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In Brief

Young to be write-in candidate for city council

Seeking to represent Ward #1.

An Elgin veterinarian hopes to serve on the Elgin City Council, beginning in 2025. Dr. Jeremy Young, DVM has filed the necessary paperwork to be a write-in candidate for the Ward 1 seat which is up for election this year.

School concerts to be held Thursday, Friday

Open to the public

The Elgin Public High School Elementary Spring Concert concert will be Friday, May 3 at 1:30 p.m. (the same day as Grandparents Day at the school). One day earlier, the Pope John/St Boniface Spring Music Concert will be held this Thursday evening, May 2. The concert, at St. Boniface Auditorium, will be at 7 p.m.

Elgin City Council to meet Monday night

At City Hall

The Elgin City Council's monthly meeting will be Monday, May 6, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Public Notices

Public notices in this week's newspaper include:

- Notice — Village of Bartlett
- Notice — Estate of James T. Meyer
- Notice — Estate of Mary Jane Boes
- Sample Ballots — Antelope County
- Notice of Dissolution — Soper Adams LLC
- Notice of Meetings — Antelope County Board of Commissioners
- Noxious Weeds — Antelope County
- Notice of Meeting — Antelope County Board of Equalization
- Notice of Sheriff's Sale (2) — Antelope County Sheriff Robert Moore
- Notice — Estate of Randall E. Pedersen
- Notice of Organization — JW Auctions LLC
- Notice to Bidders — Antelope County
- Notice to Bidders — Village of Bartlett

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Weather

The high temperature last week was 70 degrees recorded on April 22-24. The low during the same period was 32 degrees recorded on April 23-24.

Altogether, 3.24 inches of precipitation was recorded last week.

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

Date	High	Low	Prec
April 21	60	37	.00
April 22	70	40	.00
April 23	70	32	.00
April 24	70	32	.00
April 25	60	47	.97
April 26	61	47	1.47
April 27	55	47	.80
Total for last week			3.24
Total for April			4.71
Total precipitation 2024			9.24



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Lindgren honored at stadium

Awash in sunshine at Memorial Stadium in Lincoln Saturday was EPS Math Instructor Becky Lindgren along with four other teachers from across the state as they were recognized as recipients of the Touchdowns For Teachers Award. Other teachers recognized prior to the start of the Red-White game were Julie Eastridge, Black Elk Elementary School; Monica Maly, Blair High School; Tami Phillips, Sargent Public School; and Brianna Richards, Fullerton Elementary School.

More than 100 signed up to attend EHS alumni event

Anticipation continues to grow for the return of Elgin High School alumni later this month. Organizer Laurie Waterbury told *The Elgin Review* Monday interest in the alumni celebration (150 years as a district and the 100-year-old high school building) continues to grow. "We have more than 100 people ...so far... planning to tour and enjoy a meal at the gym with us on Saturday, May 25," she said.

"We are extending our reservation deadline for the meal to May 15. We just need to know who is coming for a food count." A free will donation will be taken for the food, expenses and senior scholarships.

Here's the timeline for the celebration:
4:00-7:00 Tours of the School
5:00-7:00 Beef Sandwich, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Dessert, Tea and Water
6:00-12:00 Social Time with Music at the KC Hall (bar will be open)

Please note - silent auction items will be available for bids at the KC Hall. Funds will go towards scholarships for graduating seniors from EHS.

Among the items collected so far are 2 NASCAR tickets for 2025; a NASCAR gift package; a Badboy leaf blower; a Badboy weed eater, a day of fishing for two at Lake McConaughy, Elgin Eagle Gift Basket, a Wisconsin Basket, a small Elgin Eagle Quilt, some plaques from the late 80's and early 90's. More items will be added in the next week or two.

To reserve a meal, alumni and spouses/significant others can call Laurie Waterbury @ 402-843-8463 or Karin Kinney @ 402-843-6526. They can also message Laurie on the Alumni Facebook Page (Elgin Public Schools Alumni) or email her at epsalumni@elgineagles.org. They can also find updated news about alumni on the page.

Three to be presented diplomas Saturday at Wheeler Central

Three seniors are set to graduate Saturday at Wheeler Central High School. Graduation commencement will begin at 4 p.m. this Saturday in the school gymnasium.

Valedictorian of this year's class is Bobbi Guggenmos. Selected as Salutatorian was Chloe Smith. The third member of the senior class is Jayden Sheldon.

Junior class stewards are Jayna Guggenmos and Elijah Hendrix.

Presentation of diplomas will be done by Drew Kasselder.

Payne, staff 'focused' on 2024 Primary Election

By Jane Schuchardt

Special to The Elgin Review

Editor's Note: This continues a series of monthly articles celebrating pride in our town and its surroundings shown through the experience of residents and organizations.

Of the many words with four letters in the English language, Antelope County Clerk Lisa Payne is most focused on VOTE this time of year.

Citizens in a democratic society have a right, and responsibility, to vote, and Payne, who has had the clerk job, an elected position, since 2015, assures every VOTE gets counted fairly and honestly.

In a fire-protected space Payne calls the record room, surrounded by hefty books in the Antelope County Courthouse in Neligh, she spoke of her three 'hats' - Clerk, Register of Deeds, and Election Commissioner (EC).

Along the wall is the ballot-counting machine, programmed by Omaha company Election Systems & Software (ES&S). It includes a laptop that isn't connected to the Internet. Hand counting is no longer done in Antelope County.

Verification that the machine is working correctly is a multi-step process. ES&S does a thorough check and so does Payne at least three times prior to an election. This is done by marking sample test ballots, keeping track of the tally, and then running the ballots through the machine to assure the numbers match. These sample ballots are stored away as required by Nebraska statute. Payne added assuredly, "Those counts are not included in election day totals."

Payne also hires a canvassing board of four or five Antelope County residents to watch the process and assure the counts are correct. This board, representing a mix of political parties, verifies the official vote count, which is about a five-day process. New this year, canvassing begins about seven



E-R photo/JSchuchardt

Antelope County Clerk Lisa Payne, front, joins her colleagues Jenn Kester, left, and Denise Kurgeweit in front of the vote counting machine in the record room at the courthouse, Neligh.

days after the election. This is the amount of time voters are given to show a valid photo identification, new this year in Nebraska, if one wasn't presented at the polls.

"We do everything according to the voting laws in Nebraska," said Payne, a 1985 graduate of Elgin's Pope John High School. She also holds an associate degree from the former Nebraska College of Business, Omaha.

Preparation for the May 14, 2024 primary election started last fall when ECs in all of Nebraska's 93 counties got a 13-page official election calendar and received training from the office of the Secretary of State Robert B. Evnen. Payne is proud to work with the state team in Lincoln and also her non-elected colleagues in Neligh, Denise Kurgeweit and Jenn Kester.

Payne, who has been an

Antelope County public servant since 2001 with previous experience in the assessor's office, said there are around 4,300 eligible voters here with the total in constant flux depending on deaths and people moving in and out of the county. She constantly monitors newspapers to keep up with changes in the voter rolls.

With Primary Election Day nearing, Payne's office has taken receipt of 5,975 official ballots which vary depending on the municipality, Educational Service Unit, and school, public power, fire, and natural resource district where an eligible voter resides. The primary ballot a voter receives also depends on political affiliation. Currently, in Nebraska, there are five choices - Democrat, Republican, Libertarian, Legal

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E-R photo/DMorgan

From Kansas to the land of Oz and back

Pope John students took to the stage over the weekend to perform "The Wizard of Oz." Lead characters were (l-r) Gavin Kallhoff as the Cowardly Lion, Aiden Klein as the Tim Man, Jack Barlow played the role of the Scarecrow and Tessa Barlow was Dorothy. Directing the production was PJCC music instructor Lowgaen Schmidt. Assisting him were Karin Kinney and accompanist Emily Heithoff.

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Tree planting part of Arbor Day observance

Members of the Young N Lively Club invited kindergartners from Elgin Public and St. Boniface elementary schools to join them at the park last Thursday. The occasion was the annual observance of Arbor Day and the club's planting of a tree, usually in the Elgin City Park. This year's tree was a Shumard Oak, planting north of the sand volleyball court. The students gathered around the tree for a photo following the planting. Club member Connie Dvorak chose the tree and briefly explained to the students the importance of trees.

Election

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Marijuana Now, or Nonpartisan.

Extra ballots are ordered since a voter who makes an error can ask for a new ballot, after surrendering the initial ballot. Nonpartisan voters get a ballot and can request an additional ballot for one of the other four parties.

She pulls out a color-coded map to illustrate the complexity of the voting apparatus. Sometimes the districts flow into other counties so neighboring ECs must be notified. In addition to the local races, names are added for certified state and federal elections. All total there are 56 different precinct ballots in Antelope County.

For those who have made the request, early voting ballots are mailed. Voters also can come into the courthouse to cast their ballots before May 14th or show up on election day at their designated voting location in Brunswick, Clearwater, Elgin, Neligh, Oakdale, Orchard, Tilden, or Royal. Nebraska doesn't have an option for online voting.

Payne said Antelope County is 75 percent Republican with the remaining 25 percent spread across the other choices. Voter turnout is generally less than 40 percent.

Payne said she hires five people to work at each polling site, open 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. The ballots are secured in a locked box and brought to the courthouse record room, then counted generating an unofficial report of turnout and winners. The official report comes out after the canvassing board verifies the vote.

Though Payne admits voting day is long and arduous for her team, tinfoil hats sitting atop a file cabinet in the records room are at the ready in case some comedy relief is in order. Overall, though, voting in Antelope County, as across the state of Nebraska, is serious business.

Lauding the freedom we have to express our views through voting, Payne approaches her EC job with total commitment to running a statute-based

election that's fair and accurate. She welcomes questions at 402-887-4410 or clerk@antelopecounty.ne.gov. Official newspapers in the county, The Elgin Review, Antelope County News, and the Summerland Advocate-Messenger, can publish

ballots not more than 15 days before the election. In addition, the Secretary of State's website at https://sos.nebraska.gov has details. Residents of Antelope County have until 6 p.m. this Friday, May 3, to register for the primary election and/or change

party affiliation. Online registration also is an option.


Payne is up for re-election, if she chooses to run, in 2026 with a new four-year term beginning in January of 2027. In the meantime, thank you, Lisa, for your dedicated service to Antelope County.

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- Wednesday, May 8:** Creamed chicken over biscuits, mixed vegetables, pears, milk.
- Thursday, May 9:** BBQ meatballs, potato salad, creamy cucumbers, mandarin oranges, milk.
- Friday, May 10:** Chili cheese dogs, French fries, peas, lettuce salad, peaches, milk.

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

Suggested price is \$6 per meal for persons 60 years of age and older.

Under 60 is \$9.00. Serving starts at 11:45 a.m. and ends around 12:15 p.m.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Over 170 jobs require a license in Nebraska, the state will soon recognize some credentials earned elsewhere

When their first child was born with serious disabilities, Nick Smith and his wife Desiree moved to Nebraska to live closer to family. Originally from Holdrege, Smith went to school and met his wife in Texas. Both were licensed teachers with four years of classroom experience. None of that mattered when they moved to Nebraska in 2021.

"I knew that there were going to be some initial roadblocks moving back," Smith said. "I didn't think that it would be as big of

an obstacle as it has become." The State of Nebraska didn't recognize his out-of-state teaching credentials. After two years of failed lobbying efforts, Smith begrudgingly chose to start the process for getting his Nebraska teacher license – at his own expense.

Now that may no longer be necessary. The Nebraska Legislature in February approved a bill recognizing certain out-of-state licenses. It passed with near-unanimous support, thanks largely to the bill's marrying of causes that conservatives and liberals could get behind.

In addition to the licensing reforms, Legislative Bill 16 also provides pathways for those with military experience and opportunities for individuals with criminal records to be workforce eligible.

"Nebraska has a mass incarceration issue. We also have a workforce challenge. So the more that we can do to address those really big public policy problems... the better it is for all Nebraskans," said Sen. Danielle Conrad, who shepherded the bill across the finish line. In Nebraska, more than 170 occupations require some form of licensure, according to a 2021 Nebraska Department of Labor report.

Requirements vary based on the job. Jockeys, for example, must pass a physical exam and pay a fee each year. Court reporters need 30 hours of continuing education every three years.

The purpose of licensing is to protect the public's health and safety, but it's become a barrier to qualified individuals, said Laura Ebke, a senior policy expert at the Platte Institute and a former state lawmaker. "Just because you cross state lines doesn't mean you lose your skills," she said. Nebraska is now the 23rd state to start recognizing out-of-state licenses, reflecting a broader movement across the country.

More than 8,000 new professional licenses have been granted in Arizona since the state passed a similar law in 2019, according to Common Sense Institute Arizona, a think tank focused on free market policies. It found no evidence that the law caused a jump in malpractice or lessened the quality of services.

"We can learn from our sister states' experience that when they moved in that direction, they had positive impacts and the sky didn't fall," said Conrad.

Conrad, a Democrat from Lincoln, picked up the proposal from former Sen. Tom Briese, a Republican who introduced the bill in 2023. She made it her priority bill, improving the odds that lawmakers would vote on it this legislative session.

Conrad had previously worked on mass incarceration, racial injustice and second-chance employment issues when she was executive director of the ACLU of Nebraska.

The new law provides clarity on what criminal convictions make a person ineligible for certain jobs, said Jasmine Harris, director of public policy and advocacy at RISE, a nonprofit that prepares incarcerated individuals for the workforce.

Previously there was no list, she said, which created confusion for people like Alana Alexander.

Alexander left prison with over 40 workforce certificates, all of which "were pretty worthless out in the real world," she said in testimony supporting a bill later folded into LB 16.

In prison, Alexander was an electrician, a personal fitness trainer and yoga instructor. Once released, she ran into roadblocks while trying to work in those professions.

Alexander eventually left Nebraska and moved to Florida.

The RISE reentry program can now help direct inmates toward careers that they won't be barred from because of their conviction.

"I've always said that we have to do policy too, because these are barriers that have been baked into laws and policies within businesses, industries," Harris said. "You can't program yourself out of a situation that a program didn't start."

Representatives from the Nebraska Medical Association, the American Massage Therapy Association Nebraska Chapter and the Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association testified against the bill earlier this year. They worried about lowering standards of care and cautioned that some occupations have drastically different requirements from state to state. For example, Nebraska requires 1,000 hours of massage therapy education before granting an occupational license. Kansas requires 625. None of the organizations in opposition responded to requests for comment.

Conrad said the bill "removes the governmental burden, but it also ensures that private businesses or even public employers are empowered to still pick the right person for the job."

"I'm hoping though, that this law changes that."
By Naomi Delkammer, Flatwater Free Press

Thiessen chosen for UENRD 2024 Senior Scholarsip

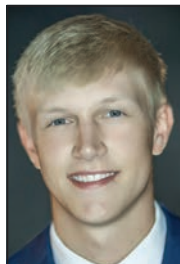
Each year the Upper Elkhorn NRD awards three scholarships to graduating high school seniors in the district. These are students who have chosen to pursue a career in a field related to agriculture, natural resources or the environment.

This year's recipients are Gage Thiessen of Elgin Public High School; Bethany Owens of O'Neill Public High School; Chase Furstenu of Neligh-Oakdale High School; and, alternate Jordynn Frahm of Plainview High School.

Julie and Brian Thiessen will be supporting Gage as he is planning a career in Agronomy while attending Southeast Community College. Bethany Owens, the daughter of Megan Dempsey and Jacob Owens, is planning a career in Ag and Biosystems Engineering and is planning to attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Chase's parents are Ryan and Shelly Furstenu, and he has chosen to pursue a career in Agribusiness while attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

The 2024 alternate, Jordynn Frahm, with the help of her parents Brian and Angie, is planning to study Pre-Veterinary Medicine at University of Nebraska - Lincoln.

Scholarship winners will receive a scholarship in the amount of \$500 to help defer costs during their first year of College. The Upper Elkhorn NRD would like to congratulate the 2024 Senior Scholarship Winners and wish them good luck in achieving their future goals.



Gage Thiessen

State lawmakers pass five appropriation bills

LINCOLN--Nebraska lawmakers passed six bills and five appropriation bills before hearing from Gov. Jim Pillen on the last day of this year's legislative session, April 18. A Pillen-backed property tax relief bill that lawmakers did not pass will likely bring them back for a special session in the coming months.

Lawmakers pass bills on

final day

- LB25: From Sen. Justin Wayne of Omaha, LB25 would allow political subdivisions such as schools to be sued for harm caused to a child by sexual abuse. Under current law, claims cannot be made against the state. Senators voted 28-17 to pass LB25.

- LB126: Senators voted 49-0 to pass LB126, introduced by

Sen. Jen Day of Omaha. The bill would allow those who currently receive homestead exemptions to remain eligible even if their property value increases. The exemption would not apply to those who make improvements to their property. The bill also states that if an individual has to depart from their property for health or legal reasons, they are not disqualified from an exemption.

- LB937: Introduced by Sen. Elliot Bostar of Lincoln, LB937 would provide an income tax credit to individuals caring for a family member. The credit would be equal to 50% of expenses directly related to the care of an eligible family member. The bill also includes several provisions from other bills the Revenue Committee heard this session.

- Among them is a provision of LB1022, introduced by Sen. Rita Sanders of Omaha, allowing film and television production companies to apply for a refundable income tax credit for expenses from producing a project in Nebraska. Senators passed LB937 45-0.

- LB1402: Sen. Lou Ann Linehan of Elkhorn introduced LB1402, which would require the state treasurer to establish a program for private school scholarships. Under the bill, a qualified school is defined as

any nongovernmental, privately operated nonprofit elementary or secondary school that complies with anti-discrimination provisions and fulfills the State Board of Education requirements. LB1402 would appropriate \$10 million annually to the state treasurer for the scholarships. Senators passed it on a vote of 32-14.

- LB1023: Lawmakers passed Sen. R. Brad von Gillern's LB1023 49-0. The bill would allow businesses to receive a tax deduction for business assets and research expenditures beginning in the 2026 tax year. Its intent is to incentivize Nebraska businesses to invest in new technology and research materials. The bill also includes provisions for five other bills heard by the Revenue Committee this session.

Farewells to departing senators as special session looms

Lawmakers said farewell to fellow colleagues on April 18, the final day of this year's 60-day legislative session. The following are term-limited senators after this session: Sen. Joni Albrecht of Thurston, Sen. Carol Blood of Bellevue, Sen. Bruce Bostelman of Brainard, Sen. Tom Brewer of Gordon, Sen. Steve Erdman of Bayard, Sen. Steve Halloran of Hastings, Sen. Lou Ann Linehan of Elkhorn, Sen. John Lowe of Kearney, Sen. Mike McDonnell of Omaha, Sen. Tony Vargas of Fremont, Sen. Justin Wayne of Omaha and Sen. Anna Wishart of Lincoln.

Sen. Julie Slama of Dunbar is not seeking reelection. Sen. Fred Meyer of St. Paul, who was appointed to the Legislature in November, is not running for election.

The goodbyes were likely premature, as Gov. Jim Pillen declared he would call a special session for senators to take action on cutting property taxes after they decided not to vote on the proposal on April 18.

Pillen announced in January he was committed to reducing property taxes by 40%, or to about \$3 billion annually. His commitment took a scaled-back form in LB388, a 2023 carryover bill introduced by Linehan.

The bill, known as the Property Tax Growth Limitation Act, would have increased sales tax on items such as cigarettes, vaping devices, candy and lottery tickets. The extra revenue would have been used to provide property tax relief, specifically for school district property taxes.

Slama, among other senators, opposed the bill. She said the Legislature could create a better proposal for property tax reduction in a dedicated special

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Looking Back

Sixty Years Ago

April 30, 1964

The Mervin Murray family, living 11 miles east and south of here, lost nearly all of their personal belongings Saturday afternoon in a fire at their farm home. It is believed the fire started in a clothes closet and may have been started by the wiring.

A pleasant and welcome rain storm early Sunday afternoon changed into a downpour with strong winds and a twister that dipped onto farm buildings southwest and northwest of here. Striking around two o'clock, first at the LeRoy Zegers farm near the Boone county line where it uprooted trees, the storm travelled in a northwesterly direction.

Around 100 people attend the Elgin High School athletic banquet Wednesday night, April 22 in the auditorium. Gary Busted was the main speaker, using as his topic, "Athletics Today."

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Pofahl on Saturday, April 25 in a Norfolk hospital. He joins a sister and brother.

Rev. Gordon Trichtler of Omaha will be the new resident pastor for the Elgin Presbyterian and Park Congregational churches. He will have his first service Sunday and plans to move to Elgin within the next two weeks.

Fifty Years Ago

May 2, 1974

Student from Pope John, Elgin Public, Raeville, and St. Boniface Schools, numbering around 225 in all, participated in the walk-a-thon for Leukemia, Sunday afternoon. The trek started at the Elgin park at noon with lunch at Fred Penn Park at Neligh as the midway point.

Seventeen 17-year-old students, eleven from Pope John and six from Elgin High School, were first-time donors when the bloodmobile set up here last Thursday.

Lee Todd, Brunswick, and Patty Meis, Elgin, were named winners of the senior division 4-H Speaking Contest held April 26 at the Neligh High School. Both will represent Antelope County 4-H Clubs at the District 4-H Timely Topic Contest.

Feed grain stocks (corn, oats, barley and grain sorghum) on April 1, 1974 totaled 10,948,000 tons. This is 22% less than a year earlier. Corn accounted for 77% of the total, compared with 87% last year.

On Monday afternoon of last week Mrs. Frank Roth celebrated her 85th birthday anniversary, which occurred on April 23rd. A group of relatives and friends gathered at her home in Elgin to observe the occasion.

Thirty Years Ago

April 27, 1994

A strong thunderstorm packing tornadoes, strong winds and heavy rain ripped through the Elgin area Monday evening, April 25. The intense storm caused thousands of dollars worth of damage in the Elgin area.

Dennis J. Cannon, a native of Greeley, NE, has agreed to become the new principal of Pope John XXIII Central Catholic High School in Elgin effective July 1, 1994.

Elgin Diamond Booster Club announced this week that it is launching its 1994 fund drive to raise \$2,500 for the local youth softball and baseball programs. The club uses its funds to purchase uniforms, equipments, insurance and tournament entry fees, and to pay umpires.

Matthew Eischeid, a junior at Pope John Central Catholic High School, is one of two students selected from Nebraska's American Legion District 2 to attend the Junior Law Cadet program this summer. He is the son of Bill and Carol Eischeid of Elgin.

Melvin Pelster passed away Friday, April 22, at the Boone County Health Center in Albion. He was a member of St. John's Catholic Church in Petersburg, and a member of the Petersburg Volunteer Fire Department for more than 20 years.

Twenty Years Ago

May 5, 2004

Commencement exercises for 21 graduates of Pope John Central Catholic High School will be held this Sunday, May 9, in St. Boniface Auditorium. Principal Dennis Cannon will announce the candidates, and diplomas will be conferred by Mary Bartak, Pope John School Board president.

Plans for a 27,500 square foot addition to Antelope Memorial Hospital were unveiled during a groundbreaking ceremony at the hospital last Saturday morning, May 1. The addition, scheduled for completion by the fall of 2005, will allow the hospital to provide improved patient care and access to more modern medical technology, hospital officials said.

Additional donations this week added \$120 to the Elgin "Dollars for Scholars" scholarship fund drive. As of Tuesday morning,

Opinion

READ, REFLECT, RESPOND.

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

Edward R. Murrow

Israel's right to self-defense

On April 13, Israel endured an unprecedented attack of more than 300 long-range missiles and drones from Iran.

The Islamic Republic of Iran has been a sworn enemy of Israel since the 1979 Iranian revolution and is the primary state sponsor of terrorist groups such as Hamas, Hezbollah, and the Houthi movement in Yemen.

However, Iranian forces had never launched a direct barrage against Israel from its own territory prior to last week.

Miraculously, 99 percent of the projectiles were intercepted by Israel's Iron Dome and David's Sling defense systems and a coalition including American, British, French, Jordanian, and Saudi forces.

This demonstrated the vital need for such defense systems and the hard-won success of U.S.-led cooperation with regional partners to promote security.

It's an understatement to say Israel is in a dangerous neighborhood; Iran and its proxies have sworn to eliminate the state.

Without the historic Abraham Accords negotiated by the Trump administration in 2020 and the subsequent intelligence coordination with Arab countries, thwarting Iran's bombardment to such a degree may not have been possible.

In the face of Iran's attack, our ally Israel deserves our full support. Tensions between the two Middle East nations have run high for decades, and the sheer scale of Iran's attack is a blatant escalation which must be met with solidarity and strength.

This week, the House considered a resolution I cosponsored condemning this attack and affirming Israel's right to self-defense. It passed by a vote of 404-14.

I am also a cosponsor of the No U.S. Financing for Iran Act (H.R.5921) and the Standing Against Houthi Aggression Act (H.R.6046).

Both passed the House this week with my support. The Biden administration has made the mistakes of relaxing economic sanctions on Iran and weakening terrorist designations for the Houthis who have been committing acts of terror in the Red Sea, disrupting one of the world's busiest shipping routes, since the October 7 attacks by Hamas.

While President Biden sought to make \$6 billion available to Iran in an August 2023 appeasement deal, H.R. 5921 would increase financial pressure on the government of Iran. H.R. 6046 would fully reinstate Houthi terrorist designations removed by the administration in 2021.

Since the devastating and tragic October 7, 2023, attacks by Hamas, the terrorist group continues to hold hostages, including American citizens. Very troublingly, it cannot account for the number of hostages they once were thought to have.

Hamas must ensure the safe release of all hostages. Israel certainly has the right to respond to the attacks they have suffered, and they are still responding. It is important for us to stand behind Israel and our friends around the world who seek to do the right thing. Israel will need to replenish critical munitions and its defense systems following the onslaught by Iran.

We should likewise do what we can to share the resources they need to stand for the cause of freedom.

Fifteen senators will be replaced

Editor's note — This is J.L. Schmidt's final Capitol View column. J.L. passed away unexpectedly on April 21, 2024, in Lincoln, NE. J.L. had covered Nebraska government and politics since 1979, and had written the Capitol View column since 2012.

Term limits claim 13 Nebraska state senators while two are leaving for other reasons. That'll mean 15 new faces in the nation's only one-house nonpartisan legislature come January.

I've made it clear before how I feel about term limits. I don't like them. This isn't the Washington, DC, swamp. This is Nebraska, one of those mostly square states out west where it's not that hard to vote somebody out of office. It has worked for years.

Then along came the two-term limit, eight years, and institutional memory went out the window. Ray Aguilar, Ernie Chambers and Steve Lathrop all stayed away for the mandatory four years and managed to get elected again. Ernie, who is running again, has 46 years in the Legislature under his belt. Often vilified and the likely reason that voters adopted term limits, Chambers knows and plays the legislative rule book like a piano.

The 15 will serve through any called special sessions and until the end of the year will be available to constituents.

Those departing include 10 registered Republicans and five Democrats in the officially, non-partisan Legislature, where 33 of its current 49 members belong to the GOP. That leaves 15 Democrats and one Independent. The Republicans are already circling their wagons to ensure a filibuster-proof majority.

These 15 are among the group who survived the COVID-19 pandemic — a historic pause and later working behind clear plastic partitions — and doled out an unprecedented amount of federal COVID funds. Some landmark legislation passed during their tenure, including allowing "constitutional carry" concealed weapons and a long sought, albeit phased-in, reduction in state income taxes.

The nearly, and not always dearly, departed include some I'm sad to see leave and a few who deserve to have the door... well, you get it!

They include: Joni Albrecht of Thurston, a leading advocate for a ban on abortion. The Republican served a rural district but also had experience as a Sarpy County commissioner in a

past life. Democrat Carol Blood of Bellevue who decried unfunded mandates and pushed legislation for the military workers and veterans in her district. She's running for nomination as a candidate for Congress.

Republican Bruce Bostelman of Brainard. He recently served as chair of the Natural Resources Committee recently got a bill passed to push companies to expand broadband services in rural areas.

Tom Brewer of Gordon, a decorated military veteran and Republican who served several tours in Afghanistan. He was the Legislature's most fervent advocate for gun rights and chair of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee.

Republican Steve Erdman of Bayard, a frequent critic of property taxes proposals as "a Band-Aid on an amputation." He followed his son, Phil, in serving his Panhandle district in the Unicameral.

Steve Halloran of Hastings, the Republican who should have been censured for inserting the names of three Democrat colleagues in a story about

rape, which he read aloud during floor debate. Republican Lou Ann Linehan of Elkhorn who proved adept at crafting deals and passing bills that would favor the rich and advocates of "school choice." She chaired the property tax cutting Revenue Committee.

John Lowe of Kearney, a Republican who chaired the General Affairs Committee, which handled issues, related to slot-machine like "skill games", alcohol sales and the advent of legal casinos in the state.

Democrat turned Republican Mike McDonnell, the retired Omaha fire chief who as a member of the Appropriations Committee steered millions of dollars to "shovel ready" projects across the state.

Tony Vargas of Omaha, a Democrat who used his seat on the Appropriations Committee to seek funding for affordable housing programs. He is taking a second run at election to Congress.

Democrat Lynne Walz of Fremont, a former teacher and school board member who focused on education bills and improving security of Nebraska

schools amid school shootings in other states.

Justin Wayne of Omaha, a Democrat and attorney who played the rules almost like Ernie Chambers. As chairman of the Judiciary Committee, he fought for criminal justice reforms to end prison overcrowding.

Democrat Anna Wishart of Lincoln, a long-time member of the Appropriations Committee who worked both sides of the aisle to gain additional funding for mental health care and social service providers.

Republican Fred Meyer of St. Paul. Meyer was appointed to the Legislature in November of 2023 to fill out the term of State Sen. Tom Briese. He opted not to run beyond that.

Julie Slama, a Southeast Nebraska Republican appointed in January 2019 and later elected in a nasty campaign against another Republican, earned a law degree, got married, had a child and called it quits.

J.L. Schmidt has been covering Nebraska government and politics since 1979. He has been a registered Independent for 25 years.

CAPITOL VIEW

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FROM THE HILL



Congressman
Adrian Smith

A disgraceful impeachment process

For years, Democrats have refused to address the out-of-control crisis on our southern border, putting politics over the safety and security of the American people.

Last week, they put politics over people again — refusing to hold a full trial to consider the impeachment articles against Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas.

The Constitution of the United States gives the U.S. Senate the sole power to try all impeachments. As members of the Senate, we take an oath to protect and defend the Constitution and to faithfully discharge the duties of our office.

By refusing to hold a full trial last week, my Democrat colleagues abdicated their constitutional duty and their responsibility to millions of Americans.

Since the founding of our nation over two centuries ago, the House of Representatives has sent impeachment articles to the Senate 21 times. The Senate scheduled a trial for every single case, unless the officer resigned prior to the trial.

Every case, that is, until last week. The Democrats, led by Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, threw aside centuries of tradition and established a disgraceful precedent by deciding to dismiss the articles of impeachment against Secretary Mayorkas. This horrible decision puts future impeachments in jeopardy.

Now, whoever is in the majority can follow in Schumer's footsteps, dismissing any impeachment trial that's politically inconvenient.

No matter how anyone feels about Secretary Mayorkas, this is a slap in

the face to the institution of the Senate, to our Founding Fathers, and to the millions of Americans we represent. Unfortunately, the Democrats' disregard for the charges against Secretary Mayorkas also reflects Democrats' disregard for the catastrophe they've created at our southern border.

On day one of his administration, President Biden slashed the effective Trump-era border fixes like building a wall and the Remain in Mexico policy, which required migrants to wait in another country while their asylum applications were considered. Every day since, President Biden has made the same faulty choices.

Over the past three years, we have seen illegal immigration skyrocket under President Biden and Secretary Mayorkas — driving up rates of trafficking and crime at the southern border and across our country.

Under this administration, fentanyl that's being smuggled across the border is killing tens of thousands of people.

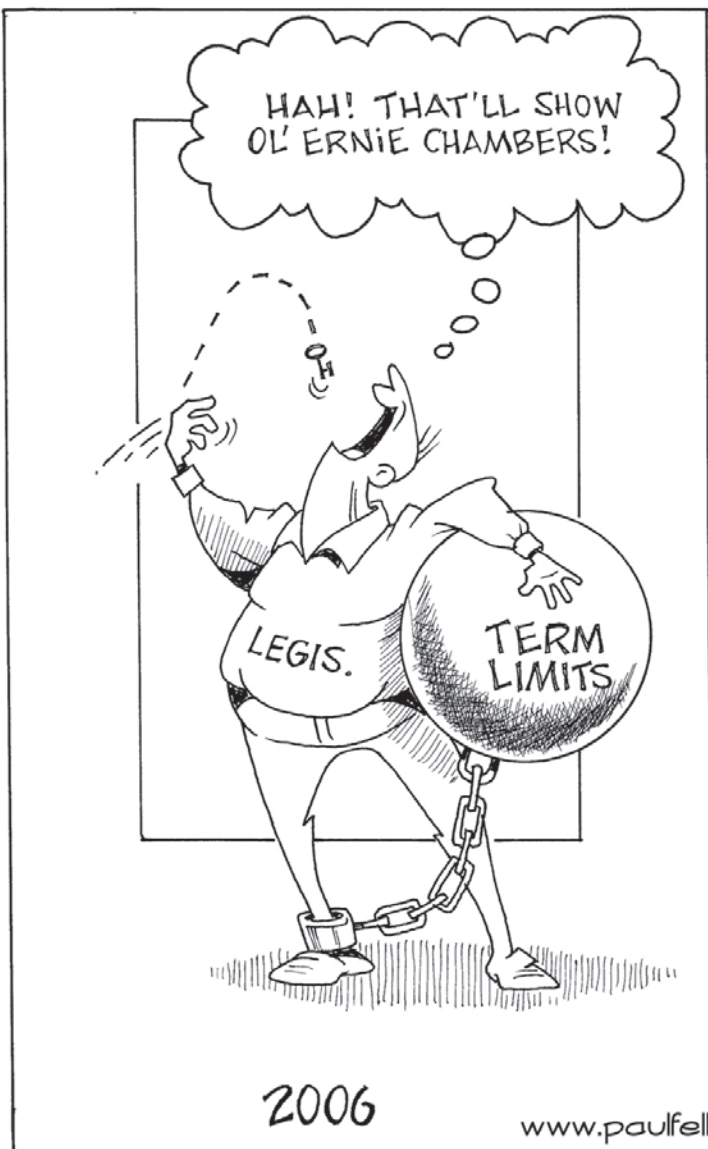
Criminals and gang members who were released into our country are assaulting people. Chinese nationals affiliated with the Chinese Communist Party are sneaking past the border illegally.

In total, over nine million illegal immigrants — four times the population of our Nebraska — have entered our country since President Biden took office.

The House of Representatives impeached Secretary Mayorkas over his handling of this crisis, and the Senate has a constitutional duty to consider those charges.

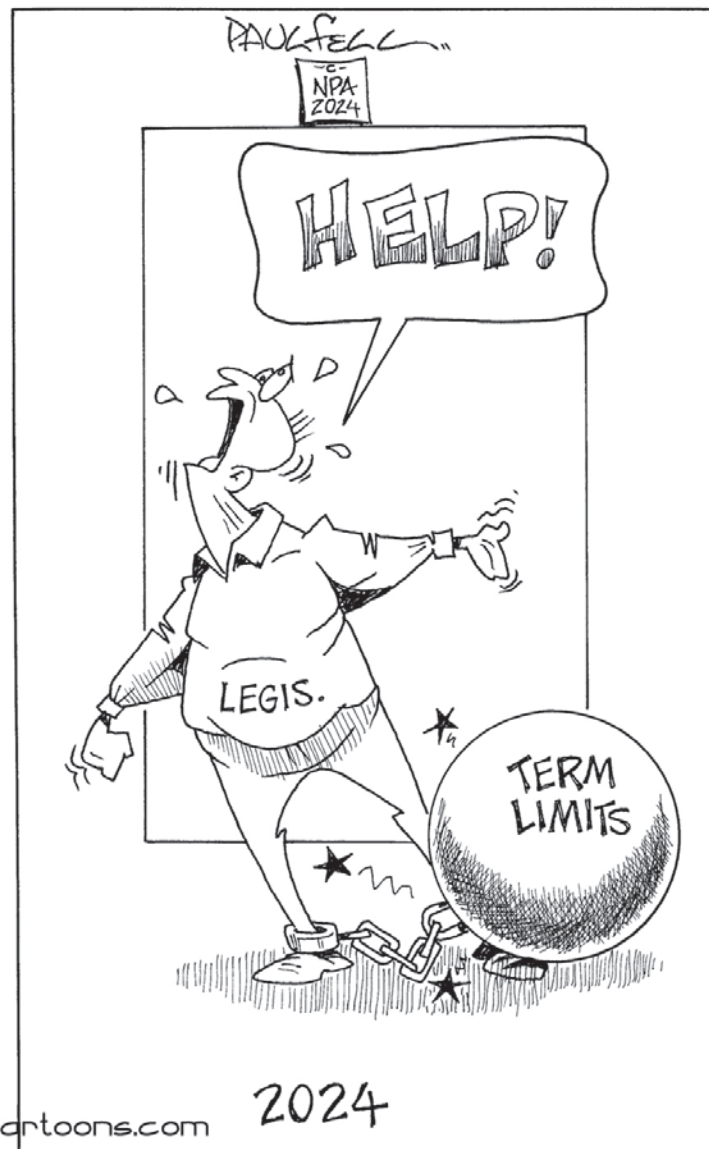
Unfortunately, the Democrats abdicated that duty and placed their own political agenda over our solemn duty as Senators to serve as jurors of impeachment.

I will continue taking my commitment to the Constitution and the people I serve seriously — and I'll continue urging my colleagues to do the same, whether it's politically convenient or not.



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COMMUNITY NEWS

Newspaper recognized with multiple awards in NPA 'Better Newspaper Contest'

2023 was a very good year for The Elgin Review.

On Saturday night, results of the Nebraska Press Association's annual Better Newspaper Contest were announced. Your hometown newspaper finished third in Print Sweepstakes, amassing 17 individual awards in advertising, writing, photography and newspaper design. Contest entries from newspapers published in 2023 were submitted to the South Carolina Press Association in February.

The Review competes in the Class B Division. It is the largest (in terms of number of newspapers eligible to compete) of the five classes (four weekly/one daily).

Awards given to our newspaper were:
First Place

• Advertising Campaign - Bank of Elgin ads designed by Lynell Morgan. "Bold and colorful art selection draws readers to the advertisement on the page. Headlines emphasize what the Bank of Elgin can do for you and follow up with easy

to read details.

• Community Promotion Advertisement - Girls Basketball Headed to State! designed by Lynell Morgan. "An energetic, bold design that pops out of the page! Nice simple heading and great use of photos," the judge said about the entry.

• Editorial Page Design

Second Place

• Sports Action Photo - Blake Henn 'The Reach' snaring a pass against CWC taken by Dennis Morgan. "The framing and composition of this shot effectively focus attention on the action and emotion. The uncertain hopefulness on the receiver's face and the frustration on the defender's face make the photo more impactful," the judge said.

• Sports Feature Photo - The Wolfpack celebrating a victory over GACC at the Girls State Volleyball Tournament taken by Dennis Morgan.

"Excellent framing and composition helps highlight the large amount of emotion and energy on display, even in the spectators. Great movement that focuses the eye on the main action without taking away from everything else there is to look at," said the judge about the photo.

• Sports Column - Promised Land by Dennis Morgan

• Public Notice and Its Promotion - Statewide Public Notices

• Personal Column - Give Us Blessings & Praying For Lost People - Susan Szalewski

• News Photography - Burning Down The House

• Front Page Design - Staff

• Breaking News Coverage - "Four vehicles, two accidents"

• Agricultural Advertisement - Good Deal ad for The Bank of Elgin

Third place

• Sports Column - "The Beat Keeps Going" by Dennis Morgan

• Best Use of Color - August 30, 2023

• Small Ad - Pancake Feed Fundraiser

• Signature Page - EMS Week

• Agricultural Advertisement - 'Crunching Numbers' ad designed by Lynell Morgan for The Bank of Elgin.

In every facet of journalism, we remain committed to give the Elgin community and our subscribers across the state and the country the kind of community newspaper they deserve," said the Morgans who have owned the newspaper since April 2007.

Other part-time staff at the newspaper are Kari Schindler, Bernice Siems and high school intern Olivia Klein.

Antelope County's other newspaper were recognized with multiple awards.

In Division A, the Clearwater Summerland Advocate Messenger finished second in the Print Sweepstakes Contest behind the Stanton Register. In Class D, the Orchard Antelope County News placed first.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING VILLAGE BOARD OF BARTLETT

NOTICE OF HEARING

You are hereby placed on notice that the Village Board of the Village of Bartlett, Nebraska, shall hold a public hearing at the new Fire Hall in Bartlett on the 13th Day of May, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of this hearing is to hear testimony in favor of, opposition to and to answer questions in relation thereto

the proposed one year and six year street improvement program for the Village of Bartlett, Nebraska. A copy of the programs are on file with Emma Smith, Village Clerk, and are subject to public review and examination.

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OBITUARIES

Raymond "Swede" Crosier, 97

January 7, 1927 - April 26, 2024

He served on the Oakdale School Board, OVFD and was active in many community betterment projects.



Memorial services for Raymond "Swede" Crosier, age

97, of Oakdale, Nebraska will be 1:00 p.m. Friday, May 3, 2024, at Oakdale Community Center in Oakdale. John Petersen will officiate, with burial in Oakdale Cemetery.

Military honors will be provided by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7603, American Legion Post 170, and American Legion Riders.

Visitation will be one hour prior to the service.

Brockhaus-Harlan Funeral Home in Tilden, Nebraska is in charge of arrangements.

Swede died Friday, April 26, 2024, at his residence.

Raymond L. "Swede" Crosier, son of Theodore and Elizabeth (Dill) Crosier, was born January 7, 1927, at Oakdale, Nebraska. He graduated from Oakdale High School and served in the United States Army. On November 20, 1949, Swede was united in marriage to Marietta Kay Wilkinson at the Methodist Church in Oakdale. They were blessed with two children, Steven and Robin. They made their home in Oakdale.

Swede served on the Oakdale School Board, Oakdale Volunteer Fire Department, and was active in making improvements for the city of

Oakdale. He was a weather reporter for NOAA and won the Thomas Jefferson Award. He enjoyed being outdoors, hunting, fishing, gardening, and was a converted cat lover. Swede loved to tell stories in great detail. He was instrumental in building the "Mad Dog Ranch" along with his son, Steve, family, and friends.

Swede is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Steven and Tammy Crosier of Castle Rock, Colorado; daughter, Robin Eckert of Oakdale; three grandchildren, Scott Eckert of Lincoln, Nebraska, Alexandria (Tabatha) England of Littleton, Colorado, and Jesse (Lo) Crosier of Castle Rock, Colorado; three great-grandsons, Atlas England, and Maylon and Cedar Crosier; one great-granddaughter, Quinn England; sister, Betty Bennett of Mt. Vernon, Washington; sisters-in-law, Cheri (Don) Wood of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa and Nancy Wilkinson of ; and brothers-in-law, Mark Wilkinson of Evansville, Wyoming and Tom Wilkinson of Oakdale.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Marietta Kay Crosier; brother, Charles "Chuck" (Eunice) Crosier; sisters-in-law, Betty (Ot) Buelter, Barbara (Eldon) Marsh, and Harriet (Don) Marsh Smith; and brothers-in-law, Robert Wilkinson, John Wilkinson, and Al Bennett.

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Elgin Public High School SPRING CONCERT

New laws

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session, according to the Unicameral Update.

After floor debate failed to

resolve disagreements over the bill, Linehan requested Speaker of the Legislature John Arch of La Vista to pass over LB388, and senators moved on to the

next agenda item without taking a vote.

Later on April 18 during his end-of-session speech, Pillen said the Legislature's inaction on property tax relief was unacceptable, and he would be calling senators back for a special session, according to the Unicameral Update.

Pillen also said he would call a special session to change Nebraska's split system of awarding electoral votes to a winner-take-all system if he has 33 votes to do so.

"Enjoy halftime," Pillen said. "We'll see you again here soon."

During a special session, senators may only focus on the business the governor has called them together for. This would be the first special session since lawmakers met in September 2021 to address redistricting, which lasted 13 days.

By Livia Ziskey
Nebraska News Service

Immunization, WIC clinic to be May 2

Northeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership will hold the Neligh WIC and Immunization clinic on Thursday May 2nd, 2024, from 10:30am to 2:30pm at the American Legion-115 W. 3rd Street Neligh, NE 68756.

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Salads, sweets and more at IZ church salad supper

Bounteous salads, scrumptious sweets, and noteworthy music drew more than 150 women Wednesday, April 24, 2024 to the annual Immanuel Zion Luther Church (IZ) Salad Supper honoring women. The popular Benchwarmers, Pat Miller and David Shipley, Lincoln, drew uproarious laughter and hearty applause as they celebrated the church's 150 years with four-hands piano, ukulele, and singing.



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Future plans: Going to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and majoring in Agricultural Education. I want to become an ag teacher and then get my masters degree.
Greatest challenge ahead: Getting my masters degree.
Favorite school activity: FFA
Best advice from your parents: Just be confident and be yourself.

JAYDEN SHELDON

Parents: Amy and Bill
Future plans: Welding
Greatest challenge ahead: Paying the bills
Favorite school activity: FFA
Best advice from your parents: Be safe.

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Parents: Rudy Smith; Becky Smith
Future plans: Going to NECC in Agribusiness
Greatest challenge ahead: Paying bills
Favorite school activity: FFA
Best advice from your parents: Fill out a lot of scholarships.

Check for the extended profiles at elginreview.com and through our social media.



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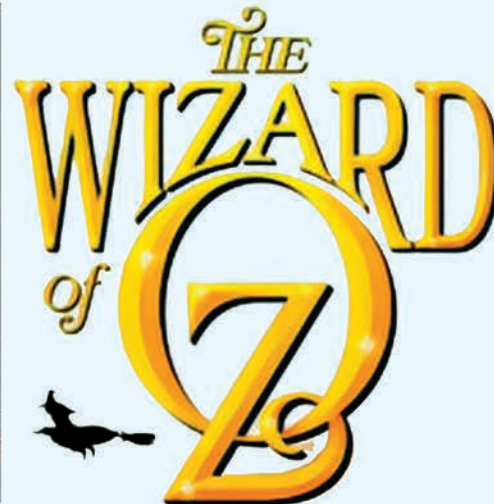
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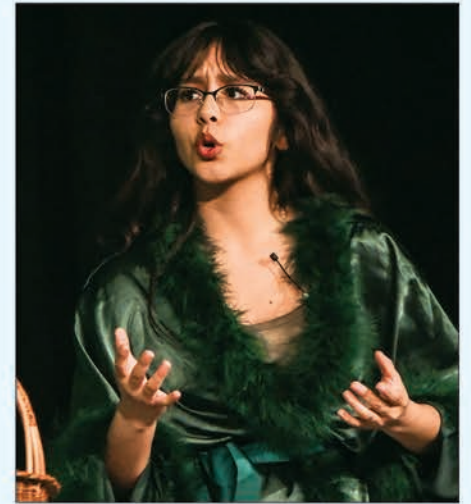


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The Elgin Review

Judge Kube hands down sentences

By Sandy Schroth
Court reporter

Twenty-year-old sent to prison after admitting PRS violations

April 27 saw a short criminal docket in the Antelope County district courtroom in Neligh on April 24. The Honorable James Kube sentenced two individuals, sustained a motion to withdraw a not guilty plea and two motions to continue.

Haideen Sleister, 22, who was ordered by Kube to reside at the Norfolk Rescue Mission when he appeared in March, admitted violating provisions of post-release supervision as part of a plea deal with Smith. In return, the prosecutor recommended one year of incarceration.

Kube revoked Sleister's PRS and sentenced him to a one-year term of incarceration in a facility under the jurisdiction of the Nebraska Department of Corrections. Sleister was given credit for 81 days previously served. Kube ordered drug and alcohol treatment be provided during incarceration.

Sleister was sentenced by Kube in February 2023 to one year in the Antelope County Jail, to be followed by an 18-month stint of PRS, on a conviction of criminal attempt, possession of a stolen firearm, a Class 3A felony. He allegedly violated the PRS when he was arrested earlier this year in Madison County.

Sleister was remanded to the custody of Antelope County Sheriff Bob Moore for execution of sentence. He was represented by court-appointed counsel, Bradley Ewalt of Norfolk.

Rowdy L. Burke, 52, of Elgin faced Kube for sentencing on a Class 4 felony charge of driving under revocation.

Kube allowed a letter from Burke's employer to be attached as an addendum to the presentence report prepared by the Nebraska probation office. He has been employed at Elgin Livestock Sales, Inc. since 2020 and told the judge he drove to work when his wife wasn't available to drive him.

His attorney, Martin Klein of Neligh, who said his client

had stopped drinking, requested deferral of the jail sentence so he could care for livestock during his employer's upcoming absence from the sale barn.

Smith had no objection to a probation sentence nor to the deferred jail sentence.

Kube sentenced Burke to a 24-month term of probation. Terms of probation include 90 days in the Antelope County Jail, 60 days beginning April 27, with the remaining 30 days to be served prior to the end of probation unless waived. He was given credit for three days previously served. Burke was assessed probation-related fees totaling \$750 and \$138 costs of prosecution. Kube revoked his driver's license for 15 years.

"Fifteen-year revocation is a long time," Kube said. "But I feel that in your situation, you try to make arrangements for someone else to drive you, when it doesn't work, you roll the dice. That's a dangerous game to play. You have to have backup arrangements. This is a felony for gosh sakes! You know

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From JoAnn Baum's Kitchen

Snappy Barbecue Beef Sandwiches

Good day, It's that time of the year again. Calving season and farmers are eager to get back in fields and start farming. This means long days and nights. We, as the cooks of the house, need to have a quick idea for some meals. This week I am sharing a meat idea you can make and have ready for a quick sandwich when needed. It can be made ahead and frozen if that's what works for you.

Serve with a bowl of soup and you have a quick meal. Ladies, give this recipe a try! It is so delicious and can be served anytime

you need to pack up those meals on the go!

JoAnn

SNAPPY BARBECUE BEEF SANDWICHES

1 4 lb beef chuck roast
1 cup ketchup
1 cup barbecue sauce
4 cups chopped celery
2 cups water
2 Tbls vinegar
2 Tbls brown sugar

2 Tbls Worcestershire sauce
1 tsp chili powder
1 tsp garlic powder
1 tsp salt

Place beef in a dutch oven or a roasting pan. Combine all the remaining ingredients. Pour over the roast beef. Cover and bake at 300° for 5 hours. Turn the roast occasionally. When fully cooked, shred the roast with a fork. Serve on rolls or buns. This can serve up to about 25 servings. Hint: I think you could cook this in a crock pot also! Delicious!

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Sara Skorcz (l) and her daughter Denna's stand at the 'Community Craft Show for Local Vendors,' held Sunday, April 21 in Bartlett. Sara had a nice display of doTerra products for sale plus a sign up sheet for classes to learn more about the products. Denna offered babysitting, pet care and yard chores.



Bridget Schmidt and Stacy Harms' stand featured BSDesigns & More. Photos submitted

Bartlett Bits

A Community Craft Show for Local Vendors was held Sunday April 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the old gymnasium in Bartlett.

Vendors included Adam Skorcz; pilot instruction, Sara Skorcz; doTerra oils and classes to learn more about using the oils; Denna Skorcz, babysitting;

pet care and yard chores; Bridget Schmidt and Stacy Harms, BSDesigns and more; Cheyenne Pokorny, jBloom and Permalin by Cheyenne; Lettie Nichols, beautiful wreaths made of old rope and grapevines; Chelsea Hartley, Doubler-Design. Com; Deean Wood, WoodShed Vittles; Morgan Pelster, Beyond

Wellness; Alan Bartels, 100 Things to do in the the Nebraska Sandhills Before You Die; Diana Bock, Memory Bears, crafts, quilts etc.; Bessie Dearmont, Bess Sewing; Michelle Hendrickson, Petal and Stem in Spalding.

Submitted by Sherry Tetschner

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better."

Burke pleaded guilty to the crime Feb. 28, pursuant to a plea agreement with Antelope County Attorney Joe Smith. He was arrested by a Nebraska State Patrol trooper in Elgin on Nov. 14, 2023, on active arrest warrants from Lancaster and Saline counties and driving during revocation. He was into Year 13 of a 15-year revocation.

Kube continued bond, in the amount of \$10,000, 10% cash. It was exonerated when he reported to the jail Friday morning.

"Don't drive yourself to jail," Kube warned.

Joaquin Santos Escheverria, 28 of Brenham, Texas, (in custody ACJ) appeared on a motion to withdraw a not guilty plea he had entered in March. The motion, filed by Antelope County public defender Pat Carney, indicates there are "legitimate legal issues" for Escheverria's plan to file a plea in abatement.

Kube sustained the motion and set an evidentiary hearing for May 29. The plea in abatement was ordered to be within 10 days. Bond is continued in the amount of \$100,000, 10% cash, is continued.

A plea in abatement is a defense raised, not denying the claim, but arguing against its form or the timing or location of its presentation in court.

A defense request for continuance of a show-cause hearing on restitution was sustained for Trinity Graham. He told the judge he had recently been unemployed but was working to gain employment, "waiting on background checks at five places."

Graham was ordered to pay restitution jointly and severly

with others convicted in the 2022 break-ins at two Neligh businesses, Neligh Vape Shop and the Fit Stop.

Sentencing for Rider C. Short, 23, of Oakdale is continued to May 29, on Smith's motion to allow restitution witnesses presence in court.

Short's crimes include operating a motor vehicle to avoid arrest, a Class 4 felony, and unauthorized use of a propelled vehicle, a Class 1 misdemeanor. Short was arrested July 4, 2023,

in downtown Neligh, during the city's 150th birthday/Old Mill Days celebration.

Short was driving a Polaris Razor at a high rate of speed on L Street.

The vehicle did not stop when a police officer attempted a traffic stop, with activated lights and siren, struck two lawn chairs and a wagon/stroller, collided with two trash dumpsters and, finally, the wall of the ESU building. Three individuals reported they had to climb a fence to avoid being hit.

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Upon failure to observe this notice, the county weed superintendent is required to:

- Proceed pursuant to the law and issue legal notice to the landowner of property infested with noxious weeds and giving such landowner 15 days to control the noxious weed infestation. Conviction for noncompliance may result in a \$100 per day fine to the landowner, with a maximum fine of \$1,500; or
- Should more immediate control be required, proceed pursuant to the law and have the weeds controlled by such method as he/she finds necessary, the expense of which shall constitute a lien and be entered as a tax against the land, and be collected as other real estate taxes are collected, or by other means, as provided by law.

Also, the public is notified that noxious weed seed and propagative parts may be disseminated through the movement of machinery and equipment, trucks, grain and seed, hay, straw, nursery stock, fencing materials, sod, manure, and soil as well as articles of similar nature. Methods of treatment have been prescribed by the Director of Agriculture and may be obtained from the county weed control authority.

By Order of Antelope County Weed Control Authority.
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May 3, the Dollars for Scholars fund total stood at \$2,761.25. Goal of the fund drive is \$3,000 to finance a total of six scholarships, three to graduates of Elgin High and three to graduates of Pope John.

Rachel Moser, a senior at Pope John Central Catholic High School in Elgin, has been named the Norfolk Daily News' 2004 all-academic team. Rachel, one of 20 students who received this recognition, is the daughter of Ed and Sandy Moser of Clearwater.

Vetch Days to be June 10-12

The 2024 Vetch Days is just over one month away. The event, sponsored by the Elgin Chamber of Commerce/Community Club, will be held June 10-12.

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Community Calendar

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

Thursday, May 2

PICC/SB Spring Concert • Senior Team/Mates Recognition.

Friday, May 3

EPS Grandparents Day • EPS Elementary Spring Concert (1:30 p.m.).

Saturday, May 4

Wheeler Central High School Graduation ceremony.*

Monday, May 6

Elgin City Council regular meeting • Elgin FFA Banquet.

Tuesday, May 7

Antelope County Board of Commissioners regular meeting.

Saturday, May 11

EPS Graduation (4 p.m.).

Sunday, May 12

PICC Graduation (1:30 p.m.).

Monday, May 13

Antelope County Board of Commissioners regular meeting • EVFD meeting.

Tuesday, May 14

Dist. #18 School Board regular meeting.

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Nebraska Primary Election to be held Tuesday, May 14


ANTELOPE COUNTY NEBRASKA – PRIMARY ELECTION – COUNTYWIDE SAMPLE BALLOTS
 The following sample ballots list all candidates and issues throughout Antelope County. They may not reflect the order or rotation of candidates on the official ballot for your voting precinct; only candidates and issues that pertain to your voting precinct will appear on your official ballot.
 Polling sites: Tilden Precinct -Tilden Public Library; Oakdale Precinct-Oakdale Community Center; Neligh Precinct - American Legion Post 172, Neligh; Brunswick Precinct-Brunswick Community Room; Elgin Precinct-KC Hall, Elgin; Royal Precinct-Royal Auditorium; Clearwater Precinct-American Legion Post 267, Clearwater; Orchard Precinct-Orchard Community Center.
 Primary Election Day is Tuesday, May 14th, 2024 Polls will be open from 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

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Legal Marijuana NOW Party, Sample Ballot, Primary Election, May 14, 2024		
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Libertarian Party, Sample Ballot, Primary Election, May 14, 2024		
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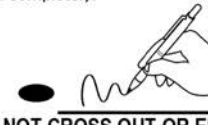
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Republican Party, Sample Ballot, Primary Election, May 14, 2024		
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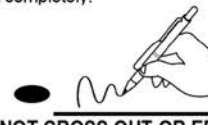
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Nonpartisan Democratic, Sample Ballot, Primary Election, May 14, 2024		
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PRESIDENTIAL TICKET For President of the United States Vote for ONE <input type="radio"/> Joseph R. Biden Jr. <input type="radio"/> Dean Phillips <input type="radio"/> _____		


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Nonpartisan Legal Marijuana NOW, Sample Ballot, Primary Election, May 14, 2024		
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Nonpartisan Libertarian, Sample Ballot, Primary Election, May 14, 2024		
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Democratic Party, Sample Ballot, Primary Election, May 14, 2024		
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Sealed BIDS will be received at the Engineer's Office, Miller & Associates, 1111 Central Avenue, Kearney, Nebraska on May 8, 2024, until 3:00 PM, Local Time, and then such BIDS shall be publicly opened and read aloud in the Engineer's Office for furnishing all equipment, labor, materials and appurtenances required for reconstruction of Randolph Street with new concrete paving, storm sewer, crosswalk improvements and other such work as may be incidental to 2024 RANDOLPH STREET PAVING IMPROVEMENTS, BARTLETT.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids; and to waive irregularities or informalities to accept the BID it deems most beneficial. Bids received after the specified time of closing will be returned unopened. The Owner will accept only those sealed bids, either hand delivered or received via U.S. Mail or other commercial carrier. Items transmitted by facsimile or elec-

tronically will not be accepted.

The Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:

Miller & Associates, 1111 Central Avenue, Kearney, NE 68847
 Village of Bartlett, 425 Randolph Street, Bartlett, NE 68622-0277

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of Miller & Associates, Consulting Engineers, P.C. located at 1111 Central Avenue, Kearney, Nebraska 68847, Telephone 308/234-6456 upon payment of \$50 for each half-size set. A complete set of electronic copies of drawings, specifications, contract documents and proposal form may be obtained from [HYPERLINK "http://www.miller-engineers.com"](http://www.miller-engineers.com) www.miller-engineers.com for a fee of \$30 (non-refundable). Once logged into the website, go to "Bidding Documents" [in the upper right-hand corner of the homepage] and you can select the set of

documents to download.

Each BIDDER will be required to submit with his proposal, a certified check, cashier's check or bid bond made payable, without condition, to the Village Clerk, Bartlett, Nebraska, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the proposal.

Attention of BIDDERS is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract, Section 3, Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 11246. BIDDERS are to be registered with SAM.gov. All qualified parties, including minority-owned, women-owned, and low-income-owned entities are encouraged to submit a bid for this project.

The Owner is an equal opportunity employer and requires all contractors and consultants to comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations.

The Owner, in accordance with

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, sex, age and disability/handicap in consideration for an award.

VILLAGE OF BARTLETT
 Dan Williamson, Chairman
 Attest: Emma Smith,
 Village Clerk
 PUBLISH: April 24, May 1 & May 8, 2024

NOTICE ESTATE OF RANDALL E. PEDERSEN, DECEASED

NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF ANTELOPE COUNTY, NEBRASKA ESTATE OF RANDALL E. PEDERSEN, DECEASED CASE NO. PR24-6

Notice is hereby given that on April 1, 2024 in the County Court of Antelope County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Decedent and that Nancy A. Pedersen, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal

Representative of the Estate. Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before June 17, 2024 or be forever barred.

Linda Mitchell Registrar

Galen E. Stehlik, #15578 Stehlik Law Firm, PC, LLO P.O. Box 400 Grand Island, NE 68802 (308) 675-4035 galen.stehlik@stehliklawfirm.com PUBLISH: April 17, 24 & May 1, 2024 ZNEZ

CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION

JW AUCTIONS, LLC

CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION OF JW AUCTIONS, LLC ARTICLE 1 Name

The name of this limited liability company is:

JW Auctions, LLC (the "Company").

ARTICLE II Designated Office Address

The Company's designated office address in Nebraska is 49123 Highway 91, Ericson, NE 68637.

ARTICLE III Agent For Service

3.1 Office. The office and mailing

address of the initial agent for service is 49123 Highway 91, Ericson, NE 68637.

3.2 Agent. The name of the initial agent for service of the Company at this address is Sydney McKay.

The undersigned being the Organizer of the Company, hereby adopts and signs the foregoing Certificate of Organization for the purposes of forming the Company under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act.

Dated this 9 day of April, 2024

Sydney McKay

Organizer

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SECTION 00 10 00 INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Proposals for the construction of "2024 Microsurfacing for Antelope County, Nebraska," JEO Project No. 241222.00, Quest-CDN No. 9074711, will be received by the county clerk at 501 Main Street, Rm. 6, PO Box 26, Neligh, NE 68756-0026, until 10:00 AM on the 7th day of May 2024, and thereafter will be read aloud.

The work is generally described as follows: Crack Sealing and Microsurfacing.

Opinion of Probable Cost \$1,450,000.00

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

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

into contract and furnish bond in accordance herewith.

Copies of the contract documents are on file with Antelope County, Nebraska for examination by bidders. Complete digital project bidding documents are available at JEO's website at jeo.com for \$30.00. An optional paper set of project documents is available for a non-refundable price of \$100.00 per set. Please contact Sandy

Walker at 402.371.6416 / swalker@jeo.com to coordinate your request and send your check to: 404 S 25th Street, Ste. B, Norfolk, NE 68701. In order to bid the project, the contract documents must be issued directly by JEO Consulting Group, Inc. or QuestCDN to the bidder.

The Owner reserves the right to waive informalities and irregularities and to make awards on bids

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

antelope county, nebraska CHARLIE HENERY, Board Chairperson

ATTEST: LISA PAYNE, Clerk
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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

ANTELOPE COUNTY SHERIFF ROBERT MOORE

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE DISTRICT COURT OF ANTELOPE COUNTY, NEBRASKA CASE NO. CI 23-6

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an Order of Sale entered by the Clerk of the District Court for Antelope County, Nebraska, in an action wherein the County of Antelope, Nebraska is Plaintiff and Jeanna M. McMillian, Daniel McMillian, John Doe, and Jane Doe, Tenants in possession of 12-255 TR SE4SE4.2.35 AC Elm TWSP, all persons having or claiming an interest

in 12-25-5 TR SE4SE4 2.35 AC ELM TWSP are the Defendants, I will at 1 o'clock P.M. on the 9th day of May 2024, in the Commissioner's meeting room of the new Courthouse addition in Neligh, Antelope County, Nebraska, offer for sale at public auction the following described land and tenements to satisfy the judgment and costs in said action: 12-25-5 TR SE4SE4 2.35 AC ELM TWSP

The sale will be held open for one hour.

Terms of Sale: The total highest

bid is to be paid in cash or certified funds to the Sheriff at the time of making the highest bid which closes the sale.

The terms of the sale are subject to unpaid taxes and assessments.

Given under my hand on the 12th day of April 2024.

Robert Moore, Antelope County Sheriff

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

ANTELOPE COUNTY SHERIFF ROBERT MOORE

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE DISTRICT COURT OF ANTELOPE COUNTY, NEBRASKA CASE NO. CI 23-7

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an Order of Sale entered by the Clerk of the District Court for Antelope County, Nebraska, in an action wherein the County of Antelope, Nebraska is Plaintiff and Jesus D.R. Samudio, et al. John Doe and Jane Doe, tenants in possession of W 12' OF N 96' LOT 1; LOT 2 BLK 12 ELGIN CITY, all persons having or claiming an interest in W 12' OF N 96' LOT 1; LOT 2 BLK 12 ELGIN CITY are the Defendants, I will at 1 o'clock P.M. on the 10th day of May 2024, in the Commissioner's meeting room of the new Courthouse addition in Neligh, Antelope County, Nebraska, offer for

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NOTICE OF MEETING

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

NOTICE OF MEETING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AS A COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION, ANTELOPE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Notice is hereby given that the County Board of Commissioners of Antelope County, Nebraska will hold a County Board of Equalization meeting in the Commission-

er's Meeting Room in the Antelope County Courthouse Annex, Neligh, Nebraska on Monday May 13th, 2024, at 9:30 AM, for the purpose of approving tax roll corrections, motor vehicle exemptions and various other items which may become necessary to act upon. The meeting will be opened 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. PUBLISH: May 1, 2024 ZNEZ

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

NOTICE OF MEETINGS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, ANTELOPE COUNTY, NEBRASKA FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2024

Notice is hereby given that the County Board of Commissioners of Antelope County, Nebraska will hold meetings in the County Com-

missioner's meeting room in the Antelope County Courthouse Annex, Neligh, Nebraska on the following dates and times:

May 7, 2024 at 9:00 AM
 May 13, 2024 at 8:00 AM (Monday due to Election Tuesday May 14)
 Meetings will be open to the public. An agenda, kept continu-

ously 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. PUBLISH: May 1, 2024 ZNEZ

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

SOPER ADAMS, LLC

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION SOPER ADAMS, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, with its registered address at 416 M Street, Neligh, Nebraska 68756, was dissolved on April 9, 2024. The terms of the dissolution provide for the payment of liabilities of the Limited Liability Company and the

distribution of any remaining assets to the stockholders. Tedd Adams, the President of the Limited Liability Company, is to manage the corporate affairs, wind up and liquidate its business, and distribute its assets. The Limited Liability Company has no assets and no liabilities.

Martin V. Klein
 Klein Law Office, P.C.
 101 W. 4th Street
 P.O. Box 166
 Neligh, NE 68756-0166
 (402)887-4190
 PUBLISH: May 1, 8 & 15, 2024
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NOTICE

ESTATE OF MARY JANE BOES

NOTICE Estate of MARY JANE BOES, Deceased


Notice is hereby given that on April 29, 2024, in the County Court of Antelope County, Nebraska, Case No. PR24-10, Jeffrey Boes, whose mailing address is 2005

Lois, Carroll, IA 51401 and Lisa Schumacher, whose mailing address is 1226 Hwy 14, Petersburg, NE 68652, have been appointed as co-personal representatives of this estate. Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before July 1, 2024 or

be forever barred. Creditors shall submit their claims to the Antelope County Court, P.O. Box 26, Neligh, Nebraska 68756.


Martin V. Klein, #22220
 Attorney for Applicant
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Nonpartisan Republican, Sample Ballot, Primary Election, May 14, 2024

Antelope County, Nebraska	State of Nebraska	May 14, 2024
INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER 1. TO VOTE, YOU MUST DARKEN THE OVAL COMPLETELY (●). 2. Use a black ink pen to mark the ballot. 3. To vote for a WRITE-IN candidate, write in the name on the line provided AND darken the oval completely.  4. DO NOT CROSS OUT OR ERASE. If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot.	UNITED STATES SENATORIAL TICKET For United States Senator Six Year Term Vote for ONE <input type="radio"/> Deb Fischer <input type="radio"/> Arron Kowalski <input type="radio"/> _____	CONGRESSIONAL TICKET For Representative in Congress District 3 - Two Year Term Vote for ONE <input type="radio"/> Adrian Smith <input type="radio"/> John Walz <input type="radio"/> Robert McCuiston <input type="radio"/> _____
	For United States Senator Two Year Term Vote for ONE <input type="radio"/> Pete Ricketts <input type="radio"/> John Glen Weaver <input type="radio"/> Mac Stevens <input type="radio"/> _____	SAMPLE

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CARD OF THANKS

We would like to sincerely thank the firemen who answered the earlier in April when I got caught in the tree pile. My heartfelt thanks to the firemen and EMTs who responded, found and uncovered me. You are truly a great, well-trained group of people that the community is very fortunate to have.

Gary & Lyn Borer

CARD OF THANKS

To all of our friends and families, we want to express our deepest appreciation for all the support, love, and prayers that our family has received. No amount of words can truly capture the depth of our gratitude towards this community. People from the town of Elgin and all across the United States, went above and beyond during our time of need and we can't thank you enough for it. Joseph's recovery has been miraculous! He has been back to school full time now for about a month. He's even attending T-ball practice and is steadily regaining his strength. Thank You Lord for hearing and answering our prayers!

Ben & Teshia Pelster and Family
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Be aware of motorcycles on the roads

Motorcycles account for a small percentage of the total number of vehicles on the road. Despite that, a National Safety Council analysis of data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration indicates that motorcyclists accounted for 14 percent of all traffic fatalities, 17 percent of all occupant fatalities and 3 percent of all occupant injuries in 2021.

More than 5,900 motorcyclist deaths occurred in 2021, a figure that far surpassed any other year between 2007 and 2021. And it wasn't just fatal injuries that rose, as the NSC reports that nonfatal injuries among motorcyclists increased by 5 percent between 2020 and 2021.

Recognition of these figures is important, and it's equally notable that 83 percent of motorcyclist fatalities occurred in good weather, and a little more than half (53 percent) involved two vehicles.



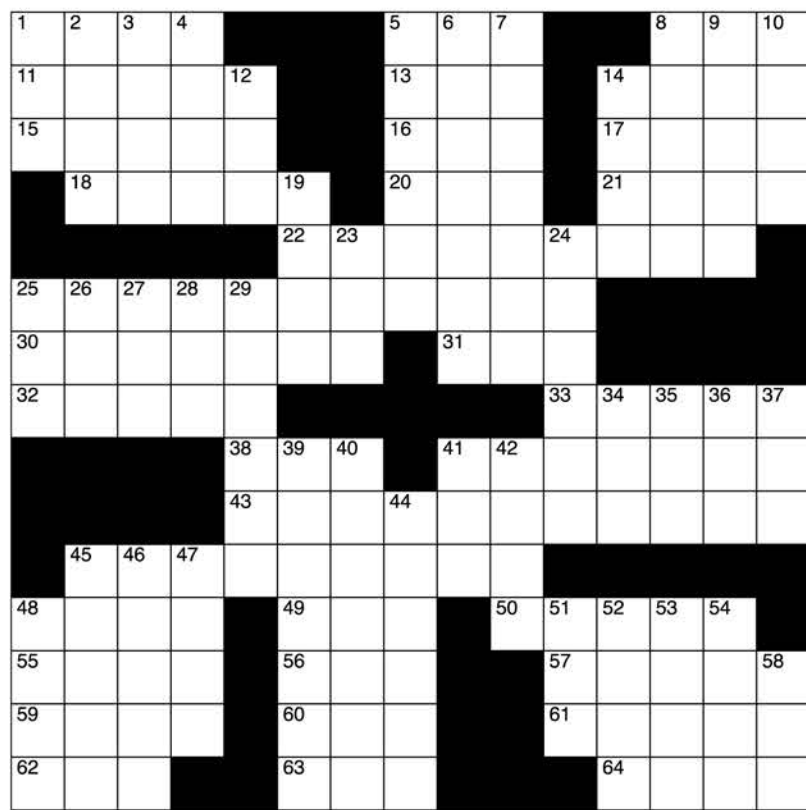
This week's Crossword Puzzle

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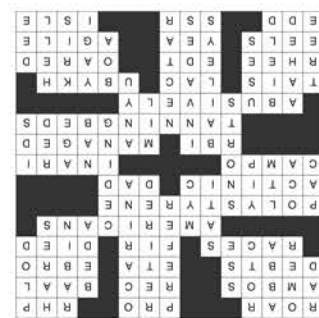
- Lions do it
- In favor of
- Rest here please (abbr.)
- Pulpits
- Leisure activity
- Fertility god
- Financial obligations
- When you anticipate getting somewhere
- Spanish river
- Sporting events
- Type of tree
- Ceased to be
- Persons
- Synthetic resin
- Relates to photochemical reactions
- Father
- Former Cowboys coach
- City in Finland
- Run batted in
- Got through
- They darken skin
- In a harmful way
- Form of weaving
- City of Angels hoopster
- Caucasian language
- Syngman ___, Korean president
- Sun up in New York
- Paddled
- Fishes
- Affirmative
- Nimble
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CLUES DOWN

- Cool!
- Hebrew unit of measure
- Swedish rock group
- College army
- Favor over another
- Called it a career
- Egg-shaped wind instrument
- Israeli statesman
- Hurries
- Slog
- Midway between south and southeast
- Benedictine monk
- Self-immolation by fire ritual
- Family of regulator genes
- Surrendering
- Political action committee
- S. American plant
- Long-term memory
- Bark
- Breathes in
- Take hold of
- Everyone has one
- Valentine's Day color
- Drivers' licenses and passports
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- Deceased Chinese politician
- Sugary secretion of plants
- Expressed pleasure
- Shelter



- Utilizes
- Forest resident
- Fashion accessory
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- A bad place to end up
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How to control Poison Hemlock in your moist soils

Poison hemlock and its cousin, Water hemlock, are on the list of top ten poisonous Nebraska plants. A species that has really seemed to take over in wet or moist soils across the eastern portion of the state, hemlock can cause serious issues if ingested, by either livestock or humans.

As with any weed issue, proper identification is key to control. One of the things that can make hemlock so dangerous is the ease in which it can be confused with non-toxic species like Wild carrot. Both have fern-like leaves, small white flowers, and are often found in the same place. Despite the similarities, a good way to tell the two apart is to look at the

stem. Hemlock will have a smooth or bald stem with conspicuous purple blotches or spots. Carrot has a hairy stem and while it may have a purple hue on occasion, does not have the spots found on hemlock. Smell can also help distinguish between the two. Carrot will have a fresh, green smell when leaves or stems are damaged, while hemlock has a smell best described as heavy or musty.

Hemlock thrives in moist soils where water is abundant, so stream banks, roadside ditches and even low areas in pastures are a ready home. A biennial, hemlock spends its first year of life as a basal rosette, producing a reproductive stalk the second year. These flower stalks can reach heights of 10 feet under ideal circumstances, shading out other vegetation and quickly

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Beef Systems Asst. Ext. Educator Ben Beckman

taking over an area. Hemlock plants produce alkaloid toxins in all parts of the plant. These chemicals are extremely potent. As little as 5 lbs. of consumed foliage can be a lethal dose for cattle. The hollow stem on mature plants may seem like an attractive straw or pea shooter for small children, with detrimental consequences.

Luckily from an animal perspective, Hemlock is not an attractive grazing option. In a pasture with plenty of other grazing options, animals with typically leave Hemlock alone. However, when forage options are limited, even unpalatable plants may become an option for hungry animals. Right now, early in the year, Hemlock may

be one of the only green options in areas of a pasture, causing animals to give it a try. Later on, if grazing isn't managed properly and grass gets short or if a pasture is dominated with hemlock and nothing else, it may once again make its way onto the menu. Finally, always make sure animals have plenty of water, salt, and mineral available. Thirsty animals or those with a mineral imbalance may seek out plants they would normally pass up in an attempt to fill the missing water or mineral need.

The good news is that hemlock can be controlled with mowing or herbicide applications. Regular mowing to prevent flower stalks from forming and producing seed can be an effective mechanical control technique, but need to occur regularly and will take several years to achieve control. In the spring, a 2,4-D + dicamba mix can effectively treat and control hemlock. Those wanting to treat early should hold off however until there are several warm and sunny days in a row with night time temperatures above freezing. Repeated herbicide applications may be necessary over many years in heavily infested areas to achieve control.

For both mowing and herbicide treatment, do not try to control hemlock during the grazing season! Let me repeat

that again... Do not try to control hemlock during the grazing season! Following treatment, make sure livestock stay out of the treated area as the poisonous alkaloids can still be present in dead leaf tissue. Additionally, mowing and herbicide alter the plant increasing its palatability, even in dead and dying plant tissues.

Poison hemlock can be an extremely aggressive weed in wet regions of our fields and pastures. It does pose a very real risk of poison to livestock who are forced to ingest it, but with proper grazing practices, this risk can be minimized. Control when animals are not present, through mowing or herbicides can be achieved, but may take several years if patches are large.

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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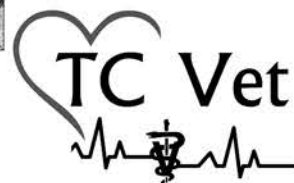
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Wolfpack Sports

EPPJ track team shines at Creighton

CREIGHTON — If there ever was a day to stand out at a track and field meet it was Tuesday, April 23.

Six teams converged on Creighton for their annual end of April track invite. And it was there that the Wolfpack made their presence known with some great individual performances.

Topping the list was the continued ascension of senior Blake Henn in the shot put. On this day with the wind at his back he would break his own school record, winning the event with a toss of 48'9".

Freshman Braelyn Martinsen would not be outdone. She won both the 100 and 200 meter dash events and also was a member of the winning 400 meter relay team.

Another freshman, Mady Kurpgeweit, left her mark at the high jump competition. She cleared 4'10" to easily win the event while setting a personal record.

The Wolfpack had a number of athletes who just missed out on gold, placing runner-up in their events. Among them were:

- Dylon Lueking - discus
- Myles Kittelson - long jump

Wausa won the girls team title, amassing 137 point. EPPJ finished third out of six teams with 96 points.

In the boys team race, Osmond won with 131 points. EPPJ finished fourth with 65 points.

Individual results were:

Girls

100 meter dash — 1. Braelyn Martinsen, EPPJ, 13.47 seconds; 6. Mady Kurpgeweit, EPPJ, 14.15

200 meter dash — 1. Braelyn Martinsen, EPPJ, 28.65 seconds; 3. Reese Stuhr, EPPJ, 28.81; 4. Camry Kittelson, EPPJ, 29.13

400 meter dash — 1. Reagan Gillilan, Wausa, 1:02.68; 4. Tessa Barlow, EPPJ, 1:22.07

800 meter run — 1. Taylor Dawson, Wausa, 2:44.07; 5. Kaitiey Schumacher, 2:56.57

1600 meter run — 1. Justice Olson, LCC, 6:28.90; 5. Kierstyn Eisenhauer, EPPJ, 7:11.09

3200 meter run — 1. Justice Olson, LCC, 14:29.39; 3. Samantha Stuhr, EPPJ, 14:59.74

100 meter hurdles — 1. Tali Erwin, LCC, 15.78 seconds; 6. Elizabeth Moser, EPPJ, 20.34



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Senior Myles Kittelson finished second in the long jump with a leap of 20'8".

300 meter hurdles — 1. Charley Aschoff, Osmond, 56.35 seconds; 4. Elizabeth Moser, EPPJ, 1:02.47

400 meter relay — 1. EPPJ (Camry Kittelson, Braelyn Martinsen, Mady Kurpgeweit, Reese Stuhr), 54.80 seconds

1600 meter relay — 1. Wausa, 4:39.89; 4. EPPJ (Camry Kittelson, Kaitiey Schumacher, Elizabeth Moser, Reese Stuhr), 5:02.58

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Braelyn Martinsen (with the baton) won two individual events and was a member of the winning 400 meter relay team at Creighton. Shown behind her is relay team member Camry Kittelson.



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Blake Henn broke his school record in the shot put with a toss of 48'9".



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Freshman Mady Kurpgeweit won the girls high jump on this effort, clearing 4'8". She went on to clear 4'10" at the track meet held last week in Creighton.



Photo submitted

Competing at the NVC Golf Tournament at Tatanka were (l-r): Dannyka Smidt, Gage Thiessen, Kellan Hoefer, Karson Kallhoff, Jack Barlow and Michael Selting.

Two medal at NVC Golf Tournament

NIOBRARA — Two Wolfpack golfers claimed medals Tuesday, April 23, competing in the Niobrara Valley Conference Golf Tournament.

The tournament was played at Tatanka, giving golfers their toughest course to conquer so far this year and they did just that against some tough competition.

"I was pleased with the way they played on Tuesday. We talked before the meet, and I said they have the opportunity to play one of the best courses in Nebraska. Enjoy it. I know the tees were moved up, but the course still had a lot of challenges," EPPJ Coach Trent Ostransky said.

"There were quite a few times they found themselves in situ-

ations they haven't been in before. I felt like when they were put in a difficult situation or things weren't going their way they did a good job of keeping a level head and moving on to the next shot. Tuesday we shot a season low as a team 401. Kellan shot a personal best, Karson shot a personal best and Gage shot a personal best.

"This is probably one of more difficult courses we'll see all season, so having success there will hopefully give them some more confidence moving forward."

Wolfpack junior Kellan Hoefer finished sixth to claim medal and sophomore Karson Kallhoff finished 12th. Hoefer shot a +10 (82) and Kallhoff came in with a +15 (87)

Chambers/Wheeler Central's William Jesse shoot a blazing +2 (74) to earn medalist honors, close behind was Kelan Fischer of North Central who finished with a +3 (75).

As for the Wolfpack varsity, other scores were Gage Thiessen +38 (110), Michael Selting +50 (122) and Jack Barlow +55 127.

Dannyka Smidt competed in the JV division and posted a score of +50 (122).

Neligh-Oakdale won the team championship finishing with a +59. Other team scores were Summerland +62, North Central +72, West Holt +78, CWC +99, EPPJ +113, Niobrara-Verdigre +116, Boyd County +141 and Santee +249. Stuart did not post a team score.

Spinning Tales

One more time, do we drink the 'Kool-Aid'?

LINCOLN — Growing up on a farm in northwest Seward County, it was rare when we would go to town. Like my wife's father, my dad didn't want to make more than one trip to town every week. It was a 20-mile trip one way because the villages that were nearby didn't have the tractor parts, a grocery store or any of the other amenities.

When it came to the grocery store, my mother always stocked up on assorted flavors of Kool-Aid, soda pop was a treat to be viewed as such, not an every day staple.

There was grape, strawberry and an array of other flavors of Kool-Aid to pick from. What once I viewed with wide-eyed wonder, I later changed my opinion and simply referred to it as 'sugar water.'

I bring up Kool-Aid today because I don't know whether or not to again swallow the magical sugar water.

No, I'm not referring to the actual drink this time around, but the Kool-Aid our state's largest media are pouring for you and I to believe about the 2024 Huskers football team.

Since the firing more than 20 years ago of Coach Frank Solich, each new coach has come with a heaping helping of the sugar water, telling us to believe that the new man in charge has/will right the ship and great things are about to happen to return Big Red to their rightful place as one of the 'blue bloods' of college football.

It happened with the coach who shall not be named, it happened with Bo Pelini, Mike Riley and Scott Frost. And, now, it's happening again with current Head Coach Matt Rhule. Pelini made us competitive in the Big 12, but not so much in the following years with the Big 10. Riley, a really nice guy, didn't have what it takes to win against the likes of Michigan and Ohio State. As for Frost? He just couldn't win one score games but he was really good at calling an inside kick when

up by two scores in the second half.

I really like Coach Rhule. From every indication I've seen, he's pointing the program in the right direction and, some might call it a stroke of luck, he has one of the best quarterbacks in the country ready to lead the program for the next 3-4 years (Dylan Raiola).

Reporters from the Omaha World-Herald and Lincoln Journal-Star and lesser voices on social media have begun to serve us the sugar water that the program should be better than last year when we finished with a 5-7 record. I hope so, because it's year two of the Rhule regime. Returning players have gained experience and new players, if they're ready, should be able to show what they can do.

Looking at the schedule ahead, being better won't necessarily translate into more victories. The Big Ten with expansion adding USC, UCLA, Oregon and Washington just keeps getting tougher and tougher. Add traditional powerhouses like the Buckeyes, Wolverines and Badgers, you see what I mean. It's going to get tougher every year to climb the summit.

For those of you so inclined may I suggest not to drink too much Kool-Aid in May, June and July. Then, starting in August and, in particular after the NU-CU game in early September, feel free to imbibe as one wishes. By that time we should start to see what the future holds for Rhule in the 'Land of Lincoln.'

If he wasn't already, NU freshman signal-caller Dylan Raiola is THE 'Big Man on Campus.' The kid made it look too easy Saturday at the Red-White game in Lincoln. In limited action, he tossed two touchdown passes and looked like a man playing against boys.

Believing he is as good as promised, I can't imagine how good he will be when he's a

junior. Barring injury, Raiola will only be in Lincoln for three years before fully turning his sight to the National Football League. It's rare anymore for the great college football players to stick around for their senior season solely for financial reasons. A season-ending injury, as a senior, can cost the football players millions of dollars. He sure looks the part of a game-changer.

And then there's this — Lynell and I spent Thursday through Saturday night at the annual convention of the Nebraska Press Association held at the Cornhusker Marriot Hotel. Friday late afternoon the tornado warning siren sound-

ed and everyone in the hotel was told to head to the lower level until the 'all-clear' sign was given. There, press men and women were joined by athletes from Northwestern and Iowa in town for a weekend series on the ball diamonds.

But before heading to the basement, I looked out the west windows of the hotel room and saw the cloud rotations which would, in less than hour, inflict horrific damage to homes in and around Elkhorn. As a photographer, in my youth I used to chase tornadoes, looking for that special photo. How foolish was I then because no photo is worth risking one's life.

Much has been lost by the many in harms way. Yet, in all this madness and mayhem, no one lost their life. That, my friends, is just one of many miracles from God Almighty. God is good, but late Friday afternoon, God was great!

SPINNING TALES



Publisher
Dennis Morgan

Charf, Eisenhauer chosen for all-star game

Coach Randy Eisenhauer to be on the bench helping with 'Dark' team

Rosters have been announced for the Northeast Nebraska 2024 All-Star Basketball games to be played May 31. Two members of the Wolfpack girls basketball team have been chosen to

play in the game were Keyera Eisenhauer and Ashlyne Charf, Coach Randy Eisenhauer will be on the bench with Battle Creek's Kobe Lade. Other members of the 'Dark' team are Tasha Eisenhauer, Norfolk; Josilyn Miller, Niobrara/Verdigre; Avery Yosten, Norfolk Catholic; Adyson Mlnarik, Summerland;

Brooklyn Heine-man, South Sioux City; Jordan Metzler and Daveigh Munter-McAfee; Wakefield; Kinslee Heimes, Wynot and Kendyl Delimont, Ainsworth.

Selected to the 'Light' team were Caitlin Guenther and Ellie Tramp, Crofton; Chloe Hanel, Clarkson/Leigh; Kelsy Steffen and Isabel Hass, Guardian Angels CC; Abbie Kromarek and Teya Boyer, Plainview; Avery Wegner, Pender; Madison Abbenhaus, Bloomfield; Mya Hedstrom and Lorissa Reiman; St. Mary's. Coaches are Bob Hayes, Ponca; and Maggie Moon, Crofton.



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May 6	@ Bassett	9:00
May 7	@ Fullerton	10:00
May 9	Dual @ Neligh	9:00
May 13	Districts @ Ainsworth	9:00
May 21-22	State @ North Platte	TBA



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May 2	PJCC/SB Spring Concert
May 3	EPS Grandparents Day • WSC Math Contest • SB only, 1 p.m. dismissal • EPS Elementary Spring Concert
May 6	FFA Banquet
May 6-10	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 7	EHS NHS & Activities/Academics Awards • FFA Greenhouse Plant Sales begin
May 8	EHS seniors last day
May 9	PJCC seniors last day/Awards • EPS Reading Celebration Party • SB 3/4th grade to Burwell
May 10	EPS Field Day (tentative) • SB Preschool graduation
May 11	EHS Graduation
May 12	PJCC Graduation
May 14	EPS School Board meeting
May 15	EPS Preschool & Kindergarten graduations
May 16	PJCC/SB Horseshoe Hustle/Reward Day • EPS Burger Bash
May 17	All schools, 11 a.m. dismissal, last day of school
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 Pole vault — 1. Olivia Kuhlman, Creighton, 8'6"
 Long jump — 1. Lexi Wright, Wausa, 15'6.75"
 Triple jump — 1. Klaire Johnson, Osmond, 31'4"; 3. Brooke Kinney, EPPJ, 29'1.5"
 Shot put — 1. Kate Lundberg, Wausa, 33'1.5"; 4. Gemma Miller, EPPJ, 29'11"
 Discus — 1. Jacey Bartels, Randolph, 101'0.5"; 3. Gemma Miller, EPPJ, 85'2"

Boys
 100 meter dash — 1. Hunter Buchanan, Osmond, 11.44 seconds; 4. Myles Kittelson, EPPJ, 11.82
 200 meter dash — 1. Preston Rose, LCC, 23.40 seconds; 3. Dylan Lueking, EPPJ, 24.09; 4. (Tie) Myles Kittelson, EPPJ, 24.22

400 meter dash — 1. Matthew Schindler, Wausa, 56.06 seconds; 7. Dylan Kolm, EPPJ, 59.70
 800 meter run — 1. Cade Wakeley, Wausa, 2:13.25; 5. Kaiden Bode, EPPJ, 2:23.56
 1600 meter run — 1. Dominic True, Osmond, 5:01.20; 3. Landyn Veik, EPPJ, 5:30.27
 3200 meter run — 1. Tyler Olson, LCC, 11:14.76
 110 meter hurdles — 1. Taylor Nelson, Creighton, 16.21 seconds
 300 meter hurdles — 1. Taylor Nelson, Creighton, 45.86 seconds

400 meter relay — 1. Osmond, 46.69 seconds; 4. EPPJ (Kaiden Bode, Myles Kittelson, Blake Henn, Dylan Lueking), 50.58
 1600 meter relay — 1. LCC, 3:47.95; 6. EPPJ (Taylor Beckman, Landon Kallhoff, Jarek Erickson, Kaeden Schwarting), 4:38.94
 3200 meter relay — 1. Wausa, 9:04.84; 3. EPPJ (Grady Drueke, Dylan Kolm, Landon Kallhoff, Landyn Veik), 10:06.82
 High jump — 1. Luke Harder, Randolph, 6'; 3. Kaiden Bode, EPPJ, 5'8"
 Pole vault — 1. Taylor Nilson, Creighton, 11'6"
 Long jump — 1. Hunter Buchanan, Osmond, 21'0.5"; 2. Myles Kittelson, EPPJ, 20'8"
 Triple jump — 1. Karter Gargert, Creighton, 38'8.5"
 Shot put — 1. Blake Henn, EPPJ, 48'9"; 7. Dylan Lueking, EPPJ, 37'2"; 8. Taylor Beckman, EPPJ, 36'6"
 Discus — 1. Xander Brown, Osmond, 157'8"; 2. Dylan Lueking, EPPJ, 133'4.5"; 6. Jarek Erickson, EPPJ, 112'8"; 8. Dylan Kolm, EPPJ, 110'6.5"

Individual results were:
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 100 meter dash — 1. London Konrad, West Holt, 13.19 seconds; 5. Braelyn Martinsen, EPPJ, 13.77
 200 meter dash — 1. London Konrad, West Holt, 27.08 seconds
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 300 meter hurdles — 1. Emerson Mlnarik, St. Mary's, 50.91 seconds

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 400 meter relay — 1. West Holt, 52.24 seconds; 2. EPPJ (Camry Kittelson, Mady Kurpgewei, Braelyn Martinsen, Kayton Zwingman), 54.76
 1600 meter relay — 1. St. Mary's, 4:15.02; 6. EPPJ (Camry Kittelson, Braelyn Martinsen, Kaitey Schumacher, Kayton Zwingman), 4:44.39
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Kaeden Schwarting powers out of the blocks during the 100 meter dash.

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Gemma Miller placed third in the discus and fourth in the shot put at the Creighton Invite.

Multiple medal winners dominate NVC Track Meet held Saturday

ATKINSON — Individual efforts highlighted Saturday's Niobrara Valley Conference Track & Field competition held at West Holt High School.

Niobrara/Verdigre's Delani won three events (800, 1600, 3200 meter runs) and West Holt's London Konrad won both the 100 and 200 meter sprints.

St. Mary's May Hedstrom won the long jump and triple jump. EPPJ's best effort was turned in by senior Blake Henn who placed second in the shot put.

On the girls side, EPPJ's 400 meter relay team of Camry Kittelson, Mady Kurpgewei, Braelyn Martinsen and Kayton Zwingman placed second.

West Holt won the boys team title with 221.5 points, more than double the second place score of 109 by Elkhorn Valley. EPPJ finished seventh out of 11 schools with 41 points.

In the girls team competition, West Holt again won with a score of 193. Taking second was Niobrara/Verdigre with 116 points. EPPJ finished eighth out of 11 teams competing with 22 points.

Individual results were:
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 400 meter dash — 1. Brody Galyen, West Holt, 50.90 seconds
 800 meter run — 1. Will Nilson, Boyd County, 2:02.37
 1600 meter run — 1. Drew Martin, West Holt, 4:55.81; 6. Landyn Veik, EPPJ, 5:27.68
 3200 meter run — 1. Drew Martin, West Holt, 10:45.66
 110 meter hurdles — 1. Trey Anthony, North Central, 15.92 seconds
 300 meter hurdles — 1. Hunter Wettlaufer, West Holt, 43.05 seconds

Boys
 400 meter relay — 1. West Holt, 43.94 seconds; 5. EPPJ (Kaiden Bode, Blake Henn, Myles Kittelson, Dylan Lueking), 47.79
 1600 meter relay — 1. West Holt, 3:34.19
 3200 meter relay — 1. West Holt, 8:52.32; 5. EPPJ (Kaiden Bode, Grady Drueke, Dylan Kolm, Landyn Veik), 9:46.18
 Shot put — 1. Gavin Whiting, Summerland, 48'4.25"; 2. Blake Henn, EPPJ, 46'6.75"
 Discus — 1. Korbin Werner, Elkhorn Valley, 148'10"
 High jump — 1. Ryan Rifer, Summerland, 6'2"5"; 5. Kaiden Bode, EPPJ, 5'8"
 Long jump — 1. Nate Decker, Elkhorn Valley, 29'9.5"; 4. Myles Kittelson, EPPJ, 19'2"
 Pole vault — 1. Maverick, Elkhorn Valley, 11'6"
 Triple jump — 1. Tripp Uecker, West Holt, 41'1.5"

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Hoefer medals at West Holt Golf Invite

ATKINSON — One Wolfpack golfer medaled Saturday, competing in the 2024 West Holt Boys Golf Invite.

Junior Kellan Hoefer carded an 18-hole score of 88 to finish 13th out of more than 50 golfers who competed on this day.

Sophomore Karson Kallhoff came in 23rd with a 91. Other Wolfpack scores were Gage Thiessen 114, Jack Barlow 114 and Michael Selting 144.

North Central's Keian Fischer was medalist with a 78. Finishing second, also with a 78 was Logan Brabec of O'Neill. Taking third was Chase Furstenau of Neligh-Oakdale.

O'Neill won the team title with a score of 334, 17 strokes better than Neligh-Oakdale at 351. Other team scores were North Central 353, Summerland 363, Creighton 371, West Holt 388, Niobrara-Verdigre 397, Ainsworth 402, EPPJ 407 and Boyd County 451. Stuart and West Holt JVs did not factor in the team scoring.

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Pride of the WOLFPACK

A senior, Blake turned in his best shot put throw of the early track season last Thursday, setting a new school record. His 1st place throw at O'Neill was 47'5"

BLAKE HENN
BOYS TRACK

A sophomore, Kayton led her teammates in the girls competition at O'Neill. She finished 3rd in the 300 meter hurdles with a time of 54.12.

KAYTON ZWINGMAN
GIRLS TRACK

A junior, Kellan medaled last Saturday, playing at the Plainview Country Club. He & teammates also competed at Summerland & the Antelope CC.

KELLAN HOEFER
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