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In Brief

Thanksgiving Bazaar to be held November 27

At St. Boniface Auditorium.

This year will mark the 101st year for the St. Boniface Catholic Church Thanksgiving Bazaar.

It will be held next Thursday (November 27) at St. Boniface Audito-

Close to 900 meals are expected to be served at the event which features dining in the gymnasium as well as take-out orders.

Bazaar chairpersons this year include Deb Beckman, Brenda Meis, Julie Borer, Lynell Morgan, Anna Meis, Emily Borer and Betty Getzfred.

Like in past years, many will make the trek from places near and far to have the chance to enjoy one of the finest Thanksgiving feasts around. Publicity for the event has been placed throughout northeast Nebras-

Persons will come to the gymnasium and receive an adult-portioned meal(s) prepared on Thanksgiving

Meals will be served from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A large majority of the parishioners of the church will be involved in one way or another with the bazaar. Like past years, there will be sausage sales

Also, there will be the big ticket raffle as well as quilt and gun ticket sales in the gym from 11 a.m. to 1:30

Public Notices //

Public notices in this week's news paper include:

Proceedings — The Antelope County

Board of Commissioners Proceedings — The District #18 Board

Proceedings — The Bartlett Village

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Weather

The high temperature last week was 82 degrees recorded on Friday, November 14.

The low temperature during the same period was 11 degrees recorded on Tuesday, November 9.

No precipitation was recorded last

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

| Date | High | Low | Prec |
|--------------------------|------|-----|-------|
| Nov 9 | 32 | 11 | .00 |
| Nov 10 | 44 | 14 | .00 |
| Nov 11 | 66 | 33 | .00 |
| Nov 12 | 59 | 33 | .00 |
| Nov 13 | 71 | 46 | .00 |
| Nov 14 | 82 | 45 | .00 |
| Nov 15 | 65 | 29 | .00 |
| Total for last week | | | 0.00 |
| Total for November | | | 0.00 |
| Total precipitation 2025 | | | 25.63 |



Accepting the award for 2025 Outstanding 4-H Club were Way Out West club members (front row, I-r): Ryleigh Young and Easton Bode. Back row: Club advisors Chris Redding and Karin Kinney, Chase Young, Jaidyn Schrad

Way Out West 4-H Club earns 'top club' honors at Awards Night

The Way Out West 4-H Club was named the 2025 Outstanding 4-H Club at the 4-H Achievement Night celebration held Sunday in Neligh.

According to information provided by the Antelope County Extension Office, the "club has done amazing work cleaning up three miles of trash of Hwy 70 West of Elgin for the past 25 years. The past two years they have put on a

petting zoo for families during the Elgin Vetch Days Community celebration. The youth go out and pick up flowers off the Park Cemetery after Memorial Day. Finally, their club donates money each year to the Antelope County 4-H Council for awards. This club is full of enthusiastic young 4-H'ers who are interested in a wide variety of project areas.

Turkey giveaway winners to be announced Friday

Precious few days remain before one of Elgin's richest traditions is observed again.

Winners in the annual Turkey Giveaway, organized by Dean's Market and The Elgin Review, will be an-

nounced Friday afternoon. For the past few weeks, people have been signing up at participating businesses. There's still time to register for the giveaway as winners will be drawn no later than noon this Friday, November 21.

The winners will be announced on The Elgin Review's Facebook page later that day.

Businesses taking part in the event this year are:

- · Bank of Elgin
- · Blend & Brew 402
- City Limits • CVA Agronomy

· Dean's Market

- · CVA Grain & Feed · Coffeehouse Café
- Draper Insurance Agency, Inc.
- Elgin Bargain Box
- Elgin Body & Glass
- Elgin Community Center · Elgin Hardware & More
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- Precision Repair
- Total Image Salon

• Town & Country Veterinary Clinic • Sandhill's Hide-A-Way (at *Review office*)

• Sands Truck Service & Repair After the winners are announced, they can pick up their turkeys at Dean's Market during regular business

School board approves Miller as new K-12 counselor

A new K-12 guidance counselor for Elgin Public Schools has been hired for the 2026/27 school year.

Meeting Wednesday night, the District #18 Board of Education voted 5-0 (board member Luke Hinkle was absent) to approve the hiring of Katlyn Miller to fill the position which will come open at the end of the current school year with the resignation of Sonia Rittscher.

Miller will be coming to EPS from Wheeler Central where she has been employed by the school district for the past two years in a similar capacity.

That was just one of a number of items acted upon by the board during a meeting which lasted just short of one

Other action items included:

 Purchase of a new Wolfpack wrestling mat. The board approved the expenditure of \$5,428 for the new mat from Dollamur Sport Surfaces.

• The school board, on a 5-0 vote, approved the purchase of the professional development program through Boys Town. Cost of the program is just under \$4,500.

• Repairs to be made. Crash bars on the Ag & Activities door will be repaired by Binswanger. The cost of the repairs comes to \$6,635.30.

· Bleachers to be moved and inspected. Again, on a 5-0 vote, the board approved a bid from Heartland Seating to move the bleachers in the gym to replace the flooring underneath the bleachers. The cost to move the bleachers. Also, Heartland Seating, for a fee of \$2,620, will inspect and service the bleachers.

As for the floor, approval to remove and replace the flooring under the bleaches was tabled to the December

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Shoppers find good buys at 'Shop the North Pole' here in **Elgin**

The annual Shop The North Pole event local vendors drew customers from far and wide to Elgin Friday night and most of Saturday, November 14-15 at the Elgin Knights of Columbus Hall, Elgin Community Center and The Depot (the old Elain Hotel building). (Left) Mike Dvorak stands beside some of his wood creations which caught the attention of many on Saturday morning. left)There (Lower were plenty of vendor items to browse through during the two-day event. Here's a scene from the Knights of Columbus Hall around noon Saturday. When they got tired of shopping, a soup and sandwich meal was served at the Elgin Community Center. Both days were well attended, according to organizers. Planning is already underway for next year's event. E-R photos/DMorgan









From JoAnn Baum's Kitchen

Pumpkin Dump Cake

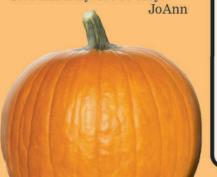


oumpkin day! Tis the season" for pumpkins in so many Decorating in your coffee or making

something good to eat with that wonderful pumpkin flavor. This week, I have a favorite dessert recipe I make by request in our family. I am sure many of you have made

this recipe before, if not, try it.

This would be delicious for that Thanksgiving dinner you are hosting or even for the bazaar dessert you need to furnish. Give this a try! It's so easy!



PUMPKIN DUMP CAKE 1-29 oz can pumpkin

1-12 oz can Evaporated milk

3 eggs

1 cup sugar 1 tsp salt 3 tsp cinnamon 1 box yellow cake mix 1 cup chopped pecans 3/4 cup melted butter

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Sunday night

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On Sunday night, a year's worth of 4-H achievements in

Antelope County were celebrat-

done throughout the year, much

A special shoutout was given

to retiring superintendents for

their contributions to the fair

chery; John Beckman for providing leadership with Swine; Curt & Brandi Qualset for orga-

nizing the rabbits in and outside

of the show ring; Rhonda Meyer

for building and establishing the poultry program; Stuart

Vaughn for guiding the sheep

Recognized were Mark Eggers for his work with Ar-

ed. Amazing work has been

of it culminating at the Ante-

lope County Fair held every

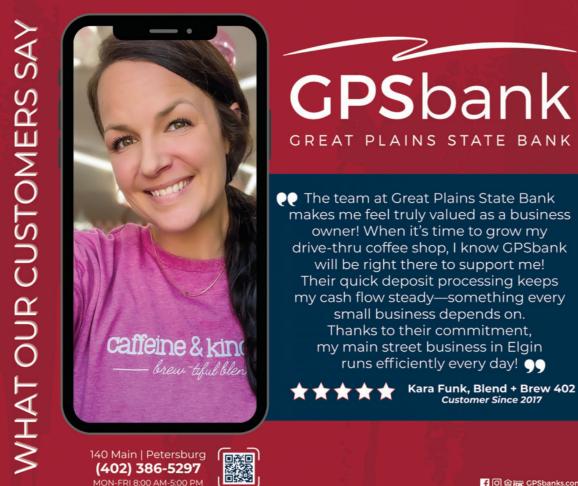
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Dean's Market the following week.



Businesses taking part in the event this year are:



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As long as Christian hope prevails

My sister's birthday celebration on Sunday was nearly

Friends and family were

there, even those who don't always show up for that type of

Amazingly, we all got along.

Elgin Community Center menus

Monday, November 24: Polish dogs in sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, carrots, plums, bread & butter, milk.

Tuesday, November 25: White chicken chili, ham sandwich, cottage cheese, pineapple, carrots/celery, bread & butter, milk.

Wednesday, November 26: Turkey, sweet potatoes, baked corn, cranberries, pumpkin pie, bread & butter, milk. Thursday, November 27: Community Center closed. Happy Thanksgiving.

Friday, November 28: Community Center closed. 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.

We had two overcrowded tables of potluck food, drinks on the house at my cousins' bar and a running slideshow highlighting my sister's 65 years of life.

The birthday girl, Patty, was given a sash and crown to wear for the occasion.

It was a fun bash for what was likely her last birthday here on earth. It was a "celebration of life" held for a guest of honor who was still alive.

Patty was diagnosed with stage-four cancer about a year ago. So far, she has surpassed the life expectancy she was given at the time. The latest prognosis, given about a month ago, was three to seven months left to live.

At this point in the story, I'm tempted to say "Cancer sucks."
The humanity in all of us

knows it does. Cancer brings pain and all too often death. But so far, I'm resisting bashing the disease – at least for

Christian hope prevails.

I believe in Eternal Life. I believe that suffering has merit. I believe that everything that

now, as long as this thing called

God allows to come our way is for a greater good.

I believe, as St. Therese of Lisieux would say, that "Everything is grace," including cancer.

allows something bad to happen to us, He's using it for something amazing. We just need to trust. Like St. Francis of Assisi, I need to come to terms with

our mor-

tality - and

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Faith

God's loving will – and embrace "Sister Death." I'm not at that saint-level of

I'm not at that saint-level of trust and hope yet. I'll miss my big sister, who has protected me and doted on me for most of my life

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DEC. 15



Sixty Years Ago

November 18, 1965

Vernon C. Omer, 34, joined the Nebraska Safety Patrol and was sent at once to his present duty station at Valentine. The Trooper is a native of Central City, and graduated from Belgrade High School. After serving in the Marines and working as a farmer, Trooper Omar joined the Patrol October 3, 1955.

Mrs. Ora Carr fell and broke her hip Thursday morning before the time for funeral services of her husband that afternoon. She was taken to the Tilden Community Hospital by her son, Dewey, when she complained of considerable pain. Examination there revealed the cracked hip bone and she was removed in the Brooks ambulance to the Methodist Hospital in Omaha for treatment.

Final plans are nearing completion for the Pearl Harbor Attack Veterans, Midwest, reunion and convention to be held in St. Paul and Wolbach, Nebraska, Saturday, Dec. 4, 1965.

St. Boniface High School lost their final season game to Niobrara Wednesday night of last week on the victor's field in a non-scheduled contest. The game was a hard hitting contest with both teams putting on a great defensive show for the nearly 600 fans present.

Elgin High had three players on the Sandhills-Gateway All Conference football team selected by the coaches in the conference. Al Bauer was the choice at offensive center. Al is a senior and was cited for his all around play. John Kuester and Don Bauer were defensive choices at end and guard. Both received every coaches vote but one and are three year regulars at this position. They are seniors.

Fifty Years Ago

November 13, 1975

Ethel Margaret Shoemaker, daughter of Albert J. and Emma Perkins Shauer, was born Jan. 20, 1920, at Glen Lake, Minn. and departed this life unexpectedly with a heart attack suffered while visiting at the home of her brother, Earl in Pasadena, Calif.,on Nov. 8, 1975, at the age of 55 years, nine months, and 17 days.

Jane Schindler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Schindler, was named first runner-up in the Nebraska Dairy Princess Contest held in Omaha Nov. 5. The affair was held at a noon luncheon during the annual Nebraska Dairy Industries Association convention.

Elgin Public High School's football team soundly defeated Wilsonville here Friday afternoon, 30-14. The Eagles will now host Adams this Friday afternoon at 1:30 for the State Championship in 8-man competition

A retirement party for Bob Ehlers, retired Antelope County Extension Agent, will be held Friday, November 21. Plans are to serve a dinner at 7:30 p.m. at the Imperial Steakhouse, Neligh. While this event is primarily for co-workers from various county and state officials, the general public is invited.

This area of the state received its first good rainfall Sunday for several weeks when a total of 1.25 inches was recorded at the Bank of Elgin. The rain started Saturday when a trace was recorded.

Thirty Years Ago

November 15, 1995

Elgin Volunteer Fire Department elected new officers for the coming year during its regular meeting Monday night, Nov. 13. The newly elected officers are Steve Hansen, President; Marv Kerkman, Vice President; Bob Tharnish, secretary; Bill Alderson, treasurer; Ray Gregor, chief; Duane Miller, first assistant chief; Jim Kittelson, second assistant chief; Dick VonBonn, captain of Company No. 1; Ken Jochum, captain of Company No. 2, and Don L. Poulsen, room committeeman.

After two days of unseasonable warm weather on Nov. 9 and 10,

temperatures returned to normal levels Friday through Monday. Conditions remained dry through most of the past week. Following are the high and low temperatures, and precipitation amounts, recorded during the week by local weather observer Clarence Johns. Antelope County Sheriff's office investigated a one-vehicle

accident last Friday, Nov. 10, at 11:25 a.m. on a county road 10 miles west and three miles south of Elgin. A 1991 Chevrolet Suburban, driven by Patrick Pierce of Steger, IL, was southbound on the county road when the accident occurred.

Natalie Evans, daughter of Joe and Nancy Evans of Oakdale, has been selected for the 1995 Nebraska All-State Chorus. She is a senior at Pope John Central Catholic High School in Elgin. Acceptance into the 450-member chorus is one of the highest musical achievements that a high school student can attain. The final concert will be held Saturday, Nov. 18, at the Lied Center for the Performing Arts in Lincoln.

The Jim Hawkins family of Oakdale lost their home in a fire shortly before 7 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 5. The blaze was apparently caused by a faulty television set. The family was not home when the fire broke out.

Twenty Years Ago

November 9, 2005

Morgan Guggenmos and Nick Trease, both of Sioux Falls, SD, were united in marriage at the KC Hall in O'Neill, Oct. 15, 2005. Rev. Robert R. Brauninger officiated at the 4:30 p.m. double ring ceremony. Parents of the couple are Mike and Martha McCabe of O'Neill, NE, and Dwaine and Deb Trease of Clearwater.

Pope John Endowment recently gave the first of many payments this school year to Pope John Central Catholic High School. The total amount of money given by the Endowment for the current school year will total \$90,000. This money is used annually to defray the costs of tuition.

Mandi Hoefer of Elgin has been granted a scholarship award for outstanding performance at Nebraska Wesleyan University, Lincoln. Miss Hoefer was chosen for the \$500 scholarship in the Delta Mu Delta program based on her excellence in business studies.

Pope John took an early 6-0 lead, but Humphrey St. Francis pulled away in the second and third quarters for a 58-18 victory in the second round D1 State Football Playoff Game at Humphrey last

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Edward R. Murrow

State climate report says what we already know: it's getting hotter

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As I sit down to write this column, my tomatoes have finally met with a hard freeze and the cannas we plant in the local park are giving up their redtopped glory.

It was one, long fall in my section of southeast Nebraska, with lots of warm days and only recently, a couple of cold snaps. After a killing frost final-

ALL THINGS

NEBRASKA

Paul Hammel

ly arrived here, temperatures in mid-November again rebounded into the 60s and lower 70s. It all makes you wonder: what is going

The recent update of the State Climate Assessment gave us some

The Assessment, funded by the Nebraska Legislature and

compiled by 20-some climate experts, confirms that the state has gotten warmer, particularly in the fall, and that extreme weather events, like the record-worst wildfires of 2012, the bomb cyclone floods of 2019, and the damaging 90 mph winds that hit eastern Nebraska in August, are becoming more frequent and more devastating.

Checked the price of your homeowners or farm insurance? The average cost of homeowners insurance in Nebraska has more than doubled during the past decade.

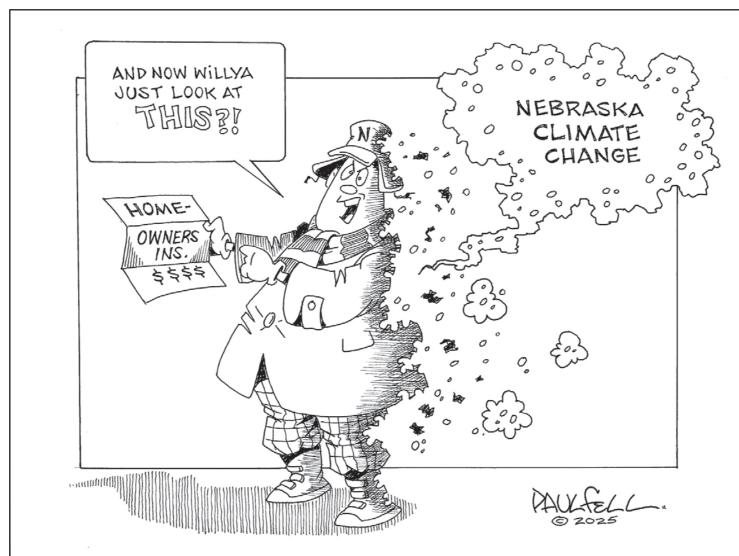
That's the biggest increase in the

'Nebraska stands at a crossroads of experiencing and addressing the challenges climate change brings," begins the 312-page state climate report, which was issued in September by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Now, I enjoy a warm afternoon like the next guy, and there's a lot of outdoor painting and golf that can be done into November with this kind of weather, but the climate report included some warnings:

higher temperatures ing seasons and more intense droughts will put stress on the state's water

- a hotter climate might mean farmers will have to shift to more resilient crops and livestock producers might need to look at species better adapted



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to warmer weather.

How much warmer might it get? The report predicts that Nebraska's climate is destined to be more like Oklahoma's by 2050, with average temperatures 5 to 6 degrees higher compared to 1951-

The number of hot days, with temperatures of 90 and hotter, will increase two to four times, the report stated, while extremely warm nights of 70 degrees or more could be 10 times more frequent.

Time to check the air conditioning,

Climate change is a touchy subject. But the climatologists and others who put together the plan say there's no doubt that the climate is changing, and changing more rapidly than can be attributed to natural changes.

"Reputable climate scientists world-

wide continue to be in near unanimous agreement (greater than 99%) that human influences have warmed the atmosphere, oceans and land," the state report stated.

The report also includes some "options and opportunities" to address climate change. Things like better management of groundwater pumping and recharge, and using more regenerative agriculture techniques to better conserve water. Planting more native landscape grasses and plants that require less irrigation. And better preparation to mitigate flooding and conservation of water to carry though

And there was a controversial suggestion – utilize more renewable energy sources, like solar and wind, and less fossil fuels to reduce carbon emissions and slow warming.

One of the state's leading landowners, Bill Gates, who owns several Nebraska farms, recently stated that climate change won't destroy civiliza-

But he says it still is a very big problem that will have serious consequences, particularly in poor countries and areas that aren't preparing for it.

The new state climate plan said

much the same.

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 our veterans!

Last week, as we do every November 11, America paused to remember the brave men and women who have put their lives on the line to defend liberty and opportunity for their neighbors at home and friends of freedom around the world. The following day, the House of Representatives approved the Senate-passed agreement which will reopen the federal government through the end of January. The bill, which I supported, also completes our work funding several agencies for the full fiscal year, including the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

FROM THE HILL

While I am pleased Congress met its commitment the same week we commemorated their sacrifice, I am also heartened to know the VA is much less affected by government shutdowns because of legislation I previously supported. Under the Veter-

(VA).



Adrian Smith

ans Health Care Budget Reform and Transparency Act, the VA is funded through a process known as advance appropriations. This bill requires VA to report more budgetary data so Congress can utilize the information to project and authorize spending one year ahead of schedule. While advance appropriations is not appropriate for every agency because it lengthens the gap between spending and oversight, utilizing this mechanism for the VA ensures our veterans can receive the care and benefits they deserve even when other agencies are subject to a shutdown. The funding legislation we enacted includes language I supported to prohibit the VA from transmitting information about a veteran's fiduciary status to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System to prevent them from purchasing firearms. The capacity to responsibly own and utilize firearms is distinct from the capacity to manage one's finances, and I am glad the Trump administra-

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Caring for our veterans

President John F. Kennedy once said, "A nation reveals itself not only by the men it produces but also by the men it honors, the men it remembers. On Veterans Day, we honor the women and men who have protected our country's freedoms. It's important to fight for those who have fought for us. I'm committed to taking care of our veterans.

When I was Governor, I signed a bill fully exempting military retirement

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income tax. We launched a state program to ease the transition from military service to civilian employment. We increased pay for Nebraska Veterans Affairs' care technicians by 20%. We celebrated Purple Heart Day at the

benefits from state

Pete Ricketts

Nebraska Capitol. We also merged the Nebraska VA Department and the

Division of Veterans' Homes to create a one-stop shop for veterans' services. In the Senate, I'm ensuring Nebraska veterans have access to quality healthcare. That's why I introduced the bipartisan CAR-

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The aftermath of the longest shutdown in U.S. history

After weeks of debate in Washington, the House and Senate finally came together to pass a bipartisan funding package that reopens the federal government. President Trump signed it into law Wednesday night, marking the end of the longest shutdown in American history.

More than 600,000 federal workers were furloughed. Air traffic controllers, federal law enforcement officers, Border Patrol and TSA agents, U.S. attorneys, and Capitol Police officers showed up to work each day — without getting paid. Federal courts had limited operations. SNAP benefits were only partially issued.

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U.S. Senator **Deb Fischer**

were put on hold. Small business loans were frozen. Every one of these examples represents real people — hardworking Americans who were harmed by this shutdown. Those who voted to keep the government shutdown should be ashamed. Now that eight Democrat senators joined us in reopening

Head Start grants — which serve low-income students –

the government, the bipartisan legislation – now law – includes three major funding bills: one for military construction and veterans affairs, another for agriculture and rural development, and a third for the legislative branch's operations. I'm proud to say it delivers real results for Nebraskans. It also keeps the rest of the government funded through January 2026, ensuring vital services continue while Congress works toward longer-term solutions.

All told, I helped secure \$72 million for community projects across Nebraska. These investments will strengthen Offutt Air Force Base, support our veterans, and boost agricultural research that keeps our state at the forefront of

innovation.

As I wrote last week, our veterans have given so much for this country, and they deserve the best care possible. This bill provides nearly \$1.4 billion for the VA's major construction fund, which will support continued improvements at the Omaha VA hospital. I also worked to make sure the VA buys essential medical supplies — such as syringes and needles — from American or allied manufactur-

ers, reducing our dependence on China for critical products. In addition, the bill directs the VA to expand its External Provider Scheduling program, which helps veterans see community doctors faster and shortens wait times for care.

Offutt Air Force Base is a cornerstone of both Nebraska's economy and our national defense. I secured more than \$54 million for key projects that will keep the base strong and modern. That includes \$42.3 million to plan and design the new Survivable Airborne Operations Center — the next generation of "doomsday" aircraft that ensure national command and control in any crisis. The bill also includes \$6 million to plan a new training and professional development complex, and another \$6 million to begin design work on a new dormitory. These improvements will strengthen readiness and support the men and women who serve at Offutt every day.

Agriculture is the heart of who we are as Nebraskans, and this package continues to invest in our future. It provides \$16 million for the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)'s Agricultural Research Service facility at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL)'s Innovation Campus — building on more than \$56 million I've secured over the last five years to support this cutting-edge research

The bill also includes \$1.5 million for the National Drought Mitigation Center at UNL, which helps communities plan for and recover from drought. And it prioritizes beef research at the U.S. Meat Animal Research Center in Clay Center while streamlining USDA contracting so livestock research facilities can manage costs more efficiently.

This legislation is about supporting the people and communities that make Nebraska strong — our veterans, our service members, our businesses, and our farmers and ranchers.

It was incredibly frustrating to watch the Democrats hold Nebraskans and Americans hostage during this shutdown, but I'm relieved to see the partisan gamesmanship come to an end. I'll keep working to make sure Nebraska's priorities are front and center in the U.S. Senate — because every dollar we invest at home strengthens our communities, supports our families, and builds a stronger future for our state.

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tion also requested this language be in the bill. Because appropriations language only covers the applicable fiscal year, I am also a cosponsor of legislation to make this protection permanent.

Beyond the appropriations process I have cosponsored several other bills this year to ensure our veterans are recognized and receive the services they deserve.

One, sponsored by my Nebraska colleague Rep. Mike Flood, would add the names of 74 servicemembers from the USS Frank E. Evans killed in an accident just outside the designated Vietnam combat zone to the Vietnam Wall. Three of those killed were from Niobrara, Nebraska, in the Third District. Another piece of legislation I have cosponsored is the Veteran Burial Timeliness and Death Certificate Accountability Act. This would require the VA to issue a death certificate within 48 hours when a veteran passes

away in the care of the VA, addressing current, unnecessary waits of up to eight weeks.

I am also a cosponsor of the Ensuring Veterans Timely Access to Anesthesia Care Act, which enables nurse anesthetists to work in VA facilities, improving access and reducing wait times for veterans awaiting certain medical procedures.

Veterans Day is one of my favorite days of the year because it provides great opportunities for young Nebraskans to learn about and celebrate the generations before who have defended their God-given freedoms. While I was in Washington on Veterans Day this year awaiting votes in the House, I had the opportunity to see a combined band from Horizon and Sunrise Middle Schools in Kearney perform for the National Parade of Heroes.

It was inspiring to see them perform, and I look forward to celebrating our veterans and ensuring federal policies address their concerns in the future.

Ricketts

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ING for Our Veterans Health Act. This bill will improve information-sharing between community care providers and VA medical centers. Nearly 75% of veterans return to VA medical centers for continued care after receiving services from community providers. However, the VA currently lacks capabilities to track medical documentation from community care providers. This jeopardizes oversight and clinical coordination. I am also introducing The MIND Our Veterans Act. It will ensure that servicemembers receive effective, evidence-based mental health screenings prior to separation from active duty. These bills would help the VA provide

I introduced the bipartisan Tax Cuts for Veterans Act to eliminate the federal tax on military retirement benefits. I voted to pass the bipartisan ROAD to Housing Act. This provides better

and housing. I support the Major Richard Star Act. This provides full benefits for combat-injured veterans with less than 20 years of military service. In addition, my office works to help veterans navigate the federal bureaucracy and get the benefits they earned

The Working Families Tax Cut Act prevented a \$2,443 tax hike for the average Nebraska family. That's money veterans and their families can spend on groceries, bills, and their future plans. Senior veterans will also receive a \$6,000 tax deduction. This ensures that their benefits stay in their pockets. The One Big Beautiful Bill dedicates \$7.5 billion for military personnel services. That

history. After more than 40 senseless days, Americans are seeing relief. The bipartisan package I voted for delivers wins for all Nebraskans, including our veterans. Our veterans fought for us. I will keep fighting for them. We all must keep fighting for them.

veterans with the care they deserve.

information and opportunities for veterans seeking home loans

I'm also working to improve servicemembers' quality of life.

includes \$3 billion for housing and \$2 billion for health programs. This week we also ended the longest government shutdown in

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Wednesday night.

Several Elgin High School football players were named last week to the D2-6 All-District eight man football team. The Eagles finished second in district play this season, with losses only to Sargent and Ewing.

By Reese Stuhr

In a time when there are so many ways to share information, why is more information than ever being deliberately hidden from public view?

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OBITUARIES

Jerry Clouse, 73

July 8, 1952 - November 21, 2025

Born on a rural ranch near Bartlett, he enjoyed competing in steer wrestling at rodeos, winning the 1979 Mid-State Finals.

Funeral Services for Jerry Clouse, age 73, of

Chambers will be at 1 pm on Friday, November 21, 2025 at Biglin's Mortuary in O'Neill. Burial will follow in the Bartlett Cemetery. Jim Wakefield will officiate.

Visitation will be from 5-8 pm on Thursday, November 20, 2025 at Biglin's Mortuary in O'Neill.

Jerry passed away on Thursday, November 13, 2025 at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney.

Memorials may be directed to his family for future designation. Arrangements are entrusted to Biglin's Mortuary in O'Neill.

Jerald Eugene Clouse was born July 8, 1952 in Tilden, Nebraska to Bernard and JoAnne (Hertel) Clouse. Jerry grew up on the family ranch in rural Bartlett and attended Buffalo Flatz Country School through the eighth grade. He then attended Bartlett High School where he was a part of the basketball team and even sang solos in the Christmas program, he rodeoed and began his love

of coyote hunting. After high school, Jerry worked on a ranch in Southwest Nebraska that raised Hereford cattle for a couple years. He later met Kate Timmerman at a dance in Ericson, Nebraska in June and the couple were later married on December 16, 1978. To this union six children were born: Anna, Brad, JR, Casey,

Ricky, and Chad. Jerry worked on multiple ranches before settling on their home place near Amelia, Nebraska where he worked for Koinzan Feedlot near Ewing.

Jerry enjoyed coyote hunting with his dogs, he enjoyed rodeoing especially steer wrestling where he won the Mid-State Finals in 1979. He enjoyed talking on the phone to his kids daily, spending time with his grandchildren and attending all of their events from showing in 4-H to attending sporting events. Jerry enjoyed sitting on his front porch and even enjoyed watching a little Husker football and volleyball. Jerry never knew a stranger and was a friend to all.

Jerry is survived by his

wife of 46 years, Kate Clouse of Chambers, NE; his children, Anna Clouse of Norfolk, NE, Brad (Ashley) Clouse of Atkinson, NE, JR Clouse of Burwell, NE, Casey (Jessica) Clouse of Emmet, NE, Ricky (Kelly) Clouse of Scribner, NE, Chad Clouse of Ewing; 11 grandchildren, Cooper Clouse, Katelynn Clouse, Aubreionna Clouse, Taytumn Clouse, Kaimberlynn Clouse, Abby Clouse, Maddisyn Clouse, Josephine Clouse, Brianne Clouse, Eli Clouse, Jasper Clouse and one granddaughter arriving soon; sister, Kathy (Van) Volk of Neligh, NE; sisterin-law, Dena Clouse of Tulsa, OK; many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Bernard and JoAnne Clouse and his brother, Rick Clouse.

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Approved on second reading was School Policy 718.01 dealing

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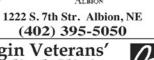
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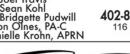




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...Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Luke 23:33-43 Jeremiah 23:1-6 Colossians 1:11-20 Luke 1:68-79

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Spinning Tales

What you see when you look both ways

More than 20 years had past since I sat down at a table with both of my sisters.

That all came to an end Thursday, when, with the help of my oldest sister, 82 years of age, surprised my youngest sister and husband at their home in Seward.

For years, even since moving to Elgin, I thought about this day, but never quite found the opportunity to make it happen. Since the passing of my parents (my mother just two weeks before I came to Elgin), the situation just never seemed to work out.

This job I dearly love goes on week to week, year after year, there's always something to do. We understood that when we purchased the newspaper. There are only so many holidays, the St. Boniface Thanksgiving Bazaar has our attention every year. Christmas is for families and each of them have their own kids and grandkids. And Lynell's family is close so that just about wiped out the calendar.

This year, this time, just seemed right.

onions on it?

I surprised everyone by bringing dinner, Valentino's pizza, salad (with bleu cheese dressing on the side) and the old-fashioned round garlic rolls, all memories of food we shared decades before

I thought a simple hamburger pizza would suffice, but they wanted hamburger AND onion. To each their own

SPINNING TALES



Publisher Dennis Morgan

day. That came when we piled into my sister's suburban and, with me at the wheel, took a tour of the places which now only exist in memories. There was the farm east of Seward where

Anyway, that wasn't the real highlight of the

I guess, still why ruin perfection by tossing

our parents lived the final years of their lives before medical issues took them away. Back then my dad moved a large shed which served as a garage, more than 20 miles to its present location. On the south doors of the old-fashioned garage were the original doors from when I was a kid. On the doors I found where he had placed my basketball hoop. Lower for when I was a small boy, up to 10 foot when I

was in junior high. Those holes used for mounting the hoop turned out to be time markers. Putting my fingers over those holes was like touching the past. I spent endless hours alone shooting baskets, trying to be Jerry West or, later, Dr. J.

Then there was the one distinguishing feature of the farm. From Highway 34, as you passed by, you could see a large round propane tank. It was, in essence, a marker for people to identify where my parents lived (I never lived there, spent a few weekends there through the years but the house was never 'home.' We asked the lady now living in the house where it had gone? She said they moved it to the other side of the house and had painted it to look like a large fish bobber. The tank and all its history was still on the

The next stop was Gresham, where my sisters had graduated from high school. We drove country roads to go near the farm where we had grown up. All the farm buildings and trees are gone now,, it too is a casualty of modern farming.

The intersections on the gravel roads were like a mini-roller coaster in how they rose then dropped.

As we neared Greshman, my sisters spoke about who had lived where and about the house that has never been finished (scaffolding still stands, seemingly in the same location as it did nearly 70 years ago

Gresham is like other small villages across the state. It's school closed years ago. The building was torn down not long ago. All that remains is a detached classroom building which has become a garage; and what once was the gym and now serves as the community center. I would have loved to seen the inside of the center, to see if the gym was still in playing condition.

Still standing, to my surprise, are the goal posts and lights for the football field. The goal posts show rust, probably haven't been painted in decades, especially since Gresham joined the Centennial School District shortly after I graduated high school. Looking at those goal posts, the way they were constructed, they look like something the shop class created

A lot of firsts and seconds played out on that field til the town

ran out of kids to keep the school going. The village is holding on. That's better than most towns who lose



Kittelson



Martinsen





Zwingman

Kittelson, Martinsen earn NVC First Team honors

Two members of the 2025 Wolfpack volleyball team were named to the Niobrara Valley Conference (NVC) first team.

Coaches from member schools made the selections earlier in the week.

Representing Elgin Public-Pope John on the first team are senior Camry Kittelson and junior Braelyn Martinsen.

They helped lead the Wolfpack to a 21-11 season record and finished just one victory away from a berth in the state volleyball tournament.

Joining them on the first

Ainsworth — Gracyn Painter Boyd County — Mazee John-

CWC — Paige Schlenger Niobrara-Verdigre — Amber Sucha and Taylen Stark North Central — Myley Hoffman and Mya Lewis

St. Mary's — Gracie Williamson, Adyson Petersen and Tatum Ickes

Three Wolfpack players were selected to the NVC second team. They were Kayton Zwingman, Gentry Zwingman and

Elizabeth Moser. Others on the second team

Ainsworth — Willa Flynn Boyd County — Kaylee Warn-



Gentry

Mady Zwingman Kurpgeweit

Niobrara-Verdigre — Starlet

North Central — Audrey Kuchera and Sydney Hoffman St. Mary's — Anna Otte Stuart — Kyra Tubbs and Paityn Sheffield

Players receiving honorable mention included:

EPPJ — Mady Kurpgeweit Ainsworth — Megan Jones, Payton Sears and Jaylee Good Boyd County — Ellyl Zeisler, Ashlynn Finnegan and Kyla McCarthy

CWC — Braelynn Schlenger and Rose Woeppel Niobrara-Verdigre — Lynae Nielsen and Nora Kucera

North Central — Ireland **Buell and Paisley Hoffman** St. Mary's — Delaney Drueke Santee — Aubrinee Tuttle Stuart — Cecilia Addison

Before heading back to Seward, we went through Ulysses. Long, long ago its school closed, last serving as an elementary center in the Seward School District. That's where I went for fifth and sixth grade.

The school building now houses an irrigation business, purchased long ago.

What still belongs to the village is the old gymnasium, a small gym which had three rows of wooden bleachers on each side and a small kitchen next to the stage. I got outside to look inside the front door glass windows.

Much to my surprise, the old trophy case was still there. Inside the case were the trophies which celebrated glory days past, moments of celebration achieved by young men whose ghosts come out of the lockerrooms to play, kinda like Shoeless Joe in the movie 'Field of Dreams.

I was surprised those trophies were still there, left to the elements of time. Surely, there should be somewhere better to keep them the school's athletic history. I would have stopped if I could have found a village office, but I couldn't.

Some of the buildings which were there in my youth still stand, but don't appear to have had doors opened in a long, long time. It was then back to my sister's house for some homemade peach cake covered with Dairy Queen vanilla ice cream.

Much of what I learned from this day, I can't say I wanted to know. I do know you can't reset time.

We need to somehow, someway create a museum to preserve our memories of places and things, of people and moments which define who we were then and are now. If for no one but ourselves. Somewhere is some lab in silicon valley, someone is probably developing a way to download all memories from one's mind,

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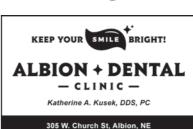
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Sunday, November 23 PJCC Annual Dinner Theatre @ St. Boniface Auditorium.

Thursday, November 27 St. Boniface Annual Thanksgiving Bazaar @ St. Boniface Auditorium. ■ St. Boniface Turkey Trot 1K & 5K.*

Monday, December 1 Regular meeting of the Elgin City

Tuesday, December 2 Regular meeting of the Antelope County Board of Commissioners at the courthouse in Neligh.

Wednesday, December 3 Hometown Christmas in Elgin sponsored by the Elgin Community Club/ Chamber of Commerce.

Tuesday, December 9 Regular meeting of the Antelope County Board of Commissioners.



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On Wednesday, November 12, the Nebraska Examiner reported that the Executive Board of

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Barry DeKay

lature is considering new security upgrades in the Nebraska State Capitol building. This announcement comes in light of recent acts

the Legis-

of political violence across the country and a growing recognition by state and national lawmakers to reconsider existing security measures.

Currently, the Capitol Security Division of the Nebraska State Patrol is charged with the safety and security of the Nebraska State Capitol Complex, Supreme Court, Appeals Court, and Legislature. Capitol Security is staffed by a team of unarmed security officers and is supported by armed state troopers, with the number of state troopers fluctuating depending on if the Supreme Court, Appeals Court, or Legis-

Rossow, Shrader win Elgin Bucks in contest

Tim Rossow defeated Dave Shrader in a tiebreaker in the Elgin Review Football Contest.

Both Rossow and Shrader missed two games. In the tiebreaker, Rossow guessed 603 total yards between USC and Iowa, Shrader picked 694.

The actual figure was 680. Rossow was the closest without actually going over the figure and will receive \$20 in Elgin Bucks, Shrader will receive \$10.

Results of the games were: Ole Miss over Florida Penn State over Michigan

UNLV over Utah State BYU over TCU Utah over Baylor Michigan over Northwestern Navy over South Florida Missouri over Mississippi

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lature are in session.

A number of security measures are already in place at the State Capitol. Security officers perform regular mobile and walking patrols of the Capitol Complex Area. Meanwhile, Capitol Security has a twenty-four-hour communications center at the State Capitol that monitors panic alarms, fire alarms, cameras, access cards, intrusion alarms, and building maintenance systems. Metal detectors are also in place at the State Capitol but only for visitors seeking entry to court sessions of the Supreme Court or the Appeals Court. As of this writing, there are

ongoing conversations happening between the Legislature, Governor's office, Courts, and the State Patrol to determine what security investments, if any, need to be made at the Capitol. A reference point will be to look at what other states have done to improve security at their capitol buildings. For

example, according to a recent NCSL survey, at least 34 states use metal detectors and bag screenings at capitol entrances. Other states use a variety of other security measures including restricting the number of public entrances, using physical barriers and protective film on windows to prevent unauthorized entry, and improving the training of capitol staff and law enforcement with de-escalation techniques and active shooter response.

I am open to potential new security upgrades to the Capitol, but such upgrades must not be too restrictive that it impedes or deters people from visiting the Capitol. Nebraska is fairly unique in that, with the exception of a few technical bills, virtually all bills and proposed constitutional amendments introduced into the Legislature must receive a public hearing by a legislative committee.

Some measures currently being floated by the Executive Board, such as installing metal detectors near entrances or hearing rooms, potentially risk impeding or deterring visitors from coming to the Capitol to testify on legislation if implemented poorly. Ultimately, any permanent building-wide security changes involving a capital expense will need to be approved by the Legislature next session but will likely not be fully implemented until at least 2027. Any costs associated with upgrading the Capitol's security will also need to be weighed against the projected state budget gap, which currently stands at an estimated \$451 million.

I invite you to let me know your thoughts 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.



Wheeler Central K-8th grade singing the 'Star Spangled Banner' under the direction of Mrs. Sherry Tetschner.

Bartlett News

A Veteran's Day program was held Tuesday, November 11 at Wheeler Central.

The Wheeler County Color Guard, consisting of David Collins, Gary Smith and Dean Miller, posted the Colors. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Wheeler Central preschool class. The welcome was given

> by Wheeler Central Superintendent Dan Kluver, the invocation and benediction by Pastor Duane The Wheeler Central Band performed 'American Fantasy' by Mike Story. K-8th grades sang 'The Star Spangled Banner' by Francis Scott Key, 'Amer-

ca' by Samuel Francis Smith and 'Veterans You' by Teresa Jennings. Garrett Dwyer

Giving the Veterans Day address was Garrett Dwyer. He gave a very interesting and informative speech about his military experience in Iraq. Wheeler Central senior Braelynn Schlenger gave recognition to

each Wheeler County Veteran by announcing their name. Also, David Benson was recognized and honored for 50 years as part of Wheeler County Post 107.

A soup luncheon, prepared by Jeremy Klein and Wheeler Central kitchen staff, was served to Veterans, Auxiliary and spouses



Photos submitted

Garrett Dwyer spoke about his military experience at the Wheeler County Veterans Program on Tuesday, November 11.



The Wheeler Central band performed 'American Fantasy' for the Veteran's Program at Wheeler Central.



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PROCEEDINGS OF NOV. 10, 2025 MEETING

THE ANTELOPE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

INFRASTRUCTURE ex 72,739.29;

MOUNTAIN TRUCK & EQUIP ex

70,850.00; MURPHY TRACTOR ex

2,453,66: MUTUAL OF OMAHA ins

2,500.38; NATL INS SVC ins 56.75;

NEBR CHILD SUPPORT garn

1,048.50; NEBR DEPT OF REV tax

4,072.16; NPPD ut 182.50; NELIGH

AUTO ex 74.66; VSP - NACO VI-

SION ins 417.21; NMC EXCHANGE

ex 1,366.95; NCPPD ut 188.99;

NNTC ut 77.08; OLD MILL SALES

ex 1,050.00; QUICK SERVE OIL

ex 301.70; RAZOR TRACKING ex

1,050.00; RDO TRUCK CENTERS

ex 1,951.23; ROYAL ONE STOP ex

202.03; RYANS TRUCK & TRAC-

TOR REPAIR ex 5,416.31; SAPP

BROTHER PETRO ex 7,216.88; BOB

SCHILTMEYER ex 150.00; RAY

SCHLECHT ex 500.00; WEX BANK

ex 862.42; SOC SEC 19,389.10;

56,722.34; STA-BILT CONSTRUC-

TION ex 91,377.80; STEALTH

BROADBAND ut 95.75; TRUCK

CENTER ex 939.39; TRUSTMARK

ins 340.19; TWO RIVERS AUTO

PARTS ex 2,284.10; VILLAGE OF

BRUNSWICK ut 54.50; VILLAGE

OF ORCHARD ut 82.80; WASH-

INGTON NATL ins 99.60; MATT

WILKINSON ex 575.00; PAYROLL

NELIGH-OAKDALE TEAMMATES

County Visitor Promotion:

Register of Deeds: MIPS ex

Inheritance: ANTELOPE CO

Law Enforcement: APPLIED

CONN TECH ex 1,719.68; BAD-

ER'S HWY & STREET ex 2,956.00;

BLACK HILLS ENERGY ut 349.68;

BOMGAARS ex 150.30; CASH-

WA DISTR ex 2,304.20; CHARM-

TEX ex 837.90; CITY OF NELIGH

ut 2,408.15; CULLIGAN ex 95.75;

APRIL CURTISS e ex 90.00; HI-

LAND DAIRY ex 427.40; HILLTOP

COMM PHARMACY ex 113.35;

LAWNS R US ex 275.00; LOUS

GLOVES ex 768.00; PINNACLE

BANK ex 124.97; DENDINGER

DRUG ex 376.08; PRECISION

GLASS ex 80.00; DENDINGER

DRUG ex 2.49; TRANE U S ex

14,672.00; Commissary: CASH-

WA DISTR ex 521.14; CHARM-TEX

ex 562.80; COMBINED PUBLIC

COMM ex 500.00; KEEFE SUPPLY

ex 124.48; PINNACLE BANK ex

Public comments. Pledge col-

lateral review. Correspondence

was reviewed. Sheriffs Fee Report.

Treasurer's Fund Balance, Miscel-

laneous Revenue, and Sweep Ac-

count Statement, and Clerk of the

District Court Fee Report for Octo-

heard. Weed Department monthly

report. Board appointed position

reviews were discussed for action.

Beginning discussion on official

Approved two (2) access permits.

Approved purchase of two (2) salt

Employee handbook update be-

Antelope County Board of Com-

CHARLIE HENERY

Chairman of County Board

Road Superintendent Report.

Zoning Administrator report was

ber were presented.

TREAS ex 1,000,000,00:

96097.26;

361.20;

442.77.

wages.

spreaders

missioners

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ginning discussion.

Meeting Adjourned.

Attest: LISA PAYNE /s/

Antelope County Clerk

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CONSTRUCTION

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF GRAVEL ex 8,218.98; MIDWEST **COMMISSIONERS** Neligh, Nebraska November 10th, 2025

Chairman opened the meeting. Notice of meeting published as required by statute.

Approved agenda. Approved minutes of the November 4th, 2025 BOC meeting.

Approved payroll. Approved vendor claims. General: A & J TOWING ex 315.00; AMERITAS ins 23,840.00; ANTELOPE CO COURT ex 68.00; ANTELOPE CO TREAS ex 200,000.00; APPEARA ex 81.34; APPLIED CONN TECH ex 5,597.65; FIRSTNET ut 643.48; BENCH-MARK GOV SOL ex 73.70; BLACK HILLS ENERGY ut 212.95; BCBS ins 81,691.17; BROGAN & STAF-FORD ex 1,923.69; CARNEY LAW ex 3,874.25; CASEYS ex 286.81; CHARM-TEX ex 389.40; CITY OF NELIGH ut 1,577.85; CITY OF NEL-IGH-RECY ut 1,000.00; CITY OF NORFOLK ex 1,500.00; CLEARFLY COMM ut 159.42; CLERK OF THE DIST COURT ex 36.00: COLD-TYPE PUBLISHING ex 119.00; JU-DITH COLE ps 10.00; COLONIAL LIFE ins 108,40; COMFORT INN ex 220.00; CUBBYS ex 1,024.25; DAS STATE ACCTG ex 834.60; DOUGLAS CO SHRF ex 9.96; EAKES OFC SOL ex 87.87; ELGIN REVIEW ex 157.16; ELITE COURT REPORTING ex 5,245.45; ELITE OFC PRODS ex 337.25; FED W/H tax 14,371.72; FIRST CONCORD ins 2,851.95; FITZGERALD, VET-TER & TEMPLE ex 1,188.70; GREAT PLAINS COMMS ut 309.62; DAR-RELL HAMILTON ps 11.00; HOL-IDAY INN ex 270.00; JACKS UNI-FORMS ex 299.33; KLEIN LAW OFC ex 2,820.80; KOINZAN ENT ex 846.29; BROOKE KUMM ex 119.76; LAWNS R US ex 721.00; LIBERTY NATL ins 87.19; MADI-SON CO DIST COURT ex 50.00; MADISON CO SHRF ex 44.82; MADISON NATL LIFE ins 134.19; MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS ex 122.00; DUANE MILLER ps 12.00; MIPS ex 9,436.65; MUTUAL OF OMAHA ins 3,563.33; NACO ex 2,786.68; NATL INS SVC ins 58.50; NEBR DEPT OF REV tax 6,711.03; NEBR LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAIN CENT ex 50.00; THOMAS NELSON ex 50.00; NIELSEN INS ex 40.00; VSP - NACO VISION ins 573.50; NCPPD ut 63.24; NE NEBR HEATING & AIR ex 1,479.46; NPZA ex 20.00; O'NEILL PEST CONTROL-NICKOLAS ex 160.00; O'NEILL PEST CONTROL-NEIL ex 95.00; OLD MILL SALES ex 493.00; LISA PAYNE ex 2,102.13; PETTY CASH (CO DIST COURT) ex 13.75; PINNACLE BANK ex 246.77; PITZER DIGITAL ex 437.72; PLATTE CO DETENTION FACIL-ITY ex 150.00 PLATTE VALLEY COMM ex 349.50; JANICE RIDDER ps 10.00; SAFE LIFE DEFENSE ex 91.98; SANNE REPAIR ex 7.116.27;

243.67; UNIV OF NEBR-LINCOLN ut 45.02; WASHINGTON NATL ins 285.92; PAYROLL 76656.83; Road/Bridge: AKRS ex 546.94; AMERITAS ins 14,205.36; AP-PEARA ex 76.47; ASPHALT SURFACING CO ex 123,171.40; FIRSTNET ut 140.24; B'S ENT ex 12,020.00; BARCO MUNICI-PAL PRODS ex 1,093.09; BLACK HILLS ENERGY ut 359.59; BCBS ins 59,535.27; BOMGAARS ex 2,051.66; CITY OF NELIGH ut 31.00; CITY OF TILDEN ut 69.69; COLONIAL LIFE ins 370.83; CO-LONIAL RESEARCH CHEMICAL COR ex 1,173.20; CONSTELLATION ut 7.84; CORNER SVC & TIRE ex 25.00; CORNHUSKER INTERNATL TRUCK ex 97.92; CREDIT MNGT SVCS garn 478.16; CUBBYS ex 895.10; DINKEL IMPLEMENT ex 167.30; DUSTYS ex 182.72; ELGIN ONE STOP ex 9.16; EMME SAND & GRAVEL ex 53,883.67; FARM-ERS PRIDE ex 30,151.80; FED W/H tax 8,846.28; FIRST CON-CORD ins 3,802.36; FRONTIER COMM ut 730.83; G I TRAILER ex 471.00; GREAT PLAINS COMMS ut 346.76; GRUBB GRINDING ex 7,533.46; HOLIDAY INN ex 270.00; ISLAND SUPPLY ex 228.16; JOEL SINCLAIR ex 21,098.02; JEBRO ex 347,875.11; JEO CONSULTING GROUP ex 25,448.75; K & S DOOR ex 745.50; KAYTON INTERNATL ex 1,475.11; LEIGH KLUTHE ex 97.60; LAZY T TIRE ex 1,800.31; LIBERTY NATL ins 154.27; LICHTENBERG TIRE ex 6,212.62; MADISON NATL LIFE ins 65.87; MATTEO SAND &

SCHROEDER LAND SURVEYING

ex 290.00; CAROLINE SIEMS ps

25.00; WEX BANK ex 905.28; SOC

SEC 30,810.38; STEALTH BROAD-

BAND ut 1,141.06; STRATTON DE-

LAY DOELE CARLSON & BUET

ex 8,784.81; TRUSTMARK ins

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PROCEEDINGS FROM NOVEMBER 10, 2025 JOINT MEETING

THE VILLAGE OF BARTLETT

VILLAGE OF BARTLETT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

10 NOVEMBER 2025 The Board Meeting of the Village of Bartlett was called to order at 7:05 p.m. on November 10th, 2025. The meeting met at the Village Office, 425 Randolph St. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Plugge. The members present were Nordhues, Tetschner, and Plugge. Also present: Emma Smith, village clerk and members of the community. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting at: Bartlett Post Office, WeMart, and Village Office. Vice-Chairman Plugge proclaimed the meetings to be a legal meeting and acknowledged that the Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room.

MINUTES: It was moved by Tetschner, seconded by Nordhues to approve the October 13, 2025, regular meeting minutes. Roll call vote: Yes-Plugge, Tetschner and Nordhues. No: None. Absent: Einspahr and Williamson. Abstained: None. Motion Carried. It was moved by Nordhues, seconded by Tetschner to approve the special joint board meeting minutes from October 21, 2025. Roll call vote: Yes-Plugge, Tetschner and Nordhues. No: None. Absent: Einspahr and Williamson. Abstained: None. Motion Carried.

STREETS: It was moved by Nordhues, seconded by Tetschner to approve Resolution 11102025- Year End Certification of City Street Superintendent. Roll call vote: Yes-Plugge, Tetschner and Nordhues. No: None. Absent: Einspahr and Williamson. Abstained: None. Motion Carried.

There will be no dust control done on Randolph street this winter as it can only be done in the

The electric company is going to look at the lights by the school that are not working. There was discussion about putting a light in by where the buses and vans for the school are parked. This will be discussed with the school.

WATER: Mark Nordhues will take pictures inside the water tower for the inspection.

SEWER: Was discussed.

USER FEES: Were discussed.

NOVEMBER CLAIMS: It was moved by Tetschner, seconded by Nordhues to pay all claims except those to Mark Nordhues for Professional fees of \$300. Roll call vote: Yes-Plugge, Tetschner and Nordhues. No: None. Absent: Einspahr and Williamson. Abstained: None. Motion Carried. It was moved by Tetschner, seconded by Plugge to pay Mark Nordhues' claim. Roll call vote: Yes-Plugge and Tetschner. No: None. Absent: Einspahr and Williamson. Abstained: Nordhues. Motion Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: The joint meeting that happened with the school was discussed in relation to the CCCFF study. Concerns were brought up by village residents as to the legality of the project with the school, and the future with upkeep of the building. Discussion occurred regarding the funding of this building. Another joint meeting with the school board will occur on December 15th at 6pm for more community input. Chairman Williamson arrived at the meeting.

GENERAL: Internal Revenue Service, Payroll Taxes, \$80.32; Rick Custard, Mowing, bathrooms, potholes, etc., \$240.00; Wilkins Architecture Design Planning, CCCFF study *paid out of CCCFF acct*, \$4,753.35; Northeast NE Telephone Company, internet, \$131.89; Spalding Farm & Home, Tape flag marking, \$10.99; O'Neill Electric Motor Service, Park shelter electric work, \$672.45; WeMart, Fuel, \$119.32; Cornerstone Bank, Checks, \$91.42; L & L Sanitation, Garbage pick-up, \$1,742.00; Sherry Tetschner, Board Member Expense, \$50.00; Mark Nordhues, Board Member Expense, \$50.00; Scott Plugge, Board Member Expense, \$50.00; Dan Williamson, Board Member Expense, \$50.00; Emma Smith, Printer paper, \$56.95, Salary, \$484.84

TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES: \$8,583.53

TOTAL KENO EXPENSES: \$0.00 SEWER: Loup Valley RPPD, Utilities, \$70.74

TOTAL SEWER EXPENSES: \$70.74

STREETS: People's Service, Used tire & labor, \$60.50; Cornerstone Bank, Street Loan Payment, \$17,508.20; Loup Valley RPPD, Utilities, \$969.89

STEET EXPENSES: TOTAL \$18,538.59

WATER: Loup Valley RPPD, Utilities, \$570.73

NE Public Health Environmental Lab, Water tests, \$190.00; Mark Nordhues, Professional Fee, \$300.00

TOTAL WATER EXPENSES: \$1,060.73

GRAND TOTAL OF EXPENDI-TURES: \$28,253.59

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35

The next regular meeting will be Monday, December 8th, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Dated this 10th day of November

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PROCEEDINGS FROM NOVEMBER 12, 2025 MEETING

THE DISTRICT #18 BOARD OF EDUCATION

ELGIN PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD Regular Meeting EPS Board Room

November 12, 2025 7:00 p.m.

President Lisa Welding called the regular November Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The board members present were Eric Beckman, Ron Bode, Steve Busteed, Todd Heithoff and Lisa Welding. Luke Hinkle was absent. Also present was Superintendent Mike Brockhaus and Principal Greg Wemhoff.

Todd Heithoff motioned, and Ron Bode seconded to excuse Luke Hinkle from the meeting. Vote 5-0, motion carried.

President Welding led the "Pledge of Allegiance." Welding reminded everyone that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law was posted in the meeting room.

School board meeting notice omplied with Meeting Notice Policy #204.07. Posting was done on the High School building window and post office bulletin board.

Ron Bode motioned and Steve Busteed second to approve the Consent Agenda: #5-Minutes of Regular Meeting, #6-Adopt the Agenda, #7-Financial Report, #8-Board Bills. Motion carried, Vote 5-0.

AMAZON, 3,131.38; Antelope County Clerk, 457.20; APPEARA, 558.67; APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES, 6,215.50; Baylor Enterprises, Inc, 500.00; BECK-MAN LUMBER, INC, 208.50; Bishop Business, 449.29; BLACK HILLS ENERGY, 1,542.82; BOONE COUN-

TY CLERK, 55.18; COR Therapeutic Services, LLC, 1,950.00; COR-NER SERVICE AND TIRE, 44.75; Dana F. Cole & Company, LLP, 2,674.00; DEAN'S MARKET, 231.71; EAKES OFFICE PLUS, 1,579.86; EDpuzzle, Inc., 13.50; ELGIN BODY & GLASS, 585.08; ELGIN ONE-STOP, 3,206.76; ELGIN PHARMA-CY, 6.30; ELGIN REVIEW, 94.92; ELKHORN RURAL POWER DIS-TRICT, 3,180.20; ESU #8, 49,670.70; Great America Financial Services, 1,350.10; GREAT PLAINS COMM., INC., 337.10; HAMPTON INN--KE-ARNEY, 764.75; ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING, 1,192.63; KAHOOT!, 47.88; KEN'S INSTRUMENT RE-PAIR, 208.00; KOINZAN ENTER-PRISES, INC, 91.94; MAJOR RE-FIRGERATION CO, INC, 1,030.66; MENARDS, 106.57; MID-AMERI-CAN RESEARCH CHEM, 3,918.03; NEBRASKA COUNCIL SCHOOL ADM, 205.00; OLSON'S PEST 110.00; ONE-TECHNICIANS, SOURCE, 53.00; REPAIR, LLC, 40.00; Rise Broadband, 11.27; SAMS Club, 1,824.64; Sands Truck Service and Repair LLC, 743.18; SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIRS, 270.78; STAHLS, 4,883.30; State of Nebraska, 1,077.22; TIME MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS, INC, 71.07; TPRS eBooks, 50.00; Veik, Meghan, 29.40; Ventris Learning, 90.00; VERIZON WIRELESS, 65.12;

WAGEWORKS, INC., 144.50 Totals: 95,072.46 There were no visitors. In committee reports, the Americanism committee met before the meeting and completed their checklist.

In the Principal report, Mr. Wemhoff went over the past months activities and talked about upcoming activities. In the Supt. report, Mr. Brock-

haus reminded board members to complete self-evaluations for the December board meeting. In action items, Todd Heithoff motioned and Ron Bode seconded

to accept the 2024-2025 audit by Dana F. Cole & Company. Vote 5-0, motion carried. Beckman motioned and Busteed seconded to approve the pur-

for \$5,428 from Dollamur Sport Surfaces. Vote 5-0, motion carried. Approval of second reading of Policy 718.01 Travel Costs Related to Federal Grants was motioned by

Beckman, seconded by Heithoff.

chase of a Wolfpack Wrestling Mat

Vote 5-0, motion carried. Busteed motioned to approve the contract of Katlyn Miller as K-12 School Counselor for the 2026-2027 school year. Bode seconded. Vote 5-0, motioned carried.

Approval of the purchase of the Professional Development Program through Boys Town for \$4,495.50 was motioned by Busteed, seconded by Heithoff. Vote 5-0, motion carried.

Heithoff motioned to approve the bid from Binswanger for \$6,635.30 to repair the crash bars on the Ag and Activities door. Bode

seconded. Vote 5-0, motion car-Busteed motioned to approve

the bid to move the bleachers in the gym to replace the flooring underneath the bleachers from Heartland Seating. Beckman seconded the motion. Vote 5-0, motion carried.

The approval to remove and replace the flooring under the bleachers was tabled until the next meeting. Heithoff motioned, Busteed

seconded to approve the bid from Heartland seating for \$2,620 to inspect and service the bleachers. Vote 5-0, motion carried. In discussion items, the superin-

tendent evaluation was discussed. Discussion about having the basketball hoops and time clocks inspected yearly was also discussed.

The next regular board meeting will be on Wednesday, December 10, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the EPS Board Room.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bode and seconded by Busteed. Vote taken was 5-0, motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted. Ron Bode, Secretary Jessica Niewohner, Recorder

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Elgin FFA qualifies 3 livestock judging teams for state District X competition last week at Ord featured 16 FFA Chapters



time for District X.

Michael Selting)

Faith

On Monday, November 10 the District X Livestock Judging

competition was held in Ord. District X is made of 16 FFA Chapters

from Ainsworth, Burwell, Boyd County, Chambers, Loup County, Keya Paha (Springview), Rock County (Bassett), Elkhorn Valley, Elgin, Stuart, Sargent, O'Neill, Wheeler Central, West Holt, Ord

and Nebraska Ag Academy (Home school members). To qualify for

Qualifying for Elgin in the Senior Division were Gemma Miller,

Dannyka Smidt, Kyla Donaldson and Haley Parks (Kyndal Busteed

Schrad, Sophia Burke, Anna Dworak and Evin Pelster (Max Henn

Poultry Judging is also a competition that is scheduled at this

Elgin FFA members who have qualified for state were Elizabeth

Moser, Gemma Miller, Kinley Miller, and Haley Parks (Alternate

the state competition a chapter must have a team in the top five.

Qualifying for Elgin in the Junior Division were Kaidynce

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I don't want to see her suffer, and I think she's tried to spare me from that. So far, she's been all smiles when I visit.

A pilgrimage to Lourdes, France, in June has helped. Though Patty wasn't healed of cancer, she did receive a months-long reprieve from pain. A round of chemo that began about a month ago has brought some expected nausea. But she's had medicine to help with that. One day at a time, immersed in prayer and aided by loved ones. That's how my sister Patty seems to be coping, and it's worked beautifully for her so far.

I need to follow her example as we journey with her. May you be praised, Lord, in all circumstances, for all graces - even for cancer, even for Sister Death. Please provide healing, strength and grace for all who suffer, especially children.

Among the Elgin FFA chapter members qualifying for state at the district livestock judging contest last week were (front row, I-r): Evin Pelster, Sophia Burke, Anna Dworak and Kaidynce Schrad. Back row: Elizabeth Moser, Kinley Miller, Haley Parks, Gemma Miller, Kyla Donaldson and Dannyka Smidt.

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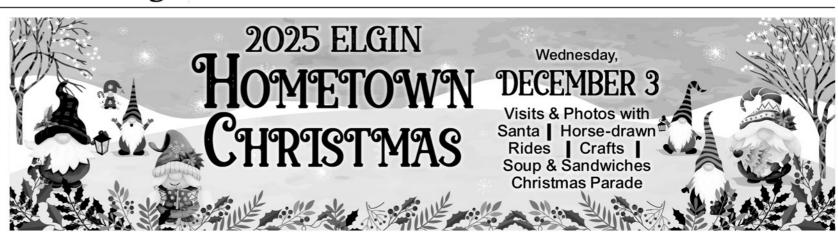


CARD OF THANKS:

Thank You to the Community... The family of Carolyn Beckman would like to thank the community of [Petersburg|Elgin|Albion] for the generosity, kindness, prayers and support shown last week for her visitation and funeral. To Father John Norman and Deacon John Starman, thank you for a beautiful service and all your prayers. To the St. John's Guitar Group, thank you for the beautiful music. You had many of us wiping away tears. For those who shared stories, handshakes and hugs at the visitation and funeral, thank you for being there. For those who gave a donation in Carolyn's memory, thank you for your support. Your donations have been split evenly between St. John's Catholic Church and Pope John Central Catholic High School. Lastly, thank you to everyone who gave your time and shared a dish or dessert for the wonderful luncheon after the funeral. We are grateful for your presence and your home cookin'. It was a blessing to share this time, reconnect and visit with all of you in honor of Carolyn.

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PASSPORT PHOTOS: Official U.S. and foreign passport and Visa photos available here. Available in under ten minutes. \$10 plus tax. Appointments highly recommended. The Elgin Review, 116 South 2nd St, Elgin NE. 402-843-5500.



Crossword Clues

CLUES ACROSS

1. Popular broadcast

network 4. Train line

10. Go quickly

11. Straightforward 12. Canadian province

14. Swiss river 15. It can be straight or

curved 16. Edit

18. Utter repeatedly 22. Gotten up 23. Sea vessel

24. Agents of one's

demise 26. Not out

27. Something to scratch 28. A round water pot

30. Slang for cylindrical green fruit

31. Promotions 34. Masses of matter

36. Soviet Socialist Re-37. Nightstand item

39. The content of cog-40. Arab ruler

41. Northern U.S. state 42. Chewed in small bites

48. Hawaiian island 50. More thin

51. Of one 52. Rigid bracelet or 53. Barbary sheep 54. Not even

55. Atomic #106

56. Haggle

58. Boxing's GOAT 59. Division of a group

into opposing factions 60. Vietnamese offensive

CLUES DOWN 1. Horse-drawn carriage

2. Prejudices

3. Peacefully 4. University athletic

official

5. Soldiers 6. Large mollusk

7. Take out again 8. Sour or bitter in taste

9. Songwriter Tunstall

12. Husk of wheat 13. Flexible covering in

some birds

17. Energy 19. Night monkey genus

20. Small nails 21. Colorless volatile

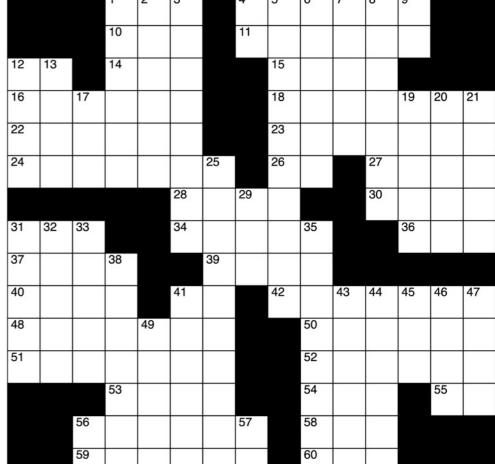
25. In a way, changes

integrity 29. Mark Wahlberg's stuffed animal

31. Remember it 32. "Good Will Hunting"

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Strip Grazing

Getting the most from winter feed resources

As fall moves toward winter, many producers across Nebraska are looking at how to stretch feed resources while keeping costs in check. Whether it's winter pasture, crop residue, or stockpiled annuals, one of the most effective ways to extend grazing days and improve animal performance is through strip grazing.

otrip grazing sim ply means allocating a small portion of the field or pasture to livestock at a time using temporary electric fencing. Once the forage in that area is grazed down, the fence

is moved forward to provide access to the next strip. It's a simple concept, but the benefits can be significant. Research and producer expe-

rience show that strip grazing can increase harvest efficiency by 30% or more compared to unrestricted access. When cows have access to the whole field, they tend to trample and waste more feed—especially when conditions are wet or snow-covered. By controlling access, waste is reduced and feed use is improved.

Strip grazing also helps manage forage quality. For crop residues or stockpiled annuals, it encourages animals to

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ly across the field. While diet quality may start slightly lower, the average quality is maintained longer compared to open access, where cows quickly consume the best feed and are left with the poorest at the end. One consideration

graze more uniform-

with residue grazing is potential feed loss over time. Leaf and bulk of the diet, and UNL research shows these portions are often the first to blow away during windy

Nebraska weather. Stretching the grazing period increases the risk that cattle may miss out on those higher-quality compo-

This December, Nebraska Extension will host a webinar on grazing standing milo, with in-person viewing locations across the state. The session will highlight work from Missouri on strip grazing milo and cover topics such as electric fence setup, estimating feed availability, and balancing rations for cows grazing these forages. Contact your local Extension office for details.

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ing the fence every few days can noticeably extend grazing. Moves can be flexible—set up a week's worth of feed during busy times, then switch to more frequent shifts when labor allows. Always plan fencing with your water source in mind.

As feed costs continue to climb, getting the most out of what's already in the fieldwhether winter pasture, crop residue, or stockpiled annuals—can pay big dividends. Strip grazing remains one of the simplest and most effective ing strategy.

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of most holidays, but they're particularly prominent during celebrations that fall at the end of the year. The customs people hold dear are among the many factors that set the holiday season apart. It's why we eat turkey when giving thanks or kiss under the mistletoe.

Just because a holiday is associated with various established traditions doesn't mean individuals and families cannot come up with new customs. Here are some pointers for people seeking to establish new holiday traditions.

Identify what you value

Values establish the foundation for holiday traditions. Maybe you aspire to give back to your community? Perhaps the goal is to spend more quality time with family? Once you've identified the values driving your motivation to start a new holiday tradition, you can then establish one that aligns with those values. For example, if you aspire to give back, then a day of service at a nearby soup kitchen can become a holiday



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Expand on an existing tradition New traditions do not have to be entirely unique; they could expand on things that families already do. If family baking

How to create new holiday traditions

sessions are an existing tradition, perhaps the efforts can be expanded to include more family members? Extra items can be packaged up and shared with elderly neighbors who may no longer have a lot of family visiting or can't bake on their

Reflect on childhood traditions

Perhaps there is something adults did during their own porated into modern traditions? An adult who has fond memories of playing a game in between courses of the holiday dinner can engage in that same game to pass it on to another generation.

Get inspired

Although scouring social media can create feelings of inequality or even competition as everyone posts their holiday activities, such searching also can provide inspiration for innovative traditions. If something a friend is doing looks like it can be fun and rewarding, families



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Engage the entire family in discussions about traditions they may want to include in holiday celebrations as well as what ones they may not enjoy. For example, traditions that foster over-consumption or be eliminated and replaced with customs that make everyone feel better. Involve others

Part of the magic of the hol-

idays is the chance to connect with others. Expand holiday traditions to include more people. If a home is not large enough to handle a crowd, think about renting a room at a VFW center or firehouse, where a greater number of people can get together to create wreaths or even watch holiday movies. The more, the merrier this time of year.



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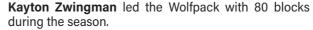
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Wolfpack's 'balanced' attack made them one of the best area teams

ELGIN — Year Three of the Jordynn Luettel era of Wolfpack volleyball ended with Wolfpack fans celebrating success again.

The Wolfpack volleyball team put together a 21-11 season, coming up one match short of a berth in the Class D1 State Volleyball Tournament.

In the district final, Southwest denied the Wolfpack a trip to state, winning the match three sets to none. A match which began with energy and promise came to an end with tears and the knowledge that EPPJ played well, but not well enough to win on that day against the Roughriders which heavily relied on twin sisters nearly 6' tall.

A look back at the 2025 season shows a team that dominated lesser opponents.

The highlight of the season rom a team standpoint may have been defeating O'Neill St. Mary's three sets to one to claim the Niobrara Valley Conference championship. With the title theirs, the Wolfpack rode the crest of momentum to a subdistrict championship played here in Elgin.

The season showed another key fact. In 10 of their 11 losses, some of which came against teams who did advance to the state tournament, they were swept in all but one match.

The Wolfpack were built for success and it showed in final season statistics (courtesy of MaxPreps).

An offense built on balance, the Wolfpack had 967 kills on 2,920 swings during the season. Junior Braelyn Martinsen led the way with 255 kills. Others with more than 100 kills during the season were Kayton Zwingman 194, Camry Kittelson 151, Mady Kurpgeweit 149 and Jael Lammers 147. Few teams could match EPPJ in that category. From the service line, Kit-

telson led the team with 36 ace serves, Martinsen had 27 and Brooke Kinney had 20. Kayton Zwingman led EPPJ

in blocks with 80, freshman Lillian Moser had 34. The Wolfpack came into the

season with not a lot of experience in the back row. But, by the end of the season, it had become one of the team's strengths.

Freshman Gentry Zwingman led the team in digs with 379, Martinsen was second with 349 while Kittelson had 281 and Kinney finished with 277.

Gentry Zwingman led the team in serve receive with 451. Kinney also topped the 400 mark with 414. Others in triple figures were Martinsen 263 and Lammers with 101.

One thing is for certain - next year's Wolfpack team will be experienced.

Only three players will not be back (due to graduation). They are Kayton Zwingman, Tessa Barlow and Camry Kittelson.

Kills (#/Att/E) - Casey Kittelson 151/500/88; Gentry Zwing-

man 1/4/0, Brooke Kinney 3/9/2, Kayton Zwingman 194/485/51, Braelyn Martinsen 255/768/146, Mady Kurpgeweit 149/417/80, Kinley Drueke 0/2/1, Jael Lammers 147/526/77, Lillian Moser 41/114/25, tals: 1668/537 Aubrie Parks 20/91/17, Elizabeth Ball Moser 11/15/1, Halle Lueking 0/3/1. BHE) — Team totals: 967/2920/484

Serving (A/SA) — Tessa Barlow 12/124, Kittelson 36/405, G. Zwingman 13/344, Kinney 20/312, K. Zwingman 0/2, Martinsen 27/294, Sophia Burke 14/142, E. Moser 28/274. Team totals: 150/1897

Blocking (BS/BA) - Barlow 1/0, Kittelson 0/2, K. Zwingman 75/5, Martinsen 22/3, Kurpgeweit 30/2, Lammers 11/2, L. Moser 32/2, Parks 2/0. Team totals: 162/16

Digging (D/DE) — Barlow 16/11, Kittelson 281/68, G. Zwingman 379/130, Kinney 277/102, K. Zwingman 36/12, Martinsen 349/88, Kurpgeweit 50/17, Lammers 76/18, L. Moser 26/10, Burke 22/18, Parks 16/11, E. Moser 145/52. Team to-

handling (Ast/BHA/ Barlow 0/3/0, Kittelson 473/1342/35, G. Zwingman 10/33/0, Kinney 38/211/7, K. Zwingman 1/6/0, Martinsen 19/85/1, Kurpgeweit 0/1/0, Lammers 1/14/1, L. Moser 2/5/1, Burke 0/2/0, E.; Moser 350/1050/24. Team totals: 862/2687/68

Serve receive (R/RE) - Barlow 6/0, Kittelson 31/9, G. Zwingman 451/40, Kinney 414/91, K. Zwingman 6/2, Martinsen 263/37, Drueke 1/0, Lammers 101/23, Burke 2/1, Parks 0/2, E. Moser 1/3. Team totals: 1272/207



A junior, Braelyn Martinsen led all Wolfpack hitters with 255 kills during the season.