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## In Brief

### Elgin City Council scheduled to meet Monday night

Will start at 7:30 p.m.

The July regular meeting of the Elgin City Council will be held next week.

The meeting will be held Monday night, July 1, at City Hall.

Open to the public, the meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

### Red Cross swimming lessons offered

Register at The Elgin Bargain Box

Red Cross swimming lessons will be offered at the Elgin Swimming Pool starting Monday, July 8 through July 19.

Swimming lessons are being offered to boys and girls ages pre-school and up.

Lessons will run from 6-8 p.m.

To register, stop in to the Elgin Bargain Box.

### Newspaper office to be closed Thursday, July 4

Will re-open on Friday, July 5.

Independence Day will be observed across the country on Thursday, July 4.

The Elgin Review newspaper office will be closed on that day. The office will re-open on Friday, July 5.

Have a safe Fourth of July!

## Public Notices

Public notices in this week's newspaper include:

Notice of General Election — Antelope County Election Commissioner

Notice of Meeting — Antelope County Board of Adjustment

Notice of Meetings — Antelope County Board of Commissioners

Notice to Bidders (Sidewalk Bids) — Antelope County

Notice — Pope John XXIII Central Catholic High School

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## Weather

The high temperature last week was 88 degrees recorded on June 21. The low temperature during the same period was 58 degrees recorded on June 18-19.

Altogether, 0.13 of an inch of precipitation was recorded last week.

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

Date	High	Low	Prec
June 16	82	62	.94
June 17	84	63	.00
June 18	84	58	.25
June 19	71	58	.00
June 20	82	63	.00
June 21	88	65	.13
June 22	83	59	.00
Total for last week			1.32
Total for June			3.74
Total precipitation 2024			14.89



E-R photo/LMorgan

Father Joseph Sund was joined by many parishioners at a farewell potluck dinner Sunday at the Elgin KC Hall.

## Farewell dinners held for Frs. Sund & Nieldsi

For the past two years, Fr. Joseph Sund has served Catholic parishes in the area, including St. Boniface and St. Bonaventure.

On Sunday morning he conducted his final Mass at St. Boniface. No, he's not leaving the church, he's received a new assignment and will be at St. Patricks in Fremont and surrounding parishes.

After Mass he was feted to a farewell potluck dinner held at the Elgin Knights of Columbus Hall. There, he

was joined by numerous parishioners to enjoy lunch and share memories he made in the community. Aside from teaching classes at Pope John XXIII High School, he became well known here as the public address announcer for Wolfpack volleyball and boys/girls basketball.

Just miles away, potluck farewell dinners were served Saturday night at Tilden and again Sunday at Neligh. Fr. Nields new assignment will be at St. James Parish in Omaha.

### Assignment

Father Frank Baumert has been assigned as senior associate pastor at our churches.

Ordained a priest 48 years ago, he will begin his duties here on July 1. He has previously served as pastor in Neligh, Clearwater, Albion and Petersburg.



Fr. Frank Baumert

## Equalization board to hold tax hearings on July 9

The Antelope County Board of Commissioners, acting as the board of equalization, are scheduled to meet Tuesday, July 9.

At the courthouse in Neligh, they will convene at 10:30 a.m. for the purpose of deciding motor vehicle exemptions, accepting over-under report, approving tax roll corrections, and reviewing and deciding written protests filed pursuant to sections 77-1502 to 77-1507 pertaining to the assessment value of their property; and various other items which may become necessary to act upon.

Protest hearings will be scheduled at 10-minute intervals, allowing a couple of minutes between each hearing.

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## Fireworks to highlight celebration on July 2

At Park U.C.C. Church west of Elgin

The Park Center Annual 4th of July celebration date has been announced.

It will be held Tuesday night, July 2, at Park Congregational U.C.C. Church located 10 miles west and 1/2 mile south of Elgin.

A potluck meal will start at 7 p.m. Games and fun for all ages on the playgrounds will follow after the meal.

Fireworks will end the evening. Attendees are encouraged to bring chairs and blankets.

## 57th annual Clearwater Rodeo gets underway Friday

By LuAnn Schindler

Summerland Advocate/Messenger

The countdown is on for the best weekend in June as rough and tumble action will take center stage at the 57th annual Clearwater's Big Rodeo.

Competition begins Friday, June 28 and continues through Sunday, June 30, at the Gene Snodgrass arena, located along U.S. Highway 275.

Clearwater Chamber of Commerce sponsors the annual event.

Rodeo visitors will see a few new additions on the grounds.

Clearwater Chamber president Curt Thiele said the rodeo committee and chamber members continue to make improvements to give visitors a top-notch experience.

Volunteers recently completed an expansion of the south snack shack.

"We may not always be named 'rodeo of the year,' but we believe we are the most fan-friendly rodeo around," Thiele said. "We want visitors to enjoy the show."

### Friday, June 28

Friday's first event will feature youngsters attempting to ride a sheep. Mutton busting will begin at 7 p.m. Fifteen spots will be reserved during call-ins, scheduled for Monday, June 24. Another 10 spots will be up for grabs for participants who register each night of the rodeo.

Miss Clearwater Rodeo 2024 will be crowned prior to the start of rodeo action, at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Following Friday's rodeo entertainment, Tim Zach will play on Main Street until 1 a.m.

### Saturday, June 29

A full day of activities is planned for Saturday, June 29.

A sand volleyball tournament will take place in the park. A 10-team limit is in place and spots will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Registration fee is \$60 per team. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three teams.

To register contact Kassi Thiele or text or call

Kylie Korth at 402-992-4794.

Inflatables will be set up on the football field for youngsters from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Food will be available at the park.

Schlecht Trucking, Snake Creek Trucking and Ferguson Ag are sponsoring the bounce houses and games.

Saturday evening festivities will begin with mutton busting at 6 p.m., with rodeo events following at

6:30 p.m.

Music will begin on Main Street at 8 p.m., with Luke Mills. Noah Hicks is scheduled to perform at 9 p.m., and Nate Smith will headline the concert at 10 p.m.

Identification will be required to purchase drink tickets. A clear-bag policy will be in effect on Main

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Photo submitted

The 57th annual Clearwater Rodeo gets underway this Friday. There's sure to be plenty of action in the arena just like last year when Everett Blackburn of Chambers competed in saddle bronc riding.

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From JoAnn Baum's Kitchen

# Apple & Carrot cakes

Good day, "Cake, cake, cake" Who doesn't like cake? This week the recipes are all about delicious cakes. This apple cake is one of my husband's favorite. He likes it best with a warm sauce over it and I prefer just a dollop of Cool Whip®. Either way it is so yummy.



Who doesn't like carrot cake with cream cheese frosting? It's another of my favorites. I love that it has a touch of cinnamon in it. If you think that's too much frosting to frost a 9x13 cake, then cut the amounts in half. Not sure you can have too much frosting! You can adjust the recipe if you think needed! Delicious! Enjoy!

JoAnn



### APPLE CAKE

1 cup sugar  
1/2 cup butter  
1 egg  
1 cup flour

1/2 tsp soda  
2 cups diced apples  
1/2 tsp cinnamon  
1/2 tsp nutmeg  
1/2 cup chopped nuts (opt)

Cream sugar, butter, and egg. Add the remaining ingredients. Mix well. Bake in a ungreased 9x13 pan at 350° for 30-40 minutes. When cool, serve with a dollop of Cool Whip®.

### CARROT CAKE

2 cups sugar  
1-1/2 cups Wesson® oil  
2 tsp baking soda  
4 eggs  
3 cups grated carrots

2 cups flour  
1 tsp salt  
2 tsp vanilla  
2 tsp cinnamon

Mix sugar, oil, and eggs. Add the remaining ingredients and mix well. Bake at 350° for 45 minutes in 9x13 pan. When cool, frost with cream cheese frosting.

Frosting:  
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1 tsp vanilla  
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## Jack Barlow awarded Lewis Lehr Scholarship

A recent graduate of Pope John XXIII Central Catholic High School has been awarded the Lewis Lehr Scholarship.

Jack Barlow, son of Rachael and Mike Barlow, was selected last week for the scholarship, according to Elgin American Legion Post Commander Gary Hofer.

The scholarships was established years ago by the Elgin native who rose to become chief executive of 3M Co. Lehr, during his lifetime, left a legacy of global expansion that propelled 3M into Asia, health care products and space research.

Born in Elgin, Neb., in 1921, he graduated from Elgin High School in 1939. Lehr then attended the University of Nebraska where he graduated from with a degree in chemical engineering.

In his later years, Lehr remembered his alma mater at Elgin by setting up scholarships for boys and girls and also contributed another scholarship for girls at Albion.



Jack Barlow

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**Friday, June 28**  
7 p.m. Mutton Busting  
7:30 p.m. Miss Clearwater Rodeo presentation  
Rodeo  
Following rodeo Tim Zach - Main Street Dance

**Saturday, June 29**  
8 a.m. Sand volleyball tournament (Call/text 402-992-4794 to sign up)  
10 - 2 p.m. Inflatables at the park  
6 p.m. Mutton Busting  
6:30 p.m. Rodeo  
Main Street Concert - 8 p.m. Luke Mills  
9 p.m. Noah Hicks  
10 p.m. Nate Smith

**Sunday, June 30**  
6 p.m. Mutton Busting  
6:30 p.m. Rodeo

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# Hard goodbye even if not forever

When we signed up to host an exchange student, we knew it was for a finite time. We knew there was a risk of loving her as

our own and having her become part of our family, only to end up leaving. I knew all these things and felt prepared to wel-

come her into our home.

With all this head knowledge, I was still surprised how much it hurt having to say goodbye.

Last August our lives were changed forever. We welcomed our exchange daughter from Italy, and she immediately fit in. She was an only child, but she instantly fell in love with her new siblings.

Our kids absolutely adored her, and quick bonds were formed between them.

It wasn't long before I felt as though I had known her for her whole life.

Of course there was an adjustment period. It took time to learn about each other's habits, wants and needs. I quickly learned I didn't know how to cook pasta properly and she learned about macaroni and cheese.

In the beginning it was about exchanging cultures, which was great. We loved learning about her life in Italy.

However, after a month or so, we started exchanging much more. She would tell me about things at school or crushes on boys. We would spend time together doing face masks and just talking about her plans after school.

We were exchanging hopes and fears, dreams, and our whole lives.

It was fun having an older daughter and I started to love her as my own.

As the time started to draw nearer to the end, we were all in denial. Although we knew the end date loomed ahead, none of us wanted to acknowledge it.

Any mention of it would be quickly met with avoidance of the subject. Eventually I had to start prompting her to pack and think about how she was going to get everything home that she had accumulated during her time here.

With only weeks left, she

wanted to spend every moment she could with us. We spent countless hours just hanging out talking.

Even if we were just cooking in the kitchen or running errands, she wanted to be there. It was time to soak up what remaining time we had left.

She even wanted to come to the kids' swim practices just to have a little more time together.

The weekend before her departure we threw a going away party. Her friends, our friends, and family gathered to wish her well. It still didn't seem real.

Even the night before she left with an extra-long hug goodnight, the full weight of the next day's departure wasn't felt.

As we drove to the airport to say goodbye, we reminisced about all the things we had done together.

We talked about favorite memories and laughed over shared experiences. It wasn't until we

pulled up to unload the luggage and we had to say goodbye that it hit.

The sobbing ensued and tears streamed down my face as I held this daughter of mine knowing it would likely be months before we saw her again.

My mommy's heart ached as I watched her walk to the security line.

The days after were sad seeing her empty room and not feeling her presence. There was an emptiness that I never noticed before she entered our lives.

We knew it was just goodbye for now and not goodbye forever. And although saying goodbye hurt, it was all worth it to have those ten months together.

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Comments are welcome and can be sent to [talesofatiredmomma@gmail.com](mailto:talesofatiredmomma@gmail.com).

## Tales of a Tired Momma



Elgin Columnist Katherine Cobb

# Looking Back

The Elgin Review

Sixty Years Ago

June 25, 1964

Elgin's 75th anniversary celebration was brought to a sudden but spectacular ending Friday night when threatening wind and rain stopped the giant stage show "Pioneer and Progress." The show was halted near the final episodes and lightning flashes added to the windup of fireworks. A total of 2.60 inches of rain during the celebration broke the dry spell which had gripped this area for weeks.

Local firemen were called to the Mrs. Ernest Donner farm Thursday of last week around 1:15 p.m., were a tractor, belonging to Bill Paul, was on fire. Julian Paul and his son, Bill, were putting up alfalfa hay when the tractor caught fire. It had burned itself out, destroying wiring and paint, when firemen arrived.

Three people were hospitalized last Thursday afternoon as the result of a two-car collision two miles east and a quarter mile south of here. Injured were Ralph A. Starman and Mrs. Wilfred Henkenius of Elgin and Bonnie Latzel of Neligh and recently of this community. Starman was reported to be traveling south and was in a near head-on collision with a car driven by Mrs. Henkenius. The latter was leaving their driveway and did not see the Starman car approaching. Both cars were totally demolished.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyler McKillip are the parents of a 6 lb. 13 oz. daughter, Janet Marie, born June 19, 1964 in the Antelope Memorial hospital.

The largest crowd of spectators ever to assemble in Elgin was on hand for the float parade which was signaled to start with an aerial fireworks bomb. This event consisted of 87 floats, eight bands and Wausa's Swedish Maids marching team, plus groups of horses.

Fifty Years Ago

June 27, 1974

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meis celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Sunday, June 23, 1974. A family dinner was held at noon in the St. Boniface auditorium for 40 guests. Special guests were the Rev. Msgr. Theo. H. Buel, Rev. Hugh Schwartz, Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Lechbee of Edina, Mo. and Ed Meis.

Mrs. Gary D. Johnson, Elgin, was today named local Chairman of the 1974 Breath of Life campaign to fight children's lung diseases by James R. Demman DDS, president of the Nebraska State Chapter of the National Cystic Fibrosis Research Foundation. The newly-appointed Chairman will lead local volunteers in raising funds to support the research and care for children affected by cystic fibrosis, severe asthma, chronic bronchitis, bronchiectasis and other related lung damaging diseases.

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Spec. 4 Gary J. Hoefer received his discharge from the U.S. Army on June 10, 1974 at Ft. Lewis, Wash. He served with HHC 2nd/60th as legal clerk and typist. He had been stationed at Ft. Lewis since January 1973.

Phyllis Pelster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Pelster has been awarded the Who's Who Among Students in American Vocational & Technical School from the Norfolk Beauty College. Mrs. Frances Boltz presented the award on June 18.

Thirty Years Ago

June 22, 1994

A total of 21 new trees were planted during an annual work day last Thursday, June 16, on the grounds of St. Boniface Parish in Elgin. The trees were part of a parish landscaping and improvement project. Building improvements were also made during the work day.

At about 4:20 p.m., firemen were called to the Grothe Feed Lot west of Elgin, where a load of round hay bales on a mover had caught fire as they were being pulled into the feed lot by Wayne Eliott. About eight to ten round bales were involved in the fire. The blaze was extinguished in about an hour, as firemen were assisted in their efforts by feed lot employees and neighbors.

A reunion of the Spieker family was held Sunday, June 12, at the St. John's Parish Hall and the City Park in Petersburg. About 165 people attended the reunion from Nebraska, Colorado, Washington, Minnesota, South Dakota, Missouri, Iowa and Connecticut.

Antelope County Clerk Eleanor Holm recently completed a three-day workshop at Kearney for county clerks, election commissioners, registers of deeds and treasurers. The annual work-

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## Elgin Community Center Menus

(All meals served with bread & butter. Menus are provided by the Community Center and are subject to change).

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**Tuesday, July 2:** Chef salad (ham, cheese, onion, tomato), cottage cheese, pineapple, bread/muffin, butter, milk.

**Wednesday, July 3:** Fried chicken, potato salad, vinegar cucumbers, apricots, bread, butter, milk.

**Thursday, July 4:** Closed. Happy Independence Day!

**Friday, July 5:** Closed.

**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.

Meals are served Monday thru Friday. Takeout starting at 11:30 a.m.

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Edward R. Murrow

Hope replaces homelessness on streets of Whiteclay

The dusty, unincorporated village of about a dozen permanent residents became known as "The Skid Row of the Plains" for its beer sales, and the ever-present "street people," who would lounge along the highway that ran through town, openly drinking, urinating and worse as they drank.

It was a real black eye for the State of Nebraska. Few steps were taken to clean up the place, despite years of protest marches, led by Native American activists like Frank LaMere, Russell Means and Tom Poor Bear along with the Nebraskans for Peace.

ALL THINGS NEBRASKA



State Correspondent Paul Hammel

Various proposals by state lawmakers came and went. But a recent visit showed some progress and glimmers of hope.

In 2017, the Nebraska Liquor Commission ruled that alcohol should not be sold in the unincorporated town, 23 miles from the nearest sheriff's office, because of a lack of local law enforcement to monitor it.

Now, the street people are gone, as are the empty beer cans, smell of urine and panhandling, and the occasional fight and even death among the vagrants.

In their place is a constant flow of vehicles from the Oglala Lakota reservation, bearing customers seeking groceries, ranch supplies and other goods sold at Whiteclay's supermarket, Abe's Store, and two "Dollar" stores.

There's a new tax preparation business, as well as a "makerspace," where local artisans and crafters can use high-tech quilting machines, leather-working tools and bead-working supplies to produce items for sale.

The Whiteclay Makerspace has its own retail store, as well as a website, where beautiful star quilts, jewelry and artwork are sold, supplementing

Politics yield bad border policy

Biden Administration not motivated by negative effects of unsecured border

WASHINGTON REPORT



U.S. Senator Deb Fischer

Illegal immigration is not a victimless crime. An influx of illegal immigrants can drive down wages for working Americans, drive up drug and human trafficking, and strain government resources meant for American citizens.

But the negative effects of illegal immigration—and the unsecured border that allows it—do not seem to motivate the Biden administration. Throughout his time in office, and especially this election year, only one consideration seems to motivate President Biden's border and immigration policies: politics.

On day one of his administration, President Biden rescinded all the Trump-era reforms that kept our southern border secure: Remain in Mexico, the wall, and much more. Immigration activists pressured him to get rid of basic security measures, and he quickly obliged. Political reaction, not good policy, motivated these changes. And ever since, illegal

the incomes of those in the area.

More importantly, the Makerspace has transformed a former liquor store into a facility of hope — "art over alcohol," they call it.

Down the road, shoppers in the parking lot of the Whiteclay Grocery say it's nice that you can visit and buy groceries without being panhandled or harassed.

Same for those walking into the local ranch supply store, Abe's, a place that has a wonderful, sweet smell of livestock feed and leather.

Has the closing of Whiteclay's beer outlets solved the problems on the nearby reservation? No.

The flow of alcohol has shifted from stores in Whiteclay to homes and vehicle trunks on the reservation, where "bootleggers" sell bottles of vodka or water bottles mixed with liquor and even rubbing alcohol.

The scourge of drugs, mostly meth-

amphetamines, have grown in recent years, but Sheridan County Sheriff Jeff Brewer recently told the Nebraska Examiner that his calls for service in Whiteclay for disturbances and fights are way down.

And predictions that the roadway between the reservation and Rushville, the next nearest town to sell alcohol, would become a "highway of death" haven't materialized, the sheriff said.

The nursing home in Whiteclay expanded a couple of years back, bringing some good jobs and a home for aging members of the reservation. And a tribal development group still hopes to establish a wellness center in the village.

But problems on the reservation remain — unemployment, high rates of suicide among youth, substance abuse, poor housing.

A national NPR interviewer once asked me what is the solution? The

question caught me by surprise (I'm a reporter, not a policy maker), and finally I responded that I wasn't really sure.

Better jobs and education would help, I offered, as would a reduction in substance abuse.

Overall, it's a region that needs "hope" that the future will bring better times.

Native Americans in that region still travel "a hard road," but the closing of the Whiteclay beer stores has helped immensely.

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Paul Hammel has covered the Nebraska state government and the state for decades. He retired in April as senior contributor with the Nebraska Examiner. He was previously with the Omaha World-Herald, Lincoln Journal Star and Omaha Sun. A native of Ralston, Nebraska, he loves traveling and writing about the state.

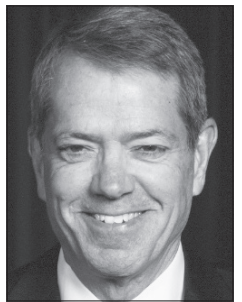
Doing the people's work Property tax reform

Over the past few weeks, Nebraskans across the state have begun receiving their property valuation notices. The common reaction to those statements can be summed up in one word -- outrage. One Nebraskan recently interviewed for a news story had the perfect reaction to the question "what goes through your head when viewing your property tax valuations?" Her response: "I can't say that on TV." She is not alone. Countless Nebraskans are in disbelief when they see the recent increases in their home values.

Double digit increases in valuations year over year is not something we should accept. However, special interest groups have intimidated and paralyzed our Legislature.

In the 2024 Preliminary Property Tax Valuation estimates, 57 out of 93 counties had double digit valuation increases. The largest increase was 28% in Boone County. Out of our three largest counties, Douglas saw an 8% increase, Sarpy 11%, and Lancaster had a 5% increase.

FROM THE DESK OF...



Nebraska Governor Jim Pillen

Unfortunately, when valuations increase, you inevitably pay more in property taxes. Period. That's because we have a spending problem here in Nebraska.

It's time we have transformational change in our tax code. It's time that we stop taxing Nebraskans out of their homes. We can solve this problem with a broad tax base and low tax rate. This will reduce the burden on homeowners, ranchers, and farmers and put more of a tax burden on the special interests that have received a free ride for the past 60 years.

I vow to do everything in my power as your Governor to cut your property taxes. To any state senator reading this -- clear your schedule from July 26 to August 15. We have the people's work to do.

Future of agriculture calls for decisive leadership

Last weekend, the 8th Annual All Nebraska Tractor Drive took place in Franklin and Harlan Counties. The event featured roughly 100 antique tractors and raised funds for the Central Nebraska Veterans Home in Kearney. The round trip from Franklin to the Harlan County Dam showcased our state's tradition of working the land and served as a reminder of how much new equipment and technology has improved production over the decades, increasing efficiency.

Agriculture is at the heart of Nebraska's heritage, and despite how different practices and machinery may look now, it remains the economic and cultural driver of the Third District. The conventional five-year Farm Bill reauthorization cycle provides enough certainty to plan operations and enough flexibility to address changing risks, methods, and technology. Managing soil health, water usage, breeding outcomes, forage supply, market demand, and competitive advantage all require producers to anticipate and adapt years in advance to succeed. As they think about conserving resources and building prosperity for future generations, federal policy which provides long-term certainty is vital to informing their decisions for the future.

FROM THE HILL



Congressman Adrian Smith

In the current Farm Bill cycle, I am committed to ensuring Third District farmers and ranchers can prepare for disaster through appropriate risk management strategies. As one of the most critical components of the Farm Bill, the federal crop insurance program minimizes taxpayer burden in the event of a disaster and contributes to stability for farm families across the country. I am supportive of the House Agriculture Committee's advancement of a robust legislative package which builds on the success of our crop insurance program. I will continue fighting for a Farm Bill which serves the best interests of our hard-working producers.

In addition to the Farm Bill, I am focused on several policy items which significantly affect the agriculture industry. My work as Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee's Subcommittee on Trade gives me a unique opportunity to ensure Third District producers can compete on a level playing field at home and abroad and to bring attention to the Biden administration's failures to do so. This includes ensuring the innovative spirit which drives Nebraskan agriculture isn't stifled by our trading partners' unfair practices.

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shop, held June 15-17, is part of a continuing education and leadership development series sponsored by the Nebraska Association of County Officials.

**Twenty Years Ago**  
June 30, 2004

St. Boniface alumni celebrated the 100th anniversary of St. Boniface School during their 61st annual Alumni Banquet last Saturday evening, June 26, in the Elgin KC Hall.

A successful Vetch Days celebration wrapped up in Elgin last Wednesday and Thursday, June 23-24, as part of a busy week of activities. More than 480 people were served at the free barbecue meal on Tuesday evening, June 22, in the Elgin Fire Station. After the barbecue, the Vetch Days Parade was held, with more than 50 entries.

Presentations of an Honored Alumnus Award and six college scholarships were among the highlights of the 2004 Elgin High School Alumni Banquet last Saturday evening, June 26m in the EHS Gym. A total of 160 alumni and guests attended.

Elgin's North Street storm sewer project, now underway, could continue through most of the summer.

# OBITUARIES

## Kenneth R. Kasselder, 84

September 21, 1939 - June 22, 2024

A graduate of Wheeler Central High School, he spent his life farming and serving the community in many ways.



Kenneth R. Kasselder, 84 of Ericson,

NE passed away Saturday, June 22, 2024, at the Boone County Health Center in Albion, NE, surrounded by family. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 28, 2024, at the Clear Creek Hunting Lodge south of Bartlett, NE, with Jim Wakefield officiating, and a meal will be provided following the service. Private family graveside services will take place at Pibel Pleasant Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Thursday at Levander Funeral Home in Albion

Memorials are suggested to the family for later designation.

Levander Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.levanderfuneralhome.com](http://www.levanderfuneralhome.com).

Ken attended the United Methodist Church in Ericson, NE. He was a founding member of Rev. Boes's youth recreational program and served on the Wheeler Central School Board for several years, including during the time when the "New Gym" was built.

Ken spent years coaching youth basketball and in his earlier years enjoyed hunting ducks and pheasants. He loved attending his grandchildren's sporting events and when he wasn't able to attend, he could be found following the games on the radio, the internet, or the Game Changer app.

Ken leaves behind his wife of 65 years Ann of Ericson, NE; three children: Kevin (Kelly) of Burwell, NE; Brad (Diane) of Ericson, NE; Peggy (Ray) Payne of Elgin, NE; 11 grandchildren: Drew (Melissa) Kasselder of Ewing, NE; Damon (Kelsie) Kasselder of Grand Island, NE; Jake (Shelby) Kasselder of Ericson, NE; Kortney (Kaden) Huxoll of Cambridge, NE; Shelby (Alec) Galvan of Burwell, NE; Libby (Aaron) Todd of Grand Island, NE; Megan (Cory) Cadek of Scotia, NE; Kal Kasselder of San Antonio, TX; Klay (Caitlin) Kasselder of Lawrence, KS; Kix (Cari) Payne of Placerville, CA; Nickol Payne of Elgin, NE; 18 great-grandchildren; three sisters-in-law: Hon Kasselder of Mitchell, SD; Yvonne Field of Omaha, NE; Lavonne Rosso of Grand Island, NE; special cousins: Ron and JoAnne Kasselder and Mariylin Felker of Sioux Falls, SD; along with nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers Gene and Keith Kasselder; and two sisters Patty Knebel and Barbara Ann Kasselder in infancy.

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**Friday thru Sunday, June 28-30**  
Clearwater Rodeo Days.

**Monday, July 1**  
Elgin City Council regular meeting @ City Hall.

**Tuesday, July 2**  
Antelope County Board of Commissioners regular meeting at courthouse in Neligh • Park Congregational U.C.C. Church Independence Day celebration\*.

**Thursday, July 4**  
Independence Day.

**Tuesday, July 8**  
Red-E-4-Fun/Red Hatters, noon at ECC, please RSVP • EVFD meeting • Village of Bartlett regular monthly meeting.

**Wednesday, July 8-19**  
Red Cross swimming lessons @ Elgin Swimming Pool (register at the Bargain Box)\*.

**Wednesday, July 9**  
Regular Meeting of the District #18 Board of Education starting at 6:30 p.m.

Events listing courtesy of  
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## Protests

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If needed, protest hearings may continue July 10, starting at 9 a.m.

An agenda, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the Antelope County Clerk's Office and may be modified at such meeting to include items of an emergency nature pursuant to Section 84-1411 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.

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**...the gift is acceptable according to what one has....**  
2 Corinthians 8:7-15

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 Mark 5:21-43 Psalm 130  
Revised Common Lectionary © 1992 by the Consultation on Common Texts for  
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Fr. Joseph Sund, Associate Pastor  
Weekend Mass: 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 8 am.  
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**Park Congregational U.C.C. Church**  
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Sunday Worship Service: 9:15 am.  
Sunday School: 10:15 am.  
Communion Sunday: 1st Sunday of each month. Park Women's Fellowship: 2 pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the church. Parish Council: 7:30 pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the church.

**St. John the Baptist Catholic Church**  
Petersburg, NE  
Fr. John Norman, Pastor  
Fr. Joseph Sund, Associate Pastor  
Weekend Mass: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 8 am.  
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**Bartlett Church of Faith**  
Bartlett, NE  
Pastor Mark Hoffman  
Sunday Worship Service: 9 am.  
Sunday School: 10-10:45 am.

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

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
Elgin, NE  
Pastor Norlyn Bartens  
Sunday Worship Service: 8 am.  
Sunday school follows service.  
Saturday Evening Service: 6 pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month.

**Elgin Community Christian Church**  
Elgin, NE  
Pastor Jonathan Braden  
Adult Sunday School:  
Children Sunday School: 9:30 am.  
Sunday Worship Service: 9 am.  
Church Council: 2nd Sunday of each month following worship.

**St. John's Catholic Church**  
Rural Clearwater, NE  
Fr. John Norman, Pastor  
Fr. Joseph Sund, Associate Pastor  
Weekend Mass: 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday, 5:30 am.  
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**St. Paul Lutheran Church**  
Chambers, NE  
Pastor Leif Hasskari  
Sunday Worship: 8:30 am.  
Sunday School/Bible Study: 9:30 am.

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Rural Albion, NE  
Pastor Elizabeth Goehring  
Worship Service: 9:30 am.  
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## ESU #8 nursing department offers summer safety tips

Summer is here and it's time for fun, but also safety! The Educational Service Unit 8 nursing department, consisting of 12 registered nurses serving 12 public school districts, 8 parochial schools, and two learning centers, will miss their students during summer break. The department is always providing care and wants to share some summer safety tips with parents and caregivers so everyone can return to school happy and healthy in the fall.

• Protect kids' skin — The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that children wear sunscreen with at least 15 to 50 SPF. Remember to reapply sunscreen every two hours or after swimming, sweating or toweling off, and consider wearing sun protection clothing for an added barrier. Sunscreen isn't recommended for babies under six months, who should always be kept out of direct sunlight. Keep your little ones protected from the sun by dress-

ing them in lightweight clothing and sun hats, and using umbrellas for shade.

• Hydrate! — Steer clear of soda, energy drinks and fruit juices, which may worsen dehydration. Water is the best source of hydration for kids who are over 1 year old.

• Maintain eating habits — Opportunities for junk food abound during the summer, but abiding by healthy eating habits for kids while they're out of school will ensure that your little ones learn healthy, consistent habits and get the vitamins and nutrients they need to fuel their summer fun.

• Be aware of hot cars — Never intentionally leave your child in the car for any reason. There's no safe situation, temperature, or length of time for a child to be left alone in a car. Ride Safely — As kids head

outdoors to play with friends and ride bicycles around the neighborhood, make sure they're practicing bike safety, including riding a properly fitted bike and wearing a properly fitted bike helmet.

• Practice Water Safety — Pool safety includes the use of drain covers and fenced enclosures to life vests, swimming lessons, and CPR classes. Toddlers should be no further than an arm's length away from their guardian when they're around a pool or any other body of water. Empty buckets, bathtubs, coolers, and wading pools immediately after use.

• Use insect repellent — The Academy of Pediatrics recommends no more than 30% concentration of DEET in insect repellants for children over two months old.

• Be aware of standing water — Ponds and turned-off fountains with stagnant water can serve as a breeding ground for mosquitoes.

• Check for ticks — Choose a playground that's appropriate for your kids, with equipment that suits their age, size, and abilities.

• Wear the right attire — Opt for sturdy-soled sneakers over slippery flip-flops, and avoid clothing with strings, such as hoodies, which can get caught in equipment.

• Do a touch test to confirm that slides and swings aren't too hot before kids play.

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Audiology	Dr. Foss	July 18 <sup>th</sup>
Behavioral Health (Telehealth)		Call for appt.
Bryan Heart Institute	Dr. Tessendorf/Dr. Pacini	July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup>
Endocrinology	Dr. Brau/Dr. Al Zagal	July 23 <sup>rd</sup> & 30 <sup>th</sup>
General Surgery	Dr. Schneider/Dr. Luebbe	July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup>
Heartland Radiology		July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , 12 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> , 19 <sup>th</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 26 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup>
Nephrology (Telehealth)	Dr. Weitzmann	No set days
Neurosurgery	Dr. Bixenmann	July 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Norfolk Cardiology	Dr. Hartzell/Dr. Rome	July 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup>
OB-GYN	Dr. Albin	July 10 <sup>th</sup>
Orthopedics	Dr. Rickert/Dr. Ochs	July 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> , 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup> , 25 <sup>th</sup> , 30 <sup>th</sup> & 31 <sup>st</sup>
Otolaryngology	Dr. Jazwick/Amber Citta	July 19 <sup>th</sup>
Otolaryngology	Dr. Bliss	July 10 <sup>th</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup>
Physical Medicine & Rehab	Dr. Kaner	July 17 <sup>th</sup>
Podiatry	Dr. Borer	July 12 <sup>th</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup>
Pulmonology	Dr. Stritt	July 17 <sup>th</sup>
Urology	Dr. Hill/Cara Schiessler	Not here in July
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## NOTICE - ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

POPE JOHN XXIII CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

**PATRICK M. FLOOD, ATTORNEY PANSING HOGAN ERNST & BUSER LLP**  
10250 Regency Circle, Suite 300  
Omaha, NE 68114-3728  
**NOTICE OF AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF POPE JOHN XXIII CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

**OF ELGIN, NEBRASKA**  
Notice is hereby given that the Articles of Incorporation of Pope John XXIII Central Catholic High School of Elgin, Nebraska, a Nebraska nonprofit religious corporation (the "Corporation") have been amended and restated by the Directors as of May 20, 2024, and filed with the Secretary of State on June 12, 2024.

The Articles of Incorporation have been amended to generally provide as follows:  
1. To change the name of the Corporation to Pope John XXIII Central Catholic School of Elgin, Nebraska;  
2. To expand the educational curriculum to cover pre-kindergarten through grade 12;  
3. To increase the number of di-

rectors and eliminate certain ex-officio directors;  
4. To further define the responsibilities of the board of directors and officers; and  
5. To specify certain reserved powers of the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Omaha.  
PUBLISH: June 19, 26 & July 3, 2024  
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## NOTICE OF SIDEWALK REPAIRS ANTELOPE COUNTY COURTHOUSE

**NOTICE - Sidewalk Repairs Antelope County Courthouse**  
The Antelope County Board of Commissioners will accept sealed bids for sidewalk replacement of multiple sections around the Antelope County Courthouse, which is located at 501 M Street, Neligh. Bids will be accepted until 9:30 AM on July 2nd, 2024, and shall be submitted in a sealed envelope with the wording "Bid for Sidewalk Repairs" in the lower left-hand corner. Bids may be addressed to the Antelope County Clerk, 501

Main Street, PO Box 26, Neligh, NE 68756-0026 or dropped off at the County Clerk's Office. Bids will be opened at the July 2nd, 2024, board meeting at 9:30 AM or soon thereafter, in the Commissioner's Meeting Room of the courthouse annex. For bid information please contact the Clerk's Office, at (402) 887-4410. The Antelope County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.  
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## NOTICE OF JULY MEETINGS

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

July 2, 2024 at 9:00 AM  
July 9, 2024 at 8:00 AM  
Meetings will be open to the public. An agenda, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the Antelope County Clerk's office and may be modified at such meeting to include items of an emergency nature pursuant to Section 84-1411 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.  
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Notice is hereby given that the County Board of Commissioners of Antelope County, Nebraska will hold meetings in the County Commissioner's meeting room in the Antelope County Courthouse Annex, Neligh, Nebraska on the following dates and times:

## NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

ANTELOPE COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSIONER LISA PAYNE

### GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE & OFFICES TO BE FILLED BY ELECTION AND FILING DEADLINES

I, Lisa Payne, Antelope County Clerk/Election Commissioner, hereby give notice of the offices to be filled by election that will appear on the 2024 General Election Ballot to be held November 5th, 2024, in Antelope County, Nebraska, as per State Statute 32-601. Notice is also given that the filing dead-

line for such offices are: July 15, 2024 for incumbents and August 1, 2024 for non-incumbents. An incumbent is anyone serving in an elective office, even if they are filing for an office other than the one in which they are presently serving, these individuals are required to file by July 15, 2024.

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Lisa Payne  
Antelope County Clerk/Election Commissioner  
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## NOTICE OF JULY 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 Commissioner's Meeting Room in the Antelope County Courthouse Annex, Neligh, Nebraska on July 9th, 2024 beginning at 10:30 AM, for the purpose of deciding motor vehicle exemptions, accepting over-under report, approving tax roll corrections, and reviewing and deciding written protests filed pursuant to sections 77-1502 to 77-1507 pertaining to the

assessment value of their property; and various other items which may become necessary to act upon. The meeting is open to the public. Protest hearings will be scheduled at 10-minute intervals, allowing a couple of minutes between each hearing. If needed, protest hearings may continue July 10th, 2024, starting at 9:00 AM. 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: June 26, 2024  
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## Smith

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ing countries agreed to science and rules-based standards to prevent unfair treatment of one-another's agriculture products, such as biotech crops and inputs.  
Next week, a USMCA dispute settlement panel is scheduled to hold a hearing on Mexico's ban on American biotech corn. This ban, which was announced

nearly four years ago, has no scientific basis and, if left unchecked, it stands to weaken U.S. standing in the global market.  
However, while President Biden found time in his State of the Union Address to trumpet his 30x30 agenda, he has had nothing to say about this threat to rules-based trade and American agriculture. I have long been petitioning the president

to acknowledge and stand up for our corn growers.  
In a recent Ways and Means Trade Subcommittee hearing, I also called upon the president to stand up for market access and strengthen our relationships with developing countries looking to import American-grown food and other products. The world's fastest-growing countries should look to the U.S. as the economic and political

model, not communist China. To accomplish this, we need the president to lead.  
Our farmers are the best in the world because of their ability to innovate, and the potential for precision agriculture and other new technology to minimize inputs and maximize yields is very promising. However, feeding our world's growing population depends on continued use of the latest advances in growing practices and technology.  
Nebraska and the United States are world leaders in producing more food with fewer resources, and our continued ability to feed our neighbors relies on ensuring our trade partners live up to their promises.

## Rodeo

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Street, both Friday and Saturday evenings. No purses, coolers or backpacks will be allowed.  
Concert committee member Tom Thiele said another great lineup of entertainment will perform at Saturday's event.  
"Plus, we're excited to highlight local Nebraska musicians. Tim Zach will play Friday night and Luke Mills will open on Saturday." Hicks' song, "I Can Tell You're Small Town," has more than 60 million streams around the world.

"Our headliner, Nate Smith, was named the new male artist of the year at the Academy of Country Music Awards last month," Thiele said.  
His song "Whiskey on You" went platinum certified and was number one for multiple weeks.  
His most recent songs include "World on Fire" and "Bulletproof" are moving up the charts.  
"We hope to see everyone on Main Street for the concert," Thiele said. "It's going to be one heck of a time."

**Sunday, June 30**  
Sunday night events will begin at 6 p.m., with a field of 25 youths participating in mutton busting.  
Rodeo competition is slated to start at 6:30 p.m.  
Each night, the ring of fear will follow the conclusion.  
Contestants will vie for added purse money, courtesy of area businesses.  
Adult rodeo tickets will be available for \$10 at the gate. Entry fee for youths, ages six to 12, will be \$5 at the gate. Ages five and under will be admitted free.

## Spinning Tales

Dr. J, Dylon K and goodbye to a great PA

Julius Erving (a.k.a. Dr. J) made the national news last week with some words that may have ranked some of the best players in the NBA.  
It was a day after the Boston Celtics clinched their 18th NBA title that Erving's words started to ripple across social media. Through the years the Celtics have won title after title emphasizing team work. In the playoffs, on their jerseys, was the name 'Walton' remembering their former player who may have been the best team player ever.

about personal stats; it's about winning together and creating something meaningful as a team," he said.  
Great for much of the 70s and early 80s, Erving led the Philadelphia 76ers to an NBA championship in 1983. Philadelphia was the one team who was able to breakthrough between the Boston Celtics and the Los Angeles Lakers. With the help of Moses Malone, Andrew Toney, Bobby Jones and role players like Marc Iavaroni, the 76ers won by playing more as a team and less as individual talents.

better.  
\*\*\*\*  
Kudos to one of the best all-around athletes to compete in high school in Elgin.  
Dylon Lueking added to his long list of accomplishments over the weekend. Playing baseball for the Senior Legion team at Plainview, Lueking pitched a perfect game as the team won 15 to 0 over Wisner.  
I don't care what league you participate in from the majors, to the minors to Legion baseball, a perfect game is a rare event.  
Is there nothing this young man can't do? He's headed to Doane College this fall to play football. Maybe he should consider his baseball options as well.  
Congratulations!  
\*\*\*\*

The good doctor (the Michael Jordan of his generation) had some stinging words for players Kylie Irving and Kevin Durant, arguably two of the top 10 players in the league.  
Erving spoke about the responsibilities that come with their level of talent, specifically touching on the importance of teamwork, leadership and staying focused.  
"With great talent comes great responsibility," Erving said, words which have meaning for competitors at any level, any sport. "They have a duty to lead by example and inspire the next generation of players," he added.  
Legacies are defined by how well you lift up those around you," he advised. "It's not just

Overcoming adversity is a key to becoming a champion. "There will always be distractions and criticisms, but the key is to stay focused on what you can control - your work ethic, your attitude, and your commitment to your team," he said.  
Other meaningful takeaways from the article were:  
• "As leaders, it's your responsibility to set a standard of excellence and professionalism. Younger players look up to you, and your actions set the tone for the team."  
• "You have the opportunity to leave a legacy, one that inspires and uplifts others. Embrace that responsibility and strive to be remembered not just for your talent, but for your character and the positive difference you made."  
Just days ago we did a photo shoot for the Wolfpack sports calendar which will be printed next month and distributed in August. Each one of the athletes in the calendar photo are in a position to be a team leader in the coming year. I hope these words help inspire them to be better and make their teams

One final thought, the buzz around home games inside the gyms the Wolfpack play in won't quite be the same. Father Joseph Sund will no longer be the PA announcer at those games as he has been re-assigned to a Fremont parish to continue his ministry.  
I first heard him as an announcer at O'Neill St. Mary's years ago. Then, when he was relocated to Elgin, he resumed those duties and brought a certain flair to calling games. He loved what he was doing behind the microphone.  
The best ones are the ones who make you feel like you're part of the action. He did that with ease.  
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## Ice Cream reigns #1!

The adage, "Success has many fathers, but failure is an orphan" is an applicable turn of phrase in many instances, and it seems to ring true when

trying to pin down the origins of ice cream. A 2019 study from Datassential that surveyed more than 2,500 consumers about their dessert habits and preferences found that ice cream is the No. 1 dessert. If that's a fairly straightforward pursuit, identifying the origins of this beloved treat is not so easy. Many attribute the origins of ice cream to China's Tang dynasty, which was in power from 618 to 907. History.com notes that sources from that period reference a sweet drink made from iced, camphor-laced water buffalo milk, which certainly sounds similar to modern day ice cream. But others point much further back, noting that iced drinks and desserts were sold along the Euphrates River as far back as at least 4000 B.C. History.com also notes that the first European ice creams can be traced to Italy in the 1600s. The difficulty with distinguishing the exact origins of ice cream, and the various claims that trace those beginnings to one place or another, support the notion that success, in this case the confectionary triumph that is ice cream, indeed has many fathers.



## Antelope County Museum celebrating historic windmill installation on July 3 & 4

Two days of activities are planned July 3-4 at the Antelope County Museum to celebrate the installation of a historic windmill on the museum grounds. "It's coming up fast," said Museum Executive Director Donna Hanson. "We hope everyone will come and join in on the fun."

**July 3rd and 4th**  
 10:00 a.m.-6 p.m.: Vendors will be set up between the schoolhouse and church both days.

**July 3rd**  
 1 p.m.: Ponca dancers will perform their Native dances. (Bring your lawn chairs to enjoy.)  
 2 p.m.: (approximately) returning of the sacred pipe.

**July 4th**  
 11 a.m.-6 p.m.: two food trucks will be set up on the north side of the St. Peters Episcopal Church  
 11 a.m.-5 p.m.: Issiah Yott (Windmill expert from the Kregel Windmill Factory) will be explaining the windmill display south of the main museum building.  
 2 p.m.: The new meeting room in the main museum will be dedicated to Ruth and George Strassler

Other food establishments in Neligh include: Sly's Bar & Grill, Imperial II, Neligh Deli, Subway, and convenience stores Cubby's and Casey's. Neligh also has other sights for tourists including: The Neligh Mill, Pierson Wildlife Museum, and The White Buffalo Girl Gravesite in Laurel Hill Cemetery.

There are also several antique dealers including: The Trailside Mall, Country Junction, and the West Hillview Motel Store.

The windmill's placement is the culmination of months of planning and preparation and a partnership between the Antelope County Historical Society and Issiah Yott, executive director of the Kregel Windmill Factory Museum in Nebraska City.



## Bartlett News

Many relatives, friends and Wheeler County community members attended Memorial services for Robert (Rob) Olson Jr. June 21, at 11:00 a.m. in the Wheeler County Gymnasium. Rob died Tuesday, June 11 2024 at the age of 66. Mark Hoffman, officiated the service. Our thoughts and prayers are lifted up for Rob's family.

Kenneth Kasselder died June 22, 2024 at the age of 84. We also lift his family up in prayer.

'Wild Horse Ministries,' will be held Sunday June 30 at the Wheeler County Fair grounds at 5:30 p.m. The event features a wild horse who is then broken during the presentation. The message of salvation is intertwined with the presentation. The event is being sponsored by the Bartlett Church of Faith.

The public is invited to attend. The event is free with a free will offering. Sloppy Joes, beans, and chips will be served after the presentation in the 4-H Building.

I spent a week in Arizona visiting my son Luke and his family. Although the temperatures were at least 111 degrees it was a wonderful time. Arizona folks don't talk about what temperature it is, they just complain that it is hot. You never go anywhere without your water bottle. Some events included: Two Diamond Back baseball games, a day at an awesome water park, a birthday party at a splash pad park for my granddaughter, a free jazz concert, eating Luke's homemade vanilla ice cream and spending time in Luke's pool in his back yard. The water slides were all thrilling, way too thrilling for me. I did go down one, then focused on the 'Lazy River,' and Wave Pool.

Now it is time to focus on my garden and the mat of weeds that grew while I was away in Arizona.

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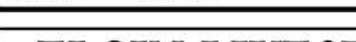
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harvest was delayed, 100 lbs. of yield per acre was gained while 5 to 4 points of RFQ were lost. The actual physical growth also makes an impact as taller plants are more susceptible to lodging if moisture continues. Be aware that plants may start growing new shoots from the crown as they mature. If we harvest two low, these new shoots will be cut off along with the mature plant. This set back can delay the next cutting by up to a week.

Fortunately, you can avoid this delay. Scout

before harvest and if new growth is present, raise your cutting height just a couple inches so you avoid clipping off most of these new shoots. Your regrowth will have a head start towards the next cutting and since the stubble you leave behind has quite low feed value anyway, the yield you temporarily sacrifice is mostly just filler.

The last thing I want to talk about is windrow disease, the name given to the striped appearance in fields where alfalfa windrows re-

mained so long that regrowth was delayed.

Windrow disease presents special challenges. Weeds often invade, requiring spraying to maintain quality and protect stands. During the next growth period, plants that were not smothered regrow rapidly, while plants underneath the windrow suffer delays. Part of the field often will begin to bloom while windrow-stressed plants are still short and tender. So when do you harvest? When the first plants begin to bloom or do you wait until injured plants are ready?

I suggest using two factors to tell you when you should cut — the health and vigor of your stand and the nutrient needs of your livestock. For example, is your alfalfa stand young, healthy and regrowing well? If

not, wait to cut until stunted plants begin to bloom so you can avoid weakening them even more.

But, if your alfalfa is in good shape, then cut when it will best meet the needs of your animals. Dairy cows need alfalfa that is cut early, so harvest when the first plants reach bud to early bloom stage. Regrowth of injured plants may be slow after cutting, but this sacrifice is needed for profitable milk production. Beef cows, though, do not need such rich hay. So if the hay will be fed to beef cattle, let stunted plants recover, and then cut when they are ready to bloom.

- 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](mailto:ben.beckman@unl.edu)



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# Wolfpack Sports

## Elgin summer ball teams are the best!



The 10U Elgin girls softball team consists of Front row kneeling: Aubrey Starman and Brooke Borer. Standing, l-r: Brecken Childers, Harper Childers, Ellie Vanis, Hannah Hemenway, Kate Barlow, Harper Evans, Kinley Selting, Elise Hoefer and Molly Sanne.

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Elgin's 14U Softball team has played great this season. Team members are (front row, l-r): Emma Horstmann, Anna Dworak, Gentry Zwingman, Chloe Kieilty and Evelyn Johnson. Back, l-r: Emmy Tillema, Kinley Druke, Lillian Moser, Gemma Miller, Sydney Niewohner and Kinley Miller. Not pictured: Rylee Tillema and Cambree Kimes.

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The Elgin Girls T-Ball team this year included, back row l-r: Coach Sharon Bartak, Quinn Dewey, Lennon Funk, Lillian Whitney, Rhyann Hoefer, Leighton Engle, Scarlett Sanne and Ryleigh Young and Coach Keyera Eisenhauer. Front row: Emma Schindler, Hadley Burke, June Pelster, Hadley Haddix, Emersyn Heying, Eleanor Beckman, Charlotte Sehi and Chloe Whitney.

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# DECLARATION of INDEPENDENCE

*Approved by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776*

*Opening two  
paragraphs*

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with

another, and to assume, among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and of nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. That, to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

That, whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness.....