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In Brief

Elgin City Council to meet Monday night at City Hall

Will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The regular monthly meeting of the Elgin City Council will be held this Monday night, November 6.

To convene at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall, the meeting is open to the public.

According to City Clerk Kristin Childers, items on the tentative agenda include:

- Discussion and action on a church festival event to be held at Elgin City Park on Saturday, September 14, 2024. To speak on the matter will be Pastor Jonathan Braden of Elgin Community Christian Church.
- Discussion and action on life insurance for city employee Don Poulsen.
- Action on building permits for Grant Beckman and Austin Victor.

Popular shirts on sale again to support campaign

Deadline is November 7 @ 10 a.m.

Not long ago, the Antelope County Youth Enrichment Center Capital Campaign had a successful event, selling Howdy Doody shirts.

It was so popular that another round of shirt sales is now taking place.

Persons who missed out on the popular shirts can order through the link now through Nov. 7 at 10 a.m., according to Rhonda Meyer. Go to <https://howdy-doody-apparel-2.itemorder.com/shop/home/>



Public Notices

Public notices in this week's newspaper include:

Notice of Informal Probate — Dennis Suhr
Notice — Upper Elkhorn Natural Resources District

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Weather

The high temperature last week was 74 degrees recorded on Friday and Monday, October 23.

The low during the same period was 18 degrees on Sunday, October 29.

Altogether, 0.80 of an inch of precipitation was recorded last week.

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

Date	High	Low	Prec
October 23	74	39	.00
October 24	53	46	.00
October 25	58	44	.70
October 26	50	22	.00
October 27	35	22	.05
October 28	24	22	.05
October 29	35	18	.00
Total for last week			0.80
Total for October			3.80
Total precipitation 2023			28.16



E-R Photo/D Morgan

Jubilation could be found on the faces of Wolfpack as they hoisted up the district championship plaque after sweeping Deshler Saturday night.

EPPJ netters to begin chase for championship Thursday

Wolfpack to face Southwest Roughriders at Pinnacle Bank Arena

By Dennis Morgan

co-publisher

From the start of the season, the Wolfpack have been working for this week.

The work, compiling a 26-6 record, has the team headed to Lincoln to play

in the Class D1 State Volleyball Tournament beginning Thursday afternoon.

One of three members of the Niobrara Valley Conference earning state tournament berths, the Wolfpack will face the Southwest Roughriders in the opening round at Pinnacle Bank Arena,

beginning at 1 p.m. Other teams in their half of the bracket are O'Neill St. Mary's and Sumner-Eddyville-Miller (SEM). In the other half of the bracket are top-seed Guardian Angels, Burwell, BDS and Amherst.

The Roughriders qualified for the state tournament on Saturday with a five-set victory over Plainview. The Roughriders won the first two sets 25-19, 25-23, then dropped the next two sets 17-25 and 22-25. Then, in the fifth set, the teams were tied at 14-all when Southwest won the final two points to claim the match.

Plainview (19-15) is the only common opponent for the Wolfpack and the Roughriders. EPPJ, competing at a triangular at West Holt, swept the Pirates.

Southwest's only losses during the season came to Class B Alliance and Class D2's Overton and Cambridge. In each loss, the Roughriders were swept in two sets. The Wolfpack's losses came to St. Mary's (3), Battle Creek, West Holt and Stuart.

The Wolfpack appear to have faced tougher competition during the course of the season. Burwell, Stuart, Summerland, Nebraska Christian and St. Mary's will play in this year's state tournament (in their respective classes). This will mark EPPJ Coach Jordynn Luettel's first trip to state as a coach. She played in the state tournament while attending Battle Creek High School.

Statistical leaders for the Wolfpack

See EPPJ, Page 3 ►



E-R Photo/L Morgan

Trick-or-treaters were all over Elgin Tuesday afternoon. The first group to stop in to The Elgin Review office wore a wide array of costumes as shown above. Their names are (front row, l-r) Leonard Beckman and Anne Marie Beckman. Back row: Cecilia Beckman, Edward Beckman and Madeline Beckman.

Wolfe, Dendiger share how opioid crisis can touch all

By Dennis Morgan & Olivia Klein

co-publisher & student intern

ELGIN — The opioid crisis gripping our country isn't just in the big cities nor in far away states, but it's down the block, down the road - it's everywhere.

It knows no boundaries - it affects the rich and the poor, it knows no skin color, meaning it affects whites and blacks, Latinos and Asians too.

On Wednesday morning, Elgin students, their teachers and some adults from the community listened to Plainview pharmacist Ashley Dendiger spoke for more than an hour about the dangers of opioids and how the unsuspecting can lose their lives through innocent contact.

For Carol Wolfe, from Coleridge, the opioid crisis came to her doorstep when her son lost his life by unknowing taking fentanyl. She said her son Josh and a couple of friends ventured to Nashville, Tenn., for a destination wedding back in 2017.

A kind-hearted soul, her 34-year old son possessed a bachelor's degree in accounting, working for several firms before joining the tax division of Green Plains Company in Omaha. He loved the Huskers and golf. He believed friends were worth more than money.

Living 'the good life,' he had no idea his life would end in Tennessee.

In Nashville, someone slipped him fentanyl, possibly as small as two grains of salt, maybe in a drink. Hours later he was dead and a friend of his died under similar circumstances.

To this day, the person or persons who did this have never been found.

For Wolfe, she's told this story many times. She's learned to control her emotions, still the pain can be seen and felt.

She stressed everyone to be aware of their surroundings and to carry Narcan with them. The drug is available over the counter at pharmacies across the state.

Dendiger who works in Plainview, shared with students the dangers of opioids. "A tiny bit of fentanyl can cause you to overdose," Without prompt medical attention, people can die.

She said it's so easy to become addicted to opioids, doctors at first didn't know how addictive certain drugs could be and they would prescribe it. Use of opioids for persons who become addicted often leads to increased dosage and/or taking harder drugs.

With Narcan, it's possible to save a person's life when an overdose occurs. The easiest way to administer the life-saving drug is through a nasal spray.

She showed how to administer it and recommended all obtain the drug and carry it with them at all times.

Before closing her part of the presentation, Dendiger urged attendees not to feed into the stigma of addiction, but rather think of users as victims of circumstances, some of which are out of their control.



Photo submitted

Carol Wolfe spoke of how the opioid crisis has affected her family.

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From JoAnn's Kitchen

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A favorite Halloween-time treat while growing up, still a favorite in the Baum house.

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Bet the kids were excited for trick or treat day! Halloween is one of those favorite days of the year if you're a kid.

This week, I am sharing a couple of recipes that you may have seen in the past editions of "JoAnn's Kitchen" cookbook. I am sharing it because some people have asked if I would share it again. These two recipes are

treats that were handed out when I was a kid. Warning! If any kid has a popcorn ball in your bag, Ted will try to talk you out of it or trade for it.

Don't say I didn't warn you!
JoAnn

POPCORN BALLS

- 2 bags mini marshmallows
- 1 stick melted butter
- 1/2 tsp vanilla
- 3 bags microwave popped corn

Melt the first 3 ingredients over medium heat. Pour over the popcorn and stir. Once mixed, make into medium sized balls. Yields 12-14 balls

CARAMEL CORN

- 1 tsp baking soda
- 4 bags microwave popcorn (popped)

2 cups packed brown sugar
2 sticks butter
1 tsp salt
1/2 cup white syrup

Boil the brown sugar, butter, syrup, and salt for 5 minutes on medium to high heat. Add the baking soda and stir well. In a large roasting pour over the popped corn and mix it well until popcorn is coated. Bake in a preheated 250° oven. Stir it every 15 minutes. Bake for 1 hour: So delicious!

Commission approves CUP application for pipeline

Following a public hearing which began in September, the Antelope County Planning Commission decided in October to approve a conditional use permit (CUP) which would allow construction of a carbon pipeline to go through Antelope County.

Meeting on October 12, the commission voted six-to-one to approve the permit. The Antelope County Board of Commissioners will take up the issue when they meet Tuesday, November 7.

Bob Krutz was the only member of the commission to vote against approval of the CUP. Summit Carbon Solutions has indicated that construction, once planned to begin in 2024,

will likely not occur until sometime in 2026.

The timing for construction became an issue for the commission. Should construction of the pipeline not begin in the next 18 months, the CUP would need to be amended or

SCS would be in violation of the permit.

As previously reported, more than 60 tracts of land would be involved in pipeline construction, the majority of which SCS has received signed easements for.



MEET THE CEO



NOV. 14TH
6:30 - 8:00 PM
Introduction | 7:00 PM

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CALEB POORE

Wolfpack pep rally to be today at 3 p.m.

Here's the schedule for this week for students and Wolfpack fans.

There will be a pep rally on Wednesday. The rally will be held Wednesday afternoon, beginning at 3 p.m. at St. Boniface Auditorium.

Afterwards, the team will board the bus for the trip to Lincoln.

There will be no school at Elgin Public, Pope John or St. Boniface Elementary on Thursday.

Elgin businesses, it's time to talk turkey giveaway

It's November and that means it's time for the annual Turkey Giveaway! Businesses, contact the Elgin Review office (402-843-5500, elginreview@yahoo.com or message us via our facebook page) if you'll be giving away a turkey this year.

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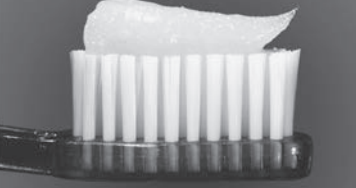
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Tim Peterson
who suffered a life-changing stroke in December of 2022. His wife, the Rev. Elizabeth Goehring, is IZ's pastor. Funds to help defray long-term medical expenses, and

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HAVE YOU NOTICED?

Harvest is starting to slow down

Despite the rain, the snow, the cold days, many fields around Elgin are now bare. You'll find some corn still standing here or there because - every year - some harvest gets delayed due to breakdowns, moisture...life.

Now is the time to look over your equipment and assess how harvest went this year. Do you need to replace some equipment? Are you considering adding more land to your farm operation? You are always planning for the future.

Agriculture is the backbone of this community - that's why we are proud of our **"growing relationship"** with our farmers... and our community.



REMINDER:
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COMMUNITY NEWS

Fall colors and all things associated with leafs

September found hubby Rick and me in Colorado experiencing a land of splendor amongst the aspen trees. Traveling west

out of the Denver smog, meandering through mountain passes, there they were -- breathtaking, intensive yellow mixed

amongst the evergreens.

Certainly worth the trip, although peering out the south window of our rural Elgin farmhouse, we can appreciate the same richness in color as the oaks, maples, and black walnuts fall asleep during the longer and longer night times. In scientific terms, chlorophyll production slows, then stops completely. The carotenoids and anthocyanin (had to look that up) get uncovered and show their colors.

Back when we lived in Virginia, people would come from miles away to experience the fall colors while meandering through the northeast United States. We just sat on our deck for spectacular views. And then the leaf raking, blowing, and bagging began in earnest where neighbors, though they would never admit it, would compete to have the most pristine lawn. Our younger son, Philip, never saw the virtue of raking leaves and sending them off to the landfill, then buying mulch in the spring. Nature has its own mulch, he would always say.

Growing up on the farm, we were always on the hunt for the rare four-leaf clover growing in a clover patch where three leaves per stem is the norm. Whoa, found one! Good luck was mine. The lucky find took on even more meaning being a longtime member of 4-H, the symbol being a four-leaf clover standing for head, heart, hands, and health and the motto that goes with it.

Leafing through a magazine is tons of fun. It's not too thrill-

ing though while sitting in the waiting room at the doc's office. The article referenced on the cover looks appealing, only to find a leaf or two (as in pages) ripped out. Soon it will be the dead of winter and, regardless of how warmly we dress here in the heartland, sometimes we will be shaking like a leaf in the cold temperatures. The

leaf most known for shaking comes from the aspen tree, often called quaking. You can literally hear the leaves flutter in the breeze.

With the new year coming (2024), will you turn over a new leaf? Maybe it's sticking with one job for a while longer instead of drifting from one to the other. Maybe it's looking at other cultures with a different view. Maybe it's changing your attitude just a little bit about one thing or another.

Often that new leaf is framed as a new year's resolution -- lose weight, read a book a week, walk 10,000 steps a day, clean out the closet, get your health physical out of the way, or do a personal finance check-up. Maybe you know from experience, or from reading the tea leaves, that these resolutions may not stick. Perhaps the most famous of all leaves is the fig tree referenced in the Bible story about Adam and Eve used upon realizing they were naked. The fig leaf is often seen in sculptures of humans, especially men, to conceal body parts.

Soon we will be counting the days when the grey of winter welcomes tree buds leafing out into luscious green splendor. Until then, enjoy the glee of neighbor children jumping in a huge pile of fallen leaves, listen to the crunch of brittle leaves as you walk through the park, and savor the beauty of the changing seasons here in Nebraska.

Comments welcome at jane.schuchardt@gmail.com.

Say What?



Elgin Columnist
Jane Schuchardt

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Looking Back

The Elgin Review

Sixty Years Ago

October 31, 1963

Gail Doran had his left hand crushed Tuesday afternoon in a picker-sheller. He was rushed to the hospital and is now at Our Lady of Lourdes in Norfolk. Two and a half hours of surgery was required on his hand which had all of the fingers broken. According to Mrs. Doran, he lost part of his thumb and may lose his small finger and possibly the entire hand due to the seriousness of the accident.

Donald Selting missed being crushed Monday evening when a tractor he was steering was struck by a car driven by Hans Pedersen. The accident happened 3 1/2 miles east of town, just over the crest of a hill, while Don was steering a tractor being pulled by his father, Bernard, in a pickup truck. The two were traveling west. Pedersen was traveling east and swerved his car enough to miss the pickup but struck the tractor's left rear wheel. When the tractor upset Don was thrown into the ditch but ahead of the tractor five or six feet. Don was taken to his home and later to Antelope Memorial Hospital. He had suffered a severe bump on his head and complained of a sore back. Apparently no one else involved in the mishap was hurt.

A film on the modern method of multiplication and division will be shown at the St. Boniface auditorium Monday, Nov. 4, starting at 8 p.m. This is the second of a series which is being shown here to give everyone an opportunity to learn modern math methods.

Fifty Years Ago

November 1, 1973

Eldest entry in the Fiddling Contest, 1973, Yankton S.D. last Sunday was Ferd Schrage. He was awarded a plaque. There were 46 contestants from North and South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Illinois and Ohio. Other entrants from this area included Harold Miller and Frank Sonnenfelt.

On October 24 the freshman Voc. Ag students and their parents were conducted on a tour. Places visited included the Roland Kinney farm where the group saw a modern hog operation. From there they proceeded to Keith Shoemaker's dairy farm. The tour then looked at yearlings and bucket calves owned by Brad Norton followed by a visitation at the William Sprout farm where they saw a sheep and corn enterprise. The purpose of the tour was to encourage students enrolled in Voc. Ag in selecting an enterprise most suited to their interests.

Pollock Redi-Mix plant is taking shape with footings for the blending plant having been laid the past week at their Elgin location to the rear of the Mrs. Wilma Beelart residence south of Pope John High School. It is hoped the plant will be in operation by next spring.

Thirty Years Ago

November 10, 1993

Two of Nebraska's best D2 eight-man high school football teams hail from Antelope County, and they will meet this Saturday, Nov. 13, at 3 p.m. on the Elgin High School football field. Elgin's Eagles seeded third in the D2 West Division with a 9-1 record, advance to the D2 semifinal playoff game after defeating Hayes Center and Sumner-Eddyville-Miller in earlier playoff games. Clearwater's Cardinals, seeded first in the D2 West Division at 11-0, are in the semifinals after playoff wins over Beaver City and Butte. The Cardinals have been rated second in the statewide D2 polls all season, while Elgin's rating has ranged from fourth to seventh.

Alta Decamp of Neligh was elected president at the annual meeting of the Antelope County Historical Society last Sunday, Nov. 7, at the Neligh library. Lois Johnson, retiring president, will be the historian for the group. The members discussed the desire for more interaction with the elementary grades of the county. The museum is now closed for the winter, but arrangements can be made for group tours.

Elgin Historical Society is planning to publish a cookbook during 1994 as a fundraiser. Historical Society members are invited to submit up to 10 recipes each for the cookbook by Jan. 10, 1994.

Join us as we
honor those who
have served.

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CLYDE STUHR

US Air Force veteran and
owner of Patriot's Landing, a metal
art studio, in Petersburg.

Pack

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heading into the tournament are:

- Digs — Kate Furstenau 490
 - Kills — Ashlynnne Charf 345
 - and Chloe Henn 311.
 - Ace serves — Sara Bode 37
 - Solo blocks — Kayton Zwingman 38, Chloe Henn 36
 - Set assists — Baylee Busted 849
 - Serve receive — Kate Furstenau 421
- Tickets for the state volleyball tournament must be purchased online at <https://gofan.co/app/school/NSAA>.

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Edward R. Murrow

Whatever happened to people who apologize?

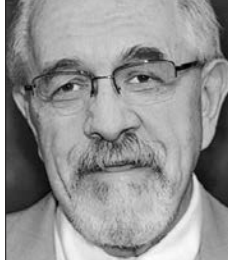
Quick, somebody give the Governor a shovel, I want to see how much deeper he can dig the hole.

Weeks after he insulted a reporter who questioned the high nitrate levels on his pig farm, Governor Jim Pillen has yet to apologize for his xenophobic remarks.

The reporter, born in China, has been working in this country since 2017. She wrote about the nitrate issue for Flatwater Free Press, her employer for the past

CAPITOL VIEW

Nebraska Press Association



Statehouse Correspondent

J.L. Schmidt

two years. On an Omaha radio call-in program, Pillen said he hadn't read the article and won't because the author is from Communist China.

That's not very diplomatic. That's not even nice. How does the Governor know the author is from China? Is it a presumption made by seeing her name?

That would be like me saying I'm not going to listen to Pillen because he's a pig farmer.

You get the picture!

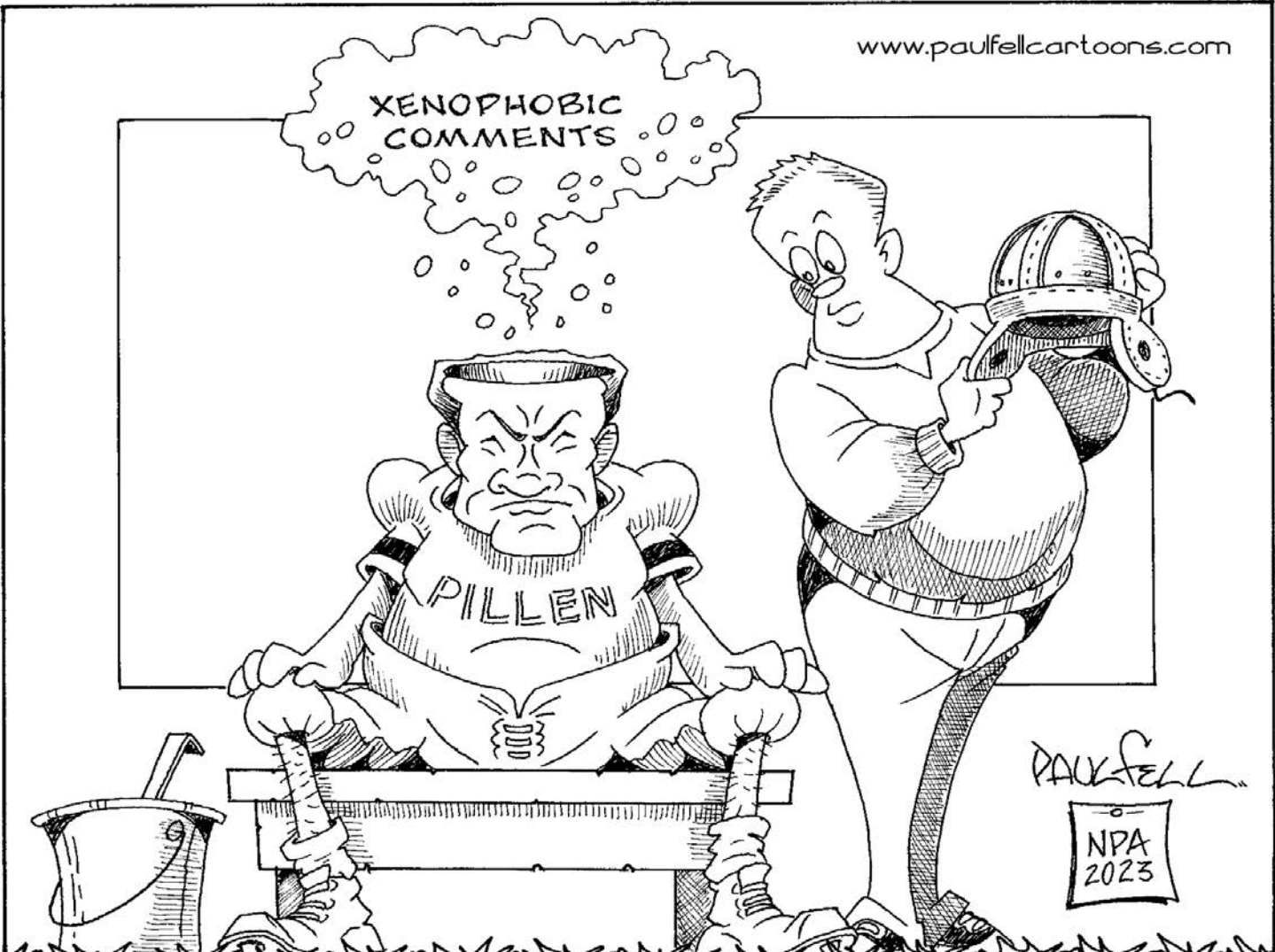
Facing questions almost daily from various media outlets, state and national elected officials and a written plea from reporter Yanqi Xu's editor to please apologize, Pillen has not apologized for nor defended the comments he made about the Nebraska reporter's nationality that have been criticized by Asian American leaders across the country.

Perhaps as troubling is the original story, which Pillen has also not addressed, nitrate levels on his farms that are far above the legal drinking water limit.

So what did he say to create all this furor? Asked about the story on his farms on a statewide radio show, the Governor said, "Number one, I didn't read it. And I won't. Number two; all you got to do is look at the author. The author is from communist China. What more do you need to know?"

The governor's comments surfaced when Matt Wynn, the news outlet's executive director, wrote a column defending the reporter and calling Pillen's comments infuriating and saddening.

At his first public appearance since Wynn's column gained national attention, Pillen repeatedly sidestepped questions about his remarks on Xu, often referring to the mounting criticism



against him as a "sideshow."

"I am 100% focused on being governor of all Nebraskans," he said. I wonder if that includes the reporter?

"Again, my comment — I'm not gonna talk about any reporter, I'm not gonna talk about any sideshows," he added. "I'm focused on my job."

But wait Governor. You already talked about a reporter, that's why you have become your own sideshow.

Rep. Judy Chu, a Democrat from California who chairs the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, told NBC News Pillen's remarks amounted to a "baseless xenophobic attack" and called on him to apologize. "Failing to

do so only contributes to more hostility and suspicion of people from China and Asian Americans broadly," she said.

The Asian American Journalists Association Board of Directors also denounced "statements that may fuel xenophobia or prejudice" in a statement in support of Xu, an award-winning investigative reporter for Flatwater.

Norman Chen, the CEO of The Asian American Foundation in San Francisco, said in a statement that Pillen's comments were "not only appalling but also outright racist."

Meeting with reporters in downtown Lincoln, Pillen said "I'm 100% focused on the state of Nebraska and the people

of Nebraska and defending agriculture, growing agriculture, selling it all over the country," he said.

"And that's what I keep focused on. I focus on the task at hand and don't get caught up in the sideshows."

Governor, I repeat, you ARE the sideshow and only you can stop the sideshow.

The hole is just getting deeper. The solution is simple.

Apologize.

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

ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW ...

Youth survey shows students prefer small towns, safety

After four years and more than 3,700 students surveyed, Nebraska Community Foundation's Greater Nebraska Youth Survey affirms young Nebraskans' desire to include the state in their future and a preference for smaller communities.

"Year after year students tell us about their preference for small communities. They point to safety, good schools, and proximity to family as the most important characteristics of the places they choose to live. They say in the future, they are likely to live in the area they live now, and they do not recognize a negative stigma with remaining in or returning to your hometown," said Jeff Yost, president and CEO of Nebraska Community Foundation. "We believe these youth survey results are a critical tool for understanding the priorities, values and desires of young Nebraskans and that they can help us create the kinds of communities of choice our young people want to return

to."

This year, NCF and the Center for Public Affairs Research (CPAR) at the University of Nebraska at Omaha surveyed 980 middle and high school students in 11 communities: Arcadia, Crofton, David City, Diller-Odell, Imperial, Ogallala, Ord, Paxton, Pender, Shickley and Stuart. Key findings included:

Students still prefer small towns. Year after year, students have expressed a preference for small communities with 64% of respondents saying their ideal community size is "small, like my hometown." Only 4% say their ideal community is larger than those that exist in Nebraska. Importantly, the vast majority (72%) say there is no stigma attached to living in a rural community.

They want to remain in Nebraska. The majority (58%)

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Addressing our affordability crisis

Economic hardships brought about by severe inflation and supply chain challenges continue, creating an ongoing affordability crisis in our country. Small businesses and families across the nation have had to make difficult choices and dig into savings to make ends meet in recent years. Inflation hits hardest those who can least afford it: those on fixed and low incomes. Seniors struggling to stretch their savings have little recourse when prices go up but their earnings do not.

Job creators are forced to make hard decisions because of the economic environment, often resulting in layoffs and closures. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the U.S. civilian labor force participation rate — 62.8 percent in September of this year — remains below its pre-pandemic level of 63.3 percent and far below its level in September of 2008, 66 percent. This indicates we still have too many Americans sitting on the sidelines of our economy, and we must carefully consider how we can connect them with good jobs.

Comparatively, Nebraska's unemployment rate remains low at 2.1 percent. While this is good news for job seekers, this is a double-edged sword,

as I often hear from Nebraska employers desperate for workers about the difficulty they face bringing workers into the state because affordable housing is so hard to find. This is a serious need in Nebraska and in many parts of the country. In 2006, the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta began maintaining a Home Ownership Affordability Monitor Index.

The index, which has plunged 36 percent since President Joe Biden took office, is at the lowest point in its history, showing it now takes 44 percent of median income before taxes to afford a median-price home.

Housing affordability and availability challenges further contribute to our inflation and supply chain problems. Still, we must ensure we are carefully addressing needs on a regional basis, not painting with too broad a brush when making policy changes.

This week in a hearing held by the Ways and Means Subcommittee on Work and Welfare, I raised concerns with a proposed change to the Census Bureau's official measure of poverty, which is used by federal programs such as Medicaid, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), and Obamacare subsidies.

Despite wide diversity in lifestyle, cost-of-living, and demographics from state to state and within each state, the proposed Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM) would produce an estimate of the poverty line which could dramatically alter the poverty line and create disparities directing funding away from states with lower incomes.

The American Enterprise Institute estimated this proposed change could increase government spending by \$124 billion over the next decade.

It's clear that this effort to change our primary federal poverty measure is the latest in the Biden administration's ongoing efforts to unilaterally expand the scope of federal social programs against congressional intent.

In order to rebuild our economy, we must return to policies which have been proven to drive economic growth and economic opportunity. The 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) showed how beneficial tax policies which reward work and domestic economic investment can be to the American people.

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FROM THE HILL



Congressman

Adrian Smith

Promoting American Interests

The heinous attack on Israel by Hamas this month sent shockwaves throughout the Middle East and across the world.

War in one part of the world has a ripple effect — we all feel its impact. In this case, the United States is especially affected. Hamas killed American citizens in its assaults on innocent people across Israel. It is holding American citizens hostage underground in Gaza. Hamas has American blood on its hands.

The United States and Israel have always been bound by shared values and

strategic interests. We are now further bound by shared tragedy. This is why our government must act — not just to protect Israeli interests, but to promote American interests.

It's critical that we return every American stranded in Israel or being held hostage in Gaza. Every American must be accounted for and safely brought home. This should be top priority for the administration.

Our action in support of Israel won't only protect American citizens — it will also buttress our national defense. Standing with Israel involves countering Iran, a regime that openly supports terrorist organizations by providing them with resources and funding.

We must act to show terrorist groups, and their state sponsor Iran, that we will not abide the slaughter and kidnapping of Americans. We must gather all of our economic and diplomatic strength to send a powerful

message to Iran.

Iran wants to see Israel destroyed by terror. Beyond that, it wants to see the United States destroyed. The regime's proxy forces continue to attack our military forces regularly in Iraq and Syria. The risks are too great to allow Iran to accelerate this conflict.

As we counter Iran, we must also provide as much assistance as we can to our ally Israel. We know Israel will need more defensive capabilities, including Tamir interceptors for its Iron Dome air defense system — the backbone of its missile defense architecture. My colleagues and I introduced a bill last week to reallocate aid funding that could have ended up in Hamas's pockets to Israel's Iron Dome. This legislation would be an important first step in defending Israel against further attacks.

We know Israel will need more ofensive capabilities, including preci-

sion guided munitions to hit specific ground targets. We know Israel will need more medical equipment to help troops and citizens recover from continued vicious attacks by Hamas and Hezbollah.

The United States and Israel have long partnered by sharing intelligence on terrorism in the Middle East. That partnership must continue. We must ensure that we are providing all the intelligence assistance we can to help Israel eliminate the Hamas threat.

Congress and the administration must work together to aid Israel in whatever way possible — whether through funding, military equipment, or intelligence sharing. Our support of Israel will help it triumph over terrorism. And our support of Israel will help us to show strength and deter adversaries like Iran. Standing with Israel promotes our own American interests as well.

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Pope John CC



HIGH HONORS:

Seniors: Ashlynn Charf, Brooklyn Meis and Elise Ruterbories.
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Sophomores: Camry Kittelson. **Freshmen:** Brooke Kinney. **7th Grade:** Sydney Niewohner.

HONOR ROLL:

Juniors: Natalie Burenheide.
Sophomores: Tessa Barlow, Jovie Borer and Karson Kallhoff.
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Pope John students attending were (l-r): Matthew Kerkman, Christian Preister, Joseph McNally, Raef Klein, Sydney Niewohner, Lillian Moser, Kinley Drueke and Darby Carstens.



Survey

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report that they are extremely or somewhat likely to live in the area they live now. A job or business opportunity is the top-most reason to live elsewhere. They desire safety. Safety, good schools, and proximity to family continue to be the top three most important factors in their ideal community – qualities that are abundant across Greater Nebraska. However, 42% report that they have been bullied and qualitative data demonstrates students’ wishes for more welcoming, inclusive communities.

“The active participation of young people in rural Nebraska bodes well for the future of rural communities,” said CPAR Director Josie Schafer. “It indicates that many of them are likely to stay or return to their hometowns later in life.” Despite high levels of engagement in local organizations and businesses, most students (76%) said they do not feel like they play a role in their community. Adults in Greater Nebraska can help these youth feel more involved by inviting them to take part in local organizations, offering them a seat at the table. “Additional engagement of youth in local decision-making and planning can further connect students to their communities,” Schafer said.

Pope John Alumni Memorial Mass to now be November 16

Due to the Wolfpack qualifying for state volleyball, the Pope John Alumni Memorial Mass has been moved. It will now be held on Thursday, November 16 at 8:15 a.m. at St. Boniface Church in Elgin.

Family and friends are invited to join the Pope John faculty and students in giving thanks for the gift these alumni have made to the school.

Students cited job opportunities elsewhere as the main reason they would not live in their community as an adult. They understand the availability of health care and agriculture jobs in their towns, but do not perceive possible opportunities in other fields, such as the arts, recreation, tourism, business management, information technology and media, among other careers in which they expressed interest.

While students overall expressed positive sentiments about their communities, there were differences evident in

responses when broken down by gender identity, race and ethnicity. Female students, for instance, reported being less likely to live in their current community as adults. Students of color reported feeling less connected to their

EPS, PJCC choirs perform at Tilden

The Elkhorn Valley Junior High Choral Clinic in Tilden was held on Thursday, October 26. Nearly 300 singers performed *Be A Light*, *The Wellerman, Hero, and Ritmo*. The choir was directed by Celeste Ditter from Columbus Middle School. (Below) Elgin Public junior high choir members attending were (back row, l-r) Bristol Buschow, Kaidynce Schrad, Makenna Mortiboy, John Zwingman, Braedon Hinkle, Kinley Miller and Jayvin Erickson. Front Row: Treyvonn Dredge, Anna Dworak, Gentry Zwingman, Sophia Burke and Kinlee Tillis. Photos submitted

Smith

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To build on those successes, the Ways and Means Committee, on which I serve, passed the Tax Cuts for Working Families Act earlier this year, which would build on TCJA successes and leverage tax relief policy to increase take home pay for working Americans by \$4,000, while ensuring businesses have the certainty they need to invest in their workers. Throwing more taxpayer dollars at a problem is wasteful and counterproductive. To foster opportunity, prosperity, and success for Americans, we must work together to implement appropriate designations for federal funding and spur economic growth.

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- Sunday, November 5**
Elgin Public Library Hayrides* • Immanuel Zion Lutheran Church Soup & Pie Supper*.
- Monday, November 6**
Elgin City Council monthly meeting.
- Tuesday, November 7**
Antelope County Board of Commissioners regular meeting @ Neligh.
- Friday, November 10**
Veterans Day Program at Elgin Public School gym, 11 a.m.*.
- Sunday, November 12**
St. Bonaventure of Raeville Soup Supper.*
- Tuesday, November 14**
District #18 Board of Education regular meeting.

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T	9:00-1:00	Dr Rudloff/Good/Sucha/Niewohner	
	1:30-5:00	Dr Rudloff/Dr Dawson/Sucha/Wolff	
W	9:00-1:00	Dr Osborn/Good/Niewohner	
	1:30-5:00	Dr Osborn/Good/Niewohner	
Th	9:00-1:00	Dr Osborn/Good/Sucha/Wolff	
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#7



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Love, Dad,
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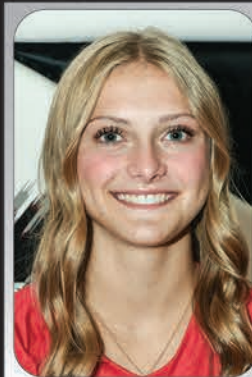


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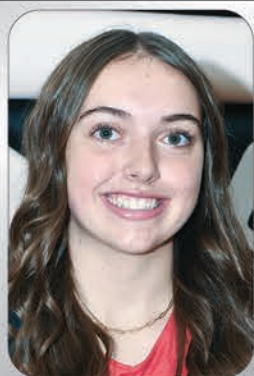


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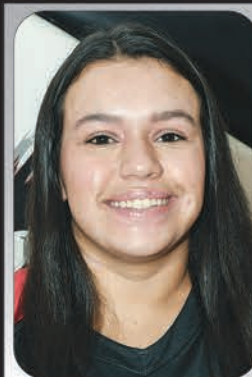


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WOLFPACK vs. DESHLER

THURSDAY, NOV. 2

1 p.m. at the Pinnacle Bank Arena

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Nov 1	EPS PreK-6th grade, NO SCHOOL
Nov 2	NO SCHOOL - all Elgin Schools
Nov 3	If volleyball team wins - NO SCHOOL.
Nov 6	NVC Vocal Clinic @ PJCC • Cyber Patrol Round 2 (EPS)
Nov 7	FFA District Livestock Judging @ Ord
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Mahnke wins this week's football contest

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runner-up prize. Results of the games were: Kansas over Oklahoma NC State over Clemson Notre Dame over Pitt Nevada over New Mexico SMU over Tulsa Arizona State over Washington State Washington over Stanford Oregon over Utah Georgia over Florida Iowa State over Baylor West Virginia over Central

Florida Tennessee over Kentucky Nebraska over Purdue UCLA over Colorado Boise State over Wyoming Louisville over Duke Ohio State over Wisconsin Arizona over Oregon State Entries for the next contest are due at the newspaper office by 5 p.m. Friday. Save a stamp, take a picture of your entry with a cameraphone and send it to elginreview@yahoo.com.

sweet potatoes a better crop than I expected. Hopefully the garden can be plowed yet this fall depending on the weather.

Bartlett News

By Sherry Tetschner
Wheeler County Farm Bureau held their annual meeting in Bartlett Thursday evening, October 26 at the old fire hall. The evening began with a delicious pot luck supper and good fellowship. Guest speakers were: Nadine Diane Bane, candidate of 2025 District 41 Nebraska Legislature, Kelly Duryea, Farm Bureau Regional Manager of North Central Region, Kole Pederson, employed by Nebraska Farm Bureau as 'Director of Environmental and Regulatory Affairs' and Cole Lumsden, Political Director of Deb Fischer for U.S. Senate. Officers will remain the same for 2024. They are: President Margaret Valadao; Vice President Owen Seamann; Secretary Diane Dicke and Treasurer Janna Schrunk. ***** Ben and I hauled out the garden debris just as it started snowing on Saturday. That left carrots and sweet potatoes to be dug. The carrots were monstrous sizes, but still bright orange and very edible. The

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Kole Petersen was a guest speaker at the Wheeler County Farm Bureau Annual meeting held in Bartlett Thursday, October 26. Photo submitted

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1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

Joshua 3:7-17 Matthew 23:1-12 Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37

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Sunday School: 10 am.

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NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE IN ANTELOPE COUNTY COURT THE ESTATE OF DENNIS J. SUHR

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Deceased.
CASE NO. PR 23-20
NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE**

Notice is hereby given that on October 23, 2023, in the County Court of Antelope County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written Statement of Informal Probate of the will of said deceased and that Todd Suhr, whose address is 3164 Fairlane Ave., Columbus, Nebraska 68601, has been appointed Per-

sonal Representative of this Estate. Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before December 26, 2023, or be forever barred.

Linda Mitchell
Clerk Magistrate
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Ewing man pleads guilty to first-degree sexual assault

By Sandy Schroth

court reporter
Ryan Brummels, 22, of Ewing, changed his plea to guilty when he appeared in front of the Honorable James Kube in the Antelope County district courtroom in Neligh last week. Brummels, who is represented by Frederick Bartell of Norfolk, appeared Oct. 25 for pretrial hearing on the charge, a Class 2 felony committed Dec. 26, 2022.

A plea agreement was announced. In exchange for Brummels agreement to plead guilty, Antelope County Attorney Joe Smith agreed to make no recommendation at sentencing and to file no additional charges based on evidence the state possesses. Both parties agreed to a 25-year registration obligation, pursuant to the Nebraska Sexual Offender Registration Act. Kube ordered a presentence investigation report and set sentencing for Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2024. Bond is continued at \$50,000, 10%.

Several other defendants also changed their pleas after reaching plea deals.

Taylor Schwager, 36, of Orchard appeared in front Kube with his attorney, Ron Temple of Norfolk, for a revocation of post-release supervision hearing.

A plea agreement was announced, with Smith agreeing to dismiss the charge in return for Schwager's agreement to serve a 48-hour sanction at the Antelope County Jail.

The motion to revoke PRS was filed by Antelope County Attorney Joe Smith on July 26, alleging a July 14 DUI arrest in Lancaster County.

Temple had asked for continuance when he appeared with Schwager on Aug. 30, telling the judge he expected resolution by dismissal, since charges had not been filed in Lancaster County. However, a Lancaster County complaint was filed Sept. 11, alleging two counts, Count I, reckless driving, a Class 3 misdemeanor, and Count II, driving wrong way on one-way street, an infraction, with his next appearance there set for Nov. 20. Bond was posted July 14, in the amount of \$2,500, 10% cash.

Schwager's PRS is effective until Nov. 10.

Rider C. Short, 23, of Oakdale appeared for pretrial hearing on Count I, Count I, operating a motor vehicle to avoid arrest, a Class 4 felony, and Count II, theft by unlawful taking, greater than \$5,000, a Class 2A felony; and for preliminary hearing on Count III that was direct filed in district court last month, criminal mischief, more than \$5,000, a Class 4 felony. Bartell announced a plea agreement – Short would waive jury trial on counts I and II but the attorney said he wasn't sure what Smith's intention was for Count III. Smith then agreed to dismiss Count III. Kube set a bench trial on counts I and II for Nov. 19. Bond is continued, in the amount of \$20,000, 10%.

Christopher Robinett, 20, of Neligh appeared, alongside his court-appointed attorney Martin Klein of Neligh, for pretrial hearing on a four-counts and for a revocation of probation hearing. Robinett was charged with, Count I, burglary, a Class 2A felony; Count II, leaving the scene of a property-damage accident, a Class 1 misdemeanor; Count III, driving under the influence of alcohol, a Class W misdemeanor; and Count IV, no proof of financial responsibility, a Class 2 misdemeanor, all related to the theft of a pickup from Carhart Lumber in Neligh on Aug. 6 and a subsequent crash.

Klein announced a plea deal.

In return for Robinett's guilty pleas to counts I and III and admission to violating terms of probation ordered Nov. 30, 2022, Smith agreed to dismiss counts II and IV and file no additional charges related to the August charges.

Robinett pleaded no contest to Count I, which was not an option listed in the agreement,

Two sentenced to probation on assault cases

By Sandy Schroth

court reporter

The Honorable James Kube handed two defendants, who had been convicted of two misdemeanor counts apiece after accepting plea deals in August, concurrent 18-month probation sentences during the Oct. 25 session of Antelope County district court at the courthouse in Neligh.

They were also informed of their right to petition the court to have their convictions set aside after successful completion of their probation.

Jordan Knievel, 22, of Neligh faced Kube for sentencing on two Class 1 misdemeanors, third-degree assault and obstruction of a peace officer.

Knievel's terms of probation include 90 days on a continuous alcohol monitor; 90 days in the Antelope County Jail before the end of probation unless waived by her probation officer and payment of \$570 in probation fees. She was taxed \$148 costs of prosecution.

Knievel, in response to questioning by the judge, said she didn't recall everything that happened April 2, while she was working at Cubby's in Neligh and after her shift ended, but admitted she had consumed alcohol while at work.

She said her mental health had been "all over the place" and she was socializing with the wrong crowd.

She blamed the decision to consume alcohol at work on a new mental health drug she had been prescribed, and her behavior.

Judge orders arrest of man who failed to appear in court

By Sandy Schroth

court reporter

Jay L. Herrera, 22, of Vermillion, South Dakota, failed to appear in the Antelope County district courtroom in Neligh last week for a pretrial hearing on a charge of making terroristic threats, a Class 3 felony alleged June 7 in Neligh.

His court-appointed attorney, Martin Klein of Neligh, asked the judge to continue the hearing. Klein said he had no way to contact his client but he had talked to the defendant's "now ex-girlfriend," who told him Herrera has no phone. Smith objected.

The Honorable James Kube denied the request, revoked Herrera's \$10,000 bond and ordered a bench warrant.

Herrera had tested hot for THC during his arraignment hearing in September, was incarcerated overnight and allowed to appear the following day, electronically, in front of Kube, who was presiding in from the bench in Madison County.

Koda Fernau, 19, of Clearwater had his pretrial hearing continued after a pre-court drug test was positive for THC. Kube revoked Fernau's \$25,000, 10%, bond until 9 a.m. the following morning, when it was to increase to \$30,000, 10%, and remanded him to the custody of Antelope County Sheriff Bob Moore.

The hearing is continued to

a plea that drew questioning looks from the attorneys and the judge. However, Kube did allow the plea to stand. Robinett was not allowed to plead no contest to Count III though, due to a potential restitution caveat in the agreement. He pleaded guilty to Count III and admitted violating probation that was ordered Nov. 30, 2022.

ior that night on a combination of the two.

She replied that she hadn't started drinking until her 21st birthday but admitted marijuana use beginning during high school as well as use of cocaine during the month or so preceding her arrest.

She said she felt she was "getting back on track," doing well at her job and getting along well with her parents.

Antelope County Attorney Joe Smith did not oppose probation. He said Antelope County officers supported Knievel.

Antelope County public defender Pat Carney told Kube that the incident had been a "blessing" for his client, who had reached out for help immediately.

"If it hadn't ended like it did, she wouldn't be where she is today," he said.

Carney said Knievel had written a letter of apology to the officers and he asked Kube to take into consideration her upcoming sentencing for felonies committed in Madison County at about the same time.

Originally charged with a Class 3 felony, assault on a peace officer and two Class 1 misdemeanors, false reporting and the obstructing charge, Knievel pleaded guilty to the amended charges in August, as part of a plea agreement.

Ethan Moses, 20, of Chambers faced Kube for sentencing on his conviction of two Class 1 misdemeanor counts of third-degree assault.

Moses' terms of probation include 90 days in the county jail, 30 days immediately and

Nov. 29, with a jury trial still on the Dec. 12 docket. Fernau posted the additional \$500 cash Oct. 26. Fernau, who is represented by court-appointed attorney Ryan Stover of Norfolk, is accused of terroristic threats, a Class 3 felony alleged Sept. 2, 2022.

Robert J. Suhr, 24, of Elgin appeared, along with his attorney, Brad Ewalt of Norfolk, for arraignment on a Class 3 felony that was bound over from Antelope County district court, and child abuse, and a Class 1 misdemeanor that was direct-filed in district court, third-degree domestic assault, both alleged Sept. 2, in Elgin. If convicted, Suhr faces up to three years of incarceration and/or up to \$10,000 fine on Count I and up to one year and/or up to \$1,000 fine on Count II.

Suhr pleaded not guilty and requested jury trial. Pretrial hearing is set Nov. 29 and jury trial, Feb. 20, 2024. Bond is continued, in the amount of \$10,000, 10%, with conditions including no contact with the alleged domestic assault victim or her children.

Matthew P. Williams, 52, of Neligh had his pretrial hearing continued on three counts alleged June 21, use of a firearm to commit a felony, a Class 3 felony; terroristic threats, a Class 3 felony; and third-degree assault, a Class 1 misdemeanor. His jury trial remains on the Dec. 12 docket.

Kube found Robinette guilty of counts I and III and set sentencing Dec. 20, along with resentencing on his 2022 conviction of criminal attempt-burglary, a Class 3 felony related to March 2022 thefts from the Neligh Vape Shop and Fit Stop. Robinett was remanded back to the custody of Antelope County Sheriff Bob Moore.

the remaining 60 days before the end of probation, unless waived by the court; continued counseling and mental health treatment services; completion of several classes through the probation office, including anger management; no contact, neither direct nor indirect, with the victim; and payment of \$570 in probation fees.

Although Moses indicated he does not drink alcohol or use illegal substances, Kube ordered him to obtain an alcohol/drug evaluation and complete any recommendations. He was taxed \$176.96 costs.

Smith cited Moses' age and told the judge that, although Moses has no criminal history, he didn't just send texts one night, he had sent threatening text messages "over and over."

"There has to be some significant punishment," the prosecutor said.

Carney said Moses had cooperated with officers, had been seeing a counselor since shortly after the incident and his counselor indicated he was "doing well."

The defense attorney said the victim's family had only asked that a no contact order continue.

He requested a probation sentence and asked that any jail time be waivable throughout probation.

Moses, when questioned by Kube, said he didn't know why he had sent the messages to his former girlfriend, threatening her and her family.

"I was angry at the situation," he said. "I guess I just snapped."

He agreed with Kube that the victim and her family could have been scared he would carry out the threats and he admitted having anger issues. He said he was seeing a counselor.

Kube said he agreed Moses had a level of immaturity and acknowledged his seeking counseling.

"Sometimes victims suffer mental issues, then they need counseling," the judge lectured. "Relationships and breakdown of relationships, particularly with a significant other, can have drastic effects."

Moses was remanded to the custody of Antelope County Sheriff Bob Moore to serve the first 30-day stint in jail.

Moses, who was originally charged with terroristic threats, a Class 3 felony, and intimidation by telephone call, a Class 3 misdemeanor, pleaded guilty to amended charges in August after reaching a plea bargain with Smith.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Upper Elkhorn Natural Resource District

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Board of Directors of the Upper Elkhorn Natural Resources District ("Board") will hold a public hearing at 12:30 p.m. on November 27th, 2023 at the Upper Elkhorn Natural Resources District office, 301 North Harrison Street, in O'Neill, Nebraska 68763. This is not a question-and-answer hearing. The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony relevant to the adoption of proposed amendments to the District's Chemigation Rules and Regulations. A summary of the proposed amendments to the rules and regulations is as follows:

The proposed amendments apply to the overall Rules & Regulations.

The proposed amendments authorize a general restructuring of the number identification system of the Rules & Regulations.

The proposed amendments authorize updated enforcement rules and regulations to better conform to state statutes.

Rule 11.1.1.1 The proposed amendments authorize a new application fee of \$100.00 (not to exceed \$150) for each new permit shall be paid to the District, of which \$5.00 shall be paid to the Department of Environment and Energy

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Rule 11.1.1.3 The proposed amendments authorize the annual renewal fee of \$30.00 (not to exceed \$100) shall be paid to the District, of which \$2.00 shall be paid to the Department of Environment and Energy

Rule 11.1.1.4 The proposed amendments authorize an emergency permit application fee of \$250.00 (not to exceed \$500) shall be paid to the District, of which \$10.00 shall be paid to the Department of Environment and Energy

Copies of the full text of the proposed amendments to the rules may be obtained at, or by contacting, the Upper Elkhorn NRD, 301 North Harrison Street, O'Neill, Nebraska 68763, telephone number 402-336-3867. All persons are encouraged to attend the hearing and offer testimony. Written testimony may be presented at the hearing or may be delivered or mailed to the Upper Elkhorn NRD. If mailed or delivered, such testimony must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on November 24th, 2023.

Individuals with disabilities may request auxiliary aids and services necessary for participation, by contacting the Upper Elkhorn NRD at the address or phone number listed above.

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Community Center Menus

Monday, November 6: Sausage & sauerkraut, cheesy hash browns, corn, peaches, milk.
Tuesday, November 7: Chili, ham & cheese sandwich, carrots/celery, tropical fruit, milk.
Wednesday, November 8: Sausage with green peppers, onions & fried potatoes, peas, pears, milk.

Thursday, November 9: Chicken strips, French fries, coleslaw, apple wedges, milk.
Friday, November 10: Baked pork cutlets, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, lettuce salad, peach cobbler, milk.
(All meals served with bread & butter. Menus are provided by the Community Center. and are subject to change)

Courthouse News


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9/24/23 Count 1) overweight on axle or group of axles; Count 2) overweight on axle or group of axles, fined \$150 - Asche.

Robin K. Patience Dennis, Montgomery, TX 10/4/23 speeding 75/65 mph, fined \$25 - Dostal.

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Opioid crisis in Nebraska discussed

Students from Elgin Public and Pope John schools, along with members of the public, listened and learned at a public assembly last Wednesday. The North Central District Health Department (NCDHD) sponsored the presentation that featured Coleridge mother Carol Wolfe. Wolfe lost her son to an accidental fentanyl overdose in 2022. Her son Josh was in Nashville, TN for a wedding and was in downtown Nashville with two other friends. Two of the three men given fentanyl died, the third was revived when given a medicine to counteract the drug. To date, no suspect has been found.

Clean up day

No snow was going to stop Gary Schiltmeyer from getting rid of those dead leaves on his front lawn. With damp and windy days leading up to Saturday's first snow of the season in Elgin preventing yard work, many residents still have an abundance of leaves to take care of. Sunshine has melted most of the snow to allow others to do their cleanup.

Things to think about when using late fall alfalfa

A common question I've been asked lately evolves around using alfalfa this late in the year. With real cold and snow finally here, the window for beneficial use is closing rapidly. However, the topic is still worth discussing.

Harvesting alfalfa this late in the season, either mechanically or with livestock, is typically safe from a plant's perspective. We are past the point where alfalfa plants will have any significant regrowth, which would deplete the reserves already stored for overwintering. Removal of any lasting stubble can have some negative consequences on the crown though. The ability for snow to be trapped on the field, insulating the crown from temperature extremes, preventing desiccation, and providing some moisture in the spring should not be over-

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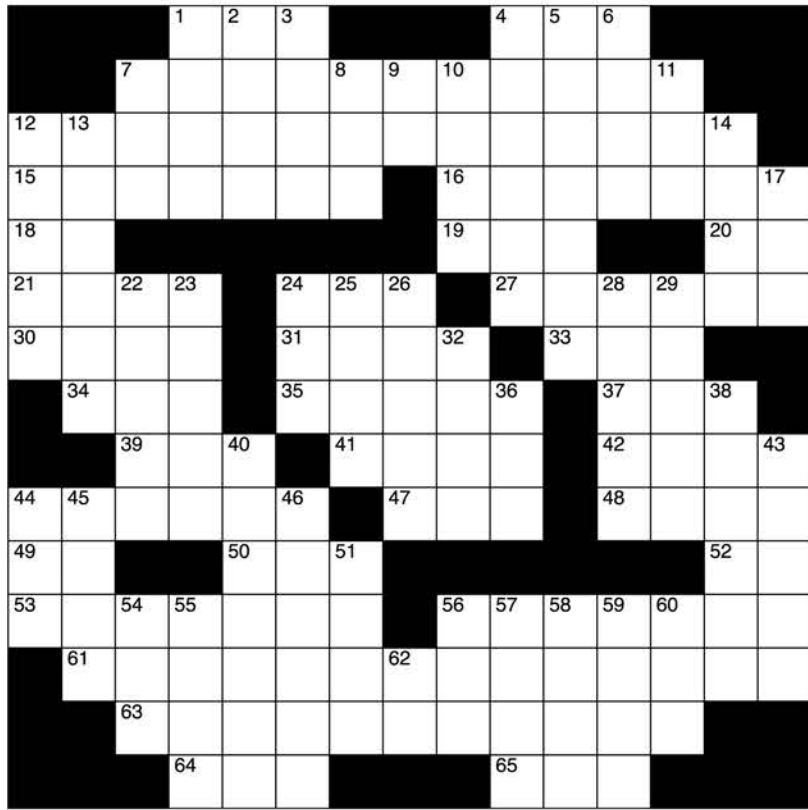
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looked lightly. If we do decide that use is worth the risk, we first need to decide how we plan on harvesting the stand. Harvest for hay this late in the season is extremely difficult. Cool days, lower temperatures, and increased risk of precipitation mean drying cut hay can be almost impossible. For this reason, if we want to mechanically harvest, feeding as green chop, ensiling, or wrapping as high moisture bales are probably better options. Raising the cutter height a bit to improve airflow under the windrow can help things dry a bit faster, with the added benefit of capturing some snow for some of the crown protection we talked about earlier. Moisture at this time of the year can cause compaction from equipment harvesting,

while hoof action from grazing can damage crowns, especially in newly established fields. Having a sacrifice area to put animals on during inclement weather to avoid excessive damage to the stand may be a good practice to consider. Additionally, wet weather could leave areas with high traffic rough for next year's haying season. A benefit of removing standing growth is a reduction in alfalfa weevil infestations by removing stems and plant parts that serve as a wintering site or a spring laying site for weevil eggs. If grazing is our preferred method of harvest and we can safely say that our stand health is not a concern, the real question often being asked is "Can I be sure my cows won't bloat if they graze my alfalfa?" To be quite honest, you can never be 100 percent certain that alfalfa won't cause bloat. Bloat risk is highest 3-5 days after a freeze and much lower a week after a hard freeze after plants have fully wilted. Even if

grazing during this safer time, use good management methods to reduce the risk further. Have cows full before turning out to alfalfa and allow them to graze for an hour or two initially or access to a small portion of the field. Wait until mid-day, after frost or dew is gone, before turning out. Gradually work up the grazing time or area to allow the rumen to adjust to the new, high-quality diet while plants are still green. Other dry, palatable feeds or even bloat retardants can be provided to minimize risk even further. Harvesting alfalfa late in the fall can be tricky but can be done. Just be careful and realistic. - Ben Beckman is a beef systems Extension Educator serving the counties of Antelope, Cedar, Knox, Madison and Pierce. He is based out of the Cedar County Extension office in Hartington. You can reach him by phone: (402) 254-6821 or email: ben.beckman@unl.edu

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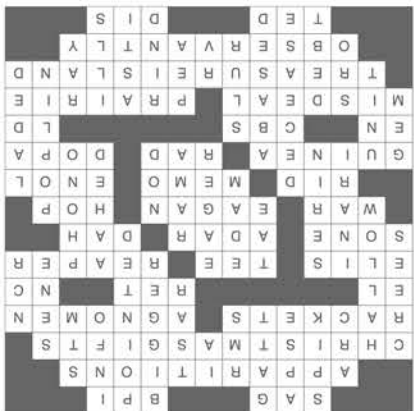
CLUES ACROSS

- 1. A way to drop
- 4. Bits per inch
- 7. Ghosts
- 12. Presents
- 15. Noises
- 16. Honorable fourth name in ancient Rome
- 18. Elevated railroad
- 19. A way to drench
- 20. The Tarheel State
- 21. Lilly and Manning are two
- 24. Where golfers begin
- 27. Harvester
- 30. Unit of subjective loudness
- 31. Jewish calendar month
- 33. Dash
- 34. Armed conflict
- 35. Daisy __; Broadway actress
- 37. Jump
- 39. Get free of
- 41. A written proposal or reminder
- 42. Organic chemistry reactive structure
- 44. African country
- 47. Cool!
- 48. Used to treat Parkinson's disease
- 49. __ route
- 50. Ed Murrow's home
- 52. Lethal dose
- 53. Give cards incorrectly
- 56. A treeless grassy plain
- 61. Famed R.L. Stevenson novel
- 63. In an incisive way
- 64. Mark Wahlberg's screen partner
- 65. Criticize

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Mountain in the Julian Alps
- 2. A domed or vaulted recess
- 3. Trade agreement
- 4. Larger
- 5. Edged
- 6. Data
- 7. Something curved in shape
- 8. Root mean square (abbr.)

- 9. Farm state
- 10. Pre-1917 emperor of Russia
- 11. Short-term memory
- 12. Indigenous peoples of central Canada
- 13. Honor as holy
- 14. Monetary unit of Samoa
- 17. Company that rings receipts
- 22. City in Finland
- 23. Small finch
- 24. Arctic explorers (abbr.)
- 25. Mild yellow Dutch cheese made in balls
- 26. Very willing
- 28. Partner to "oohed"
- 29. Turntable
- 32. Major Hindu deity
- 36. Move head slightly
- 38. Plain-woven fabric
- 40. Die
- 43. Shipped as cargo
- 44. Something highly prized
- 45. Individual thing or person
- 46. Humbled
- 51. Speak indistinctly
- 54. No seats available
- 55. Financial obligation
- 56. Green vegetable
- 57. Tough outer skin of fruit
- 58. __ Spumante (Italian wine)
- 59. Troubles
- 60. Singer Charles
- 62. Camper



WOLFPACK

Wolfpack Sports



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The Wolfpack bench stormed the court to join their teammates to celebrate Saturday night's victory over Deshler. The victory earned them a berth in the Class D1 State Volleyball Tournament, beginning Thursday in Lincoln

LINCOLN, HERE WE COME

Wolfpack sweep Deshler to earn spot in D1 State Tournament

By Dennis Morgan
co-publisher

ELGIN — For the last three years, the Wolfpack have ‘knocked on the door’ of the state volleyball tournament only to be denied entry by the likes of Hartington Cedar Catholic, Lindsay Holy Family and Sumner-Eddyville-Miller.

On Saturday evening, they kicked the door down to claim a spot in the tournament to begin Thursday in Lincoln.

Having earned a berth in the district finals as a ‘wildcard,’ they showed they belong among the elite eight by sweeping the Deshler Dragons 25-18, 25-20



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Staying out of the net, senior setter Baylee Busted records one of her 42 set assists against the Dragons.

and 25-17.

“We’ve got to bring it at this point in the season. Everyone is going to be good,” Coach Jordynn Luettel said after the match. “The girls were clicking tonight. Our serve receive was on point, we served very aggressive...I couldn’t be more proud of the girls.”

At St. Boniface Auditorium, playing in front of their fans, some who were in line before the doors opened one hour before the match, the team turned in a near flawless performance.

Consider this:

- EPPJ made just three serve receive errors in 58 attempts, getting the ball to setter Baylee Busted to run the offense. Busted finished with 42 set assists in the match.
- The Wolfpack’s attack produced 47 kills in 121 swings. Ashlynn Charf, Sara Bode and Chloe Henn combined for 33 kills. The team got an added boost from Kayton Zwingman with nine kills and Camry Kittelson added five.
- Led by junior Kate Furstenau’s 24 digs, the team produced 84 digs over three sets.

In Set #1, Deshler kept pace with the Wolfpack as they were tied 10-all in the early going. Then EPPJ asserted their will on the Dragons, putting together a 10 to four run to take control of the set.

Henn had three kills in that span and combined with Kittelson for a stuff block. Sara Bode added an ace serve.

The Dragons cut the lead to 24 to 18 before Henn closed out the set with a big kill.

Set #2 proved to be the closest set in the match. A four-point run by the Dragons cut EPPJ’s lead to 18 to 17. Back-to-back kills by Charf and Zwingman gave EPPJ some momentum. Bode had three of the team’s four kills for the final five points of the set.

The Wolfpack’s attacks made the Dragons more tentative in the final set. EPPJ never trailed in that set.

Deshler managed to tie the

set at 14-all. Charf and Zwingman teamed up for a stuff block. Charf then added a kill before Furstenau’s ace serve to make the score 18 to 14.

From that point, the outcome of the match was inevitable. They closed out the match with a seven-to-three run highlighted by two more Charf kills and one from Zwingman before Bode ended the match with a kill.

Luettel said the one thing that stood out in the match was communication. “We talked. We had each other’s back tonight. We stayed together, we had each other’s back the whole game.”

EPPJ (26-6) earned the #7 seed by winning the match. They will face #2 seed Southwest in the opening round.

The match, at Lincoln’s Pinnacle Bank Arena, will begin at 1 p.m.

EPPJ 3, Deshler 0

Dragons.....	18	20	17
Wolfpack.....	25	25	25

Attacks (K/Att/E) — Camry Kittelson 5/8/1, Baylee Busted 0/2/0, Kayton Zwingman 9/17/1, Ashlynn Charf 11/40/4, Sara Bode 7/27/2, Chloe Henn 15/27/2. Team totals: 47/121/10. Deshler — Allie Vieselmeyer 12/35/3.

Serving (A/SA) — Kittelson 1/15, Kaitey Schumacher 0/11, Busted 0/5, Charf 2/16, Bode 1/12, Kate Furstenau 1/10. Team totals: 5/69

Blocks (Solo/Assist) — Kittelson 0/1, Busted 0/1, Zwingman 3/1, Charf 1/0, Henn 0/1. Team totals: 4/4

Digs (D/DE) — Brenna Martinsen 4/3, Kittelson 5/6, Schumacher 3/2, Busted 10/7, Zwingman 5/2, Braelyn Martinsen 12/2, Charf 12/4, Bode 6/1, Henn 3/0, Furstenau 24/13. Team totals: 84/40. Deshler — Tierra Schardt 19/0

Sets (A/BHA/BHE) — Br. Martinsen 0/1/0, Kittelson 0/1/0, Busted 42/101/0, Charf 0/1/0, Furstenau 1/5/0. Team totals: 43/109/0. Deshler — Molley Drohman 27/96/2

Serve Receive (SR/SE) — Bra. Martinsen 9/0, Charf 17/1, Bode 13/1, Furstenau 17/1. Team totals: 56/3. Deshler — Tierra Schardt 32/2



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Against the Deshler Dragons Saturday night, EPPJ’s Kayton Zwingman had nine kills and three solo blocks.

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Seeing the block set up to her right, Sara Bode went down the line for one of her 13 kills against the Cardinals.

Cardinals edge EPPJ at subdistrict final in four sets

By Dennis Morgan

co-publisher

O'NEILL — Two teams entered St. Mary's gymnasium Tuesday night each with the same goal - a district championship. Less than two hours later one emerged victorious and the other, although losing, still alive for a shot at the D1 State Volleyball Tournament.

For the third time this season, St. Mary's defeated the Wolfpack, this time in the finals of the D1-8 Subdistrict, another epic battle waged by two of the top teams in north-east Nebraska.

Behind 24 kills from Mya Hedstrom, the Cardinals prevailed in four sets 25-18, 23-25, 25-18 and 25-22, handing EPPJ just their sixth loss of the season.

"We were close, the girls were fired up," Coach Jordynn Luettel said after the match. "It came down to consistency, St. Mary's was more consistent

than us tonight. We were back on our heels a lot, we had to play a lot of defense, we were reacting instead of anticipating."

After dropping the first set, the Wolfpack stole momentum in the match to build a big lead in Set #2. Capitalizing on the trio of Sara Bode, Chloe Henn and Ashlynn Charf to control the net with attacks, EPPJ bolted out to a 10 to 3 lead.

The lead grew to 11 points, 19 to eight, as Kate Furstenau and Camry Kittelson found success at the service line. At the net, Kayton Zwingman and Baylee Busted teamed up to stuff Lorissa Reiman, much to the delight of the large contingent of Wolfpack fans.

The lead grew to 22 to 11 before St. Mary's made a run. After Kittelson recorded a kill to set up set point for EPPJ, St. Mary's dodged six straight set points to make the score 24 to 23. Charf then closed out the set with a kill to knot the match at 1-all.

Set #3 was tight for much of the early going. After a Bode kill tied the score at 10-all, the Cardinals went on a 7-0 run to lead 17 to 10. EPPJ never got closer than four points the rest of the way.

The fourth set saw EPPJ fall behind by six points in the early going. The teams then traded points as EPPJ closed the margin to three points, 18 to 15, on an ace serve by Charf. Mistakes by the Cardinals and aggressive net play by the Wolfpack pulled EPPJ to within one, 22 to 21 as Henn and Charf had their moments at the net.

A kill by Hedstrom was matched by Henn to make the score 23 to 22. St. Mary's then got kills from Hedstrom and Reiman to close out the set and the match.

"I'm proud of the way they fight, they never gave up," Luettel said.

EPPJ had 55 kills on 145 swings, led by Henn and Charf each with 19 kills, Bode added 13. Hedstrom had 24 kills to lead all hitters.

Busted recorded 48 set assists in the match, St. Mary's was led by Alissa Brubeck with 45. Furstenau led the Wolfpack in digs (25) and serve receive (27).

A key in the match may be found in serve receive. EPPJ had 17 serve receive errors, St. Mary's had just two.

St. Mary's 3, EPPJ 1
Cardinals.....25 23 25 25
Wolfpack.....18 25 18 22
Attacks (K/Att/E) — Camry Kittelson 3/11/2, Baylee Busted 1/3/1, Kayton Zwingman 0/3/1, Ashlynn Charf 19/51/9, Sara Bode 13/31/4, Chloe Henn 19/45/5. Team totals: 55/145/22. St. Mary's — Mya Hedstrom 24/55/7, Lorissa Reiman 13/29/5. Team totals: 54/135/19
Serving (A/SA) — Kittelson 1/11, Kaitey Schumacher 0/8, Busted 0/18, Charf 1/12, Bode 1/18, Furstenau 1/13. Team totals: 4/80. St. Mary's — A. Barlow 2/26. Team totals: 6/97
Blocks (Solo) — Zwingman 2, Kittelson 1, Charf 1, Henn 1. Team totals: 5. St. Mary's — 0
Digs (D/DE) — Brenna Martinsen 6/7, Kittelson 9/1, Schumacher 1/1, Busted 9/11, Zwingman 2/1, Braelyn Martinsen 6/3, Charf 12/6, Bode 3/3, Henn 3/0, Furstenau 25/17. Team totals: 56/50. St. Mary's — A. Barlow 13/3. Team totals: 57/14
Sets (A/BHA/BHE) — Busted 48/119/3, Zwingman 0/1/0, Henn 1/2/1, Furstenau 4/8/0. Team totals: 53/130/4. St. Mary's — Alissa Brubeck 45/109/2. Team totals: 53/132/3
Serve Receive (SR/SE) — Br. Martinsen 14/9, Kittelson 4/0, Zwingman 0/1, Charf 12/3, Bode 19/2, Furstenau 27/2. Team totals: 76/17. St. Mary's — Piper Ickes 25/0, A. Barlow 25/0. Team totals: 79/2

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Chloe Henn celebrates a kill during Set #2 which EPPJ won 25-23.

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Spinning Tales

St. Boniface Auditorium gave EPPJ a big homecourt advantage

ELGIN — Stepping inside St. Boniface gymnasium takes me back in time. It's not fancy by any means, the wood bleachers, the scoreboards haven't been new for some time now. I love it.

And, on Saturday, the Wolfpack volleyball team and fans loved it to as they swept Deshler to advance to the Class D1 State Volleyball Tournament.

The victory capped a big week for the Wolfpack, where emotions ranged from tears after a loss to St. Mary's on Tuesday night to tears of jubilation Saturday by winning a district final they had been unable to do the past three years.

From my vantage point (and I was everywhere shooting photos for this newspaper and the Hebron Journal who covers Deshler) it was loud, real loud.

This gym, which doesn't hold as many fans as the one at EPS where they practice, offers the Wolfpack a distinct advantage in games like this. Why? Consider this:

• On top of you — The fans are on top of the action, literally. There's precious little space that isn't occupied when there's a big game. Fans were lined up outside the door more than hour before the start of the match. Many were parents, but there were fans too.

EPS Superintendent Mike Brockhaus said as much days earlier at St. Mary's gym. I said to him that it was sad that they couldn't play the EPPJ-St. Mary's match at O'Neill High

where they could accommodate more fans. He said gyms like St. Mary's provides the home team a big advantage. He was right about the success the Cardinals had, beating the Wolfpack to win the subdistrict title.

And, it proved to be right for the Wolfpack against Deshler.

Thirty minutes before the start of the match, the Wolfpack side of the court was packed from one end to the other. Across the court, there were plenty of good seats to be found.

• Can you hear us? — On this day, with the weather the way it was, aside from family, there weren't a lot of Deshler fans in the stands. That was made abundantly clear when the EPPJ student section did the old spirit cheer (we've got spirit yes we do, we've got spirit how about you?) Deshler's response? Silence.

When our fans get excited, it gets real loud in the old gym, so loud that it intimidates opposing teams (well maybe not St. Mary's, but everyone else).

• No hunger games — Play a match at 5 p.m. means the concession stand will be busy. I bought two chicken wraps and told them to set them back and I would get them at the end of the match. When everything was done courtside, we headed to the stand where Tonya Kallhoff found the wraps, she said they sold all but two. Moments later they were sold out. These chicken wraps, made by Emily Borer, are the best food I've found during the Fall sports season. The only possible exception was the ice cream served at the Riverside triangular a couple of weeks ago.

And now it's on to Lincoln and Pinnacle Bank Arena (PBA). Plenty of seats to be had. The arena is so big they can have two matches played simultaneously. Legendary Grant Plainsmen Coach Larry

Pritchett, when his basketball teams headed to state, would always tell the press that places like Pershing Auditorium and Devaney could hold a lot of hay bales due to their size. I'm not sure anybody has ever figured out how many round or square hay bales would fit into PBA, that's another thought for another day.

Just as long as the Wolfpack show up ready to play, fans should bring plenty of money because there's a very good chance this could be a three-day trip to remember.

This marks only the second time the Wolfpack have made the state tourney. The only other time was 2016 when EPPJ finished third.

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PJCC Dinner Theatre tickets now on sale

Deadline to purchase tickets is November 10

Pope John XXIII Central Catholic High School will present their annual Fall Dinner Theater on Sunday, November 19 in the St. Boniface Auditorium.

The Pope John Crusaders are busy putting together this year's One Act play, *All By Myself* by Robert Scott. The One Act is coached by instructors Mrs. Kerri Drueke and Mrs. Amy Klein.

Library hayrides to be this Sunday

The Elgin Public Library annual hayride will be held on this Sunday, November 5, beginning at 2 p.m. Rides will be given every half hour until 4 p.m. At least one parent must accompany their child under the age of 6. S'mores will be served after the hayride.

For anyone interested in enjoying an evening of delicious food and great entertainment

please contact any member of the One Act or the high school for tickets at 843.5325.

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A sophomore, Kayton had her best game at the net against Deshler in the district championship match. She had 9 kills & 3 solo blocks in the win.
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TRACT 1
Location: 2 1/4 miles South of Elgin, NE on Hwy 14 to 836 Rd. 1 3/4 miles west on pavement. Land is on north side.
General Information: 149.91± acres - paved road access with productive soils and good water
Legal Description: SW 1/4 of Section 22 Township 23 Range 7W, 149.91± Antelope County, NE
Soils: Mostly Crofton-Nora complex, Alcester silty clay loam, Nora silty clay loam.
Irrigation: 8" electric irrigation well with an early 80s 8-tower Zimmatic pivot. 148 certified irrigated acres
FSA Information: 147.11 acres farmland, 140.39 acres of effective DCP cropland, 6.72 acres CRP, 109.80 corn base acres with 133 bu. PLC yield, 30.59 soybean base acres with a 50 bu. PLC yield.
CRP NOTE: New buyer will receive 2024 CRP payment and will be required to honor and follow the guidelines of the remaining CRP contract. CRP contract expires 9/30/24.
Taxes: 2022 taxes were \$5,570.34. Sellers will pay 2023 and all prior taxes. Buyers will be responsible for the 2024 and future real estate taxes
Possession: Full possession will be given March 1, 2024.
TRACT 2
Location: Directly north of tract 1
General Information: 146.53± productive soils with good water. Older building site with grass area. Wind turbine income.
Legal Description: NW 1/4 of Section 22 Township 23 Range 7W, 149.91± Antelope County, NE
Soils: Mostly Nora silt loam, Moody silty clay loam, Crofton Nora complex.
Irrigation: 9" electric irrigation well with an early 80s 9-tower Zimmatic pivot. 105.4 certified irrigated acres
FSA Information: 141.40 acres of farmland, 129.92 effective DCP acres of cropland, 5.89 acres of CRP land, 79.90 corn base acres with a 133 bu. PLC yield. 43.40 bean base acres with a 50 bu. PLC yield.
CRP NOTE: New buyer will receive 2024 CRP payment and will be required to honor and follow the guidelines of the remaining CRP contract. CRP contract expires 9/30/24.
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