS ins 600.00; Payroll 130,736.60

Road/Bridge: AKRS EQUIPMENT ex 1,421.47; AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP ins 14,396.69; ANTELOPE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ex 299.00; AUTOMATED DAIRY SPECIALIST ex 10.00; B'S ENTERPRISES ex 4,112.00; BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODS ex 417.76; BAZILE AGGREGATE ex 986.88; BLACK HILLS ENERGY ut 3,596.64; BCBS ins 29,843.74; AARON BOGGS ex 55.95; BOMGAARS ex 1,185.25; CARHART LUMBER ex 53.98; CARQUEST ex 1,371.81; CITY OF TILDEN ut 70.80; COLONIAL LIFE/ACCIDENT INS ins

18.00; COLONIAL RESEARCH CHEMICAL COR ex 330.20; CONSTELLATION ut 583.74; CORNER HARDWARE ex 16.98; CORNHUSKER INTERNATIONAL TRUCK ex 400.00; CREDIT MANAGEMENT SVCS ex 563.49; CUBBYS ex 667.09; D&L TOWING ex 561.00; D&M MACHINERY ex 52.15; ECHO ELECTRIC SUPPLY ex 75.70; ELGIN ONE STOP ex 35.12; ERPPD ut 657.32; EMME SAND/ GRAVEL ex 294.69; FARMER'S PRIDE ex 37,605.41; FED W/H tax 10,444.11; FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS ins 3,216.24; FRONTIER COMM ut 305.69; G WORKS ex 3,675.00; GREAT PLAINS COMMS ut 270.17; HOLT COUNTY TIRE ex 254.90; HOMETOWN STATION ex 98.30; ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING ex 228.16; JEO CONSULTING GROUP ex 1,150.00; LEIGH KLUTHE ex 480.00; LAWSOON PRODS ex 51.28; LAZY T TIRE\ IMP ex 1.48; LIBERTY NATIONAL ins 235.77; LICHTENBERG TIRE SVC ex 9,527.32; MADISON NATIONAL LIFE ins 60.89; MEDICAL ENTERPRISES ex 210.00; MR S'S ex 833.24; MURPHY TRACTOR-POWER PLAN ex 1,706.76; NEBR CHILD SUPPORT PMT CENTER garn 153.00; NEBR DEPT OF REV tax 5,037.15; NPPD ut 331.84; NELIGH AUTO/MACHINE ex 42.97; NETCOM ex 20.00; VSP-NACO VISION ins 298.36; NCPPD ex 341.01; NORTHEAST GLASS ex 325.00; NNTC ut 76.01; QUALITY IRON/METAL

ex 557.38; QUICK SERVE OIL ex 164.66; RAZOR TRACKING ex 950.00; RDO TRUCK CENTER ex 13,838.51; ROAD BUILDERS MACHINERY/SUPPLY ex 954.10; ROSE EQUIPMENT ex 13,590.00; ROYAL ONE STOP ex 556.20; RYAN'S TRUCK/TRACTOR ex 924.92; SAPP BROTHER PETROLEUM ex 5,544.21; DAVID SIMONS ex 100.00; WEX BANK ex 774.27; SOC SEC 20,257.28; STEALTH BROADBAND ut 94.79; CHAD STEVENS ex 360.00; SWITZER WELDING ex 366.50; VILLAGE OF BRUNSWICK ut 54.50; VILLAGES OF CLEARWATER ut 67.75; VILLAGE OF ORCHARD ut 55.64; WASHINGTON NATIONAL INS ins 277.90; DYLAN WILKINS ex 64.00; FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS ins 233.33; Payroll 100,173.73

Register of Deeds: MIPS ex 342.80;

Disaster Flood 2019: DIXON CONSTRUCTION ex 32,118.74; JEO CONSULTING GROUP ex 2,292.50;

Law Enforcement: BLOOD PHARMACY ex 489.07; CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING ex 2,746.89; CHARM-TEX ex 733.50; CITY OF NELIGH ex 2,674.82; CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES ex 500.00; CULLIGAN ex 70.00; APRIL CURTISS ex 52.50; FAITH REGIONAL HEALTH SVCS ex 540.00; HILAND DAIRY ex 632.74; HILLTOP DRUG ex 459.83; MODERN IMAGING SOLUTIONS ex 689.70; PINNACLE BANK ex 17.78; THRIFT-

WAY MARKET ex 727.61; ULINE SHIPPING ex 1,780.53;

Commissary: CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING ex 688.14; CHARM-TEX ex 509.00; KEEFE SUPPLY ex 357.12; PINNACLE BANK ex 765.52; JUSTICE DATA SOLUTIONS ex 555.00; THRIFTWAY MARKET ex 195.39; Inheritance: Jeffrey Doerr ex 31.17.

Approved minutes of the February 7th, 2023, BOC Meeting.

No action on AED Unit.

Correspondence was reviewed. January Sheriff's Monthly Report.

Approved County Attorney Contract.

Heard 2022 Extension Annual Report.

Approved 2023 Liquor License for Grove Lake Bait Shop, Mr. S's, Plainview Country Club, and Summerland Golf Course.

Signed release road use agreement bond letter.

Zoning Administrators Report. Approved renting space at home/garden show.

Road Superintendent Report. Approved access permit fee increase resolution.

Approved HVAC maintenance contract for Law Enforcement Center.

Meeting Adjourned.

Antelope County Board of Commissioners
CHARLIE HENERY
Chairman of County Board

Attest: LISA PAYNE /s/
Antelope County Clerk
PUBLISH: February 22, 2023
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Section 0100 – Invitation to Bidders

• **General**
• **The City of Elgin will receive bids for Water Meters until March 2, 2023, at 2:00 pm at the offices of the City of Elgin, 104 Pine Street, Elgin, Nebraska.** At that time, the bidding will be closed, and no other bids will be accepted for any reason. Bids will be opened publicly and read aloud, and all bidders will be informed of the award of the project.
• The proposed project consists of the replacement of ap-

proximately 425 meters. Existing meters are installed in house or in pits, along with the installation of new meters, meter sets, and/or pit installations.

Engineer's Estimate of Costs = \$300,000

• The Owner intends to award one contract for all work to be performed.
• The Owner will award the contract to the low, responsive bidder based on grand total bid prices, construction start and completion times, materials, and contractors past performance with the Owner and Engineer.

• The Owner reserves the right to award the project including any combination of the base bid, alternates, or additions.
• The Owner reserves the right to reject all bids, and to waive any irregularities in bidding.
• It is the responsibility of the contractor to fully examine the plans and specifications for the project and include all labor, materials, and cost of equipment that will be included in the construction of the project.
• The bidder shall not qualify bids in any manner.
• Bids submitted to the owner

shall remain current for a period of 30 days.

• No bids may be withdrawn for a period of 35 days without written consent from the Owner.

• **Contract Documents**

• Shall be kept on file by the Owner and shall be made available to the public.
• Bidders shall obtain a set of contract documents, plans, and specifications from Advanced Consulting Engineering Services, Inc. (402) 372-1923 or via email at jrolf@acesne.com.
• Plans and specifications for bidding will be provided for a

lump sum fee of \$60 to the contractors.

• The bidding set will include a bid form, instructions to bidders, contract documents, and construction specifications, along with an 11-inch by 17-inch set of plans
• **Bid Security**
• Bidders shall submit a bid security certificate in the amount of 5% of the grand total base bid with all bids.
• In lieu of a bid security certificate, the Bidders may submit a certified check in the amount

of 5% of the grand total base bid. The certified check shall be made out to the Owner.

• Checks and bid securities shall be returned to unsuccessful bidders.

• **Payment and Performance Bonds**

• The successful bidder shall be required to provide Payment and Performance Bonds in the amount of the sum of the contract.
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Proceedings — Village Board of Bartlett

VILLAGE OF BARTLETT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING 13 FEBRUARY 2022

The Village of Bartlett board meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. on February 13, 2023. The meeting met at the Village Office, 425 Randolph St. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Williamson. The members present were Williamson, Nichols, Einspahr, Plugge and Nordhues. . Also present: Emma Smith, Judy Petersen, CNEDD, Vicki Vannier, village clerk. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting at: Bartlett Post Office, WeMart, and Village Office. Chairman Williamson proclaimed the meetings to be a legal meeting and acknowledged that the Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room.

MINUTES: It was moved by Nichols , seconded by Plugge to approve the January 9, 2022, regular meeting minutes. Roll call vote: Yes—Williamson, Nichols, Nordhues, Einspahr and Plugge. No: None. Absent: None. Abstained: None. Motion Carried.

STREETS: It was moved by Nichols, seconded by Nordhues to approve the General Administration Agreement with the CNEDD. Roll call vote: Yes—Williamson, Nichols, Nordhues, Einspahr and Plugge. No: None. Absent: None. Abstained: None. Motion Carried.

ried. It was moved by Nichols, seconded by Einspahr to approve the Construction Management Contract with the CNEDD. Roll call vote: Yes—Williamson, Nichols, Nordhues, Einspahr and Plugge. No: None. Absent: None. Abstained: None. Motion Carried. Judy Petersen then discussed the next step needed to hire an engineering firm. There were two firms that replied to the advertisement: JEO Consulting Group and Miller & Associates. She provided a grading sheet for the members to use to help with their decision. It was moved by Einspahr, seconded by Nordhues to divide up and call the towns board members to discuss the different Engineering firms' work. Roll call vote: Yes—Williamson, Nichols, Nordhues, Einspahr and Plugge. No: None. Absent: None. Abstained: None. Motion Carried.

Emma Smith was introduced. She is applying for the job--Clerk of the Village of Bartlett. Discussion and questions by both parties followed. It was moved by Nichols, seconded by Plugge to offer the job to Emma Smith with a starting pay of \$20 per hour. Roll call vote: Yes—Williamson, Nichols, Nordhues, Einspahr and Plugge. No: None. Absent: None. Abstained: None. Motion Carried. Emma accepted the job. Vannier will help in training at the same rate of pay.

WATER: Was discussed.

SEWER: Was discussed.
KENO: Was discussed.
USER FEES: Were discussed.
FEBRUARY CLAIMS: It was moved by Plugge, seconded by Einspahr to pay all claims except those to Mark Nordhues for Professional fees of \$200. Roll call vote: Roll call vote: Yes—Williamson, Nichols, Nordhues, Einspahr and Plugge. No: None. Absent: None. Abstained: None. Motion Carried. It was moved by Nichols, seconded by Plugge to pay Mark Nordhues' claims. Roll call vote: Yes—Einspahr, Williamson, Plugge, Nichols, No: None. Absent: None. Abstained: Nordhues. Motion carried.

ABDO-SPOTLIGHT-MAGIC WAGON, Elementary Books, \$92.85; ADVANCED WATER COMPANY, INC., Boiler sulfite test kit, \$96.07; APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES, Tech Services, \$607.50; BURWELL TRIBUNE, Publishing, \$585.38; CORNERSTONE BANK, Bond Insurance, \$170.00; EBSCO SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE, Elementary Supply, \$623.72; EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT #8, SPED, \$6,755.20; ELGIN REVIEW, Publishing, \$112.29; ELITE OFFICE PRODUCTS, Copier Lease, \$470.57; FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK, Payroll ACH, \$85.00; FOLLETT LIBRARY RESOURCES, Elementary Supply, \$19.18; HONORBOUND IT, Network, \$300.00; JAYMAR BUSINESS FORMS, INC., Business Manager Supply, \$107.92; JOSTENS, Graduation Supply, \$87.95; KSB SCHOOL LAW, Legal Services, \$100.00; LOUP VALLEY R.P.P.D., Electricity, \$2,478.74; MCI, Phone Service, \$54.30; MIDWEST BUS REPAIR, Transportation Repair, \$3,055.00; MSM ENTERPRISES, LLC, OT Services, \$1,172.42; NE COUNCIL SCHOOL ADMIN, Conference, \$190.00; NEBRASKA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS, Board Workshop, \$250.00; NEBRASKA STATE FIRE MARSHAL, Maintenance, \$72.00; NEBRASKA/CENTRAL EQUIPMENT INC, Transporta-

tion Inspection, \$100.00; NEU YOU PHYSICAL THERAPY, PC, Physical Therapy, \$230.25; NORTHEAST NEBRASKA TELEPHONE CO, Phone Service, \$296.51; O'NEILL PEST CONTROL, Maintenance, \$425.00; O'NEILL SHOPPER, Publishing, \$46.00; ONE SOURCE, Background Checks, \$35.00; ORD'S ACE HARDWARE, Maintenance Supply, \$48.00; PLUGGE'S ROD SHOP, Transportation Repairs, \$157.64; RAMADA, Staff Travel Expense, \$87.32; RODEO MARKET, Early Childhood Supply, \$31.55; SAPP BROTHERS, Heating Propane, \$6,632.65; TIME MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS, INC., Time Clock System, \$42.42; TOSHIBA FINANCIAL SERVICES, Copier Lease, \$335.00; TWIG FLOWER & GIFT, District Supply, \$51.98; VILLAGE OF BARTLETT, Utilities, \$1,454.73; W E MART, Transportation/Maintenance Fuel, \$20,385.17; WELLS FARGO EQUIPMENT FINANCE INC., Transportation Lease, \$6,613.00

Total: \$54,458.31
Payroll: \$225,074.80

OTHER BUSINESS: The state has accepted the Audit Wavier from the village. It was moved by Nordhues, seconded by Einspahr to remove Vicki Vannier from the Safe Deposit Box and banking accounts as a signer, to add Emma Smith to sign checks and other business documents. Roll call vote: Yes—Williamson, Nichols, Nordhues, Einspahr and Plugge. No: None. Absent: None. Abstained: None. Motion Carried. Zack Wright has asked if the school could use the bobcat to remove snow from school property. Board members will look into possible cost associated with that action.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, March 13, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Dated this 13th day of February 2023
PUBLISH: February 22, 2023
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Notice — Estate of Patricia L. Starman

NOTICE
Estate of PATRICIA L. STARMAN, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that the Personal Representative has filed a report of his administration and a formal closing petition for complete settlement after informal probate of Will of said deceased, for determination of heirship, and for determination

of inheritance tax, which have been set for hearing in the Antelope County, Nebraska, Court on March 1, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

/s/ Martin V. Klein
Martin V. Klein, #22220
Attorney for Petitioner
PUBLISH: February 8, 15 & 22, 2023
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Notice of Organization — Beeson Ranch, LLC

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

The name of the limited liability company: Beeson Ranch, L.L.C. The address of the designated office is: 1009 Q Street, Neligh, Nebraska 68756. The name and mailing address of the initial agent for service of process of the company is Martin V. Klein, 101 W. 4th Street, P.O. Box 166, Neligh, NE 68756. It is organized to transact any lawful acts concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska.

This company commenced

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— Notice of Meetings — Antelope County Board of Commissioners

NOTICE OF MEETINGS
COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, ANTELOPE COUNTY, NEBRASKA FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2023

Notice is hereby given that the County Board of Commissioners of Antelope County, Nebraska will hold meetings in the County Commissioner's meeting room in the Antelope County Courthouse Annex, Neligh, Nebraska on the following dates and times:

March 7, 2023 at 9:00 AM
March 14, 2023 at 8:00 AM
Meetings will be open to the public. An agenda, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the Antelope County Clerk's office and may be modified at such meeting to include items of an emergency nature pursuant to Section 84-1411 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.
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Proceedings — Wheeler Central Board of Education

WHEELER CENTRAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
February Meeting
February 13, 2023

The Wheeler Central Board of Education Regular Board Meeting was held February 13, 2023. Chairperson Kasselder called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and pointed out the location of the Open Meetings Act poster. The roll was called with the following present: Dennis Derner, Andrew Smith, Drew Kasselder, Zach Wright, Adam Freouf, and Jessie Swick. Also present were Dan Kluver, Makayla Reiter, and Andrea Pelster.

Wright made the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Derner. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Chairperson Kasselder welcomed the visitors and opened the floor for public comment. No comment was held.

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No staff report was given. During the maintenance report, Rudy Smith presented a 1 to 5 year project plan.

No transportation report was given.

Reiter gave the PK-12 Principal report. Updates were given on Science curriculums, FFA competitions, employees development trainings, quiz bowl teams, and speech meets. She also reported on future speakers and attending job fairs.

Kluver gave the Superintendent report. He updated the board on the various meetings attended and legislative topics. An update was also given on the visit from the ALICAP representative.

Derner gave a brief board report.

Discussion was held on online payment options.

Discussion was held on entry control panels.

Smith made the motion to approve Daniel Kluver Sr., Su-

perintendent, to serve as board authorized representative and to sign all forms and documents for all matters relating to Local, State, and Federal when appropriate for Central School District No. 45. Seconded by Derner. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Swick made a motion to continue using Cornerstone Bank and Farmers & Merchants Bank as the depositories of district funds for Central School District No. 45. Seconded by Freouf. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Wright made a motion to designate KSB School Law as representatives for Central School District No. 45. Seconded by Derner. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Swick made a motion to designate Lammers, Abel & Kaps CPAs, P.A. as auditors for Central School District No. 45. Seconded by Smith. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Wright made a motion to designate Daniel Kluver Sr. as Non-Discrimination Compliance Coordinator. Seconded by Swick. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Smith made a motion to designate Abi Parker as Title IX Coordinator. Seconded by Wright. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

The Superintendent notified the Board of a list of unwanted items to be disposed of.

Derner made a motion to approve Brady Firley as the Varsity Head Track Coach for the 2022/2023 season. Seconded by Wright. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

The board was presented with an ESSER II review.

Swick made a motion to approve the daycare handbook as

presented. Seconded by Wright. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Swick made a motion to approve the superintendent to receive a General Fund debit card at Farmers & Merchants Bank with a \$1000 daily limit and \$0 cash back. Seconded by Smith. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Wright made a motion to approve the 2nd Superintendent's Evaluation. Seconded by Freouf. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the current status of gym facilities and future improvements.

Discussion was held on the structure for Preschool for the 2023-2024 school year.

Freouf made a motion to continue membership with NASB. Seconded by Derner. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Derner made a motion to approve classified staff compensation for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. Seconded by Wright. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Smith made a motion to enter executive session to protect personal and identifiable information. Seconded by Swick. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried. Executive session was entered at 9:08 p.m.

Swick made a motion to exit executive session. Seconded by Freouf. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried. Exited executive session at 9:14 p.m.

Swick made a motion to approve the Principal compensation for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. Seconded by Freouf. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Wright made a motion to approve the following Board Policies: 3001,3002,3003, 3003.1, 3004, 3004.1, 3005, 3007, 3008, 3009, 3010, 3011, 3012, 3013, 3014, 3015, 3016, 3017, 3018, 3019, 3020, 3021, 3022, 3023, 3024, 3025, 3026, 3027, 3028, 3029, 3030, 3031, 3032, 3033, 3035, 3036, 3037, 3039, 3040, 3041, 3042, 3043, 3044, 3045, 3046, 3047, 3048, 3049, 3050, 3051, 3053, 3054, 3055, 3056,

3057, 3058. Seconded by Derner. Roll call vote: Wright—aye, Smith — aye, Kasselder — aye, Swick — aye, Freouf — aye, Derner — aye. Motion carried.

Smith made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Wright. Roll call vote - all aye. Meeting was adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be March 13th at 7:00 p.m.
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Notice of Organization —

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

The name of the limited liability company: Rocking L5 Supply, L.L.C. The address of the designated office is: 84450 506 Avenue, Ewing, Nebraska 68735. The name and mailing address of the initial agent for service of process of the company is Martin V. Klein, 101 W. 4th Street, P.O. Box 166, Neligh, NE 68756. It is organized to transact any lawful acts concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska.

This company commenced upon filing the Certificate of Organization with the Secretary of State on February 16, 2023, and its existence shall be perpetual. The affairs of the limited liability

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company are to be conducted by the members under an operation agreement duly approved by its members.

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Pastor Duane Waddle
Sunday Worship Service: 10:45 am.
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Sunday School: 9:30 am.
Worship Service: 10:45 am.

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Saturday Evening Service: 6 pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month.

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Church Council: 2nd Sunday of each month following worship.

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Weekend Mass: Sunday, 11:30 am.
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Rev. Jon Franson
Sunday Worship Service: 8:15 am.
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Wolfpack Sports



GACC's James Rolf was no match for Samuel Hemenway on Friday. Hemenway advanced with a 7 to 4 victory. *E-R photo*

Hemenway wins two matches; eyes the future

Just misses out on medal with loss in 'heartbreak' round

OMAHA — Wolfpack junior wrestler Samuel Hemenway's goal this season was to qualify for the NSAA State Wrestling Championships and compete with the best of the best.

He did that this week, showing he belonged there, coming up just short of winning a medal in the Class D 195-pound division.

"It's a great experience to get to Omaha," Hemenway said after the tournament. He told *The Elgin Review* the experience was one he will learn from and use as motivation next year.

Hemenway opened the tournament strong Thursday, pinning Hemingford's Theron Miller in 1:07. The victory sent him into the quarterfinals later that day against eventual state champion Sid Miller of Anselmo-Merna.

Miller dominated the match from the start, registering takedowns in each of the three periods while holding Hemenway scoreless in the match.

The loss dropped Hemenway into the wrestlebacks. In consolation round #2, GACC's James Rolf found out just how hard it is to compete against the EPPJ wrestler. Leading two to zero going into the second period, Hemenway added four points with a near fall and a takedown and went on to defeat Rolf seven to four.

"I had wrestled him twice and beat him both times," Hemenway said. "I needed to be the aggressor, coach says the wrestler who gets the first takedown usually wins."

The victory sent Hemenway into the 'heartbreak' round where he would face a familiar foe. One week ago, Hemenway defeated Neligh-Oakdale's Chase Thomas at the district semifinals.

"It was a great experience to wrestle (Thomas)," Hemenway said, noting how he might have done a few things different in the match. Thomas got the better of Hemenway this time as he pinned the Wolfpack wrestler in 3:46.

The loss ended Hemenway's season with a win/loss record of 28-10.

With the success Hemenway had this year, he's looking forward to next year and another chance to medal at state. Noting how the weight classes are likely to change, he said he just wants to wrestle where he has the best chance for success.

Individual match results were:

D195 — Champ. Round 1 - Samuel Hemenway (Elgin Public/Pope John) 28-10 won by fall over Theron Miller (Hemingford) 27-10 (Fall 1:07); Quarterfinal - Sid Miller (Anselmo-Merna) 41-1 won by decision over Hemenway (Dec 7-0); Cons. Round 2 - Hemenway won by decision over James Rolf (Guardian Angels Central Catholic) 31-7 (Dec 7-4); Cons. Round 3 - Chase Thomas (Neligh-Oakdale) 40-14 won by fall over Hemenway (Fall 3:46)



Samuel Hemenway pinned Hemingford's Theron Miller for his first victory at the state tournament. *E-R photo*

Beckman caps senior season with third place medal at State

OMAHA — The 'face' of Wolfpack wrestling since first donning a varsity singlet, EPPJ senior Carter Beckman turned in a career-best performance at the Nebraska State Wrestling Championships Saturday. All four of his victories came on decisions.

He saved his best performance for his final trip to state, finishing third in the Class D 120-pound division.

Beckman described the three-day tournament as something akin to a business trip.

"I went there to win and get my reward (a medal)," Beckman said. "I stayed focused and was 'dialed in' for my matches."

Doing what he does best, he slowly, methodically, took down Mullen's Jeffery Forsen in the consolation finals Saturday, finishing third in one of the toughest divisions of any class at the tournament.

It marked the fourth time this season the Mullen wrestler had squared off against Beckman. "I was in pretty good control for most of the match," he said.

Against Forsen, Beckman led two to one entering the third period. After getting an escape, he finished the match with a takedown for a five to one victory in his second and final match Saturday.

Earlier in the day, Beckman faced Franklin's Grant Haussermann for the second time in Omaha. Having defeated Haussermann five to zero in his opening match Thursday, Beckman again shutout his opponent, this time seven to zero. He recorded takedowns in each period. "I was more on offense in the second match, I knew I could beat him."

Beckman's only loss in Omaha came Friday night in the semifinals. There, facing Triston Wells of Thayer Central, Beckman fell behind five to zero in the first period. While he held Wells scoreless the rest of the match, he couldn't close the gap and lost five to three.

"He didn't give me much," Beckman said about Miller. Having never faced



Carter Beckman looks up after his final match of an outstanding career. Winning the third place medal, he finished the season with a 37-4 record. *E-R photo*



Twice during the state wrestling tournament Carter Beckman faced Franklin's Grant Haussermann. The outcome was the same both times as Beckman won by decision. *E-R photo*

him before, Beckman fell behind early. "It was tough to do anything against him," Beckman told *The Elgin Review* Sunday.

In the quarterfinals on Thursday, Beckman was victorious seven to three over Creel Weber of Hemingford.

Beckman finishes the season with a 37-4 record.

Individual match results were:
D120 — Champ. Round 1 - Carter Beckman (Elgin Public/Pope John) 37-4

won by decision over Grant Haussermann (Franklin) 35-16 (Dec 5-0); Quarterfinal - Beckman won by decision over Creel Weber (Hemingford) 32-8 (Dec 7-3); Semifinal - Triston Wells (Thayer Central) 43-7 won by decision over Beckman (Dec 5-3); Cons. Semi - Beckman won by decision over Grant Haussermann (Franklin) 35-16 (Dec 7-0); 3rd Place Match - Beckman won by decision over Jeffery Forsen (Mullen) 36-10 (Dec 5-1)



Facing Thayer Central's Triston Wells in the semifinals, Carter Beckman's comeback fell short as he lost the match 5 to 3. *E-R photo*

Points hard to come by in loss to St. Mary's

ELGIN — Playing their final regular season game, Elgin Public-Pope John dropped their eighth game of the season Friday night.

The scoreboard read O'Neill St. Mary's 50, Wolfpack 34, an outcome many EPPJ fans didn't see coming.

After taking an 11-point lead at the end of the first quarter, the Wolfpack were outscored 46 to 19 over the final three quarters.

Everything was clicking for the Wolfpack in the first quarter as Dylan Lueking, Paition Hoefer and Jack Wemhoff drained treys. Inside, Blake Henn, Nick Anderson and Jarek Erickson scored under the basket.

Everything looked good for EPPJ then, like a sudden shift of winds in a thunderstorm, the Cardinals came charging back. Behind senior Isaac Everitt and freshman Gage Hedstrom, St. Mary's started to connect, cutting the Wolfpack's lead to 20 to 16 at halftime.

Then, over the final two quarters, it seemed like the Wolfpack couldn't get a break at either end of the floor. Over the final 16 minutes of the game, St. Mary's outscored the Wolfpack 34 to 14 to earn the victory and hand EPPJ their second loss in a row.

Everitt finished with 22 points and Hedstrom added 17. St. Mary's connected on 13 of 27 two-point shots and were five of 20 from three-point range. They held their own on the boards as the grabbed 36 rebounds, led by Everitt with 11.

A junior, Henn led the Wolfpack with eight points, Erickson added seven. EPPJ made just 14 of 57 field goal attempts and were one of five from the free throw stripe.

The Wolfpack (14-8) will be in subdistrict action this week at St. Boniface Auditorium.

St. Mary's 50, EPPJ 34

Cardinals.....4 12 12 22 — 50
Wolfpack.....15 5 6 8 — 34
Wolfpack — Blake Henn 4-9 0-1 8, Jack Wemhoff 2-9 0-0 6, Gage Thiessen 0-1 0-0 0, Paition Hoefer 2-14 0-0 5, Austin Good 0-0 0-0 0, Camryn Pelster 0-0 0-0 0, Nick Anderson 1-4 0-0 2, Jarek Erickson 3-8 0-2 7, Karson Kallhoff 0-4 0-0 0, Dylan Lueking 2-8 1-2 6. Team totals: 14-57 1-5 34. Three-point shots — Wolfpack 5-25 (Jack Wemhoff 2, Paition Hoefer, Jarek Erickson, Dylan Lueking). Team statistics: Rebounds — Wolfpack 34 (Jarek Erickson 8). Assists — Wolfpack 9 (Paition Hoefer 5). Steals — Wolfpack 2. Turnovers — Wolfpack 12.



Wolfpack junior Blake Henn goes hard to the basket. He led the team with eight points against the Cardinals. *E-R photo/DMorgan*



Ashlynnne Charf's inside game was nearly unstoppable against the Lady Spartans. She finished with 15 points and five steals. E-R photo/DMorgan

Wolfpack top Plainview 61 to 56

NIOBRARA — It took a quarter for the Wolfpack girls to 'warm up' to the task at hand Tuesday night, defeating Plainview 61 to 56.

In the opening round of the D1-5 Subdistrict Tournament, Elgin Public-Pope John (20-4) scored just six first quarter points against the hot-shooting Lady Pirates.

However, as Plainview's shooters began to miss, EPPJ warmed up with a 24-point second quarter and trailed by just three, 33 to 30 at halftime.

Plainview senior Keanu Johnson started the second half with back-to-back treys to give the Pirates a 41 to 32 lead. That's when the Wolfpack put together a 10 to two run to pull within one, 43 to 42. Keying the run was Keyera Eisenhauer with six points, Taylynnne and Ashlynnne Charf each had two points.

Plainview led for most of the game until 5:41 left on the clock when Eisenhauer made her second trey to knot the score at 50-all.

The Wolfpack finally took the lead at the 4:30 mark when senior Skyler Meis sank two free throws for a 52 to 51 lead.

Three of four free throws, the last two by Abigail Kromarek, gave the Pirates their last lead of the game. From there, Ashlynnne Charf took over, scoring five of EPPJ's final nine points. Aiding the cause were two free throws apiece from Eisenhauer and senior Maddie

Kolm. Ashlynnne Charf led the Wolfpack with 24 points on the night, making 10 of 18 shots from the field and four of seven free throws. As she dominated play inside, Eisenhauer's outside shooting accounted for 18 points. They were the only two Wolfpack players to score in double figures.

EPPJ 61, Plainview 56
Pirates.....13 20 13 10 — 56
Wolfpack.....6 24 12 19 — 61
Wolfpack — Taylynnne Charf 1-6 2-2 4, Ashlynnne Charf 10-18 4-7 24, Skyler Meis 1-9 3-4 5, Brenna Martinsen 1-3 2-2 4, Kate

Furstenau 2-5 0-0 4, Keyera Eisenhauer 5-8 6-8 18, Maddie Kolm 0-1 2-2 2, Sara Bode 0-2 0-0 0. Team totals: 20-52 19-25 61. Plainview team totals: 21-48 5-12 56. Three-point shots — Wolfpack 2-8 (Keyera Eisenhauer 2), Plainview 9-23. Team statistics: Rebounds — Wolfpack 39 (Ashlynnne Charf 13), Plainview 20. Assists — Wolfpack 8 (Keyera Eisenhauer 2, Ashlynnne Charf 2), Plainview 12. Steals — Wolfpack 15 (Ashlynnne Charf 6, Taylynnne Charf 3), Plainview 9. Turnovers — Wolfpack 21, Plainview 20.

“Coming out for the fourth quarter we all said ‘this might be the last eight minutes we ever play together.’ We didn’t want that to be,” Keyera Eisenhauer said after emerging from the locker room after the game. “So we all turned it up a notch in our defense ... This wasn’t our best shooting night, so we worked for it on defense.”

After baskets by her and Taylynnne Charf tied the score at 25-all, Eisenhauer gave the Wolfpack the lead, 26 to 25, with a free throw. She followed that up with a trey at the 5:12 mark in the fourth quarter for a three-point lead.

Ashlynnne Charf came on strong in the fourth quarter, converting a steal to increase the lead to five points, 31 to 26.

The Wolfpack finished out the game with an Eisenhauer steal which she turned into two points and seven free throws down the stretch (Ashlynnne Charf had three, Eisenhauer and Kate Furstenau each had two).

Boyd County managed just six points the rest of the game, two each from Amelia Hoffman, Leah Jockens and Natasha Zeisler.

Coach Randy Eisenhauer said the game turned in the Wolfpack favor, in large part, due to the pressure defense

they applied. He said it created timely turnovers which EPPJ turned into points. Ashlynnne Charf led EPPJ (21-4) with 15 points, Eisenhauer had 12.

EPPJ 40, Boyd County 32
Spartans.....8 12 5 7 — 32
Wolfpack.....10 6 5 19 — 40
Wolfpack — Taylynnne Charf 1-6 0-0 2, Ashlynnne Charf 6-10 3-5 15, Skyler Meis 0-8 2-4 2, Brenna Martinsen 2-4 2-2 7, Kate Furstenau 0-2 2-2 2, Keyera Eisenhauer 4-11 3-4 12, Maddie Kolm 0-0 0-2 0, Sara Bode 0-1 0-2 0. Team totals: 13-

42 12-21 40. Boyd County team totals: 13-44 6-9 32. Three-point shots — Wolfpack 2-17 (Brenna Martinsen, Keyera Eisenhauer), Boyd County 0-9.

Team statistics: Rebounds — Wolfpack 26 (Brenna Martinsen 6, Skyler Meis & Ashlynnne Charf 5), Boyd County 29. Assists — Wolfpack 6 (Skyler Meis 3), Boyd County 9. Steals — Wolfpack 18 (Ashlynnne Charf 5, Skyler Meis & Keyera Eisenhauer 4), Boyd County 9. Turnovers — Wolfpack 21, Boyd County 27.



Dance team members (l-r): Olivia Klein, Kaitey Schumacher, Kayton Zwingman, Ashlynnne Charf, Maddie Kolm, Eliza Borer, Taylynnne Charf and Brenna Martinsen competed Friday at the Nebraska State Cheer & Dance Championships held in Grand Island. Photo submitted

Dance team places in Hip Hop, Pom at state championships in Grand Island

GRAND ISLAND — Dance, dance, dance.

Having entertained Wolfpack fans throughout the course of the school year, the dance team competed Friday at the Nebraska State Cheer & Dance Championships held at the Heartland Event Center.

In Class D, The Wolfpack

competed in two divisions - Hip Hop and Pom.

In Hip Hop, EPPJ finished sixth. Winning the division was Meridian High School. Eight schools vied for top honors.

In Pom, EPPJ placed seventh. Winning the competition was Randolph

High School. Altogether, 10 schools competed.

Wolfpack dance team members are Kayton Zwingman, Ashlynnne Charf, Olivia Klein, Eliza Borer, Kaitey Schumacher, Taylynnne Charf, Maddie Kolm and Brenna Martinsen.



Keyera Eisenhauer scored 18 points and dished out two assists in the victory over Plainview last week. E-R photo/DMorgan

Elgin Community Calendar

February

- 22** Bloodmobile @ Elgin KC Hall • Ash Wednesday.
- 24** Girls District basketball final @ Kearney Catholic High School (6 p.m.), schools dismiss at 1 p.m.
- 26** Elgin Community Christian Church Soup Luncheon @ Fellowship Hall*.
- 28** Elgin Bargain Box Open House from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. • Elgin Library 'Book Talk' with author Chris Stamp.

Every Sunday - Youth Group at Elgin Christian Community Church, 6:30 pm

March

- 5 & 19** Children of God Youth Group @ Elgin Public Library.
- 6** Elgin City Council regular meeting
- 7** Antelope County Board of Commissioners regular meeting.
- 14** Antelope County Board of Commissioners regular meeting.
- 15** District #18 Board of Education regular meeting.
- 18** St. Boniface Parish Spring Benefit Auction.

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