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In Brief

Veterans Steak Fry to be held Monday night

Serving begins at 7 p.m..

Legion Commander Gary Hoefer announced Tuesday the date for the annual Veterans Club Steak Fry. The event will be held Monday, August 11, at 7 p.m. at the Elgin KC Hall. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. with steaks to be served at 7 p.m. Legion Auxiliary members will be providing salads and desserts.

Hoefer said Antelope County Veterans Officer Tom Nelson is scheduled to attend. Also, 2025 Boys and Girls State attendees will be in attendance.

Donors needed for bloodmobile on August 12

At Knights of Columbus Hall.

The American Red Cross will conduct a blood drive in Elgin on Tuesday, August 12.

To be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Elgin, the drive will be sponsored by VFW Auxiliary Post #5816. The drive will run from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For an appointment, contact Julie Dwyer (402-843-0151), Kyle Jensen at (402-910-0681) or schedule online at www.redcrossblood.org.

Participants are encouraged to bring their donor card as well as a photo ID. All are encouraged to eat breakfast/lunch and drink plenty of water prior to donating blood.

Public Notices

Public notices in this week's newspaper include:

- Notice of Dissolution — Mast Metal, L.L.C.
- Current Salaries — Antelope County
- Current Salaries — City of Elgin

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Weather

The high temperature last week was 91 degrees recorded on Tuesday, July 29.

The low temperature during the same period was 58 degrees recorded on Friday, August 1.

Altogether, 1.30 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
July 27	88	70	.00
July 28	90	69	.00
July 29	91	68	.00
July 30	86	65	1.06
July 31	86	64	.00
August 1	70	58	.00
August 2	74	61	.24
Total for last week			1.30
Total for July			9.68
Total precipitation 2025			20.74



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Wheeler County Fair Board member Allen Snider is shown with 'Helping Hand' award recipient Sharon Derner and her family during the presentation Saturday night.

From The Phillipines to Elgin Fernandez makes journey to teach at PJCC

By Jane Schuchardt

Special to The Elgin Review

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

ELGIN — Except for his black curly hair and a place he calls home some 8,000 flight miles away, Jomari Fernandez is just like you and me.

His parents, especially his mom, likes him to check in every morning at 6:00 am (7:00 pm her time) via video chat. The time difference between Elgin and Malamawi Island, Philippines is 13 hours. His little brother, Joey, and

friends miss him, too.

His hope while calling Elgin home -- every student will love math and, if it comes easy or more difficult, to see how it fits in with everyday life. Meet Elgin's newest grade 7-12 math teacher at Pope John Catholic High School.

Getting here took tenacity and more than 24 hours travel time -- a boat ride off the 6.77-square-mile island where his family lives, a ferry ride, connecting plane flights to Japan, on to San Francisco, then Omaha.

"Father John (Norman) was there to fetch me," Fernandez said with a gleam of pride in his deep brown eyes and a captivating smile brimming from ear to ear. His end destination was a fur-

nished Elgin house he rents, formerly occupied by Sister Pat. She retired two years ago after teaching math for 50 years at the same school.

Prior to travel here was the hiring process. Sitting side-by-side with Fernandez in a Pope John classroom being readied for classes to begin August 13th, Principal Lisa Schumacher gave a quick summary. First, advertising through the Nebraska Department of Education last year. Then, interviews (virtual for Fernandez) with candidates early in 2025 and checking references. "It was determined he was best suited for the position -- good experience, good recommendations, and Catholic," she said.

The job was offered, and work began with the Teachers Council in Annapolis, Maryland, which provides visa services to international teachers. His J-1 visa allows him to teach anywhere in the United States for up to five years and then return to the Philippines to share his experiences; that is, unless he loves it so much here that he applies for a different type of visa. Just as all other teachers, he is on an annual contract at Pope John.

Schumacher said that, while hiring an international teacher is new to Pope John, it's definitely not unusual across the state. "Math is a harder position to fill," she said. "We don't have students in education (studying to teach) like before." Over her four years at Pope John and previous experience, she said she has seen applications from all over the world. There are many success stories with Filipinos, she said, who come here since the educational system is similar in their country to Nebraska's.

Since his arrival in Elgin June 9, he's had to establish an American address and phone number, obtain a Social Security number required to get a Nebraska Teaching Certification, learn the curriculum and educational standards, and familiarize himself with the Elgin community.

He hopes to get a car one day and a driver's license. "We use motorcycles," he said, so at age 29, he's never driven a car. He has cousins who are now U.S. citizens in Lincoln and Montana that he could pay a visit.

As Fernandez greets six separate classes teaching all levels of algebra and advanced math, Schumacher voiced her expectations for all Pope John teachers -- "Meet student's needs



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Jomari Fernandez, who comes to Elgin all the way from the Philippines as the new Pope John math teacher, is ready to welcome students when school starts August 13.

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Derner's many years of hard work celebrated with Mignery award

Saturday night was a celebration of sorts, a time for recognition at the Wheeler County Fair for a woman who has served her community.

The 10th annual Herb and Sherry Mignery "Good Hand" award was presented. This year the award was given to Sharon (Mignery) Derner.

A lifetime resident of Wheeler County, she drove the school bus for over 35 years plus the activity bus for more than 20 of those years without an accident.

She displayed tremendous skills with a paint brush, having painted a lot of the houses in and around Bartlett.

Among her other accolades were:

- Cooked for a hay crew of 10 to 12 men, three meals a day for more than 20 years.
- Served as treasurer of the Bartlett Cemetery for 29 years.
- A long time member of the Garden Park, Bartlett United Methodist Church (now Bartlett Church of Faith), member and director of the Wheeler County Historical Museum, and long time member of the Beaver Valley Women's Club.

Derner worked in the extension office in Burwell. She also served as secretary/treasurer of the Wheeler County Fair and Rodeo. Also, because of her love for rodeo, she timed for rodeos in South Dakota as well as Nebraska.

She has been married for 61 years to Dennis Derner, a very devoted wife and mother.

She is the mother of three boys: Dr. Justin Derner who is one of the world's top range scientists. He currently serves as the head of the United State Range Management Center in Cheyenne, Wyo.; Levi Derner owns his fencing (barb wire and pipe) operations out of New Underwood, S.D. He was

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Henn award presented to Mortensen

The name Henn is synonymous with poultry. For many years, the late Kalin Henn participated in the poultry show at the Antelope County Fair. After his sudden passing in 2019, the Kalin Henn Award was established. This year, Olivia Mortensen was the recipient. Making the presentation was the Fair's Superintendent of Poultry Rhonda Meyer.

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From JoAnn Baum's Kitchen

Pickled Hot Peppers, Pickled Okra



Good day, It's that time of the year! "Gardening season." One of my favorite things to do. This week and in the coming weeks I will be submitting some recipes for the canning season. If that's not your thing I will be sharing other baking and cooking recipes along the way!

These are all very simple canning recipes. I hope you will give them a try. Enjoy!

JoAnn

PICKLED HOT PEPPERS

2 lbs hot peppers (3 to 5 inches long)
Boiling water
2-1/2 cups
8 garlic cloves

2-1/2 cups white vinegar
1 cup sugar
2 tsp canning salt

Wash peppers and cut off the stem only. Place the peppers in a bowl and cover with the boiling water. Let stand for 5 minutes.
Combine vinegar, the 2-1/2 cups water and sugar in a saucepan. Heat to boiling, then simmer for 5 minutes.
Drain the peppers from the boiling water and pack in a clean, hot, sterile pint jars.
Add to each jar 2 garlic cloves, and 1/2 tsp salt.
Pour the hot liquid over the peppers, covering the peppers. Seal!

PICKLED OKRA

1 quart vinegar
1/2 cup canning salt
1 quart water

Wash okra that is fresh and tender (1-3 inches long)
Pack in sterilized jars. (Pints)

To each pint jar add: 1 hot pepper, 1 garlic clove, 1 tsp dill seed
Make brine by boiling until the salt dissolved: 1 quart vinegar, 1/2 cup canning salt, 1 quart water
Pour over the okra in jars and seal. This makes 10 pints.

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and Cassie C. for their help with the auction this year.

Bartlett News

Wheeler County Fair Open Class was held Thursday, July 31. Quilt and Miscellaneous Department Senior Division Champions were as follows: Leather work, Tim Schlenger; Photography Best of County, Kris Tyma; Quilts Best of County, Carol Green; Textile Arts Best of County, Nancy Shavlik.

Junior Division Open Class Champions were: Wearable Art, Gage Reed; Photography, Calvin Schlenger; Sewing, Easton Kasselder; Leatherwork, Austin Hoffman; and Miscellaneous, Autumn Hickey.

Farm Produce and Home Economics Senior Division Champion Winners were: Vegetable, Angie Renner; Most Unusual Vegetable, Ron Gross; Breads and Rolls, Sherry Tetschner; and Canned Goods, Jen Wright.

Junior Division Farm Produce and Home Economics Champions were: Vegetables and Largest Vegetable, Aynslee McDonald; Fruits, Cassidy Armknecht; and Muffins, Easton Kasselder.

Open Class Flower Senior Champions: All Around Best Entry - Butterfly Planter, Pauline Marker; Best Rose - White Rose, Dianne Bock; Best Outdoor Planter - Coleus and Doreanthus, Patti Collins; Best Cut Flower - Tiger Lily, Nancy Shavlik; Best Bouquet - Zinnias, Baptista, Queen Ann's Lace, Nancy Shavlik.

Open Class Flower Junior Champions: Outdoor planter - Chicken planter, Addison Reed; Turtle Planter, Gage Reed; Best Sun Flower, Camara Armknecht; Best Zinnia, Hunter Renner; and Best Marigold, Cassidy Armknecht.

Volunteers who helped throughout the day with open class were: Carol Green, Marie Payne, Marcia Smith and Angie Renner in the Quilt and Miscellaneous Department; Nancy Shavlik, Jane Heiden and Kimmie Reed in the Flower Department; Colleen Butterfield, Makenna Pelster and Sherry Tetschner in the Farm and Home Economics Department.

Kathy Snider helped hang up quilts for display after the judging took place.

By Sherry Tetschner

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Out-of-control fire wrecks destruction

It was a breathtaking, tree-lined drive in late June along Highway 50 in the High Sierra from Sacramento, CA to Lake Tahoe. We reached about 7,000 feet in altitude, about halfway to the highest peak. Elgin sits 1,927 feet above sea level. And then, just around the bend, was the devastating effect of the 2021 Caldor Fire that burned 220,000 acres, wiping out many towering Ponderosa pines, firs, and cedars. Tall tree trunks, stripped of branches and lush greenery, stood as charred protrusions from the earth. The view for miles was un-

Say What?



Elgin Columnist
Jane Schuchardt

sightly and saddening. Fire, likely first experienced by early humans as a result of lightning strikes or vigorously rubbing two sticks together, gradually got harnessed for warmth, light, protection, and cooking. Fire can be a good thing – warmth from a fireplace or woodburning stove on a brutally cold January day, mesmerizing ambience around the fire pit on a windless summer evening, just enough heat from that open fire to warm up a hot dog and brown a marshmallow for a mouthwatering smore. Fire, when out of control, can wreak destruction. Such was the case with drought-induced grass fires raging through thousands of acres of Nebraska recently. Husband Rick always speaks of his Grandpa Chet Schuchardt who stood too close to the woodburning stove resulting in singed overalls. ‘Pants on fire’ generally is associated with lying as in the children’s chant “liar, liar, pants on fire”. BTW, if



your pants do catch afire, stop, drop and roll. It’s often said, ‘where there’s smoke, there’s fire’. Sometimes the fire can be as far away as Canada, and depending on wind conditions, engulf Elgin and vicinity with particulate-filled haze. Tough on those with respiratory issues. Sports teams fire up before the big game. Sports car driv-

ers fire up their engines at the starting line. Inadequate employees might be on the firing line expecting the dreaded words ‘you’re fired’. Songs galore reference fire. Come on Baby Light My Fire by the Doors is one. Jerry Lee Lewis brought Great Balls of Fire to fame. Before the LED type, many a house burned to the ground during the Christmas holiday season when unattended, lit candles sparked a flame. Fire alarms, checked regularly to be sure they are operating correctly, are a good idea. Fireworks near combustible grasses can be a fire hazard. Throwing a lit cigarette near fuel sources, such as dry limbs, grasses, and leaves, is playing with fire. All publicly owned forest lands in the United States have a huge Smokey the Bear sign giving today’s fire danger. When we cruised through that sea of charred trees, the fire danger was listed as moderate. Taking a fire risk, regardless of the level of danger, is simply not smart.. Any level of fire danger requires caution to protect personal property, human life, and those precious trees. The volunteer fire departments in our area deserve a shout out. Where we live, the first response comes from

Looking Back

The Elgin Review

Sixty Years Ago August 5, 1965

Badly damaged in a two car collision Thursday evening around 5 p.m. were the Mrs. Frank Armstrong pickup and a car owned by Randall Brumels of Norfolk. The Armstrong pickup, unoccupied at the time of the mishap, was parked on the north side of the detour just east of the railroad tracks a mile east of the Dist. 106 school building. The Brumels auto, traveling east and occupied by Mr. Brumels and his wife, who were returning from a vacation trip when the driver let control of the car while attempting to make the curve across the railroad tracks. Marilyn Moser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Moser, was named to the mid-quarter honor roll at the C E School of Commerce in Omaha. New 35 mile an hour speed limit signs will be put up on the new oiled road east of Elgin to the edge of the village limits and 50 mile an hour regulation signs are to be put up on the rest of the one mile road. All drivers are urged to abide by the speed limit signs. The O. L. Armstrong farm was sold recently to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kallhoff. The farm has been in the Armstrong name for several years. A picnic dinner was held at the Elgin Park on Sunday honoring A/1C James Werning, who is stationed at Minot, N.D. and who is spending a 10-day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Werning.

Fifty Years Ago July 31, 1975

Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Schmitt announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Terri to Monty Reicks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Reicks, Jr. of Petersburg on Saturday, Oct. 25 at St. Boniface Church. Over 2 1/2 inches of rain fell here Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, helping boost crop prospects in this area, and permitting irrigators to shut down their systems at least for a few days. By the middle of this week irrigation wells were again being put to use. Gerald Dean Dozler, son of Joseph G. and Elizabeth Lampman Dozler, was born here, April 13, 1937 and departed this life in Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital at Norfolk on July 25, 1975 at the age of 38 years, three months, and 12 days. He had been hospitalized with pneumonia for 10 days. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Mundorf are parents of a 4 pound 9 1/2 ounce

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- **Keep Your Distance** Allow at least ten feet between you and other cars and buses.
- **Bus Signals** When bus lights are flashing yellow, they are preparing to stop. When the lights flash red and the stop arm is extended, buses are loading/unloading. WAIT. Do not pass the bus or any stopped bus.
- **Be Alert** Kids can suddenly enter a road or street. Especially when backing out of your driveway -- look for students and/or bicycles on the side-walks and streets.
- **Respect the Signs** ALWAYS stop for pedestrians (on foot and on bikes) attempting to cross the streets and watch for children around playgrounds, parks and side streets.

Here's to a healthy & safe school year!



PARENTS:

- Quiz your children on traffic safety rules -- don't assume they know them.
- Keep 10 feet away from the curb until ready to cross the street or enter a bus. 10 feet = 5 big steps for little kids.
 - If riding a bus, always wait for it to come to a complete stop and wait for the bus driver to say it's okay to enter -- use those handrails to prevent falls.
 - Face forward and, if the bus has seat belts, buckle up!
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 - If an item is dropped outside the bus, never bend down (out of sight) to pick it up. Tell the bus driver and follow their instructions.



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Sheriff, CA to investigate grading issues

The Antelope County Commissioners (ACC) held a lengthy discussion Tuesday, August 5, concerning person(s) and organizations not getting the proper permits when maintaining/crossing county roads. A prime example is “grading” of two and a half miles of road in northern Antelope County without permission and/or permits by a person(s) in the last few weeks. The Sheriff’s Department and County Attorney will be contacted to look into the matter. Also, and not for the first time, permits have been submitted to the ACC after work and/or maintenance has been completed. As one commissioner stated, “we need to put some teeth” into any future fines to prevent unauthorized work/maintenance on county roads. Liability issues were part of the conversation as well. More on this matter will take place at next week’s meeting when all commissioners will be

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Elgin Community Center Menus

- Monday, August 11:** Goulash, lettuce salad w/ tomatoes, Brussel sprouts, w/ bacon, apricots, garlic stick & butter, milk.

Tuesday, August 12: Taco salad with all the toppings, refried beans, Spanish rice, watermelon, bread & butter, milk.

Wednesday, August 13: Ham & noodle bake, peas, lettuce salad w/tomatoes, canteloupe, bread & butter, milk.

Thursday, August 14: Lasagna, green beans, lettuce salad w/tomatoes, peaches/strawberry mix, garlic stick/
- butter, milk

Friday, August 15: Breaded chicken patty sandwich, potato wedges, broccoli/cauliflower salad, fruit cocktail, bread/butter, milk.

All meals served with bread & butter.

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

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

Under 60 is \$10.

Serving starts at approximately 11:45 a.m. and ends around 12:15 p.m.

Dr. Yemi Akin-Olugbade UROLOGY SPECIALIST

Dr. Yemi Akin-Olugbade, urologist from Norfolk, offers an outpatient urology clinic at Antelope Memorial Hospital on the **3rd Friday** of each month. Dr. Yemi provides services for treating urological issues such as: incontinence, blood in urine, difficulty urinating, an excessive need to urinate that gets worse at night, bedwetting, kidney stone treatment and management, low testosterone, recurrent urinary tract infections, erectile dysfunction, evaluation and treatment of vaginal prolapse, BPH (enlarged prostate), infertility issues for men and painful bladder and pelvic conditions. The surgical options that Dr. Yemi offers include: pediatric and adult circumcisions, vasectomies, prostate biopsies, cystoscopies, hydrocelectomies, spermatocelectomies, penile implants and much more.

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Wolfpack

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Athletes on this year's calendar are Libby Evans, Braelyn Martinsen, Camry Kittelson, Samantha Stuhr, Evlin Pelster, Landyn Veik, Jarek Erickson, Max Henn, Michael Selting and Gemma Miller.

The calendars contain sporting events and scheduled activities at Elgin Public and Pope John XXIII Central Catholic schools.

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Changes in broadband program have rural advocates fretting

Anymore, having high-speed internet at your home, farm or business has become as important as having electricity.

You run a business and have a website? You need high-speed internet.

You use precision ag? You need high-speed internet.

You wanna be examined by a doctor via video over the internet, something called “tele-health?” You need high-speed internet.

You like playing video games or downloading movies? High-speed internet makes that all better.

And just like electricity, it's been hard to extend broadband to every corner of the nation, especially the most remote farms and ranches.

It is not cheap to string fiber optic lines to areas with few potential customers. That's why both the federal and state governments have decided to offer financial incentives for companies to serve unserved areas.

Two years ago, there was much excitement when Congress passed President Joe Biden's Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Act (BEAD). It provided a whopping \$42.45 billion nationwide, including \$304 million in Nebraska, to help companies to extend high-speed service.

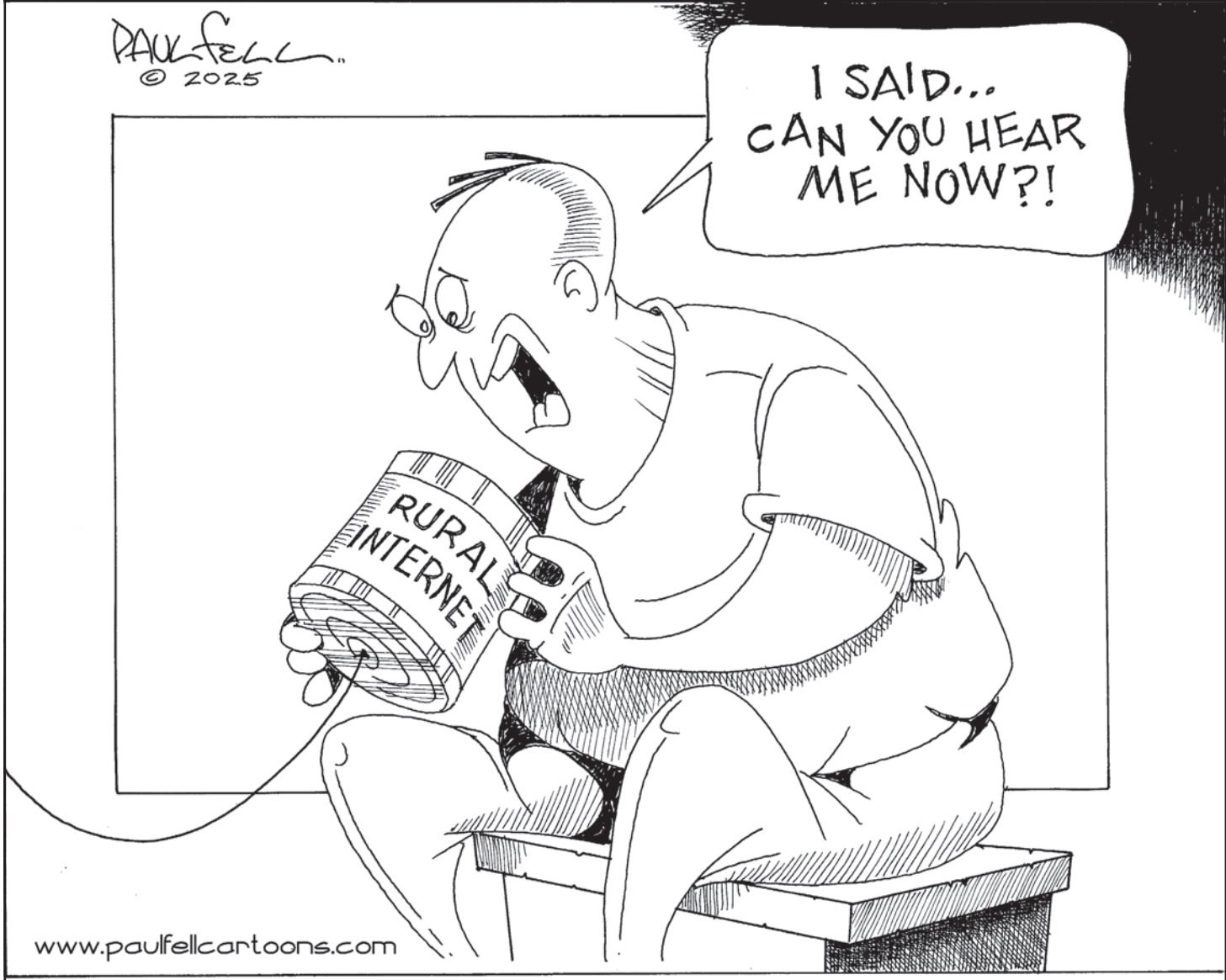
“Internet for All” was how BEAD was portrayed. It was part of Biden's push to invest in needed infrastructure improvements, such as better roads and bridges, and better internet.

“... High-speed Internet is a necessity in today's society,” said a presidential aid, likening it to President Franklin Roosevelt's “Rural Electrification Act” that brought electricity to nearly every home in America

But recent changes in the BEAD program have some advocates for broadband wondering if currently unserved and underserved locations in Nebraska will have to settle for less-than-ideal internet.

First off, the criteria for determining which areas deserved BEAD grants changed, which rendered hundreds of locations across Nebraska now ineligible for federal funds.

Initially, state and county officials identified nearly 30,000 spots across the state that either were unserved



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State Correspondent
Paul Hammel

by high-speed internet, or had slow internet, and deserved an upgrade. Now, only about half of those locations remain eligible.

Another big change was the kind of broadband the program would fund.

Initially, BEAD had a major preference for internet carried by fiber-optic cable, which is viewed as the Cadillac of delivery systems, and one that can be upgraded as technology advances.

But the recent changes now mean that broadband carried by satellites – like Elon Musk's StarLink system – and broadcast via wireless means are good enough.

That led some advocates of broadband to say that rural folks will have to settle for second-rate internet service, because wireless and satellite systems can be disrupted by weather or other electronic signals, and is typically slower than internet delivered via cable.

It also led more than half of the

counties in the state sending letters objecting to the changes, and came after dozens of state legislators – including three from Nebraska (Tom Brandt of Plymouth, Wendy DeBoer of Omaha and Jana Hughes of Seward) – also argued in letters against the changes.

The changes were done in the name of cutting expenses – it's much cheaper to send an electronic signal a couple of miles than to bury that stretch in fiber-optic cable. So much cheaper that some estimate that Nebraska will send back about half of its \$304 million in BEAD funds unspent.

I hear often from people who've travelled overseas about how good the internet and cell service is there, and why the U.S. can't have comparable service.

That's a good question. And if rural areas are to remain viable as places to do business or enjoy the amenities you find in the big city, good internet service is needed.

Right now, at the farm our family owns, you can get broadband by aiming a satellite dish at the top of a grain bin located on a high hill, where a repeater passes on a signal sent from a town 10 miles away.

That seems like a baling-wire approach, and one that can't be as reliable as hooking up to fiber, like you can do in most communities across the state.

We can do better. Let's hope that our federal delegation, and state officials, will figure out how.

Paul Hammel has covered the Nebraska state government and the state for decades.

Prior to his retirement, he was 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.

Honoring Third District legacies

While Nebraska's Third has existed since our state was first divided into congressional districts following the 1880 census, it first began to resemble its current shape after the 1960 census, when Nebraska moved from four districts to three for the first time. A total of 21 Nebraskans have represented the Third District in the U.S. House of Representatives since 1883, and Senator Ricketts and I had the privilege of recognizing two of them by enacting legislation, with the support of the entire Nebraska delegation, naming public buildings in their honor last year: Virginia Smith of Chappell and Bill Barrett of Lexington. This week, I participated in ceremonies to dedicate these two buildings.

Congresswoman Virginia Smith spent her life applying an exemplary work ethic to advancing the interests of our great state. In Congress, she served Nebraskans for 16 years, from 1975 until 1991, with brilliance and integrity.

A member of the Greatest Generation, her determination to defy expectations was forged in the hardships of farming during the Great Depression. This training ground of self-reliance made her resilient and gave her a view which never failed to see the limitless potential of each individual. She understood the value of pressing through when the going gets tough. As the top Republican on the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, she fiercely defended the interests of agriculture producers and championed the development of Third District resources through-

out the turbulent economic conditions of the 1970s and the Farm Crisis of the 1980s. Prior to her service, Virginia was shown as a talented orator, presenting speeches in all 50 states and 25 countries. She understood the power of freedom and opportunity to spur great achievement—in contrast to heavy-handed overreach from the federal government. In her own words, “The people who settled America didn't come here to find a ready-made security. They came here seeking opportunity and freedom.” It is fitting the federal building in North Platte, serving the district she championed, now bears her name.

As a military veteran, businessman, and legislator, Congressman Bill Barrett left his mark by thoughtfully promoting the interests of others. From his speakership in the State Legislature to the years he spent in Congress, he was known for being true to his word and bringing people together to get things done. Known for his ability to cultivate consensus and connect with anyone, Bill was the president of his freshman congressional class, a group which also included future Speaker of the House John Boehner. Bill's legacy is put best in his own words: “Service to others is the best work of life.” Today, the Third District leads the nation in agriculture production, owing no small thanks to his work advocating for Nebraska's farmers and ranchers as a senior member of the Agriculture Committee.

Elsie Barrett, Bill's wife, improved the lives of countless children through charitable work. Her passion for volunteerism blessed many, as she served on the Nebraska Foster Care Review Board and other organizations. Bill and Elsie were an extraordinary team, and when Bill was named Chairman of the 1997 National Prayer Breakfast, they worked together to host a successful event. I am pleased the Post Office

FROM THE HILL



Congressman
Adrian Smith

Service rooted in Nebraska values: Apply to a Service Academy

Here in the Good Life, we live by a few enduring principles: grit, humility, and a profound sense of duty. And when these three come together in action, they shape a future that is stronger, more resilient, and more hopeful. We see these values in their most powerful form when Nebraskans answer the call to serve.

Whether it's in uniform or in support of those who wear it, the contributions of our state's citizens strengthen not only our armed forces, but also the fabric of our national character. The integrity and dedication that Nebraskans bring to military service do more than fulfill a role — they set a high standard.

Each year, I'm inspired by the young Nebraskans who choose this path of service.

Through my office, I have the privilege of nominating students to attend the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, the Naval Academy, the Air Force Academy, and the Merchant Marine Academy.

I also submit recommendations for

students applying to the Coast Guard Academy, which does not require a congressional nomination.

These institutions prepare cadets and midshipmen not only to be military leaders but also to be citizens of integrity and character. They will eventually guide our country through future challenges.

The students we nominate represent the very best of Nebraska. They stand out not just for academic achievement or athletic talent, but because they embody the strength and steady resolve our state is known for. As a member of both the Senate Armed Services Committee and the Board of Visitors at the U.S. Naval Academy, I carry the stories and aspirations of these young Nebraskans with me.

Their example sharpens my focus as I work to ensure our policies support service members and strengthen our national defense.

With the new school year approaching, I encourage high school seniors who feel called to serve to consider applying to a U.S. service academy.

The nomination process for the Class of 2030 is now open and will close Oct. 1, 2025.

We're looking for students who lead with integrity, contribute meaningfully to their communities, and demonstrate the discipline and heart required to meet the challenges ahead.

To support those considering this path, my staff hosts Service Academy Days across Nebraska.

These events provide students and their families with a comprehensive overview of the academy application and congressional nomination processes, and they offer a chance to hear directly from academy representatives, alumni, and parent associations.

If you or someone you know is interested in pursuing this opportunity, we invite you to join us at one of our upcoming events:

· Aug. 9, 2025: Grand Island Public Library, 1124 W 2nd St., Grand Island | 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. (CST)

· Aug. 23, 2025: John J. Pershing Army Reserve Center, 3700 West O Street, Lincoln | 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. (CST)

It's important to remember that the nomination process through my office is separate from the application process for each academy. Students should begin both processes early to stay ahead of deadlines and requirements.

If you have questions about the nomination process or need guidance along the way, my Omaha office is here to help. Please reach out at (402) 391-3411 or email us at Academynom_fischer@fischer.senate.gov.

The decision to serve is one of the most selfless a young person can make.

I'm proud that so many Nebraskans continue to step forward, carrying our state's values with them as they help shape the future of our country.

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DeKay explains priority bills

Last week, I started a series where I would highlight several of the priority bills and resolutions that are pending and could be scheduled early in the next session. This week's newsletter will provide an overview of several more of these bills and resolutions.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



District 40 Senator
Barry DeKay

LB455 by Senator Hallstrom would modify existing laws relating to worker's compensation. Under current law, if an employee is injured on the job, employers are required to file a report of first injury with the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court within ten days.

This report details the injury, when and where it occurred, treatment used to deal with it, any time away from work, and a great deal of other information regarding the injured employee. This bill would make first injury reports relating to workplace injuries confidential, unless the employee waives confidentiality to allow the report to be made available for public inspection. The intent of this change is to provide greater privacy for the employee and delay the wave of legal solicitations which injured employees can receive from attorneys once a report of first injury is filed with the Workers' Compensation Court. LB455 is currently pending on General File.

LB532 by Senator Kauth aims to strengthen state laws relating to the state's E-Verify system. Under current law, E-Verify is required for public employers (e.g., state agencies), public contractors, and participants in certain state tax incentive

programs to determine employee work eligibility. LB532 would extend this requirement to private sector employers with more than 25 employees. The bill would also prohibit employers from knowingly employing an unauthorized alien. An employer found to have employed an unauthorized alien can have their licenses suspended and be subjected to civil fines. LB532 is currently pending on General File.

LB538 by Senator Hardin would, as amended by the Education Committee, would affirm that no person in Nebraska shall, on the basis of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or subjected to discrimination under any education program that receives direct appropriations of public funds.

The State Department of Education as well as the Coordinating Commission on Postsecondary Education would also be required to designate an employee to serve as a Title VI coordinator. A Title VI coordinator would be tasked with monitoring and receiving complaints of discrimination or harassment, including antisemitic discrimination. LB538 is

currently pending on General File.

LB693 by Senator McKeon seeks to restrict a practice where individuals or companies can charge veterans seeking help in filing for the veterans benefits that they have earned. Today, veteran benefits claims can already be filed with the VA for free through VA-accredited groups like the American Legion. However, several companies have been founded as alternatives to help veterans file benefit claims with the VA, but they often take some of the veteran's benefit money as compensation.

This bill would prohibit unaccredited people or organizations from receiving compensation for assisting someone in filing veteran benefits claims unless otherwise authorized by state or federal law.

LB693 is currently pending on General File.

I invite you to let me know your thoughts, suggestions, or concerns. My Capitol office telephone number is (402) 471-2801 while my email is bdekay@leg.ne.gov.

My mailing address is: Senator Barry DeKay, District #40, P.O. Box 94604, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509.

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Luke 12:32-40

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23

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Sunday, August 10, 2025

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

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Romans 11:36

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Cases heard in Antelope County District Court last week

A 30-year-old Tilden man appeared in Antelope County District Court, July 30, for a pretrial hearing related a Dec. 9, 2024, incident where Hunter Ashburn Taylor is alleged to have held a gun to the neck of 24-year-old Gage Schultz, while Schultz was engaged in a verbal argument with Samantha Dusenberry.

Ashburn Taylor is charged with one count of use of a deadly weapon to commit a felony - firearm, a Class IC felony; and one count of terroristic threats, a Class IIIA felony.

Paul Lembrick, representing Ashburn Taylor on behalf of Nathan Stratton, told The Honorable James Kube a resolution may be possible, but counsel needed additional time to review, and requested a continuance. Joe Hurd, Deputy Antelope County Attorney, did not object, and Kube granted the defendant's motion.

Ashburn Taylor will appear Sept. 24 for a pretrial hearing. Kube kept the jury trial on schedule for Oct. 20.

Bond, in the amount of \$50,000-10%, remains in effect.

Antwan J. Deleon, appeared for a pretrial conference. The Neligh man is alleged to have used a company credit card to rack up approximately \$10,000 in non-approved charges and charges not customary to his former employer's business.

Deleon faces one count of unauthorized use of a financial transaction device, a Class IIA felony; and one count of theft by deception, a Class IIA felony.

Lembrick told Kube discussions with the county attorney, regarding restitution, were still underway. Lembrick made a motion, requesting depositions from some witnesses. He requested a continuance of the hearing and agreed to keep a jury trial scheduled for Oct. 20.

Kube ordered Deleon to appear Sept. 24 for a pretrial hearing and continued bond in

the amount of \$25,000-10%.

Rowdy L. Burke, 54, of Elgin, appeared for further arraignment for revocation of probation on an original charge of driving during a period of revocation, a Class IV felony.

Burke offered to enter a plea and made a motion for a continuance to retain private counsel. Kube told Burke he may want to wait to enter a plea until an attorney has been retained. Hurd did not object to the motion.

Kube set a Sept. 24 continuance in the case. Bond has not been set, and Kube ordered Burke to comply with the terms and conditions of his probation order.

Harley J. Snyder, 22, of Norfolk, appeared for a revocation of probation sentencing on an original charge of attempted burglary, a Class IIIA felony.

Kube terminated probation for Snyder and sentenced him to a one-year term in Antelope County Jail. Snyder will receive 139 days credit for days previously served. Snyder was ordered to pay \$870 for outstanding court costs, probation fees and testing fees and \$14.56 in outstanding restitution.

Snyder's bond was exonerated after payment of fines and costs. He was remanded to the custody of the Antelope County Sheriff.

Kaitlyn C. Dozler, 31, of Omaha, failed to appear for a show cause hearing for failure to pay.

Kube noted Dozler owes \$6,695 in unpaid court costs and restitution. The last payment was made in May.

Dozler was charged with one count of DUI-.15+ or refusal (3 prior convictions), a Class IIA felony.

A 38-year-old Plainview man charged with two counts of possession of a firearm by a prohibited person - 1st, Class ID felonies, appeared for arraignment before the Honorable James Kube, July 30, in Antelope County District Court.

The charges stem from a May 30 incident where a search warrant was executed along Highway 20, near Plainview, at the residence of Christopher Beltz. Antelope County Sheriff's Office, Nebraska State Patrol, Pierce County Sheriff's Office and Plainview Police Department served the warrant.

At the time, Nicholes Stewart and Beltz were taken into custody. According to the arrest warrant affidavit, several firearms were removed from the residence "a few days" the arrests.

The Nebraska Department of Five removed five juveniles from the residence at the time. During district court, Beltz pleaded not guilty to both charges. Kube conducted a bond hearing, which was currently set at \$500,000 - 10%.

Beltz, represented by James Walz, requested a reduction

to \$10,000 - 10% and offered an exhibit from a Pierce County District Court case. Walz pointed out allegations noted in the Pierce County petition.

Hurd countered, requesting Kube take note of the county court filing, specifically involving the arrest in this case. Hurd also outlined Beltz's past criminal history, and objected to a reduction.

Kube set bond at \$250,000 - 10%, and set conditions that the defendant not leave the state without the court's permission, appear as ordered, not violate any law, not possess or use any controlled substances without a prescription, submit to chemical testing at request of any law enforcement officer, submit to a reasonable search and seizure of his person, residence or vehicle, and not possess or reside where any firearm or ammunition may be located. Beltz was remanded to the custody of the Antelope County Sheriff.

Courtesy of SAM

Moone appears before Judge Kube

Suni R. Moone, also known as Jeshua Divis, currently incarcerated in the Pierce County Jail, appeared before the Honorable James Kube for multiple cases during the July 30 session of Antelope County District Court.

Moone faces charges of burglary, a Class IIA felony; an amended charge of theft-shoplifting \$1,500 to \$4,999, a Class IV felony, in a second case; and three charges of burglary, Class IIA felonies, between the third and fourth cases.

For all instances, a hearing on a motion for standby-counsel and transport was held. Moone previously requested transcripts for the case and Kube addressed the request, noted the transcripts take time to prepare, which may cause a delay to a scheduled Aug. 18 trial.

Moone acknowledged the judge's comments, and made a motion to represent himself at the jury trial, and requested public defender Patrick Carney by stand-by counsel. After questioning by Kube, Moone waived his right to court-appointed counsel. Following discussion with Deputy Antelope County Attorney Joe Hurd, Kube granted Moone's request.

Moone also requested two individuals be transported from Madison and Pierce County jails to serve as witnesses during the trial.

Kube expressed concerns with timing of testifying and will rule in a hearing scheduled for Aug. 8.

Moone also told Kube he had not received documents he subpoenaed on July 25. Kube advised that a Motion to Compel may need to be filed if documents aren't received. The issue may be discussed during the Aug. 8 hearing.

In a third case, Moone appeared for a pretrial hearing. He faces a charge of burglary, a Class IIA felony.

Moone advised that two motions to suppress and a Motion for Rule 104 had been filed. He requested a hearing. Kube set an Aug. 8 hearing date in Madison County District court.

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Crystal Borer, Paraprofessional
Taylor Borer, Grade 5
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Chris Grundmayer, History
Connie Henn, Art
Amie Kalvelage, Elementary
Amy Klein, Spanish & Speech
Patrick Kratochvil, Science & PE
Rachel Mlnarik, Grade 2
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Monday, August 11th

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CITY OF ELGIN EMPLOYEES

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Asst. Pool Manager.....	Starting @ \$18.25/hr
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City of Elgin
/s/ Kristin L. Childers, City Clerk

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Spinning Tales

Rodeo creates winners and losers in just a matter of seconds

BARTLETT — Our friends to the west of Elgin held a big celebration last week, 100 years in the making.

It was called the Wheeler County Fair and boy, did the people show up to celebrate.

There was a parade which seemingly went down every street. I must admit I've never seen a parade where the front entries have to stop and let the back entries pass before resuming the route.

What that told me was the people there had plenty to celebrate and that they did.

The parade finished, fortunately, before the rains came. Since I've been here, it seems Fair Week in Antelope and Wheeler counties is always accompanied by measurable rainfall.

By the way, has there ever been a July like this year's version, where close to 10 inches of rain, more in some areas, fell? Certainly not in the almost 20 years I've lived in Elgin.

Back to Bartlett, one of the things I look forward to every year is the rodeo they hold in conjunction with the fair. So it was on Friday night, we got there just in time for the mutton bustin' and the start of the rodeo.

Bust'in makes them (the young children) feel good and provides a connection to their older counterparts. The little ones didn't disappoint. Some held on, some crashed into the soft dirt and some, the really young ones, were 'rescued' right out of the gate. The dirt there has been mixed with more than a few tears through the years, but the vast majority are tough and get up smiling. But, some of the crashes are epic in nature and, if that's not your child, are fun to watch.

Onto the main event. The horses and the cowboys who rode them.

Don't let anybody tell you different, rodeo cowboys are competitive athletes. They earn every point they get from the judges.

Every time they get into the chute and mount the horse, they know what's coming. Eight seconds where the cowboy is at the mercy of the horse.

The bucking broncos on this night were the winners more often than not. From my vantage point with my camera and zoom lens, just outside the fence, I was treated to several moments of fury. Twice, the bronco riders were thrown into the fence. Stunned, they laid on the dirt. As they laid on the ground, they reminded me of a boxer who had been decked with a left hook like the one Joe Frazier knocked down Muhammad Ali with in 1971.

As the helpers got the cowboys back on their feet, they looked like they didn't know what had hit them (the fence). Their knees were weak, but they eventually walked out of the arena on their own power.

At the other end of the arena, the 'ropers' do their thing. No, these 'ropers' have nothing in common with the Ropers of the

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daughter born Monday, July 28, 1975 at the Lincoln General Hospital.

Members of the Pony baseball team are Darrell Getzfred, Pat Schmitt, Charles Bode, Rick Henn, Randy Henn, Mark Tharnish, Jim Mitchell, Terry Mackel, Mark Reestman, Roger Meis, Kevin Krause, Tom Reilly, Tim Sutton, Duane Schmitt, Ray Payne and Terry Heithoff.

Thirty Years AgoAugust 2, 1995

Tara Hutchinson, 10, daughter of Duane and Bernita Hutchinson of Elgin, has won the Miss Nebraska American Pre-Teen state title for 1995. She won her division of the annual state pageant in competition last Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 28-30, at the Red Lion Inn in Omaha.

A range fire last Friday, July 28, burned a swath 3/4 of a mile wide and about 2 1/2 miles long in eastern Wheeler County. Fortunately, grass and haystacks were the only property damage in the afternoon blaze, which burned an estimated 800 acres of ranch land.

An open house, honoring Ella Kinney of Elgin on her 100th birthday, will be held Saturday, Aug. 5, at the Elgin Veteran's Club. Mrs. Kinney's three children, 13 grandchildren and 23 great grandchildren invite everyone to join them in this celebration.

Alphonse B. Reicks, owner of Petersburg Lockers, Inc., Petersburg, NE, recently received the 1995 Achievement Award from the American Association of Meat Processors (AAMP). The award is the national trade organization's highest honor, which recognizes the honoree's outstanding and continuing contributions to the meat and poultry industry.

Richard P. Francis, 63, of Elgin, died Sunday, July 23, 1995, at Methodist Hospital in Omaha. Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 26 at Palmer's Funeral Home in Fullerton with Rev. Ray Weinerman officiation.

Twenty Years AgoAugust 3, 2005

Improvements are underway in the office area of Elgin Livestock Sales, Inc., where several new windows have been added. The office was also insulated, and interior walls were refinished.

Clarence Johns of Elgin recently received a "Greatest Generation" medallion in recognition of his military service during World War II. The medal was presented by the Non-Commissioned Officers Association of the U.S.A. in recognition of valor, sacrifice and fidelity exemplified by those who served during World War II.

Brad Schmitt of Elgin has been awarded a Susan Thompson Bufet Scholarship to attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln this fall. The scholarship is valued at up to \$5,000 per year.

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CURRENT SALARIES
ANTELOPE COUNTY EMPLOYEES

NOTICE ANTELOPE COUTNY - SALARIES: July 2025

The following salaries are to be published each year between July 15 and August 15, according to Nebraska State Statute 23-122, revised by LB299 in 1996. Antelope County Employees are paid on a monthly payroll. The salaries vary in each department, due to job titles, merit and years of employment. The following are payroll figures:

GENERAL FUND: Commissioners annual: (4) \$19,500.00 (1) \$20,700.00; Officials annual: (4) \$70,952.04; Deputies hourly: (1) \$26.20; (2) \$25.00; (1) 23.75; Administrative manager hourly: (1) \$27.00; Clerical hourly: (1) \$26.91; (1) \$22.45; (1) \$20.52; (1) \$20.00; (1) \$19.00; (1) \$18.25; (1) \$18.08; Seasonal Clerical hourly: (1) \$13.50; Custodian (1) \$15.00; Sheriff annual: (1) \$80,672.04; Emergency Manager: (1) \$10,000.00 annual; Deputies hourly: (1) \$34.00; (2) \$32.00; (1) \$30.00; Part-time Deputies hourly: (2) \$28.00; (3) \$27.00; Dispatchers hourly: (1) \$23.00; (4) \$22.00; (1) \$21.50; (3) \$21.00; (1) \$20.00; (2) \$18.00; Part-time Clerical: (1) \$18.00; (1) \$13.50; Attorney annual: (1) \$73,389.96; Veterans Service Officer Part-time hourly: (1) \$29.70; Zoning Administrator hourly: (1) \$22.00; Weed Board Members (5) \$50.00 per meeting; Weed Superintendent annual: (1) \$45,000; Part-time Clerical hourly: (1) \$18.00; (1) \$15.00;

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: Full-Time Road Workers hourly: (2) \$26.00; (1) \$25.65; (1) \$25.40; (2) \$25.00; (1) \$24.80; (1) \$23.20; (1) \$22.55; (1) \$22.35; (1) \$22.25; (1) \$21.75; (1) \$21.65; (1) \$21.35; (1) \$21.25; (1) \$21.15; (2) \$21.00;

(1) \$20.85; (1) \$20.75; (1) \$20.25; (1) \$20.15; (1) \$20.00; (1) \$19.70; (1) \$19.50; (1) \$18.40; (1) \$18.35; Part-time road workers hourly: (1) \$22.00; (1) \$19.00; (1) \$15.00; Road Superintendent annual: (1) \$70,952.04; Road Safety Officer annual: (1) \$54,000; Highway Superintendent annual: (1) \$1,200.00. PUBLISH: August 6, 2025
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MAST METAL, L.L.C., a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, with its registered address at 51235 864th Road, Orchard, Nebraska 68764, was dissolved on February 7, 2025. 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 members. Vernon Mast, 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.

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Lonnie Dinslage

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Crossword Puzzle

CLUES ACROSS

1. Spiritual leaders
7. Salt
13. Fortified wine
14. Edible mollusk
16. They precede C
17. A way to compare
19. State lawyer
20. "Game of Thrones" actor Ciaran
22. Eighth month (abbr.)
23. Very willing
25. __ ex machina
26. Satisfies
28. Mountain in New Zealand
29. A doctrine
30. Popular Dodge truck model
31. Dekagram
33. Naturally occurring solid
34. Company officer
36. Villains
38. Cricket frogs
40. One of the founders of modern psychology
41. Endured
43. A female domestic
44. You can get stuck in one
45. Partner to feather
47. Passive optical network
48. French ballet dynasty
51. Employee stock ownership plan
53. Bottom layer
55. Sound
56. Yankee great Judge
58. Dickens character
59. Late beloved TNT sportscaster
60. South Dakota
61. Exposing human vice or folly to ridicule
64. Gold
65. Longtime Braves hurler Julio
67. Humor
69. Shawl
70. Hospital unit

CLUES DOWN

1. Animal disease
2. Commercial
3. Necklace materials
4. Containers
5. Investment account
6. Colorado Heisman Trophy winner
7. Dipped down
8. Head injury category (abbr.)
9. Lay about
10. Intestinal

11. Not yes
12. Caused to be loved
13. Muslim spiritual leader
15. Showing sincere conviction
18. Not in
21. Number above the line in a fraction
24. Lawn pest
26. Pouch
27. Ancient language in India (abbr.)
30. Start over
32. Wild white flower
35. Fourteen
37. Visual way to interact with computer (abbr.)
38. Side by side and facing the same way
39. Religious conflicts
42. Touch lightly
43. "Boardwalk Empire" actress Gretchen
46. Violent seizure of property
47. One who supports the pope
49. Malaise
50. Body fluid
52. Inauthentic person
54. Title of respect
55. Chilean city
57. Japanese city
59. Silk garment
62. Draw from
63. Automobile
66. The man
68. Top government lawyer



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FOAM'N at the library

The summer reading participants at the Elgin Public Library were treated to a "Foam Party" last Friday, August 1st to celebrate the end of this year's summer reading program. Absolute Science from Davenport, IA provided the entertainment. Find more photos and information in next week's issue of *The Elgin Review*.

Plan now for your silage storage

Silage season is just around the corner, but even before anything is cut, proper preparation now can improve chances of a successful harvest. Improper silage storage and fermentation can result in losses up to 20% prior to feeding.

The enemy to good silage is oxygen. Quality silage needs anaerobic fermentation to occur to maintain quality and ensure stability over the storage period. While factors like moisture content at harvest and packing density are important to maintaining an oxygen free environment, the physical location and way silage is stored can play an equally impactful role.

When too much oxygen is present in the silage pile, respiration occurs, turning plant sugars into heat and carbon dioxide. This results in lower forage quality and overall yield, though it may not look like it at first glance. The burning off of sugars during respiration causes the left over plant structural components to condense. In the end, the visible layer of spoilage often seen on silage piles may represent 2-3 times that amount, as layers shrink and condense while they degrade.

Respiration also produces heat. This heat build-up causes three negative outcomes in silage piles. First, it limits the activity of lactic acid bacteria. These microbes prevent protein

binding to plant lignin during fermentation, without which feed becomes less digestible by the animal. Second, heat encourages the growth of undesirable fermentation bacteria, yeasts, and molds, all of which lower forage quality and can reduce yield. Lastly, heat early on in the ensiling process can end up with browning caused by a Maillard reaction. While these browned bits may be highly palatable, they are a sign of denatured protein, once again lowering silage quality. Maillard browning produces even more heat during reaction, increasing the risk that temperatures rise to the point spontaneous combustion is possible.

Selecting a good storage location is the first step we need to tackle. Bags and piles should be placed on elevated locations that allow snow and rain to drain away from the silage and feed out area. Special consideration should be taken for snow drift patterns to prevent restricted access during the winter. Equipment traffic for feeding out of a pile or bag will be high and the ground will take a beating. Sites with poor drainage can result in ruts and mud holes making feeding more difficult. Provide plenty of room around the silage for maneuvering of equipment

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Beef Systems Asst. Ext. Educator Ben Beckman

during both harvest and feed out. Finally, keep the area around bags or piles away from trees, trash piles, and other possible shelters for small animals. Creatures like mice, squirrels and other small animals will gnaw holes in silage coverings, seeking food and shelter. By limiting possible shelters, keeping weeds and grass around silage trimmed up, and immediately repairing any holes noticed, wildlife damage can be kept to a minimum.

Once we've selected a location, how we plan to store our silage needs to be considered. Bagged silage is a versatile option that allows the storage location to move year to year. An additional bonus is the oxygen free environment right away, especially if we are vigilant in repairing any holes or tears in the bag. Silage piles are the more traditional approach and can allow for greater volumes of silage to be stored in a smaller area. Placing your pile on a cement pad or bunker is optimal for oxygen exclusion, but be sure to check these structures for cracks and repair any that are found annually to maintain their integrity. If silage is an annual feedstuff on your operation, the reduced loss a permanent structure provides can offset the cost when spread

out over several years.

Even temporary piles can be made more oxygen free if planned for ahead. Line the sides of your planned pile with bales and place an oxygen barrier plastic down on the sides and for several feet under the bottom to really seal the pile's sides. At a bare minimum, placing plastic on top of the pile is an investment worth the time, labor, and money. By covering the pile we prevent oxygen from moving into the pile from the top and reduce precipitation exposure. Both rain and snow can penetrate the pile if uncovered, bringing more oxygen into the pile dissolved in the water itself, can throw off fermentation by upsetting the moisture balance leading to spoilage, and can result in the pile "weeping" and leaching out valuable energy and protein.

Corn silage is a valuable feed resource, but can suffer from high levels of loss when stored incorrectly. Whether choosing temporary option like bag or drive over pile or something more permanent like a concrete bunker, doing what you can to keep oxygen out of your silage requires planning now. Pick an appropriate location for harvest and feed out success and store correctly to minimize feed losses later on.

- Ben Beckman is a beef systems Extension Educator serving northeast Nebraska. 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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Bulls		
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District #18 school board to meet on Monday night

The regular monthly meeting of the District #18 Board of Education will be this Monday, August 11. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. in the EPS Board Room and is open to the public.

Among the items on the 'action' agenda this month are:

- Approve Classroom Capacities for 2025-2026 school year; Policy 505.02 R1
- Approve the Junior Trip in June of 2026
- Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to adopt a resolution increasing the school district's base growth percentage used to determine the school district's property tax request authority by up to seven percent (7%)
- Approve the transfer of funds from the General Fund to the Nutrition, Depreciation, and Activities Funds
- Approve the water diversion project on campus
- Surplus school materials

Also on the agenda are monthly reports from standing committees as well as K-12 Principal Greg Wemhoff and Superintendent Mike Brockhaus.

PJCC school year begins August 13

The 2025-26 school year is rapidly approaching for the Pope John Elementary and High School students! The first day of school will be on Wednesday, August 13, with a 1 p.m. dismissal.

This year's Back to School Night will be on Monday, August 11. Students will have between 5:00 and 6:00 p.m. to bring their school supplies to school.

The parents meeting will be in the school library at 6 p.m. with the family grill out on the school lawn at 7 p.m.

For a complete listing of staff, see the ad on Page Six.

EPS to start school August 14

Elgin Public School students will be heading back to school soon! The first day of classes will be Thursday, August 14, with a 1 p.m. dismissal.

Morning and afternoon pre-school will begin on Monday, August 18. The regular schedule will begin on Friday, August 15 with school hours from 8:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Afternoon Preschool (3 year olds) will be held Monday through Thursday 12:45 p.m. to 3:40 p.m.

For more on the start of school, see the ad on Page 11.

Community Calendar

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

Friday, August 8
Elgin Community Club/Chamber of Commerce End-of-Summer Steak Fry.*

Sunday, August 10
Elgin Rescue Annual Color Run (4 p.m.) at Elgin City Park.*

Monday, August 11
District #18 School Board regular meeting at 7 p.m. ■ Annual Veterans Steak Feed at Elgin KC Hall.*

Tuesday, August 12
Regular meeting of the Antelope County Board of Commissioners ■ Red Cross Bloodmobile @ Knights of Columbus Hall.*

Wednesday, August 13
First Day of school at PJCC.*

Thursday, August 14
First Day of school at EPS.*

Saturday, August 16
PJCC Annual Golf Tournament.

Sunday, August 17
Wolfpack 'Back to School' Cookout starting at 5 p.m. at Elgin City Park.

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GOOD TIMES!

Ribbons, trophies and smiles could be found every where during the Antelope County Fair.

Upper left: Callie Heithoff (left) and Darby Carstens, both of Elgin, were recipients of this year's 4H Scholarship.

Middle: Logann Pelster was all smiles as he was awarded First Place in the Companion Goat category. Brother Evin (far left) proudly looks on as the judge congratulates Logann.

Bottom: Sloane and Kinley Miller, both of Elgin, racked up the trophies and ribbons at the horse show. Sloane received Junior Poles Reserve Champion while Kinley was Senior Poles Champion and Barrel Racing Champion. See extended coverage of the 2025 Antelope County Fair in next week's issue of The Elgin Review.



Smith

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in Lexington, where they gave so much to their community and our state, is now dedicated to Bill and Elsie Barrett.

The legacies of these great Nebraskans and the impact they made advocating for the Third District is appropriately reflected in the naming of these buildings. It was my honor to champion these bills, and I hope residents of these communities will be inspired to service when they are reminded of those who came before them.

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- 2010 Ford F150 Lariat Crew Cab, 4x4, V-8, Leather
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Teacher

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with respect, add an element of fun, and learn life values by remembering our Lord has gifted us with skills.” Fernandez earned a Bachelor of Science in secondary education in the Philippines in 2021 and has been teaching for four years in Catholic K-12 schools. His post-secondary studies started in civil engineering, though “I had a change of heart,” he said, driven by the desire to enter the labor force sooner.

About leaving his country for the first time, “at first, I’m scared, to be honest, to leave my comfort zone,” Fernandez shared pensively. “Now, I’m happy. People are so friendly here and most people in Elgin go to church.” He’s also getting good practice with the money system. As of late July, about fifty-seven Filipino pesos exchanged

to one U.S. dollar. “I opened an account at the Bank of Elgin last week,” he added proudly. While Filipino is his main language, he learned English at an early age and is just as fluent and easily understood as current Elgin residents. “I’m working on diction and to speak clearly and slowly,” he said. “I want my students to accept me whole-heartedly, to trust me, to touch their hearts, to feel at ease with how I teach and deliver the lessons.” Fernandez grew up playing baseball and softball and hopes to share his pitcher skills locally. He’s also quite fond of fish. Back home he made a pond and stocked it with koi, goldfish, and guppies.

If you see Fernandez walking down main street Elgin, take a minute to introduce yourself and thank him for coming to our town. “You can easily identify me,” he quipped. “I’m the only one with black hair.”

OBITUARIES

Kathryn A. Norton, 70



October 28, 1954 - August 3, 2025

A native of Neligh, she grew up on a farm. Among her favorite things to do was watch Nebraska football, bowling and swimming.

Kathryn A. Norton, 70 of Beatrice, NE passed away Sunday, August 3, 2025, at the Beatrice Community Hospital and Health Center.

Private family graveside services will be held at West Cedar Valley Cemetery near Elgin, NE.

Levander Funeral Home of Elgin is in charge of arrangements.

Kathryn Anne Norton, daughter of Gene R. and Nancy H. (Hinman) Norton, was born October 28, 1954, at Neligh, NE. She was baptized at the United Methodist Church in Elgin. She lived on the farm with her family until the age of eight when she moved to live at the Beatrice State Development

Center, where she lived the past 62 years.

When she was younger, Kathryn participated in the Special Olympics.

She liked watching Nebraska football, bowling, and swimming. She enjoyed going to dinner and shopping during her family visits.

Kathy is survived by her father Gene Norton of Lincoln, NE; two siblings: Bradley G. (Mary) Norton of Hastings, NE; Elizabeth L. Norton of Lincoln, NE; two nephews: Matthew Norton of Hastings, NE; Michael Norton of Hastings, NE; along with other relatives and family at the Beatrice State Development Center.

She was preceded in death by her mother Nancy; sister-in-law Reta Norton; aunt: Betty Harb; uncle: Bob Hinman and Maurice Norton.

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William “Gale” Shenshew, 86

November 25, 1938 - August 9, 2025

Born in Tilden, he grew up and graduated from Neligh High School in 1957. Later, he joined the U.S. Army and served in Germany before returning home to farm.

Memorial services for William “Gale” Shenshew, age 86, of Neligh, formerly of Oakdale, Nebraska, will be 11 a.m. Saturday, August 9, 2025, at Brockhaus-Harlan Funeral Home in Tilden, Nebraska. John Petersen will officiate, with burial at a later date in Oakdale Cemetery in Oakdale.

A luncheon will be held at the Oakdale Community Center in Oakdale immediately following the service.

Gale died Wednesday, May 28, 2025, at Antelope Memorial Hospital in Neligh.

William “Gale” Shenshew was born on November 25, 1938, to William and Adeline

(Cheyney) Shenshew at the Tilden Community Hospital. He lived most of his life on a farm south of Oakdale, where he attended grade school and graduated from Neligh High School in 1957. Gale was drafted into the United States Army and spent some time in Germany and later returned to the farm.

In recent years he resided in Neligh where he had an apartment at the flats until moving to the Willows.

Gale was preceded in death by his parents, Bill and Adeline; sister, Barbara Schulz; and brother, Bob.

He is survived by his sister, Helen (Jim) Lyons; and nieces and nephews.

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FIRST DAY OF CLASSES

THURSDAY, AUG. 14, 2025

School will start at **8:15 a.m.** and will dismiss at **1 p.m.**, the first day for all students **K-12**.

Morning Preschool & Afternoon Preschool

will begin on **Monday, August 18th**.

Regular schedule will be observed starting **Friday, August 15th** with school hours: **8:15 a.m. to 3:43 p.m.** for high school (7-12) and

8:15 a.m. to 3:40 p.m. for K-6.

Morning Preschool (4 year olds) will be held **each weekday 8:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

Afternoon Preschool (3 year olds) will be held **Monday thru Thursday 12:45 p.m. - 3:40 p.m.**

PUBLIC NOTICE ~ CHILD FIND

Residents of District 18, Elgin, are notified that School District 18, Elgin, NE participates in all required Special Education Services for all resident students, ages 0-21. If you know of any student currently being serviced by an appropriate educational program or have questions concerning the Special Education Program, contact the Superintendent's office at Elgin Public School.

Elgin Public School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap. Further, the school complies with all Title IX and Equal Employment Opportunity guidelines as determined by Federal directives.

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If your name is not listed and you need bus service, please contact the Elgin Public School administration at **843-2455**.

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Preschool Bus Driver (noon route) - Teresa Schindler

2025-2026 Elgin Public School STAFF

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BREAKFAST/LUNCH SERVICE

Breakfast and Lunch will begin on **Thursday, August 14th**. Breakfast will be **\$2.00** and will **begin at 7:45 a.m.** Student lunches will be priced at **\$2.75** for PreK- 6; **\$3.00** for Grades 7-12 per meal.

Families will need to apply for free and reduced lunches.

- Mrs. Joyce Wemhoff Kindergarten
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Mrs. Julie Thiessen Paraprofessional
Mrs. Christy Knutson ESU Nurse
Mrs. Meghan Veik Paraprofessional

Schuchardt

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Oakdale. Elgin Fire and Rescue might be called, too, if back-up is needed in a fire emergency. Managing USDA Conservation Reserve Program acres requires a management solution every so often. A controlled burn often is a choice. This requires a burn permit and skilled men and women who know how to control a fire on the designated acres. While the welcome rains here earlier this summer reduced the fire danger, the anticipated hot, dry days of August can turn our beautiful lands into a cinder box. As Smokey says, **ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES**, or grass fires, or house fires. The next time you strike a match, avoid letting caution blow away with the wind.

Derner

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also the Colorado Team Roping Champion (The Old USTRA). Her grandson Chance was the South Dakota High School Champion Team Roper; Seth started his own company VIVAYIC, which was in the top five fastest growing companies in Nebraska in 2022. He currently emolyees over 50 people. Grandson Bo has just qualified for the National Diving Championships in San Diego, Calif.

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Wheeler County Livestock Premium Sale held Saturday

The Wheeler County Premium Auction was held Saturday evening. 4-Hers were rewarded for all their time and effort with their animals as buyers paid top prices at the sale which lasted close to one hour.

Among the champions and reserve champions brought into the arena for the sale were:
Camara Armknecht - Champion Market Rabbit
Austin Hoffman - Reserve Champion Market Rabbit

Ryker Plugge - Reserve Champion Duck
Landon Glup - Champion Market Barrow
Levi Glup - Reserve Champion Market Barrow

Elexis Plugge - Champion Market Gilt
Levi Glup - Reserve Champion Market Gilt
Hadley Pokorny - Champion Market Lamb

Hadley Pokorny - Champion Market Goat
Brooks Wright - Champion Market Steer
Jackson Wright - Champion Market Heifer

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Chloe Smith - Reserve Champion Market Heifer

